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<p>State Abbreviation Change to 'TG'</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Telangana government, under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, has decided to change the state's abbreviation from 'TS' to 'TG'. This decision, made during a state Cabinet meeting, aims to replace 'TS' with 'TG' in official documents and gazettes of the Union government. <p>Other significant changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Cabinet also decided to change Telangana Talli statue to reflect the sentiments of Telangana people. It decided to adopt Andesri's "Jai Jai Ho Telangana" as the state song. It was also decided to design a new state emblem in consultation with all stakeholders.
<p>International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The International Day of Zero Tolerance for female genital mutilation (FGM) is observed annually on 6 February. This provides an opportunity for all stakeholders involved in ending FGM to celebrate achievements, advocate for abandonment of the practice and raise awareness. 2024 Theme: Her Voice. Her Future This year marks the 13th anniversary of this international day. In 2024, nearly 4.4 million girls - or more than 12,000 each day - are at risk of FGM around the world.
<p>Solar Power Generation in Telugu States</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Telangana and Andhra Pradesh are leading in solar power generation in India, with Telangana ranking sixth and Andhra Pradesh seventh in cumulative solar capacity. <p>Key Solar power projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2021, Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) commissioned India's largest floating Solar PV plant in Andhra Pradesh. However, in 2022, Telangana surpassed this with the country's largest floating solar power project in Ramagundam -100 MW established by NTPC.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telangana ranks fourth in solar power production and second in solar power capacity per unit area in India. The state aims to add 3 GW of clean energy capacity in 4-5 years and promotes solar adoption through incentives like single-window clearances and tax exemptions. • The solar potential in the state is estimated at 20.41 GW. • Telangana's government, through TS-iPASS, guarantees industrial approvals within 15 days, encouraging investment and development in the renewable energy sector.
<p>NTPC Telangana Unit 2 Achieves Full Load Capacity</p>	<p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telangana Super thermal power project was established as part of the AP Re-organisation Act 2014. • Telangana Super Thermal Power Project (TSTPP) aimed at a total power generation capacity of 1,600 MW (2x800 MW each) in the first phase, with a planned total capacity of 4,000 MW near Ramagundam village in Karimnagar district. • National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) confirmed that Telangana Unit 2 reached its full load capacity of 800 MW on Saturday. • The first 800 MW first unit was dedicated to the nation by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 3 October, 2023. <p>Key features of the plant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This plant has several environment-friendly fuel-efficient features with an improved cycle efficiency of 42 per cent, a unified control system and control room, gas insulated substation, installation of roof-top solar panels on all plant buildings, highly concentration slurry disposal system for water conservation and flue gas desulphurisation (FGD) for SOX reduction.
<p>Announcement of Pension for Padma Awardees</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy has declared a monthly pension of Rs 25,000 for Padma award winners. • He presented a cheque of Rs 25 lakh to honor these recipients, including former Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu and renowned film actor Chiranjeevi.



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