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### **1. President inaugurate National Conference of women legislators in Thiruvananthapuram ( May 26, 2022 )**

President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the two days national conference of women legislators in Thiruvananthapuram on 26 May.

- Kerala Governor Arif Mohammad Khan presided over the inaugural session at the Kerala Legislative Assembly complex.
- Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan and his Council of Ministers were also present in the event.
- This is the first national conference of its kind in the country.

#### **• About the Conference**

- It is being organised by the state assembly as part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to commemorate 75 years of independence.
- The theme of the conference - 'Power of democracy'
- The conference seeks to bring together women legislators including women ministers, speaker and deputy speaker from both the houses of parliament, state legislatures and legislative councils and union territories.
- The sessions cover topics like 'Constitution and women's rights,' 'Role of women in India's freedom struggle,' 'Women's rights and legal gaps' and 'Under-representation of women in decision-making bodies.'

#### **• About Kerala**

- Kerala is located - on the southwestern Malabar Coast of India.
- Formed - 1 November 1956
- Language - Malayalam
- Area - over 38,863 km<sup>2</sup>
- bordered by - Karnataka to the north and northeast, Tamil Nadu to the east and south and the Lakshadweep Sea to the west
- Districts - 14
- Capital - Thiruvananthapuram
- Chief Minister - Pinarayi Vijayan
- Governor - Arif Mohammad Khan
- Highest literacy rate in India - Kerala

### **2. 'Sambhav' portal ( May 25, 2022 )**

The 'Sambhav' portal was launched by AK Sharma, Energy Minister of Uttar Pradesh Government to hear the complaints of electricity consumers.

- This portal has been prepared for continuous, efficient and effective monitoring of schemes, public grievances, departmental issues, projects and programs of the Urban Development and Energy Department.
- Sambhav Portal is a multi-modal platform, which will ensure speedy redressal and registration of public related problems. Through this the accountability of officers and employees will also be fixed.
- Sambhav stands for "Systemic Administration Mechanism for Bringing Happiness and Value".
- The portal will take up complaints and issues from various sources, including pending cases and complaints under the Chief Minister's Public Hearing / Integrated Grievance Redressal System (IGRS) system.

#### • **About Uttar Pradesh**

- Uttar Pradesh is the largest state in India by population and the second largest in terms of area.
- The state of Uttaranchal (present-day Uttarakhand) was carved out of the northwestern (mainly hilly) part of Uttar Pradesh by the Parliament of India on 9 November 2000.
- With the coming into force of the new constitution in 1950, on 24 January 1950, this United Province was named Uttar Pradesh and it became a state of the Indian Union.
- Foundation Day - 1 November 1956
- Member of Legislative Assembly - 404
- Lok Sabha Member- 80
- Legislative Council Member - 100
- State Bird – Stork or Kraunch
- State Tree - Ashoka
- State Flower – Palash or Tensu
- First Chief Minister - Govind Vallabh Pant
- First Woman Chief Minister - Sucheta Kriplani (also the first woman Chief Minister of India)
- Current Chief Minister - Yogi Adityanath
- Governor - Anandiben Patel

### **3. The fourth edition of the State Level Shirui Lily Festival 2022 was held in Manipur ( May 25, 2022 )**

The fourth edition of the State Level Shirui Lily Festival 2022 was held in Manipur from May 25 to 28.

- This annual festival is organised by the Department of Tourism, Government of Manipur to create awareness about the Shirui Lily flower.
- The four-day festival was inaugurated by Manipur Governor La Ganesan and Chief Minister N. Biren Singh in Shirui village of Ukhrul district.
- The festival is held around April and May as it is the blooming season of Shirui Lily.
- The four-day festival will host a variety of activities ranging from Manipur's rich cultural performances, sports, musical extravaganzas and entertainment, especially of the Tangkhul Naga community.
- During this, Shirui Lily Marathon is also being organised under the theme 'Say No to Drugs' in line with the Drugs Campaign of Manipur State Government.

STATE	FESTIVAL
MIZORAM	ChapChar Kut Festival, Thalfavang Kut
TAMILNADU	Mahamaham Festival, Thiruvaiyaru Festival
MANIPUR	Kachai Lemon Festival
ASSAM	Tea Festival, Magh Bihu Festival, Shilpgram Festival

#### • **About Shirui Lily**

- It is the state flower of Manipur.
- Its scientific name is *Lilium mackliniae*.
- Shirui Lily is a species of ground lily found only around the Shirui Hills of Manipur. Tangkhul Naga tribe resides in this area.
- This flower was discovered in Manipur in 1946 by the English scientist Frank Kingdon-Ward.
- This flower is found only in Ukhrul district of Manipur and cannot be planted anywhere in the world.

#### **4. The Government of India has appointed Vinay Kumar Saxena as the new Lieutenant Governor of Delhi ( May 24, 2022 )**

The Government of India has appointed Vinay Kumar Saxena as the new Lieutenant Governor of Delhi after the resignation of Anil Baijal.

- Vinay Kumar Saxena was working as the chairman of National Khadi Development and Village Industries Commission before this appointment.
- As the Chairman of KVIC, he initiated many innovative schemes and products like 'Honey Mission', 'Kumhar Sashaktikaran Yojana', 'Empowerment of Leather Artisans' which include Khadi Prakrit Paints, Project REHAB, Khadi Cloth Shoes and Plastics. Including assorted handmade paper, etc.
- In March 2021, the Government of India appointed him as one of the members of the National Committee to commemorate the 75th anniversary of India's independence.
- **Appointment of lieutenant governor**
- The Lieutenant Governor is also known as the Lieutenant Governor or the LG.
- In the Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir, Puducherry and Delhi, the Lieutenant Governor is appointed as the representative of the Central Government.
- Administrators are appointed in all other union territories.
- The Lieutenant Governor is appointed by the President on the recommendation of the Central Government.
- Some provisions have been given in Articles 239A and 239AA of the Constitution for administrative work in Union Territories in India. Act 239A is applicable to all Union Territories, whereas Article 239AA of the Constitution is applicable only to National Capital Territory (NCT).
- The post was first created in September 1966.

## **5. Staff Selection Commission released notification for the first ever recruitment process for Ladakh ( May 24, 2022 )**

The Staff Selection Commission has released the notification for the first time recruitment process for the Union Territory of Ladakh.

- In its first recruitment process through SSC, the administration will recruit 797 different non-gazetted posts for the Union Territory of Ladakh.
- The applications for the recruitment were invited from May 23 and the last date would be June 13 this year.
- Applicants should be citizens of India and should be residents of the Union Territory of Ladakh.
- The exam will be conducted in August.
- The Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Councils of both Leh and Kargil are providing coaching and training for the candidates in the respective districts.

**About Ladakh**

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- It is a union territory of India.
- It is a part of the Kashmir region and has been a cause of dispute between India, Pakistan and China since 1947.
- Capital - Leh
- Two districts - Leh and Kargil
- Area - 59,186 square kilometres
- As per 2011 Census - Population 2,74,289
- Ladakh became a union territory - on 31 October 2019

**6. Sikkim Statehood Day 2022 ( May 16, 2022 )**

The Prime Minister Narendra Modi has greeted the people of Sikkim on their Statehood Day, 16 May.

**• Sikkim Statehood Day**

- On May 16, 2022, Sikkim officially completed 47 years of becoming a state of India.

**• About Sikkim**

- Location - northeastern part of the country
- Capital - Gangtok
- Borders - Tibet Autonomous Region of China, Bhutan, West Bengal and Nepal
- Established - as 22nd state of India on 16th May 1975
- Ruler - Namgyal dynasty ruled Sikkim until 1975
- India's highest peak and the world's third highest mountain - Mount Kanchenjunga lies in Sikkim
- Rivers - Teesta river and its tributaries such as the Rangit, Lhonak, Talung and Lachung.
- Teesta river tributary - Brahmaputra river
- Chief Minister - Prem Singh Tamang
- Governor - Ganga Prasad

**7. Manik Saha takes oath as 11th chief minister of Tripura ( May 16, 2022 )**

Tripura BJP chief and Rajya Sabha MP Manik Saha took oath as the 11th Chief Minister of the state at the Raj Bhavan in Agartala on May 15, a day after Biplab Kumar Deb resigned from the post.

- The 69-year-old Saha (A professor of dental surgery) was named as the leader of the BJP legislature party hours after the resignation of Deb.
- Saha left the Congress and joined the BJP in 2016.
- During his early days in the party, he was in charge of urban areas in the Booth Management Committee in the 2018 assembly elections.
- After BJP's thumping victory in the assembly elections, he was given the responsibility of in-charge of the booth management committee for the 2019 parliamentary elections.
- Deb was sworn in as the first CM of Tripura in 2018, ending the 25-year rule of the Communist Party of India in the state.

- **About Tripura**

- Capital - Agartala
- Governor - Satyadeo Narain Arya
- State Bird - Green Imperial Pigeon (*Ducula aenea*)
- State Tree - Agar (*Aquilaria malaccensis*)
- State Flower - Nageswar (*Mesua Ferrea*)
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- Borders - Bangladesh, Mizoram and Assam.
- connected with the rest of India - by NH-44 that runs through Assam, Meghalaya, North Bengal, Kolkata and other parts of India.
- No. of Districts - 08

## **8. Chhattisgarh state restored old pension scheme ( May 14, 2022 )**

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel in his budget statement announced the government's plan to roll back the old pension scheme (OPS) for state employees and quadruple the monthly MLA Local Area Development amount.

- More than three lakh people who started work after January 1, 2004 will benefit from this change.
- This change will not apply to members of All India Services like Indian Administrative Service and Indian Police Service.
- According to the new notification, the deduction of 10% monthly contribution from the salary of government servants under the New Contributory Pension Scheme will stop from April 1, 2022.

- According to the notification, a separate directorate will be created for all the operations related to account maintenance and pension of GPAF, which will be named Directorate, Pension and Provident Fund.-

- **About Chhattisgarh State -**

- Formation - 1 November 2000
- Capital- Raipur (Atal Nagar)
- Governor- Anusuiya Uikey
- Chief Minister- Bhupesh Baghel
- Assembly seats- 90
- Lok Sabha seats-11

## **9. Haryana launched 'Fodder-Sowing Scheme' ( May 14, 2022 )**

The fodder sowing scheme has been started for the farmers of the state by Jai Prakash Dalal, Minister of Agriculture, Government of Haryana.

- **IMPORTANT FACTS -**

- This scheme has been launched with the objective of providing financial assistance of Rs. 10,000 per acre to the farmers who provide and supply fodder to Gaushalas.
- Under Direct Benefit Transfer the subsidy will be deposited directly into the account of the farmer.
- The objective of this scheme is to cover the shortage of fodder and increasing stray cattle in the state.

- **Under the scheme -**

- Phosphate-rich organic manure (PROM) prepared from cow dung can be used as an alternative to synthetic fertilisers. PROM is also prepared from various Gaushalas in Pinjore, Hisar and Bhiwani districts of Haryana.
- The state government is taking many steps in the interest of the farmers and the 'Four Seeding Scheme' is another step in the same direction. In April, Rs 13.44 crore was distributed to buy fodder in 569 gaushalas in the state.

- **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION -**

- Haryana Capital- Chandigarh
- Haryana Governor- Bandaru Dattatreya
- Haryana Chief Minister- Manohar Lal Khattar.

## **10. PM Modi launched Madhya Pradesh Startup Policy ( May 13, 2022 )**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched Madhya Pradesh Startup Policy through video conferencing.

- Modi addresses the startup community during the Madhya Pradesh Startup Conclave being held in Indore.
- The Prime Minister also launched the Madhya Pradesh Startup portal, which will facilitate and help promote the startup ecosystem.
- The Madhya Pradesh Startup Conclave was attended by various pillars of the startup ecosystem including policy makers, innovators, entrepreneurs, academicians, investors, consultants and other stakeholders from government and private sector.

- **Objective of Policy**

- Strengthen the startup culture by nurturing entrepreneurial skills
- Encourage setting up of new technological business incubation centres
- Encourage and inspire youth to develop innovative ideas
- Promote entrepreneurship activities among the youth of the state, thereby enabling sustainable and inclusive socioeconomic development across the state
- Promote and develop employment opportunities for the youth within the state

- **Highlight of the policy**

- An entity shall be deemed to be a Startup for a period of five years from the date of incorporation/registration, If it is incorporated as a Private Limited Company or is registered in India as a Partnership Firm or Limited Liability Partnership.
- Turnover of the entity for any of the financial years, since incorporation, should not exceed INR 25 crore.
- The entity must work towards innovation, development or improvement of products or processes or services.
- The state offers special incentives for women-led startups in the form of interest subsidy of 8% on loans up to three years, not exceeding INR 5 lakh.
- The state provides incentives for lease subsidy up to INR 5 lakh for women-led startups.

- **Startup Ecosystem in Madhya Pradesh**

- The state's smart cities are serving as platforms to launch incubators and coworking spaces such as Jabalpur Incubation Centre in India.
- MP Venture Finance Limited (MPVFL) has been set up to provide access to venture capital funds to startups and has received approval from the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).
- Startup Incubator Cell is managed by the state nodal officer for startups.



- There are 1,937 start-ups recognized by the central government in Madhya Pradesh and
- 45 percent of them are run by women.
  - About 31 percent startups in the state are located in Bhopal and 44 percent in Indore.