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Award

1. Gandhi Peace Pilgrimage Award to Shri Ravi Shankar

- ❖ The '**Gandhi Peace Pilgrimage Award**' has been presented to Shri Ravi Shankar, founder of Art of Living, for his continuous efforts in spreading the principles of peace and non-violence of Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr.
- ❖ At an event held in Atlanta, USA, he personally received the Gandhi Peace Yatra Award presented by the Gandhi Charitable Organization operating in the country.
- ❖ The event was attended by Isaac Faris, nephew of Martin Luther King Jr. and Dr. Swati Kulkarni, Indian Consulate in Atlanta.

2. Britain's highest award to Professor Venky Ramakrishnan

- ❖ Professor Venky Ramakrishnan, born in Tamilnadu, has been awarded Britain's highest award of '**Order of Merit**'.
- ❖ In 1902, British King Edward VII introduced the 'Order of Merit' award.
- ❖ Based on the personal preference of the King or Queen of the country, this award is given to those who have made outstanding contributions to the defense forces, science, art, literature, etc.
- ❖ In this case, British molecular biologist and professor **Venky Ramakrishnan** (70) has been awarded 'Order of Merit'. He was chosen for this award by the late British Queen Elizabeth II for his contribution to science.
- ❖ **Nobel Laureate:**
 - ✓ Professor Venki Ramakrishnan was born in Chidambaram, Cuddalore district.
 - ✓ Studied Biology in USA. He then went to Britain. He is the group leader of the Molecular Biology Laboratory at the University of Cambridge there.
 - ✓ He won the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 2009 for his research on 'Ribosome systems in body cells'.

Conference

1. ASEAN-India Summit

- ❖ India announced USD 5 million (Rs 40 crore) as an additional contribution to the ASEAN-India Science and Technology Fund.
- ❖ A delegation led by Vice President of the Republic of India Jagdeep Dhankar arrived in Cambodia on a 3-day tour. Jagdeep Dhankar addressed the ASEAN-India summit held in the capital Nampen.



- ❖ ASEAN includes Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

Indian News

1. Individual income

- ❖ Since the implementation of **the National Food Security Act in 2013**, the per capita income of the Indian population has increased by **33.4 per cent**, the Union government told the Supreme Court.
- ❖ In 2013-14, the ceiling was fixed at 75 percent of the rural population and 50 percent of the urban population. This situation has now significantly reduced.
- ❖ It is creating a huge subsidy burden on the central government. An additional 4.7 crore family cards have been issued under this Act so far.
- ❖ Under this Act, the national level beneficiary ceiling has been fixed at 81.4 crores.
- ❖ So far 79.8 crore people are benefited under this scheme. Some states have not yet met the beneficiary ceiling for those states.
- ❖ According to the central government, 1.6 crore more beneficiaries are likely to be included under this scheme.