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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister announced that the Chennai-Mahabalipuram East Coast Road will be named Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar Karunanidhi road to honour the former CM's role in the development of state highways.
- ❖ The Greater Chennai Corporation has named a street after late actor and Padma Shri recipient Vivek.
 - The road in Virugambakkam in Chennai where the actor used to reside has been renamed as Chinna Kalaiwanar Vivek Road.
- ❖ The Supreme Court has observed that the reserved category candidates securing higher marks than the last of the general category candidates are entitled to get seat/post in the General category.
- ❖ The Semicon India Conference-2022 will be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
 - Bengaluru will host this three-day conference.

TAMIL NADU

Highest ever power consumption

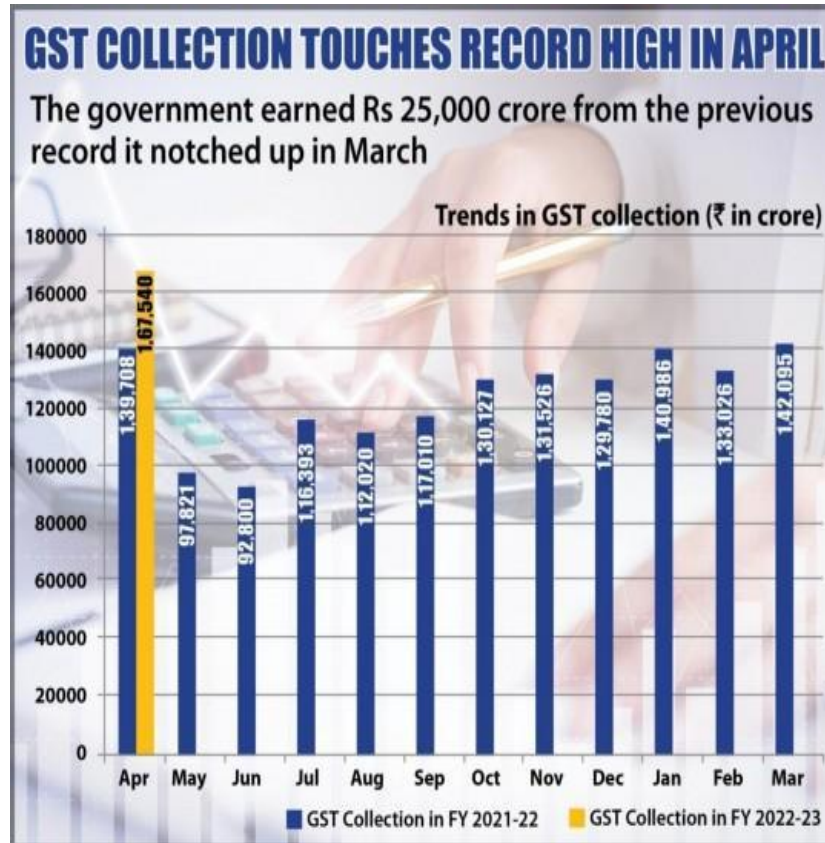
POWER GENERATION ON THURSDAY (IN MW)	
Thermal	3,885
Hydro	279
Central govt share	5,063
Others	8,143
Total	17,370

- ❖ Tamil Nadu on 28th April recorded its highest ever (387.047 million units) power consumption.
- ❖ The previous highest power consumption in the State was 378.328 MU recorded on March 29 this year.

- ❖ So far, the highest State demand was 17,196 Mega Watt (MW), which was recorded on March 29.
- ❖ The demand, however, touched 17,370 MW on 28th April.

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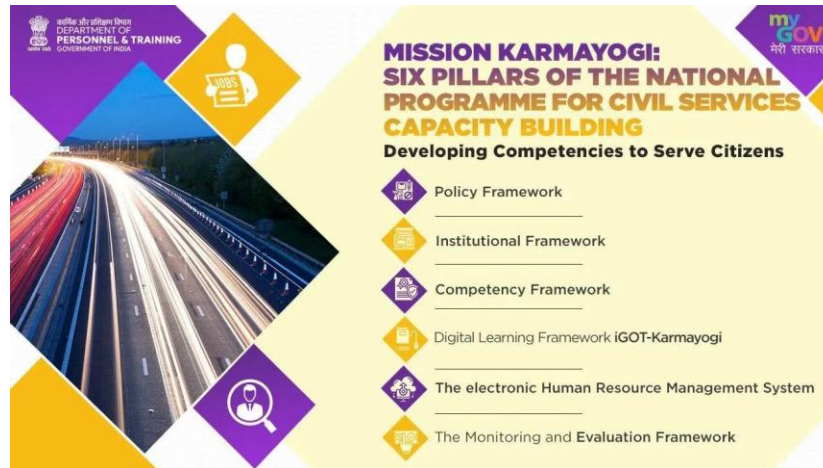
All-Time High Level GST Collections



- ❖ The GST collections in April hit an all-time high of Rs 1,67,540 crore on the back of better compliance and faster economic recovery.
- ❖ It is Rs 25,000 crore more than the previous highest collection of Rs 1,42,095 crore recorded in March.
- ❖ Month of April 2022 saw the highest ever tax collection in a single day on 20th April 2022.
- ❖ State-wise, Maharashtra saw the most GST collection at Rs 27,495 crore, followed by Karnataka (Rs 11,820 crore), Gujarat (Rs 11,264 crore), Uttar Pradesh (Rs 8,534 crore), Haryana (Rs 8,197 crore).

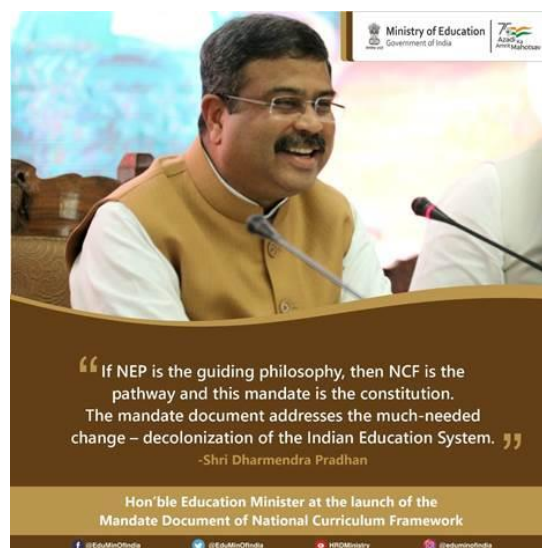
- ❖ Among the lowest GST-collecting states were Mizoram with just Rs 46 crore, Nagaland (Rs 68 crore), Manipur (Rs 69 crore), Tripura (Rs 107 crore), and Arunachal Pradesh (Rs 196 crore).

World Bank fund for Karmayogi program



- ❖ The World Bank has approved a \$47 million project to support the Government of India's Mission Karmayogi.
- ❖ There are nearly 18 million civil servants employed across India, with approximately two-thirds at the state government and local authority level.
- ❖ The Project is aligned with the India Country Partnership Framework (CPF) FY18-22 which includes strengthening public sector institutions as one of the four areas of engagement for the World Bank in India.

Mandate Document of National Curriculum Framework



- ❖ The Union Minister for Education, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Dharmendra Pradhan released a mandate document for the National Curriculum Framework under the National Education Policy in Bengaluru.
- ❖ The mandate document is the stepping stone between National Educational Policy and National Curriculum Framework.
- ❖ He described the mandate document as a step forward towards formation of new National syllabus and textbooks.

INTERNATIONAL

Mission Sagar IX

- ❖ With the overarching aim of providing critical medical aid to Sri Lanka during the ongoing crisis, INS Gharial as part of Mission SAGAR IX reached Colombo.
- ❖ It delivered over 760 kgs of 107 types of critical lifesaving medicines.
- ❖ The shipment was received by Sri Lankan Health Minister Channa Jayasumana.



ENVIRONMENT

Use of Disposable Masks in Cement Mixture

- ❖ Researchers have demonstrated a way of incorporating Single-use masks into a mixture of cement to create more durable and stronger concrete.

- ❖ The mixture that was made using mask materials was 47 percent stronger than the cement that is commonly used.
- ❖ If not reused the disposable masks do not decay for decades and thus, they pose a risk to the ecosystem.



STATES

Govt reinstates IAS officer



- ❖ IAS officer Shah Faesal has been reinstated in service after the government accepted his application for the same.
- ❖ Faesal has submitted his resignation in January 2019.
- ❖ He had founded the J&K People's Movement (JKPM), a political party in March 2019
- ❖ He was detained under the stringent Public Safety Act immediately after the abrogation of the special status of the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir.
- ❖ He was released from detention on June 3, 2020.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Whitley Gold Award



- ❖ The snow leopard expert and wildlife conservationist Charu Dutt Mishra has won the prestigious Whitley Gold Award.
- ❖ It is referred to as "Green Oscars".
- ❖ It is given by Whitley Fund for Nature (WFN) of the United Kingdom.
- ❖ It recognizes his contribution to involving indigenous communities in the conservation and recovery of big cat species in Asia's high mountain ecosystems.
- ❖ This is his second Whitley Fund for Nature (WFN) Award.
- ❖ He won the first in 2005.

Best Infrastructure Project' Award

- ❖ Border Roads Organisation's Atal Tunnel, received the Indian Building Congress (IBC) 'Best Infrastructure Project' award.

- ❖ It is located in Rohtang, Himachal Pradesh.
- ❖ It was dedicated to the nation on October 3, 2020.



Highest diplomatic award by Peru



- ❖ The former Honorary Consul of Peru in Mumbai, Ardeshir B.K. Dubash has received the Order of “Merit in the Diplomatic Service of Peru Jose Gregorio Paz Soldan”.
- ❖ Dubash was designated as Honorary Consul of Peru in 1973.
- ❖ The Order of Merit was instituted in 2004.

- ❖ It was named after José Gregorio Paz Soldán, the former prime minister of Peru.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Tuna Day – May 02

- ❖ This day is established by the United Nations to raise awareness about the importance of tuna fish.
- ❖ It aims to spread awareness among people regarding the importance of conserving Tuna fish.
- ❖ Tuna fish has several rich qualities such as Omega 3, Vitamin B12, proteins and other minerals.
- ❖ This year it is being celebrated under the theme “Our Tuna, Our Heritage”.



World Press Freedom Day – May 03



- ❖ It aims to inform that freedom of the press and freedom of expression are fundamental human rights.
- ❖ The day also provides a chance to pay tribute to media professionals who risked or lost their lives in the line of duty.
- ❖ This year's theme is "Journalism under digital siege".
- ❖ UNESCO adopted the Windhoek declaration on May 3 in 1993.
- ❖ That aimed toward the 'development of a free, independent and pluralistic press.

World Asthma Day – May 03

- ❖ It is celebrated on the first Tuesday of May every year.
- ❖ And this year it falls on 3 May 2022.
- ❖ It aims to raise awareness about the condition and seek better healthcare facilities for asthma care.
- ❖ 'Closing Gaps in Asthma Care' is the theme for the 2022 observation.

