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TAMILNADU

Comparative etymological dictionary:

- 1. **Tamil Nadu's Initiative**: CM released the first volume of a 12-volume etymological dictionary linking Tamil and Indo-European languages.
- 2. **Collaboration**: A project by TN Textbook Corporation & Oxford University Press.
- 3. **Funding & Experts**: ₹8 crore sanctioned; 20 experts led by Prof. G. Arasenthiran.
- 4. **First Volume**: Studies 19 words from Western & Eastern Indo-European languages, tracing Tamil origins.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT: (Highlighted in Budget)

• The Tamil Nadu government is investing ₹270 lakh in a skill development program for workers impacted by automation. The initiative includes training for 5,000 individuals, support for 30 entrepreneurs, and financial aid for 20 entrepreneurs. This aims to enhance employability and adaptability in the evolving job market.

Modernization of Research Methodologies

- Tamil Nadu government made an announcement regarding an allocation of ₹200 crore for the modernization of research methodologies in industries and the industrial sector.
- The initiative aims to enhance research methodologies and upgrade technology in the industrial sector.

Establishment of Special IT Division:

• The Tamil Nadu government is setting up a Special Information Technology Division within the Police and Home Department Headquarters to enhance technological capabilities.

- The Tamil Nadu government is establishing a center to document and analyze past policies, improve governance, and serve as a knowledge hub for decision-making.
- The center will use advanced technology to preserve administrative records, enhance policy transparency, and support research for future governance improvements.

Powerloom Modernization (₹50 crore):

Upgrading conventional powerlooms for better efficiency and quality.

Handloom Support (₹10 crore):

• Corpus fund for working capital to aid weavers and cooperative societies.

Technical Textiles (₹15 crore):

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Tamil Nadu Technical Textile Mission to promote R&D, investment, and skill development.

NATIONAL

Myanmar Earthquake:

- 1. A 7.7-magnitude earthquake hit Myanmar, followed by a 6.4 aftershock.
- 2. India's "Operation Brahma" sent 15 tonnes of relief to Myanmar, with more aid planned.

The Hindu World of Women (WoW) Awards 2025

- 1. The Hindu newspaper honored women across diverse fields at the WoW Awards
- 2. Justice R.N. Manjula highlighted the increasing significance of women's presence in public spaces.
- 3. Awardees included Prabha Sridevan, who received the Lifetime Achievement Award, and Alswarya Rao for surpassing disability.

Women -STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) achievers:

- 1. The World Bank hosted a panel on International Women's Day 2025, featuring Indian women leaders in STEM, business, and healthcare.
- 2. Shalini Kapoor became India's first woman IBM Fellow and is now the Chief Technologist at AWS India.
- **Business Post** nen in STEM (Coaching for Civil Services - IAS, IFS, IPS, IRSAWARDS 2025
- 3. Geetha Manjunath, CEO of NIRMAI(Non invasive and risk assessment machine intelligence) developed an AI-based breast cancer screening method.
- 4. The KanyaGyaan project provides scholarships and mentorship to encourage women in
- 5. Women make up only 28% of the global STEM workforce, highlighting the need for reskilling and mentorship initiatives

ECONOMICS

Increased ATM Withdrawal Charges:

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved an increase in ATM withdrawal charges beyond the free monthly limit from ₹21 to ₹23 per transaction, effective May 1, 2025.

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• **Interchange Fee Revision:** The interchange fee (charged between banks for ATM transactions) has been raised to ₹19 for financial transactions and ₹7 for non-financial transactions, impacting overall ATM service costs.

ENVIRONMENT

African Penguin Conservation:

- 1. South Africa has established measures to protect six crucial breeding sites in an effort to save the African penguin from extinction.
- 2. The court has imposed a 10-year ban on commercial fishing around the breeding colonies.
- 3. African penguins are very smaller than Emperor penguins and found exclusively in southern Africa

INTERNATIONAL

Bangladesh-China Cooperation:

- Bangladesh welcomed China's role in the Teesta Project, agreed on FTA talks, and reaffirmed the One-China policy.
- Both nations will enhance Belt and Road cooperation, industrial ties, blue economy, and maritime dialogue, with expanded investments in Mongla Port and Chittagong Economic Zone.

TNPSC FACTS

- 2% DA Hike Approved The Union Cabinet has approved a 2% increase in Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR) for central government employees and pensioners, raising it from 53% to 55%, effective January 1, 2025
- RPF has created WhatsApp groups like 'Smart Saheli' and 'Sakhi' for women's safety, enabling direct reporting of security concerns. Women can join by sending their details to the designated RPF contact or checking official railway sources.
- Mr. N. Ilaiyaraaja has been appointed as the Chairman of the Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation.

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