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### Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p><b>Species in news:</b> <b>Olive Ridley Turtles</b></p> 	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carcasses of <b>Olive Ridley turtles</b>, which are currently in their breeding season, continue to wash ashore along the Visakhapatnam coast.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They are the <b>smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles found in the world.</b></li> <li>• It gets its name from the olive green colouration of its carapace (shell).</li> <li>• <b>Scientific Name:</b> Lepidochelys olivacea</li> <li>• They are best known for their <b>unique mass nesting, called Arribada, where thousands of females come together on the same beach to lay eggs.</b></li> <li>• <b>Conservation Status:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ IUCN Red List: Vulnerable</li> <li>○ Wildlife Protection Act, 1972: Schedule 1</li> <li>○ CITES: Appendix I</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Person in news: Sri Potti Sriramulu</b></p> 	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu affirmed the government's dedication to establishing a Telugu University in honor of Potti Sriramulu, whose sacrifice for the creation of Andhra State paved the way for the formation of linguistic States in India.</li> <li>• He also announced plans to develop Sriramulu's house in Nellore district as a memorial.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Potti Sriramulu was born on <b>March 16, 1901, in Madras Presidency (present-day Nellore, Andhra Pradesh).</b></li> <li>• He became a <b>pivotal figure in the struggle for a separate Telugu-speaking linguistic state.</b></li> <li>• He embarked on a <b>hunger strike in 1952</b>, demanding the creation of Andhra Pradesh, separate from the Madras Presidency.</li> <li>• After his death, the Prime Minister announced the <b>formation of Andhra Pradesh on 19 December 1952, while given statehood on November 1, 1956.</b></li> <li>• The <b>Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore District (SPS Nellore) was named after him in 2008.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Awards &amp; Honors:</b> <b>National Energy Conservation Awards (NECA)</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Andhra Pradesh bagged the first prize in the State Energy Efficiency Performance Award (Group 2) category of the National Energy Conservation Awards-2024</b> with its consistent performance in promoting and implementing Energy Efficiency (EE)</li> </ul>



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	<p>and conservation measures in buildings, industry, municipal, agriculture and transport sectors.</p> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>Ministry of Power</b> had launched a scheme in <b>1991</b>, to give <b>national recognition through awards to industries and establishments</b> that have taken <b>special efforts to reduce energy consumption while maintaining their production</b>.</li> <li>• The awards were given away for the first time on <b>14th December, 1991</b>, which was declared as the <b>National Energy Conservation Day</b>.</li> <li>• It recognizes the <b>energy efficiency achievements in 56 sub-sectors across industry, establishments and institutions</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>First Google AI skill workshop</b>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first AI Skilling Workshop, organised by Google Developers Group, was inaugurated at Vasireddy Venkatadri Institute of Technology (VVIT), Guntur.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The two-day workshop <b>aims to train engineering students in building AI applications and designs</b>.</li> <li>• The workshop is part of a broader effort to prepare students for the <b>global tech landscape by fostering partnerships between the government and leading technology firms</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>One Nation One Election Bill</b>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu stated that the next elections will take place in 2029, even if the 'One Nation, One Election' (ONOE) Bill, which enables simultaneous elections for the Lok Sabha and State and Union Territory Assemblies, is implemented.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simultaneous Elections (popularly known as One Nation, One Election) means <b>holding elections to the House of the People, all the State Legislative Assemblies, and local bodies i.e., Municipalities and Panchayats, together</b>. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Simultaneous elections</b> do not mean that voting across the country for all elections needs to happen on a single day.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• In India, simultaneous elections to the Lok Sabha and Vidhan Sabhas were held in the years <b>1951-52, 1957, 1962 and 1967</b>.</li> <li>• This cycle was disrupted due to premature dissolution of State Assemblies in 1968-69 and of the Lok Sabha in 1970.</li> </ul>



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