

## EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

### TAMIL NADU

#### ➤ Kalaingar Magalir Urimai Thittam

- ✓ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on Friday, September 15, 2023, launched the Kalaingar Magalir Urimai Thittam in Kancheepuram on the occasion of the birth anniversary of former Chief Minister and Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) founder C.N. Annadurai.



- ✓ Under the scheme, 1,000 will be given as a rights grant every month to 1.06 crore women heads of family in the State.
- ✓ During an official function in Kancheepuram district, the birth place of former CM Annadurai, Mr. Stalin formally launched the scheme at the Pachaiyappa's College for Men, and also launched the distribution of ATM cards to beneficiaries.

### NATIONAL

#### ➤ Swachhata Pakhwada-2023

- ✓ The Ministry of Railways in India, in its unwavering commitment to cleanliness, has officially launched the Swachhata Pakhwada 2023 campaign.

- ✓ This initiative, aimed at promoting cleanliness and environmental consciousness, commenced on the 15th of September, 2023.



- ✓ The Swachhata Pakhwada 2023 is observed from the 16th of September to the 30th of September.
- ✓ However, in an extraordinary display of dedication, the Ministry of Railways has extended it suo-moto (at their own initiative) until the 2nd of October, culminating with Mahatma Gandhi's Jayanti, a day that epitomizes the values of cleanliness and sustainable living.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

- **International Day For Interventional Cardiology – September 16**
- ✓ The International Day for Interventional Cardiology, celebrated annually on 16 September, is a significant occasion dedicated to recognizing the crucial field of interventional cardiology and its impact on heart health worldwide.
- ✓ Interventional cardio-angiology improves health, increases life expectancy and improves the quality of life. The first coronary angioplasty was performed by Dr. Andreas Grüntzig on 16 September 1977.
- **World Ozone Day – September 16**
- ✓ World Ozone Day, also known as the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer, is observed annually on 16th September.



- ✓ This day serves as a reminder of the critical role played by the ozone layer in safeguarding our planet Earth. The ozone layer, primarily composed of Trioxygen molecules (O<sub>3</sub>), acts as a shield against harmful Ultraviolet (UV) rays from the sun.
- ✓ The theme for World Ozone Day 2023 is “Montreal Protocol: Fixing the Ozone Layer and Reducing Climate Change.”
- **World Patient Safety Day – September 17**
- ✓ World Patient Safety Day, observed on the 17th of September every year, serves as a global platform to emphasize the importance of patient safety in healthcare systems worldwide.



- ✓ The day aims to create awareness and inspire countries to make patient safety a top priority, ultimately striving to eliminate avoidable errors and negative practices within healthcare settings.
- ✓ The theme for World Patient Safety Day 2023 is “**Engaging patients for patient safety.**” This theme highlights the vital role that patients, their families, and caregivers play in ensuring safe healthcare practices.

