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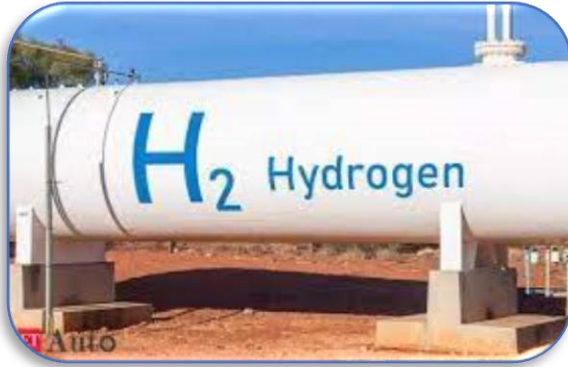
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APRIL MONTH CURRENT AFFIRES

1.Green Hydrogen project in Andhra Pradesh :



- NTPC to Install 20 GW Renewable Power Capacity in Andhra Pradesh for Green Hydrogen Manufacturing.
- The renewable power capacity, comprising storage, will be an overall 20 GW, and the project is anticipated to be accomplished by 2030.
- NTPC India's major power manufacturer, has declared its plan to construct a green hydrogen hub in coastal Andhra Pradesh with an allocation of budget over INR 1 lakh crore.
- The project will consist of setting up 13.4 GW of solar power and 6.6 GW of pumped storage capacity.
- optimized for green hydrogen through electrolysis.
- comprising storage, will be an overall of 20 GW.
- industrial sites will have production facilities for new energy technologies, including electrolyzers, fuel cells, batteries, solar wafers, solar modules, wind turbine equipment, and carbon capture systems.
- concentrate on exports in South Asia, specifically for green hydrogen and green methanol.

2.Andhra Pradesh launches Family Doctor program to provide healthcare at the doorstep.

- doctors will extend preventive healthcare in 10,032 Dr. YSR Village Health Clinics across the state.
- Every few days general physicians will visit all households in rural areas, especially those that are far away from government healthcare centers, to check on the health of people living there.



- like senior citizens' pensions, healthcare facilities would also be extended to people at their doorsteps.

3.AP govt renames Bhavanapadu port as Mulapeta port.

- Andhra Pradesh government has renamed Bhavanapadu Port in Srikakulam District as Mulapeta Port on a request from the farmers.
- The Department of Infrastructure & Investment (Ports) issued a memo naming the Bhavanapadu Port as Mulapeta Port, in Srikakulam District.
- Port capacity 23.5 million tonnes.
- No of berths 4.
- Four-line highway for a stretch of 13.8km connecting NH16.
- Construction of a 10.6km railway line from Naupada junction to the port.



4.Jagan anna vasathi devena

- The students who are good in academics but belong below the poverty line category find it very difficult to apply for courses that have high fees so to help all these students, the Government of Andhra Pradesh has launched the Jagananna Vasathi Deevena Scheme.
- scholarships will be provided to all eligible candidates.
- scholarship will be provided to all of the poverty line categories of students because the government wants to help the students to study all their desired courses without doing any errands or part-time jobs.
- scholarship will help the students to carry on their education and to become successful people in the future.



5.E-stamping services of the stamps and registration department :

- AP Chief Minister launches e-stamping services for easy property registration
- The new facility will make the registration process easy as people can directly pay stamp duty and registration fees through e-Stamping by preparing documents themselves for registering properties.
- People can either pay through the www.shcilestamp.com website
- They can even pay cash after the value is ascertained.
- new facility is available at more than 1,400 branches of SBI, Union Bank, Andhra Pradesh State Cooperative Bank, CSC (common service centers), stamp vendors, and Stock Holding Corporation.
- it would be made available at another 1,000 centers.
- Stock Holding Corporation of India, which maintains the records of the Stamps and Registrations Department, would extend the e-stamping services.



6.Skill India report 2023:

- Andhra Pradesh stands first in the top five states with the female workforce in the country.
- The India Skills Report 2023, in its tenth edition, examines the strategic overview of India's Skills and Talent Economy by 2030.
- The shifting employability trends and industry forecasts have a solid foundation thanks to a comprehensive understanding of talent needs and supply across the job environment.



7. Andhra Pradesh: Chief Minister Jagan Mohan Reddy launches INDGAP program

- The certification will help the government facilitate the export of farm yield at a premium price not only domestically but also to more than one hundred countries, including Europe and U.S
- Several countries recognize the GAP certification given to the farmers in our country as INDGAP.
- INDGAP certification standards will be aligned with the global certification standards.
- The commercial demand for agricultural and horticultural products will then be high in the world market.
- The QCI has developed the INDGAP certification scheme to promote good agricultural practices in India.
- It has been developed keeping in mind the needs of the domestic and international markets.
- The certification is done in five categories — fruits, vegetables, composite crops, tea, green coffee, and spices.
- The certification can be opted for by individual farmers and farmer groups as well



8. Kisan drones :

- The Department of Agriculture, Government of Andhra Pradesh is proposing to establish Community Hiring Centres for Kisan Drones in 2023-24.
- Sub Mission of Agriculture Mechanization (SMAM) Scheme of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY)
- Scheme to provide Agriculture services through Kisan Drones to farming.
- Agriculture department officials have chalked out an action plan to provide 500 kisan drones by July to the farmers through Community Hire Centres (CHCs) under the YSR Yantra Seva scheme.



- Farmers would be trained on the use of drones by the Acharya NG Ranga Agricultural University at Tirupati, Kadapa, Marteru, and Vizianagaram, officials said adding that the first such training center is coming up at Vizianagaram as per the directions of the Chief Minister.
- under YSR Yantra Seva, 3,954 RBK level CHCs and 194 cluster level CHCs will be provided agriculture implements by May 20.

9.YSR EBC Nestham:

- The scheme "YSR EBC Nestham" is a Social Empowerment Scheme by the Backward Classes Welfare Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh.
- The objective of the scheme is to extend financial assistance to the women belonging to Economically Backward Classes who are in the age group of 45 – 60 years with a sum of ₹ 45,000/- in three phases (₹ 15,000/- per annum for a period of three years).
- This will create access to enhanced livelihood opportunities, income generation, and wealth creation at the household level, on a sustainable basis leading to better standards of living.
- The applicant should be a permanent resident of Andhra Pradesh.
- ₹ 45,000/- in three phases (₹ 15,000/- per annum for a period of three years).



10.Flavours of India program:

- The 'Flavors Of India Food Festival In AP Will Begin On April 29.
- Bhavani Punnami Ghat on the banks of Krishnapuram River in Vijayawada.
- The festival aims not only to bring joy to



the residents of the city but also to introduce them to the diverse and rich Indian food culture.

- Attendees will have the opportunity to enjoy a variety of delicacies including Punjabi, Rajasthani Delhi, Kerala tandooris, and Telugu specialties.

11. Rare elements found in Andhra Pradesh :

- Big deposits of 15 rare minerals found in Andhra Pradesh.
- “Scientists at the CSIR-National Geophysical Research Institute (NGRI) in Hyderabad have found the presence of Light Rare Earth Elements (REE) in Anantapur city of Andhra Pradesh.
- Hyderabad-based National Geophysical Research Institute has found large deposits of 15 Rare Earth Elements (REE) in Andhra Pradesh's Anantapur city.
- REE is a key component in many electronic devices and various industrial applications, including medical technology, aerospace, and defense.
- The Light Rare Earth Element minerals include Lanthanum, Cerium, Praseodymium, Neodymium, Yttrium, Hafnium, Tantalum, Niobium, Zirconium, and Scandium.



12. Anakapalli district in AP owns PM award :

- Anakapalli district in Andhra Pradesh bags PM's Award for promoting Swasth Bharat through health and wellness centers.
- The district has been successfully organizing a family doctor program being initiated by the State Government to provide basic health care services to the village people at the secretariat level at almost 424 HWCs.
- e selection of the award is based on the parameters of monthly service delivery through Health and Wellness Centres, YSR Village Health Clinics,



Number of Out Patients (OPs) per month and service provision for hypertension and diabetes, tele- consultations, and conduct of Wellness sessions in Dr. YSR Village Health Clinics, i.e. overall comprehensive primary health care services at village-level.

- Anakapalli district has got the award for the provision of 105 drugs and 14 types of diagnostics and follow-up services to hypertension and diabetes patients, teleconsultation services at the village level, and the conduct of yoga sessions for the wellness of the people.
- Anakapalli district has 576 Health and Wellness centers (45 Primary Health Centres, nine Urban Health Centres, and 522 Health Sub-Centres)

13.Pm –shri schools in Andhra Pradesh :

- On the occasion of Teacher’s Day 2022, the Prime Minister of India announced a new initiative - PM SHRI Schools (PM ScHools for Rising India).
- It will be a laboratory for the new National Education Policy (NEP) and under the first phase, 14,500 schools will be upgraded.
- After Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan took charge as the President of India in 1962, some students sought permission from him to celebrate his birthday.



14.Greenfield international airport in Bhogapuram:

- The foundation stone for the Greenfield International Airport in Bhogapuram is set to be laid on May 3 by Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy.
- The airport, spanning 2,200 acres, will soon commence construction, with the completion of the land acquisition process.
- Minister for Industries and Information Technology Gudivada Amarnath confirmed that the works are likely to be finished



within 24-30 months.

- This airport has been a long-standing dream for the people of North Andhra, and the remaining land acquisition process will be completed as soon as possible, said the minister.
- the district administration has resolved the issues related to land acquisition Rehabilitation and Resettlement for the Project Displaced Families on priority.

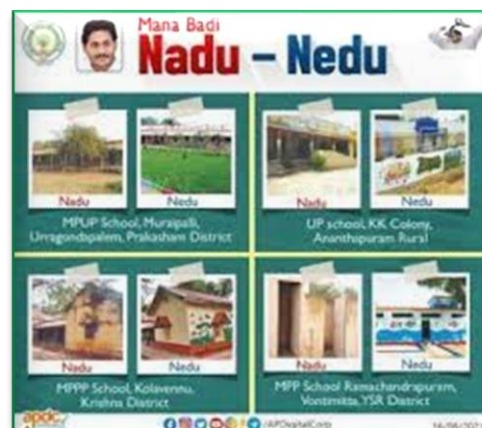
15.Nigha app :

- With the photos, audio, or video files sent by the people, suitable actions will be taken by the government.
- Through the application, any person can file complaints about corruption or malpractices during the campaign in the upcoming civil polls.
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16.Araku Utsav:

- 2-day Araku Utsav- a festival showcasing the rich heritage and culture of the tribes, was celebrated in Andhra Pradesh.
- The Araku Utsav is a 2-day annual celebration in the Araku Valley of Andhra Pradesh.
- It is aimed at showcasing the local tribal culture and heritage. It is also to encourage tourism to the region.
- It is organized by the state government.
- The Araku Valley is also known as the 'Ooty of Andhra'.
- It is a valley in the Eastern Ghats in the Vishakhapatnam district.
- It houses a mainly tribal population. According to the 2011 census, 91.5% of the population are Scheduled Tribe members.



18. Naval Exercise Milan held in Vishakapatnam:

- The biggest multilateral naval exercise in the Indian Ocean region, Milan is set to be organized at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- the exercise has been hosted by India since 1995.
- The exercise is to be conducted in the month of March, which is expected to be attended by as many as forty-two countries, including the US and Russia.
- The theme for Milan 2020 is 'Synergy Across the Seas'.



19. Andhra Pradesh launches Covid pharma app:

- The Andhra Pradesh government has launched a mobile app to detect COVID-19 cases by surveillance of people's pharmaceutical purchases.
- The COVID Pharma is a mobile app launched by the Andhra Pradesh government to detect cases of COVID-19 by assessing the OTC drugs purchased by people.
- Purchase of medicines for cough, cold, and fever- which are symptoms of COVID-19 will be recorded by the app.
- Pharmacies will note down the details and contact information of people who purchase OTC drugs for symptoms like cough, cold, and fever through the app.
- OTC or Over the Counter drugs are medicines that are sold directly to customers by pharmacies without the need for a prescription.



20. Ysr zero-interest loan scheme :

- the Andhra Pradesh government recently re-launched the YSR Zero Interest Loan Scheme for women SHGs in times of the COVID-19 crisis.

- The YSR Zero Interest Loan Scheme seeks to provide bank loans at a 0% interest rate to women self-help groups in the state.
- 1,400 crore INR has already been credited to the bank accounts of 8.78 lakh SHGs, most of which are in the rural areas in the state.
- The women's SHGs can get loans worth 20,000 to 40,000 INR per year under this scheme.
- During the launch of the scheme, the AP CM highlighted the Pavala Vaddi Scheme.
- It is an interest subsidy scheme that provides support to newly set up MSMEs and SHGs in the state for a period of up to 5 years.

