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<p>Zero Discrimination Day</p> 	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero Discrimination Day, observed annually on March 1st, is a global initiative to promote equality and combat discrimination in all its forms. • UNAIDS had launched its Zero Discrimination Campaign on 'World AIDS Day' in December 2013. • The day was first celebrated on March 1, 2014 • The day emphasizes everyone's right to live a dignified and fulfilling life free from prejudice and bias. • This year marks the 10th anniversary of Zero Discrimination Day <p>Theme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Theme of Zero Discrimination Day 2024 is "To protect everyone's health, protect everyone's rights." • It emphasizes upon building association with human rights and public health and achieving the goal of eliminating AIDS by 2030.
<p>Pension for landless poor in Amaravati region in AP doubled</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Municipal Administration and Urban Development (MAUD) Department has enhanced the monthly pension to the landless poor in the AP Capital Region Development Authority (APCRDA) region to ₹5,000 from ₹2,500, with effect from February 2024 and payable from March 1, 2024 onwards. • Based on the recommendations made by the CRDA Commissioner, the AP government has increased the pension amount.
<p>AP govt to release ₹708 crore under Jagananna Vidya Deevana</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The AP govt announced the release of ₹708 crore on March 1st, 2024, under the Jagananna Vidya Deevana scheme. • This initiative aims to financially support students pursuing higher education by reimbursing their fees directly to their mothers' accounts. • This disbursement brings the total financial aid provided under the Jagananna Vidya Deevana



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and Jaganna Vasathi Devena (lodging and boarding charges) schemes to ₹18,000 crore.

- The government aims to make education accessible and address the financial burden on families, particularly those from underprivileged backgrounds.

About:

- Jaganna Vidya Devena is a financial assistance program launched by the Government of Andhra Pradesh in February 2020.
- It aims to support students from underprivileged backgrounds by reimbursing their full tuition fees, including special and exam fees, for pursuing higher education

Rajanna Foundation bags award



Context:

- Rajanna Foundation, run by Galla Ramachandra Naidu and his family members, received the Best Education Support Initiative of the Year 2024 award.
- Rajanna Foundation, part of the Amara Raja Group of Institutions, has been providing quality education to rural students at affordable prices for the past 27 years.
- Head of Rajanna Foundation Satish received the award at the Indian Social Impact Awards ceremony organised by Brand Hanok.

World Civil Defence Day



Context:

- World Civil Defence Day is an annual event observed on March 1st to raise awareness about the importance of civil defence and emergency preparedness.
- This day highlights the crucial role of civil defence organizations in protecting communities from natural disasters, conflicts, and other emergencies.
- It also encourages individuals to be prepared for various crises.
- It was established by the International Civil Defence Organisation (ICDO) in December 6, 1990

Theme:

- The theme of World Civil Defense Day 2024 is "Honor Heroes and Promote Safety Skills."

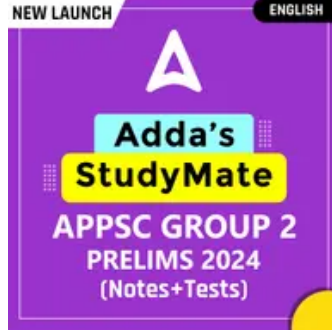


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