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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ "Authentic" was selected as the 2023 word of the year by the Merriam-Webster dictionary.
- ❖ In honour of Sadhu TL Vaswani's birth anniversary, Uttar Pradesh government declares a "no non-veg day" on November 25.
- ❖ The Afghanistan embassy has announced its permanent closure in New Delhi.
- ❖ India becomes Chair of International Sugar Organisation (ISO) for 2024 to lead global sugar sector.
- ❖ The Veteran player Vidya Pillai from Chennai clinched the IBSF 6-Red Snooker World Championship title in Doha, Qatar.
- ❖ The Saffron of the mountainous Kishtwar district, Jammu and Kashmir has been given the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- ❖ Malaysia recently announced its decision to allow visa-free entry for Indian and Chinese citizens.
 - Under the new visa-free rule, Indian travellers can stay for up to 30 days without a visa.
- ❖ Every year, November 29 is observed as International Women Human Rights Defenders Day.
- ❖ The National Computer Security Day is observed annually on November 30.

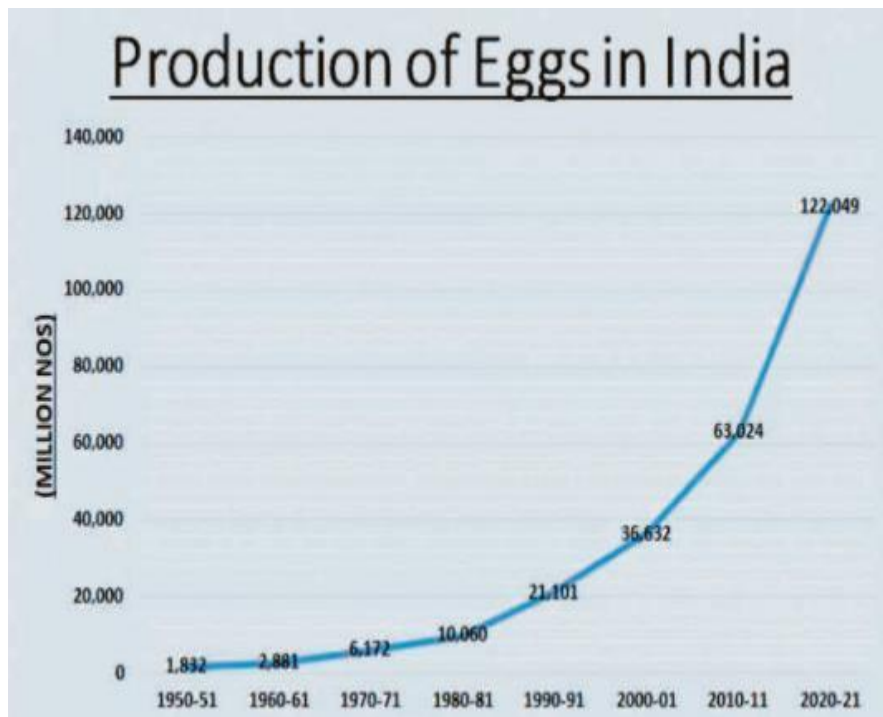
NATIONAL

Basic Animal Husbandry Statistics 2023

- ❖ On the occasion of the National Milk Day, the basic animal husbandry statistics for 2022-23 was released in Guwahati, Assam.
- ❖ The milk production in the country is increased by 22.81% in the past five years.
- ❖ The total milk production in the country is estimated as 230.58 million tonnes during 2022-23.
- ❖ It is registering a growth of 22.81% over the past 5 years from 2018-19.
- ❖ The production has increased by 3.83% during 2022-23 over the estimates of 2021-22.
- ❖ Uttar Pradesh was followed by Rajasthan (14.44 %), Madhya Pradesh (8.73 %), Gujarat (7.49 %), and Andhra Pradesh (6.70 %) as leading milk producing states in the country.



- ❖ Total meat production in the country is estimated as 9.77 million tonnes during 2022-23
- ❖ The major contribution in the total meat production comes from Uttar Pradesh, with 12.20% share.
- ❖ It is followed by West Bengal (11.93 %), Maharashtra (11.50 %), Andhra Pradesh (11.20 %) and Telangana (11.06 %).
- ❖ The total wool production in the country is estimated as 33.61 million kg during 2022-23.
- ❖ The major contribution in the total wool production comes from Rajasthan with a share of 47.98%.
- ❖ It is followed by Jammu and Kashmir (22.55%), Gujarat (6.01%), Maharashtra (4.73%) and Himachal Pradesh (4.27%).



INTERNATIONAL

World's Largest Single-Site Solar Power Plant

- ❖ The United Arab Emirates has inaugurated the world's largest single-site solar power plant.
- ❖ The 2-gigawatt Al Dhafra Solar Photovoltaic Independent Power Project (IPP) is located 35 kilometers from Abu Dhabi city.
- ❖ It will generate enough electricity to power almost 200,000 homes.

- ❖ The plant is expected to displace 2.4 million tonnes of carbon emissions annually.



World's first 'Near-space command'



- ❖ China has reportedly built the world's first 'near-space command' equipped with deadly hypersonic weapons.

- ❖ The new force will now act as the People's Liberation Army's fifth force.
- ❖ The four current branches—Army, Navy, Air Force and Rocket Force.
- ❖ China's near-space command will be equipped with modern hypersonic missiles to target critical military assets of enemies.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

25 years of the International Space Station



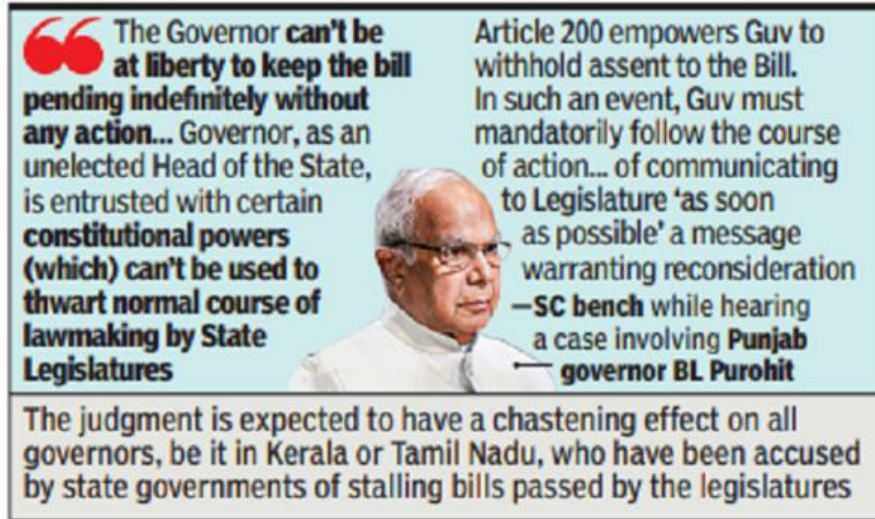
- ❖ November 20 marks the 25th anniversary of the launch of the International Space Station (ISS).
- ❖ This is the largest man-made object in the solar system launch on November 20, 1998.
- ❖ ISS has stood as a testament to the power of international cooperation and has played a pivotal role in advancing our understanding of space, microgravity, and fostering groundbreaking scientific research.
- ❖ ISS is a joint project involving space agencies from the United States (NASA), Russia (Roscosmos), Europe (ESA), Japan (JAXA), and Canada (CSA).
- ❖ In 2022, Russia announced that it will pull out of ISS after 2024 and focus on building its own orbiting outpost.
- ❖ It travels at 8 kilometers (5 miles) per second.

STATES

SC on Punjab Governor

- ❖ The Supreme Court, has clarified that the rejection of a Bill by a Governor does not mean its death.

- ❖ A law proposed by a state legislature is not extinguished merely because the Governor refuses to sign his/her assent.
- ❖ Article 200 of the Constitution provides the Governor with three options when presented with a Bill — consent to the proposed law, withhold consent, or reserve the Bill for the consideration of the President.
- ❖ The court clarified that the Governor cannot choose between letting a Bill die after rejecting it and sending it back to the House for re-legislation.



“The Governor can't be at liberty to keep the bill pending indefinitely without any action... Governor, as an unelected Head of the State, is entrusted with certain constitutional powers (which) can't be used to thwart normal course of lawmaking by State Legislatures

Article 200 empowers Guv to withhold assent to the Bill. In such an event, Guv must mandatorily follow the course of action... of communicating to Legislature 'as soon as possible' a message warranting reconsideration — SC bench while hearing a case involving Punjab governor BL Purohit

The judgment is expected to have a chastening effect on all governors, be it in Kerala or Tamil Nadu, who have been accused by state governments of stalling bills passed by the legislatures

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

BBC 100 Women 2023 List



- ❖ BBC's 100 Women 2023 list highlights the women's rights and diverse life experiences of inspiring women globally.

- ❖ It includes three Indian women viz. Actress Dia Mirza, Cricketer Harmanpreet Kaur, Photographer Arati Kumar- Rao, and Tibetan Buddhist nun Jetsunma Tenzin Palmo.
- ❖ Actress Mirza, serving as a Goodwill Ambassador of the UNEP, actively advocates for issues such as climate change, clean air and wildlife protection.
- ❖ Kaur recently made history by becoming the first Indian woman to be named one of Wisden's five Cricketers of the Year.
- ❖ Arati Kumar-Rao has been recognised for her impactful work documenting the changing landscape caused by climate change across South Asia.

PRSI National Awards 2023



- ❖ The newsletter of Hyderabad Airport Metro Ltd (HAML) won the Public Relations Society of India (PRSI) national award.
- ❖ HAML shared the first prize with ITC Ltd.
- ❖ Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Limited has bagged awards for five distinct categories
- ❖ The PRSI Awards is an annual recognition program that acknowledges outstanding achievements in the field of public relations and corporate communications.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Day of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare 2023 - November 30

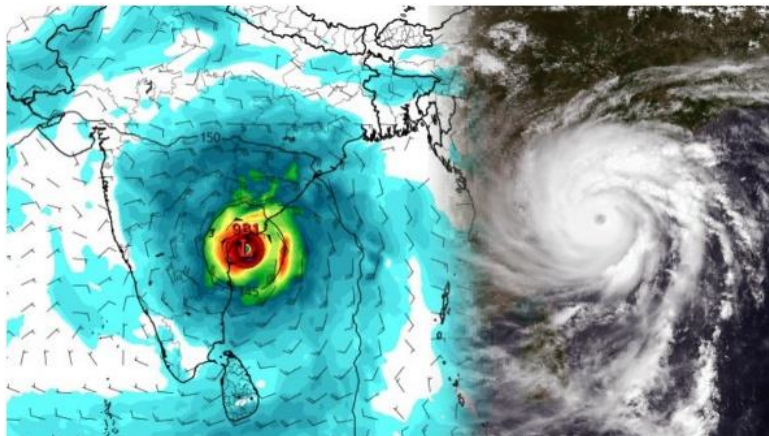
- ❖ The day aims to encourage efforts for eliminating the use of chemical weapons and remember those who have suffered because of such warfare.

- ❖ It also aims to raise awareness about chemical weapons and the international laws against them.
- ❖ The first international agreement limiting the use of chemical weapons can be traced back to 1675 between France and Germany.
- ❖ The Chemical Weapons Convention was adopted in 1993.
- ❖ It came into force on April 29, 1997.



MISCELLANEOUS

Cyclone 'Michaung'



- ❖ Cyclonic storm 'Michaung' may evolved over the Southwest and adjoining Southeast Bay of Bengal.



- ❖ This cyclonic storm is poised to be the fourth to hit the Bay of Bengal this year, marking the sixth storm overall in Indian waters.
- ❖ The affected regions are anticipated to include India, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.
- ❖ The name Michaung was proposed by Myanmar.

