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Maharashtra State Specific News

Hyperlocal weather forecasting system for Mumbai	 Why in the news? IIT Bombay launches a hyperlocal weather forecasting system for Mumbai.
	About Hyperlocal weather forecasting system for Mumbai:
	Project Overview:
	 Developed by a team from the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT-B).
	 Hyperlocal weather forecasting system for Mumbai.
	 Collaboration with MCGM Centre for Municipal Capacity
	Building and Research (MCMCR).
	Features:
	 Provides precise predictions for specific neighbourhoods, streets, and areas across Mumbai.
	 Augments existing weather data from Indian Meteorology Department's (IMD) observatories in Colaba, Santacruz, and
	 Utilizes data from over 60 automatic weather stations and
	rainfall monitoring stations in Mumbai and its suburbs.
	 Offers hourly rainfall predictions for the next 24 hours.
	 Daily forecasts available for the following three days.
	Additional Services:
	 Provides flood alerts using water level measurements from sensors at critical locations (e.g., Mithi River, Vakola Nala).
	 Incorporates crowdsourced data from citizens.
Mukhya Mantri	Why in the news?
Warkari Sampradaya Mahamandal	 The Maharashtra government has announced a new initiative to provide pensions to senior citizens participating in the age-old tradition of Wari or Dindi pilgrimages to Pandharpur.
	About Mukhya Mantri Warkari Sampradaya Mahamandal: • Social justice department established the 'Mukhya Mantri Warkari Sampradaya Mahamandal' to oversee the initiative.





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	Corporation Details:
	 Headquartered: Pandharpur
	 Initial allocation of ₹50 crore.
	 Aim: to support Kirtankars, Warkaris, and Bhajani Mandals.
	 Manages Palkhi routes.
	Annual Pilgrimage: Lakhs of Warkaris participate in the pilgrimage
	to Pandharpur, culminating on Ashadhi Ekadashi.
Vishalgad Fort	Why in the news?
	Police arrest 21 people day after anti-encroachment drive turns violent
	at Vishalgad Fort.
	About Vishalgad Fort:
	Location:
	 Vishalgad Fort is located in Maharashtra, India.
	 Situated in the Kolhapur district, near the town of Shahuwadi.
	Historical Significance:
	 Originally known as Khelna or Khilna Fort.
	 Renamed Vishalgad by Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj after its
	capture in 1659.
	 Served as a strategic fortification in the Maratha Empire.
	Architectural Features:
	 The fort has a complex structure with strong walls and bastions.
	 Includes several gateways, the most notable being the
	Amruteshwar Gate.
	Notable Events:
	 Famous for the Battle of Vishalgad (1660), where Maratha
	forces under Chatrapti Shivaji Maharaj successfully defended
	the fort against the Adilshahi forces.
	• It is maintained as a protected monument by the Archaeological
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