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| <p><b>AP's 1st AI lab set up at Cheepurupalli ZP school</b></p>  | <p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Andhra Pradesh Education Department, in collaboration with Intel India, has launched the state's first Artificial Intelligence Skills Lab at the Zilla Parishad High School in Cheepurupalli, Vizianagaram district.</li> <li>This initiative aims to equip students and teachers with the necessary skills and knowledge to thrive in the AI-driven future.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Target Group:</b> 500 students from grades VII to X and teachers.</li> <li><b>Programs:</b> Students are undergoing training under the Intel AI for Youth programme, while teachers are enrolled in the AI for All programme.</li> <li><b>Objective:</b> To demystify AI for young minds and prepare them with the relevant skill sets and mindsets for the AI era.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Ayurveda professor from Tirupati receives the Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth fellowship</b></p>  | <p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tirupati's Dr. Parasaram Muralikrishna has received the prestigious Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth fellowship.</li> <li>The honor, presented at the National Academy of Ayurveda's annual convocation in New Delhi, recognizes his 36 years of distinguished service in promoting Ayurveda.</li> <li>This fellowship acknowledges Dr. Muralikrishna's significant contributions to the field of Ayurveda.</li> <li>He was a former principal of the Sri Venkateswara Ayurvedic College,</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>AP CM to launch Veligonda project on March 6</b></p>   | <p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AP govt will inaugurate the Poola Subbaiah Veligonda Reservoir (PSVR) Project on March 6, 2024.</li> <li>This is considered a prestigious project for the state.</li> </ul> <p><b>About PSVR Project:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Also known as Nallamala Sagar Project.</li> </ul>   |



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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aims to provide irrigation and drinking water to drought-affected areas in Andhra Pradesh.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key features:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reservoir:</b> Nallamala Sagar with 43.5 TMC storage capacity.</li> <li>• <b>Water source:</b> Krishna River water diverted through two 18.8 km tunnels.</li> <li>• <b>Irrigation canals:</b> Three canals to irrigate 4.47 lakh acres of land.</li> <li>• <b>Drinking water:</b> To be supplied to 15.25 lakh people in 30 mandals.</li> </ul>  |
| AP CM to release Rs 1,294.58-cr input subsidy                  | <p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AP CM will deposit Rs 1,294.58 crore as input subsidy directly into the bank accounts of 11,59,126 farmers, who lost their crops due to drought during the last crop season, and Michaung Cyclone in December 2023</li> </ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The input subsidy is being released as per the CM's promise to disburse compensation for the crop loss to the affected farmers by the end of the same season itself.</li> <li>• With the aid of Rs 1,294.58 crore the YSRC government has so far provided Rs 3,262 crore to 34.41 lakh farmers, who suffered crop loss in the past 57 months.</li> </ul>  |
| Amaravati land acquisition likely to be scrapped by government | <p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The government is likely to scrap the land acquisition for the development of Amaravati as the capital of Andhra Pradesh, according to recent reports.</li> <li>• This decision comes after facing various challenges and opposition from farmers</li> </ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The land acquisition for Andhra Pradesh's new capital city, Amaravati, involved a unique approach combining land pooling and land acquisition methods.</li> <li>• <b>Land Pooling (2015):</b> A voluntary scheme where farmers offered their land in exchange for developed plots and compensation. This method proved successful, with over 33,700 acres acquired through pooling.</li> <li>• <b>Land Acquisition Act:</b> Invoked for remaining land needed, where the government acquires land</li> </ul> |



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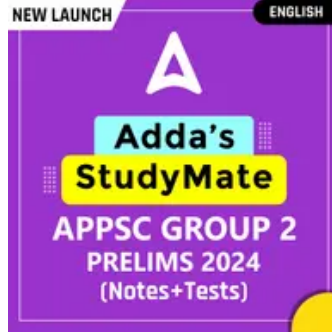
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through legal means and compensates landowners. This method faced some resistance from a small number of landowners.



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