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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Self-Injury Awareness Day is observed globally on March 1st.
 - This is to raise awareness about self-harming behaviours such as “cutting” and other intentional methods of self-injury.
- ❖ The President of India, Ram Nath Kovind has inaugurated a newly developed ‘Arogya Vanam’ at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi.
 - The objective of this Arogya Vanam is to promote the importance of Ayurvedic plants and their effects on the human body.
- ❖ The Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, made the decision to approve 20% FDI via the automatic method in the Life Insurance Corporation.
 - The government hopes that doing so, will make it easier for India’s largest insurer to be disinvested.

TAMIL NADU

Ambulance for street animals



- ❖ India’s first ambulance for street animals has been launched in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ It has been started by the Blue Cross of India in collaboration with the international animal welfare organization “Four Paw”.



- ❖ The Stray Animal Care programme will be a “hospital on wheels” with an onboard veterinarian to provide on-site treatment to injured and sick street animals.

NATIONAL

National Gender Index



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NITI Aayog

- ❖ The NITI Aayog is in the process to develop a National Gender Index.
- ❖ The objective of the National Gender Index is to measure the progress and identify the persisting gaps in gender equality to make informed policy decisions.
- ❖ It will serve as a tool to map the progress of India’s States and UTs on defined gender metrics and build the foundation for positive change.
- ❖ The information was released in the Annual Report 2021-22 of NITI Aayog.

Women’s Day Week



- ❖ The Women and Child Development Ministry celebrates the International Women's Day week from the 1st of March as an Iconic Week as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- ❖ This will mark an occasion to celebrate the progress made towards achieving gender equity and women's empowerment.
- ❖ On 3rd March 2022, the theme for the celebration was 'Women of Tomorrow'.
- ❖ On 8th March, Nari Shakti Puraskaar will be given.
- ❖ And the International Women's Day Conference for Women Police Delegates from all States and UTs will also be organized.

ENVIRONMENT

Sloth bear

- ❖ The sloth bear, tiger, and dhole are among 36 apex predators worldwide affected the most due to road construction.
- ❖ The sloth bear was the most affected predator as its habitat was in the Indian subcontinent.
- ❖ From 2012 to 2017, 15 sloth bear roadkills were recorded in India.
- ❖ The sloth bear is followed by the dhole or Asiatic Wild Dog, the tiger, Asiatic black bear, clouded leopard, sun bear, and Sunda clouded leopard.
- ❖ Eight of the top 10 apex predators most affected due to roads running through their habitat are from Asia.

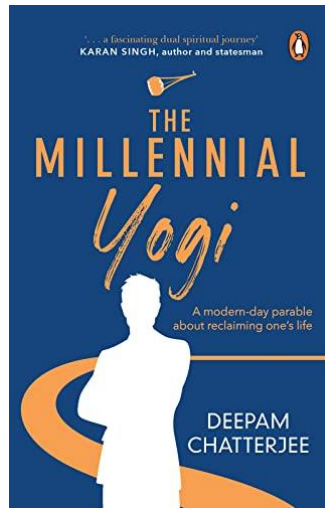


PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Book by Deepam Chatterjee

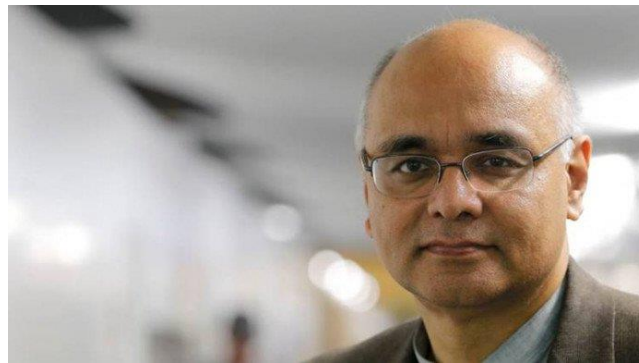
- ❖ Former Indian Army Captain, Deepam Chatterjee has authored a new book titled "The Millennial Yogi: A modern-day parable about reclaiming one's life".

- ❖ The book talks about Jayshankar Prasad, or Jay and Vini, a mystic monk.
- ❖ The book is published by Ebury Press, an imprint of Penguin Random House.



Junaid Kamal Ahmad

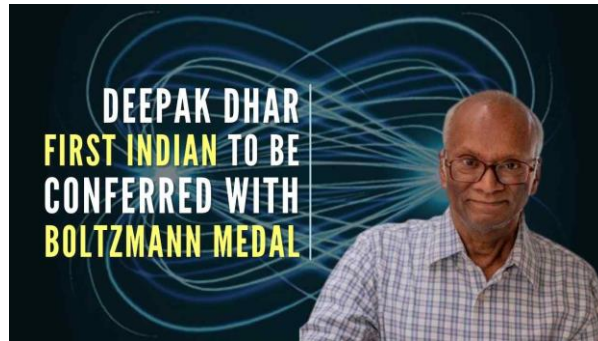
- ❖ Junaid Kamal Ahmad, the World Bank's India Director, has been named a Vice President of the international lending agency.
- ❖ Ahmad will lead the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) as Vice President, Operations.
- ❖ He is only the second Bangladeshi to be chosen to such a high position in the bank's history.



Boltzmann Medal

- ❖ Physicist Professor, Deepak Dhar has become the first Indian to be awarded the Boltzmann Medal.

- ❖ The Commission on Statistical Physics of the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics (IUPAP) presents this medal once in three years for contributions in the field of statistical physics.
- ❖ The medal presentation ceremony will be held during the StatPhys28 conference scheduled to be held in Tokyo in August this year.
- ❖ He shares the medal with John J Hoefield of Princeton University.
- ❖ Prof Dhar is presently the emeritus faculty at the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Pune.



SPORTS

Pro Kabaddi League



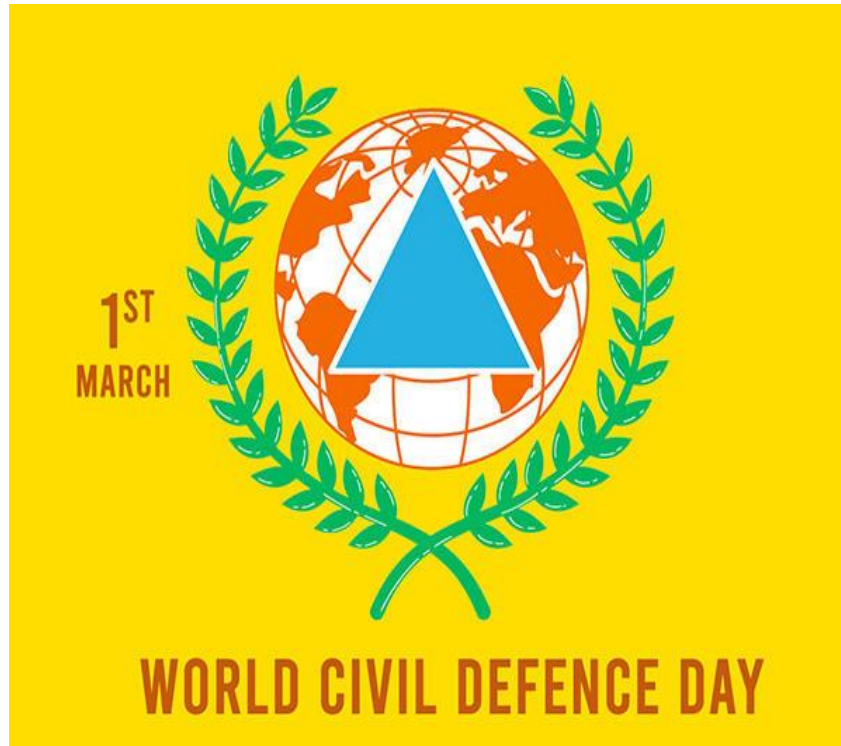
- ❖ Dabang Delhi KC defeated Patna Pirates in the final of the Pro Kabaddi League Season 8 in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

- ❖ Dabang Delhi beat three-time champion Patna Pirates.
- ❖ Pawan Sehrawat was awarded the Raider of the season award.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Civil Defence Day - March 01

- ❖ This day is observed to honour the significance of Civil Defence and the personnel who have sacrificed their lives for it.
- ❖ The purpose of the Day is to promote public awareness about civil defence, civil protection and emergency management.
- ❖ The theme for the year 2022 is “Civil defence and management of displaced populations in face of disasters and crises; role of volunteers and the fight against pandemics”.



Civil Accounts Day 2022 - March 02

- ❖ The 46th Civil Accounts Day has celebrated on 2nd March 2022 at Dr Ambedkar International Centre, Janpath, New Delhi.
- ❖ The Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs Nirmala Sitharaman was the Chief Guest of the occasion.

- ❖ The Finance Minister has launched a major e-governance initiative - the Electronic Bill (e-Bill) processing system.
- ❖ This is launched as part of ease of doing business and Digital India eco-system.



World Wildlife Day - March 03



- ❖ The day is observed to raise awareness about the world's wild fauna and flora.
- ❖ The day also reminds us of the need to fight against wildlife crime and human-induced reduction of species causing various wide-ranging economic, environmental, and social impacts.
- ❖ The World Wildlife Day will be celebrated in 2022 under the theme "Recovering key species for ecosystem restoration".

- ❖ The day was proposed by Thailand and recognized in 2013 by United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

MSME Ministry Iconic Week 2022 - February 28 to March 6



- ❖ As a part of the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' initiative, the Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises is celebrating its iconic week.
- ❖ During the iconic week, Ministry will launch the Phase II of the 'National Level Awareness Programme - Sambhav'.

World Hearing Day - March 03



- ❖ It is a campaign run by the Office of Prevention of Blindness and Deafness of the World Health Organization (WHO).



- ❖ The aim of this day is to spread awareness about hearing loss and promote actions towards its prevention and improved hearing care.
- ❖ The theme for this year's World Hearing Day is "To hear for life, listen with care."

