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Telangana State Regional News

| Heat waves | Why in news? ■ A severe heatwave continues to grip Telangana, with temperatures soaring above 40°C in 28 out of the 33 districts, according to data from the Telangana Development Planning Society (TGDPS). |
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| | Key Points: Heat waves are prolonged periods of excessively hot weather that can cause adverse impacts on human health, the environment, and the economy. In India IMD defines heatwave based on the following criteria. Physiography of regions |
| Glaucoma | Why in news? • Approximately 600 people participated in the glaucoma awareness walk in Hyderabad. |
| | Key Points: Glaucoma is a group of eye conditions that damage the optic nerve, the health of which is vital for good vision. This damage is often caused by abnormally high pressure in the eye and can lead to blindness if not treated. Glaucoma can be detected through comprehensive eye exams that include measuring eye pressure, inspecting the drainage angle of the eye, assessing the optic nerve for damage, and testing the peripheral vision. Treatment options for glaucoma include medications (eye drops), laser treatment, and surgery, aimed at lowering eye pressure to prevent further damage to the optic nerve. |
| Rajiv Yuva Vikasam scheme | Why in news? ■ The application process for Rajiv Yuva Vikasam would be formally launched by Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, BC Welfare Minister Ponnam Prabhakar and others. |



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 The Scheme is a golden opportunity for unemployed youth from Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), Backward Classes (BC).

Key Points:

- Under the Rajiv Yuva Vikasam scheme, a landmark initiative providing ₹3 lakh in financial assistance to unemployed youth from SC, ST, BC, and minority communities, the program aims to promote self-employment.
- Financial Aid: Up to ₹3 lakh per beneficiary for starting self-employment ventures.
- Subsidy Structure: Varies based on loan amount (60%–80% subsidy).
- Target Beneficiaries: 5 lakh unemployed youth from marginalized communities.
- The government has categorised loans into three segments under the scheme:
 - Category 1: Loans up to Rs 1 lakh with an 80% subsidy; the remaining 20% will be borne by the beneficiary or arranged through bank linkage.
 - Category 2: Loans ranging from Rs 1 lakh to Rs 2 lakh with a 70% subsidy.
 - Category 3: Loans up to Rs 3 lakh with a 60% subsidy.

Market Borrowings

Why in news?

• The Telangana Government appears to have decided to go slow on raising open market borrowings the quantum of which has been mounting every passing year.

Key Points:

- Market borrowings are a primary source of funding for the government's fiscal deficit and the gap between state government expenditures and revenues.
- The government borrows through the issue of government securities, such as **G-secs and Treasury Bills**.
- The government can also borrow from other sources, including:
 Small savings funds, State provident funds, External assistance, and Short-term borrowings.

Person in news: Sri Potti Sriramulu



Why in news?

 Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Bandi Sanjay Kumar, condemned the Telangana government's reported move to remove freedom fighter Potti Sreeramulu's name from the Hyderabad-based Telugu University, calling it an insult to the patriot and Gandhian.

Key Points:

- Potti Sriramulu was born on March 16, 1901, in Madras Presidency (present-day Nellore, Andhra Pradesh).
- He became a pivotal figure in the struggle for a separate



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Telugu-speaking linguistic state.

- He embarked on a hunger strike in 1952, demanding the creation of Andhra Pradesh, separate from the Madras Presidency.
- After his death, the Prime Minister announced the formation of Andhra Pradesh on 19 December 1952, while given statehood on November 1, 1956.





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