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<p><b>World Water Day</b></p> 	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Water Day is an annual United Nations observance day held on 22 March</li> <li>It highlights the importance of freshwater and advocates for the sustainable management of freshwater resources.</li> </ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The first World Water Day was celebrated in 1993</li> <li>The theme for the first World Water Day in 1993 was 'Water for Life.'</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme 2024:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This year's theme is "Water for Peace."</li> <li>It highlights the potential of water as a resource for cooperation and stability.</li> <li>By managing water resources sustainably and ensuring equitable access, we can foster peace and prosperity for all.</li> </ul> <p><b>SDG:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean water and sanitation is SDG 5 out of 17 SDGs</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mohan Babu University partners with Tata Strive to offer free Google Certification Courses</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mohan Babu University (MBU) has partnered with Tata Strive to provide free Google Certification Courses.</li> <li>This initiative aims to equip students with in-demand skills for the job market.</li> <li>The program offers courses in various fields, including data analytics, digital marketing, and cybersecurity.</li> <li>This collaboration aligns with MBU's commitment to empowering youth and fostering social progress, particularly in the Rayalaseema region.</li> <li>The university sees these certifications as valuable tools to enhance career prospects for students.</li> </ul>
<p><b>cVIGIL an effective tool in the hands of people to flag election code violations</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AP Chief Electoral Officer Mukesh Kumar Meena has exhorted people to use the cVIGIL App effectively to lodge complaints on the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) violations.</li> </ul>



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- The Election Commission of India (ECI) has introduced cVIGIL, a citizen mobile application, to encourage people to participate in the process of elections.

About:

- cVIGIL reports violations of the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) and electoral expenditure rules.
- Allows capturing live photos or videos with automatic location tagging as evidence.
- Ensures prompt action by election officials with a 100-minute response window.
- cVIGIL promotes citizen engagement and empowers people to report malpractices like bribery, distributing liquor, or misuse of loudspeakers during campaigns.
- This initiative fosters trust in the electoral process and deters potential violations.

Ashok wins boxing gold in Thailand



Context:

- Nizampatnam boxer K Ashok clinched the gold medal in the 86 kgs category at the 6th international muay thai boxing event in Thailand.
- Guntur boxing association officials Binu Joseph and Kosana Venugopala Rao congratulated Ashok.

Vijayawada rly division bags 1st prize in drama competition



Context:

- The Vijayawada Division of the South Central Railway (SCR) triumphed at the All India Railway Hindi Drama Competition, claiming the top prize for their play "Sarpaneeti."
- The team even won an impressive eight out of fifteen awards.
- The play received awards for best director, pronunciation, music, stage design, sound effects, lighting, and costumes.



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