

1 DEFENCE ACQUISITIONS COUNCIL (DAC)

DAC was established to streamline the procurement of defence weapons based on recommendations made by the Group of Ministers on Reforming the National Security System in February 2001.

Composition

It will be chaired by Defence minister. The CDS and Chief's of Army, Navy and Air Force will also be part of DAC.

Functions

- The council focuses on approval to Capital acquisitions for various defence projects.
- The acquisition will be based on projects that are either 'Buy' projects or 'Buy and Make' projects or 'Make' projects. This means projects which are entirely purchased/ projects which are purchased followed by licensed production and indigenous production and R&D.
- Monitor the feedback of Defence Procurement Board.

2 Sandalwood

Sandalwood (*Santalum album*) is an aromatic tree valued for its long-lasting scent, medicinal properties, and cultural significance.

Features

- The fragrance is due to high levels of Santalol an organic compound.
- Sandalwood's roots and heartwood are used for extracting essential oil.
- Sandalwood trees are hemi-parasitic (grow's only when attached to a suitable host tree).
- Sandalwood trees only have one life and when harvested loses it's life.

Do you know in which state was state emergency declared for first time?

State emergency, or President's Rule under Article 356 of the Indian Constitution, was declared for the first time in Punjab on June 20, 1951.





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Uses

The tree has uses in the cosmetic sector, for aroma, for religious practices, and as an antiseptic in traditional medicine.

Habitat

Santalum album is found in the deciduous forests of the Deccan Plateau, mostly in Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

Challenges (Threats).

- Fire
- Browsing by livestock
- Spike (little leaf) disease
- Smuggling

3 Appointment of Director General of Police (DGP)

As per Prakash Singh Judgement the DGP shall be selected by the State Government from amongst the three seniormost officers who have been empanelled by the Union Public Service Commission.

Provisions

- Minimum tenure of at least two years irrespective of date of superannuation.
- There is no concept of acting Director General of Police as per the decision in Prakash Singh's case.
- UPSC should empanel only those officers having at least two years of service left before retirement.

4 Frontier Nagaland Territorial Authority(FNTA)

Agreement signed formation of the Frontier Nagaland Territorial Authority (FNTA) for six districts of Nagaland between Government of India, the Government of Nagaland, and Eastern Nagaland Peoples' Organisation (ENPO).



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Features

- Powers related to 46 subjects will be transferred to the FNTA for the six districts of Tuensang, Mon, Kiphire, Longleng, Noklak and Shamator.
- The provisions of Article 371(A) of Constitution of India is not affected.
- There will be a mini-Secretariat for FNTA headed by Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary.
- Development Outlay for the region will be decided proportional to population and area.



5 Lithium-ion battery

It is a rechargeable power source that uses the movement of lithium ions between a negative anode and a positive cathode to store and release electrical energy.

Features

- It is known for its energy density, light weight, and long life.
- Can be used repeatedly recharged and used, which means more number of charge and discharge cycle are available.
- Doesn't require full discharge before recharging.

Disadvantages

- These batteries are more prone to temperature sensitivity. Which can catch fire very easily.
- The raw materials needed for manufacturing are not so easily available.
- The cost is also high compared to conventional batteries.