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### 19 January 2024 Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

AP govt releases ₹47 crore for housing beneficiaries	<ul> <li>AP govt has released ₹46.90 crore towards reimbursement of interest for 4,07,323 beneficiaries who have availed housing loans from banks under Navaratnalu-Pedal Andariki Illu scheme.</li> <li>The reimbursement is done twice a year.</li> <li>This interest reimbursement on the bank loan of ₹35,000 each helps the beneficiaries pay only 25 paise interest on the loans taken for construction of houses in Jagananna Colonies.</li> </ul>
Fewer than 50 recognised startups in Andhra Pradesh get tax benefits under Startup India scheme	Less than 5% of Andhra Pradesh's 1,869 startups have received Income-Tax exemptions from the Union Government under its Startup India scheme     The number of recognised startups was 2,975, and fewer than 50 of them were from Andhra Pradesh     These Start-ups are recognised by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)
AP CM to unveil World's tallest Ambedkar statue of justice in Vijayawada	A 206-feet tall statue of the architect of India's Constitution Dr B R Ambedkar is set to be unveiled in Vijayawada on January 19.     It will be unveiled by AP CM Jagmohan Reddy at historic Swaraj Maidan grounds.  Did you Know?      The statue's design was a complete indigenous project certifying it as a 100 per cent Made in India Project
The AP government to begin a comprehensive caste census on January 19	Context:  • The AP government will begin a comprehensive



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	caste census on January 19 to enumerate all castes in the state.  • Ap govt has set the caste census as a major goal and is considering that the enumeration can transform the living standards of people, according to government sources  Did you Know?
	There has been no caste census in India post independence but only a population census.
A.P. team visits Odisha to study its skilling ecosystem	An eight-member team from the Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC) and Directorate of Employment and Training is on an exposure visit to Odisha to gain insights into its thriving ecosystem.      The team is led by Principal Secretary (Skill Development and Training) S. Suresh Kumar     The team explored the state-of-the-art labs and interacted with senior officials and stakeholders



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