



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – APRIL 13, 2025

TAMIL NADU

- **T.N. Govt. Plans to Establish Biomedical Research Foundation**
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu government has given its nod to establish the 'Kalaingar Centenary Integrated Bio-medical Research Foundation' under the Directorate of Medical Education and Research (DMER).



- ✓ A one-time grant of ₹10 lakh has been sanctioned for the purpose.
- ✓ The DMER, in its proposal to create the foundation, said the research will be aimed at understanding diseases and developing and testing preventive and predictive technologies in order to develop personalised treatments.

DEFENCE

- **Africa India Key Maritime Engagement (AIKEYME)**
- ✓ The inaugural edition of the large-scale multilateral exercise Africa India Key Maritime Engagement (AIKEYME), meaning 'Unity' in Sanskrit, has begun.



- ✓ The six-day exercise is being held from 13 to 18 April 2025.
- ✓ It is being attended by Comoros, Djibouti, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, and South Africa, as well as co-hosts India and Tanzania.
- ✓ AIKEYME aims to develop collaborative solutions to common regional maritime challenges.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

➤ Carbon Tax

- ✓ India, along with 62 other countries, voted in favour of the first global carbon tax on the shipping industry, adopted by the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) in London.



- ✓ A Carbon Tax is an environmental tax levied on the carbon content of fossil fuels such as coal, oil, and natural gas.
- ✓ The objective is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by creating a financial disincentive for pollution and encouraging clean energy alternatives.
- ✓ It is calculated based on the amount of CO₂ or other GHGs emitted and promotes a market-based climate solution.

