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TNPSC BITS

- The 'International Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories' is observed from May 25 to May 31.
- Bank of Maharashtra emerges as top performer in NPA management during FY23 with net non-performing assets as low as 0.25%.
- Nepal has approved India's Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam (SJVN) Limited to develop a second hydropower project in the country.
- The Sapta Shakti Command of the Indian Army conducted exercise 'Sudarshan Shakti 2023' along the western borders in Rajasthan and Punjab.

NATIONAL

Night landing of Mig 29

- ✤ For the first time, the MiG-29K fighter aircraft undertook night landing on indigenously-built aircraft carrier INS Vikrant.
- ✤ INS Vikrant has a sophisticated air defence network and anti-ship missile systems.
- ✤ It has the capacity to hold 30 fighter jets and helicopters.





MiG-29K is a Russian all-weather carrier-based multirole fighter aircraft.



Global Alliance for National Human Rights Institutions

- The U.N. recognised Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI) deferred the accreditation of National Human Rights Commission, India (NHRC-India).
- This came two months after seven human rights watchers/institutions wrote to GANHRI objecting to NHRC India's 'A' rank.
- This is the second time in a decade.
- The United Nations' Paris Principles was adopted in 1993 by the U.N. General Assembly.
- ✤ They provide the six international main criteria benchmarks against which National Human Rights Institutions (NHRI) can be accredited.
- The GANHRI consists of sixteen, 'A' status NHRIs, four from each region, namely, the Americas, Europe, Africa, and the Asia-Pacific.
- 'A' status accreditation also grants participation in the work and decision-making of the GANHRI, as well as the work of the Human Rights Council and other U.N. mechanisms.
- The NHRC-India has been set up under the Protection of Human Rights Act passed by Parliament in 1993.
- ✤ It has been accredited as an 'A' Status NHRI since the beginning of the accreditation process for NHRIs in 1999.





◆ It retained the accreditation in 2006, 2011, and in 2017 also after a deferment.

INTERNATIONAL

Direct universal suffrage in 2024

- Somalia's government and federal member states would introduce direct universal suffrage in local elections of June 2024.
- ✤ There is a complex indirect election system in place since 1969.
- ✤ The reform aims to "encourage the multiparty political system".
- ✤ It still has to be approved by parliament.



Turkiye Presidential election

- Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has won re-election.
- ✤ He extends his 20-year rule for a further five years.
- He had already outstripped the 15-year presidency of the Republic of Turkey's founder, Mustafa Kemal Ataturk.





 Official data shows that inflation in Turkey was at 50.5 percent in March, down from a high of 85.6 percent in October.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Antibiotic for Acinetobacter baumannii



- Researchers have found a new type of antibiotic that works against a particularly menacing drug-resistant bacteria using artificial intelligence.
- This drug could help combat Acinetobacter baumannii.





- It is a species of bacteria that is often found in hospitals and can lead to pneumonia, meningitis, and other serious infections.
- The same bacteria are also responsible for the leading cause of infections in wounded soldiers.
- They tested the antibiotic against 41 different strains of antibiotic-resistant Acinetobacter baumannii.

ENVIRONMENT

The 2023-2033 Implementation Plan



WHO – WMO IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2023–2033 OVERVIEW

- The World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) in the Collaboration with WHO also framed 2023-2033 Implementation Plan for Advancing Climate, Environment and Health Science and Services to manage the impact of Climate Change.
- The plan aims to achieve "better health and well-being for people facing existing and emerging extreme weather events, climate change and environmental risks".





- ✤ It seeks to promote a coordinated approach to manage the impact of climate, weather, air pollution, ultraviolet radiation, extreme events and other environmental factors on health.
- ✤ At least 15,000 people died in Europe because of extreme heat in 2022.
- From 2030-2050, climate change is expected to cause approximately 250,000 additional deaths per year.
- Up to 8.4 billion people could be at risk from two major vector-borne diseases, malaria and dengue, by the end of the century.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

57th Jnanpith Award



- Renowned Konkani novelist and short story writer Damodar Mauzo won the 57th Jnanpith Award.
- The Jnanpith Award is the oldest and the highest Indian literary award presented annually.
- It was given by the Bharatiya Jnanpith a literary and research organization, based in New Delhi.
- Mauzo was awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award in 1983.
- ✤ The first Konkani writer to win this literary award was Ravindra Kelekar in 2006.
- ♦ Assamese poet Nilmani Phookan won the 56th Jnanpith Award.





Phookan is the third Assamese writer to have received the Jnanpith.

Cannes Film Festival 2023

- ◆ The 76th annual Cannes Film Festival is a film festival that took place in France.
- ◆ Justine Triet becomes only the third woman to win Palme d'Or at Cannes.
- ✤ Winners of the event:

Category	Winner	Director
Palme d'Or	Anatomy Of A Fall	Justine Triet
Grand Prix	The Zone Of Interest	Jonathan Glazer
Jury Prize	Fallen Leaves	Aki Kaurismaki
Best Director	Tran Anh Hung for The Pot-Au-	
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Best Screenplay	Monster	Yuji Sakamoto
Best Actress	Merve Dizdar	
Best Actor	Kōji Yakusho - Perfect Days	
Camera d'Or	Inside the Yellow Cocoon Shell	Thien An Pham
Short Film Palme d'Or	27	Flóra Anna Buda
Queer Palm	Monster	
Honorary Palme d'Or	Michael Douglas	

SPORTS

IPL 2023



- Chennai Superkings are crowned champions during the Final of the Tata Indian Premier League match against the Gujarat Titans.
- With this, Chennai Superkings has 5 championships.
- Shubman Gill was named the IPL 2023 Most Valuable Player of the season.





- ◆ He Wins the Orange Cap as well for the 890 runs that he scored in 17 games.
- ✤ Yashaswi Jaiswal was named the Emerging Player of the Year.
- Devon Conway wins the Player of the Match award.
- Super striker of the season: Glenn Maxwell (strike rate of 183.49).
- ✤ Game changer of the season: Shubman Gill.
- Perfect catch of the season: Rashid Khan.
- Purple cap: Mohammed Shami (28 wickets).
- ✤ Fair play award: Delhi Capitals.

IMPORTANT DAYS

International Everest Day - May 29



- This day commemorates the 1953 summit of Mount Everest by Sir Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tenzing Norgay Sherpa of Nepal.
- Even Tenzing Norgay was successful only on his 7th attempt.
- The feat was finally achieved by the duo Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay, on Tenzing's birthday, 29th May 1953.
- ✤ This Day came into existence in 2008, when Edmund Hillary died.
- Sagarmatha as the Nepalis call Everest was named after Sir George Everest, the first land surveyor of British India.





• In Tibetan, the name is Chomolungma or holy mother.

World No Tobacco Day - May 31

- It aims at raising awareness about the health risks associated with tobacco consumption.
- The World Health Organization in 1987 adopted the resolution for the creation of a global observance day.
- ✤ The first World No Tobacco Day was observed on May 31, 1988.
- ✤ Theme for 2023 is "We need food, not tobacco."



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