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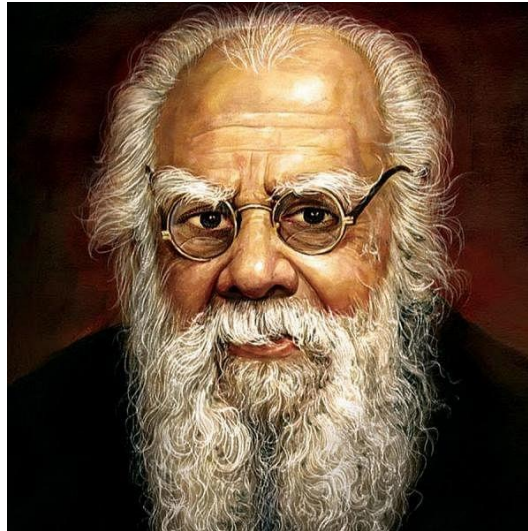
TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The 28th edition of the Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercise (SIMBEX) took place in the South China Sea.

TAMIL NADU

Day of Social Justice

- ❖ The birth anniversary of social reformer and Dravidar Kazhagam founder 'Periyar' E.V. Ramasamy's birthday would be observed as 'Day of Social Justice' in Tamil Nadu on September 17 every year.
- ❖ The first amendment to the Indian Constitution came about because of Periyar, who never went to the Parliament.
- ❖ On that day there will be a pledge to follow the principles of self-respect, rationalism, brotherhood, equality, humanitarianism and social justice.



New archaeological sites

- ❖ The Tamilnadu State government will undertake archaeological excavations in three new places – Vembakkottai in Virudhunagar district, Thullukkarpatti in Tirunelveli district and Perumpalai in Dharmapuri district.
- ❖ It would be undertaken in addition to the ones under way in Keeladi, Sivagalai, Mayiladumparai and Gangaikondacholapuram.

- ❖ The government would also undertake scientific site inspections to locate Neolithic sites and those along the banks of Tamiraparani during 2021-22.
- ❖ The Institute of Archaeology would be restructured and renamed Tamil Nadu Institute of Archaeology and Museology.
- ❖ Sites where ancient inscriptions are found in Mudhalaikulam and Arittapatti in Madurai district, Poolankurichi in Sivaganga district, Thondur and Theganurpatti in Villupuram district would be declared protected monuments.
- ❖ Steps would be taken to bring back 'Leiden plates' from the Netherlands which throw light on the history of legendary Tamil king Rajaraja Chola and also Buddhist viharas in Nagapattinam district.
- ❖ The Efforts would be taken to locate the 'Anbil plates' which is featured in Epigraphia Indica, the official publication of Archaeological Survey of India.

NATIONAL

India's first Dugong Conservation Reserve

- ❖ Tamil Nadu recently announced to set up India's first Dugong Conservation Reserve in the Palk Bay on the southeast coast.
- ❖ It will also construct a Dugong Marine Conservation Reserve in the Gulf of Mannar and Palk Bay areas.
- ❖ Dugong or sea cow is an endangered marine mammal.
- ❖ It is the only living species of the order Sirenia.
- ❖ Dugong is found in Gulf of Mannar and at Palk Bay in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ The IUCN has listed dugong as a "vulnerable to extinction species".

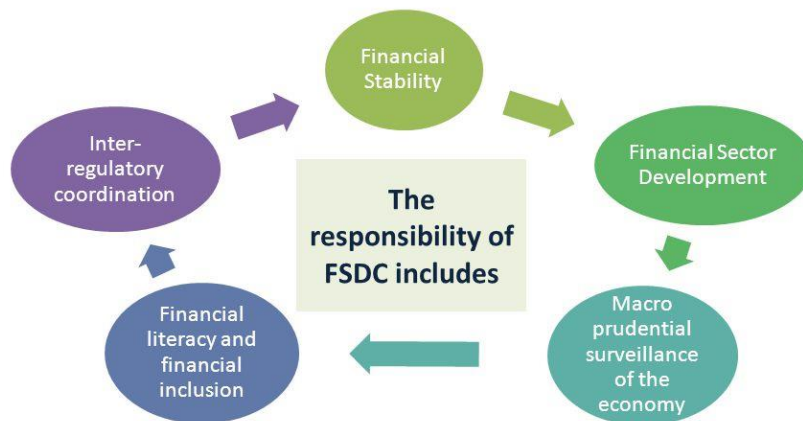


24th meeting of FSDC

- ❖ The union minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs Nirmala Sitharaman has chaired the 24th meeting of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC).
- ❖ The finance minister is the chairperson of FSDC.
- ❖ It must be noted that FSDC Sub-Committee is chaired by the Governor, RBI.
- ❖ It is the apex level forum set up by the Government of India for strengthening and institutionalizing the mechanism for maintaining financial stability, enhancing inter-regulatory coordination and promoting financial sector development.

Financial Stability and Development Council

The FSDC, set up in 2010, is a body consisting all regulators and the Ministry of Finance. It is the highest forum in matters relating to financial stability. The Council is chaired by the Union Finance Minister



India at Tokyo Paralympics

- ❖ China topped the medal table in this version (207 – 96 golds, 60 silvers and 51 bronzes).
- ❖ It is the fifth time; China tops the medal table since Athens (2004).
- ❖ India won a total of 19 medals at Tokyo Paralympics 2020, including 5 gold, 8 silver and 6 bronze.
- ❖ The 19 medals were clinched by Indian para-athletes across five sporting disciplines including shooting, javelin throw, badminton, athletics and archery.



- ❖ India have finished at 24th position out of 162 nations in terms of overall medal tally.
- ❖ India made its first appearance at the Paralympics in 1968.
- ❖ India won only 12 medals from 1968 to 2016.
- ❖ It had won four medals at Rio 2016 and four at the 1984 Paralympics.
- ❖ This is the first time that badminton and taekwondo has been added to the Paralympics.
- ❖ Tokyo has been the first city to host two Paralympic Games since the city held the 1964 Paralympics.
- ❖ Avani was India's flag-bearer at the Tokyo Paralympics closing ceremony.
- ❖ The Indian gold medallists at Tokyo Paralympics include shooter Avani Lekhara, javelin thrower Sumit Antil, shooter Manish Narwal and shuttlers Pramod Bhagat and Krishna Nagar.
- ❖ Shooters Avani Lekhara, who won a gold and bronze, and Singh raj Adhana, who won a silver and bronze, were the top performers for India with two medals each.

Other Medallists

- ❖ India's ace archer Harvinder Singh has won the bronze medal in the men's individual recurve open.
- ❖ He has become India's first-ever archer to win a medal in the Paralympics.
- ❖ Indian shooters Manish Narwal and Singh raj Adhana clinched the gold and silver medal respectively in the P4 – Mixed 50m Pistol SH1 final (Shooting).
- ❖ Suhas Yathi raj, current district magistrate of Noida, has become the first IAS officer to win Paralympics medal.
- ❖ He won the silver medal in in the men's singles at Badminton SL4 class final.
- ❖ Pramod Bhagat and Manoj Sarkar had won a gold and a bronze respectively in men's singles at Badminton SL3 category.
- ❖ Pramod claimed India's first badminton gold at the Paralympics.
- ❖ Krishna Nagar won the second Para-Badminton gold for India.
- ❖ He becomes the first-ever SH6 gold medallist in the history of the Indian Paralympics.



Gold Medal Winners
Avani Lekhara, Women's 10m Air Rifle Shooting Standing
Sumit Antil, Men's Javelin Throw F64
Manish Narwal, P4 Mixed 50m Pistol SH1
Pramod Bhagat, Badminton Men's Singles SL3
Krishna Nagar, Badminton Men's Singles SH6
Silver Medal Winners
Bhavina ben Patel, Women's Singles Table Tennis - Class 4
Nishad Kumar, Men's High Jump T47
Devendra Jhajharia, Men's Javelin Throw F46
Yogesh Kathuniya, Men's Discus Throw F56
Singh raj Adhana, P4 Mixed 50m Pistol SH1
Mariyappan Thangavelu, Men's High Jump T63
Praveen Kumar, Men's High Jump T64
Suhas L. Yathi raj, Badminton Men's Singles SL4
Bronze Medal Winners
Sundar Singh Gurjar, Men's Javelin Throw F46
Singh raj Adhana, Men's 10m Air Pistol Shooting SH1
Sharad Kumar, Men's High Jump T63
Avani Lekhara, Women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions Shooting SH1
Harvinder Singh, Men's Individual Recurve Archery
Manoj Sarkar, Badminton Men's Singles SL3

IMPORTANT DAYS

International Day of Charity – September 05





- ❖ It was chosen to celebrate the day because it is Mother Teresa's death anniversary.
- ❖ Mother Teresa died (87) on September 5th 1997.
- ❖ She received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.
- ❖ It was declared by United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in 2012.
- ❖ It was first celebrated by the Hungarian civil society with the support of government of Hungary.

Teachers' Day - September 05

- ❖ It is annually celebrated as Teachers' Day to pay tribute to Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and all teachers in the country since 1962.
- ❖ He was also the first Vice President of India (1952–1962) and second President of the country (1962-67).
- ❖ India's Teacher's Day Celebration is one month ahead of World Teachers' Day, which is on October 5.



International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies – September 07

- ❖ 'Healthy Air, Healthy Planet' is the theme for this year.
- ❖ 2020 marked the first international observance of the Day.



- ❖ The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) adopted a resolution in this regard in 2019.

