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Telangana State Regional News

Reports & Indices: Annual				
Status	of	Education		
Report (ASER) 2024				

Why in news?

- In Telangana, the ASER survey was carried out in nine composite districts by the respective District Institutes of Education and Training.
- According to the report, the enrolment in government schools in Telangana has dropped significantly across all classes, falling from 70.1% in 2022 to 59.8%, nearly returning to the pre-pandemic level of 57.4% in 2018.

Key Points:

- ASERs (by NGO Pratham) have been surveying children aged 6 to 14 since 2005 to track trends in school enrollment, attendance and reading and arithmetic abilities.
- ASER reports are usually referred to by the government while formulating policies.
- The youths were surveyed on 4 points
 - Basic reading, math and English abilities;
 - Application of basic skills to everyday calculations;
 - Reading and understanding written instructions; and
 - Financial calculations that need to be done in real life.

Reports & Indices: Fiscal Health Index (FHI) report

Why in news?

- According to the NITI Aayog report, Telangana's debt payment has risen from ₹12,586 crore to ₹21,821 crore over the past five years.
- The report also recommends that the state focus on increasing capital expenditure, particularly in the social sectors of health and education.

Key Points:

- The report covers 18 major States that drive the Indian economy in terms of their contribution to India's GDP, demography, total public expenditure, revenues, and overall fiscal stability.
- It will be an annual publication and offers a systematic approach to assess the state's fiscal health, identify areas for improvement, and promote best practices across states.
- Sub Indices: Quality of Expenditure, Revenue Mobilisation, Fiscal Prudence, Debt Index, and Debt



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- Major Findings:
 - Top Performing: Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Jharkhand and Gujarat have emerged as top-performing 'achievers' among the States.
 - It displays strong fiscal health, excelling in revenue mobilization, expenditure management, and debt sustainability.
 - Aspirational States: Haryana, Kerala, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, and Punjab.
 - These states face high debt, large interest payments, weak revenue generation, and inefficiencies in capital expenditure, with reliance on non-tax revenue impacting their fiscal health and rankings.

About Capital expenditure:

- These are one-time, large purchases of fixed assets that are intended to be used for revenue generation over a longer period.
- Examples of capital expenditures include:
 - o Construction of new schools or hospitals
 - Purchase of land or building
 - Purchase of appliances, manufacturing tools, or devices to strengthen the infrastructure

GSLV-F15 NVS-02 mission

Why in news?

- Hyderabad-based Ananth Technologies has played a crucial role in Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)'s historic achievement of its 100th successful launch.
- For NVS-2 Subsystems the company delivered critical components, including Attitude and Orbit control electronics, Star sensor Mark-III along with DC-DC converter while for GSLV-F15 subsystems, ATL supplied 40 key subsystems, including Data Acquisition Units, Transponders, Power Modules, Relay units and control modules.

Key Points:

- NVS-02 will be the second satellite in the series of 2nd-generation navigation satellites and the 9th satellite in the Navigation with Indian Constellation (NavIC).
- NavIC consists of a constellation of 7 satellites (First-generation Satellites)
 - NVS-01 (the first 2nd generation satellite was launched in May 2023)
- Launch vehicle: GSLV Mark II



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	 NVS-02 will likely have two kinds of payloads - navigation payload and ranging payload. What is NavIC? NavIC (Navigation with Indian Constellation) is the independent stand-alone navigation satellite system of India. It was earlier known as IRNSS (Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System).
Nagoba Jatara	 Why in news? Nagoba Jatara, the eight-day pilgrimage of the Mesram clan Adivasi Gonds, began on the night of January 28 at Keslapur village in Adilabad district.
	 Key Points: Nagoba Jatara is a tribal festival held in January/February in Keslapur village, Adilabad district, Telangana. It is the second biggest tribal festival in India, after the Sammakka Saralamma Jatara, held in Telangana itself.
	 It is celebrated for 10 days by the Mesaram clan of Gond tribes. Tribal people from Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Karnataka, Jharkhand and Madhya Pradesh belonging to the Mesaram clan offer prayers at the festival. The chief deity at the festival is the 'Nagoba' (Sri Shek – Cobra). The Gusadi Dance performance by dancers from the Gond tribe is a major special attraction of the event.
SHIELD 2025	Why in news? ■ The Telangana Cyber Security Bureau (TGCSB) and the Society for Cyberabad Security Council (SCSC) launched SHIELD 2025, a cybersecurity conclave designed to bolster the state's digital defense.
	 Key Points: The event is set to showcase cutting-edge innovations to combat emerging challenges in cybercrime, such as ransomware, deep fakes, cryptocurrency fraud, and online misinformation. The event would include presentations, panel discussions, and workshops on topics that circle around such issues as cybercrime solutions driven by AI, cyber resilience for MSME, and the role of women's and children's safety in the digital place. The event aims to create actionable strategies for cybercrime prevention and establish a robust framework for addressing future cybersecurity challenges.





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