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# History, Art and Culture

# **Gorkha Community**

Recently, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) convened a meeting to resolve issues related to the Gorkha community.

- **Gorkha Community** It is a group of ethnic communities of people who speak *Nepali language*, which is included in the 8<sup>th</sup> schedule of the Indian Constitution.
- **Distribution** They are <u>residents of Nepal and Indian states</u> like Assam, Sikkim, West Bengal, Uttarakhand and other parts of the country.
- Sub-castes:
  - Bahuns (Brahmins), Chhetry, Bhujel, Tamang, Magar, Rai, Limbu, Gurung, Pradhan, etc.

# **New Chola Inscription**

A new inscription pertaining to Rajaraja Chola, has been discovered recently.

- Dicovered at Somagiri hills at Melavalavu in Madurai, Tamil Nadu.
- Time period It dated back around 1,000 CE.
- **Honorific title** The inscription begins with the <u>title Raja Mummudichola</u>, a unique salutation found in this region, known as the Pandya country.
- **Information** It mentions about capturing and ruling of the area by a military commander called *Viranarana Pallavarayan*.
- Malaiyappa Sambu, who cut the steps on the rock to reach a ledge where a temple had been constructed.

# Polity & Governance

## New Website of Ministry of Jal Shakti

A new website of Ministry of Jal Shakti (Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation) was launched recently.

- **Objective** To align to *cohesive digital ecosystem* across all Ministries/Department.
- It is in Digital Brand Identity Manual (DBIM) format.
- **DBIM** It acts as a style guide and outlines the visual, textual, and experiential elements necessary to bring harmonization to the digital platforms of the Government of India.
- **Significance** It is in full compliance with the latest DBIM and *Guidelines for Indian Government Websites (GIGW) 3.0*.
- **Features** Unified interface, consistent branding, technology standardization, digital excellence and accessibility.

#### **Social Issues**

## Dharti Aaba TribePreneurs 2025

Recently, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) inaugurated Dharti Aaba TribePreneurs 2025.

- Launched by Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- It is *transforming tribal entrepreneurship*, paving the way for self-reliant, sustainable, and innovative enterprises.
- **Objective** To emphasis Bhagwan Birsa Munda vision by <u>creating sustainable</u> <u>opportunities</u> for Scheduled Tribe (ST) entrepreneurs and startups.
- To redefine the tribal startup landscape and contribute to a more *inclusive and resilient economy*.

# Agriculture

# Water Resource Census Application

Water Resource Census application was launched recently.

- Launched by Ministry of Jal Shakti.
- **Objective** To build a *comprehensive and reliable database in the irrigation sector* for effective planning and policymaking including water use efficiency, water budgeting etc.
- To enhance data accuracy and reducing the time required for conduct of census.
- Census schemes
  - The  $7^{\text{th}}$  Minor Irrigation Census
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Census of Water Bodies
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Census of Springs
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Census of Major and Medium Irrigation Projects.

# Reservoir Storage Monitoring System (RSMS) Portal

Web based Reservoir Storage Monitoring System (RSMS) Portal was launched recently.

- Launched by Ministry of Jal Shakti.
- **Aim** To monitor the <u>live storage Capacity data of 161 important reservoirs</u> of country.
- **Features** All required data analysis and generating maps, tables, graphs etc. including issuing the final bulletin shall be done *automatically* once the data is entered in the portal.
- If required, *general public can get information* about the storage status of any reservoir and download the bulletin from the portal.

#### Environment

## **Cyphoderus Bihariensis**

Scientists from Kolkata Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) discovered a new species of Collembola in Bihar.

- **Collembola** It is a <u>soil-dwelling micro-arthropod</u>.
- **Scientific name** Cyphoderus Bihariensis (named after the state 'Bihar' where it was found)
- It belongs to the multidentati species group, marking the  $\underline{I}^{st}$  record of this group in the country.
- **Morphology** It has minute body size, lack of eyes, and the presence of a furcula (a jumping organ).

## Science

## Third Launch Pad (TLP)

Recently, the Union Cabinet approves the establishment of Third Launch Pad (TLP).

- **Location** Sriharikota.
- It is expected to be completed within 4 years.
- **Need** Next Generation Launch Vehicle (NGLV) is under development, which is <u>about 90</u> m tall with a maximum lift-off mass of 1000 tonne.
- Existing launch pads at Sriharikota is *not designed* to launch this class of vehicles.
- **Features** Foundation support & servicing requirements for future augmentation supports the launches of India's Crewed Lunar mission.

## **Endometriosis**

A recent study finds, traumatic experiences and genetics may increase endometriosis risk.

- **Endometriosis** It is a *chronic and systemic inflammatory disease* where uterine endometrial-like *tissue grows outside the uterus*.
- **Symptoms** Debilitating pelvic pain before and during menstruation, or during intercourse.
- Causes Infertility and digestive issues such as painful bowel movements.
- **Spread** Globally, it affects a staggering <u>10%-15% of female individuals</u> of reproductive age.

#### Miscellaneous

# **Mundi-Cut Passport**

Recently, it was found that 'mundi-cut' passports were used to illegally send people abroad from Mumbai.

- It is a one of the *fake passports*, which is entirely forged and changed by an agent.
- **Mundi cut (photo change) Passport** A legitimate passport purchased from the original holder, where the *photograph of original holder is replaced with photograph of illegal migrant*.
- The *personal details remain same* of the original holder.
- It is considered as a safest way by the criminals for the illegal migration.

