

✓ The event is being held with support from the State government and Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation Limited (TAHDCO).

PERSONALITIES

> Army's First Woman Subedar

✓ Shooter Preeti Rajak becomes Army's first woman Subedar.



- Havildar Preeti Rajak, who won a silver medal in the women's trap shooting at the 19th Asian Games at Hangzhou in China last year, has been promoted to the rank of Subedar, becoming the Army's first woman Subedar.
- ✓ Subedar Rajak joined the Corps of Military.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Indian Newspaper Day: January 28

 This day is observed to commemorate the launch of India's first newspaper in 1780.



- ✓ Irishman James Augustus Hicky launched the first printed newspaper in India. It was known as the Original Calcutta General Advertiser or Hicky's Bengal Gazette.
- ✓ It was an English-language weekly publication. Augustus Hicky is also known as the "father of the Indian press".
- The purpose of observing Indian Newspaper Day is to create awareness about the value of reading a newspaper.

> World Leprosy Day: January 28

✓ World Leprosy Day is observed annually on the last Sunday of January. This year it falls on 28th January.



- ✓ This day aims to raise awareness about leprosy, a chronic infectious disease that primarily affects the skin, peripheral nerves, and eyes. The day promotes efforts to eliminate leprosy and address the stigma associated with it.
- ✓ The theme for World Leprosy Day 2024 is "Beat Leprosy". This theme encapsulates the dual objectives of the day: to eradicate the stigma associated with leprosy and to promote the dignity of people affected by the disease.

