



## Rapid Fire Current Affairs

### Relief for Displaced School Children Amid Manipur Ethnic Violence

The **ethnic violence in Manipur** has led to the displacement of **over 14,000 school children**, prompting swift measures by the Ministry of Education to ensure their continued education.

- The ethnic clashes in Manipur were ignited by a '[Tribal Solidarity March](#)' on May 3, 2023, organized as a response to the demand for [Scheduled Tribe \(ST\)](#) status by the **Meitei community**.
  - The Meitei people are also known as **Manipuri people**.
  - Their primary language is the **Meitei language**, which is also called **Manipuri** and is the only official language of Manipur.
  - They are predominantly settled in the **Imphal Valley**, although a significant number reside in other Indian states, such as **Assam, Tripura, Nagaland, Meghalaya, and Mizoram**.
  - The Meitei people are divided into clans, and members of the same clan do not intermarry.

Read more: [Demand of Meities for ST Status](#)

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### PM-YASASVI SCHEME

**Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment** is implementing an umbrella scheme namely [PM Young Achievers Scholarship Award Scheme for Vibrant India \(PM -YASASVI\)](#) for students in the **Other Backward Class (OBC), SC, Denotified, Nomadic and semi-Nomadic Tribe (DNT) and Economically Backward Caste (EBC)** categories.

- The key components of the scheme include
  - **Pre-Matric Scholarship** for OBC, EBC and DNT Students.
  - **Post-Matric Scholarship** for OBC, EBC and DNT Students.
  - **Top Class School Education** for OBC, EBC and DNT Students.
  - **Top Class College Education** for OBC, EBC and DNT Students.
  - **Construction of Hostel** for OBC Boys and Girls.

Read more: [Scholarship Schemes in India](#)

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### Rising Psychiatric Cases in CAPFs

The **Ministry of Home Affairs** recently reported a concerning **increase in psychiatric patients within the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs)**. The number of cases surged from 3,584 in 2020 to 4,940 in 2022, marking a nearly **38% rise in reported psychiatric conditions**.

- Psychiatric cases refer to individuals who are **experiencing mental health disorders** or conditions that require diagnosis, treatment, and care from mental health professionals.
  - These cases encompass a wide range of mental health issues, including but not limited to:

- **Depression:** Persistent feelings of sadness, hopelessness, and loss of interest in activities.
  - **Bipolar Disorder:** Cycles of extreme mood swings, including manic and depressive episodes.
  - **Schizophrenia:** A severe mental disorder characterized by hallucinations, delusions, and disorganized thinking.
- Also, the rising number of **personnel opting for voluntary retirement in the post-pandemic period** remains a concern. In 2022, a record **11,211 personnel took voluntary retirement**, signaling possible dissatisfaction and burnout among the workforce.

**Read more:** [Central Armed Police Forces, Issues Related to Mental Health](#)

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## Aadi Perukku 2023

**Aadi Perukku**, also known as **Pathinettam Perukku**, is a significant festival celebrated in **Tamil Nadu** to express gratitude for the **monsoon season** and the life-sustaining properties of water.

- Falling on the **18<sup>th</sup> day of the Aadi month in the Tamil Calendar**, this festival marks the **onset of the monsoon season**, which brings increased water levels to the rivers and benefits sowing and vegetation.
- During Aadi Perukku, people gather near the banks of rivers, especially the **Kaveri River**, to perform rituals and offer prayers

**Read more:** [Major Festivals of Different States](#)

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