

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – JULY 09, 2025

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➤ **GI Tag sought for Sivakasi-Kovilpatti Matchboxes**

- ✓ The Kovilpatti National Small Match Manufacturers Association has filed an application seeking Geographical Indication (GI) tag for Sivakasi-Kovilpatti matchboxes.



- ✓ According to the filing, the term Sivakasi Matchbox has been used for more than 100 years and the processing, preparation, and manufacturing happens in Sivakasi taluk, which also spreads to Sattur and Virudhunagar taluks (Virudhunagar district), Kovilpatti and Ettayapuram taluks (Thoothukudi district), and Sankarankovil taluk (Tenkasi district).

AWARDS

➤ **PM Modi Awarded Brazil's Highest Civilian Honor**

- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi received the Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross from Brazilian President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva.



- ✓ The Award recognizes Modi's efforts in strengthening India-Brazil diplomatic, economic, and cultural ties through platforms like BRICS and G20.
- ✓ The honour reflects India's growing influence on global stage and international recognition of Modi's leadership.

