Tamil Nadu

- Tamil Nadu Governor, Banwarilal Purohit – released the Tamil edition of ‘Exam warriors’ at Raj Bhavan on 4th Sep, 2018

- The CM, Edappadi K Palaniswami received the 1st copy of the book
- The book was written by the PM, Narendra Modi and was released by Sushma Swaraj, Min of External Affairs and Prakash Javadekar, Min of HRD on 3rd Feb, 2018 in New Delhi
- 'Exam Warriors' has been published by noted publishers Penguin India and the book runs into 208 pages
- The book also offers ‘25 mantras’ to the students and urges them to treat examinations as “a festival” and “celebrate it”
Four Government Medical colleges (Villupuram, Pudukottai, Madurai and Vellore) – to introduce Paramedical Undergraduate courses in various streams for 184 seats to B.Sc degree

IIT, Madras – 60th year celebrations

- The Diamond jubilee celebrations of IIT, Madras includes several events, lasting throughout the year, like ‘Technology summits’, ‘Thematic conclaves’ and ‘Campus Congresses’
- The institute had also planned a ‘Technology Day’ to celebrate its start-ups and RnD centres
- IIT, Madras was inaugurated on 30th July, 1959 by Humayun Kabir, then Union minister for scientific research and cultural affairs
- The 1st batch of the institute had 120 students
- The institute was declared an Institution of National Importance in 1961
- The institution had earlier celebrated its Golden jubilee in 2008
STATES

- Delhi – increases the Prize money of the Medal winners in Asian Games 2018

- Totally 11 sportpersons from the state were honoured by the CM, Arvind Kejriwal
- New Prize money
- Gold medal winners – Rs 1 crore from previous Rs 20 lakhs
- Silver medal winners – Rs 75 lakh from previous Rs 14 lakhs
- Bronze medal winners – Rs 50 lakh from previous Rs 10 lakhs
- Cash award for trainers – Rs 6 lakh from previous Rs 3 lakh
- Employment for the medal winners is also assured
- The CM also announced 2 new policies for the development of sports in Delhi
  - Play and Progress – to provide financial assistance to sportspersons
  - Mission Excellence – to identify and support talents at young age

- Gujarat – The Ministry of Shipping through its ‘Sagarmala’ program – to develop a World Class Maritime Heritage Complex at Lothal in Gujarat
- The complex will showcase India’s rich maritime heritage

- Uttar Pradesh – to launch ‘KG to PG’ scheme from the next Academic session in few cities of the state
- It involves the plan to provide ‘Free education’ in the Government institutions
NATIONAL

➢ Government – launches ‘Coffee Connect’ app and ‘Coffee KrishiTharanga’ project

✓ These were launched by Suresh Prabhu, Minister of Commerce & Industry
✓ These were the initiatives of Coffee Board of India for the overall technological advancement of the coffee sector
✓ ‘Coffee Connect’ Mobile App – is the ‘Field force’ app developed in association with National Institute for Smart Government
✓ It aims to improve the work efficiency of field functionaries by reducing their workload
✓ It provides the digitization of details regarding coffee growers and estates with geo tagging, collecting plantation detail etc.,
✓ ‘Coffee KrishiTharanga’ project - provides customised information and services to increase productivity, profitability and environmental sustainability
✓ It is an IVR based ‘Digital mobile extension service’ providing 24x7 support, developed by Precision Agriculture for Development India Foundation
✓ It was already pilot-tested in Chikmagalur and Hassan districts of Karnataka, covering 30,000 farmers during the first year
✓ It was partly funded by NABARD
✓ Coffee production statistics
✓ It has to be recalled that India is the 6th largest Coffee producer in the world after Brazil, Vietnam, Colombia, Indonesia and Ethiopia
✓ In India, Karnataka (54%), Kerala (19%) and Tamil Nadu (8%) are largest coffee producing states
✓ Coffee Board of India was set up under an Act of Parliament in 1942 to provide research, development and promotion of Coffee from India
Government – increases the wage of Artisans (Khadi yarn spinners) by over 36% from Rs 5.50 per hank to Rs 7.50 per hank (a coil of yarn used in handlooms)

The wage increase was proposed by Khadi and Village Industries Commission to Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

National Nutrition week – is being observed every year from 1st to 7th September

Theme for 2018 – ‘Go further with Food’
Theme for 2017 - “Optimal Infant & Young Child Feeding Practices: Better Child Health”
India – to buy 18 bullet trains from Japan at a budget of Rs 7000 crore

- Each of these trains will have 10 coaches and can travel at the speed of 350 km per hour
- The country’s 1st bullet train is likely to start running between Mumbai and Ahmedabad by the end of 2022
- The 508-km, high speed train corridor is currently being built with the assistance of Japan

CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

- International Aviation summit – begins in New Delhi on Sep 4, 2018

- Organised jointly by - Airports Authority of India, Ministry of Civil Aviation and International Air Transport Association (IATA)
- Inaugurated by – Suresh Prabhu, Min of civil aviation
- He said that the Government is coming up with ‘Vision 2035’ under which 100 new airports will be built across India in the next 10-15 years with an investment of USD 60 billion though public-private partnership
✓ IATA – Currently has 280 airlines around the world as its members, including 3 from India, Air India, Jet Airways and Vistara
✓ Director General of IATA - Alexandre de Juniac

➢ International Women Entrepreneur summit 2018 – concluded at Kathmandu, Nepal

✓ Organised by - South Asian Women Development Forum (SAWDF)
✓ Duration – Sep 3 to 5, 2018
✓ Theme - “Equality begins with Economic Empowerment”
✓ Inauguration by - Nanda Bahadur Pun, Vice President of Nepal
✓ Objective - The summit aims to bring together achievers, women business leaders, professionals, government representatives and other stakeholders with a focus on innovative economic transformation
✓ SAWDF – is a SAARC-recognised non-profit organization based in Kathmandu

➢ 6th East Asia Summit -Economic Ministers’ Meeting & 15th India-ASEAN Economic Ministers’ Meeting, Singapore
**6th East Asia Summit**
- It was attended by Economic Ministers from 10 ASEAN countries and their 8 dialogue partners – Australia, China, India, Japan, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Russia and United States
- 15th India-ASEAN Economic Ministers’ Meeting
- It was co-chaired by Singapore’s Minister for Trade and Industry Chan Chun Sing and India’s Minister of Commerce and Industry Suresh Prabhu
- It was attended by Economic Ministers from 10 ASEAN countries
- ASEAN (The Association of Southeast Asian Nations)
- Established – 8 Aug, 1967 in Bangkok
- Member countries (10) - Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam
- Headquarters – Jakarta, Indonesia
- Current Chair – Singapore

**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT**

- SB Met – The 1st Robot Sailboat crosses the Atlantic sea successfully

- It was built by Norwegian company Offshore Sensing AS and reached the finishing line on Aug 26, two and half months after starting from Newfoundland
- These unmanned sailboats can be sent on missions for ocean research and surveillance to cut costs
Japan – to conduct the trial of World’s 1st mini ‘Space elevator’ next week

✓ It was developed by the researchers at Shizuoka university and will be sent to space in a H-2B rocket
✓ It resembles a ‘box’ of 6 cm length, 3 cm width and 3 cm height
✓ It will be moving in a container, along a 10 cm cable suspended in space between 2 satellites

DEFENCE

➢ KAZIND 2018 – a Joint army exercise to be conducted by India and Kazakhstan in Otar region, Kazakhstan from 10th to 23rd Sep, 2018

✓ This is the 3rd Joint military exercise of the 2 nations, earlier one held in India in 2017
✓ It aims to promote bilateral exchange of drills and procedures along with skills and experiences
ECOMOMY

- **Amazon – briefly crosses the market value of $1 trillion** on 4th Sep 2018 and closed at $989 billion at the end of the day.

- The milestone has already been reached by Apple last month.
- Amazon was founded by its CEO, Jeff Bezos in his Seattle garage as a ‘Small online book seller’.
- He is the World’s wealthiest person now with more than $200 billion annual sale in diversified global business.
- Earlier, Petrochina crossed the valuation in late 2007, but quickly slumped due to the fall in oil prices.

APPOINTMENTS

- **Ranjan Gogoi** to succeed Dipak Misra as the 46th Chief Justice of India.

- He becomes the 1st CJI from North eastern region.
- He will be the CJI of India from October 3, 2018 till his retirement on November 17, 2019.
- Justice Gogoi is the second most senior judge of the Supreme Court.
- Justice Ranjan Gogoi Background
- Born – Nov 18, 1954 in Assam.
✓ Father – Late Keshab Chandra Gogoi, Former Assam Chief minister
✓ Joined Bar – 1978 and practiced in Gauhati High court
✓ Appointed as permanent Judge of Gauhati High court – Feb 2001
✓ Transferred to Punjab & Haryana High court – Sep 2010
✓ Appointed as Chief justice of Punjab & Haryana high court – Feb 2011
✓ Elevated to Supreme court – Apr 2012

➢ Dr Arif Alvi – elected as 13th President of Pakistan for a term of 5 years

✓ He is one of the founding members of ruling Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party in 1996
✓ He replaces the incumbent President, Mamnoon Hussain, whose term ends on Sep 8, 2018
✓ President Election in National Assembly and senate (Total votes - 430)
  ✓ Dr Arif Alvi (PTI) – 212 votes
  ✓ Maulana Fazl ur Rehman (Pakistan Muslim League-N) – 131 votes
  ✓ Aitzaz Ahsan (Pakistan People Part) – 81 votes
  ✓ Rejected – 6 votes
✓ Background of New President
✓ Dr Arif Alvi was born in Karachi in 1947
✓ His father was Dentist to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru before partition and Dr Alvi is also a dentist by profession
✓ Various positions held by Dr Arif Alvi
  ✓ Secretary-General of PTI party from 2006 till 2013
  ✓ Member of the National Assembly in 2013 and was re-elected in 2018
  ✓ President of Pakistan Dental Association
  ✓ Chairman of first Pakistan International Dental Conference in 1981
  ✓ Diplomat of the American Board of Orthodontics in 1997
  ✓ Chairman of 28th Asia Pacific Dental Congress
  ✓ President of Asia Pacific Dental Federation in 2006
  ✓ Councillor of FDI World Dental Federation in 2007, the first instance by a Pakistani
✓ Dr Arif Alvi was the 3rd President with India connection prior to the partition, after Mamnoon Hussain, whose family came from Agra and Pervez Musharraf, whose parents had come from New Delhi
AWARDS

- Puducherry – bags the Top position in ‘National Clean School’ Award of HRD Ministry

Clean Schools

- Overall 7 schools from Puducherry were selected for the award this year out of the total 52 schools across the nation – as part of carrying forward the flagship scheme of the Government ‘Swachh Bharat Abhiyan’
- 2nd Place – won by Tamil Nadu
- 3rd Place – shared by Andhra Pradesh and Gujarat
- 4th Place – shared by Jharkhand, Haryana, Maharashtra and Rajasthan

SPORTS

- ISSF World Shooting Championships, Changwon, Korea
  - Om Prakash Mitharval – wins 50m Pistol Gold
**IMPORTANT DAYS**

- **National Teachers Day – Sep 5**

![Happy Teachers Day Poster](image)

- It marks the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was born on September 5, 1888.
- Dr Radhakrishnan was the first Vice President (1952) and second President of independent India (1962-1967).
- He was awarded Bharat Ratna, the country’s highest civilian honour in 1954.
- His birthday is being celebrated as Teachers Day since 1962.
- He was nominated sixteen times for the Nobel prize in literature, and eleven times for the Nobel Peace prize.
- He was the 1st person to get ‘Sahitya Akademi’ fellowship in the year 1968 as a ‘Writer’.
- **Life of Dr Radhakrishnan**
  - He was born in Tiruttani in Madras presidency.
  - He graduated from ‘Madras Christian college’ in 1906 with a Master’s degree in Philosophy.
  - He was appointed to the Department of Philosophy at the Madras Presidency College in 1909.
✓ For his services to education, he was knighted by George V in the June 1931, but he preferred to use his academic title of ‘Doctor’ than ‘Sir’, which he never used.
✓ He got ‘British Order of Merit’ in 1963
✓ He was the Vice-Chancellor of Andhra University from 1931 to 1936 and Vice-chancellor of Banaras Hindu University from 1939 to 1948
✓ He represented India at UNESCO (1946–52) and later as Ambassador of India to the Soviet Union, from 1949 to 1952
✓ He was also elected to the Constituent Assembly of India
✓ Overall, Dr Radhakrishnan was a great philosopher and Scholar, who took pride in being a ‘Teacher’ than a ‘Diplomat’

INTERNATIONAL DAY

➢ International Day of Charity – Sep 5

✓ The day recognizes the role of charity, charitable organizations and individuals in reducing the human sufferings
✓ It commemorates the death anniversary of Mother Teresa
✓ The day was first observed in the year 2013
➢ Mother Teresa
✓ Mother Teresa was born as Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu in 1910
✓ She came to India in the year 1928 and started helping the poor and needy
✓ She founded the Order of Missionaries of Charity in Kolkata (Calcutta) in 1950 to serve the poor
✓ She was proclaimed as a ‘Saint’ by Pope Francis on September 4, 2016
✓ She passed away on Sep 5, 1997 at the age of 87 years
REMEMBERING
V. O. CHIDAMBARAM PILLAI
ON HIS BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

பிறந்து: ஜனவர் 5, 1872
பிறந்த இடம்: சட்டப்பிள்ளை, தமிழ்நாடு, தென்னிந்தியா
இறந்து: ஜனவர் 18, 1936
இறந்த இடம்: மதுரை, ஆந்திரப்பிரadesi

ம. 2. கிருஷ்ணவுத் பிறந்தக் கவிதை, பிறந்தக்கால் ‘ம. 2. சி’ கனவு அறுக்கவைப்பார். அவர், 19 ஆம் நூற்றாண்டின் பிறந்தகால் திருவிழாவில் பாராளியராக நிகழ்த்தி அறிவுசெய்த. அவர் பிறந்த மாதிரியால் திருப்பினார் அவர் திருப்பினார்களின் துரைக்கான உள்ளால் தவறைக்கும், அவர் பிறந்த கிராமத்தின் குடியார்களுடன் பொறுப்பு செய்த. தவறைகளும் பரிஷ்டியமான சிற்றுணர்முறை நூற்றாண்டு டோமன் தவறைக்கும் தமிழ்மொழியின் கால்பார்வையையும் கொண்டு வந்த. அவர், புரூ மொழிப்பாடல்கள் என்பும் பப்பாள் பலசு பதிப்புப்பாடல் என்பும் பவுள்வாதுக் குறிப்பிட்டார். அவர் சுயமிருந்து வரும் சூழலை குறிப்பிட்டார் மொழிப்பாடல்களில் நாமாக்கி குறிப்பிட்டார். அவர் சுயமிருந்து வரும் சூழலை குறிப்பிட்டார்
பாதுகாக்க தன்று. விளக்கம் அகல்கிறார், ‘தமிழ் பாரப்பாடுகள்’ என கையில் கொண்டு.

திறனாத் கருத்திய பாதுகாப்புகள் மிக மகிழ்கிறது சரணால் கூறப்பட்டு, மாணவக்கள் எங்கு உள்ளே கிளைப்படுத்தினார் அவர். அவ்வாறுக் குறித்து வருவது மதிப்பும், பலரும் இலக்கும் விஷயக், விளக்கமான பிரிவும் குறிக்கிறது.

- ‘சப்பாரம்பரே தமிழ்’ சொல்லும் ‘தமிழ் பொழுதுகையிலமல்’ சொல்லும் ‘சப்பாரம்பரே தினசரிக் கல்லால்’ சொல்லும் பல்கலைக் கல்லூரியான பின்புரை.

- குறுகிழில் பிறந்தார், அவன் தினசரிக் கல்லூரியில் முடிவு, துறுத்துதலுக்கு நேரமாக ‘உதாக் பாடல்’ சொல்லும் பின்புரை உலகம் பிரிவைப்படுத்துகிறார்கள்.

- அம்மை பிரிவில் குறுகிழிலும் தலை கால பிரிவும் நடந்தது.

- குமாரத்து முன்னரான இழுத்து விளக்காக்கத்தின் மூலம், திருத்த தமிழ் மலர்முனை துறுத்துதலுக்கு அத்துடன் உலகத் திறன்கள் காட்சிகளை வெளியிட்டு விளக்கமாக்கிறார்கள்.

- வானையான பேரளினர், அவர் புராணிகளுக்கு விளக்காக்கத்தின் மூலம், திருத்த தமிழ் நூற்றாண்டுகளுக்கு அத்துடன் உலகத் திறன்கள் காட்சிகளை வெளியிட்டு விளக்கமாக்கிறார்கள்.

- தெம்பாரை வானையான மாணவர்களுக்கு வளையும் விளக்காக்கத்தின் மூலம், பல முறையில் விளக்கைகளுக்கு தேவை செய்ய அவர்களின் தயாரிப்புகளை.
காலமரிப்பு

1872: நவம்பர் 5ம் தேதி பிறந்தார்.

1895: மார்சும் செப்டம்பர் மாதம் பிறந்தார்.

1901: அசுரேநகர் சிவாலியர் பிறந்தார்.

1905: இரண்டாம் சதுப்பு காலகுவரத்கால பராமரிக்கான அரசியலின் சுருக்கம்.

1906: போர்ம் 12ஆம் தேதி அரணாம் சுரங்க நூற்றாண்டு விழாக்கால கவிஞர் செயல்வெட்டு நடைபெட்டார்.

1908: போர்ம் 12ஆம் தேதி அரணாம் ஆர்கா நிறுவனா் கிள் கோஷ்டம் தொடர்ந்து விளையாட்டும்.

1908: வருடானால டிசம்பர் சிவாலியன் அரசியல் பிறந்தார்.

1911: அரணாம் கவிஞர் காலகுவரத்கால செயல்வெட்டு கலை செய்தார்.

1912: போர்ம் 12ஆம் தேதி அரணாம் சிவாலியன் கிள் பித்தாக் கோஷ்டம் பிறந்தார்.

1920: காந்திக்கால சுரங்க இரண்டாம் சதுப்பு காலகுவரத் பராமரிக்கான அரசியல்வெட்டு நடைபெட்டார்.

1936: போர்ம் 18ஆம் தேதி அரணாம் செய்தார்.