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Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p>State govt provides relief for weavers by granting Rs.94 paise subsidy per unit</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government of AP provided a big relief for loom weavers by granting Rs.94 paise subsidy per unit of electricity. • This subsidy is expected to significantly reduce the production costs of weavers, making their products more competitive and helping them to earn a better livelihood. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The handloom weaving industry is a vital part of India's cultural heritage and provides employment to millions of people, particularly in rural areas • The new electricity subsidy is a welcome step that will help to address some of these challenges and ensure the survival of this traditional industry.
<p>Integrated Green Hydrogen Hub</p>	<p>Context: NTPC has finalized a land lease agreement to establish a cutting-edge "Integrated Green Hydrogen Hub" on a 1,200-acre site at Pudimadaka village near Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh.</p> <p>Key features of the hub include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It will be located on 1,200 acres of land. • The hub aims to create a world-class ecosystem for technologies in the new energy paradigm, such as electrolyser and fuel cell manufacturing. • It will include related ancillary industries, start-up, incubation, testing facilities, production, and export of green hydrogen and its derivatives such as green ammonia and green methanol. • The project includes the construction of India's largest green hydrogen production facility (1,200 tons per day), which will enable further conversion of green hydrogen to derivatives such as green ammonia and green methanol. • This initiative is part of the National Green Hydrogen Mission, approved by the Union



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	<p>Cabinet on January 4, 2023, with an outlay of ₹19,744 crore.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The hub will contribute significantly to India's efforts towards energy transition.
<p>Free AI learning centre to come up for underprivileged children in Eluru district</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To empower underprivileged children in Eluru district with access to Artificial Intelligence (AI) education, fostering future innovators and bridging the digital divide. <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide free, age-appropriate AI learning modules tailored to children's interests and understanding. Equip children with fundamental AI concepts like machine learning, coding, and data analysis. Develop critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity through practical AI applications. Bridge the digital gap by ensuring access to technology and internet connectivity. Foster collaboration and teamwork through group activities and projects. Connect children with mentors and role models in the field of AI.
<p>World Peace and Understanding Day</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Peace and Understanding Day is observed on February 23 every year, promoting harmony and goodwill among individuals from different religions, cultures and geography The day commemorates the first meeting of Rotary International, an NGO dedicated to humanitarian service, peace, and goodwill across the world that took place in Chicago, US. Every year, this Special Day is observed to remind people of the ways that they can bring peace, harmony and goodwill to the world and contribute positively.



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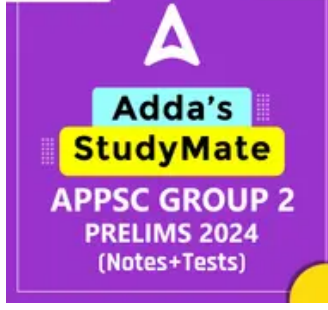
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