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Paleolithic Burial Urn



In News:

The burial urn found near T Kallupatti probably belongs to the **paleolithic period** according to historians.

Key facts

- An ancient burial urn measuring 2.5 feet in height was found near T Kallupatti village near Madurai
- Dr. T Muneeswaran, archeological field researcher, said it may have belonged to the Paleolithic period.

About paleolithic

- The Paleolithic Age is the **longest period in human history**.
- It lasted from around 2.5 million years ago to 11,650 years ago.
- According to archeologists pottery first appeared in the paleolithic period.
- The pottery was made of ceramic during the time of paleolithic period

Did you Know?

- The Paleolithic age is known as the Old Stone Age.

Housing Project by Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board (TNUHDB)



In News:

Udhayanidhi lays foundation stone for Rs 409-crore TNUHDB housing project.

Key facts

- Minister of Youth Welfare and Sports Development Udhayanidhi Stalin laid the foundation for the housing projects.
- Project is undertaken by the **Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board (TNUHDB)** in Koyathope, M S Nagar and Kotturpuram.
- A total of 1,800 houses will be constructed at a cost of Rs 307.24 crore in Kotturpuram.



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	<p><b>About TNUHBD</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• TNUHDB is a government agency</li><li>• It is established in <b>1970</b></li><li>• Its aim is to provide housing and infrastructure for urban slum families in Tamil Nadu.</li><li>• It is <b>headquartered in Chennai</b>.</li><li>• It has regional offices in Madurai, Coimbatore, and Tiruchirappalli.</li></ul>
<p><b>Pulicat ESZ</b></p>	<p><b>In News:</b> Tamil Nadu wildlife board is considering to recommend <b>setting-up of 3 red category units inside Pulicat ESZ</b></p> <p><b>Key facts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The state board is to recommend construction and expansion of three red-category industries</li><li>• The categories are for the 10-km <b>eco-sensitive zone (ESZ) of Pulicat bird sanctuary</b>.</li><li>• The expansion of categories are to <b>protect the ESZ from industries</b></li></ul>
<p><b>Eco Sensitive Zones</b></p>	<p><b>About Eco Sensitive Zone(ESZ):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In India, ESZs were <b>first introduced in 1991</b>.</li><li>• It is framed under the <b>Environment Protection Act, 1986</b>.</li><li>• It comes under <b>The Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEFCC)</b></li><li>• Eco-Sensitive Zones (ESZs) measured as <b>10km areas surrounded by protected areas (PAs)</b></li><li>• Act as a buffer zone</li><li>• certain <b>activities are restricted or regulated</b> inside the ESZ.</li><li>• ESZ to minimize their impact on the delicate ecosystems within the PAs.</li></ul> <p><b>Did you know?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ESZs were <b>first proposed in the World Conservation Strategy of 1980</b>.</li></ul>



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### Tamil Nadu State Policy for Children

**In News:** Action plan for TN child policy likely to be released this month

- Two years after the release of Tamil Nadu State Policy for Children in November 2021, the Directorate of Social Defence (DSD) is finally set to release the action plan for the policy implementation by September end.

**Key Points:**

- The policy in 2021 was released by Chief Minister MK Stalin.
- The policy was released in the wake of crime against children witnessing a spike
- Delaying the release of the action plan will have a direct effect on the wellbeing of children.

### TN unveiled "State Tourism Policy 2023"



**In News:** From adventure to spirituality: Utilizing State's full potential

- TN State government appears to be on a mission mode to promote tourism and jack up its coffers in half a decade.

**Key Points:**

- TN recently unveiled "State Tourism Policy 2023,"
- It has 12 priority segments and encompasses a plethora of ideas including the development of "**in-water, in-land and in-sky adventure**" tourism across the State.

**Did you Know?**

- A comprehensive tour package called "**Aanmeega payanam**" for the elderly (60+years) and all interested age groups to visit major religious sites in TN would also be launched.



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