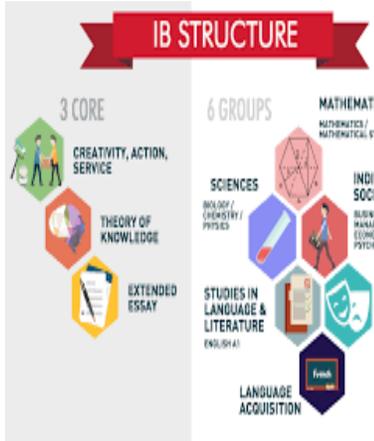




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<p>International Baccalaureate Board syllabus</p> 	<p>In News: Steering panel constituted by AP govt decided to enact the International Baccalaureate Board syllabus.</p> <p>Key facts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP govt has constituted a steering committee to frame the guidelines on transforming education. The committee defined the roadmap for transforming the State Boards of Education. The syllabus will be implemented at SSC and Intermediate level. AP government has passed GO 81 to synchronize the AP Board's education system with the globally recognised IB standards <p>International Baccalaureate syllabus includes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Theory of Knowledge (TOK) Creativity, Activity and Service (CAS) Extended Essay. <p>Did you Know?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The International Baccalaureate (IB) is a nonprofit educational foundation that offers four high school programs to students aged 3 to 19.
<p>Ward Secretariat system</p>	<p>In News: CAG felt that the formation of the Ward Secretariat system in AP is against the spirit of the Constitution.</p> <p>Key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> According to CAG, formation of Ward Secretariats at the ward level without the formation of Ward Committees diluted the spirit of the Constitution as envisaged for local self-governance. <p>About the ward secretariat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP govt formed Ward Secretariats on October 2, 2019, one for every two thousand population across the state.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The purpose is no one should go to mandal center or town task related to government • The System is aimed at bringing the government closer to the people and providing them with efficient and effective services at their doorstep. <p>Did you Know?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ward Secretariat system is a decentralized governance system introduced under the 74th constitutional amendment act.
<p>Three manuals released for conservation of wildlife</p>	<p>In News: AP Forest dept released 3 manuals for conservation of wildlife.</p> <p>Key facts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manuals aimed at safeguarding snakes, mangroves, and sea turtles. • These guides were officially launched at the Aranya Bhavan in Mangalagiri. • The first manual has been formulated in collaboration with the Eastern Ghats Wildlife Society, a local NGO and Romulus Whitaker. • The manual will establish guidelines for snake rescuers and promote a certificate program to regulate their activities within the state. • Other two manuals are related to mangroves and sea turtles. <p>Did you Know? Mangrove occurs in Andhra Pradesh in estuaries of Krishna and Godavari rivers on around 9% of local forest area of the State.</p>
<p>YSR Vahana Mitra scheme</p>	<p>In News: CM of Andhra Pradesh releases fifth tranche of funds to YSR Vahana Mitra scheme.</p> <p>Key facts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP CM releases funds to YSR Vahan Mitra scheme in a program held at Vijayawada. <p>About YSR Mitra Scheme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a social welfare scheme.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It Was launched in 2021 by the Government of Andhra Pradesh. • The scheme provides financial assistance of ₹10,000 per annum to self-employed auto, taxi, and maxi-cab drivers. • The scheme aims to reduce the expenses of repairs and increase the income of financially weak taxi, auto, or maxi-cab drivers.
<p>Person in News: MS Swaminathan (Father of Green Revolution)</p>  <p><small>Father of India's 'Green Revolution', MS Swaminathan Passes Away At 98</small></p>	<p>In News: AP CM expressed his condolences over the passing of MS Swaminathan, who is known as the Father of India's Green Revolution.</p> <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS Swaminathan is credited with developing high-yielding varieties of wheat and rice that helped to alleviate hunger and poverty in India. • He was born in Kumbakonam, Tamil Nadu, India. • Through his work in the 1960s and 1970s, he revolutionized the Indian agricultural sector, turning it towards self-sufficiency.
<p>Green Revolution</p>	<p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Green Revolution in India was a period of rapid agricultural growth that began in the 1960s. • The revolution was driven by the introduction of high-yielding varieties (HYVs) of seeds, irrigation facilities, pesticides, and fertilizers. • The HYV seeds were developed by scientists at the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) in the Philippines and the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT) in Mexico..

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