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<p>Kawal Tiger Reserve</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nineteen spotted deer were recently released in the Chennur corridor, located within the Mancherial Forest Range, as part of efforts to enhance the Kawal Tiger Reserve (KTR). • The decision to release the deer is part of a larger plan to develop KTR and ensure the well-being of its wildlife population. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kawal Tiger Reserve is located in North Eastern part of Telangana (Old Adilabad district) having Godavari river at one side and Maharashtra border on other side. • Govt of India declared Kawal wildlife sanctuary as Tiger Reserve in 2012. • It is well known for its abundant flora and fauna. This sanctuary is catchment for the rivers Godavari and Kadam, which flow towards the south of the sanctuary. • Total Area : 2015.44 Sq Km out of which core Area is 893 Sq.Km. • The Kawal Tiger Reserve (KTR) is extends in the districts of Nirmal, Mancherial, Adilabad and KB Asifabad Districts. • It is central Indian Tiger Landscape having – southern Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest.
<p>Irregularities in Telangana Power Purchase Agreements</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Justice Narasimha Reddy panel has issued notices to former Chief Minister and BRS president K Chandrashekhara Rao, along with nearly 25 others, regarding alleged irregularities in power purchase agreements (PPAs) made by the Telangana government during the BRS tenure. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In March of this year, the Commission was appointed to investigate alleged irregularities in the 1,000 MW Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with the Chhattisgarh Power Distribution Company Ltd, as well as irregularities in the execution of the 4×270 megawatt Bhadradi Thermal Power Station (BTPS) and the 5×800 MW Yadadri Thermal Power Station (YTPS). • It was found that due diligence was not followed in the case of the PPA with Chhattisgarh. Although the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed in



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	<p>2014, power supply did not commence until 2017, and even then, it was stopped after three years.</p>
<p>Rythu Nestham</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The government has launched a video conference service as part of the Rythu Nestham programme, aimed at providing various services to farmers. <p>Key points: Telangana CM A Revanth Reddy inaugurated the 'Rythu Nestham' program, which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connects farmers with agricultural experts via videoconferences at 2,601 'Rythu Vedikas' (farmer centers). Enables real-time interaction between farmers and experts, providing crop suggestions and advanced farming techniques. Aims to support farmers with seed and fertilizer supplies and crop sales.
<p>R&D offshore development centre in Hyderabad</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Olympus Corporation is establishing an R&D offshore development center (ODC) in Hyderabad, as part of a strategic agreement with HCLTech. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The company plans to open its own in-house R&D facility in Hyderabad in addition to existing centers in Japan, the US, and Europe. The decision aims to leverage global R&D talent and resources in the medtech space in India and Hyderabad. This investment is seen as a game-changer for the medical devices sector in India, contributing to Telangana's vision of becoming a global hub for medical device innovation and manufacturing.



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