



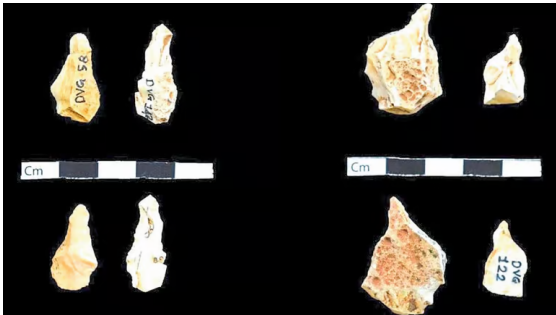
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40 thousand years old stone tools found



Context:

- Ongoing 10-year research on Katal Shilp Konkan in Ratnagiri reveals stone weapons in Malvan, Rajapur, Ratnagiri from **Mid-Paleolithic to Mesolithic era (40 to 10k BC)**.

Key Points:

- According to the **changes in stone tools over time**, their **shapes, methods, and techniques** of manufacture are determined by their periods.
- With the help of these stones, the Early man started **hunting, cleaning the meat of dead animals, tearing etc.**
- The **stone carvings** of Konkan are evidence of the approximate number of years that **human habitation existed here**.
- Stone tools from the **Middle Paleolithic to Mesolithic periods** found in the carving research provide insight into the evolution of tools and approximate **human habitation duration in Konkan**.

President Murmu redflags AI misuse to create deep fakes

Context:

- **President Droupadi Murmu** red-flagged the **misuse of artificial intelligence (AI)** for creating deep fakes and emphasized on the need to channelise technology for betterment of humanity.
- **Deep Fakes are a type of artificial intelligence (AI)** that **uses machine learning** to create synthetic media, such as videos, images, and audio.
- Deepfakes **use AI to morph videos and images** of people to impact their reputation.
- Deep Fakes are **created by using a technique called deep learning**.

Mahaparinirvana Divas

Context:

- On the occasion of **Babasaheb Ambedkar's 66th death anniversary i.e. Mahaparinirvana Day**, Mumbai Traffic Police has issued traffic restrictions in Dadar
- It is done in view that a sea of people will flow to pay homage to Babasaheb and will visit **Chaityabhoomi** in Dadar.



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- Mahaparinirvan Divas is observed on **December 6th** every year
- He was a prominent **Indian jurist, economist, social reformer, and political leader.**
- He was instrumental in India's constitution and advocated for the rights of Dalits and other marginalized communities.

PM Modi to attend Navy Day function in Sindhudurg

Context:

- **PM Modi** visited **Sindhudurg** district to attend **Navy Day** celebrations, marking victory of Indian Navy in **1971** war.
- He will also unveil a statue of **Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.**

About:

- Sindhudurg is a coastal district in the southwestern part of Maharashtra.
- It is the southernmost district of the state, bordering Goa.
- The coastline of Sindhudurg is about 120 kilometers long.
- Sindhudurg has been chosen as the venue for Navy Day celebrations this year to celebrate the **350th year of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's coronation**; Shivaji had his own navy and Sindhudurg was one of the **best sea forts.**

Did you Know?

- **December 4** is celebrated as **Navy Day**
- It marks the **victory of the Indian Navy during 1971 India-Pak war.**

46.6% year-on-year drop in water storage

Context:

As per report:

- **Water storage in 11 irrigation projects** in Marathwada has **decreased by 46.6%** compared to the previous year,
- **Insufficient rainfall** this year has resulted in a significant decline in water storage
- It is **currently standing at 50.5%**, in contrast to the 97.14% recorded last year

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