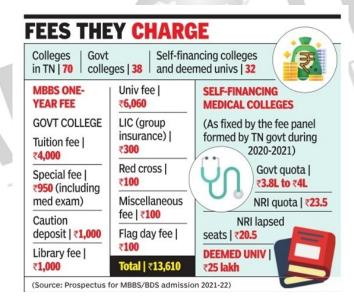


EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS-july 26,

TAMIL NADU

➤ The state health department - has told self-financing medical colleges and deemed universities to charge fees on a par with government colleges for 50% of the seats.



- ✓ Accordingly, the colleges should charge Rs.13,610 a year, including a tuition fee of Rs. 4,000, instead of Rs. 25 lakh.
- ✓ The fee fixation committee will fix fees for the remaining seats for the upcoming academic year.
- ✓ Tamil Nadu has 10,725 MBBS seats in 70 medical colleges 38 government, 19 self-financing colleges and 13 deemed universities.
- ✓ The state has the most government colleges, which charge one of the lowest fees.
- ✓ The fee fixation committee fixes fees for students joining under government, management, and NRI quotas and lapsed NRI seats.

- ➤ Anti-poaching watchers M Maadhan, Bomman and Meen Kalan attached to the Mudumalai Tiger Reserve in the Nilgiris - have been selected for an award on Global Tiger Day on July 29
- ✓ The award is given by the National Tiger Conservation Authority for their extraordinary performance in the field.
- ✓ The role of the three watchers was considered very important in capturing MDT-23 tiger alive in the reserve forest.

NATIONAL

- > On July 25, Droupadi Murmu was sworn in as the 15th President of India at Parliament's Central Hall in New Delhi, followed by a 21 gun salute
- ✓ Chief Justice of India N V Ramana administered the oath to Murmu in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Ministers Rajnath Singh, S Jaishankar, Amit Shah, among others



- ✓ Hailing from the Santhal community, Murmu is the first tribal woman to hold the highest constitutional post in the country, succeeding Ram Nath Kovind
- ✓ The tribal leader, India's youngest president at 64 and the first to be born after Independence, took oath of office in the name of God to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution and the law".
- ✓ Known by the Santhali name "Puti", Droupadi Murmu began her speech in Hindi with Johar, a traditional tribal greeting, and Namaskar
- ✓ On July 21, Murmu was declared the winner of the Presidential elections after defeating opposition presidential candidate Yashwant Sinha
- ✓ Murmu bagged 64% votes of the electoral college to defeat Opposition candidate Yashwant Sinha.
- ✓ She got 2824 first preference votes, valued at 6,76,803 votes, while Sinha had only managed to get 1,877 first preference votes, valued at 3,80,177.
- ✓ Droupadi Murmu was the first woman to be sworn in as Jharkhand Governor in 2015.

INTERNATIONAL

- ➤ The European Commission has approved a smallpox vaccine, Imvanex, for use against monkeypox
- ✓ This was announced by the Danish drugmaker, Bavarian Nordic, that developed the vaccine.
- ✓ On July 23, the WHO declared the monkeypox outbreak, which has affected nearly 16,000 people in 72 nations, to be a global health emergency the highest alarm it can sound.
- ✓ Imvanex is the only vaccine to have won approval for the prevention of monkeypox disease in the US and Canada

INTERNATIONAL DAY

➤ Kargil Vijay Diwas – July 26



- ✓ Kargil Vijay Divas is celebrated every year to commemorate India's victory over Pakistan in the Kargil War in the year 1999
- ✓ This day is observed to pay homage to the hundreds of Indian soldiers who were martyred in the war.
- ✓ Every year, the Indian Prime Minister pays tribute to the martyrs at Amar Jawan Jyoti on this day.
- ✓ During the Kargil war, the Indian Army evicted Pakistani intruders and recaptured Tiger Hill and other posts as a part of 'Operation Vijay' that lasted for more than 60 days at Kargil in Ladakh
- ✓ Indian and Pakistani armies fought the Kargil War in May-July 1999 in the Kargil district of Kashmir along the Line of Control (LoC).
- ✓ The Kargil war, in which the country lost more than 500 soldiers, was declared over on July 26, 1999, after Indian soldiers pushed back Pakistani troops
- ✓ The two nations signed the Lahore Declaration in 1999 and promised a peaceful resolution to the Kashmir problem to defuse the situation.

✓ The Pakistani infiltration of Indian territory across the Line of Control was named 'Operation Badr,' and it was aimed to cut off links between Kashmir and Ladakh.



