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# **Telangana State Regional News**

# Chief Minister's Overseas Scholarship Scheme for Minorities

## Why in news?

 Telangana Government has agreed to convene a meeting of all political parties to elicit their views on the implementation of the Overseas Scholarship Scheme for students and evolve mechanism to ensure that only genuinely poor are benefited from the government-sponsored incentive.

# **Key Points:**

- The scheme "Chief Minister's Overseas Scholarship Scheme for Minorities" was launched by the Minorities Welfare Department, Government of Telangana in the year 2015-16 for students belonging to the Minority community to pursue Higher Studies in Post Graduate Courses in Foreign Universities.
- Financial Assistance under this Scheme for studies abroad will be sanctioned to 500 minority students/graduates per year to pursue Postgraduate/Doctoral studies abroad.
- The assistance amount will be sanctioned to the individual towards fees and living expenses by way of a grant subject to his / her joining the course, which shall be issued to the candidates selected by the Selection Committee.
- The sanction proceedings can be made use of by the candidates for obtaining a Visa from the respective Embassy.
- The awardees are permitted to supplement their prescribed allowances by undertaking a Research/Teaching Assistantship.
   One-way ticket fare shall be paid to the selected candidates.

# Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal (KWDT)

#### Why in news?

 When the final arguments before the Brijesh Kumar Tribunal resumed, the Telangana counsel alleged that AP was not seeking even a drop of water for projects inside Krishna basin.

#### **Key Points:**

- In 1969, the Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal (KWDT) was set up under the Inter-State River Water Dispute
  Act, 1956, and presented its report in 1973.
- At the same time, it was stipulated that the KWDT order may be reviewed or revised by a competent authority or tribunal any time after 31st May, 2000.

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	The second KWDT was instituted in 2004. It delivered its report in 2010, which made allocations of the Krishna water at 65 % dependability and for surplus flows as follows: 81 TMC for Maharashtra, 177 TMC for Karnataka, and 190 TMC for Andhra Pradesh.
Tuberculosis (TB)	Why in news? Telangana has been recognised for its outstanding performance in tuberculosis (TB) testing, winning the Best National Performance Award in NAAT (Nucleic Acid Amplification Test) testing during the 100-Day 'TB Mukt Bharat Abhiyan' campaign.
	<ul> <li>Key Points:         <ul> <li>Tuberculosis (TB) is a bacterial infection spread through inhaling tiny droplets from the coughs or sneezes of an infected person.</li> <li>It mainly affects the lungs, but it can affect any part of the body, including the tummy (abdomen), glands, bones and nervous system.</li> <li>India's National TB Elimination Programme is strengthened to meet the goal of ending the TB epidemic by 2025 from the country, five years ahead of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) for 2030.</li> <li>The National Strategic Plan for Tuberculosis Elimination(2017-2025) was developed to achieve the goal.</li> <li>Though the National Strategic Plan for Tuberculosis Elimination (2017-2025) outlined a paradigm shift in approach and strategy to achieve the ambitious goal, by 2020, it became clear that the NSP will not be able to meet these objectives.</li> <li>A new National Strategic Plan for Tuberculosis Elimination (2020-2025) to end TB was launched.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Avian influenza	Why in news?  • Following the emergence of bird flu in the erstwhile Nalgonda district, chicken sales and prices have declined.
	<ul> <li>Key Points:         <ul> <li>Avian influenza, or bird flu, is a highly contagious viral infection that primarily affects birds.</li> <li>The H5N1 avian influenza virus was first detected in 1996 in China ('H' and 'N' stand for hemagglutinin &amp; neuraminidase, the proteins on the virus's surface that regulate entry and exit in host cells).</li> <li>These viruses (Type A) occur naturally among wild aquatic birds worldwide and can infect domestic poultry and other bird and animal species.</li> <li>Migrating waterfowl, most notably wild ducks, are the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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natural carriers of bird flu viruses.

- Strains of avian influenza viruses can generally be classified into two categories:
  - Low pathogenicity avian influenza (LPAI) that typically causes little or no clinical signs;
  - High pathogenicity avian influenza (HPAI) can cause severe clinical signs and possible high mortality rates.
- cases of H5N1 avian influenza Human occasionally, but it is difficult to transmit the infection from person to person.





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