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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Union Cabinet Secretary Rajiv Gauba chaired a meeting of the National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC) to review the status of impending Cyclone.
- ❖ India has set up Bhabhatron, a radiotherapy machine at Antananarivo, Capital of Madagascar to strengthen the ties with Madagascar.
- ❖ India called for a “New Global Index” for the post-Corona world at the G20 Nations summit held virtually.
- ❖ The First cow hospital of Northeast was inaugurated in Assam's Dibrugarh.

NATIONAL

Safai mitra Suraksha Challenge

- ❖ It was launched by the Ministry of Urban Affairs for ensuring that no person needs to enter septic or sewer tanks.
- ❖ The challenge aims to ensure that no life of septic tank or sewer cleaner is lost during cleaning.
- ❖ The Ministry of Social Justice will be amending the law Prohibition of Employment of Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act for making machine cleaning mandatory.
- ❖ It is also proposed to replace the word manhole with machine hole in an official usage.
- ❖ State governments took a pledge of mechanising all septic and sewer tanks cleaning operations by April 31, 2021.
- ❖ In 1993, the employment of manual scavengers was prohibited in India.

Operation Calypso

- ❖ The Directorate of Revenue intelligence (DRI) recently launched this operation.
- ❖ Under this, transnational drug racket was busted and 504 grams of cocaine was seized at Mumbai.
- ❖ The Directorate is run by the officers of Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs.
- ❖ Drug trafficking is high in India.

- ❖ Because India is located in the middle of two major opium production regions of the world.
- ❖ They are Golden Triangle and Golden Crescent.
- ❖ The Golden Triangle represents the region of Laos, Myanmar and Thailand.
- ❖ The Golden Crescent comprises of Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan.



ENVIRONMENT

Meghalaya's Glowing Mushrooms

- ❖ A mushroom documentation project in the forests of Northeast India has discovered a bioluminescent or light-emitting variety of mushroom.
- ❖ The new species was first sighted near a stream in Meghalaya's Mawlynnong in East Khasi Hills district and later at Krang Shuri in West Jaintia Hills district.
- ❖ It is now one among the 97 known species of bioluminescent fungi in the world.
- ❖ The colour of the light emitted by the organism depends on its chemical properties.
- ❖ In the case of fungi, the luminescence comes from the enzyme, luciferase.



PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Vatayan lifetime achievement award

- ❖ Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal will be conferred with the Vatayan Lifetime Achievement Award.
- ❖ The award is being conferred to the union education minister for his poetry and other literary works.
- ❖ The minister has earlier been conferred with several awards in the field of literature and administration including:
 - The Sahitya Gaurav Samman by Former President A.P.J. Abdul Kalam,
 - Sahitya Bharati Award by the former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee,
 - Bharat Gaurav Samman,
 - Outstanding Achievement Award by Global Organization of Person of Indian Origin by Mauritius
 - Awarded in Ukraine in the area of environmental protection,
 - Good Governance Award by Dubai Government,
 - "Himal Gaurav Samman" by Nepal.



IMPORTANT DAYS

Quami Ekta Week – National Integration Week

- ❖ It is also known as the Communal Unity Week in India.
- ❖ It is celebrated from the 19th November to the 25th November.
- ❖ The main theme of this week is ‘Secularism, Anti Communalism and Non-Violence’.
- ❖ The National Foundation for Communal Harmony (NFCH), an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Home Affairs, organises Communal Harmony Campaign along with the Quami Ekta Week and observes the Communal Harmony Flag Day on 25 November.
 - On the 19th of November, there is an Integration Day of the Nation.
 - On the 20th of November, there is a Minority of Welfare Day.
 - On the 21st of November, there is a Harmony Linguistic Day.
 - On the 22nd of November, there are Sections of the Weaker Day.
 - On the 23rd of November, there is a Unity of the Cultural Day.
 - On the 24th of November, there is a Women’s Day.
 - On the 25th of November, there is a Day of Conservation.

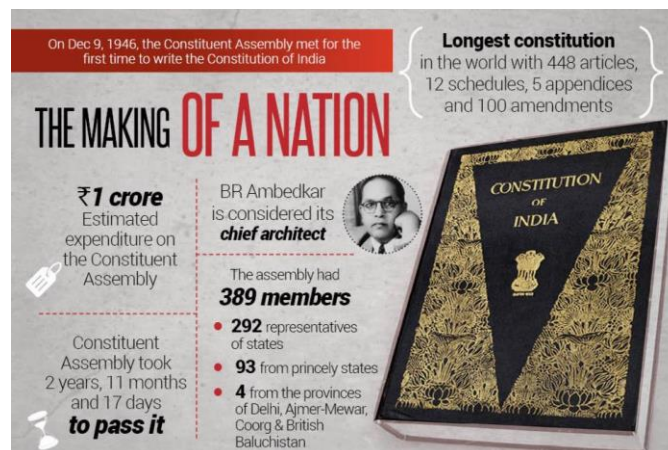
World Olive Tree Day – November 26

- ❖ Both UNESCO and the International Olive Council, have chosen November 26 to be World's Olive Tree Day.
- ❖ The annual celebration of World Olive Tree Day will help to protect this ancient plant and preserve its long-standing value.



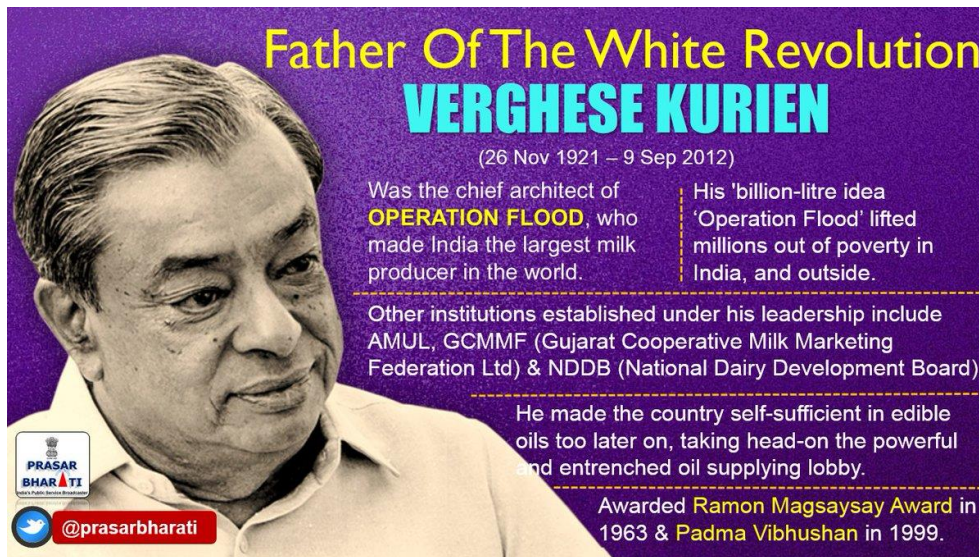
Law Day/ Constitution Day - November 26

- ❖ The Constitution Day is also known as the 'Samvidhan Divas'.
- ❖ It is celebrated every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India in 1949.
- ❖ On 26th November 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India.
- ❖ It came into effect from 26th January 1950.
- ❖ Since 2015, it is being celebrated.
- ❖ 2015 was the 125th birth anniversary of Ambedkar.
- ❖ The Constitution of India is the longest written constitution of any sovereign country in the world.



National Milk Day - November 26

- ❖ In India National Milk Day is observed every year on 26 November to commemorate the birthday of Dr. Verghese Kurien.
- ❖ He is known as the father of India's White Revolution.
- ❖ The day is celebrated to promote benefits related to milk and milk industry and to create awareness among people about importance of milk and milk products.
- ❖ The first National Milk Day was celebrated on 26 November 2014.
- ❖ However, the World milk day is observed every year across the world on 1 June by the United Nations.



Father Of The White Revolution
VERGHESE KURIEN
(26 Nov 1921 – 9 Sep 2012)


Was the chief architect of **OPERATION FLOOD**, who made India the largest milk producer in the world.

His 'billion-litre idea' 'Operation Flood' lifted millions out of poverty in India, and outside.

Other institutions established under his leadership include AMUL, GCMMF (Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation Ltd) & NDDB (National Dairy Development Board).

He made the country self-sufficient in edible oils too later on, taking head-on the powerful and entrenched oil supplying lobby.

Awarded **Ramon Magsaysay Award** in 1963 & **Padma Vibhushan** in 1999.

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