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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ March 4 is observed as World Day of Fight Against Sexual Exploitation every year since 2009.
 - It is to create awareness against sexual exploitation, which overwhelmingly involves women and children.

TAMIL NADU

Oath of administration



- ❖ The swearing-in ceremony of 200 councilors of Greater Chennai Corporation was done with Commissioner Gagandeep Singh Bedi administering the oath of office/affirmation.
- ❖ There were 102 women and 98 men councilors.

Mayor of Chennai



- ❖ Twenty-nine-year-old R Priya of the DMK will be the first Dalit woman to hold the post of Mayor of Chennai.
- ❖ Priya will be Chennai's third woman mayor after Tara Cherian and Kamakshi Jayaraman.
- ❖ Priya will be taking over as councilor of ward 74, Mangalapuram.
- ❖ She is also the first mayor from North Chennai.

Top borrower state - TN

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has been the top borrower among States in the current fiscal 2022.
- ❖ Overall, the State has raised ₹65,400 crores through the issuance of bonds called State Development Loans (SDLs) in April-February 2022.
- ❖ It is about 18% lower than the ₹79,500 crore raised during the same period in fiscal 2021.
- ❖ After Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, and West Bengal are the top borrowing States.

Rectangular ivory dice

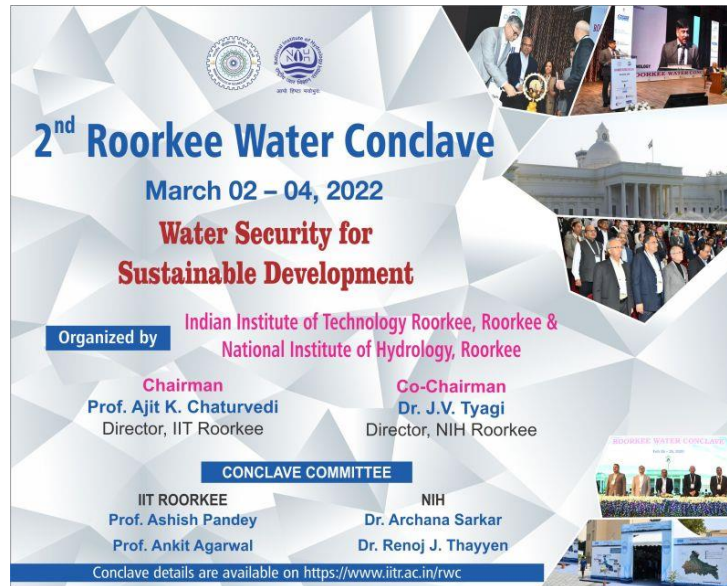


- ❖ A rectangular dice made of ivory measuring 4.5 cm was recovered during the eighth phase of archaeological excavations in Keeladi.

- ❖ This is the first time that the Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology has stumbled upon a rectangular dice after it took over the excavations from the fourth phase in Keeladi.
- ❖ However, rectangular and cubical dices made of ivory and terracotta were found in the first two phases of the Keeladi excavation.

NATIONAL

Roorkee Water Conclave 2022



- ❖ 2nd edition of the “Roorkee Water Conclave 2022” was inaugurated by the union minister for Jal Shakti Gajendra Singh Shekhawat.
- ❖ It is being organized jointly by IIT Roorkee and the National Institute of Hydrology.
- ❖ The Conclave 2022 would focus on understanding water security and its multiple facets supporting sustainable water resource management as a key component of social development.
- ❖ The conclave focuses on the theme of “Water Security for Sustainable Development”.

‘Relief and Rehabilitation of Migrants and Repatriates’ Scheme

- ❖ Under the “Relief and Rehabilitation of Migrants and Repatriates scheme”, Central Government has approved the proposal for the continuation of seven existing sub-schemes for the period 2021-22 to 2025-26.



- ❖ This approval seeks to ensure that assistance under the Umbrella Scheme, continues to reach beneficiaries through the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- ❖ The scheme enables repatriates and migrants, who have suffered due to displacement, to earn a reasonable income as well as to facilitate their inclusion in mainstream economic activities.

Pew Center report on gender roles



- ❖ The Pew Research Centre recently published its report on gender roles.
- ❖ The survey results were based on a face-to-face survey of 29,999 Indian adults in 2019 and 2020.
- ❖ As per the report, Indian adults universally say that it is important for women to have the same rights as men and 8 out of 10 men say it is very important.
- ❖ 80% of men agree that “when there are few jobs, men should have more rights than women”.

Sagar Parikrama Program

- ❖ The Sagar Parikrama Program will be inaugurated by Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Parshottam Rupala.
- ❖ This program has been organized by The Department of Fisheries, and the National Fisheries Development Board along with the Department of Fisheries, Indian Coast Guard, Fishery Survey of India, Gujarat Maritime Board, and fishermen representatives.
- ❖ It is a navigation journey that will take place in all coastal states/UTs along a pre-decided sea route to show unity with all fishermen, fish farmers, and other stakeholders.

- ❖ The focus of Sagar Parikrama will be on the sustainable balance between the livelihood of coastal fisher communities and the usage of marine fisheries resources for the nation's food security.



Swachh Survekshan



- ❖ The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs launched Swachh Survekshan.
- ❖ It is the seventh consecutive edition of the world's largest urban cleanliness survey.
- ❖ Swachh Survekshan 2022 is designed to capture initiatives of cities for the welfare and well-being of frontline sanitation workers, with the notion of 'People First' as its driving philosophy.

ENVIRONMENT

Global Plastics Treaty

- ❖ In the biggest multilateral environmental deal, 175 countries have agreed to a legally binding global treaty called the "Global Plastics Treaty".
- ❖ This is to end the plastic pollution crisis by tackling the entire supply chain of materials.

- ❖ The resolution on the first treaty was passed at a meeting of the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA) in Nairobi in Kenya.
- ❖ The first treaty directly seeks to tackle 9 billion tonnes of plastic produced since the plastic age ramped up in the 1950s.
- ❖ Now, they have started working on how to implement the treaty by 2024.

THE CASE FOR A GLOBAL PLASTICS CONVENTION

Plastic pollution is one of the greatest threats to our planet. It is harming human health, accelerating the climate emergency, disrupting an array of existing agreements and voluntary measures aimed at addressing the problem, plastic production continues to rise at an alarming rate and the current system is ill-equipped to manage it.

TO ADDRESS THIS CRISIS, A GLOBAL CONVENTION ON PLASTIC POLLUTION IS URGENTLY NEEDED.

WHAT WE NEED

- Eliminate plastic pollution in the environment
- Create a safe circular economy for plastics

environmental investigation agency (eia)

1 MONITORING AND REPORTING	2 PLASTIC POLLUTION PREVENTION	3 COORDINATION	4 FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT
STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT	NATIONAL ACTION PLANS	PLASTIC-WASTE TRADE	TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
NATIONAL INVENTORIES AND SOURCES	SUSTAINABLE FINANCING	BASEL CONVENTION	CAPACITY-BUILDING AND TRAINING
EVOLUTION OF CIRCULAR ECONOMY AND LEAKAGE	INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT	SEA-BASED SOURCES	POLICY DEVELOPMENT
SCIENTIFIC ASSESSMENT PANELS	VIRGIN PLASTIC PRODUCTION	IMO	BEST PRACTICES AND KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT
		FAO	
		CHEMICALS AND ADDITIVES	
		STOCKPILE MANAGEMENT	
		REGIONAL SEAS PROGRAMMES	
		CLIMATE	
		UNFCCC	
		IPCC	

COUNTRIES SHOULD COME TOGETHER TO TAKE DECISIVE ACTION AT THE 5TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT ASSEMBLY IN 2021 AND 2022.

IT IS HERE THAT NEGOTIATIONS ON A NEW CONVENTION ON PLASTIC POLLUTION MUST BE LAUNCHED.

The time is ripe for the world to rally, as one voice, around an ambitious vision for addressing plastic pollution and creating a safe circular economy for plastics.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Employee Appreciation Day 2022 - March 04

- ❖ The first Friday of March is observed as Employee Appreciation Day.
- ❖ This year it is marked on 4 March.
- ❖ The day was introduced to acknowledge the hard work and diligence of employees and bestow them with the recognition that they deserve.



- ❖ This day is considered an opportunity to create a positive bond between employers and employees and to ensure a healthy mental and physical workspace for individuals.



Employee Appreciation Day

World Obesity Day - March 04

- ❖ It is observed to promote practical solutions to end the global obesity crisis.
- ❖ The day is organized by the World Obesity Federation.
- ❖ It is a non-profit body that is in official relations with the World Health Organisation.
- ❖ The theme of World Obesity Day 2022 is 'Everybody Needs to Act'.



National Safety Day - March 04

- ❖ It is celebrated every year to commemorate the foundation of the National Safety Council (NSC) of India.
- ❖ The day aims to raise public awareness of all safety principles, including road safety, workplace safety, human health safety, and environmental safety.
- ❖ The year 2022 marks 51st NSD.
- ❖ This year's theme is 'Nurture young minds - Develop safety culture'.

- ❖ The first National Safety Day was observed in 1972.



National Security Day - March 04

- ❖ It is also known as Rashtriya Suraksha Diwas.
- ❖ The day aims to show gratitude to all the security forces, including policemen, para-military forces, commandos, guards, army officers, and other persons involved in security, who sacrifice their lives in maintaining the peace and security of the people of the country.
- ❖ Apart from this, National Security Week 2022 is being celebrated from March 4 to March 10, 2022.

