

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – APRIL 25, 2025

NATIONAL

➤ 1972 Simla Agreement

- ✓ The suspension of the 1972 Simla Agreement by Pakistan marks a critical moment in India-Pakistan relations.



- ✓ This decision comes in response to India's recent measures following a terrorist attack in Pahalgam.
- ✓ The Simla Agreement was a very important treaty aimed at normalising relations after the 1971 Indo-Pakistani War, which led to the creation of Bangladesh.
- ✓ The Simla Agreement was signed on July 2, 1972, by Prime Minister of India Indira Gandhi and Pakistani President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.
- ✓ The agreement sought to end hostilities and promote friendly relations between the two nations.

SCHEMES

- Gramam Thorum Puthozhil (Establishing Start-ups in Villages)

- ✓ The Tamil Nadu Startup and Innovation Mission (StartupTN) will be launching a scheme called Gramam Thorum Puthozhil (Establishing Start-ups in Villages) this year, focusing on inclusive entrepreneurship, rural innovation, and sustainable economic growth.



- ✓ “We want to take the culture of innovation and entrepreneurship to villages,” Sivarajah Ramanathan, Mission Director and Chief Executive Officer, StartupTN, said.
- ✓ Highlighting the various initiatives of StartupTN, Mr. Ramanathan said: “Our primary mandate is to create a good ecosystem for start-up companies to start and grow in the State.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **World Malaria Day – April 25**
- ✓ World Malaria Day, observed on April 25 every year, raises awareness about malaria, a deadly yet preventable disease.



- ✓ In 2023, there were 263 million cases and nearly 600,000 deaths globally, primarily in tropical and low-income regions.
- ✓ The theme for 2025, “Malaria Ends With Us: Reinvest, Reimagine, Reignite,” calls for renewed efforts in prevention, treatment, and innovation.

