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Uranium	 Why in news? ■ The Human Rights Forum (HRF) has urged the Andhra Pradesh Government to pass a resolution in the State Assembly, clearly stating that no further efforts will be made to survey or explore uranium deposits in the Kappatralla Reserve Forest (RF) in Kurnool district.
	 Wey Points: Uranium (U) is a radioactive chemical element of the actinide series of the periodic table, atomic number 92. Uranium is a dense, hard metallic element that is silvery white in color. It is ductile, malleable, and capable of taking a high polish. Occurrence: Uranium occurs naturally in low concentrations in soil, rock and water and is commercially extracted from uranium-bearing minerals. Uranium occurs naturally in several minerals such as uraninite (pitchblende), brannerite and carnotite. It is also found in phosphate rock and monazite sands. Monazite sands occur on the east and west coasts and in some places in Bihar. But the largest concentration of monazite sand is on the Kerala coast. Applications: Uranium that has a silvery grey metallic appearance is mainly used in nuclear power plants due to its unique nuclear properties. Uranium is found in the Kadapa district and YSR district of Andhra Pradesh. The Tummalapalle area in the Kadapa district has large uranium deposits.
Species in news: Olive Ridley Turtles	 Why in news? Several endangered Olive Ridley turtle carcasses have been discovered floating in the open sea and washing up along the West Godavari coastline.
	 Key Points: They are the smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles found in the world. Scientific Name: Lepidochelys olivacea They are best known for their unique mass nesting, called Arribada, where thousands of females come together on the same beach to lay eggs. Distribution:

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	 Odisha's Gahirmatha Marine Sanctuary is known as the world's largest rookery (a colony of breeding animals) of sea turtles. Conservation Status: IUCN Red List: Vulnerable Wildlife Protection Act, 1972: Schedule 1 CITES: Appendix I
Swarna Andhra Pradesh Vision 2047	 Why in news? Sri Rama Bhakta Jana Brundam has requested Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu to incorporate the development of the Vontimitta Sri Kodandarama Swamy temple into the Swarna Andhra Pradesh Vision 2047. The proposed initiatives aim to enhance the temple's significance through infrastructure improvements, spiritual activities, and better transport connectivity.
	 Goal: The Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP) aims to transform the state into a \$2.4 trillion economy by 2047, with a per capita income target of \$43,000. According to Swarnandhra Vision 2047, the heart of the vision lies a powerful promise captured in three words 'Arogya, Aishwarya, Ananda' (Health, Wealth, Happiness). Initiative: To achieve this, GoAP is developing a comprehensive roadmap under the "Swarna Andhra@2047" initiative. Alignment: This initiative aligns with the national vision of "Viksit Bharat@2047," which aims to make India a developed country by 2047. Growth Target: The state is aiming for an annual growth rate of 15% to realize this transformation.
	 About Viksit Bharat 2047' The 'Viksit Bharat 2047' agenda is a comprehensive vision plan by the Government of India, aiming to transform India into a developed nation by the year 2047, marking the 100th anniversary of its independence. The vision encompasses various aspects of development, including economic growth, social progress, environmental sustainability, and good governance. The four pillars of Viksit Bharat are Yuva (Youth), Garib (Poor), Mahila (Women) and Kisan (Framers).
Public-Private-People Partnership" (P4) system	 Why in news? Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu announced that the 'P4 policy' will be implemented starting from Ugadi. The policy aims to reduce poverty by encouraging the top 10% of the wealthiest sections of society to support the bottom 20%.



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Key Points

- "Public-Private-People Partnership" (P4) system is an expanded version of the traditional Public-Private Partnership (PPP). In this model:
 - Public sector (government) and private companies collaborate, as in a PPP.
 - However, it also actively involves the local community or citizens ("people").
 - The community participates in the planning, development, and management of projects or services.
 - The goal is to promote greater inclusivity and community ownership in both decision-making and the distribution of benefits.

National Green Tribunal (NGT)

Why in news?

Officials are racing against the clock to adhere to the NGT's directive to demolish 434 illegal agua ponds in Konaseema.

Key Points:

- NGT has been established under the National Green Tribunal Act 2010 for effective and expeditious disposal of cases relating to environmental protection and conservation of forests and other natural resources.
- New Delhi is the principal place of sitting of the tribunal and Bhopal, Pune, Kolkata, and Chennai shall be the other four places of sitting of the tribunal.
- Powers: The NGT has the power to hear all civil cases relating to environmental issues and questions that are linked to the implementation of laws listed in Schedule I of the NGT Act.
- NGT has appellate jurisdiction to hear appeals as a Court.









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