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TAMIL NADU

1) **NEW DISTRICTS OF TAMIL NADU:**

FROM	DISTRICT	TALUKS	REVENUE DIVISIONS
22 nd November 2019	TENKASI ✓ 33 rd District ✓ Bifurcated from TIRUNELVELI	1) Tenkasi 2) Sankarankoil 3) Kadaiyanallur 4) Sencottah 5) Thiruvengadam 6) Alangulam 7) Sivagiri 8) Veerakeralampudhur	1) Tenkasi 2) Sankarankoil
26 th November 2019	KALLAKURICHI ✓ 34 th District ✓ Bifurcated from VILUPPURAM	1) Kallakurichi 2) Chinnasalem 3) Thirukkoyilur 4) Ulundurpet 5) Sankarapuram 6) Kalrayan Hills	1) Kallakurichi 2) Thirukkoyilur 3) Ulundurpet
28 th November 2019	THIRUPATTUR ✓ 35 th District ✓ Bifurcated from VELLORE	1) Ambur 2) Vaniyambadi 3) Thirupattur 4) Jollarpettai	1) Thirupattur 2) Vaniyambadi
28 th November 2019	RANIPET ✓ 36 th District ✓ Bifurcated from VELLORE	1) Arakkonam 2) Arcot 3) Ranipet 4) Solingar	1) Ranipet 2) Arakkonam
29 th November 2019	CHENGALPET ✓ 37 th District ✓ Bifurcated from KANCHIPURAM	1) Chengalpet 2) Mathuranthagam 3) Tiruporur 4) Seiyur 5) Tambaram 6) Pallavaram 7) Thirukazhukundram 8) Vandaloor	1) Tambaram 2) Chengalpet 3) Mathuranthagam



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2) **APPOINTMENTS:**

New Chief Justice of Madras High Court	Justice Amreshwar Pratap Sahi
Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) of Tamil Nadu	R Rajagopal

- 3) **Nel Jeyaraman Organic Farm & Paddy Research Centre** was inaugurated at **Kudavasal near Tiruvarur district**

4) **WORLD - CLASS MUSEUM AT KONTHAGAI VILLAGE:**

- ✓ Tamilnadu government planned to establish a **“World - Class Museum”** at **Konthagai village** in Sivagangai district
- ✓ To display the Artifacts unearthed from Keeladi Excavation Site
- ✓ The museum will be established to take forward and popularize the rich culture and heritage of the state.

- 5) **Thozhi Scheme** has been introduced by Chennai City Police to provide counselling to victims in sexual assault cases.

- 6) **Chennai - Kanyakumari Industrial Corridor:** Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a \$451-million loan **to strengthen power connectivity between the southern and northern parts** of the Chennai - Kanyakumari Industrial Corridor (CKIC) in Tamil Nadu

- 7) **Coimbatore Railway Station** becomes the 1st Railway Station under Southern Railway to become **visually challenged - friendly**.

- 8) Tamil Nadu government planned to build a massive statue of Bodhidharma at Kancheepuram **“To promote a Buddhist pilgrimage circuit”**

- 9) **“Red Atlas Action Plan Map” and Coastal Flood Warning System App (CFLOWS - Chennai):**

- ✓ **Red Atlas** is a first of its kind ready reckoner, prepared by the Ministry of Earth Sciences to aid Tamil Nadu government in effective flood mitigation in Chennai.
- ✓ **The CFLOWS-Chennai** is a complete web GIS-based decision support system that can be used both for mitigation planning operations before flooding and in real-time for aspects like relief work.



NATIONAL

1) **LOKPAL LOGO:**

Designed by: Shri Prashant Mishra from Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh

Motto: “Do not be greedy for anyone’s wealth”

2) **AYODHYA VERDICT: “9th November 2019”**

- ✓ The Hindus would get the entire disputed 2.77 acres in Ayodhya where the demolished Babri Masjid once stood.
- ✓ Possession of disputed 2.77 acre land will remain with Central government receiver.
- ✓ The Muslims will get alternate five acres of land either in the surplus 67 acres acquired in and around the disputed structure by the central government or any other “prominent” place.
- ✓ A trust will be formed in 3 months to build a temple on the disputed land.
- ✓ The court held that the Nirmohi Akhara is not the shebait or devotee of the deity Ram Lalla but will get to be a member of the Trust.

3) Chhattisgarh government has planned to set up the **“Guru Ghasidas National Park”** in Kotiya district as its fourth “Tiger Reserve”

At present there are three tiger reserves in state:

- ✓ Achanakmar Tiger Reserve in Bilaspur
- ✓ Udanti-Sitanadi Tiger Reserve in Gariaband
- ✓ Indravati Tiger Reserve in Bijapur district

4) **Uttar Pradesh Government** has planned to set up the state's **“1st Vulture conservation and breeding centre”** at Maharajganj district.

5) **Uttar Pradesh Government** has launched the campaign and announced to **eradicate Filaria from the country by the year 2021.**

6) **Uttar Pradesh Government** has launched a new app called **“e-Ganna”** for the convenience of sugarcane farmers. **It eradicates middlemen and ensures transparency in procurement**



- 7) The Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Ashwini Kumar Choubey announced that **India will free from Tuberculosis (TB) by 2025**
- 8) **Climate Emergency:** Oxford Dictionary has named “Climate Emergency” as its 2019 Word of the Year.
- 9) **Swachh – Nirmal Tat Abhiyaan:**
 - ✓ To strive to make our beaches clean and create awareness amongst citizens about the importance of coastal ecosystems
 - ✓ The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) are undertaking a mass cleanliness-cum-awareness drive in 50 identified beaches under the “Swachh – Nirmal Tat Abhiyaan”
 - ✓ From 11th -17th November, 2019
- 10) The **111.2-feet Shivalingam** at the Maheswaram Sri Shiva Paravathi Temple, **Chenkall, Kerala** has entered the India Book of Records for being the tallest such structure in India
- 11) **National Initiative for School Heads and Teachers Holistic Advancement (NISHTHA)** has been launched in the Union Territory of **Jammu and Kashmir**
- 12) **Madhya Pradesh** government has decided **to legalise the cultivation of cannabis in the state for medical and industrial purpose.**
- 13) **Rajasthan** government has decided **to constitute a new Department of Peace and Non-Violence** in each districts
- 14) National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has planned to build the **India’s first fourdeck transport structure** at Nagpur, Maharashtra.
- 15) **09 “Sewa Service” Trains:** Indian Railways launched the 09 ‘Sewa Service’ Trains **to connect smaller towns around major cities.**
- 16) The Survey of India released a “New political map of India” with **Amaravati as the capital of Andhra Pradesh**
- 17) Union Minister for Jal Shakti Gajendra Singh Shekhawat released a short documentary film on Water Conservation named **“SHIKHAR SE PUKAR”** in New Delhi.



- 18) **BharatPe** has won the DigiDhan Mission Fintech Award 2018-2019 for Innovation in Digital Payments through Emerging Technology at the **MeitY Start-up Summit 2019** held in Delhi.
- 19) **Dal Lake** in Jammu & Kashmir to be declared as an **“Eco - Sensitive Zone”**
- 20) **Telangana Government** opened the **“child – friendly” Police Station** at Hyderabad’s Medipally
- 21) Gandhinagar becomes **Gujarat’s 1st kerosene free district**

INTERNATIONAL

- 1) India signed an MoU with Saudi Arabia **to launch RuPay card in Gulf Countries**
- 2) **Pakistan** becomes 1st country to introduce new **Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine (TCV)** to combat typhoid
- 3) A floating school project in Bangladesh **“The Arcadia Education Project”** has won the **Aga Khan Architecture Award**.
- 4) **China** has established the **Largest Diplomatic Network** in the world even bigger than that of the USA.
- 5) Prime Minister Narendra Modi has released a book on **‘Thirukkural’ in Thai language** in Bangkok on 1st November 2019

SPORTS

- 1) **Rohit Sharma** became the 1st Indian man and second in world cricket to **complete 100 T-20 Internationals**
- 2) **1st Day Night Test (Pink Ball Test):** 1st Day – Night Test Match held between **India & Bangladesh in Eden Gardens, Kolkata**
- 3) **7th FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup** will be held in **India in November 2020**.
- 4) **India** will host the **15th Men's Hockey World Cup** in January, 2023



- 5) **Sri Lanka** has become the first South Asian nation *to criminalise several offences related to match-fixing*
- 6) India's **Manu Bhaker** created history at World Cup Finals in **Women's 10m Air Pistol event**.
- 7) **Elavenil Valarivan** has won gold in the **Women's 10m air rifle competition** held at Putian, China
- 8) **Karnataka** has won the Vijay Hazare Trophy 2019 - 20 defeated Tamil Nadu in the finals.

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES

SUMMITS / CONFERENCES	PURPOSE / THEME / OUTCOME	PLACE / By
29th Ministerial meet of BASIC Countries	BASIC countries include Brazil, South Africa, India and China	Beijing
3rd Global Ayurveda Summit 2019	THEME: "Mainstreaming Ayurveda through Startups, Innovation and Branding"	Kerala
35th ASEAN Summit	THEME: "Advancing Partnership for Sustainability"	Thailand
16th India ASEAN Summit		Thailand
India - ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations) Business Summit 2019	THEME: "Today, Tomorrow, Together"	New Delhi
50th World Economic Forum	THEME: "Stakeholders for a Cohesive and Sustainable World"	Switzerland
11th BRICS summit	THEME: "BRICS: economic growth for an innovative future"	Johannesburg, South Africa
2nd International Conference on Sustainable Water Management	Target of providing safe drinking water to everyone by 2024	Pune, Maharashtra
5th India International Science Festival	THEME: "RISEN: Research, Innovation and Science Empowering the Nation"	Kolkata
27th Conference of Central and State Statistical Organizations (COCSSO)	THEME: "Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)"	Kolkata



International Conference on Yoga 2019	THEME: “Yoga for Heart Care”	Mysuru, Karnataka
Global Bio-India (GBI) Summit, 2019	THEME: “Power to transform lives”	New Delhi

SCHEMES / YOJANAS

SCHEMES / YOJANAS	PURPOSE / Why in News?	MINISTRY / CABINET / STATE
NADU - NEDU Scheme	Introduce English medium from classes 1 to 6 in the government schools	Andhra Pradesh
Arundhati Swarna Yojana Scheme	“10 grams of gold” as a gift to every adult bride who has completed at least 10 th standard and has registered her marriage	Assam

INDICES

INDEX	PURPOSE / RELEASED BY	INDIA's RANKING	TOP RANKING
World Talent Ranking Report	International Institute of Management Development	59	Switzerland
Global Terrorism Index	Institute for Economics and Peace	7	Afghanistan
Women, Peace, and Security Index	Georgetown University's Institute for Women, Peace and Security (GIWPS)	133	Norway

COMMITTEES

Tapan Ray Committee	The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has formed a committee headed by Tapan Ray to review regulatory guidelines and supervisory framework applicable to core investment companies (CICs)
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MILITARY EXERCISES

EXERCISE NAME	HELD BETWEEN	TYPE OF EXERCISE	Held at
Exercise Shakti 19	India and French	Joint Military Exercise	Rajasthan
Dustlik - 2019	India and Uzbekistan	Joint Military Exercise	Tashkent, Uzbekistan
Indra - 2019	India and Russia	Joint Tri - Service Exercise	
Surya Kiran – XIV	India and Nepal	Joint Military Exercise	Nepal
Exercise Tiger Triumph	India and USA	Tri – Services Exercise	Andhra Pradesh
SITMEX -19	India, Singapore and Thailand	Joint Naval Trilateral Exercise	Port Blair, Andaman and Nicobar
Exercise Za'ir - Al - Bahr (Roar of the Sea)	India and Qatar	Bilateral Maritime Exercise	Doha, Qatar

FESTIVALS

S.No.	Festival	Place
1.	Sangai Festival	Manipur
2.	International cherry blossom festival 2019	Meghalaya
3.	Aadi mahotsav 2019	New Delhi
4.	Bali Yatra	Odisha
5.	Tawang Festival	Arunachal Pradesh

CYCLONES

S.No.	Cyclones	Name given by
1.	Bulbul / Matmo	Pakistan



GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION (GI) Tag

S.No.	Products	Place
1.	Green and White teas	Darjeeling

DEFENCE & SPACE

DEFENCE & SPACE	PURPOSE	COUNTRY / STATE / ORGANIZATION
SISSERI BRIDGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Built by the Border Road Organisation (BRO) ✓ The 200 - metre long bridge between Jonai – Pasighat – Ranaghat - Roing road will provide connectivity between Dibang Valley and Siang in Arunachal Pradesh 	Defence Minister Rajnath Singh Inagurated
ICGS ANNIE BESANT	Fast Patrol Vessel	Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd., (GRSE) built the patrol vessel

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

SPECIES / NEW DISCOVERIES	TYPE / PURPOSE	PLACE / BY
PSLV - C47 / CARTOSAT - 3 MISSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Cartosat-3 satellite is a 3rd generation agile advanced satellite having high resolution imaging capability. ✓ 13 Commercial Nanosatellites from USA were also successfully injected into designated orbit. ✓ These satellites were launched under commercial arrangement with NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), the commercial arm of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO). 	ISRO
X-57 MAXWELL	1 st All - electric experimental aircraft	NASA
Neutron star Interior Composition Explorer (NICER) Telescope	Detected the brightest ever X-ray burst.	NASA



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LB-1 Blackhole	Scientists had estimated the mass of an individual stellar black hole in our galaxy at no more than 20 times that of the Sun.	National Astronomical Observatory of China
ICEDASH	ICEDASH is an Ease of Doing Business monitoring dashboard of the Indian Customs helping the public see the daily Customs clearance times of import cargo at various ports and airports	Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman
ATITHI App	The ATITHI app will facilitate hassle-free and faster clearance by Customs at the airports and enhance the experience of international tourists and other visitors at the airports.	Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman
FARMITRA App	To help the farmers needs and address their worries	Bajaj Allianz General Insurance
e - Ganna App	For Sugarcane Farmers	Uttar Pradesh
OLIGOMANNATE	World's 1 st Alzheimer's drug	China
TRACHISCHIUM APTEII	A new species of non-venomous burrowing snake	Arunachal Pradesh
Pteropsaron indicum	India's 1 st Signal Fish	Kerala

AWARDS

AWARDS / PRIZES	PERSON / ORGANIZATION
27th Ekalabya Award 2019	Jhilli Dalabehera
Wisden India Almanack Cricketer of the Year award	Jasprit Bumrah and Smriti Mandhana
27th Ezhuthachan Puraskaram 2019	Anand
50th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) held at Goa	Actor Rajinikanth - Special Icon of Golden Jubilee Award and the Life Time Achievement Award
BRICS - Young Innovator Prize	Ravi Prakash
Indira Gandhi Peace Prize 2019 - Peace, Disarmament and Development	Sir David Attenborough
International Press Freedom Awards 2019	Neha Dixit



SWACHH SURVEKSHAN GRAMEEN AWARDS 2019 - Ministry of Jal Shakti	TOP 3 STATES: 1) Tamil Nadu, 2) Haryana, 3) Gujarat
	TOP 3 DISTRICTS: 1) Peddapalli, Telangana, 2) Faridabad, Haryana, 3) Rewari, Haryana
	State with maximum citizen participation – Uttar Pradesh
International Children's Peace Prize	Greta Thunberg
BRICS - Young Innovator Prize	Ravi Prakash

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONS IN NEWS

PERSONS	POSITION / DESIGNATION
Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde	47 th Chief Justice of India
Prakash Javadekar	Union Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises
Rafael Grossi	Director General of International Atomic Energy Agency
Arvind Singh	Chairman of Airport Authority of India

STATE	GOVERNOR
Mizoram	P.S. Sreedharan Pillai

STATE	CHIEF MINISTER
Maharashtra	Uddhav Thackeray
Haryana	Manohar Lal

COUNTRY	PRESIDENT / PRIME MINISTER
Mauritius	Pravind Jugnauth
Sri Lanka	Gotabaya Rajapaksa - President

WOMEN IN NEWS

Lt Col Jyoti Sharma	Indian Army's 1 st female Judge Advocate General officer
Sub Lieutenant Shivvangi	1 st Woman Pilot of Indian Navy

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

BOOKS	AUTHORS
Finding The Gaps	Simon Taufel
Courts of India: Past to Present	Ranjan Gogoi released the book
The Unquiet River: A biography of the Brahmaputra	Arupjyoti Saikia
Kashmir	Chitralkha Zutshi

IMPORTANT DAYS

DAYS	EVENTS	THEMES/ SIGNIFICANCE
November 1	Tamil Nadu Formation Day	Linguistic Reorganization of States in 1956, Tamil Nadu state formation day will be celebrated on November 1
November 8	International Day of Radiology	THEME: "Sports Imaging"
November 10	World Science Day for Peace and Development	THEME: "Open science, leaving no one behind"
November 12	World Pneumonia Day	THEME: "Healthy Lungs for all"
November 13	World Kindness Day	THEME: "the pains of others" and touch their lives "positively"



November 14	World Diabetes Day	THEME: “The Family and Diabetes”
November 17	World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims	THEME: “Life is not a car part”
November 19	World Toilet Day	THEME: “Leaving No One Behind”
	International Men’s Day	THEME: “Making a Difference for Men and Boys”

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