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Polity & Constitution

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JUDICIARY & LANDMARK JUDGMENTS

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Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati Takes Oath As J&K, Ladakh High Court Chief Justice

WHY IN NEWS Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati was sworn in as the Chief Justice of the Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court by Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena.

POST	Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati: Chief Justice of the Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court
PLACE	SKUAST's Shalimar Auditorium: Venue of the swearing-in ceremony
FACT	Justice Bhati previously served as a judge at the Rajasthan High Court

MAINS Q Discuss the significance of the High Court's role in maintaining the federal balance and judicial oversight in Union Territories like Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

USE: Judicial appointment Union Territory Constitutional oversight Judicial independence

JUDICIARY & LANDMARK JUDGMENTS

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9 Sep · The Hindu · satyadheesh.in/news/119366

New Calcutta Chief Justice Sworn In, Pledges Tech for Accessible Justice

WHY IN NEWS Justice Ravindra Vithalrao Ghuge was sworn in as the 45th Chief Justice of the Calcutta High Court by West Bengal Governor R.N. Ravi.

POST	Justice Ravindra Vithalrao Ghuge: 45th Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court
FACT	Justice Ghuge previously served as a Judge and Acting Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court

MAINS Q Discuss the role of technological integration in enhancing the accessibility and efficiency of the Indian judicial system.

USE: Judicial Accessibility Technological Integration Judicial Administration E-Governance Judicial Reforms

Social Justice

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VULNERABLE SECTIONS (SC/ST, MINORITIES, DISABLED, ELDERLY, CHILDREN)

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Supreme Court to Scrutinize Marital Rape Laws as 130 Countries Have Already Criminalized It

WHY IN NEWS The Supreme Court is set to scrutinize the constitutional validity of exceptions to marital rape laws as petitions challenge the current legal framework.

FACT	Over 130 countries have already criminalized marital rape.
PLACE	The first petitions regarding marital rape were filed in the Delhi High Court in 2015.
FACT	A split verdict in 2022 led to the escalation of the marital rape issue to the Supreme Court.

MAINS Q Critically analyze the constitutional validity of the marital rape exception and its implications on the rights of women within the institution of marriage.

USE: Bodily autonomy Constitutional validity Legislative competence Gender justice Legal reform

Maharashtra Cabinet Approves ₹4,250 Crore "PRAGATI" Project for New Hospitals and Digital Health Integration

WHY IN NEWS The Maharashtra Cabinet approved the ₹4,250 crore 'PRAGATI' project to improve primary healthcare and digital health integration between 2026 and 2031.

- FACT** | PRAGATI project total cost: ₹4,250 crore
- BODY** | Asian Development Bank (ADB) providing a loan of ₹2,975 crore for the project
- PLACE** | New hospitals to be built in Kolhapur, Nanded, Nagpur, Latur, and Pune
- FACT** | Project aims to create 2,430 new healthcare posts
- FACT** | Revised policy offers 5% reservation for sportspersons with automated digital verification

MAINS Q *Examine how public-private-multilateral partnerships and digital integration can enhance primary healthcare delivery in large states like Maharashtra.*

USE: Primary Healthcare Digital Health Integration Public-Private Partnership Multilateral Funding Universal Health Coverage

International Relations

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US strikes Iranian oil tankers as Tehran targets American base in Jordan

WHY IN NEWS US forces struck and sank five Iranian tankers, including the M/T Riesco, in retaliation for Tehran targeting an American warship and a US base in Jordan.

- FACT** | M/T Riesco: Iranian oil tanker sunk by US forces in the Gulf of Oman.
- PLACE** | Kharg Island: Major oil terminal off Iran's coast where 90% of the country's crude oil passes through pipes from the mainland.
- FACT** | Brent crude price: Rose by 1.5% to \$99.35 per barrel following the escalation.
- PLACE** | Strait of Hormuz: Strategic waterway where Iran claimed to have attacked two US vessels and eight oil tankers.

MAINS Q *Analyze the impact of escalating maritime tensions in the Strait of Hormuz and Gulf of Oman on global energy security and international trade routes.*

USE: Energy Security Maritime Chokepoints Shadow Networks Geopolitical Instability Trade Routes

India's Defence Minister Signs MoUs, Inaugurates Bridges in Sri Lanka

WHY IN NEWS India's Defence Minister Rajnath Singh met Sri Lankan President Anura Kumara Dissanayake in Colombo to sign MoUs on defence cooperation and inaugurate infrastructure projects.

- POST** | Rajnath Singh: India's Defence Minister
- POST** | Anura Kumara Dissanayake: President of Sri Lanka
- FACT** | MoUs signed for upgradation of L70 Guns
- FACT** | MoUs signed for academic cooperation between National Defence Colleges
- FACT** | Inauguration of three Bailey Bridges in Sri Lanka

MAINS Q *Discuss the significance of India's 'Neighbourhood First' policy in enhancing regional security and infrastructure connectivity in South Asia.*

USE: Neighbourhood First Strategic Autonomy Infrastructure Diplomacy Bilateral Cooperation Regional Security

North Korea Builds Uranium Enrichment Facility, Defying UN Sanctions

WHY IN NEWS The IAEA reported that North Korea has constructed a new uranium enrichment facility at the Yongbyon complex, signaling a continued violation of UN Security Council resolutions.

BODY	IAEA: International Atomic Energy Agency
FACT	Yongbyon complex facility: capable of housing up to 28 centrifuge cascades
PLACE	Kangson: site of a new North Korean uranium enrichment facility
POST	Rafael Grossi: Director of the International Atomic Energy Agency

MAINS Q Discuss the implications of North Korea's continued nuclear enrichment activities on the global non-proliferation regime and regional security.

USE: non-proliferation nuclear enrichment multilateral sanctions regional security IAEA oversight

UK bans Israeli settlement trade, sparking consulate closure in East Jerusalem

WHY IN NEWS The UK, joined by 11 other countries including France and Canada, banned trade with Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank, leading to the closure of the UK's consulate in East Jerusalem.

FACT	The UK joined 11 other countries, including France and Canada, in banning trade with Israeli settlements.
PLACE	The ban specifically targets settlements in the occupied West Bank.
BODY	The 2024 International Court of Justice (ICJ) ruling on the occupation's unlawfulness informed the UK's policy shift.
FACT	The UK closed its consulate in East Jerusalem and removed representatives from Gaza relief efforts in response to the move.

MAINS Q Examine how international trade sanctions and diplomatic actions by Western nations influence the geopolitical dynamics of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

USE: Trade Sanctions Diplomatic Retaliation International Law Geopolitical Dynamics Settlement Policy

India's High Commissioner meets Bangladesh President in courtesy call

WHY IN NEWS India's High Commissioner to Bangladesh, Dinesh Trivedi, held a courtesy call with Bangladesh President Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir to discuss bilateral cooperation and river water sharing.

POST	Dinesh Trivedi: India's High Commissioner to Bangladesh
PLACE	Bangabhaban: Official residence of the President of Bangladesh

MAINS Q Discuss the significance of transboundary river water management in strengthening India-Bangladesh bilateral relations and regional stability.

USE: transboundary water management bilateral cooperation hydropolitics regional stability mutual trust

Economy

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INFRASTRUCTURE (ENERGY, PORTS, ROADS, RAILWAYS)

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5 REPORTS MERGED

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Cabinet clears ₹10,021 crore for five railway projects in five states

WHY IN NEWS The Union Cabinet approved a ₹10,021 crore outlay for five railway projects across five states to enhance rail infrastructure.

- FACT | Total Cabinet approval for railway projects: ₹10,021 crore
- PLACE | Paradip Port: Location of the dry bulk berths won by Adani Ports
- POST | Justice Pushpendra Singh: Chief Justice of J&K and Ladakh High Court
- POST | Justice Ravindra Ghuge: Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court

MAINS Q Discuss the significance of large-scale railway infrastructure investment in achieving the goals of the PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.

USE: Infrastructure development Capital expenditure Logistics efficiency Multimodal transport

EMPLOYMENT & INCLUSIVE GROWTH

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The Future of India Foundation and Udaipur-based Seva Mandir launched the 'Rajasthan

WHY IN NEWS The Future of India Foundation and Seva Mandir launched the 'Rajasthan Handbook of Youth Opportunity' highlighting a 33% unemployment rate among graduates in Rajasthan.

- FACT | Youth unemployment rate among graduates in Rajasthan: 33% (as per 2026 handbook)
- FACT | Youth work participation increase: 38% in 2017-18 to 51% in 2025
- PLACE | Seva Mandir is an organization based in Udaipur, Rajasthan

MAINS Q Analyze the structural challenges in transitioning rural youth from agricultural labor to regular salaried employment in Rajasthan.

USE: structural unemployment labor force participation rural-urban transition MSME ecosystem skill-mismatch

CAPITAL MARKETS & SEBI

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9 Sep · Economic Times · satyadheesh.in/news/119343

Crude Oil Surge 20%, Spurring Global Fund Sell-off in Indian Equities

WHY IN NEWS Rising crude oil prices, US bond yields, and a stronger dollar have triggered a sell-off in Indian equities as global funds rotate towards AI stocks.

- FACT | Crude oil prices surged 20% since late July 2026
- FACT | Foreign funds are selling in anticipation of IPOs by NSE and Jio Platforms
- FACT | Market pressures include rising US bond yields and a stronger dollar

MAINS Q Analyze the impact of global macroeconomic variables, such as crude oil volatility and US bond yields, on the stability of the Indian capital markets.

USE: Capital Rotation Profit Booking Macroeconomic Volatility Liquidity Dynamics Inflationary Pressure

FPIs sell Indian bonds worth ₹987 crore since August

WHY IN NEWS Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) sold ₹987 crore worth of Indian government bonds since August, a sharp reversal from the robust purchases seen in June and July.

- FACT | FPIs sold ₹987 crore worth of Indian government bonds since August 2026
- FACT | FPIs purchased ₹49,355 crore in Indian government bonds during June and July
- FACT | US 10-year treasury yield reached 4.81% as of the reporting period
- FACT | Bloomberg deferred the inclusion of local debt in its indices

MAINS Q Analyze how fluctuations in global yields and international index inclusions influence the volatility of capital flows in the Indian debt market.

USE: Capital Flows Yield Differential Foreign Portfolio Investment Sovereign Debt Market Volatility

NSE set to launch IPO at ₹1,750 per share in third week of September

WHY IN NEWS The National Stock Exchange (NSE) plans to launch its IPO in the third week of September 2026 after receiving SEBI approval.

- FACT | NSE IPO price: ₹1,750 per share
- FACT | NSE planned share sale: 5% of paid-up capital
- BODY | SEBI: Approved the NSE IPO move on September 4
- FACT | NSE June quarter profit: ₹3,120 crore

MAINS Q Discuss the significance of listing major exchange entities on public markets and the implications for market transparency and regulatory oversight in India.

USE: Capital Markets IPO Market Transparency Regulatory Framework Corporate Governance

Science & Technology

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I-2SEA cable to connect Singapore Malaysia to India's east coast

WHY IN NEWS Microsoft, Singtel, Tata Communications, and NEC announced the I-2SEA subsea cable to connect Singapore and Malaysia to India's east coast and Hyderabad.

- S&T | I-2SEA: A subsea cable project connecting Singapore and Malaysia to India's east coast and Hyderabad.
- FACT | The I-2SEA cable project involves a consortium of Microsoft, Singtel, Tata Communications, and NEC.
- S&T | The cable is specifically designed to enhance AI system data traffic and provide network redundancy.

MAINS Q Discuss the significance of subsea cable infrastructure in securing India's digital sovereignty and the implications of over-dependence on foreign repair capabilities.

USE: Digital Sovereignty Subsea Infrastructure Data Redundancy Strategic Autonomy Cyber Security

AI Saves Fusion Experiment from Disaster 200 Milliseconds Early at Princeton Lab

WHY IN NEWS Researchers at the Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory successfully used an AI system to detect and prevent a fusion plasma instability 200 milliseconds before eruption.

- S&T** Tokamak: A doughnut-shaped device used to confine fusion plasma using strong magnetic fields.
- FACT** The AI system at Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory operates on a 20-millisecond decision cycle.
- FACT** The AI detected instability 200 milliseconds before a potential eruption during the test.
- S&T** Fusion process involves heating hydrogen isotopes to hundreds of millions of degrees to fuse light atomic nuclei.

MAINS Q Discuss how the integration of Artificial Intelligence in nuclear fusion research can accelerate the transition to clean energy and overcome current plasma stability challenges.

USE: Nuclear Fusion Artificial Intelligence Tokamak Plasma Physics Clean Energy

Aluminum waste repurposed as microplastic filter, removes up to 97.1%

WHY IN NEWS Researchers published a study in Water Research (2026) demonstrating that aluminum-based water-treatment residual (WTR) can be repurposed as a filter to remove up to 97.1% of microplastics from water.

- S&T** WTR (Water-Treatment Residual) is a material generated during the purification process containing concentrated solids.
- FACT** The repurposed aluminum-based WTR filter achieved a maximum microplastic removal efficiency of 97.1%.
- S&T** The study was published in the journal Water Research in 2026.

MAINS Q Discuss how the adoption of circular economy principles in waste management can address the dual challenges of industrial waste disposal and microplastic pollution in aquatic ecosystems.

USE: Circular Economy Microplastics Water Treatment Residuals Waste Valorization Filtration Efficiency

Antarctica Gains 695 Billion Tonnes in Mass, Largest Boost in 20 Years

WHY IN NEWS A study published in Nature reported that Antarctica gained 695 billion tonnes of mass between July 2021 and April 2023 due to exceptional snowfall.

- FACT** Antarctica gained 695 billion tonnes of mass between July 2021 and April 2023.
- PLACE** Queen Mary Land and Wilkes Land are regions in East Antarctica.
- FACT** Researchers attribute approximately 9% of the precipitation anomaly to human activities.
- S&T** The mass gain was linked to warmer tropical ocean temperatures driving exceptional snowfall.

MAINS Q Discuss how short-term climate anomalies in polar regions reflect the broader complexities of global climate variability and human-induced environmental changes.

USE: Climate variability Anthropogenic impact Cryosphere dynamics Precipitation anomaly Polar ice sheets

POLLUTION (AIR, WATER, PLASTIC) P

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Eggshells and Oyster Shells Used to Make Stronger, Greener Cement

WHY IN NEWS The James Dyson Award 2026 recognized 'Circular Design Cement' for using eggshells and oyster shells as recycled aggregates to create stronger, greener cement.

- S&T | Circular Design Cement uses eggshells, glass, ceramics, and oyster shells as recycled aggregates.
- FACT | The material achieved bending strengths up to 16.1 N/mm².
- S&T | The process involves crushing, cutting, mixing, moulding, and curing to produce boards and tiles.

MAINS Q Discuss how the adoption of circular economy principles in the construction industry can mitigate the environmental impact of infrastructure development in India.

USE: Circular Economy Waste Valorization Sustainable Construction Carbon Mitigation Material Science

BIODIVERSITY & CONSERVATION P

9 Sep · BBC · satyadheesh.in/news/119429

Five baby orangutans, not native to India, were found in Odisha's Balasore

WHY IN NEWS The discovery of five non-native baby orangutans in Odisha's Balasore district led the Forest Minister to order an investigation into an international smuggling network.

- PLACE | Balasore: A district in Odisha state where the orangutans were discovered.
- PLACE | Nandankanan Zoological Park: The facility where the rescued animals were taken for quarantine.
- FACT | Five baby orangutans were recovered from the forest area.

MAINS Q Discuss the challenges in curbing international wildlife trafficking and the role of inter-agency cooperation in protecting biodiversity in India.

USE: Wildlife Trafficking Biodiversity Conservation Inter-agency Coordination Smuggling Networks Quarantine Protocols

Internal Security

TERRORISM & INSURGENCY (J&K, NORTH-EAST) P M

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Red Fort Blast Mastermind Used Hyundai i20 in Deadly Attack, Details Unveiled

WHY IN NEWS The National Investigation Agency (NIA) filed a chargesheet alleging that Umer Un Nabi was the mastermind behind the November 10, 2025, Red Fort car blast.

- BODY | NIA: National Investigation Agency is the central agency responsible for investigating terror-related crimes in India
- FACT | The Red Fort blast occurred on November 10, 2025
- S&T | TATP and ammonium nitrate were the primary explosive residues identified in the forensic tests
- FACT | The Hyundai i20 was identified as the vehicle used in the VBIED attack

MAINS Q Discuss the evolving tactics of terror modules in India, specifically the use of encrypted communication and improvised explosives in urban environments.

USE: VBIED Counter-terrorism Radicalization Forensic Analysis Encrypted Communication



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