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## Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p><b>Increased funding to Panchayats</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recently, Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan announced the enhancement of funds allocated for Independence Day celebrations to panchayats.</li> <li>The enhancement includes <b>Rs. 100 to Rs. 10000 minor panchayats</b> and from <b>Rs 250 to Rs 25,000 major panchayats</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Panchayati Raj Institution (PRI)</b> is a system of rural local self-government in India.</li> <li>It was constitutionalized through the <b>73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992</b> to build democracy at the <b>grassroots level</b>.</li> <li>In the <b>Rigveda</b>, there is a mention of <b>Sabha, Samiti</b> and <b>Vidatha</b> as local self-units.</li> </ul>
<p><b>South Central Railway Zone</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The South Central Railway (SCR) has taken up a new project connecting the <b>tribal habitations in Andhra Pradesh, Odisha and Telangana States</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The South Central Railway zone was formed in <b>October 1996</b>.</li> <li><b>Headquarters:</b> Secunderabad.</li> <li>Presently S.C. Railway has 6 Divisions, viz, <b>Secunderabad, Hyderabad, Vijayawada, Guntakal, Guntur and Nanded</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Important Days: World Adivasi Day</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>During his address at the World Adivasi Day event at Tummalapally Kalakshetra in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu emphasized the importance of developing tribal communities.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every year on <b>August 9th</b>, the world observes the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples.</li> <li>This day aims to raise <b>awareness about the rights and needs of indigenous populations</b> around the globe.</li> <li>is crucial for promoting and protecting the rights of Indigenous people, who make up <b>6% of the world's population</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Awards in news: 'Vande Bharatam</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p>



### Nritya Utsav' Award



- Recently, **Shruthi Samanvi** from Vijayawada has brought immense pride winning the esteemed '**Vande Bharatam Nritya Utsav**' award at 37th All-India Universities' National Youth Festival 2024 Classical Dance competition.

#### Key Points:

- The Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of Culture** has launched this award as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- The objective is to select **top dancing talent** from across the country.
- Participants can perform in **four dance categories**, namely **Classical, Folk, Tribal and Fusion or Contemporary**.

### Andhra Pradesh scraps two-child norm for local body polls

#### Why in news?

- The Cabinet has approved the **repeal of the 1994 amendments** to the **Andhra Pradesh Municipal Corporation Act of 1955** and the **Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act of 1965**, which had prohibited individuals with more than two children from running in elections.

#### Key Points:

- This is included under a new provision - **Article 47A**(Duty of the State to promote small family norm) in **Part IV of the Constitution**.
- Presently, **six states** including **Haryana, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh** and **Himachal Pradesh** have made the two-child norm mandatory for all panchayat members.



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