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1. The Opposition Democratic Party candidates won elections for key positions in the US states of New York, Cincinnati, Virginia, and New Jersey.

- i. This is seen as the first major political setback for President Donald Trump.
- ii. New York: Indian-origin Muslim Zoran Mamtani (34), the Democratic Party candidate, won the New York City mayoral election in the United States. He will be the first Indian-origin mayor to take office as mayor of New York.
- iii. Cincinnati: Aftab Purwal (43), an Indian-origin Muslim, has won the mayoral election in Cincinnati, USA, for the second consecutive time. His father is from Punjab and his mother is from Tibet.
- iv. Virginia: Ghazala Hashmi (61), a Muslim of Indian origin, also won the election for Lieutenant Governor of the US state of Virginia. This is the first time that a person of Indian origin, and especially a Muslim, has been elected as the Lieutenant Governor of Virginia. She was born in Hyderabad, Telangana. His family moved to Georgia, USA, when he was a child.
- v. Democratic candidate Abigail Spanberger was elected as the new governor of Virginia. Democrat Mickey Sherrill won the New Jersey gubernatorial election.
- vi. The results are seen as showing a decline in public support for Trump's second term in office.

2. The Asian kho-kho Federation, led by Rajiv Mehta, has been recognized by the Olympic Council of Asia.

3. The Chief Minister M.K. Stalin unveiled the trophy for the FIH Junior Men's Hockey World Cup to be held in Chennai and Madurai.

- i. The 14th Junior Men's Hockey World Cup will be held in Chennai and Madurai from Nov. 28 to Dec. 10, organized by the International Hockey Federation, Hockey India and the Tamil Nadu Sports Development Authority. This is the first time this competition is being held in Tamil Nadu. Over the past four years the state's sports infrastructure has been greatly improved, and events such as the Chess Olympiad, the Asian Hockey Champions Trophy, the World Squash Championship, and the Chennai Open tennis tournament have been hosted here.
- ii. Dilip Tirkey – President of Hockey India.

4. Three astronauts working on the Chinese space station are having trouble returning to Earth after fears of a satellite debris collision.

- i. China is relocating a team of astronauts to the space station for research purposes. In this context, the new team has arrived at the space station aboard the Shenzhou-21 spacecraft. The team was to hand over responsibility to the Shenzhou-20 spacecraft, and the old team was to return to Earth using the same spacecraft.
- ii. However, the project has been suspended for the safety of the crew following suspicions that the space station was hit by debris from broken satellites and

other particles.

5.The death toll from a typhoon in the central Philippines has surpassed 100.

- i. The country was hit by Typhoon Kalmaegi, which had earlier caused record flooding in Cebu province, with 183 mm of rain. Cars were swept away, towns in the province were submerged, and even large cargo ships were swept away by the floodwaters.

6.The Russian President Vladimir Putin has ordered his officials to submit action plans to prepare for the resumption of nuclear weapons tests.

- i. Putin took this action in response to US President Donald Trump's order to his defense department to resume nuclear weapons tests that had been suspended for about 30 years.
- ii. Since 1998, no country in the world except North Korea has conducted a nuclear explosion test. But countries with nuclear arsenals like the United States are carrying out tests such as simulated nuclear detonations, nuclear physics experiments, missile tests, and nuclear war simulations using powerful computers.
- iii. The last full-scale nuclear test by the United States, codenamed 'Divider', was conducted on September 23, 1992, at the Nevada Test Site. Then-President George H.W. Bush announced a ban on nuclear weapons testing in the country.

7.Minister Piyush Goyal has arrived in New Zealand on a four-day official visit with a business delegation. In this context, the 4th round of negotiations for the India-New Zealand free trade agreement was held in Auckland between senior officials from both countries.

- i. India will not compromise the interests of vulnerable sectors such as agriculture, dairy, micro, small and medium enterprises in its free trade agreements, Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal said on Wednesday.

8.The song 'Vande Mataram', which became a rallying cry in the Indian freedom struggle, was composed by Bankim Chandra Chatterjee in 1875.

- i. The song became popular after Rabindranath Tagore sang it at the Calcutta Congress Session in 1896. It was adopted as the country's national anthem by the Constituent Assembly in 1950.
- ii. The BJP has organized various events across the country from November 7 to 26 (Constitution Day).
- iii. On November 7, the Vande Mataram song will be sung at 150 locations and a pledge to support local products will be taken. These events will be held at places including the Kargil War Memorial, the solitary confinement complex in Andaman and Nicobar, Swaraj Ashram in Odisha, and the Namoh Padithurai in Varanasi.

9.According to health department data, 79,462 people have been confirmed to have tuberculosis in Tamil Nadu this year.

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- i. The Health department officials said: In India, 179 people per lakh people are affected by tuberculosis. In Tamil Nadu, the number is 125 per lakh. The Government is making many efforts to eradicate tuberculosis. Medical tests and medicines are being provided free of cost.
- ii. Testing kits like 'CbNat' and 'TrueNat' have been installed in all government hospitals for rapid diagnosis of tuberculosis.

