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Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p>Dr. N.T.R University of Health Sciences Act, 1986</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Government of Andhra Pradesh has introduced a Bill to amend the Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences Act, 1986, aiming to eliminate the terms "deaf-mute" and "suffering from leprosy" in order to reduce discrimination against individuals with these conditions. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Dr. N.T.R University of Health Sciences Act, 1986 (UHS Act 6 of 1986) established the Dr. N.T.R University of Health Sciences in Andhra Pradesh to provide education, training, and research in the following areas: Allopathic medicine, Indian systems of medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, and Nursing. The university was originally established as the University of Health Sciences by the Andhra Pradesh government and inaugurated in 1986 by the then-Chief Minister, N. T. Rama Rao. The university was renamed the Dr. N.T.R University of Health Sciences in 1998 after Rama Rao's death.
<p>Eastern Ghats</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first comprehensive study of butterflies in the Eastern Ghats has recorded 190 species. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Eastern Ghats are discontinuous low ranges running parallel to the Bay of Bengal coast, generally northeast-southwest. Area: Passes through Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and parts of Karnataka and Telangana. Hill Ranges (North to South): Mahendragiri Hills (Odisha; the highest peak in the Eastern Ghats); Nallamala, Velikonda & Palkonda (Andhra Pradesh); Javadi Hills, Shevaroy Hills, Pachamalai Hills & Sirumalai Hills.
<p>Principal Accountant General (PAG)</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PAG report highlights the Andhra Pradesh government's failure to reveal the extent of off-budget borrowings in its Budget. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Principal Accountant General (PAG) is responsible for ensuring that public funds are used efficiently and for the intended purposes.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PAG's responsibilities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Preparing the state government's accounts ○ Maintaining the General Provident Fund (GPF) accounts of state government employees ○ Authorizing pension and other retirement benefits for state government employees ○ Preparing the state government's Annual Finance and Appropriation Accounts ○ Laying the state government's Annual Finance and Appropriation Accounts before the State Legislature
<p>Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The state has partnered with the NCB and Google to map and monitor cannabis plantations using satellite imagery technology. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is the nodal drug law enforcement and intelligence agency under the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. • It was constituted on 14th November, 1985, under the provisions of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (NDPS Act). • It has its headquarters located in Delhi.
<p>Landslides</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous rains trigger landslides on the Tirumala ghat road. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landslides are a geological phenomenon that involves the sudden and rapid movement of a mass of rock, soil, or debris down a slope under the influence of gravity. • Based on the type of movement involved, there are mainly 4 types of landslides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Falls – They refer to the type of landslide that involves the collapse of material from a cliff or steep slope, which then falls down the slope and collects near the base. ○ Topples – Under this type of landslide, the falling mass undergoes forward rotation and movement around an axis or point at or near the base. ○ Slides – Under this type of landslide, there is a distinct zone of weakness that separates the moving material from a more stable underlying material.



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