

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – APRIL 16, 2025

TAMIL NADU

➤ T.N. Forms Panel on Autonomy of States

- ✓ Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on Tuesday announced in the Legislative Assembly that a three-member high-level committee had been formed to review provisions of the Constitution, laws and policies pertaining to Centre-State relations, and recommend steps to strengthen the States' autonomy and federalism.



- ✓ Making a suo motu announcement under Rule 110 of the Assembly, Mr. Stalin said that the committee would be headed by former Supreme Court judge Justice Kurian Joseph.
- ✓ Retired IAS officer and former Vice-Chancellor of the Indian Maritime University K. Ashok Vardhan Shetty and former vice-chairman, State Planning Commission, M. Naganathan will be its members.

CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

- 15th BRICS Agriculture Ministers' Meeting (AMM)

- ✓ The 15 BRICS Agriculture Ministers Meeting at Brasilia, Brazil, will be attended by Union Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan.



- ✓ Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan is leading the Indian delegation to the 15th BRICS Agriculture Ministers' Meeting (AMM), which will be held on 17th April, 2025.
- ✓ The theme of the 15th BRICS AMM is “Promoting Inclusive and Sustainable Agriculture through Cooperation, Innovation, and Equitable Trade among BRICS Countries.”
- ✓ The meeting is set to be attended by Agriculture Ministers and senior officials from BRICS countries.

APPOINTMENT

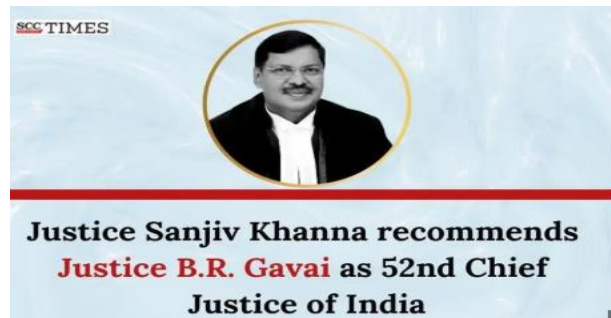
- **Chairperson of IWLF Athletes Commission**
- ✓ Saikhom Mirabai Chanu, Olympic silver medallist and Commonwealth Games champion, was appointed as Chairperson of the IWLF Athletes Commission by the Indian Weightlifting Federation (IWLF).



- ✓ Hailing from Manipur, Chanu aims to amplify athletes' voices, ensure their well-being, and bridge gaps between players and administrators.
- ✓ Her appointment marks a pivotal step in promoting athlete-led governance, gender representation, and empowering Indian sports with experienced leadership.

- **Next Chief Justice of India (CJI)**

- ✓ On April 16, 2025, Justice B R Gavai was named the 52nd Chief Justice of India (CJI), succeeding CJI Sanjiv Khanna.



- ✓ Justice Gavai, appointed to the Supreme Court in 2019, has made significant contributions in constitutional and administrative law.
- ✓ Including key verdicts on demonetization (2023), Article 370 (2019), sub-categorization of SCs/STs (2024), and bulldozer demolitions (2024).
- ✓ At 64, he will take office after CJI Khanna's retirement on May 13, 2025, with a focus on upholding constitutional principles and strengthening the rule of law.

