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<p>State transferring nearly ₹1 lakh crore under welfare scheme</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andhra Pradesh govt spent about 4.2 lakh crore under various direct benefit transfer (DBT) schemes and non-DBT schemes ever since it assumed office in 2019. • This means that the state is transferring nearly 1 lakh crore under these schemes to the beneficiaries every year. • For instance, the Amma Vodi scheme extends 15,000 annual financial help to the mothers, who send their wards to the schools and colleges. • About 26,000 crore was spent on this scheme alone in the last four years, benefiting more than 83 lakh students of classes I to intermediate
<p>7,500 students benefited from 35% quota</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andhra Pradesh amended its Private Universities Act in 2021, reserving 35% of seats in private universities under state govt quota. • This initiative has benefited nearly 7,500 students in the last three years, gaining them admission into private universities like SRM and VIT. • Alao, the state government sets the fees for these seats • Andhra Pradesh is the first state to introduce the 35% government quota in private universities.
<p>Rs 11,424 crore for Agriculture in Interim Budget</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The financial assistance of Rs 13,500 for tenants and RoFR cultivators has been provided entirely by the State government • Rs 11,424 crore for Agriculture has been allocated in Interim Budget <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture is the primary source of income for 55 per cent of India's population • The sector contributes 18 percent to Gross Value Added (GVA) • It plays a pivotal role in India's economic

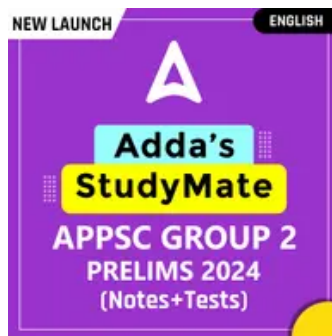


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<p>Nandyal gets 1st eco-tourism site at Pacherla</p>	<p>recovery and development.</p> <p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nandyal district in Andhra Pradesh has finally joined the bandwagon of ecotourism with the inauguration of its first site at Pacherla. • Nestled amidst the Nallamala forests within the Nagarjunasagar Srisailem Tiger Reserve (NSTR), this project promises a unique experience for nature enthusiasts. • This project is the brainchild of former District Forest Officer Vineet Kumar and environmentalist Rupak. • It aims at providing a distinctive experience in the arid landscapes of Rayalaseema • Additionally, it indirectly aids over 20 members of the Pacherla tribal village, involving them as Swachh Sevaks, checkpoint helpers, and fire watchers under Forest Department supervision
<p>Andhra Pradesh second in paying high wages to Anganwadi staff: Centre</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The AP government is paying Rs 7,000 a month as wages to Anganwadi workers and Rs 4,750 additional honorarium a month to helpers. • AP has thus stood second after Telangana among the States that are paying the highest wages to Anganwadi workers. • This information was confirmed by Union Minister for Women and Child Development Smriti Irani.



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