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1. The Chief Minister M.K. Stalin paid homage to the statue of Thiruvalluvar at the London School of Oriental and African Studies and also paid homage to the Karl Marx memorial in London.
2. The Kattupally Adani Port, located in the Special Economic Zone, holds the record for handling the largest number of individual ships in India.
 - i. By handling 35,000 tonnes of soda ash consignment, Kattupalli Adani Port holds the distinction of handling the largest single consignment of its kind ever received at any Indian port.
 - ii. With this achievement, Kattupalli Adani Port has become the largest consignment handling port in South India.
 - iii. The press release stated that the port, located near Chennai, is equipped with advanced warehousing, shipyards, speedy and smooth loading of goods for export with machines, making it unique not only in Tamil Nadu but also in neighboring states.
3. India's manufacturing sector recorded its highest growth in 17 years in August. A report released by market analysis firm HSBC India Services stated that
 - i. The PMI (Purchasing Managers' Index), which measures the country's manufacturing sector activity, was 59.1 in July. It rose to 59.3 in August, the highest PMI in the previous 17 years.
 - ii. The increase in productivity of Indian manufacturing companies during the assessment month played a major role in this growth.
 - iii. In addition, the manufacturing sector's PMI has been above 50 for the 40th consecutive month.
 - iv. A reading above 50 indicates healthy growth in the sector, while below 50 indicates a contraction in the sector.
4. Women have been appointed to the most important positions in British Prime Minister Keir Starmer's newly reshuffled cabinet.
 - i. Angela Rayner, who served as Britain's Deputy Prime Minister, was accused of failing to pay the appropriate stamp duty when buying her own home last May. Following that, she resigned from her position.
 - ii. Following the resignation of the key leader of the ruling Labour Party, Prime Minister Keir Starmer reshuffled his cabinet with the aim of bringing new reforms to the Government.
 - iii. The important Home Secretary has been given to Pakistani-born Shabana Mahmood. Former Home Secretary Yvette Cooper was appointed Foreign Secretary. With Rachel Reeves already holding the position of Chancellor of Exchequer, it is the first time that women have held the country's three most important Government positions.
5. US President Donald Trump has ordered the removal of additional tariffs on certain goods from countries with which he has signed trade agreements and which have

imposed reciprocal tariffs.

- i. This order is about to come into effect. Under the new order, reciprocal duties have been waived on metals including graphite, tungsten, uranium, and gold bars. However, reciprocal taxes will continue for silicone products, resins, and aluminum hydroxide.
 - ii. Duty exemptions for aircraft parts, pharmaceuticals, coffee not produced in US, specialty spices, and rare metals will soon take effect.
 - iii. Tax exemptions have been granted to key items used in sectors including aerospace, medicine, consumer electronics, and medicines such as antibiotics.
 - iv. Trump's order states that these changes are necessary to deal with a national security emergency.
6. The Central Government has released draft standards guidelines to ensure that daily necessities, including cookware, furniture, and grooming items, are accessible to people with disabilities.
 - i. Prepared by Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) in accordance with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and directions of the Supreme Court, the draft framework is anchored in the globally recognised "POUR" approach, requiring that products must be Perceivable, Operable, Understandable and Robust.
 - ii. In this, rules have been formulated under 20 categories for the standards for everyday use items. That is, these draft rules cover everything from kitchen utensils to food packaging, grooming products, clothing, furniture, childcare products, medical equipment, elevators, and self-service operations.
 - iii. Accordingly, cooking utensils, bottles, and food packaging materials used in the kitchen should be designed to be easy to grip, reusable, and include Braille and explanatory symbols that can be understood by the visually impaired through touch.
7. Defending champion Jack Sinner will face Spaniard Carlos Alcaraz in the men's singles final of the US Open tennis tournament. This will be the third consecutive Grand Slam final between the two.
8. The death toll in Punjab has risen to 46, officials said, as the state has been hit by the worst rainfall in recent years.
 - i. The floods in Punjab are said to be the worst in years, due to rising water levels in the Sutlej, Beas and Ravi rivers and higher than usual rainfall.
9. The Chief Minister M.K. Stalin left Chennai on the 30th for a week-long trip to Germany and Britain to attract investments.
 - i. The Chief Minister first visited Germany, where he held discussions with various industry leaders and investors. Following this, he went to London and took steps to attract investments.



- ii. He held consultations with people from various large industrial companies, including the Hinduja Group, and attracted investments. The Tamil Nadu Government has stated that investments of Rs.15.516 crore have been attracted and 17,613 people have received employment through the visit to both countries.

10. Personalities in news :-

- i. Emmanuel Macron – France President
- ii. Benjamin Netanyahu – Israel Prime Minister
- iii. Keir Starmer – Prime Minister of UK

