

# EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS-JANUARY 19, 2023

# **TAMIL NADU**

- ➤ Tamil Nadu's first-ever Chennai International Book Fair (CIBF) concluded on January 18
- ✓ Chief Minister M K Stalin addressed the CIBF's valedictory function at YMCA Nandanam in Chennai



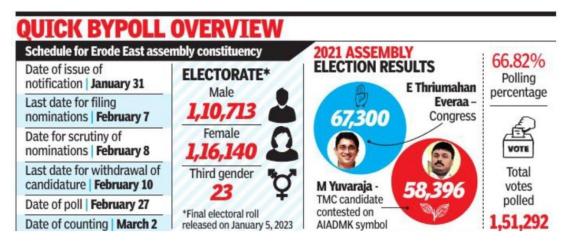
- ✓ During his address, the CM said that the government has sanctioned Rs.3 crore as translation grant
- ✓ A total of 90 books have been chosen for translation from Tamil to other languages and from other languages to Tamil.
- ✓ Several books are likely to be added to the list with 365 MoUs signed with publishing houses from 30 different countries.
- ✓ Some of the Tamil books, to be translated into English and other languages, include Veeramamunivar's Thembavani, M Karunanidhi's Kuraloviyam, a dozen Sangam literature books and Periyar's works.
- ✓ Similarly, among hundreds of books displayed by foreign countries, bureaucrats here have chosen a set of books to be translated into Tamil.
- ✓ At the event, CM Stalin released a set of medical books, which were translated into Tamil.

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➤ On January 18, Chief minister M K Stalin - launched a software application for the Directorate of Survey and Settlement that automatically subdivides and transfers 'pattas' in the names of those who buy plots in approved layouts.



- ✓ So far, separate applications had to be made for subdivisions when plots are purchased in approved layouts.
- ✓ The land surveyors visit separately to measure and sub-divide the plots.
- ✓ Approximately, 1.5 lakh applications are received every month seeking subdivisions and there is a huge delay in transferring pattas for sub-divisions.
- ✓ With this new software, all plots in the approved layouts will be sub-divided and
  patta will be issued in the name of the individual owners.
- ✓ Pattas will be automatically transferred in the name of the buyer minutes after the lands are purchased through registration.
- ✓ Public need not apply separately for patta transfer or visit the tahsildar office.
- ➤ On January 18, the Election Commission announced byelection to the Erode East constituency in Tamil Nadu on February 27.



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- ✓ It follows the death of Congress MLA Thirumahan Everaa, who is the great grandson of social reformer 'Periyar' E V Ramasamy and son of former Union minister E V K S Elangovan.
- ✓ With the DMK's backing, the Congress is looking to retain the constituency, which is one of the 25 seats allotted to it in the DMK's Secular Progressive Alliance.
- ✓ The party polled 67,300 votes and G K Vasan's TMC, an ally of the AIADMK, had contested on the two leaves symbol and lost by a margin of 6% votes in 2021.
- ✓ The AIADMK did not contest the bypoll to the local bodies in June last year
- ➤ The Thamirabarani waterbird count (TWC), the annual bird census taken along the river banks of the Thamirabarani river will be held from January 27 to 29.



- ✓ ATREE's Agasthyamalai Community Conservation Centre (ACCC) joins hands with Nellai Neer Valam, Tirunelveli, Pearl City Nature Society, Thoothukudi, Nellai Nature Club, Tirunelveli, and District Science Centre, Tirunelveli to organize the TWC 2023.
- ✓ It will be the 13th edition of the exercise.
- ✓ The perennial Thamirabarani, tributaries and irrigation tanks in Tirunelveli, Tenkasi and Tuticorin districts provide water for irrigation and make these districts as rice bowl and banana basket of southern Tamil Nadu.
- ✓ The tanks in these districts attract a large number of waterfowls and many migratory birds during winter.
- ✓ More than 100 species of waterbirds have been recorded in the Thamirabarani landscape.
- ✓ Tanks like Koonthankulam, Nainarkulam, Soorangudi in Tirunelveli district, Thirupani Chettikulam, Moopanpatti tank in Tuticorin district and Vagaikulam, Rajagopalaperi tank in Tenkasi district are ideal habitat for nesting of birds.

### **STATES**

> On January 18, the Election Commission - announced two-phase assembly polls across three northeastern states, Tripura, Meghalaya and Nagaland

- ✓ Voting for Assembly elections in Tripura will be held in a single phase on February 16 and in Nagaland and Meghalaya on February 27
- ✓ The results of all three states will be declared on March 2, 2023.
- ✓ The term of the 60-member legislative Assemblies of Nagaland, Meghalaya, and Tripura is respectively coming to an end on March 12, March 15, and March 22
- ✓ Tripura is currently being ruled by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)-led coalition.
- ✓ Meghalaya is being ruled by the National People's Party (NPP) and it's the only party from the northeast to have national party recognition.
- ✓ In Nagaland, the Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP) is in power, with BJP being a part of the ruling coalition
- ✓ A total of 62.8 lakh voters will cast their vote in the three states

# INDIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

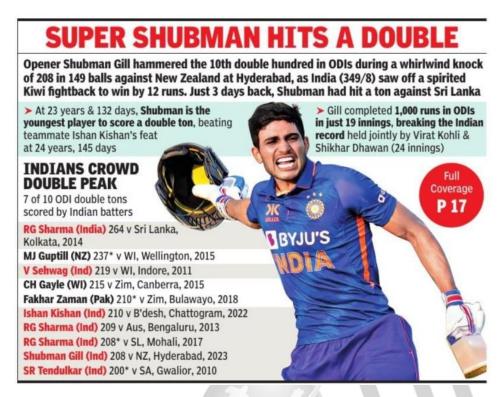
➤ India and the Maldives - signed three MoUs and India handed over two sea ambulances to the Maldives



- ✓ This was announced after Minister of external affairs S Jaishankar held discussions with Maldives foreign minister Abdulla Shahid in Male, Maldives
- ✓ During the discussions, both the ministers discussed the full spectrum of special bilateral partnership with a focus on development cooperation, capacity building and people-to-people ties
- ✓ The two ministers also witnessed the handover of two sea ambulances from India to the ministry of defence of Maldives.

### **SPORTS**

Indian opener, Shubman Gill - became the youngest batsman to hit a double hundred in one-day internationals during the first ODI between India and New Zealand at Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium in Hyderabad on January 18



- ✓ Gill is also the fifth Indian after Sachin Tendulkar, Virender Sehwag, Rohit Sharma and Ishan Kishan to hit an ODI double hundred.
- ✓ Ishan Kishan, on December 10, had become the youngest ODI double centurion but the record was broken by Shubman Gill, aged 23 years and 132 days
- ✓ During the course of his scintillating knock, Gill broke the Indian record for fastest to reach 1000 ODI runs, which was jointly held by Virat Kohli and Shikhar Dhawan (24 innings) for years.

#### QUICKEST TO 1,000 RUNS IN ODIS

Batter	For	Inns	Ave. at the end of the innings
Fakhar Zaman	Pak	18	76.07
Imam-ul-Haq	Pak	19	63.18
Shubman Gill	India	19	68.87
Vivian Richards	WI	21	70.60
Kevin Pietersen	Eng/ICC	21	67.00
Jonathan Trott	Eng	21	54.10
Quinton de Kock	SA	21	47.66
Babar Azam	Pak	21	51.85
Rassie van der Dussen	SA	21	73.42

—The previous record India was shared Virat Kohli and Shikhar Dhawan (24 innings each)

- ✓ Gill in fact is now the joint second-fastest ever (19 innings) to hit 1000 runs in one-day internationals along with Pakistan's Imam-ul-Haq
- ✓ Pakistan's Fakhar Zaman holds the record for scoring the fastest 1000 runs in ODIs (18 innings)

- ✓ Gill won BCCI's award for Best Junior Cricketer in consecutive years in 2013-14 and 2014-15.
- ➤ Asian Games medallist and two-time Olympian, Dutee Chand was provisionally suspended on January 17 for failing a dope test



- ✓ The 26-year-old national 100m record holder failed an out-of-competition test conducted by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) on December 5 last year in Bhubaneswar.
- ✓ Chand's 'A' sample tested positive for banned anabolic agents and arine, enobosarm and ligandrol.
- ✓ The class of substance comes under Selective Androgen Receptor Modulators (SARMs) in WADA prohibited list and can lead to a ban for four years.
- ✓ It is a type of supplement that helps build muscle mass and burn fat.
- ✓ Chand, who won two silver medals at the 2018 Jakarta Asian Games, set the
  current 100m national record of 11.17 seconds at Patiala in June 2021.
- ✓ She had also qualified for the 100m at the 2016 Rio Olympics.
- ✓ Back in 2019, she became the first Indian woman sprinter to win gold at a Universiade, winning it in 100 m event in 2019.
- ✓ Dutee also won Bronze in 2013, 2017 and 2019 in the Asian Championships.

