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Why in news?

 Keeladi, a village in Sivagangai district with a rich history over 2,500 years old, has earned the title of 'Best Tourism Village 2024' in the Heritage Category.

Key Points:

- These awards aim to recognize excellent cultural heritage projects, organizational activities, people, and assets in a way that embraces a vibrant urban experience while celebrating the past.
- It also seeks to increase public and industry knowledge of the different dimensions of heritage across industries and to enable industry and public discourse on issues connected to national cultural heritage.

Places in news: Guindy National Park

Why in news?

 Tuberculosis is suspected among spotted deer at Guindy National Park.

Key Points:

- Guindy is India's eighth-smallest national park and one of the very few national parks located inside a city.
- It is located in the heart of Chennai's metropolitan area of Tamil Nadu.
- It is one of the last remnants of the tropical dry evergreen forests of the Coromandel Coast.
- Flora: Tropical dry evergreen forest, Scrub and thorn forests.
- **Fauna:** Blackbuck, Toddy cat, Civet cat, Jungle cat, Pangolin, Hedgehog, Shrew and black-naped hare etc.

Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-Kisan)

Why in news?

The Madurai Bench of the Madras High Court has issued a notice to the Union government regarding a PIL that seeks to extend the benefits of the 'Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana (PM-KISAN)' to all farmers, including sharecroppers and tenant farmers.

Key Points:

- The Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-Kisan)
 Yojana came into effect from December 1, 2018.
- Under the scheme, income support of Rs 6000 per annum is provided to all eligible farmer families across the country in three equal installments of Rs 2,000 each every four months.
- The fund of Rs 2,000 is directly transferred to the bank accounts of the eligible farmers/farmer's family under the



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	 Direct Benefit Transfer Mode. Nodal Ministry - Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare It is a Central Sector Scheme with 100% funding from the Central Government.
	PIL stands for Public Interest Litigation, which is a legal process that allows people to file petitions in court to protect public interest. PILs can be filed to enforce the rights of people who are unable to approach the court.
Reports & Indices: Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) 2022-23	 Why in news? Tamil Nadu topped the list for the highest employment in manufacturing, according to the 2022-23 Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) results released by the Union Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI). As per the ASI, 1,84,94,962 people were engaged in factories across India, and Tamil Nadu accounted for 15%.
	 Key Points: The Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) is the principal source of Industrial Statistics in India. The ASI extends to the entire country. It covers all factories registered under Sections 2(m)(i) and 2(m)(ii) of the Factories Act, 1948, where the manufacturing process is defined under Section 2(k) of the said Act. It plays a key role in assessing the changes in the growth and structure of the registered units in the manufacturing sector.
Dengue	Why in news? • Dengue cases recorded in Puducherry have shown a year-over-year decline.
	 Key Points: Dengue (break-bone fever) is a mosquito-borne viral infection. It is more common in tropical and subtropical climates, mostly in urban and semi-urban areas. It is transmitted to humans through the bite of infected Aedes mosquitos carrying one of four types of dengue virus (DENV).