

## EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – JULY 12, 2025

### TAMIL NADU

#### ➤ **Keeladi Excavation - Third Phase Report**

- ✓ The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has given permission to archaeologist P.S. Sriraman, who led the third phase of excavations at Keeladi in Sivaganga district, to prepare a detailed report on the work carried out under his supervision.



- ✓ According to official sources in the ASI, the agency has permitted Mr. Sriraman, who retired in 2019, to prepare reports on the third phase of excavations at Keeladi and one season of excavations at Kodumanal in Erode district, which he led.

### SCHEMES

#### ➤ **Kalaignar Kanavu Illam Scheme to soon touch 1 lakh**

- ✓ The Kalaignar Kanavu Illam, a flagship scheme of the DMK government in rural housing for the poor, is likely to touch a key milestone — the completion of one lakh houses — in a few weeks. As of now, 81,811 houses have been completed.



- ✓ In the case of 18,071 houses, at least the roof has been laid. As for the remaining 118 houses, action has been initiated to bring the construction up to the stage of roofing by July 20.
- ✓ Launched in 2024-25, the scheme envisages the construction of one lakh houses annually. A sum of over ₹3,039 crore has been spent in 2024-25.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

- **World Paper Bag Day: July 12**
- ✓ World Paper Bag Day is celebrated every year on 12 July.



- ✓ This day is celebrated to promote the use of paper bags as an eco-friendly alternative to plastic bags.
- ✓ This day also commemorates the invention of the first paper bag machine by Francis Wolle in 1852.
- ✓ This was a significant step in the mass production of paper bags.
- ✓ Paper bags are inexpensive and safe for the environment.

