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National and International News

Crime	and	Criminal
Tracking		Network
Systems (CCTNS)		

Why in the news?

 Ahead of the implementation of the new criminal laws, the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network Systems (CCTNS) has undergone at least 23 modifications.

About CCTNS:

- CCTNS is an ambitious project initiated by the **Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)**.
- Launched in 2009 under the National e-Governance Plan (NeGP).
- It aims to create a comprehensive and integrated system for effective policing through e-Governance.
- Objective:
 - Enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of policing by adopting a principle of a "single source of truth" for crime and criminal data.
 - Facilitate the collection, storage, retrieval, analysis, transfer, and sharing of crime and criminal data.
- Key Features:
 - Integration of data across all police stations in the country.
 - **Real-time access** to classified criminal data for authorized personnel.
 - Web-based and mobile-friendly interface for better accessibility.

Components:

- Centralized database accessible by state and national level law enforcement agencies.
- Online interface for citizens to lodge complaints and check the status of their complaints.





eSakshya (e-evidence)	Why in the news?	
арр	 Days ahead of implementing the three new criminal laws, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) is testing eSakshya (e- evidence), a mobile-based application. 	
	About eSakshya app:	
	 eSakshya (e-evidence) is a mobile-based application developed by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA). 	
	It is designed to assist law enforcement in the digital recording	
	and management of crime scene evidence.	
	 Key Features: Crime Scene Recording: Allows police to digitally document crime scenes using their mobile devices. 	
	 Search and Seizure: Facilitates the proper recording of search and seizure operations. 	
	 Cloud Storage: Provides a secure cloud-based platform for storing and accessing evidence files. 	
ULLAS-Nav Bharat	Why in the news?	
Saaksharta Karyakram	Recently, Ladakh became the first administrative unit to achieve	
	full functional literacy under the ULLAS-Nav Bharat Saaksharta	
	Karyakram (New India Literacy Program).	
	About ULLAS-Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram:	
	ULLAS-Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram is an initiative aimed at	
	achieving universal literacy in India.	
	Objective: To provide functional literacy and basic education to	
	all non-literate and neo-literate adults in the country.	
	Target Audience:	
	 Non-literate adults. 	
	 Neo-literate individuals who require further education to sustain their literacy skills. 	
	Key Components:	
	 Functional Literacy: Basic reading, writing, and arithmetic skills. 	
	 Vocational Skills: Training to enhance employability. 	
	 Awareness Programs: Promoting awareness on various social issues. 	





Space MAITRI Mission	Why in the news?		
	 Recently, the Australian government signed an \$18 million memorandum of understanding (MoU) with NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), the commercial arm of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), under the space MAITRI mission. 		
	About Space MAITRI Mission:		
	 Space MAITRI aims to enhance collaboration and promote sustainable and responsible practices in space operations between India and Australia. 		
	Objective: Foster closer ties between commercial, institutional, and		
	governmental space organizations from both nations. • Focus Areas:		
	 Debris management and sustainability. 		
	 Promoting responsible space operations. 		
	 Mitigating the growing threat of space debris. 		
	Notable Project:		
	 Under this agreement, NSIL will launch Australia's Space Machines Company's second Optimus spacecraft in 2026. 		
	 It will be launched on ISRO's Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV). 		
World Drug Report	Why in the news?		
2024	 The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime released its annual World Drug Report. 		





Key points:

- Annual Report:
 - Released by the **UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)**.
 - Warns of rising drug use and trafficking.
- International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking:
 - Commemorated on June 26, known as World Drug Day.
 - Aims to increase action towards a drug-free world.
- **2024 Campaign Focus**: Emphasizes drug policies based on science, research, human rights, compassion, and understanding social, economic, and health implications of drug use.
- **Emerging Threats**: Increase in overdose deaths due to **nitazenes**, a group of **synthetic opioids** more dangerous than fentanyl, in several high-income countries.
- Golden Triangle:
 - Drug traffickers integrate into other illegal markets, affecting displaced, poor, and migrant communities.
 - **Environmental degradation** due to deforestation, toxic waste dumping, and chemical contamination from illegal activities.

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