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<p>Pranahita project</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A group of retired engineers from the irrigation department has called for the construction of a barrage across the Pranahita river at Thummidihetti village in Koutala mandal. • They believe this is the best course of action after the piers of the Medigadda barrage of the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project (KLIP) sank. <p>Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project or KLIP is a multi-purpose irrigation project on the Godavari River in Kaleshwaram, Bhupalpally, Telangana, India. • Currently the world's largest multi-stage lift irrigation project, its farthest upstream influence is at the confluence of the Pranahita and Godavari rivers. • The Pranahita River is itself a confluence of various smaller tributaries including the Wardha, Painganga, and Wainganga rivers which combine to form the seventh-largest drainage basin.
<p>Mahila Shakti canteen services</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Telangana government is initiating the establishment of "Mahila Shakti" canteen services across the state, with plans to set up at least 150 canteens in the next two years. <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These canteens will be managed and operated by rural women groups, who will receive specialized training for this purpose. • The decision is informed by the success of similar canteens in Kerala and "Didi Ka Rasoi" in West Bengal, which have been studied for their effective performance. • Chief Secretary Santhi Kumari conducted a review meeting at the Secretariat to discuss the implementation of "Mahila Shakti - Canteen Services." • The Panchayat Raj and Rural Development department have been tasked with developing a detailed action plan, including the management, space requirements, and functioning of these canteens. • The canteens will be established in government offices, District Collectorates, tourist spots, temples, bus



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	<p>stands, and industrial areas, with the assistance of women organizations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This initiative aims to empower women through economic opportunities and improve access to affordable food across the state.
<p>Telangana Budget Preparations</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Telangana state Legislature is set to convene its Budget session in the second week of July. This follows the state's vote-on-account Budget presented in February, with the full Budget presentation in the Legislative Assembly scheduled for July, subsequent to the Centre's full Budget presentation. <p>Vote on Account vs. Interim Budget</p> <p>Vote on Account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Defined under Article 116 of the Indian Constitution. A grant in advance allowing the Central government to meet short-term expenditures for a few months until the new financial year begins. It provides interim permission from Parliament to withdraw funds from the Consolidated Fund of India for essential expenditures until a new government is formed. Typically covers essential expenditures like salaries of central government employees and ongoing projects. Valid for two to four months. <p>Interim Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains both revenue and expenditure details until the new government presents a full budget. Includes the current state of the economy, plan and non-plan expenditures, receipts, changes in tax rates, revised estimates of the current financial year, and estimates for the next financial year. Valid for the entire year.
<p>ED Investigates Sheep Scheme Fraud in Telangana</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has initiated an investigation into alleged fraud in the implementation of the sheep rearing development scheme in Telangana, under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002. This follows the Anti-Corruption Bureau's (ACB) ongoing investigation, which has preliminarily estimated that around ₹700 crore was misappropriated during the distribution of sheep when the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) was in power. <p>PMLA 2002:</p>



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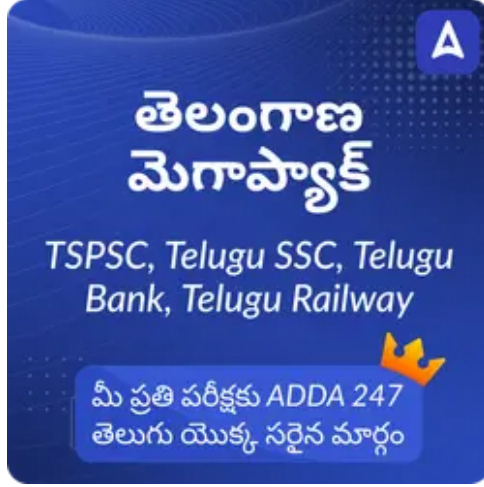
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- The **Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA)** forms the core of the legal framework put in place by India to combat money laundering.
- PMLA and the Rules notified there under came into force with effect from **July 1, 2005**.



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