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TAMIL NADU

Devasahayam Pillai (1712 - 1752)



First time in history

Devasahayam Pillai from Kanyakumari, who converted from Hinduism to Christianity, will be canonized by the Pope

- ❖ He the 18th century Roman Catholic convert and “martyr” from Kanyakumari district.
- ❖ He was born Neelakanta Pillai in 1712.
- ❖ He took the name "Lazarus" after embracing Christianity in 1745.
- ❖ "Lazarus" or "Devasahayam" in the local language, meaning "God is my help"
- ❖ He will be canonised on May 5 of 2022 by Pope Francis at the St Peter's Basilica in Vatican.
- ❖ He will become the first Indian layman - a non-ordained member of the Church - to be conferred sainthood.
- ❖ He will be the first saint from Tamilnadu.
- ❖ Vatican, fully surrounded by Rome in Italy, is the headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church.

NATIONAL

Delhi Declaration on Afghanistan

- ❖ It was a third regional security summit on Afghanistan hosted by India.
- ❖ The summit was attended by eight nations.
- ❖ It includes India, Russia, Iran, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan.

- ❖ It was announced that Afghanistan & its territories cannot be used to shelter or train terrorists, or to finance any act of terrorism.



Ayushman Bharat-Digital Mission

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Now Health is just a click away

Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission

Salient Features

- Create a seamless online platform through a wide range of data, information & infrastructure services
- Enable exchange of longitudinal health records of citizens with their consent
- Ensure security, confidentiality & privacy of health-related personal information



- ❖ The Union Health Ministry has launched digital registration of all medical facilities and all doctors under the Ayushman Bharat-Digital Mission in order to digitise health records.
- ❖ Under this initiative, the government hospitals have been asked to procure Hospital Information Management System software.
- ❖ Under this mission, every Indian will be provided a unique health ID.
- ❖ The Citizens would be able to access healthcare facilities by a single click.
- ❖ This mission will be implemented by National Health Authority (NHA) under Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

National Achievement Survey 2021



- ❖ The Indian Government is ready to implement sample-based National Achievement Survey (NAS) for Classes 3, 5, 8, and 10 with a cycle period of three years.
- ❖ It is set to cover entire spectrum of schools including Government Schools of Central Government as well as State Government, Government Aided Schools and Private schools across India.
- ❖ Previous one survey was carried in 2017.
- ❖ This survey will help in assessing the learning interruptions and new learnings during covid-19 pandemic.
- ❖ The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has done instrument development, testing, sampling of the schools and finalization of the test items.
- ❖ But actual administration of the test in sampled schools will be done by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).

Shri Ramayana Yatra Special train

- ❖ The Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) has started first tour of Shri Ramayana Yatra Special train.
- ❖ It was launched in order to promote religious tourism and ‘Dekho Apna Desh’ initiative of the central government.
- ❖ The train will cover the destinations including- “Hampi – Nasik – Chitrakut Dham – Varanasi – Gaya – Sitamarhi – Janakpur (Nepal) – Ayodhya – Nandigram – Prayagraj – Shringaverpur” in that order.
- ❖ It covers prominent places related with Lord Ram’s life.



INTERNATIONAL

FW de Klerk

- ❖ He passed away at 85.
- ❖ He was South Africa’s last apartheid president.
- ❖ It was FW de Klerk who in 1990 had announced that Nelson Mandela will be released from prison.

- ❖ FW de Klerk and Nelson Mandela were awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993
- ❖ He was the last President from the era of white-minority rule.
- ❖ Klerk's government dismantled the apartheid system and introduced democracy in South Africa.
- ❖ He was succeeded by Nelson Mandela as South Africa's first Black President in 1993.



Global NCAP



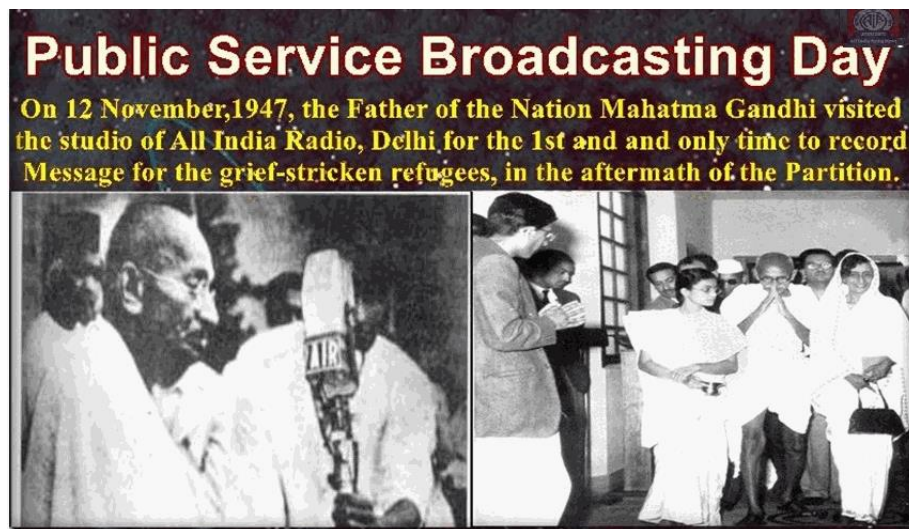
- ❖ Mahindra XUV700 receives 5-star rating in latest Global NCAP crash test results.
- ❖ It achieved five stars for adult occupants and four stars for child occupants.
- ❖ Mahindra becomes the first Indian made and owned brand to offer Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB) as a safety option.



- ❖ The Mahindra XUV300 car has attained a top position by scoring 5 stars for adult occupants and 4 for child occupants.
- ❖ Tata motors Altroz bagged a strong 5-star rating for adult occupants and 3 stars for child occupants.
- ❖ New Car Assessment Program or NCAP is a global automotive safety watchdog ensuring the safety part of vehicles around the world.
- ❖ It is a major project of the Towards Zero Foundation which is a UK registered charity.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Public Service Broadcasting Day – 12 November



- ❖ It is to commemorate 50 years of the historic visit of the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi to All India Radio.
- ❖ It was the first and only visit of Mahatma Gandhi to the studio of All India Radio at Delhi in 1947.
- ❖ Gandhi addressed the displaced people (a refugee from Pakistan), who had temporarily settled at Kurukshetra in Haryana after partition
- ❖ In the year 2001, the day was officially declared as Public Service Broadcasting Day.

World Pneumonia Day – 12 November

- ❖ It was established and first observed in 2009 by the Stop Pneumonia Initiative and the Global Coalition against Child Pneumonia.

- ❖ Stop Pneumonia Initiative is run by Every Breath Counts Coalition, a public-private partnership.
- ❖ Pneumonia is the deadliest disease for children below five years.
- ❖ It is an acute respiratory infection commonly caused by virus or bacteria.
- ❖ According to the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), a child dies from pneumonia every 39 seconds.
- ❖ The theme for this year is “Stop Pneumonia, Every breath counts”.

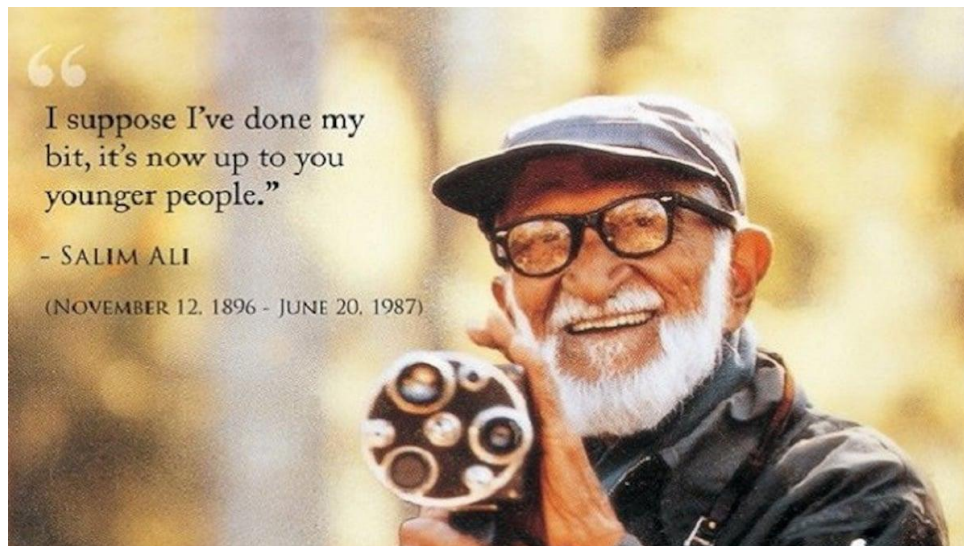


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World bird day – 12 November



- ❖ November 12 is the birth anniversary of veteran ornithologist Salim Ali.
- ❖ He was born in Mumbai on 12th November in 1896.
- ❖ Salim Ali is known as Birdman of India.
- ❖ Along with Sidney Dillon Ripley, he wrote “the Birds of India and Pakistan”.
- ❖ He was instrumental in the creation of the Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary in Rajasthan.
- ❖ He became a key figure behind the Bombay Natural History Society after 1947
- ❖ Maharashtra celebrates 'Bird Week' from Nov 5-12 Every Year.
- ❖ On this day in 1990 also, the World Wide Web project was initiated as an idea by Tim Berners-Lee.

- ❖ The WWW was also the name of the first web browser which was developed by Berners-Lee himself.

MISCELLANEOUS

New books

- ❖ The Congress leader Salman Khurshid recently launched his book on the Ayodhya verdict named “Sunrise over Ayodhya – Nationhood in our Times”.
- ❖ A book titled “Nehru: The Debates that Defined India” is co-authored by Tripur daman Singh and Adeel Hussain.
- ❖ Aseem Chawla released his new book “Finding A Straight Line Between Twists and Turns – An Imperfect, Yet Honest Reflections on the Indian Tax Landscape”.
- ❖ Assem Chawla is one of India’s leading tax lawyers and well-known international tax and policy expert.

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