

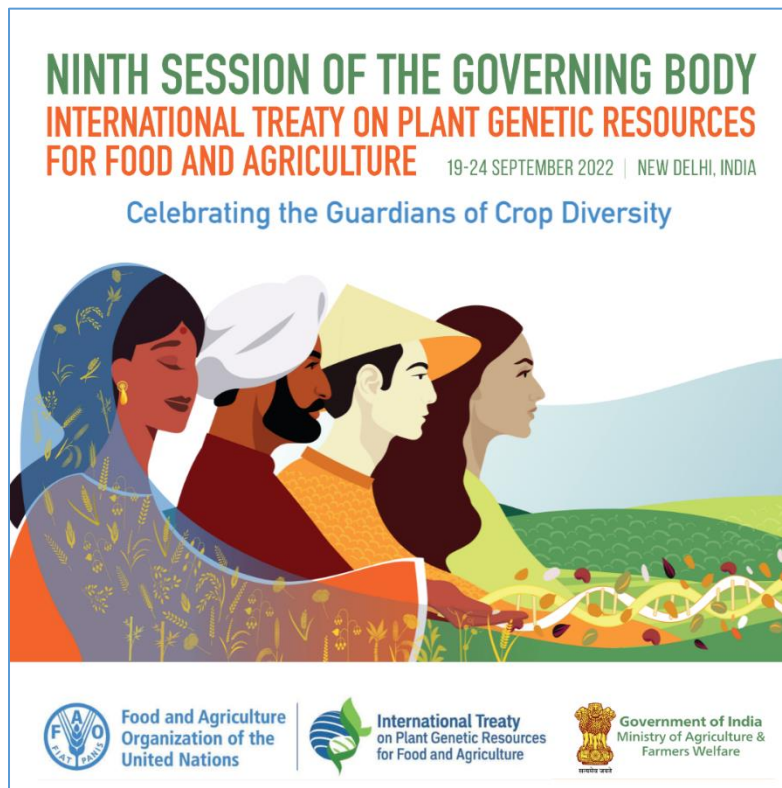
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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Centre appointed Justice T Raja, the senior-most judge of the Madras High Court, as the court's acting chief justice with effect from September 22.
- ❖ President Droupadi Murmu visited Westminster Hall London and offered tributes to the departed soul on her own behalf and on behalf of the people of India.
 - She also signed the condolence book.
- ❖ Bengaluru FC win maiden Durand Cup football competition title, beat Mumbai City FC in final held at Kolkata.
- ❖ In World Youth Chess Championship, India's Pranav Anand and A R Ilamparthi won titles in the Open under-16 and under-14 categories respectively.
- ❖ Telangana decided to name its new secretariat after Dr Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar.


NATIONAL


GB of ITPGRFA




NINTH SESSION OF THE GOVERNING BODY
INTERNATIONAL TREATY ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES
FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE 19-24 SEPTEMBER 2022 | NEW DELHI, INDIA

Celebrating the Guardians of Crop Diversity

 Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

 International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

 Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

- ❖ The ninth session of the GB of ITPGRFA was held in the national capital.
- ❖ The Governing Body was convened as per Article 19 of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA).
- ❖ It is currently being organized under the theme “Celebrating the Guardians of Crop Diversity: Towards an Inclusive Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework”.
- ❖ The meet was originally scheduled to be held in December 2021 but postponed twice, first to May and again to September.
- ❖ The eighth session of GB was held in Rome in November 2019.
- ❖ The ITPGRFA is a legally binding multilateral agreement signed during the 31st session of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization in Rome in 2001.
- ❖ The treaty took effect on June 29, 2004.
- ❖ It currently has 149 contracting parties, including India.
- ❖ It was created in lines with the Convention on Biological Diversity.

India's most valuable brand



- ❖ IT services firm Tata Consultancy Services became India's most valuable brand in 2022.
- ❖ This report was released by market data and analytics firm Kantar.
- ❖ It is followed by HDFC Bank and Infosys.

- ❖ HDFC Bank has held the No.1 position since the ranking was unveiled in 2014.

India's first Swachh Sujal Pradesh

- ❖ Andaman and Nicobar Islands declared as India's first Swachh Sujal Pradesh.
- ❖ With this accomplishment, all villages on the Andaman and Nicobar Islands have received the Har Ghar Jal certification and have been verified as ODF plus open defecation free.
- ❖ Safe and secure drinking water supply and its management is a crucial aspect of the Sujal and Swachh.
- ❖ Andaman and Nicobar Islands were declared to have achieved 100% coverage of rural households with tap water connection.
- ❖ It became the third State/UT in the country to achieve 100% coverage of rural households with tap water supply after Goa and Telangana.

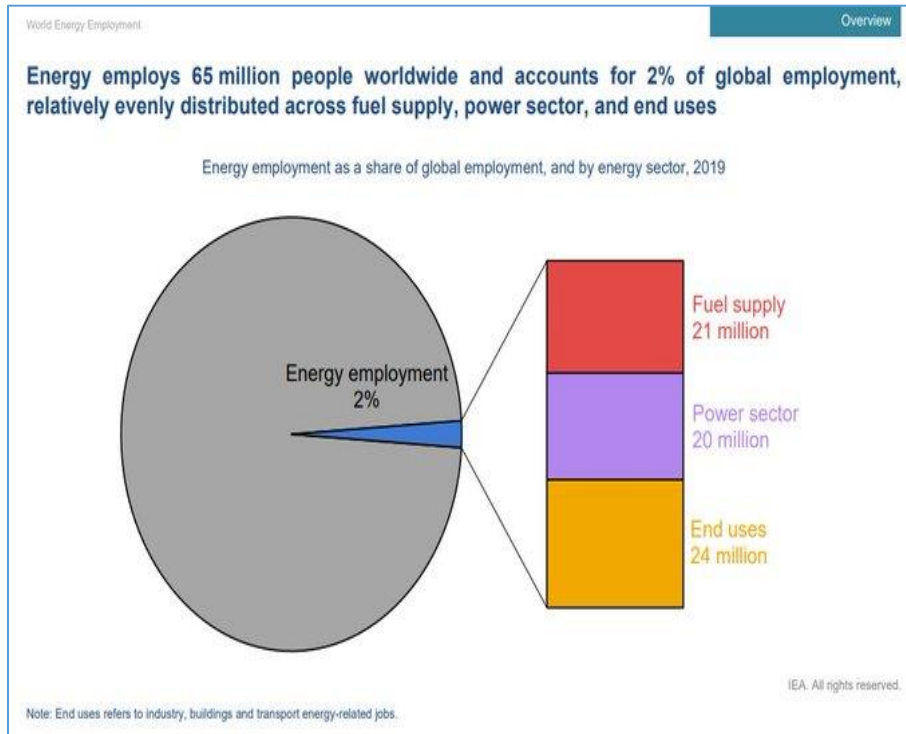


INTERNATIONAL

World Energy Employment Report

- ❖ The International Energy Agency (IEA) released the World Energy Employment Report.
- ❖ The inaugural edition of the World Energy Employment Report is the first comprehensive inventory of the global energy workforce.
- ❖ In 2019, the energy sector and other related fields saw the employment of 65 million people.
- ❖ It accounted for two per cent of formal employment worldwide.

- ❖ The sector directly employed 41 million and another 24 million worked in energy's end-user sectors such as vehicle manufacturing.
- ❖ The number of people employed by the entire energy sector went up by 1.3 million in 2021.
- ❖ It might potentially increase by 6 per cent this year in 2022.
- ❖ In 2019, 50 per cent of the energy workforce was employed in developing clean energy technologies.
- ❖ Among fossil fuels, Oil supply had the largest workforce with 8 million workers in 2019.
- ❖ It has fallen to 7.1 million people in 2021 and is only expected to slightly increase in 2022.
- ❖ The energy investment is expected to increase by eight per cent in 2022, touching \$2.4 trillion.



ECONOMY

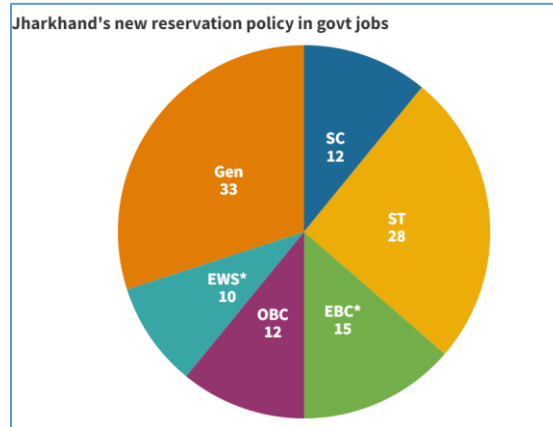
Maximum Industrial Investment in 2022

- ❖ Andhra Pradesh has ranked one on the list of states in attracting industrial investments in the first seven months of 2022.
- ❖ Andhra Pradesh has generated an investment of Rs 40,361 crore.

- ❖ Karnataka generated an investment of Rs 3712 crore.
- ❖ Gujarat generated an investment of Rs 2969 crore.
- ❖ Odisha generated an investment of Rs 1493 crore.

STATES

Reservations for SCs, STs, Others



- ❖ The Jharkhand Government recently approved a proposal to grant 77 per cent reservation in the state government jobs.
- ❖ This is for people belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, backward classes, OBC and other economically weaker sections.
- ❖ It has increased the OBC reservation to 27 per cent from the present 14 per cent.
- ❖ It provides quota of 12 per cent for people belonging to local SC communities and 28 per cent for local ST communities.
- ❖ The extremely Backward Class people are given 15 per cent reservation and OBCs are given 12 per cent reservation.
- ❖ The State Government has decided to request the Central Government to include the bill in the Ninth Schedule of the Constitution.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Water Monitoring Day - September 18

- ❖ It aims to increase public awareness and involvement in water monitoring and protecting water resources around the world.
- ❖ The theme of World Water Day 2021 is valuing water.

- ❖ The day was established in 2003 by America's Clean Water Foundation (ACWF) as a global educational outreach program.
- ❖ It is engaging citizens to conduct basic monitoring of their local water bodies.



International World Snakebite Awareness Day - September 19



- ❖ It aims to raise awareness of one of the world's biggest hidden health crises.
- ❖ Each year, approximately 5.4 million people are bitten by a snake, of whom 2.7 million are injected with venom.
- ❖ Annually, this leads to 400,000 people being permanently disabled or disfigured and between 83,000-138,000 deaths.
- ❖ The awareness day was launched in 2018 by the Global Snakebite Initiative, Health Action International and the Lillian Lincoln Foundation.
- ❖ India accounts for approximately half of all global snakebite deaths reported and is responsible for 2.97 million bites each year.

- ❖ Around 70 per cent of deaths occur in eight states with over half of the total Indian population: Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh (including Telangana), Rajasthan and Gujarat.

