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### Telangana State Regional News

<p><b>EV policy 2024</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To promote electric-vehicle adoption, the government has decided to provide a 100% exemption from road tax and registration fee on purchase of electric vehicles.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The EV policy 2024 aims to make <b>EVs more affordable and accessible, to reduce pollution, decrease dependence on fossil fuels, and foster sustainable economic growth.</b></li> <li>By encouraging the use of EVs, the policy aims to significantly <b>reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality</b> in urban areas.</li> <li>The policy promotes the development and adoption of advanced technologies in the automotive sector, driving innovation and competitiveness.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Solar Energy</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The state government has decided to entrust the responsibility to generate solar power in the state to women SHGs.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Solar technologies use clean energy from the sun rather than polluted fossil fuels.</li> <li>There are two main types: <b>solar thermal, which uses solar energy to heat water, and solar photovoltaic (PV), which uses solar cells to transform sunlight into electricity.</b></li> <li>Solar energy utilizes the sun's radiant light and heat to generate useful energy services like <b>electricity, heating, cooling, lighting, or mechanical work.</b></li> <li><b>There are two primary ways solar energy is harnessed -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Direct conversion into electricity using photovoltaics.</li> <li>Capturing heat from the sun's rays to generate electricity indirectly.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Summits &amp; Conferences: TiEcon Kerala</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K.T. Rama Rao, working president of Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS), has been invited as the Guest of Honour for TiEcon Kerala-2024.</li> <li>K.T. Rama Rao will attend the TiE Awards and the Valedictory Ceremony on December 5.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TiEcon Kerala is the <b>flagship entrepreneurial convention organized by The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE).</b></li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The convention is expected to host over 1,000 participants, including CEOs, startup founders, industry leaders, and thought influencers.</li> <li>The theme of the event is “<b>Mission 2030 - Transforming Kerala</b>”, focusing on strategies to boost the state's economic and entrepreneurial growth.</li> </ul>
Self-Help Groups	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Directions have been issued for the formation of new Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in urban areas.</li> <li>GHMC officials have been instructed to identify eligible women who are not part of any existing group.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Self Help Group is a <b>self-governed, peer-controlled information group of people with similar socio-economic backgrounds</b> and a desire to collectively perform a common purpose.</li> <li>An SHG normally consists of <b>not less than five persons (with a maximum of twenty)</b> of similar economic outlook and social status.</li> <li><b>Government Initiatives and Policies Supporting SHGs:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)</li> <li>SHG-Bank Linkage Programme (SBLP)</li> <li>Mission for Financial Inclusion (MFI)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Important Days: World Urdu Day	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thousands of people gathered in Nizamabad to celebrate World Urdu Day with a lively Mushaira.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Urdu Day is celebrated all over the world on the <b>birthday of famous Urdu poet Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal</b>.</li> <li>The purpose of celebrating this day is to highlight the <b>popularity of Urdu language and to appreciate its importance</b>.</li> <li>Urdu is one of the most important languages spoken in the Indian subcontinent.</li> <li>It is also the <b>national language of Pakistan</b>.</li> </ul>



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