

An aerial photograph of a winding asphalt road that curves through a dense, lush green forest. Several cars are visible on the road, including a white car, a blue car, and a white van. The road has white dashed lines for lane markings. The overall scene is vibrant and scenic.

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'nFiNi' programme



- National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) in partnership with Fiserv Inc. to launch the plug-and-play RuPay credit card stack, 'nFiNi'.

- nFiNi is a ready stack of services required for fintechs and banks to issue RuPay credit cards and will enable fintech to co-create bank-sponsored credit cards.
- It is a BaaS (banking-as-a-service) programme.
- The nFiNi platform will power RuPay cards (including National Common Mobility Card) by offering access to needed services through the NPCI network combined with FirstVision™ cloud-based open API integrations from Fiserv.
- This will bring significant efficiencies for banking and fintech institutions at various levels in terms of operations and customer management.
- The programme will further enable these institutions to expand their market base to new-to-credit customers.

'Medicine From The Sky' drone project launched by govt in Telangana



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- Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia on Saturday launched the Medicine From the Sky project aimed at transporting medicines, vaccines and other essential products to remote areas using drones in Telangana.
- The project will be taken up on a pilot basis in 16 green zones in Telangana and later scaled up on the national level based on data, Scindia said.

Black holes exert pressure on their environment: Study



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- **University of Sussex physicists have found that black holes exert a pressure on their environment, in a scientific first.**
- **Researchers revealed they found an extra figure that was presenting in equations that they were running on quantum gravitational corrections to the entropy of a black hole.**
- **They eventually found that quantum gravity can lead to a pressure in black holes.**

UNWTO's 'Best Tourism Village'



- **Three Indian destinations have been chosen for the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)'s 'Best Tourism Village'.**
- **The Ministry of Tourism has nominated Meghalaya's Kongthong village, also known as the 'Whistling village', for the World Tourism Organization's "Best Tourism Villages" award along with two other villages in the country.**
- **The two other villages that have been nominated for UNWTO 'Best Tourism Villages' award are–Pochampally in Telangana and Ladhpura Khas in Madhya Pradesh.**

Meghalaya's Kongthong village

- **A picturesque, serene village located between Meghalaya's Sohra and Pynursla ridges, Kongthong attracts tourists not just because of its landscape; it is also home to an ancient tradition of tune-giving or Jingrwai lawbei.**
- **Khat-ar-shnong, a valley region in East Khasi Hills, Meghalaya reportedly has several other villages where people call each other by a tune and talk through whistling, apart from Kongthong.**
- **Kongthong is also known as the 'whistling village of India'.**
- **There are 10 major clans in the village and four of them, namely Khongsit, Majaw, Lynrah and Poh Kong, claim to be the founders.**
- **Khat-ar-shnong is where one can find the highest living root bridge, the Jingkieng Myor that connects two granite cliffs with the rushing Wah Sohra river more than a hundred feet below**

Pochampally of Telangana



- **Bhoodan Pochampally is a census town in Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district of Telangana.**
- **The place is known for its traditional weave, featuring geometric patterns in ikat style of dyeing, named after the destination.**

- There are thousands of looms in this village that produce this textile in bulk.
- Pochampally sati also received Intellectual Property Rights Protection or Geographical Indication (GI) status in 2005.

Ladhpura Khas village

- It is located in Orchha Tehsil of Tikamgarh district in Madhya Pradesh.
- It is about seven kilometres away from Orchha, another popular tourist destination.