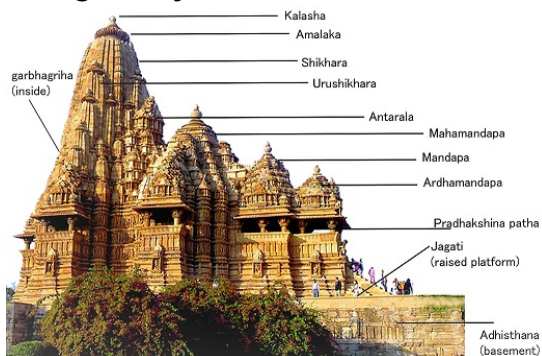




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Ayodhya's Ram temple is being built in Nagara Style



Context:

- The Ram temple in Ayodhya have been designed by Chandrakant Sompura and his son Ashish
- The temple design complex is in the Nagara style of temple architecture.

About:

- The Nagara style of temple architecture emerged some time in the fifth century CE, during the late Gupta period, in northern India.
- Some important features of Nagara Style Architecture are:
- **Shikhara:**
- The crowning glory of Nagara temples is the shikhara, a curvilinear tower that tapers upwards, symbolizing the ascent towards the divine.
- Its shape can vary depending on the sub-style, ranging from the beehive-like Rekha to the segmented Bhumija
- **Amalaka and Kalasha:**
- Atop the shikhara sits the amalaka, a fluted disc representing the sun. It's crowned by the kalasha, a pot symbolizing prosperity and the containment of the sacred essence within the temple
- **Mandapa:**
- The mandapa serves as a gathering space for devotees, often featuring intricately carved pillars and ceilings. It can be enclosed or open-air, depending on the temple's layout.
- **Garbhagriha:**
- The innermost sanctum of the temple, the garbhagriha houses the main deity. It's typically the most sacred space, often dimly lit and adorned with religious iconography

Award for Bharat Dynamics Limited

Context:

- Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) has



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| | <p>been awarded the Southern Region 'Narakas' Official Language Award for its efforts in the implementation of the Official Language for the year 2022-23.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The award was presented by Minister of State for Home Ajay Kumar Mishra to BDL (Finance) N.Srinivasulu during the South Western Region Official Language Conference held at Bengaluru |
| Telangana minister to visit Jeddah to attract investments | <p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industries and IT Minister D. Sridhar Babu will make a stopover at Jeddah while returning from Davos to meet the industrialists and attract investments to Telangana. The Minister has a scheduled meeting at SEDCO Capitals (an Investment Comp) followed by another meeting with Jeddah Chambers. He will also meet with Waleed Khalid Fatana, group CEO of Savola Group and later attend a meeting with the CEO and Board members of Saudi Brothers Commercial Company. |
| IIT-Palakkad researchers come up with power, bio fertilizer from human urine | <p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Researchers from the Indian Institute of Technology-Palakkad (IIT-P) have come up with an innovation to generate renewable energy out of human urine. By installing Osmotic Urine Fuel Cells (osUFC) at the source of urinal generation (toilets), they could generate electricity power and bio-fertilizers following a few steps of the process |
| Telangana eyes Musi rejuvenation on the lines of London's Thames | <p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Telangana government wants to rejuvenate Musi river in Hyderabad on the lines of London's historic River Thames. TS CM held discussions with officials and experts of the principal governing body of river Thames - the Port of London Authority. He learned about the management of river Thames, understanding and gathering |



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| | insights from its management and collating best practices. |
| English learning platform launches centre in Hyderabad | <p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct English, a UK-based English learning platform, is offering English language courses for native speakers. • The courses offered are designed to empower individuals with the communication skills and confidence needed to excel in the global arena. |



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