

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS - JANUARY 04, 2025

TAMIL NADU

- > Fifth Police Commission Recommends Major Reforms
- ✓ The Fifth Police Commission headed by former Madras High Court judge, Justice C.T. Selvam, submitted its final report to Chief Minister M.K. Stalin in Chennai on Friday.



- ✓ According to police sources, the report has recommended major reforms to various areas, including recruitment, training, policing, and monetary benefits.
- ✓ In January 2022, the government constituted the commission with retired IAS officer K. Alauddin, retired IPS officer K. Radhakrishnan, renowned psychiatrist C. Ramasubramaniam, and retired professor Nalini Rao as members, and senior IPS officer and Director-General of Police Mahesh Kumar Aggarwal as the member-secretary.
- ✓ It took about three years for the commission to submit its final report.

Kural Vaaram

✓ Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on Tuesday announced that henceforth, the last week
of December would be celebrated as Kural Vaaram ('Kural' week) every year.



✓ Delivering an address on the second day of celebrations to commemorate 25 years of installation of the Thiruvalluvar statue in Kanniyakumari, he released a 'silver jubilee commemorative magazine' comprising articles and poems penned by eminent Tamil scholars on Thiruvalluvar, and the Thirukkural. Kundrakudi Mutt head Ponnambala Adikalar received the first copy.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

- > Injectable Hydrogel for Targeted Cancer Treatment
- ✓ Researchers from the Indian Institute of Technology-Guwahati (IIT-G) and the Bose Institute, Kolkata have developed an advanced injectable hydrogel for localised cancer treatment.



- ✓ A statement issued by the IIT-G said this hydrogel serves as a stable reservoir for anti-cancer drugs, releasing it in a controlled manner while sparing healthy cells from harm.
- ✓ The findings of the research, expected to be revolutionary for breast cancer therapy, have been published in Materials Horizons, a journal of the Royal Society of Chemistry.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Braille Day – January 04

✓ World Braille Day is observed annually on January 4 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Louis Braille, the inventor of the Braille system.



- ✓ The day aims to raise awareness about the rights and needs of the visually impaired community.
- ✓ The theme for World Braille Day 2024 was "Reaching out to blind and visually impaired persons".

