



## EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – NOVEMBER 02, 2023

### TAMIL NADU

#### ➤ India's First Net Zero Business Park

- ✓ CapitaLand Investment Limited (CLI) has commenced operations for Phase 1 of International Tech Park Chennai, Radial Road (ITPC-Radial Road), the first business park in India to be certified by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) as Net Zero for energy efficiency, water conservation and waste management.



- ✓ It first intends to invest over Singapore \$500 million in Chennai over the next five years across multiple asset classes.
- ✓ We hope to further contribute to the government's efforts in enhancing the state's infrastructure.”

### ECONOMY

#### ➤ GST Collections Reach 1.72 Lakh Crore - October

- ✓ In October, India witnessed a significant rebound in its Gross Goods and Services Tax (GST) collections, reaching a 10-month high of 1.72 lakh crore.



- ✓ This growth of 13.4% year-on-year is the sharpest uptick since December 2022, reversing a three-month trend of deceleration.
- ✓ This growth marked a 5.7% increase compared to September, which saw a slowdown in indirect tax growth.
- ✓ The average monthly GST collection for FY 2023-24 stands at 1.66 lakh crore, representing an 11% increase over the previous financial year.

## AWARDS

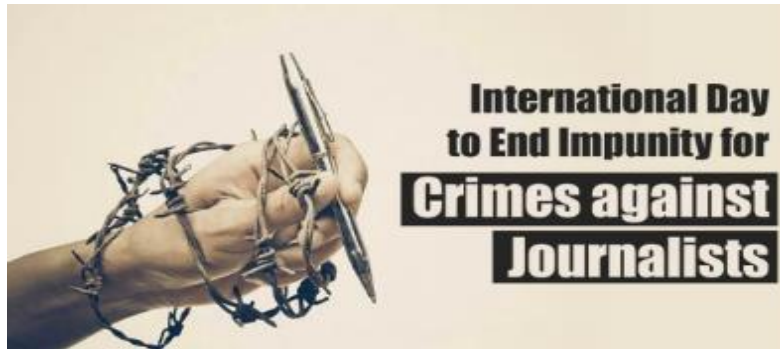
- **British Academy Book Prize**
- ✓ The British Academy Book Prize for Global Cultural Understanding, a prestigious international non-fiction award has been claimed by India-born author Nandini Das for her debut book, 'Courting India: England, Mughal India, and the Origins of Empire.'



- ✓ This book delves into the historical account of the arrival of the first English ambassador in India, Sir Thomas Roe, during the early 17th century.
- ✓ In doing so, Das provides a unique lens through which to examine the intricate interactions between England and Mughal India, laying the groundwork for the empire that would eventually come into being.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

- **International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists**
- ✓ The International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists is a globally recognized occasion that shines a spotlight on the dangers and violence journalists and media workers face in their line of duty.



- ✓ Every year, on November 2nd, this day serves as a poignant reminder of the vital role that a free press plays in upholding democracy and the imperative to safeguard those who uncover the truth
- ✓ 2023 marks the tenth anniversary of the United Nations Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists, an initiative with a lofty mission – to create a secure and liberated environment for media professionals worldwide.

