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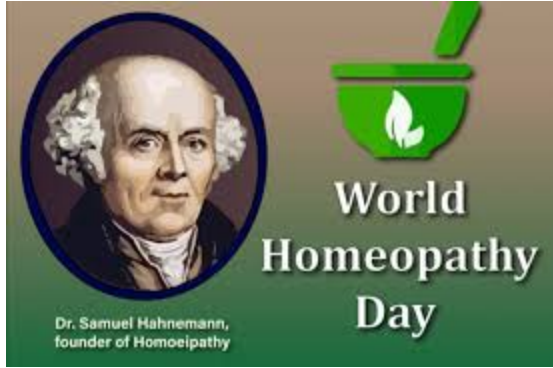
<p><b>Water shortage looms over Delta, west districts in TamilNadu</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tamil Nadu is facing a water shortage crisis in the Delta and western districts.</li> </ul> <p>The main reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Reduced water storage:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water storage in reservoirs is alarmingly low, at just 27% of capacity.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Mettur reservoir</b>, a crucial source of irrigation and drinking water, has seen a <b>drastic decline of nearly 66% compared to last year.</b></li> <li><b>Increased water demand:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intensified summer heat and an ongoing dispute with Karnataka over water sharing are adding pressure on the limited water resources.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Potential water cuts:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Water Resources Department might be forced to reduce water release from Mettur by the end of April, impacting drinking water supply in Namakkal, Salem, Trichy, and delta regions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Micro observers to monitor 67 critical and vulnerable booths in Villupuram</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Election Commission of India (ECI) will deploy micro observers to monitor 67 critical and vulnerable polling booths in Villupuram district, Tamil Nadu.</li> <li>These booths were identified based on past experiences and voting patterns to ensure fair and smooth elections.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Roles of Micro Observers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitor availability of essential facilities at polling stations.</li> <li>Observe mock polling exercises and result declaration.</li> <li>Oversee the functioning of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) and Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail (VVPATs).</li> <li>Report any irregularities or suspicious activities.</li> </ul>
<p><b>World Homeopathy Day</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>World Homeopathy Day</b> is celebrated every year on <b>April 10th</b> every year</li> <li>It honors the birthday of <b>Samuel Hahnemann</b>, the founder of homeopathy.</li> </ul>



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- It's a day to raise awareness about this **alternative medical system** that uses **natural substances** in minimal doses to stimulate the body's healing response.
- **It aims to:**
  - Increase public understanding of homeopathy
  - Improve accessibility of homeopathic treatments
  - Address challenges faced by homeopathy and explore its future potential

### Theme:

- The theme for World Homeopathy Day 2024 is **'Empowering Research, Enhancing Proficiency: A Homeopathy Symposium'**.
- This theme **underscores the significance of continuous research in homeopathy** and the need to upgrade capability in its training to give better medical care results.

### Did you know?

- **Mahendra Lal Sircar was the first Indian** who became a **homeopathic physician**
- **The Calcutta Homeopathic Medical College, the first homeopathic medical college was established in 1881.**

### ICCR Foundation Day



### Context:

- The **Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR)** celebrates its foundation day on **April 9th**.
- It was established in **1950** by **Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad**
- He was **India's first Education Minister**.

### About:

- The day marks the **beginning of India's cultural diplomacy efforts**, promoting mutual understanding and cultural exchange between India and other countries.
- It **marks the establishment of India's soft power diplomacy**, which has been a key component of the country's foreign policy
- The **ICCR Headquarter is situated at Azad Bhavan, I.P. Estate, New Delhi**
- Its **regional offices are in Bangalore, Chandigarh, Chennai, Cuttack, Goa, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mumbai, Patna, Pune, Shillong, Thiruvananthapuram & Varanasi.**

### National Zoo Lovers Day

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### National Zoo Lovers Day

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- **National Zoo Lovers Day** is celebrated every year on **April 8th**
- It's a day to **celebrate our love for animals and the important role zoos play.**

#### Key Points::

- **Encourages exploration:** It's a nudge to visit your local zoo and discover the amazing animals that call it home.
- **Highlights zoo contributions:**
- Zoos are involved in:
  - **Species conservation** - Breeding programs help endangered animals.
  - **Education** - Zoos teach us about wildlife and habitats.
  - **Research** - Scientists study animals at zoos to improve their well-being.

#### Did you Know?

- **Arignar Anna Zoological Park** was the **first Zoo** established in the country in **1855**
- **Arignar Anna Zoological Park (Vandalur Zoo)** in Chennai holds the title of the **largest zoo in India**
- **Maharajbagh Zoo** is the **smallest zoo in India.**