

Tripura Current Affairs 2017

Tripura Current Affairs - March 2017

Kerala, Tripura & Arunachal Pradesh Takes States' List Under UDAY to 26

- i. The power ministry has informed that a total of **26 states** have now become the part of the **Ujwal DISCOM Assurance Yojana** (UDAY) with the recent entry of **Kerala, Arunachal Pradesh** and **Tripura** for the revival of debt stressed Discoms.
- ii. While the state government of Kerala and Kerala State Electricity Board Ltd along with the government of India signed the UDAY scheme on March 2, 2017, Arunachal Pradesh and Tripura joined the scheme on March 29, 2017.
- iii. With the participation of the three states in the UDAY, they would have an overall net benefit of approximately **Kerala-Rs 4,178 crore, Arunachal Pradesh-Rs 309 crore and Tripura-Rs 810 crore** due to cheaper funds, reduction in AT&C and transmission losses, interventions in energy efficiency during the turnaround period.

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Northeast India's largest IT hub opens in Tripura

Northeast India's largest Information Technology (IT) hub has been inaugurated in **Tripura's capital city Agartala** on April 24, 2017. It is the sixth IT hub in the Northeast region.

- i. The IT hub was inaugurated by **Manik Sarkar – Chief Minister of Tripura**, Tapan Chakraborty - IT and Education Minister of Tripura and Omkar Rai - Director General of Software Technology Parks of India (STPI).
- ii. This IT hub has been set up at a cost of Rs. 50 crore and with the help of technical knowledge shared by **STPI, under the union Ministry of Electronic and Information Technology**

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Tripura is first state to set up district family welfare committees

On September 18, 2017, Tripura became the first state in the country to set up **family welfare district committees** to deal with **the issue of fake and biased complaints by women against their husbands, in-laws and husband's relatives**. These committees have been formed as per the directives of the Supreme Court. **State Governor Tathagata Roy in the presence of Chief Minister Manik Sarkar** and other high dignitaries formally launched the family welfare committees in all eight districts in Tripura.

The working mechanism of these committees:-

- i. The family welfare district committees may comprise **para-legal volunteers or social workers or retired officers or even the wives of serving officers**,
- ii. The panel members **will not be called as witnesses** if the police or magistrate decide to investigate a particular case.

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Dr Jitendra Singh announces exclusive 'Rural Livelihood' scheme for Northeast

On November 23, 2017, **Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Development of North-Eastern Region (DoNER), Dr Jitendra Singh** announced "**North East Rural Livelihood Project**", an exclusive rural Livelihood scheme for the North-eastern states of India.

Salient Features of "North East Rural Livelihood Project":

- i.** This scheme has been launched to benefit the tribals and the lower socioeconomic groups, including women, in the North-Eastern Region of India.
- ii.** This project is being **supported by World Bank.**
- iii.** Initially, this scheme will be rolled out to help tribal and even the non-tribal lower groups living in remote areas of four North-Eastern Indian States – **Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura.**

Sudip Datta Bhowmik, the noted journalist of Tripura shot dead

On 21st November 2017, **Sudip Datta Bhowmik**, a senior journalist was shot dead under mysterious circumstances at a **battalion headquarters of Tripura State Rifles (TSR) near Agartala.**

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Tripura Current Affairs – DECEMBER 2017

Tripura government introduces Child Care Leave for women employees

- The Tripura Government has introduced **Child Care Leave (CCL) for women employees with minor children for 730 days in their entire service life.**
- Employees enjoying the CCL for children's sickness or examinations **would be paid leave salary equal to the pay drawn immediately before proceeding on the CCL.**

New scorpion species "Liochelesschalleri" discovered in Tripura

A new species of scorpion named "**Liochelesschalleri**" has been discovered in **Trishna Wildlife Sanctuary, Tripura.**

- i. The study on "Liochelesschalleri" has been published in **Zootaxa** journal by scientist ZeeshanMirza of National Centre for Biological Sciences, Bangalore. "Liochelesschalleri" is the eleventh wood scorpion species from India
- ii. "Liochelesschalleri" is also called **dwarf scorpions**

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