

Ennore Creek

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About Ennore Creek

- It is a backwater located in Thiruvallur District, Tamil Nadu.
- It is an arm of the Kosathalaiyar River.
- The Creek meets the Bay of Bengal at Mugathwara Kuppam, while the northern channel of the creek connects to the Pulicat Lake, the second largest brackish water lake in the country.
- For decades, this creek sustained the livelihoods of the residents in the surrounding villages and has been demarcated as CRZ IV (Water Body) in the coastal zone management plan by the Tamil Nadu State Coastal Zone Management Authority.
- The Ennore Creek, along with the Buckingham Canal and the rest of the Pulicat water system has vast importance for the local fisher folk.
- It nurtures a healthy aquatic ecosystem which was once famous for its rich biodiversity.
- This ecologically sensitive ecosystem was home to large swamps of mangroves that not only ensured a sustainable regeneration of fish resources, but also helped mitigate flooding in times of strong rainfall, high tides and cyclones.

Key points about the Wildlife Trust of India

- It is a non-profit conservation organisation, committed to urgent action that works towards the protection of India's wildlife.
 - It was formed in November 1998, in response to the rapidly deteriorating condition of the country's wildlife.
 - The principal concerns of WTI include crisis management and provision of quick, efficient aid to individuals, species or habitats that require it the most.
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Q1) What are Mangroves?

These are any of certain shrubs and trees that belong primarily to the families Rhizophoraceae, Acanthaceae, Lythraceae, Combretaceae, and Arecaceae; that grow in dense thickets or forests along tidal estuaries, in salt marshes, and on muddy coasts; and that characteristically have prop roots—i.e., exposed supporting roots.

Source: Coming soon, a 'Cafeteria' for oil spill-hit birds at Ennore Creek

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