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International Day of Older Persons - 01 October

The Department of Social Justice & Empowerment (DoSJE) celebrated the International Day of Older Persons on 1st October, 2025. Theme of this year: Ageing with Dignity

GST Reforms in Andhra Pradesh

The Goods and Services Tax (GST) rate rationalisation has given a strong boost to Andhra Pradesh's economy by reducing costs across major sectors — fisheries, dairy, automobiles, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, renewable energy, and handicrafts.

Andhra Pradesh, which contributes 41% of India's fish production, will now benefit from reduced GST (12–18% to 5%) on fish oils, gear, pumps, and chemicals.

The dairy sector, supporting 24 lakh farmers, gains as milk and paneer become tax-free, and ghee, butter, and ice-cream get 5–7% cheaper — boosting rural incomes and consumer demand.

In the automobile sector, GST cuts from 28% to 18% make cars, bikes, and autos 8% cheaper, aiding hubs in Anantapur, Chittoor, Nellore, and Visakhapatnam.

Pharma and MedTech, with 250+ drug units and 100+ device makers, will see healthcare costs drop by 7–13%.

Renewable energy will also benefit as GST on solar and wind equipment drops from 12% to 5%, helping create 7.5 lakh green jobs by 2030.

Traditional sectors too will gain — Araku Coffee, Kondapalli and Etikoppaka toys, Leather Puppetry from Anantpur, Nellore and Guntur, and Durgi (Guntur) and Allagadda (Nandhyal) stone carvings will now have lower GST (12% to 5%), making local products more affordable and globally competitive.

Appointments

Central Industrial Security Force Director General - Praveer Ranjan
Indo-Tibetan Border Police Force Director General - Praveen Kumar

National Crime Records Bureau Report - 2023

The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) released its 2023 annual report, highlighting key national statistics on road safety, farmers' distress, and crimes against children.

Road Accidents

- Major cause: Overspeeding (58.6%) and careless driving (23.6%)
- Two-wheeler riders are the most affected victims (45.8%)
- Two-wheeler deaths highest in Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh
- Most deaths reported on: National Highways (34.6%)

Farmer Suicides

- Highest Farmer Suicides in Maharashtra (38.5%) and Karnataka (22.5%)
- Farmer Suicides rate in other states: Andhra Pradesh (8.6%), Madhya Pradesh (7.2%), Tamil Nadu (5.9%)
- Mainly affected regions: Cotton and soybean belts like Vidarbha and Marathwada

Crimes Against Children

- Crime rate against children: 39.9 per 1 lakh child population
- Highest crime rate against children registered States : Madhya Pradesh (22,393), Maharashtra (22,390), Uttar Pradesh (18,852)

Scientists Warn of Risks in Polar Geoengineering Experiments

A new study led by Professor Martin Siegert of the University of Exeter has warned that five major polar geoengineering proposals could cause severe global harm and fail to meet scientific and ethical criteria for responsible climate intervention.

The Five Polar Geoengineering Methods studied

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- Stratospheric Aerosol Injection (SAI) – Releasing aerosols to reflect sunlight and cool the Earth.
- Sea Curtains/Sea Walls – Blocking warm ocean water from reaching polar ice sheets.
- Sea Ice Management – Scattering glass microbeads to thicken and brighten sea ice.
- Basal Water Removal – Pumping out water from under glaciers to slow melting.
- Ocean Fertilisation – Adding nutrients like iron to oceans to stimulate carbon absorption via phytoplankton.

Key Findings

- High Risk of “Termination Shock”
- Economic and Technical Barriers
- Environmental Damage

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Andhra Pradesh Tourism Department Wins Global Tourism Award 2025

The Andhra Pradesh Tourism Department has been awarded the Global Tourism Award 2025 for its outstanding efforts in promoting the State as a leading tourism destination in India.

According to the Global News Network, the award recognises Andhra Pradesh Tourism’s visionary leadership in formulating a new tourism policy, attracting investors for destination development, and promoting eco-friendly initiatives such as the development of Gandikota as a top eco-adventure tourism hub.

Andhra Pradesh Tourism Excellence Awards 2024-25

Best Restaurant - The Square restaurant at Novotel Visakhapatnam

Best 5-Star Deluxe Hotel - Novotel Vijayawada