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<p>Polavaram Hydroelectric Project (PHEP)</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A significant milestone was achieved at the Polavaram Hydroelectric Project with the commencement of the stay ring segment installation. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Polavaram Hydroelectric Project (PHEP) is a multi-purpose project on the Godavari River in Andhra Pradesh, India. It is also known as the Indira Sagar project. The project is located in the East Godavari and West Godavari districts of Andhra Pradesh. The reservoir spreads into parts of Chhattisgarh and Odisha. The project aims to provide hydropower, irrigation, and drinking water. It also aims to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Irrigate 291,778 hectares of agricultural land Supply water to Visakhapatnam and the Vizag steel plant Generate 960 MW of hydropower Divert 80 TMC of water to the Krishna River basin
<p>Water-based aviation</p> 	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The inaugural seaplane will take off from Punnami Ghat, near Prakasam Barrage, in Vijayawada and land at a jetty, near the ropeway, in Srisailam in Nandyal district. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The centerpiece of the event is the De Havilland Twin Otter Series 400 seaplane, which is known for its durability and versatility. The initiative, led by the APADCL, in partnership with the Government of India's Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS), aims at establishing Andhra Pradesh as a leader in water-based aviation. Under the RCS-UDAN initiative, the Union government is proposing development of water aerodromes to support seaplane services. The aircraft is engineered for both water and conventional runways.
<p>Places in news: Gautami Satyagraha ashram</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Gauthami Satyagraha Ashram, often called the 'Sabarmati of the South,' stands as a forgotten relic of India's freedom struggle, waiting for revival as it approaches its centenary. <p>Key Points:</p>



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- The Gautami Satyagraha ashram was started on **4 February 1925** by **Subrahmanyam**, on the banks of **Godavari river**.
- The river played a revolutionary role during India's freedom struggle.
- In the East Godavari district Subrahmanyam **propagated the Khaddar** with great enthusiasm, which **was a part of the Swadeshi movement**.
- One of the main aims of the ashram was to initiate the **Khaddar programme throughout the district**.

Places in news: Ramayapatnam Port

Why in news?

- A mega industrial hub will be developed near Ramayapatnam Port to boost economic growth.
- The project is expected to bring a major influx of **foreign industries to Nellore, creating job opportunities and bolstering the local economy**.
- The government aims to attract **high-value sectors such as petrochemicals, manufacturing, and renewable energy**, utilizing the port's proximity to create a major industrial center in the State.

Key Points:

- Ramayapatnam Port is a deep-sea port at Ramayapatnam in **Nellore district** of Andhra Pradesh.
- The port is being constructed by the **Ramayapatnam Port Development Corporation Limited** under the Andhra Pradesh Maritime Board, an organization of the Government of Andhra Pradesh.
- Strategically located along the **eastern coast**, the Ramayapatnam Port is seen as a crucial gateway for exports, attracting companies with high logistics needs for both domestic and global markets.

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