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<p><b>NTR Vaidya Seva scheme</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The NTR Vaidya Seva association has requested the release of pending dues to the network hospitals.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Dr. Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao Vaidya Seva scheme is a health insurance program in Andhra Pradesh that <b>provides financial assistance to the poor.</b></li> <li>The scheme provides up to <b>₹25 lakhs in coverage per family per year.</b></li> <li><b>Eligibility</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BPL families identified by the Civil Supplies Department are eligible.</li> <li>People with a photo and name on a BPL ration card and suffering from certain diseases are also eligible.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The scheme offers <b>free medical tests in government hospitals, free follow-up medicines for 138 procedures, and a postoperative sustenance allowance.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Waqf (Amendment) Bill 2024</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Andhra Pradesh Waqf Board Chairman Abdul Azeez stated that the coalition government will exert pressure on the Central government regarding the proposed Waqf Amendment Bill.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Waqf (Amendment) Bill 2024, introduced in the Lok Sabha on August 8, 2024, proposes significant changes to the governance and management of Waqf properties in India.</li> <li>This legislation seeks to <b>amend the Waqf Act of 1995, aiming to enhance transparency, accountability, and efficiency in the administration of Waqf properties</b> while addressing long-standing issues within the system.</li> <li>A Waqf is a <b>property donated by Muslims for a specific religious, charitable, or private purpose.</b></li> <li><b>Key Changes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Waqf Amendment (Bill) 2024 proposes changing the name of the parent Act from the Waqf Act of 1995 to the Unified Waqf Management, Empowerment, Efficiency, and Development Act of 1995.</li> <li><b>Government Property:</b> Government properties identified as waqf will revert to state ownership. The District Collector will determine ownership in disputed cases.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Waqf Property Determination:</b> The Waqf Board's power to determine waqf properties is removed.</li> <li>○ <b>Waqf Survey:</b> Collectors will conduct waqf surveys under state revenue laws.</li> <li>○ <b>Tribunal Composition:</b> Muslim law experts are removed. Tribunals will include a District Court judge and a state officer of joint secretary rank.</li> </ul>
<b>NTR Bharosa Pension Scheme</b>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A total of 2.65 lakh beneficiaries in Chittoor district are set to receive NTR Bharosa pensions.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The NTR Bharosa Pension Scheme is a state-sponsored initiative by the Andhra Pradesh government aimed at <b>offering financial support to its citizens who are elderly, disabled, or widowed.</b></li> <li>● The scheme ensures monthly pension payouts to eligible beneficiaries, reducing their dependency on others.</li> <li>● Monthly pension amounts have been raised to <b>Rs 4,000 for elderly individuals, widows, weavers, single women, fishermen, and transgender individuals.</b></li> </ul>
<b>Public-Private-People Partnership" (P4) Policy</b>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu launched the P4 (Public-Private-People Partnership) initiative in Amaravati on Ugadi, calling it an extraordinary program aimed at uplifting the underprivileged.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 'P4' stands for '<b>Public, Private, People Partnership</b>', and achieving '<b>zero poverty</b>' is one of the '<b>Padi Sutralu</b>' (10 principles) of <b>Swarna Andhra-2047.</b></li> <li>● A "<b>Public-Private-People Partnership</b>" (P4) system is an expanded version of the traditional <b>Public-Private Partnership (PPP).</b></li> <li>● In this model: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Public sector (government) and private companies collaborate, as in a PPP.</li> <li>○ However, it also actively involves the local community or citizens ("people").</li> <li>○ The community participates in the planning, development, and management of projects or services.</li> <li>○ The goal is to promote greater inclusivity and community ownership in both decision-making and the distribution of benefits.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Solar Power</b>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Union Minister of State for Power and New and Renewable Energy, Shripad Naik, inaugurated a 1 MW solar park at the Andhra Pradesh MedTech Zone (AMTZ), marking the launch of phase II of the zone's renewable energy initiative.</li> </ul>



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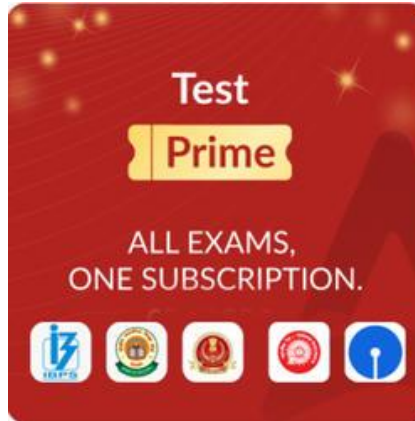
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### Key Points:

- Solar power, also known as **solar electricity**, is the conversion of **energy from sunlight into electricity**, either directly using **photovoltaics (PV) or indirectly using concentrated solar power**.
- Solar energy is captured through three main technologies: photovoltaics (PV), converting light to electricity; concentrating solar power (CSP), utilising the sun's heat for electric turbines; and solar heating and cooling (SHC) systems, gathering thermal energy for hot water, air heating, or conditioning.
- Solar panels use the **photovoltaic effect to convert light into an electric current**.
- There are two primary ways solar energy is harnessed -
  - Direct conversion into electricity using photovoltaics.
  - Capturing heat from the sun's rays to generate electricity indirectly.



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