

CURRENT AFFAIRS= 23-09-2020

No Confidence Resolution against Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman

Rajya Sabha members of 12 opposition parties moved a no-confidence resolution against Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman over the passage of [two controversial farm Bills](#) by the voice vote.

Relevant Rules of Procedures and Conduct of Business

Rule 256, Suspension of member: This is decided by the presiding officer of the house on the grounds like a member disregarding the authority of the Chair or abusing the rules of the Council.

Rule 258 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Rajya Sabha makes a provision to enable a member to raise a point of order.

Point of order: An objection to the pending matter or proceeding which is in violation of a written and unwritten rule of the House.

Chendamangalam Saree: Kerala



Kerala Kasavu Sarees

It refers to the zari (gold thread) used in the border of the Kerala saree.

The identity of the saree comes from the geographical cluster they are associated with.

The Indian government has identified three clusters in Kerala

– Balaramapuram,

Chendamangalam and Kuthampully – that have been

given a [Geographical Indication \(GI\) tag](#).

MSP Raised for Rabi Crops

Recently, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has marginally increased the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of six rabi crops for 2021-22.

Key takeaways

MSP rates were hiked for wheat, barley, gram, masoor dal (lentil), safflower, and rapeseed and mustard.

The increase in MSP is in line with the principle of fixing the MSPs at a level of at least 1.5 times of the All-India weighted average Cost of Production as announced in Union Budget 2018-19.

Important value additions

Minimum Support Price

The MSP is the rate at which the government buys grains from farmers.

It is to counter price volatility of agricultural commodities due to the factors like variation in their supply, lack of market integration and information asymmetry.

The MSP is fixed for 23 crops based on the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), Ministry of Agriculture.

The Food Corporation of India (FCI), the nodal central agency of the Government of India, along with other State Agencies undertakes procurement of crops.

WORLD RHINO DAY

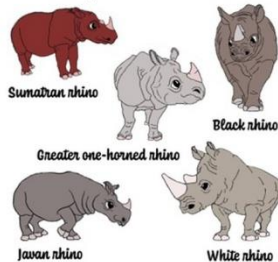
World Rhino Day was celebrated on September 22 with the objective of generating awareness about the threats faced by Rhinoceroses all over the world.

WORLD RHINO DAY

22 September

Celebrating

the FIVE species of rhinoceros



About:

World Rhino Day was first announced by World Wildlife Fund (WWF)-South Africa in 2010. Since then, September 22nd has been celebrated annually by governments, animal rights organizations and animal enthusiasts as World Rhino Day.

- It celebrates all five species of rhino (**Black, white, greater one-horned, Sumatran and Javan rhinos**) and generates awareness of issues regarding their well-being.
- In recent years, rhinos have been threatened by poaching, urbanization and pollution, which have made several rhino species endangered and critically endangered.

International Day of Peace

Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21st September.

Theme for 2020: Shaping Peace Together

The United Nations (UN) General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire.



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