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<p>National Productivity Day</p> 	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Productivity Day is celebrated in India every year on February 12th. • It marks the foundation day of the National Productivity Council (NPC), an autonomous organization established in 1958 to promote productivity consciousness and culture in the country. • The day is recognized as part of a week-long National Productivity Week, observed from February 12th to 18th. • This year's theme is “Artificial Intelligence (AI)-Productivity Engine for Economic Growth.” • It highlights the crucial role of AI in driving a country's economic growth and productivity. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This date marks the anniversary of the foundation of the International Labour Organization (ILO). • The first NPD was celebrated in 1962
<p>Drone project of AIIMS-Bibinagar revolutionizing TB testing in TS's remote villages</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)-Bibinagar launched a pioneering drone project in Telangana to expedite TB diagnosis and treatment in remote villages. • The project aimed at transporting sputum samples from remote primary health centres (PHCs) to the TB units and transporting medicines from the units back to PHCs on return flights. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TB is caused by a bacterium called Mycobacterium tuberculosis that affects the lungs • World Tuberculosis Day is observed on 24 March each year



HYSEA summit, awards event on Feb. 14

Context:

- **31st Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association (HYSEA) National Summit and Awards** will be held here on **February 14**.
- The event is being **organized by HYSEA with STPI-Hyderabad at HICC**.
- **AI: Celebrating the Future'** will be the theme of **HYSEA 2024 event**

About:

- **Former CEO and MD of Tech Mahindra CP Gurnani** will be **presented with the HYSEA Lifetime Achievement Award** for his contribution to the industry.
- The event will bring to the fore a **multitude of dimensions, presenting a 360-degree view of AI and encompassing the massive disruption caused by Gen AI and related technologies**.
- About **700 delegates**, including more than 100 IT Industry leaders, are expected to attend

Marginally higher allocation to minorities at ₹2,262 crore

Context:

- The **vote-on-account budget for FY 2024-25 proposed to allocate ₹2,262 crore for minority welfare, marginally higher than that of FY 2023-24, which stood at around ₹2,196 crore**.
- It aims to **provide the best facilities and education to SC, ST and minority students**
- Objective is to **construct buildings with best amenities for all the residential schools**, presently housed in rented buildings
- This move **highlights the government's focus on inclusive development** and ensuring the well-being of minority communities.

International Day of Women and Girls in Science

Context:



- The **International Day of Women and Girls in Science (IDWGS)**, celebrated annually on **February 11th**
- It aims to **recognize the critical role women and girls play in science and technology**, and promote their full and equal access and participation in these fields.
- This year's theme, **“Closing the Gender Gap in Science: Accelerating Action”**, underscores the **urgent need to address the barriers that hinder women and girls from pursuing and thriving in STEM careers**



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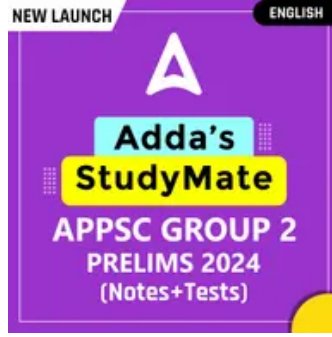
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About:

- On **22 December 2015**, the **General Assembly** decided to **establish an annual International Day to recognize the critical role women and girls play in science and technology**, through **Resolution A/RES/70/212**.



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