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Telangana State Regional News

HYDRAA

Context:

 The Telangana government has recently established the Hyderabad Disaster Response and Asset Protection Agency (HYDRAA) to manage disaster situations and protect assets within the Telangana Core Urban Region (TCUR).

Governing Body and Structure:

- Governing Body: Chaired by the Chief Minister, the governing body of HYDRAA will include the HYDRAA commissioner as the member-convener and 10 representatives from various government departments.
- Disaster Management Sub-Committee: A sub-committee led by the MAUD principal secretary and the HYDRAA commissioner will consist of 13 members from different departments to handle disaster management issues in TCUR.

Operational Scope and Responsibilities:

- Coverage Area: HYDRAA will operate throughout the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) area, encompassing parts of Hyderabad, Rangareddy, Medchal-Malkajgiri, and Sangareddy districts up to the Outer Ring Road (ORR).
- Primary Functions: The agency will focus on disaster preparedness, prevention measures, and coordination with state and national agencies for disaster response and rescue operations.

Key Wings of HYDRAA Asset Protection Wing:

- Responsibilities: This wing will protect government and urban local body (ULB) assets, including parks, open spaces, lakes, and roads, from encroachments.
- It will also enforce building and town planning regulations in collaboration with local police and ULBs and address unauthorized advertisements.

Disaster Management Wing:

- Responsibilities: This wing will manage disaster response and relief efforts through the Disaster Response Force (DRF) of HYDRAA.
- It will coordinate with the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA), and other agencies.







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	 Additionally, it will maintain a database for risk assessment and disaster predictions, oversee fire safety inspections, and collaborate with technical agencies for timely alerts.
Telangana Government's Plan for Skill University	 Context: The Telangana government is preparing to introduce a bill in the upcoming budget session for the establishment of the Telangana Skills University. The new institution will be named Telangana Skills University.
	 Key points: Preparation and Collaboration: The Industries Department drafted the proposal after reviewing similar institutions in Delhi and Haryana. The university will be developed in collaboration with private companies under a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model, aiming to function as a self-sustaining, non-profit organization.
	 Courses and Structure: The university will offer a range of programs, including three to four-year degree courses, one-year diploma courses, and short-term certificate courses lasting three to four months. It will cover 17 priority sectors such as pharmaceuticals, construction, banking, finance services, e-commerce, logistics, retail, animation, visual effects, gaming, and comics.
	 In the first phase, courses targeting employment opportunities will be introduced in six sectors. Each course will involve partnerships with established companies, with the state government planning to sign Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with these companies. Initial admissions will be for 2,000 students, with plans to expand to 20,000 students annually.
	Pegional and Satellite Campuses: Discussions are underway to establish regional or satellite campuses in district centers and an Engineering Staff College (ESC) campus in Hyderabad. Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy emphasized the need for these satellite campuses to reduce pressure on the Hyderabad campus and ensure competition for admission. He also suggested using ESC and NAC campuses for training and inspecting facilities at Swami Ramananda



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	Tirtha Rural Institute in Bhoodan Pochampally. Focus Areas: • Emphasis will be placed on sectors like pharmaceuticals, which offer significant job opportunities, with more seats allocated accordingly. • The Chief Minister instructed companies to engage with
	companies early to secure employment opportunities for graduates.
Telangana's Agricultural Budget Allocation for FY 2023-24	 Context: In the fiscal year 2023-24, Telangana ranked second among all Indian states in terms of budget allocation for agriculture, dedicating 11.7% of its budget to this sector. The Congress government's loan waiver scheme, valued at ₹31,000 crore, is expected to further boost agricultural spending in Telangana. Key points: Comparative Spending: Chhattisgarh: Leads with the highest agricultural budget allocation at 16.4%. Punjab: Holds the third position with 10.2%. National Average: Most states allocate approximately 5%
	of their budgets to agriculture. • Rural Development Allocation: Despite its significant agricultural spending, Telangana allocates a relatively low 3.6% of its budget to rural development. Factors Influencing State Expenditure:

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- Allocation Variability: States often allocate resources based on local needs, which can impact how funds are categorized. For instance:
- In Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, expenditure on SC/ST schools is listed as welfare rather than education.
- In Punjab, power subsidies for farmers are classified under agricultural spending rather than energy.

Central Funding Impact: Financing from the central government, including grants and funds for centrally sponsored projects, can influence state spending on various sectors.

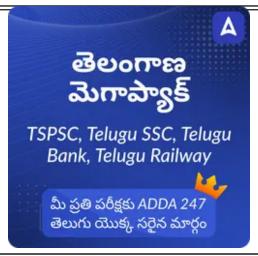




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