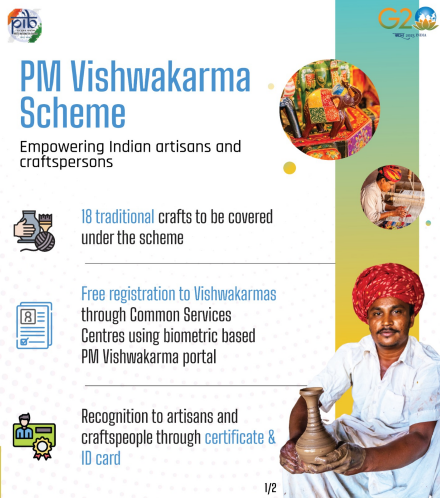




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PM Vishwakarma portal



In News: Over 2,000 artisans, craftsmen register on PM Vishwakarma portal

- Union Minister of State for New and Renewable Energy, Bhagwanth Khuba, lauded artisans and craftsmen for their dedication to their work and their contribution to society.

Key Points:

- The PM Vishwakarma portal is a one-stop online platform for artisans and craftspeople to access a range of government services and benefits.
- The portal was launched in 2020 by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) as part of the Pradhan Mantri Vishwakarma Yojana (PMVY) scheme.
- The PMVY scheme is a central sector scheme that provides holistic and end-to-end support to artisans and craftspeople.
- The scheme aims to improve the skills, productivity, and income of artisans and craftspeople, and to help them integrate into the global supply chain.

Water to be released to 77 tanks in Kurnool district

Handri-Neeva Sujala Sravanthi (HNSS) project



In News: CM Jagan to release water to 77 tanks in Kurnool district

- All arrangements are in place for the release of water to 77 tanks in Kurnool.
- **Water will be released from the HNSS project** to those tanks, benefiting 57 villages in Pattikonda, Dhone, Aluru and Panyam Assembly segments.

Key points:

- The **Handri-Neeva Sujala Sravanthi (HNSS)** project is a major irrigation and drinking water project in Andhra Pradesh, India.
- It is designed to lift flood water from the **Krishna River** at Srisailem Reservoir and transfer it to the drought-prone Rayalaseema region.

The project has two phases:


- **Phase I:** Provides irrigation to 6.025 lakh acres (2.438 lakh hectares) in the districts of Kurnool, Ananthapuramu, Chittoor, and Kadapa, and drinking water to 33 lakh people in 81 mandals.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Phase II: Provides irrigation to 4.045 lakh acres (1.64 lakh hectares) in the districts of Anantapur, Kadapa, and Chittoor, and drinking water to 23 lakh people in 293 villages.
<p>Indian Swachhata League 2.0</p> 	<p>In News:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Around 3,000 youngsters take part in Indian Swachhata League 2.0. ● Swachh Andhra Corporation Managing Director - Gandham Chandrudu. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Indian Swachhata League 2.0 is India's first inter-city competition led by youth towards building Garbage Free Cities under Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0. ● It was launched in 2022 and the second edition is scheduled to be held on September 17, 2023, Seva Diwas.
<p>'Jagan Anna Suraksha' intensified across AP</p>	<p>In news:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Health wing authorities have intensified the door-to-door health screening camp - Jagan Anna Suraksha - across the AP state. ● AP health dept had earlier introduced the family physician concept and now has come up with the concept of door-to-door health check-up. <p>About Jagan Anna Suraksha</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Aim - screening each and every household in the state and prepare their basic health chart. ● Jagan Anna Suraksha is a programme aimed at bringing quality healthcare to the doorsteps of the public. ● Under this scheme, volunteers, health secretaries, ANMs and other health workers started visiting households from September 15. ● They are registering the details of every person with digital health IDs. <p>Did you know?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7 key diagnostics including serum creatinine, urine analysis, diabetes profile, complete blood picture and others are done. ● The tests will help screen patients with chronic and long-term diseases.



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The Federation of Minor Minerals Industry (FEMMI) and NITI Aayog



Key Points about FEMMI:

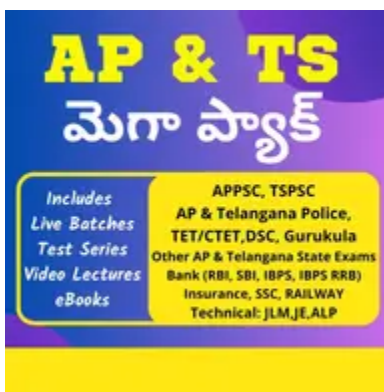
- The Federation of Minor Minerals Industry (FEMMI) is an apex body that represents the interests of the minor minerals industry in India
- It was established in 1997 and is headquartered in New Delhi.
- FEMMI has over 1000 members, including companies, associations, and individuals involved in the mining, processing, and trading of minor minerals.

In News:

- FEMMI urges NITI Aayog for uniform mineral policy across India
- The Federation of Minor Minerals Industry (FEMMI) national general secretary C. H. Rao urged NITI Aayog to implement a uniform mineral policy across India in the name of '**One Nation-One Mineral-One Tax**' system.
- This move is supposed to ensure supply of minerals in a transparent and simplified manner which would ensure speedy growth of industries in the country.

Key Points about NITI Aayog:

- NITI Aayog, or the National Institution for Transforming India, is a government think tank that was established in 2015 to replace the Planning Commission.
- It is the apex public policy think tank of the Government of India
- NITI Aayog is chaired by the Prime Minister of India, and its members include the Chief Ministers of all states and union territories, as well as other experts and representatives from various sectors



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