







29 January 2024 **Telangana State Regional News**

Beating retreat ceremony	Context:
	 The Beating Retreat ceremony is a vibrant spectacle marking the culmination of Republic Day festivities in India. It is held on the evening of January 29th at the iconic Vijay Chowk in New Delhi. The music bands of Indian Army, Indian Navy, Indian Air Force and Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) will play 31 captivating and foot-tapping Indian tunes before a distinguished audience. Audience comprises President and Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces Smt. Droupadi Murmu, Vice President Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh, other Union Ministers, senior officials and the general public. The event will come to a close with the ever-popular tune of 'Sare Jahan se Acha'. 'Beating Retreat' traces its origins to the early 1950s when Major Roberts of the Indian Army indigenously developed the unique ceremony of display by the massed bands.
Indian Newspaper Day	 Indian Newspaper Day is celebrated annually on January 29th. It commemorates the launch of the first Indian newspaper, Hicky's Bengal Gazette, on the same date in 1780. This day recognizes the immense contribution of newspapers to India's history, democracy, and society. Newspapers have played a crucial role in informing citizens, providing a platform for diverse voices, and holding power accountable. They continue to be a vital source of news and information, even in the age of digital media.







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	 Mumbai Samachar (previously Bombay Samachar) is India's oldest existing newspaper, first published in Gujarati in 1822. Most newspapers are published in India's Uttar Pradesh, and their language is Hindi. G. Subramanya Aiyer founded India's first Tamil newspaper, the Swadesamitran, as a weekly in 1882. Newspapers in India are produced in over 100 languages, including English, despite the fact that only 22 major languages are mentioned in the Constitution's Eighth Schedule.
Caste Census Commitment	Context:
Telangana Police men to receive Police Medals	Context: • The Union Home Ministry awards these Police Medals twice a year during Republic Day and Independence Day celebrations. Key Points: • Out of the 20 members from Telangana Police, six members will be given the Medal for Gallantry, two for Rashtrapati Visisht Seva awards while the remaining 12 will be Visisht Seva medals. • Telangana Additional DGP Soumya Mishra and Devendra Singh Chauhan have been selected for Rashtrapati Vishisht Seva Medals. • A total of 1,132 personnel from police, fire service, home guard, civil defence and correctional services have been chosen for gallantry and service medals on the occasion of the Republic Day 2024, the statement from the Home Ministry said.
Hyderabad Literary Festival 2024 concludes	Context:









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	 The Hyderabad Literary Festival 2024 proved to be a resounding success It registered an attendance of over 60,000 individuals over the course of three days This year's edition, themed "Intersections: Narratives, Identities, Futures," delved into the confluence of diverse voices and perspectives. Odia literature and Norwegian culture took center stage as the "Indian Language in Focus" and "Country in Focus" respectively, enriching the literary landscape with their unique expressions.
Telangana among high prevalence States for child marriages	 Telangana, despite significant development strides, ranks among the Indian states with a high prevalence of child marriage. The latest National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5) data indicates that 12.9% of girls aged 15-19 in Telangana are married, exceeding the national average of 11.9%. This translates to roughly 1 in 8 girls in this age group being married before reaching legal adulthood.
231 prisoners in Telangana to be released under special remission	 Telangana government has issued guidelines for premature release of life and non-life prisoners under a special remission scheme. A total 231 prisoners with good conduct in prisons have been selected for amnesty. Of them, 212 are lifetime convicts and 19 non-life convicts. About: The Governor has the powers to grant remission under the Article 161 of the Constitution of India.





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