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<p>Places in news: Anamalai Tiger Reserve (ATR)</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Recently, 40 hairpin bends on Valparai road were named after rare ATR fauna in Tamil Nadu. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">It is a protected area located at an altitude of 1400 m in the Anamalai Hills of Pollachi and Coimbatore District of Tamil Nadu.It lies South of the Palakkad gap in the Southern Western Ghats.It is surrounded by Parambikulam Tiger Reserve on the East, Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary and Eravikulam National Park on the South Western side.
<p>Places in news: Vellar River</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A 500-year-old stone statue of Goddess Durga was found in Vellar River, Tamil Nadu. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">It originates in the Kalrayan Hills, and flows generally eastward through Salem, Perambalur, and Cuddalore districts, before flowing into the Bay of Bengal near Parangipettai.The river has a total length of 150 kilometres and its drainage basin covers an area of 7,504.346 square kilometres.
<p>Species in news: Gibbon and Green tree python</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Recently, Gibbon and Green tree python among 8 exotic species have been seized at Chennai airport. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Gibbons<ul style="list-style-type: none">Gibbons, the smallest and fastest of all apes, live in tropical and subtropical forests in the southeastern part of Asia.It is the only ape found in India.In India, it is found in Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, and Tripura, south of the Brahmaputra.Green tree python<ul style="list-style-type: none">Green tree pythons are named for their vibrant green color.They can reach lengths of about 5 feet (1.5 meters).They prefer tropical rainforests with thick vegetation and high humidity.



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