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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The word 'Batsman' has been amended to the gender-neutral term 'batter' by the MCC.
 - o The full form of MCC is Marylebone Cricket Club.
- ❖ Odisha will host the Men's Hockey Junior World Cup at the Kalinga Stadium.
 - o Lucknow had hosted the tournament's last edition in 2016 where India claimed the honours.
- ❖ Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya has released the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)'s 3rd State Food Safety Index.
 - This is to measure the performance of States across five parameters of food safety.
- ❖ Finance Ministry has relaxed provisions of Income-tax Act, 1961.
 - o This is related to tax deducted at source (TDS) on payment of interest by a scheduled bank to a member of a scheduled tribe (ST) community.

NATIONAL

Mobile Music Bus

- ❖ Deputy Chief Minister of Delhi Manish Sisodia launched a mobile music classroom and recording studio which aims to assist children of Delhi government schools.
- This helps in pursuing their passion in music.
- ❖ The Delhi government claimed that it is India's first 'Mobile Music Bus'.







3rd Samudra Shakti

- ❖ Samudra Shakti is a bilateral exercise between the navies of India and Indonesia that was conceived in 2018.
- ❖ It is conducted at sunda strait.
- ❖ The exercise aims to strengthen the bilateral relationship, enhance mutual understanding and interoperability in maritime operations between the two navies.



External auditor of the International Atomic Energy Agency



- ❖ India's Comptroller and Auditor General, GC Murmu was selected as the external auditor of the International Atomic Energy Agency.
- ❖ International Atomic Energy Agency is a prestigious institution that promotes the peaceful use of nuclear energy.





❖ His tenure will be for six years, from 2022 to 2027.

National Single Window System

- ❖ The union minister for Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal has launched the 'National Single Window System (NSWS)'.
- This was launched for investors and businesses.
- NSWS is a single-window portal that will act as a one-stop-shop for investors or entrepreneurs, to get approvals and clearances needed from Government.
- ❖ The portal has been developed jointly by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade along with Invest India.



Arjun tank procurement

- ❖ The Ministry of Defence has placed an order to procure 118 Main Battle Tanks (MBTs) Arjun for the Indian Army.
- ❖ The Defence ministry placed this order with Heavy Vehicles Factory (HVF), Chennai to supply the 118 Arjun Mk-1A tanks.

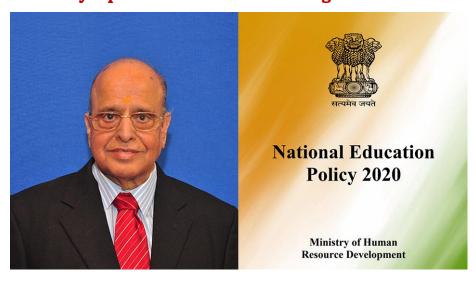




❖ Arjun tank has been designed and developed by the Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO).



Education ministry's panel head - K Kasturirangan



- ❖ The Union education ministry has formed a 12-member committee to develop new curriculums for school, early childhood, teacher and adult education.
- ❖ The panel tasked with developing four national curriculum frameworks (NCFs) will be headed by National Education Policy-2020 (NEP-2020) drafting committee chairperson K Kasturirangan.





12-digit unique IDs for farmers

- ❖ The central government has started generating 12-digit unique IDs for farmers.
- ❖ This is done as a part of the government's Digital Agriculture Mission to create a unified Farmers Service Interface.
- ❖ The unique ID will help in availing all-farm-related services of various agricultural schemes and credit facilities seamlessly.
- ❖ The IDs will also help the central and state government to plan better.

INTERNATIONAL

WHO Director-General

- ❖ France and Germany along with other European Union nations have nominated WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus of Ethiopia for a second term at the post.
- ❖ This is the first that a candidate has not been nominated by the home country for the top post at the UN Health Agency.

Agreement on Food Security

- ❖ The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) and the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) have signed an agreement on Food security.
- ❖ Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed on programmes and research in order to improve food, nutrition security and livelihoods across India.
- ❖ ICRISAT is headquartered in Patancheru, Hyderabad.
- ❖ WFP is founded in 1961, with headquarter in Rome.

International start-up hubs ranking 2021

- ❖ This ranking was recently compiled and published by Start-up Genome for its annual Global Start-up Ecosystem Report 2021.
- ❖ As per this London, Mumbai and Bangalore have been featured among the world's top start-up hubs.
- ❖ Bangalore has also been ranked at 23rd position.
- Delhi was ranked at 36th.





- Mumbai has been ranked at first position in the Emerging Ecosystems ranking, outperforming the fast-growing ecosystems in areas of performance, funding, talent and market research.
- ❖ Karnataka is also the 4th largest technology and innovation cluster in the world.

World Giving Index 2021

- ❖ Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) published the report recently.
- ❖ India has been ranked at the 14th spot.
- * CAF report notes that, India is one of the fastest climbers on the Index.
- ❖ According to the report,
 - o 61% Indians have helped a stranger during the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020.
 - o 36% of Indians donated money.
 - o 34% Indians volunteered for social causes in India.
 - o The most generous country across the world is Indonesia.



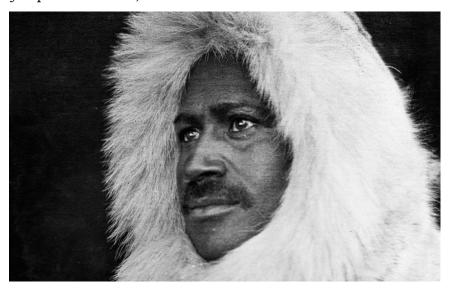
Lunar Crater - Matthew Henson

❖ The International Astronomical Union (IAU) has named a Lunar crater at the south pole of the moon after the Arctic explorer Matthew Henson.





❖ Matthew Henson was a Black man who was one of the first people who stand at the very top of the world, in 1909.



ENVIRONMENT

Black Carbon emission – IMO



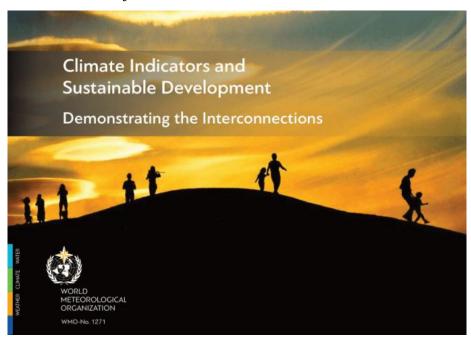
- ❖ With Arctic summer ice reaching its 12th lowest ever extent, the Clean Arctic Alliance has called for urgent cuts to black carbon emissions from shipping.
- ❖ This is planned ahead of the 77th Marine Environment Protection Committee meeting (MEPC 77) at the International Maritime Organization (IMO) in November.





Climate Indicators and Sustainable Development Report

- ❖ The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) has published a new report.
- ❖ It is titled "Climate Indicators and Sustainable Development: Demonstrating the Interconnections".
- ❖ WMO published its report with the aim of demonstrating the connections between global climate and SDGs.
- ❖ It also seeks to limit global warming to less than 2 °C or even 1.5 °C by the end of the current century.



PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Best legislator of the year 2020-21



❖ Karnataka Legislative Assembly has named former state chief minister BS Yeddyurappa as the best legislator of the year 2020-21.





- ❖ Yeddyurappa was the first BJP chief minister in South India.
- ❖ He had served as the 19th Chief Minister of Karnataka.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Vanijya Saptah - September 20 to 26

- ❖ The Commerce Ministry has decided to celebrate 'Vanijya Saptah' from 20 to 26 September.
- ❖ In this Saptah, many programmes and events will be organized to showcase India's rising economic force across the country.
- ❖ Five national seminars will be organized by the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) in five regions of the country.



