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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Salhoutuonuo Kruse made history by becoming Nagaland's first woman minister.
 - She and Hekani Jakhalu were elected as the first women MLAs of the State.
- ❖ The biggest contract manufacturer in the world-Foxconn Group will set up electronics manufacturing and assembly unit near Bengaluru with nearly \$1 billion investment.
- ❖ As per UN report, Afghanistan become the most repressive in the world for women and girls, deprived of many of their basic rights in 2023.
- ❖ Saurashtra Cricket team defeated Bengal team to lift the Ranji Trophy title 2023 for the second time in their history.
 - During this season, Sikkim hosted Ranji Trophy matches for the first time

TAMIL NADU

Women's Day awards2023



- ❖ Tamil Nadu chief minister M K Stalin presented the Avvaiyar Award 2023 to R Kamalam Chinnasami.
- ❖ She is a 90-year-old writer and social worker based in Ooty.
- ❖ She has penned many poems and authored around 43 books.
- ❖ Girl Child Empowerment Award 2022-23 was given to Class XI student Ilanthirai.
- ❖ She invented a new equipment to prevent deaths during repairing lifts in multi-storey buildings.

- ❖ He also gave the first prize for improving child sex ratio for the year 2023 to Tiruvallur Collector Alby John Varghese.
- ❖ The Collectors of Nagapattinam and Namakkal were given second and third prizes respectively.

NATIONAL

One Nation, One Challan Initiative



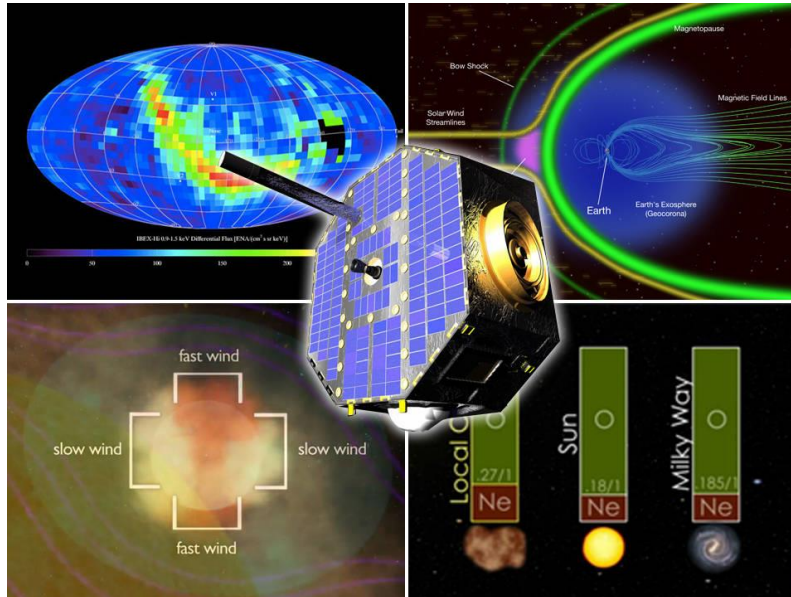
- ❖ Gujarat Government implemented 'One Nation, One Challan Initiative' recently.
- ❖ One Nation, One Challan is an initiative of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.
- ❖ It aims to bring all related agencies, such as the traffic police and the Regional Transport Office (RTO), on one platform.
- ❖ It will enable seamless collection of challans as well as data transfer.
- ❖ National Informatics Centre (NIC) is set to launch its own application for this.
- ❖ If someone doesn't pay the challan amount within 90 days, the challan will be automatically forwarded to a virtual court and proceedings will be initiated.
- ❖ Virtual courts are aimed at eliminating the presence of litigants in the court.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Interstellar Boundary Explorer

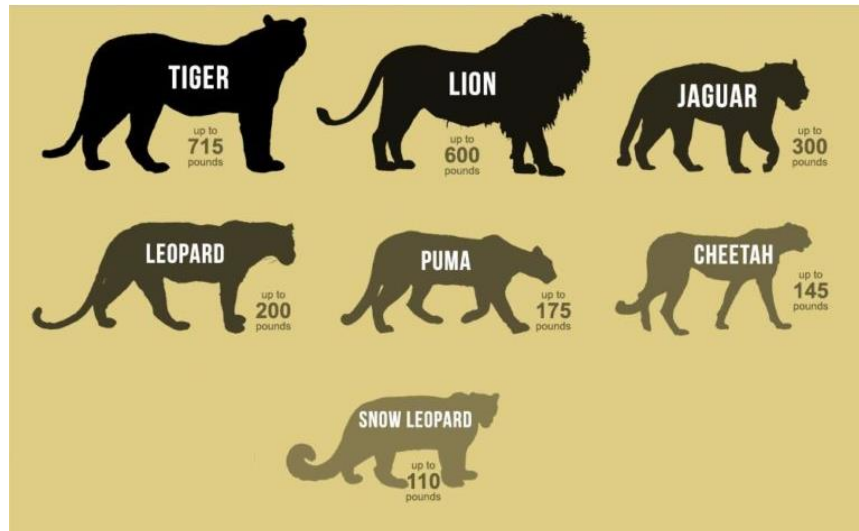
- ❖ NASA's Interstellar Boundary Explorer (IBEX) spacecraft is fully operational after successful reset.

- ❖ IBEX is a small spacecraft designed to map the boundary (heliosphere) where winds from the Sun interact with winds from other stars.
- ❖ It was launched in 2008 and has spent nearly 15 years in space already.



ENVIRONMENT

Global alliance for big cats



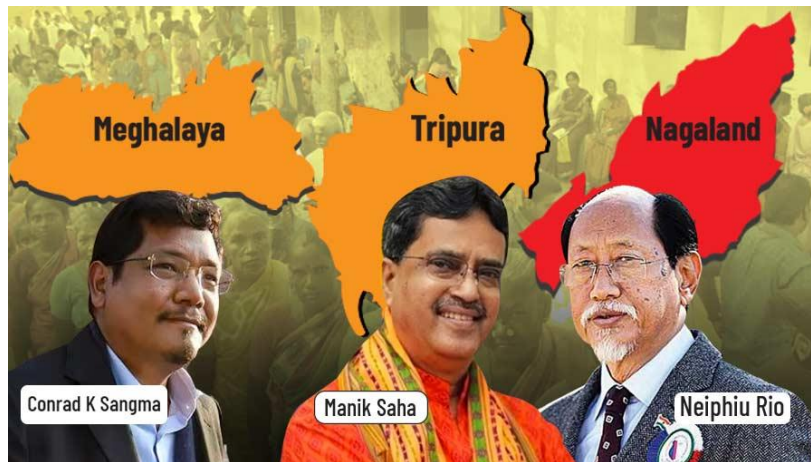
- ❖ India has proposed to launch a mega global alliance under its leadership to protect big cats.
- ❖ It also assured support over five years with guaranteed funding of \$100 million (over Rs 800 crore).

- ❖ This International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) will focus on the rehabilitation and conservation of the seven big cats namely tigers, lions, leopards, snow leopards, pumas, jaguars and chives.
- ❖ Its major activities will include advocacy, partnership, knowledge e-portal, capacity building, eco-tourism, partnerships between expert groups and finance tapping.

STATES

New CMs of Meghalaya, Tripura and Nagaland

- ❖ National People's Party (NPP)'s Conrad Sangma took oath as Chief Minister of Meghalaya.
- ❖ Prestone Tynsong and Sniawbhalang Dhar took oath as deputy chief ministers.
- ❖ Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP)'s Neiphiu Rio took oath as Chief Minister of Nagaland.
- ❖ He is the longest serving chief minister and this is his fifth consecutive term.
- ❖ Manik Saha took oath as the Chief Minister of the coalition government in Tripura.



PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Group Captain Shaliza Dhami

- ❖ The Indian Air Force has selected Group Captain Shaliza Dhami to take over command of a frontline combat unit in the Western sector.
- ❖ She will be the first woman officer in the IAF to command a missile squadron in the Western sector facing Pakistan.

- ❖ A Group Captain in the IAF is equivalent to a Colonel in the Army.
- ❖ The Indian Army has the largest number of women officers at 1,705, followed by 1,640 women officers in the Indian Air Force, and 559 in the Indian Navy



IMPORTANT DAYS

National Security Day - March 04



- ❖ The day aims to show gratitude to our security forces which include military, para-military, commandos, police officials, guards, and other security forces.

- ❖ National Security Council is the apex agency looks into the country's political, economic, energy and strategic security concerns.
- ❖ It was established by the then Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee on November 19, 1998.

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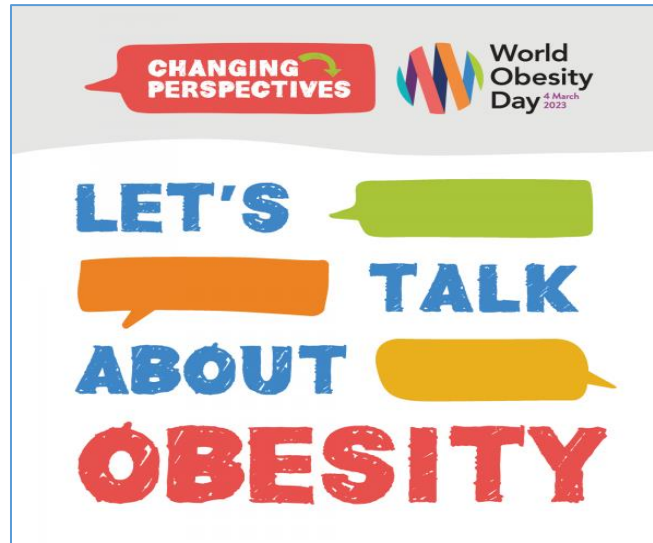
- ❖ The main goal of the day is to highlight safety measures and ensure that people are aware of them and follow them in order to avoid workplace accidents.
- ❖ This day commemorates the establishment of the National Safety Council.
- ❖ National Safety Council is a non-profit, self-financing body.
- ❖ It was established on March 4, 1966.
- ❖ This year's theme is "Our Aim - Zero Harm".
- ❖ National Safety Week is also observed in India every year from the 4th to the 10th of March.



World obesity day - March 04

- ❖ World Obesity Day was established in 2015.
- ❖ It aims to draw attention towards the rising cases of obesity.
- ❖ Theme of this year is 'Changing Perspectives: Let's Talk About Obesity'.

- ❖ Obesity is a complex disease that occurs when an individual's weight is higher than what is considered healthy for his or her height.



World Day of Fight Against Sexual Exploitation - March 04



- ❖ This day was first observed as a global movement in 2009.
- ❖ This day is dedicated to raising awareness about the disturbing reality of sexual abuse and trafficking, and empowering individuals and communities to fight back against these heinous crimes.
- ❖ The day also aims to promote and protect the rights of victims of sexual exploitation.

- ❖ It is estimated that every second of the day, an average of eight people is trapped by international criminal networks for sexual exploitation, trafficking, and enslavement.
- ❖ The U.N. General Assembly designated July 30 as World Day against Trafficking in Persons.

MISCELLANEOUS

Largest number of commercial women pilots



- ❖ Air India said 15% of its 1,825 pilots are women pilots.
- ❖ This was making it an airline with the largest number of female pilots.
- ❖ Air India is flying 40 flights across domestic and international locations.
- ❖ According to the carrier, women constitute more than 40% of Air India's work force.
- ❖ Thus, India has the largest number of commercial women pilots in the world.

