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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ For the first time in government hospitals, automatic drug vending machines will be set up at Periyar Nagar Government Hospital and Rajiv Gandhi Government Hospital in Chennai.
- ❖ India's first automated drug vending machine was opened in Coimbatore.
- ❖ In the Tamilnadu Assembly, the Higher education minister Ponumdi informed that the Government Arts and Science college will be renamed as Kalaingar Government Arts college
- ❖ Prime Minister Modi lauded the Kanchirangal panchayat in Sivagangai district for producing and using electricity from vegetable waste.

TAMIL NADU

Sahitya Academy prize for translation

- ❖ TES Raghavan and K Chellappan have been chosen for the Sahitya Academy prize for translation for the year 2020.
- ❖ TES Raghavan has been chosen for this prize for translating Tirukural into Hindi.
- ❖ K Chellappan has been chosen for translating Gora, a novel in Bengali, authored by Rabindranath Tagore into Tamil.

Silambam in 'Khelo India'



- ❖ Silambam has been recognised under the 'Promotion of inclusiveness through sports' initiative of the 'Khelo India' programme of the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- ❖ Silambam an Indian martial art developed by Tamils.

Keezhadi excavation

- ❖ The Excavations in the Keezhadi in Sivagangai district have uncovered dice made of ivory.
- ❖ This dice weighs 4 grams and has 5 cm cube with 1 point, (i.e) with 6 points marked on six sides.
- ❖ An ivory comb was found during the first excavation that had already taken place.
- ❖ Later, with the discovery of a 6th century silver coin, a gold earring was recently discovered during an excavation in the Agaram near the Keezhadi.
- ❖ The Pottery parts containing 13 letters (Tamil) have been found.
- ❖ The pot may have been written with thorns.
- ❖ Earlier, parts of pot with the names Aadan and Uthiran were found.
- ❖ With a maximum of parts of pottery containing 7 alphabetical letters found earlier, now this one with 13 letters is considered to be a testament to the fact that educated people lived here.
- ❖ Also at the bottom is a red grain container.
- ❖ Also, five more pots have been found in the pit where this pot was found.

Alternative Speakers of the legislature

- ❖ The Speaker Appavu has announced that when there is no Speaker in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, there will be four alternative speakers to hold the Assembly.
- ❖ Anbazhagan, SR Raja, Udayasooriyan and DRP Raja will be the alternate leaders.

Thirukkural Translation

- ❖ According to the Central Institute of Classical Tamil Studies, Thirukkural translations will be published in ten languages, including the Vakripoli language spoken by the Narikkurava people.

- ❖ The Central Ministry of Education has submitted to the Central Institute of Classical Tamil Studies a project to translate Thirukkural into 21 languages in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India.
- ❖ The Institute has already published Thirukkural translations in Punjabi (2012), Manipuri (2012), Telugu (2014), Kannada (2014) and Gujarati (2015).
- ❖ In the coming October, Malayalam, Marathi, Oriya, Hindi, Nepali, Urdu, Arabic, Persian, Vakripoli (Narikkurava language), Paduku translations will be published in ten languages.
- ❖ In that respect, 20 books including U.V. Saminathaya Diary, U.V. Saminathaya Glossary and Sangam books Vocabulary, Natrinai (Kannada Translation), Tolkappiyam (Hindi Translation), Patiruppattu (Kannada Translation) will be published.

Ki.Ra. Award

- ❖ The Coimbatore Vijaya Publishing house's Vijaya Reader Circle's 2021 has announced that the Ki.Ra. award will be given to famous writer Konangi.
- ❖ Writer Konangi who is a story teller of modern Tamil literature belongs to Kovilpatti.
- ❖ Every year Ki.Ra. award and a cash prize of Rs 5 lakh is awarded in the name of Writer K. Raja Narayanan, who is known as the father of Karisal literature.
- ❖ This K.R. The award is presented by Shakti Masala.
- ❖ For the past 5 years the Vijaya Readers Circle of Coimbatore Vijaya Publishing house has selected Jayakanthan Award for Best Author, Poet Meera Award, Innovator Award, Shakthi Vai Govindan Award for Best Government Librarian and Vanathi Thirunavukkarasu Award for Best Bookseller.

Fisheries and Agriculture Department Announcements

- ❖ A weaving heritage park will be set up in Nagore in Nagai district at a cost of Rs 2 crores in 2021-2022.
- ❖ The Colour Fish Trade Centre at Kolathur, Chennai will be set up to international standards with Government and private participation.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu is the 7th state to bring a resolution in the Assembly against the Agriculture Act.
- ❖ Seven states, including Kerala, Chhattisgarh, Punjab and Rajasthan, have already passed resolutions against agricultural laws.



- ❖ The four places, namely Melmalaiyanur, Vallam of the Villupuram District, Madhanur of Tirupathur District and Harur of Dharmapuri District will be set up with Agricultural Extension Centres.
- ❖ A new Seed Testing Station will be set up at Tirupur.
- ❖ A 'one day program with farmers' will be implemented to go to the villages and listen to the grievances of the farmers.
- ❖ 4 organic farmer manufacturing companies will be set up at Dharmapuri, Cuddalore, Ranipet and Thiruvarur.
- ❖ An animal feed factory will be set up in Thanjavur district.
- ❖ National Poultry Breeding Farm and Poultry Incubation Establishment will be established at Abikesampatti farm, Tirunelveli District.
- ❖ A multipurpose hospital and research centre for pets will be set up at Nandanam, Chennai.
- ❖ Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri-based Tirukkachiruppu Sheep's Research Centre will be set up on 800 acres in Dharmapuri.
- ❖ A resource centre for the conservation of poultry (Siruvidai kozhi) in Tamil Nadu will be set up at the Madhavaram Poultry Research Station.
- ❖ In Orathanadu Veterinary College and Research Institute (Thanjavur), Tamil Nadu's Pattanam Sheep and Goat Resource Centre will be established.
- ❖ 50 Special markets would be set up at a cost of ₹8 crore in Chennai, Coimbatore, Madurai, Tiruchi and Salem to showcase the products of products of farmer-producer organisations
- ❖ An agri course in agriculture engineering would be started at the Agriculture Engineering College and Research Institute in Kumlur, Tiruchi.
- ❖ Three Government agriculture colleges will come up in Karur district, Kilvelur in Nagapattinam district and Chettinadu in Sivagangai district.

Public Welfare Department Announcements

- ❖ A red blood cell freezing unit will be set up at the Rajiv Gandhi Hospital in Chennai.
- ❖ Awareness will be created to reduce the use of sugar, salt and oil under the 'Slightly Reduce' (சற்றே குறைப்போம்) scheme.
- ❖ For the first time in India, a Siddha Medical University will be established near Chennai.
- ❖ For the first time in Tamil Nadu, a 24-hour Nursing Monitoring Centre will be set up.

Tamil Development department Announcements

- ❖ These were released by the Minister Thangam Tennarasu in the Legislative Assembly during the demand for grants on the Tamil official Language and Tamil Culture and Archaeology Department.
- ❖ The Books of Tamil scholars will be nationalized and a sum of money will be given.
- ❖ Accordingly, the books of Dr. T. Paramasivan, Silamboli Su.Sellappan, Puluvar Ilangumaranar, Murugesha Bhagavathar, Sankaravalli Nayakam and Pulavar Se. Rasu will be nationalized.
- ❖ In the temples, Tirukkural classes are conducted along with Thevaram, Thiruvvasam and the Naalayira Divya Prabhandam.
- ❖ Tamil classes will be conducted through the media under the name 'Theerak Kadhal Thirukural'.
- ❖ Rs. 1 crore will be allocated to form the 'Tamil Campaign Association' (தமிழ் பரப்புரைக் கழகம்) in order to teach Tamils living abroad and in other states.
- ❖ In particular, the Minister stressed that when writing a name in Tamil, the initials should also be written in Tamil.

NATIONAL

National Snakebite Awareness Summit

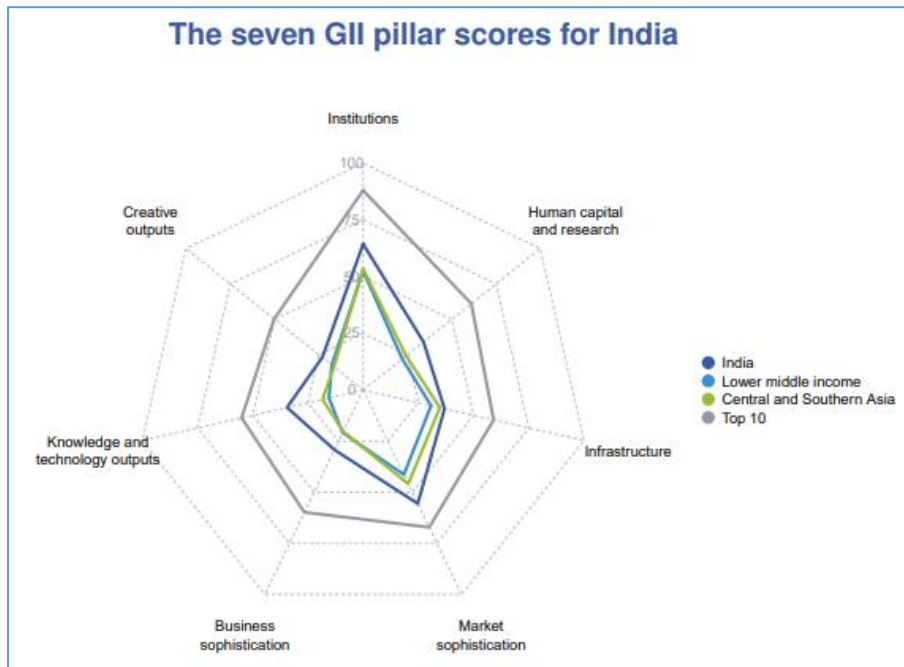
- ❖ It was recently organised in virtual mode.
- ❖ It was organised by the Integrated Health and Wellbeing Council, New Delhi.
- ❖ The summit was held on the eve of the International Snakebite Awareness Day, observed on 19 September every year.

Snakebite cases in India

- ❖ In the 20-year period from 2000 to 2019, the country recorded 1.2 million snakebite deaths with an average of 58,000 deaths every year.
- ❖ As much as 97 per cent of these deaths happened in villages and more than half of the dead were men in their most productive years.

INTERNATIONAL

Global Innovation Index 2021 rankings



- ❖ Recently, India has climbed two spots and has been ranked 46th in the Global Innovation Index (GII) 2021 rankings.
- ❖ The GII is launched by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).
- ❖ WIPO is a specialized agency of the United Nations.
- ❖ The GII aims to capture the multi-dimensional facets of innovation ranking and rich analysis referencing around 132 economies.
- ❖ Switzerland, Sweden, U.S., and U.K. continue to lead the innovation ranking, and have all ranked in the top 5 in the past three years.
- ❖ The Republic of Korea joins the top 5 of the GII for the first time in 2021.

India's Performance

- ❖ India performs better in innovation outputs than innovation inputs in 2021.
- ❖ This year India ranks 57th in innovation inputs.
- ❖ As for innovation outputs, India ranks 45th.
- ❖ India ranks 2nd among the 34 lower middle-income group economies.
- ❖ India ranks 1st among the 10 economies in Central and Southern Asia.

France recalls ambassadors - AUKUS security pact

- ❖ France is recalling its ambassadors from the United States and Australia over the recent trilateral security pact between US, UK and Australia that involves the building of nuclear-powered submarines.
- ❖ The AUKUS military agreement was signed to counter the military threats in the Indo-Pacific region and it involves the delivery of a nuclear-powered submarine fleet to Australia.
- ❖ The submarines will be built in Australia with the support from UK and the US.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Asia's First Hybrid flying car

- ❖ Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia reviewed the concept model of Asia's First Hybrid flying car.
- ❖ The Minister said that the flying cars will be used for transporting people and cargo and for medical emergencies as well.
- ❖ It will be a fully autonomous hybrid-electric VTOL vehicle capable of accommodating two passengers.
- ❖ It is being built by Chennai-based Vinata Aero mobility.



STATES

United Democratic Alliance government - Nagaland

- ❖ All the ruling and opposition political parties in Nagaland finalized the formation of an opposition-less government.
- ❖ That will be called the United Democratic Alliance (UDA) government.
- ❖ This is the second time that Nagaland will have an all-party government (opposition-less govt).
- ❖ In 2015, Congress MLAs merged with the ruling NPF-led Democratic Alliance of Nagaland (DAN).
- ❖ However, in 2021, the UDA government has been formed as a coalition without any merging.

Rajasthan Compulsory Registration of Marriages (Amendment) Bill, 2021

- ❖ CM Ashok Gehlot's government passed the Rajasthan Compulsory Registration of Marriages (Amendment) Bill, 2021 by voice vote to amend a 2009 Act.
- ❖ Rajasthan's new marriage bill says that the bride and groom can apply for registration of marriage to the marriage registration officer of the place where they have been residing for more than 30 days.
- ❖ The marriage between the bridegroom who has not completed 21 years and the bride who has not completed 18 years of age could be registered by the parents or guardians within the 30 days of the marriage.

COMPLYING WITH SC ORDER: RAJ MIN

➤ UDH minister Shanti Dhariwal said Bill brought to comply with orders of Supreme Court

➤ Clarifies registration of a minor's marriage does not make it legal

➤ Officials can initiate action against violators

➤ Section 8 of the Act provides that if parties to the marriage have not



completed the age of marriage, the parents or guardians shall be responsible for submitting

the application application within a period of 30 days

➤ Provides for appointment of additional marriage registration officer and block marriage registration officer

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Brigadier SV Sarasvati



- ❖ Brigadier SV Sarasvati, the Deputy Director-General of Military Nursing Service has been bestowed with the National Florence Nightingale Award 2020.
- ❖ She has been honoured with a prestigious Nightingale Award for her immense contribution to the Military Nursing Service as a Nurse Administrator.
- ❖ Brigadier Sarasvati hails from the Chittoor District of Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ The National Florence Nightingale Award is the highest distinction in India that a nurse can achieve for selfless devotion and exceptional professionalism.

73rd Emmy award 2021

- ❖ The 73rd Primetime Emmy Awards ceremony was held in Los Angeles, California.
- ❖ The award honoured the best in U.S. prime time television programming as chosen by the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences.
- ❖ An Emmy Award, or simply Emmy, is an American award that recognizes excellence in the television industry.



Outstanding Drama Series: The Crown
Outstanding Comedy Series: Ted Lasso
Outstanding Variety Talk Show: Last Week Tonight with John Oliver
Outstanding Limited Series: The Queen's Gambit
Outstanding Actor-Comedy: Jason Sudeikis (Ted Lasso)
Outstanding Actor-Drama: Josh O'Connor
Outstanding Actor-Limited Series or Movie: Ewan McGregor (Halston)
Outstanding Actress-Comedy: Jean Smart (Hacks)
Outstanding Actress-Drama: Olivia Colman (The Crown)
Outstanding Actress-Limited Series or Movie: Kate Winslet (Mare of Easttown)
Outstanding Supporting Actor-Comedy: Brett Goldstein (Ted Lasso)
Outstanding Supporting Actor-Drama: Tobias Menzies (The Crown)
Outstanding Supporting Actor-Limited Series or Movie: Evan Peters (Mare of Easttown)
Outstanding Supporting Actress-Comedy: Hannah Waddingham (Ted Lasso)
Outstanding Supporting Actress-Drama: Gillian Anderson (The Crown)
Outstanding Supporting Actress-Limited Series or Movie: Julianne Nicholson (Mare of Easttown)
Outstanding Director-Comedy: Lucia Aniello (Hacks)
Outstanding Director-Drama: Jessica Hobbs (The Crown)
Outstanding Director-Limited Series, Movie or Dramatic Special: Scott Frank (The Queen's Gambit)
Outstanding Writing-Comedy: Lucia Aniello, Paul W Downs and Jen Statsky (Hacks)
Outstanding Writing-Drama: Peter Morgan (The Crown)
Outstanding Writing-Limited Series, Movie Or Dramatic Special: Michaela Coel (I May Destroy You)

IMPORTANT DAYS

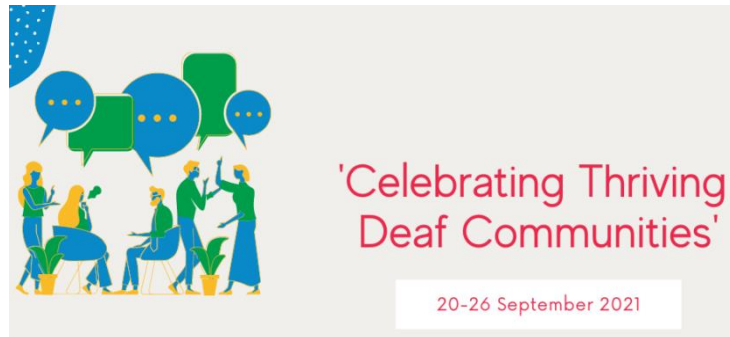
International Snakebite Awareness Day - September 19

- ❖ It is observed the fourth International Snakebite Awareness Day this year.
- ❖ Snakebite, a major public health issue but a hugely neglected problem continues to affect millions of people with death and disability worldwide.
- ❖ In 2018, the first ever International Snakebite Awareness Day was celebrated on September 19.

- ❖ This is to emphasize on awareness and actions needed to tackle the burden of snakebite.



International Week of Deaf People 2021 - September 20 to 26



- ❖ Every year, the full week ending on the last Sunday of September is observed as the International Week of the Deaf (IWD).
- ❖ The last Sunday of the month of September is celebrated as the World Day of Deaf or International Day of the Deaf (September 26, 2021).
- ❖ The theme of 2021 IWD is “Celebrating Thriving Deaf Communities”.

Note

- ❖ It is an initiative of the World Federation of the Deaf (WFD).
- ❖ It was first launched in 1958 in Rome, Italy to commemorate the month when the first World Congress of the WFD was held.

