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MGNREGA	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andhra Pradesh experienced an 11.8% decline in job generation under MGNREGA during the period from April to September. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MGNREGA is the abbreviation for the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005. It is a law passed by the Indian government in 2005 that guarantees the "right to work" to rural citizens of India. Under this, the government assures a minimum of 100 days of unskilled manual work to an adult member of an eligible rural household. The main objective of the MGNREGA is to provide employment to rural citizens and improve their economic conditions.
21st National Livestock Census	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Agriculture Minister of Andhra Pradesh emphasized the importance of the livestock census for development. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Livestock Census (LC) is a nationwide survey conducted every 5 years to count all domesticated animals across households, enterprises, and institutions in rural and urban areas. The National Livestock Census provides detailed data on the population, breeds, and distribution of livestock like cattle, buffalo, goats, sheep, pigs, and others. Conducted by the Ministry of Animal Husbandry and Dairying in collaboration with State/UT governments since 1919. The 21st Livestock Census (2024) is the latest in the series and includes data collected using a dedicated mobile app for improved accuracy and real-time monitoring.
Deepam scheme	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Andhra Pradesh (AP) Chief Minister announced that the Deepam scheme will be launched on the occasion of Diwali, i.e., 31 October 2024. This scheme will greatly help poor and BPL household women as they get free gas cylinders in a year, which will help them save money. <p>Key Points:</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This scheme aims to reduce the financial burdens of families by providing LPG cylinders. It promotes cleaner cooking methods and helps households avoid traditional fuels like firewood.
Species in news: Water hyacinth	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Krishna district administration is transforming the invasive water hyacinth plant into eco-friendly handicrafts, promoting environmental conservation and economically empowering rural women. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water hyacinth (<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>) is a fast-growing, flowering, aquatic plant that is considered one of the most invasive plants in the world. Origin: It is native to South America. Spread: It can spread by floating in water currents or by being carried by birds and other animals. Crafting with water hyacinth involves harvesting the plant, drying the fibrous stalks, and using traditional weaving techniques to create a range of products, such as bags, baskets, mats, and decorative items suitable for both domestic and global markets.
Appointment of Additional Judges	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three advocates were appointed as additional judges of the Andhra Pradesh High Court. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The President of India appoints additional judges to High Courts under Article 224 of the Constitution. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article 224 of the Indian Constitution provides that if by reason of any temporary increase in the business of a High Court or by reason of arrears of work therein, it appears to the President that the number of the Judges of that Court should be for the time being increased, the President may appoint duly qualified persons to be additional Judges of the Court for such period not exceeding two years as he may specify. The President may appoint additional judges for a temporary period of up to two years if the court's business increases or there is a backlog of work. The President makes these appointments in consultation with the National Judicial Appointments Commission. Additional judges cannot hold office after they turn 62 years old.



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