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<p>Awards & Honors: PRAISE Awards 2023-24</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Vijayawada Municipal Corporation Commissioner H.M. Dhyana Chandra received the 'PRAISE' award for the corporation's efforts in promoting financial inclusion and empowerment for street vendors. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The PRAISE Awards 2023-24 recognize and celebrate exceptional contributions in various fields, focusing on innovation, leadership, and impact.These awards aim to honor individuals and organizations that demonstrate excellence and commitment, fostering a culture of achievement and inspiring others to strive for greatness.
<p>Kharif season</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Government of Andhra Pradesh has designated 54 mandals as drought-affected for Kharif 2024. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">During Kharif season, seeds are sown at the beginning of the rainy season and are harvested at the end of the monsoon season, i.e., September and October.These types of crops are water-abundant crops and require hot and humid weather to properly cultivate.Kharif crops get affected by the irregular rainfall pattern in the country.Crops: Rice, maize, paddy, sugarcane, cotton etc.
<p>Ayushman Bharat Scheme</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">PM Modi launches the enhanced Ayushman Bharat and inaugurates healthcare projects in celebration of Ayurveda Day.One of the highlights was the launch of a drone-based healthcare delivery service, linking premier tertiary care institutions, with AIIMS Mangalagiri as a key participant. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Launched in September 2018, the scheme aimed to offer secondary and tertiary care services to the vulnerable population in the society.It was launched as a second component of the 'Ayushman Bharat' scheme.This scheme aimed to offer medical coverage of Rs. 5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary care



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	<p>hospitalization to poor and vulnerable families.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The scheme covers over nearly 40% of the population targeted towards the poorest and the vulnerable.
PMSVANidhi Scheme	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thirty-eight top-performing Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and bank branches from Andhra Pradesh have been chosen for state-level and national awards by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs as part of the PMSVANidhi (PM Street Vendors' Atmanirbhar Nidhi) scheme. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs on June 01, 2020. Purpose: To provide affordable Working Capital loans to street vendors to resume their livelihoods that have been adversely affected due to the Covid-19 lockdown. It is a micro-credit facility that provides street vendors with a collateral-free loan of Rs 10,000 with low rates of interest (below 12%) for a period of one year, aiding the vendors in getting back on their feet financially.
Industry 4.0	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industrial Policy 4.0 to elevate A.P. on the global stage. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The term 'Industry 4.0' was coined by the German government in 2011. Industry 4.0 refers to a new phase in the Industrial Revolution that focuses heavily on interconnectivity, automation, machine learning, and real-time data. Industry 4.0, which encompasses IoT and smart manufacturing, marries physical production and operations with smart digital technology, machine learning, and big data. Industry 4.0 comes into play when every company and organization operating today is different, they all face a common challenge—the need for connectedness and access to real-time insights across processes, partners, products, and people.



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