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Veligonda project will provide irrigation to 4.47 lakh acres and drinking water to 15.25 lakh people

Context:

- The Veligonda project is an important infrastructure initiative in Andhra Pradesh, aiming to address water challenges in the region.
- The project will provide irrigation to 4.47 lakh acres of land and drinking water to 15.25 lakh people in drought-prone and fluoride-affected areas.
- This project is expected to benefit people in several districts, including Prakasam, Nellore, and Kadapa.

About:

- The Veligonda Project, also known as the Poola Subbaiah Veligonda Project, is a large-scale irrigation project in Andhra Pradesh
- It aims to address the challenges of water scarcity and fluoride contamination in 30 Mandals across Prakasam, Nellore, and Kadapa districts.

AP CM launches 'Bhavita' program for the youth



Context:

- AP CM launched the "Bhavitha" program, aiming to transform the state's skill development ecosystem.
- He also launched a web portal and mobile app.
- He said a total of 53,000 students got the skill training through a pilot project and 26,000 out of them secured jobs.
- This initiative focuses on equipping young people with the necessary skills to meet the growing demands of the job market.

Key aspects of Bhavitha:

- Bhavitha program is organised by AP State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC) for youth.
- It aims to converge industry with institutions to provide students with the necessary skills to secure employment.
- It bridges the gap between industry and educational institutions like ITIs and polytechnic colleges.
- The program provides comprehensive training programs to equip youth with relevant skills and knowledge..

PM to launch two major projects worth Rs 200 crore in AP

Context:

- PM Modi will virtually launch two major projects worth Rs 200 crore, including development of Simhachalam temple under the Pilgrimage Rejuvenation And Spiritual Augmentation Drive



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	<p>(PRASAD) and Araku-Lambasingi circuit works under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Union Ministry of Tourism under the Swadesh Darshan and PRASAD schemes has been providing financial assistance to States and Union Territories for the development of tourism infrastructure in the country. • Focusing on providing better facilities to pilgrims, Varaha Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy temple atop Simhachalam will get a facelift worth `54.04 crore under the PRASAD scheme. <p>About Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swadesh Darshan 2.0 is a revamped scheme launched in 2023 by the Ministry of Tourism • Its aim is to make India a leading tourism destination. • It represents a significant shift from the previous version by focusing on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable and responsible tourism development • Destination-centric approach • Holistic development
<p>Pilgrimage Rejuvenation And Spiritual Augmentation Drive (PRASAD) Scheme</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PRASAD Scheme, which stands for Pilgrimage Rejuvenation And Spiritual Augmentation Drive • It is an initiative launched by the Ministry of Tourism in India in 2014-15. • It aims to holistically develop and revitalize key pilgrimage destinations across the country. <p>Key objectives of PRASAD:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance infrastructure and connectivity at pilgrimage sites. • Improve the overall pilgrim experience. • Foster cultural heritage preservation. • Promote spiritual tourism.



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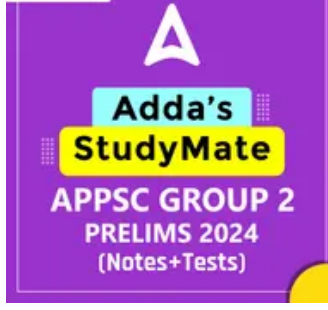
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