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Telangana State Regional News

Jungle safari resumes in Kawal Tiger Reserve

In News: Jungle safari resumes in Kawal Tiger Reserve with new features

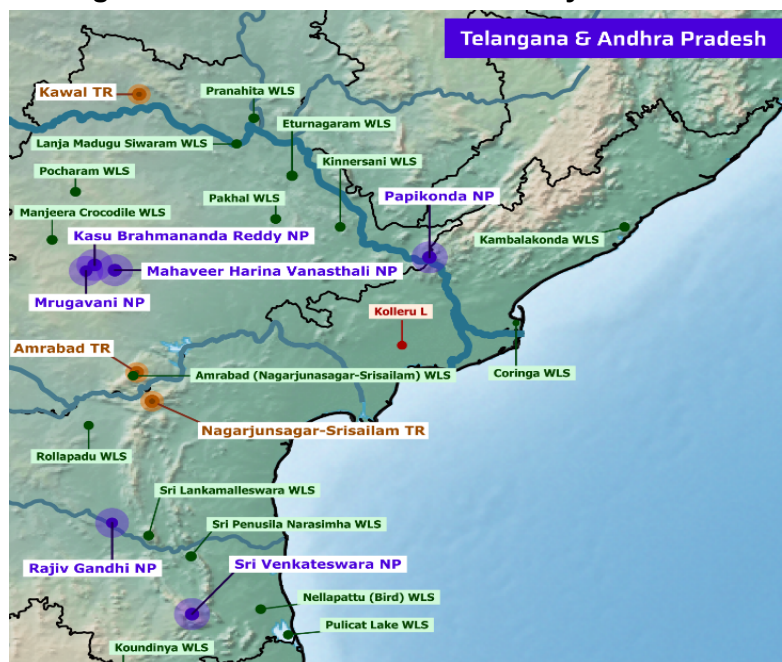
Key Points:

- The safari service was suspended in June due to rains.
- It was recommenced on Monday, allowing nature aficionados and tourists to explore the reserve and to soak in the lap of nature.

About Kawal Tiger Reserve:

- Kawal Tiger Reserve is a protected area located in the northern Telangana region of India.
- It was declared a tiger reserve in 2012 and is the oldest sanctuary in the region.
- The reserve is known for its abundant flora and fauna, including tigers, leopards, sloth bears, sambar deer, chital, and four-horned antelope.
- Kawal Tiger Reserve is also home to a variety of birdlife, including the Indian peafowl, gray hornbill, and painted stork.

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Devotee donates gifts worth Rs 1.95 lakh to Basar temple



In News:

- Devotee donates brass pedestal, mixed silver footwear worth Rs 1.95 lakh to Basar temple

About Basar Temple:

- Basar Temple is a Hindu temple **dedicated to the goddess Saraswati**, the goddess of knowledge and learning.
- It is located in the town of **Basar in the Nirmal district of Telangana, India.**
- The temple is believed to be over **1,000 years old**
- The temple complex consists of a **main shrine, a mandapa (hall), and a gopuram (gateway).**
- The main shrine houses a statue of **Saraswati** seated on a lotus.

TS to provide potable water connection to every home



In News:

- Telangana is the first state in independent India to have launched a **project called 'Mission Bhagiratha'** to provide a potable water connection to every home

Key Points:.

- Inspired by Telangana's success, the Govt of India launched **'Har Ghar Jal'** a few years later.
- Under Mission Bhagiratha, it was conceived to provide 100 liters per capita per day (LPCD) treated and piped water to every household in rural areas, 135 LPCD in municipalities and 150 LPCD in municipal corporations.



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About Mission Bhagiratha



Key Points:

- Mission Bhagiratha is a flagship program of the Telangana government to provide safe and sustainable drinking water to every household in the state.
- The program was launched in 2015 and was completed in a record time of four years.
- Mission Bhagiratha involves laying a network of pipelines across the state to **bring water from the Krishna and Godavari rivers to every village and town.**
- The program also includes the construction of water treatment plants, pumping stations, and overhead reservoirs.
- As of 2023, the program has provided safe drinking water to over 2.32 crore people in Telangana.
- The program has also helped to reduce waterborne diseases in the state by over 50%.

CCMB joins International 'DEEP' Project

In News:

- Hyderabad-based Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB) announced that it is part of an international collaboration titled '**Diverse Epigenetic Epidemiology Partnership (DEEP)**'

Key Points:

- Aim is to improve global health by uncovering the effects of genomic and environmental diversity on differences in disease risk observed across the global population.
- The groundbreaking five-year project will explore key population health questions using datasets from across Asian, African, and North and South American continents.
- It recently received 2.5 million GBP (Rs 25 crores) from the Medical Research Council, UK.



**Bathukamma festival begins**



**In News:**

- The **nine-day long annual festival of flowers Bathukamma** began on a colorful note across the erstwhile Adilabad district

**Key Points:**

- Women from all age groups ceremoniously celebrated the first day of the festival by clapping and dancing rhythmically to folk songs and worshipping the goddess.
- They circumambulated around conical shaped idols of Bathukamma made of various species of flowers and leaves, hailing the deity.

**About Bathukamma Festival:**

- Bathukamma is a flower festival celebrated by the women of Telangana and some parts of Andhra Pradesh.
- It is a nine-day festival that **begins on the Ashtami (eighth day) of the Dasara festival and ends on the Peddamma Gudi (full moon day) in the month of Aswin (September-October).**
- The festival is a celebration of the feminine divine and the abundance of nature.
- During the festival, women create and arrange flowers into large, colorful cones called Bathukamma.
- The Bathukammas are decorated with a variety of flowers, including marigolds, roses, and hibiscus.

**Did you Know?**

- The name **Bathukamma** means "**Mother Goddess come Alive.**"

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