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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ MSDE-IBM partnership unveils Free Digital Learning Platform “Skills Build Reignite” to reach more job seekers & provide new resources to business owners in India.
- ❖ The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps of Iran has announced that it will set up its permanent military base in the Indian ocean by March next year.
- ❖ ONGC Videsh Limited (OVL) was given approval by the Government for further development of the Shwe Oil & Gas project.
 - The Shwe Oil & Gas Project is located in Myanmar.

NATIONAL

Extension of Sub-Categorization of OBCs

- ❖ Recently, the Union Cabinet has approved a six-month extension to the commission appointed to examine sub-categorization of Other Backward Classes (OBCs), up to 31st January 2021.
- ❖ At present, there is no sub-categorization and 27% reservation is a monolithic entity.
- ❖ The commission is headed by Retired Justice G Rohini.
- ❖ It was constituted under Article 340 of the Constitution with the approval of the President on 2nd October 2017.
- ❖ Article 340 of the Indian Constitution lays down conditions for the appointment of a Commission to investigate the conditions of the backward classes.

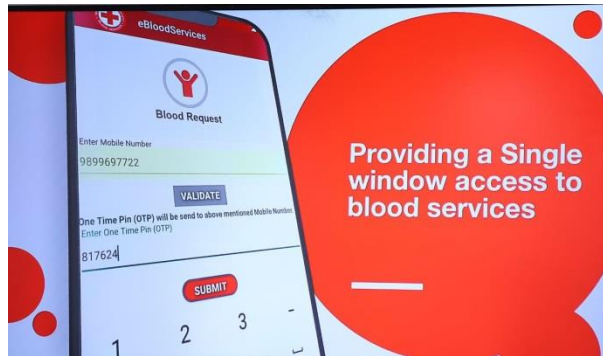
The Annual TB Report

- ❖ It is prepared and published by the Central TB Division, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- ❖ 24.04 lakh notified TB patients in 2019 in India, which is a 14% increase from 2018.
- ❖ The country is achieving near-complete on-line notification of TB patients through the NIKSHAY system.
- ❖ The Government of India renamed the ‘National Tuberculosis Control Program’ to the ‘National Tuberculosis Elimination Program’.

- ❖ It is with a focus on eliminating Tuberculosis (TB) from the country by 2025
- ❖ In the larger state category, Gujarat was awarded as the best-performing state followed by Andhra Pradesh and Himanchal Pradesh at 2nd and 3rd place.

eBlood

- ❖ The Union Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan launched the eBlood Services Mobile Application.
- ❖ The application is an initiative of the Indian Red Cross Society.



INTERNATIONAL

Pakistan's Hindu Temple

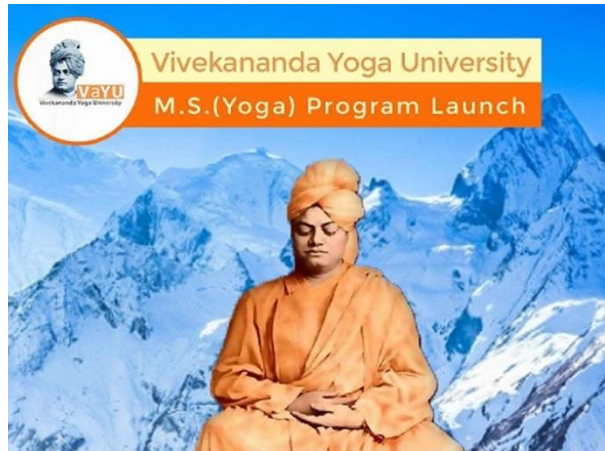
- ❖ The foundation stone for the first Hindu Temple dedicated to Lord Krishna in Pakistan's capital city Islamabad was laid.
- ❖ The temple is the first to be constructed in Islamabad since the Independence of Pakistan.
- ❖ The name of the temple will be Shri Krishna Mandir.

Vienna Convention

- ❖ The External Affairs Ministry of India has decided to reduce the staff strength of the Indian High Commission in Islamabad by 50%.
- ❖ It has also directed the Pakistan Government to implement the same by reducing 50% of its staff from its Pakistan High Commission in New Delhi.
- ❖ India take this decision after Pakistan violated Vienna Convention.

World's first Yoga University outside India

- ❖ It was launched at United States Los Angeles city.
- ❖ The Yoga University has been named after Swami Vivekananda.
- ❖ It was launched as a part of the commemorations for the 6th International Yoga Day.



Global Education Monitoring Report

- ❖ It is an evidence-based annual report published by UNESCO.
- ❖ Its mandate is to monitor progress towards the education targets in the new Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) framework.
- ❖ It has also developed the World Inequality Database on Education (WIDE).

FATF Grey List - Pakistan

- ❖ Pakistan again managed to escape from entering the 'Blacklist'.
- ❖ It was taken under the FATF Chairmanship of China.
- ❖ It was during the Plenary and Working Groups Meeting of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF).
- ❖ For the FATF year from 1st July 2019 to 30th June 2020, China has the Presidency of FATF.
- ❖ From 1st July 2020, Germany will take over the Presidency of FATF until 30th June 2021.



Victory over Nazism

- ❖ The Tri Services of the Indian Armed Forces contingent participated in the Russian Victory Day Parade at the Red Square, Moscow
- ❖ This year marks the 75th anniversary of the victory over Nazi Germany in 1945 during Second World War.
- ❖ The Indian Defence Minister Rajnath Singh was among the special invitees who attended the event live.
- ❖ India had participated in the Russian Parade for the first time in 2015.
- ❖ However, only the Indian army had participated then.

STATES

Khushinagar Airport

- ❖ Uttar Pradesh's Khushinagar Airport is declared as an International Airport.
- ❖ Khushinagar is a Buddhist pilgrimage town where Gautama Buddha attained Mahaparinirvana.

Devika and Puneja

- ❖ The Union Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region Jitendra Singh had inaugurated bridges - Devika and Puneja at Jammu & Kashmir.
- ❖ It was constructed by the Border Roads Organization (BRO).

Haritha Haram

- ❖ The Chief Minister of Telangana K Chandrashekhar Rao has launched the sixth phase of the Haritha Haram Programme.
- ❖ Under the sixth phase of the programme, the target has been set to plant 30 crore saplings across the state.

KK Shailaja

- ❖ United Nations honoured Kerala Health Minister KK Shailaja by inviting her on panel discussion on World Public Service Day (June 23rd).
- ❖ She was the honored speaker from India to speak about the strategies that were adopted by the state to combat the pandemic.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Day of the Seafarer – June 25

- ❖ It has now been included in the annual list of United Nations Observances.
- ❖ A resolution in this regard was adopted by the Conference of Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, held in Manila of Philippines in 2010.
- ❖ International Maritime Organization (IMO) is the nodal agency for organizing it.
- ❖ The theme for this year is “Seafarers are Key Workers”.



World Vitiligo Day – June 25

- ❖ The day was created by the non-profit organization's VR Foundation of USA and VITSAF of Nigeria.
- ❖ The first World Vitiligo Day was held on 25th June 2011.

