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ECONOMY

- > State Seeks Inclusion of Economic Contribution as Criterion for Devolution
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu government has suggested that a State's contribution to the country's economy be made a criterion within the formula for horizontal devolution.



- ✓ Tamil Nadu has sought a weightage of 15% to this criterion. Gujarat and Telangana have made similar suggestions.
- ✓ For instance, if Tamil Nadu accounted for 8% of the country's GDP, the State's share, based on this criterion, would be 8%.
- ✓ As a whole, the State had recommended a 35% weightage to income distance.

> T.N.'s Investment Needs Amount to 6.84 Lakh Crore

 In a memorandum to the 16th Finance Commission, the Tamil Nadu government said the investment needs of the State stood at 6.84 lakh crore.



- ✓ Besides, it required 5.32 lakh crore for meeting infrastructure needs in urban areas.
- ✓ The funding requirement in the power sector was 62,000 crore, and the investment needs for industrialisation was 43,600 crore.
- ✓ For modernisation of buses and public transport systems, 7,000 crore was required.
- ✓ For nurturing the blue economy, support for secondary and tertiary healthcare, and restoration of waterbodies, 5,000 crore each was required, the State said.

> Tamil Nadu GST Collections in 2024-25

✓ Tamil Nadu has seen a robust 20.12% growth in State Goods and Services Tax Collections (SGST) in the first half of fiscal of year 2024-25.



- ✓ It is the highest growth rate among the key comparable States for which data is available.
- ✓ Tamil Nadu's State Goods and Services Tax (SGST) collection grew 20.12% to 35,414.05 crore in the first half of the year 2024-25.
- ✓ It was 29,481.97 crore in the comparable period last year.

IMPORTANT DAYS

National Milk Day – November 26

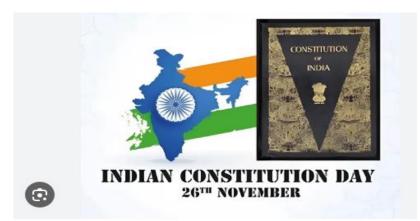
✓ National Milk Day is celebrated every year on November 26 in India to recognize the immense contribution of milk and the dairy industry to the country's growth.



- ✓ This day marks the birth anniversary of Dr. Verghese Kurien, also known as the Father of the White Revolution in India.
- Dr. Kurien's revolutionary initiatives helped transform India into the largest milk producer in the world.
- Constitution Day November 26

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 Every year on 26 November, Constitution Day or Samvidhan Divas is celebrated in India.



- ✓ It is celebrated to commemorate the Constituent Assembly's adoption of the Indian Constitution in 1949.
- India's Constitution is the longest-written constitution of any sovereign country in the world.
- The Constituent Assembly of India enacted the Indian Constitution on November 26, 1949, and it came into effect on January 26, 1950.