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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Hyderabad FC has clinched their maiden Indian Super League title in Football.
 - They defeated Kerala Blasters in the penalty shoot-out.
- ❖ India has retrieved 29 stolen pieces of centuries-old artefacts from Australia
 - The artefacts will be handed over to temples of respective states.
- ❖ Kuwait reached a scorching temperature of 53.2 degrees Celsius (127.7 degrees Fahrenheit).
 - This makes it among the hottest places on earth.
- ❖ Bharatiya Janata Party leader Pushkar Singh Dhama will take oath as the Chief Minister of Uttarakhand for his second consecutive term.
 - Dhama will be the 13th Chief Minister of the hill state.

TAMIL NADU

Tamilnadu Agricultural Budget 2022 highlights



- ❖ Rs 33,000-crore are allocated in this year for the Agriculture Budget for 2022-23.
- ❖ This year, the allocation for the agriculture sector rose by Rs 231.90 crore from Rs 32,775.78 crore allotted last year.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government will provide free electricity to all farmers across the state and has allocated Rs 5,157.56 crore for the same.
- ❖ The food grain production target for 2022-23 will be 126 lakh metric tonnes.



- ❖ The “Sustainable Cotton Cultivation Mission” will be implemented at a budget of Rs.15.32 crore with Union and State Government fund, in order to enhance the Cotton yield.
- ❖ The special measures are being taken to increase soybean cultivation in Tanjore, Salem, Tiruvallur, Nellore and Villupuram districts of the state.
- ❖ Kalaigarin All Village Integrated Agriculture Development Programme scheme will be implemented at an outlay of Rs.300 crore in 3,204 village panchayats converged with Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam.
- ❖ 4 new Uzhavar Sandhais will be established in the districts of Dharmapuri, Nagapattinam, Vellore and Tirupattur at a total cost of Rs 10 crore.
- ❖ The state government will distribute 10 lakh palm seeds to increase the number of the state tree - palmyra.
- ❖ A special incentive of Rs 195 per metric tonne will be given to the sugarcane farmers. It will benefit 1.2 lakh farmers.
- ❖ An exclusive portal called “Tamil Mann Valam” will be launched in co-ordination with the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University

Paddy coverage

- ❖ Tamil Nadu has achieved a record coverage of paddy this financial year 2021-22.
- ❖ The total area stands at 21.65 lakh hectares.
- ❖ This marks the highest coverage of paddy in the last 15 years.
- ❖ The previous high was 20 lakh hectares in 2015-16.

Resolution against Mekedatu dam

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Assembly unanimously adopted a resolution urging the Cauvery Water Management Authority not to consider the detailed project report submitted by Karnataka for the Mekedatu dam project.
- ❖ It urged the Centre to decline permission for the project.

NATIONAL

India - Australia virtual summit

- ❖ At the summit, there were talks regarding critical investment, critical minerals, migration, defense, technological cooperation, and digital sectors.
- ❖ PM Modi and Scott Morrison, Australian Prime Minister took part in this summit.

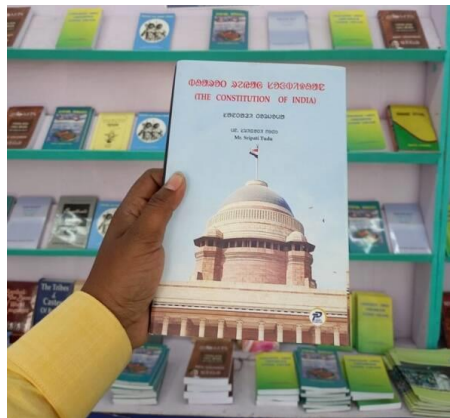
- ❖ The first Virtual Summit was held in 2020.



Gulf Business Summit

- ❖ Delegates from 33 companies from Hong Kong, the UAE, and Saudi Arabia arrived in Srinagar.
- ❖ The Summit was attended by the delegates with the aim of discussing the exploration of investment opportunities in various sectors across Jammu & Kashmir.
- ❖ For the first time, a Saudi Arabia-based investor has shown interest in business opportunities in Jammu & Kashmir.

OI Chiki



- ❖ For the first time, the Indian Constitution has been translated in Santali, written in the OI Chiki script.
- ❖ Also known as OI Cemet', OI script, and OI ciki Script.
- ❖ The OI Chiki script is used for writing Santali.
- ❖ Pandit Raghunath Murmu (Guru Gomke) is the inventor of the OI Chiki script.

- ❖ Santali is a language with its own special characteristics and has literature that dates back to the beginning of the 15th century.

STATES

Dynamic map to track land ownership

- ❖ Bihar has become the first state in the country to introduce the concept of the dynamic map for villages.
- ❖ The dynamic map will automatically get updated, each time land ownership changes hands.
- ❖ The objective of the move is to reduce legal disputes.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Jayati Ghosh



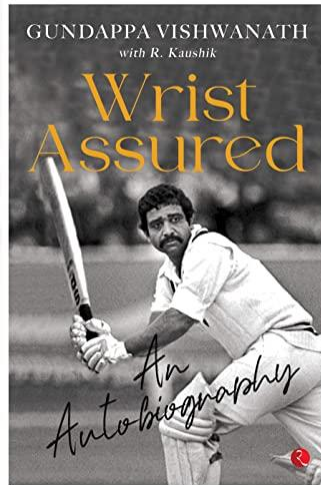
- ❖ United Nations Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres has announced the appointment of Indian development economist Jayati Ghosh as a member of the UN's newly established Advisory Board on Effective Multilateralism.
- ❖ Jayati Ghosh is a Professor at the University of Massachusetts Amherst of USA.

Book by GR Vishwanath

- ❖ Former Indian cricket captain Gundappa Ranganatha Vishwanath has penned his autobiography titled "Wrist Assured: An Autobiography".
- ❖ It is co-authored by senior journalist R Kaushik.



- ❖ The book traces the cricketing journey of Gundappa Vishwanath who played Test Cricket for India between 1969 and 1986, making 91 appearances and scoring more than 6000 runs.



SPORTS

World Para Athletics Grand Prix



- ❖ This event is being held in Dubai.



- ❖ 450 athletes from 43 different countries will be taking part in this event.
- ❖ The athletes participating in this competition will be targeting to qualify for both the Hangzhou 2022 Asian Para Games and the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.
- ❖ The Indian contingent for this event consists of 29 members and is being led by Paralympian Dharambir.
- ❖ Dharambir will be competing in men's club throw and discus throw F51 events.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Poetry Day - March 21



- ❖ It is celebrated every year to recognize the unique ability of poetry to capture the creative spirit of the human mind.
- ❖ The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization adopted this day during UNESCO's 30th session in Paris in 1999.

World Meteorological Day - March 23

- ❖ The day is celebrated as the establishment of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO).
- ❖ It concentrates on the behavior of Earth's atmosphere.
- ❖ This year the theme is Early Warning and Early Action.

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Martyrs' Day - March 23



- ❖ Every year, the nation observes this day as Martyrs Day or Shaheed Diwas, or Sarvodaya Day.
- ❖ The day was observed to pay tribute to the death anniversary of the freedom fighters Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev Thapar, and Shivaram Rajguru, who laid their lives for the freedom of India.
- ❖ Also, 30 January is observed as Martyr's Day or Shaheed Diwas in the memory of Mahatma Gandhi.

Pakistan Day - March 23

- ❖ Pakistan Day is celebrated to honor the moment when the Pakistan Resolution was adopted in 1940 at Lahore by the Muslim league Party.

- ❖ This resolution is considered one of the most powerful political movements in the world of politics.

