

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – OCTOBER 11, 2025

SCHEMES

➤ **Vidiyal Payanam**

- ✓ The Tamil Nadu government has issued orders expanding the zero-cost bus travel programme 'Vidiyal Payanam' for persons with disabilities living in hilly areas along with their escorts.



- ✓ Persons with 40% or above benchmark disabilities under 21 types of disabilities recognised in the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016, would benefit from the initiative from 2025-26.

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➤ **Two New Non-luminous Species of Fireflies**

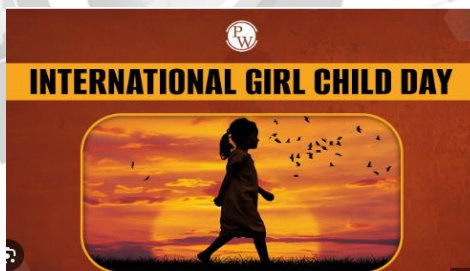
- ✓ Two new species of non-luminous fireflies have been described from the Nilgiris, with one of them being named after the indigenous Kurumba tribe.



- ✓ The two species *Lamellipalpodes kurumba* and *Lamellipalpodes debprasama* were found in the Nilgiris district in Tamil Nadu.
- ✓ With the latest findings, the total number of *Lamellipalpodes* species now stands at 14, with five being found within the borders of the country.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **International Day of the Girl Child – October 11**
- ✓ The United Nations General Assembly officially declared **October 11** as the ***International Day of the Girl Child*** through **Resolution 66/170**, adopted on **December 19, 2011**.



- ✓ This day is observed worldwide to recognize the rights of girls and the unique challenges they face in different societies.
- ✓ The **theme for 2025** is **“The girl I am, the change I lead: Girls on the frontlines of crisis.”**

