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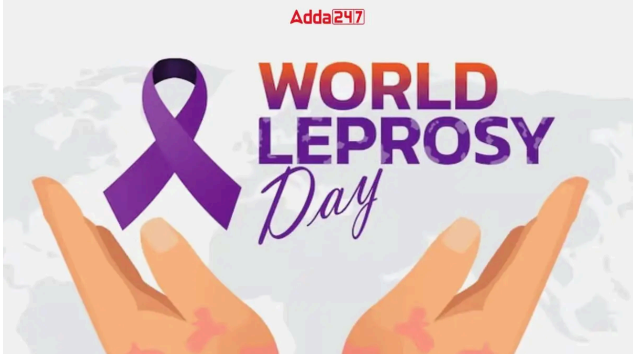
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### Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p><b>AP poised to register 17% growth in GSDP</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AP state is poised to achieve a record 17 percent growth rate in GSDP during 2023-24.</li> <li>• Based on the performance recorded by various crucial sectors during 2022-23, the state government is anticipating that the growth rate would be more than anticipated levels in the current financial year.</li> <li>• Riding on the performance of the service sector which recorded a 20 percent growth rate, GSDP growth during 2022-23 is 16.2 percent.</li> </ul>
<p><b>World Leprosy Day</b></p> 	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Leprosy day is celebrated in India annually on 30 January.</li> <li>• World Leprosy Day helps to create awareness about the disease and eliminate the stigma and discrimination faced by those who suffer from the disease.</li> <li>• The theme for World Leprosy Day 2024 is “Beat Leprosy”</li> </ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Leprosy Day is observed on the last Sunday of January across the globe.</li> </ul>
<p><b>SCERT, IB to sign MoU today to prepare students to compete globally</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) of Andhra Pradesh and the International Baccalaureate (IB) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to prepare students for global competition by introducing the IB curriculum in a phased manner across government schools.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The MoU signifies a step towards implementing the IB system, known for its focus on critical thinking, creativity, and interdisciplinary learning.</li> <li>• Implementation will be gradual, starting with one grade per year.</li> <li>• By 2034-35, Class 10 students will be offered the IB program, with joint IB and State Board certification in 2035.</li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Class 12 will follow suit in 2036-37, with joint certification in 2037.</b></li> <li>• <b>This initiative aligns with the Andhra Pradesh government's efforts to enhance educational quality and equip students for success in a globalized world.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Three DISCOMs in Andhra Pradesh in top 10 list of power utilities</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The three DISCOMs in Andhra Pradesh—<b>APSPDCL, APEPDCL and APCPDCL</b> have ranked in the top 10 list among 62 rated power utilities in the country.</li> <li>• According to a report on <b>Consumer Service Ratings of DISCOMs</b> launched by the Union Ministry of Power for the performance of DISCOMs for 2022-23 financial year</li> <li>• The three DISCOMs maintained better hours of operation in urban and rural areas at more than the national average of 23.59 hours and 21.26 hours respectively.</li> </ul>
<p><b>SIPB clears proposals worth ₹22,302 cr. for setting up energy units in AP</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Andhra Pradesh State Investment Promotion Board (SIPB) cleared investment proposals worth ₹22,302 crore for establishing energy industries that would provide 5,300 jobs.</li> <li>• It cleared the proposal of JSW Neo Energy Ltd to establish <b>four solar power projects</b> across the State to produce 3,350 MW of power with an investment of ₹12,065 crore.</li> <li>• JSW will establish <b>400 MW, 1050 MW, 1050 and 850 MW solar power units at Chakrayapeta in YSR district, at Mudigubba in Sri Satya Sai district, at Rappthadu (and Kanaganapally) and at D. Hirehal (and Bommnaal) in Anantapur district respectively.</b></li> <li>• It will also establish <b>171.60 MW wind power projects at Kunukuntla in Owk mandal of Nandyal district</b> and at Jaladurgam in Peapully mandal of Kurnool district with ₹1,287 crore investment and employment potential for 200 persons.</li> </ul>

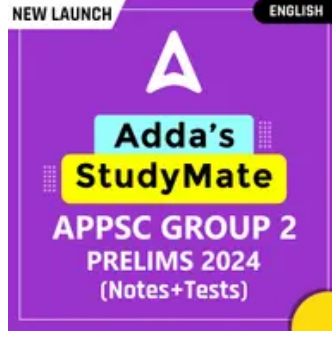


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