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TNPSC BITS

- Sanjiv Kapoor has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Jet Airways.
 - The Jalan Kalrock Consortium is the new promoter of Jet Airways.
- The Telangana State has ranked the highest in the country among states with a population over 1 crore in terms of growth rate in terms of Per Capita Net State Domestic Product at Current Prices.
 - $\circ~$ This is as per the latest data, from the Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation.

TAMIL NADU

Rare depression in the Bay of Bengal



- ✤ A rare weather phenomenon of depression in March is unfolding over the Bay of Bengal.
- The approaching weather system set a new record as such depressions that are considered unusual in March.
- ◆ In the past 130 years, the Bay of Bengal has churned two depressions in March.
- ✤ It was in 1938 and 1994.

Liquor shops

- The State government informed the Madras High Court of having amended the Tamil Nadu Liquor Retail Vending (In Shops and Bars) Rules of 2003.
- These rules were framed under the Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act of 1937.





- This makes it mandatory for Collectors to consider objections received with regard to the location of liquor shops before approving the location.
- ✤ As per the amendment to this Rule, no State-run liquor shop should commence business unless the location of the shop had been approved by the Collector.

Reservation to transgenders



- The Madras High Court strongly recommended to the Tamil Nadu government to provide a specified percentage of special reservation for the Transgenders/Third Genders (TGs) in future public employments.
- This was recommended apart from other relaxations and concessions extended to the socially and economically backward classes.
- While granting any reservation, concessions, and relaxations to the TGs, the State government shall take into account the ratio adopted for granting similar privileges to the other socially and economically backward classes and
- ✤ It needs to adopt a similar method for determining these privileges for the Transgenders.

Mayor election

In Tamil Nadu, 12,800 newly elected urban civic body ward councilors took the oath of office.





- Indirect elections for the posts of Mayors and Deputy Mayors of municipal corporations, Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of municipalities, and town panchayats were held across the State on March 4.
- This is the first time that the 21 municipal corporations, 138 municipalities, and 489 town panchayats have elected representatives after a gap of six years.
- Of the 20 Mayor posts, DMK Government has allotted 11 to women and 9 to men.

Tamilnadu list			
Chennai Corporation	Tambaram Corporation	Salem Corporation	Karur Corporation
Mayor: R Priya M.Com	Mayor: Vasanthakumari Kamalakanan B.Tech	Mayor: A Ramachandran	Mayor: Kavitha Ganesan M.sc., B.Ed.,
Deputy Mayor: Mukesh kumar BA	Deputy Mayor: G. Kamaraj	Tirupur Corporation	Deputy Mayor: Dharani B. Saravanan B.Sc.,
Madurai Corporation	Kancheepuram Corporation	Mayor: N Dinesh Kumar M.B.A.,	Hosur Corporation
Mayor: Indirani B.A., M.L.I.S.,	Mayor: Mahalakshmi Yuvaraj B.E., M.B.A.,	Erode Corporation	Mayor: S Sathya
Tiruchy Corporation	Vellore Corporation	Mayor: Nagarathinam	Deputy Mayor: C Anandhaiyya
Mayor - M Anbazhagan M.A.,	Mayor: Sujatha Anandakumar	Deputy Mayor: Selvaraj	Dindigul Corporation
Deputy Mayor: Divya Dhanakodi B.Com	Deputy Mayor: Mr Sunil	Tutucorin Corporation	Mayor: Elamathi B.B.A.,
Tirunelveli Corporation	Cuddalore Corporation	Mayor: NB Jegan, M.Com.,	Deputy Mayor: Rajappa
Mayor: BM Saravanan B.A.,	Mayor: Mrs. Sundari	Deputy Mayor: Jenita Selvaraj	Sivakasi Corporation
Deputy Mayor: KR Raju B.A.,D.Lit.,	Tanjavur Corporation	Avadi Corporation	Mayor: Sangeetha Inbam B.A.,
Coimbatore Corporation	Mayor: SN Raamanathan M.B.A.,	Mayor: G Udhayakumar	Deputy Mayor: Vignesh Priya M.Sc,
Mayor: Kalpana	Deputy Mayor: Anjugam Boopathi M.B.B.S., M.D.,	Nagercoil Corporation	
Deputy Mayor: R Vetriselvan	Kumbakonam Corporation	Mayor: Magesh B.A, B.L.,	
	Deputy Mayor: Tamizazhagan	Deputy Mayor: Mary Princy M.A.,	

Overall Installed Renewable Capacity - TN

- According to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Tamil Nadu (TN) has achieved the first position in overall installed renewable energy capacity in India surpassing Karnataka.
- As of 31st January 2022, TN's total installed renewable capacity stood at 15,914 MegaWatt.
- ♦ Karnataka's total clean energy capacity was 15,795 MW.





In recent years, Tamil Nadu has increased its capacity across solar and wind segments to regain its top position against Karnataka.

NATIONAL

Smart Managed EV Charging Station

- ✤ A subsidiary of Reliance Infrastructure, SES Yamuna Power Limited (BYPL) has commissioned India's first 'Smart Managed EV Charging Station' in New Delhi.
- ◆ BYPL is backed by Bombay Suburban Electric Supply (BSES).
- It will be the first-ever BYPL managed Smart EV Charging Station.
- The smart-managed EV charging station can charge five Electric vehicles at the same time.

National Mission for Clean Ganga



- National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) has been awarded the 'Special Jury Award' at the 7th India Industry Water Conclave and the 9th edition of the FICCI Water Awards.
- NMCG has been awarded for its effort in reviving River Ganga and bringing about a paradigm shift in water management.
- G Asok Kumar was appointed as the new Director-General of the National Mission for Clean Ganga.

National War Memorial

♦ National War Memorial's 3rd anniversary was observed on February 25, 2022.





- The National War Memorial was dedicated to the nation by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on February 25, 2019.
- The National War Memorial is India's first war memorial built to honor all the soldiers who fought in armed conflicts of independent India.
- The memorial memorializes the soldiers who martyred during the Indo-China War in 1962, the Indo-Pakistan wars in 1947, 1965 and 1971 and the Kargil war in 1999.



STATES



Guinness record – Ujjain

- Ujjain in Madhya Pradesh has created a Guinness record by lighting 11.71 lakh clay lamps (diyas) in 10 minutes.
- The diyas were lighted as part of the 'Shiv Jyoti Arpanam Mahotsava' on the occasion of Mahashivratri.





- With this, they broke the earlier record of lighting 9.41 lakh diyas created in Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh in 2021.
- Ujjain is also known as the 'Land of Mahakal'.

Herath festival



- Herath or the 'Night of Hara (Shiva)' is generally known as Maha Shivratri.
- It is the main festival celebrated by the Kashmiri Pandits across Jammu and Kashmir (J&K).
- The festival marks the marriage anniversary of Lord Shiva and Goddess Uma (Parvathi).
- ✤ 2022 Herath Festival was celebrated on 28th February 2022.
- Herath Festival is celebrated on "Trayodashi" or the 13th day of the dark half of the month of Phalguna (Hindu calendar), between February and March.
- The rest of the nation celebrates the Maha Shivratri on Chaturdashi or the 14th of Phalguna.

Camel Protection and Development Policy

- Rajasthan, the state government has announced a 'Camel Protection and Development Policy' in its budget 2022-23.
- ✤ According to the government figures, less than two lakh camels are left in Rajasthan.
- ✤ And in the entire country, the number of camels has reduced by 1.5 lakh since 2012.
- ✤ There were about 2.5 lakh camels left when counted last in 2019.





 World Camel Day is observed every year on 22 June to recognize the importance of camels to the livelihood of a large population.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Shane Warne

- Legendary Australia spinner, Shane Warne has passed away at the age of 52.
- ✤ Shane Warne picked up 708 wickets in 145 Tests.
- ✤ His career spanned over 15 years from 1992 to 2007.
- ✤ He was also a World Cup winner with Australia in 1999.
- Shane Warn took more wickets than any other bowler in Ashes cricket, the tally standing at 195.
- ✤ In 2013, he was inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame.
- He also won the inaugural edition of the Indian Premier League as the captain of Rajasthan Royals.



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