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<p>YUVIKA-2024</p> 	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A student from Dandagarra ZPHS in West Godavari district, currently in the 9th grade, has been chosen to participate in ISRO's Young Scientist Programme, 'YUVIKA-2024'. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indian Space Research Organisation is organising a special programme for School Children called "Young Scientist Programme" "YUva Vigyani KARYakram", YUVIKA, to impart basic knowledge on Space Technology, Space Science and Space Applications to the younger students in emerging trends in space science and technology amongst the youngsters, who are the future building blocks of our nation. ISRO has chalked out this programme to "Catch them young". The programme is also expected to encourage more students to pursue Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) based research /career.
<p>ECI appoints three special observers for Andhra Pradesh</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Election Commission of India (ECI) has appointed three Special Observers for Andhra Pradesh, including Ram Mohan Mishra (General Special Observer), Deepak Mishra (Police Special Observer), and Neena Nigam (Special Expenditure Observer). <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> These observers have been tasked with supervising the randomisation of personnel, security forces, and voting machines to ensure a fair electoral process. In addition to Andhra Pradesh, Special Observers (General and Police) have been deployed in West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Bihar, and Odisha. The deployment of Special Expenditure Observers is aimed at curbing money power in elections and strengthening the existing election expenditure monitoring system.
<p>World Cloud Security Day</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Cloud Security Day, celebrated annually on April 3rd



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- It is a reminder of the importance of securing data stored in the cloud.
- As cloud technology becomes increasingly integrated into our lives, this day highlights the potential security risks and emphasizes the need for vigilance.

About:

- Cloud storage is a cloud computing model that enables storing data and files on the internet through a cloud computing provider that you access either through the public internet or a dedicated private network connection.
- Cloud storage leverages several key technologies to function:
 1. Remote Servers
 2. Virtualization
 3. Data Distribution
 4. Networking
 5. APIs (Application Programming Interfaces)

Theme:

- The theme for World Cloud Security Day 2024 is “Evaluate the security of your digital identity”

APSSDC awarded ISO certification

Context:

- The Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC) has been awarded the ISO 9001:2015 certification for its Quality Management System.
- This recognition signifies that APSSDC adheres to international standards for delivering skill training programs
- The certification highlights APSSDC's implementation of best practices across various departments.
- This includes systematic documentation, well-defined procedures, and proper record-keeping.

About:

- ISO certification is essentially a stamp of approval.
- It signifies that a company's procedures meet internationally recognized standards set by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).
- These standards encompass a wide range, from quality management (ISO 9001 being the most well-known) to environmental practices (ISO 14001) and even information security (ISO 27001).

GMC stood in third place in the taxes collection.

Context:

- Guntur Municipal Corporation (GMC) stood in third place in the taxes collection.



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- It collected Rs 91.71 crore tax dues out of total demand for Rs 143.41 crore for the financial year 2023-24
- GMC collected 63.9% taxes by March 31 this year.
- Similarly, Vizag Municipal Corporation (ViMC) collected Rs 280.98 crore tax dues out of demand for Rs 370.45 crore.
- ViMC collected 75.80% taxes.
- Vijayawada Municipal Corporation (VMC) collected tax dues of Rs 124.35 crore out of total tax demand of Rs 157.26 crore.



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