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# **Andhra Pradesh State Regional News**

# Veligonda project probably to miss the deadline



#### In News:

The Veligonda project may miss the December 2023 deadline because of slow progression of work.

### About the project

- The Veligonda Project was designed to provide Krishna water to the parched parts of Prakasam, Nellore and Kadapa districts.
- It is a major irrigation project.
- The project is designed to draw 43.50 tmcft of flood water from the foreshore of the Srisailam reservoir at Kollam Vega by gravity dam
- It has capacity to irrigate 4.47 lakh acres and provide drinking water to 15.20 lakh people in the fluoride-affected areas spread across 30 mandals in the three districts.

### Did you know?

- The project consists of Three dams across the Krishna River:
   Nallamala Sagar Dam, Sunkesula Dam, and Gottipadia Dam
- Two tunnels to divert water from the Srisailam Reservoir to the Nallamala Sagar Reservoir
- Three canals: Teegaleru Canal, Gottipadia Canal, and Eastern Canal

# World Alzheimer's Day

#### Context:

# September is observed as World Alzheimer's Month.

# Key facts

- In this month, programs are organized all over the world to raise awareness, remove the stigma
- Also to build appropriate support systems for dementia.

#### About blue button movement

- It is a global initiative to raise awareness and support for people living with dementia, especially Alzheimer's disease.
- It was launched in 2014 by the Alzheimer's Association on World Alzheimer's Day.
- It is celebrated on September 21st each year.

#### Did you know?

The movement is symbolized by the blue button, which is a universal symbol of hope and support for people living with dementia.

# Land Regularization

### In News:

2.3k acres of prohibited land regularized by district administration in Guntur district Put an end to the decades-old problem.

### **Key Points:**

- State cabinet decided to amend the Andhra Pradesh Assigned Lands (Prohibition of Transfers) Act, 1977,
- It conferred full rights to those in possession of government-assigned lands for more than 20 years.



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	<ul> <li>The Andhra Pradesh Assigned Lands (Prohibition of Transfers) Act, 1977 (Act No. 9 of 1977) Act passed to prohibit the transfer of certain lands assigned to landless poor persons in the state.</li> <li>The act defines "assigned land" as any land which has been assigned to a landless poor person by the government for the purpose of cultivation or as a house site.</li> <li>The act prohibits the transfer of assigned land in any manner, including by sale, gift, lease, mortgage, or exchange.</li> </ul>
Ongole Hospital to get Critical Care Unit worth RS 23.75 crore under PM Abhiyan Programme	<ul> <li>In News: Ongole GGH to get Critical Care Unit worth RS 23.75 crore</li> <li>Key facts: <ul> <li>Plans anvil for the construction of the newly sanctioned 'Critical Care Unit' at Ongole-Government General Hospital (GGH-RIMS).</li> <li>The facility will be constructed under the 'PM Abhiyan' programme to provide better service to infants .</li> <li>Under the program, the Union and State governments have sanctioned Rs 23.75 crore in 60:40 ratio</li> <li>The necessary medical manpower will also be provided immediately after the building construction is completed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
PM Atma Nirbhar Swasth Bharat Yojana	<ul> <li>Context: <ul> <li>'Prime Minister AtmanirbharSwasth Bharat Yojana' (PMASBY) scheme was announced on 1st February, 2021, with an outlay of about Rs.64,180 Cr over six years (till FY 25-26).</li> <li>This will be in addition to the National Health Mission.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The main interventions under the scheme to be achieved by FY 25-26 are: <ul> <li>Support for 17,788 rural Health and Wellness Centres in in 10 High Focus States</li> <li>Establishing 11,024 urban Health and Wellness Centres in all the States.</li> <li>Setting up of Integrated Public Health Labs in all districts and 3382 Block Public Health Units in11 High Focus states;</li> <li>Establishing Critical Care Hospital Blocks in 602 districts and 12 Central Institutions;</li> <li>Strengthening of the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), its 5 regional branches and 20 metropolitan health surveillance units;</li> <li>Expansion of the Integrated Health Information Portal to all States/UTs to connect all public health labs;</li> <li>Operationalisation of 17 new Public Health Units and strengthening of 33 existing Public Health Units at Points of Entry, that is at 32 Airports, 11 Seaports and 7 land-crossings;</li> <li>Setting up of 15 Health Emergency Operation Centres and 2 mobile hospitals; and</li> <li>Setting up of a national institution for One Health, a Regional Research Platform for WHO South East Asia Region, 9 Bio-Safety Level III laboratories and 4 regionalNational Institutes for Virology.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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## PM surakshit matritva **Abhiyan**

## **Key Points:**

- Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA) is a government of India initiative launched in June 2016
- The initiative launched to provide assured, comprehensive, and quality antenatal care (ANC) universally to all pregnant women in India on the 9th of every month.

### The objectives of the PMSMA are to:

- 1. Reduce maternal and neonatal mortality and morbidity
- 2. Improve quality of ANC services
- 3. Increase early registration of pregnant women for ANC
- 4. Promote institutional deliveries



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