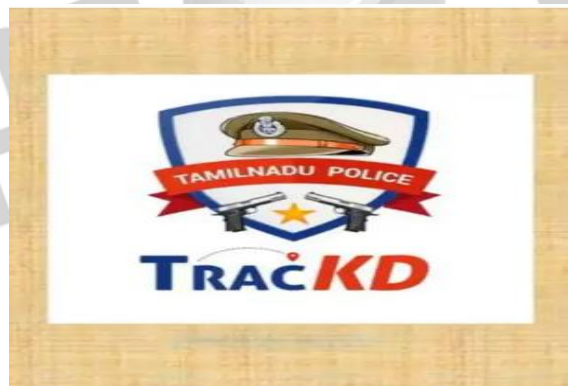


## **EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – SEPTEMBER 20, 2023**

### **TAMIL NADU**

#### ➤ **TrackD**

- ✓ TrackD application makes it easy to monitor the movement of criminals.
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu police has implemented TrackD, an application and integrated data management system for criminal profiling and tracking.



- ✓ Profiles of around 30,000 history-sheeted antisocial elements were digitized for constant watch by supervisory police officers.
  - ✓ Prem Anand Sinha, Additional Commissioner of Police, Law and Order, South, Greater Chennai Police, conceptualised the app called TrackD (Tracking Known Delinquents) and ensured its implementation across the State.
- #### ➤ **T.N. Women to become Assistant Priests in Temples**
- ✓ In a first, 3 T.N. women to become assistant priests in temples.
  - ✓ In a year's time S. Krishnaveni, S. Ramya and N. Ranjitha will become assistant priests at Vaishnavite temples in Tamil Nadu following the Pancharatra Agama.



- ✓ They are the first three women to have undergone training as Bhattars in the State and studied at the Archakar Training School run by the Sri Ranganathar Temple in Srirangam.

## NATIONAL

- **Women Reservation Bill Granting 33% Seats To Women In Parliament**
- ✓ The Union Cabinet took a historic step by approving the Women Reservation Bill, The Bill mandates that one-third of the seats in the Lok Sabha and state assemblies will be reserved for women candidates.



- ✓ This provision aims to promote gender equality and increase women's representation in India's legislative bodies.
  - ✓ To ensure fairness and equitable distribution, the reserved seats will be rotated after each general election. This mechanism prevents the monopolization of reserved seats by specific political parties or individuals.
  - ✓ The Bill also proposes sub-reservation within the 33 percent quota for Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs), and Anglo-Indians.
- **Gandhi Walk**
  - ✓ The 35th edition of the annual Gandhi Walk, a cherished event in the predominantly Indian suburb of Lenasia in Johannesburg, finally returned after being postponed for three long years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



- ✓ The event witnessed the enthusiastic participation of over two thousand people who embraced the new format—a delightful six-kilometre walk, accompanied by an array of entertainment.
- ✓ This year's walk was a departure from the traditional format, emphasizing enjoyment over competition.

## CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

- **14th World Spice Congress: Celebrating India's Spice Heritage**
- ✓ The 14th edition of the World Spice Congress (WSC) commenced in Vashi, Navi Mumbai.
- ✓ This three-day event is being meticulously organized by the Spices Board India, a subsidiary of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, in collaboration with several trade bodies and export forums.



- ✓ India, often referred to as the 'Spice Bowl' of the world, is known for producing high-quality, rare, and medicinal spices.
- ✓ The World Spice Congress (WSC) aims to create new opportunities for the international trade of Indian spices.

## DEFENCE

➤ **Martyr Captain Tushar Mahajan Railway Station**

- ✓ After an order was approved by the Jammu and Kashmir administration regarding the renaming of Udhampur railway station, the Northern Railway has notified the change in the name to 'Martyr Captain Tushar Mahajan Railway Station', in honour of the Army braveheart.



- ✓ It is notified for the information of the general public that with immediate effect, the name of UDHAMPUR (UHP) Railway Station in Firozpur Division of Northern Railway has been changed to "Martyr Captain Tushar Mahajan (MCTM) Railway Station."
- ✓ Captain Tushar Mahajan, a dedicated officer in the Indian Army, gave his life in service to his country.

## **RANKING**

➤ **Digital Quality of Life Index**

- ✓ India ranked 52 Out of 121 countries in the Digital Quality of Life Index survey. India jumped seven places in the Digital Quality of Life Index survey.
- ✓ Last year, India's rank was 59th.
- ✓ The survey has been carried out by cybersecurity firm Surfshark.
- ✓ India's rank has improved due to the improvement in internet quality in the country.
- ✓ Internet in India is not the fastest but it is highly stable. The survey shows that India has better internet affordability.

