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<p>15th Finance Commission</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Centre has released Rs 988 crore in grants to the State for rural development under the 15th Finance Commission. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Finance Commission in India is a quasi-judicial body constituted by the President of India under the provisions of the Constitution of India. Under Article 280 of the Constitution, the President of India is required to constitute a Finance Commission at an interval of five years or earlier. The 15th Finance Commission was constituted by the President of India in November 2017, under the chairmanship of NK Singh. Its recommendations will cover a period of five years from the year 2021-22 to 2025-26.
<p>New software to combat floods</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In response to the devastating Budameru floods, the Andhra Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (APSDMA) has decided to create new software to combat floods. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It sounds like last-mile alerts to mitigate loss of life and property during natural calamities. APSDMA to release documented Vijayawada flood relief ops to serve as an SOP in future.
<p>Valmiki Jayanti</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Andhra Pradesh government has officially declared Valmiki Jayanti as a state festival, marking an important cultural recognition. Also referred to as Pragat Diwas, Valmiki Jayanti will be celebrated on 17th October. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The festival of Valmiki Jayanti is observed as the birth anniversary of Maharishi Valmiki, who wrote the great Hindu epic Ramayana. This initiative aims to honor the teachings and contributions of Saint Valmiki, the revered author of the epic Ramayana, and to promote social harmony and cultural heritage across the state.



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<p>Ratan Tata Innovation Hub</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The State government will establish an innovation hub in Amaravati which will be named after late business tycoon Ratan Tata. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is expected to play a pivotal role in driving forward the state's industrial sector, aligning with Andhra Pradesh's goals of fostering innovation and enhancing ease of doing business. It aims to serve as a beacon for future entrepreneurs and investors alike. The Ratan Tata Innovation Hub will serve as a center for skill development, startups, facilitation and innovation, and will be connected to the five 'centers of excellence' in different parts of the State.
<p>Special courts for women</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Andhra Pradesh government plans to establish special courts to address crimes against women. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A special court can enable the government to hand out the deterrent punishment to culprits. Fast Track Special Courts (FTSCs) are judicial bodies in India that are dedicated to quickly trying cases of sexual offenses, including rape and violations of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO Act). The Criminal Law (Amendment) Act of 2018 established FTSCs.



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