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Rajasthan

Rajasthan State Cooperative Marketing Federation (RAJFED)

➔ Why in News?

- Recently, Rajasthan State Marketing Cooperative Federation (Rajfed) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Seed Cooperative Society Limited (BBSSL) and National Cooperative Organics Limited (NCOL) to provide high quality seeds to cooperative societies and farmers and to market organic products.



➔ Main Point

- Rajasthan State Marketing Cooperative Federation, also known as Rajfed, is a cooperative institution whose main objective is to get farmers a fair price for their produce and supply them with essential agricultural inputs.
- This federation works in all the districts of Rajasthan.
- **Registered Office:** Jaipur.
- **Established:** In the year 1957.

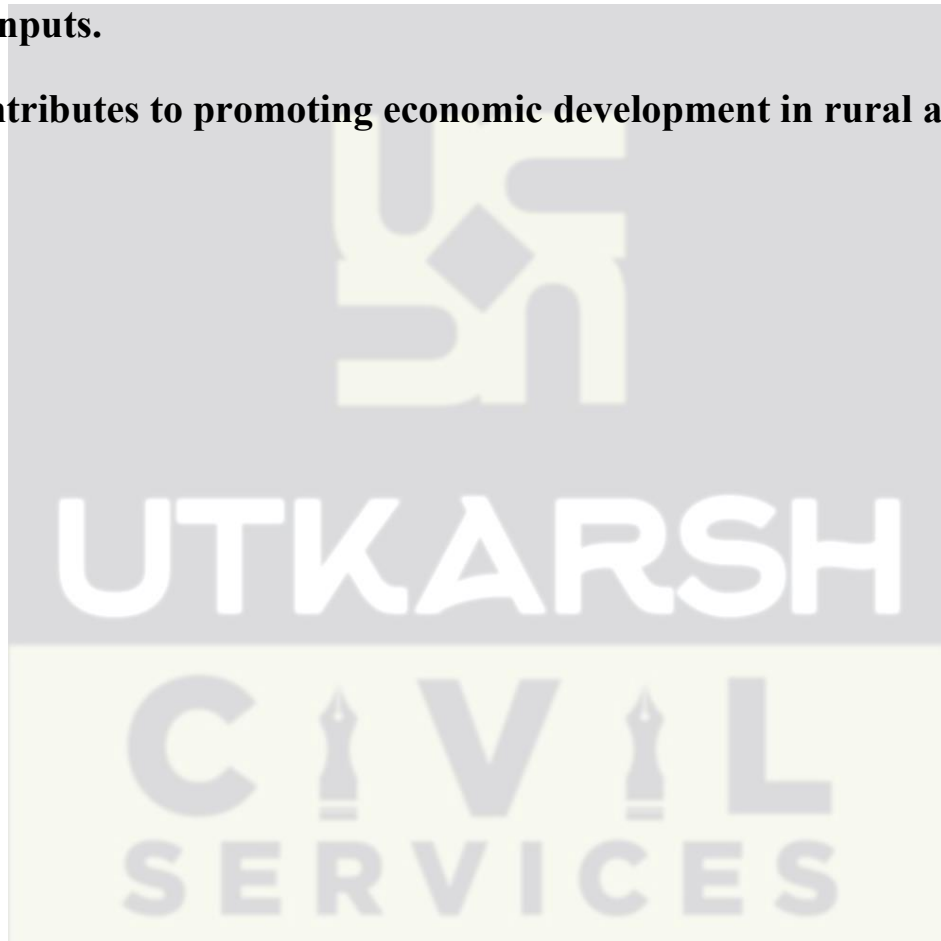
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Importance of Rajfed:

- Rajfed plays an important role in empowering farmers through cooperative societies in Rajasthan.
- It helps farmers to get a fair price for their produce and supply them with essential inputs.
- It also contributes to promoting economic development in rural areas.



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Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority(RALSA)

➔ Why in News?

- Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority is conducting a 90-day Mediation 'for the Nation' mediation campaign from 01 July to 30 September 2025 to settle the cases pending in the courts.





➔ Main Point

- **Direction:** National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) and Mediation and Conciliation Project Committee (MCPC)
- Under this campaign, efforts will be made to settle the cases pending for years in the High Court and District and Taluka courts through mediation.
- **Article 39A of the Indian Constitution:** Provision for providing free legal aid to the poor and weaker sections of the society to promote justice on the basis of equal opportunity.

❖ Facts for Prelims:

- ◆ Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority (RALSA) was constituted by the State Government of Rajasthan through a notification issued on 07 July 1998.
- ◆ The Parliament passed the Legal Services Authority Act, 1987, which came into force from 9 November 1995.
- ◆ With the implementation of this Act, Legal Services Authorities were established at the national, state and district levels, and Legal Services Committees were also formed at the Supreme Court, High Court and Taluka levels.

News in Shorts

S. No.	News
1.	<p>Rajdhara Portal</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ All the necessary information related to mine operations from delineation of mineral blocks and plots of the state will be made available on the 'Rajdhara Portal'.◆ This information will also be linked to the 'Pradhan Mantri Gatishakti Portal', so that all the related information can be available easily and transparently on a single platform.
2.	<p>MoU between Forty and Jaipur Police Commissionerate</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Recently, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Jaipur Police Commissionerate and Federation of Rajasthan Trade and Industry (FORTI) for social concern.◆ Under the agreement, FORTI officials will adopt rape victims and destitute children of convicted criminal parents and take responsibility for their upbringing, education, employment and marriage.

3.

Establishment of 'Namo Toy Bank' in Kota



- ◆ Recently, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla announced the establishment of 'NaMo Toy Bank' in Kota.
- ◆ This initiative is inspired by the idea of 'Joy of Giving', which promotes human values such as service, leadership and sensitivity among children.
- ◆ This initiative aims to provide toys to children deprived of toys due to lack of resources.

4.

'Sada Aage' Project



- ◆ Recently, the Indian Army successfully tested indigenous ammunition at Pokhran Field Firing Range.
- ◆ This test was conducted under the 'Sada Aage' project, which is being jointly conducted by the Indian Army and Defence Research Organisations.

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Rajasthan's first residential girls Sainik School - Jaimalsar



- ♦ Rajasthan's first residential Balika Sainik Vidyalaya will start in Jaimalsar, Bikaner. It will admit 80 girl students in class 6 and 9.
- ♦ Poonamchand Rathi, a philanthropist from Bikaner and a resident of Kolkata, has donated property (land and building) worth Rs 108 crore to the Rajasthan Education Department in memory of his parents late Ramidevi and Ramnarayan Rathi.

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National

Kala Setu - Real-time Language Tech for India

➔ Why in News?

- Ministry of Information and Broadcasting launched Kala Setu - Real-Time Language Tech for India competition through its Wavex startup accelerator platform.



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➔ Main Point

- This competition was launched to encourage the country's leading AI startups to create multilingual multimedia content for citizen access to governance.
- **Kala Setu's objective:** To promote equality among digital languages.
- **Bhasha Setu Challenge:** 'Bhasha Setu' real-time language translation challenge was launched under Wavex on June 30, 2025.

Other important points

Wavex:

- **Launch:** Wavex is a dedicated start-up accelerator platform launched under the Waves initiative of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
- **Objective:** To promote innovation in media, entertainment and language technology sectors.
- At the Waves Summit held in Mumbai in May 2025, Wavex provided presentation opportunities to more than 30 startups.

International

Care Age Report-2025

➔ Why in News?

- According to a report by Care Age, India has 8 percent of the world's total reserves of rare earth elements (REE).



➔ Main Point

- India has the third largest reserves of rare earth elements, but it contributes less than 1 percent of the total mining.
- In contrast, China has 49 percent of the reserves and produces 69 percent of REE.

Rare Earth Elements (REE) in India:

- India's REE reserves are mainly in monazite sand, which also contains thorium.
- According to the Indian Minerals Yearbook 2023, rare earth elements are found in the coastal states of India; Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha.
- **Complex mining process:** REEs are often radioactive, making their mining difficult, lengthy and expensive.
- There are also many restrictions on the mining of these elements due to Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) rules.
- Indian Rare Earths Limited (IREL) is the only Indian company that processes rare earth compounds from monazite sand. It has the status of a Mini Ratna company.

Environment and Ecology

Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Amendment Rules, 2025

➔ Why in News?

- Recently, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change notified the 'Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Amendment Rules, 2025'.



➔ Main Point

- The framework provides a comprehensive and detailed Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) system for scrap management of non-ferrous metals including aluminium, copper, zinc and their alloys.

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR):

- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) is a policy framework under which producers are given financial and physical responsibility for the treatment, management or disposal of products after use by consumers.
- In principle, such assignment of responsibility helps in controlling waste at the production level, promoting the development of environmentally friendly products, and achieving public recycling and material management goals.

National Timber Management System - NTMS

➔ Why in News?

- Recently, the central government issued new rules for felling of trees on agricultural land to promote agroforestry.



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➡ Main Point

- As per the new guidelines, registration in the National Timber Management System is mandatory for felling trees or planting new trees on agricultural land.
- **NTMS Portal:** The National Timber Management System allows farmers to register their plantations, apply for permits for felling trees, and track applications using geo-tagged data and photos.
- **Objectives:**
 - To double farmers' income, increase tree cover outside forests, and mitigate climate change.
 - To effectively implement the Paris Agreement and the National Agroforestry Policy.
- Farmers will have to register their land on the National Timber Management System (NTMS) portal, entering details such as land ownership, plantation data (species, number of plants, planting date), and tree height.

Commission formed for glacial disasters: Sikkim

➔ Why in News?

- Recently, Sikkim has constituted a 13-member commission to manage glacial disasters.



➔ Main Point

- **Reason for formation:** In the wake of the devastating Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) that occurred in Sikkim on October 4, 2023.
- This commission has been formed to prevent the gradual destruction of glacial lakes and enhance the long-term resilience of the region to climate-induced disasters.
- **Chairman:** Dr. Akhilesh Gupta (Former Senior Advisor, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India).
- **Members:** 13 members (including glaciologists, climate scientists, disaster management experts, senior officials of national and state level institutions and representatives of Sikkim Forest Department)
- **Objective:** To prevent flood-causing breaches during heavy glacial melt or excessive rainfall in future.

Other important points

Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF):

- Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) is a type of catastrophic flood.
- **Cause:** Caused by change in the volume of glaciers or rapid melting, heavy rainfall, change in lake water level and earthquakes.
- According to the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), the retreat of glaciers due to climate change in most parts of the Hindu Kush Himalaya has led to the formation of many new glacial lakes, which is the main cause of GLOF.

Science and Technology

Extended Range Anti-Submarine Rocket (ERASR)

➔ Why in News?

- User trials of Extended Range Anti-Submarine Rocket (ERASR) were successfully completed from INS Kavaratti warship from 23 June to 7 July 2025.



➔ Main Point

- It is an indigenously developed extended range anti-submarine rocket system.
- **Development:** By Pune-based Armament Research and Development Establishment (ATDE) of Defence Research and Development Organisation.
- **Production:** By Bharat Dynamics Limited, Hyderabad and Solar Defence and Aerospace Limited, Nagpur.

VTU-VRIF-TCOE Hub & Spoke Centre of Excellence

➡ Why in News?

- On July 10, 2025, Union Minister for Communications and Development of North Eastern Region inaugurated the VTU-VRIF-TCOE Hub and Spoke Centre of Excellence in Bengaluru.



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➡ Main Point

- This Centre of Excellence (COE) is a strategic partnership between Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Visvesvaraya Research and Innovation Foundation (VRIF) and Telecommunication Centre of Excellence (TCOE).
- **Objective:** To establish a cutting-edge innovation ecosystem focusing on emerging areas including 5G/6G communications, artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning (ML), augmented and virtual reality (AR/VR), quantum computing, healthcare and other frontier technologies.
- **Objective of the Centre:** To become a launchpad for deep technology research and startup incubation.
- More than 20 startups and 30 academic institutions have joined this COE initiative.

Awards

Chintha Ravindran Award 2025: Sharankumar Limbale

➔ Why in News?

- Marathi writer and critic Sharankumar Limbale has been selected for the Chintha Ravindran Award 2025.



➔ Main Point

- The award will be presented at a ceremony in Kozhikode on July 26, 2025.
- The award consists of a cash prize of ₹50,000, a memento and a citation.
- The Chintha Ravindran Award honours bold and justice-loving writers who challenge inequality and promote human dignity.
- **Contribution of Sharankumar Limbale:** Sharankumar Limbale's writings have played an important role in bringing Dalit literature and issues related to social justice to the mainstream.

News in Shorts

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1.	<p style="text-align: center;">Asmita Weightlifting League</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ On July 8, 2025, Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports inaugurated Asmita League 2025 in Modinagar, Uttar Pradesh.◆ More than 70,000 women players will participate in 852 leagues to be held in states and union territories in 15 sports disciplines in the financial year 2025-26. <p>Asmita</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Launch: Year 2021◆ Asmita is part of Khelo India's gender-neutral mission to promote sports among women through leagues and competitions.

2.

3500 years old city: Panico



- ◆ Recently, geologists discovered an ancient city called Panico at an altitude of 600 meters above sea level in Peru's Barranca province.
- ◆ This city was settled between 1800 and 1500 BC.
- ◆ The features of this city include a circular structure located at its center, surrounded by buildings made of stone and clay, including temples and houses.
- ◆ Necklaces made of shells and clay figurines found in the city indicate that cultural and religious activities were influenced here.
- ◆ Panico was not only a center of trade, but was also a socially, culturally and spiritually rich place.

3.

Indian Women's Football Team



- ◆ The Indian women's team qualified for the AFC Women's Asian Cup for the first time by defeating Thailand.
- ◆ This is also India's first win over Thailand. Thailand is ranked 46th in the world rankings and is 24 places above India.
- ◆ **Asia Cup to be held: Year 2026 (in Australia)**

4.

Sindoor Bridge: Maharashtra



- ◆ The newly built Carnac Bridge in Mumbai, replacing the old Carnac Bridge (154 years old), was named 'Sindoor Bridge' after Operation Sindoor.

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5.

Ganeshotsav declared as the state festival of Maharashtra



- ◆ Ganeshotsav was officially declared as a state festival by the Maharashtra government.
- ◆ Sarvajanik Ganeshotsav in Maharashtra was started in the year 1893 by Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak.
- ◆ This year Ganeshotsav will be celebrated from 26 to 27 August, 2025.

6.

21st member of the Eurozone



- ◆ Bulgaria has been approved by the European Union to officially adopt the Euro currency from January 1, 2026, making Bulgaria the 21st member of the single currency zone.

7.

Mukhyamantri Sehat Bima Yojana: Punjab



- ◆ Recently, the Punjab government has announced the launch of 'Mukhyamantri Sehat Bima Yojana', under which all citizens will be provided cashless treatment up to Rs 10 lakh in government and private hospitals.
- ◆ This scheme will come into effect from October 2, 2025.