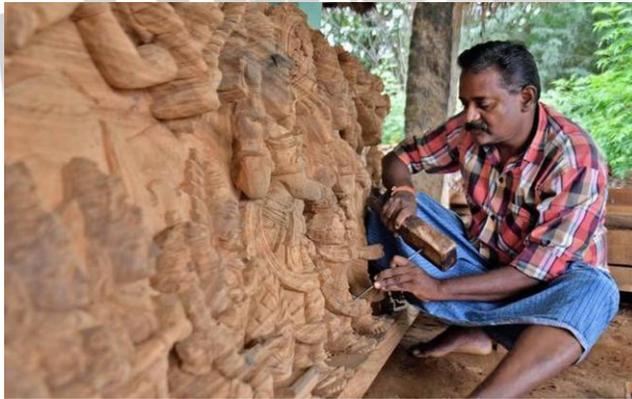


## **EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – JULY 1, 2020**

### **TAMIL NADU**

- **Thammampatti wood carvings of Salem district - is all set to become Tamil Nadu's 36th Geographical Indication (GI) product, granted by the Chennai-based GI registry.**
- ✓ The wood carvings are the signature artwork from traditional artisans in the region, based on the need and choice of the customers



- ✓ They carry unique wood-carved idols of Hindu gods, mythological events or stories, door designs, door panels, pooja mandapams, Dashavatars, Vahanas and temple doors
- ✓ The application for the GI tag was made jointly by Silpa Gramam Thammampatti Wood Carver's Artisans Welfare Association and Tamil Nadu Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited (Poompuhar) in 2013
- ✓ Thammampatti, located in Gangavalli Taluk of Salem District between Pachaimalai and Kolli hills, is known for its wood varieties
- ✓ The unique climate in this region allows for the growth of Raintree and the Vaagai tree with a fine texture which are mainly used for making these wooden designs
- ✓ The 'Oddar' community in the region has been in this business of wood carving art across generations.

- ✓ The forefathers of the artisans in Thammampatti have settled in this region as early as 1942.
- ✓ They were instrumental in the making of Thammampatti Shri Ugra Kathali Lakshmi Narashimha Swamy's temple car in 1948.
- ✓ The artisans use different types of woods, which includes -
  - ✓ Thoongavaagai (Samaneasaman), which is found in agricultural lands,
  - ✓ Vaagai (Albizzia lebbek), which has a natural lustre,
  - ✓ Mavilangai (Crataeva roxburghii), which grows on edges of rivers and lakes,
  - ✓ Athi (Ficus glomerata), which is a large deciduous tree having smooth white bark best suited for ornamental purpose and temple vahanas, and
  - ✓ Teak (Tectona grandis), which is a hard wood usually brown in colour with good grains and texture
- ✓ The carvings are regularly displayed in the Salem District Pavilion at the All India Trade and Tourist Fair held every year in Island grounds, Chennai.
- ✓ They are also being exported for household decorations abroad.
- ✓ Tamil Nadu is the only state to have a nodal officer for GI scheme, though centre asked every state to nominate an officer for the purpose.
  - ✓ IPR attorney P Sanjai Gandhi is the state's nodal officer for GI scheme
  - ✓ This is the 24th GI product initiated by him.
- **The higher education department - plans to introduce online single window admission for 109 government arts and science colleges across the state from 2020-21.**
  - ✓ In this regard, a trial run will be held on July 1 to test the software.
  - ✓ As per the new system, students can apply to multiple colleges and courses in a single form
  - ✓ Based on their ranks and choices, the admissions will be 'allotted' by the new software
  - ✓ The state government gave its approval to the proposal last year
  - ✓ A team headed by the commissioner of directorate of technical education developed the software along with a handbook for students.
  - ✓ The handbook includes all details including the list of colleges, courses and course-wise intake for every college.
  - ✓ It also has details of availability of hostels and medium of instruction.
  - ✓ The rank list for BA Tamil will be based on Class XII Tamil marks, while that for BA English Literature will be based on English marks.
  - ✓ For the rest of BA, BSc and BCom programmes, the rank list will be based on marks scored in four subjects excluding languages.
- **Mahesh Kumar Aggarwal - is appointed as the new police commissioner of Chennai**



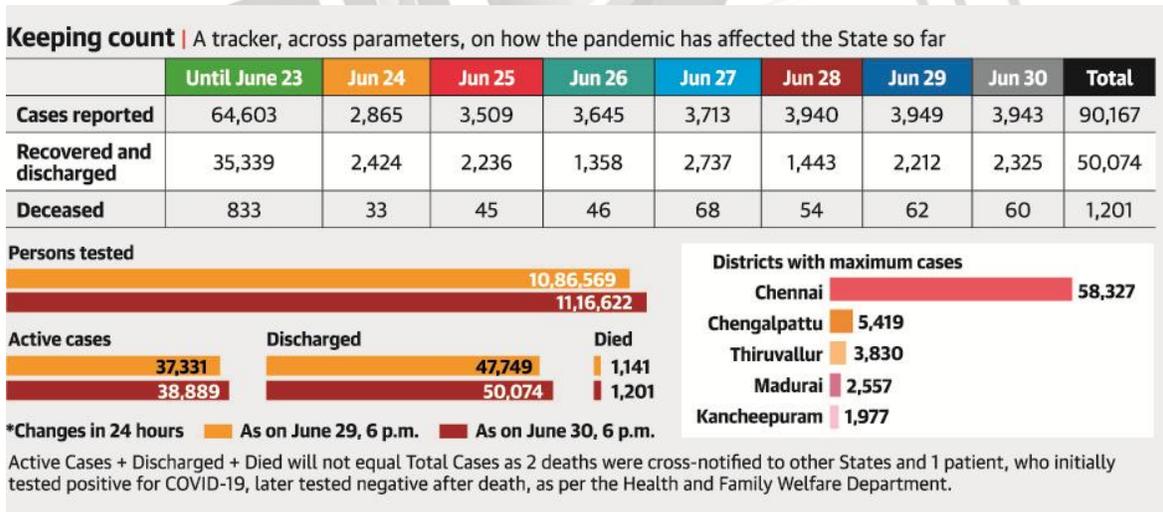
- ✓ He replaces the incumbent, A K Vishwanathan, who held the post for three years
  - ✓ Vishwanathan will be transferred as ADGP, operations, commando force
  - ✓ Aggarwal was serving as the ADGP, operations, in Chennai.
  - ✓ Further, R Dhinakaran has been posted as additional commissioner of police of south Chennai, A Arun as the north Chennai additional commissioner of police, Dr N Kannan as the additional commissioner of traffic police in Chennai city, P C Themozhi has been promoted and posted as the additional commissioner of police of the coveted central crime branch in Chennai city.
  - ✓ Thirty-nine IPS officers have been appointed for new postings across the state.
- **Senior advocate R Sankaranarayanan - has been named as the new additional solicitor-general to represent the Centre before the Madras high court.**



- ✓ He succeeds G Rajagopal, who was holding the post for over seven years.
- ✓ The Union ministry of law announced the appointment on June 30.
- ✓ Sankaranarayanan is a native of Tirunelveli and has over 45 years of experience
- ✓ He enrolled in the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu in 1974 and worked under advocate S Ramasubramaniam of Ramasubramaniam Associates and King and Partridge.
- ✓ He was later designated as a senior counsel by the high court.
- ✓ His primary area of practice is corporate law, arbitration and general civil suits.

- ✓ He actively participated in the battle for restoration of democracy during the emergency period between 1975 and 1977.
- ✓ He was also actively engaged in People's Union of Civil Liberties (PUCL)
- **The state government – has issued Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) to be followed in places of worship in the state**
- ✓ People visiting temples, mosques, churches or gurdwaras must wash their hands and feet with soap before entering, for which necessary facilities will be available inside the temples.
- ✓ Those above 65 years, people with comorbidities, pregnant women and children below the age of 10 years are advised not to visit temples.
- ✓ Use of mask has been made mandatory.
- ✓ From July 1, small temples in rural areas with annual income of less than Rs.10,000, small mosques, darghas, churches and other religious places were allowed to reopen across the state, barring Greater Chennai Police limits and in containment areas.
- ✓ These places of worship will be reopened from July 6 in areas that fall under intense lockdown in Tiruvallur, Chengalpet and Madurai districts.
- ✓ Touching of statues, idols, holy books will not be allowed.
- ✓ The temples may play recorded devotional music or songs, but choirs or group singing will not be allowed
- ✓ No physical offerings like prasadam or sprinkling of holy water will be allowed
- ✓ In case of temples, offerings such as coconuts, fruits, flowers shall not be allowed.
- ✓ The devotees are not allowed to do prostration/angapradhachanam till the return of normalcy.
- ✓ Festive gatherings or mass processions of any religious nature will not be allowed.
- ✓ Annadhanam will be allowed in carry-home packets, while prasadam may be sold in stalls, but devotees are not permitted to eat it in temple premises
- ✓ People will not be allowed to shake hands or hug others in mosques.
- ✓ Prayers shall be preferably done at home instead of mosques, while social distancing must be maintained during prayers.
- ✓ Common prayer mats should be avoided, and devotees should bring their own mats, which they may take back home.
- ✓ Makhtab, madrasa or religious classes inside mosque premises shall not be allowed.
- ✓ In churches, bells and other objects shall not be touched by devotees.
- **Tuticorin airport – has got licence to operate flights at night from the DGCA (Directorate General of Civil Aviation).**
- ✓ The airport has carried out several developmental works at an estimated cost of Rs.2.3 crore to get the licence which makes them eligible to operate flights round-the-clock

- ✓ Till date, the airport has been operating flights only from 6am to 6pm due to visibility limitation of 5km
  - ✓ Night flight operation at Tuticorin was a long-pending demand of the business community
  - ✓ The permission could cut on expenses such as overnight stay and save a lot of time if business persons from other cities could fly to Tuticorin in the morning and return the same night.
  - ✓ The airport was handling 12 flights, including 10 to Chennai and two to Bengaluru, and around 700 passengers a day.
  - ✓ Due to the lockdown it was reduced to four flights in the Chennai-Tuticorin sector.
  - ✓ Henceforth, the airport will be capable of handling all-weather day-and-night operations at low visibility for ATR 72, Q 400 and Dornier AN32 type of aircrafts, based on Airline Operator Minima for Runway 28.
- **Tamil Nadu's Covid-19 tally - breached the 90,000-mark with 3,943 new infections reported on June 30.**
- ✓ With this, the cumulative Covid-19 tally of the state stood at 90,167
  - ✓ The state has been reporting over 3,000-plus cases a day since June 25
  - ✓ Sixty more deaths were registered in the last 24 hours, pushing the state's toll to 1,201.



- ✓ On a positive note, the number of people discharged after treatment crossed 50,000, at a recovery rate of 55%.
- ✓ Chennai, for the second consecutive day, saw 2,000-plus positive cases.
- ✓ With another new high of 2,393 cases, Chennai's tally soared to 58,327.
  - ✓ Apart from Chennai, Chengalpet and Tiruvallur recorded 160 and 153 new cases, respectively, while Kancheepuraam had 90 cases and Theni 75 cases.
  - ✓ Madurai — another district in which complete lockdown was imposed — reported more than 200 new cases a day for the fourth day in a row.
  - ✓ The southern district has recorded 2,557 cases till date.

- ✓ On the day, a total of 2,325 persons were discharged from hospitals in the State, taking the total number of persons discharged till now to 50,074.
- ✓ The State presently has 38,889 active cases.
- ✓ A total of 30,242 samples were tested during the last 24-hour period.
  - ✓ So far, 11,70,683 samples and 11,16,622 individuals were tested in the State.
- ✓ In view of the extension of the complete lockdown in Chennai and parts of Chengalpattu, Kancheepuram and Tiruvallur, Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami on Tuesday announced that Amma Canteens would continue providing free food till July 5.
- **IIT-Madras - is offering a first-of-a-kind 'online' BSc course in programming and data science.**
  - ✓ The course can be done by those who have completed Class XII and Class X with English and math or by those who are pursuing studies in another higher education institution or by a professional, without having to appear for the JEE
  - ✓ The online course was launched by the Union minister for HRD, Ramesh Pokhriyal on June 30.
  - ✓ The three-year course comes with multiple exit options – foundation program along with a certificate in the first year, a diploma in the second and a degree on successful completion of the third year.
  - ✓ The aim of the programme is to prepare skilled manpower in the field of data science, which is one of the fastest growing sectors that is predicted to create 11.5 million jobs by 2026
  - ✓ Moreover, online education is a trend being rapidly utilised for high quality education on a large-scale by various top-notch institutions
  - ✓ Even the current batches of students who are completing their class XII in 2020 or who are currently enrolled in a different on-campus programme anywhere in India are eligible to apply.
  - ✓ Graduates and working professionals can also take up this course.
  - ✓ The programme will be delivered on a state-of-the-art online portal, which will ensure an ambience of classroom learning experience
  - ✓ It will have videos from the faculty, weekly assignments and in-person invigilated exams just like any other regular course.
  - ✓ The programme will upgrade students' skills in managing data, visualising patterns to gain managerial insights, model uncertainties and build models that assist in producing forecasts to make effective business decisions.
  - ✓ For joining the Courses, a student needs to appear in the qualifier exam for which they have to fill a form and pay the application fee of Rs 3000
  - ✓ For the qualifier exam, students will be provided access to 4 weeks of online lectures on 4 subjects- Mathematics, Statistics, English, and Computational thinking
  - ✓ At the end of 4 weeks, students will have to appear in the qualifier exam.

- ✓ Students who secure more than 50% marks in the qualifier exam will be able to get themselves enrolled in the Foundation Programme.

## NATIONAL

- **On June 30, PM Narendra Modi - extended the free ration scheme under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) to provide 5kg foodgrains (rice or wheat) and one kg of pulses (Chana) till November-end.**
- ✓ Addressing the nation via television, the PM said the five-month extension of the scheme will cost around ₹90,000 crore, taking the overall expenditure to ₹1.5 lakh crore.
- ✓ Further, the beneficiaries will also be provided with 1kg of pulses every month for free
- ✓ The other elements of the PM Garib Kalyan Yojana, however, ended on June 30.
- ✓ So far, 87% of food grains allocated under the scheme for April, May and June has reached the beneficiaries
- ✓ Only Chhattisgarh and Lakshadweep have achieved 100% distribution.
- ✓ The Atmanirbhar Bharat scheme under which eight crore migrants, who are not covered under the National Food Security Act, were provided food grains for two months.
- ✓ The Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Ann Yojana commenced in the month of April 2020
- ✓ Under the scheme, free ration has been provided to more than 80 crore people covered under the National Food Security Programme across the country in the last 3 months.
- **For the first time in the history, the railways - successfully ran 177 loaded wagons, clubbing three freight trains, together in Odisha on June 29 at an average speed of 40kmph.**



- ✓ The train carried approximately 15,000 tonnes of coal from Brajrajnagar to Rourkela.
- ✓ The train called “**Super Anaconda**” was about 3 kilometers long and it passed through Bilaspur and Chakradharpur divisions, one of the busiest sections.

- ✓ It covered the 100km stretch in 2 hours and 15 minutes.
  - ✓ Prior to this, the railways had run trains clubbing wagons of two freight trains.
  - ✓ In February last year, the East Coast Railway had run a 2km long freight train clubbing the wagons of two trains in Sambalpur division in Odisha.
  - ✓ It was named “Python Rake”.
  - ✓ As per railways, similar trains may be operated in future based on requirement and technical feasibility.
- **The Union government - has approved ₹196 crore for a national technical centre at IIT Kanpur to counter the threats of cyberattacks.**
- ✓ Besides, in a first for the country, the institute will also roll out an MTech degree in cyber security from the next academic year.
  - ✓ The new technical centre will be called as **C3ihub** — Cybersecurity and Cybersecurity of Cyberphysical systems Innovation Hub
  - ✓ It will include faculty from foreign varsities including Israel’s Tel Aviv University and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev as well as New York University (Brooklyn).
  - ✓ The faculty from Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and IIT-Kharagpur will be part of the R&D team.
  - ✓ The project was first sanctioned in March and a detailed project report (DPR) was sent to the Union ministry of science and technology last week.
  - ✓ IIT Kanpur has been working in this direction for the last four years
  - ✓ The centre will handle cyber threats to organisations across three systems — critical infrastructure security (power grids, smart city projects, water treatment plans etc), automotive security (movement of major public transport such as railways and metro trains) and unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) security
  - ✓ Further, it will enhance the response of the Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT), the national nodal agency that responds to computer security incidents.
  - ✓ While CERT issues advisories, the new centre will provide solutions to the issues
- **The World Bank - has approved a five-year loan worth ₹3,000 crore (\$400 million) to the Namami Gange project for developing and improving infrastructure projects to combat pollution in the river basin.**
- ✓ The Namami Ganga or the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) has already received ₹4,535 crore (\$600 million) from the World Bank until December 2021 as part of the first phase of the National Ganga River Basin project.
  - ✓ So far, 313 projects worth ₹25,000 crore have been sanctioned under the mission.
  - ✓ The second phase of the mission will complete the projects undertaken in the first phase along with the cleaning projects in tributaries such as the Yamuna and Kali.

- ✓ In the second phase, the loan would fund ₹1,134 crore (\$150 million) for three new 'Hybrid Annuity Projects' in Agra, Meerut and Saharanpur for the tributaries of the Ganga.
  - ✓ Further, a sum of ₹1,209 crore (\$160 million) is provided for the ongoing DBOT (Design, Build, Operate and Transfer) projects in Buxar, Munger, Begusarai.
  - ✓ The remaining loan will be spent towards various heads, which includes 'Institutional Development' (\$20 million or ₹151 crore); 'Improving Investments Resilience to COVID-19 Like Emergency Situations' (\$5 million or ₹38 crore); Performance Based Incentive for Urban Local Bodies (\$30 million or ₹226 crore) and Programme Communication and Management (\$16 million or ₹121 crore)
- **India – has reported 18,333 fresh infections of Covid-19 and 510 deaths on June 30, as per data collated from state governments.**
- ✓ With this, the country had recorded 5,85,474 lakh cases of Covid-19, while the death toll crossed the 17,000 mark to reach 17,412 casualties.
  - ✓ The day's toll was the biggest surge in deaths since 2,003 fatalities were reported on June 16, which included back-dated deaths added during data reconciliation processes in Maharashtra and Delhi.
  - ✓ India recorded more than 4 lakh Covid-19 cases and over 12,000 deaths from the virus in June alone
    - ✓ In May, the country had reported just over 1.5 lakh cases and 4,267 deaths.
  - ✓ India's Covid-19 caseload of 4 lakh in June was the third highest in the world after the US and Brazil while the number of deaths during the month was the fourth highest after the US, Brazil and Mexico.
  - ✓ On the day, Maharashtra reported 245 Covid deaths, the second highest in a single day so far.
    - ✓ With this, the total death toll in the state has gone up to 7,855, close to the 8,000 mark.
  - ✓ On June 29, the American Centers for Disease Control (CDC) added three new symptoms to its list of nine Covid warning signs - congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhoea.
    - ✓ Earlier, the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) had added loss of smell (anosmia) or loss of taste (ageusia) as probable symptoms a fortnight ago
    - ✓ It also added that fever, tiredness and dry cough are the most common symptoms

## INTERNATIONAL

- **China's Parliament – passes a new national security law for Hong Kong on June 30**
- ✓ The new legislation aims to implement radical changes carrying a maximum penalty of life term in jail for protestors against mainland China

- ✓ The legislation will supersede all existing Hong Kong laws
- ✓ Other clauses of the new legislation, which is yet to be disclosed in detail, may include -
  - ✓ Punishments of upto 10 years jailterm will be handed to protestors.
  - ✓ Properties related to the perpetrators of crimes could be frozen or confiscated.
  - ✓ Judges for security cases will be appointed by the city's chief executive.
  - ✓ A new national security agency will be set up for the first time and will not be under the jurisdiction of the local government.
  - ✓ The new law will allow mainland Chinese officials to operate in Hong Kong for the first time and give China the power to override local laws under special circumstances.
  - ✓ China would be establishing a special police bureau in Hong Kong under the law to oversee its implementation along with secret policing in the former British colony.
  - ✓ Those asking foreign countries to sanction, blockade or take other hostile action against Hong Kong or China could be held guilty of colluding with foreign forces.
- ✓ President Xi Jinping signed a presidential order promulgating the law after it was approved by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress
  - ✓ It will now be added to the Basic Law, Hong Kong's constitution.
- ✓ The law infringes on an arrangement that has made Hong Kong, which China ceded to Britain in 1842 and which ceased being a British colony in 1997, autonomous in many respects
- ✓ The new legislation was conceived in response to last year's often-violent pro-democracy protests in the city and aims to tackle subversion, terrorism, separatism and collusion with foreign forces
- ✓ Hong Kong has been witnessing massive anti-government protests since June 2019 in opposition against China's increasing efforts to implement the new national security law to increase its influence on the 'semi autonomous' special administrative region
- ✓ Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam nevertheless welcomed the law's passage and said that it will come into effect from July 1, 2020, on the occasion of the 23rd anniversary of Hong Kong's handover to China by the British.
- ✓ Beijing and Hong Kong have repeatedly said the legislation is aimed at a few "troublemakers" and will not affect rights and freedoms, or investor interests.
- ✓ The passing of the legislation contradicts China's "one country, two systems" model for Hong Kong, which is a 'semi-autonomous' special administrative region of the People's Republic of China.
  - ✓ Under the model, Hong Kong was allowed to have its currency, judicial system, culture, identity and freedom of speech, press, right to assembly and freedom from censorship, as against the authoritarian rule in mainland China.

- ✓ The US, already in dispute with China over trade, the South China Sea and the coronavirus, began eliminating Hong Kong's special status under US law on June 29, halting US-origin defence exports and restricting technology access.
- ✓ Britain, the EU, Japan, Australia, Taiwan and others have also criticised the law.
- **On June 30, the US Federal Communications Commission - formally designated Chinese's Huawei Technologies Co and ZTE Corp as posing threats to US national security**
  - ✓ The recent declaration bars US firms from utilising an \$8.3 billion government fund to purchase equipment from these companies
  - ✓ The US telecommunications regulator voted by 5-0 margin to issue the declaration in November
  - ✓ It proposed the rural telecom carriers to remove and replace equipment of these two Chinese companies from existing US networks
  - ✓ In May 2019, Trump signed an executive order declaring a national emergency and barring US firms from using telecom equipment made by companies posing a national security risk.
  - ✓ The US government also added Huawei to its trade blacklist last year.
- **On June 30, the European Union - agreed to reopen its borders to 15 countries excluding the virus-affected U.S., as the pandemic accelerated globally with more than 5,05,000 deaths worldwide.**
  - ✓ The list of nations that EU countries have approved includes Australia, Canada and New Zealand, while travellers from China will be permitted if China reciprocates.
  - ✓ Travellers' country of residence, not their nationality, will be the determining factor for their ability to travel to countries in the EU
  - ✓ The policy will not be legally binding, but all 27 member nations will be under pressure to comply.
  - ✓ If not, they risk having their European neighbours close borders within the bloc.
  - ✓ After days of negotiations, EU members finalised the list of countries whose health situation was deemed safe enough to allow residents to enter the bloc from July 1
  - ✓ However, the U.S. was notably excluded, along with Russia, Brazil, India and Turkey.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

- **The Union government - has extended the term of K.K. Venugopal as Attorney-General (A-G) for one year and Tushar Mehta as Solicitor-General (S-G) for three years, beginning July 1**
  - ✓ It has also appointed six new Additional Solicitors- General (ASGs) and extended the tenure of five ASGs.

- ✓ The A-G was reappointed by President Ram Nath Kovind
- ✓ The other appointments were notified by the Law Ministry on June 29 after the Appointments Committee of Cabinet (ACC), headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, cleared them.



- ✓ Venugopal was appointed in July 2017 after the resignation of his predecessor Mukul Rohatgi
- ✓ Even though the usual tenure (including reappointment) of the A-G is three years, he has been given a one-year extension because he requested for that period owing to his advanced age of 89.
- ✓ The AS-Gs who got a three-year extension are Vikramajit Banerjee, Aman Lekhi, Madhavi Goradia Divan, K.M. Nataraj and Sanjay Jain
- ✓ The senior advocates who have been appointed ASGs are Balbir Singh, Suryaprakash V. Raju, Rupinder Singh Suri, N. Venkataraman, Jayant K. Sud and Aishwarya Bhati.
- ✓ Besides reappointing Anil C. Singh as the ASG for the Bombay High Court and Satya Pal Jain for the Punjab and Haryana High Court, five new ASGs have also been appointed.
- ✓ They are Yezdezard Jehangir Dastoor for the Calcutta High Court, Chetan Sharma for the Delhi High Court, **Sankaranarayanan for the Madras High Court**, Krishna Nandan Singh for the Patna High Court and Devang Girish Vyas for the Gujarat High Court.

## AWARDS

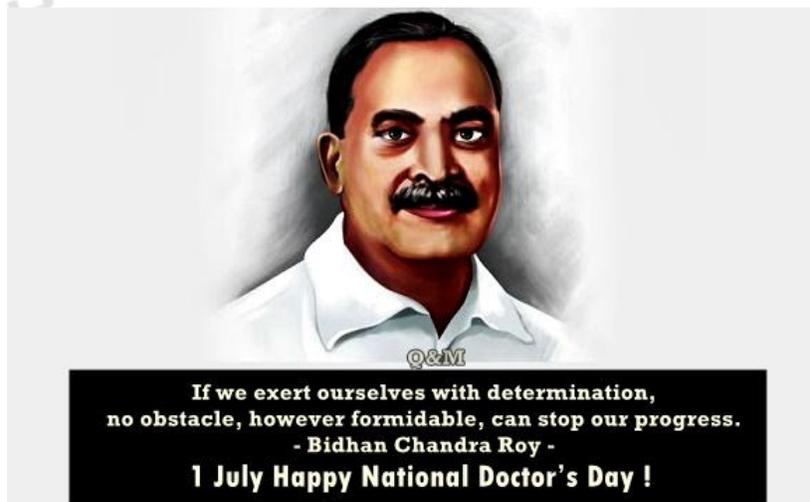
- **India's Kritika Pandey – was announced as the overall winner of the £5,000 prize for her tale “The Great Indian Tee and Snakes” to win the 2020 Commonwealth Short Story Prize on June 30.**
- ✓ 29-year-old Kritika, hailing from Ranchi, is currently studying in the US
- ✓ She has won the prize for her tale about a strong-willed Hindu girl falling in love with a Muslim boy, mostly set at a tea seller's stall.
- ✓ Kritika's novel had beaten more than 5,000 entries from 49 countries to claim the coveted prize.



- ✓ The award was presented by the chair of the 2020 judging panel, Ghanaian writer and editor Nii Ayikwei.

## INTERNATIONAL DAY

- **National Doctor's Day – July 1**



- ✓ The day honors the contribution and dedication of the doctors to their patients
- ✓ It acknowledges the selfless service of the doctors and provides an occasion to thank and salute their work

- ✓ As this day marks the death anniversary of legendary physician and former West Bengal CM Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, the West Bengal government has declared a state holiday on this occasion.
- ✓ Theme 2020 - 'Lessen the mortality of COVID-19'
- ✓ The theme is decided keeping in mind the continuous shifts put in by the doctors endangering their own life in battling the Covid-19 pandemic
- ✓ Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy is a legendary physician and the second Chief Minister of West Bengal
- ✓ He was born on July 1, 1882, and died on the same date in 1962, aged 80 years.
- ✓ Dr. Roy was honoured with the country's highest civilian award, Bharat Ratna on February 4, 1961.
- ✓ Doctor's Day in India was established by the Government of India in 1991
- ✓ The day is organized by the Indian Medical Association (IMA).

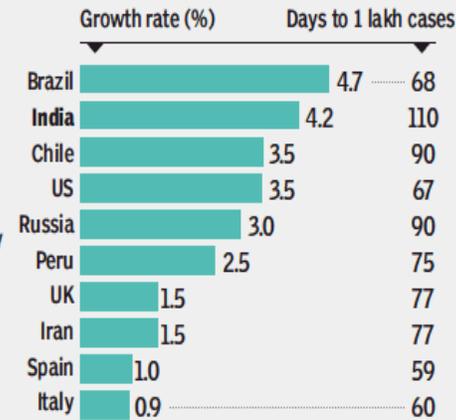


# COVID-19 AND INDIA – A COMPARISON REPORT

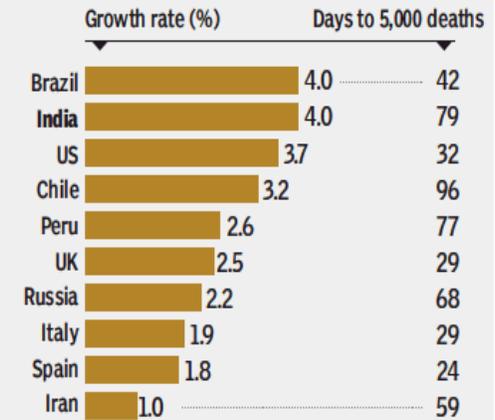
## India started slow but has second-highest case growth rate now

India took 110 days to reach 1 lakh cases and since then, its cases have grown at a daily average rate of 4.2%, behind only Brazil among the top 10 countries for cases. Among these, India and Brazil have the highest death rate

### Growth rate of cases since crossing 1 lakh cases



### Growth rate of deaths since crossing 5,000 deaths



## Delhi, Tamil Nadu now have as many cases as China

If Indian states were countries...

Many Indian states have as many or more confirmed cases now than countries that were once in the news for their outbreaks. Maharashtra, for instance, will soon cross Saudi and Delhi and Tamil Nadu are level with China

State	Cases	Country	Cases
Maharashtra	169,883	Saudi Arabia	186,436
Tamil Nadu	86,224	China	84,780
Delhi	85,161		
Gujarat	31,938	Switzerland	31,652
Uttar Pradesh	22,828	Ireland	25,462
West Bengal	17,907	Japan	18,477
Rajasthan	17,660		
Telangana	15,394	Austria	17,723
Karnataka	14,295	Korea, South	12,800
Haryana	14,210		
Andhra	13,891		
MP	13,370	Malaysia	8,637
Bihar	9,640		
Assam	7,752	Australia	7,834
J & K	7,237		
Odisha	6,859		
Punjab	5,418	Venezuela	5,530
Kerala	4,189	Luxembourg	4,256

State	Cases	Country	Cases
Uttarakhand	2,831	Sri Lanka	2,039
Chhattisgarh	2,761		
Jharkhand	2,426		
Tripura	1,380	New Zealand	1,528
Manipur	1,227		
Goa	1,198	Georgia	926
Ladakh	964		
Himachal	942	Jamaica	698
Puducherry	619		
Chandigarh	435	Taiwan	447
Nagaland	434		
DNH/DD	203	Cambodia	141
Arunachal	187		
Mizoram	148		
A & N Islands	90	Bhutan	77
Sikkim	88		
Meghalaya	47		

Source: ECDC, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, popper.ai, Johns Hopkins University; Graphic: Anil Dinod

# COVID-19 IN CHENNAI – FEW STATS

## CHENNAI VS OTHERS

Positive cases across metros in the country

DATE	DELHI	MUMBAI	CHENNAI	KOLKATA
April 1	152	1	26	NA
April 15	1,578	1,936	214	NA
April 30	3,515	6,874	906	NA
May 1	3,738	7,625	1,082	NA
May 15	8,895	17,512	5,946	1,200
May 31	19,844	39,464	14,802	2,125
June 1	20,834	40,877	15,770	2,179
June 15	42,829	59,201	33,244	3,776
June 27	80,188	73,747	51,699	5,402
June 28	83,077	75,047	53,762	5,573

## COVID NUMBERS

A comparison of the recoveries & deaths on June 19 & June 30

ZONE	Recoveries		Deaths	
	Jun19	Jun30	Jun19	Jun30
Thiruvottiyur I	694	1,145	26	48
Manali II	274	527	7	12
Madhavaram III	515	922	10	20
Tondiarpet IV	2,354	4,647	67	122
Royapuram V	3,526	5,534	90	135
Thiru-vi-ka Nagar VI	1,896	2,917	70	93
Ambattur VII	737	1,370	14	25
Anna Nagar VIII	1,815	3,018	48	69
Teynampet IX	2,365	3,702	69	130
Kodambakkam X	2,272	3,659	42	74
Valasaravakkam XI	995	1,494	12	26
Alandur XII	348	651	11	16
Adyar XIII	1,165	1,901	23	44
Perungudi XIV	351	666	7	16
Sholinganallur XV	373	671	2	7

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