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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Islamiah College (Autonomous) in Vaniyambadi has been awarded the Green Champion Award by the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) for its contribution to environmental protection.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government would construct a 250-bed Kalaingar centenary hostel spread over two hectares at Perumugai near Sathuvachari in Vellore district.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu CM Inaugurated the 1,000-bedded Kalaingar Centenary Super Speciality Hospital at Guindy in Chennai.
 - It will be the second Multi-Super Specialty Hospital in Chennai after Tamil Nadu Government Multi Super Speciality Hospital, Omandurar.
- ❖ The W20 summit was held in Mahabalipuram with a theme of 'women-led development to transform, thrive and transcend'.
- ❖ Nitin Agrawal takes charge as new Director General of Border Security Force.

TAMIL NADU

Withdrawal of general consent



- ❖ The Government of Tamil Nadu has withdrawn the general consent given to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).



- ❖ The CBI should henceforth seek prior permission from the Tamil Nadu government for undertaking investigation.
- ❖ As per Section 6 of the Delhi Special Police Establishment Act, 1946, the CBI needs consent from the respective State governments for conducting the investigation in their jurisdiction.
- ❖ A general consent to CBI granted by State governments enables the central agency to carry out investigations without such hindrances.
- ❖ Currently Nine States — Mizoram, West Bengal, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Kerala, Jharkhand, Punjab and Meghalaya — had withdrawn their general consent given to CBI.

Engineering courses in Tamil

- ❖ From 2024-2025 academic year, Anna University is likely to start Tamil courses in core engineering program such as ECE, EEE, Computer Science and Chemical Engineering.
- ❖ Already civil and mechanical engineering are being offered in Tamil.
- ❖ Earlier this year, the university decided to suspend the Tamil courses in its constituent colleges as there were few takers.

NATIONAL

Twin CBG operation



- ❖ The Navy carried out a massive Carrier Battle Group (CBG) operation involving more than 35 aircraft in the Arabian Sea.



- ❖ It was one of the biggest demonstrations of its operational capabilities in recent years amid increasing Chinese forays in the Indian Ocean.
- ❖ A CBG is a naval fleet comprising an aircraft carrier and its multiple escort vessels.
- ❖ INS Vikramaditya and INS Vikrant — along with a diverse fleet of escort ships, submarines and aircrafts participated in this event.

ICMR study on diabetes

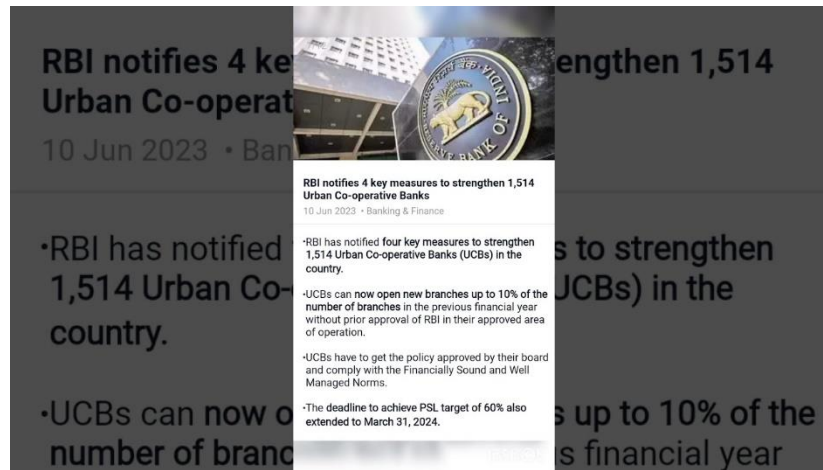
'36% HAVE HYPERTENSION'			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > While 11.4% of India's population is diabetic, 15.3% have prediabetes > Ratio of diabetic to prediabetic people is 1:1 in Delhi, 1:1.2 in Maha, 1:1.5 in Haryana and 1:3.8 in UP > 35.5% of people have hypertension and 81.2% dyslipidemia (abnormal levels of cholesterol) > While 28.6% Indians have generalised obesity, 39.5% have abdominal obesity <small>*Source: Metabolic non-communicable disease health report of India/ICMR-INDIAB</small>	10 WORST AFFECTED		
	% Of Popn With	Diabetes	Prediabetes
Goa	26.4	20.3	
Puducherry	26.3	25.8	
Kerala	25.5	18.3	
Chandigarh	20.4	15.6	
Delhi	17.8	18	
Tamil Nadu	14.4	10.2	
W Bengal	13.7	23.5	
Sikkim	12.8	31.3	
Punjab	12.7	8.7	
Haryana	12.4	18.2	

- ❖ India now has more than 101 million people living with diabetes.
- ❖ The number of diabetic cases has increased by 44 per cent in four years from 70 million affected people in 2019.
- ❖ At least 136 million people, or 15.3% of the population, have prediabetes.
- ❖ The highest prevalence of diabetes was observed in Goa (26.4%), Puducherry (26.3%) and Kerala (25.5%).
- ❖ The national average is 11.4%.
- ❖ In Goa, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and Chandigarh there are fewer pre-diabetes cases compared to diabetes cases.
- ❖ UP has a diabetic prevalence of 4.8%, the lowest in the country.
- ❖ But it has 18% pre-diabetics compared to the national average 15.3%.

- ❖ Pre-diabetic is a person with a higher-than-normal blood sugar level but not high enough to be considered type-2 diabetes.

ECONOMY

Key Measures for Urban Co-operative Banks



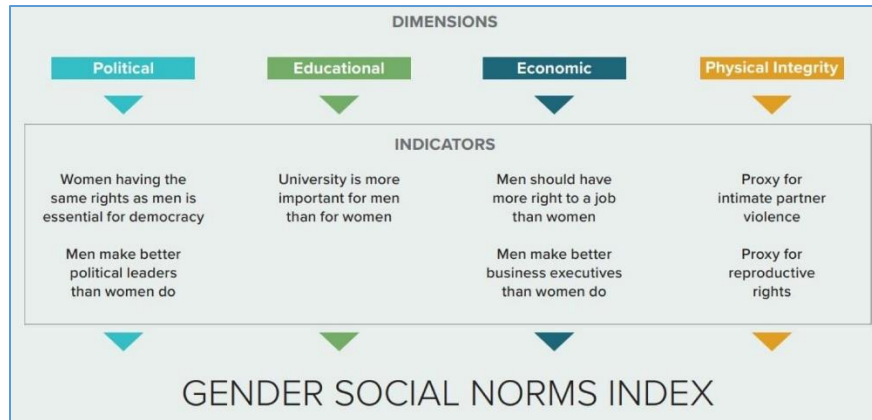
- ❖ Reserve Bank has notified four key measures, including giving them two years more to meet the priority sector lending targets.
- ❖ The four important initiatives have been taken to strengthen 1,514 Urban Co-operative Banks (UCBs) in the country.
- ❖ UCBs can now open new branches (maximum 5 branches) without prior approval of RBI.
- ❖ UCBs can also do One-Time Settlement at par with commercial banks.
- ❖ RBI has recently notified a nodal officer for UCBs.

REPORTS AND INDICES

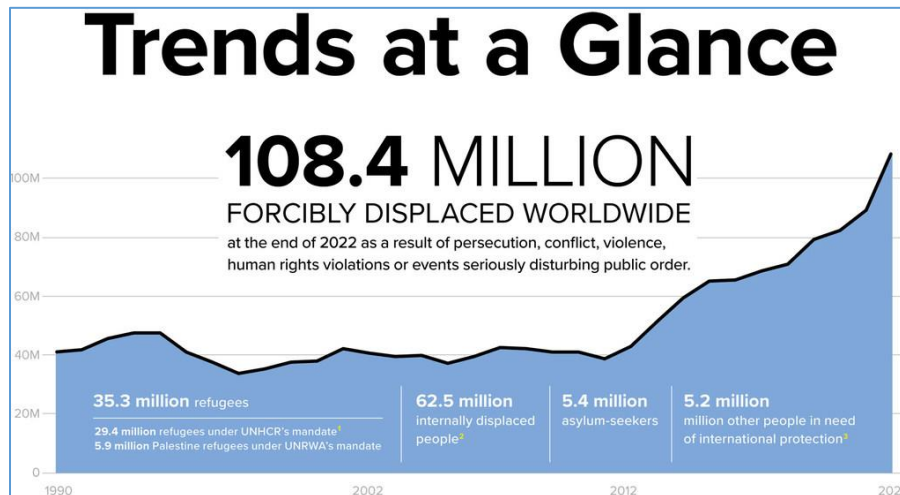
Gender Social Norms Index – 2023

- ❖ The report was released by UN Development Programme and is called the Gender Social Norms Index (GSNI) report.
- ❖ Among both men and women, “biased gender social norms are prevalent worldwide: almost 90% of people have at least one bias” of the seven biases analysed.
- ❖ 69 percent believes that men make “better” political leaders as opposed to women.
- ❖ More than 40 per cent of people reportedly believe that men are better business executives than women.

- ❖ Only 27 per cent of people believe that women having the same rights as men is essential for a democracy.
- ❖ 25 per cent of people believe that a man beating his wife is justifiable.



Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2022



- ❖ The Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2022 report, an annual publication was released by the United Nations refugee agency.
- ❖ More than 108.4 million people were forcibly displaced by the end of 2022, 30 per cent of them children.
- ❖ The total number of people displaced across the world increased to 110 million by May 2023.
- ❖ Climate disasters caused 32.6 million internal displacements throughout 2022.
- ❖ 8.7 million of the people did not manage to return home by the end of the year.
- ❖ Disaster related internal displacement accounted for more than half (54 per cent) of all new displacements in 2022

- ❖ The 46 countries with the poorest development indicators or the Least Developed Countries hosted 20 per cent of the global refugee population.
- ❖ 19.1 million more people were pushed out of their homes last year over 2021.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

UITP award Mumbai BEST

- ❖ The BEST Green Travel initiatives has won the UITP Awards, one of the world's most coveted prize in public transport.
- ❖ It was the winner in the 'Climate and Health', category.
- ❖ It was also among the top three finalists in 'Public and Urban Transport Strategy' category.
- ❖ The UITP Awards showcase the most ambitious and innovative projects of the last two years in cities and regions around the globe.



IMPORTANT DAYS

Global Wind Day - June 15

- ❖ This day to raise awareness about the benefits of wind energy, with the goal of promoting further development within the industry.
- ❖ It is a collaborative initiative organised by WindEurope and the Global Wind Energy Council (GWEC).

- ❖ This year will mark the 16th celebration of Global Wind Day, kickstarted in 2007.



World Elder Abuse Awareness Day - June 15



- ❖ It aims to provide a better understanding of the abuse older people suffer by raising awareness of the cultural, social, economic, and demographic processes affecting them.
- ❖ This annual event launched in 2006, by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization.
- ❖ The number of older people in the world expected to be 1.4 billion by 2030.



- ❖ The theme for 2023 is "Closing the Circle: Addressing Gender-Based Violence in Older Age Policy, Law and Evidence-based Responses."
- ❖ According to the recent data, 28% are the victims of physical violence, followed by disrespect (54%), verbal abuse 36% and neglect 29%.

