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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Bharat Stage-VI (BS VI) norms for two-wheelers have been released.
 - Dinesh Tyagi, the Director of International Centre for Automotive Technology released India's first Type Approval Certificate for BS – VI norms and handed over it to Hero Motorcorp.
- ❖ The main event of International Day of Yoga 2019 celebrations will be held at Prabhat Tara in Ranchi on 21st of this month.
 - o Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lead the main function.
- Sunil Chhetri became the most capped Indian footballer by surpassing Bhaichung Bhutia's 107 international matches.
- ❖ The St. Petersburg International Economic Forum is an annual Russian business and investment event for the international economic sector.
 - o It has been held in St. Petersburg since 1997.
- Comptroller and Auditor General of India Rajiv Mehrishi has been elected as external auditor of the World Health Organization (WHO) for four years from 2020 to 2023.
 - He was elected at the 72nd World Health Assembly in Geneva with majority votes.
- Jiwandeep Kohli, a Sikh from California got global attention after he posted a picture of him sporting a Rainbow coloured turban in support of LGBT Community.
- ❖ Jimmy Carter, Former President of United States of America won the inaugural George H. W. Bush Award for Statesmanship in recognition of his contributions to relations between U.S. and China.
- Celebrated cricket broadcaster Ashish Ray has come out with a new book titled "Cricket World Cup the Indian Challenge".
 - He has penned down the journey of Indian cricket at the World Cups since the inaugural edition in 1975.
- ❖ Indian Army and Air Force conducted a joint exercise named "Kharga Prahar" in the plains of Punjab.
 - The exercise validated many important operational aspects and reinforced a high degree of operational preparedness of the Kharga Corps.





- ❖ The Ministry of AYUSH conducted a 2 day "Yoga Mahotsava" in New Delhi as a curtain raiser for the International Yoga Day celebrations 2019.
- ❖ Sahara Group has recently announced its plan to foray into the electric vehicle business under a new brand name 'Sahara Evols'.
 - The company will offer electric scooters and motorcycles to electric three-wheelers and cargo vehicles.
- ❖ One of India's biggest philanthropists and businessman, Azim Premji will retire from the post of executive chairman and managing director of Wipro on July 30.
- ❖ Traffic Index 2018 published by an Amsterdam based company called TomTom has ranked Mumbai as the most traffic-congested city in the world for the second straight year, and Delhi is ranked at fourth place.
- ❖ Popular Tamil dramatist, movie-dialogue writer and founder of "Crazy Creations" drama troupe Crazy Mohan alias Mohan Rangachari passed away.
 - o Chocolate Krishna is his most famous and well-known drama.
- ❖ A five-time MLA and Former Puducherry Chief Minister R V Janakiraman passed away recently.
- ❖ Breaking all records, Churu in Rajasthan has registered 50.8 degree Celsius which is the highest ever maximum temperature recorded by Jaipur meteorology office in the state as well as in the country.

NATIONAL

Foreigner's Tribunals

- ❖ The Ministry of Home Affairs has empowered district magistrates in all States and Union Territories to set up the quasi-judicial Foreigners tribunals.
- They can decide whether a person staying illegally in India is a foreigner or not.
- **&** Earlier only the Union Government had that power.
- ❖ It has also empowered individuals to approach the Tribunals.
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Longest Serving Cabinet Secretary

- ❖ The government amended a 60-Year-Old Rule to extend the tenure of current Cabinet Secretary.
- ❖ A cabinet secretary is appointed for a fixed tenure of two years.
- ❖ The government can give extension in service provided the total tenure does not exceed four years.
- ❖ As per the modified rules an additional three months of tenure has been given to Pradeep Kumar Sinha.
- ❖ The current Cabinet Secretary Pradeep Kumar Sinha has thus become the longest-serving bureaucrat in the post in the country's history.

State Food Safety Index

- ❖ The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has developed the first State Food Safety Index (SFSI).
- Chandigarh topped the index.
- Other initiatives launched by FSSAI on World Food Safety Day were
 - Raman 1.0 A hand-held battery-operated equipment that performs rapid detection (in less than a minute) of adulteration in fats, ghee and edible oils.
 - Food Safety Magic Box A do-it-yourself food testing kit comprising of a manual and equipment to check for food adulterants.
 - Eat Right Awards To recognize contributions made by food companies and individuals to empower citizens to choose safe and healthy food options.

Missing An-32 Aircraft

- ❖ On June 3, an AN-32 transport aircraft which departed from Jorhat, Assam towards Arunachal Pradesh with 13 Indians went missing shortly after it took off.
- ❖ The Indian Air Force and other search teams are going through pictures and data sent by Earth Observation (EO) satellites under COSPAS-SARSAT to find missing aircraft.





- ❖ It is an international satellite-based search and rescue system.
- ❖ It is used to detect and locate emergency beacons carried by ships, aircraft, or individuals using a network of
 - o satellites
 - o ground stations
 - mission control centres
 - rescue coordination centres
- ❖ COSPAS is a Russian acronym for Space System for Search of Distress Vessels.
- SARSAT means Search and Rescue Satellite-Aided Tracking.

INTERNATIONAL

National Well Being

- ❖ The United Arab Emirates (UAE) Cabinet has adopted a National Strategy for Wellbeing 2031.
- ❖ This program aims at making their country a world leader in quality of life through a number of strategic objectives and initiatives.
- ❖ Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum who is Vice President, Prime Minister and also the Ruler of Dubai, introduced the project in Abu Dhabi.

ENVIRONMENT

PET Recycle

- Global sportswear giant Adidas aims at eliminating the use of virgin plastics in its products by 2024 with assistance from Polygenta Technology Limited, a Maharashtra-based firm.
- ❖ It is the only one of its kind company in India to produce yarn out of discarded PET bottles.
- ❖ Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) bottles are the main contributors to plastic waste globally and in India.
- ❖ It breaks PET into its base product an ester.
- ❖ It is then used to manufacture polyester filament yarn.





SPORTS

French Open

- ❖ Australia's Ashley Barty and Spain's Rafael Nadal won the Women's Singles and Men's Singles French Open 2019.
- * Rafael Nadal has lifted the French Open title for the 12th time.
- ❖ Germany's Kevin Krawietz and Andreas Mies won the men's doubles event.
- Hungarian Timea Babos and France's Kristina Mladenovic won women's doubles event.

About the Event

- The 123rd edition of the French Open was held at the Roland Garros in Paris.
- It is the second Tennis Grand Slam event of the year.
- It is played on outdoor clay courts.
- ❖ Australian Open, Wimbledon and US Open are the other Grand slam events of the year.
- Other events and winners of French Open 2019 are


