

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – DECEMBER 3, 2022

TAMIL NADU

- Tamil Nadu – has slipped to the fifth slot in the maternal mortality rate (MMR) of the sample registration system

FACT SHEET | Special bulletin, Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR), census of India

India & Major States	MMR 2017-19	MMR 2018-2020
INDIA	103	97
Andhra Pradesh	58	45
Telangana	56	43
Karnataka	83	69
Kerala	30	19
Tamil Nadu	58	54
Maharashtra	38	33

- ✓ The state has held third slot since 2010
- ✓ As per the report, there were 54 maternal deaths for every one lakh live births that occurred in Tamil Nadu between 2018 and 2020
- ✓ This shows a drop compared to the 58 deaths in the 2017-2019 edition, while the national MMR is 97.
- ✓ Kerala, which recorded the lowest maternal deaths in the country, dropped 11 points to register an MMR of 19
- ✓ Telangana and Andhra Pradesh dropped 13 points each to reach an MMR of 43 and 45 respectively.
- ✓ Maharashtra, which continues to retain the second slot, dropped five points to show an MMR of 33.
- ✓ In 1999-2000, Tamil Nadu had the second lowest MMR in the country after Kerala.
- ✓ In the 2007-2009 report, MMR in Tamil Nadu was 97.

- ✓ In 2010-12, the number of maternal deaths went down to 90, still behind Maharashtra (87) which held the second place.
- **Chief Minister M K Stalin - will attend Prime Minister Narendra Modi's scheduled meeting with the presidents of political parties on December 5 in New Delhi to discuss the preparations for the G20 summit to be hosted by India in 2023.**
- ✓ The Union government has planned to hold around 200 meetings in 32 sectors at multiple locations across the country, including Tamil Nadu.
- ✓ Chennai has been tentatively chosen as one of the host cities for the meetings.
- ✓ India assumed the G20 presidency for a year beginning December 1, with the theme inclusiveness, “one earth-one family-one future”.
- ✓ Tamil Nadu has successfully staged Modi-Xi Jinping summit at Mamallapuram in 2019, followed by the successful conduct of the 44th edition of the Chess Olympiad with active participation of players from 180 countries recently.



- ✓ Five Rathas and Butter Ball in Mamallapuram and Vellore fort are among the 100 chosen ASI monuments to be illuminated with the G20 logo across the country till December 7.
- ✓ G20 meetings may take place in cities like Thanjavur and Coimbatore and the state government is planning to promote health, education and tourism sectors.
- **The pilot of the verbal autopsy project – will be launched in Karur and Krishnagiri districts in the state**
- ✓ The verbal autopsy is a process aimed at improving medical certification of home deaths
- ✓ Under the project, a team of 20 health workers will soon visit households in Karur and Krishnagiri districts to conduct verbal autopsies
- ✓ Accurate and timely data on the cause of death helps in formulating health programmes and policies.
- ✓ More than 90% of deaths in the state are registered, but only 43% were certified for causes, as per the medical certification for cause of death (MCCD) 2020 report released by the Union Health Ministry.

- ✓ Tamil Nadu was ranked 11 in the country, while several smaller states and UTs achieved 100% registration -- Goa was ranked first, followed by Manipur and Lakshadweep.
- ✓ In urban areas, hospitals are mandated to report cause of death to the health department or local bodies concerned.
- ✓ Besides creating awareness among the public, the state is planning an active verbal autopsy through an MCCD programme.
- ✓ Recently, the Directorate of Public Health, the World Health Organisation (WHO), ICMR and Madras Medical College authorities met to finalise the verbal autopsy tool.

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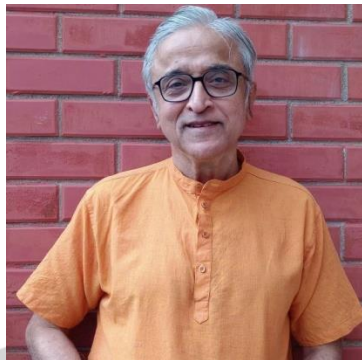
- **On December 2, the Chhattisgarh Assembly - unanimously passed two amendment bills to increase the reservation in government jobs and admission in educational institutions to 76%**
 - ✓ The two bills provides for 32% reservation quota for STs, 13% for SCs, 27% for OBCs and 4% for economically weaker section (EWS) in public employment and admissions in educational institutions.
 - ✓ The two bills - the Chhattisgarh Public Service (Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribes, and Other Backward Classes Reservation) Amendment Bill and Chhattisgarh Educational Institutions (Reservation in admission) Amendment Bill - were tabled by Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel
 - ✓ After passing the bills, CM Baghel brought a resolution urging the Union government to take necessary steps to enlist the two amendment bills under the 9th Schedule of the Constitution
 - ✓ In September this year, the Chhattisgarh High Court had struck down the Raman Singh-led state government's 2012 order to reserve 58% seats for SC, ST, and OBCs in government jobs and admissions in educational institutions.
 - ✓ The HC had said reservation above the 50% ceiling is "unconstitutional".
- **NLC India Limited (NLCIL) and the Odisha government-owned Grid Corporation (GRIDCO) - signed a MoU to set up solar, hydro and green hydrogen projects in the state of Odisha.**



- ✓ NLCIL director (planning and projects) K Mohan Reddy and GRIDCO managing director Trilochan Panda signed the MoU in the presence of Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik during the 'Make in Odisha conclave,' at Bhubaneswar on December 1.
- ✓ It will enable the two companies to set up ground mounted or floating solar power projects in Odisha.

APPOINTMENTS

- **Rajeeva Laxman Karandikar of Chennai Mathematical Institute (CMI) - has been appointed chairman of the National Statistical Commission (NSC) for three years.**



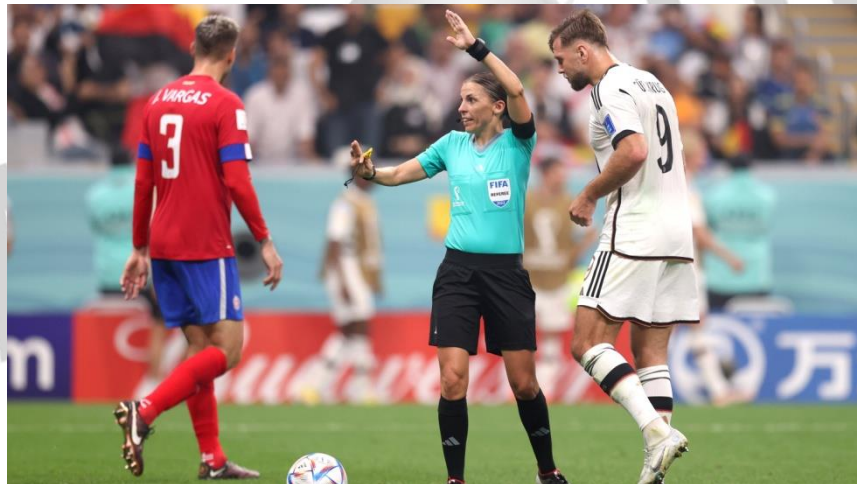
- ✓ Karandikar would take up the role as an additional responsibility while continuing as professor emeritus at CMI.
- ✓ The NSC is an autonomous body formed in June 2005 under the recommendation of the C Rangarajan commission.
- ✓ The objective of NSC is to reduce the problems faced by statistical agencies in collection of data and strengthening of public trust in numbers released by the central government.

SPORTS

- **Saurashtra - won the Vijay Hazare Trophy 2022 title, beating Maharashtra by 5 wickets in the final at Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad on December 2**



- ✓ Saurashtra's Sheldon Jackson smashed an unbeaten 133-run knock in just 136 balls helping his side chase down the required target of 249 runs with 3 overs and 3 balls to spare.
 - ✓ Saurashtra skipper Jaydev Unadkat won the toss and chose to bowl first
 - ✓ Maharashtra's Ruturaj Gaikwad also smashed a century earlier, helping his team reach a total of 248 runs at the loss of nine wickets in their respective 50 overs
 - ✓ Saurashtra clinched their one and only Vijay Hazare Trophy title in the 2007-08 season
 - ✓ Saurashtra had reached the final of the Vijay Hazare Trophy last time back in 2017-18 season, but they were defeated by Karnataka in the summit clash.
 - ✓ Tamil Nadu have lifted the Vijay Hazare Trophy Title for a record five times, Mumbai have lifted the Trophy Title for four times and Karnataka has three titles to their name
- **Stephanie Frappart - became the first woman to take charge of a men's World Cup game at the Al Bayt Stadium on December 1 and started Germany's game against Costa Rica.**



- ✓ FIFA also picked two women as assistants to Frappart — Neuza Back of Brazil and Mexico's Karen Diaz Medina — to complete an all-female refereeing team on the field
- ✓ Stephanie Frappart, Rwandan Salima Mukansanga, and Japanese Yoshimi Yamashita were included in the list of 36 referees chosen by FIFA for the Qatar World Cup
- ✓ Kathryn Nesbitt of the United States, FIFA's fourth woman match official for this World Cup, will also work as an offside specialist in the video review team at Al Bayt Stadium
- ✓ Frappart became the first woman to officiate in France's Ligue 1 in 2019, the same year she took charge of the women's World Cup final in her home country
- ✓ Frappart has set numerous landmarks in her career – she was the first woman referee to officiate the men's Uefa Super Cup (August 2019), the Champions League (December 2020) and the French Cup final (May 2022).

- ✓ Last year, Frappart became the first woman to officiate a FIFA World Cup qualifier, in a match between the Netherlands and Latvia, while this year she was the referee for the Coupe de France final between Nice and Nantes
- ✓ Frappart, 38, was also the fourth official during Mexico's goalless draw with Poland at the Qatar World Cup.
- ✓ The Frenchwoman is a three-time winner of the World's Best Woman Referee award, given by the International Federation of Football History and Statistics (IFFHS).

INTERNATIONAL DAY

➤ World Disability Day - December 3



- ✓ The day is observed every year to promote the rights and well-being of persons with disabilities in all spheres of society and development and to highlight issues that affect them
- ✓ As per WHO, over 1 billion people across the planet are affected by disabilities, which is about 15% of the World's population
- ✓ Theme 2022 - "Transformative solutions for inclusive development: the role of innovation in fuelling an accessible and equitable world"
- ✓ In 1976, the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) proclaimed 1981 as the International Year of Disabled Persons (IYDP).
- ✓ Then the UNGA declared 1983-1992 as the decade of Disabled Persons.
- ✓ The adoption of December 3 as the International Day of Persons with Disabilities happened during the UNGA's 37th plenary meeting, on October 4, 1992.
- ✓ Later in 2006, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) was also adopted with an aim to work towards creating equal opportunities for persons with disabilities through the 2030 agenda for sustainable development.

