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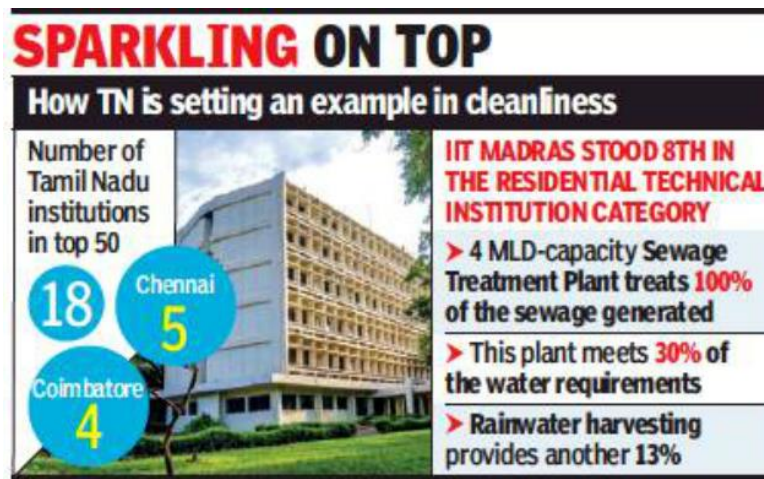
TNPSC BITS

- ❖ All India Council for Technical Education will establish country's first AICTE Training and Learning (ATAL) Academy in Jaipur, capital of Rajasthan. Moreover, 3 more ATAL academies will come at Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala), Guwahati (Assam) and Baroda (Gujarat) by 2019.

TAMIL NADU

Swachhata Ranking Awards 2018

- ❖ The Union Human Resource Development Minister conferred Swachhata Ranking Awards 2018 for higher educational institutions in New Delhi.



- ❖ Best 51 higher educational institutions have been selected for Swachhata Ranking Awards in 8 different categories.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has 18 institutions in the rankings and dominated in the national level for the second year in a row.
- ❖ Among the 8 categories, Tamil Nadu institutions bagged the top position in 4 categories and these include,
 - Residential technical university (Amritha Vishva Vidyapeetam, Coimbatore)
 - Residential technical college (Panimalar Engineering College, Chennai)



- Non-residential college (Sri Parasakthi College of Education for Women, Tirunelveli)
- Non-residential technical college (Easwari College of Engineering, Chennai)
- ❖ PSG college of Arts and science was ranked 2nd in the residential college category
- ❖ IIT Madras got the 8th place in the technical institution/universities (residential) category.
- ❖ Under Residential technical college category, 4 Tamil Nadu colleges figured in the top 6.

NATIONAL

Karnataka Good Samaritan Protection Bill, 2016

- ❖ President has given assent Karnataka Good Samaritan and Medical Professional (Protection and Regulation during Emergency Situations) Bill, 2016 under Article 200 of Constitution.

SALIENT FEATURES OF THE BILL	
➤ No hospital should deny or delay treatment	➤ Police officer who violates the law will be guilty of offence and will be subjected to penalties
➤ No good Samaritan to be detained in hospital	➤ A good Samaritan need not fulfil any of the procedures related to the admission of an injured person at hospital
➤ All hospitals should display the rights of a good Samaritan	➤ Doctor will attract punishment if he/she refuses to provide emergency care
➤ Hospitals must inform the police as soon as an injured person is brought to hospital	➤ Educational institutions to impart training in first-aid emergency care to students
➤ The Good Samaritan Fund to be set up	
➤ Remuneration of reasonable expenses to good Samaritan	

- ❖ With this, Karnataka became 1st state to give legal protection to good Samaritans who help accidents victims with emergency medical care within golden hour.
- ❖ Golden hour in medical term is the first hour after traumatic injury when emergency treatment is very crucial.

- ❖ Under this law, Karnataka government will also provide financial help to Good Samaritans who help victims in timely manner.

Parakram Parv

- ❖ Second Anniversary of Surgical Strike was celebrated as Parakram Parv or Surgical Strike Day on September 29 – 30, 2018 by the Indian Army.
- ❖ It is being celebrated to showcase gallant action of brave Army in the conduct of Surgical Strikes on September 29, 2016.
- ❖ This day was also marked to remember sacrifice of soldiers during ‘Uri incident’.

INTERNATIONAL

GCTF Terrorist Travel Initiative

- ❖ United States and Morocco have launched GCTF Terrorist Travel Initiative under the auspices of Global Counter Terrorism Forum (GCTF).
- ❖ The new initiative will strengthen UNSC Resolution 2396 aiming to stop terrorist travel altogether.
- ❖ It will improve capabilities for detecting and interdicting terrorist travel through enhanced terrorist screening and information sharing.

Global Counter Terrorism Forum

- ❖ GCTF is international apolitical, multilateral counter-terrorism (CT) platform of 29 countries and European Union (EU).
- ❖ It was launched officially in New York on 22 September 2011.

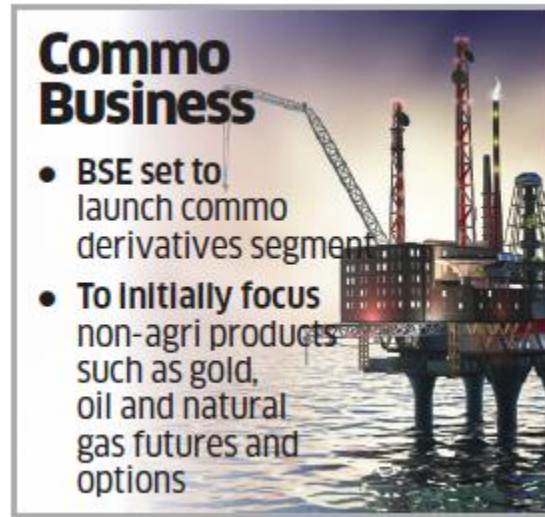
ECONOMY

1st stock exchange to launch commodity derivative contracts

- ❖ The Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) became the first stock exchange in the country to launch commodity derivatives contract in gold and silver.
- ❖ So far, commodity contracts were only available on commodity exchanges like
 - Multi-Commodity Exchange (MCX) and
 - National Commodity Derivatives Exchange (NCDEX)

the 2 specialised commodity derivatives exchange in the country.

- ❖ The launch of commodity derivatives platform on the BSE will help in efficient price discovery, reduce timeline and make it cost-effective.



- ❖ BSE also waived off transaction charges for the first year in the commodity derivatives segment.

STATES

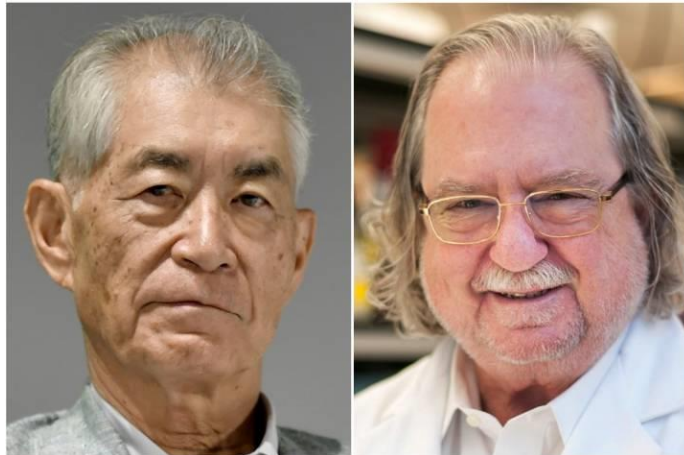
52nd district of Madya Pradesh – Niwari

- ❖ Madhya Pradesh Government has announced the creation of new district Niwari.
- ❖ It will be 52nd district of the state and came into effect from October 1, 2018.
- ❖ Niwari district has been carved out of the Tikamgarh district.
- ❖ It will include three tehsils of present Tikamgarh district viz. Niwari, Orchha and Prithvipur.
- ❖ IAS officer Akshay Kumar Singh (2010-batch) will hold interim charge as first District Collector of new district.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS AND EVENTS

2018 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine

- ❖ The 2018 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine was jointly awarded to two immunologists James Allison of the U.S. and Tasuku Honjo of Japan.
- ❖ It was announced by Nobel Assembly at Sweden's Karolinska Institute.
- ❖ They have won it for their discovery of Immune checkpoint therapy.
- ❖ They figured out how to help the patient's own immune system tackle the cancer more quickly.
- ❖ It contradicts with traditional forms of cancer treatment that directly target cancer cells.



Chief Economist of IMF

- ❖ India-born economist Gita Gopinath was appointed Chief Economist of International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- ❖ She will take over as IMF chief economist after Maurice Obstfeld retires in December 2018.
- ❖ It makes her second Indian after former RBI governor Raghuram Rajan to hold the position.
- ❖ She has been an honorary economic adviser to Chief Minister of Kerala and also had served on advisory panel for G-20 issues for India's Ministry of Finance.

- ❖ In 2014, she had made into IMF's list of 25 economists under 45. She was also chosen as Young Global Leader by World Economic Forum (WEF) in 2011.



IMPORTANT DAYS

International Translation Day – 30 September

- ❖ The second International Translation Day was observed by United Nations on 30 September 2018.
- ❖ The day recognizes the contribution of unsung heroes behind international diplomacy who work as language professionals to facilitate dialogue and contribute to development and strengthens world peace and security.
- ❖ The International Translation Day was instituted by UN General Assembly (UNGA) in May 2017 by adopting a resolution.
- ❖ The date 30 September was chosen to celebrate feast of Bible translator St Jerome, who is considered as patron saint of translators.

World Habitat Day – 01 October

- ❖ The World Habitat Day was observed every year on first Monday in October all over the world.



- ❖ This year it was observed on 1 October 2018 with the theme 'Municipal Solid Waste Management'.
- ❖ The purpose of day is to reflect on state of cities and towns and basic human right to adequate shelter.
- ❖ The day was established by UN General Assembly through Resolution in 1985 and was first celebrated in 1986.

International Day of Older Persons - 01 October

- ❖ The International Day of Older Persons (IDOP) is observed every year on October 1 to raise awareness about issues affecting elderly such as senescence and elder abuse.
- ❖ The day also aims to appreciate the contributions that older people make to society.
- ❖ The theme for this year is "Celebrating Older Human Rights Champions".
- ❖ The International Day of Older Persons was instituted by UN General Assembly (UNGA) by adopting resolution in December 1990.

International Coffee Day – 01 October

- ❖ The International Coffee Day is observed every year on October 1 to promote and celebrate coffee as beverage.
- ❖ This year International Coffee Organization had chosen special theme: '**Women in Coffee**'.
- ❖ The exact origin of International Coffee Day is unknown. An event was first promoted in Japan in 1983 by The All Japan Coffee Association.
- ❖ The official date was agreed by International Coffee Organization and was launched in Milan, Italy in 2015.
