

NATIONAL

1. Integrated data centre

Why in news – Adani group to build India’s first Integrated data centre and tech business park in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

Key Points –

- It would connect Vizag to the APAC (Asia-Pacific) IT ecosystem.
- AdaniConneX would host an integrated 300 MW data center facility within the park.
- AdaniConneX is a 50:50 joint venture between Adani Group and EdgeConneX.

2. Ratnagiri Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (RRPCL) project

Why in news – The Maharashtra government has proposed the Ratnagiri Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (RRPCL) project.

Key Points –

- It is touted as the world’s largest single location refinery complex.
- Location - Barsu village, Ratnagiri district of Maharashtra.
- Partners - Saudi Aramco, Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), IOCL, BPLC and HPCL.

3. MV-ITT LION (V-273)ship

Why in news – Cargo ship MV-ITT LION was flagged off from Kolkata port on a trial run to a facility at Sittwe in Myanmar.



Key Points –

- Sittwe port is funded by India as part of the Kaladan Multimodal Transit Transport project (KMTTP).

- Objective of KMTTP - to provide alternative connectivity to the North East region.
- Route - Kolkata Port to Sittwe Port up to Paletwa in Myanmar by waterway and Paletwa to Zorinpui by road in Mizoram.

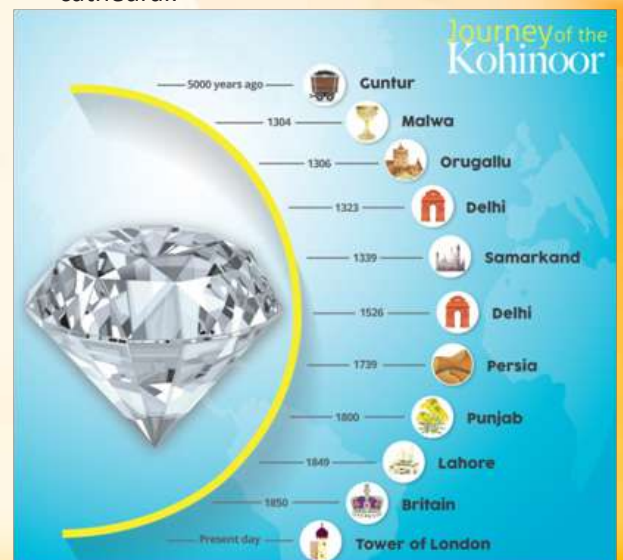
INTERNATIONAL

1. King Charles III’s coronation

Why in news - King Charles III and Queen Camilla were formally crowned in Britain's 40th monarch on May 6, 2023.

Key Points –

- Venue - Westminster Abbey church in London.
- King Charles III succeeded his mother Queen Elizabeth.
- Oldest British monarch (74-year-old) in Britain's first coronation in 70 years.
- Britain's first coronation since 1952.
- Camilla did not wear Kohinoor in the historic ceremony.
- The Archbishop of Canterbury, the spiritual leader of the Anglican Church, placed the 360-year-old St Edward's Crown on Charles' head.
- Indian attendees - Jagdeep Dhankhar, Akshata Murthy, Sonam Kapoor, Sourabh Phadke and Jay Patel.
- Since 1066, 39 coronation ceremonies and 16 royal weddings have taken place in the cathedral.



About Kohinoor –

- Meaning – “Mountain of Light”.
- 105.6-carat colourless diamond.
- First mined in the 13th century, near Guntur in Andhra Pradesh by the Kakatiya dynasty.
- In 1739, Persian invader Nadir Shah took kohinoor to Afghanistan.
- Kohinoor was ceded to Queen Victoria by Punjabkingdom.

2. Ekatha Harbour

Why in news - India and Maldiveslaunched construction of “Ekathaharbour” for the Coast Guard of the Maldives.

Key Points –

- Foundation stone was laid by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.
- Location - Sifavaru in UthuruThilaFalhu (UTF) atoll.
- At UTFatoll, India is also assisting in the construction of a naval dockyard.



GOVERNMENT SCHEMES

1. BizAmpprogram

Why in news -BizAmp, an outreach program, was organized by the Ministry of MSME at Dimapur Nagaland.

Key Points –

- Aim -Empowering MSMEs from the North Eastern States and amplifying their businesses utilizing benefits.
- First outreach programme in the North East Region
- It was done under the Ministry of MSME’s Self Reliant India (SRI) Fund.

About SRI Fund –

- Outlay corpus - Rs 10,006 crore.
- Objective - financing an infusion of capital to MSMEs through Daughter Funds.
- Managed by - NSIC Venture Capital Fund Limited (NVCFL).
- NVCFLis an Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) providing growth capital to MSMEs through equity/quasi-equity/equity-like structured instruments.

ENVIRONMENT

1. Petersberg Climate Dialogue

Why in news - The Petersberg Dialogue on Climate Change was held in Berlin from May 2-3, 2023.

Key Points –

- Host - Germany and the United Arab Emirates.
- UN secy General Guterres emphasised the need for “cleaning-up our economies — breaking our fossil fuel addiction and driving decarbonisation in every sector”.
- Acceleration Agenda - Coal phaseout by 2030 in Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development countriesand by 2040 in all others.
- 2023 is the year for the Global Stocktake.
- Global Stocktake - A periodic review of global climate action.



REPORTS & INDICES

1. International Religious Freedom Report 2023

Why in news - The United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF)released its 2023 Annual Report.



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Key Points –

- Recommended 17 countries for designation as Countries of Particular Concern (CPCs).
- 5 additional recommendations in 2023 - Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, Syria, and Vietnam.
- It includes new recommendations of Cuba and Nicaragua as Countries of Particular Concern and Sri Lanka for the Special Watch List.
- USCIRF also releases the Freedom or Religion or Belief (FoRB) Victims List.

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES

1. “Machine Can See 2023” summit

Why in news - The UAE government organized the “Machines Can See 2023” summit in Dubai.

Key Points –

- Panel discussion title - “Government, Business and Science”.
- The UAE is the only country with a state-level AI program.

BIHAR

1. Mission Parivartan

Why in news - Deputy Chief Minister of Bihar Tejashwi Prasad Yadav launched ‘Mission Parivartan’.

Key Points –

- Aim - to improve the health of all medical college hospitals including cleanliness and 'May I Help You' desks.
- It is on the lines of “Mission 60 Days” to improve the condition of district hospitals.





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- Which minister launched the trailer of “Love in 90s”, the first film made in Tagin language of Arunachal Pradesh - **Kiren Rijiju**.
- Uttar Pradesh first Pharma Park to be built in which district at cost of Rs 1560 crore – **Lalitpur**.
- World Thalassaemia Day 2023 is observed on which date - 8 May.
- Which Asian American writer won inaugural \$206K Carol Shields Prize for their debut novel 'When We Were Sisters' - **Fatimah Asghar**.
- Which Indian-American policy expert has been appointed by US President Biden as his Domestic Policy Advisor - **Neera Tanden**.
- Indian Navy decommissioned which ship at Naval Base in Kochi after 36 Years of Service - **INS Magar**.
- Buland Bharat exercise conducted at high altitude artillery ranges of Eastern Theatre in which state - **Arunachal Pradesh**.
- Who became the fastest player to reach 5000 runs in ODI format, breaking Hashim Amla's record of scoring 5000 runs in 101 innings - **Babar Azam**.
- Which body introduced legal identifier system for issuers with listed NCDs, securitised debt, security receipts – **SEBI**.
- BharatPe rebranded its loyalty program PAYBACK India to what name – **Zillion**.