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## Telangana State Regional News

**CtrlS Datacenters announces Rs 16,600 cr investment plan**



**In News:**

- Asia's leading data center provider **CtrlS Datacenters Ltd announced its new investment plan of \$2 billion** (about Rs 16,600 crore) over the next six years.

**Key Points:**

- This **Hyderabad based company** has identified three key areas of focus as it looks to scale its operations, reaffirm its commitment to the region, and further establish its leadership position.
- It is expected to hire over 1,000 people in the next six years.
- At present, CtrlS Datacenters has **12 data centers with 234 MW capacity** spread across seven cities, including **Mumbai, Hyderabad, Chennai, Bengaluru, Noida, Lucknow, and Patna.**
- It will begin operation of three new data centers in 2023.
- The company is also aiming to become **carbon neutral by 2030.**

**EC appoints Sandeep Shandilya as Hyderabad Police Commissioner**



**In News:**

- The Election Commission has appointed Telangana's **Additional Director General of Police Sandeep Shandilya as the new Police Commissioner of Hyderabad.**

**Key Points:**

- He succeeds C.V. Anand, who was transferred by the Election Commission, along with several other IPS and IAS officers in Telangana ahead of November 30 Assembly elections.
- Shandilya is an IPS officer of 1993 batch
- He was last posted as Director, Telangana State Police Academy (TSPA).

**About EC:**

- The Election Commission of India (ECI) is a **constitutional body established under Article 324** of the Constitution of India.
- It is responsible for conducting free and fair elections to the Parliament, State Legislatures, and the President and Vice-President of India.



**Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology join UK scientists in 5-year deal**

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- The CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CSIR-CCMB), Hyderabad, is set to be part of the **Diverse Epigenetic Epidemiology Partnership (DEEP)**
- It is a **five-year international project** which has been sanctioned a fund of 2.5 million GBP (around Rs 25.35 crore) by the Medical Research Council (MRC), United Kingdom.

**Key Points:**

- The partnership aims to improve global health by studying the effects of genomic and environmental diversity on differences in disease risk observed across the global population
- The study will also include researchers from the University of Bristol, UK, the MRC Unit and the Gambia at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine.

**Think:**

- Read more on DEEP project

**Driverless cars developed by IIT Hyderabad**

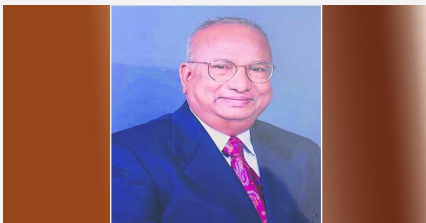
**In News:** IIT-H wheels out its own driverless car, ferries students and professors on campus

- The **shuttle cars, developed at IIT Hyderabad's TiHAN center, have been** transporting students and faculty within campus for the past two months.

**Key Points:**

- The autonomous bikes, fitted with sensors and GPS navigation systems, can be summoned using a mobile app and can travel to the desired location without anyone riding them.
- The closed four-wheeler electric car was completely developed from scratch at IIT's TiHAN center
- It is the **country's first Autonomous Navigation Testbed (Aerial & terrestrials) facility** and two of these autonomous vehicles- are now deployed on campus after a test run for nearly a year.

**Person in News: Justice V. Bhaskar Rao**



**In News:** Justice V. Bhaskar Rao passed away

- Former **High Court judge Justice V. Bhaskar Rao** (94) passed away on Monday.

**Key Points:**

- Bhaskar Rao is from Mahabubnagar district, Telangana
- After completing his B.Sc LLB from Osmania University, he took up the legal profession in 1963.
- He worked as public prosecutor in Devarakonda and Nalgonda
- He retired as a High Court Judge in 1999
- He was currently working as the **Chairman of the Committee Formed Preventive Detention Act.**