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Launch of Mineral Foundation Portal	Context: • Union Minister for Coal and Mines G Kishan Reddy launched the national DMF portal.
	 Key points: Aim:to enhance transparency and accessibility. The portal consolidates information on 645 district mineral foundations across India. It provides access to DMF data, tracks developments and utilization, and offers a repository of best practices for effective implementation. He also inaugurated the 'Mineral Exploration Hackathon' in Hyderabad. The hackathon aims to promote emerging technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) for geophysical data collection to identify new mineral targets.
	 Publications Released Two publications were released: "Glimpse of Geology and Mineral Resources, Telangana" "Minerals in Telangana - Spotlights" These publications highlight the geological setup and mineral potential of Telangana.
Impact of Recent Demographic Changes on the Cultural Heritage of Ancient Tribal Populations : Study	 Context: Scientists from the CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB-Hyderabad) and DST-Birbal Sahni Institute of Paleosciences (Lucknow) have conducted a study revealing that recent demographic changes are influencing the language of Austroasiatic-speaking tribal groups in India. This research highlights the impact of modern sociocultural dynamics on ancient languages and cultural heritage.
	 Austroasiatic Languages: Speakers: About 5% of the Indian population. Regions: Primarily spoken by tribal populations in Odisha, Chattisgarh, and Jharkhand. Historical Retention: Maintained for over 4,000 years.
	 Genetic Study Findings: Populations Studied: Bathudi, Bhumij, Ho, and Mahali













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	 tribes from Odisha. Comparison: Genetic affinities compared with nearby Indo-European speakers. Results: No genetic mixing between the two groups, indicating linguistic changes are due to cultural contact rather than genetic integration. Influencing Factors:
	 Industrialization: Movement of Indo-European speakers into tribal areas.
	 Modernization: Cultural exchanges through marriages, trade, and education.
	 Adoption: Some Austroasiatic speakers adopting Indo-European languages; no reverse adoption observed.
	 Cultural Heritage: Preservation: Despite modern changes, most tribal groups maintain their cultural heritage.
	 Significance of the Study: Diversity: Highlights India's diverse population and the origins of Austroasiatic speakers. Demographic Changes: Sheds light on both historical and ongoing demographic shifts.
Inclusion of New Procedures in Rajiv Aarogyasri Scheme	 Context: The Telangana government has undertaken significant revisions to the Rajiv Aarogyasri scheme, a health initiative aimed at providing financial assistance to families for medical treatments.
	 Enhanced Health Assurance: The Rajiv Aarogyasri Health Scheme (RAHS) in Telangana has been updated to include 163 new medical procedures. These procedures will be covered under the enhanced health assurance amount, which ranges from Rs.5 lakh to Rs.10 lakh per family per annum.





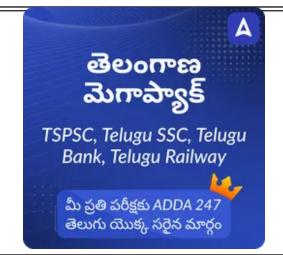






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