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<p>Important Days: National Deworming Day</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Collector Dr. S. Venkateswar has instructed the health department and other relevant officials to ensure the successful implementation of the National Deworming Day (NDD) campaign, set for September 17. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The National Deworming Day is conducted in all states/UTs in 2 rounds – 1st round on February 10 followed by 2nd round on 10 August every year. The objective of National Deworming Day is to deworm all preschool and school-age children (enrolled and unenrolled) between the ages of 1-19 years.
<p>Vande Bharat Trains</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centre has announced two new Vande Bharat trains to Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This initiative is part of the government's broader strategy to improve transportation facilities across the region. The newly allotted trains will substantially enhance travel options for residents of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.
<p>NSG-1 status</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vijayawada Railway Station has been awarded the prestigious Non-Suburban Group- 1 (NSG-1) status. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NSG-1 status was introduced through a new policy in the 2017-18 financial year. According to the guidelines, a station must generate an annual revenue exceeding Rs. 500 crores or accommodate more than 2 crore passengers to qualify for this classification. Earlier, Vijayawada Railway Station held the SSG-2 status, as it did not meet the criteria in both revenue generation and passenger volume.
<p>NTH - BEE partnership</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The National Test House (NTH), has signed an MoU with Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) to promote energy efficiency and consumer welfare.



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Key Points:

- NTH is India's largest multi-location multidisciplinary industrial central government's testing laboratory dealing with almost all sorts of testing, calibration and quality evaluation related to industry, commerce, trade etc. as per international and nations standards.
- It comes under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.

KEY FEATURES

- The Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) will acknowledge the National Test House (NTH) as referral laboratory for technical disputes regarding test results

- NTH will provide expert consultation for technical issues in cases referred by BEE

- NTH officers will be part of BEE's various Technical Committees, contributing their expertise on energy efficiency standards

- NTH will conduct training sessions for BEE officers at its regional laboratories and BEE headquarters in Delhi to enhance knowledge of energy efficiency standards

- Partnership includes building capacity in energy efficiency standards and testing through regular training programmes

- MoU includes comprehensive review of existing Standards and Labelling (S&L) Programme

- Review and enhancement of check testing procedures will be carried out to ensure top-quality standards

- This collaboration between NTH and BEE aims to strengthen energy efficiency testing and evaluation



Places in news: Jonnagiri



Why in news?

- A meteorite fell from space and landed in Jonnagiri, Andhra Pradesh.

Key Points:

- A meteorite is a rock that falls to Earth from space, and is typically the size of a pebble or fist.
- Meteorites are different from Earth rocks in that they are usually much older, and they can provide information about other planets, asteroids, and comets in our solar system.



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