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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The European Commission and the European Central Bank gave their approval for Croatia to use Euro currency.
 - It will switch to the euro on January 1, 2023.
- ❖ Indian Film-maker Gitanjali Rao is set to be honoured with an award during the 75th edition of the Locarno Film Festival.
- ❖ India's President, inaugurated the 59th Maha Adhiveshan of the Akhil Bhartiya Ayurved Mahasammelan in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh.
- ❖ Sachin Tendulkar will continue as United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) 'Goodwill Ambassador' for a record 20th year.
- ❖ Harini Logan, a 14-year-old Indian-American, won in the 2022 Scripps National Spelling Bee.

TAMIL NADU

Pensioner's digital life certificate

Jeevan Pramaan

an Aadhaar based Biometric enabled
Digital Life Certificate for Pensioners

- 👤 **Completely paperless** issuance of Digital Life Certificate with Aadhaar authentication.
- 👤 **Instant issuance of Certificate** at your doorstep through Postmen or at Post Office near you.
- 👤 **No need for travel** to Pension Department/Banks, Digital Life Certificate details are **directly updated** with the department.
- 👤 Services available at a **nominal fee of Rs. 70** (inclusive of taxes)

How to get Jeevan Pramaan Certificate?

- ☑ Visit any Post Office near you or avail the services through Postman
- ☑ Provide basic details related to your pension account:
 - Pension ID
 - Pension Disbursing Department
 - Mobile Number
 - Pension Payment Order
 - Bank Account details
 - Aadhaar Number
- ☑ Authorize your request with biometric fingerprint scan
- ☑ Digital life certificate will be instantly generated with Pramaan ID sent to you on your mobile. Your Certificate details will be automatically updated with Pension Department.

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government signed a MoU with the India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) for obtaining life certificate from pensioners through doorstep services of the Postal Department.

- ❖ IPPB would transfer it to the doorstep services at a cost of Rs 70 per digital life certificate.

NATIONAL

Mitali Express

- ❖ The railway line connecting India and Bangladesh, the New Jalpaiguri-Dhaka Cantonment 'Mitali Express' was flagged off.
- ❖ The train will cover the distance of around 513 km between New Jalpaiguri in West Bengal and Dhaka Cantonment in Bangladesh.
- ❖ Other trains that run connecting Kolkata with Dhaka and Khulna are the Maitree and Bandhan express.



New spacecraft manufacturing facility

- ❖ The chairman of the ISRO-Somanath inaugurated ANANTH Technologies' spacecraft manufacturing unit at Karnataka.
- ❖ The new state-of-the-art spacecraft manufacturing facility can conduct assembly integration and testing of four large spacecraft simultaneously.
- ❖ This is a first of its kind facility in India, adding that since its establishment in 1992.

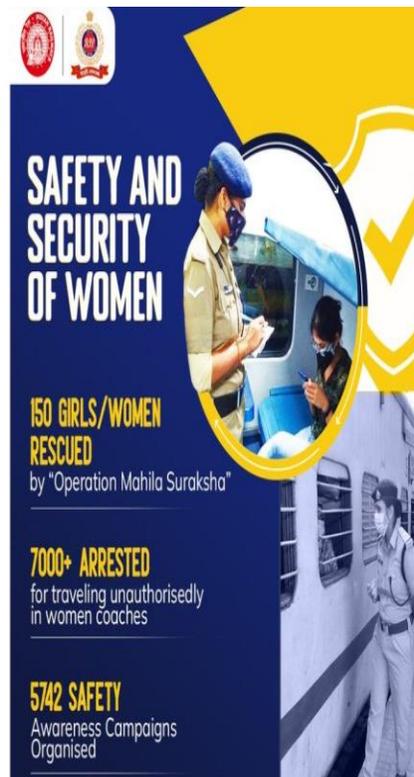
India's first sologamy

- ❖ A 24-year-old girl from Vadodara named Kshama Bindu is getting married to herself.

- ❖ This has been dubbed the country's first 'sologamy'.
- ❖ Sologamy or autogamy is an alternative term for self-marriage.



Operation Mahila Suraksha



- ❖ The pan-India drive "Operation Mahila Suraksha" was launched to ensure women's security.
- ❖ The Railway protection Force arrested more than 7000 unauthorised travellers in coaches reserved for women.

- ❖ It also rescuing 150 girls/women from becoming victims of human trafficking during this month-long Operation.

INTERNATIONAL

Ancient city in Iraq

- ❖ An ancient Iraqi city has been unearthed in the Kurdistan region of Kemune in the country.
- ❖ It is estimated to be close to 3,400 years old Bronze Age.
- ❖ The reason behind its sudden discovery is actually a drought that has depleted the water levels in Iraq's largest reservoir.
- ❖ Team of archaeologists have stated that this ancient city was probably a key hub during the reign of the Mittani Empire from 1550 BC to 1350 BC.



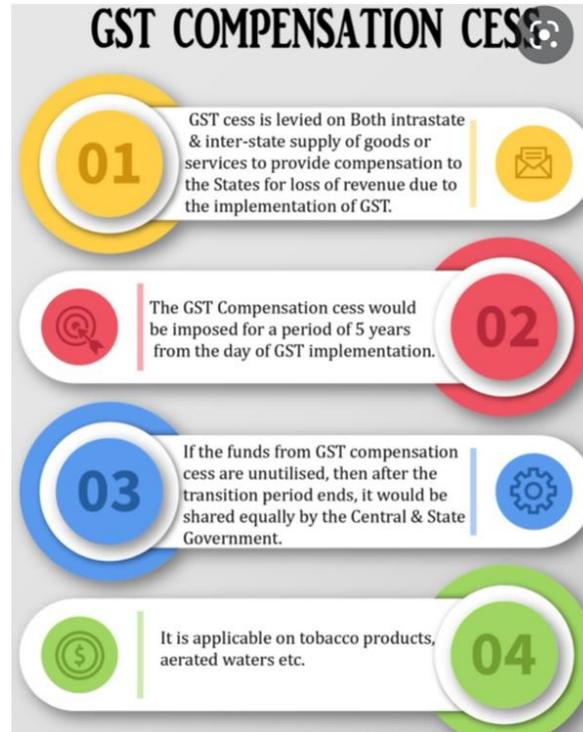
Commercial Flight from Yemen to Egypt

- ❖ The first commercial flight operated from Sanaa Airport, Yemen to Cairo, Egypt
- ❖ This was the seventh flight that was operated under the terms that were brokered by the United Nations.
- ❖ In 2014, the Yemen civil war erupted after the Houthis seized the capital of the country, Sanaa.

- ❖ In early 2015, the Saudi-led coalition entered the war in a bid to restore the government.

ECONOMY

GST compensation debts



- ❖ The Central government has passed Rs 86,912 crore to state governments, the SGST (State Goods and Services Tax) to compensating them for the GST.
- ❖ Following the implementation of the GST on July 1, 2017, the government expected yearly revenue growth of 14%.
- ❖ To compensate states for lost revenue, a cess was imposed on a variety of luxury items and so-called sin goods to raise funds.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Most powerful supercomputer

- ❖ The 59th edition of the Top 500 list of the world's most powerful supercomputers was unveiled by Germany.
- ❖ ORNL's Supercomputer Frontier from the US, a supercomputer built using Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) architecture, become top performer.

- ❖ Thus, it overtakes Japan's Fugaku.
- ❖ It becomes World's Most Powerful Super computer.



Astra Mk-1



- ❖ The Ministry of Defence has signed a contract with the Hyderabad-based public-sector Bharat Dynamics Ltd for supply of the Astra Mark-1.
- ❖ The Astra Mk-1 is a Beyond Visual Range (BVR), Air-to-Air Missile.
- ❖ BVR missiles are capable of engaging beyond the range of 20 nautical miles or 37 kilo meters.
- ❖ The range for Astra Mk-1 is around 110 km.

- ❖ The Mk-2 with a range over 150 km is under development.
- ❖ Mk-3 version with a longer range is being envisaged.

ENVIRONMENT

50 years of Stockholm conference

- ❖ The United Nations Conference on the Human Environment was held in Sweden's Stockholm between June 5 to June 16, 1972.
- ❖ 122 countries participated in the conference.
- ❖ It was the first such worldwide convergence on planetary environment, with the theme 'Only One Earth'.
- ❖ 70 out of 122 participant countries, which were developing and poor countries, adopted the Stockholm Declaration.

Significance

- ❖ Until 1972, no country had an environment ministry.
- ❖ Initially, Norway and Sweden set up their ministries for the environment.
- ❖ India set up its ministry of environment and forest in 1985.



STATES

World's First Liquid Nano Urea Plant

- ❖ PM has launched the country's first liquid nano urea plant at Kalol, Gujarat.
- ❖ It is urea in the form of nanoparticle.
- ❖ The Liquid nano urea can be sprayed directly on the leaves and gets absorbed by the plant.
- ❖ Urea is a chemical nitrogen fertiliser.
- ❖ It artificially provides nitrogen, a major nutrient required by plants.

- ❖ India is the second-largest consumer of urea in the world
- ❖ But it is only the third-largest producer.



PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Sitara-e-Pakistan award

- ❖ Former West Indies Cricket captain, Daren Sammy has been conferred with the Sitara-i-Pakistan Award for Services to Pakistan.
- ❖ The 38-year-old all-rounder was being recognized for his role in helping to bring back Pakistan's participation in international cricket.
- ❖ It is the third-highest civil award conferred by Pakistan.
- ❖ In March 2020, he received the highest civilian medal of Pakistan, Nishan-e-Pakistan.
- ❖ He was also awarded honorary Pakistani citizenship by the President of Pakistan.



Times Business Award 2022

- ❖ Director of Ruchi Foodline, Rashmi Sahoo has been conferred the Times Business Award 2022.

- ❖ The award was given in the category of Eastern India's Leading READY -TO-EAT brand.

