

July – 15

TAMIL NADU

Water from Vellore

- ❖ A train carrying 2.5 million litres of water arrived in Chennai on July 12.
- ❖ The train had 50 tank wagons (BTPN) and carried 50,000 litres of water.
- ❖ The water was filled from Jolarpettai in Tamil Nadu's Vellore district.
- ❖ Surplus water supplied from Mettur to various places in Vellore district under the Vellore Combined Water Supply Scheme is being diverted to Chennai.



- ❖ It is the first time in 18 years that the capital city brings water from other places in train wagons.

NATIONAL

Swadhar Greh Scheme

- ❖ The Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) is implementing the 'Swadhar Greh Scheme' for rehabilitation of women in difficult circumstances
- ❖ It covers deserted women who do not have any social and economic support, women victims of domestic violence, family tension and natural disaster.
- ❖ One Stop Centre was established for violence affected women across the country as part of the Nirbhaya Framework with the help of states and Union Territories (UTs).

- ❖ It is aimed at providing legal and psycho-social counselling along with other facilities including temporary shelter, police facilitation and medical support to the women who needs it in an integrated manner.

Labour room Quality improvement Initiative - LaQshya

- ❖ The Union Government has launched “LaQshya” (Labour room Quality improvement Initiative).
- ❖ It aims to improve quality of care in labour room and maternity operation theatres in public health facilities.
- ❖ ‘LaQshya’ aims to reduce preventable maternal and new-born mortality, morbidity and stillbirths associated with the care around delivery in Labour room and Maternity Operation Theatre and ensure respectful maternity care.

INTERNATIONAL

One More Orbit – Circumnavigation

- ❖ The One More Orbit crew led by Action Aviation chairman Hamish Harding and astronaut Terry Virts has completed its circumnavigation of the world on July 11.
- ❖ The One More Orbit mission marks both the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing, and the 500th anniversary of the first global circumnavigation, started in 1519 by Ferdinand Magellan.



- ❖ It was completed in a Gulfstream G650ER: the fastest ultra-long-range business jet.
- ❖ Pitstops: Kazakhstan, Mauritius and Chile.
- ❖ Russian cosmonaut Gennady Padalka was part of the 8-member crew.
- ❖ Padalka is the world's current record holder for total days spent in space (879 days).

ENVIRONMENT

Ethanol Powered bikes – TVS

- ❖ TVS motor company launched an ethanol-based version of its 200cc sports-bike Apache.
- ❖ TVS is the country's third largest two-wheeler maker.
- ❖ The government is pushing on biofuels as well as electricity to completely replace our existing fossil fuel-based industry.



- ❖ Notable reasons include
 - Reduce our oil import bill
 - Save foreign exchange
 - Eradicate pollution
- ❖ Ethanol has lower calorific value compared to petrol.
- ❖ 1.3 litre of ethanol needs to be burnt to get the same mileage as that of petrol.

STATES

Meghalaya – Water Conservation

- ❖ Meghalaya became the first state in India to ensure the conservation of water and have own water policy.
- ❖ The objective of the policy is to recognize water resources as a common pool resource, to provide safe and hygienic water for drinking, domestic and sanitation and livelihood development to all residents of the state.
- ❖ It also aims at ensuring protection and conservation of catchment areas of all water sources to prevent degradation of the quantity and quality of water sources.

SPORTS

New Commonwealth record in Weightlifting

- ❖ Indian weightlifter Ajay Singh created a new Commonwealth record in the clean and jerk category.
- ❖ He is competing in the 81 kg category.



- ❖ Ajay did 190 kg in clean and jerk (338kg in total).

International Physically Disabled Chess Association title

- ❖ K. Jennitha Anto has won the women's title in the International Physically Disabled Chess Association (IPCA) World Individual Chess Championship for the **sixth** time.

- ❖ Jennitha hails from Tiruchirappalli, Tamilnadu.
- ❖ The 19th edition of the championship was held at Slovakia.



- ❖ Ms.Anto is a Woman International Master (WIM) title holder and aims at becoming a Grand Master.

2019 ICC Cricket World Cup

- ❖ England beat New Zealand in the 2019 ICC Cricket World Cup on boundary count after a tied match and a tied Super Over.




- ❖ England won since it had more boundaries (26) than what New Zealand (17) had scored.
- ❖ Man-of-the-series: Kane Williamson (New Zealand).
 - Kane becomes the captain with the greatest number of runs in a single World Cup (578 runs).

Few Facts

- ❖ It was the 12th edition of the Cricket World Cup.
- ❖ It was hosted by England and Wales from 30 May to 14 July 2019
- ❖ This was the fifth time England and Wales have hosted the World Cup.
- ❖ It is the only time a One Day International format match has had to be decided by a Super Over.
- ❖ England win their first World Cup and their second ICC championship following the 2010 World Twenty20.
- ❖ England became the 3rd team in succession to win the World Cup at home (hosts won the cup).
- ❖ Others – India in 2011 and Australia in 2015

Wimbledon Championship – Men's Single

- ❖ The 2019 Wimbledon Championships Grand Slam tennis tournament took place in Wimbledon, London.
- ❖ The Gentlemen's singles champion was won by Novak Djokovic.



Djokovic Wins 5th Wimbledon Title

- Novak Djokovic **fought off two championship points** to defeat Roger Federer 7-6 (7-5), 1-6, 7-6 (7-4), 4-6, 13-12 (7-3) in arguably the greatest Wimbledon final of all time
- The 4 hours, 57 minutes-long epic is the **longest ever Wimbledon final**. The last set alone went on for 2 hrs, 2 mins
- It's Djokovic's 5th Wimbledon singles title (making him joint 3rd with Bjorn Borg & Laurence Doherty) and **16th Grand Slam title**. He is No. 3 on the all-time list, behind only Federer (20) and Rafael Nadal (18). The **3 men have won the last 11 Slam tournaments between them**
- Djokovic has now **won 4 of the last 5 Slams**, with only Nadal denying him at this year's French Open

- ❖ Novak Djokovic was the defending champion and successfully defended his title, defeating Roger Federer in the final.



- ❖ It was the longest singles final in Wimbledon history, at 4 hours and 57 minutes.
- ❖ This was the first edition of the tournament to feature a standard tie break in the final set when the score in the set was 12 games all.

ALL-TIME LIST OF MAJOR WINNERS					
	Total	Aus Open	French Open	Wimby	US Open
Federer	20	6	1	8	5
Nadal	18	1	12	2	3
Djokovic	16	7	1	5	3
Sampras	14	2	0	7	5
Emerson	12	2	0	7	5

World Tour Platinum Australian Open – Table Tennis

- ❖ The Indian pair of G. Sathiyam and Anthony Amalraj ended their World Tour Platinum Australian Open with a bronze medal in the men's doubles competition.

- ❖ This was the first ever medal for India in the Australian Open.

US professional circuit – Vijender Singh

- ❖ Indian boxer Vijender Singh won a technical Knockout over Mike Snider on his debut in the US professional circuit.



- ❖ In the super middleweight eight-rounder Vijender Singh prevailed in four rounds for his 11th consecutive victory in the circuit.
- ❖ This was Vijender's eighth knockout win in all.

WBC international welterweight

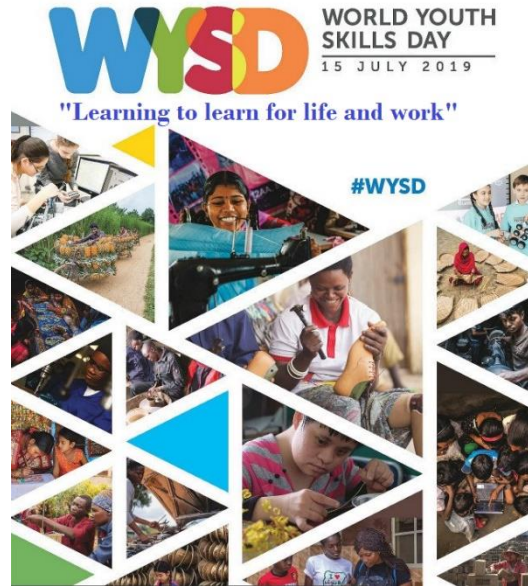
- ❖ Britain's Amir Khan claimed the WBC international welterweight title by defeating Australia's Billy Dib.
- ❖ The event was held in Saudi Arabia.
- ❖ Amir Khan has won a silver medal at the Olympics (2004).

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Youth Skills Day - July 15

- ❖ World Youth Skills Day observed on 15th July.
- ❖ In 2014, the United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution declaring 15th July as World Youth Skills Day.

- ❖ The goal is to achieve better socio-economic conditions for today's youth as a means of addressing the challenges of unemployment and under employment.



- ❖ Theme: "Learning to learn for life and work".
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