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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The University of Edinburgh has partnered with the Indian consulate in the UK to develop its first open access course in Hindi language.
- ❖ India defeated Kazakhstan in the final to clinch gold in the Central Asian Volleyball Associations (CAVA) Volleyball Challenge Cup for Women in Kathmandu.
- ❖ Senior bureaucrat Angshumali Rastogi was appointed India's representative to the council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in Montreal, Canada.

TAMIL NADU

Tamil Nadu electorate

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu electorate fell by eight lakh and stood at more than 6.12 crore.
- ❖ It is including 3.11 crore women, 3.01 crore men and more than 7,900 belonging to the third gender.
- ❖ In January this year, the total electorate of Tamil Nadu was 6.20 crore.
- ❖ It is including 3.15 crore women, 3.04 crore men and more than 8,000 from the third gender.
- ❖ Shozhinganallur Assembly Constituency in Chengalpattu district continues to have the highest number of electors in the State with 6,51,077 electors.
- ❖ It is followed by Kavundampalayam Assembly Constituency of Coimbatore district with 4,54,919 electors.
- ❖ The Harbour Assembly Constituency of Chennai district continues to have the lowest number of electors with 1,69,292.
- ❖ Kilvelur Assembly Constituency in Nagapattinam District has the second lowest number of electors in the State with 1,69,750.

NATIONAL

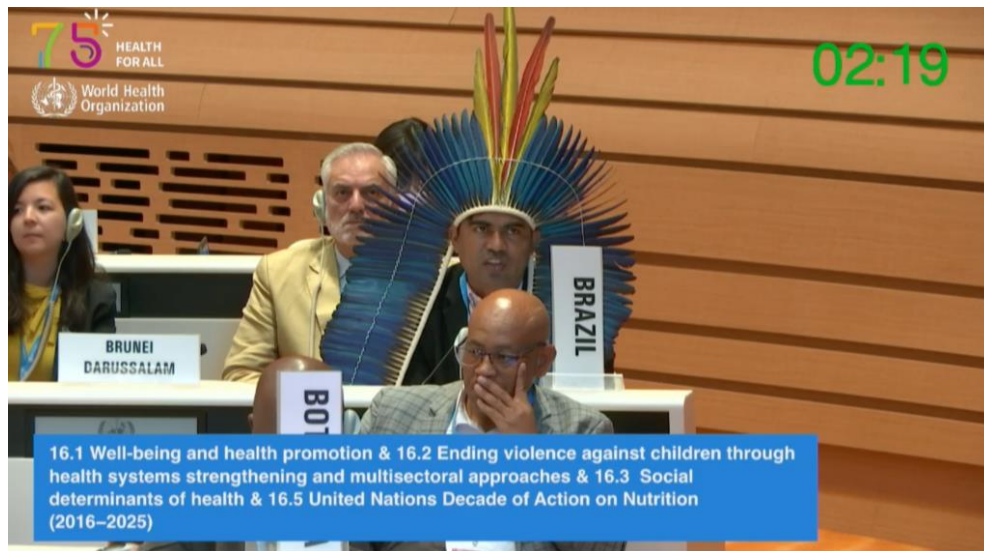
Ministry of Education Report

- ❖ Approximately 35 lakh students enrolled in Class 10 in 2021-2022 did not progress to Class 11.

- ❖ Of these 35 lakh students, 27.5 lakh failed, and 7.5 lakh students did not appear for the Class 10 examinations.
- ❖ The failure rate of students in CBSE and CISCE is as low as 5%.
- ❖ But it was as high as 16% in State Boards.
- ❖ Of the 35 lakh students, only 4.5 lakh students appear in exams through National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS).
- ❖ Also, the failure rates range in NIOS between 47% to 55%.
- ❖ Only 11 States contribute to 85% dropouts, or nearly 30 lakh students.
- ❖ They are Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, Karnataka, Assam, West Bengal, Haryana and Chhattisgarh.
- ❖ The percentage of students passing in Class 10 in Meghalaya is as low as 57%.
- ❖ In Madhya Pradesh, it is 61%, while in Jammu and Kashmir, it is 62%.
- ❖ For Punjab, it is as high as 97.8% and in Kerala, the passing rate is 99.85%.

INTERNATIONAL

Global Plan of Action for the Health of Indigenous People

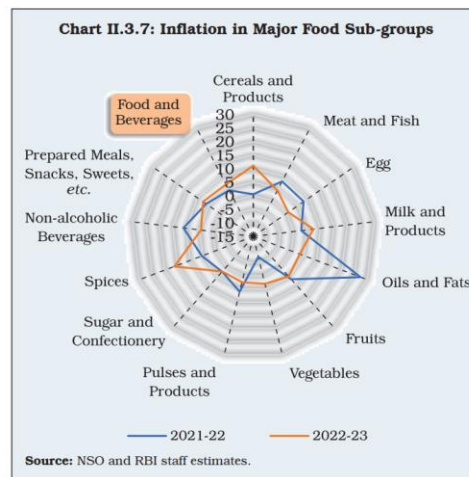
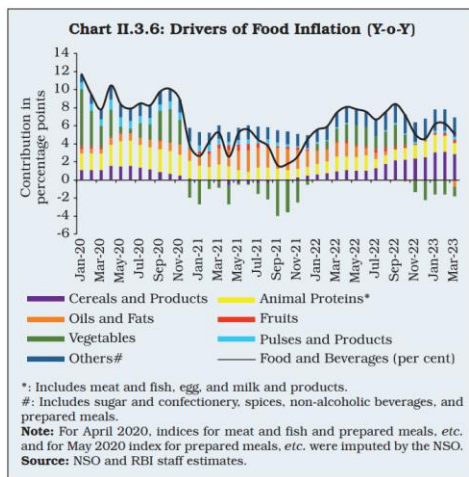


- ❖ World Health Organization accepted a draft resolution that proposed developing a Global Plan of Action for the Health of Indigenous People.
- ❖ The world presently has 476 million indigenous people across the world in about 90 countries, according to the United Nations.
- ❖ They speak 7,000 languages and come from 500 different cultures.

- ❖ The life expectancy of indigenous people is 20 years lower than that of an average person.
- ❖ The 194 member states were urged to develop a collection of ethical data to identify specific requirements of indigenous people and fill in the gaps.

ECONOMY

RBI Annual Report 2022-23



- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India released its annual report for the year 2022-23 recently.
- ❖ The report provides information on the RBI's functioning through the fiscal year as well as the state of the economy.
- ❖ RBI's total income in 2022-23 was ₹2.35 lakh crore.
- ❖ It is 47% more than the ₹1.6 lakh crore number for 2021-22.
- ❖ RBI will transfer a dividend of ₹87,416.2 crore to the Centre.
- ❖ It is more than double the amount transferred in 2021-22.
- ❖ Gross NPA as share of total advances has fallen from 15.5% in 2018-19 to 5.8% in the quarter ending December 2022.
- ❖ 2022-23 saw 13,530 cases of bank frauds involving an amount of ₹30,252 crore.
- ❖ These numbers were 9,097 and ₹59,819 crore in 2021-22.
- ❖ Total Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) fell to a three-year low of \$46 billion in 2022-23.
- ❖ This is 26% lower than the previous fiscal year.
- ❖ During 2022-23, headline inflation averaged 6.7%



- ❖ In value terms, the share of ₹500 and ₹2000 banknotes together accounted for 87.9% of the total value of banknotes in circulation.
- ❖ The value of e-Rupee-Wholesale and e-Rupee-Retail in circulation stood at ₹10.69 crore and ₹5.70 crore, respectively.

Rise in Fake Rs 500 Notes

Denomination-wise Counterfeit Notes Detected			
Denomination (₹)	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
1	2	3	4
2 and 5	9	1	3
10	304	354	313
20	267	311	337
50	24,802	17,696	17,755
100	1,10,736	92,237	78,699
200	24,245	27,074	27,258
500 (Specified Banknotes)	9	14	6
500	39,453	79,669	91,110
1000 (Specified Banknotes)	2	11	482
2000	8,798	13,604	9,806
Total	2,08,625	2,30,971	2,25,769

- ❖ Around 91,110 pieces of fake Rs 500 notes were detected in FY23.
- ❖ During 2022-23, 4.6 per cent Fake Indian Currency Notes were detected at the Reserve Bank and 95.4 per cent at other banks.
- ❖ The central bank reported 78,699 fake Rs 100 notes and 806 fake Rs 2000 notes in the same year.

ENVIRONMENT

Pisodonophis kalinga

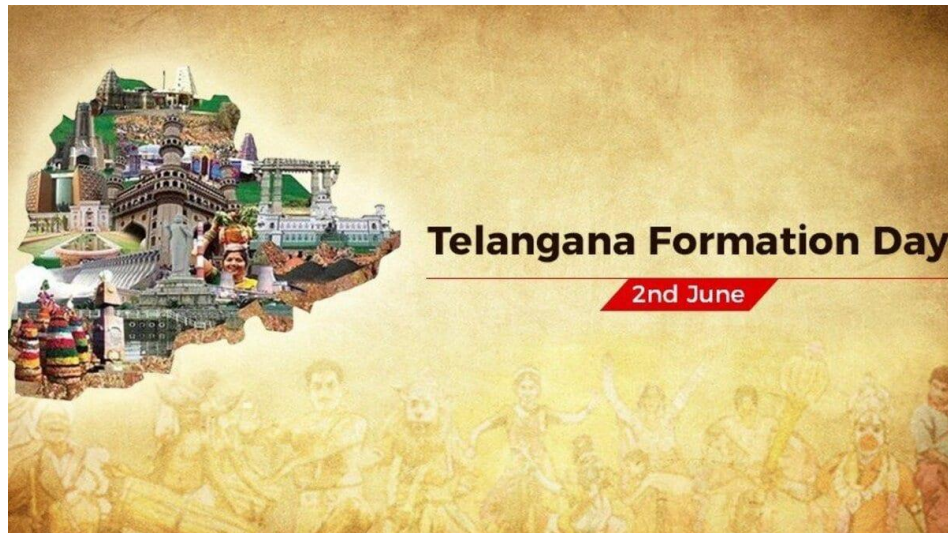
- ❖ The scientists have discovered a new species of eel from Palur canal in Odisha's Ganjam district.
- ❖ The new species has been named Pisodonophis kalinga after the name of ancient Odisha.
- ❖ It belongs to the family Ophichthidae and order Anguilliformes and has a snake-like appearance.

- ❖ With this, there are now a total of three species of *Pisodonophis* in the waters of India.



IMPORTANT DAYS

Telangana Day - June 02



- ❖ The Telugu-speaking regions of Hyderabad were merged with Andhra Pradesh on November 1, 1956 to form a unified state.
- ❖ On July 1, 2013, the Congress Working Committee passed a resolution to form Telangana as a separate state.

- ❖ The Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act 2014 bill was passed in the Parliament in February 2014 for the formation of the Telangana state.
- ❖ The bill was passed by the President of India on March 1, 2014, and the state of Telangana was finally formed on June 2.

Global Day of Parents - June 02

- ❖ In 2012, the General Assembly officially designated this day.
- ❖ It is an opportunity to appreciate and honour the love, dedication, and sacrifices of parents worldwide.
- ❖ The day reflects the importance of parenting and the well-being of families.
- ❖ The United Nations General Assembly declared 1994 as the International Year of the Family.



MISCELLANEOUS

Purana Qila excavations

- ❖ Purana Qila excavations reveal the pre-Mauryan era settlement.
- ❖ The findings include shards of Painted Gray Ware pottery which are usually dated to around 1200 BC to 600 BC.
- ❖ The new excavations have also found remains of a 900-year-old Vaikuntha Vishnu from the Rajput period.

- ❖ A terracotta plaque of Goddess Gaja Lakshmi from the Gupta period, the structural remains of a 2,500-year-old terracotta ring well from the Mauryan period found here.
- ❖ They found a well-defined four-room complex from the Sunga-Kushan period dating back to 2,300 years ago, besides beads, seals, copper coins and a bone needle.

