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Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p>APSSDC plans tie-ups with UK-based organizations</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC) is looking to partner with British organizations to improve the skills of its workforce. • Proposals have been received from the British Council, Skill and Education Group, Pearson, Cambridge University, and Neath Port Talbot College Group. • These partnerships could provide training in areas like worker rights, blended learning (combining online and in-person learning), and online courses. • This initiative aims to enhance the skill set of Andhra Pradesh's workforce and potentially increase their employability.
<p>Free legal aid for people of Andhra</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supreme Court advocate Aditya Bharat Manubarwala has decided to launch a free legal aid centre exclusively for people of Andhra Pradesh. • He will launch a free legal aid center in Vijayawada, focusing on economically weaker sections in Andhra Pradesh, offering support to poor, backward castes, and minorities. • Additionally, he serves as an arbitrator and holds a law degree from the University of Cambridge.
<p>Elusive Eurasian otter radio-tagged in Satpura</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Eurasian otter, a shy and elusive semiaquatic mammal, has been making its presence known in the Satpura hills. • Researchers have successfully radio-tagged an otter, allowing them to track its movements and behavior in this region. • This tagging is a significant development for understanding the ecology of otters in India, which are increasingly threatened by habitat loss and pollution.



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- The radio-tagged otter will provide valuable data on its range, habitat preferences, and prey selection.

About:

- The Eurasian otter, a European protected species, is a master of staying hidden.
- They are most active at night (nocturnal) and have excellent senses that help them evade detection.
- They favor areas with thick vegetation along rivers and lakes.

International Turban Day

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Context:

- International Turban Day is observed annually on April 13th
- It is a day to celebrate Sikh heritage and raise awareness about the significance of the turban in their culture.

Key Points:

Symbol of Faith:

- The turban, also known as a dastar, is more than just headwear for Sikhs.
- It's a mandatory part of their faith, representing commitment, self-respect, and spiritual purity.

Raising Awareness:

- This day aims to educate the public about the Sikh religion and combat prejudice against those who wear turbans.

Promoting Understanding:

- International Turban Day encourages interfaith dialogue and cultural exchange, fostering a more inclusive and harmonious society.

About:

- The day has been celebrated since 2004.
- This is to bring awareness of the strict requirement on Sikhs to put the turban as a mandatory part of their religion.
- The 2024 Turban Day marks the 555th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev and the festival of Baisakhi.



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