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World AIDS Day



Context:

- World AIDS Day is observed annually on December
 1st
- It is a global health awareness day dedicated to raising awareness of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), as well as honoring those who have lost their lives to the disease.
- It was initiated in 1988 by WHO
- World Health Organization (WHO), alongside communities and partners, will mark World AIDS Day 2023, under the theme "Let communities lead"

Significance:

- 1. Raising Awareness
- 2. Preventing New Infections
- 3. Combating Stigma and Discrimination
- 4. Celebrating Progress

Deal to operationalise Loss Damage Fund at COP28



Context:

- At the 28th Conference of Parties (COP28), a major milestone agreement to operationalise the Loss and Damage (L&D) Fund was achieved.
- The (L&D) Fund will be used to support developing countries, especially the vulnerable, to tide over the adverse effects of climate change

Did you Know?

COP 28 is hosted by UAE

Offshore energy - A game changer in Tamil Nadu

Context:

- Offshore wind energy is going to be the game changer in Tamil Nadu as lots of initiatives are taken in green manufacturing and green power generation
- It will also act as a key strength to the state in relation to the economic progress of the country
- There is a need for the creation of a battery storage system for absorbing excess generation of green power, besides skilling people in the renewable energy sector
- It would also make more jobs available in the energy sector in the state.



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TN invites applications for 'Kabir Puraskar'

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Kabir **Puraskar** Award -கபீர் புரஸ்கார் விருது-2024

Context:

- The state government has invited applications for the 'Kabir Puraskar' for the year 2024
- It is presented to persons engaging in acts of social and communal harmony.
- The award is presented by the CM of TN every year during Republic Day Celebrations to any Indian citizen residing in Tamil Nadu (other than members of the Armed Forces, Police Forces and members of recognised Fire Services, Government Servants if the act performed by them falls in the sphere of their duty)

Katchatheevu: A place of conflict TAMILNADU Pudukkottai Madurai Sivaganga Virudhu nagar Ramanatha -puram Rameshwaram SRI Katchatheevu LANKA

Key Points:

- Katchatheevu is a 163-acre uninhabited island in the Palk Strait between India and Sri Lanka.
- It is located about 14 nautical miles Rameswaram, India.
- Katchatheevu was a disputed territory between India and Sri Lanka until 1974.
- In that year, the Indian administration under Prime Minister Indira Gandhi ceded the island to Sri Lanka as part of the "Indo-Sri Lankan Maritime agreement".
- Katchatheevu is now a Sri Lankan naval base.
- Civilians are not allowed on the island, except for two days and one night during the annual St. Antony's festival.





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