

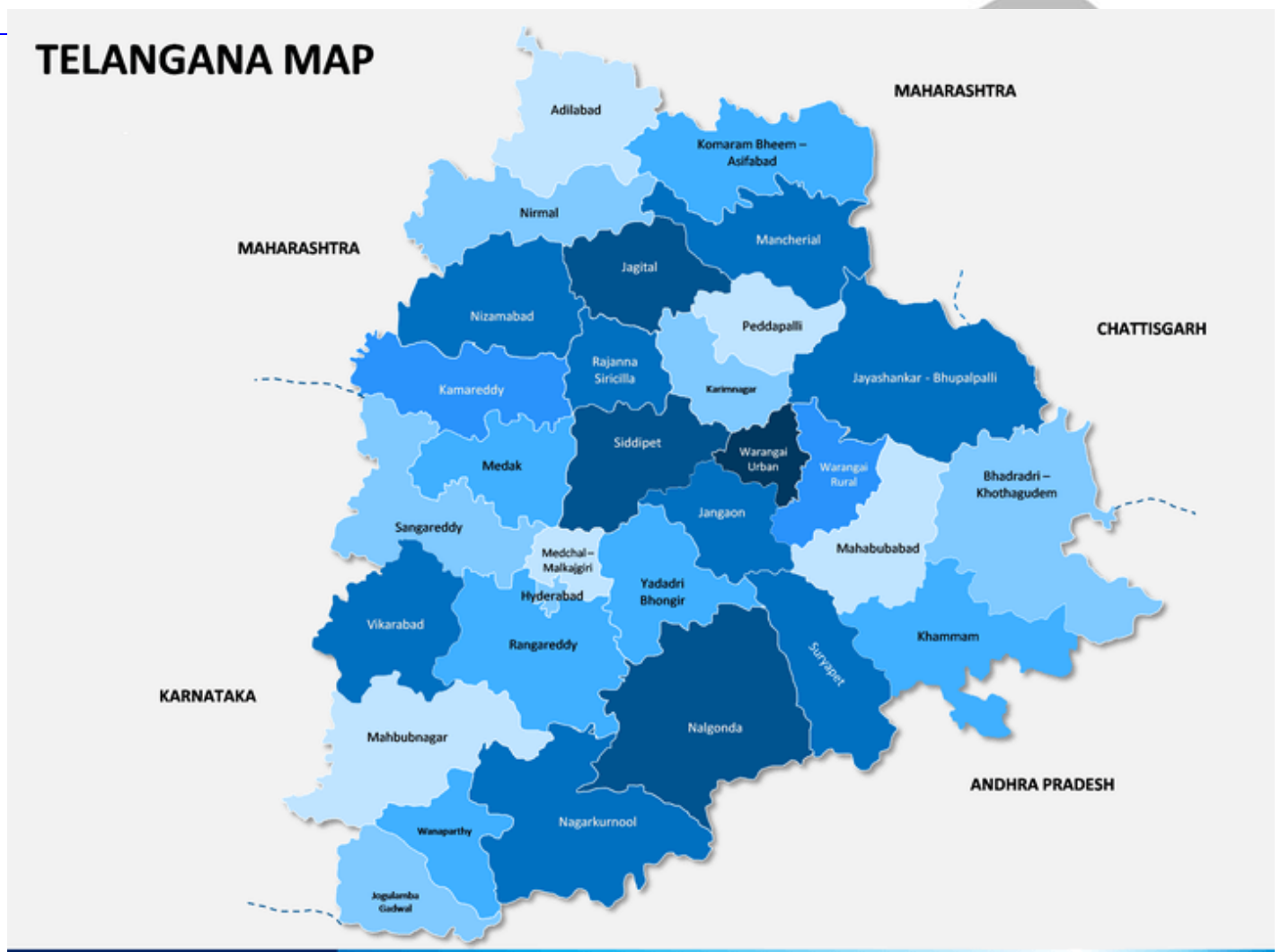


Telangana Formation Day

Why in News?

- Telangana's Governor greeted the people of the state on [Telangana formation day](#) (2nd June).

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What are the Key Points about Telangana?

- **About:**
 - On 2nd June, 2014 the northwestern part of Andhra Pradesh was separated and 29th state Telangana was created.
 - The **Andhra State Act (1953)** formed the first linguistic state of India, known as the state of Andhra, by taking out the Telugu speaking areas from the State of Madras (now Tamil Nadu).

- The **States Reorganisation Act (1956)** merged the Telugu-speaking areas of Hyderabad state with the Andhra state to create the enlarged Andhra Pradesh state.
- The **Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act (2014)** bifurcated Andhra Pradesh into two separate states, namely, the **Andhra Pradesh (residuary)** and the **Telangana**.
- **Capital:**
 - Hyderabad
- **Borders:**
 - Telangana is surrounded by Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh in the North, Karnataka in the West and Andhra Pradesh in the South and East directions.
- **Four Icons of Telangana:**
 - **State Bird** - Palapitta (Indian Roller or Blue Jay).
 - **State Animal** - Jinka (Deer).
 - **State Tree** - Jammi Chettu (Prosopis Cineraria).
 - **State Flower** - Tangedu (Tanner's Cassia).
- **Popular Festivals:**
 - The Hindu festivals like **Ugadi, Srirama Navami, Bonalu, Vinayaka Chaturthi, Dasara, Deepavali, Sankranti, Holi, Mahashivaratri** are celebrated with pomp, gaiety and devotion.
 - **Dasara** is the main festival with the epithet 'pedda panduga'.
- **Global Recognition:**
 - [Ramappa Temple](#), at Mulugu district presents the distinct style of Kakatiyas. The foundation of this temple is "**sandbox technique**". It is a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**.
 - Sadarmatt anicut across river Godavari in Nirmal district and Pedda Cheruvu in Kamareddy district are in the [ICID Register of Heritage Irrigation Structures](#).
- **National Parks:**
 - Kasu Brahmananda Reddy National Park
 - Mahavir Harina Vanasthali National Park
 - Mrugavani National Park
- **Wild Life Sanctuaries:**
 - Kinnersani Wildlife Sanctuary
 - Eturnagaram Wildlife Sanctuary
 - [Kawal Tiger Reserve](#)
 - Lanja Madugu Siwaram Wildlife Sanctuary
 - Manjeera Crocodile Wildlife Sanctuary
 - **Nagarjuna Sagar-Srisailem** Wildlife Sanctuary
 - **Pakhal** Wildlife Sanctuary
 - **Pocharam** Wildlife Sanctuary
 - **Pranahita** Wildlife Sanctuary
- **Water Dispute:**
 - [Krishna River Dispute](#)
- **Other Related Initiative:**
 - Telangana approved the use of the [Indian Council of Medical Research \(ICMR\) devised Drone-Based Vaccine Delivery Model, i-drone](#) for delivering vaccines in remote areas.

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