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State news

1. Literary festival

- A two-day **Borunai Literary Festival** is being held at palayankottai, Tirunelveli District.
- Inaugurating the ceremony, Chief Minister M.K.Stalin spoke through video:
  - ✓ The Tamil Nadu government organizes five literary festivals namely **Borunai, Vaigai, Kaveri, Siruvani** and Chennai to celebrate the rich literary traditions of Tamil.
  - ✓ As the first event, the Literary Festival which is being conducted on the banks of Annai Madiyana Borunai River is a great initiative.
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2. Free bus service: Women who save Rs.888 per month

- According to the study by the State Planning Commission, **the monthly saving of Rs.888 per woman is on an average through the free bus service scheme.**
- Field studies were carried out in three districts namely Nagapattinam district which is an agricultural area, Tirupur district which is an industrial area and Madurai district which is a commercial area.

Economic news

1. Rabi season

- The Union Agriculture Ministry has informed that the area under **wheat and oilseed cultivation has increased by more than 10 percent** during the current rabi season.
- According to the statistics published by the Union Ministry of Agriculture, wheat cultivation area has increased by 10.5 percent and oilseeds cultivation area by 13.58 percent in this year's Rabi season.

Satellite.

1. Aditya L One- Soon

- **Aditya L One, a solar probe**, will be launched soon.
- Excavation of land for setting up a rocket launch pad in Tamil Nadu's **Kulasekaranpattinam** is underway. The works will be completed and operational within 24 months.

- When Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Bhutan in 2019, he inaugurated the ground control station for **the South Asian satellite in Thimphu.** It is set up with the support of ISRO.

2. PSLV-C 54 rocket launched.

- PSLV-C54 rocket launched with **9 satellites including EOS-06 for earth observation.**
- ISRO planned to launch EOS-06 earth observation satellite by PSLV C-54 rocket. Along with this, ISRO plans to launch 8 nanosatellites commercially.
- Accordingly, the PSLV C-54 rocket was successfully launched from the first base of **the Satish Dhawan Space Research Center in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.**
- India's commercially launched INS 2B and 8 nanosatellites such as Anand satellite, Diebold satellite (2) and Astrogast operational satellite (4) were placed into orbit in the next few hours.
- **9 What are the main uses of satellites?**
  - ✓ The advanced ARGOS technology used in the EOS-06 satellite launched for earth observation and the temperature change in the sea and wind speed will be monitored through Ku-band.
  - ✓ Also, it will continuously monitor and provide data on activities including ocean color, wind direction variations, optical changes occurring in the atmosphere.
- **INS 2B:**
  - ✓ Based on India-Bhutan Agreement. INS2 P2 nano satellite is designed. This satellite is launched for development of information technology.
- **Anand Chad:**
  - ✓ Bengaluru-based space technology start-up 'Pixel' has designed the Anand satellite.
  - ✓ It is **the country's first private earth observation satellite.** This satellite is equipped with a sophisticated camera. With it, the Earth can be imaged in detail. A satellite orbits in a low circular orbit.
- **Diebold :**
  - ✓ Diebold 2 satellites developed by Hyderabad-based start-up Dhruva Space have been launched for information technology research. The lifetime of this satellite is one year.
- **Astrogast 4 Satellite:**
  - ✓ US Space Flight's satellite Astrocast is launched for technological research development.