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Infant Protection Day	<ul> <li>Every year, Infant Protection Day is celebrated on November 7</li> <li>The theme for Infant Protection Day 2023 is 'Ensuring Every Child's Right to Thrive.'</li> <li>This annual observance is focused on raising awareness on the sensitive topic of infant mortality.</li> </ul>
National Cancer Awareness Day	<ul> <li>National Cancer Awareness Day is observed on the 7th of November in India every year since 2014 to create public awareness about early detection, prevention, and treatment of cancer.</li> <li>The theme for World Cancer Day 2022-2024 is Close the Care Gap.</li> </ul>
All India Football Federation (AIFF)	<ul> <li>The All India Football Federation (AIFF) is the national governing body of football in India.</li> <li>President: Kalyan Chaubey</li> <li>Headquarters: New Delhi</li> <li>Founded: 23 June 1937</li> <li>Subsidiaries: Indian Football Association, MORE</li> <li>Parent organization: South Asian Football Federation.</li> <li>It is a member of FIFA, the international governing body of football and affiliated to the Asian Football Confederation and South Asian Football Federation.</li> <li>It is affiliated to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India.</li> <li>The AIFF manages, sanctions, conducts, schedules and runs all national level football tournaments and leagues in India.</li> </ul>
About 80% funds for semiconductor PLI remain unused	<ul> <li>About \$8 billion of the \$10 billion allocated by the Centre for the production of semiconductors under the production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme remains untapped.</li> <li>Govt has allocated \$26 billion in 14 economic sectors to expand domestic manufacturing</li> <li>About PLI</li> <li>The Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme is a government programme that offers subsidies to companies based on a percentage of their incremental sales.</li> <li>The goal of the PLI scheme is to boost domestic</li> </ul>





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**manufacturing** and make Indian industries more competitive in the global market.

# 7.5 million new cases of TB in 2022, shows WHO Global report

### Context

TB remains the **world's second leading cause** of death from a single infectious agent, and global TB targets have either been missed or remain off track

### **Key points**

- The reported global number of people newly diagnosed with TB was **7.5 million in 2022.**
- This is the highest number since WHO began global TB monitoring in 1995, above the pre-COVID baseline (and previous historical peak) of 7.1 million in 2019, and up from 5.8 million in 2020 and 6.4 million in 2021.
- India, Indonesia and the Philippines, which collectively accounted for nearly 60% of the reduction in the number of people newly diagnosed with TB in 2020 and 2021, recovered to above 2019 levels in 2022.

India has taken several measures to reduce tuberculosis (TB):

- National Strategic Plan for TB Elimination: Launched to end TB by 2025
- Universal Drug Susceptibility Testing (UDST):
   Ensures every diagnosed TB patient is tested for drug resistance before or at the start of treatment
- Ni-kshay Mitra initiative: Provides community support to patients and their families to improve treatment outcome
- Ni-kshay Poshan Yojana: Provides nutritional support to TB patients
- Tuberculosis (TB) Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan: Launched in 2021 under the NSP India 2020–25 for TB Elimination.

# Aditya-L1 captures first glimpse of solar flares

#### Context

The **High Energy L1 Orbiting X-ray Spectrometer (HEL1OS) payload,** onboard the Aditya-L1 spacecraft, has captured the first glimpse of solar flares.

#### About Aditya L1

- The objective of Aditya L1 mission is to study the Sun's Corona, Chromosphere and Photosphere.
- In addition, it will study the particle flux emanating from Sun, and the variation of magnetic field strength.





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### Massive displacement in Congo



#### Context

- The UN International Organization of Migration (IOM) reported that the number of people who have been internally displaced in the **Democratic Republic** of Congo (DRC) has risen to 6.9 million.
- In the eastern province of North Kivu, nearly a million people have been displaced due to the ongoing conflict with the rebel group, Mouvement du 23 Mars (M23).

### Reasons for displacement

- 1. ethnic intolerance and insurgency.
- 2. the political uncertainty and lack of inclusive governance
- 3. regional tensions.

### Rare Bioluminescent mushroom spotted



#### Context:

- bioluminescent rare mushroom 'Mycena chlorophos' in the Kanyakumari Wildlife Sanctuary (KKWLS) has been spotted by the researchers
- They were visually documented during the night
- It is characterized by a pristine white disc with a shallow depression in the centre and emits a bright, greenish light in the dark
- The benefit of bioluminescence in fungi is to attract insects for facilitating their spore dispersal.

#### **About Bioluminescence:**

- Bioluminescence is the ability of living organisms to
- It occurs due to a biochemical reaction between luciferins, oxygen and the enzyme luciferase.
- There are around 103 species of bioluminescent fungi in the world, of which seven are found in India.

### **Vedanthangal Bird Sanctuary**

#### Context:

The villagers of Vedanthangal are celebrating Deepavali in silent mode without bursting crackers that create sound affecting the migratory birds roosting and nesting in the Vedanthangal and Karikilli sanctuary in Chengalpattu district.

#### **Key Points:**

- The Vedanthangal bird sanctuary is situated near Maduranthakam surrounded by the Vedanthangal lake and is spread across 29.5 hectares.
- Migratory birds from countries Australia,







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	Indonesia, Sri Lanka, China, Pakistan and Myanmar visit Vedanthangal and traditionally the villagers do not burst crackers near the bird sanctuaries.
Kalaignar Urimai Thittam Scheme	<ul> <li>In News: People understand Rs 1K aid must not go to those who don't need it: CM Stalin</li> <li>DMK government has been very keen on providing the monthly honorarium of Rs 1,000 under the Kalaignar Urimai Thittam only to eligible women heads of families who need it.</li> <li>People have accepted this goodwill intention of the government and out of the 2.24 crore card holders, only 1.63 crores applied for an honorarium.</li> <li>Think:</li> <li>Read about Kalaignar Urimai Thittam Scheme</li> </ul>
Rice bowl of TamilNadu	In News: TN's 'rice bowl' has no good news: Thanjavur direct purchase centers report 38% drop in kuruvai paddy procurement, decline in yield, traders, blamed  About Tanjavur:  The Thanjavur district of Tamil Nadu is known as the "Rice Bowl of Tamil Nadu" because it is the main rice producing region in the state.  The district is located in the Kaveri delta region, which is the most fertile region in the state.  Thanjavur is also known as the "Granary of South India".  The district is an important center of South Indian religion, art, and architecture.  The temple, culture, and architecture of Thanjavur are famous throughout the world.  Thanjavur is also known as Thanjai, and previously as Tanjore.  It is the 11th biggest city in Tamil Nadu.
Kanchipuram silk	<ul> <li>Key Points:</li> <li>Kanchipuram, a small town located on the Palar river in South India.</li> <li>Kanchipuram silk is a variety of silk produced in the town of Kanchipuram in the Indian state of Tamil Nadu.</li> <li>It is known for its intricate designs, bright colors, and soft texture.</li> <li>Kanchipuram silk is made from mulberry silk</li> </ul>





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- cocoons, which are boiled and reeled into yarn.

  The Government of India has recognised it as a
- The Government of India has recognised it as a geographical indication officially since the year 2005-06.



### Here are some quotes related to Children

- "Children are like buds in a garden; they should be carefully nurtured, as they are the future of the nation and the citizens of tomorrow." Jawaharlal Nehru
- "Children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future." John F. Kennedy
- "Every child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged of humanity." –
   Rabindranath Tagore
- "The soul is healed by being with children." Fyodor Dostoyevsky
- "Children are not things to be molded, but are people to be unfolded." Jess Lair
- "Children make your life important." Erma Bombeck
- "Let us sacrifice our today so that our children can have a better tomorrow." A. P. J. Abdul Kalam
- "To every child I dream of a world where you can laugh, dance, sing, learn, live in peace, and be happy." Malala Yousafzai
- "The greatest gifts you can give your children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence." – Denis Waitley
- "The best way to make children good is to make them happy." Oscar Wilde
- "Children are not only innocent and curious but also optimistic and joyful and essentially happy. They are, in short, everything adults wish they could be." – Carolyn Haywood







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