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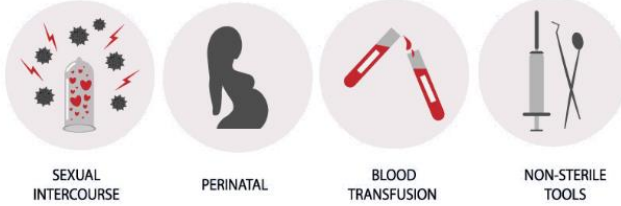
TNPSC BITS

- ❖ India's textile sector is expected to grow to nearly 350 billion dollars by 2030.
- ❖ The 38th National Games will take place in Uttarakhand from January 28 to February 14 next year.
- ❖ India has launched its 'Study in India' campaign at the 20th International Education Show in Sharjah (UAE), aiming to attract international students to its universities.
- ❖ Nepali mountaineer, Nima Rinji Sherpa (18), made history by becoming the youngest person to summit all 14 of the world's 8,000-meter (26,246-foot) peaks.
 - The record for summiting all 14 of the world's highest peaks was previously held by Mingma Gyabu "David" Sherpa (30).

TAMIL NADU

HIV/AIDS status in Tamil Nadu - 2024

Causes of HIV/AIDS



SEXUAL INTERCOURSE PERINATAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION NON-STERILE TOOLS

**தமிழகத்தில் 1.32 லட்சம்
எச்.ஐ.வி., நோயாளிகள்!**

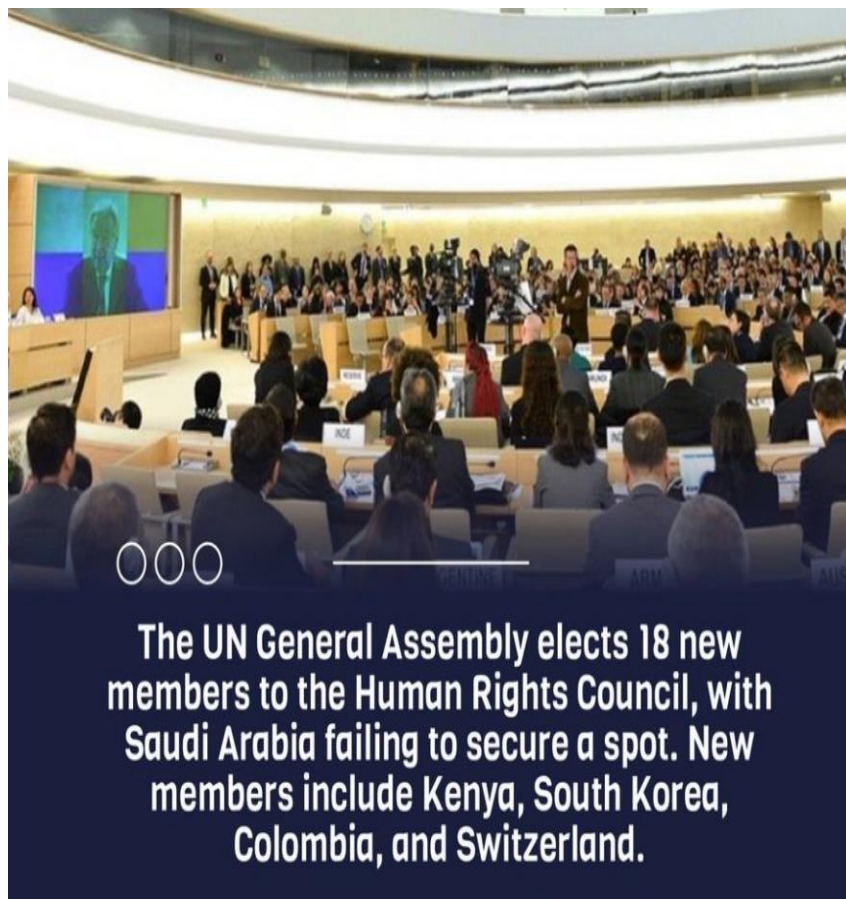
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எச்.ஐ.வி., நோயாளிகள் சிகிச்சை பெற்று
வருகின்றனர்; ஐந்தாண்டுகளில், புதிய நோயாளிகள்
இல்லாத நிலையை உருவாக்க வேண்டும் : மக்கள்
நல்வாழ்வு துறை செயலர் சுப்ரியா சாஹு

- ❖ The prevalence of HIV/AIDS in Tamil Nadu stands at 0.16%.
- ❖ A total of 16,80,083 persons were living with HIV/AIDS in India.

- ❖ In Tamil Nadu, a total of 1,32,383 persons living with HIV/AIDS were under antiretroviral therapy.
- ❖ From 0.38% in 2010, the prevalence of HIV/AIDS, among pregnant women, has dipped to 0.16% due to awareness and support from the public.
- ❖ The prevalence of HIV/AIDS among persons aged 15 to 49 years has dropped from 0.35% in 2010 to 0.20% in 2023.

INTERNATIONAL

Members to Human Rights Council

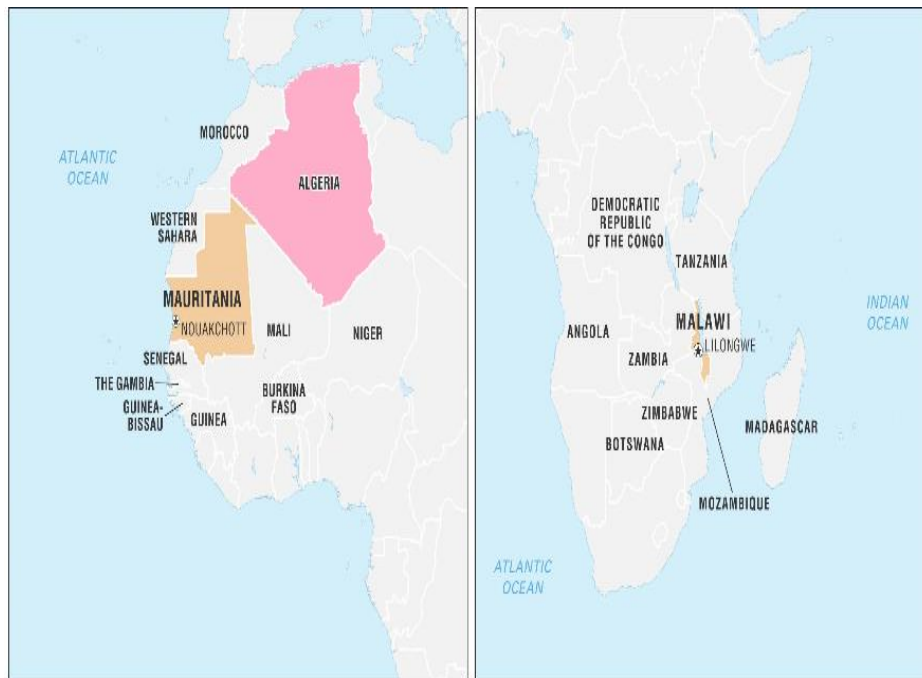


- ❖ The UN General Assembly elected 18 members to the 47-member Human Rights Council for the 2025-2027 term.
- ❖ The 18 countries, including Benin, Bolivia, Colombia, Cyprus, Qatar, and Thailand, were elected by a secret ballot.
- ❖ The elected members will serve three-year terms beginning on January 1 next year.

- ❖ The Geneva-based Human Rights Council is an intergovernmental body within the United Nations system.
- ❖ It is responsible for promoting and protecting human rights around the world.
- ❖ Saudi Arabia failed to win a seat in the Council, with finishing in sixth place.

President Murmu's African Visit

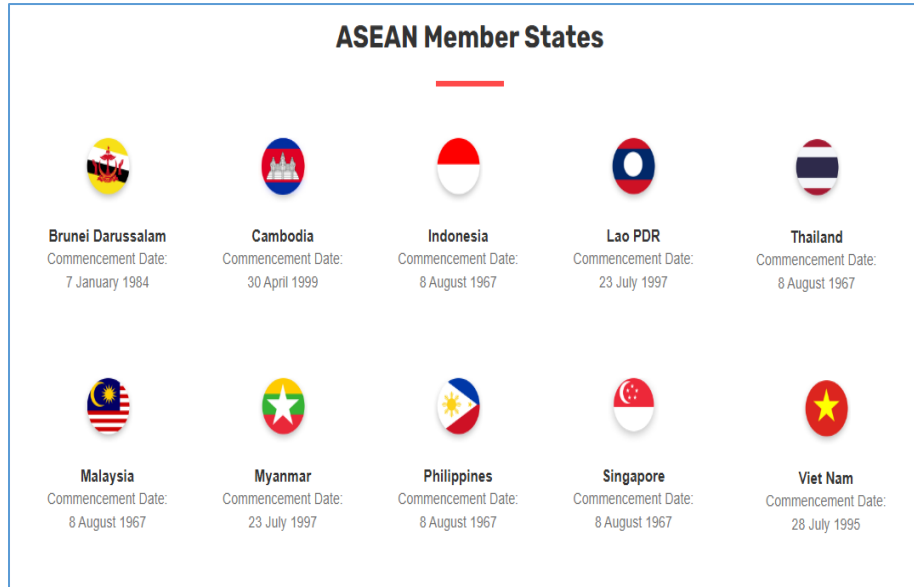
- ❖ President Droupadi Murmu is traveling to Algeria, Mauritania and Malawi.
- ❖ This is the first-ever visit by an Indian head of state to the three African countries.
- ❖ During the visit to the Sidi Abdellah Science and Technology Pole, a hub of universities, she received an honorary doctorate.
- ❖ She has also inaugurated an India Corner at Hamma Garden at Jardin d'essai, Algeria.
- ❖ Murmu's visit coincides with the 60th anniversary of diplomatic relations between India and Malawi.



44th and 45th ASEAN Summits

- ❖ The 44th and 45th Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Summits and related summits kicked off in Vientiane, Laos.
- ❖ Malaysia has chaired ASEAN throughout 2025, under the theme “Inclusivity and Sustainability.”

- ❖ 27th ASEAN-China Summit, the 27th ASEAN Plus Three Summit (ASEAN-China, Japan, and the Republic of Korea), and the 19th East Asia Summit also held.
- ❖ The First ASEAN Summit was held in Bali, Indonesia in 1976.



ECONOMY

All India Rural Financial Inclusion Survey 2021-22

- ❖ This was the latest survey by the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD).
- ❖ This is NABARD's second survey conducted since 2016-17.
- ❖ The average landholding for farming among farmers in the country decreased from 1.08 hectares in 2016-17 to just 0.74 hectares in 2021-22.
- ❖ This was marking a reduction of about one-third (31 per cent).
- ❖ The average monthly household income of farmers increased from Rs 8,059 in 2016-17 to Rs 12,698 in 2021-22.
- ❖ It was reflecting a 57.6 per cent rise.
- ❖ The rural families spent an average of Rs 6,646 per month in 2016-17, now spend Rs 11,262.
- ❖ It was representing a 69.4 per cent increase in monthly expenses since 2016-17.
- ❖ The number of families taking loans in rural areas has risen from 47.4 per cent to 52 per cent.
- ❖ 23.5 per cent of families have at least one member receiving a pension, up from 18.9 per cent.

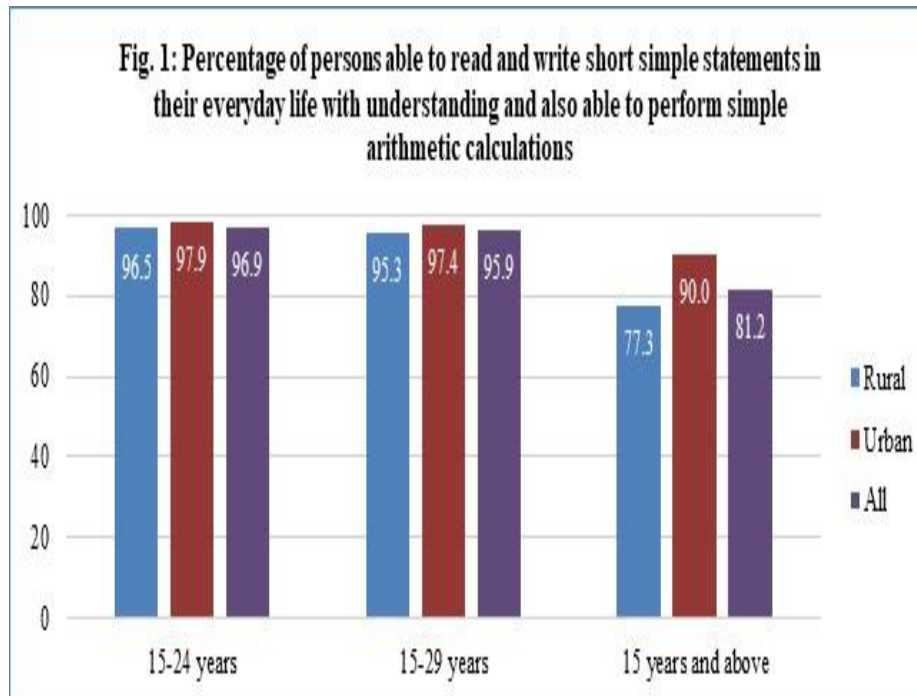
- ❖ 80.3 per cent of families are now having at least one insured member, compared to just 25.5 per cent in 2016-17.
- ❖ 51.3 per cent of families reported better financial information, up from 33.9 per cent.
- ❖ The financial savings among rural families rose from Rs 9,104 to Rs 13,209.
- ❖ Around 66 per cent of rural families saved in 2021-22, compared to 50.6 per cent in 2016-17.

AVERAGE MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME*			
BY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE AGRICULTURAL YEAR 2021-22 (₹)			
	Agricultural Households	Non-Agricultural Households	All Households
All Sources Combined	13,661 (100)	11,438 (100)	12,698 (100)
Cultivation	4,476 (33)	-39 (0)	2,521 (20)
Livestock Rearing	1,677 (12)	-8 (0)	947 (7)
Other Enterprises	2,010 (15)	1,809 (16)	1,923 (15)
Wage Labour	2,238 (16)	2,927 (26)	2,536 (20)
Govt./ Pvt. Service	3,150 (23)	6,599 (57)	4,643 (37)
Other Sources	110 (1)	150 (1)	127 (1)

Annual modular survey

- ❖ The statistics ministry has released a detailed annual modular survey (July 2022-June 2023).
- ❖ The average out-of-pocket medical expenditure per household on hospitalisation during the past 365 days in rural and urban areas has been estimated at Rs 4,129 and Rs 5,290.

- ❖ The average out-of-pocket medical expenses per household for non-hospitalization treatments in the past 30 days were Rs 539 in rural areas and Rs 606 in urban areas.
- ❖ Approximately 96.9% of those in the 15-24 years age group were able to read and write simple statements and able to perform simple arithmetic calculations.
- ❖ In the same age group, the figure was around 97.8% for males and 95.9% for females.
- ❖ 23.3% of those in the 15-24 age group were not in education, employment or training.
- ❖ 95.1% of households had a telephone or mobile connection while 9.9% had computers.
- ❖ About 95.7% of those in 15-24 years age bracket in rural areas can use mobile phones, in urban areas it was 97%.

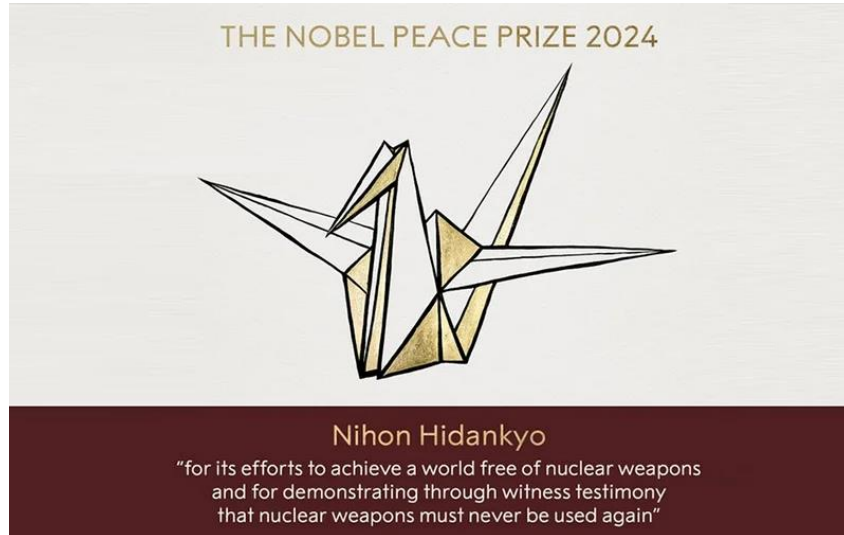


PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

2024 Nobel Peace Prize

- ❖ Japanese organisation Nihon Hidankyo has been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize 2024 for its efforts to achieve a world free of nuclear weapons.
- ❖ It was representing survivors of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

- ❖ Formed in 1956, Nihon Hidankyo is the largest and most influential organisation of atomic bomb survivors in Japan.
- ❖ Last year, the 2023 Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to Iranian activist Narges Mohammadi, who is currently imprisoned.



IMPORTANT DAYS

International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction 2024 - October 13

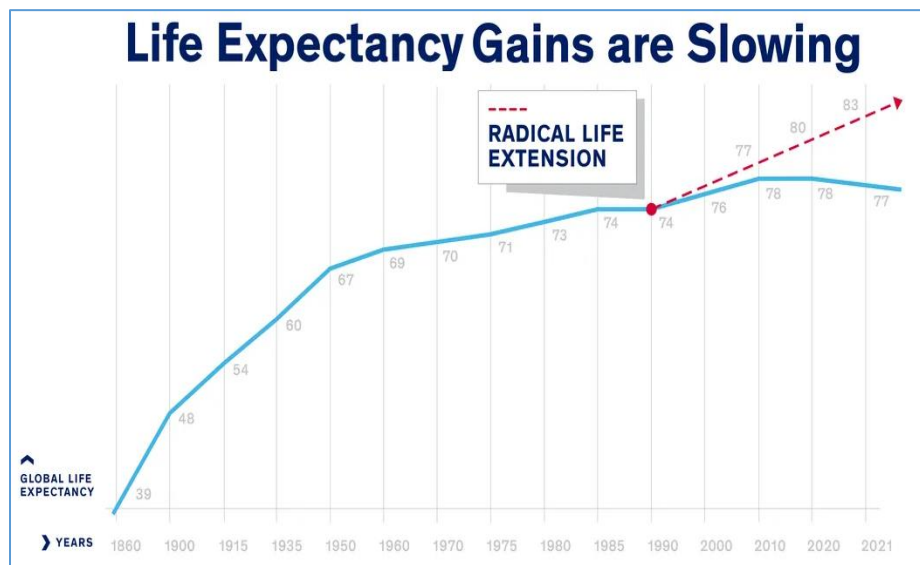


- ❖ The day aims to raising awareness about disasters, their effect on living beings, and preventive measures.
- ❖ This day was first observed in the year 1989 at the UNGA.

- ❖ Sendai Framework for Disaster Reduction 2015-30 was adopted at the 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Japan.
- ❖ It aims to guide the multi hazard management of disaster risk in development at all levels as well as within and across all sectors.
- ❖ It is the successor instrument to the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) 2005-2015.
- ❖ This year's theme is "Role of education in protecting and empowering youth for a disaster-free future."

MISCELLANEOUS

Life Expectancy Trends 2024



- ❖ According to new research, the humanity may have hit the upper limit of life expectancy.
- ❖ Despite medical advances, breakthroughs in genetic research, and an increasing number of people reaching the age of 100.
- ❖ But overall life expectancy has not significantly increased.
- ❖ Life expectancy measures the average number of years a newborn can expect to live.
- ❖ While women continue to live longer than men, the rate of life expectancy improvement has slowed.
- ❖ In the 1990s, life expectancy rose by an average of 2.5 years per decade.
- ❖ Between 1990 and 2019, the increase in life expectancy was only 6.5 years in the longest-living countries.



- ❖ By the 2010s, that rate had dropped to 1.5 years per decade—and almost zero in the U.S.
- ❖ The chances of reaching 100 years old are still quite low—5.3% for girls and 1.8% for boys born in these regions.

