

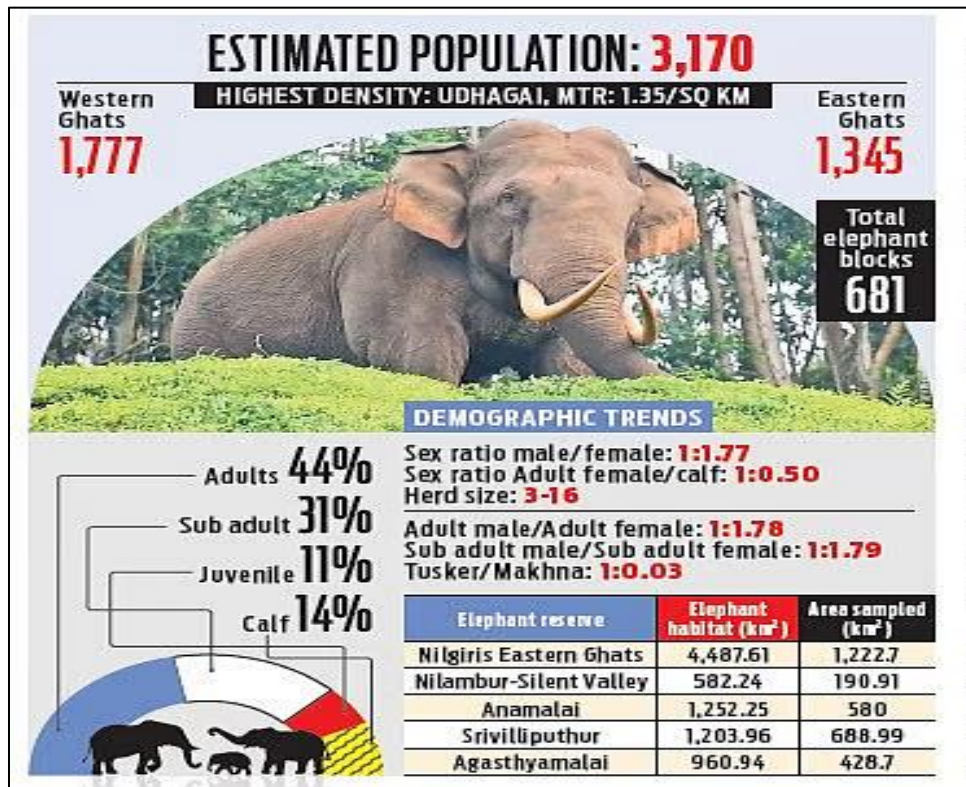
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## TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Avinashi Road flyover in Coimbatore will be named after inventor G. D. Naidu, who is known as India's Edison and was an innovator.
  - It is the longest elevated corridor in the state, and the second longest in India after the P. V. Narasimha Rao Expressway in Hyderabad
- ❖ French Prime Minister Sebastien Lecornu resigned hours after announcing his new cabinet.

## TAMIL NADU NEWS

### Wild Elephants Survey 2025



- ❖ Tamil Nadu recorded 3,170 wild elephants in May 2025, an increase of 107 from the 2024 count of 3,063.
- ❖ The synchronised survey covered 8,989.63 square kilometres across 26 forest divisions using both direct and indirect methods.

- ❖ The Nilgiri Elephant Reserve reported the highest population with 2,419 elephants (Block Count) and 3,163 elephants (Dung Count).
- ❖ Adults made up 44 % of the population, and the sex ratio was recorded at 1 male to 1.77 females.

### **AeroDefCon 2025**

- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister inaugurated AeroDefCon 2025 at Chennai Trade Centre.
- ❖ The three-day global aerospace and defence event is organised by TIDCO (Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation), AIDAT (Aerospace Industry Development Association of Tamil Nadu), and BCI Aerospace of France.
- ❖ The event is supported by the Ministry of Defence and focuses on indigenisation, self-reliance, and global supply chain integration.



### **Chola-era inscriptions**

- ❖ The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) documented 10 Chola-era inscriptions from the Vedapureeswarar Shiva temple at Therizhandhur in Mayiladuthurai district.
- ❖ Two inscriptions, dated to the 34th and 44th regnal years of Kulottunga Chola I.
- ❖ It records a grant of five gold coins to Brahmins for lighting lamps in the temple.

- ❖ Inscriptions from the reign of Kulottunga Chola III record donations for Tirumanjanam and fines for defaulters, while one from Rajaraja II's period mentions donations for lighting the Nundavilakku.



### Mediation for the Nation campaign



- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Mediation and Conciliation Centre settled 1,361 cases during the Mediation for Nation campaign.
- ❖ A total of 25,584 cases were referred for mediation between July 1 and September 30, 2025.
- ❖ Cases included matrimonial disputes, accident claims, domestic violence, cheque bounce, and commercial disputes.

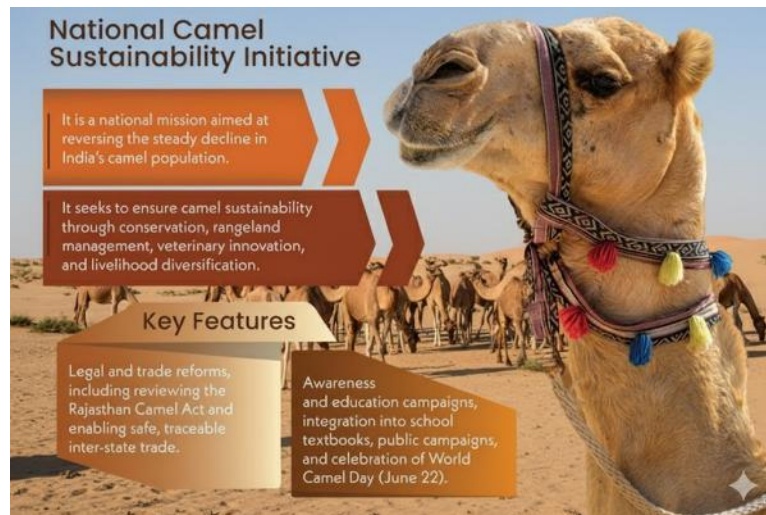


- ❖ Mediation was conducted through physical, online, and hybrid modes for the convenience of the parties.

## **NATIONAL NEWS**

### **National camel sustainability initiative**

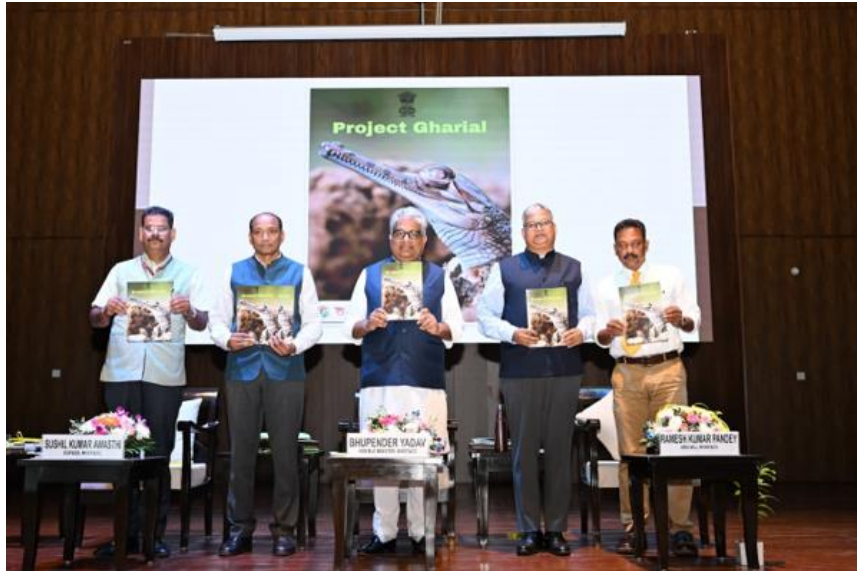
- ❖ The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying plans to launch the National Camel Sustainability Initiative.
- ❖ It aims to address the decline in India's camel population.
- ❖ India's camel numbers have dropped from about 11 lakhs in 1977 to 2.52 lakh in 2019.
- ❖ Nearly 90 % of camels are found in Rajasthan and Gujarat.
- ❖ It proposes legal reforms, better transport infrastructure, and regulated inter-state trade for camels.
- ❖ The government also plans awareness campaigns, including celebrating World Camel Day on June 22.



### **National Conservation Initiatives**

- ❖ The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change organized Wildlife Week 2025 in Dehradun.
- ❖ The event focused on the theme of 'human-wildlife coexistence'.
- ❖ It launched 5 national projects, including Project Dolphin Phase-II, Sloth Bear, Gharial conservation, Centre of Excellence for Human-Wildlife Conflict, and Tiger conflict management outside reserves.

- ❖ Four national action plans and field guides were released for the population estimation of river dolphins, tigers, snow leopards, and the great Indian bustard.



## India Mobile Congress 2025



- ❖ The 9th edition of the India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2025 was inaugurated at Yashobhoomi, New Delhi.
- ❖ The event is Asia's largest telecom, media, and technology gathering.
- ❖ It is organized jointly by the Department of Telecommunications and the Cellular Operators Association of India.
- ❖ The theme of the event is "Innovate to Transform".

- ❖ The event focus on 6G, quantum communications, semiconductors, optical networks, and cyber fraud prevention.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Iran's currency redenomination

- ❖ Iran will remove four zeros from the rial to ease financial transactions after prolonged high inflation.
- ❖ The exchange rate stands at approximately 1,150,000 rials per United States dollar in the free market.
- ❖ The central bank has two years to prepare, followed by a three-year phase where both units are used.
- ❖ The rial remains the official currency, and the change will be gradual, not immediate.



### India at UNGA 80

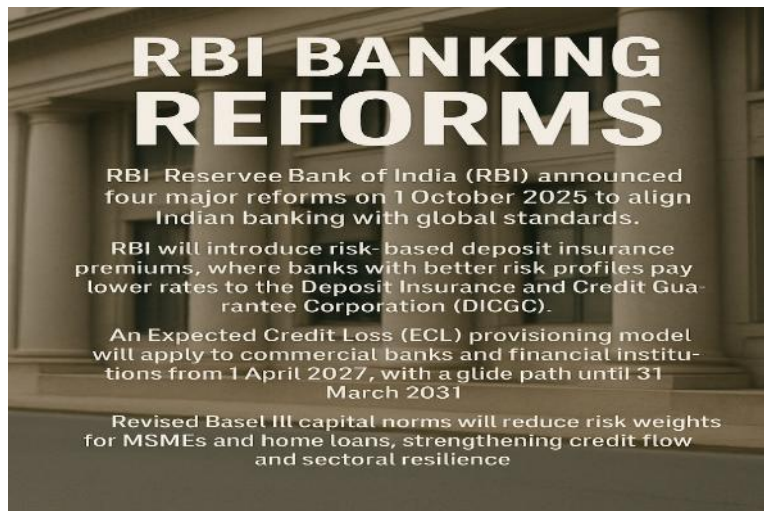
- ❖ India addressed the 80th United Nations General Assembly session in New York, stressing the urgent need for UN reforms.
- ❖ India highlighted that the UNSC reflects outdated 1945 power structures and lacks fair representation.
- ❖ It demanded permanent membership for G4 nations—India, Brazil, Germany, and Japan—and a greater voice for the Global South.

- ❖ India criticised the misuse of veto power by the permanent five members in blocking global consensus on key issues.



## **ECONOMY NEWS**

### **RBI Banking Reforms**



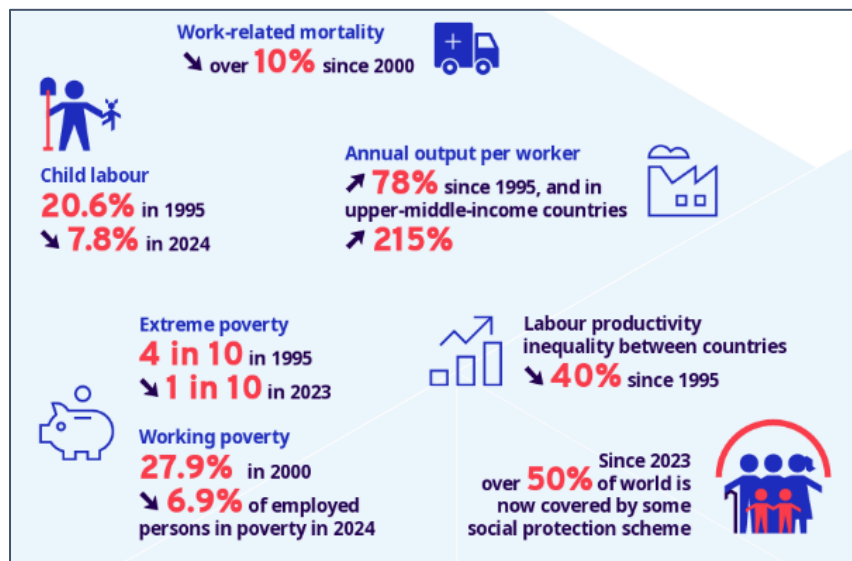
- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced four major reforms on 1 October 2025 to align Indian banking with global standards.
- ❖ RBI will introduce risk-based deposit insurance premiums.
- ❖ Under this, the Banks with better risk profiles pay lower rates to the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC).



- ❖ An Expected Credit Loss (ECL) provisioning model will apply to commercial banks and financial institutions from 1 April 2027, with a glide path until 31 March 2031.
- ❖ Revised Basel III capital norms will reduce risk weights for MSMEs and home loans, strengthening credit flow and sectoral resilience.
- ❖ RBI will implement new investment and business guidelines, removing restrictions on business overlap with group entities and giving boards more decision-making power.

## REPORTS AND INDICES

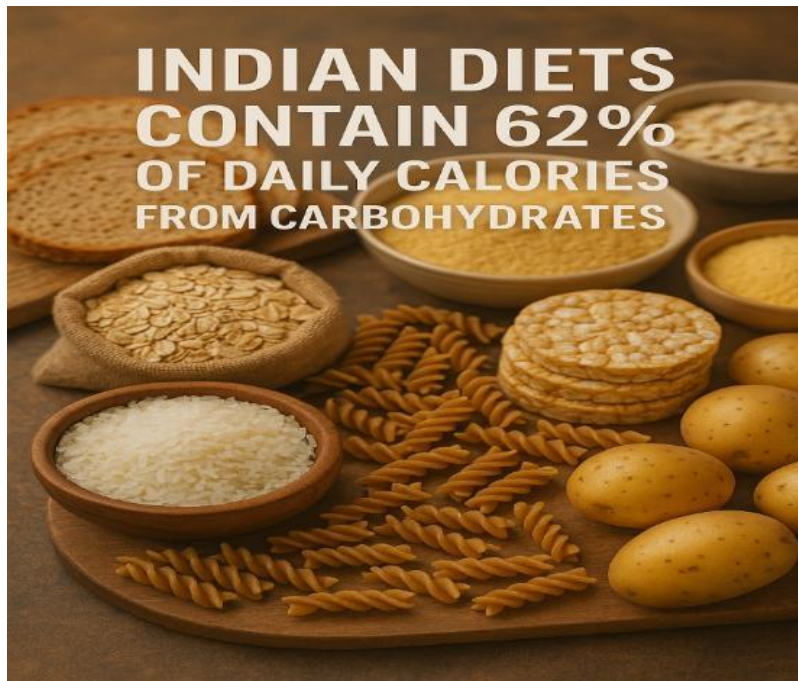
### State of Social Justice 2025



- ❖ The State of Social Justice: A Work in Progress report was released by the International Labour Organization (ILO).
- ❖ Global child labour (age 5–14) declined from 250 million in 1995 to 106 million in 2024.
- ❖ Extreme poverty fell from 39% in 1995 to 10% of the global population.
- ❖ Working poverty reduced from 28% to 7% between 1995 and 2024.
- ❖ Secondary school completion rates rose by 22% since 1995.
- ❖ Work-related mortality has dropped by over 10% since 2000.
- ❖ Informal employment still affects 58% of global workers, falling by only 2% in 20 years.
- ❖ Gender labour force participation gap reduced by 3% since 2005 and remains at 24%.



## **Dietary Study Report 2025**

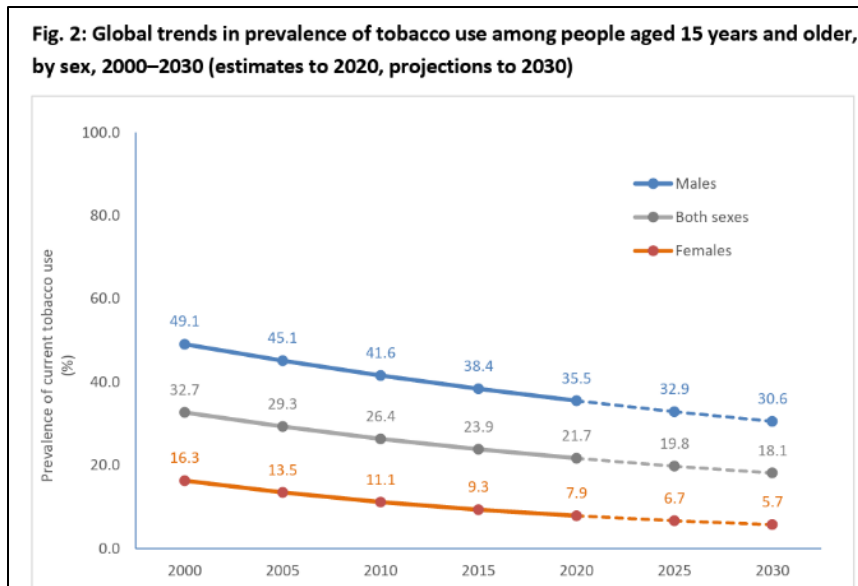


- ❖ The ICMR-INDIAB Dietary Study 2025 was released by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).
- ❖ Indian diets contain 62% of daily calories from carbohydrates, among the highest globally.
- ❖ The study surveyed 121,077 adults across 36 states, union territories, and Delhi.
- ❖ High-carb foods include white rice, milled whole grains, and added sugars.
- ❖ White rice is dominant in southern, eastern, and northeastern India; wheat in northern and central regions.
- ❖ Millets are staples only in Karnataka, Gujarat, and Maharashtra.
- ❖ Saturated fat intake exceeds safe limits in almost all states except Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Arunachal Pradesh, and Manipur.
- ❖ Protein accounts for only 12% of daily calorie intake, with dairy and animal proteins contributing 2% and 1%, respectively.

## **Global trends in tobacco use**

- ❖ "Global trends in tobacco use 2000–2024 and projections 2025–2030" report was released by the World Health Organization (WHO).
- ❖ More than 100 million people worldwide vape, including 15 million children aged 13 to 15 years.

- ❖ Children are nine times more likely than adults to use e-cigarettes in countries with available data.
- ❖ Global tobacco users declined from 1.38 billion in 2000 to 1.2 billion in 2024.
- ❖ Tobacco use remains prevalent, with one in five adults still affected worldwide.
- ❖ Female tobacco use dropped from 11% in 2010 to 6.6% in 2024, while male decline is slower.
- ❖ South-East Asia reduced male tobacco use from 70% in 2000 to 37% in 2024, contributing to half of the global decline.



## STATES' NEWS

### Model Code of Conduct - Bihar

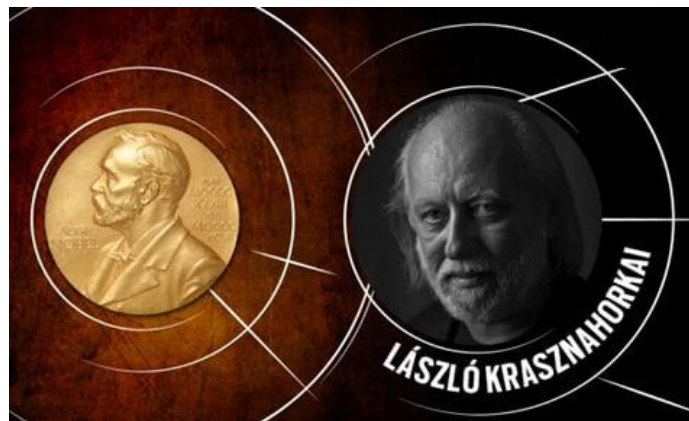
- ❖ The Election Commission of India (Election Commission of India) announced the schedule for the Bihar Legislative Assembly election on October 6, 2025.
- ❖ The Model Code of Conduct (Model Code of Conduct) came into immediate effect across Bihar with the announcement.
- ❖ The Code is also applicable to the Central Government in matters related to Bihar's policies and announcements.
- ❖ Public funds must not be used for political advertisements during the election period.
- ❖ Political parties must inform the police in advance about meetings and processions for proper security and traffic arrangements.

- ❖ Ministers are prohibited from combining official duties with election campaigning or using government resources for the same.
- ❖ Regulation of meetings, processions, polling and maintenance of law and order must be carried out fairly.

BIHAR ASSEMBLY ELECTION		
	PHASE 1 (121 SEATS)	PHASE 2 (122 SEATS)
NOTIFICATION	OCTOBER 10	OCTOBER 13
LAST DATE TO FILE NOMINATIONS	OCTOBER 17	OCTOBER 20
SCRUTINY OF NOMINATIONS	OCTOBER 18	OCTOBER 21
WITHDRAWAL DEADLINE	OCTOBER 20	OCTOBER 23
VOTING DATES	NOVEMBER 6	NOVEMBER 11
RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT: <b>NOVEMBER 14</b>		

## PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

### Nobel Prize in Literature 2025



- ❖ Hungarian novelist and screenwriter László Krasznahorkai has won this year's Nobel Prize in Literature.
- ❖ The award is "for his compelling and visionary oeuvre that, in the midst of apocalyptic terror, reaffirms the power of art."
- ❖ He became literary sensation in Hungary with his first novel 'Sátántangó' published in 1985

### UNISFA award

- ❖ The Indian peacekeepers in Abyei were honoured for their dedicated service by the Acting Head of Mission of the UN Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA).
- ❖ The Abyei Area is a border area between South Sudan and Sudan.



- ❖ It has been granted "special administrative status" by the 2004 Protocol on the Resolution of the Abyei Conflict (Abyei Protocol) in the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA).
- ❖ Since the 1950s, India has sent over 2,90,000 peacekeepers to more than 50 missions worldwide.
- ❖ Now, over 5,000 Indian troops serve in nine of the eleven active missions, dedicated to upholding global peace and security.

### **Indian peacekeepers honored for dedicated service by UNISFA**



### **MY Bharat–NSS Awards 2022–23**



- ❖ The President presented the 50 MY Bharat–National Service Scheme (NSS) Awards 2022–23 at Rashtrapati Bhavan.



- ❖ NSS was launched in 1969 and currently has nearly 40 lakh active volunteers working on social, health, and development projects nationwide.
- ❖ Priyanus Hazarika (Assam), Ayushi Sinha (Madhya Pradesh), P. Dinesh (Puducherry), and Ankur Kumar Mishra (Uttar Pradesh) were among the 30 youth volunteers recognised for outstanding service.

## MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

### Russian Strikes on Ukraine

- ❖ The Intense Russian missile and drone strikes hit multiple Ukrainian regions on October 5, 2025.
- ❖ Regions affected include Kharkiv, Poltava, Donetsk, Luhansk, Sumy, Kherson, Mykolaiv, Dnipro, Zaporizhzhia, Chernihiv, Vinnytsia, Ivano-Frankivsk, Odesa, and Lviv.
- ❖ Over 50 missiles and around 500 attack drones were fired in the largest assault on Ukraine's gas sites to date.

