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Asian Waterbird Census 2024



Context:

- The **Asian Waterbird Census-2024** is scheduled to **commence on January 5**.
- It will **cover 12 migratory bird habitats, including wetlands, mangroves, lagoons and swamps**, in the **Godavari estuary and its adjoining areas** in Andhra Pradesh.
- A **majority of the area to be covered in the two-day census falls within the Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary**.

S.Phule's birth anniversary



Context:

- In honor of **Savitribai Phule's birth anniversary**, a **special card competition was held in Khairatabad, Hyderabad**.
- The competition was **organized by a local NGO in collaboration with the Department of Education**.
- This event served as a **beautiful confluence of education and creativity**, celebrating the legacy of India's renowned social reformer and education pioneer.

About:

- **Savitribai Phule**, alongside her husband **Jyotirao Phule**, played a **pivotal role in championing girls' education in India during the 19th century**.

ISRO successfully tests fuel cell technology

Context:

- **ISRO Successfully tested the Fuel Cell Power System (FCPS) developed by the Kerala-based Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC)**.
- This takes **India a step closer to realizing the country's ambition to establish the Indian Space Station (Bhartiya Antriksh Station)**.

About:

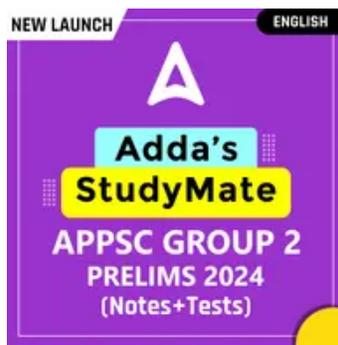


- An FCPS is a clean and efficient way to generate electricity in space.
- It works by combining hydrogen and oxygen, producing electricity and water as byproducts.

Forest department enforces ban on single-use plastic in NSTR

Context:

- The **Forest Department of AP** has taken a **proactive stance against plastic pollution within the Nagarjuna Sagar-Srisailem Tiger Reserve (NSTR)**.
- Beginning **January 1, 2024**, a **comprehensive ban on all single-use plastic products** has been implemented within the reserve's boundaries.
- The ban covers items like **plastic carry bags and water bottles**.
- This move aims to **protect the fragile ecosystem of the NSTR** and **promote a more sustainable environment for wildlife and visitors**.



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