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THE HINDU National

➔ Wholesale prices remain in deflation zone in October

India's Wholesale prices remain in deflationary in October . Wholesale Price Index (WPI) recorded in October was. - .52% . The Wholesale Food index in October was recorded as 1.07% .

WPI shows inflation in production of goods . It doesn't include inflation in services

➔ Dabur Group chairman , 31 others booked by Mumbai Police in Mahadev app case

The Mumbai Police which is investigating the alleged ₹15,000 crore gambling and cyber fraud linked to Mahadev Book online betting group syndicate , registered a case against 32 persons , including Dabur director Gaurav Burman , company Chairman Mohit Burman and actor Sahil Khan .

A large number of people had been defraud since 2019 in Mahadev Betting app scam , accusation of Match Fixing in IPL has also been made by one of the arrested persons .

Mohit Burman has stake in King's 11 Punjab team in IPL

➔ 39 Myanmar soldiers sent back

Indian defence authorities on Tuesday sent back 39 soldiers of Myanmar military who had sheltered in India after their camps were overrun by pro democracy ethnic minority group .

Soldiers were evacuated from. the bordering district Champhai and Moreh through helicopter



Myanmar border with India , and Mizoram

➔ Efforts are on to create escape route for trapped workers at Uttarakhand tunnel collapse site

The operation to rescue 40 workers trapped in Uttarakhand is on . Debris are continuously being removed , the disaster management officials are continuously removing debris to insert a 900 mm diameter pipe through which trapped workers can come out.

The 4531 meter long tunnel is being built by National Highways and Infrastructure development Council is part of Char Dham all weather road project to reduce road distance between Uttarkashi and Yamunotri by 26 km .

➔ **Modi to release PM KISAN funds today ; opposition cries foul**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will release the 15 th installment of the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM KISAN) scheme at a function in Jharkhand on Wednesday .Over 8 crore farmers will receive over ₹18000 crore ,₹ 2000 each in a installment of the BJP's pet scheme .

15 November has been declared as Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas. to recognise efforts of tribes and their cultural heritage

➔ **Jaishankar hopes FTA talks will find a ' landing point '**

India and UK continue to negotiate a trade agreement which was initially was thought to be ready by Deepavali in 2022 . But it is still stuck as some contentious issues remains and talks are on .

Speaking with Indian Diaspora in London Me jaishankar said that he hoped that the two countries will find mutually beneficial " landing point " for the deal

➔ **Center to invite bids for 20 critical mineral blocks**

Central will issue auction notices in the next two weeks for granting mining rights to private companies for 20 critical minerals which included Lithium and Graphite .Mining secretary told .

Last month , the center has approved royalty rate of 3% each for lithium and niobium and 1% for Rare Earth Elements (REE) .

Critical Elements : Lithium , Cobalt , Nickel , Copper , Graphite are among critical elements these are very important in Electronic industry and also in manufacturing of EV batteries . Also important for Solar Panel and wind Turbines.

Rare Earth Elements (REE) : Scandium , Yttrium and all the rest Lanthanum group elements comes in Rare Earth Elements .

REE is widely used in EV industry and Solar and wind energy production

Critical minerals and Rare Earth Miniera

World

➔ Israel Army says it has seized Hamas Parliament in Gaza

The Israeli army said on Tuesday that it had captured Gaza's parliament and other government institutions run by Hamas .

Israeli Army in a statement said that military units " took over the Hamas parliament , the government building , the Hamas police headquarters and engineering facility that served as an institute for the production and development of weapons. " , the Army said .

in a statement .The statement said " government institute " of yhe terrorist organization Hamas " had been used for " military purposes " including for " training and preparation for the attack on Israel " .

On tuesday Israeli forces bombarded South Gaza tanks advanced close to Al Shiza hospital , biggest govt run building .

At least 13 people were killed when Israeli forces targeted their homes in Khan Younis , Gaza health ministry officials said .

Till now numbers dead in Israeli strikes has surpassed 11,200



➔ Rajapaksha brothers violated public trust , rules Sri Lanka's SC

Sri Lanka's Supreme Court ruled that Gotabaya Rajapaksha , Mahinda Rajapaksha and Nashik Rajapaksha along with other officials in their govt " demonstrate contributed to " last year economic crisis that shook the island nation , violating " public trust " .

The Sri Lanka's SC said " We are of the view that by the actions , omissions , decisions and conduct hereinbefore identified to have demonstrably contributed to economic crisis " . The " respondents had violated public trust reposed in them " .

During the economic crisis last year in 2022 Gotabaya Rajapaksha was Srilankan Prime Minister , while Mahindra RajPaksha was premier , Basil Rajpaksha was Finance Minister .As Protest erupted Gotabaya RajPalsha fled the country , months late he returned and currently living in Colombo .

Mr. Mahindra who was premier then resigned from his post . Mr Basil Finance Minister resigned from Parliament

➔ World is severely of track to limit planet heating emissions , says UN

The world is " falling to get a grip " on climate change , the IN warned on Tuesday , as an assessment of current climate pledges shows only minor progress om reducing emissions this decade .

In a report released by United Nations Climate Change Organisations (UNCCO) said that the world was failing to act with sufficient urgency to curb greenhouse gas emissions .

With temperature soaring and 2023 expected to be the warmest year so far in human history, scientist says that world leaders to act it very urgently.

Currently the world is on path to reduce Carbon emission in 2030 by 2% compared to 2019 emission level. The target was to reduce it by 43%. And hence world is much behind.

UNFCCC in its report earlier had stressed that to save humanity, the temperature must be limited to 1.5 degree celsius till the end of this century which has not been met yet

➔ **Pakistan High Court stays Imran Khan's jail term in Cipher case**

➔ **Finland mulls Russian border closure as migrant crossing rise**

Finland said that it is considering closing of borders with Russia, citing illegal migration from Russian side

➔ **Armenian leader snubs summit to Moscow - led security alliance**

Next week Meeting of Collective Treaty Security Organisation (CSTO) will be organized in Belarus. The meeting is between Russia and its security allies. Armenia has told that it will not participate in this, suggesting growing strain in relationship between Russia and its long term security Alliance Armenia.

Russia didn't co-operate Armenia recently during Azerbaijan's occupation of Nagorno Karabakh. Since then Armenia has not been with good terms with Russia. Both countries has shared warm relationship in past

Editorial

➔ Bridge to nowhere

India should be forceful in articulating its position in Gaza

The editorial is about India's position. On Israel Palestine war

India voted in favour of five of six United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) draft resolution committee that criticised Israel for increasing settlement in the occupied territories , was in favor of Palestinians right to home or property , and supported UN Refugee and Works Agency (UNRWA) operating in Gaza .The resolution will be put in UNGA next month . The official Explanation of the votes was that it is a " routine " affirmation of India's traditional policy , this has only added confusion to govt's current position on Israel and Gaza war .

Two weeks ago India had abstained from voting in UNGA resolution that called for humanitarian peace . India told then that resolution didn't contain " explicit condemnation " on terrorism . India has not named Hamas as a terrorist organization which Israel has been demanding . During " 2+ 2 " visit by US secretaries India told that it " stands by " Israel and has " zero tolerance " to terrorism .

India's overall position is confusing .Though India can play a greater role in solving Israel Palestine problem

➔ Search and seizure

Unfettered devices to seize devices threaten freedom of speech

The SC guidelines to protect the seizures interests of digital media devices . In recent raids in NewsClick case and some other cases Laptops , smartphones were seized and searched . Media groups had reached Supreme Court against such incidents .

The editorial says that the guidelines to be prepared should prevent seizures of electronic devices from journalist by agencies without any warrant