

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – JULY 15, 2025

SCHEMES

- Chief Minister Launches 'Ungaludan Stalin' Initiative across Tamil Nadu



- ✓ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin, on Tuesday (July 15, 2025), after launching the State-wide Ungaludan Stalin (Stalin with you) initiative and inaugurating the memorial hall and statue of former Tamil Nadu Congress Committee (TNCC) president L. Elayaperumal, a prominent leader who belonged to the Scheduled Caste, in Chidambaram, Mr. Stalin said the government has now removed the word 'colony' (indicating a habitation of SCs) from official records as it had come to symbolise oppression and carried the connotation of untouchability.

DEFENCE

- **Exercise PASSEX**
- ✓ Indian Navy and the Greek Navy held a PASSEX (Passing Exercise) near Mumbai in the Arabian Sea, led by INS Tarkash and HS Psara.



- ✓ This exercise is part of growing India-Greece defence ties, especially after both countries became strategic partners in 2023.
- ✓ INS Tarkash, inducted in 2012, is a Talwar-class stealth warship equipped with BrahMos missiles and is built to handle a wide range of missions.
- ✓ The PASSEX boosted teamwork and understanding between the two navies.

APPOINTMENT

- **T.N. Govt. Designates four IAS Officers as its Spokespersons**
- ✓ For the first time, the Tamil Nadu government has designated four senior IAS officers as its spokespersons.



- ✓ The officers are J. Radhakrishnan, Gagandeep Singh Bedi, Dheeraj Kumar, and P. Amudha.
- ✓ The initiative is seen as part of the government's efforts to ensure that its functions, plans, welfare programmes, and information reach members of the public efficiently through the media.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **World Youth Skills Day – July 15**
- ✓ World Youth Skills Day 2025, observed on July 15, highlights the urgent need to equip youth with AI and digital skills for a better future.



- ✓ Celebrating its 10th anniversary, this year's theme—"Youth Empowerment Through Artificial Intelligence and Digital Skills"—underlines the role of TVET in helping youth find jobs, grow careers, and prepare for a tech-driven world.
- ✓ It also raises concern about the millions of NEET youth, especially young women in low-income regions.

