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World Haemophilia Day



Context:

- **World Haemophilia Day** is observed annually on **April 17th**
- It raises **awareness** about hemophilia and other **bleeding disorders**.

Key Points:

- **Increase understanding:** Educate the public about hemophilia, a genetic condition affecting blood clotting.
- **Improve diagnosis and care:** Advocate for better access to diagnosis and treatment for all, regardless of location or resources.
- **Support the community:** Celebrate the strength and resilience of those living with bleeding disorders.

About:

- World Haemophilia Day was **started by the World Federation of Haemophilia in 1989**
- **April 17** was decided as the **date to observe the health day every year to honour the founder of the organization Frank Schnabel**, who played a significant role in advocating for hemophilia awareness and treatment and dedicated his life towards improving lives of those suffering from the disorder

Theme:

- The theme for this year's World Haemophilia Day is, **'Equitable access for all: recognising all bleeding disorders.'**
- The main idea of this theme is to make sure everyone gets treated, no matter what type of bleeding problem they have, how old they are, where they live or their gender.

Tamil Nadu: Vellore Movement calls for planting 15 lakh trees

Context:

- The **Vellore Movement**, a local initiative in **Tamil Nadu**, has launched an **awareness drive on climate change**.
- To combat its effects, **they're proposing a five-year plan to plant 15 lakh (1.5 million) trees in the Vellore district**.
- This translates to an **annual target of 3 lakh (300,000) saplings**.

About:

- The movement, **led by professor Ramu Manivannan**, distributed leaflets and advocated for



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	<p>a social urban afforestation program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They believe planting trees and conserving natural resources are crucial steps towards safeguarding the environment from climate change. • The Vellore Movement plans to go beyond awareness campaigns and engage with local authorities to ensure the initiative's implementation.
<p>Scrub typhus endemic in the state since '23</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrub typhus has been endemic in this state since 2023. • This means the disease is constantly present and poses a continuous threat to public health. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased vigilance is needed to identify and treat cases promptly. • Public awareness campaigns can help prevent infection by educating people about: • Scrub typhus symptoms and transmission • Importance of mite avoidance (scrub vegetation control) • Proper use of repellents <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrub typhus, also called bush typhus or mite typhus, is an infectious disease caused by bacteria called Orientia tsutsugamushi. • It spreads through the bites of infected chigger mites, found in areas with scrub vegetation
<p>Tamil Nadu govt's Kalvi TV to air animated videos for classes 1-12</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students in Tamil Nadu can look forward to engaging animated educational content • The state government's Kalvi TV channel will soon be airing high-tech animation videos for classes 1-12. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This initiative aims to improve learning outcomes and cater to students from all grades. • This project is expected to benefit teachers as well by promoting effective classroom practices and continuous professional development. • Overall, the goal is to enhance the learning experience for students, teachers, and parents alike.
<p>TNERC approves Rs 15,332 crore as subsidy for TANGEDCO in 2024-25</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission (TNERC) has approved Rs 15,332 crore as a



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subsidy to be paid by the state government to TANGEDCO provisionally, for the financial year 2024-25.

- The TNERC has also issued directives to TANGEDCO to get details about hut connections and agriculture load.
- Of the total amount, Rs 7,224.95 crore will go towards subsidies paid to domestic consumers, and Rs 6,780.24 crore towards providing free power to all types of farmers.
- Under the provision of free power, the hutment consumers would get Rs 346.25 crore, power loom weavers would get Rs 552.17 crore and actual places of worship would get Rs 18.21 crore.