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Shilpgram Festival – 2025 (Udaipur)

Why in News?

- On December 21, 2025, the Governor of Rajasthan and Chairman of the West Zone Cultural Centre, Udaipur, Haribhau Kisanrao Bagde, inaugurated the 'Shilpgram Festival-2025'.



Key Points:

- Venue:** Shilpgram, Udaipur.
- Organizer:** West Zone Cultural Centre, Udaipur, under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India.
- Theme:** 'Lok Ke Rang – Lok Ke Sang.'
- The festival will be held from December 21 to 30, 2025.
- During the inauguration ceremony of the 'Shilpgram Festival', the Governor presented the 'Dr. Komal Kothari Memorial Lifetime Achievement Award' to two individuals. Each recipient received a silver plaque and a cash prize of ₹2.51 lakh.

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Award Recipients:

- **Ramnath Chaudhary (Jaipur):** Ramnath Chaudhary, a resident of Padampura in Jaipur, is the only artist in the world who plays the Algoja (a Rajasthani folk instrument) with his nose. The Algoja is the state musical instrument of Rajasthan.
- **Dr. Niranjan Vallabhbhai Rajyaguru (Rajkot, Gujarat):** He has conducted fieldwork on folk and devotional music, creating 700 hours of sound recordings.

Facts for Prelims:

West Zone Cultural Centre, Udaipur

- **Establishment:** Between 1985 and 1987.
- **Chairman:** Governor of Rajasthan.
- **Headquarters:** Bagore Ki Haveli, Udaipur.
- **Objective:** To preserve the cultural diversity of Western India through performing arts, visual arts, folk arts, traditional arts, and tribal arts.
- The West Zone Cultural Centre was the first center in India to establish a 'Shilpgram' (crafts village).
- This center organizes the 'Shilpgram Festival' every year in the last week of December at Shilpgram in Udaipur.

State's First Inter-State Tiger Relocation

Why in News?

- On December 21, 2025, the 'state's first inter-state tiger relocation' was successfully completed from Pench Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh to Ramgarh Vishdhari Tiger Reserve in Rajasthan.



Key Points:

- Objective:** To introduce genetic diversity in the tiger reserve and reduce the risk of inbreeding.
- Transportation:** By Indian Air Force MI-17 helicopter.
- This is only the second time in India that an inter-state tiger translocation has been attempted. The first inter-state tiger translocation was attempted in 2018, which was unsuccessful. In that attempt, one male and one female tiger were brought from Kanha Tiger Reserve and Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve (Madhya Pradesh) respectively to Satkosia Tiger Reserve (Odisha).

Ramgarh Vishdhari Tiger Reserve:

- **Location:** Situated in Bundi district, extending to Kota and Bhilwara.
- It is located in the ancient Aravalli hills, with seasonal rivers like Mej, Ramgarh, and Khari flowing through it.
- It was declared the fourth tiger reserve of Rajasthan in 2022, after Ranthambore, Sariska, and Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserves. Facts for Prelims:

Tiger Reserves located in Rajasthan:

| S. No. | Tiger Reserve | Year of Declaration | Included Districts |
|--------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Ranthambore Tiger Reserve | 1973 | Sawai Madhopur, Karauli, Bundi, Tonk |
| 2. | Sariska Tiger Reserve | 1978 | Alwar, Jaipur, Kotputli- Behror |
| 3. | Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve | 2013 | Kota, Bundi, Jhalawar, Chittorgarh |
| 4. | Ramgarh Vishdhari Tiger Reserve | 2022 | Bundi, Kota |
| 5. | Dholpur-Karauli Tiger Reserve | 2023 | Dholpur, Karauli |

- **Note:** Kumbhalgarh Tiger Reserve is proposed as the sixth tiger reserve of Rajasthan, which will include areas of Rajsamand and Udaipur districts.

State-Level Lakhpati Didi Dialogue Program (December 21, 2025)

Why in News?

- The 'State-Level Lakhpati Didi Dialogue Program' was organized in Jaipur on December 21, 2025.



Key Points:

- Venue:** Harish Chandra Mathur Rajasthan State Institute of Public Administration (HCM RIPA), Jaipur.
- The Chief Minister interacted with 60 Lakhpati Didis during the program.
- The Government of Rajasthan has trained 19.45 lakh women in the state and created more than 12 lakh Lakhpati Didis for the respect, safety, and empowerment of women. (Source - DIPR)
- Mission Panch Ratna:** The objective of Mission Panch Ratna is to provide better market access for products made by women of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in Rajasthan and to provide opportunities for SHG members in various service sectors. Panch Ratna includes - physical store sales, government procurement, online sales, export promotion, and opportunities in the service sector.



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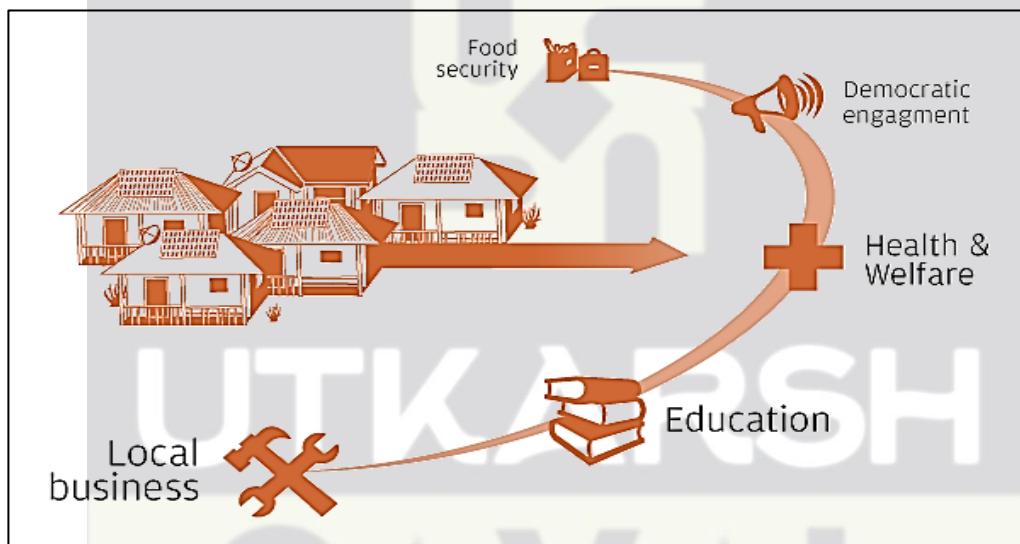
Lakhpatti Didi Scheme:

- **Launched:** In 2023.
- **Concerned Ministry:** Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.
- **Objective of the scheme:** To empower women of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and enable them to earn a minimum income of at least one lakh rupees per year on a sustainable basis.
- No separate budget has been allocated for the Lakhpatti Didi initiative. All activities under this initiative are funded under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) scheme.

'Smart Village Initiative' Launched from Sawai Pura Village in Pali

Why in News?

- Recently, the 'Smart Village Mission Mode Project' was launched by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) under the Ministry of Science and Technology from Sawai Pura village in Pali district.



Key Points:

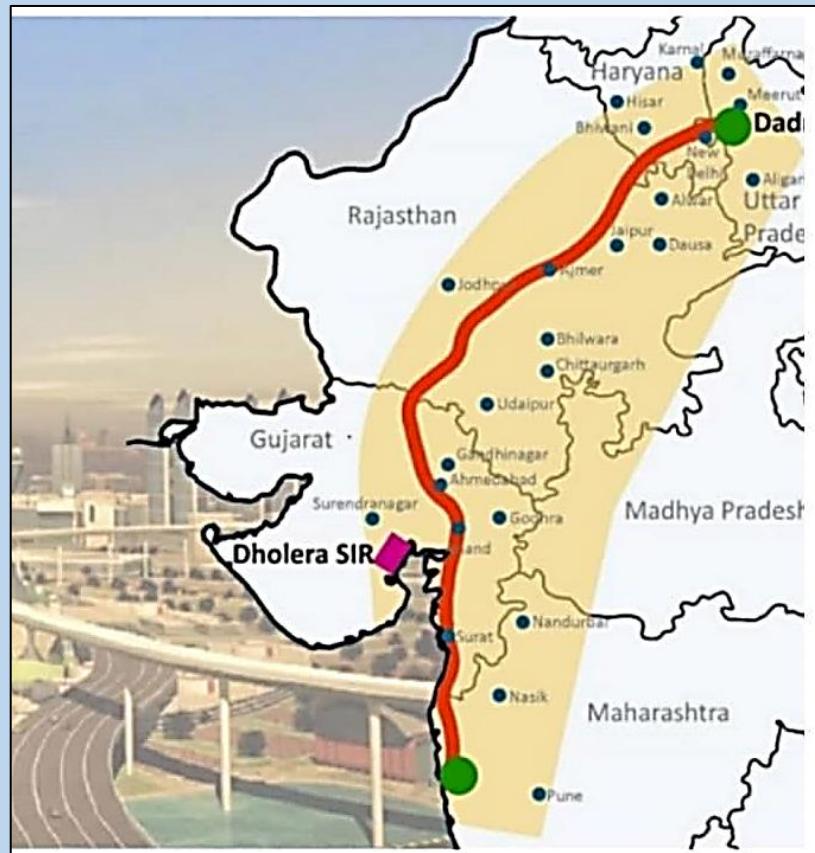
- Under this initiative, CSIR has selected six villages located in different climatic zones of India. Sawai Pura village in Pali has been included in the 'hot and dry zone'.
- This project focuses on holistic village development by improving key village development indicators through indigenous CSIR technologies, following the guiding principle of "Lab to Land".
- This mission is being led by CSIR-Central Building Research Institute (CBRI), Roorkee, with the participation of 13 other CSIR laboratories.
- This initiative is a significant step towards the holistic and sustainable development of rural India, in line with the vision of 'Developed India@2047'.

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1. **Total Length of 'Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC)' in Rajasthan**



- Approximately 564 kilometers of the 1506-kilometer-long Western Dedicated Freight Corridor, being developed by Indian Railways, passes through Rajasthan.
- **Extension:** From Jawaharlal Nehru Port Terminal (JNPT), Mumbai to Dadri (Uttar Pradesh).
- **Implementation:** By Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL) under the administrative control of the Ministry of Railways.

2.

Akhil Bhartiya Anurag Sahitya Alankaran Samaroh – 2025



- Rajasthan Governor Haribhau Bagde honored 31 litterateurs selected from various states by presenting them with mementos at the Akhil Bhartiya Anurag Sahitya Alankaran Samaroh – 2025, organized to mark the completion of 31 years of the Anurag Seva Sansthan.
- **Venue:** Ashok Sharma Government Senior Secondary School, Lalsot (Dausa).

3.

World Health and Wellness Fest 2025

- **Dates:** December 20 and 21, 2025, in Jaipur.
- **Organizers:** Indian Institute of Event Management and Sanskriti Yuva Sanstha.

4.

26th Annual Convention of the All India Ex-Servicemen Service Council

- The 26th Annual Convention of the All India Ex-Servicemen Service Council was held on December 20 and 21, 2025, at the Army Area Auditorium, Jaipur.

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Release of "Rashmipath" Magazine

- Recently, Governor Haribhau Bagde released the Indian Knowledge Tradition issue of "Rashmipath," the annual magazine of the 'Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal'.

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Joint Curtain Raiser Program for the 78th Army Day Parade

- Recently, a joint curtain raiser program for the 78th Army Day Parade was held at Jaipur Engineering College and Research Center.
- It is noteworthy that the Army Day Parade 2026, will be held on Mahal Road, Jagatpura (Jaipur).
- A 'Know Your Army' exhibition will be organized from January 8 to 12, 2026.

7.

Manav Suthar: Captain of the Rajasthan Team for the Vijay Hazare Trophy

- Recently, Manav Suthar was appointed captain of the Rajasthan team announced by the Rajasthan Cricket Association for the Vijay Hazare Trophy.
- **Vice-Captain:** Aniket Choudhary.
- The Rajasthan team includes 7 players who will be playing for various franchises in the upcoming IPL.



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Prime Minister's Visits to Jordan, Ethiopia, and Oman

Why in News?

- From December 15 to 17, 2025, the Indian Prime Minister undertook official visits to Jordan, Ethiopia, and Oman.

Key Points:

- Objective of the visit: To strengthen India's bilateral relations with strategic partners in West Asia and Africa.
- **Jordan Visit:** From December 15 to 16, 2025, at the invitation of King Abdullah II of Jordan.
- 2025 marks the 75th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and Jordan (relations established: 1950).
- Jordan is one of India's largest suppliers of phosphate and potash fertilizers.
- Jordan has been providing visa-on-arrival to Indian tourists since 2009 and e-visa since 2023.



Major Outcomes and Agreements:

1. Agreement between Petra and Ellora.
2. Renewal of the Cultural Exchange Program for 2025-2029.
3. India is Jordan's third largest trading partner. Both countries aim to increase mutual trade to over US\$5 billion in the next 5 years (Bilateral trade in 2024: US\$2.3 billion).

Jordan:



- **Official Name:** Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.
- **Capital:** Amman
- **Location:** Jordan is located in the Middle East and is bordered by Syria, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Israel, and Palestine.
- **Dead Sea:** The lowest point on Earth, famous for its extremely saline water.
- **Ethiopia Visit:** From December 16 to 17, 2025, at the invitation of the Prime Minister of Ethiopia, Dr. Abiy Ahmed Ali.
- The Prime Minister's two-day bilateral visit to Ethiopia was his first official visit.
- Prime Minister Modi was awarded Ethiopia's highest state honor, the 'Great Honor Medal of Ethiopia'.
- Total India-Ethiopia trade in FY 2024-25 was US\$ 550.19 million (Indian exports US\$ 476.81 million and imports US\$ 73.38 million).

Key Memorandum of Understanding

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| Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for establishing a data center at the Ethiopian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. | An MoU was signed on debt restructuring for Ethiopia under the G20 Common Framework. |
| Implementation arrangement (MOU) for cooperation in training for United Nations peacekeeping operations. | Doubling the scholarships for Ethiopian research students under the ICCR scholarship program. |

Ethiopia:



- Ethiopia is a landlocked country in the 'Horn of Africa'.
- Capital:** Addis Ababa.
- Bordering countries:** Eritrea to the north, Djibouti and Somalia to the east, Kenya to the south, and South Sudan and Sudan to the west.
- Ethiopia also has the headquarters of the African Union and the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa.
- Diplomatic Hub:** As the host of the African Union in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia is often referred to as the 'diplomatic capital of Africa'.
- Geo-scientific and geographical features:** Ethiopian Highlands and the Great Rift Valley.

- **Oman Visit:** From December 17-18, 2025, at the invitation of Sultan Haitham bin Tariq of Oman.
- 2025 marks the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and Oman.

1. MOU in the field of maritime heritage and museums.
2. Memorandum of Understanding between the Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Confederation of Indian Industry.
3. Signing of the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA).

Oman:



- **Capital:** Muscat
- **Land Borders:** Oman shares its borders with three countries: the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to the northwest, Saudi Arabia to the west, and Yemen to the southwest.



NASA's International Space Apps Challenge Winner: Indian Team Photonics Odyssey



Most Inspirational



Photonics Odyssey

Chennai, India

"Our satellite network for India isn't just better internet; it's about lifting a child studying under a lantern in remote Ladakh to the same signal strength as a founder in Chennai, proving that no dream or ambition should be out of reach."

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Key Points:

- **Winner:** An Indian team named Photonics Odyssey has won NASA's Satellite Internet Concept International Space Apps Challenge, 2025.
- According to NASA Space Apps, the winning team members are Manish D., M.K., Prashant G., Rajalingam N., Rashi M., and Shakti R.
- **Reason/Contribution:** Photonics Odyssey proposed an independent, phased satellite internet infrastructure to expand broadband access in remote areas and received the award for it.
- **Introduction:** Launched in 2012, the International Space Apps Challenge is NASA's annual global hackathon that aims to engage citizens worldwide in solving real-world problems using the agency's open data.
- The project aims to connect over 70 million people in India to broadband communication while reducing reliance on ground infrastructure.



Supreme Court's Decision: Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

Why in News?

- The Supreme Court, in its judgment in the case of M.K. Ranjitsinh and others vs. Union of India, held that environmental and ecological considerations must be inherently included in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), recognizing that CSR spending on environmental protection is not charity but a constitutional obligation under Article 51A(g).



Key Points:

- Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR):** It is a management framework that integrates social and environmental concerns into business operations and interactions with stakeholders, reflecting a long-term commitment to societal well-being.

- The concept of CSR in India was first introduced in 2009, through voluntary guidelines by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and later refined in 2011, in the **National Voluntary Guidelines on Social, Environmental and Economic Responsibilities**.
- **CSR Eligibility Criteria (Section 135, Companies Act, 2013):** CSR was made mandatory in India through the Companies Act, 2013, making India the first country in the world to legislate on CSR spending.
- The CSR provisions apply to companies that meet any one of the following conditions in the preceding financial year:
- **Net worth:** ₹500 crore or more
- **Turnover:** ₹1,000 crore or more
- **Net profit:** ₹5 crore or more
- Such companies are required to spend at least 2 percent of their average net profit of the preceding three years on CSR activities.

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Dark Eagle Hypersonic Missile System

➡ Why in News?

- Recently, the US Army and Navy completed an integrated test of the Dark Eagle Long-Range Hypersonic Weapon (LRHW).



➡ Key Points:

- **Introduction:** It is a non-nuclear, ground-launched hypersonic missile weapon system.
- **Development:** By Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman.

Features:

- It consists of a mobile ground-based battery equipped with four Transporter Erector Launchers (TELs), each TEL capable of launching two missiles, thus allowing for a total of eight missiles to be launched.
- **Maximum speed:** Mach 17
- Each hypersonic missile is powered by a solid-fueled two-stage rocket booster.

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Fast Patrol Vessel 'Amulya'

Why in News?

- The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) ship 'Amulya', the third vessel in the series of eight new generation Adamyah-class fast patrol vessels, was commissioned in Goa on December 19, 2025.



Key Points:

- Meaning of Amulya:** 'Priceless'
- Designer and Manufacturer:** Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL)

Key Features: 60% Indigenization

- Propulsion:** Two advanced 3000 kW diesel engines
- Speed:** Up to 27 knots
- Operational Range:** 1,500 nautical miles
- Functions:** Surveillance, interception, search and rescue, anti-smuggling operations, pollution control
- Deployment:** Based at Paradip, Odisha, under Coast Guard Region (North East).

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PESA Festival, 2025

📢 Why in News?

- A two-day 'PESA Festival' is being organized by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, from December 23 to 24, 2025, as a celebration of folk culture on the anniversary of the enactment of the Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996 (PESA).



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Key Points:

- **PESA Day:** December 24
- Special Gram Sabhas will also be organized on December 24 in all ten PESA states, with the main objective of strengthening community participation, conserving natural resources, protecting traditional customs, expanding livelihood opportunities, and promoting social justice.

PESA Act, 1996:

- According to the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992, the provisions relating to Panchayats in Part IX of the Indian Constitution do not apply to the areas covered under the Fifth Schedule.
- Under Article 243M(4)(B) of the Constitution of India, Parliament enacted the “Provisions of the Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996” (also known as the PESA Act) to extend the provisions of Part IX of the Constitution to Scheduled Areas with certain exceptions and modifications.
- **Enacted:** December 24, 1996
- Scheduled Areas are those areas declared by the Hon'ble President. Article 244(1) of the Constitution and the Fifth Schedule contain provisions relating to these areas. Since these areas are mentioned in the Fifth Schedule of the Constitution, they are also called Fifth Schedule Areas.
- Currently, areas covered under the Fifth Schedule are notified in 10 states, including Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, and Telangana.
- **Committees established under the Act:** Several committees are working to monitor the effective implementation of the PESA Act, such as:
 1. Peace and Conflict Resolution Committee
 2. Forest Resource Planning and Control Committee
 3. Cooperation Mother Committee (Mothers' Support Committee)

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| Provision | Description |
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| Gram Sabha | Acts as a platform for community participation and oversees development plans. |
| Village-level Institutions | Establishment of Gram Panchayat, Gram Sabha, and Panchayat Samiti for local services. |
| Powers and Functions | <p>Power to manage resources and regulate economic activities.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Consultation with the Gram Sabha is mandatory before development projects in Scheduled Areas.2. Protection of tribal land rights; consent is required for land acquisition/transfer. |

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Developed India - G Ram Ji Act, 2025

Why in News?

- The 'Developed India – Guarantee for Employment and Livelihood Mission (Rural) Bill, 2025', passed by Parliament, has been approved by the President of India.

Viksit Bharat—GRAM G Bill, 2025

At a Glance

- 1 Replaces MGNREGA
A modern rural employment framework aligned with Viksit Bharat 2047
- 2 Enhanced Employment Guarantee
125 days of wage employment per rural household
- 3 Focused Nature of Works
Four priority areas covering water security, rural infrastructure, livelihood infrastructure and climate resilience
- 4 Local planning with National Integration
Viksit Gram Panchayat Plans linked with national spatial platforms
- 5 Support to Agriculture
Pause in work for aggregate 60 days during peak sowing and harvesting seasons
- 6 Predictable Funding Framework
Shift to normative funding with protected employment guarantee
- 7 Strong Transparency and Oversight
AI based monitoring, real time dashboards and mandatory social audits
- 8 Centrally Sponsored Structure
Shared Centre-State responsibility with calibrated cost sharing

Source: Ministry of Rural Development

Key Points:

- Rural poverty has seen a sharp decline from 25.7 percent in 2011–12 to approximately 5 percent in 2023–24, reducing the need for MGNREGA as a crisis-mitigation program and highlighting the need for a shift towards productivity-based employment.
- This law replaces the nearly two-decade-old Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), 2005.

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Key Provisions:

- **Statutory Wage Employment Guarantee:** Provides a legal guarantee of 125 days of wage employment per financial year to adult members of every rural household willing to do unskilled manual work.
- **Conditional and Non-Universal Coverage:** Unlike the universal coverage of MGNREGA, employment under this bill will be available only in rural areas notified by the Central Government, making the guarantee conditional rather than nationwide.
- **Bottom-Up Planning through VGPPs:** Mandates the creation of Developed Gram Panchayat Plans (VGPPs) using spatial technology, which will be consolidated at the block, district, and state levels and integrated with PM Gati Shakti for coordinated infrastructure planning.
- **Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) Structure:** The cost-sharing pattern has been revised to 60:40 for most states (instead of the earlier 10% state share under MGNREGA), significantly increasing the financial burden on the states. The 90:10 pattern will remain unchanged for the North-Eastern and Himalayan states/union territories.
- **Facilitation during agricultural seasons:** This bill empowers states to suspend the program for a maximum of 60 days in a financial year during peak sowing and harvesting seasons, ensuring the availability of agricultural labor for farming activities.
- **Unemployment allowance provision:** Mandates the payment of unemployment allowance by state governments if employment is not provided within 15 days of demanding work.

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VB-G RAM G, Differences from MGNREGA:

| Basis | MGNREGA (MGNREGA) | VB-G RAM G |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Financing Structure | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 100% central funding for unskilled labour wage cost. ■ Fully demand-driven and open-ended scheme; fund flow corresponds to work demanded by workers. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Centre-State: 60:40 ■ For North-Eastern and Himalayan States: 90:10 ■ For Union Territories without legislature: 100% Central Government. |
| Availability of Work | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Guarantee of work throughout the year. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mandatory 60-day suspension during peak agricultural seasons; resulting in reduced actual work availability and income opportunities. |
| Administrative Ceiling | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Administrative expenditure limited to a maximum of 6% of total outlay. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ceiling increased to 9%; allows higher spending on staffing, training, and technical capacity. |
| Governance Structure | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Constitution of Central and State Rural Employment Guarantee Councils for implementation and monitoring. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Central and State Rural Employment Guarantee Councils remain. ■ Additional National and State-level Steering Committees constituted. ■ Enhanced central enforcement powers, including grievance investigation and fund suspension. |
| Allocation Mechanism | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ States submitted annual labour budgets by 31 January; allocation was need-based and legally guaranteed. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Labour budget system abolished. ■ Annual allocation by the Centre based on objective parameters, fixing expenditure limits and making it a supply-driven model. |

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IMPORTANT DAYS

National Mathematics Day, 2025: December 22

Why in News?

- The birth anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujan (1887–1920) is celebrated every year on December 22 as National Mathematics Day (NMD).



Key Points:

- Proclaimed in: 2011
- National Mathematics Year: 2012

Some major mathematical theories and concepts that originated in India:

1. The decimal number system
2. The concept of zero
3. Early ideas of negative numbers

- Prominent mathematicians of ancient Indian history: Aryabhata, Brahmagupta, Varahamihira, and Bhaskaracharya II made significant contributions to the fields of arithmetic, algebra, geometry, and trigonometry.

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National Farmers' Day, 2025: December 23

Choudhary Charan Singh was born on Dec 23, 1902

FARMERS' LEADER

Became 5th prime minister of India in 1979

His birthday is celebrated as **KISAN DIWAS** across the country

Abolished Zamindari from UP through the Zamindari Abolition Act, 1950 & brought about the Land holding Act, 1960

In 1938, introduced the **Agriculture Produce Market Bill** to protect the interest of farmers from the greed of traders

Authored several books including *Abolition of Zamindari, Co-operative Farming X-rayed & India's Poverty & its Solution*

Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport in Lucknow & **Chaudhary Charan Singh University** in Meerut have been named after him



Key Points:

- Occasion:** Celebrated on December 23rd to commemorate the birth anniversary of Chaudhary Charan Singh.
- Origin:** Chaudhary Charan Singh's birth anniversary has been celebrated as 'Farmers' Day' since 2001, in recognition of his contributions to Indian agriculture and rural development.
- Key Contributions:** Served twice as Deputy Prime Minister (January to July, 1979) and also as Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh.

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- Drafted the Debt Relief Bill, 1939, which freed farmers from moneylenders, and played a significant role in reducing the land ceiling under the Land Ceiling Act, 1960.
- Promoted decentralization, grassroots governance, and local economic autonomy.
- Gave the Department of Rural Development the status of a ministry and played a crucial role in the establishment of NABARD.
- Advocated for Minimum Support Price (MSP), introduced the Consolidation of Holdings Act (1953) and the Uttar Pradesh Zamindari and Land Reforms Act (1952) to benefit the landless.
- Proposed the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marketing) Act (1938), building agricultural market infrastructure.
- In 2024, the government posthumously awarded him the prestigious Bharat Ratna along with four other recipients: Karpoori Thakur, Mankombu Sambasivan (MS) Swaminathan, Pamulaparthi Venkata (P. V.) Narasimha Rao, and Lal Krishna Advani.

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Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy, 2025

Why in News?

- Recently, in the 2025-26 season, Jharkhand won the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy for the first time, defeating Haryana in the final played in Pune.



Key Points:

Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy:

- This is a domestic Twenty20 cricket championship in India.
- Organized by: Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).
- It is named after former Test cricketer Syed Mushtaq Ali (since 2010).
- First edition: 2006-07
- The first title was won by Tamil Nadu under the captaincy of Dinesh Karthik.

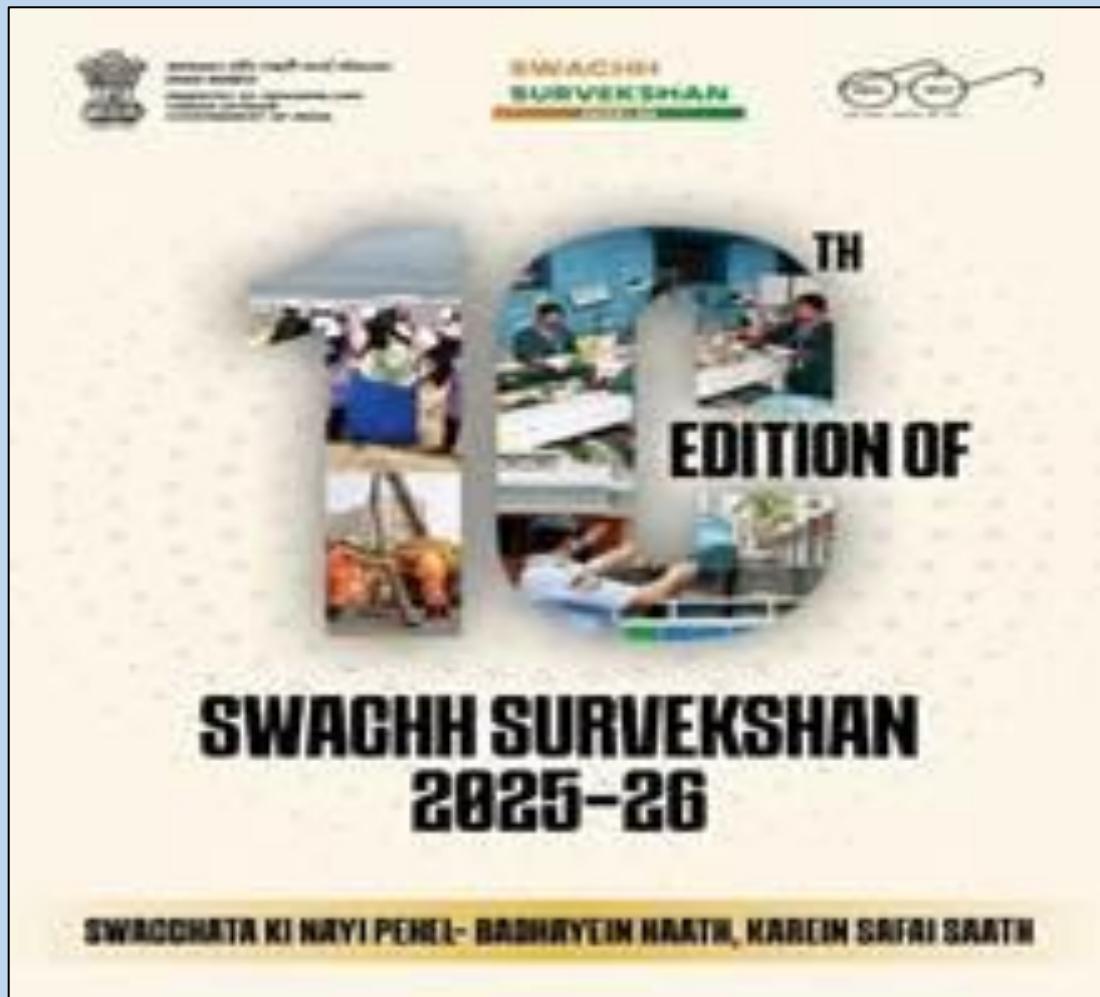
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10th Swachh Survekshan, 2025



- The Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs launched the toolkit for the 10th edition of Swachh Survekshan in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.
- **This year's theme for Swachh Survekshan is: Swachhata Ki Nayi Pehel - Badhayein Haath, Karen Safai Saath (A New Initiative for Cleanliness - Lend a Hand, Clean Together)**