

STATE

TAMILNADU

- The Madras High Court on Friday became the first court in south India and eighth in the country to introduce **e-court fee** payment facility.
- So far only the Supreme Court and the High Courts in Delhi, Punjab, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh had introduced the e-court fee payment facility.

KERALA

- **Ernakulam** district has made it to the top in the State government's LIFE (Livelihood Inclusion and Financial Empowerment) Mission programme, achieving 82% progress in activities under the initiative.
- The authorities have completed construction of all houses planned under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana in Edappally block.

Rear guppy or gambusia fish to fight malaria, says Health dept

- Guppy is a fish belonging to Trinidad and Tobago and the coastal South America.
- There were native varieties of larvivorous fish species such as *Manathukanni* or *Kannikuriyan*, found in backwaters, which could be used for mosquito eradication.

Fjällräven Polar

• Fjällräven Polar is an annual expedition being organised by the Swedish company through the **Arctic** wilderness Fjällräven since 1997.



- The 26-year-old from Punalur, the first Indian to take part in Fjällräven Polar.
- Northern Lights also known as Aurora Borealis
- Inhabitants Sami tribe; Animal Reindeer

KARNATAKA

Double-member constituencies

- The first assembly of Mysore (after Independence) in 1951 and the second assembly, elected in 1957 for united Karnataka, had many double-member constituencies.
- This meant that a single constituency would return two members, one from the SC-ST category and another from the general category.
- Two-member constituency system was abolished in 1961

TELANGANA

• Mission Bhagiratha to provide safe drinking water to every household in Telangana. It is inhabited by Chenchu tribe

NATIONAL

Largest Mangrove forest in the world Sunderbans

- Sunderbans was made a UNESCO heritage site in 1987 and become a **Ramsar site** soon. 43% of India's mangrove cover is in Sunderbans.
- Sunderbans to be declared a Ramsar Site soon. 26 Ramsar sites in India, including East Kolkatta Wetlands.

Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC)



- Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC)'s first industrial city **Aurangabad** will be operational by December 2018.
- AURIC (Aurangabad Industrial City) is a greenfield smart industrial city being developed as a part of the Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC).

WORLD

World's oldest person died at 117

- The world's oldest person Nabi Tajima has died in southern Japan at the age of 117.
- She became the world's oldest person seven months ago after the death of Violet Brown in Jamaica, also at the age of 117.

India in Antarctica:-

- India has two research bases in Antarctica
- i) Maitri commissioned in 1989
- ii) Bharati commissioned in 2012

ECONOMY

Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)

• Total deposits in Jan Dhan accounts crossed 80,000 crore mark with more people joining the flagship financial inclusion programme.



SCIENCE

IIT Roorkee develops a potent molecule to treat chikungunya

• Currently, there are no drugs to treat chikungunya or any vaccine to prevent it.

IACS team designs logic devices for DNA-based computation

 Scientists at the Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science (IACS), Kolkata, have been successful in designing DNA-based logic devices that would find application in DNA-based computation

SPORTS

Nadal's Masters Crown helped him overtake Novak Djokovic.

• Rafael Nadal cruised to a record-extending 11th Monte Carlo Masters title. This was also Nadal's 76th ATP Tour title.