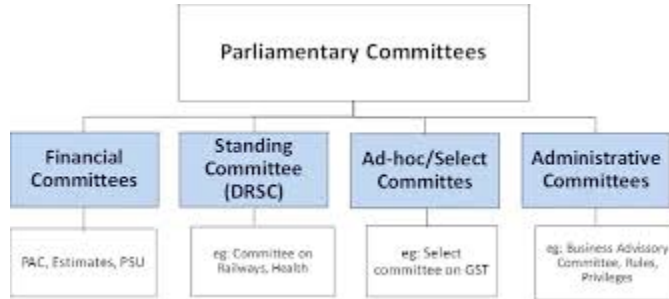


August 17, 2024: Current Affairs

National News

Six New Parliamentary Committees Constituted



On 17th August 2024, the Lok Sabha Speaker named the members of six new Parliamentary Committees, including the Public Accounts Committee (PAC). Ganesh Singh, a BJP MP from Satna, Madhya Pradesh, was appointed as the chairperson of the Committee on Welfare of Other Backward Classes.

International News

UN Human Rights Team to Visit Bangladesh



A United Nations human rights team is scheduled to visit Dhaka next week to discuss investigations into human rights violations during the recent unrest in Bangladesh with the interim government.

Economy News

Urban Unemployment Rate Declines to 6.6% in Q1 FY25



India's urban unemployment rate slightly decreased to 6.6% in Q1 FY25 from 6.7% in Q4 FY24, according to the National Statistical Office (NSO). The decline was mainly due to a drop in the male unemployment rate, while the female unemployment rate rose to 9%.

****Decline in FDI in India's Food Processing Sector in 2023-24****



Foreign direct investment (FDI) in India's food processing sector saw a significant decline of 30% in 2023-24, totaling ₹5,037.06 crore, down from ₹7,194.13 crore in the previous fiscal year.

Appointment News

****RBI Approves Salee Sukumaran Nair as MD & CEO of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank****



The Reserve Bank of India approved Salee Sukumaran Nair's appointment as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank for a three-year term.

Schemes

Launch of 'Ladki Bahin Yojana' in Maharashtra



The Maharashtra government, led by Eknath Shinde, officially launched the 'Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana' on Raksha Bandhan, aiming to provide ₹1,500 per month to over one crore women across the state.