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State news

1. 'Vallalar-200'

- Minister of Hindu Religious Charities Shekharbabu said that Chief Minister M.K.Stalin is going to inaugurate the scheme of giving food throughout the year by issuing a postal envelope named 'Vallalar-200' in a ceremony to be held in Chennai on the fifth of October to highlight Vallalar.
- A special committee of 14 members was formed under the leadership of P.K.Krishnarajwanavarayar on behalf of the Department of Hindu Religious Charitable Institutions to properly conduct the triennial ceremony of Aruprakasa Vallalar.
- It has been announced that the triple festival will be celebrated to celebrate the 200th year of his birth into this world, the 156th year of his establishment of Dharmasala and the 152nd year of his Jyoti Darshan.

2. India's first seaweed sanctuary

- In order to protect the very rare species of sea sponge and its marine habitats which are endangered in the coastal areas of Tamil Nadu, it was announced in the Legislative Assembly that a sea sponge sanctuary will be established in the Gulf of Mannar and Bagh Bay.
- In order to implement this notification, the Government of Tamil Nadu has announced a sea sponge conservation in Pak Bay covering an area of 448 square kilometers in the coastal areas of Thanjavur and Pudukottai districts.
- Specialty of seaweed:
 - Seaweeds, the world's largest herbivorous marine mammals, thrive on sea grasses.
 - By conserving seaweed species, it helps to protect and enhance marine life on the bottom of the oceans and to stabilize more atmospheric carbon.
 - Seagrass beds provide breeding and feeding grounds for many commercially valuable fish and marine life.
 - > Only about **240 species** of sponges are estimated to exist now.
 - > Majority of them are found along the coast of Tamil Nadu.

3. World Torture Conference

- In Cambodia, VGP World Tamil Association, Cambodia Tamil Nadu Charities and Angkor Tamil Association are jointly organizing the World Thirukkural Conference from September 28th to October 3rd.
- Thiruvalluvar statue is inaugurated in Angkor on 29th September in connection with this conference.



4. Former assembly president Sedapatti Muthiah passed away

- He served as the Speaker of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly from 1991 to 1996 during the AIADMK regime when Jayalalithaa was the Chief Minister.
- In the years 1977, 1980, 1984, 1991 he contested and won on behalf of AIADMK in the Sedapatti Legislative Assembly constituency four times.
- In 1999, he was also the Minister of Central Road Transport in the then Prime Minister Vajpayee's cabinet.

Central News

1. Incubation Center

- A two-day trade conference and exhibition named 'GlobalSpin' to promote textiles, handicrafts and technical textiles started in Chennai on 21st September.
- Organized by International Federation of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, IM Khadi Foundation and NIFT Foundation.
- Tamil Nadu ranks second in the country in the number of power loom states. Handloom and Handicrafts sector is the second largest sector in the country providing the highest level of employment in rural areas.
- ✤ About 30 lakh people are directly and indirectly employed in this sector.

Sports news

1. Indian swimmers who made history

- Indian long-distance swimmers Elvis Ali Hazarika and Rimo Saha created history by crossing the North Channel in a relay swim.
- They have achieved the feat of becoming the first relay team from India and Asia to swim across the strait in the European continent.
- In which Elvis is from Assam and Rimo is from West Bengal.
- The North Channel is a 42 kilometer stretch of strait that connects Northern Ireland and Scotland. They did this in 14 hours and 38 minutes.
- The relay started in Donaghady, Northern Ireland and finished at Portabdrick in Scotland.