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<p>Algal Bloom</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INCOIS has identified nine major algal bloom hotspots along both the east and west coasts of India. These blooms occur due to a rapid increase in phytoplankton, including diatoms and cyanobacteria. • Some algal blooms can disrupt ecosystems, deplete oxygen levels, and produce toxins that harm aquatic life and impact human activities like fishing. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An algal bloom or marine bloom or water bloom is a rapid increase in the population of algae in an aquatic system. • Algal blooms may occur in freshwater as well as marine environments. • Blooms which can injure animals or the ecology are called "harmful algal blooms(HAB)" • Harmful Algal Bloom can lead to fish die-offs, cities cutting off water to residents, or states having to close fisheries. <p>About INCOIS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was established as an autonomous body in 1999 under the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) and is a unit of the Earth System Science Organization (ESSO). • Mandate: To provide the best possible ocean information and advisory services to society, industry, government agencies, and the scientific community through sustained ocean observations and constant improvements through systematic and focussed research. • Provides round-the-clock monitoring and warning services for the coastal population on tsunamis, storm surges, high waves, etc. through the in-house Indian Tsunami Early Warning Centre (ITEWC).
<p>Person in news: Ratan Naval Tata</p> 	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Telangana government will install a statue of Ratan Tata in Adibatla in recognition of his philanthropic activities. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ratan Naval Tata was a respected Indian businessman and former chairman of Tata Group, one of India's largest conglomerates. • He was awarded the Padma Bhushan in 2000 and the Padma Vibhushan in 2008.
<p>CtrlS AI data centres</p>	<p>Why in news?</p>



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<p>to generate over 3,000 jobs in Telangana</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The state government has entered into an MoU with CtrlS Datacenters Limited to set up an AI data center cluster in Telangana, with an investment of Rs 10,000 crore. The agreement was finalized during the World Economic Forum in Davos. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed cluster is likely to generate 3,600 jobs, directly and indirectly and contribute significantly to the state's economy through incremental tax revenues. The AI data centre cluster will not only enhance the state's IT capabilities but also create substantial employment opportunities, contributing to our vision of inclusive growth.
<p>Public distribution system (PDS)</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy announced that 70% of Telangana's population will be covered under the Public Distribution System (PDS). He also highlighted plans to issue white ration cards to all eligible individuals, benefiting around 40 lakh people across the state. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Public distribution system (PDS) is an Indian food Security System established under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food, and Public Distribution. PDS evolved as a system of management of scarcity through distribution of food grains at affordable prices. PDS is operated under the joint responsibility of the Central and the State Governments. Under the PDS, presently the commodities namely wheat, rice, sugar and kerosene are being allocated to the States/UTs for distribution. Some States/UTs also distribute additional items of mass consumption through the PDS outlets such as pulses, edible oils, iodized salt, spices, etc.



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