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| <p><b>Zero-profit price for cancer and immunosuppressive drugs</b></p>   | <p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State government's initiative to make expensive cancer drugs and immunosuppressant drugs available at zero-profit price to consumers is being launched.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Cancer drugs</b>, also known as <b>chemotherapy drugs</b>, are medications that <b>treat cancer by killing fast-growing cells</b> in the body.</li> <li>Cancer cells <b>grow and multiply much faster</b> than most other cells, so chemotherapy is often used to treat cancer.</li> <li><b>Immunosuppressants</b> are drugs that <b>prevent your immune system from attacking healthy cells and tissues by mistake</b>.</li> <li>Healthcare providers prescribe immunosuppressants to <b>treat certain autoimmune diseases and prevent organ or stem cell transplant rejection</b>.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Endangered species</b></p>  | <p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recently, eight endangered species, including Kadalar swamp frog, beautiful dancing frog, Theuerkauf's bush frog, spinular night frog, and Munnar bush frog, were found.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An <b>endangered species</b> is a plant or animal that's <b>so rare that it's at risk of becoming extinct</b> in all or a large part of its range.</li> <li>The <b>Endangered Species Act (ESA)</b> lists species as endangered or threatened.</li> <li>A species is <b>considered threatened if it's likely to become endangered in the near future</b>.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>Khader Committee Report</b></p>  | <p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An Education Seminar on Khader committee report to be conducted on August 29.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>M.A. Khader committee on school education</b> was set up by the government against the backdrop of the <b>Right to Education Act</b> to study various aspects of <b>school education from preschool to higher secondary</b>.</li> <li>The recommendations regarding <b>recruitment of Teachers, include the modified educational qualification, methods of</b></li> </ul>   |



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| <p><b>Primary Amoebic Meningoencephalitis (PAM)</b></p>  | <p>recruitments, promotion, etc.</p> <p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recently, Kerala has decided to invest in research on the ‘One Health’ platform to study primary amoebic meningoencephalitis (PAM).</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is caused by <b>Naegleria fowleri, free-living amoebae</b> in <b>warm, stagnant freshwater</b> and has a high mortality rate (&gt;97%).</li> <li>It is known as the “<b>brain-eating amoeba,</b>” it infects the brain through the <b>nasal passages, leading to severe brain tissue destruction.</b></li> <li>Children are particularly vulnerable, though it <b>does not spread from person to person or through swallowing contaminated water.</b></li> <li><b>Symptoms:</b> Symptoms include headache, fever, nausea, and vomiting.</li> <li><b>Treatment:</b> The optimal drug regimen is still uncertain, and treatment involves a multidisciplinary team.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Places in news: Churulipetti</b></p>  | <p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kerala's Churulipetti holds remnants of Sikkari Kuttiyamma's settlement.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Churulipetti village inside the Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary in Idukki is the location where <b>Kerala's first woman hunter Sikkari Kuttiyamma</b> set up a settlement and lived for nearly three decades.</li> <li>Kuttiyamma, who belonged to the <b>Vattavayalil family in Pala,</b> was a woman hunter and settled in Churulipetti with her father and brothers in the 1960s.</li> </ul>   |

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