
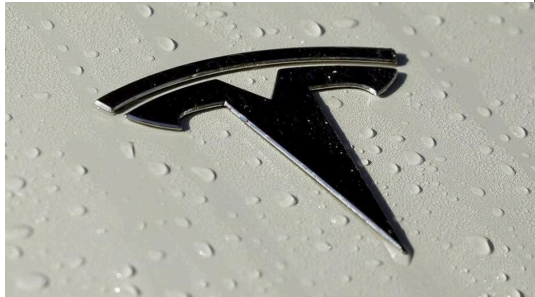




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Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p><b>International Day of Human Space Flight</b></p> 	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>International Day of Human Space Flight</b> is celebrated annually on <b>12 April</b>.</li> <li>It marks the <b>anniversary of the first human space flight by Yuri Gagarin</b> in 1961.</li> </ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was proclaimed at the <b>65th session of the United Nations General Assembly on 7 April 2011</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This day celebrates the <b>dawn of the space age and the incredible achievements in space exploration</b>.</li> <li>It also <b>highlights the importance of space science and technology</b> for our well-being and sustainable development.</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The theme for International Day of Human Space Flight is <b>“Encourage scientific curiosity”</b>.</li> <li>It urges individuals and communities to embrace curiosity as a driving force for discovery and innovation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Did you Know?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Yuri Gagarin</b> was the <b>first human to travel to space</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Govt invites Tesla to set up plant in Andhra Pradesh</b></p> 	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Andhra Pradesh is vying to attract Tesla to set up a manufacturing plant in the state</b>.</li> <li>The AP government has <b>reportedly sent proposals to Tesla and even offered to show them potential sites</b>.</li> <li>This comes <b>amid news of Tesla CEO Elon Musk's upcoming visit to India</b>, and Andhra Pradesh is keen to secure this prestigious project.</li> </ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AP govt <b>keeping in mind the proximity to Chennai, Bengaluru and Krishnapatnam Port</b>, have proposed lands at the Kia plant in Anantapur district, which is closer to Bengaluru, near Naidupet and Sri City if they want to be close to Chennai and Krishnapatnam Port</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan bags national award</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p>



- **Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan's Public School in Visakhapatnam** received a national-level award for being the best lead partner school in the country for the 2023-24 academic year.
- The award, presented by **LEAD**, an education technology group, recognizes the school's successful implementation of the **LEAD curriculum**.
- They **beat out over 2,500 other schools** in a competition that evaluated factors like effective use of technology, curriculum execution, and student performance through an app that monitored participation and use of learning resources

**4.17 lakh students attend TOEFL preparatory exam in Andhra Pradesh**

**Context:**

- On **April 11th, 2024**, a record-breaking **4.17 lakh (417,879)** students from grades 3 to 5 in **Andhra Pradesh** participated in a **first-of-its-kind TOEFL preparatory exam**.
- This initiative, conducted by the **Educational Testing Service (ETS)**, aims to equip young students with the necessary skills to excel in **English language proficiency**.
- This is the **first phase** of the program, with another **1.65 million** students from grades 6 to 9 scheduled to take the preparatory exam on **April 12th**.
- The **high participation rate** highlights the state's focus on improving **English language skills** among its students.

**International Children's University Day**



**Context:**

- The **International Children's University Day** is a brand new celebration launched in **2024**
- It will be celebrated on **April 11** every year.
- It's a day to recognize the important role of **children's universities** and similar programs around the world.

**About:**

- At the **last eucu.net meeting in Vienna in November 2023**, **11. April** was declared the **International Day of Children's Universities**.

**Goal:**

1. Raise awareness about **children's universities** and their mission of providing **high-quality science, technology, engineering, arts, mathematics (STEAMH) activities**.
2. Highlight the **importance of making research and science accessible to all children**.
3. Showcase the work of children's universities and encourage more participation in these programs.



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