



தமிழ்

ADDAPEDIA

To get free Live Classes,  
Materials Scan this QR Code &  
Download our Adda247 App



## Daily Current Affairs Encyclopedia

TN CA 18 March 2024

**Sangita Kalanidhi award for T.M. Krishna, Nritya Kalanidhi for Neena Prasad**



**Context:**

- T.M. Krishna and Neena Prasad have been awarded the Sangita Kalanidhi and Nritya Kalanidhi awards, respectively, by the Madras Music Academy.
- The awards are considered to be the **highest honors in Carnatic music and Bharatanatyam dance.**

**About:**

- **Krishna is a leading Carnatic vocalist** who is known for his powerful voice and his adherence to tradition.
- He has also been a vocal critic of casteism and discrimination in the Carnatic music world.
- **Prasad is a Bharatanatyam dancer** who is known for her grace and her ability to bring out the emotional depth of the dance form.
- She has also been a **pioneer in using Bharatanatyam to tell contemporary stories.**
- The awards will be presented at the Music Academy's annual conference in December 2024.

**Nearly 50,000 more girl students to benefit from Pudhumai Penn Scheme**



**Context:**

- The Tamil Nadu government has **expanded the Pudhumai Penn Scheme** making it beneficial to nearly **50,000 more girl students.**
- This scheme **specifically supports girl students studying in Tamil medium at aided schools across the state.**

**About:**

- The Pudhumai Penn scheme provides the benefits under the **Moovalur Ramamirtham Higher Education Assurance Scheme** and takes care of new student registrations.
- The Pudhumai Penn scheme provides financial assistance of **Rs.1,000 per month to girls studying in 6th-12th classes in government schools till they complete their UG degree, ITI, diploma or any other recognised course, irrespective of the field.**
- The amount of Rs.1,000 is disbursed directly to the student's bank account every month.

**Global Recycling Day**

**Context:**



தமிழ்



## Daily Current Affairs Encyclopedia



- **Global Recycling Day** is an annual event on **March 18** that helps to acknowledge that recycling is a key part of a circular economy that helps to protect the environment and Earth's natural resources

### History:

- It was the brainchild of the **Bureau of International Recycling**, with the first announcement coming in **2015** by its president, **Ranjit Singh Baxi**.
- The inaugural celebration followed a few years later in **2018**.
- The day is now recognized by the **United Nations** as well.

### About:

- The year **2024** marks the **7th** Global Recycling Day
- **Global Recycling Day 2024** focuses on the theme **#RecyclingHeroes**.
- It's a call to recognize individuals and initiatives making a positive impact through recycling.

### Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve

### Context:

- In a first, the **Tamil Nadu forest department** has acquired **30.41 acres** of erstwhile private patta land, situated in the core area of **Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve (SMTR)**, which came into being in **2021**, making it the youngest of the five tiger reserves in the state.

### Key Points:

- The land was acquired through private negotiation under the **Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013**.
- This is the first time in India where the state government has purchased private land for non-commercial use towards forest and biodiversity conservation.

### About:

- The **Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve (SMTR)** is a relatively new wildlife sanctuary, designated in **February 2021**.
- It holds the distinction of being **India's 51st tiger reserve** and **Tamil Nadu's 5th**.


### Formation and Significance:



தமிழ்



## Daily Current Affairs Encyclopedia

|                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Created by combining the Grizzled Squirrel and Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuaries.</li> <li>• Forms a crucial link between Periyar Tiger Reserve (Kerala) and Southern Kalakkad-Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve (Tamil Nadu).</li> <li>• Protects the catchment area of the Vaigai River, contributing to water security.</li> <li>• Other four Tiger reserves of Tamil Nadu: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Anamalai tiger reserve</li> <li>○ Kalakkad - Mundanthurai tiger reserve</li> <li>○ Mudumalai tiger reserve</li> <li>○ Sathyamangalam tiger reserve</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <p><b>Ordnance Factories Day</b></p>  | <p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ordnance Factories Day</b> is celebrated on <b>March 18th every year in India.</b></li> <li>• It commemorates the <b>establishment of the first Ordnance Factory in Cossipore, Kolkata, in 1801.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The day highlights the <b>contributions of the Ordnance Factories Board (OFB) to India's self-reliance in defense equipment.</b></li> <li>• The OFB is a crucial organization under the <b>Ministry of Defence.</b></li> <li>• <b>It is responsible for manufacturing a wide range of weaponry and ammunition for the Indian Armed Forces.</b></li> <li>• Often referred to as the "Fourth Arm of Defence", the OFB plays a vital role in national security.</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ordnance Factories Day 2024 theme is <b>"Operational Efficiency, Readiness, and Mission Accomplishment in the Maritime Domain".</b></li> </ul> |