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National & International News

Tele MANAS	Why in the news?
Tele MANAS	 Why in the news? A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) and the Ministry of Defence (MoD) to collaborate on operating a special cell of Tele MANAS.
	 Full-Form: Tele Mental Health Assistance and Networking Across States. Launch Date: October 10, 2022 (World Mental Health Day). Objective: To provide mental health support and care through telecommunication. Ministry: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. Target Audience: Individuals experiencing mental health issues across India, especially in remote and underserved areas. Accessibility: Available via a toll-free helpline number (14416) and a mobile app.
TRISHNA mission	Why in the news? • ISRO announced details of its collaboration with the French national space agency CNES for the upcoming TRISHNA mission.
	 About TRISHNA mission: TRISHNA stands for Thermal infraRed Imaging Satellite for High-resolution Natural Resource Assessment. Purpose: The mission aims to monitor water usage and management, surface temperature, and vegetation stress by capturing high-resolution thermal infrared images. Launch Year: The mission is planned to be launched in 2024. Orbit: TRISHNA will be placed in a low Earth orbit (LEO) to provide detailed data on a global scale. Applications:



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	 Water Resources: Assessing and managing water bodies, including lakes and rivers. Urban Planning: Analyzing urban heat islands and helping in urban planning. Climate Studies: Contributing to climate change research by providing accurate surface temperature data. Data Resolution: The satellite aims to provide data with a spatial resolution of 50 meters and revisit every three days.
None Of The Above (NOTA)	Why in the news? ■ The "None of the Above" (NOTA) option has become the runner-up in Madhya Pradesh's Indore constituency, receiving a record-breaking 2,18,674 votes, the highest-ever tally for NOTA.
	 About NOTA: The concept of None Of The Above (NOTA) allows voters to reject all candidates in an election. Implementation in India:
	Purpose:
Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC)	 Why in news? The United States and the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) have announced a new phase of defense working groups, to be established in Saudi Arabia. This initiative aims to enhance US-GCC cooperation and integrate missile defense systems to counter shared air and maritime threats.
	About GCC: • Establishment: Founded on May 25, 1981.





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	 Member Countries: Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain, and Oman. Headquarters: Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Objective: To promote cooperation between the six states in economic, security, cultural, and social sectors. Additionally, an annual summit is held to discuss regional affairs and enhance collaboration.
Neo	 Why in the news? Recent research has discovered a novel protein named "Neo," which plays a crucial role in bacterial defense mechanisms against viral infections, particularly bacteriophages.
	 About Neo: Researchers Stephen Tang and Samuel Sternberg, while working on Klebsiella pneumoniae, reported the discovery of 'Neo' in a 2023 preprint paper on bioRxiv. 'Neo' represents a potential biotechnological tool for controlling viral infections.

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