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# <u>Dada Sahib Phalke Award to Hindi Actress</u> Waheeda Rehman

## **Dada Sahib Phalke Award**

- Awarded to Lifetime Achievement in Indian Film Industry
- Commencement: 1969
- Dada Sahib Phalke Father of Indian Film Industry
- Born : April 30, 1870
- Union Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- 53rd Dada Sahib Phalke Award

#### Waheeda Rehman

- Hindi Actress
- Born: In Chengalpattu, TN
- Notable movies : Pyaasa, Guide
- Awards received : National award, Padmashri, Padma Bhushan
- Cash Prize: Rs 10 Lakh
- First Dada Sahib Phalke Award: 1969 Devika Rani
- 1996 : Sivaji Ganesan
- 1989 : Lata Mangeshkar
- 2000 : Asha Bhosle
- 2010 : K Balachander
- 2018: Amitabh Bachchan
- 2019 : Rajnikanth
- 2020 : Asha Parekh

# **Equestrian**

## **Asian games**

- 19<sup>th</sup> Asian games
- Hangzhou, China

## India's feat

- Equestrian
- Anush Agarwala 71.088 pts
- Hriday Vipul 69.941 pts
- Divyakriti Singh 68.176 pts
- Sudipti Hajela 66.706 pts
- This has been achieved after 41 years
- 1982 Delhi, won gold
- 1986 Bronze

## Sailing

Neha - Won silver

## **New Education Policy**

#### Criticism on NEP 2020

- States were not consulted.
  That means no top-down approach
- Data from the current Parliamentary Standing Committee - 70% of the 1043 universities are functioning under state law
- 94% students are under state or private educational institutes. Only 6% students are under Central Government Higher Education Institutions
- Goal An increase in public expenditure on education from the existing level of 4.43 per cent of GDP to 6 per cent
- Infrastructure development is not clearly defined. How it should be shared between the central and state governments is not specified
- Teaching through mother tongue as medium of instruction up to class V
- Providing ability to read and write in other languages up to grade 3
- Implementation of the Trilingual Policy - opposed by TN govt
- The problem with implementing multi-point entry and exit
- Affecting the student teacher ratio
- Students will be encouraged to drop out
- Privatization of higher education – social justice will be denied



## **Women scientists**

## **UN Eighth International Conference on Women and Children**

- Venue: New York (UN Headquarters)
- Feb 10, 2023

#### **Announcement**

Every year February 11 - International Women in Science Day

## Top awards in various fields in India

## Padma awards

- Awarded by the President
- Up to 120 awards can be conferred in a year
- Bharat Ratna, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan, Padma Shri

## Sahitya Akademi Award

- Literature, Translation
- Annually, awarded to 60 members
- Yuva Puraskar, Bala Puraskar awards

## **Khel Ratna**

- In the field of sports
- Arjuna award, Dronacharya Award
- Awarded for up to 180 members in a year

## **Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar prize**

- In the field of Science
- 2022 for 12 members (No women were awarded)

## Science and Women in India

From Sir CV Raman to Veeramuthuvel, men dominated the field of Science

## Women who excel in science

- Kamala Sohonie She was the first woman to receive a doctorate from the Indian Institute of Studies, Bangalore
- Anna Mani Invented the basic instruments of the Indian Astronomical Research Institute of Climate Science
- Bibha Chowdhuri Atomic scientist with a star named after her
- Indira Hinduja Gave the method of artificial insemination
- Rajeswari First Indian woman engineer, inventor of antenna and walkie talkie through fine engineering
- E K Janaki Indian botanist who worked on plant breeding, cytogenetics and phytogeography. Conferred Padma Shri in 1977

## **Dalai Lama**

- Pre-1951 Secular government - Dalai Lama is supreme leader based or religion
- 1914 Shimla Convention signed by British along with Tibet
- Recognition of Tibet as a separate state
- China accepted this conference as a direct challenge
- Tibet secured semiindependence
- 1949 Mao Zedong and the Chinese Communist Party take over

## **India's Tibet Policy**

- India recognized Tibet as an autonomous region under China
- The Tibetan government, which has sought asylum from the Dalai Lama and exiled him in Dharamsala, is seeking a negotiated peaceful solution between the Chinese government and the Tibetan leadership.





## Significant info

- India's top award in Science Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar prize
- 1958, September 26
- In the name of first director-general of CSIR

## Aim

- Recognizing scientists who live in India and make major scientific discoveries here
- Award amount -Rs 5 lakh
- Till the age of 65, Rs 15,000 monthly
- 583 scientists have been awarded so far
- Women 19 members (less than 3%)
- Separate awards to recognize the achievements of women scientists are required

## **Special Session of Parliament**

- September 18 11, 2023
- Passage of the historic Women's Reservation Bill

## When is Parliament convened?

- Power to call a special session of Parliament
- According to the Constitution Central govt
- First the cabinet committee will take the decision
- To be formalized by the President
- Art 85 Relating to Prorogation/Dissolution of Parliament
  - The President shall convene once in six months
  - Twice a year
- 1949, Rule 69 Draft, when taken up for consideration, proposed to change the interval of parliamentary sessions to three months to allow more time for discussion of people's issues.

## **Importance**

 Drafting Acts of Parliament were framed in accordance with the context of the British era

## **Tuberculosis**

- World Health Organization Report 2022
- A quarter of the world's population
- One in three people with TB is Indian
- India aims to end TB by 2025
- UN target to eradicate tuberculosis globally by 2030

## 149th Parliamentary Standing Committee Report

- The government should achieve the goal without resorting to private help
- 58 Socio-Economic Vulnerabilities will be eliminated through the Ni-kshay Mitra Project
- Pradhan Mantri TB Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan should be implemented effectively

## **Charge of Standing Committee**

- Ni-kshay Mitra Individuals, organizations or selected members should adopt TB patients and maintain their welfare and medical expenses.
- Government departments try to shirk their responsibilities
- The working class of the population is more infected (aged 18 to 50)

## 2022 report

- 44% of the population is malnourished
- More than 12 lakh people are affected by tuberculosis every year

## Central government initiative

- 2022 September Ni-kshay Mitra
- Nutrition plan with patient consent
- 2018 Nikshay Poshan Yojana
- Nutrition Program
- Direct Subsidy Scheme Rs 500 every month

#### Criticism of the scheme

- India Tuberculosis Report 2023
- There are 24 lakhs patients with TB
- Only 16 lakh people have received one month subsidy (66%)

## **Solution**

70% of patients require nutritional support for recovery

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- Earlier councils were convened only to seek financial approval
- Parliamentary session is important to determine the future of the country, consider and discuss laws
- Time is also of the essence to allow for proper consideration. Hence it is recommended that the interval between parliamentary sessions should not exceed three months K T Shah (Former MP)
- HV Kamath urged for longer parliamentary sessions like America and Britain
- Ambedkar The Constitution does not prevent Parliament from sitting from time to time. However, it is feared that the members will get tired if the meetings are frequent

## Is there a fixed timetable?

- There is no fixed time schedule for parliamentary sessions
- Three sessions in India
- Financial session January April
- Monsoon session July August
- Winter Session November December

## When is the special session held?

- The term Special Session is not in the Constitution
- Neither in the book of rules of both the Houses
- There are no guidelines in the constitution as to how and when a special session can be convened
- Article 352 Refers to Special Session of House of Parliament on Proclamation of State of Emergency, Including the midnight session

## **Previously**

- 1947 The country's first special session to mark India's transfer of power
- 1962 Indo-china war to discuss Chinese aggression
- 1972 To mark 25 years of independence
- 1977 To extend President's Rule in Tamil Nadu and Nagaland
- 1991 to approve President's rule in Haryana
- 1992 50th Anniversary of Quit India movement
- 1997 August 50 years of independence
- 2008 Man Mohan Singh Motion of Confidence in Lok Sabha after Left exit from United Progressive Alliance
- 2017 Midnight session to introduce GST
- 2023 September 18 22 Second session of BJP Govt Held without Question hour and Zero hour.





