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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Kerala government has proposed to form "Haritha Karma Sena" (Green Action Force).
 - This is to collect and segregate waste from city households for transporting it to solid waste treatment facility at Kochi Corporation.
- ❖ Astronaut Wang Yaping has become the first Chinese woman to walk in space.
 - The team of Wang Yaping completed a six-hour stint outside Tiangong space station.

NATIONAL

ZyCoV-D

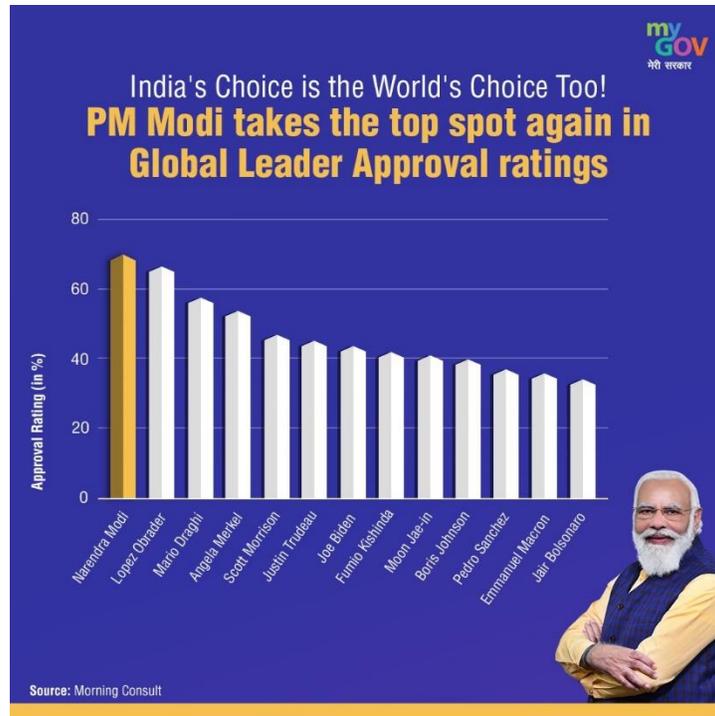


- ❖ The central government has placed an order of one crore doses of Zydus Cadila's three-dose COVID-19 vaccines, ZyCoV-D, at Rs 265 per dose.
- ❖ ZyCoV-D is the first DNA plasmid vaccine in the world for human use.
- ❖ The vaccine will be administered using a needle-free applicator as opposed to traditional syringes.
- ❖ The applicator is called "Pharma Jet".
- ❖ The three doses of ZyCoV-D are to be administered 28 days apart.

Kadar Tribe

- ❖ Some families of the Kadar tribe have got Pattas for homestead inside the Anaimalai Tiger Reserve (ATR).
- ❖ Kadar is a small tribe of southern India residing along the hilly border between Cochin in Kerala and Coimbatore in Tamil Nādu.
- ❖ Kadars are one of the five primitive tribal groups in Kerala, where they constitute nearly 5% of the State's total tribal population.
- ❖ They speak the Dravidian languages of Tamil and Kannaḍa.
- ❖ The Kadar tribe has been listed as a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG) in Kerala, but not in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ A tribe listed in the PVTG allows the tribe to have habitat rights under the Forest Rights Act 2006.

Global leader approval ratings



- ❖ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has emerged at the top of the global leader approval ratings by the Morning Consult.
- ❖ He sits at the top of the list with a 70 per cent approval rating.
- ❖ Modi received the maximum approval among adults across the world.
- ❖ Mexican President Andrés Manuel Lopez Obrador stood at second place.

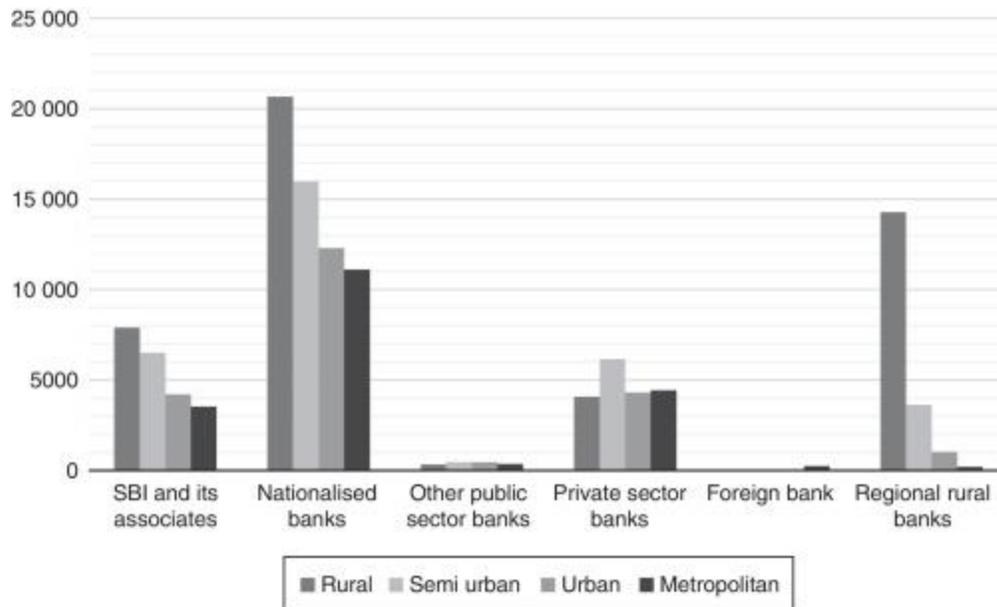
- ❖ He was followed by Italian Prime Minister Mario Draghi (58 per cent).
- ❖ US President Joe Biden lies at the sixth spot.

Srinagar airport - “major airport”

- ❖ The Union Ministry of Civil Aviation declared the Srinagar airport as a “major airport” under the Airports Economic Regulatory Authority Act, 2008 (AERA).
- ❖ The move will allow the AERA to determine the tariff, including the development fee and passenger service fee, for aeronautical services at the Srinagar airport.
- ❖ The Centre designates an airport as a major airport if it crosses a particular volume of annual passenger traffic.
- ❖ Previously, the Airports Authority of India would determine the traffic for Srinagar airport.
- ❖ The Airports Authority of India is a body under the Ministry of Civil Aviation.

ECONOMY

Financial Inclusion metrics report



- ❖ The State Bank of India (SBI) has released its Financial Inclusion metrics report.
- ❖ It has been prepared by the Chief Economic Advisor of the SBI group, Soumya Kanti Ghosh.

- ❖ The number of bank branches per 100000 adults in India has increased to 14.7 in 2020 as compared to 13.6 in 2015.
- ❖ This increase was the result of Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana, digital infrastructure etc.
- ❖ This number is higher as compared to Germany, China and South Africa.
- ❖ Internet banking transactions per 1,000 adults have boosted to 13,615 in 2019 as opposed to 183 in 2015.
- ❖ States having higher Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) accounts balances have reported a decline in crime.
- ❖ States where more PMJDY accounts were opened, reported a significant and economically meaningful drop in consumption of intoxicants like alcohol and tobacco products.
- ❖ The number of 'Banking Outlets in Villages' has increased from 34,174 in March 2010 to 12.4 lakh in December 2020.

STATES

Bamboo made cricket bat



- ❖ Bamboo and Cane Development Institute (BCDI) of Tripura along with the North East Centre of Technology Application and Reach (NECTAR) claimed to have developed the country's first-ever bamboo made cricket bat.



- ❖ For the development of the bats, the hard Boom (local name) bamboo has been utilized
- ❖ These bats could be used in all forms of cricket.
- ❖ The most preferred wood for the production of cricket bats is willow.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Basavashree award 2021

- ❖ Kannada actor Puneeth Rajkumar will be posthumously conferred the Basavashree award 2021 by the Bruhanmutt.
- ❖ Fondly called Appu, Puneeth was born in Chennai.
- ❖ The award honours people for services to society in their respective fields by following the principles of Lord Basaveshwar.
- ❖ It is presented by Chitradurga Bruhanmutt since 1997.
- ❖ PT Usha (2009), Malala Yousufzai (2014), P Sainath (2016), Dr K Kasturirangan (2020) are some to win the award in recent times.



Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2020

- ❖ Priyanka Mohite was selected by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports for the prestigious 'Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2020'.
- ❖ She is a Maharashtra-based, 28-year old mountaineer.
- ❖ This is for her outstanding contribution in the field of land adventure.
- ❖ She scaled the world's highest peak Mt Everest, Mt Lhotse and Mt.Makalu.
- ❖ She is the 1st Indian woman to climb Mt Annapurna, the 10th highest mountain peak in the world.

- ❖ Priyanka is one among the 7-recipients of the ‘2020 Tenzing Norgay National Award’.

Awardee	Category
Priyanka Mangesh Mohite	Land Adventure
Jay Prakash Kumar	Land Adventure
Col. Amit Bisht	Land Adventure
Sheetal	Land Adventure
Srikaanth Viswanathan	Water Adventure
Lt. Col. Servesh Dhadwal	Air Adventure
Jai Kishan	Life Time Achievement

SPORTS

ISSF President’s Cup



- ❖ India’s woman pistol star Manu Bhaker and Iranian Olympic champion Javad Foroughi has won the 10m air pistol mixed team gold at the inaugural ISSF President’s Cup (ISSF - International Shooting Sport Federation).
- ❖ The Indo-Iranian pair beat the French-Russian duo of Mathilde Lamolle and Artem Chernousov to clinch the gold medal.
- ❖ A seven-member Indian contingent is participating in the ISSF President’s Cup.
- ❖ It is held in Wroclaw in Poland.

Rashid Khan

- ❖ Afghanistan leg-spinner Rashid Khan became the youngest bowler to take 400 T20 wickets.
- ❖ He achieved this feat against New Zealand.
- ❖ Martin Guptill of New Zealand became Rashid's 400th victim in T20 cricket.
- ❖ He is the 4th bowler to enter the 400 club after Dwayne Bravo (553) and Sunil Narine of West Indies (425) and Imran Tahir of South Africa (420).



IMPORTANT DAYS

World Urbanism Day – 08 November



- ❖ The World Urbanism Day (WUD) is also known as “World Town Planning Day”.
- ❖ The day is celebrated globally, to recognise and promote the role of planning in creating liveable communities.
- ❖ The WUD is organised by the International Society of City and Regional Planners (ISOCARP).

Tamil Lexicography Day – 08 November

- ❖ It marks the birth anniversary of Italian missionary Constantine Joseph Beschi.
- ❖ He is also known as Veeramamunivar.
- ❖ He was responsible for bringing out the first Tamil dictionary Chaturakarati.
- ❖ Earlier, scholars used to document words that were in usage.
- ❖ Those collections were called ‘Nigandu’.



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