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## Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

<p><b>Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF)</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rashtriya Seva Samithi (RASS) from Tirupati donated ₹50 lakh to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for flood relief in Vijayawada.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF) offers financial support to <b>needy persons during emergencies, natural disasters, and vital medical procedures.</b></li> <li>The Relief amount is being released <b>solely on the basis of the discretionary powers of the Hon'ble Chief Minister.</b></li> <li><b>No budgetary allocation</b> is made for the CMRF.</li> <li>The donations made by the <b>general public, Corporate Institutions, Board-Corporations and others constitute the CMRF.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>GOIR portal</b></p>	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Andhra Pradesh government has restored the 'GOIR' portal to facilitate efficient governance and service delivery.</li> <li>The government, under YSRCP dispensation, had stopped uploading to the portal government orders from August 15, 2021.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The GOIR portal, or Government Order Information Portal, was a web portal developed in 2008 that <b>allowed users to generate and upload government orders (GOs) in Andhra Pradesh.</b></li> <li>The APOnline Portal can be used to <b>search for government orders and acts issued by various departments of the Andhra Pradesh government.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Seaplane Trial</b></p> 	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh will launch a trial run for a seaplane in November.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State government, led by the Andhra Pradesh Airports Development Corporation Limited (APADCL), is enhancing its tourism strategy with the launch of a new seaplane service.</li> <li>This new route will <b>connect Prakasam Barrage in Vijayawada with Srisailem Patalaganga</b> in Nandyal district, offering a quicker and more convenient travel option.</li> <li>The initiative could substantially increase tourism revenue by capitalizing on Andhra Pradesh's natural landscapes and</li> </ul>



	enhancing connectivity.
Deepam-2 scheme	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As part of Deepam-2 scheme, the first tranche of free cylinders is set to be delivered to eligible beneficiaries from November 1.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh announced that the <b>Deepam scheme will be launched on Diwali, October 31, 2024.</b></li> <li>This scheme will <b>provide free gas cylinders to poor and BPL household women</b>, helping them save money throughout the year.</li> <li>Under the <b>Deepam-2 initiative</b>, each household enrolled in the <b>program will receive three free gas cylinders per year, provided at intervals of four months.</b></li> </ul>
Integrated Clean Energy Policy-2024 (ICE-2024)	<p><b>Why in news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The State government notified the implementation of the recently unveiled Andhra Pradesh Integrated Clean Energy Policy-2024 (ICE-2024).</li> <li>The policy will be applicable for a period of five years from the date of notification and the ICE policy may be amended and modified during the period of implementation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The ICE policy aims to add over <b>160 (Gigawatt) GW of renewable energy (RE)</b>, with a potential to attract investments worth `10 lakh crore, thereby generating an estimated employment opportunities for 7.50 lakh directly and indirectly.</li> <li>The ICE policy's main emphasis is on <b>solar power, wind power, hybrid power (wind-solar), mini and small hydropower, pumped storage plants, battery energy storage systems, green hydrogen and its derivatives, biofuels, EV charging infrastructure, renewable energy (RE) manufacturing projects, including solar, wind, battery, and electrolyzers.</b></li> <li>The policy is expected to propel the State in the clean energy production sector, transforming Andhra Pradesh into a <b>Clean Energy Hub.</b></li> </ul>



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