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Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

Andhra ranked as achiever in Gol's logistics ease report	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andhra Pradesh has been categorized as an achiever in the 'Logistics Ease Across Different State (LEADS) 2023' report released by the Union government. The report evaluates the state's initiatives to improve logistics, including the adoption of PM GatiShakti for project planning.
Vijayawada topped list of deaths by suicides in State	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For the third consecutive year, Vijayawada city has topped the list of deaths by suicide in the State, as reported in the 2022 Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India released by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) Overall, Andhra Pradesh ranked ninth with 8,908 suicides in 2022, while Maharashtra led the nation with 22,746 suicides
Solar cold storage units to be established in Anantapur and Sri Sathya Sai districts	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioner of Horticulture Dr SS Sreedhar said that administrative sanction has been issued for 98 collection centres and 27 cold rooms in the two districts: Anantapur and Sri Sathya Sai districts These collection centres and cold rooms are the common post-harvest infrastructure that help promote horticulture crop clusters through FPOs for collection, aggregation, grading and sorting, packing and marketing of the produce. They help farmers to fetch better prices by collectivisation of produce and store for a minimum period.
State allowed to borrow additional Rs 5,858 crore for FY 2022-23	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Union Finance Ministry has allowed Andhra Pradesh to borrow an additional sum of Rs 5,858 crore for the year 2022-23. As per the 15th Finance Commission recommendations, performance-based additional borrowing space of 0.5% of GSDP can be allowed to States in the power sector, over and above the normal net borrowing ceiling.



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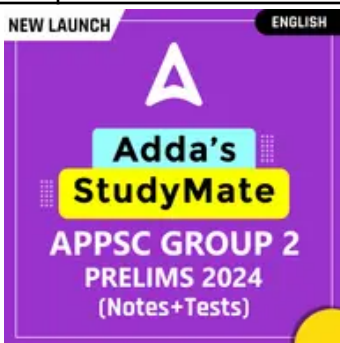
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Papikonda National Park



Context:

- Papikonda National Park is nestled in the **Eastern Ghats of Andhra Pradesh**
- It was established in **2008** and has an area of **over 1012 sq km**
- It encompasses parts of the **Alluri Sitharama Raju and Eluru districts**.
- The park boasts a captivating tapestry of landscapes, from the **gentle slopes of the Papi Hills** to the **rugged gorges carved by the mighty Godavari River**.
- It is home to over **300 species of birds**, including endangered ones like the **Indian gray hornbill and crested hawk-eagle**.
- **Tribal communities** like the **Koya and Gond** have inhabited the region for centuries, adding to the park's cultural tapestry.



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