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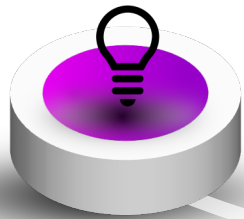
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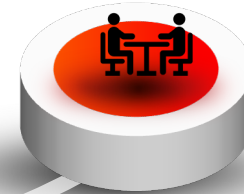
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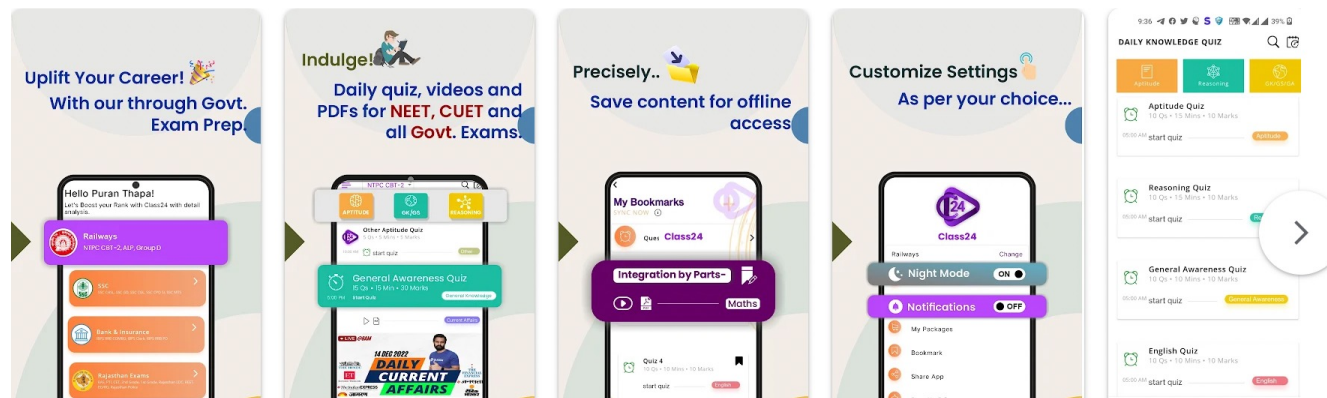
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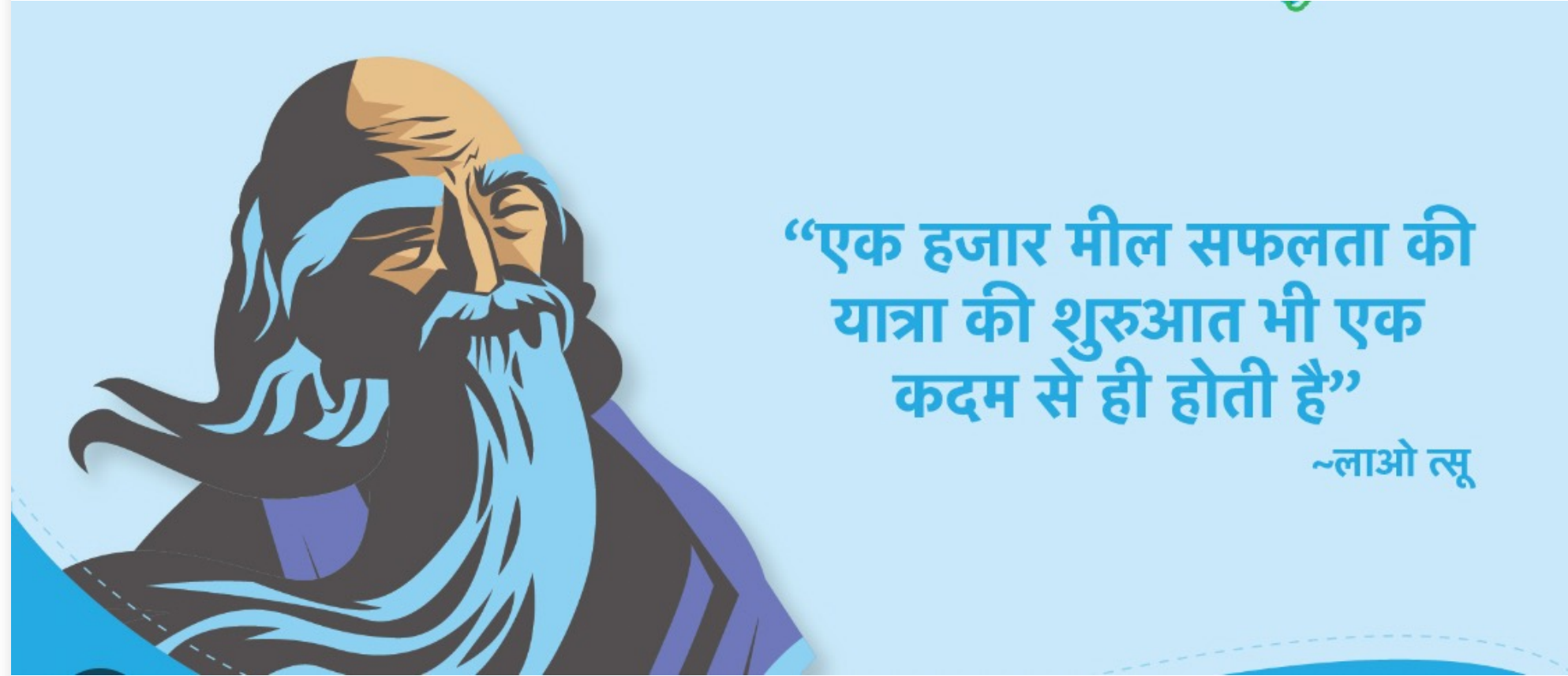


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One voter, two States, two votes

Over 3,000 voters in 14 villages along the Maharashtra-Telangana boundary get to vote in both States, thanks to an ongoing dispute

Abhinav Deshpande
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Amid the desolate hilly terrain between Jivri taluk of Chandrapur district in Maharashtra and Kerameri mandal in Kumuram Bheem Asifabad district in Telangana are 14 villages in the Parandoli and Anthapur gram panchayats. Here, 3,023 residents, of a population of nearly 5,000, have the power of the vote in both Maharashtra and Telangana.

Both gram panchayats, dependent on the Maharashtra and Telangana governments, and the residents participate in almost all elections on both sides, says Laxman Kamble, the first sarpanch of Parandoli, elected in 1995.

With polling to the Telangana Assembly on November 30, these villages, predominantly occupied by Marathi-speaking Scheduled Caste (SC) communities, will exercise their voting right owing to an unresolved boundary dispute. The population includes Lambada tribespeople and Muslims who had migrated from drought-hit Nanded, Parbhani, Latur, and Jalna dis-



People in this area draw benefits of social welfare schemes from both States. ABHINAV DESHPANDE

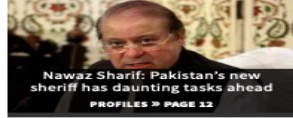
tricts of Marathwada between 1970 and 1971 in search of a livelihood. The candidates are actively campaigning in these hilly areas, recognising the significance of the villages in the electoral landscape.

"We vote in both States' elections, but several of our problems, including road connectivity, healthcare and higher education remain unresolved," says Pankaj Waghmare, a Dalit farmer from Parandoli.

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Khalistan Tiger Force case: NIA files chargesheet

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Saturday filed the first supplementary chargesheet in the Khalistan Tiger Force (KTF) case involving smuggling of arms and explosives from Pakistan.

Among those arraigned are Amritpal Singh alias Ammy and Amrik Singh, who were both deported from the Philippines; Jassa Singh, and Gagandeep Singh alias Mithi.

It is alleged that Canada-based "listed individual" Arshdeep Singh alias Arsh Dalia, along with accused Manpreet Singh Peeta, had indoctrinated and recruited Ammy, Amrik Singh, Jassa Singh and Mithi into his banned terrorist group.

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IN BRIEF PM woos Madigas with sub-quota panel promise

HYDERABAD
Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday announced the constitution of a panel soon to empower Dalit communities and ensure justice for the Madiga community. » PAGE 4

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greet its readers on the occasion of **Deepavali**. There will be no issue of THE HINDU on November 13, 2023 as Deepavali is a holiday.
Readers can access the online edition at www.thehindu.com

Orders for 1 lakh Deepavali lamps light up Kashmir's Muslim-majority hamlet

Deerzada Ashia
SRINAGAR

Kumar Mohalla, a locality in central Kashmir, was abuzz with unprecedented activities this November, with kilns running throughout the day. Noor Muhammad Kumar, 54, a potter, roped in his two brothers and neighbours to meet orders for 10,000 earthen lamps from outside the State, for Deepavali. "It has been a busy month. The only time we would take breaks was during daily namaz," he said.



Kumar Mohalla now has only about six families, whose kilns are still functional and churning out lamps. NISSAR AHMED

Kashmir Valley has a minuscule Hindu population. However, with the growing number of jawans, migrant labourers, and Hindu families celebrating Deepavali in Kashmir this year, scores of temples, renovated

across the Valley in the past four years, are set for special prayers on the occasion.

Kumar Mohalla itself, however, once home to nearly 25 families of potters, now has just about six families whose kilns are still functional. Muhammad Umar, 29, from a traditional potter's family in Srinagar's Ishber Nishat area, is witness to the decline of the sector over the past three decades.

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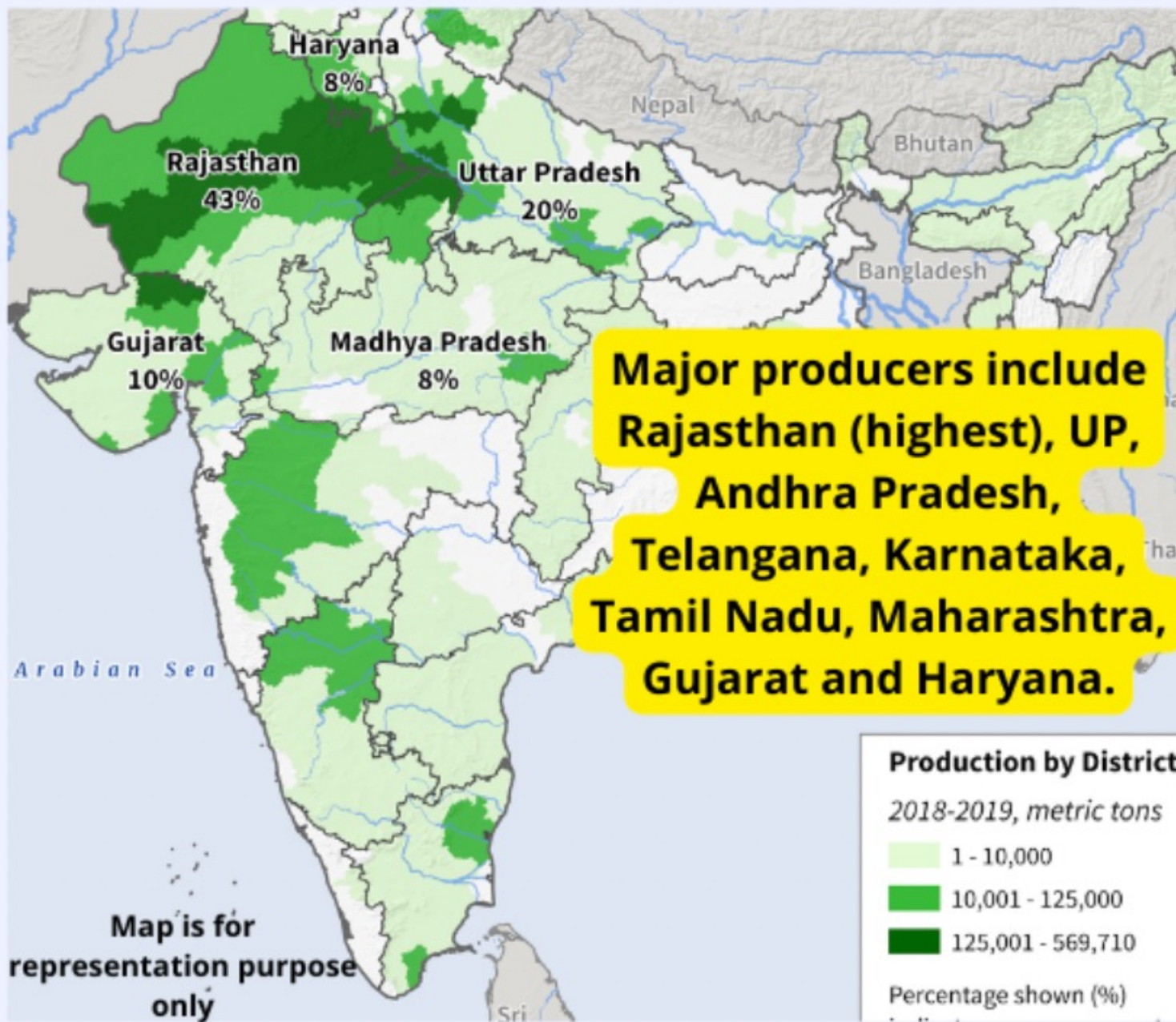
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Grain tune: PM Modi's millet music gets Grammy nod

India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi has made an entry into the halls of global music with a song featuring him and his passion for millet nominated for a Grammy. *"Abundance In Millets"* by Falu and Gaurav Shah, a tune the musicians say was "written and performed" with the Prime Minister, features speeches by Mr. Modi expounding the benefits of his favourite grain. The tune was nominated on Friday in the Best Global Music Performance category. Mr. Modi has said he believes it "will inspire more people to embrace millets for healthy living!". Grammy winners will be announced on February 4. AFP



Major producers include Rajasthan (highest), UP, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Haryana.

About Millets

- Major Millets in India: **jowar** (sorghum), **bajra** (pearl millet) and **ragi** (finger millet).
- Indigenous varieties of “small millets” like **kodo, kutki, chenna and sanwa**.
- Earliest evidence found of Millets found in **Indus civilization** : 3000 BC.
- It was **ancient food grains first plants** domesticated for food.

Climatic condition:

- **Short growing season** (70-100 days, as against 120-150 days for paddy/wheat)
- **Lower water requirement** (350-500 mm versus 600-1,200 mm).
- Can grow even in **poor soil**
- It is a **Kharif crop**



Pearl Millet



Finger Millet



Foxtail Millet

TYPES OF MILLETS



Barnyard Millet



Kodo Millet

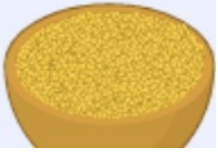


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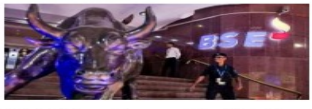
India (accounting for **20%** of world production), **Nigeria** and **China** are the largest producers of millets in the world, accounting for **more than 55%** of the global production.

- However, in recent years, millet production has increased dramatically in **Africa**.

Production of millets has increased from **14.52 million** tonnes in 2015-16 to **17.96 million** tonnes in 2020-21.



IN BRIEF



BSE Q2 net jumps fourfold to ₹118 crore, revenue rises 53%

BSE has reported a four-fold jump in net profit to ₹118.4 crore for the quarter ended September 2023. The exchange had posted a net profit of ₹29.4 crore in the year-earlier period. BSE said in a statement. The bourse's revenue rose 53% to a record ₹467 crore from ₹240 crore in the year-earlier period. The exchange's average daily turnover in the equity segment increased to ₹5,922 crore from ₹4,740 crore in the three months ended September 2022.

Shriram Properties Q2 sales bookings rise 40% to ₹608 cr.

Realty firm Shriram Properties Ltd. has clocked 40% growth in sales bookings to ₹608 crore in the second quarter of this fiscal year on better demand for its housing projects. Sales bookings stood at ₹435 crore in the year-earlier period. According to an investor presentation, Shriram Properties sales bookings grew 14% to 1.15 million sq. ft during the July-September period of this fiscal from 1.01 million sq. ft in the corresponding period of the previous year.

Fall in prices brings glitter to gold just ahead of Dhanteras

The decline in gold prices — up to ₹1,130 per 10 gram since the beginning of this month — has lifted the sentiment that can revive the so-far-sluggish jewellery sales and step up demand for digital gold this Dhanteras. Gold prices fell to ₹60,240 per gram on Friday from ₹61,370 on October 31 as concerns over the U.S. slipping into a recession eased on positive economic data. Digital gold, especially in the form of ETFs, has had huge traction.

ONGC Q2 net profit drops 20% on lower oil prices, output

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI
State-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) reported a 20% drop in September quarter net profit on decline in oil prices and lower output. The company reported a net profit of ₹10,216 crore in July-September, the second quarter of current 2023-24 fiscal year, compared to ₹12,870 crore earned in the same period last year, a statement said. This is the second consecutive quarter of decline in net profit for ONGC. India's top crude oil and natural gas producer. The firm had reported a 34% drop in April-June quarter. ONGC earned ₹84.84 for



every barrel of crude oil it produced and sold from nomination fields against a gross realisation of \$95.50 per barrel last year and a statement said. Oil prices globally had risen sharply in April-June 2022, after Russia's invasion of Ukraine led to an unprecedented 34% drop in April-June quarter. ONGC earned ₹84.84 for

'Flight traffic to smaller cities soars'

Bengaluru International Airport witnesses a rapid proliferation of travel to domestic destinations since COVID-19, spurred by a demand for travel to smaller cities; the share of non-metro travellers grew from 25% before the pandemic to 58% now

Jagriti Chandra
NEW DELHI

The country's third-largest airport in terms of passenger traffic, the Bengaluru International Airport, has seen a rapid proliferation of travel to domestic destinations since COVID-19, spurred by a demand for travel to smaller cities.

Before COVID-19, passengers travelling to metropolitan cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Chennai accounted for 75% of total passengers, which has now shrunk to 42% as the share

New destinations

Bengaluru airport sees a sea change in the nature of passenger traffic with the rise of travel to non-metro destinations

of non-metro travellers grew from 25% to 58%, explains the airport's Chief Operating Officer, Satyaki Raghunath, in an interview to *The Hindu*. The airport

travellers during COVID-19, when train travel was no longer a preferred choice for many due to health safety protocols, also often led to airlines opening new routes and later providing more frequencies on them. "So, we have gone from six domestic destinations to 24. We now connected to Jamnagar (Gujarat), Jaipur (Rajasthan), Bareilly (Uttar Pradesh), Agartala (Tripura), Bharu-guda (Odisha). Five years back you couldn't have imagined that there would be a direct flight to these cities from Bengaluru," says Mr. Raghunath.

The number of domestic passengers at the airport is now at 105% of pre-COVID levels. The number of international passengers (last fiscal 3.76 million) though lagged behind the pre-COVID level by around 10% as foreign carriers are yet to restore capacity to the levels seen in 2019-2020 due to supply-chain constraints and the Russia-Ukraine conflict which has closed a part of the European skies. However, by the end of this fiscal the airport is expected to exceed the pre-COVID passenger number of 33 million, the top executive said.

Moody's turns negative on U.S. rating, irks Washington

Reuters
Moody's lowered its outlook on the U.S. credit rating to "negative" from "stable" citing large fiscal deficits and a decline in debt affordability, a move that drew criticism from President Biden's administration. The move followed downgrade of the sovereign by major agencies. Fitch, this year, and S&P, which has maintained a A+ rating since 2011. Federal spending and political polarisation have been a rising concern for investors, contributing to a sell-off that took U.S. government bond prices to their lowest in 16 years. "It is hard to disagree with the rationale, with no reasonable expectation for fiscal consolidation any time soon," said Christopher Hodge, chief economist for the U.S. at Natixis. Moody's in a statement blasted "continued political polarisation" in Congress raising the risk that lawmakers will not be able to reach consensus on a fiscal plan. Republicans who control the House of Representatives, expect to release a stopgap spending measure aimed at averting a partial government shutdown. Funding for federal agencies expires next Friday. "We disagree with the shift to a negative outlook. The American economy remains strong, and Treasury securities are the world's preeminent safe and liquid asset," Deputy Treasury Secretary Wally Adekunle said in a statement.

Festive season keeps logistics, warehousing sectors a buzz

Mini Tejaswi
BENGALURU

Logistics movements and demand for warehousing have seen a significant spike in the months of September, October and until the first week of November, to support the soaring festive season shopping volumes in the country.

Market observers said the logistics and warehousing segment reported a 50-60% increase in traffic and storage volumes in this festive period compared with the same time last year. Merchandise segments, too, grew substantially and product categories grew even 100% over last year. "As



the festive season unfolded, the demand for warehousing solutions was reaching unprecedented levels, with e-commerce, FMCG, and CDE significantly ramping up the inventory to meet the peak-season demand," said Manikandan Ramachandran, CEO, TVS Industrial & Logistics Parks.

The convenience of online shopping and the exclusive deals have a significant impact on shifting consumer behaviour especially during festive season, which clearly leads to high volume of logistics traffic, observed Kamal Viswanathan, President of FedEx Express Middle East, Indian subcontinent, and Africa. Although festive peak months start from October, the preparations typically begin as early as July and continue through January. The festive season and new year gifting, said Ishaan Gupta, Joint MD, Gateway Distriparks, a part of Snowman Logistics.

Hospitality firm Tamara eyes doubling capacity

N. Anand
CHENNAI

Having crossed the 1,000-room milestone globally, Tamara Leisure Experience Pvt. Ltd. (Tamara) is looking to double the number of keys in the domestic market to over 500 in four months, said a top official. "We recently crossed 1,000 keys in Bangalore in the inauguration of our latest property in Coimbatore," CEO Shrikant said during an interaction. The Bengaluru-based hospitality firm has more than tripled its capacity in

five years, and aims to expand mainly in the South-eastern states. By Tamara in Coimbatore, its latest addition with 141 rooms, will be followed by expansions in Thiruvananthapuram, Kumbakonam and Guruvayur. Tamara began operations in Madhrt, Karnataka in 2018, followed by Kerala and Germany. "We follow an asset light concept. The expansion will be done through acquisition or management contracts," Ms. Shubhal said.

Centre to unveil PM-Kisan Bhai to end traders' monopoly

Prabhubodini Mishra
NEW DELHI

To help small and marginal farmers who do not have the capacity to hold their produce in warehouses and wait for better prices, the Centre plans to incentivise them under a scheme likely to be named PM-Kisan Bhai (Bhandaran Incentive) scheme. The agriculture ministry is 10-day deadline to receive feedback ended on Friday after a concept paper was published, and the scheme is likely to be rolled out by December-end. This is seen as an attempt to break the monopoly of traders in deciding crop prices. Kisan Bhai is

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Academia-industry tie-ups are critical in fast-changing tech landscape: Capgemini

Mini Tejaswi
BENGALURU

There exists a crisis in Indian education; educational institutions cannot operate in isolation anymore in a highly converging and rapidly changing technology landscape, cautioned Clifton Menezes, India Head of Group Portfolio at Capgemini. "At least four academics recently approached us to explore the possibility of redrawing their syllabi to keep their institutions updated with the changing requirements of businesses globally," said Mr. Menezes, who is responsible for Capgemini's go-to-market



transition and digitisation technologies. "Educators and educational institutions are in- exploring the possibility of collaborating with many IITs, universities and start-ups in the country in Quantum Computing, AI, Design and Edge Computing. Capgemini has been inclined towards innovation

requirements," he told *The Hindu*. "The faculty in India is good, but the problem is several are not up to date with fast-moving technological changes that are taking place. There is a lag," he said. "The industry-academia collaborations are going to be a win-win for all and academia can not operate in isolation any more," Mr. Menezes emphasised. Capgemini had already collaborated with many IITs, universities and start-ups in the country in Quantum Computing, AI, Design and Edge Computing. "Capgemini has been inclined towards innovation

and that makes us attractive to academia globally," he said. However, Mr. Menezes said, IT "need not always mean doing complex things". For instance, the French tech firm is helping to digitally transform a large postal organisation in the U.K. "With Capgemini's intervention, the company began partnering with large e-tailers like eBay and Amazon as the postal firm knows the last-mile like nobody else in U.K. and Europe," he added. With Capgemini's help the postal firm is now able to roll out products in weeks instead of months.

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MULTIPLE INTERACTIONS ALONG LAC, PART OF CBMs AGREED UPON
India, China ground commanders hold talks as troops brace for Ladakh winter

Army has started moving troops for winter posture, readjusting deployment

AMRITA NAYAK DUTTA
 NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 11
 BRACING FOR what will be their fourth winter since the start of the military standoff along the Line of Actual Control in eastern Ladakh, Indian and Chinese ground commanders have been holding interactions to rule out any incident as troop deployments are readjusted for the harsh months ahead. Sources have told The

Sunday Express that several agenda-based interactions have been taking place at multiple points along the LAC for nearly 10 days now between local commanders at the levels of brigade and below to sort out minor issues that may have cropped up and to prevent any incident during the winter months. More such meetings are likely to take place over the next few weeks. This is among the various confidence-building measures

(CBMs) which were discussed during the Corps Commander-level talks between the two sides. Other CBMs discussed in the last few rounds of military talks were adherence to existing border protocols and advance sharing of patrol information to avoid clashes on ground. Sources said the Indian Army, in the last fortnight, has already started moving into its winter posture. They say another round of high-level military talks is expected to take place before the

start of summer. "Even as these CBMs are being implemented along the LAC, the Army has continued to maintain adequate reserves in the depth areas as part of preparations to deal with any contingency that may crop up," a source said. Additionally, enhancement of infrastructure, wherever feasible, is being carried out despite the extreme cold-weather conditions in eastern Ladakh, the source said. The Indian Express reported **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

EXPLAINED
Stalemate, the issues
 THE LAST disengagement was more than a year ago in the Gogra-Hot Springs area and there has been a bit of a stalemate in talks between India and China. Indian troops continue to be denied access to traditional patrolling points.

Uttarakhand to hold special Assembly session on UCC Bill after Diwali

Live-ins must be registered, no specific measures for population control

LIZ MATHEW
 NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 11
 THE UTTARAKHAND government will convene a special session of its Legislative Assembly in the week immediately after Diwali to discuss and pass the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) Bill, sources in the know of discussions told The Indian Express. The report, it is learnt, has placed emphasis on gender equality and equal rights for daughters in ancestral properties. It does not, however, suggest raising the marriageable age of women to 21. The committee's recommendation says the marriageable age for women should be retained as 18.



"It is to formulate one law that is applicable to all religions in matters related to marriage, divorce, inheritance and adoption," said the source. Accordingly, the Bill's broader focus is on uniformity in personal laws such as marriage registration, divorce, property rights, inter-state property rights, maintenance, custody of children, etc. the source said. The proposed legislation **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**



Aghat illuminated with diyas on Diwali eve in Ayodhya. More than 22 lakh diyas were lit on the banks of the Sarayu on Saturday, setting a world record. **PH**

DIWALI IN AYODHYA

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Glitch in BRS govt's farm scheme is sowing seeds of hope for challengers

SREENIVAS JANYALA
 MEDAK (TELANGANA), NOVEMBER 11

THE TALK in the fields in Station Ghanpur in Medak Assembly constituency, where freshly harvested paddy is being bagged, is about the Congress's promises. The ruling Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS), they acknowledge, has a lot of schemes. But the Congress is offering more

of everything the BRS is providing. Plus, there is a complaint about Chief Minister K Chandrababoo Naidu's much-coveted Rythu Bandhu farmers' assistance programme, as voiced passionately by R Veeraiiah, a farmer in Ramayampet. "Why am I angry? My neighbour has 6 acres of land and receives Rs 90,000 as Rythu Bandhu per year. I own 1 acre and receive Rs 10,000. My neighbour does **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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THREE BANGLA TOURISTS DIE IN SRINAGAR HOUSEBOAT FIRE
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LPG cylinder to cash transfers to courting majority: Cong in a me-too race with BJP

In MP, Cong counts on BJP for change of guard, lacks energy to communicate big ideas or strategy to frame alternative

VANDITA MISHRA
 BHOPAL, INDORE, KHANWARA, CHHINDWARA, NOV 11
 IT'S A minute or two past 7 o'clock in the evening when Kamal Nath makes his way in an open jeep to the sound of deafening drumbeats, down a nar-

row lane of Gulabara locality in his home turf of Chhindwara. A small stage, covered in frilled white has been rigged up at the lane's end for a mukhad meeting. That scene may seem unremarkable in the run-up to polls — it is not. In this election, there is talk in Chhindwara about



MP Congress chief Kamal Nath with Priyanka Gandhi Vadra in Indore. **PH**

how the mighty Congress leader, around whom so many elections have revolved, and who is ru-

measured to have pulled strings even inside the rival BJP camp here, has been driven this time to make an appearance at the smallest of gatherings. In his short five-minute speech, Kamal Nath speaks of how, in his career spanning more than four decades, he has put Chhindwara on the country's map. "Earlier, they would ask, koton so Chhindwara (which Chhindwara)? Kamal Nath's Congress smells a chance in this election in Madhya Pradesh — it had **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

In Punjab, a death and a ban stop tractor stuntmen in middle of their tracks

PAGE 1 ANCHOR
KAMALDEEP SINGH BRAR & RAAKHI JAGGA
 AMRITSAR, LUDHIANA, NOVEMBER 11



Happy Malha from Moga has featured in movies and is now balanced

ons their rear tyres, much like a playful puppy. This is usually followed by a dervish-like spin, all through which the exhaust pipe spouts black fumes. Child's play? Not so. Gaggi, 34, a small-time farmer turned tractor stuntman, is angry and upset that the Punjab government has banned tractor stunts as being "dangerous". The ban follows the death of 29-year-old Sukhvirdeep Singh on October 28. Singh was performing a high-risk stunt during a rural sports fair in Sarlahi village in Gurdaspur when he was crushed to death.

According to eyewitnesses, Sukhvirdeep's tractor was up on its rear wheels when he tried to climb onto the vehicle. As his left foot slipped, he fell and came under the tyres of the tractor. While the accident left many in Punjab shocked, in a state where tractors serve much more than their primary function as tillers of the earth, the ban hasn't gone down too well, especially among the practitioners of these stunts, a popular form of entertainment in rural Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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Swiss woman murder: Probe finds father of accused went to her home, threatened kin

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL
 NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 11

THE DELHI Police has issued a lookout circular against the father of West Delhi resident Gurpreet Singh, the accused in the murder of Swiss national Nina Berger whose decomposed body was found dumped near a school last month. The Indian Express has learnt. According to police sources, before Gurpreet allegedly murdered his 36-year-old Berger, his father Arjun Singh travelled to Switzerland to threaten her fam-

ily over a monetary dispute involving Rs 8 lakh. They said the father's role came to the fore after investigators scanned around 2,500 messages Gurpreet and Berger had sent to each other on WhatsApp. Investigators have also found that it was over this dispute that Gurpreet later killed Berger, and not over a spurned marriage proposal as he had earlier claimed to mislead the probe. Meanwhile, the final findings of Berger's post-mortem, conducted by a panel of three doctors from Deen Dayal Upadhyay hospital, have attributed her **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

Smart Cities ranking: Surat tops, UTs, N-E cities in bottom 10

TRACKING CITIES



A bird's eye view of Ahmedabad. *Express*

↑ TOP 10

- SURAT ■ AGRA ■ AHMEDABAD ■ VARANASI
- BHOPAL ■ TUMAKURU ■ UDAIPUR ■ MADURAI ■ KOTA
- SHIVAMOGGA

↓ BOTTOM 10

- KAVARATTI ■ PUDUCHERRY ■ PORT BLAIR
- IMPHAL ■ SHILLONG ■ DIU ■ GUWAHATI ■ AIZAWL
- GANGTOK ■ PASIGHAT

Source: Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs data as on Nov 10

DAMINI NATH

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 11

AS THE Smart Cities Mission approaches the June 2024 deadline, cities in Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan account for the top 10 in terms of completion of projects and financial progress, while UTs and cities in Northeastern states are in the lowest 10 of the 100, *The Indian Express* has learnt.

As per the Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry data as on November 3, about 22% of total projects (1,745 of 7,947) that account for 33% (Rs 57,028 crore of Rs 1.70 lakh crore) of the total cost are still ongoing. The majority of projects (6,202) have been completed, data shows. As of November 10, ministry data showed Surat (Gujarat) topped in terms of completion of projects, fund usage and other criteria, followed by Agra (UP), Ahmedabad (Gujarat),

Varanasi (UP) and Bhopal (MP) in the top five. The rest of the top 10 include Tumakuru (Karnataka), Udaipur (Rajasthan), Madurai (TN), Kota (Rajasthan) and Shivamogga (Karnataka).

On the other hand, the UTs and Northeastern cities have continued to trail. The bottom 10 cities are Kavaratti (Lakshadweep), Puducherry, Port Blair (Andaman and Nicobar Islands), Imphal (Manipur), Shillong (Meghalaya), Diu, Guwahati (Assam), Aizawl (Mizoram), Gangtok (Sikkim) and Pasighat (AP). Sources said this was due to lack of capacities in smaller cities. However, an official said the ongoing projects are likely to meet the June 2024 deadline. Launched in 2015, the Smart Cities Mission selected 100 cities through a competition in phases from January 2016 to June 2018. The selected cities were expected to finish all their proposed projects in five years from their selection. In May this year, the deadline for all cities was extended to June 2024.


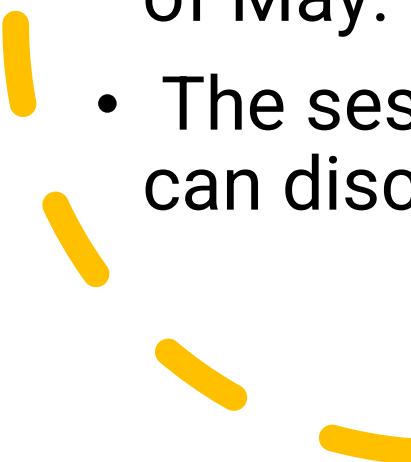


Winter Session of Parliament to
Start on December 4


The Winter Session of Parliament will begin on December 4, 2023 as per the announcement of the Union government.

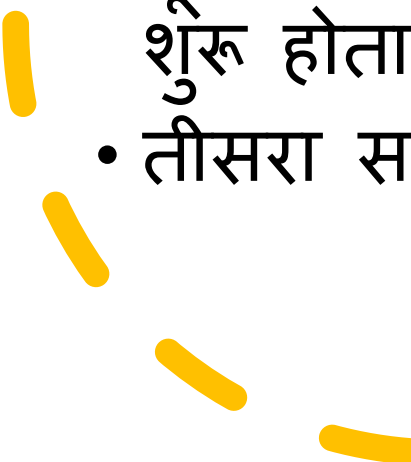
This will also be the first full session to be held in the new Parliament building. A five-day Special Session had been held in September, 2023 during which the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha had ceremonially moved their sittings to the new building.

- केंद्र सरकार की घोषणा के अनुसार संसद का शीतकालीन सत्र 4 दिसंबर 2023 से शुरू होगा।
- यह नए संसद भवन में आयोजित होने वाला पहला पूर्ण सत्र भी होगा। सितंबर, 2023 में पांच दिवसीय विशेष सत्र आयोजित किया गया था, जिसके दौरान लोकसभा और राज्यसभा ने औपचारिक रूप से अपनी बैठकें नए भवन में स्थानांतरित कर दी थीं।

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- India does not have a fixed parliamentary calendar. By convention (i.e. not provided by the Constitution), Parliament meets for three sessions in a year.
 - The longest, Budget Session (1st session), starts towards the end of January, and concludes by the end of April or first week of May.
 - The session has a recess so that Parliamentary Committees can discuss the budgetary proposals.
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- भारत में कोई निश्चित संसदीय कैलेंडर नहीं है। परंपरा के अनुसार (अर्थात संविधान द्वारा प्रदान नहीं किया गया), संसद की बैठक एक वर्ष में तीन सत्रों के लिए होती है।
- सबसे लंबा, बजट सत्र (पहला सत्र), जनवरी के अंत में शुरू होता है, और अप्रैल के अंत या मई के पहले सप्ताह तक समाप्त होता है।
- सत्र में अवकाश है ताकि संसदीय समितियां बजटीय प्रस्तावों पर चर्चा कर सकें।

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- The second session is the three-week Monsoon Session, which usually begins in July and finishes in August.
 - Third session is the Winter Session

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- दूसरा सत्र तीन सप्ताह का मानसून सत्र है, जो आमतौर पर जुलाई में शुरू होता है और अगस्त में समाप्त होता है।
 - तीसरा सत्र शीतकालीन सत्र है

Budget Session

- It is conducted from January to April.
- The session witnesses the introduction of Budget by FM.

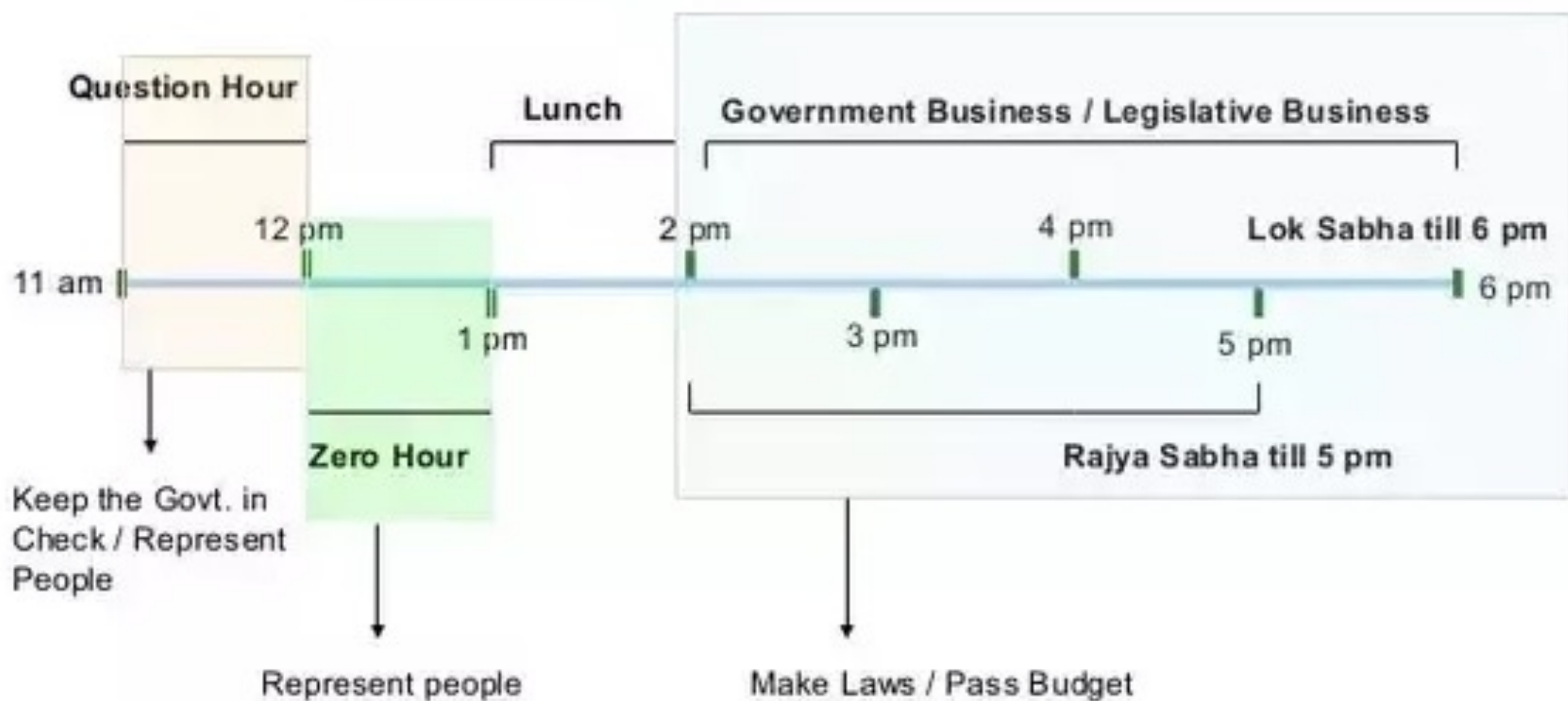
Monsoon Session

- It is conducted from July to September.
- This session is dedicated for discussions on matters of public interest.

Winter Session

- It is conducted from December to January
- This is the shortest session.

A day in Parliament





SOFIA (Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy)

- Scientists have detected **atomic oxygen** in the atmosphere of **Venus** through **SOFIA** airborne observatory.
- Venus (aka **Earth's twin**) is the **second planet** from **Sun** and Earth's nearest planetary neighbour.
 - ⊕ Unlike Earth, it **rotates clockwise** (east to west) i.e backward.
 - ⊕ It has **no moons/rings** and is the **hottest planet** due to "runaway greenhouse effect".
- SOFIA is the world's largest **airborne astronomical observatory** (joint program of **NASA** and **German Aerospace Center**).
 - ⊕ It flies in the **stratosphere**, above 99% of Earth's infrared-blocking atmosphere to **observe the infrared universe**.

An underwater scene showing a volcanic eruption. A bright blue plume of mineral-rich fluid rises from the seafloor, surrounded by numerous small bubbles and particles. The water is dark blue, and the overall atmosphere is mysterious and dynamic.

Underwater Volcano Eruption

A new island has emerged near Japan's Ogasawara island chain following an underwater volcano eruption in late October 2023.

The island formed through phreatomagmatic eruptions triggered by the interaction of magma with seawater.

अक्टूबर 2023 के अंत में पानी के नीचे ज्वालामुखी विस्फोट के बाद जापान की ओगासावारा द्वीप श्रृंखला के पास एक नया द्वीप उभरा है।

यह द्वीप समुद्री जल के साथ मैग्मा की अंतःक्रिया से उत्पन्न फ्रेटोमैग्मैटिक विस्फोटों से बना है।

Phreatomagmatic Eruptions

Less common style.

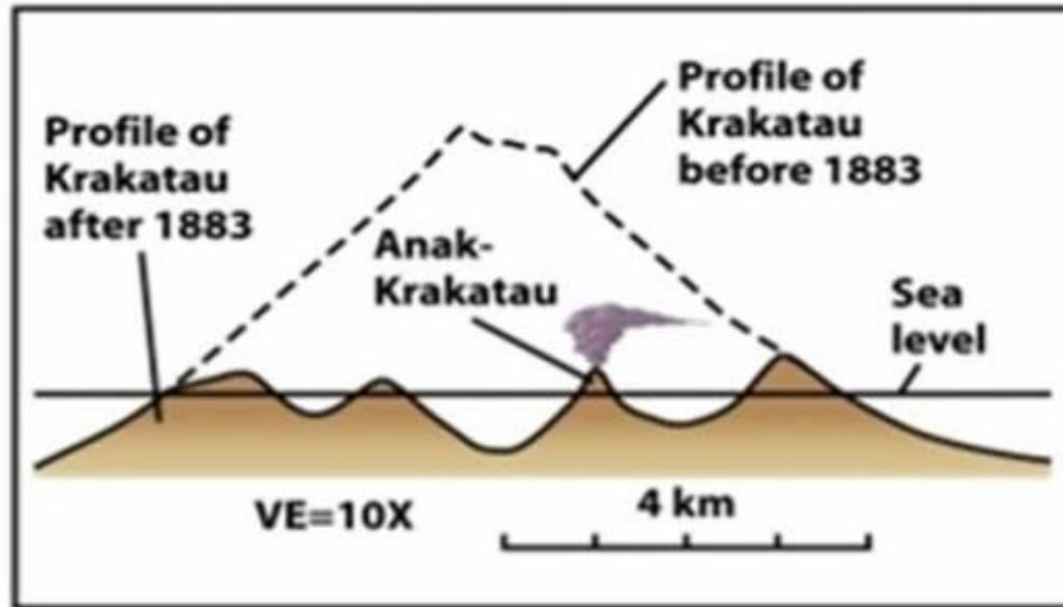
Magma interacts with water

Some can be cataclysmic

Magma chamber breaches and admits water

Water > produces steam, blows volcano apart

Examples: Santorini, Krakatau





Major Active Volcanoes Around The World





e-way Bill

- Recently, **e-way bill generation crossed 10 crore** for the first time since its introduction.
- e-way Bill is an **electronic document generated on a portal**, evidencing the movement of goods and indicating whether tax has been paid.
 - ⊕ As per CGST Rules, 2017, consignment value of **more than ₹50,000 is required to generate an e-way bill**.
 - ⊕ This is required for movements **between the two States and within a State**.
 - ⊕ However, a **State, can decide the threshold for the value of goods** to be applicable for movement within its boundary.

The background is a vibrant, abstract composition. It features large, organic shapes in shades of orange and teal. The orange shapes are filled with various patterns: some have a fine dotted texture, others have a grid of small white pluses, and one has a pattern of short black dashes. The teal shapes include a pattern of white wavy lines and a fine dotted texture. The background also contains several small, white, wavy lines scattered across the space. The overall aesthetic is modern and graphic.

Indo-Pacific Maritime Domain Awareness (IPMDA)

Navy Chief during 4th Goa Maritime Conclave (GMC) highlighted the role of IPMDA.

GMC Indian Navy's initiative for multinational maritime security collaboration.

IPMDA is a technology and training initiative to enhance maritime domain awareness in the Indo-Pacific region.

It was announced at the 2022 Quad Leaders' Summit in Tokyo.

चौथे गोवा मैरीटाइम कॉन्क्लेव (जीएमसी) के दौरान नौसेना प्रमुख ने आईपीएमडीए की भूमिका पर प्रकाश डाला।

बहुराष्ट्रीय समुद्री सुरक्षा सहयोग के लिए GMC भारतीय नौसेना की पहल।

आईपीएमडीए भारत-प्रशांत क्षेत्र में समुद्री डोमेन जागरूकता बढ़ाने के लिए एक प्रौद्योगिकी और प्रशिक्षण पहल है।

इसकी घोषणा टोक्यो में 2022 क्वाड लीडर्स समिट में की गई थी।

Functions: ♦ Tracking of dark shipping (vessels engaging in illegal activity) and other tactical-level activities.

♦ Enhance maritime view of near-real-time activities in partners' waters,

♦ It integrates 3 critical regions of the Indo-Pacific, viz. Pacific Islands, Southeast Asia, Indian Ocean Region.

कार्य: ♦ डार्क शिपिंग (अवैध गतिविधि में संलग्न जहाज) और अन्य सामरिक स्तर की गतिविधियों पर नज़र रखना।

♦ साझेदारों के जल में वास्तविक समय की गतिविधियों के समुद्री दृश्य को बढ़ाएं,

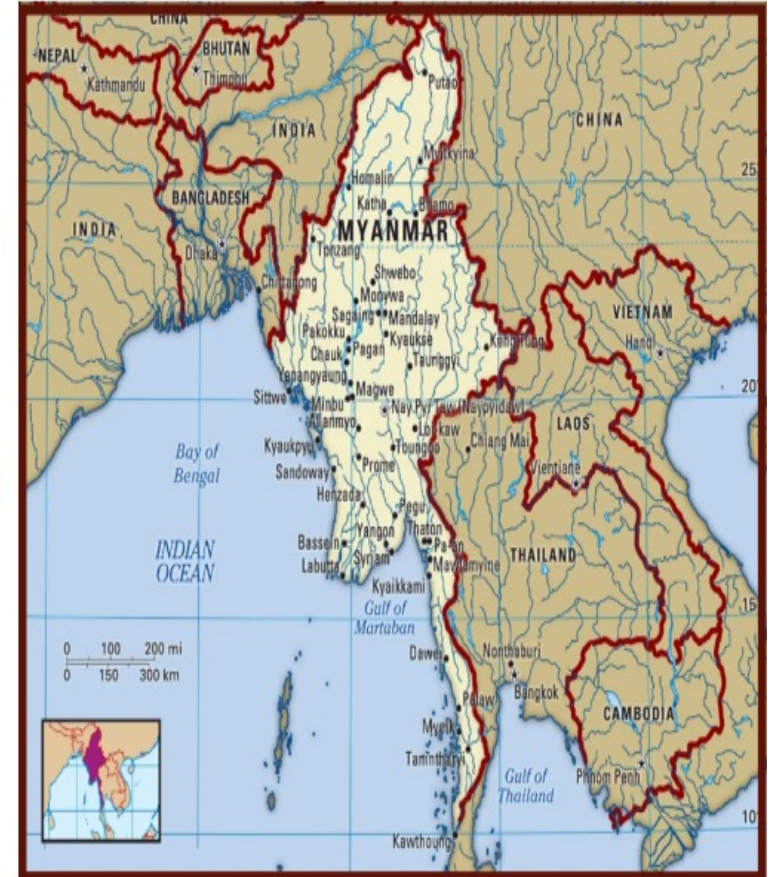
♦ यह इंडो-पैसिफिक के 3 महत्वपूर्ण क्षेत्रों को एकीकृत करता है, अर्थात्। प्रशांत द्वीप समूह, दक्षिण पूर्व एशिया, हिंद महासागर क्षेत्र।

Places in News



Myanmar (Capital: Nay Pyi Taw)

- Myanmar junta leader said Country is at risk of breaking apart due to clashes.
- **Political features**
 - ⊕ Not landlocked.
 - ⊕ Bordered by China (north and northeast), Laos (east), Thailand (southeast), Bangladesh (west), and India (northwest).
 - ⊕ **Maritime boundaries:** Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal to south and southwest.
- **Geographical features**
 - ⊕ **Mountains:** Patkai Range, Naga Hills, and Chin Hills form border between India and Myanmar.
 - ⊕ **Mount Hkakabo** (5,881 metres is highest peak).
 - ⊕ In south, it has **Rakhine Mountains** (Arakan Mountains)
 - ⊕ **Plateaus:** Shan Plateau
 - ⊕ **Rivers:** Irrawaddy, Salween, Chindwin, and Sittang.





Non-melanoma skin cancer

As per the World Health Organization, about one in every three deaths that take place from nonmelanoma skin cancer is reportedly caused by working outdoors under the sun.

विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन के अनुसार, नॉनमेलेनोमा त्वचा कैंसर से होने वाली हर तीन में से एक मौत कथित तौर पर धूप में बाहर काम करने के कारण होती है।

Highlights of the report:

In 2019, approximately **6 billion people of working age** (15 years and older) were **exposed to solar ultraviolet radiation** while working outdoors, accounting for 28 per cent of all working-age people.

रिपोर्ट की मुख्य बातें:

2019 में, कामकाजी उम्र (15 वर्ष और अधिक) के लगभग 6 बिलियन लोग बाहर काम करते समय सौर पराबैंगनी विकिरण के संपर्क में आए, जो सभी कामकाजी उम्र के लोगों का 28 प्रतिशत था।



In the same year, **nearly 19,000 people in 183 countries** died from non-melanoma skin cancer as a result of working outside in the sun. The majority (65 per cent) were men.



Governments should establish, implement and enforce policies and regulations that protect outdoor workers from sun-induced skin cancer

उसी वर्ष, धूप में बाहर काम करने के परिणामस्वरूप 183 देशों में लगभग 19,000 लोग गैर-मेलेनोमा त्वचा कैंसर से मर गए। बहुमत (65 प्रतिशत) पुरुष थे।

सरकारों को ऐसी नीतियां और विनियम स्थापित, कार्यान्वित और लागू करने चाहिए जो बाहरी श्रमिकों को धूप से होने वाले त्वचा कैंसर से बचाएं

About Non-melanoma skin cancer:

It refers to a group of cancers that develop in the upper layers of the skin.

The main types are **basal cell carcinoma (BCC)** and **squamous cell carcinoma (SCC)**.

गैर-मेलानोमा त्वचा कैंसर के बारे में:

यह कैंसर के एक समूह को संदर्भित करता है जो त्वचा की ऊपरी परतों में विकसित होता है।

मुख्य प्रकार बेसल सेल कार्सिनोमा (बीसीसी) और स्क्वैमस सेल कार्सिनोमा (एससीसी) हैं।

The main cause is **ultraviolet light**, which comes from the sun and is used in sunbeds.

It is **more common in older people**, but younger people can also get it.

Symptoms

इसका मुख्य कारण पराबैंगनी प्रकाश है, जो सूर्य से आता है और सनबेड में उपयोग किया जाता है।

यह वृद्ध लोगों में अधिक आम है, लेकिन कम उम्र के लोगों को भी यह हो सकता है।

लक्षण

Treatment: Surgery is the main treatment for non-melanoma skin cancer. Radiotherapy, targeted medicines, photodynamic therapy and chemotherapy are also sometimes used.

उपचार: गैर-मेलानोमा त्वचा कैंसर के लिए सर्जरी मुख्य उपचार है। रेडियोथेरेपी, लक्षित दवाएं, फोटोडायनामिक थेरेपी और कीमोथेरेपी का भी कभी-कभी उपयोग किया जाता है।

A low-angle, silhouette photograph of a group of graduates celebrating. They are holding up their black graduation caps and white diplomas against a light blue sky. The scene is filled with the dark shapes of their arms and heads, creating a sense of collective joy and achievement.

National Education Day 2023

National Education Day is celebrated every year on November 11 across India to mark the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam.

मौलाना अबुल कलाम की जयंती के उपलक्ष्य में हर साल 11 नवंबर को पूरे भारत में राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा दिवस मनाया जाता है।



Maulana
Abul Kalam Azad

November 11, 1888 - February 22, 1958

About National Education Day:

It is celebrated **on November 11** every year (Since 2008) to **mark the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad**, India's first education minister.

Significance:

The purpose of celebrating National Education Day is to **enlighten individuals about the importance of education** and its positive impact on the nation's development and well-being.

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- राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा दिवस के बारे में:
 - यह भारत के पहले शिक्षा मंत्री मौलाना अबुल कलाम आज़ाद की जयंती को चिह्नित करने के लिए हर साल 11 नवंबर को (2008 से) मनाया जाता है।
 - महत्व:
 - राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा दिवस मनाने का उद्देश्य व्यक्तियों को शिक्षा के महत्व और राष्ट्र के विकास और कल्याण पर इसके सकारात्मक प्रभाव के बारे में जागरूक करना है।



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- National Education Day **2023**
Theme: Embracing Innovation

- **Key Facts about Maulana Abul Kalam Azad:**

- Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, born on November 11, 1888, was a scholar, educationist, freedom fighter, and senior leader of the Indian National Congress (INC).
- He became the **youngest person to serve as President of INC in 1923**, at the age of 35.
- He was one of the leading supporters of the non-violent civil disobedience movement that was led by Mahatma Gandhi.

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- मौलाना अबुल कलाम आज़ाद के बारे में मुख्य तथ्य:
 - मौलाना अबुल कलाम आज़ाद, जिनका जन्म 11 नवंबर, 1888 को हुआ था, एक विद्वान, शिक्षाविद्, स्वतंत्रता सेनानी और भारतीय राष्ट्रीय कांग्रेस (आईएनसी) के वरिष्ठ नेता थे।
 - वह 1923 में 35 वर्ष की आयु में कांग्रेस के अध्यक्ष के रूप में सेवा करने वाले सबसे कम उम्र के व्यक्ति बने।
 - वह महात्मा गांधी के नेतृत्व वाले अहिंसक सविनय अवज्ञा आंदोलन के प्रमुख समर्थकों में से एक थे।

He was the first Education Minister of independent India. He served in the position from 1947 to 1958.



He was instrumental in the establishment of premier educational institutions, including the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and the University Grants Commission (UGC).



He was posthumously awarded India's highest civilian honour, **Bharat Ratna**, in 1992.

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- वह स्वतंत्र भारत के पहले शिक्षा मंत्री थे। उन्होंने 1947 से 1958 तक इस पद पर कार्य किया।
 - उन्होंने भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान (आईआईटी) और विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग (यूजीसी) सहित प्रमुख शैक्षणिक संस्थानों की स्थापना में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाई।
 - उन्हें 1992 में मरणोपरांत भारत के सर्वोच्च नागरिक सम्मान, भारत रत्न से सम्मानित किया गया था।

In 1912, he started a weekly journal in Urdu called Al-Hilal which played an important role in forging Hindu-Muslim unity after the bad blood created between the two communities in the aftermath of Morley-Minto reforms (1909).

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad then started another weekly called Al-Balagh with the same mission of propagating Indian nationalism and revolutionary ideas based on Hindu-Muslim unity.

Maulana Azad was arrested in 1930 for violation of the salt laws as part of Gandhiji's Salt Satyagraha.

He was put in Meerut jail for a year and a half. He again became the president of Congress in 1940 and remained in the post till 1946.

His Works: Basic Concept of Quran, Ghubar-eKhatir, Dars-e-Wafa, India Wins Freedom, etc.

Indian Council for Cultural Relations, for introduction of Indian culture to other nations.

Following three academics were formed:

Sahitya Academy for development of literature;

Sangeet Natak Academy for the development of Indian music and dance;

Lalit Kala Academy for the development of painting.

Which one of the following was a journal brought out by Abul Kalam Azad? (2008)

- (a) Al-Hilal**
- (b) Comrade**
- (c) The Indian Sociologist**
- (d) Zamindar**



What is Kadaknath Chicken

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- **With the Madhya Pradesh assembly elections just around the corner, the demand and price of Kadaknath chicken have increased in Jhabua.**



It received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag in 2018.

It is known for its **high iron content** and **much lower cholesterol** than other breeds. It has a high protein content and is considered ideal for muscle repair and building.

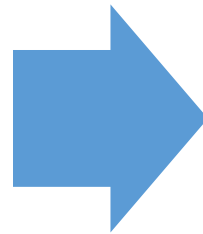
Kadaknath chicken is often claimed to be beneficial for individuals with certain health conditions, such as asthma and respiratory issues.

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- इसे भौगोलिक संकेत (जीआई) टैग 2018 प्राप्त हुआ।
 - यह अन्य नस्लों की तुलना में अपनी उच्च लौह सामग्री और बहुत कम कोलेस्ट्रॉल के लिए जाना जाता है। इसमें प्रोटीन की मात्रा अधिक होती है और इसे मांसपेशियों की मरम्मत और निर्माण के लिए आदर्श माना जाता है।
 - अक्सर यह दावा किया जाता है कि कड़कनाथ चिकन कुछ स्वास्थ्य स्थितियों, जैसे अस्थमा और श्वसन संबंधी समस्याओं वाले व्यक्तियों के लिए फायदेमंद है।

Chief Commissioner of Persons with Disabilities



The Chief Commissioner of Persons with Disabilities delivered two impactful judgments aimed at promoting accessibility and protecting the rights of individuals with disabilities in India.



विकलांग व्यक्तियों के मुख्य आयुक्त ने भारत में विकलांग व्यक्तियों की पहुंच को बढ़ावा देने और उनके अधिकारों की रक्षा करने के उद्देश्य से दो प्रभावशाली निर्णय दिए।



- **Government Office Accessibility**

Mandate: Government offices in non-accessible buildings must relocate services. Services should be **moved to the ground floor** or an accessible location within the same facility.

- सरकारी कार्यालय पहुंच-योग्यता अधिदेश: गैर-पहुंच योग्य भवनों में स्थित सरकारी कार्यालयों को सेवाओं को स्थानांतरित करना होगा। सेवाओं को भूतल या उसी सुविधा के भीतर किसी सुलभ स्थान पर ले जाया जाना चाहिए।

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- **Airline Policy:** Airline policy necessitating medical clearance for certain PwD categories is inconsistent with global Civil Aviation Requirements. All airlines, whether Indian or foreign, must implement the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016, to protect the rights and dignity of individuals with disabilities
 - एयरलाइन नीति: कुछ दिव्यांग श्रेणियों के लिए चिकित्सा मंजूरी की आवश्यकता वाली एयरलाइन नीति वैश्विक नागरिक उड़यन आवश्यकताओं के साथ असंगत है। सभी एयरलाइनों को, चाहे भारतीय हो या विदेशी, विकलांग व्यक्तियों के अधिकारों और सम्मान की रक्षा के लिए विकलांग व्यक्तियों के अधिकार अधिनियम 2016 को लागू करना होगा।

Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016

Origin	Replaces PwD Act, 1995; Fulfils India's obligations to the United National Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD).
Definition	"A person with a disability" is someone with long-term physical, mental, intellectual, or sensory impairments hindering equal participation in society. "Person with benchmark disability" has at least 40% of a specified disability, certified by the certifying authority.
Some important Salient Features	<ol style="list-style-type: none">21 types of disabilities covered under this act.Rights and entitlements: Reservation in higher education, government jobs, allocation of land, poverty alleviation schemes, etc.Establishment of Authorities: Office of Chief Commissioner of Persons with Disabilities, assisted by 2 Commissioners and an Advisory Committee.Penalties: Violators are punishable with imprisonment up to six months and/or a fine of Rs 10,000, or both.
Other steps taken for PwDs	<ol style="list-style-type: none">National Action Plan (NAP) for Skill Development of PwDs: Skill training for self-reliance under the Scheme for Implementation of RPwD Act 2016.Scheme of Assistance to PwDs for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/Appliances (ADIP Scheme): Financial aid for aids/appliances.

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VEIL (VERB): Envelop

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Synonyms: Surround, Swathe

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Antonyms: Unveil

Whimsy(Noun): सनकीपन : Playfully quaint or fanciful behavior or humor

Synonyms: Fanciful , Playfulness

Antonyms: Boring , Serious



Travesty(Noun) : उपहासात्मक रचना
: A cheap mockery, usually of something or someone serious



Synonyms: Distortion , Perversion



Antonyms: Seriousness , Solemnity

Reluctance(Noun):अनिच्छा

: Unwillingness

**Synonyms: Disinclination ,
Trepidation**

Antonyms: Eagerness , Liking

Diabolical(Adjective): शैतानी

: Very bad or annoying

Synonyms: Devilish , Terrible

Antonyms: Excellent , Gentle



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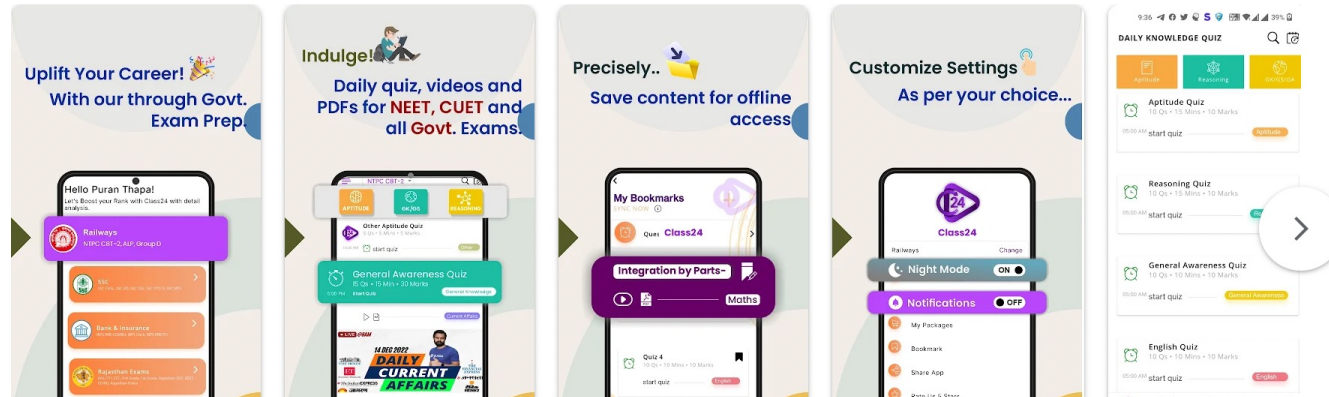
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