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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The Goa government announced a ban on import of fishes into the state for 6 months, which is effective from November 12, 2018. The decision has been taken in view of continuing uncertainty about the presence of formalin in the imported fishes in Goa.
- Army Chief General Bipin Rawat announced that Army has dedicated the Year 2018 to the welfare of Disabled Soldiers who have been disabled in the line of duty, while serving the Nation.

TAMIL NADU

OTP system launched

- Chennai metro water has launched a 'One-time password' (OTP) system to avoid the diverting of the water meant for residential purposes to commercial establishments.
- ❖ They have introduced this one-time password (OTP) for 'dial for water' and 'dial for septic tank clearance' to the customers.

NATIONAL

No double jeopardy bar if there was no trial - Supreme Court

- ❖ The Supreme Court ruled that, bar of double jeopardy does not arise if an accused was discharged of a criminal offence, even before the commencement of trial, on the basis of an invalid sanction for prosecution.
- ❖ Article 20 (2) of the Constitution mandates that a person cannot be prosecuted or punished double the times for the same offence.
- ❖ The above verdict has been ruled by a Bench of Justices R. Banumathi and Indira Banerjee.
- They held that if an accused has not been tried at all and convicted or acquitted, the principles of double jeopardy cannot be invoked at all.
- ❖ If an earlier order of sanction was found to be invalid, there is no bar for the competent authority to issue a proper order of sanction for prosecution.





SIMBEX 2018

- ❖ India and Singapore will hold the 25th joint naval exercise SIMBEX from November 10 to 21 in India off Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.
- ❖ SIMBEX is an acronym for Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercise.
- ❖ SIMBEX 2018 will mark the silver jubilee of exercise and will be the largest edition since 1994 in terms of scale and complexity.
- ❖ The number of missiles and torpedo firings in this exercise will be the largest ever undertaken by the Indian Navy with any foreign Navy till date.

National body set up to study about the rare form of diabetes

- ❖ A National Monogenic Diabetes Study Group has been formed to identify cases of monogenic diabetes across the country.
- ❖ Monogenic diabetes is a group of disorders where mutation of a single gene causes diabetes.
- ❖ It will be supported by,
 - o The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR),
 - o The Madras Diabetes Research Foundation (MDRF) and
 - o Dr. Mohan's Diabetes Specialities Centre (DMDSC).
- ❖ DMDSC will be the national coordinating centre for the study group and MDRF will be the nodal centre of the study group.

STATES

Samruddhi scheme

- ❖ The Karnataka Social Welfare Department has formally launched the Samruddhi scheme in the state.
- ❖ It is an 800-crore entrepreneurship and skill development scheme, for the economically and socially underprivileged youth of small towns.
- ❖ It aims to train the youth from SC and ST communities through private organisations in retail management and franchise opportunities.





- ❖ The government will later certify and finance to the eligible trainees with seed grants of up to 10 lakh each to set up their own franchises.
- ❖ By the scheme, the government plans to create about 10000 entrepreneurs by 2021.

Delhi Metro Pink Line extended

- ❖ Delhi Metro Pink Line has been extended with the inauguration of 17.86 km long Shiv Vihar Trilokpuri Sanjay Lake section.
- With this extension, Delhi metro joins the elite league of top metro networks (like London, New York, Beijing and Shanghai) in the world with an operational length of over 300 km.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS AND EVENTS

UNESCO Asia-Pacific award for Cultural Heritage - 2018

- ❖ The winners of the UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation for the year 2018 was announced recently.
- ❖ 10 projects from five countries namely Australia, China, India, Japan and Thailand have been recognized by an international Jury of conservation experts.
- ❖ The awards will be given out on 2019 which will mark the 20th anniversary of the Awards in Penang, Malaysia, where the Awards programme was originally launched in 1999.
- ❖ The event will be organized in collaboration with Malaysia's urban regeneration organization Think City.

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1	Award of	Renewal of the early 20th-century Shijo-	Japan
	Excellence	cho Ofune-hoko Float Machiya	
2	Award of	The LAMO Centre	Ladakh, India
	Distinction		
3	Award of Merit	5 Martin Place	Sydney, Australia
		Aijing Zhuang	Fujian, China
		Commercial Bank of Honjo Warehouse	Saitama, Japan
4		Hengdaohezi Town	Heilongjiang, China





	Honourable	Rajabai Clock Tower & University of	Mumbai, India
	Mentions	Mumbai Library Building	
		Ruttonsee Muljee Jetha Fountain	Mumbai, India
5	New Design in	Kaomai Estate 1955	Chiang Mai,
	Heritage Contexts		Thailand
		The Harts Mill	Port Adelaide,
			Australia

SPORTS

Asian Snooker title

- ❖ Pankaj Advani became the first Indian to win an Asian Snooker Tour event after defeating China's Ju Reti 6 -1 in the final in Jinan, China.
- ❖ Pankaj is Nineteen-time world champion.
- ❖ He won Padma Bhushan, Padma Shri, Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, Arjuna Award for Billiards & Snooker.

IMPORTANT DAYS

National Ayurveda Day - 05 November

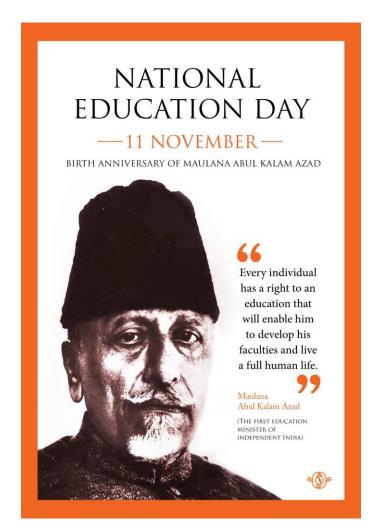
- ❖ The National Ayurveda Day is observed across the nation on the occasion of Dhanwantari Jayanti (05th November).
- ❖ Lord Dhanvantari is considered as divine propagator of Ayurveda.
- ❖ National Dhanwantari Ayurveda Award is conferred on this day every year by the Ministry of AYUSH.
- ❖ Moreover, the Ministry of AYUSH organised the First National Summit on Invest in AYUSH in New Delhi on 4th November, 2018.
- NITI Aayog and Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion are the partner organisations of this first National summit in AYUSH.

National Education Day - 11 November

❖ The National education day was celebrated on 11th November 2018 across the country.







- ❖ This day commemorates the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, freedom fighter, educationist and the first Education Minister of independent India from 1947 to 1958.
- ❖ This day recalls the contribution of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad to education in India.
- ❖ In 2008, Central Government declared November 11 as National education day.





MISCELLANEOUS

Men's Hockey World cup 2018 - Tata steel (Official partner)

- ❖ Tata steel has been announced as the 'Official partner' for the Men's Hockey World cup 2018, which is to be held at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- ❖ The upcoming 14th edition of the FIH (International Hockey Federation) World Cup will be held in India for the 3rd time.
- ❖ Earlier, India had hosted the tournament in 1982 in Mumbai and in 2010 in New Delhi.
- ❖ Tata Steel is the first private sector company in India to start a hockey academy.
