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Maharashtra State Specific News

Classical language status in India

Why in news?

- The National party announced that **they will give the classical language status to Marathi** after forming the government in India.

About classical language status in India:

• **Criteria for Classical Status:**

- A **recorded history** of at least **1500-2000 years**.
- A **body of ancient literature/texts** considered valuable by generations.
- The **literary tradition should be original** and not borrowed from another speech community.
- The language should have a rich and varied **ancient literature**.

• **Languages Recognized as Classical:**

- Sanskrit (declared in 2005)
- Tamil (declared in 2004, the first to be recognized)
- Kannada (declared in 2008)
- Telugu (declared in 2008)
- Malayalam (declared in 2013)
- Odia (declared in 2014)

- The designation **aims to protect and promote the rich heritage embedded in these ancient languages**, ensuring their continuation through support in academic and educational spheres.



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<p>Maharashtra Board</p> <p>Maritime</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The water sports and passenger boat traffic at Sindhudurg Fort in Malvan are suspended.• The closure is due to the monsoon season.• This decision has been communicated to all port inspectors and assistant port inspectors by the chief port officer of the Maharashtra Maritime Board. <p>About Maharashtra Maritime Board (MMB):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Maharashtra Maritime Board (MMB) is a governmental organisation in the state of Maharashtra.• The board is tasked with the administration of ports and harbours.• MMB was constituted via the Maharashtra Maritime Board Act, 1996 for control and regulation of non-major ports on the coastline of Maharashtra.
<p>Mumbai Coastal Road project</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Mumbai Coastal Road project is making significant progress.• The BrihanMumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) is set to launch the second girder to connect the Bandra-Worli Sea Link (BWSL) and Mumbai Coastal Road. <p>About Mumbai Coastal Road project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Mumbai Coastal Road, officially named after Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj, is a significant infrastructure project aiming to improve traffic flow in Mumbai by connecting Marine Drive in the south to Kandivali in the north.• The construction is divided into multiple packages handled by major contractors like Larsen & Toubro and the Hindustan Construction Company-Hyundai Development Corporation.



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Navegaon Reserve (NER)	Elephant	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The proposed area for the Navegaon Elephant Reserve (NER) has been reduced by 65% due to a lack of political will. <p>About Navegaon Elephant Reserve (NER):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Navegaon Elephant Reserve is proposed to be located in the Gondia and Gadchiroli districts of Maharashtra.• This area was selected to conserve the local elephant population, estimated to be between 23-25 individuals.• The reserve is intended to become the 34th elephant reserve in India.• It's part of a broader effort under Project Elephant, launched in 1991-92 by the Government of India, aimed at protecting elephants and their habitats as well as addressing human-elephant conflicts.
Phansad Sanctuary	Wildlife	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eight artificial saucer-shaped talaos (water bodies) are being created to help thirsty wild animals in the Phansad Wildlife Sanctuary.• This initiative is in response to the scorching heat in the sanctuary area. <p>About Phansad Wildlife Sanctuary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• It is located in the Murud and Roha talukas of Raigad district, Maharashtra.• The sanctuary was established in 1986 to preserve the coastal woodland ecosystem of the Western Ghats.• Notable animals include the Indian giant squirrel, Indian muntjac, gaur, dhole, Indian crested porcupine, Indian leopard, and various species of bats and snakes.

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