

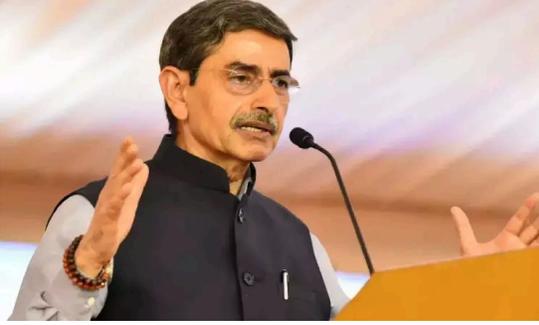


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**Governor RN Ravi Declares Vaikasi Anusham as True Thiruvalluvar Day**



**Context:**

Tamil Nadu Governor R.N. Ravi has stated that "Vaikasi Anusham" is the true Thiruvalluvar Day, aligning with the birth star of the revered Tamil poet and philosopher Thiruvalluvar.

**Key Points:**

- **Historical Accuracy:** Governor Ravi emphasizes celebrating Thiruvalluvar Day on Vaikasi Anusham to honour the poet's actual birth star.
- **Cultural Significance:** Thiruvalluvar is celebrated for his contributions to Tamil literature, particularly the "Thirukkural".

**About:**

- Thiruvalluvar, also known as **Valluvar**, was a **celebrated Tamil poet, sage, and philosopher**, widely known for his work, the **Thirukkural**, considered one of the **most important works in Tamil literature**.
- The Thirukkural is a collection of 1,330 couplets or aphorisms, organized into 133 sections, **providing guidance on various aspects of life such as moral and civic virtues, love and romance, politics and governance, and family and society**.
- Thiruvalluvar is **revered as a great moralist and thinker in Tamil culture**.



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IUCN lists Tamil Nadu mangroves  
'critically endangered'



### Context:

- The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) has classified the mangroves along the east coast of Tamil Nadu as "critically endangered."
- This assessment was part of the Red List of Ecosystems initiative.

### Key Points:

- **Affected Areas:** Mangroves in South India, including Tamil Nadu, face severe threats.
- **Causes:** Sea-level rise and climate change are major factors.
- **Consequences:** Potential loss of carbon storage and protection against coastal flooding.
- **Statistics:** Without conservation, 50% of global mangrove ecosystems may collapse by 2050.

### Additional Information:

- **Biodiversity Impact:** Mangroves support diverse flora and fauna, crucial for ecosystem balance.
- **Economic Impact:** Mangroves contribute to fisheries and protect shorelines, impacting local economies.
- **Conservation Efforts:** Urgent measures needed include reforestation, policy changes, and community involvement to protect and restore these critical ecosystems.



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**Tamil Nadu Seeks Approval for Six New Government Medical Colleges from NMC**



**Context:**

- Tamil Nadu is seeking approval from the **National Medical Commission (NMC)** to establish six new government medical colleges.
- This initiative aims to **enhance the state's healthcare infrastructure and increase the availability of medical education.**

**Key Points:**

- **Approval Request:** Tamil Nadu to seek NMC approval for six new government medical colleges.
- **Objective:** Improve healthcare infrastructure and expand medical education.
- **Locations:** Proposed locations include Ramanathapuram, Virudhunagar, Nilgiris, Kallakurichi, Tenkasi, and Namakkal.
- **Benefits:** Increase in medical seats, better access to healthcare services, and regional development.

**CM Stalin Criticizes Kerala's Mullaperiyar Dam Plan, Citing Supreme Court Rulings**



**Context:**

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin has condemned **Kerala's plan to construct a new dam at Mullaperiyar, citing a violation of the Supreme Court's orders.**
- He has written to Union Minister Bhupender Yadav, expressing strong objections.

**Key Points:**

- **Objection Raised:** CM Stalin objects to Kerala's proposal for a new dam at Mullaperiyar, stating it violates Supreme Court rulings.
- **Supreme Court Rulings:** The Supreme Court had previously deemed the existing Mullaperiyar Dam safe.
- **Legal Action:** Tamil Nadu plans to take legal action if the Supreme Court's orders are not followed.
- **Coordination:** Kerala's Irrigation Design & Research Board's environmental impact assessment (EIA) study is under scrutiny.

**Additional Information:**



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- The existing Mullaperiyar Dam, managed by Tamil Nadu, has been a point of **contention between the two states, with safety and water resource management being critical issues.**