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1. The Tamil Nadu Government has announced a new Rs. 1 crore project to protect 4 endangered species in Tamil Nadu. The Western and Eastern Ghats in Tamil Nadu are recognized as biodiversity hotspots worldwide.
 - a) the lion-tailed macaque found in the Western Ghats hill ranges;
 - b) the Madras hedgehog found in the arid regions of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala;
 - c) the Striped hyena, living in Mudumalai Tiger Reserve landscape.
 - d) Hump-headed mahseer fish species that inhabits the Moyar River.
2. The Chief Minister M.K. Stalin announced that the open-air museum in Keezhadi will be inaugurated in January. He said that
 - i. The Keezhadi Open Air Museum is scheduled to open in January.
 - ii. The Porunai Museum is scheduled to open to the public in December.
 - iii. Another museum is coming up in Gangaikonda Cholapuram.
 - iv. Deep sea exploration has begun in Poompuhar.
3. The Nobel Prizes for 2025 are set to be announced next week. Considered the world's greatest honor, it is awarded in the categories of medicine, physics, chemistry, literature, economics, and peace.
 - i. The U.S. President Donald Trump, who has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize since 2018, has once again been nominated this time for brokering the Abraham Accords between Israel and several Arab countries.
4. A National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) report has revealed that one farmer committed suicide every hour in the country in 2023.
 - i. According to the report, a total of 1,71,418 people committed suicide in the country in 2023. Of these, 10,786 (6.3% of total suicides) were involved in agriculture. Of the 10,786, 43 percent, i.e. 4,690 were farmers and 6,096 were agricultural workers. Of these, 38.5 percent of suicides occurred in Maharashtra. This was followed by Karnataka (22.5 percent), Andhra Pradesh (86 percent), Madhya Pradesh (7.2 percent), and Tamil Nadu (5.9 percent).
 - ii. In 2022, the number of suicides among those involved in agriculture was 11,290.
 - iii. Suicides among those involved in agriculture have decreased in 2023 compared to 2022. However, the severity of the reasons for their suicide and the areas where their suicides occur most frequently have remained unchanged.
 - iv. Regions that were once agriculturally prosperous have now lost faith in agriculture and are suffering from poverty.
 - v. At the same time, no person engaged in agriculture has committed suicide in the States and Union Territories of West Bengal, Bihar, Odisha, Jharkhand, Himachal Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura, Chandigarh, Delhi, and Lakshadweep.
5. Indian athlete Mirabai Chanu won a silver medal at the World Weightlifting Championships in Norway.

6. At the World Para Athletics Championships, India won 4 medals, including 2 gold and 2 bronze.
 - i. In the men's high jump T47 category, Nishad Kumar won gold with a best effort of 2.14 meters.
 - ii. Simran won the gold medal in the women's 100m T12 category with a personal best of 11.95 seconds.
7. Informed sources said that India is considering purchasing additional S-400 air defense systems from Russia.
 - i. During the recent India-Pakistan military conflict, the S-400 air defense system played a key role in ensuring the security of Indian territories by intercepting missiles and drones launched from that country in mid-air.
8. Veteran journalist, writer, columnist, director of Express Publications (Madurai) Private Limited, and editorial advisor to The New Indian Express English daily, T.J.S. George (97), passed away in Bangalore.
9. Russian President Vladimir Putin has ordered a large-scale import of agricultural products and medicines from India.
 - i. India's large purchases of crude oil from Russia have created a trade imbalance between the two countries. Putin has taken this step to address this.
 - ii. It is also seen as a retaliation to US President Trump, who imposed a 50 percent tariff on Indian goods.
10. Personalities in news :-
 - i. Amar Preet Singh – Indian Air Chief Marshal
 - ii. Upendra Dwivedi – Indian Army Chief General