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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The International Day of Climate Action is observed on 24th October in every year.
- ❖ India has handed over the cross-border rail link, Jayanagar of Bihar to Kurtha of Nepal, to Nepal.

TAMIL NADU

Tamilnadu Portals to monitor infra projects

- ❖ The Chief Minister Stalin launched web portals developed by the Information Technology Department for reviewing the progress of all major infrastructure projects in the State.
- ❖ It is also to enable all IT/ITES companies in Tamil Nadu to interact with the State government and contribute to policy making.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency (TNeGA) has developed a portal, 'e-munnetram'.
- ❖ It contains key details of projects such as agreement dates, start dates, cost estimates, project progress on both financial and physical parameters on a monthly basis, location data & GIS layers and photographs of the site on a periodic basis.
- ❖ The TNeGA has also conceptualised an interacting platform called 'IT Nanban'.
- ❖ It is to engage with the IT industry and enable all IT/ITES companies in Tamil Nadu to interact with the State government over policy making.
- ❖ Mr. Stalin also released two Tamil computing software with advanced features developed by the Tamil Virtual Academy.
- ❖ The Keezhadi Tamizhinaiya keyboard will function with three types of keyboards: Tamil'99 keyboard, Phonetic keyboard and Old Typewriter keyboard.
- ❖ The Tamizhi Tamizhinaiya Unicode Converter will convert the text, file, and folder.

Social justice Monitoring committee

- ❖ Chief Minister M.K. Stalin announced the formation of a seven-member social justice committee.
- ❖ It will be headed by Dravidian ideologue Suba. Veerapandian.





- ❖ The committee will monitor if social justice is being implemented properly in education, employment, postings, promotions and appointments across Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ It will make recommendations from time to time to the State government to take appropriate measures.
- The other members are
 - Retired IAS officer K. Dhanavel
 - o Former Vice Chancellor at Periyar Maniammai Institute of Science and Technology Swaminathan Devadoss
 - o Tamil poet Manushyaputhiran
 - o A Jaison an expert in Adi Dravidar and Scheduled Castes related legislations
 - o R. Rajendran an Economic expert
 - o G. Karunanidhi general secretary of the All-India Federation of Other Backward Classes Employees' Association.



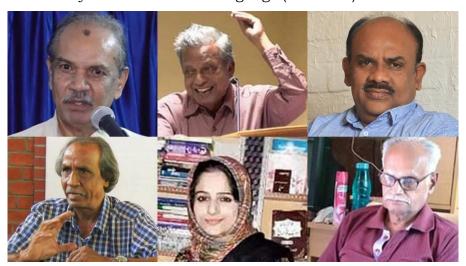
Kalaignar Porkizhi Award

❖ It is an annual literature award bestowed for Tamil and other language writers at book fair organized by the Booksellers and Publishers Association of South India (BAPASI) since 2008.





- **&** Each award consists of 1 lakh rupee.
- ❖ The fund is managed by donation of 1 crore Rupee in 2007 by M. Karunanidhi.
- This year it was given to following members
 - o Abi Poem
 - o Rajendra Cholan Fiction
 - o S Ramakrishnan Dialogue
 - o Veli Rangarajan Drama
 - o Marudha Nayagam English
 - o Nadith Sakiya Other Indian Language (Kashmiri).



Keeladi excavations - 7th Phase







- ❖ The Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology (TNSDA) began excavations in Keeladi, Konthagai, and Agaram in Sivagangai district.
- ❖ The seventh phase was conducted by the Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology
- ❖ Keeladi is an urban settlement that is at least 2,600 years old.
- * Ring wells were the highlight of the seventh phase of this excavation.
- * Ring wells may have been used as soak pits or draw wells.
- ❖ This is the first time that the Tamil Nadu State Archaeology Department has left the quadrants open without filling it with soil after the excavation ended as it plans to establish an open site museum.
- ❖ When the museum is established then it would be a first-of-its-kind to be established in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ the image of a fish imprinted on a ring well and the engraved coins found here strengthened the theory that the people who lived here had commercial transactions with other parts of the country, namely north India.

ENVIRONMENT

Saudi Green Initiative forum



- ❖ The Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman has opened this forum in Riyadh.
- ❖ The Crown price also announced the accession of Saudi Arabia to the Global Methane Pledge.
- **!** It is the world's top oil exporter.





- ❖ It aims to reach "net zero" emissions of greenhouse gases by 2060, 10 years later than the United States.
- ❖ The United States, the world's second-biggest emitter, is committed to achieve the net zero by 2050.
- ❖ But China and India, the world's biggest and third-biggest emitters, have not committed to this timeline.
- ❖ The net zero means that it emits no more greenhouse gases than it can capture or absorb.

STATES

Rani Chennamma Jayanthi

- ❖ Karnataka celebrated "Kittur Rani Chennamma Jayanthi" on October 23.
- ❖ Kittur Chennamma was born on October 23, 1778.
- ❖ She belonged to the Lingayat community.
- ❖ She led an armed rebellion in the year 1824, against the British East India Company.



IMPORTANT DAYS

United Nations Day - 24 October

- ❖ This year will mark this intergovernmental organisation's 76th year since the foundation.
- ❖ The day marks the anniversary of the day when the UN Charter entered into force in 1945.





- ❖ This year's UN Day Concert held under the theme "Building Back Together for Peace and Prosperity".
- ❖ It was sponsored by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations.
- ❖ The name 'United Nations' was coined by former United States President Franklin D Roosevelt.
- ❖ It currently has 193 member states.
- ❖ In 1953, Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, sister of Jawaharlal Nehru, became the first woman President of the Un General Assembly.



World Development Information Day - 24 October

- ❖ The United Nations General Assembly in 1972 established this Day to draw the attention of the world to development problems.
- ❖ This year's theme is Action for Sustainable Development Goal.







World Polio Day - 24 October

- ❖ It was established by Rotary International to commemorate the birth of Jonas Salk.
- ❖ He led the first team to develop a vaccine against poliomyelitis.
- ❖ The theme of this year's World Polio Day is "One Day. One Focus: Ending Polio delivering on our promise of a polio-free world".
- ❖ Poliomyelitis is an infectious disease that affects children under the age of 5.
- ❖ India was declared polio-free in 2014.
- ❖ The 'Pulse Polio' programme of India was started in 1995 with an aim towards 100% eradication of the disease.
- ❖ The pulse immunization' using Oral Polio Vaccine was conducted in Vellore in 1981.
- Vellore is the first Indian town to be polio-free.
- ❖ The very last polio case was reported in West Bengal's Howrah district in 2011.
- ❖ The last stronghold of this poliovirus is in Afghanistan and Pakistan.



