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### **THE HINDU National**

#### • Eight former Navy officers get death penalty

Eight former Indian Navy Personnel who had been employed by a company in Doha, were handed to death penalty by a local court in Doha on Thursday in an alleged case of espionage.

The Indian government expressed shokc at the verdict , and said all legal options were being explored . The eight Indian men have been in custody of Qatari authorities since August 2022 .

India's ministry of external Affairs rs statement said " we are deeply shocked by the verdict of death penalty and are awaiting detailed judgment .We are in touch with family members and legal team , and we are exploring all legal options . We attack high importance of this case and have been following it closely . We will continue to extend all consular and legal assistance , " the MEA statement said , adding that India would take up the matter with Qatari Authorities .



#### What are they accused of ?

The Indian National arrested are accused of breaching sensitive secrets at the time of their arrest last year . The former Navy personnal sere allegedly involved in training various security related service providers of state of Qatar .The company was also involved in providucinf high tech Italian origin submarines .that are known for stealth capabilities .

#### What are India's options

- Pursue legal appeals in the case
- Resolve case diplomatically
- Political request at the Prime Minister's level to request a pardon
- Build international campaign to appeal for clemency

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#### **ED** searches against Rajasthan Congress leaders kick up row

The Enforcement Directorate searches on the premises of two Rajstahan Congress leaders as part of a money laundering probe , and a summon issued to the chief minister Ashok Gehlot's son Vabhav Gehlot, led to a political slugfest in poll bound Gujarat. Mr. Gehlot has accused Union govt for using ED like " swarms of locusts " . The raids were part of the ED's investigation into the question paper leak

#### Five militants killed near LoC in Kupwara : police

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Five militants were killed in a counter infiltration operation near the LOC in North Kashmir 's Kupwara on Thursday

#### Rath Prabharis to be called officers for outreach events

Following a controversy over deployment of civil servants as Rath Prabharis during the upcoming Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra .across the country , the Union government clarified that the use of such term was not proper and that the officials will instead will be addressed as nodal officers.

"Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra " will be launched on November 15 by PM Modi .

The Yatra will cover 2.6. Lakh Gram Panchayats (rural) and over 3700 local urban bodies encompassing around 14,000 urban locations.

People will be apprised of the Central govt schemes such as sanitation facilities, electricity connection, access to LPG cylinders, and housing for the poor

#### Land to continue as a key domain of warfare : Army chief

One of the key lessons from the Russia Ukraine conflict is that land will continue to be a key domain of war fare , especially when there are contested borders as in the case of India, Army Chief Manoj Pandey said on Thursday

#### Sparks fly at ethics committee meet to hear complaint against Mahua

The Ethics committee of the Lok Sabha jaas summoned Trinamool Congress MP Mahua Moitra on October 31 to defend herself against cash - for - query charges by Nishokkat Dubey, a BJP MP.

#### SC allows surrogacy, strikes down rule banning use of donor gametes

The Supreme Court has protected the right of parent hood of woman, suffering from a rare medical condition, by staying of a operation of law which threated to wreck her hopes to be a mother .

The woman has the Mayor Rokontancy Kuster Hauser (MRKH) syndrome, Medical reports says that she has absent Ovaries and absent Uterus hence she cannot produce egg.".

- Surrogacy Amendment act ,2023 bans the use of donor gametes , saying the ' intending couple ' must use their own gametes for surrogacy.
- The two judge SC bench said that the the amendment is contrary to the Surrogacy act intention as a part of Surrogacy act recognises absence of Uterus as a medical condition necessitating surrogacy

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### World

#### Israeli troops carry out ground incursion into Gaza

Israeli tank and troops launched an hour long ground raid in northern Gaza overnight on Tuesday, the army said, sriki g several military targets in order to "prepare for battlefield".

Before a widely expected ground invasion .

The health ministry of Gaza said that on Wednesday more than 750 were killed ,higher than 704 previous day .

Total toll of Palestinians surpassed 7000.

UN has repeatedly warned that it was running out of fuel in Gaza strip

Underfroud tunnel used by Hamas





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#### Palestians will die rather than leave home : envoy

Palestinians will choose death over becoming refugees in other countries despite the threat of Israeli bombing, said Palestinian Ambassador to India Adnan Abu Al Haza, the The Palestinian ambassador to India, said.

" We thank India for sending humanitarian assistance . We are deeply thankful for the gesture . But there are thousands of tonnes of goods waiting at Egyptian border ." He said

#### Pak. sets up deportation centers to hold migrants

Pakistan is setting up deportation center's for millions who are living in country illegally and are to be deported . One of the deportation center's will be made in Quetta . Pakistan interior ministry earlier had set that if people living illegally don't go back by November 1, they will be deported .

About 1.7. million Afghan migrants are living illegally in Afghanistan

#### Shooters kill at least 18 in Maine : search on for killers

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A man shot dead at least 18 and injured 13 in Lewiston , Maine and then fled into night. A search of the accused Is going on.

The deportation options

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