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<p>IMD issues yellow alert in Rayalaseema & SCAP</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a yellow alert for heatwave conditions in Rayalaseema and South Coastal Andhra Pradesh (SCAP) of Andhra Pradesh. This alert is in effect for the next few days, with temperatures expected to be 2-4 degrees Celsius above normal. The IMD forecast indicates maximum temperatures between 41 to 43°C at some places in Rayalaseema and interior South Andhra Pradesh, and between 33-37°C in North Coastal Andhra Pradesh <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The India Meteorological Department (IMD) uses a color-coded system to warn people about upcoming weather events and their severity. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green: No advisory needed, normal weather conditions expected. Yellow: Be aware! There's a chance of bad weather that could disrupt your daily routine. The weather might worsen. Orange: Be prepared! Extremely bad weather is coming, potentially causing disruptions to transportation, power outages, etc. Red: Take action! Extremely dangerous weather is imminent, posing a threat to life and causing widespread disruptions.
<p>Andhra police relaunch 'foolproof' e-challan app</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andhra Pradesh relunched its e-challan app to improve transparency and prevent irregularities in traffic challan collection. This follows a scam exposed six months ago where the state lost ₹30 crore monthly. The new app, developed by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH), boasts several features: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive traffic enforcement: Issue e-challans, accept on-the-spot cashless payments, and access vehicle/driver information in real-time.



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	<p>2. Transparency: Users can view past challan records and integrate the app with DigiLocker and m-Parivahan for easy access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This relaunch aims to restore trust in the e-challan system and ensure citizens are held accountable for traffic violations.
<p>CII-Govt forums to be formed in southern states</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) plans to establish consultative forums with all southern state governments. • This initiative aims to improve the ease of doing business in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana. • Southern states contribute 31.5% to the national GDP and these states would collectively emerge as a \$3 trillion economy by 2030. • CII will work with the state govts in bringing state level policies on manufacturing and industry 4.0 with focus on MSMEs <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These forums will provide a platform for collaboration between industry and government. • By working together, they can address challenges faced by businesses and develop strategies to promote industrial growth in the southern region. • CII will also organise the Mystic South Summit in Chennai during January next year to showcase south India's industry to global investors
<p>CRPF Valour Day</p> 	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRPF Valour Day is observed every year on April 9th. • It honors the exceptional courage displayed by CRPF personnel at Sardar Post in the Rann of Kutch, Gujarat, in 1965. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was on this day in 1965, a small contingent of CRPF created history by defeating an invading Pakistani army, several times larger, at the Sardar Post located in the Rann of Kutch, Gujarat. • The CRPF men eliminated 34 Pakistani soldiers and captured four alive.
<p>International Pageant Day</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Pageant Day is celebrated annually on April 8th • It honors the dedication and achievements of women who compete in pageants around the world.



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- It's a day to recognize that pageants showcase not just beauty, but also personality, intelligence, and social awareness.

About:

- India has a strong history in international beauty pageants, particularly the "Big Four": Miss Universe, Miss World, Miss Earth, and Miss International.

Key Points:

- **Victories:** A total of ten crowns across the Big Four, with the most success in Miss World (six wins).
- **Recent win:** Harnaaz Sandhu won Miss Universe 2021.

Double win years:

- 1994 (Sushmita Sen - Miss Universe, Aishwarya Rai - Miss World) and
- 2000 (Lara Dutta - Miss Universe, Priyanka Chopra - Miss World).

Theme:

- The theme for International Pageant day 2024 is "Promoting unity and global friendship"

Did you know?

- The history of the beauty pageant goes back as far as 1839.



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