

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – DECEMBER 19, 2022

TAMIL NADU

- The Greater Chennai Corporation - has identified 18 major roads in Chennai to be transformed into 'litter-free corridors'.

MAJOR LITTER-FREE STRETCHES



FOR CLEAN CITY: The Chennai corporation has said hefty penalty will be levied on people who dump waste on roads

- Cathedral Road – Anna Salai to TKK Road | **1.1 km**
- Thiagaraya Road – Ma Po Si Statue to Pondy Bazaar Police Station | **1.5 km**
- Elliot's Beach Road – Annai Velankanni Church to Besant Nagar 5th avenue | **0.8 km**
- Poonamalle High Road – Dassa Prakash Hotel to Koyambedu bridge | **6.8 km**
- Tiruvottiyur High Road – Tollgate to Ernavoor bridge | **5.8 km**

TOTAL – 18 stretches to be litter free corridor

- ✓ The civic body will undertake a massive drive to remove all types of waste on these roads on December 21.
- ✓ The project covers a road length of 74. 2km and over 300 conservancy staff would be pressed into service
- ✓ Some of the major stretches where cleaning work would be taken up include Kamarajar Salai in Manali, Poonamalle High Road, Cathedral Road, Thiagaraya Road, Elliot's Beach Road, OMR and GST Road, among others.
- ✓ During the cleaning process, the corporation will place 442 medium-sized bins in these roads where people can throw the waste.
- ✓ There will be separate compartments for bio-degradable and non bio-degradable waste.
- ✓ The corporation will also place do-not litter sign boards and levy penalty amounts in case of violations.

- ✓ To execute this, the corporation will form an enforcement squad with conservancy inspector, conservancy supervisor, and assistant executive engineer for levying fines

DEFENCE

- **Defence minister Rajnath Singh – commissioned the indigenously built ‘Visakhapatnam’ class stealth destroyer warship INS Mormugao on December 18**



- ✓ The warship, named after the historic port city in the coastal State of Goa, was built by the Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDSL).
- ✓ It is the second of the four P-15B stealth, guided-missile destroyers indigenously designed by the Indian Navy's Warship Design Bureau.
- ✓ Also present on the occasion were General Anil Chauhan, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) of the Indian Armed Forces; Navy Chief Admiral R. Hari Kumar; Goa CM Pramod Sawant along with Goa Governor Sreedharan Pillai among others.
- ✓ Mormugao coincidentally undertook first sea trial on December 19, 2021, when Goa celebrated 60 years of liberation from the Portuguese rule.
- ✓ The 163 metres long and 17 metres wide warship is equipped with sophisticated state of the art weapons and sensors such as surface to surface missile and surface to air missiles.
- ✓ It has a displacement of 7,400 tonnes and a maximum speed of 30 knots (55 kmph).

SPORTS

- **Argentina - won the FIFA World Cup 2022 after defeating France 4-2 on penalties, following a 3-3 draw in extra-time, in the final at the Lusail Stadium in Qatar.**



- ✓ During the tournament, Lionel Messi has surpassed Lothar Matthäus (Germany) for the record of most FIFA World Cup matches played by a player (26).
- ✓ Further, Argentina extended their record for the most penalty shoot-out victories in FIFA World Cup tournaments by a team (6).
- ✓ During the tournament, Messi set several records which include the titles of Most Man of the Match awards won at the FIFA World Cup (11), First person to assist at five different FIFA World Cups, Most FIFA World Cup appearances as captain (19), and Most appearances in FIFA World Cup tournaments by a player (male) (5).
- ✓ Lionel Messi won the Golden Ball at the FIFA World Cup 2022 as the Argentina captain was named the tournament's best player.
 - ✓ Kylian Mbappe from France and Luka Modric from Croatia came second and third respectively.
- ✓ Messi ended up as the second-highest goal scorer in the tournament with seven goals, next to France's Kylian Mbappe, who scored eight goals.
 - ✓ He also engineered three assists which were converted into goals.
- ✓ The 35-year-old became the first man to score in the last 16, quarter-final, semi-final and final of the same edition
- ✓ Messi, who has scored a record 26 goals for Argentina in major international tournaments, is the only player to win the Golden Ball twice (2014 and 2022).
- ✓ Since Golden Ball was instituted in the 1982 edition in Spain, only three players had won it along with the World Cup trophy
 - ✓ This includes Paolo Rossi of Italy (1982), Diego Maradona of Argentina (1986) and Romario of Brazil (1994).



- ✓ The Adidas Golden Boot was won by Kylian Mbappe, with 8 goals and 2 assists.
 - ✓ Lionel Messi collected the Silver Boot and Olivier Giroud from France the Bronze.
- ✓ Mbappe is the second player to score a hat-trick in a World Cup final after England's Geoff Hurst (1966 vs Germany).
- ✓ Since Golden Boot was introduced in 1982, only player to have won it by scoring the most goals is Brazil's Ronaldo, who scored eight goals in the 2002 edition
- ✓ France's Just Fontaine, however, holds the record for the most number of goals in a single edition of the World Cup, 13 at Sweden 1958.
- ✓ Emiliano Martinez (Argentina) collected the Adidas Golden Glove while England took the FIFA Fair Play award
- ✓ Enzo Fernandez (Argentina) bagged the young player of the tournament award
- ✓ The last South American champion was Brazil, and that was also achieved in Asia — when Japan and South Korea hosted the tournament in 2002.
- ✓ By winning the 2022 edition of World Cup, Argentina won the prize money of \$42 million, which is approximately equal to Rs 344 crore.
- ✓ The runners-up France won \$30 million in prize money, which is equal to Rs 248 crore.
- ✓ Croatia finished third in the tournament, beating Morocco 2-1, and the two teams received \$27 million and \$25 million respectively.
- ✓ All the 32 participants received a sum of \$1.5 million each as preparation costs for the tournament
- ✓ Argentina has won three FIFA World Cup titles in the country's illustrious football history (1978, 1986 and 2022), behind only Brazil's world-best five, and four each for Germany and Italy.
- ✓ Argentina was runner-up three times, in 1930, 1990, and 2014.
- ✓ Additionally, Argentina won gold medals at the 2004 and 2008 Olympic Football tournaments.
- ✓ Argentina has won the Under 20 World Cup tournament six times.

ARGENTINA 1ST SOUTH AMERICAN TEAM TO WIN WC IN 20 YRS

Lionel Messi's once-in-a-generation career is complete. The Argentina superstar is finally a World Cup champion. He scored 2 goals and then another in a shootout as Argentina beat France 4-2 on penalties to claim a third WC title despite Kylian Mbappé scoring the first hat-trick in a final in 56 years. Now there's no debate. Messi is definitively in the pantheon of soccer's greatest-ever players, alongside Pele — a record three-time World Cup champion from Brazil — and Diego Maradona, the late Argentina great with whom Messi was so often compared

1 Messi becomes the 1st player to score in group stage, round of 16, quarter-final, semi-final and final in a single edition of a World Cup

21 With overall 13 goals and 8 assists, Lionel Messi's 20 goal involvements are the most of any player on record at the World Cup (1966 onwards). He scored his 100 int'l career goal in the extra-time

17 He is now the joint most winner (17) of WC matches along with German legend Miroslav Klose

26 Messi overtakes Germany's Lothar Matthaus in most appearances by a player in WC

1 Kylian Mbappe is the 1st player to score a WC final hat-trick & lose the match. Geoff Hurst scored thrice in England's 4-2 win v Germany in 1966

4 Mbappé has scored more World Cup final goals than any other player in the tournament's history (scored one in 2018 vs Croatia)

44 year-old Lionel Scaloni is the youngest coach to win the World Cup since his compatriot Cesar Luis Menotti in 1978 (39)



Messi kisses the World Cup after winning the Golden Ball trophy

Golden Ball

Messi (7 goals & 3 assists)

Golden Boot

Mbappe (8 goals)

Golden Glove

Emi Martinez

MESSI HAS NOW SCORED:

2 goals in a World Cup Final

13 World Cup goals

18 goals for Argentina in 2022

100 goals for Argentina

793 senior career goals



French president Emmanuel Macron and Argentine goalkeeper Emiliano Martinez comfort France's Kylian Mbappe

FULL COVERAGE: P 19

TOTAL GOALS
172

8

Kylian Mbappe
(France-Golden Boot)



7

Lionel Messi
(Argentina)

4

Julian Alvarez
(Argentina),
Olivier Giroud
(France)

3

Enner Valencia (Ecuador), **Cody Gakpo** (Netherlands), **Marcus Rashford** (England), **Alvaro Morata** (Spain), **Bukayo Saka** (England), **Richarlison** (Brazil), **Goncalo Ramos** (Portugal)

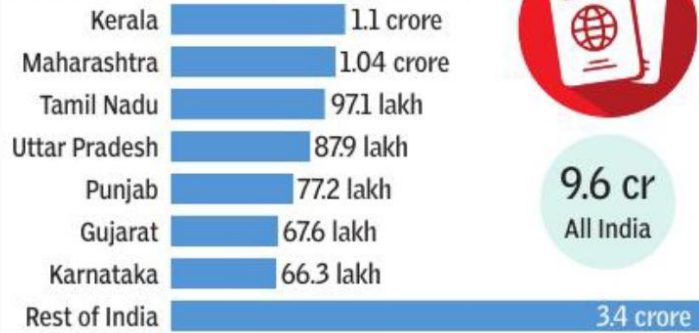
RANKINGS

- **Kerala and Maharashtra – has the highest number of passport holders in the country**
- ✓ Over 2.2 crore or nearly a quarter (23%) of the passports were issued in Kerala and Maharashtra, according to data from the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA)
- ✓ As of mid December, 9.6 crore Indians held passports, comprising 7.2% of India's population

KERALA HAS MOST **PASSPORT HOLDERS**

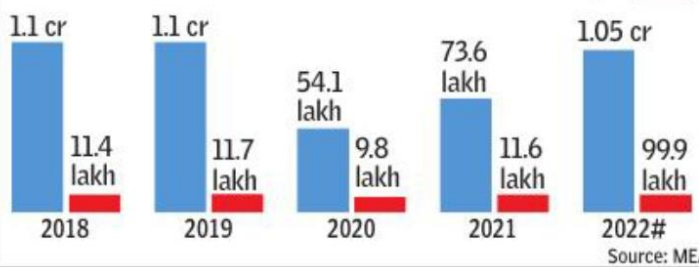
Number Of Passport Holders

All Figures Rounded Off | Data Up To Dec 12



■ Passports Issued In India* ■ Passports Issued Abroad*

*All Figures Rounded Off | #Up To Nov 30 | Issued Abroad Are At Indian Missions



- ✓ Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Gujarat and Karnataka are among the other big states with high numbers.
- ✓ As part of reforms, the Centre has been increasing the number of Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) across the country and easing the process to avail a passport.
- ✓ While only Kerala and Maharashtra have over one crore passport holders each, Tamil Nadu is really close with 97 lakh.
- ✓ Similarly, UP, which has more than double the population of Tamil Nadu, has 87.9 lakh passport holders
- ✓ Punjab, whose residents are known to migrate, has more than 77 lakh passport holders, followed by Gujarat (67.6 lakh) and Karnataka (66.3 lakh).
- ✓ These seven states together have nearly two-thirds of all passport holders in the country — over 6.1 crore — while Andaman and Nicobar Islands has the least number of passport holders (4,316).