

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – APRIL 15, 2025

STATE

- **Scheduled Caste (SC) Categorisation of Reservations Act, 2025**
- ✓ Telangana has become the first state in India to implement the Scheduled Caste (SC) Categorisation of Reservations Act, 2025.



- ✓ This came after the Governor gave approval for the legislation.
- ✓ The Act reorganizes the 56 Scheduled Caste communities in the state into three distinct categories.
- ✓ The purpose is to ensure a fairer distribution of reservation benefits among SC sub-groups.
- ✓ The classification will influence future policies in education, employment, and political representation.

COURT VERDICT

- **SC Laid Down 3 Month Deadline For President To Assent Bill Reserved By Governor**

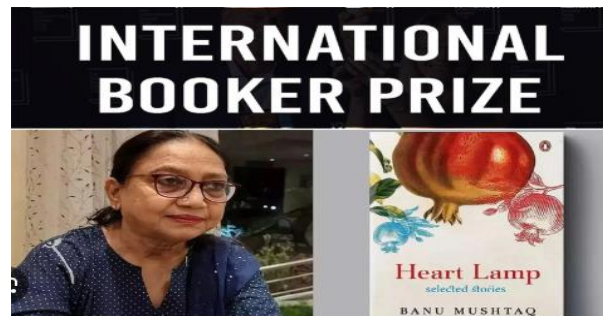
- ✓ In the State of Tamil Nadu vs. Governor of Tamil Nadu (2023) case, the Supreme Court addressed delays under Article 201, setting a 3-month deadline for the President to decide on State Bills reserved by the Governor, thus ending legislative uncertainty and reinforcing federalism.



- ✓ The Court declared indefinite delays unconstitutional, advised that in cases of perceived unconstitutionality, the President should seek the Supreme Court's opinion under Article 143, and clarified that the President cannot exercise an "absolute veto".
- ✓ States may seek judicial recourse via writs for prolonged inaction.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

- **Banu Mushtaq's 'Heart Lamp'**
- ✓ Banu Mushtaq's collection of Kannada stories in translation, Heart Lamp, was shortlisted for the International Booker Prize.



- ✓ The book, among the six featured in this year's shortlist, made history as the first Kannada-language book to be shortlisted.
- ✓ Heart Lamp, translated by Deepa Bhashti, is a collection of 12 short stories written by Banu Mushtaq between 1990 and 2023.

IMPORTANT DAYS

➤ **World Art Day – April 15**

- ✓ World Art Day is observed annually on April 15 to celebrate the universal language of art and honor the birth anniversary of Leonardo da Vinci, symbolizing creativity, peace, and freedom of expression.



- ✓ Initiated by the International Association of Art (IAA) in 2012, in collaboration with UNESCO, the day promotes art education, cultural diversity, and emotional well-being.
- ✓ The 2025 theme, “Art for Unity and Healing,” emphasizes art’s role in fostering social harmony and mental health.

