

TN Budget: 'Annan Seer' Gold Coin and 'Aran' Homes Announced

The Tamil Nadu Finance Minister announced the 'Annan Seer' scheme and 'Aran' shelter homes during the State Budget speech.

Social welfare initiatives providing marriage gifts for eligible women and shelter facilities for transgender persons in Tamil Nadu.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- Eligible women will receive an **8-gram** (one-sovereign) gold coin and a silk saree under the '**Annan Seer**' scheme on their wedding day.
- **Finance Minister Marie Wilson** announced these welfare initiatives during the Tamil Nadu State Assembly budget presentation.
- '**Aran**' shelter homes will be established across **five districts** to assist transgender persons facing social and family challenges.
- The 'Aran' shelter homes will provide safe accommodation, food, counselling, and comprehensive **rehabilitation support**.
- Special shelter homes and care infrastructure will also be set up for **senior citizens** needing care and support.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

The **Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammaiyar Marriage Assistance Scheme** was originally introduced in **1989** to help financial background families.

Tamil Nadu was the first Indian state to establish a **Welfare Board for Transgender Persons** in **2008**.

Social reformer **Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammaiyar** authored the social reform Tamil novel '**Dasigalin Mosavalai**'.

Article 41 of the Constitution directs the State to secure public assistance in cases of old age, sickness, and disablement.

The '**Pudhumai Penn**' scheme launched in **2022** provides **₹1,000** monthly assistance to girl students pursuing higher education.

Tamil Nadu became the first state in India to launch free bus transport for women under the '**Vidiyal Payanam**' initiative in **May 2021**.

REVISION FLASHCARD

'Annan Seer' provides an 8-gram gold coin and silk saree to eligible brides in Tamil Nadu.

Syllabus Relevance: High relevance for Group 1, Group 2, and Group 4 exams under Welfare Schemes and Social Inclusion topics.

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