

**EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – NOVEMBER 30, 2025**

**TAMIL NADU**

- **Tamil Nadu Goat & Sheep Breeding Policy**
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu Goat & Sheep Breeding Policy, recently unveiled by the State Government, has advocated for an open nucleus breeding system for goats and for selective breeding within the breed with superior rams for sheep.
- ✓ The policy aims to improve sheep and goat for better production, to conserve local breeds and to explore registration of native/local breeds in ICAR-NBAGR.



- ✓ As per the 20th Livestock Census, the sheep population was 45 lakhs, and the goat population was 98 lakhs in Tamil Nadu.

# NATIONAL

## ➤ Phase 2 of NUDGE Campaign

- ✓ The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), under the Ministry of Finance(MoF), has initiated the second phase of its Non-Intrusive Usage of Data to Guide and Enable (NUDGE) campaign, designed to promote voluntary reporting of foreign assets and overseas income by Indian taxpayers.
- ✓ **NUDGE Phase 1:** The initial campaign, launched in November 2024, prompted thousands of taxpayers to revise their returns, resulting in the disclosure of foreign assets valued at Rs.29,208 crore and foreign-source income totaling Rs.1,089.88 crore.
- ✓ Under **NUDGE Phase 2**, CBDT will begin sending Short Message Service(SMS) and Electronic mail (email) advisories from November 28, 2025, to taxpayers identified through Automatic Exchange of Information (AEOI) data analysis for Financial Year 2024-25(FY25).

## ➤ SIM-binding for messaging apps

- ✓ India's DoT mandates SIM-binding for messaging apps like WhatsApp, Telegram, and Arattai within 90 days to curb telecom cyber fraud and strengthen national cybersecurity compliance.
- ✓ This landmark regulatory decision, announced on November 29, 2025, comes as part of the Telecommunication Cybersecurity Amendment Rules, 2025, and is aimed at plugging loopholes in mobile app identification systems.



- ✓ The DoT directive requires all App-Based Communication Service providers to enforce continuous SIM-binding and implement web-based session

restrictions to curb the misuse of telecom identifiers by domestic and foreign actors involved in cyber frauds.

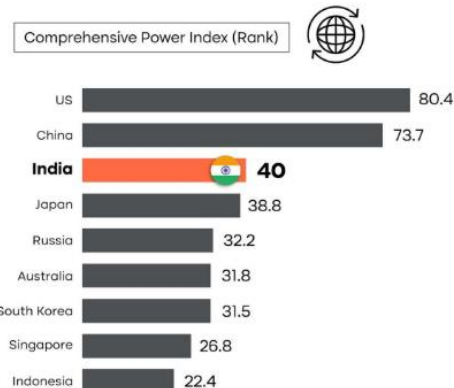
## RANKING/ INDEX

### ➤ Asia Power Index 2025

- ✓ India has secured third ranking in the Asia Power Index 2025, while the U.S. and China occupy the first and second spots.
- ✓ It is published annually by the Australia-based think tank, Lowy Institute.
- ✓ It assesses the ability of nations, particularly of those in the Asian continent, to influence their external environment.

### India Outshines as 'MAJOR POWER' in the Asia Power Index

India has climbed to No. 3 in the 2025 Lowy Asia Power Index, surpassing the 40-point benchmark and firmly establishing itself as a major emerging force in the region.



- ✓ It is the seventh edition which evaluates the power of 27 countries and territories across Asia, based on 131 indicators across eight thematic measures, including Military Capability and Defence Networks, Economic Capability and Relationships, Diplomatic and Cultural Influence and Resilience and Future Resources.

## SUMMITS

### ➤ 20th G20 Summit 2025 in Johannesburg

- ✓ The 20th G20 Summit 2025 was held in Johannesburg, South Africa, marking the first-ever G20 summit hosted on the African continent under the theme “Solidarity, Equality, Sustainability.”
- ✓ A 122-point G20 Johannesburg Leaders’ Declaration was adopted, focusing on global equity, climate finance, development, and reforming international institutions.
- ✓ The summit highlighted Mission 300, led by the World Bank and African Development Bank, aiming to provide electricity to 300 million people in Sub-Saharan Africa by 2030.
- ✓ Leaders committed to youth employment, gender parity, and climate goals, including the Nelson Mandela Bay Target to reduce youth NEET rates by 5% and achieving 25% gender parity in labour force participation by 2030.

## SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

### ➤ Plastic Ingestion and Mortality in Marine Wildlife

- ✓ Researchers from the University of Toronto studied published data from more than
- ✓ 10,000 necropsies performed on sea animals from 57 sources.
- ✓ 35% of seabirds, 12% of marine mammals, and 47% of sea turtles had swallowed plastic and 1.6%, 0.7%, and 4.4% had respectively died.
- ✓ The study included 1,537 seabirds (57 species), 7,569 marine mammals (31 species) and 1,306 sea turtles (seven species).
- ✓ Nearly 1,300 marine species, including every family of seabirds and marine mammals, ingest hard and soft plastics, rubber, and fishing debris. This tragic habit can kill many of these marine animals by blocking or puncturing the gastrointestinal or by twisting the intestines.
- ✓ Rubber was the most fatal for seabirds, soft plastics and fishing debris for marine mammals, and hard and soft plastics for sea turtles.

