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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 residents of Nepal and Indian states 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.

- **Discovered 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 title Raja Mummudichola, 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 *creating sustainable opportunities* 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<sup>th</sup> 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 *live storage Capacity data of 161 important reservoirs* 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 *soil-dwelling micro-arthropod*.
- **Scientific name** – *Cyphoderus Bihariensis* (named after the state 'Bihar' where it was found)
- It belongs to the multidentati species group, marking the ***1<sup>st</sup> 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 about 90 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 10%-15% of female individuals 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.



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