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Andhra Pradesh State Regional News

Person in news: Ambedkar



Why in news?

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 Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu paid heartfelt tributes to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, the architect of the Indian Constitution, on his birth anniversary.

Key Points:

- Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar was a prominent Indian jurist, economist, social reformer, and politician.
- He was born on April 14, 1891 in Mhow, Madhya Pradesh.
- Contributions:
 - In 1924, he started an Association for the welfare of the depressed classes and in 1927, he started the Bahishkrit Bharat newspaper to address the cause of the depressed classes.
 - He also led the **Mahad Satyagraha in March 1927.**
 - He participated in all three Round Table Conferences.
 - In 1932, Dr. Ambedkar signed the Poona pact with Mahatma Gandhi, which abandoned the idea of separate electorates for the depressed classes (Communal Award).
 - In 1936, he formed the Independent Labour Party to safeguard the interests of the depressed classes.
 - He was the Chairman of Drafting Committee and remembered as the Father of the Indian Constitution.

Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG)

Why in news?

 Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh (SAAP) Chairman A. Ravi Naidu and Managing Director P.S. Gireesha announced that selection trials for Under-18 athletes, ahead of the 7th edition of the Khelo India Youth Games 2025, will be held on April 16.

Key Points:

- It is a sports competition for school and college students.
 There are two groups of players: under-17 years old for school students and under-21 years old for college students.
- Every year, the best 1,000 kids get a scholarship of ₹5 lakh every year for 8 years to help them prepare for international sports events.
- n 2019, the games were renamed from "Khelo India School Games" to "Khelo India Youth Games", and the Indian Olympic Association joined the program.
- In 2019, the Prime Minister launched the Khelo India App to







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	encourage sports and fitness. The app helps people stay updated about sports events and promotes a healthy lifestyle.
Public-Private-People Partnership" (P4) Policy	 Why in news? Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu hit back at critics of the 'P4' initiative and reaffirmed his commitment to eradicating economic inequalities.
	 Key Points: 'P4' stands for 'Public, Private, People Partnership', and achieving 'zero poverty' is one of the 'Padi Sutralu' (10 principles) of Swarna Andhra-2047. A "Public-Private-People Partnership" (P4) system is an expanded version of the traditional Public-Private Partnership (PPP). In this model:
	 Public sector (government) and private companies collaborate, as in a PPP. However, it also actively involves the local community or citizens ("people"). The community participates in the planning, development, and management of projects or services. The goal is to promote greater inclusivity and community ownership in both decision-making and the distribution of benefits.
Ambedkar Overseas Vidya Nidhi (AOVN) scheme	Why in news? • Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu has reinstated the Ambedkar Overseas Education Scheme in Andhra Pradesh.
	 The Ambedkar Overseas Vidya Nidhi (AOVN) scheme, formerly known as Jagananna Videshi Vidya Deevena, is a financial assistance program by the Andhra Pradesh government aimed at supporting students from Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), Backward Classes (BC), Economically Backward Classes (EBC), Minorities, and Kapu communities to pursue higher education abroad. The scheme provides grants ranging from ₹10 to ₹20 lakh to eligible students pursuing Postgraduate (PG), Doctoral (Ph.D.), or MBBS courses in top-ranked foreign universities. Eligible Countries: The scheme covers admissions in top 50 QS-ranked universities globally.
Waqf Amendment Bill 2024	Why in news? ● The YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) has filed a petition in the Supreme Court challenging the Waqf (Amendment) Act, citing





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serious constitutional violations and failure to address the concerns of the Muslim community.

Key Points:

- The Waqf (Amendment) Bill 2024, introduced in the Lok Sabha on August 8, 2024, proposes significant changes to the governance and management of Waqf properties in India.
- This legislation seeks to amend the Waqf Act of 1995, aiming to enhance transparency, accountability, and efficiency in the administration of Waqf properties while addressing long-standing issues within the system.

What is a Waqf Property?

- A Waqf is a property donated by Muslims for a specific religious, charitable, or private purpose. Ownership of the property is considered to belong to God, while its benefits are directed to the specified purposes.
- **Establishment:** A Waqf can be established through a written deed, legal instrument, or orally.
- Use and Permanence: A property may be recognized as Waqf if it has been used for religious or charitable purposes over an extended period. Once declared Waqf, the property's status is permanent and irreversible.

Key Changes:

- The Waqf Amendment (Bill) 2024 proposes changing the name of the parent Act from the Waqf Act of 1995 to the Unified Waqf Management, Empowerment, Efficiency, and Development Act of 1995.
- Government Property: Government properties identified as waqf will revert to state ownership. The District Collector will determine ownership in disputed cases.
- **Waqf Property Determination:** The Waqf Board's power to determine waqf properties is removed.
- Waqf Survey: Collectors will conduct waqf surveys under state revenue laws.
- Tribunal Composition: Muslim law experts are removed. Tribunals will include a District Court judge and a state officer of joint secretary rank.
- Appeals: Tribunal decisions can be appealed to the High Court within 90 days.
- Central Government Powers: The central government can set rules on registration, waqf accounts, and Board proceedings. Audits can be conducted by the CAG.
- Separate Waqf Boards: Separate Waqf Boards are allowed for Bohra and Agakhani sects.







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