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TAMIL NADU

Liquor bottle buyback scheme

- ✤ A scheme for buying back used liquor bottles was launched at TASMAC shops across the Nilgiris.
- The scheme is aimed at eliminating the dumping of used liquor bottles in forest areas and negating the threats they posed to the wildlife.

"Bharat Gaurav" express train

- The 'Bharat Gaurav' train service from Coimbatore to Shirdi, was inaugurated at the Coimbatore North Railway Station.
- To promote and attract tourism business, the Indian Railways launched Bharat Gaurav trains.
- ✤ It is country's first private train.
- ✤ This will be operated by private players and run-on theme-based circuits.



First woman mace-bearer

- ✤ In a first, the Madras High Court has appointed a woman mace bearer.
- Justice R.N Manjula is the first to utilize the services of the court's first woman mace bearer.
- ✤ The Mace bearer/ Chobdar, a position traditionally held by men.
- It is an officer who carries the mace and walks before a dignitary signifying the dignitary's power.
- ◆ In courts, the mace helps in the free passage of Judges between the court halls.





The Mace Bearer/ Chobdars are appointed through direct recruitment by the High Court.



NATIONAL



- 'Kranti Gatha' is a newly created Gallery of Indian Revolutionaries inside the underground British – era bunker, Mumbai.
- The Gallery of Indian Revolutionaries has been created in the bunker that was discovered below Raj Bhavan in 2016.
- It is a tribute to the known and unknown revolutionaries of the Indian freedom movement.

Single-Window Clearance

The Ministry of Coal launched a project information and management module of its Single-Window Clearance System.

Kranti Gatha





 It aims to create a platform to obtain various clearances for operationalisation of coal mines in the country.



Central Advisory Board on Archaeology meet

- The Archaeological Survey of India informed that the Central Advisory Board of Archaeology is expected to meet, nearly after eight years.
- ✤ It is chaired by the Union Minister of Tourism and Culture Kishan Reddy.
- ✤ It was reconstituted for a period of three years, along with nominated nongovernment experts and five MP.
- The CABA Standing Committee had been meeting once a year to give recommendations to the ASI on excavation proposals.
- ✤ ASI was founded in 1861 by Alexander Cunningham.
- ✤ He also became its first Director-General.

INTERNATIONAL

India - EU First-ever Security Consultations

- The First-ever India-European Union (EU) Security and Defence Consultations held in Brussels.
- The consultations were held in accordance with the decision taken at India-EU Summit in July 2020





 Discussions covered the evolving security situation in Europe, Indo-Pacific and India's neighbourhood.

ECONOMY

Amendments in IBBI Regulations

- The Insolvency Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) amended insolvency regulations.
- The amended insolvency regulations now require creditors to file information on assets and liabilities of their corporate debtors, as well as other relevant financial information while undergoing the corporate insolvency process.
- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 creates a consolidated framework governing insolvency and bankruptcy proceedings for individuals, companies, and partnership firms.

ENVIRONMENT



Haploptychius sahyadriensis

- ✤ India's newest recorded snail was named after Western Ghats.
- The Western Ghats of Maharashtra have yielded a carnivorous land snail new to the world of science.
- The Haploptychius sahyadriensis is endemic to the Vishalgad Conservation Reserve in Maharashtra's Kolhapur district.





- The Haploptychius sahyadriensis was recorded from the northern Western Ghats of Maharashtra.
- ✤ It is the third member of the genus Haploptychius.
- The other two H. and amanicus and H. pfeifferi were recorded in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands in the 1860s.

STATES

Tukaram Temple

- ◆ A temple of 17th-century saint Tukaram was inaugurated in Dehu, Maharashtra.
- ✤ He was a warkari saint and poet.
- ✤ He was a prominent figure in Bhakti movement.
- ✤ He was known for 'abhanga' devotional poetry.
- He is also famous for leading community-based worship by means of spiritual songs called as kirtans.
- He was a Saint of Varkari sampradaya, that have a lot of respect for God Vithoba.



IMPORTANT DAYS

International Albinism Awareness Day – June 13

- The day represents the importance and celebration of human rights of people with albinism
- The theme for International Albinism Awareness Day 2022 is "United in making our voice heard".





- On 18 December 2014, the General Assembly adopted a resolution proclaiming, with effect from 2015.
- Albinism is a rare, non-contagious, genetically inherited difference present at birth.



World Blood Donor Day - June 14



- It is to spread awareness regarding the need for "safe blood and blood products for transfusion".
- ✤ For 2022, the slogan is "Donating blood is an act of solidarity.
- World Blood Donor Day marks the birth anniversary of Karl Landsteiner.





- ◆ He is one who first distinguished human blood into A, B, AB and O groups.
- He won the Nobel Prize for Medicine in 1930.

MISCELLANEOUS

Microsoft's Internet Explorer



- ♦ Microsoft has announced the retirement of 27-year-old Internet Explorer.
- ✤ The firm's oldest browser will be completely phased out from June 15.
- Microsoft released the first version of Internet Explorer in 1995 as an add-on package for Windows 95.
- The primitive era of web surfing was dominated by the first widely popular browser, Netscape Navigator.
- Microsoft Edge replaced Internet Explorer as the company's preferred browser in 2016.

Periodic Labour Force Survey

- The Periodic Labour Force Survey for 2020-21 was released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
- ✤ The unemployment rate saw a decrease of 0.6% and fell to 4.2% in 2020-21, compared with 4.8% in 2019-20.





- Rural areas recorded an unemployment rate of 3% and urban areas recorded an unemployment rate of 6.7%.
- The National Statistical Office (NSO) uses "rotational panel sampling design" in urban areas to assess the Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR), Worker Population Ratio (WPR) and the unemployment rate
- ✤ And it visits selected households in urban areas four times.
- ✤ The LFPR, the percentage of persons in the labour force (that is, working or seeking work or available for work) in the population was 6% during 2020-21.
- ✤ It was 40.1% in the previous year.
- ✤ The WPR was 39.8%, an increase from 38.2% of the previous year.
- The migration rate is 28.9%.
- ◆ The migration rate among women was 48% and 47.8% in rural and urban areas.

Looking for work | The labour force participation rate (LFPR) has continued to improve further in 2020-21, according to the latest Periodic Labour Force Survey. The graph shows LFPR over years across genders

55.5	55.6	56.8	57.5
40 Total 36.9	37.5	40.1	41.6
20 17.5 Female	18.6	22.8	25.1
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