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<p>Hyderabad ranks among world's top 10 fastest-growing cities</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> According to a comprehensive report by Knight Frank India, in collaboration with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Hyderabad is ranked Fourth among the world's 10 fastest-growing cities. The report unveils Hyderabad's remarkable economic trajectory, showcasing a Growth (YoY) percentage of 8.47 per cent. The city's GDP is predicted to surge from \$50.6 billion in 2018 to a whopping \$201.4 billion by 2035. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hyderabad being ranked Fourth finds itself in the company of Surat, which secured the top position followed by Agra and Bengaluru. The report, titled 'India Real Estate: A Decade From Now 2024,' analyzes the economic and real estate sector potential over the next decade.
<p>Telangana govt defeats purpose of Mission Bhagiratha, supplies bore well water to households</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Telangana's Mission Bhagiratha aimed to provide clean, treated surface water to households is under radar as it is alleged that villages are now receiving borewell water. <p>This switch raises concerns:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Defeats Mission Bhagiratha's Goal: Mission Bhagiratha was designed to utilize rivers and reservoirs for safe drinking water. Borewell water may contain higher levels of fluoride, chlorine, and other impurities. Depleting Groundwater: Excessive reliance on borewells can strain underground water reserves, impacting future availability. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mission Bhagiratha is a flagship program of the Telangana state government It aims to provide safe drinking water to every household in the state. Launched in 2016, it's one of the largest such projects in India. Goals:



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide piped drinking water to all rural and urban households in Telangana. ○ Ensure clean and treated water supply.
<p>International Turban Day</p> <p>The Rising Youth</p>  <p>INTERNATIONAL TURBAN DAY</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 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. <p>Key Points:</p> <p>Symbol of Faith:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 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. <p>Raising Awareness:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This day aims to educate the public about the Sikh religion and combat prejudice against those who wear turbans. <p>Promoting Understanding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● International Turban Day encourages interfaith dialogue and cultural exchange, fostering a more inclusive and harmonious society. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 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.
<p>Aparna Garg assumes charges as Director General of IRIFM</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Aparna Garg, an Indian Railways Accounts Service (IRAS) officer of the 1987 batch, has assumed the position of Director General of the Indian Railways Institute of Financial Management (IRIFM). <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This appointment comes after a long career spanning over 35 years, where she held



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- various positions in the Southern, Western, and South-Western Railways.
- Notably, she served as the Principal Financial Advisor of the Rail Wheel Factory in Bengaluru and the Divisional Railway Manager of Mysore.
 - Garg is also a Chevening Fellow with an Advanced Masters in Transport Economics from the University of Leeds, UK.



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