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## Resurgence of Monsoon brings cheers to farmers

### Attributed to the La Nina effect

**Mumbai, August 7:** After weakening, the monsoon has made a strong come back in the last few days and 45% more rainfall than the average expected at this time has been recorded. Rains are currently very active over central and Western India.

These rains have cheered farmers of the oilseed in central and western India – the plants of which were previously on the verge of wilting. Farmers of Kharif crops such as paddy, pulses, and coarse grain cereals are also feeling relieved. On the other hand, torrential (heavy) rains and strong winds have lashed out in several cities in western India resulting in flooding.

As per the meteorological department, the development of weak La Niña conditions are causing the rains.

La Niña is characterized by cold ocean temperatures in the Equatorial Pacific and is associated with normal or above-normal rains over the Indian Subcontinent.



## Third time lucky- Sri Lanka conducts elections amid Pandemic

**Colombo, August 7:** In a landslide (massive) win President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and his brother, former President Mahinda Rajapaksa have emerged victorious in Sri Lanka's parliamentary election. As per official records, Sri Lanka Podujana Party (SLPP) won 145 seats and received 6.8 million of the total votes. Earlier, the elections had already been postponed twice because of the coronavirus pandemic. Turnout was more than 75% of the 16.2-million-strong electorate. Srilanka has been without a parliament since President Gotabaya Rajapaksa sacked the assembly in March and then postponed polls scheduled for April citing the pandemic.



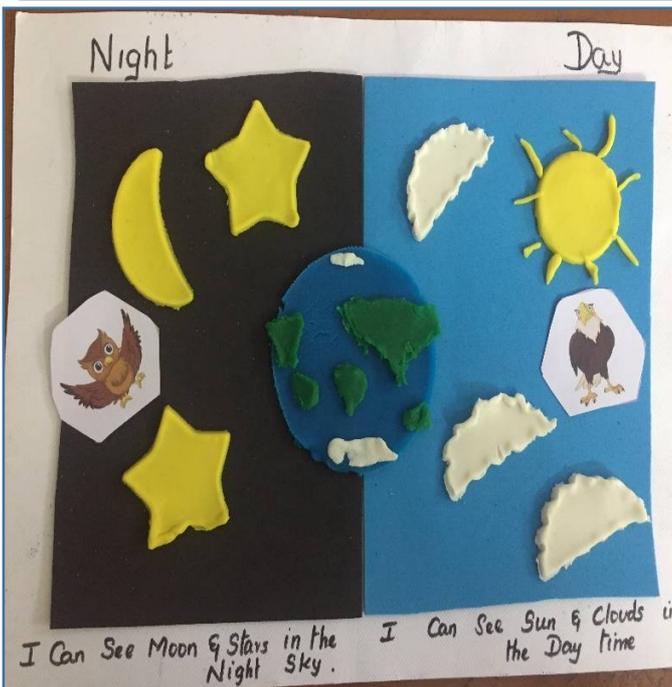
Left- Gotabaya Rajapaksa  
Right- Mahinda Rajapaksa  
Image credit- Wikipedia

## New CAG appointed

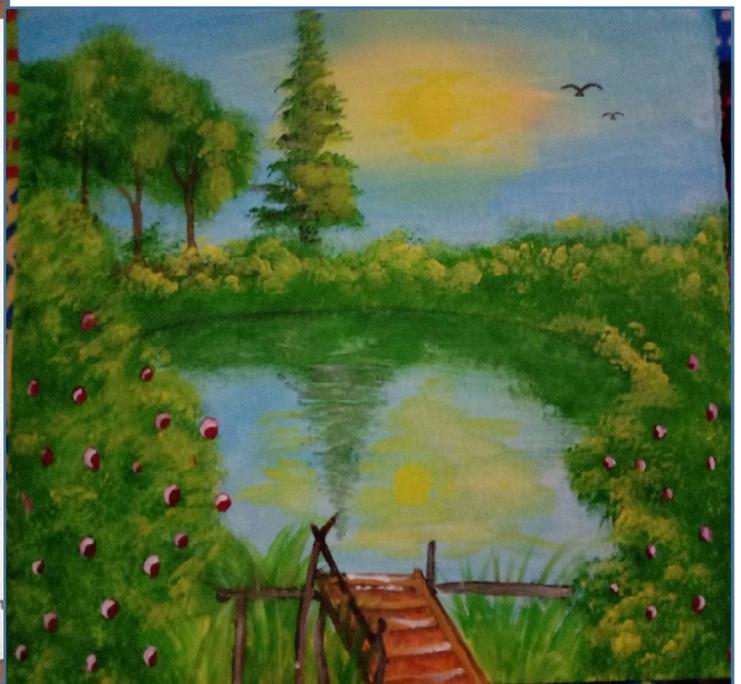
**New Delhi, August 7:** G C Murmu, who was the former lieutenant governor of Jammu & Kashmir has been appointed as the Comptroller and Audit General. He succeeds Rajiv Mehrishi post the latter's retirement. The CAG is the highest audit institution of India. It audits all receipts and expenditure of the Government of India and that of the state governments and brings out at least 150 reports annually for both. The CAG is mentioned in the Constitution of India under Article 148 – 151.



## Artist Corner – Dusk and Dawn



By B A Ritul



By Debanjali Goswami

Send in your artwork on the theme of "The Magic of Monsoons" Selected artwork will get featured here!

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## Editorial

Namaste Readers,  
It's been a year since I have been associated with TCP and I am grateful that I got this opportunity. I am overwhelmed with the response that all of you young kids have given to the Saturday edition and let me tell you Grand ma loves it too! Please keep pouring in the love. Thanks to the wonderful team of TCP too for always encouraging me!

And today I am joined by Parul Aunty who has helped me compose the edition. Happy Reading!

-Kruttika

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## The Ultimate Saturday Quiz

This quiz should be a breeze if you have been reading TCP regularly!

- How long was the journey for the NASA Astronauts Douglas Hurley and Robert Behnken back to the Earth?
  - 16 hours
  - 19 hours
  - 24 hours
- On July 29<sup>th</sup>, what was the solution that Intel launched in partnership with MI T and Georgia Tech?
  - MI SIM
  - Code
  - Machine Programming
- An optical illusion that makes roads appear wet on a hot and sunny day?
  - Illusion
  - Oasis
  - Mirage



## Countries of the World – Praneeth Udathu

Country in Focus - Mongolia



### Interesting facts:

- Mongolia is the most sparsely populated country in the world and is a landlocked country in East Asia bordered by Russia and China.
- Mongolia was home to the infamous Genghis Khan who was the ruler of the Mongol Empire from 1206 to 1227. During this time, he conquered a large area that encompassed a quarter of the world's population. However, in 1294, the empire was split and eventually crumbled.
- The capital of Mongolia is Ulaanbaatar.
- The official language is Mongolian.
- The national currency is the Mongolian tögrög.
- More than a quarter of the entire Mongolian population is nomadic
- The current population of Mongolia is 3.3 million.



Flag of Mongolia

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## Grandma's Corner

A lily flower grows so fast that it covers double the space on the next day and it covers the pond in 30 days. If there are 2 such flowers in the pond, in how many days will they cover the whole pond?

Write to [tcpedit@gmail.com](mailto:tcpedit@gmail.com) and become a Saturday Champion!

## You said it!

Tada! Here's a shout out to Daksh Gulecha, Shivam Sinha, Tanay Sahu, Aradhya Saha, Debanjali Goswami, Pankaj Thakur, Maha Vishnu B, Sharadhyuthi, Palak Kalra, Atharv Sharma, Shubham Sinha, K Akshay, Dikshita Goswami, Ayusi Saha, Harshit, Mareeswarim, Manasvi A, Yashika Kharb, Dhruv R, Killi Akshit for trying out the challenge! You are our Saturday Champions!

Ans: 100 will be counted on the ring finger and 1000 on the Index finger.

Your editions are so engaging. The diverse activities you offer are perfect to keep kids engaged over a weekend. Great to have you on the team - **Deepti**

You are the super star of TCP and an expert in engaging the young readers in your own way. I always look forward to your Saturday analysis and Grandma's corner (a superhit among our readers to get their responses). - **Manjeet**

### Credits and Answers

The Saturday Quiz-b,a,c . This edition has been reviewed by Gunjan Sharma and Shivani Gilhotra Narang.

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## From the team behind the scene...

We both were introduced in January 2020. I had started writing the features and was not able to do the layout. You did it and made my feature look so beautiful. I always love the analysis you do on various topics covering economics, politics etc., My best wishes on your anniversary and wishing you many more to come. Happy to work with you! -- **Vanitha**

Come Saturday, and we know that the TCP inbox is going to get inundated with Grandma's Corner answers. So unassumingly you bring engagement to the paper. You were also responsible for Sunil Kumar's Wednesday features which are my personal favourite. I have never known you to say an extra word. Your precision in communication is aspirational for me. - **Nidhi**

Dear Kruttika, heartiest congratulations on completing a year with TCP! Love the way you create your editions - so engaging and full of information. Keep rocking. Best wishes for many more to come! - **Harinder**

Best wishes to you on achieving this milestone... you have been so good with your features all through the year, that everyone eagerly awaits your editions. - **Shruthi**

Your editions are like shining diamonds. So much clarity and absolute brilliance. I cherish reading them and learn something new every time- **Priyanka**

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