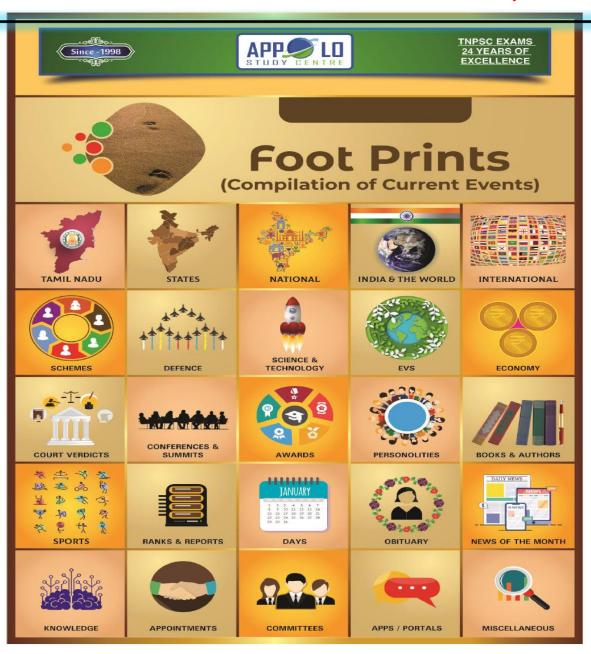


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## **TAMIL NADU**

- > Tamil Nadu Government Reconstitutes State Consumer Protection Council
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu government has reconstituted the State Consumer Protection Council with the Minister for Food and Civil Supplies as its chairperson.
- ✓ There are 22 members in the panel.
- ✓ The Secretary of Co-operation, Food and Consumer Protection Department, the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, the Registrar of State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, the Chairman and Managing Director of Tamil Nadu Generation Distribution Corporation Limited are also members in the panel.
- Greater Flamingo Sanctuary at Dhanushkodi
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu government has officially declared a Greater Flamingo sanctuary at Dhanushkodi in Ramanathapuram district.



- ✓ Chief Minister M.K. Stalin inaugurated the sanctuary via video conferencing on the occasion of the World Environment Day event organised by the Departments of Environment, Climate Change and Forests in Chennai on Thursday (June 5, 2025).
- > 800-Year-Old Pandya Era Shiva Temple Unearthed in Tamil Nadu
- ✓ An ancient Shiva temple, dating back to the later Pandya period, was recently discovered in Udampatti village, Tamil Nadu.



✓ The foundation and inscriptions from 1217-1218 CE confirm the site's historical significance.

- ✓ The temple, named Thennavanisvaram, was once financially self-sustained and located in a village then known as Attur.
- ✓ This archaeological finding is a critical window into medieval Tamil heritage, Pandya dynasty administration, and temple economy systems.

#### Polivu Kit

✓ This year on, students in Tamil Nadu's Adi Dravidar hostels to receive TAHDCO's *Polivu* personal care kits.



- ✓ Each Polivu kit contains four bath soaps, hair wash shampoo, coconut oil, detergent powder, detergent soap, a toothbrush and toothpaste.
- ✓ The kits will be distributed thrice a year.
- ✓ Starting this year, nearly 50,000 school and college students residing in Adi Dravidar welfare hostels across Tamil Nadu will receive personal care kits under the brand name *Polivu*, launched by the Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation (TAHDCO).

### > 22 Lakh Children Benefitting Daily from CM's Breakfast Scheme

✓ Deputy Chief Minister Udhayanidhi Stalin on Wednesday said that about 22 lakh children studying in Classes I to V were benefitting daily from the Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme.



- ✓ Speaking at a function to mark the Self-Help Group (SHG) day on Wednesday, Mr. Udhayanidhi Stalin listed out several measures being undertaken by the DMK government for the welfare of women.
- ✓ He also referred to the "Pudhumai Penn" programme which was aimed at aiding girl students not only in their school, but also in their higher education.

### State's Share higher in Funding for at least Six Central Schemes

✓ The Tamil Nadu government contributes more monetarily compared to the Union government for the implementation of at least six Central schemes in the State.



- ✓ These include three schemes under the umbrella of the National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS), Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS), and the Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS).
- ✓ These also include the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY)-Rural, Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), and the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM).
- ➤ Tamil Nadu Money Lending Entities (Prevention of Coercive Actions) Act, 2025
- ✓ The State government has notified the Tamil Nadu Money Lending Entities (Prevention of Coercive Actions) Act, 2025, which is meant to prevent coercive recovery of micro-loans by money-lending entities.



- ✓ The Assembly passed the legislation in April, and it received the Governor's assent on June 9.
- ✓ The Act is aimed at protecting the weaker and vulnerable groups and individuals
   especially farmers, women, and self-help groups from the coercive recovery
  of loans by money-lending entities such as micro-finance institutions and moneylending agencies operating in Tamil Nadu.
- GI Tag sought for Kollimalai Coffee and Jackfruit

✓ The Patent Information Centre of Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology (TNSCST), Chennai has filed applications seeking Geographical Indication (GI) tag for Kollimalai Coffee and Kollimalai Palappazham.



- ✓ Kollimalai coffee is renowned for its unique aroma, flavor, and superior quality.
- ✓ Kollimalai Palappazham (Jackfruit) is rich in fiber, carbohydrates, vitamins, and essential minerals, making it both a nutritious and culturally important food crop for local communities.
- > Beating all odds, girl from T.N. government school gets into IIT Bombay
- ✓ Naan Mudhalvan scheme of the State government helps her pursue her aerospace engineering dream by Virudhunagar Collector V.P. Jeyaseelan.



- ✓ Against all odds, a girl from the Government Higher Secondary School at Padanthal in Virudhunagar district of Tamil Nadu has secured a high rank in JEE (Advanced) and realised her dream of pursuing aerospace engineering at IIT Bombay.
- ✓ Yogeshwari had never heard of JEE till she attended the *Kalloori Kanavu* vertical under the *Naan Mudhalvan* scheme while in Class XII.
- > T.N. Forest Department Deputes Mahouts and Cavadies to Thailand for Elephant Care Training
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu Government has sent a team of forest personnel, mahouts, and cavadies to undergo training at the Thai Elephant Conservation Centre (TECC) in Lampang, Thailand.



- ✓ A team of 18 members will be deputed to TECC from June 17 to June 21.
- ✓ The delegation includes four mahouts, 11 cavadies, a forest range officer, and a forest veterinary assistant surgeon, all of whom are currently serving in the Mudumalai Tiger Reserve and Anamalai Tiger Reserve elephant camps, along with the Assistant Director of the Arignar Anna Zoological Park, Vandalur.

### > TN Schools to Ring Water Bells

✓ The School Education Department in Tamil Nadu will soon send circulars to schools asking to commence the 'water bell' programme, announced Minister of School Education Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi on Friday.



- ✓ The water bell initiative, which is followed in a few southern states and Puducherry, aims to promote timely intake of drinking water by students to avoid dehydration.
- ✓ Soon we will send circulars instructing schools to commence the water bell initiative.

### > Tamil Nadu Government decides not to extend Rosewood Conservation Act

✓ Tamil Nadu will no longer have specific legislation to regulate rosewood exploitation, as the State government has decided not to renew the Tamil Nadu Rosewood Trees (Conservation) Act, 1994, allowing the legislation to lapse after its extended term ended in February 2025.



- ✓ Initially passed for 15 years, the legislation was renewed in 2010 for another 15 years.
- ✓ However, the government has decided that continuing the Act is no longer necessary.



## STATE

- Bengaluru Becomes India's 'Leopard Capital'
- ✓ Bengaluru has officially become the 'Leopard Capital' of India, surpassing Mumbai in terms of the highest number of free-ranging wild leopards living on the fringes of a major metropolis.



- ✓ According to a year-long survey conducted by the Holématthi Nature Foundation (HNF) and led by conservationist Dr. Sanjay Gubbi, an estimated 80–85 leopards currently inhabit the forests and scrublands surrounding Bengaluru.
- ✓ This makes the city a rare urban zone still teeming with apex predators.
- ➤ India's First Butterfly Sanctuary Inaugurated in Kerala's Aralam Forest
- ✓ In a landmark conservation effort, Kerala has inaugurated India's first butterfly sanctuary by officially renaming the Aralam Wildlife Sanctuary.



- ✓ Located in the Western Ghats, the sanctuary now harbours over 266 species of butterflies, including several rare, endemic, and endangered varieties.
- ✓ Featuring seasonal butterfly migrations, active research partnerships, and ongoing species discoveries, the Aralam Butterfly Sanctuary is poised to become a cornerstone of biodiversity conservation and eco-tourism in India.

## **NATIONAL**

### World's Highest Railway Bridge

✓ Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh has said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the Chenab Bridge in Jammu and Kashmir on the 6th of this month.



- ✓ The Chenab Bridge, the world's highest railway bridge, stands tall in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ✓ Situated in the Reasi district of Jammu and Kashmir, the Chenab Bridge is an engineering marvel standing at a height of 359 meters above the riverbed.
- ✓ It will officially connect the Kashmir Valley with the rest of India via rail for the first time in history.

### > Population Census 2027 in Two Phases with Caste Census

✓ The Government has decided to conduct the Population Census – 2027 in two
phases, along with the enumeration of castes.



- ✓ The first phase will be conducted in hilly and snow-hit areas of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Ladakh beginning 1st of October, 2026.
- ✓ The second phase covering other parts of the country will be held from 1st of March 2027.

### Chenab Rail Bridge

✓ On June 6, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Chenab rail bridge, the world's highest railway arch bridge, in Jammu and Kashmir.



- ✓ This marks the completion of the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Rail Link (USBRL), a 42-year-old project aimed at integrating the Kashmir Valley with the national railway network.
- ✓ The bridge, part of a fully electrified 272-km rail corridor, not only overcomes one
  of the most difficult Himalayan terrains but also opens new doors for trade,
  tourism, and economic development in the region.

### > Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam

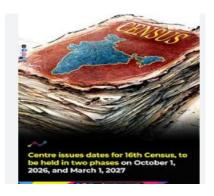
✓ Government of India is preparing to implement change in the political landscape by rolling out a reservation of seats for women in the Lok Sabha and state assemblies.



- ✓ The aim is to ensure that one-third of the seats are reserved for women in the 2029 Lok Sabha elections.
- ✓ The Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam was passed in September 2023.
- ✓ It mandates that one-third of seats in the Lok Sabha and state assemblies will be reserved for women.
- ✓ This reservation will only come into effect after a delimitation exercise based on the Census data.

#### India's 16th Census Announced for 2027

✓ The Ministry of Home Affairs will issue a notification on June 16, 2025, to commence Census 2025, India's first digital and caste-inclusive population count.



- ✓ The two-phase operation, involving over 34 lakh personnel, will gather detailed data on housing, assets, demographics, and caste.
- ✓ Union Home Minister Amit Shah reviewed the preparations with senior officials.
- ✓ With a reference date of March 1, 2027, the Census will play a key role in future constituency delimitation and policy formulation, aligning with the constitutional mandate post-2026.
- ✓ The last Census was held in 2011, with the 2021 edition delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Operation Sindhu

✓ India has initiated Operation Sindhu to evacuate its nationals from Iran amid the growing threat of conflict with Israel.



- ✓ Over 100 Indian students have already been safely evacuated via Armenia, reflecting the government's swift and well-coordinated response.
- ✓ The operation emphasizes India's commitment to the safety of its citizens abroad, effective diplomacy, and robust crisis management strategies.

### > Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan 2025

✓ The Government of India has launched the Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan.



- ✓ This campaign is being rolled out across 549 tribal-dominated districts and 207 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG)-dominated districts covering about 100,000+ Villages & Habitations.
- ✓ This Largest-Ever Tribal Empowerment Campaign was initiated under Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh.
- ✓ It will provide access to critical entitlements and government services, including, Adhaar Card Enrolments and Updates, Ayushman Bharat Health Card Issuance, Opening of Jan Dhan Bank Accounts etc.
- > India Moves to 'One Nation, One Time': IST to Become Mandatory
- ✓ The Government of India is set to notify the Legal Metrology (Indian Standard Time) Rules, 2025, mandating the use of Indian Standard Time (IST) across all legal, commercial, and digital activities.



- ✓ This initiative, backed by the Department of Consumer Affairs, CSIR-NPL, and ISRO, aims to enhance digital security, traceability, and operational efficiency by eliminating reliance on foreign time sources.
- ✓ The move is a major leap towards One Nation, One Time, securing national digital infrastructure under a trusted, standardized ecosystem.
- > DAJA 2025: India's Largest-Ever Tribal Empowerment Movement
- ✓ The Government of India has unveiled the Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan (DAJA), the largest tribal empowerment campaign in the history of independent India.



- ✓ Running from 15 June to 15 July 2025, this month-long movement is directly reaching over 5.5 crore tribal citizens across 31 States and Union Territories.
- ✓ This massive campaign reflects Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas, with the Ministry of Tribal Affairs taking the lead in inclusive governance.

### > Adi Karmyogi

✓ In an effort to close the gap between tribal welfare policies and their on-ground implementation, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has launched the Adi Karmyogi programme.



- ✓ Announced during the Adi Anveshan conference, the initiative aims to train over 20 lakh stakeholders and build a motivated cadre of officials across India.
- ✓ With its focus on capacity building and purposeful delivery, Adi Karmyogi could mark a transformative step in tribal governance.

### > Turmeric Board HQ in Nizamabad

✓ Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the National Turmeric Board Headquarters in Nizamabad, Telangana, on June 30, 2025.



- ✓ This move fulfills a long-pending demand of turmeric farmers and aligns with the Centre's ambitious goal of reaching \$1 billion in turmeric exports by 2030.
- ✓ The board will focus on research, branding, marketing, and ensuring fair prices for farmers.



## **SCHEMES**

### > Alaigal Scheme

✓ The Alaigal scheme, launched by the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister, is a microcredit initiative targeting women's self-help groups in the fishing sector.



- ✓ It provides financial support to these groups through the Tamil Nadu State Apex Fisheries Co-operative Federation Limited.
- ✓ The scheme aims to empower women in fishing communities and promote their economic well-being.
- ✓ The "Alaigal" scheme was launched at the inauguration of the Thiruvottiyur Tuna Fishing Harbour, along with the distribution of welfare assistance to beneficiaries.
- ✓ The scheme is also known as the "waves" scheme.

#### > Elimai Aalumai Scheme

✓ Chief Minister MK Stalin virtually launched a new 'Elimai Aalumai' (Simple Governance) scheme to simplify the delivery of 10 services to the people including issuance of sanitation certification, public building license, registration of old-age homes, working women's hostel license, solvency certificates, and no-objection certificate for using dry land for non-agricultural purposes.



✓ Under the new scheme, sanitation certificates for buildings, public building license, registration of old age homes, registration/license of working women's hostels and registration of home for women would be issued online with QR codes within a day, which would otherwise take three months to one year.

#### > Uzhavarai Thedi Scheme

✓ The Chief Minister Mr. M.K. Stalin launched the "Uzhavarai Thedi Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Scheme" through video conferencing from the secretariat, Chennai.



- ✓ In continuation of that he inaugurated the 'Uzhavarai Thedi Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Project'.

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- ✓ Under the scheme, Agriculture, Farmer Welfare, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Cooperative Department officials, university scientists, will meet farmers directly in the villages, find out their needs and provide programs for them.

#### > NAVYA

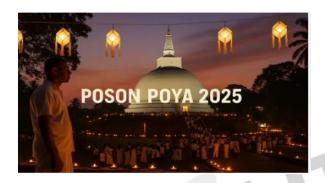
✓ In a key step toward gender empowerment and inclusive growth, the Government is launching NAVYA, a pilot skilling initiative for adolescent girls under the Viksit Bharat@2047 vision.



- ✓ Rolled out in 27 districts across 19 states, NAVYA will provide vocational training
  in non-traditional job roles to girls aged 16–18 with a minimum Class 10
  education.
- ✓ NAVYA aims to empower young women with the skills, confidence, and opportunities needed to contribute meaningfully to India's future workforce.

## INTERNATIONAL

- > Sri Lanka Celebrates Poson Poya: Honoring 2000 Years of Buddhism
- ✓ Sri Lanka is celebrating the revered Poson Poya festival, marking over 2,000 years since the arrival of Buddhism with Arahat Mahinda's first sermon to King Devanampiyatissa.



- ✓ Devotees have gathered at Mihintale and Anuradhapura, where the festivities are marked with lanterns, almsgiving, and cultural programs.
- ✓ President Anura Kumara Dissanayake emphasized national unity and moral revival.

# **INDIA & OTHER COUNTRIES**

- ➤ India, Kyrgyzstan's Bilateral Investment Treaty Comes into Force
- ✓ India and Kyrgyzstan signed the Protocol and exchanged the Instrument of Ratification of the Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT).



- ✓ The new Treaty replaces the earlier agreement enforced on 12th May 2000, ensuring continuity in the protection of investments between the two nations.
- ✓ It aims to promote and protect interests of investors of either country in the territory of the other country.

## **CONFERENCES & SUMMITS**

#### > G7 Outreach Summit

✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi is scheduled to reach Calgary, Canada on Monday to attend the G7 Outreach Summit.



- ✓ The G-7 Outreach Summit is scheduled for Tuesday noon which will be themed around three core issues of "Protecting our communities around the world", "Building energy security and accelerating the digital transition" and "Securing the partnerships of the future".
- ✓ Apart from the Indian Prime Minister, and Mr. Zelenskyy, host Canada has invited leaders of Australia, Brazil, Mexico, South Africa, and South Korea.

### ➢ International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA)

✓ India hosted the first International Big Cat Alliance gathering in Delhi. On 16 July, the first Assembly of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) was held in New Delhi under the chairmanship of Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav.



- ✓ The alliance comprises 95 big cat range countries and aims to provide both technical and financial assistance.
- ✓ The seven big cat species covered include the Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Snow Leopard, Cheetah, Jaguar, and Puma. Participating countries rearmed their dedication to halting the decline of big cat populations.
- > IIT Madras Organises International Conference on Birsa Munda

✓ A two-day international conference on tribal resistance, resilience, and 150 years
of Birsa Munda, organised by the Humanities and Social Sciences department of
IIT Madras, engaged with themes of tribal history, resistance movements, and
future possibilities.



- ✓ Titled 'Tribal Resistance, Resilience and Reimagining Future: Celebrating 150 years of Bhagwan Birsa Munda', the conference featured 80 scholars and community leaders from across the globe.
- ➤ India Hosts ICCON 2025 to Tackle Urgent Biodiversity Challenges
- ✓ The Indian Conservation Conference (ICCON) 2025, hosted at the Wildlife Institute of India in Dehradun from 25–27 June, is India's leading forum for biodiversity conservation and environmental policy.



- ✓ The event convenes over 500 delegates from across India and the Global South, highlighting platforms like TechBridge for wildlife innovation.
- ✓ ICCON 2025 promotes interdisciplinary dialogue, supports youth and equitable participation, and reaffirms India's role as a leader in global conservation science.

## **DEFENCE**

- > Joint Exercise at Sea, between Indian Navy and EUNAVFOR
- ✓ The Indian Navy and the European Union Naval Force (EUNAVFOR) are planning to hold joint exercises.



- ✓ The exercise will see participation by Spanish Navy Ship ESPS Reina Sofia and Italian Navy Ship ITS Antonio Marceglia from EUNAVFOR and ships and aircraft from the Indian Navy.
- ✓ The visit is significant being the first such visit to India conducted under the aegis
  of the European Union.
- Exercise Khaan Quest 2025
- ✓ The Indian Army has joined Exercise Khaan Quest 2025 in Mongolia, a prestigious multinational peacekeeping operation scheduled from June 14–28, 2025.



- ✓ Represented by 40 personnel—including women soldiers—the contingent will train in U.N.-mandated drill.
- ✓ This exercise strengthens India's global peacekeeping role and enhances military interoperability.
- Exercise 'Tiger Claw'
- ✓ Exercise Tiger Claw 2025, held from May 26 to June 10, marked the first joint special forces operation between the Garud Commandos of the Indian Air Force and the USAF Special Forces.



✓ Conducted at the Garud Regimental Training Centre in Uttar Pradesh, the drill aimed to boost interoperability, share best practices in air-based special operations, and enhance combat readiness.

#### > Exercise 'Shakti 2025'

✓ The Indian Army has deployed a 90-member contingent for Exercise Shakti 2025, a joint Indo-French military drill conducted at Camp Larzac in France.



- ✓ This eighth edition of the biennial exercise focuses on sub-conventional operations, particularly counter-terrorism, under UN Chapter VII frameworks.
- ✓ The Indian troops, mainly from the Jammu and Kashmir Rifles, will train alongside France's elite 13th Foreign Legion Half-Brigade.

### Sagar Kavach

✓ A two-day coastal security exercise — 'Sagar Kavach' — began in the coastal areas of Cuddalore district on Wednesday to assess alertness and preparedness of stakeholders involved in coastal security and in thwarting possible terrorist intrusion through sea.



- ✓ Police sources said the Coastal Security Group (CSG) and the district police took part in the exercise.
- ✓ The exercise was carried out to assess the swiftness on the part of the stakeholders in dealing with emergency situations.



## **ECONOMY**

- ➤ GST Collections in May'25 Surge Over 16%
- ✓ India's gross Goods and Services Tax, or GST, collection crossed the 2 lakh crore rupees mark for the second consecutive month in May 2025.



- ✓ According to data released by the Union Ministry of Finance, gross GST collection in May 2025 stood at 2.01 lakh crore rupees, which is 16.4 per cent higher in comparison to 1.72 lakh crore rupees collected in May 2024.
- > RBI has predicted a 6.5% GDP growth for India in 2025–26
- ✓ This growth is supported by strong domestic economic activity. Each quarter's growth is estimated separately.



- ✓ Q1 is projected at 6.5%, Q2 at 6.7%, Q3 at 6.6%, and Q4 at 6.3%.
- ✓ The NSO has provisionally reported 6.5% real GDP growth for 2024–25.
- ✓ In early 2025–26, the economy has remained steady and resilient.
- ✓ The PMI for services in May 2025 stood at 58.8, indicating expansion.
- > Extreme poverty in India down to 5.3% in 2022-23: World Bank
- ✓ India's extreme poverty rate slid sharply to 5.3% over a decade from 27.1% in 2011-12 even as the World Bank revised upwards its threshold poverty line to \$3 per day.



- ✓ Given India's inflation rate between 2017 and 2021, a revised extreme poverty line of \$3 would constitute a 15% higher threshold than \$2.15 expressed in 2021 prices and result in a 5.3% poverty rate in 2022-23, the World Bank said.
- ✓ In India, 54,695,832 people lived on less than \$3 per day in 2024.
- India's Total Trade Deficit Narrows to \$6.6 Billion
- ✓ India's overall trade deficit narrowed to \$6.6 billion in May 2025, down nearly 30% from its level in May last year, as total imports fell largely due to a fall in oil prices while total exports grew on the back of a strong performance by the services sector.



- ✓ According to the monthly data released by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry on Monday, total exports grew 2.8% to \$71.1 billion in May 2025 — up from \$69.2 billion in May 2024 — with exports in the service sector growing 9.4% to \$32.4 billion.
- ✓ Merchandise exports, on the other hand, contracted 2.2% to \$38.7 billion, while non-petroleum exports reported a 5.1% growth.
- > Gold Becomes World's Second-Largest Reserve Asset After U.S. Dollar
- ✓ In a landmark shift in global finance, gold has risen to become the second-largest reserve asset after the U.S. dollar, according to a European Central Bank (ECB) report.



- ✓ Central banks, especially from emerging economies, increased gold holdings as a hedge against inflation, geopolitical risks, and currency sanctions.
- ✓ Gold's share in reserves grew to 19% in 2024, surpassing the euro's 16%.
- ✓ Central banks currently hold historic levels of gold.



## **APPOINTMENT**

#### > M. Sundaresh Babu

✓ M. Sundaresh Babu, a 2012-batch IAS officer of the Karnataka cadre, would lead the Census operations in Tamil Nadu and Puducherry.



- ✓ A communication by the Government of India's Department of Personnel & Training was issued in this regard recently.
- ✓ According to the communication, Mr. Babu has been named the Director of Census Operations / Director of Citizen Registration in Tamil Nadu and Puducherry up to December 31 this year or until further orders, whichever is earlier.
- > Parag Jain, who had key role in Sindoor, appointed RAW chief
- ✓ The Union government on Saturday appointed senior Indian Police Service (IPS) officer Parag Jain as the new chief of the Research and Analysis Wing (RAW), India's external intelligence agency.



- ✓ A 1989-batch IPS officer from the Punjab cadre, Mr. Jain will succeed incumbent RAW chief Ravi Sinha, who is due to retire on June 30.
- ✓ Mr. Jain will assume office on July 1 for a fixed two-year term

## **AWARDS**

- Kalaignar M. Karunanidhi Classical Tamil Award
- ✓ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin, on Tuesday (June 3, 2025), presented the Kalaignar M. Karunanidhi Classical Tamil Award for 2025 to eminent Tamil scholar Thayammal Aravanan.



- ✓ The award carries a cheque of ₹10 lakh and a citation plague.
- ✓ The award was presented in a function in Kalaivanar Arangam in Chennai that marked the 'Semmozhi Day' celebrations on the occasion of the birth anniversary of late DMK leader and former Chief Minister M. Karunanidhi.
- Cyprus' Highest Civilian Honour Order of Makarios III
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi was awarded the Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III, Cyprus' highest civilian honour, by President Nikos Christodoulides on June 16, 2025, in recognition of his efforts to deepen India-Cyprus ties.



- ✓ During his historic visit the first by an Indian Prime Minister Modi engaged in strategic discussions focused on innovation, trade, and economic reform.
- ✓ The award, named after Archbishop Makarios III, symbolizes the strengthening of diplomatic friendship and paves the way for enhanced bilateral and global cooperation.

## **PERSONALITIES**

- Thailand's Opal Suchata Chuangsri Crowned Miss World 2025
- ✓ Thailand's Opal Suchata Chuangsri was crowned Miss World 2025. The grand finale took place on Saturday, May 31, in Hyderabad, Telangana, marking a significant moment in pageant history.



- ✓ Opal Suchata Chuangsri's win is a milestone achievement for Thailand, as she becomes the first Thai contestant ever to win the Miss World title.
- ✓ She edged out Ethiopia's Hasset Dereje Admassu, who finished as the first runner-up, in a highly competitive final round.
- Girl from Tribal Community in Kalvarayan Hills Earns her Seat in IIT
- ✓ Rajeshwari, a student of the Government Tribal Residential Higher Secondary School in Karumandurai, has ranked 417 in the Scheduled Tribe category in JEE (Advanced) 2025.



- ✓ A student of the Government Tribal Residential Higher Secondary School in Karumandurai in Salem district, she has cleared the JEE (Advanced) 2025.
- ✓ She is the first student from a government tribal residential school under the administration of the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department to secure admission to an IIT.

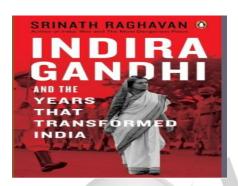
- Jency, Tamil Nadu's first transwoman to become assistant professor at college
- ✓ Ms. Jency is the first transgender to become an assistant professor at Loyola College.



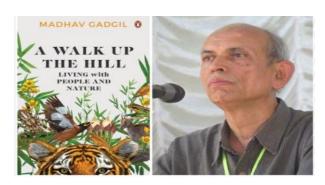
- ✓ A native of R.K. Pet in Tiruttani, she completed schooling and under-graduation at government institutions.
- ✓ She did her Ph.D at Loyola College.
- ✓ On Sunday (June 23, 2025), Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin posted a message on his social media handle. "Congratulations, Dr. Jency. May the light of your hard work let many more take up education.
- ✓ Let them overcome obstacles and marginalisation through education."

## **BOOKS & AUTHORS**

- > Indira Gandhi and the Years that Transformed India
- ✓ As the 50th anniversary of the Emergency approaches, a new book by TCA Srinivasa Raghavan titled Indira Gandhi and the Years that Transformed India offers a measured and scholarly reflection on a turbulent and pivotal period in India's political history.



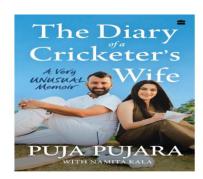
- ✓ Published on May 23, 2025, the book examines the complex power dynamics between the executive, legislature, and judiciary during Indira Gandhi's tenure, especially the Emergency from 1975 to 1977.
- > Madhav Gadgil's Autobiography "A Walk Up the Hill" Launched
- ✓ The Tamil translation of eminent ecologist Prof. Madhav Gadgil's autobiography A
  Walk Up the Hill: Living with People and Nature was launched in Chennai on
  Thursday.



- ✓ Published in 2023, the book was written in the form of a memoir during his long years of field surveys in different biodiversity hotspots across India.
- ✓ The Tamil translation, brought out by the Tamil Nadu Textbook Corporation, was done by N. Manoharan, a professor of Tamil who retired from Chittur Government College, Palakkad.

### The Diary of a Cricketer's Wife

✓ "The Diary of a Cricketer's Wife" offers a refreshing, emotional, and deeply personal view from just outside the boundary line.



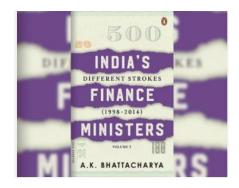
- ✓ Written by Puja Pujara, wife of celebrated Indian Test cricketer Cheteshwar Pujara, the book was launched in Mumbai.
- ✓ The Diary of a Cricketer's Wife is not just about cricket; it's about the stories that happen off the pitch.

### Varalaru Koorum Tamil Nattu Kaasugal

✓ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin released two volumes of a book titled Varalaru Koorum Tamil Nattu Kaasugal (Coins that speak Tamil Nadu History) written by Minister for Finance Thangam Thennarasu and numismatic researcher Arumuga Sitharaman at the Secretariat in Chennai on Wednesday.



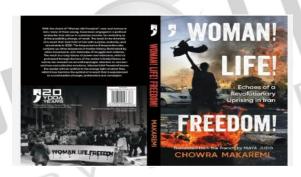
- ✓ The book sheds light on the different types of coins that have been in use in the Tamil landscape over the past 2,000 years and how they have evolved throughout history.
- ➤ India's Finance Ministers III: Different Strokes (1998–2014)
- ✓ A.K. Bhattacharya's latest book "India's Finance Ministers III: Different Strokes (1998–2014)" explores India's economic landscape through the lens of four finance ministers during a crucial post-liberalisation phase.



✓ Published by Penguin Business, the 556-page volume provides a clinical, narrative-driven account of the policy shifts, fiscal decisions, and governance dynamics that defined India's growth story from 1998 to 2014.

#### > Woman! Life! Freedom

✓ "Woman! Life! Freedom!" by Chowra Makaremi, to be released captures the 2022 Iranian uprising that erupted after the death of Mahsa Amini.



- ✓ With a fusion of anthropology, family narrative, and collective emotion, the book portrays Iran's resistance, street protests, and the feminist slogan that became a global chant.
- ✓ Illuminated by the orange glow of rebellion, it reflects on Iran's long history of power, protest, and resilience.

#### > Shikhar Dhawan's Memoir "The One" Reveals the Man Behind the Bat

✓ In his newly released memoir "The One: Cricket, My Life and More", Shikhar Dhawan shares a raw and honest account of his cricketing journey, personal struggles, and life beyond the sport.



- ✓ Published by HarperCollins India on June 26, 2025, the book features reflections from fellow teammates and captures Dhawan's resilience, reinvention, and mental health battles during critical phases of his life.
- ✓ More than a sports biography, it's a story of self-discovery and emotional honesty that resonates far beyond the boundary ropes.



# **SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT**

#### BharatGen

✓ India launched BharatGen, a multimodal AI model supporting 22 Indian languages at the BharatGen Summit.



- ✓ Developed under the National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NM-ICPS) and led by the TIH Foundation for IIT& IoE at IIT Bombay.
- ✓ The initiative collaborates with leading academic institutions to create AI that is ethical, multilingual & deeply rooted in Indian values.

### > Researchers Rediscover Lost Hexapod Species



- ✓ A species of hexapod originally described from the Nilgiris close to a century ago, with even the original 'holotype' specimen being lost, was "rediscovered" recently, with the complete mitochondrial DNA of the species Ballistura fitchoides, being characterised by researchers at the Molecular Biodiversity Lab at the Government Arts College in Udhagamandalam.
- ✓ "J. R. Dennis, a French scientist, in 1933 identified a rare species of springtail (*Collembolla*) insect from the Devarshola near Gudalur in Nilgiris.
- ✓ The taxonomy of this group is highly complex and has undergone many revisions.
- ✓ He named it Ballistura fitchi.

#### New SARS-CoV-2 Variant XFG

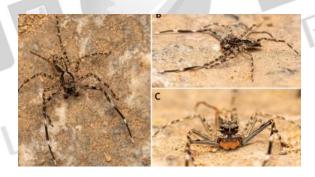
✓ The emergence of the XFG variant of SARS-CoV-2 has raised concerns in India.



- ✓ The total number of active COVID-19 cases in India stands at 6,815, with three deaths recorded in the last 24 hours.
- ✓ The Indian SARS-CoV-2 Genomics Consortium has confirmed the presence of this new variant.
- ✓ The XFG variant is a recombinant strain.
- ✓ This variant carries four mutations in the spike protein.
- ✓ The variant is a descendant of the Omicron sub-variant.

### > New Jumping Spider Species Discovered in Southern India

✓ A team of researchers has identified a new species of jumping spiders of the Spartaeinae subfamily in southern India.



- ✓ According to researchers, this discovery possibly marks the first time that the genera Spartaeus and Sonoita, previously known only from Southeast Asia and Africa, have been found in India.
- ✓ The research, led by John Caleb T.D. from Saveetha Medical College in Chennai, has introduced a new species named *Spartaeus karigiri*, after Karigiri, or Elephant Hill, in Devarayanadurga, Karnataka, where the spiders were first observed.

### > Shubhanshu Shukla Pilots Axiom-4 on SpaceX Falcon 9 to ISS

✓ On 25 June 2025 at 12:01 pm IST, Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla began his ascent to the International Space Station on board SpaceX's Falcon 9 Block 5 from Launch Complex 39A, Kennedy Space Center.



- ✓ This marks the second time an Indian has ventured into space and the first Indian to live and work onboard the ISS.
- ✓ Axiom-4's command structure includes former NASA astronaut Peggy Whitson and mission specialists from Poland and Hungary, alongside pilot Shukla.
- ✓ Over 14 days, the crew will conduct around 60 scientific experiments, seven of which are Indian-designed, spanning microgravity, biology, and materials science.
- > New Gecko Species Discovered in Coonoor Hills
- ✓ Researchers announced the discovery of a new gecko species, Dravidogecko coonoor, in the <u>Nilgiris</u> of Tamil Nadu.



- ✓ This finding adds to the biodiversity of the Western Ghats, a hotspot for endemic species.
- ✓ The lead author, Mr. A. Abinesh, explained that this gecko was previously misclassified as part of another species, Hemidactylus anamallensis.
- ✓ The discovery of Dravidogecko coonoor puts stress on the importance of biodiversity in the Western Ghats.

# **SPORTS**

#### > Asian Athletics Championships

✓ At the Asian Athletics Championships 2025 in Gumi, South Korea, India finished second in the medal tally with 24 medals.



- ✓ India clinched eight gold, 10 silver and six bronze in the Championships.
- ✓ In addition, Animesh Kujur and Parul Chaudhary set new National Records.
- ✓ China topped the standings.

#### World Para Athletics Championships

✓ On June 20, 2025, the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) unveiled the logo and mascot 'Viraaj' for the upcoming 2025 World Para Athletics Championships.



- ✓ The event, to be held in New Delhi from September 27 to October 5, marks India's debut as host.
- ✓ The mascot, a prosthesis-equipped elephant, symbolizes resilience and inclusivity.
- ✓ With over 100 nations expected and 186 medal events, the championship reflects India's rising stature in sports.

## > Praggnanandhaa Wins UzChess Cup

✓ R. Praggnanandhaa has won the UzChess Cup Masters 2025 in Tashkent, marking his third major classical chess title this year.



- ✓ His victory propelled him to a live rating of 2778.3, placing him at World No. 4 and making him India's top-ranked chess player, ahead of D. Gukesh and Arjun Erigaisi.
- ✓ The tournament concluded with dramatic tiebreaks, where Praggnanandhaa's resilience and strategic brilliance secured the crown.



# **OBITUARY**

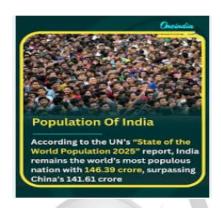
- > Renowned ISRO Scientist and Tamil Author Nellai Su. Muthu Passes Away
- ✓ Former ISRO scientist and renowned Tamil author Nellai Su. Muthu passed away on June 16, 2025, in Thiruvananthapuram at the age of 74.



✓ Born in Tirunelveli, he served at the Satish Dhawan Space Centre, collaborated with Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, and wrote over 170 books. His works like Vinveli 2057 and Einsteinum Andaveliyum received multiple state awards.

# **REPORT**

- State of the World Population 2025: The Real Fertility Crisis"
- ✓ India's population is estimated to have reached 146.39 crore by April, says a new UN demographic report, which adds that the country's total fertility rate (TFR) has declined to 1.9, falling below the replacement level of 2.1.



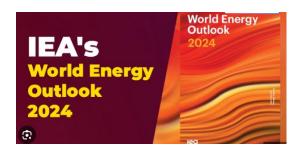
- ✓ The population is expected to grow to 170 crore before starting to dip in about 40 years, the report titled "State of the World Population 2025: The Real Fertility Crisis" says.
- ✓ It calls India the "world's most populous nation", while pegging China's current population at 141.61 crore.
- ✓ The last Census was conducted in 2011.
- > TN Aims to Eradicate Extreme Poverty by 2030
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu's Vision for Sustainable Development Goals, a report submitted by the state planning commission, aims at eliminating extreme poverty and reduce the population below the poverty line in TN to zero by 2030.



- √ "The major interventions of the state are employment generation schemes, housing facilities at an affordable cost, provision of health care, education, drinking water supply, sanitation and a good road network.
- ✓ TN is the first to introduce mid-day meals in schools which helped improve enrolment, reduce drop-outs and address poverty.

## International Energy Agency's Report

✓ According to the International Energy Agency's latest outlook, India has achieved the third-highest increase in power generation capacity worldwide over the past five years, trailing only China and the United States.



- ✓ This surge reflects robust electricity demand, a strong renewables push, and significant investment inflows.
- ✓ Global Ranking: India placed 3rd in power generation growth (2019–2024), behind China and the US.

#### India's Data Imperative'

✓ NITI Aayog's latest Future Front report titled "India's Data Imperative" brings attention to the urgent need for improving data quality across India's governance ecosystem.



- ✓ Launched in the presence of key government officials, the report outlines datarelated challenges like fragmentation, poor accuracy, and lack of standardization, while offering actionable tools for improvement.
- ✓ It underlines the role of quality data in delivering efficient public services and building trust in digital governance frameworks.

## Skills for the Future Report

✓ The report Skills for the Future – Transforming India's Workforce Landscape was released recently.



- ✓ It marks the importance of aligning education and vocational training with industry needs.
- ✓ It identifies that 88% of the workforce is engaged in low-competency jobs.
- ✓ Only 10-12% occupy high-competency roles.
- ✓ This disparity illustrates gap in skills and employment opportunities.
- ✓ The analysis is crucial for understanding the current state of skill development in India.

#### > NIF Progress Report 2025

✓ India has made notable strides in achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as brought into light in the National Indicator Framework (NIF) Progress Report 2025.



- ✓ It reflects improvements in sectors like health, education, and social protection since 2015–16.
- ✓ Statistics Day commemorates the contributions of Professor Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis.
- ✓ The government emphasises the importance of statistical reforms.
- ✓ This evolution supports the broader goal of Viksit Bharat.

# **RANKING**

#### Climate Change Performance Index 2025

✓ India ranks 10th in the Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2025, among the top climate performers.



- ✓ Climate change is no longer a future concern, it's a present global emergency.
- ✓ The Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2025 underscores this reality with sobering clarity.
- ✓ The CCPI aims to shine a spotlight on both progress and failure in international climate mitigation efforts.
- ✓ Despite decades of negotiations, emissions continue to rise, global temperatures edge dangerously close to tipping points, and only a fraction of countries are taking adequate action.

# ➤ Global Gender Gap Index 2025

✓ India has ranked 131 out of 148 countries in the World Economic Forum's Global Gender Gap Report 2025, slipping two places from its position last year.



- ✓ With a parity score of just 64.1%, India is among the lowest-ranked countries in South Asia.
- ✓ Bangladesh emerged as the best performer in South Asia, ranks 24.
- ✓ Nepal ranked 125, Sri Lanka 130, Bhutan 119, Maldives 138 and Pakistan 148.

#### WEF Energy Transition Index 2025

✓ India ranked 71st in the Energy Transition Index 2025 released by the World Economic Forum, a drop from last year's 63rd position.



- ✓ While the country advanced in energy efficiency, clean energy investments, and regulatory frameworks, gaps remain in energy equity, grid reliability, and import dependence.
- ✓ The report emphasized uneven global progress, with only 28% of countries improving in all three core energy dimensions.

## QS World University Rankings

✓ The Indian Institute of Technology - Madras (IIT-Madras) has made it to the top 200 varsities in the QS World University Rankings 2026 by climbing up 47 spots from its previous year's ranking of 227.



- ✓ While IIT Madras is ranked 180<sup>th</sup>, Anna University that is ranked 10<sup>th</sup> among Indian universities, slipped from 383<sup>rd</sup> to 465<sup>th</sup> position in global ranking.
- ✓ The institutions were evaluated based on multiple parameters like academic reputation, faculty-student ratio, international student diversity, graduate employability.

## ➤ India Makes Historic Entry into Top 100 in Global SDG Rankings

✓ India has made a historic entry into the top 100 of the 2025 UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Index, ranking 99th with a score of 67.



- ✓ This progress, highlighted in the Sustainable Development Report 2025, reflects India's improved performance in areas like healthcare, digital access, and basic infrastructure.
- ✓ India's leap is a strong signal of its commitment to Agenda 2030, sustainable growth, and global development leadership.
- Global Peace Index (GPI) 2025 released by IEP
- ✓ The average level of global peacefulness has deteriorated by 0.36 per cent, according to the Global Peace Index (GPI) 2025 released by the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP).



- ✓ Iceland continues to lead and set global standards in maintaining its position as the world's most peaceful country, a position it has held since 2008.
- ✓ India ranks 115th globally with a GPI score of 2.229.

# **IMPORTANT DAYS**

Date	Day	Theme
June 01	World Milk Day	2025 Theme "Let's Celebrate
		the Power of Dairy".
June 01	Global Day of	Theme "Raising Parents".
	Parents	
June 03	World Bicycle Day	Theme for 2025: "Cycling for a
		Sustainable Future".
June 05	World Environment	The theme for <b>World</b>
	Day	Environment Day
		2025 is "Beat Plastic
		Pollution."
June 07	World Food Safety	The theme for World Food
	Day	Safety Day 2025 is "Food
		Safety: Science in Action."
June 08	World Oceans Day	Theme - "Wonder: Sustaining
		what sustains us".
June 08	World Brain	The theme for World Brain
	Tumour Day	Tumor Day in 2025 is "Brain
		Health for All Ages".
June 09	World	The celebration,
	Accreditation Day	themed "Accreditation:
		Empowering Small and
		Medium Enterprises (SMEs)".
June 12	World Day Against	Theme — "Progress is clear, but
	Child Labour	there's more to do: let's speed
1 40	l. ( C l	up our efforts!"
June 13	International	The International Albinism
	Albinism	Awareness Day 2025 theme is
	Awareness Day	"Demanding our rights: Protect
luno 14	World Blood Donor	our skin, Preserve our lives".
June 14	World Blood Donor	This year the theme of this day
	Day	is "Give blood, give hope:
June 15	World Elder Abuse	together we save lives.
Julie 15		Theme is "Addressing Abuse of
	Awareness Day	Older Adults in Long-Term Care
		Facilities: Through Data and Action".
June 15	Global Wind Day	The Global Wind Day 2025
Julie 13	Global Wind Day	
		Leamhaidh Will taoile an tha
		campaign will focus on the
		theme "Day of Community

		Action".
June 17	World Crocodile	Theme, 'Connecting Crocodiles
	Day	and Communities'.
June 17	World Day to	Theme "Restore the Land.
	Combat	Unlock the Opportunities."
	Desertification and	
	Drought	
June 19	International Day	Theme "Breaking the Cycle,
	for the Elimination	Healing the Scars."
	of Sexual Violence	3 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -
	in Conflict	
June 19	World Sickle Cell	The theme for this year's World
	Awareness Day	Sickle Cell Day is "Global
		Action, Local Impact:
		Empowering Communities for
		Effective Self-Advocacy."
June 20	World Refugee Day	Theme "Solidarity with
	30 Lag	Refugees.
June 21	International Yoga	Theme for this year's
Julie 21	Day	International Yoga Day is "Yoga
		for One Earth, One Health."
June 21	World Music Day	The theme for World Music Day
	Trong madic bay	2025 is "Healing Through
		Harmony".
June 21	World Hydrography	The <b>theme</b> this year is <b>"Seabed</b>
	Day	Mapping: Enabling Ocean
		Action".
June 22	World Rainforest	Theme - Forests and Food.
	Day	
June 23	International	The 2025 theme is, "Let's
	Olympic Day	Move?".
June 23	International	Theme - Empowering Widows
	Widows' Day	Through Legal Rights and
		Inclusive Development".
June 26	International Day	
June 26	International Day Against Drug	Theme is "Breaking the Chains: Prevention, Treatment and
June 26		Theme is "Breaking the Chains:
June 26	Against Drug	Theme is "Breaking the Chains: Prevention, Treatment and
June 26 June 27	Against Drug Abuse and Illicit	Theme is "Breaking the Chains: Prevention, Treatment and
	Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	Theme is "Breaking the Chains: Prevention, Treatment and Recovery for all".
	Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking Micro-, Small and	Theme is "Breaking the Chains: Prevention, Treatment and Recovery for all".  Theme - "Enhancing the role of

June 29	National Statistics	For the 18th National Statistics
	Day	Day in 2024, the theme is "Use
		of data for decision-making"
June 30	World Asteroid Day	It's a global awareness
		campaign to educate the public
		about the potential dangers of
		asteroid impacts and the
		importance of planetary
		defense.
June 29	National Statistics	This year, the theme for the
	Day	National Statistics Day
		celebration is "75 Years of
		National Sample Survey".
June 30	International Day of	Theme - 'Achieving Gender
	<b>Parliamentarianism</b>	Equality, Action by Action'.



#### **TNPSC GROUP I PRELIMINARY EXAM 2025**

#### Life Science

#### **Current Affairs**

- 1. The Nobel Prize in Medicine was awarded to Victor Ambros and Gary Ruvkun for their discovery of
  - A. Expression Sequence Tags B. **Micro RNA** C. DNA micro array
  - D. SNP's E. Answer not known

விக்டர் அம்ரோஸ் மற்றும் கிரே ரவ்குன் ஆகியோரின் எந்த கண்டுபிடிப்புக்காக மருத்துவத்தில் நோபல் விருது வழங்கப்பட்டது?

- A. வெளிப்பாடு வரிசை மரபு குறிச்சொற்கள் f B. நுண் ஆர்.என்.ஏ (micro RNA)
- C. டி.என்.ஏ. நுண் அணி D. எஸ்.என்.பி. (SNP's)
- E. ഖിഥെ ചെടിധവിல്

## **Indian Polity**

## **Current Affairs**

- 2. Which of the following statements is incorrect about India's Act East Policy?
  - (A) This policy promotes proactive diplomacy with political and military intervention to curb insurgency in the Asia-Pacific region
  - (B) This policy was originally conceived as an economic initiative
  - (C) This policy focuses on the extend neighbourhood in Asia-Pacific region
  - (D) This policy promotes enhanced connectivity to Asia-Pacific region through North-Eastern Region
  - (E) Answer not known
  - பின்வரும் கூற்றுகளில் இந்தியாவின் கிழக்கு நோக்கிய கொள்கையின் தவறான ஒன்றாகும்.
  - A. ஆசிய பசிபிக் பிராந்தியத்தில் கிளர்ச்சியை கட்டுபடுத்த அரசியல் மற்றும் இராணுவ தலையீட்டை கொண்ட முன்முயற்சி ராஜதந்திரத்தை ஊக்குவிக்கிறது.
  - B. பொருளாதார முன்முயற்சியாக கருதப்பட்டது.
  - C. ஆசிய பசிபிக் பிராந்தியத்தில் உள்ள பரந்த சுற்றுப்புறத்தில் கவனம் செலுத்தியது.
  - D. ஆசிய பசிபிக் பிராந்தியத்தின் மேம்படுத்தப்பட்ட இணைப்பு வாயிலாக வட கிழக்கு பிராந்தியத்தில் இணைப்பை மேம்படுத்தியது.
  - E. விடை தெரியவில்லை

## Unit V: Indian Economy and Development Administration in Tamil Nadu Current affairs

3. Consider the Assertion (A) and Reason (R) and choose the correct answer. Assertion [A]: A remarkable difference between China and India was observed

regarding mass politics around air pollution control.

Reason [R]: China employing the approach of Historical Institutionalism

control air pollution.

- (A) Both [A] and [R] are correct statement; [R] is the correct explanation of [A]
- (B) Both [A] and [R] are correct; [R] is not the correct explanation of [A]
- (C) [A] is correct; But [R] is false
- (D) [R] is correct; But [A] is false
- (E) Answer not known

கீழ்வரும் கூற்று (A) மற்றும் காரணம் (R) வினாவை கருதுக. சுரியான விடையை தேர்ந்தெடுக்க.

கூற்று (A): காற்று மாசுபாட்டை கட்டுப்படுத்துவதில் சீனாவிற்கும் இந்தியாவிற்கும் இடையே

இருக்கும் மிகப்பெரிய வேறுபாடானது, அதனை சூழ்ந்திருக்ககூடிய வெகுஜன

அரசியலாகும் என்பதை காண முடிகிறது.

காரணம் (R): காற்று மாசுவை கட்டுப்படுத்துவதில் சீனா வரலாற்று நிறுவன அணுகு முறையை

பயன்படுத்துவதேயாகும்.

- A. (A) மற்றும் (R) இரண்டும் கூற்றும் சரி, (R) என்பது (A) க்கு சரியான விளக்கமாகும்.
- B. (A) மற்றும் (R) என்ற இரண்டும் சரி, (R) என்பது (A) க்கு சரியான விளக்கமல்ல.
- C. (A) என்பது சரி (R) என்பது தவறு
- D. (R) என்பது சரி, (A) என்பது தவறு
- E. ഖിഥെ ട്രെനിധവിல്തെ

## Unit VI: History, Culture, Heritage, and Socio-Political Movements in Tamil Nadu

#### **Current Affairs**

- Match correctly books/journals with authors 4.
  - (a) The Mirror of the year

1. A.P. Patro

(b) History of the Justice Party

- 2. N.S. Elango
- (c) From Sir Theagarayar to Dr. Kalaignar 3. Muthusami Pillai

(d) Justice Movement

4. A.R. Mudaliar

- (a) (b) (d) (c)
- 2 3 (A) 4 1
- 1 4 (B)
- (C) 4 3 1
- (D) 1 3 2 4
- Answer not known (E)
- ஆசிரியர்களுடன் அவர்களது புத்தகங்கள்/பத்திரிக்கைகளை சரியாகப் பொருத்தவும்.
- a. தி மிர்ரர் ஆப் தி இயர்

1. A.P. பேட்ரோ

b. ஹிஸ்ட்ரி ஆப் தி ஜஸ்டிஸ் பார்ட்டி

- 2. N.S. இளங்கோ
- c. சர் தியாகராயரிலிருந்து Dr. கலைஞர் வரை
- 3. முத்துசாமி பிள்ளை

d. ஜஸ்டிஸ் முவ்மெண்ட்

4. A.R. முதலியார்

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- E. ഖിഥെ தெரியவில்லை

# Welfare oriented Government schemes and their utility

- 5. Assertion [A]: Development of a nation depends on infrastructure facilities.
  - Reason [R]:Transport and communication are the back bone of economic development.
  - (A) [A] and [R] is true and [R] is correct explanation for [A]
  - (B) [A] is true but [R] is false
  - (C) [A], [R] is true but [R] is not the correct explanation of [A]
  - (D) Both [A] and [R] are not correct

- (E) Answer not known
- கூற்று (A): நாட்டின் வளர்ச்சி உட்கட்டமைப்பு வசதியைச் சார்ந்தது.
- காரணம் (R): போக்குவரத்து மற்றும் தொலைதொடர்பு, பொருளாதார வளர்ச்சியின் முதகெலும்பாகும்.
- ${f A.}$   ${f (A)}$  மற்றும்  ${f (R)}$  சரியே,  ${f (R)}$  க்கான மிகச் சரியான விளக்கம்  ${f (A)}$  ஆகும்.
- B. (A) சரி ஆனால் (R) தவறு
- C. (A), (R) சரியே, ஆனால் (R), (A) க்கான சரியான விளக்கமல்ல
- D. (A) மற்றும் (R) இரண்டும் தவறு
- E. ഖിഥെ ചെടിധവിல്
- 6. Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act was enacted in the year
  - (A) 2013 (B) 2017 (C) 2014 (D) 2016 E. Answer not known பணியிடங்களில் பெண்களுக்கு பாலியல் துன்புறுத்துதல் (தடுப்பு மற்றும் சட்டத்தடுப்பு, துயர் துடைப்பு) தடைசட்டம் இயற்றப்பட்ட ஆண்டு
  - **A. 2013** B. 2017 C. 2014 D. 2016 E. விடை தெரியவில்லை
- 7. Name the scheme, a Tri-ministerial effort which includes Women and Child Development, Health and Family Welfare and Human Resource Development.
  - (A) Integrated Child Development Scheme
  - (B) Child Development Scheme
  - (C) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme
  - (D) Smart City Mission
  - (E) Answer not known
  - பெண்கள் மற்றும் குழந்தைகளின் முன்னேற்றம் சுகாதாரம் மற்றும் குடும்ப நலன் மனிதவளம் மேம்பாடு ஆகியனவற்றை உள்ளடக்கிய மூன்று அமைச்சரவைகளின் முயற்சித் திட்டம் எது?
  - A. ஒருங்கிணைந்த குழந்தை வளர்ச்சித் திட்டம்
  - B. குழந்தை வளர்ச்சித் திட்டம்
  - С. பேட்டி பச்சாவோ பேட்டி பதாவோ திட்டம்
  - D. ஸ்மார்ட் சிட்டி திட்டம்
  - E. விடை தெரியவில்லை

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		Gujara				3. Jal Hi Jeevan Hai
	(d) Haryana					4. Sujalam Sufalam Jal Sanchay Abhiyan
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	(B)		2		4	
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	(D)	4	1	2	3	
	(E) A	Answ	er no	t knov	wn	
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		ஜராத் ஆராத்				3. ஜல் ஹய் ஜீவன் ஹாய்
	u.	अगीधार			4	4. சுஜலாம் சுபலாம் ஜல் சஞ்சய் திட்டம்
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	(c) S	wach	h Bha	arat Ā	bhiya	n 3. 1995
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a. குடிநீர் வழங்கல் திட்டம்

- 1. 2014
- b. மகளைக் காப்பாற்று மகளைப் படிக்க வை திட்டம்
- 2. 2019

c. தூய்மை இந்தியா திட்டம்

3. 1995

d. தேசிய சமூக உதவித் திட்டம்

4. 2015

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- B. 2 1 3 4
- C. 1 2 3 4
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- E. விடை தெரியவில்லை
- 10. Assertion [A]: A recent study by the World Health Organization (WHO) commissioned by the Jal Shakti Ministry reported that Jal Jeevan Mission would succeed in averting close to 4,00,000 deaths from diarrheal diseases, saving approximately 14 million DALYS

Reason [R]: It is envisioned by the Department of Drinking water and sanitation to provide safe and adequate drinking water through individual household tap connections by 2024 to all households in rural India.

- (A) [A] is true but [R] is false
- (B) Both [A] and [R] are true; and [R] is the correct explanation of [A]
- (C) [A] is false, [R] is true
- (D) Both [A] and [R] are true, but [R] is not the correct explanation of [A]
- (E) Answer not known

நியமிக்கப்பட்ட கூற்று (A): ஜல் சக்கி அமைச்சகத்தால் உலக சுகாதார அமைப்பின் சமீபக்கிய ஆய்வில், ജ്ബ ജ്ഛ്ഖത് மிஷன் ഖധിന്ദ്ന്വല போக்கு நோய்களால் ஏற்படும் 4,00,000 இறப்புகளைத் தடுப்பதில் வெற்றி பெறும் என்றும், சுமார் 14 மில்லியன் DALYS மிச்சப்படுத்தும் என்றும் வலியுறுத்தப்பட்டது.

ஆண்டுக்குள் காரணம் (R): 2024 ஆம் கிராமப்புரு இந்தியாவில் <u>உ</u>ள்ள குழாய் வீடுகளுக்கும் தனிப்பட்**ட** குடிநீர் இணைப்புகள் மூலம் அனைக்து பாகுகாப்பான மந்நும் போதுமான குடிநீரை வழங்க குடிநீர் மந்நும் சுகாதாரத் துறையால் திட்டமிடப்பட்டுள்ளது.

- A. (A) சரி, ஆனால் (R) தவறு
- B. (A) மற்றும் (R) இரண்டும் சரி, மற்றும் (R) என்பது (A) விற்கு சரியான விளக்கமாகும்.
- C. (A) தவறு, ஆனால் (R) சரி
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  m R})$  இரண்டும் சரி, ஆனால்  $({
  m R})$  என்பது  $({
  m A})$  விற்கு சரியான விளக்கமல்ல
- E. ഖിഥെ தெரியவில்லை

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	ii. 🧈	<b>டி</b> றிவியல்	அறிவு	ഖണ്	ச்சிக்க	காக						
	iii. ச	மூகப் பல	ன்பாடு	முன்ே	னற்று	ம் ஏற்	பட்டது	<b> .</b>				
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	(4)		Poverty alleviation through SHG							
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	(C)	(2) an	d (3)	are co	rrect		(D) (1) and (4) are correct			
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		ச்ரியான பொருத்தங்களை தேர்ந்தெடுக்கவும் (1) 'யாமா பிரசாத் முகர்ஜி - ரூர்பன் மிஷன் ஒருங்கிணைந்த கிளஸ்டர்								
	(3)	செயல் திட்டங்கள் (2) சான்சத் ஆதாஷ் கிராம யோஜனா - உலகளாவிய தரத்திற்கு திறன் பயிற்சி (3) ராஷ்டிரியா கிராம் ஸ்வராஜ் அபியான் - பஞ்சாயத்துகளில் மின்னணு ஆளுகை (4) தீன் தயாள் அந்த்யோதயா யோஜனா - சுய உதவிக் குழுக்கள் மூலம் வறுமை ஒழிப்பு								
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	D. 1	amil ]	ruma	livari	n.		2. Women college students who studies in government schools till 12 <sup>th</sup>			
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	c. Vidiyal Payanam						3. Woman head in a family			
		,	,		ittam		4. College students who one studying			
	d. Pudumai Penn Thittam						in government and government aided			
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பின்வருவனவற்றை சரியாக பொருத்திக் காட்டவும் திட்டம் பயனாளிகள் கலைஞர் மகளிர் 1. பெண்களுக்கான இலவச அரசு (a) உரிமைத் திட்டம் பேருந்துப் பயணம் தமிழ் புதல்வன் 2. 12ம் வகுப்பு வரை அரசு பள்ளிகளில் (b) படித்த பெண் கல்லூரி மாணவர்கள் ഖിഥ്യാർ വധങ്ങൾ 3. பெண் குடும்பத் தலைவி (c) (d) புதுமைப் பெண் திட்டம் 4. அரசு மற்றும் அரசு உதவிப் பெறும் கல்லூரியில் படிக்கும் மாணவர்களுக்கு d b a C 3 2 A 4 1

# Political parties and welfare schemes for various sections of people

- 15. The Justice Party was established in the year 1916 by whom?
  - (A) T.M. Nair and Thiyagaraya Chetty
  - (B) P. Rangaiah Naidu and P. Ananda Charlu

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- (C) Chidamparam Pillai and Subramania Siva
- (D) Jotirao Phule and Ram Mohan Roy
- (E) Answer not known

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நீதிக்கட்சி யாரால் 1916 ஆம் ஆண்டு நிறுவப்பட்டது?

- A. T.M. நாயர் மற்றும் தியாகராய செட்டி
- B. P. ரங்கய்யா நாயுடு மற்றும் P. ஆனந்த சார்லு
- C. சிதம்பரம் பிள்ளை மற்றும் சுப்பிரமணிய சிவா
- D. ஜோதிராவ் பூலே மற்றும் ராம்மேகன் ராய்
- E. ഖിഥെ தെரியவில்லை
- 16. Who introduced the modified scheme of elementary education which provided part-time learning of hereditary occupations?
  - A. K. Kamaraj
- B. C. Rajagopalachari
- C. T. Prakasam
- D. Raja of Panagal E. Answer not known

பரம்பரைத் தொழில்களைப் பகுதி நேரமாக கற்கும் வகையில் மாற்றியமைக்கப்பட்ட தோடக்க கல்வித் திட்டத்தை அறிமுகப்படுத்தியவர் யார்?

- A. K. காமராஜ்
- B. C. ராஜகோபாலாச்சாரி
- C. T. பிரகாசம்

- D. பனகல் அரசர்
- E. விடை தெரியவில்லை

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17.	Which among the following is incorrectly paired?
	<ul> <li>i. Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojana - Construction of hostels for SC students</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>ii. Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana - Improving the quality of life of senior citizens</li> </ul>
	iii. Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram - Socio economic development
	of refugees
	iv. Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Vikas Mission- Strengthening tribal
	entrepreneurship
	A. (ii) only  B. (i) and (ii) only  C. (iii) only
	D. (iv) only  E. Answer not known
	பின்வருவனவற்றுள் தவறாக இணைக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது எது?
	i. பாபு ஜக்ஜீவன் ராம் சத்ரவாஸ் திட்டம் - பட்டியலின மாணவர்களுக்கான விடுதிகள் கட்டுதல்
	ii. அடல் வயோ அப்யுத்தே திட்டம் - மூத்த குடிமக்களின் வாழ்க்கைத் தரத்தை மேம்படுத்துதல்
	iii. பிரதம மந்திரி ஜன் விகாஸ் கார்யகிரம் - அகதிகளின் சமூக–பொருளாதார வளர்ச்சி
	iv. பிரதம மந்திரி ஜன்ஜதிய விகாஸ் இயக்கம் - பழங்குடியினரின் தொழில் முனைவை வலுப்படுத்துதல்
	A. ii மட்டும்
	D. iv மட்டும் E. விடை தெரியவில்லை
18.	Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Solar Powered Green House Scheme
	(CMSPGHS) was launched for the benefit of the
	A. Poor in rural areas  B. Poor in the semi urban areas
	C. Poor in the small town  D. Salaried class people
	E. Answer not known
	தமிழக முதலைமைச்சரின் சூரிய ஒளியில் இயங்கும் பசுமை வீடு திட்டம் தொடங்கப்பட்டது.
	${f A}$ . <b>கிராமப்புற ஏழை மக்களுக்காக</b> ${f B}$ . சிறிய நகர்ப்புற ஏழை மக்களுக்காக
	C. நகர்ப்புற ஏழை மக்களுக்கா D. சம்பள வகுப்பு மக்களுக்காக
	E. விடை தெரியவில்லை
19.	Choose the right matches among type:
	a. 'Indian World' Journal 1. J.S. Buckingham
	b. 'Telegraph' Journal 2. Charles MacLean
	c. 'Bengal Kirkaru' Journal 3. Mekenly
	d. 'Calcutta' Journal 4. Duane
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	(a) (b) (c) (d)
	(A) 4 3 2 1
	(B) 2 3 1 4
	(C) 3 1 4 2
	(D) 1 4 2 3
	சரியான விடையைப் பொருத்துக:
	a. 'இந்திய உலகம்' இதழ் 1. ஜே.எஸ். பக்கிங்காம்
	b. 'டெலிகிராப்' இதழ்
	c. 'பெங்கால் கிர்க்காரு' இதழ் 3. மெக்கன்லி
	d. 'கலகத்தா' இதழ் 4. டியூவான்
	a b c d
	A. 4 3 2 1
	B. 2 3 1 4
	C. 3 1 4 2
	D. 1 4 2 3
	E. விடை தெரியவில்லை
20.	The Scheme "Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan" focuses on i. To improve the socio-economic condition of tribal communities ii. To empower tribal women and promote gender equality iii. To provide high quality education for the tribal children A. (i) only B. (ii) only C. (iii) only D. (i) and (ii) only E. Answer not known பிரதான் மந்திரி ஜன்ஜாதி ஆதிவாசி நியாய மகா அபியான் திட்டத்தின் நோக்கமானது  i. பழங்குடி சமூகங்களின் சமூக — பொருளாதார நிலையை மேம்படுத்துதல் ii. பழங்குடி பெண்களுக்கு அதிகாரம் அளித்தல் மற்றும் பாலின சமத்துவத்தை ஊக்குவித்தல் iii. பழங்குடி குழந்தைகளுக்கு உயர்தர கல்வியை வழங்குதல் A. i மட்டும் B. ii மட்டும் C. iii மட்டும் D. i மற்றும் ii மட்டும் E. விடை தெரியவில்லை
21.	Arrange the following programmes in chronological order:  i. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Gramin  ii. Deen Dayal Upadhayaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana  iii. Pradhan Manthri Gram Sadak Yojana  iv. Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan
	A. (1), (2), (3), (4) B. (3), (1), (2), (4) C. (3), (4), (1), (2) D. (3), (2), (1), (4) Answer not known
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பின்வரும் நிரல்களைக் காலவரிசைப்படி அமைக்கவும்.

1. பிரதான் மந்திரி அவாஸ் யோஜனா – கிராமீன்

2. தீன் தயாள் உபாதாயாய கிராமீன் கௌசல்ய யோஜனா

3. பிரதான் மந்திரி கிராம் சதக் யோஜனா

4. சமக்ர சிக்ஷா அபியான்

A. 1, 2, 3, 4

B. 3, 1, 2, 4

C. 3, 4, 1, 2

D. 3, 2, 1, 4

E. விடை தெரியவில்லை



