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Best State Awards

In News:

Tamil Nadu won the second best state award for the best Smart City projects in the country.

Key points:

- 1st prize was bagged by Madhya Pradesh
- The award was received from President Droupadi Murmu.
- Awards were presented at the Smart Cities Conclave organized by the Union government in Indore
- It is to recognize and reward excellence in various fields, such as cinema, literature, sports, music, and art.

Manambadi Naganathaswamy Temple



In News:

The Tamil nadu government has decided to revive the Chola-era Manambadi temple.

Key facts:

- The Department of Archaeology will take up the restoration work.
- The restoration work will primarily be taken at Naganathaswamy Temple at Manambadi in Thanjavur district.

About Nagaswami Temple

- Naganathaswamy Temple was built by Rajendra Chola I (1012-1044 CE)
- Naganathaswamy Temple is dedicated to Lord Shiva.
- It is one of the 89 protected monuments under the control of the Department of Archaeology, Government of Tamil Nadu.

Did you Know?

Naganathaswamy Temple is 1,000-year-old.



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Palmyrah seeds



In News:

Forest dept to plant 1cr palmyrah seeds in 14 districts.

Key facts

- The planting will be done as a part of GreenTamil Nadu Mission.
- the state Forest Department has arranged to dibble one crore palmyrah seeds across the 14 coastal districts in the state
- Palmyrah seeds are the edible kernels of the palmyra palm.
- seeds are a good source of carbohydrates, proteins, vitamins, and dietary fiber.
- They have been used for centuries in traditional medicine

About Green TN mission

- The Green Tamil Nadu Mission is a state government initiative launched in September 2022
- Its aim is to increase the green cover in Tamil Nadu from 23.7% to 33% in the next 10 years.

Person in News: MS Swaminathan (Father of Green Revolution)



In News:

AP CM expressed his condolences over the passing of MS Swaminathan, who is known as the Father of India's Green Revolution.

Key Points:

- MS Swaminathan is credited with developing high-yielding varieties of wheat and rice that helped to alleviate hunger and poverty in India.
- He was born in Kumbakonam, Tamil Nadu, India.
- Through his work in the 1960s and 1970s, he revolutionized the Indian agricultural sector, turning it towards self-sufficiency.



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TN urban planning reforms

In News:

TN is eligible to get Rs 1,305 crore from the center for urban planning reforms.

Key facts

- The state has become eligible for funds worth 1,305 crore from the union government.
- The state become eligibility because of implementation of several projects related to urban planning reforms
- It includes land pooling schemes, the master plans for eight cities and urban forests.
- A fund is allocated under "Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment 2023- 24".





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