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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ India won their second T20 Cricket World Cup 2024 title since their first championship in 2007.
- ❖ Suzlon Vice Chairman Girish Tanti has been elected as the Chair of Global Wind Energy Council India (GWEC India).
- ❖ DRDO has successfully carried out six consecutive developmental trials of High-speed Expendable Aerial Target (HEAT) 'ABHYAS'.

TAMIL NADU

Various New bills and amendments

தமிழ்நாடு மதுவிலக்கு

தீருத்த சட்ட மசோதா

- கள்ளச்சாராயத்தை முற்றிலுமாக ஒழிக்கும் வகையில் அதை தயாரித்து விற்பனை செய்பவர்களுக்கு ஆயுள் வரை கடுங்காவல் தண்டனையோடு, ரூ. 10 லட்சம் அபராதம் விதிக்கப்படும்
- கள்ளச்சாராய விற்பனைக்கு பயன்படுத்தப்படும் அனைத்து அசையா சொத்துகளும் பறிமுதல் செய்யப்படும்
- இந்த குற்றங்களை செய்து தண்டனை தீர்ப்பு வழங்கப்பட்ட ஒருவரை அந்தப் பகுதியில் இருந்தே நீக்கம் செய்வதற்கு மதுவிலக்கு அதிகாரி அல்லது புலனாய்வு அதிகாரியால் நீதிமன்றத்தில் விண்ணப்பம் செய்வதற்கும் சட்ட தீருத்தம் மேற்கொள்ளப்படும்

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Assembly approved an amendment to the State Commission for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Act.
 - This bill aims to enhancing the age limit for the Chief of the Commission from 70 to 75 years.
- ❖ The House passed a Bill to amend the Land Reforms (Fixation of Ceiling on Land) Act to promote gender equality.



- This amendment provides rights to unmarried women on a par with those of unmarried men.
- ❖ The Government brought an amendment to the Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act, 1937.
 - It enhances the punishment term to a maximum of 10 years rigorous imprisonment and fine up to Rs 5 lakh for offences like brewing and sale of liquor.
 - In case of death due to consumption of illicit liquor, the punishment for bootleggers will be life imprisonment with a fine of not less than Rs 10 lakh.
- ❖ The Assembly passed a bill to amend the Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998.
 - It aims to omit the Tamil Nadu Water Investment Company Limited and the Tamil Nadu Infrastructure Fund Management Corporation Limited from the purview of clause (j) of Section 16 of the Act.

Four New municipal corporations



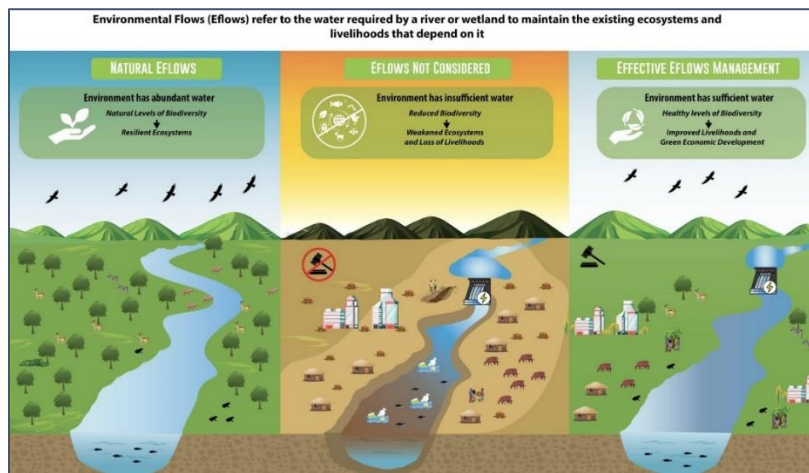
- ❖ TN assembly introduced a bill to clear the decks for elevating four municipalities — Karaikudi, Tiruvannamalai, Pudukkottai and Namakkal — into municipal corporations.
- ❖ The bill revised the population and income criteria stipulated for declaring a local body into a municipal corporation.
- ❖ At present, a local body with a population of not less than three lakh and annual income of not less than Rs 30 crore can be declared as a municipal corporation.

- ❖ But as per the bill introduced to amend the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Act, 1998, any local body with two lakh population and Rs 20-crore income can be declared as a municipal corporation.
- ❖ They also, introduced another bill to further amend the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Act, 1998, to add certain new provisions to implement this Act effectively.

NATIONAL

E-Flow Ecological Monitoring System

- ❖ The Union Jal Shakti Ministry launched an e-flow ecological monitoring system that allows real-time monitoring of river quality.
- ❖ This will aid the planning and monitoring of projects, river water quality, and other key parameters.
- ❖ It provides real-time analysis of the water quality of the Ganga, Yamuna, and their tributaries.
- ❖ It also allows monitoring of the Namami Gange programme activities at the central level.
- ❖ This includes monitoring the performance of Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs), and ensuring that they operate at their rated capacity.
- ❖ River water quality is also monitored at various locations.



INTERNATIONAL

Space MAITRI Mission – Australia

- ❖ The Indian Space Agency would be launching a satellite built by an Australian firm.

- ❖ This mission named as 'Space MAITRI' (Mission for Australia-India's Technology, Research and Innovation).
- ❖ It would be performed by India's smallest and newest rocket SSLV, and the passenger would be Australia's biggest satellite the 450kg 'Optimus'.
- ❖ The commercial pact for this launch, scheduled to take place in 2026.
- ❖ It has been made between ISRO's commercial arm - NewSpace India Limited (NSIL) and the Australian firm Space Machines Company.
- ❖ The Optimus satellite is a unique piece of hardware, which is meant to perform in-orbit inspection of other satellites and even perform certain kinds of repair work.

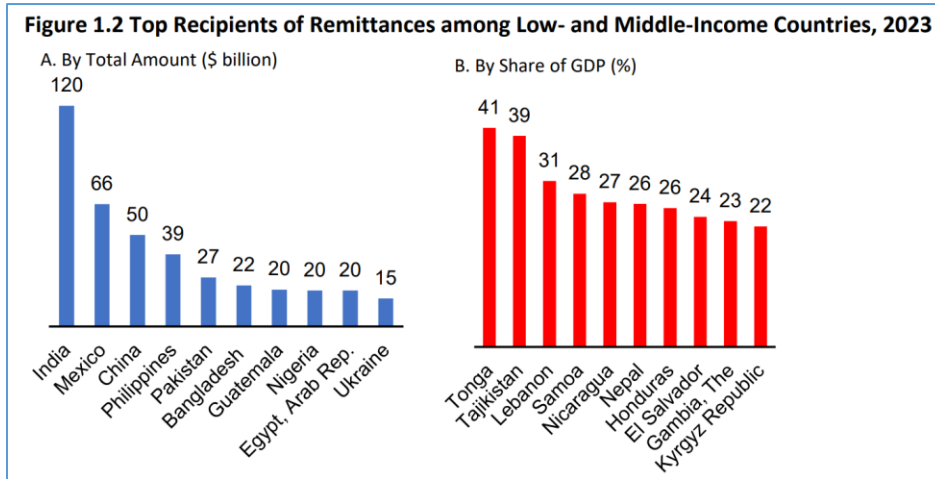


ECONOMY

India's remittance in 2023

- ❖ India sent out 18.7 million emigrants in 2023.
- ❖ India's inflow of remittances is forecasted to grow at 3.7% in 2024, while it grew at 7.5% in 2023.
- ❖ The growth estimate for 2025 is 4%.
- ❖ India received \$120 billion in remittances in 2023.
- ❖ The expectation for 2024 is \$124 billion, and it is \$129 billion in 2025.
- ❖ India was the country which received the highest amount in remittances in 2023.
- ❖ It is followed by Mexico at \$66 billion, China at \$50 billion, the Philippines at \$39 billion, and Pakistan at \$27 billion.

- ❖ The UAE is accounted for 18% of India's remittance flows.
- ❖ Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Oman, and Qatar are collectively accounted for 11% of India's total remittances.



SAARC Currency Swap Framework for 2024-2027



RBI

- Announces SAARC currency swap framework for 2024-2027
- Separate rupee swap window in SAARC currency swap facility
- To enter into bilateral swap pacts with SAARC central banks

(Agencies)

- ❖ The RBI and Indian Government has decided to put in place a revised Framework on Currency Swap Arrangement for SAARC countries for the period 2024 to 2027.
- ❖ Under this Framework, the RBI would enter into bilateral swap agreements with SAARC central banks, who want to avail of the swap facility.

- ❖ It may be recalled the SAARC Currency Swap Facility came into operation on November 15, 2012.
- ❖ Under the Framework for 2024-27, a separate INR Swap Window has been introduced with various concessions for swap support in Indian Rupee.
- ❖ The total corpus of the Rupee support is Rs 250 billion.
- ❖ The RBI will continue to offer swap arrangement in US\$ and Euro under a separate US Dollar/ Euro Swap Window with an overall corpus of US\$ 2 billion.
- ❖ The Currency Swap Facility will be available to all SAARC member countries, subject to their signing the bilateral swap agreements.

SPORTS

Archery World Cup 2024



- ❖ The Archery World Cup 2024 consists of four stages, with events held in different locations worldwide.
 - Stage 1 held at Shanghai, China
 - Stage 2 held at Yecheon, South Korea
 - Stage 3 held at Antalya, Turkey
 - Final will be at Tlaxcala, Mexico
- ❖ The trio of Aditi Swami, Jyothi Surekha Vennam, and Parneet Kaur clinched their third consecutive gold medal of the season.

- ❖ India's team finish with an impressive tally of four medals – one gold, one silver, and two bronze in Stage 2.

Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli Retirement

- ❖ Indian captain Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli has announced that the T20 World Cup final triumph against South Africa was his last in the format.
- ❖ Rohit becomes only the third Indian captain to have won a World Cup – across formats – after Kapil Dev (1983) and MS Dhoni (2007 and 2011).
- ❖ He has now become the first-ever captain to lead a team to 50 T20I games.
- ❖ The 50th triumph is being the World Cup final against South Africa.
- ❖ He has also scored five T20I hundreds, the most in the format alongside Australia's Glenn Maxwell.
- ❖ Kohli played 125 T20I matches in his career, scoring 4188 runs at an average of 48.69 and a strike rate of 137.04.
- ❖ He is the second-highest scorer in the format.
- ❖ He also finishes his career at the top of the run scorers' charts in T20 World Cups.
- ❖ He remains the only player to have been the highest run scorer in two different T20 World Cups.
- ❖ He was also named in the ICC Men's T20I Team of the Decade from 2011 to 2020.

