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Telangana State Regional News

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| Bathukamma festival | <p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Villagers in Telangana played Bathukamma to demand a halt to the construction of a radar station in Vikarabad. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bathukamma is a colorful floral festival of Telangana and is celebrated by womenfolk with exotic flowers of the region. It comes during the latter half of monsoon, before the onset of winter. It falls two days before Dussehra. The most abundant of these flowers are – 'gunuka' and 'tangedu'. Women make 'boddemma' (a deity of Gowri 'mother Durga' made with earthy mud) along with Bathukamma and immerse it in the pond. This helps reinforce the ponds and helps it retain more water. The flowers used in the festival have a great quality of purifying water in ponds and tanks and are environment-friendly. |
| Kuchipudi | <p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Kuchipudi performance was celebrated Jijabai's significant influence on Shivaji's legacy by Hyderabad-based Sri Nateshwari Foundation of Arts and Culture (SNFAC). <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is one of the Indian Classical dances belonging to Andhra Pradesh. The dance form is characterized by its intricate footwork, graceful movements, and subtle facial expressions. It incorporates both pure dance (Nritta) and expressive dance (Nritya) elements, as well as storytelling through dance (Natya). The typical musical instruments in Kuchipudi are mridangam, cymbals, veena, flute and the tambura. |
| Places in news: Kawal Tiger Reserve | <p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The forest department organized a cyclothon in Kawal Tiger Reserve to promote a sustainable lifestyle and cycling, as well as to raise public awareness in honor of World Wildlife Week. |



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| | | <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is located in the north-eastern part of Telangana (Old Adilabad district), with the Godavari River on one side and the Maharashtra border on the other. • It forms part of the Deccan peninsula-central highlands. • The government of India declared Kawal Wildlife Sanctuary a Tiger Reserve in 2012. • Vegetation: Southern Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest. • The major wild animals include: nilgai, chousinga, chinkara, black buck, sambar, spotted deer, wild dog, wolf, jackal, fox, tiger, leopard, and the jungle cat. |
| PM-POSHAN Scheme | | <p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Union Ministry of Education reported that about 32 percent of students in Telangana schools are skipping mid-day meals, revealed during the PM-POSHAN PAB meeting for 2024-25. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mid-day Meal Scheme (under the Ministry of Education) is a centrally sponsored scheme which was launched in 1995. • Eligibility - All school going students of classes I to VIII studying in government and government-aided schools are eligible to avail the benefits. • The scheme will be extended to pre-primary students or Bal Vatikas of Government and Government-aided primary schools. • It is considered as the world's largest school meal programme aimed to attain the goal of universalization of primary education. |
| Rythu scheme | Bharosa | <p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The implementation of the Rythu Bharosa scheme was delayed until December due to financial limitations and uncertainties surrounding the establishment of its guidelines. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rythu Bharosa scheme is a farmers' investment support scheme in Telangana that aims to provide financial assistance to farmer families. • The scheme provides farmers with an annual financial assistance of ₹13,500 per farmer family, with the state government providing ₹7,500. • It aims to help farmers avoid debt, increase their income, and improve agricultural productivity. |

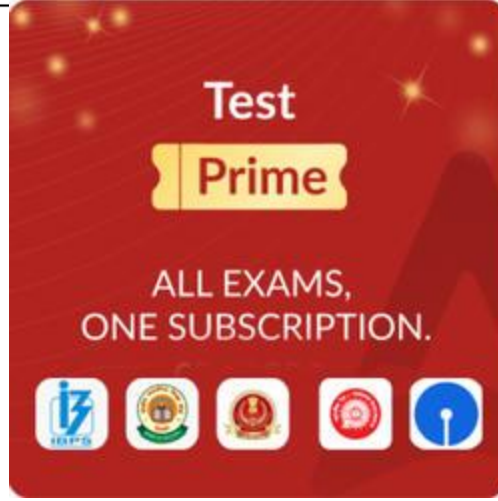


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