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# **TNPSC BITS**

- The Sri Lankan cricket team defeat Pakistan and won Asia Cup 2022.
- The second India-Japan 2+2 Foreign and Defence Ministerial Meeting was held in Tokyo.

## TAMIL NADU

#### **Tamil Nadu's New Bird Sanctuary**



- The Tamil Nadu government issued an order to set up a bird sanctuary at Nanjarayan Tank in Tiruppur district.
- This will be the 17th bird sanctuary in Tamil Nadu.
- ✤ The area attracts more than 130 bird species including migratory birds.
- ✤ It was built by King Nanjarayan as a source for irrigation.
- ✤ It is also known as Sarkar Periyapalayam Reservoir.

#### ST status of Narikuravar

- The Union Cabinet approved the Tribal ministry's proposal for the inclusion of Narikuravars under ST category.
- ◆ The Kuruvikkaran community of Tamil Nadu was also included in the category.





- This will be done through the introduction of a Bill in Parliament to amend the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950.
- The Narikuravars is one of the most deprived and vulnerable communities living in the hills of Tamil Nadu.
- The Union Cabinet cleared the proposal to notify several tribal communities under the Scheduled Tribes (ST) category in Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, and Uttar Pradesh as well.
- The Hatti community in the Trans-Giri area of Himachal Pradesh's Sirmaur also added in the list of notified Scheduled Tribes.

# Ladakh Daulat Depsang Plains J&K Daulat Galwan J&K Leh Shyok Darbuk VIHO

## NATIONAL

- Parvat Prahar is being conducted by the One Strike Corps of the Indian Army at Ladakh.
- The strike corps means that if China or Pakistan act anywhere, they will first enter and eliminate it.
- Parvat Prahar is a 20-day long exercise of the Indian Army.

## Validity of 10 percent EWS quota

- A five-judge Constitution Bench led by Chief Justice of India decided to examine three key issues to ascertain the validity of the 103<sup>rd</sup> amendment.
- The challenge to the EWS quota was referred to a five-judge Bench in August 2020.
- ✤ The 103rd Amendment inserted Articles 15(6) and 16(6) in the Constitution.

#### Parvat Prahar





- It aims to provide up to 10 per cent reservation to EWS other than backward classes, SCs, and STs in higher educational institutions and initial recruitment in government jobs.
- The amendment empowered state governments to provide reservation on the basis of economic backwardness.
- The EWS reservation was granted based on the recommendations of a commission headed by Retired Major General S R Sinho.



#### **ECONOMY**

#### **Coal production target**

- The Ministry of Coal is in the process of enhancing coal production to ambitious target of 1.23 billion Tonne (BT) by FY 2024-25.
- ✤ It aims to ensure energy security of the country.
- In order to support the vision, Coal India Ltd (CIL) has adopted an integrated planning approach by strengthening evacuation infrastructure for one billion tonne production and seamless transportation of coal to the end users.

#### India's first electronic bank guarantee

- The HDFC Bank, became the first bank in the country to issue an Electronic Bank Guarantee (e-BG).
- e-BG was launched in collaboration with the National E-Governance Services Limited (NeSL).
- ✤ It removes the need for the paper-based time-consuming process.





This often takes 3 to 5 days for complete due to the need for physical pick up from the bank, delivery of courier to the beneficiary, stamping and reverification.



**STATES** 

### Naga Mircha festival



- The Naga Mircha festival was organized in Seiyhama village of Kohima district in Nagaland.
- \* This is the first-ever Naga Mircha (King Chilli) Festival.
- ✤ Naga Mircha is popularly known as Raja Mircha (King Chilli).
- ✤ It is one of top five hottest chillies on the Scoville Heat Units (SHUs) list.
- ✤ It received GI tag to Nagaland in 2008.





- ✤ It is also known as Bhoot Jolokia and Ghost pepper.
- ✤ It belongs to genus Capsicum of family Solanaceae.

## PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

#### Kamal narain Singh

- Former Chief Justice of India Kamal Narain Singh passed away.
- ✤ Justice Narain had a tenure of only 17 days as the CJI.
- ✤ It made him the chief justice with the shortest tenure.
- He was the 22nd Chief Justice of India.
- ✤ His term is from November 25, 1991, to December 12, 1991.
- He was part of several important judgments, including the Ganga Pollution case, the case challenging the validity of a death sentence, etc.



#### Chairman of PMLA appellate tribunal



✤ Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari has been appointed as the Chairman of the Appellate Tribunal under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA).





- Justice Bhandari is due to retire on September 12 as Chief Justice of Madras High Court.
- The Tribunal for Forfeiture of Property under the SAFEMA (Smugglers and Foreign Exchange Manipulators Act) and the PMLA Appellate Tribunal were merged in 2016 through the Finance Act, 2016.

#### Anvi Vijay Zanzarukia

- Anvi Vijay Zanzarukia, popularly known as 'Rubber Girl', met Prime Minister in Delhi.
- Yoga has changed the life of this 14-year-old girl suffering from Down Syndrome with a 75 per cent intellectual disability.
- She won Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar on January 24 this year.



#### **Attorney General for India**

Aukul Rohatgi To Be Next Attorney General of India Agair







- Senior Advocate Mukul Rohatgi is set to be appointed the 14<sup>th</sup> Attorney General for India after KK Venugopal vacates the post.
- ✤ This will be Rohatgi's second time as AG.
- ✤ His first term was between June 2014 and June 2017.
- ◆ The Attorney General (AG) of India is a part of the Union Executive.
- ✤ AG is the highest law officer in the country.
- ✤ Article 76 of the Constitution provides for the office of AG of India.
- Solicitor General of India and Additional Solicitor General of India assist the AG in fulfilment of the official responsibilities.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### Patent for 3D-printed rocket engine



- Agnikul Cosmos has secured its first patent for the design and manufacturing of its 3D-printed rocket engine.
- ✤ The patent has been rewarded to the company for its Agnilet rocket engine.
- This will power the company's Agnibaan rocket that is scheduled to launch later this year.
- ✤ Agnikul Cosmos is one of India's private space startups
- ✤ Agnilet is a single-piece engine.
- It is the world's first single-piece 3D printed rocket engine fully designed and manufactured in India.
- ✤ It was successfully test-fired in early 2021.

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