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<p>Visakhapatnam is developing as fourth growth hub</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visakhapatnam is developing as the fourth growth hub after Mumbai, Surat and Varanasi, • NITI Aayog senior advisor Anna Roy, said that a master plan with inclusive economic policies is needed to achieve a growth hub by 2047. • The longest coastline and tourist areas play a key role in the development of the port city.
<p>AP house of e-cooking</p> 	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP has recently been selected for the National Efficient Cooking Program (NECP) and Energy Efficient Fans Program (EEFP) schemes. • These schemes were launched by the Union Ministry of Power under the auspices of the Central Public Sector Enterprise Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL). • EESL will supply 20 lakh induction cookstoves across the country through the cooking programme. • These will be distributed in the states of AP, UP, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Karnataka, which are active in the production and consumption of renewable electricity. <p>About National Efficient Cooking Program (NECP):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The National Efficient Cooking Program (NECP) is a flagship program launched by the Government of India in 2016 • Aim is to promote the adoption of clean and efficient cooking technologies across the country. • The program also aims to address the challenges of indoor air pollution, energy consumption, and reliance on traditional biomass fuels, which have significant health, environmental, and socio-economic impacts <p>About Energy Efficient Fans Program (EEFP):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy Efficient Fans Program (EEFP) is a flagship initiative of the Government of India, launched in July 2023 • Aim is to promote the adoption of energy-efficient ceiling fans across the country. • The program is implemented by EESL, a public sector enterprise under the Ministry of Power, with the objective of



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	distributing 1 crore (10 million) energy-efficient ceiling fans by 2025.
<p>CM discusses on 13th Schedule of AP Reorganisation Act</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CM will raise issues with the Union Home Secretary in New Delhi on the 13th schedule of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act. • The issues of pending funds for the Polavaram project, special category status to the State and non-payment of power bill arrears from Telangana, among others will be raised. • Several promises made in the 13th schedule remained unresolved even after ten years of bifurcation. • Injustice was done to the State with the Centre allotting 58 percent of the debts and 42 percent in revenues to Andhra Pradesh while allotting 58 per cent revenues to Telangana.
<p>President Murmu visited AP and Odisha</p> 	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Droupadi Murmu visited AP and Odisha from November 20-22. • She attended various events including the All India Santali Writers' Association conference, inaugurated a residential school, launched a skill training center, flagged off new trains, inaugurated a postal division, and attended convocations at two universities. <p>About All India Santali Writers' Association (AISWA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The All India Santali Writers' Association (AISWA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of Santali language and literature. • The AISWA holds an annual conference to bring together Santali writers, scholars, and enthusiasts from across India to discuss and celebrate Santali literature. <p>Did you Know?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Murmu previously served as Member of the Legislative Assembly in Odisha.
<p>BRAU journalism lecturer bags Abdul Kalam award</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B R Ambedkar University (BRAU) lecturer G Leela Vara Prasad bagged the Abdul Kalam Excellence award. • The award was instituted by Tirupati-based Sankalpa Seva Samithi.



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About Abdul Kalam Excellence award:

- **Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Award**, named after the **11th President of India and aerospace scientist A. P. J. Abdul Kalam**, is awarded by the Government of Tamil Nadu in **recognition of contributions on scientific development, humanities and students' welfare**.
- It was instituted in **2015** to honor the memory of Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam.
- The award **aims to recognize and encourage individuals who have made significant contributions in the fields of science, humanities, and student welfare**.



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