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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ India's first Physical National Yogasana Championships has been organised in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
 - It has been organised by the National Yogasana Sports Federation (NYSF) in association with the Odisha state.
- ❖ Brazil has become the first South American team to qualify for the 2022 FIFA World Cup in Qatar.
- ❖ The PGIM India Mutual Fund launches India's first Global Real Estate Securities Fund.
- ❖ The Union ministry of home affairs (MHA) has recognised Bhattu Kalan police station of Fatehabad district in Haryana among the top three police stations in India in 2021.
- ❖ The SpiceJet in India launched a new scheme under which passengers will be able to pay for tickets in three, six or 12 instalments.
 - It is for the first time in India such a scheme to be launched.

TAMIL NADU

Vinisha Umashankar



- ❖ She was recognized as the Earth Day Network Rising Star 2021 (USA) for her idea of 'Solar Ironing Cart' at the COP 26 climate talks at Glasgow, Scotland.
- ❖ She is a 15-year-old teenage girl from Tamil Nadu, India.

- ❖ The mobile ironing cart uses solar panels to power a steam iron box.
- ❖ She received the Dr APJ Abdul Kalam IGNITE Awards instituted by National Innovation Foundation (NIF) – India, an autonomous body of the Department of Science and Technology.

25 percent reservation in Anganwadi workers

- ❖ As per the Tamilnadu Government order, priority will be given for widows and deserted women for 25 per cent jobs in anganwadi workers, mini-workers and helpers.
- ❖ Already the practice of giving priority for widows and deserted women is in place for workers of noon-meals scheme.
- ❖ The rules for appointing workers for anganwadis was framed in 2012.

NATIONAL

Rezang La War memorial



- ❖ The Indian Army revamped Rezang La War memorial in Ladakh.
- ❖ It is visible from the other side of the Line of Actual Control (LAC).
- ❖ Rezang La was the site of a major battle between India-China war in 1962.
- ❖ Rezang La is a mountain pass on the Line of Actual Control between the Indian-administered Ladakh and the Chinese administered Spanggur Lake basin.

First centre for excellence

- ❖ The country's first centre for excellence in research on Drone Technology and Artificial Intelligence, was inaugurated by Guwahati, Assam.
- ❖ It was inaugurated by Union minister V K Singh at Indian Institute of Technology of Guwahati.



KGB kavacham



- ❖ It was introduced by the Malappuram-headquartered Kerala Gramin Bank (KGB).
- ❖ It offers higher interest on deposits to people who have taken a single or double dose of Covid-19 vaccine.
- ❖ It is intended to motivate people to get vaccinated.
- ❖ This is for the first time in India a rural bank is drumming up support for the government's vaccination campaign.

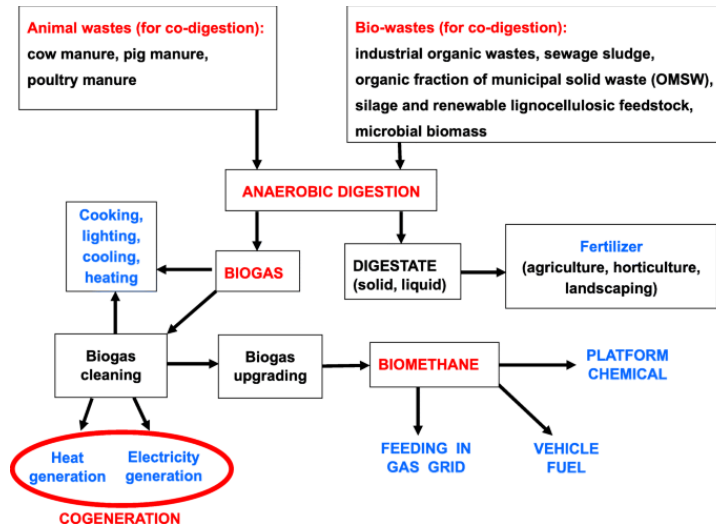
Nutrition Smart Village



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- ❖ It was launched by the Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar.
- ❖ The programme aims to reach 75 villages in India.
- ❖ It will promote nutritional awareness in these villages.
- ❖ It aims to promote nutritional awareness and bring behavioural change in the rural areas of the country.
- ❖ The programme targets farm women and school children.

Largest landfill gas-to-compressed biogas plant



- ❖ Hyderabad is now home to India's largest and the World's first landfill gas-to-compressed biogas plant.

- ❖ Ramky Enviro Limited has inaugurated the facility at the Hyderabad Integrated Municipal Solid Waste site.
- ❖ The project converts landfill gas into compressed biogas as an automotive fuel.
- ❖ It offers significant benefits such as carbon sequestration, reduced emissions of GHGs into the environment, and greening of the automotive industry.

Inspiring Regional Leadership award



Under2 Coalition Leadership Awards 2021

Inspiring Regional Leadership

**Winner: Government of Maharashtra,
India**



- ❖ Maharashtra has bagged the inaugural Inspiring Regional Leadership award.
- ❖ It was given at the Under2 Coalition General Assembly that coincided with the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26) summit in Glasgow, Scotland.
- ❖ Maharashtra joined the global Under2 Coalition of regional governments for greenhouse gases emissions mitigation in July.
- ❖ It also received “high commendations” in two other categories - Climate Partnerships and Creative Climate Solutions.
- ❖ British Columbia and Québec in Canada won awards in these two categories.
- ❖ The Under2 Coalition is among the largest global network of states and regions committed to climate action.
- ❖ Chhattisgarh, Jammu and Kashmir, Telangana, and Bengal are also part of that coalition.

INTERNATIONAL

China’s Historical resolution

- ❖ The Communist party (CCP) of China passed a rare ‘historical resolution’.

- ❖ It is to praise the Chinese president Xi Jinping's decisive significance in rejuvenation of China.
- ❖ It refers to the period as one of the 'socialist revolution and construction'.
- ❖ This is the third resolution of its kind in the CCP's 100-year history.
- ❖ Other two resolutions were passed under Mao Zedong (1945) and Deng Xiaoping (1981).
- ❖ Mao Zedong pushed the Communists to power in 1949.
- ❖ Deng Xiaoping's 1980s reforms made China an economic powerhouse.
- ❖ The CCP dismissed presidential term limits in 2018.



Suffering from climate change

- ❖ A Canadian woman could be the first patient to be ever diagnosed as suffering from 'climate change'.
- ❖ Dr Kyle Merritt of Kootenay Lake Hospital in Nelson, British Columbia of Canada diagnosed that patient.
- ❖ The doctors blame her health condition on the deadly heatwaves earlier this year.
- ❖ The heatwave was caused by what is called a 'heat dome'.
- ❖ It is a 'ridge of high pressure'.

ECONOMY

Incentives for Agri products

- ❖ The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved several measures to support farmers of cotton, sugar cane and jute.
- ❖ It has increased the price of ethanol extracted from sugar cane juice to blend it with petrol.

- ❖ It has approved reservation norms for mandatory use of jute in packaging.
- ❖ With this approval, 100% of food grains and 20% of sugar are required to be packed in jute bags.
- ❖ Ethanol blending with petrol is expected to reach 10% by 2022 and 20% by 2025.
- ❖ The Oil marketing companies purchase ethanol from distilleries and sugar mills at the rate set by Government.
- ❖ Ethanol blending programme reduced the dependence on crude oil imports.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Indian-origin astronaut Raja Chari



- ❖ The US Space agency NASA and the Elon Musk's company SpaceX have launched the "Crew 3" mission.
- ❖ This mission consists of Indian-origin NASA astronaut Raja Chari as its mission commander.
- ❖ Under this mission, four astronauts have been sent to the International Space Station (ISS) for a six-month science mission.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Kindness Day – 13 November

- ❖ It was introduced in 1998 by the World Kindness Movement.
- ❖ Singapore observed the day for the first time in 2009.

