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SUMMARY OF THE HINDU FOR BPSK EXAMINATION ENGLISH

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➔ Coming soon a 'cafeteria' for oil spill hit birds at creek in T N.

Experts are planning to establish a feeding station for birds at Ennore Creek .
The recent Contamination due to an oil spill by industries in Manali has brought down bird popularity drastically in the area .



➔ Turbulent winter season ends day before schedule

The Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha was adjourned sine die a day in advance .
Some of the highlights of this session were :

- Disqualification of TMC MP Mahua Moitra .
- Security breach in Lok Sabha
- Suspension of 146 MPs from parliament
- Passage of 18 bills , major among it are :
 - Telecom Regulation bill , 2023 – Was passed on Thursday by Rajya Sabha .
 - CEC and EC appointment bill
 - Post office bill , 2023 .

Bhattiya Nyay (Second) Samhita Bill and Bhartiya Nagarik Suraksha (Second) Samhita bill , Bhartiya Sakshya (Second Bill) were passed by Rajya Sabha on Wednesday . The Bill will replace IPC , CrPC and IEC acts .

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➔ **Under new law , doctor face two years of imprisonment for death due to negligence**

The amended Bhartiya Nyay (second) Samhita Bill does not provide a blanket exemption to doctors in cases of death due to negligence . It has provision for maximum two year imprisonment and fine for doctors .

Section 106 (1) of Sanhita says a provision has been made in this regard .

Under IPC doctors were exempted from any punishment under such acts .

➔ **Center approves deployment of CISF in parliament complex**

The Union Home Ministry has approved the deployment of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) in the parliament complex , according to govt order . The overall security inside parliament is administered by Lok Sabha secretariat .While responsibility of access control and frisking is over Delhi Police .

Delhi Police has suspended eight Delhi Police Personnel who were responsible for frisking and scanning baggages

➔ **Don't use derogatory terms for persons with disability**

The Election Commission on Thursday asked political parties to not use “ableist “ terms like dumb (gunga) , deaf (behra) , and lame (langda) in political discourse . The EC has issued an advisory to all parties to this effect and urged them to abide by it in letter and spirit .

EC advisory said ; “ uses of such semantics in speech or campaign by a member of any political party , or their political party can be interpreted as affront to the persons with disabilities . Common example of ableist languages are words like “ dumb (gunga) , retarded (pagal , sarfira) , blind (Andhra , Kana) , deaf (behra) , lame (langda , Lula , apanij) . It is necessary to avoid use of such derogatory language . “ EC wrote in the advisory .

➔ **WHO prequalifies a malaria vaccine by Serum Institute**

The World Health Organisation (WHO) on Thursday added that R21/ Matrix M Malaria vaccine developed by OxfordSerum Institute and manufactured by Serum Institute of India .

Prequalification will bring larger access to Medicines vaccines .

Malaria is widely prevalent in African countries , in 2022. about 249 million malaria cases were registered in which about 608000 deaths was registered across 85 countries

Kejriwal skips ED summon for second time

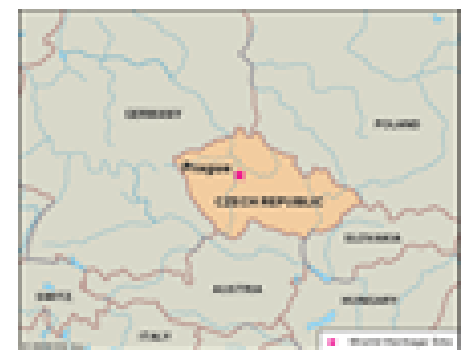
World

➔ Israel bombs more Gaza targets as envoys seek truce

On Wednesday Israel bombed 239 targets . With total death surpassing 20,000 . The Palestinian militant groups ,visited Egypt to talk on a possible truce . Talks about another ceasefire on the grounds of exchanging prisoners and hostages is going on , a decision in this regard may result soon .

➔ At least 15 dead , dozens injured in mass shooting in Prague University

An armed man opened fire on Thursday killing at least 15 people , and wounding at least 24 , sowing widespread panic . Motive behind shooting has not been given by police



➔ China urges Phillipines to make “ rational choice “ over clashes

Chines foreign minister Wang Wenbin said on Thursday that “ Beijing hoped that Phillipines can make a rational choice and work with China to properly manage and handle current maritime situation .”

Phillipines President Ferdinand Marcos hit back vowing not to succumb with “ coercion “ , insisting recent standoff showed his nation’s “courage “.

Phillipines and China is facing frequent standoff in South China sea .

Chinese ship blasting water on Phillipines boat and collision between vessels of the two countrie are among the recent incidents

➔ US Venezuela swap prisoners in a rare sweep

US. freed a close ally of Venezualian President Nicholas Maduro , in exchange for the relaese of 10 Americans , imprisoned in South America .

Joe Biden administration is trying to better it's ties with Venezuela

➔ North Korea Kim again threatens to launch nuclear attack on rivals

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un said his country has a policy not hesitating to attack through nuclear weapons if provoked .

North Korea on Monday conducted a Inter Continetal Ballistic Missile (ICBM) test in five months .

Upto 3,00, 000. Sudanese fled their homes after RSF attack

➔ Human rights group slams meta for systematic online censorship

Human rights watch accused Meta in Tuesday of restricting Pro Palestinian content on Facebook and Instagram , decrying “ systematic online censorship “ since the onset of Israel Hamas war .HRW has pointed 1050 takedowns.

Text / Context

➔ Analyzing the Post Office Bill , 2023

On December 18 , parliament passed post office bill 2023 , that seeks to replace these Post Office Act 1898 .

According to. Govt the bill is passed to ensure the effective functioning of postal department as a messenger of service and a provider of banking facilities

➔ What are the key feature of the bill ?

- It allows interception of articles transmitted via post on grounds such as security , of states , friendly relations with foreign states , public order , emergency , public safety , or contravention of the provision of the bill or any other law .
- The bill exempts post office from incurring any liability unless the officer has acted fraudulently , or willfully caused any loss , delay or mis delivery of the post .
In 1898 act offenses such as theft , misappropriation , or Destruction of postal article was punishable to a period of upto seven years . However Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provision act) 2023 , already removed such punishments .

The bill has been criticized on ground of violation in privacy under Article 19 and Article 21

