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Chola Era



Why in the News?

Chola era Krishna statue stolen from Tamil Nadu found in America.

Key Points:

- It was founded by the Anti-Idol Smuggling Unit police.
- It is rumoured that the idol was sold for Rs 5.2 crore.
- The statue is designed to depict Lord Krishna dancing on a 5-headed snake named Kalinga.
- In the year 2005, the idol was kidnapped by the kingpin Subhash Kapoor
- This idol belongs to the 11th-12th century of the Chola era.

Egmore Government Museum



Why in the News?

Karunanidhi Centenary Photo Exhibition at Egmore Government Museum.

Key Points:

- A special exhibition on Karunanidhi is being organized by the Tamil Nadu Government Museums Department at the Government Museum, Egmore, Chennai
- It was held on the occasion of the centenary anniversary of the late former Chief Minister Karunanidhi.
- This exhibition was inaugurated by Minister of Information and Publicity M. P. Saminathan.
- In this, Karunanidhi's souvenirs and awards are on display to show his versatility as a politician, film industry and journalist.
- Karunanidhi abolished the practice of hand rickshaw especially when he was the Chief Minister.

Gudalur school

Why in the News?

Gudalur school students win.

Key Points:

- A national level karate competition was held in Tirupur between the states of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh.
- **Sanjay and Muhammad Harsh**, students



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	<p>studying in Panchayat Union Middle School, Kudalur Vandippet, participated in this competition and won first and third place respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The national level karate competition in India is organized by the Karate India Organisation (KIO), which is the only national federation of karate sport in India that is affiliated with the World Karate Federation (WKF).The KIO organizes several national level karate competitions throughout the year
<u>Street libraries</u>	<p>Why in the News? Street libraries go empty as users fail to return books.</p> <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The libraries were set up under the Veethithorum Noolagam (library on every street) initiative in October 2022 to promote reading habits.A total of 77 slum areas and 94 cluster houses were identified to establish mini libraries with sponsor support.In the following months, the police set up around 34 street libraries, including one on Race Course and DB road junction in RS Puram.Street libraries are becoming increasingly popular in India, as they are seen as a way to bridge the digital divide and provide access to books for people who may not have the means to buy them.
Person in news: Tharman Shanmugarathnam	<p>News: CM M.K. Stalin, Vaiko, others congratulated Tharman Shanmugarathan who has been installed as President of Singapore.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Indian-origin person, Tharman Shanmugarathnam, became the 9th President of the Republic of Singapore.Shanmugarathnam was born in Singapore on February 25, 1957, to a Tamil father and a Chinese mother.His father, Kanagarathnam Shanmugarathnam, was a renowned pathologist and cancer researcher, while his mother was a homemaker.Tharman's upbringing was shaped by the diversity of his cultural background, allowing him to become proficient in four languages: English, Tamil, Malay, and Mandarin.



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Rise in elephant population

News: Tamil Nadu registers rise in elephant population

- The number of elephants in the wild in Tamil Nadu has gone up to 2,960, a rise of 200 since the last census in 2017.

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