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## Daily Current Affairs Encyclopedia

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### National and International News

<p><b>Kafala system</b></p>  	<p><b>Why in news</b></p> <p>Media reports have focused on the working conditions and deaths of migrant workers building Gulf countries's infrastructure and in the Middle East at large.</p> <p><b>What is the Kafala System?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is a <b>sponsorship system</b> that binds migrant workers to one employer</li> <li>It is practiced in many countries of <b>West Asia Like Gulf countries</b></li> <li>It emerged in the <b>1950s</b></li> <li>The objective is to provide <b>temporary and rotating laborers</b> in a period of economic boom.</li> <li>The Kafala system is based on <b>migrant workers, employers, and a contractual period</b></li> <li>A migrant worker is <b>legally bound to his employer</b>.</li> <li>A worker <b>cannot enter or leave the country without the permission of the employer</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Did you know?</b> ILO report called it <b>modern-day slavery</b>.</p>
<p><b>ILO's Forced Labour Convention/ C29</b></p>  <p>International Labour Organization</p>	<p>It is one of the Eight fundamental Conventions of ILO for the abolition of forced labor.</p> <p><b>International Labour Organisation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The International Labour Organization (ILO) is the United Nations agency for the world of work.</li> <li>Its mandate is to advance social and economic justice by setting international labor standards.</li> <li>Motto: ILO's mandate as the basis for peace is expressed today as Decent Work for all.</li> <li>HQ: Geneva, Switzerland.</li> <li>Parent organization: Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.</li> </ul>
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### UNFPA's India Ageing Report 2023

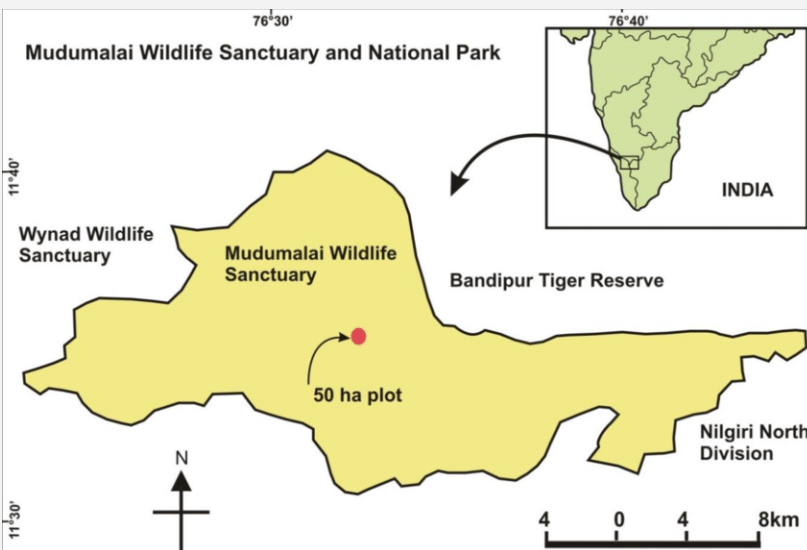
#### Findings of the report

- The report is **published by the UN Fund For Population(UNFPA)**
- About **18.7% of the elderly in India live in the poorest** wealth quintile
- According to a report, 20% of the population in India will be aging by 2050.

### Mudumalai Tiger Reserve

#### About reserve

- It was established in **1940**
- It is bordered in the **west by Wayanad Sanctuary**, in the **north by Bandipur National Park**, and in the **east by Sigur Reserve Forest**.
- The **Moyar River** flows through the reserve
- It was originally a national park area
- Later it was **declared as Tiger Reserve**
- It is at the tri-junction of three states, viz, Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu.



Did you know?



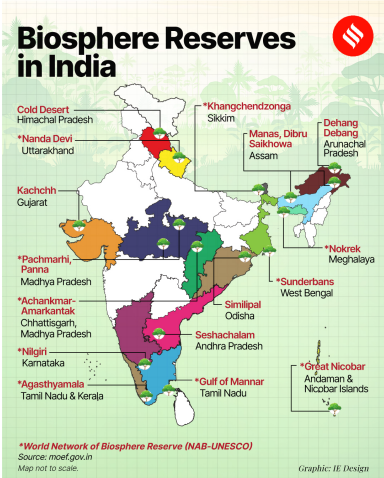
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	<p>The name Mudumalai means " <b>the ancient hill range</b>", it is as old as 65 million years when Western Ghats were formed.</p>
<p><b>Nilgiris Biosphere Reserve</b></p>  <p><b>Biosphere Reserves in India</b></p> <p><small>*World Network of Biosphere Reserve (NAB-UNESCO) Source: moef.gov.in Map not to scale. Graphic: IE Design</small></p>	<p><b>About reserve</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nilgiris Biosphere Reserve is the first Biosphere Reserve to be <b>declared in 1986</b>.</li> <li>It is a <b>UNESCO World Heritage site</b></li> <li>It is spread across <b>three states, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and Kerala</b>.</li> <li>A biosphere reserve <b>consists of</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary,</li> <li>Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary,</li> <li>Bandipur National Park,</li> <li>Nagarhole National Park,</li> <li>Mukurthi National Park and</li> <li>Silent Valley.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p><b>Did you know?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is home to Nilgiri tahr</li> </ul>
<p><b>Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA)</b></p>	<p><b>Context</b></p> <p>The Supreme Court allowed Chhattisgarh to <b>withdraw its petition challenging the legality of provisions of the PMLA</b>.</p> <p><b>Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is an Act to <b>prevent money laundering and to provide for the confiscation of property</b> derived from or involved in money laundering.</li> <li>The <b>Enforcement Directorate (ED)</b> in the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, is <b>responsible for investigating the offenses of money laundering under the PMLA</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>FATF reports used to target NGOs</b></p>	<p><b>Context</b></p> <p><b>Amnesty International</b> alleges that Indian authorities are exploiting the recommendations of FATF to target civil society groups and hinder their work</p> <p><b>Amnesty International</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amnesty International (AI) is a <b>non-governmental organization</b>.</li> <li>Its headquarters is in the United Kingdom</li> <li>It is focused on human rights.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Financial Action Task Force (FATF)</b></p>	<p><b>About FATF</b></p>



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- The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) is an **intergovernmental organization**.
- It was **formed in 1989 by the G7 Summit** which was held in Paris.
- It was originally **established to combat money laundering**.
- Later terrorist financing and other related threats were also covered.
- Currently it has **39 members**.
- The FATF is a policy-making body that works with governments to bring about national legislation and regulatory reforms in these areas.

## Kerala Regional News

### Lifetime Contribution Award



#### In News:

Actor Madhu and tribal farmer Cheruvayal Raman share lifetime contribution awards.

#### Key facts

- **Actor Madhu** and **tribal farmer Cheruvayal K Raman** have shared the state government's **Vayosevana Awards 2023 for lifetime contribution**.
- The award comprises a purse of **Rs 1 lakh each** and a **certificate**.

#### About Vayosevana Award

- The Award is given to an **individual** who has made significant **contributions to a particular field** throughout their **career**.
- The **Vayosevana awards** are given to **senior citizens who excel in arts, sports, and cultural fields** and various governments.
- The award is also given to NGOs that have carried out **commendable work for the elderly**.

#### Did you Know?

- The Vayosevana awards are **instituted by the social justice department**.




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<p><b>'Keraleeyam'</b></p> 	<p><b>In News:</b> Global leaders are invited to the prestigious event of <b>'Keraleeyam'</b></p> <p><b>Key fact</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is an event of <b>the Kerala government</b>.</li> <li>It is to be celebrated as a part of the <b>state's 67th Formation Day celebrations</b> in November.</li> </ul> <p><b>About Keraleeyam:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This <b>week-long event</b></li> <li>will <b>feature eminent personalities from around the world as speakers</b> in various seminars.</li> <li>Invitations have been extended to several distinguished figures, including Google CEO Sundar Pichai, Microsoft CEO Satya Nadella, and NVIDIA CEO Jensen Huang, etc</li> </ul> <p><b>Did you Know?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keraleeyam coincides with Kerala Piravi or <b>Kerala Formation Day</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>First Cargo Ship to dock at Vizhinjam Port</b></p>	<p><b>In News:</b> <b>Vizhinjam International Seaport</b> will welcome the first cargo ship on October 15.</p> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The cargo ship is headed from China.</li> <li>The Adani Group is the private partner in the development of Vizhinjam port,</li> <li>It will be <b>one of the largest ports in the world</b> once commissioned.</li> </ul> <p><b>Did you Know?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vizhinjam port is the <b>first transshipment port in India</b> which was constructed under the <b>public-private partnership model</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Kerala Museums Getting Reshaped</b></p>	<p><b>In News:</b> Kerala's museums are undergoing a big change in order to make them more indigenous.</p> <p><b>Key facts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>many from the world in museology are finding</li> </ul>





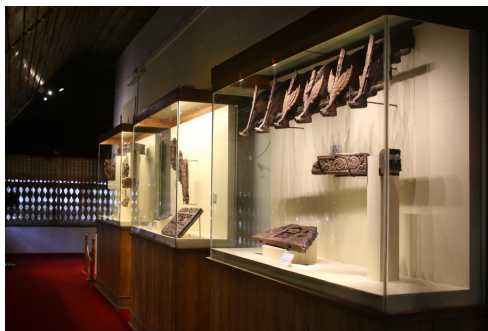
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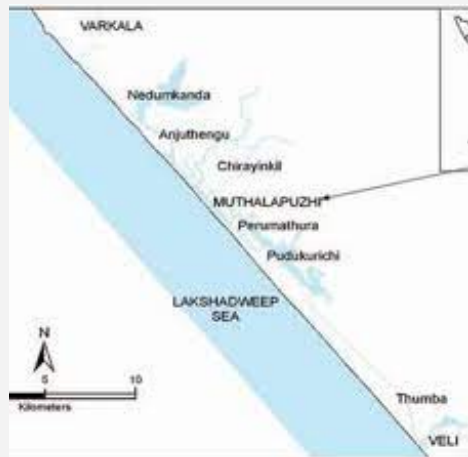
resonance in Kerala

- There is an effort to decolonize museums
- It decided to make the spaces indigenous and theme-based.
- It also decided to show slices of life both ancient and current.

### About museology

- Museology is the **study of museums and their role in society**.
- It is a broad field and encompasses everything
- the collection and care of museum objects to the design and **interpretation of exhibitions**.

### Muthalapozhi harbor improvement works



### In News:

The Government of Kerala has decided to speed up Muthalapozhi harbor improvement works.

### Key facts

- Kerala state government has decided to speed **up the dredging** at Muthalapozhi harbor in the district.

### About harbor

- Muthalapozhi Harbor is a **fishing harbor**
- located at Muthalapozhi, a coastal village in Thiruvananthapuram.
- Here the backwaters merge with the sea

### Did you Know?

- Muthalapozhi harbor was constructed in 2000 and was commissioned in 2020.

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