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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 8th 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.

• **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 *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 7th Minor Irrigation Census
- 2nd Census of Water Bodies
- 1st Census of Springs
- 1st 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 ***1st 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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