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High-altitude training centre	 Why in the news? In Udhagamandalam, situated at 2,240 metres above sea level in the Nilgiris, a new high-altitude training centre has been established by the Tamil Nadu government. Key points: The centre aims to provide specialized training opportunities for athletes. It currently accommodates 50 athletes selected from government schools across Tamil Nadu, housed in the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu (SDAT) hostel. The initiative is expected to enhance the performance of Indian athletes at national and international events through the benefits of altitude training.
National Commission for Women (NCW)	Why in the news? • The National Commission for Women (NCW) has taken suo motu cognisance of media reports on Kallakurichi hooch tragedy.
	 About NCW: Establishment: NCW was established in January 1992 under the provisions of the National Commission for Women Act, 1990. Objective: It is aimed at promoting and safeguarding the rights and interests of women in India. Composition: The Commission consists of a Chairperson, five Members, and a Member-Secretary, all appointed by the Government of India. Functions:

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	 Provide redressal to grievances and complaints received from women. Conduct studies, research, and workshops aimed at raising awareness about women's issues. Powers: NCW has the powers of a civil court while investigating complaints, such as summoning witnesses and examining them on oath.
Transforming tribal villages	 Why in the news? The Adi Dravidar Welfare Department in Tamil Nadu has allocated ₹100 crore for transforming tribal villages into self-sufficient habitations. Key points: The department aims to fulfill basic amenities in tribal villages, enhancing their quality of life. 4,500 houses will be built for homeless tribal families, promoting better living conditions. Approach Roads:
	roads to tribal villages and hamlets in remote areas and hilly terrains. ○ These roads, constructed at a cost of ₹50, will enable tribals to traverse without difficulties and enjoy facilities in the plains.





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	Al-Based Water Quality Monitoring and Landfill Monitoring	Why in the news? • The Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB), in collaboration with IIT-Madras, is embarking on two significant initiatives to enhance environmental monitoring.
		 ★ Al-Based Water Quality Monitoring: In Chembarambakkam and Poondi lakes, which provide drinking water to Chennai, an Al-based automatic water quality monitoring system will be implemented. A similar system will also be deployed in Ooty and Kodaikanal lakes. This real-time monitoring will ensure the safety and quality of water resources. Landfill Monitoring Using Al: Landfills across Tamil Nadu will be monitored using Al technology. The system will employ thermal cameras and sensors to identify toxic gases. Rising temperatures and increased methane levels often lead to landfill fires, making effective monitoring crucial.
	Bharat Innovative Glass Technologies (BIG Tech)	 Corning Incorporated and Optiemus Infracom Limited have broken ground on India's first cover-glass finishing facility in Tamil Nadu. Key points: Project Name: The facility is named Bharat Innovative
		Glass Technologies (BIG Tech). Purpose and Products: BIG Tech will produce high-quality, finished cover-glass parts for mobile consumer electronics. These cover-glass parts are essential components used in smartphones and other electronic devices. Investment and Location: The joint venture firm signed an MoU with the Tamil Nadu government to set up the factory.

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