

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

TAMIL NADU

➤ **World-Class Shipyard on East Coast**

- ✓ Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) has signed an MoU with Guidance Tamil Nadu to develop a world-class greenfield shipyard on India's eastern coast.



- ✓ This initiative, part of the Government's Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision 2047, aims to boost shipbuilding capabilities.
 - ✓ The MoU was signed on 19 September 2025 during a ceremony led by the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, with Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal present.
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- #### ➤ **India's First Dugong Reserve in Palk Bay Gains Global Recognition**
- ✓ Established on September 21, 2022, by the Tamil Nadu government under the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972, the Dugong Conservation Reserve covers 448.34 sq. km. in northern Palk Bay.



- ✓ The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) has formally adopted a motion recognising India's first Dugong Conservation Reserve in Palk Bay, marking a major international endorsement of the country's marine conservation efforts.

CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

➤ World Food India

- ✓ World Food India 2025 is scheduled from September 25–28 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, aiming to boost investments in the food processing sector and showcase India's rich food culture globally.



- ✓ With partner countries New Zealand and Saudi Arabia, and focus countries including Russia, UAE, Japan, and Vietnam, the event will host over 1700 exhibitors, 500+ international buyers, and participants from 100+ countries, reinforcing India's role as the Food Basket of the World.

➤ Tamil Nadu Global Startup Summit (TNGSS) 2025

- ✓ Coimbatore will play host to the inaugural of Tamil Nadu Global Startup Summit (TNGSS) 2025, billed as one of the country's largest platforms for entrepreneurs and investors.



- ✓ The two-day summit, a flagship initiative of StartupTN, will be inaugurated on October 9 by Chief Minister M.K. Stalin.

- ✓ Close to 35 countries are participating in this summit that will be held at Codissia Trade Fair Complex, Coimbatore.

