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Telangana State Regional News

<p>Springer Nature team visits UoH</p> 	<p>In news:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The University of Hyderabad (UoH) recently welcomed the Springer Nature team to its campus to discuss the role of e-books in academic learning and research in Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS). <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> UoH is a top-ranking institution and it has ranked number one in the Nature Index Rankings 2023. Additionally, as part of the research summit, nine women scientists from UoH presented posters under the theme 'Her Research – Our Future.' This event aimed to inspire young research scholars at UoH, fostering collaboration and knowledge exchange with Springer Nature.
<p>Nature Index Ranking 2023</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Nature Index is an indicator of high quality research in the Natural and Physical sciences. The rankings are based on the Nature Index data from 1 December 2021 to 30 Nov 2022. The UoH received a count of 66 and a share of 20.26 under the academic sector which includes Chemistry, Life Sciences, Earth & Environmental sciences and Physical Sciences
<p>India is 62nd country to implement RTI Act</p> 	<p>In news:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A session on the Right to Information (RTI) Act was organized where Rakesh Dubbudu, a well-known RTI activist. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIT Warangal is hosting programs on "vigilance awareness" to promote participative vigilance. A lecture series included a session on the Right to Information (RTI) Act, emphasizing its significance. <p>RTI Act:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Right to Information Act 2005 mandates timely response to citizen requests for government information. It is an initiative taken by Department of Personnel and Training, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions to provide a– RTI Portal Gateway to the citizens for quick search of information on the details of first Appellate Authorities, PIOs etc. amongst others, besides



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access to RTI related information / disclosures published on the web by various Public Authorities under the government of India as well as the State Governments

Awareness seminar on PESA Act held in Kothagudem

In News:

- An awareness seminar on **PESA Act, RoFR, and Land Transfer Regulation (LTR)** was held by ITDA in Bhadrachalam district.

Key Points:

- The event saw participation from 406 district officials and 536 non-officials.

PESA Act:

- The Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, **1996 (PESA Act)** was enacted by the Government of India to ensure self-governance for people living in Scheduled Areas of India.
- The PESA Act came into force on **December 24, 1996**.

RoFR:

- **Right of First Refusal (ROFR)** is a contractual right to give an offer first to the Holder before giving an offer to anyone else.

LTR:

- The **Land Transfer Regulation (LTR)** is a law enacted in **1959** in Andhra Pradesh that prohibits the transfer of land or other immovable property from tribal to non-tribal.

First-of-its-kind CISO Council launched in Hyderabad

In news:

- **Telangana Police**, in collaboration with the IT industry and academia, launched the **Law Enforcement CISO(Chief Information Security Officers) Council**, the first of its kind in India, to address cyber security issues.

Key points:

- The initiative aims to combat the **increasing cyber security breaches and cyber threats** by sharing intelligence and collaborating with IT department and centers of excellence in the state.
- Officials emphasized the evolving nature of cybercrimes and the need to **defend digital spaces, critical infrastructure**, and industry from the growing surge of cyber incidents in the region.



One more mandal created in Nirmal



In news:

- A new mandal was created in **Nirmal district** to improve administration.

Key points:

- **Beeravelli village** in Sarangapur mandal was transformed into a new mandal by merging nine villages.
- The formation of the new mandal fulfilled a long-standing local aspiration, and the community thanked the **Chief Minister and Minister Indrakaran Reddy**.
- **Malegaon village**, along with 13 other villages, and Beltharoda, with 12 villages, were also converted into separate mandals.
- The decision to create these new mandals was announced by **Municipal Administration and Urban Development Minister KT Rama Rao** during his visit to Nirmal district on October 4.

Telangana tribals turn Mahua oil entrepreneurs



In news:

- A tribal self-help group in Telangana has embarked on an innovative entrepreneurial venture by establishing a **cold-pressed Mahua oil production unit in Kaddam**.

Key Points:

- The group saw an opportunity in **producing and selling Mahua oil**, known for its nutritional value, and received financial support from these organizations.
- Each member of the group now earns **Rs 15,000 monthly** from oil production, and they plan to expand their sales online.
- Additionally, this venture allows the local tribal community to earn extra income by **collecting and selling Mahua seeds, and the oil offers various health benefits**.

Dalit Bandhu helps youngster become movie director

In news:

- Goutham Krishna from Huzurabad, a beneficiary of the **Dalit Bandhu scheme**.
- He set up a movie production company with the **Rs. 10 lakh** he received through the Dalit Bandhu scheme.

About Dalit Bandhu Scheme:

- The Dalit Bandhu Scheme is a unique initiative launched by the **government of Telangana** to promote the economic development of families belonging to the **Scheduled Caste (SC) community**.



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Telangana govt inaugurates state's first government-run high-end IVF care facility



- The scheme provides financial assistance of **Rs. 10 lakhs to eligible SC families** to start their own businesses or entrepreneurial ventures, thereby creating opportunities for them to become self-reliant and improve their standard of living.

In news:

- The Telangana government launched its first government-run **high-end IVF care facility at Gandhi Hospital** for childless couples.

Key Points:

- This facility is unique in Telangana because most infertility treatments are provided by **private healthcare providers**.
- The IVF clinic will provide a wide range of procedures to **assist childless couples** in achieving their dream of parenthood.
- It aims to be an **affordable alternative for economically weaker couples** who often spend a lot on private IVF facilities.
- The government plans to establish more such IVF facilities in district hospitals, making quality reproductive care more accessible.

IVF:

- **In vitro fertilization (IVF)** is a type of assisted reproductive technology (ART) that involves fertilizing an egg with sperm outside of the human body.

Judit Polgar, to mentor seven young Indian girls.



In news:

- **Pravaha Foundation**, along with two individuals, aims to elevate Indian female chess players into the world's top ten.

Key points:

- They are considering recruiting **Grandmaster Judit Polgar**, the strongest women's chess player ever, to train young Indian female talents.
- Pravaha Foundation has committed significant funding for training, travel, and expenses for **six talented young chess players**.

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