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<p><b>Places in news:</b> Rajahmundry</p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Centre has been urged to recognize Rajahmundry as a heritage city and include it under the HRIDAY (Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana) scheme for its development.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>HRIDAY Scheme</b>, also known as the <b>National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana</b>, is a <b>central sector program</b>.</li> <li>In 2015, the <b>Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs unveiled the HRIDAY program</b>.</li> <li>The HRIDAY scheme was established to <b>fully utilize the varied natural, historic, and cultural resources of the nation</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Samagra Shiksha</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Andhra Pradesh Samagra Shiksha has been awarded the National Award for being the Best State in implementing the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act and other schemes for persons with disabilities.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Samagra Shiksha is a <b>government initiative in Andhra Pradesh that aims to improve the quality of education for all students, from pre-school to class 12</b>.</li> <li><b>The program's goals include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Providing free education for children up to age 14</li> <li>Improving learning outcomes</li> <li>Reducing social and gender gaps in education</li> <li>Ensuring equity and inclusion in schools</li> <li>Promoting vocational education</li> <li>Building infrastructure and amenities in schools</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Earthquake</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A 5.3-magnitude earthquake struck Telangana, with tremors also felt in Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An <b>earthquake is shaking or trembling of the earth's surface, caused by the seismic waves or earthquake waves that are generated due to a sudden movement (sudden release of energy) in the earth's crust (shallow-focus earthquakes) or upper mantle (some shallow-focus and all intermediate and deep-focus</b></li> </ul>



	<p>earthquakes).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A seismograph, or seismometer, is an instrument used to detect and record earthquakes.</li> <li>• The <b>magnitude scale</b> is known as the <b>Richter scale</b>. The magnitude indicates energy released during the quake. It is expressed in absolute numbers <b>0-10</b>.</li> <li>• The <b>intensity scale</b> is named after <b>Mercalli</b>, an Italian seismologist. The intensity scale indicates the visible damage caused by the event. The <b>range of intensity scale is from 1-12</b>.</li> </ul>
Mangroves	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has taken suo motu cognisance highlighting the alarming decline in mangrove stretches in Visakhapatnam due to urbanisation and industrial expansion.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mangrove is a <b>type of tree species that grow in intertidal salty environments near the mouths of the delta of rivers</b> along the coasts because they <b>can tolerate frequent flooding and are able to obtain fresh water from rivers and also the nutrients required from salt water</b>.</li> <li>• In India, they are found all along the <b>Indian coastline in sheltered estuaries, tidal creeks, backwaters, and salt marshes</b>.</li> <li>• Some of the largest mangrove forests in the world are found in the <b>alluvial deltas of Ganga, Godavari, Krishna, Cauvery and in the islands of Andaman and Nicobar</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Discuss:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• About <b>National Green Tribunal (NGT)</b></li> </ul>
Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA)	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Andhra Pradesh has made significant strides under the Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA), showcasing its commitment to strengthening governance at the grassroot level and empowering rural communities.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The scheme was first approved by the <b>Cabinet in 2018 for implementation from 2018-19 to 2021-22</b>.</li> <li>• <b>Implementing Agency:</b> Ministry of Panchayati Raj.</li> <li>• <b>Components:</b> The main Central Components were Incentivisation of Panchayats and Mission Mode Project on e-Panchayat including other activities at Central level.</li> <li>• <b>Objectives:</b> It envisaged developing governance capabilities of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) to deliver on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).</li> </ul>



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