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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Adani Group commissioned the India's first transnational project at Godda in Jharkhand to supply power to the Bangladesh electricity grid.
- ❖ Indian shooter Prithviraj Tondaiman bagged the bronze medal in the men's trap event at the ISSF Shotgun World Cup Lonato 2023 in Italy.
- ❖ Operation Trinetra-II is jointly carried out by the Army and the Jammu-Kashmir Police to neutralize hiding terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ❖ The Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) and the Government of Maharashtra launched the PM MITRA Park in Amravati.
- ❖ The G20 Global Food Regulators Summit 2023 is organised by FSSAI in Delhi.
- ❖ The External Affairs Minister co-chaired the 12th Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC) meeting in Bangkok.
- ❖ The World Bank has approved \$1.5 billion in financing to accelerate the development of India's low carbon energy sector.

TAMIL NADU

Book on importance of mangroves ecosystem



- ❖ A book on the importance of the mangrove ecosystem authored by scientists from the M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF) was released recently.
- ❖ The pictorial book titled Biodiversity and Importance of Mangrove Ecosystem.

- ❖ It contains descriptions of mangrove species across India, medicinal uses of mangroves, and several wildlife creatures that thrive in the ecosystem.

NATIONAL

New Guidelines for the Designation of Senior Advocates in SC

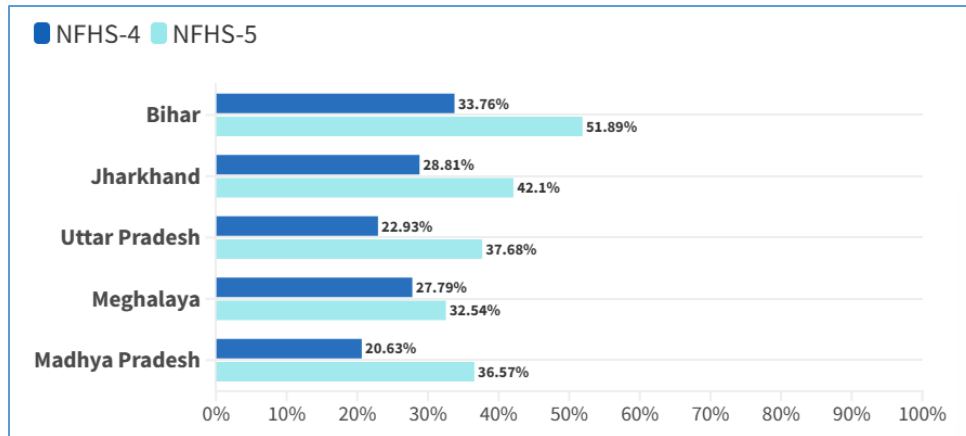


- ❖ The Supreme Court has published new guidelines for the designation of senior advocates practicing mainly in the Apex Court.
- ❖ This guideline replaced the guidelines issued by the top court in 2018, in the aftermath of its 2017 ruling in Indira Jai Singh v. Union of India.
- ❖ These guidelines come after the ruling delivered by a three-judge bench led by Justice SK Kaul.
- ❖ This case seeking modification in the conferment of ‘senior advocate’ designation guidelines rendered in a 2017 SC ruling.
- ❖ The new guidelines prescribe the minimum age as 45 years to apply for the ‘senior advocate’ designation.
- ❖ This age limit may, however, be relaxed by the Committee, the Chief Justice of India, or a Supreme Court judge if they have recommended an advocate’s name.
- ❖ However, no minimum age was prescribed under the 2017 guidelines or even the current SC ruling.
- ❖ The 2017 guidelines say that the CJI along with “any judge” can recommend an advocate’s name for designation.
- ❖ But the 2023 guidelines specify that the CJI along with “any Judge of the Supreme Court”.

2nd Edition of National Multidimensional Poverty Index

- ❖ NITI Aayog released a Report ‘National Multidimensional Poverty Index: A Progress Review 2023’.
- ❖ India has registered a significant decline of 9.89 percentage points in the number of multidimensionally poor.

- ❖ It falls from 24.85% in 2015-16 to 14.96% in 2019-2021.
- ❖ It claims that about 13.5 crore people came out of multidimensional poverty during the period.
- ❖ Rural areas witnessed the fastest decline in poverty from 32.59% to 19.28%.
- ❖ Delhi, Kerala, Goa and Tamil Nadu have the least number of people facing multidimensional poverty along with the Union Territories.
- ❖ Bihar, Jharkhand, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh have the percentage of total population who are multidimensionally poor is high.
- ❖ Multidimensional poverty in urban areas saw a decrease from 8.65% to 5.27%.
- ❖ Uttar Pradesh registered the largest decline in number of poor with 3.43 crore people escaping multidimensional poverty.
- ❖ Between 2015-16 and 2019-21, the MPI value has nearly halved from 0.117 to 0.066 and the intensity of poverty has reduced from 47% to 44%.



ENVIRONMENT

Gambusia Fish



- ❖ The Andhra Pradesh government has released approximately 10 million Gambusia fish into the state's water bodies.

- ❖ This move aims to combat mosquito-borne diseases like malaria and dengue.
- ❖ The fish is also known as mosquitofish.
- ❖ It is widely used as a biological agent for controlling mosquito larvae.
- ❖ Andhra Pradesh reported approximately 6,391 dengue cases and 2,022 malaria cases in 2022.
- ❖ There have been 2,339 dengue and 1,630 malaria cases registered in the state in the last six months.
- ❖ However, the release of these invasive alien fish species has raised concerns about the potential harm that will be sustained by native species.

REPORTS AND INDICES

IEA Oil 2023 medium-term market report



- ❖ The International Energy Agency (IEA) in collaboration with Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC) launched the Oil 2023 medium-term market report.
- ❖ This report is titled 'IEA Oil 2023 – Supply and demand dynamics to 2028'.

- ❖ The global oil demand is expected to witness a slowdown, nearly halting by 2028.
- ❖ But the petrochemical and aviation sectors are expected to contribute to robust oil demand.
- ❖ The decline in oil consumption for transport is anticipated after 2026.
- ❖ The report indicates that biofuels will contribute to 10% of new liquid fuel supply growth by 2028.
- ❖ Biofuels production expands nearly 600 kb/d from 2022 to 2028.
- ❖ Brazil, Indonesia and India combinedly are accounting for 70% of this increase.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Former Kerala CM Oommen Chandy



- ❖ Former Chief Minister of Kerala Oommen Chandy has passed away.
- ❖ Chandy served as the state's chief minister from 2011 to 2016, and from 2004 to 2006.
- ❖ He had also served as the Opposition leader in the Kerala Assembly from 2006 to 2011.
- ❖ He was the longest-serving legislator in the Kerala Assembly.
- ❖ He had represented the Puthuppally Assembly constituency from 1970 successively until his death.
- ❖ With the winning of 2021, it was his 12th consecutive win from the same seat.

- ❖ He is the only Indian chief minister to achieve award for public service from the United Nations in 2013.
- ❖ He also served as general secretary of the All-India Congress Committee for Andhra Pradesh from 2018 until his death.

SPORTS

Asian athletics championships 2023

25TH ASIAN ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023
MEDAL WINNERS
12TH TO 16TH JULY 2023 SUPACHALASAI NATIONAL STADIUM
BANGKOK, THAILAND

Medal	Name	Event
GOLD	Jyothi Yarraji	Women 100m Hurdles
	K. Jay Kumar Saroj	Men 100m
	Abdulla Abudacker	Men 100m Hurdles
	Tajinderpal Singh	Men 100m
	Parul Chaudhary	Women 100m
	Team India	Women 4x100m Relay
SILVER	Sarvesh	Men 100m
	Shruti Singh	Women 100m Hurdles
	Sreesankar	Men 100m Hurdles
	Swarna Bagman	Women 100m Hurdles
	Priyanka Goswami	Women 200m Hurdles
	Asha Khathia	Women 200m Hurdles
SILVER	Krishna Kumar	Men 200m
	Charna	Women 200m
	Parul Chaudhary	Women 200m
	Jyothi Yarraji	Women 200m
	Manu Prakash	Men 200m Hurdles
	Team India	Women 4x100m Relay
BRONZE	Manpreet Kaur	Women 100m Hurdles
	Gulveer Singh	Men 100m
	Ankita	Women 100m
	Vikas Singh	Men 200m Hurdles
	Tejaswin Shankar	Men 200m Hurdles
BRONZE	Santosh	Men 100m Hurdles
	Abhishek Pal	Men 100m Hurdles
	Aiswarya Mishra	Women 100m Hurdles
	Team India	Women 4x100m Relay

- ❖ India recorded a fine show at the 2023 Asian Athletics Championships over the last five days to finish with 27 medals - six gold, 12 silver and nine bronze.
- ❖ In terms of medals won, this campaign is India's best ever away from home.
- ❖ Japan finished on top with 37 medals, including 16 gold medals.
- ❖ China finished second with 22 medals, including 8 gold medals.

- ❖ India was third place, ahead of Sri Lanka at 4th.
- ❖ Jyothi Yarraji and Parul Chaudhary won medals in two events.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Nelson Mandela International Day 2023 - July 18

- ❖ This day is a commemoration of Nelson Mandela's birthday, to honour his life and legacy.
- ❖ It holds immense significance as it serves as a global call to action for individuals to engage in acts of community service and social activism.
- ❖ On 10 May 1994, he was inaugurated as South Africa's first democratically elected President.
- ❖ Mandela is referred to as the "Father of the Nation" in South Africa.
- ❖ He was felicitated with the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993.
- ❖ "The Legacy Lives on Through You: Climate, Food, and Solidarity" is the theme for this year.

