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SUMMARY OF THE HINDU FOR BPSK EXAMINATION **ENGLISH**

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THE HINDU National

⇒ **Activists Teesta setalvad to continue on bail, says SC.**

SC on Wednesday quashed a July order of the Gujarat High Court directing activist Teesta setalvad to surrender immediately in a forgery case linked to 2022 riots.

Chronology of Teesta Setalvad case:

- June 25, 2022 – Gujarat police arrested the activist in Manebai in a forgery case linked to the 2022 riots.
- September 2, 2022 – Supreme Court grants her interim bail
- July 1, 2022 – Gujarat high court refuses her regular bail, orders her immediate surrender. The SC protect her from arrest the same right.
- July 8, 2023 – SC orders her interim protection to continue till further hearing on July 19.
- July 19, 2023 – SC, quashes and sets aside Gujarat HC decision setalvad to continue on the bail.

Teesta Setalvad has been accused of spreading false propaganda, lies against Narendra Modi when he was CM during Gujarat Riots 2022.

SIT had put there in its report.

⇒ **15 electrocuted at Namami Gange site in uttarakhand**

15 person were electrocuted and seven got injured at a sewage treatment plant of the Namami Gange project on the banks of the Alkanda in Chanoli district of Uttrakhand.

The Uttrakhand power corporation ltd said the incident took place after power was restored to the sewage treatment plant following a 20 minute shutdown for repairs. It said the cause of the incident can be known only after a detailed investigation, adding that its equipment did not appear to be at fault.

⇒ **Manipur : Clip surfaces of women facing sexual violence.**

Just one day after clash in Manipur started on May 3, there women were stripped and paraded by a mob in Manipur, the police said they have registers a cause of gang rape and abducting and would soon make arrests.

A video of the incident has surfaced on social media. It has created furore. Police is investigating the incident.

⇒ **SC agrees to list pleas to criminalise marital before 3-Judge Bench.**

Exception two to section 375 of the India penal code decriminalises marital rape and holds that sexual intercourse by a man with his own wife, who is not under 18 years of age, without her consent is not rape.

However recent Judgements of Karnataka High court and Delhi High court has triggered a row

⇒ **Karnataka High Court Judgement**

The Karnataka high court had held that a husband was liable to be charged for rape if he had forcible sex with his wife. Delhi High court on the other hand held section 375 and any change in law should be carried by legis lature.

On Wednesday CJI D.Y. Chandchud held petitioner demand and has listed it before 3-Judge Bench.

⇒ **Manufacturing ecosystem for Airbus 215 aircraft taking shape in India**

In September 2021, the defence Ministry signed a 22,000 crore deal with AIRBUS and space S.A, spain for procurement of 56 C-295 HW transport aircraft. 16 aircraft would come in flyaway condition however from 17th aircraft will come from Vadodara manufacturing plant which is joint venture of AIRBUS and tata advanced systems limited (TASL). The first aircraft manufactured by vadodra final Assembly line (FAL) will come is September 2026 work is in full swing regarding this.

⇒ **India supports V.M. on Black sea imitative**

India voiced support for the UN's effort in continuing the black sea grain initiative, and expressed hope for an early resolution to the impare.

Russia on Monday had terminated the implementation of the black sea grain initiative.

⇒ **INDIA a work in progress, adds Bharat to its tagline.**

Opposition has invented a new tagline "Jeetaga Bharat" for INDIA

⇒ **India climbs seven points to 80 on passport index; Singapore at top position** Henly passport Index, 2023 has been released.

India's Ranking

India ranked 80th this time, last year its ranking was 87th

India ranked 76 in 2014, 88 in 2015, 85 in 2016, 87 in 2017, 81 in 2018, 82 in 2019 and 2020, 81 in 2021, 87 in 2022.

⇒ **World ranking**

Singapore got 1st rank in ranking this time. Japan which used to be on top position for five years dropped to 3rd.

1st – Singapore

2nd – Germany, Italy Spain

3rd – France, Luxempurg, south korea, Austria, Finland and Japan.

About Henly passport Index

It is ranking of all the world's passport according to the number of destinations their holders can access without a prior visa. The index include 199 passports and 227 travel destinations. The research is conducted by Henly and partners a London based company.

⇒ **Henly openness Index**

It measures how many country does a nations allow visa free access to India ranked 94 out of total 97 ranks for allowing only four countries visa-free access.

At bottom of Index is four countries scoring zero not allowing any country VISA free access for any passport-namely Afghanistan, North Korea, Papun Ne Guined

⇒ **40% of districts do not have nursing colleges, health ministry data show**

There are no nursing colleges in 40% of districts across India, show health ministry data. 42% of nursing institutions are clustered in five southern states while 3 western states have 17%

The centre has attempted to correct this disparity with a scheme to collocate 157 new nursing colleges in medical colleges by April 2025. And provide short term training for nurses. However it says that many states have failed to utilise the scheme properly.

India currently has 35 lakh nurses but its nurse to population ratio is only 2.06:100 against global benchmark 3:100.

BUSINESS

⇒ **Tata to invest 4 billion for building JPR battery cell Gigafactory in U.K.**

Tata's Gigafactory, with an investment of 4 billion will have a capacity of 40 GW of cells annually. The production at the U.K. facility is expected to start in 2026. Jaguar land rover (JLR) and Tata Motors would be the anchor customers. Chairman R. Chandrasekhar says investment reflects group's commitment to electric mobility and renewable energy storage solution.

⇒ **SBI-led lenders to fund Adani's 34,000 cr. Project.**

In one of the largest fundraising after MUDRA PORT sagu SBI led investors agreed to fund a significant part of 34,000 crore PVC project in Mundra.

⇒ **Cong brings in bill promising minimum income in Rajasthan**

Congress-led Ashok Gehlot govt on Tuesday introduced "The Rajasthan Minimum Guaranteed income Bill, 2023", it is the last session of Assembly before state goes to polls.

Some major focus points of Bill is-

- Additional 25 days of work for rural household under MGNRGA. MGNRGA has 100 days work guarantee.
- A total 125 days of guaranteed work for registered urban households.
- If the applicant fails to get employment within 15 days when demand was made the applicant will be entitled to receive unemployment allowance.
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- Every person falling in the category of old age/ specially abled/ widow/ single woman with prescribed eligibility is entitled to a pension under this act.

- The pension shall be increased at the rate of 15% annum.

This is the first time when a law will be made for urban employment by any state.

⇒ **Suspected terror module busted in Bengaluru : 5 held.**

A suspected terror module was busted by the central crime Branch (CCB) in Bengaluru on Wednesday; five persons who have been arrested to carry out subversive activities in and around the city were arrested

WORLD

⇒ **CRIMEA evacuates thousands after fire at military facility**

A fire broke out on Wednesday at a military training field in annexed Crimea the Russia-installed Governor said, prompting authorities to order the evacuation of more than 2,000 civilians.

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Authorities did not specify the cause of the blaze some Russian Media reported that detonations were heard in the area and footage showed columns of black smoke in the sky.

Ukrainian president Zelenskyy however told that “Russian terrorists deliberately targeted the grain deal infrastructure, and every Russian missile is a blow not only to Ukraine, but to everyone in the world who wants a normal and safe life”, Mr. Zelenskyy said on Telegram

⇒ **Putin will not travel to South Africa for BRICS summit**

Russian president Vladimir Putin will not travel to South Africa to attend the upcoming BRICS summit, instead, Mr. Putin will participate in BRICS through video conferencing. Russia President’s spokesperson Dmitry Peskov declared in a statement on Wednesday.

“Russian foreign minister Sergey Lavrov will attend the summit in person, said Mr. Peskov.

South Africa is a member of international criminal court (ICC) which issued a warrant against Mr. Putin in March this year for Mr. Putin’s arrest in war crimes.

The action of the ICC has put South Africa in a difficult position as it is expected to carry out its obligation as ICC member.

The Johannesburg BRICS summit will include discussion on increasing the number of member – states. BRICS has emerged as a prominent forum for emerging economies. President Cyril Ramaphosa said “many countries” were interested in joining the organisations.

⇒ **U.S. economist declines top EU antitrust position.**

Fiona Scott Morton on American antitrust (competition) was named to lead the European Union’s competition regulator has withdrawn after objections,

especially from French president Emmanuel Macron.

Ms. Morton is an American and has worked with American tech giants. Mr. Macron had talked about EU's strategic autonomy. Mr. Macron also cited principle of reciprocity and said that American and Chinese law prevents foreign nationals from being hiring to key roles in their administrative.

- ⇒ Turkey's erdogan signs 50 bn in deals during visit to Arab nations.
- ⇒ Million hit by extreme heat on three continents.

Editorial-1

Show of strength

- ⇒ The BJP is investing more in alliances as the 2024 general election draws closer.

What the editorial is all about

The editorial is regarding recent gathering of 38 political parties under NDA it talks about its significance and some issues.

- ⇒ About NDA meet for 38 political Parties

38 political parties recently gathered in Delhi in a show of strength. NDA chose its leader as PM Modi, who will be PM candidate for 2024 elections.

From Maharashtra MCP by Ajit Awar and Shiv Sena joined the meet. Irv up Om Praksh Rajbhavan's suhel dev of Bhatiyе smaj party has returned to NDA. In Bihar both factions of the Lok Janshakti Party, and breakdown groups in Janta Dal (U) participated meet.

Janta Dal Secular in Karnataka and Telgue pesam party led by N. Chandrababu Naidu are in touch with BJP. These coalitions may help BJP a lot in stater like Maharashtra, UP and Bihar.

BJP in this is trying to maximise its chances for upcoming general elections. The parliament sessions. In which uniform civil code (UCC) can be brought will test NDA's endurance.

Editorial-2

MISSING NUMBERS

A new review panel is good, but the centre must trust its own data.

What the editorial is all about?

Recently Ministry of statics and programme Implementation (MOSPI) has formed a new standing committee on statics (SCOS) to advise on official data, including the household survey carried by National sample survey office (NSSO). The editorial talks about this.

⇒ **About new committee SCoS**

The new committee SCoS will have 14 members. Its areas will be wider than previous committee among first task will be to conduct household consumption expenditure survey (HCES) the HCES is critical not only to ascertain people's living standard over time but also the key to revise economic indicators such as consumer price Index (CPI), GDP measure techniques etc.

⇒ **About Previous quinquennial employment survey, 2017-18**

Citing data quality issues govt had junked the survey in 2019 with more authority SCoS has power to plug gaps. It is hoped to bridge gap regarding any trust deficit with statistical data.