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## TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Rogue tusker Arikompan has been captured and transferred to Muththukuzhivayal beyond Upper Gothaiyar area in Kalakkad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve (KMTR).
- ❖ Shalini Singh created history by becoming the first female NCC cadet in India to complete the mountaineering course in the Himalayan region in Uttarakhand.
- ❖ The two-day "Lavender Festival" was inaugurated in Jammu and Kashmir's Bhaderwah Valley.
- ❖ The UN General Assembly (UNGA) elected Permanent Representative of Trinidad and Tobago to the UN, Dennis Francis as the President of its 78th session.
- ❖ United Arab Emirates' Dr Abdulla Al Mandous has been elected as the new President of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) for a four-year term from 2023 to 2027.

## TAMIL NADU

### Tamil Nadu Wetlands Mission



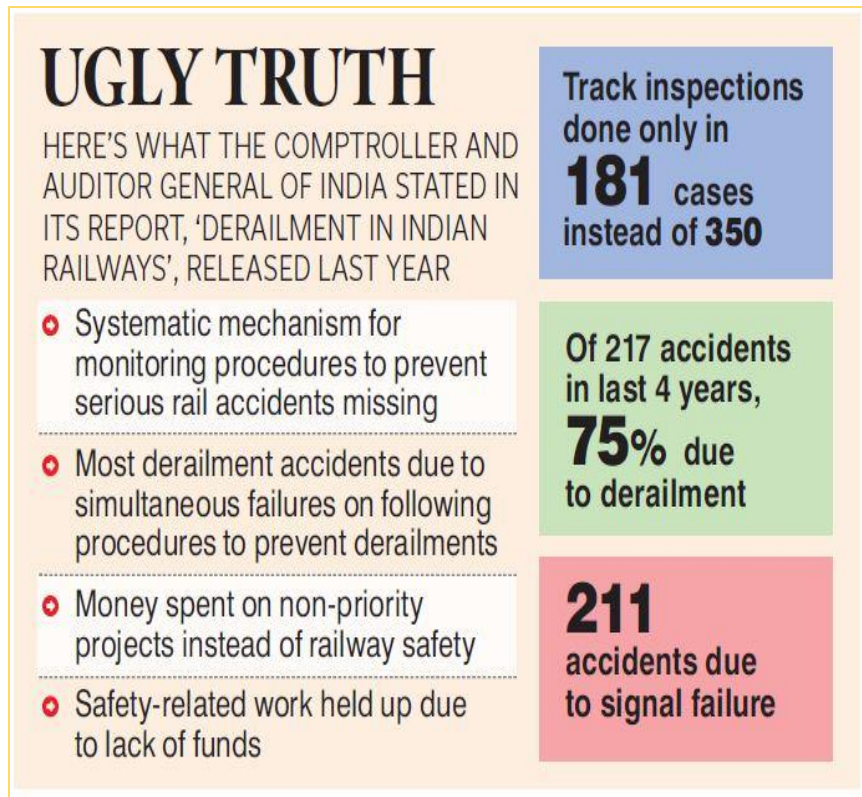
- ❖ The TN Govt launched the Tamil Nadu Wetland Mission at Otteri Lake inside Vandalur Zoo.



- ❖ Under the wetland mission, the State Wetland Authority will ecologically restore 100 wetlands across the State.
- ❖ Otteri lake is one among the 100 wetlands selected for restoration.
- ❖ The government has already allocated Rs 115 crore to restore 100 wetlands over the period of 5 years.

## NATIONAL

### Derailment in Indian Railways report



- ❖ The Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), submit his report on Derailments in Indian Railways 2022.
- ❖ Total 422 derailments were attributable to the Engineering Department.
- ❖ Analysis of 1129 'Inquiry Reports' of derailment accidents in 16 Zonal Railways (ZRs) revealed 24 factors responsible for derailments in the selected cases/accidents.
- ❖ The total damages/loss of assets in these cases was reported as ₹32.96 crore.
- ❖ In all, 182 derailments were attributable to the Mechanical Department and there were 154 accidents attributable to the loco pilots.

- ❖ Of the 1127 derailments during 2017-21, the report said around 289 derailments (26%) were linked to track renewals.

### **NIRF 2023**

- ❖ The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) announced the India Rankings 2023 of higher education institutions.
- ❖ The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Madras in Chennai remained the best educational institution in overall rankings for the fifth consecutive term.
- ❖ The Indian Institute of Science (IISc) of Bengaluru ranked as the best university in the country for eight years in a row.
- ❖ Miranda House of Delhi is ranked the best college.
- ❖ The Indian Institute of Management (IIM) of Ahmedabad is the top management institute.
- ❖ The National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) of Hyderabad is ranked number one for pharmaceutical studies.
- ❖ The All-India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) of Delhi is ranked the best medical college.
- ❖ Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences of Chennai is the top dental college.
- ❖ National Law School of India University of Bengaluru is ranked the best law college in the country.
- ❖ IISc Bengaluru stood first in 'Research Institutions' category too for the third consecutive year.
- ❖ IISc is followed by the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) and Jamia Millia Islamia University as the second and third best universities, respectively.
- ❖ Indian Agricultural Research Institute of New Delhi took the top slot in 'Agriculture and Allied Sectors'.
- ❖ IIT-Kanpur topped the 'Innovation' category.
- ❖ IISc, Bengaluru and IIT-Delhi are ranked the second and third best institutes in the overall category.
- ❖ Hindu College, Delhi and Presidency College, Chennai are ranked the second and third best colleges, respectively.
- ❖ IIM-Bangalore and IIM-Kozhikode secured second and third position in the ranking of management institutes, respectively.



- ❖ The Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh and the Christian Medical College, Vellore are ranked the top second and third medical colleges, respectively.

Ministry of Education Government of India		<b>INDIA RANKINGS 2023</b> National Institutional Ranking Framework	nirf
Overall			
Indian Institute of Technology Madras		1	
<b>Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru</b>		<b>2</b>	
Indian Institute of Technology Delhi		3	
Indian Institute of Technology Bombay		4	
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur		5	
All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi		6	
Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur		7	
Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee		8	
Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati		9	
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi		10	

## INTERNATIONAL

### India's Top Choice for Foreign Direct Investment

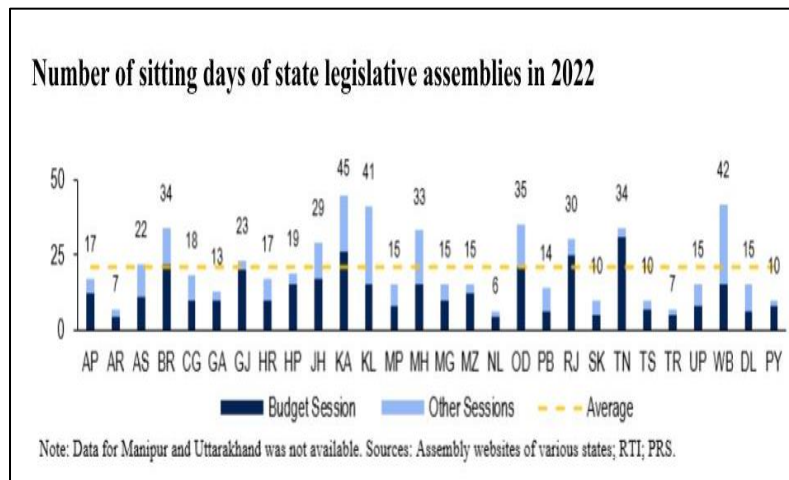
- ❖ Dubai ranks No. 1 as the Destination City for foreign direct investment (FDI) from India in calendar year 2022.
- ❖ India ranked among the Top 5 source countries for announced FDI projects and estimated FDI capital.
- ❖ India accounted for 12 percent of announced FDI projects in Dubai in 2022.
- ❖ Only the US (20 percent) and UK (13 percent) are ahead of India.
- ❖ On a yearly basis, in 2021, India has 78 FDI projects in Dubai, which rose to 142 in 2022.
- ❖ In value terms, FDI from India stood at \$545.52 million in 2022 compared to \$363.85 million in 2021.

## STATES

### Legislative Research's Analysis of State Assembly Sessions

- ❖ State assemblies in India met for an average of 21 days in 2022.
- ❖ Only seven states in India met for more than 30 days in 2022.

- ❖ Karnataka had the highest number of days with 45, followed by West Bengal (42) and Kerala (41).
- ❖ Among the North-East states, only Assam exceeded the national average of 21 sitting days.
- ❖ Meghalaya and Mizoram had 15 Sessions each.
- ❖ The Nagaland Legislative Assembly (NLA) convened for just six days.
- ❖ Apart from Nagaland, the state assemblies of Arunachal Pradesh and Tripura had the second lowest number (7) of meetings in the country.
- ❖ Sikkim ranked third with 10 days.
- ❖ On average, 20 states discussed budgets for eight days in 2022.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu spent 26 days on the entire budget discussion.
- ❖ It is followed by Karnataka (15), Kerala (14), and Odisha (14).
- ❖ Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, and Punjab discussed their budgets for two days each.
- ❖ Nagaland passed the fewest bills in 2022, with only three, compared to the average of 21 bills passed by the 28 states.
- ❖ 56% of the bills were passed within a day of introduction across the states.
- ❖ Only around 5% of the bills were referred to the Committee of the Assembly for detailed examination.



## IMPORTANT DAYS

### **International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing 2023 - June 05**

- ❖ This annual event aims to raise awareness of the dangers posed by Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing to the marine ecosystem.

- ❖ In 1995, the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) convened a conference where a code of conduct was adopted to conserve aquatic ecosystems.
- ❖ On 5 December 2017, the United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution for this day
- ❖ Almost 32% of seafood imported into the United States is unlawfully caught.
- ❖ 39% of fish populations in the North-East Atlantic and adjacent waters are deemed overfished.
- ❖ In the past 40 years, marine species have decreased by 39%.



### **World Pest Day - June 06**



- ❖ This day is dedicated to spread awareness about pest management and its benefits.



- ❖ The day also aims to educate people to keep the crops, trees and plants free from pests.
- ❖ This day was first celebrated in Beijing on 6 June 2017.

