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26 July 2023 daily current affairs

Important days

26 July 2023 - Kargil Vijay Diwas day

- Kargil Vijay Diwas is celebrated all across the country on July 26 every year.
- The day commemorates the victory of the Indian armed forces in the Kargil War fought against Pakistan.
- The day is observed to pay tribute and to honour the bravery and sacrifice of the soldiers in the war of 1999.
- It has been 24 years since India won the Kargil War in 1999.
- "Operation Vijay" refers to the Indian Army's campaign to recapture the occupied Kargil Hills.

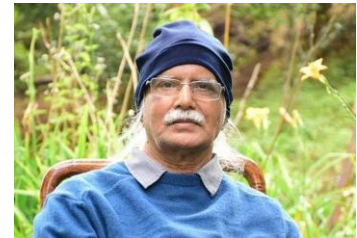
26 July 2023- International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem

- This International Day was adopted by the General Conference of the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in 2015.
- Aims to raise awareness of the importance of mangrove ecosystems.

Awards and honors

Vijaya Publishing House SV Rajadurai selected for the award

- ❖ Coimbatore Vijaya Publishing House 2023 Writer SV Rajadurai has been selected for the award. In this regard, the founder of Vijaya Publishing House, M. Velayutham, has said:
- ❖ In order to honor the memory of Karisal literary hero K.Raja Narayanan, the 'K.R. Award' is being presented annually to the best writers on behalf of 'Vijaya Readers' Circle' of Coimbatore Vijaya Publishing House.
- ❖ The awardee will be presented with a cash prize of Rs.5 lakh and a shield on behalf of Erode Shakti Masala Company.
- ❖ For the year 2023, 'G.R.' For the award, famous Marxist, Periyar scholar S. V. Rajadurai (83) has been selected. Retired Chief Secretary V. Irayanbu will present the award to him at a ceremony to be held on September 17 in Coimbatore.
- ❖ Earlier, writers Kanmani Gunasekaran, Konangi and A. Muthulingam were given 'K.R. Awarded.





President Droupadi Murmu confers National Geoscience Awards 2022 to 22 winners

- ❖ The President of India Droupadi Murmu conferred the National Geoscience Awards- 2022 (NGA) of the Ministry of Mines on 22 Geoscientists during an event organized at Rashtrapati Bhavan Cultural Centre in New Delhi, Delhi.
- ❖ The National Geoscience Award for Lifetime Achievement was conferred upon Professor (Dr.) "Om Narain Bhargava", Department of Geology, Panjab University (PU), Chandigarh, for his pioneering work in the Himalayas spanning over the last four decades.
- ❖ The National Young Geoscientist Award was presented to Dr. Amiya Kumar Samal, Assistant Professor of Banaras Hindu University (BHU) in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh (UP).



Union Minister Anurag Thakur Confers 8th and 9th Community Radio Awards

- ❖ The Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Anurag Thakur, inaugurated the two- day Regional Community Radio (CR) Sammelan (North) at the Indian Institute of Mass Communication in New Delhi, Delhi on the occasion of National Broadcasting Day on 23rd July 2023.



9th National Community Radio Awards

- ❖ The 9th National Community Radio Awards consists of 12 awards under 4 categories.
- ❖ These prestigious awards recognize outstanding Community Radio Stations (CRS) from various states, including Haryana, Bihar, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, and Tripura.

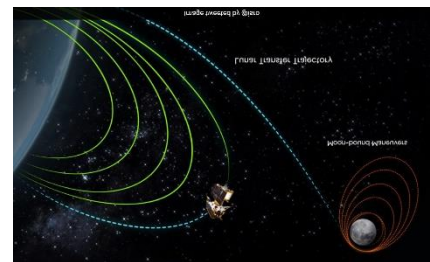
Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

- ❖ Union Minister- Anurag Singh Thakur (constituency-Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh)
- ❖ Minister of state- Dr. L. Murugan

Science and Technology

Chandrayaan-3 on the final orbit of the Earth!

- ❖ Chandrayaan-3 successfully launched into final orbit of Earth
- ❖ Following this, on August 1, ISRO said that the spacecraft will start traveling in the elliptical path of the moon.
- ❖ A minimum distance of 170 km and a maximum of 36,500 km. The spacecraft is stationed in a high-Earth elliptical orbit.
- ❖ Accordingly, the spacecraft has been taken to an orbit with a minimum distance of 236 km and a maximum distance of 1,27,609 km. In the next step, the Chandrayaan spacecraft will be de-orbited on August 1 and thrust into lunar orbit.





- ❖ Then, as planned. On the 23rd, the spacecraft will land gently on the moon.

Economy & Banking

Bajaj Finserv launches first equity scheme in flexi-cap category

- ❖ Bajaj Finserv Asset Management launched its first equity Fund 'Bajaj Finserv Flexi Cap Fund' in the flexi-cap category, an open-ended and dynamic equity scheme.
- ❖ The New Fund Offer (NFO) opens for subscription on July 24 and closes on 7th August 2023.
- ❖ Bajaj Finserv Asset Management Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bajaj Finserv Limited.



Geography

Notify Mhadei sanctuary as tiger reserve in 3 months, Bombay HC orders Goa.

- **Mhadei Wildlife Sanctuary** is located in North Goa District, Sanguem taluka near the town of Valpoi.
- Owing to the presence of Bengal Tigers, it was declared as a tiger reserve under **Project Tiger**.

Government Welfare Oriented Schemes, their utility

The government has increased the interest rate on deposits under employment provident fund scheme to 8.15%.

- The Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India, has conveyed the approval of employment provident fund to 8.15 to 8.10.
- EPF is a social security scheme under the Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952
- Managed by: The scheme is managed under the aegis of Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO).
- Coverage: EPF accounts are mandatory for employees earning up to ₹15,000 a month in firms with over 20 workers.
- Under the scheme, an employee has to pay a 12% contribution towards the scheme. An equal contribution is paid by the employer.
- The employee gets a lump sum amount including self and employer's contribution with interest on both on retirement.



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State Current Affairs

Honour of Dead Body Bill, 2023 passed by Rajasthan.

- ❖ Rajasthan Legislative Assembly has passed the Rajasthan Dead Body Respect Bill, 2023 to prevent protests with dead bodies.
- ❖ The bill seeks to penalize such acts that can attract imprisonment for up to five years.
- ❖ The bill aims to make protests with dead bodies a punishable offense and ensure the dignity of the body of the deceased.
- ❖ Now, anyone found protesting with a dead body on the road, outside police stations, or in any other public place can be punished with a jail term of six months to five years, along with a fine.
- ❖ Apart from prohibiting the use of a person's remains for protests, the Bill seeks to ensure that every dead person has the right to the last rites.



National current affairs

Nagaland has been officially declared as a Lumpy Skin Disease Positive State.

- The declaration is made following the detection of the Lumpy skin disease in four districts of the state, under The Prevention and Control of Infectious and Contagious Diseases in Animals Act, 2009.
- lumpy skin disease is a poxviral disease with significant morbidity in cattle.
- This disease is caused by the Capripox virus also known as the “Neethling” virus.
- Although the mortality rate is generally low, economic losses result from loss of condition, decreased milk production, abortions, infertility and damaged hides.

Russia's largest lender Sberbank to establish IT centre in Bengaluru

Russia's largest lender **Sberbank's branch** in India has received permission from the Reserve Bank of India to establish an information technology unit in **Bengaluru**, where it plans to employ up to 200 IT specialists.

'Government introduces National Dental Commission Bill in Lok Sabha'

- The government introduced the National Nursing and Midwifery Commission Bill, 2023 and the National Dental Commission Bill, 2023 in the Lok Sabha.
- The National Dental Commission Bill seeks to repeal the Dentists Act, 1948 and proposes to set up National Dental Commission (NMC) to regulate dental education and the profession in the country.
- It also aims to make dental education affordable and make quality oral healthcare accessible.



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- The National Nursing and Midwifery Commission Bill, 2023 aims at setting up National Nursing and Midwifery Commission (NNMC) and to repeal the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947.
- The Bill provides for regulation and maintenance of standards of education and services by nursing and midwifery professionals, assessment of institutions, maintenance of a national register as well as state registers.

‘Bill to amend Registration of Birth and Death Act likely to make Aadhaar compulsory’

- A Bill to amend the Registration of Birth and Death Act 1969, is likely to make Aadhaar compulsory for registration of births and deaths..
- The Centre allowed the Registrar General of India (RGI) to perform Aadhaar authentication during registration of births and deaths in the country.
- Presently, Aadhaar is not mandatory for such registration.
- The proposed amendment to the 1969 Act will give it a legal teeth.
- All States are required to use the Civil Registration System (CRS) operated by the RGI to issue birth and death certificates.
- The database will be used to update the national population register

NCPCR writes to Manipur DGP, seeks FIR against CPM leader, 2 others National commission for protection of child rights:

- The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) is a statutory body established under the Commission for Protection of Child Rights (CPCR) Act, 2005.
- It is under the administrative control of the Ministry of Women and Child Development.
- Under the act, a Child is defined as a person in the 0 to 18 years age group.
- It aims to ensure that all Laws, Policies, Programmes, and Administrative Mechanisms are in harmony with the Child Rights perspective as enshrined in the Constitution of India and also the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Tamilnadu current affairs

‘Tamil Nadu School Education Department’s Manarkeni App looks at conceptual learning’

Manarkeni App:

- In an initiative to encourage students to **understand concepts** better and **promote critical thinking**, the Tamil Nadu School Education Department has come out with an app called ‘Manarkeni’.
- It was created by the State Council for Educational Research and Training (SCERT).



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- This is a free app will have videos in English and Tamil based on concepts from the Tamil Nadu State Board syllabus across all classes.
- The app can be found on the Google Play Store as '*TNSED Student*'.