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<p><b>Marine litter can increase the risk of invasion of alien species</b></p>	<p><b>In News:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Marine litter along the coasts of Tamil Nadu can increase the risk of invasion of alien species.</li></ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• While previous studies have quantified the impact of plastic litter (mainly ingestion and entanglement) on marine wildlife in Indian waters, this is the first documentation of marine litter acting as a vector for species dispersal.</li><li>• According to the <b>study by Gunasekaran Kannan of Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology</b> and other researchers, published in the Marine Pollution Bulletin, <b>17 species were identified on 367 fouled litter items (marine debris samples)</b>.</li><li>• Among them was <b>mytella strigata</b> (charru mussels or the dreaded kakka aazhi in local parlance), a native of South American coasts that has overrun the local ecosystem in Ennore and Pulicat wetlands, and Vembanad backwaters in Kerala.</li></ul>
<p><b>US experts want India to share space tech</b></p>	<p><b>In News:</b> US experts want India to share space tech: ISRO chief</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ISRO Chairman S Somanath said experts involved in developing complex rocket missions in the US, after witnessing the developmental activities of Chandrayaan-3 spacecraft, suggested that India share space technology with them.</li></ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Somnath said that times have changed and India is capable of building the best of devices and rockets.,</li><li>• He also said that because of this Prime Minister Narendra Modi has opened the space sector to private players.</li><li>• He was addressing students at an event organized by Dr APJ Abdul Kalam's Foundation, commemorating the 92nd birth anniversary of the late former President</li></ul>



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### Stalin unveils Kalam's statue at Anna Varsity

**In News:** Kalam's 92nd birth anniversary: Stalin unveils his statue at Anna Varsity

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin on Sunday unveiled the statue of former President of India, Dr A P J Abdul Kalam in the campus of Anna University.

**Key Points:**

- To commemorate Abdul Kalam's contribution towards science and research, the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Stalin unveiled his statue on the occasion of his 92nd birth anniversary (October 15).
- Stalin said that "The self-confidence of this army of young generation who are studying and progressing will definitely save Abdul Kalam's faith. INDIA excellence on the world stage with a scientific vision, "

### Artificial reefs to save Gulf of Mannar isles

**In News:** Artificial reefs to save Gulf of Mannar isles

- With the islands in the Gulf of Mannar biosphere fast eroding, the State government has decided to restore some of them by installing artificial coral reefs.

**Key Points:**

- An official attached to the Environment department said the project will be undertaken as part of the **Tamil Nadu Coastal Restoration Mission**,
- It will be launched by the Environment and Climate Change Department.
- The number of islands to be part of the project is yet to be finalized
- A committee constituted by the Principal Bench of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) reported that the analysis conducted around the islands from 2009 to 2019 indicated that the **total percentage of erosion and accretion is about 42.81 per cent and 35.57 per cent respectively.**
- Hence, the size, shape and location of these islands have changed considerably, the report said.

**Did you Know?**

- The Gulf of Mannar biosphere area has a chain of 21 islands running southwards from Rameshwaram to Kanyakumari.
- Of these, Vilangushuli and Puvarasanpatti have submerged due to illegal coral mining and direct attacks of waves.



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**Tribal school kids miss class for availing Rs 100/m aid**

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- Discrepancies in receiving Rs 100, the monthly financial assistance to government tribal residential school students, in many parts of the State has forced students to miss classes to personally visit banks to rectify issues and get the aid.

**Key Points:**

- The State Tribal Welfare Department has been operating residential schools for students belonging to Scheduled Tribe (ST) and Scheduled Caste (SC). and giving them free education, food, and accommodation.
- As a meager financial aid, the The State Tribal Welfare Department has been providing these students with Rs 100 per month for personal maintenance such as haircuts and other hygiene-related activities.
- This is directly credited into the bank accounts of the students by the department.
- However, due to various kinds of discrepancies, students and school managements have stated that there were frequent issues in receiving the money into the account.
- The reason for this varies from the wrong bank account, bank account number, and names.
- But, this has forced students to skip classes so that they can go to the bank themselves.
- Responding to the complaint, an official with the department said, "If it's a technical issue, we'll collaborate with banks and rectify them.
- If it's anything else, we'll get in touch with the school management for uninterrupted cash transfer."



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