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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Elon Musk has announced the very formation of a new political party in the US, named the 'America Party'
- ❖ PM Modi was honoured with the symbolic 'Key to the City of Buenos Aires' during his historic Argentina visit.
- ❖ Himachal Pradesh becomes India's first state to the very use Aadhaar-based face authentication (FaceAuth) for ration distribution under the Public Distribution System (PDS).

TAMIL NADU NEWS

Fifth Tamil Nadu Police Commission – Prison deaths

TN Panel Recommends Pay Hike for Constables

The 5th Tamil Nadu Police Commission has recommended a pay hike for police constables, aligning their salaries with counterparts in the Union govt and other States. **It proposed raising the pay scale from ₹18,200-₹52,900 to ₹21,700-₹69,100. The report also suggests increasing the minimum educational qualification to Class XII and addressing police mental health issues through periodic reviews and well-being programs.** The commission, formed in 2022, submitted its recommendations to Chief Minister M.K. Stalin recently.

- ❖ The Fifth Tamil Nadu Police Commission urged firm disciplinary action against abuse of authority and brutal handling of suspects by police personnel.
- ❖ The Commission emphasized prompt internal investigation and immediate action in cases of verbal abuse, wrongful detentions, false case registration, biased investigations, and selective law enforcement.
- ❖ It has recommended the strict implementation of the Supreme Court guidelines issued in the Arnesh Kumar vs. State of Bihar case to minimise the unnecessary arrests.
- ❖ Detention of women, children, medically unfit individuals, and persons under the influence of alcohol in police stations was strictly discouraged.

- ❖ Mandatory medical examination of all detained persons was recommended, along with follow-up action based on the medical findings.
- ❖ Sufficient police personnel must be assigned to guard any detained individual to ensure their safety in custody.

ADT 59 Paddy Variety



- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Rice Research Institute (TRRI), Aduthurai, has introduced a new short-duration paddy variety, ADT 59.
- ❖ It was gaining popularity among Cauvery delta farmers for the Kuruvai crop.
- ❖ ADT 59 delivers 15-20% higher yields compared to traditional varieties like ADT 37 and ASD 16.
- ❖ The Farmers have harvesting up to 4,000 kilograms per acre under the Kuruvai conditions.
- ❖ The variety requires only 50% of the fertilizer input used by conventional strains, making it cost-effective for farmers.
- ❖ ADT 59 shows strong resistance to salinity and pests such as stem borers, blast disease, and brown leaf spot, ensuring healthier crops.
- ❖ With a grain maturity period of 110-115 days, the variety is well-suited for the Kuruvai, Navarai, and summer seasons.

Arignar Anna Leadership Awards 2025

- ❖ Tamil Nadu Govt Schools were honored with Arignar Anna Leadership Awards.
- ❖ 100 Government School Headmasters received this Awards.
- ❖ Education Minister presents Awards to Top Tamil Nadu School Principals.

- ❖ 4,552 Schools get Appreciation Certificates for Learning Challenge.
- ❖ ₹10 Lakh Funds were awarded to Trichy Schools for Infrastructure.
- ❖ Perasiriyar Anbazhagan Awards were given to 76 Outstanding Schools.



2025 Kuruvai Farming in Cauvery Delta

Paddy coverage during Kar/Kuruvai Sornavari in 2025-26 (in acres)			
	District	Kuruvai coverage*	
		2024	2025
Delta (Kuruvai)	Cuddalore	23,700	24,996
	Tiruchi	1,991	2,922
	Ariyalur	2,470	4,503
	Thanjavur	89,379	1,02,880
	Nagapattinam	1,279	8,563
	Mayiladuthurai	87,174	79,682
	Tiruvarur	43,620	86,092
	Delta total	2,49,613	3,09,639
Non-delta	Kar (southern districts)	30,786	45,184
	Kuruvai (Including April & May planting)	35,973	25,933
	Sornavari (northern districts)	2,40,724	2,57,379
	Non-delta total	3,07,483	3,28,495
	Grand total	5,57,096	6,38,134

*As on June 30, 2025

- ❖ Kuruvai (short-term rice) farming has started well in Tamil Nadu's Cauvery delta, with 3.09 lakh acres planted so far out of the 5.7 lakh-acre target.
- ❖ This is 60,000 acres more than last year, showing better progress even outside the main delta area.
- ❖ The Mettur dam, which is very important for the delta, is almost full with 93 tmcft (thousand million cubic feet) of water.

- ❖ In June, Tamil Nadu got 42.25 tmcft of water at Biligundlu, much more than the usual 9.19 tmcft.

Samooga Needhi Viduthigal

- ❖ All government-run hostels in Tamil Nadu will now be called 'Samooga Needhi Viduthigal' (Social Justice Hostels).
- ❖ This aims to remove the caste and religious labels and create equality among the students.
- ❖ The State runs 2,739 hostels, helping 1.79 lakh poor and marginalised students from various communities.
- ❖ The decision is followed the suggestions from a committee led by retired judge K. Chandru to reduce caste differences in schools and colleges.

**“ஏழை மாணவர்
விடுதி சமூகநீதி
விடுதி என
அழைக்கப்படும்”**



- ஏழை மாணவர்களுக்கான பள்ளி, கல்லூரி விடுதிகள் சமூகநீதி விடுதிகள் என அழைக்கப்படும்
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- ரத்த பேதம், பால் பேதம் இல்லை என்பதுதான் திராவிட இயக்கத்தின் கருதுகோள்
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Zaarooz app

- ❖ From July 1, restaurant owners in Namakkal stopped using Swiggy and Zomato due to high commission fees and hidden charges.
- ❖ Instead, they began using Zaarooz, a Tamil Nadu-based food delivery app from Chidambaram in Cuddalore district.

- ❖ Zaaroz runs on a very low-cost monthly subscription model—₹1,500 (+GST) for messes/bakeries, ₹3,000 (+GST) for restaurants—with no commission per order.
- ❖ Around 50 eateries have joined the platform, saving 90% in costs compared to the earlier aggregators who charged ₹20,000–₹30,000 monthly.
- ❖ Hotel owners in Tiruchengode and Rasipuram are also planning to join Zaaroz soon.

For Home Delivery

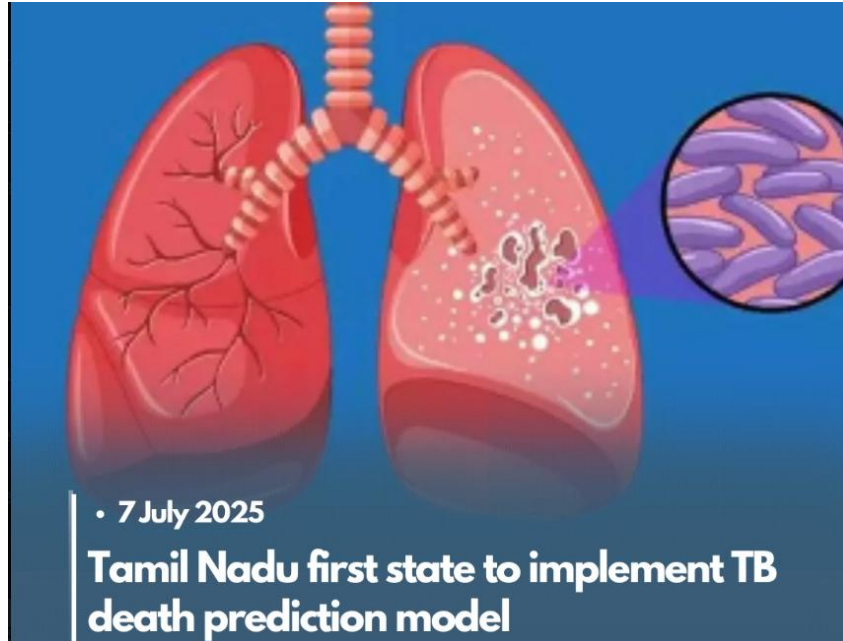


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Kasanoi Erappila Thittam (TN-KET)

- ❖ Tamil Nadu has become the first Indian state to integrate a predictive model for tuberculosis (TB) deaths into its TB elimination programme.
- ❖ The model was developed by the Indian Council of Medical Research - National Institute of Epidemiology (ICMR-NIE).
- ❖ It used data from 56,000 TB patients treated in state-run facilities between July 2022 and June 2023.
- ❖ The goal is to identify the severely ill TB patients early, speed up their admission, and begin immediate treatment to reduce deaths.
- ❖ The new system is built into the state's TB SeWA (Severe TB Web Application).
- ❖ It will be used under the Tamil Nadu - Kasanoi Erappila Thittam (TN-KET) care initiative.

- ❖ The application flags the patients based on risk factors like very low body weight, inability to stand, or co-infection with HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus).



Special Officers Term Extension 2025

Since January 5, over 90,000 posts in rural local bodies spread over 28 districts went unoccupied


Office/seat	Number of vacancies
Village Panchayat president	9,624
Village Panchayat ward member	76,746
Panchayat Union Chairperson	314
Panchayat Union ward member	5,090
District Panchayat chairperson	28
District Panchayat ward member	515
TOTAL	92,317

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu state government extends the term of Special Officers (SOs) for administering rural local bodies by six more months, till January 5, 2026.
- ❖ The extension covers 9,581 village panchayats, 314 panchayat union councils, and 28 district panchayats across 28 districts.
- ❖ An ordinance will be promulgated to formalise the extension, to be replaced by a bill in the next Assembly session.

- ❖ SOs were appointed after the elected representatives' term ended on January 5, 2024.
- ❖ The government cited delays in reorganisation of local bodies and pending ward delimitation as reasons for the extension.

NATIONAL NEWS

Faculty Rules 2025



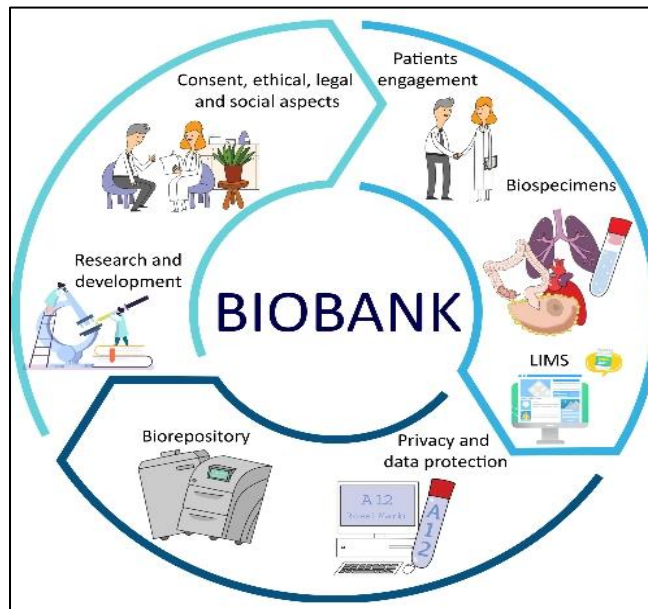
	Medical Council of India	National Medical Commission
Members	100+	25
Tenure	5 yrs	4 yrs (part-time members 2 yrs)
Appointment	70% Elected	Majority nominated
Extension	Could be renominated/reelected	Those nominated by Centre cannot be renominated
Quorum	15 of 100+ members	13 of 25 members
Meeting mandate	At least once a year	Every quarter

- ❖ The National Medical Commission (NMC) introduces new faculty regulations to expand medical education in India.
- ❖ Medical council revises faculty eligibility norms to boost medical college capacity.
- ❖ NMC's 2025 rules ease faculty requirements, enable growth of medical seats.
- ❖ New NMC regulations focus on competency to widen medical faculty pool.
- ❖ NMC 2025 guidelines allow non-teaching hospitals as medical teaching centers.
- ❖ Medical faculty rules have been updated to support the expansion of MBBS and MD/MS seats.

National Biobank

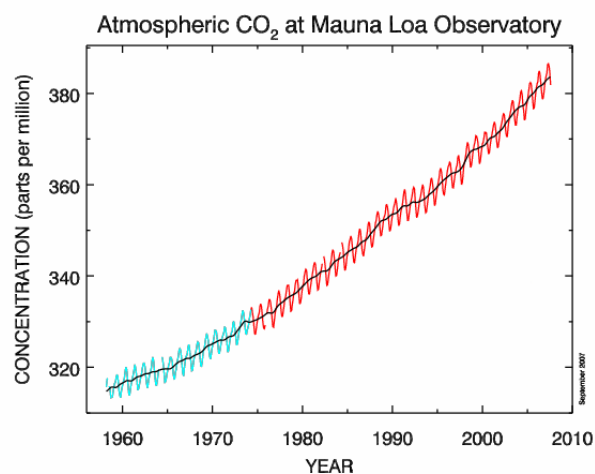
- ❖ Centre has inaugurated the Phenome India National Biobank at CSIR-Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (CSIR-IGIB), Delhi.
- ❖ The Biobank will gather genomic, lifestyle, and clinical data from 10,000 diverse Indian participants.

- ❖ It is modeled on the UK Biobank.
- ❖ It aims to improve the early disease diagnosis and personalized treatments for conditions like diabetes, cancer, and rare genetic disorders.
- ❖ It focuses on India-specific health issues such as the central obesity and complex heterogeneous conditions.



ENVIRONMENT NEWS

Mauna Loa Climate Station



- ❖ The United States government plans to stop for funding the Mauna Loa Climate Observatory in Hawaii.

- ❖ This may result in the shutdown of one of the world's longest-running carbon dioxide monitoring stations after 65 years.
- ❖ The Mauna Loa station was established in 1958 by scientist Charles Keeling.
- ❖ It has provided consistent data on atmospheric carbon dioxide (CO₂), forming the iconic "Keeling Curve."
- ❖ The observatory's high-altitude and remote location enabled accurate tracking of CO₂ levels, helping confirm human-driven climate change.

STATES' NEWS

Free Educational Kits in Andhra Pradesh



- ❖ The Andhra Pradesh state government launched the 'Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Vidyarthi Mitra Kits' scheme.
- ❖ This scheme is to provide the free educational kits to over 35 lakh students in government and aided schools for the 2025–26 academic year.
- ❖ Kits include the uniforms, shoes, belts, socks, school bags, textbooks, notebooks, workbooks, and dictionaries.
- ❖ This scheme replaces the previous 'Jagananna Vidya Kanuka' kits.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

The Trust of Dalai Lama - Gaden Phodrang

- ❖ The 14th Dalai Lama in Dharamshala at Himachal Pradesh asserted for the first time that the line will continue after him.
- ❖ The succession or the 15th Dalai Lama would be decided by the Gaden Phodrang Trust.



- ❖ It cites a Qing dynasty tradition of picking the Dalai Lama's successor through lots from a "Golden Urn".
- ❖ Dalai Lama has lived in India since 1959.
- ❖ He fled Lhasa in Tibet years after the Chinese annexed Tibet in 1951.
- ❖ Gaden Phodrang was the name of the Tibetan government.
- ❖ It was established by the 5th Dalai Lama, Ngawang Lobsang Gyatso or 'the Great Fifth', as both the Spiritual and Political head of a unified Tibet.
- ❖ It was coined from the name of the historical estate of the Dalai Lamas at the Drepung Monastery.
- ❖ In 2011, the 14th Dalai Lama set up the Gaden Phodrang Trust as he decided to separate the Spiritual and Political powers of his post.

