

'National War Memorial'

Recently a poem titled 'Rashtriya Yudh Smarak' was included in the Class 6 NCERT syllabus.



Key Points-

- ❖ The Ministry of Education (MoE) on September 20 announced that a **poem titled 'Rashtriya Yudh Smarak' and a chapter titled 'Veer Abdul Hameed'** have been included in the Class 6 NCERT syllabus from this year in line with the National Education Policy 2020 and National Curriculum Framework for School Education 2023.
- ❖ **Issuer:** This initiative was jointly taken by the Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of Education.
- ❖ **Feature:** The poem 'National War Memorial' appreciates the spirit behind it. The chapter titled 'Veer Abdul Hamid' honours the brave CQMH Abdul Hamid who made the supreme sacrifice while fighting for the country during the **Indo-Pakistani War of 1965** and was awarded the country's highest gallantry award Param Vir Chakra (posthumously).
- ❖ **Aim:** It aims to "inculcate among school children the values of patriotism, devotion to duty and courage and sacrifice and to ensure the participation of youth in nation building".

Report/Index

State Food Safety Index (SFSI) 2024,

- ❖ Kerala has topped the sixth State Food Safety Index (SFSI) 2024 by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) for the second time in a row.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu ranked second in this list. In 2022, Tamil Nadu topped the index.
- ❖ It was followed by Jammu and Kashmir, Gujarat and Nagaland that topped the index.
- ❖ This was announced at the World Food India 2024 event as well as the second edition of the Global Food Regulators Conference 2024 organised by FSSAI.

About SFSI-

- ❖ The State Food Security Index (SFSI) is an annual report evaluating the food security performance of States and Union Territories.
- ❖ Launched in 2018-19, the SFSI aims to promote healthy competition and catalase positive change in the food security ecosystem across the country to ultimately ensure provision of safe and nutritious food to all residents.

Person In News- Appointment

Anurag Garg



IPS Anurag Garg has taken over as the new Director General of the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB).

Earlier CRPF DG Anish Dayal Singh was holding this post.

The Narcotics Control Bureau is an Indian central law enforcement and intelligence agency under the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

Nikhat Zareen



Recently, famous boxer Nikhat Zareen was appointed as Deputy Superintendent of Police (Special Police) in Telangana Police.

She has won a gold medal in the Commonwealth Games and a bronze medal in the Asian Games.

Person In News- Obituary

Kaviyur Ponnammamma



Recently, famous Malayalam theatre and film Star Kaviyoor Ponnammamma passed away in Kochi. She was 80 years old.

She was the second actress to receive the Kerala State Film Award four times.

Person In News- Sports

Dunith Wellalage and Harshitha Samarawickrama

Sri Lankan cricketers Dunith Welalage and Harshitha Samarawickrama have been named as the ICC Players of the Month for August 2024, the International Cricket Council (ICC) announced.

Magnus Carlsen and Judit Polgar

Magnus Carlsen and Judit Polgar were awarded the best male and female player awards respectively at the FIDE 100 Awards ceremony held in Hungary.

Awards

UN Inter-Agency Task Force Award

- ❖ Recently, the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) was awarded the prestigious 2024 @UN Inter-Agency Task Force Prize for its achievements in advancing multi-sectoral action on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases and mental health and the broader NCD-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Miss India Worldwide 2024

- ❖ Dhruvi Patel, a 24-year-old computer information System student, has won the title of Miss India Worldwide 2024.
- ❖ Miss India Worldwide is the longest-running Indian pageant outside India.

Important Days/Dates

21 September

International Day of Peace



- ❖ International Day of Peace is celebrated every year on 21 September across the world.
- ❖ This day was established in the year 1981 under a unanimously passed resolution of the United Nations.

- ❖ The main objective of this day is to promote non-violence and peace in the world. This day is considered a symbol of solidarity against war and violence.
- ❖ Theme of 2024: "Cultivating a Culture of Peace,"

21 September

World Alzheimer's Day



- ❖ World Alzheimer's Day is observed every year on September 21.
- ❖ The day is observed to raise awareness about Alzheimer's disease and dementia, promote understanding, and combat the stigma associated with these conditions.
- ❖ Theme of 2024: "It's time to act on dementia, it's time to act on Alzheimer's."

21 September

International Red Panda Day



- ❖ This day is celebrated every year on the third Saturday of September.
- ❖ Red pandas are native to the Eastern Himalayas.
- ❖ conservation status
- ❖ IUCN Red List: Endangered
- ❖ CITES: Appendix I
- ❖ Wildlife Protection Act, 1972: Schedule I

Important News- Other States

Jharkhand

- ❖ President of India Smt. Draupadi Murmu attended the Centenary Celebrations of ICAR-National Institute of Secondary Agriculture (NISA) at Ranchi, Jharkhand.
- ❖ She appreciated the good work done by NISA in Lac cultivation.

New Delhi

- ❖ Recently, the Global Food Regulators Summit was organized at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.
- ❖ This Global Food Regulators Summit is an effort of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- ❖ It aims to create a platform of food regulators to exchange views on strengthening food safety systems and regulatory frameworks across the food value chain.

Maharashtra

- ❖ Recently the Indian Prime Minister laid the foundation stone of PM Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Park in Amravati, Maharashtra.
- ❖ Spread over 1000 acres, the park will be developed by the state implementing agency, Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC).
- ❖ He also launched the "Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Mahila Startup Yojana". Under this scheme, women-led startups in Maharashtra will be supported in the early stage. Financial assistance up to Rs 25 lakh will be provided.

Manipur

- ❖ The Tamenglong district administration of Manipur has banned hunting, capture, killing and sale of Amur falcon (*Falco amurensis*) bird with immediate effect.
- ❖ Violation will be a punishable offence under Sections 50 and 51 of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
- ❖ The bird is locally called 'Kahuaipuina'
- ❖ Thousands of migratory birds arrive in Tamenglong and bordering areas in the first fortnight of October from their breeding grounds in northern China, eastern Mongolia and Far Eastern Russia.

Important News- Worldwide

Nepal

- ❖ On 20 September 2024, Nepal celebrated its ninth Constitution Day.
- ❖ The current Constitution of Nepal was promulgated on 20 September 2015.
- ❖ The underlying principle of the Constitution of Nepal is inspired by the 12-point consensus reached between the then Maoist party which was leading the People's War and a coalition of seven pro-parliamentary parties.

China

- ❖ Recently in Shanghai, China, Typhoon Pulasan made landfall in the city's Fengxian district, with maximum wind speeds of 23 metres per second (83 kilometres per hour).
- ❖ This is the second typhoon to hit the Chinese megacity just days after the most powerful typhoon in 75 years struck.

Miscellaneous

- ❖ Paisabazaar, an online marketplace for consumer loans and a free credit score platform, has partnered with Yes Bank to launch a co-branded credit card called the 'Yes Bank Paisabazaar **PaisaSave Credit Card**'.

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