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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Mario Marcel, the Governor of the Central Bank of Chile, has won the Governor of the year award at the Central Banking Awards 2022.
 - Banco Central de Chile is the name of the central bank of Chile.
- ❖ North Korea has test-fired an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) named Hwasong-17.
 - This missile is the world's largest liquid-fuelled ICBM.
- ❖ The annual Mangaluru Kambala's fifth edition will be held on the grounds of Goldfinch City in Bangra Kulur.
 - It is a buffalo race held annually in Karnataka.

TAMIL NADU

Valluvar Street



- ❖ A street in the United States is named Valluvar Street in the honor of Thiruvalluvar.
- ❖ A street in the Fairfax County of Virginia in the United States is named after him.

- ❖ This street is called 'Valluvar Way' in English and Valluvar Street in Tamil.

NATIONAL

Red Fort Festival

- ❖ From 25th March to 3rd April 'the Red Fort Festival - Bharat Bhagya Vidhata' is being celebrated.
- ❖ This 10-day event is being organized in association with the Ministry of Culture.
- ❖ This event is being held to commemorate the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- ❖ This event has been thought out by the Red Fort's Monument Mitra, Union Culture Ministry, and Dalmia Bharat Limited.



Srinagar Tulip Festival



- ❖ Asia's largest Tulip Garden is located in Srinagar, Kashmir.
- ❖ This garden houses more than a million tulips.
- ❖ On 23rd March, it has been reopened to the public after being shut for the past nine months.

- ❖ The garden has been reopened keeping in mind the upcoming Srinagar Tulip Festival.

Second Edition of Export Preparedness Index



- ❖ It has been released by NITI Aayog.
- ❖ This report was released in association with the Institute of Competitiveness.
- ❖ In this index, Gujarat has topped for the second time in a row.
- ❖ It is followed by Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Haryana.
- ❖ The latest edition of the index has highlighted that most of the country's coastal states are among the best performers.

India TB Report 2022

- ❖ In 2021, tuberculosis cases in India increased by 19 percent compared to the previous year.
- ❖ This information was revealed in the India TB Report 2022.
- ❖ By 2021, the total number of TB patients was 19, 33,381.
- ❖ In 2020 it was 16, 28,161.
- ❖ In India, the mortality rate due to all kinds of tuberculosis increased by 11% between 2019 and 2020.
- ❖ About 61 percent of patients suffering from TB were male and the females constituted 39 percent who were put on treatment.

- ❖ 6 percent of the notified patients were in the pediatric category.
- ❖ The highest prevalence was in Delhi.
- ❖ The lowest was in Gujarat.

The chief minister of Uttar Pradesh



- ❖ Yogi Adityanath takes oath as chief minister of Uttar Pradesh for his second term in office.
- ❖ Keshav Prasad Maurya and Brajesh Pathak also took oath as the Deputy Chief Ministers in the new government.
- ❖ The Yogi Adityanath-led BJP government created history with its comeback as no other CM has been able to repeat a government in the state in 37 years.

Dare to Erade TB



- ❖ The launch of the 'Dare to Erade TB' program on World TB Day 2022 was announced by Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh.

- ❖ This program will be based on the data available in India.
- ❖ Genome Sequencing Consortium for Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) TB Surveillance's formation was also announced.

INTERNATIONAL

Hisashi Takeuchi

- ❖ Hisashi Takeuchi (from Japan) has been appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Maruti Suzuki.
- ❖ Takeuchi will serve for a period of three years with effect from April 1, 2022.
- ❖ Takeuchi will succeed Kenichi Ayukawa as the MD and CEO.



BIMSTEC Charter



- ❖ 5th BIMSTEC Summit will be held in Colombo, Sri Lanka on 30th March.

- ❖ Six documents, which also includes the BIMSTEC Charter, are likely to be adopted and signed.
- ❖ “BIMSTEC-Towards a Resilient Region, Prosperous Economies and Healthy Peoples” is the theme for the 5th BIMSTEC Summit.

Bersama Shield 2022

- ❖ Malaysia will host armed forces from 4 nations in the annual Bersama Shield 2022 training exercise.
- ❖ The four nations are Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, and the United Kingdom.
- ❖ The exercise is referred to as BS22 (Bersama Shield 2022).
- ❖ Bersama means together in Malay.

Climate Early Warning Systems



- ❖ Antonio Guterres, UN Secretary-General, announced this project in association with the World Meteorological Organisation based in Geneva.
- ❖ The project has been announced to put every individual on the planet in early weather-warning systems range within the next five years as natural disasters have grown frequent and more powerful due to the effects of climate change.
- ❖ One-third of the Earth’s population, especially in the countries which are least-developed are not covered by early warning systems.

- ❖ 60 percent of people who are residing in Africa lack coverage.

Wildlife bond to save Africa's black rhino



- ❖ The World Bank (International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, IBRD) has issued the Wildlife Conservation Bond (WCB) to support South Africa's efforts to conserve endangered species of Black Rhino.
- ❖ Wildlife Conservation Bond (WCB) is also known as "Rhino Bond".
- ❖ The bond will contribute to protecting and increasing black rhino populations in two protected areas in South Africa.
- ❖ Those areas are the Addo Elephant National Park and the Great Fish River Nature Reserve.

ECONOMY

Reserve Bank Innovation Hub

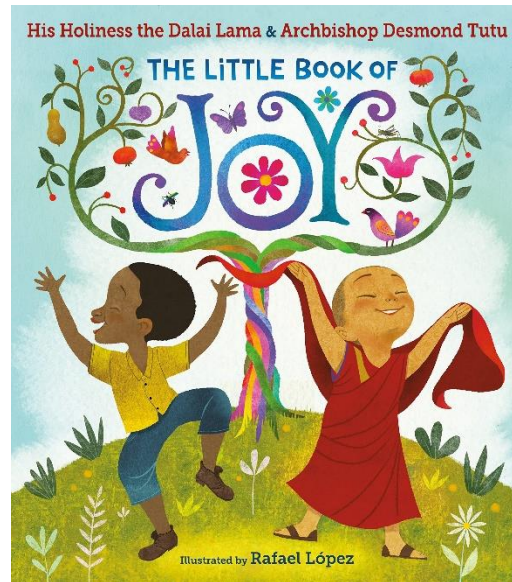


- ❖ The Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH) has been inaugurated by Shaktikanta Das in Bengaluru.
- ❖ RBIH has been set up as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the RBI with Rs 100 crore as an initial capital contribution.

- ❖ An independent board has been constituted for this hub with S. Gopalakrishnan selected as the Chairman.
- ❖ The aim of the RBIH is to create an ecosystem that will focus on the promotion of access to various financial products and services for the low-income group population across the nation.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

The Little Book of Joy



- ❖ A Book titled “The Little Book of Joy” will be released in September 2022.
- ❖ It is a picture book edition co-authored by Nobel Peace Prize winners 14th Dalai Lama (Tenzin Gyatso) & Archbishop Desmond Tutu.
- ❖ The illustrations provided by artists Rafael Lopez and Rachel Neumann & Douglas Abrams collaborated on the text.
- ❖ This book focuses on the meaning of true happiness, which is not in the materialistic world but lies in the nature of human beings.
- ❖ In 2016, they also co-authored the book titled “The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World”.

Stephen Wilhite

- ❖ Stephen Wilhite passed away at the age of 74 years due to Covid-19 related issues.
- ❖ He was the creator of the Graphics Interchange Format (GIF) format.



- ❖ Wilhite devised the Graphics Interchange Format, or GIF, in 1987 while working at CompuServe.
- ❖ The Oxford American Dictionary named GIF the word of the year in 2012.
- ❖ He was honored with a Webby Lifetime Achievement award in 2013.

