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## Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p><b>IB board in AP and Haryana</b></p> 	<p><b>In news:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>After the Delhi government, Andhra Pradesh, and Haryana have allowed the <b>International Baccalaureate (IB) board</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IB board focuses on equipping students in diverse career paths after <b>grade 10</b>, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>sports management,</li> <li>artificial intelligence,</li> <li>business administration, and</li> <li>data science.</li> </ul> </li> <li>This program aligns with <b>India's New Education Policy (NEP) of 2020</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mass house warming in Samalkota as part of Govt scheme</b></p>	<p><b>In news:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy inaugurated a <b>YSR statue in Samarlakota</b> and took part in a mass housewarming ceremony.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Houses were built as part of one of Navaratnalu schemes: <b>Pedalandariki illu</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Think:</b> Read about all Navaratnalu schemes implemented in states and their importance.</p>
<p><b>Vizag to get 200 Electric buses</b></p>	<p><b>In news:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (APSRTC) is taking steps to <b>reduce its carbon footprint</b> by introducing <b>electric air-conditioned buses</b> in Visakhapatnam.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently, electric buses are operational between <b>Nellore and Tirupati cities</b>, and the RTC plans to procure a total of 1,000 electric buses.</li> <li>The APSRTC is proposing to introduce 200 electric buses in <b>Visakhapatnam</b>, with an initial deployment of 100 buses in the first phase.</li> <li>Three bus depots in Visakhapatnam (<b>Simhapuri, Gajuwaka, and Waltair</b>) will be equipped with charging</li> </ul>



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	ports for the electric buses.
<p>Palnadu becomes Anemia free district</p> <p>Bangaru Thalli Scheme</p>	<p><b>In news:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Bangaru Thalli</b> scheme to make <b>Palnadu anemia-free</b>, addressing the issue of low hemoglobin levels.</li> <li>● <b>Objective:</b> To take care of a girl child in every household from birth to graduation.</li> <li>● Under the scheme, <b>monthly blood tests</b> will be conducted to assess students' hemoglobin levels, categorizing them as <b>normal, mild, moderate, or severe.</b></li> <li>● The scheme includes providing <b>nutritious meals at government schools</b></li> <li>● and distributing <b>iron-rich IAF tablets</b> to combat anemia.</li> <li>● <b>pregnant and lactating women</b> benefit from the Take Home Ration scheme</li> </ul> <p><b>Think:</b> Read about Take home ration scheme for pregnant and lactating women</p>
<p>Jagananna Civil Services Potsahakam</p>	<p><b>In news:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Andhra Pradesh government has introduced the <b>Jagananna Civil Services Potsahakam</b> to support civil services aspirants from <b>socially, educationally, and economically weaker sections.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The scheme offers financial assistance to qualified aspirants, providing <b>Rs 1 lakh for those who clear the preliminary exam</b> and <b>Rs 50,000</b> for those who pass the <b>Mains exam</b>, with these incentives available for multiple attempts.</li> <li>● The program is aimed at increasing the number of civil services selections.</li> <li>● <b>Eligibility criteria:</b> Aspirants who belong to socially, educationally, and economically weaker sections with a family income below Rs 8 lakh per annum and limited land holdings.</li> </ul>

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