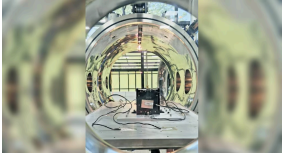





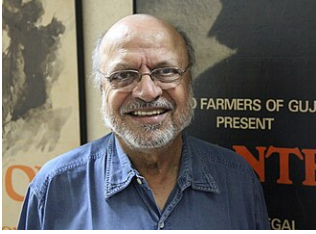
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<p><b>State of Punjab vs. Davinder Singh &amp; Others</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The One-Man Commission, led by retired IAS officer Rajiv Ranjan Mishra and formed by the State government to investigate the sub-classification of Scheduled Castes, has invited individuals who were unable to submit their representations directly to him.</li> <li>• He mentioned that the sub-classification was being carried out in accordance with the Supreme Court's ruling in the State of Punjab vs. Davinder Singh &amp; Others.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The case was an appeal against a Punjab and Haryana High Court judgment that <b>struck down a state law allowing the government to sub-classify SC/STs.</b></li> <li>• <b>In the 2024 case State of Punjab and Ors. v Davinder Singh and Ors., the Supreme Court of India ruled that sub-classification within the Scheduled Castes (SCs) is permissible:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The court ruled 6-1 in favor of sub-classification, overturning the E.V. Chinniah judgment</li> <li>○ The court allowed the state to identify and provide separate quotas for more backward sub-groups within SCs</li> <li>○ The court emphasized that sub-classification must be carefully justified and cannot result in exclusive reservations for any single sub-class</li> <li>○ The court stated that the state must provide empirical data to justify sub-classification, showing that the sub-class in question is not adequately represented</li> <li>○ The court stated that sub-classification is only permissible if there is a reservation for both the sub-class and the larger class</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>SwetchaSAT payload</b></p> 	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aerospace start-up N Space Tech, based in Tenali, is set to launch its first payload in the SwetchaSAT-Vx series.</li> <li>• The SwetchaSAT-Vo will be aboard the Indian Space Research Organisation's (ISRO) Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV)-C60 mission.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The payload is <b>one of 24 being tested on the fourth stage of the PSLV rocket under the PSLV Orbital Experimental Module (POEM-4) platform.</b></li> <li>• The payload, developed entirely in-house by N Space Tech, is designed to advance communication technologies across a wide frequency range from <b>UHF (Ultra High Frequency) to Ku-bands (K-under).</b></li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Its indigenous communication, power, and payload subsystems emphasise local innovation and engineering. The key highlights of the <b>SwetchaSAT-V0 mission</b> is the <b>validation of an indigenously developed UHF communication module, which aims to strengthen global satellite communication systems.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Awards &amp; Honors: PM National Child Award 2025</b></p> 	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Andhra Pradesh skater <b>Jessy Raj Mathrapu</b> has won the prestigious <b>PM National Child Award</b> for 2025.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar (PMRBP) is an initiative <b>aimed at celebrating the remarkable energy, determination, ability, zeal, and enthusiasm of children in India.</b></li> <li>The awards will be <b>conferred by the Honorable President of India at New Delhi during a special ceremony/function held in January every year.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Person in news: Shyam Benegal</b></p> 	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chandrababu Naidu paid his respects to the esteemed filmmaker <b>Shyam Benegal</b>, honoring his significant contributions to Indian cinema.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shyam Benegal was an <b>Indian film director, screenwriter and documentary filmmaker.</b></li> <li>Often regarded as the pioneer of parallel cinema, he is widely considered as one of the greatest filmmakers post 1970s.</li> <li>He has received several accolades, including <b>eighteen National Film Awards, a Filmfare Award and a Nandi Award.</b></li> <li>In <b>2005</b>, he was honoured with the <b>Dadasaheb Phalke Award, India's highest award in the field of cinema.</b></li> <li>In <b>1976</b>, he was honoured by the Government of India with the <b>Padma Shri, the fourth-highest civilian honour of the country,</b> and in <b>1991</b>, he was awarded <b>Padma Bhushan, the third-highest civilian honour for his contributions in the field of arts.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>According to data from a private hospital around 10% of paediatric outpatients were found with HFMD symptoms in the past three months in Ongole.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hand, foot, and mouth disease (HFMD) is a <b>viral infection common in young children that causes painful red blisters in the mouth and throat, and on the hands, feet, and diaper area.</b></li> <li>HFMD is characterized by <b>blisters or sores in the mouth and a rash on the hands and feet.</b> The infection can affect people of all ages, but it usually <b>occurs in children under age 5.</b></li> </ul>



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Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease

- It's caused by viruses from the **non-polio Enterovirus** genus.
- **Transmission**
  - These viruses can spread from person to person through direct contact with unwashed hands or surfaces contaminated with faeces.
  - It can also be transmitted through contact with a person's saliva, stool, or respiratory secretions.

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ALL EXAMS,  
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