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## TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Indian National Centre for Space Promotion and Authorization (IN-SPACE) was established in Ahmedabad.

## NATIONAL

### Sagarmala Young Professional Scheme



- ❖ The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways has launched a scheme called “Sagarmala Young Professional Scheme”.
- ❖ It aims to engage talented, dynamic and forward-thinking young professionals in different divisions of the Ministry.
- ❖ It will also help in enhancing awareness for common concerns and joint resolve for identifying solutions in the long term.

### Geospatial Self-certification portal

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY    Self Certification of Entities


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#### About Portal

This Portal facilitates entities engaged in map related activities to certify themselves quickly and easily. The portal is built based on Geo-Spatial guidelines released by Govt of India in Feb 2021, which has de-regulated all aspects of mapping activities in India from survey to sales. The self-certification facility for entities in the portal is free and universal. Entities can be:

1. Individual or Organisation
2. Govt or Private
3. Indian or Foreign
4. Engaged in production or sales etc.

Self Certification of Producers

Academics

Logistics

NEW GEO-SPATIAL GUIDELINES

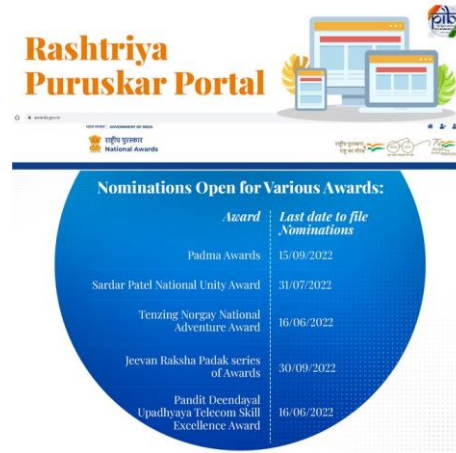
Self Certification of Consumers

GIS Industry

Private Sector

- ❖ The Department of Science and Technology has launched the “Geospatial Self-Certification Portal”.
- ❖ It aims to convey adherence to provisions of Geospatial Guidelines by individuals, organisations, companies, and government agencies.
- ❖ It is a significant step for liberalising geospatial industry in India.

## Rashtriya Puruskar Portal



- ❖ Several Ministries of Government of India have instituted various civilian awards, for recognizing people who have made exceptional contribution and excelled in their fields.
- ❖ A common 'Rashtriya Puruskar Portal' has been developed by Government to invite nominations for various awards.
- ❖ It will bring all the Awards nominations of different Ministries or Departments or Agencies under one digital platform.
- ❖ This portal will help in ensuring transparency and public partnership (Jan Bhagidari).

## INTERNATIONAL

### Summit of the Americas 2022

- ❖ The Ninth Summit of the Americas 2022 was held recently in Los Angeles, California, USA.
- ❖ The Theme of the Summit is “Building a Sustainable, Resilient, and Equitable Future”.
- ❖ United States selects the site of this summit as a host and its attendees.



- ❖ For this year's summit, US did not invite Cuba, Nicaragua and Venezuela
- ❖ Because these countries are accused of having undemocratically elected leaders.



### **Minister for Republic**

- ❖ Australia appointed an "Assistant Minister for The Republic".
- ❖ This is aims to ending the leadership of Queen Elizabeth II.
- ❖ Thus, British monarch will no longer be considered the head of the state.
- ❖ Monarchy of Australia is a form of government in Australia.
- ❖ It is embodied by Australian sovereign and head of state.
- ❖ Elizabeth II is the present Monarch and styled Queen of Australia.
- ❖ She is represented in Australia as a whole by the Governor-General, in accordance with the Australian Constitution.
- ❖ The Governor-General and governors are appointed by the Monarch, on the advice of State and Federal government respectively.

### **Resolution on Multilingualism**

- ❖ The UNGA adopted an India-led resolution on multilingualism mentioning Hindi language for the first time.
- ❖ This resolution encourages United Nations to continue disseminating important communications and messages in official and non-official languages, including Hindi.
- ❖ This UN resolution also mentions Urdu and Bangla for the very first time.

### **WTO 12<sup>th</sup> Ministerial conference**

- ❖ The 12<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference of World Trade Organization started recently.
- ❖ It is being held at WTO headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland.



- ❖ It was due to take place in 2021.
- ❖ But got postponed due to covid-19 pandemic.
- ❖ They will discuss about vaccine distribution, trade facilitation, export restrictions, and improved transparency in medical supply chains.
- ❖ This conference is usually held every two years.



**12<sup>th</sup> WTO MINISTERIAL  
CONFERENCE**  
GENEVA 2022  
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## Shangri-La Dialogue



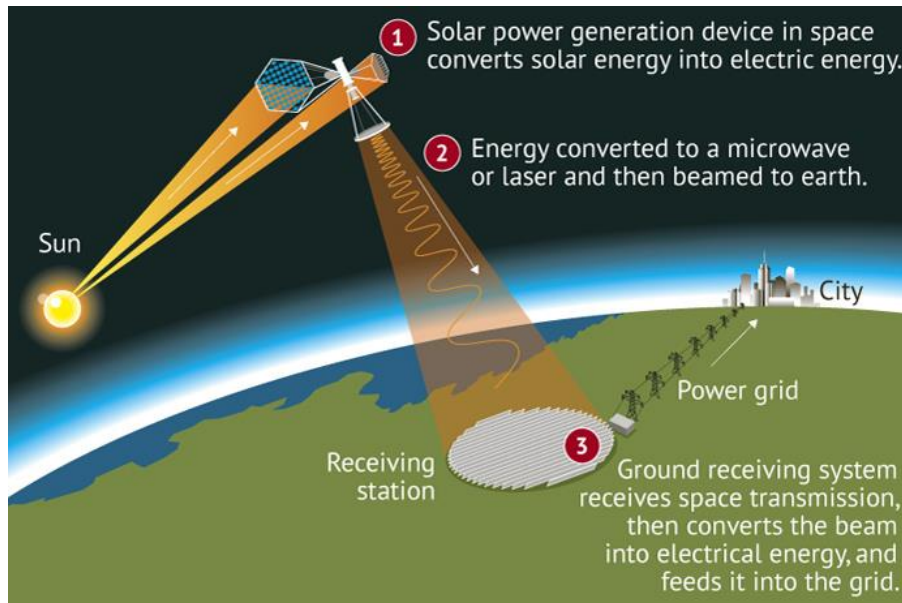
- ❖ The 19th Shangri-La Dialogue was hosted in Singapore after two-years.
- ❖ The Asia's premier security summit was discontinued due to covid-19 pandemic.
- ❖ It is hosted by International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS).
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## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

### Space Solar plant

- ❖ China proposed a plan to launch a solar power plant in space.
- ❖ China had planned to establish a solar power station of 1 megawatt capacity, in space by 2030.

- ❖ This satellite will test wireless power transmission technology from space to ground, from the height of 400 Km
- ❖ It will convert solar energy to microwaves or lasers
- ❖ Using the lasers, energy beams will be directed to various targets, including the moving satellites and fixed locations on the Earth.



### **COVID-19 vaccine for animals**



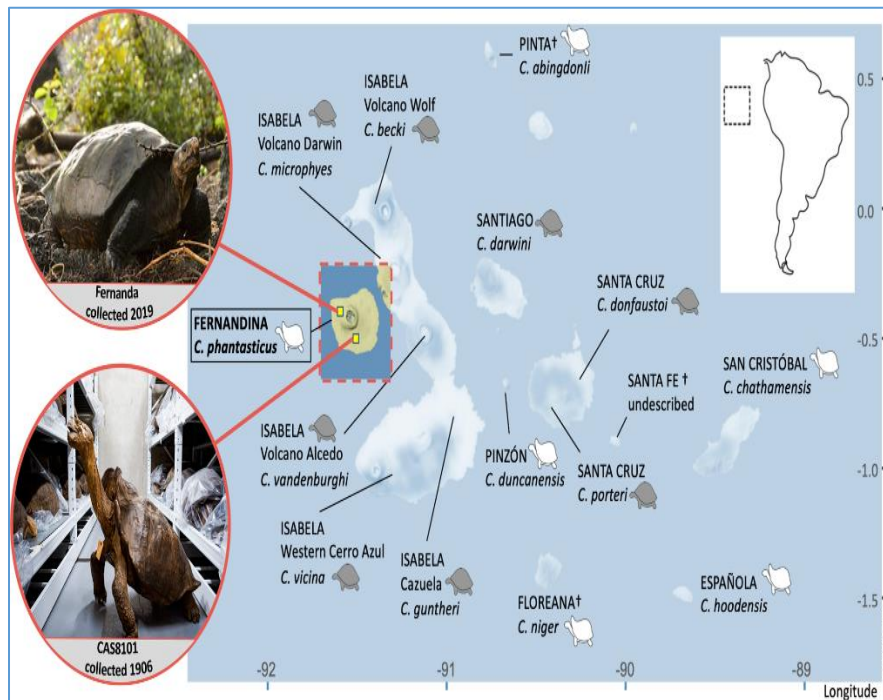
- ❖ The Ministry of Agriculture unveiled India's first Covid-19 vaccine "Anocovax" for animals.
- ❖ This Vaccine has been developed by Haryana's Hisar-based National Research Centre on Equines.
- ❖ It can protect animals against Delta and Omicron variants of coronavirus.

- ❖ The vaccine can be used in dogs, leopards, mice, lions, and rabbits.
- ❖ It is an inactivated vaccine, that has been developed using an infectious part of the Delta variant.
- ❖ This is the first Covid-19 vaccine developed in India, for animals.

## ENVIRONMENT

### Giant Tortoise species

- ❖ A giant tortoise, which was found alive in 2019, has now been confirmed to belong to a Galapagos species.
- ❖ The Galápagos Islands part of the Republic of Ecuador.
- ❖ It was believed that this species extinct long back.
- ❖ The giant species has been named Fernanda, because Fernandina Island is home to species.



### Canada Carbon Emissions Market

- ❖ Government of Canada has launched “Canada’s Greenhouse Gas Offset Credit System” in a bid to reduce carbon pollution.
- ❖ It aims to Reducing greenhouse gases from waste, which is responsible for 7 percent of greenhouse gases in Canada.

- ❖ It is a key component for achieving Canada's emissions reduction targets.

## STATES

### Suraksha-Mitra Project



- ❖ The Suraksha-Mitra project has become operational in the State of Kerala.
- ❖ Suraksha-Mitra Project is a vehicle monitoring system.
- ❖ It sends distress messages in case of any accident.
- ❖ Motor Vehicle Department has launched this project under Nirbhaya Scheme.
- ❖ This system will send a distress message to owners' mobile phones, if there are any untoward incidents while travelling.

## PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

### Awards in District Skill Development Planning



- ❖ Recently, 2nd edition of “Awards for Excellence in District Skill Development Planning 2022” was organized.
- ❖ The Awards was given to Top 30 districts, for their innovative best practices in skill development.
- ❖ Rajkot (Gujarat), Cachar (Assam) and Satara (Maharashtra), were ranked among the top three districts, respectively.
- ❖ DSDP awards were constituted in June 2018, under the SANKALP scheme.
- ❖ SANKALP stands for “Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion”.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### International Level crossing awareness day - June 09

- ❖ It is an initiative for creating awareness for safety in level crossing.
- ❖ This campaign was started in 2009 by the International Union of Railways



### World Day Against Child Labour - June 12







- ❖ This day dedicated to creating awareness about the menace of child labour and human trafficking
- ❖ This day officially adopted by the International Labour Organisation in 2002.
- ❖ The theme for World Day Against Child Labour 2022 is “Universal Social Protection to End Child Labour.”

