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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Senior IAS officer Nidhi Chibber has been appointed as the chairperson of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).
- ❖ 6th Road Safety Conference on “Safer & Sustainable Mobility with Innovations and Technology” held in New Delhi.

INTERNATIONAL

Sky Bridge 721

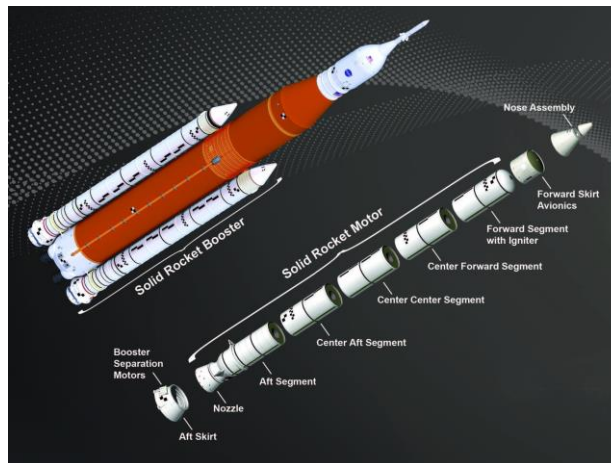


- ❖ The world's largest suspension bridge in Czech Republic has opened for tourists.
- ❖ The bridge connects two mountain ridges
- ❖ And it hangs 95 metres (312 feet) above a valley.
- ❖ It can be accessed by cable car.
- ❖ It is 721 metres, or 2,365 feet long.
- ❖ Tourists will enter it at an elevation of 1,125 metres and exit it 10 metres higher.

- ❖ The Czech Republic Sky Bridge is 154 metres longer than Nepal's Baglung Parbat Footbridge.
- ❖ Nepal's Baglung Parbat Footbridge currently holds the Guinness World Record for the longest suspension footbridge.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Solid rocket booster tests



- ❖ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully carried out the static test of the HS200 solid rocket booster.
- ❖ The successful completion of this test is a crucial milestone for ISRO's famous Gaganyaan human space flight programme.
- ❖ The HS200 booster was designed and developed by VSSC in Thiruvananthapuram.
- ❖ While the propellant casting was completed at SDSC in Srihari Kota.
- ❖ The S200 motor is the first stage of the LVM3 launch vehicle.
- ❖ It was designed as a strap-on rocket booster for launching a 4,000 kg class satellite to geosynchronous transfer orbit.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

World's best nurse

- ❖ Anna Qabale Duba won the inaugural Aster Guardian Global Nursing Award.
- ❖ She was a Kenyan nurse stationed at the Marsabit County Referral Hospital

- ❖ This is the recognition for endorsing education and campaigning against outdated cultural practices like Female Genital Mutilation in her community.



First Indian layman to be declared saint



- ❖ Deva sahayam became the first layman from India to become a saint.
- ❖ He took the name “Lazarus” after embracing Christianity in 1745.
- ❖ While preaching, he particularly insisted on the equality of all people, despite caste differences.
- ❖ This aroused the hatred of the higher classes.
- ❖ And he was arrested in 1749.
- ❖ After enduring increasing hardships, he was shot on 14 January 1752.
- ❖ Deva sahayam was recognised by Pope Francis in 2014.
- ❖ It cleared the path to his canonisation in 2022.

- ❖ Nine others, including four women, were also canonised along with Deva sahayam.

SPORTS

Highest-paid athletes list for 2022

- ❖ Lionel Messi has topped the list of Forbes Highest-Paid Athletes 2022 with a reported income of \$130 million.
- ❖ He is followed by Basketball player, LeBron James with \$121.2 million and Cristiano Ronaldo was third with \$115 million.
- ❖ Forbes calculates the estimates based on prize money, salaries and bonuses, and sponsorship deals.

2022 TOP PAID SPORT STARS			
1		LIONEL MESSI	FOOTBALL £107M
2		LEBRON JAMES	BASKETBALL £99M
3		CRISTIANO RONALDO	FOOTBALL £94M
4		NEYMAR	FOOTBALL £78M
5		STEPH CURRY	BASKETBALL £76M
6		KEVIN DURANT	BASKETBALL £76M
7		ROGER FEDERER	TENNIS £74M
8		CANELO ALVAREZ	BOXING £74M
9		TOM BRADY	NFL £69M
10		G ANTETOKOUNMPO	BASKETBALL £66M



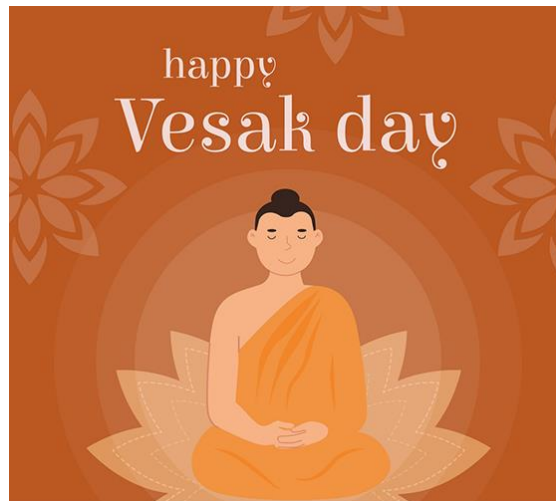
IMPORTANT DAYS

International Day of Families - 15 May



- ❖ The International Day of Families not only promotes the value of a healthy and well-balanced family, but also increases understanding of the economic, demographic, and social dynamics that influence families.
- ❖ The Universal Peace Federation also observes this day since they see family as a microcosm of the entire society.
- ❖ In 1993, the United Nations General Assembly declared May 15 to be the International Day of Families.
- ❖ The theme for this year ‘Families and Urbanization’ aims to raise awareness about the necessity of family-friendly urban policy.

Day of Vesak - 16 May

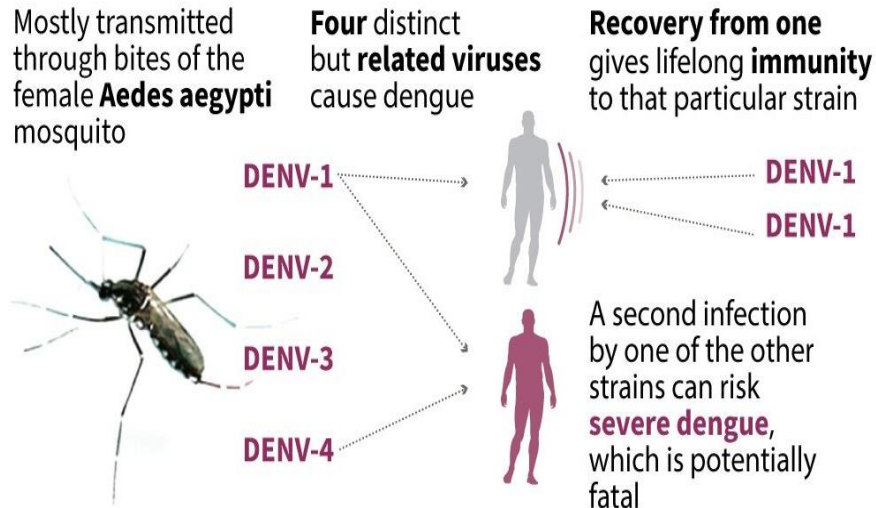


- ❖ This year Vesak Day or Buddha Purnima has celebrated on 16 May 2022.
- ❖ “Vesak” is the Day of the Full Moon in the month of May.
- ❖ It was on the Day of Vesak two and a half millennia ago, in the year 623 B.C., that the Gautama Buddha was born.
- ❖ It was also on the Day of Vesak that the Buddha attained enlightenment.
- ❖ And it was on the Day of Vesak that the Buddha in his eightieth year passed away.

National Dengue Day - 16 May

- ❖ It aims to raise awareness about dengue and its preventive measures, and preparedness for control of the vector-borne disease before the transmission season begins.
- ❖ Dengue is spread through the bite of the female mosquito (*Aedes aegypti*).

- ❖ These mosquitoes carry viruses that cause West Nile Virus illness and yellow fever.
- ❖ Dengue is a mosquito-borne disease.
- ❖ It is caused by the dengue virus of four distinct serotypes — DEN-1, DEN-2, DEN-3 and DEN-4.



International Day of Living Together in Peace - 16 May



- ❖ In 2017, the UN General-Assembly declared that May 16 is to be observed as International Day of Living Together in Peace to promote inclusion, tolerance, solidarity and peace.
- ❖ The day is meant to signify unity in differences and diversity.

- ❖ UNGA has declared the period of 2001-2010 to be observed as “International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for Children of the World.”

MISCELLANEOUS

Global report on Infection Prevention and Control



- ❖ The new report of WHO shows that where good hand hygiene and other cost-effective practices are followed, 70% of those infections can be prevented.
- ❖ Healthcare-associated infections (HAI) are among the most frequent adverse events occurring during health service delivery
- ❖ On an average 7% of patients in high-income countries and 15 % in low- and middle-income countries, will acquire a HAI during their time in hospital.
- ❖ Approximately one in four hospital-treated sepsis cases and almost half of all cases of sepsis with organ dysfunction treated in adult intensive-care units are health care-associated.

Global Food Policy Report 2022

- ❖ Global Food Policy Report 2022 was published by the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI).
- ❖ India's food production could drop 16% and the number of those at risk for hunger could increase 23% by 2030 due to climate change.

- ❖ The number of Indians at risk from hunger in 2030 is expected to be 73.9 million in 2030.
- ❖ The average temperature across India is projected to rise by between 2.4°C and 4.4°C by 2100.
- ❖ Similarly, summer heat waves are projected to triple by 2100 in India.
- ❖ Global food production will grow by about 60% over 2010 levels by 2050 in the context of climate change.
- ❖ Globally, about 70 million more people will be at risk from hunger because of climate change, including more than 28 million in East and Southern Africa.

