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A rare plant is named 'Rajasekhara'



In News: A rare plant is named 'Rajasekhara'

- **Yogi Vemana University (YVU) honored late CM YS Rajasekhara Reddy** by naming a rare plant after him to mark his services to the field of education.

Key Points:

- This has been confirmed by Royal Botanical Garden in London, Botanical Survey of India in Kolkata and some other research institutes.
- YVU Department of Botany identified a plant in 2020 in Mogilipenta area of Balupalli forest range of YSR district.

About Rajasekhara:

- Rajasekhara is a rare plant that is **endemic to the Eastern Ghats of India**.
- It is a member of the **family Melastomataceae**
- It is closely related to the **Osbeckia genus**.
- Rajasekhara is a small, **herbaceous plant** that typically grows to a height of about 30 cm.
- Rajasekhara is a **very rare plant** and is only found in a few isolated locations in the Eastern Ghats.

Vijaya Reddy won Mrs Asia Worldwide



In News: Vijaya Reddy as Mrs Asia Worldwide

- YSR district woman won the Asia Worldwide category in the **Mrs. Singapore-2023 competition**.

Key Points:


- Vijaya Reddy participated in the beauty pageant **organized by Lumiere International Organization** in Singapore on October 21
- Mrs. Asia Worldwide is a **beauty pageant for married women** from all over Asia.
- It was **founded in 2017 by the Shyleena Group**, a company that specializes in modeling and fashion.
- The pageant is designed to celebrate the beauty, intelligence, and achievements of married women from all walks of life.
- To be eligible to compete in Mrs. Asia Worldwide, women must be married and between the ages of 21 and 45

Andhra Pradesh's e-mobility

In News: Andhra Pradesh's e-mobility initiatives lauded



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<p>initiatives lauded</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL), which recently entered into an agreement with Convergence Energy Services Limited (CESL) to realize the ambitious target of achieving 30% electric vehicles by 2030, is all praise for the Andhra Pradesh government's efforts towards greener mode of transportation. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The State is taking steps to usher in an electric vehicle revolution, aligning with the Government of India's policy, which aims for net-zero emissions by 2070 • The CEO of EESL appreciated the Energy Department for taking the initiative to provide one lakh electric vehicles to the State government employees on EMI basis, coupled with benefits like road tax exemption and registration fee waiver, fostering a conducive environment for electric mobility. • Furthermore, the government is establishing approximately 400 EV charging stations across the State. • At present, 266 stations are operational and the rest are in the pipeline
<p>APSRTC introduces door delivery facility</p>	<p>In News: APSRTC introduces door delivery facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (APSRTC) has recently launched door delivery services for the convenience of the public. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to APSRTC Assistant Manager (Goods Transport) Shaik Ajmal, the door delivery service is available within a radius of 10 kilometers from 84 major cities and towns in Andhra Pradesh, upon booking a parcel. • The door delivery service is available in 84 cities of Andhra Pradesh, including deliveries from Hyderabad. • Door delivery is only available for booking purposes and not for direct delivery in Hyderabad. • There are a total of 64 booking agencies in the city.
<p>AU researcher selected by NITI Aayog</p>	<p>In News: AU researcher selected by NITI Aayog</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A research scholar of Andhra University Biochemistry Department, Batha Hepsiba Vineela has been selected as an Aspirational Block Fellow by NITI Aayog, Government of India. <p>Key points:</p>



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- She received official orders to serve as an **Aspirational Blocks Fellow for Y Ramavaram Mandal in Alluri Sitarama Raju District.**
- A stipend of Rs 55,000 per month will be given to those selected as Aspirational Block Fellow (ABF).

About NITI Ayog:

- NITI Aayog (National Institution for Transforming India) is a government **think tank** that was established on 1 January 2015
- It **replaced the Planning Commission.**
- It is the premier policy advisory body of the Government of India.
- NITI Aayog's primary role is to monitor and evaluate the implementation of government programs and initiatives.
- It also provides strategic and technical advice on policy matters and fosters cooperative federalism between the central government and states.



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