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## **Electronics Manufacturing: May Tamil Nadu's achievements continue**

- The information released by the central government is pleasing that Tamil Nadu has been ranked first for the second year in a row in the production of electronic goods in India.
- Karnataka is second and Uttar Pradesh is third. Till 2021-22 financial year, Tamil Nadu was in the next position after these states, it has been leading since 2022-23 financial year.
- More than fifteen leading companies like Foxconn, Tata Electronics, Salcomp, Pegatron and many small companies are involved in the manufacturing of electronic products in Tamil Nadu. Tamil Nadu Electronics and Hardware Manufacturing Policy 2020 released.
- The policy had a target of US\$ 100 crore production by 2025 (25% of Indian level).
- There is room in the policy to provide incentives to entrepreneurs depending on the investment amount of the companies and the number of employees.
- Facilities such as land at low rent, electricity at low cost, and tax exemption for a certain period are provided to the companies by the government.
- The government also takes responsibility for training the practical workers.
- This approach is essential as it can strengthen the exchequer of the state and create employment.

## **Health drinks controversy**

- A few days ago, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry issued a statement saying that drinks which were so called and classified as health drinks, including Bournevita, should no longer be labeled as such.
- It has also asked all e-commerce companies to remove categories like health drinks and energy drinks from their websites.
- The central government has taken this step when it was said that Bournvita contains high amounts of sugar and it is harmful to the health of children.
- Cerelac is a baby food product manufactured and marketed by Nestlé India.
- It contains 2.2 grams of sugar per serving.
- But some studies show that the amount of sugar in this product sold in other developed countries is very low and the sugar content in this product sold in low-income and middle-income developing countries is high.
- The Central Government has ordered the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India to conduct an investigation in this regard.
- Meanwhile, Hindustan Unilever has removed the word health drinks from its brands such as Horlicks and Boost. These are now called as Functional Nutritional Drinks.