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<p><b>State Coastal Zone Management Authority (SCZMA)</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Southern Bench of the National Green Tribunal has instructed the Tamil Nadu State Coastal Zone Management Authority to correct the incomplete draft Coastal Zone Management Plan maps and conduct ground truthing of ecologically sensitive areas.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A <b>State Coastal Zone Management Authority (SCZMA)</b> is responsible for managing and monitoring the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) rules in its state.</li> <li>The SCZMA's responsibilities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Protecting and improving the quality of the coastal environment</li> <li>Preventing, abating, and controlling environmental pollution</li> <li>Processing applications, proposals, and matters for CRZ clearance</li> </ul> </li> <li>The SCZMA was established under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana - Gramin</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Tamil Nadu government has sanctioned ₹209.20 crore for implementing the <b>Prime Minister's Housing Scheme in rural areas (Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana - Gramin)</b> during 2024-25.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Launch:</b> To achieve the objective of "Housing for All" by 2022, the erstwhile rural housing scheme Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) was restructured to Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) from 1st April 2016, as a centrally sponsored scheme.</li> <li><b>Ministry Involved:</b> Ministry of Rural Development.</li> <li><b>Aim:</b> To provide a pucca house with basic amenities to all rural families, who are homeless or living in kutcha or dilapidated houses by the end of March 2022.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Important Days: World Diabetes Day</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The CMC will organize a cookery competition to commemorate World Diabetes Day.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>World Diabetes Day</b> is celebrated annually on November 14.</li> <li>Purpose: The day is celebrated to raise awareness about diabetes and the health and economic threats it poses.</li> <li>The theme for World Diabetes Day 2024 is "Diabetes and Well-Being".</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mudumalai Tiger Reserve</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The nesting success rate of <b>long-billed vultures</b> is high in the <b>Mudumalai Tiger Reserve</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It is located in the Nilgiris District of Tamil Nadu, spread over 321 sq. km. at the tri-junction of three states, viz, Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu.</li><li>• It lies on the Northeastern and Northwestern slopes of Nilgiri hills which is a part of the Western Ghats.</li><li>• It is part of the Nilgiris Biosphere Reserve, the first Biosphere Reserve in India.</li></ul>
Western Ghats	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• According to a GIS-based study conducted by biologists from the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI), <b>Valparai in Tamil Nadu ranks first among 7,630 villages in the Western Ghats, boasting 98 species of threatened flora and fauna.</b></li></ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Western Ghats, also known as the Sahyadri Hills, are well known for their rich and unique assemblage of flora and fauna.</li><li>• The northern portion of the narrow coastal plain between the Western Ghats and the Arabian Sea is known as the Konkan Coast.</li><li>• The central portion is called Kanara and the southern portion is called Malabar region or the Malabar Coast.</li><li>• It is recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.</li><li>• It is one of the eight hotspots of biological diversity in the world due to its high level of biological diversity and endemism.</li></ul>