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<p>Polavaram Project</p> 	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Polavaram Project R&R authorities are speeding up the reconciliation of the Socio-economic Survey-2023 for 14,000 affected families before seeking Grama Sabha approval to begin their rehabilitation from the project's submergence area in Alluri Sitharama Raju district. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is an under-construction multi-purpose irrigation project on the Godavari River in the Eluru District and East Godavari District in Andhra Pradesh. The project has been accorded National project status by the Union Government of India. Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of Irrigation, Hydropower and drinking water facilities in East Godavari, Visakhapatnam, West Godavari and Krishna districts of Andhra Pradesh. The project envisages the generation of 960 MW of hydropower, drinking water supply to a population of 28.50 lacks in 611 villages The ultimate irrigation potential of the project is 4.368 lakh ha. The project implements the Godavari-Krishna link under the Interlinking of Rivers project. It envisages the transfer of 80TMC of surplus Godavari water to river Krishna which will be shared between Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra.
<p>Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), under the Ministry of Power, is leading the nationwide implementation of Mission LiFE. As part of this effort, BEE has introduced the 'Pro Planet People Initiative' (PPPI) to strengthen India's commitment to sustainable economic growth and climate action. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was established in 2002 under the provisions of the Energy Conservation Act, 2001. Objective: The primary objective of BEE is to reduce energy intensity in the Indian economy. Function and Duties <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It coordinates with designated consumers,



	<p>designated agencies and other organizations; recognizes, identifies and utilizes the existing resources and infrastructure, in performing the functions assigned to it under the Energy Conservation Act.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The EC Act provides for regulatory and promotional functions which are assigned to the organisation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Power <p>About Mission LiFE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mission LiFE, or Lifestyle for Environment, is an India-led global mass movement to nudge individual and community action to protect and preserve the environment. ● It was launched by the Indian Prime Minister at the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) in Glasgow in November 2021. ● It emboldens the spirit of the P3 model, i.e. Pro Planet People. ● It will showcase sustainable goals and climate actions taken by countries and individuals around the world.
<p>NTR Bharosa Pension Scheme</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu disbursed pensions to the beneficiaries under the NTR Bharosa scheme in the Gangadhara Nellore Assembly constituency. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The NTR Bharosa Pension Scheme is a state-sponsored initiative by the Andhra Pradesh government aimed at offering financial support to its citizens who are elderly, disabled, or widowed. ● The scheme ensures monthly pension payouts to eligible beneficiaries, reducing their dependency on others. ● Monthly pension amounts have been raised to Rs 4,000 for elderly individuals, widows, weavers, single women, fishermen, and transgender individuals.
<p>Swarna Andhra Pradesh Vision 2047</p>	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The A.P. Chambers' president, P. Bhaskara Rao, stated that the State Budget has laid the foundation for realizing the Swarna Andhra Vision 2047 by allocating funds for developmental activities and fulfilling the commitments, including the Super Six initiatives. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 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.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 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. <p>About Viksit Bharat 2047'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 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 (Farmers).
Adarana Scheme	<p>Why in news?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● While presenting the Budget in the Assembly, Finance Minister Payyavula Keshav announced that the State government had decided to relaunch the 'Adarana' scheme, which had previously supported artisans, craftsmen, and other traditional occupations. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Launched in 2016, the Adarana Scheme aimed to empower traditional artisans in the state by providing financial assistance and technical support. ● This initiative benefited approximately 1,07,000 artisans, leading to the creation of over 1,29,000 sustainable livelihoods. ● In an effort to boost the livelihoods of traditional artisans in Andhra Pradesh, the state government launched the Adarana 2 Scheme in 2018. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The scheme aims to provide financial assistance and technical support to artisans to upgrade their skills, tools and technologies, and to create sustainable livelihoods in the handloom, handicrafts, and small-scale industries. ○ Under the Adarana 2 Scheme, artisans can avail of financial assistance of up to Rs. 1 lakh for the purchase of raw materials, tools, and equipment, and



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	<p>up to Rs. 10 lakhs for the establishment of micro-enterprises.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The scheme also provides technical support to artisans, such as training in product design, marketing, and branding, and assistance in obtaining loans and insurance.
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