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SUMMARY OF THE HINDU FOR BPSK EXAMINATION ENGLISH

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THE HINDU National

➔ SC refuses to stay law on selection of CEC and EC

The SC on Friday declined to stay on the newly made appointment to CEC and EC act . The petitioner Jaya Thakur said “ The CEC and other election commissioners (appointment , terms and conditions of service , and term of office act , 2023) , has diluted the Supreme Court Judgement by replacing the Chief Justice of India , with a Union cabinet minister .”

CEC and EC used to be appointed by the President .

SC has given April as the next hearing date .

SC earlier in its judgment had told govt to make a law regarding appointment of CEC and EC . For a temporary period SC had arranged a committee of Prime Minister , Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha and Chief Justice of India .

The recently passed Act on appointment of CEC and EC says that appointments will be made by a committee of PM , Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha , and A cabinet minister appointed by PM .

The petitioners are contesting that not including CJI in the committee will undermine the independence of the Election Commission

➔ India's longest sea bridge which provides a link to Navi Mumbai inaugurated by PM

The PM inaugurated Atal Setu , India's longest sea bridge on Friday .

Also known as Mumbai Trans Harbour link the six lane Atal Bihari Vajpayee Sewri - Nhava Sheva Atal Setu will reduce the two hJour journey between Mumbai and Navi Mumbai to a 20 minute ride .

The Atal Setu will provide faster connectivity to Mumbai international Airport and Navi Mumbai International Airport , and will also reduce travel time from Mumbai to Pune , Goa and South India .It will also import connectivity between Mumbai Port and Jawahar Nehru Port Terminus .

The prime Minister also laid the foundation stone for multiple development projects worth more than 12,700 crore , in sectors such as including rail and road connectivity , drinking water , gems and jewelry.



➔ **Retail inflation rises to 5.7 % in December**

India's retail inflation accelerated to a four month high of 5.7% in December 2023 , from 5.55% earlier .

Food inflation was 9.5%. In Urban areas the Food Inflation was 10.42% , while in rural area it was ,9% .

➔ **PM begins special 11 day ritual before opening of Ram Temple in Ayodhya**

PM Narendra Modi said that he had started 11 days of ritual leading to conawcration of Ram Temple on 22 January .

In a special message Modi say , God has Chosen him as an instrument to represent all Indians at the conawcration ceremony , He urged everyone to celebrate ' Deepavali ' at their own homes .

➔ **Murmu invited for consecration**

President Draupadi Murmu on Friday , received the invitation for the consecration of Ram temple

➔ **Focus on best practices as global meet on pulses return India**

New Delhi will host Global Pulse Federation (GPF) in Fabrruary , About 800 representatives from Govt , commercial and self help groups will be present at the event

➔ **SC issues summon to center on Kerala's suit alleging financial curbs**

The Supreme Court on Friday agreed to examine a suit filed by Kerala govt alleging that center was curtailing the state from borrowing ₹26,226 to clear " unmet arrears and immediate obligations " on January 25.

State says that it is unable to borrow funds , or take loans , owing to center's arbitrary restrictions .

The court has summoned center over this and has listed the case for January 25 .

➔ **Possible debris of IAF aircraft located in Bay of Bengal**

Almost 7 year after an IAF An 32 transport aircraft with 32 passengers went missing owe Bay of Bengal , while going from Chennai to Port Blair , the debris has bee. Located by an AUV (Autonomous Underwater Vehicle) on seabed approximately 140 nautical miles , from Chennai coast .

A massive search and rescue operation was launched to locate the aircraft after it went missing butto no avail

➔ **Science Ministry team visits Hawaii to take stock of telescope project**

A Delegation from Department of Science and Technology visited Mona Key , an inactive volcano on the Island of Hawaii in the US , to discuss the " challenges" to the thirty meter telescope (TMT) project , a press release said .

The TMT has been conceived as a 30 meter diameter primary mirror optical and infrared telescope , that will enable observations in deep space . It is joint collaboration between US, Japan , Canada , China and India .

India will provide hardware worth 200 million dollar for the project .



Mauna Kea is a island on Hawaii . It host multiple telescope . It is thought to be one of the world’s best site for astronomy .

But due to opposition by Local people over the project , there is chances that TMT project can be shifted to La Palma in Spain’s canary island

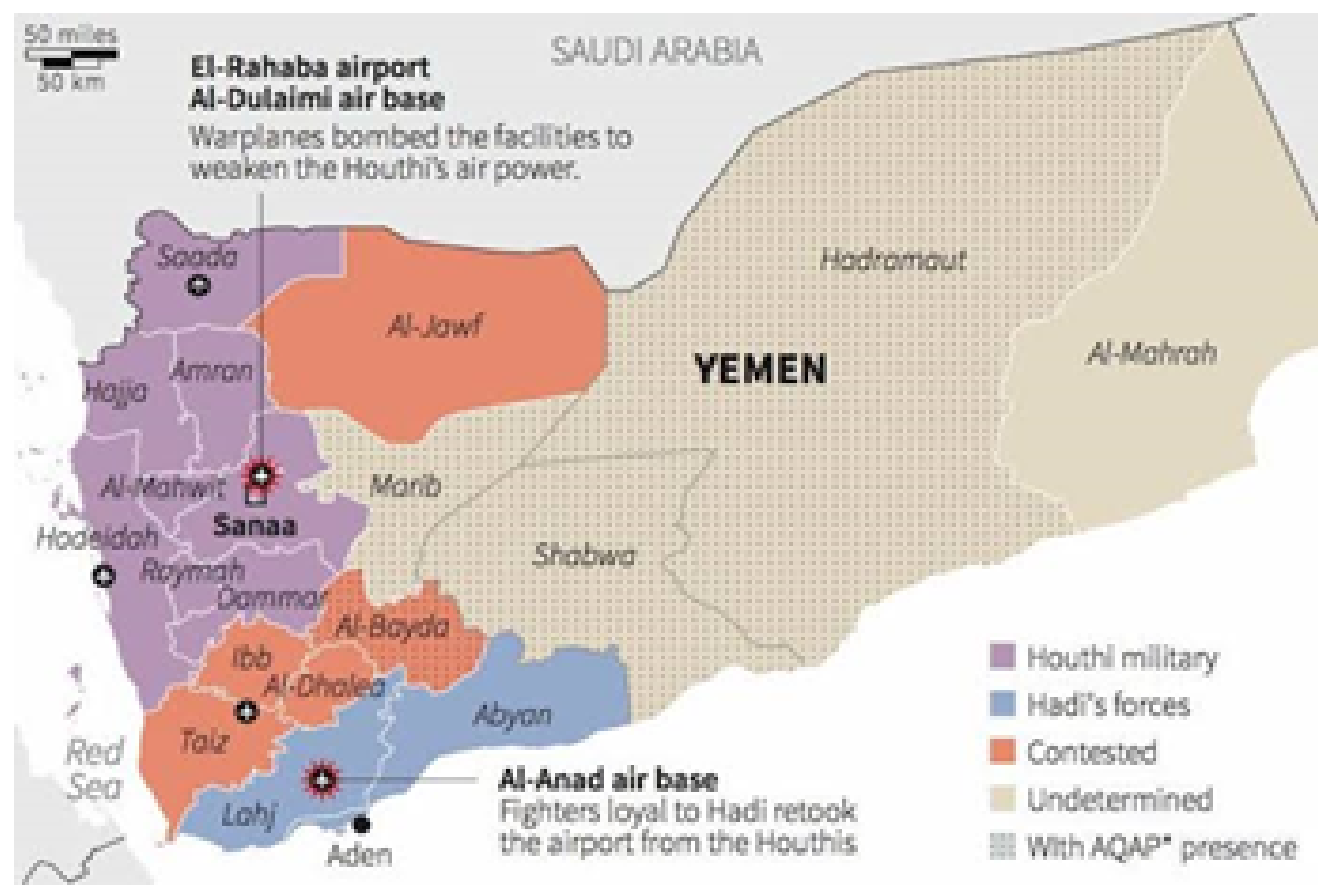


World

➔ US ,UK launch joint strike against Houthis , target red sea strikes

US and UK launched a joint strike on Houthi military targets in Yemen US central command (CETCOM) said on Friday . External Affairs Minister S Jaishakner held a telephonic conversation with US secretary of state Antony Blinken. Earlier these countries had asked the Houthis to “ immediately end illegal attacks “on commercial tankers .and warned that “ malign actors will be held accountable “ .

Houthisin a statement said that five people were killed and six injured in the air strike . “ The Americans and British should not believe that they will escape the punishment of our heroic armed forces , “ The Houthis Supreme Political Council said .



Source: Reuters. *Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula

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➔ **Hamas is guilty of genocide , Israel tells the Hague court**

Replying over allegation of Genocide by South Africa , Israel on Friday said that , its war on Gaza was legitimate defense of its people and instead alleged that Hamas had doen Genocide .

Israel described the allegations as hypocritical and said that Israel is fighting a war “ it did not start and did not want “ .

South Africa lawyers asked the court's on Monday , to orderan immediate halt to Israel military operation s .

➔ **US sanctions Hong Kong , UAE firms over Houthie aid**

Washington announced new sanctions on Friday on two companies on Friday . The move comes hours after UK and US forces , launched strikes against US forces , seeking to halt their repeated attacks .

➔ **Myanmar Junta , armed alliance reached ceasefire**

Myanmar’s military and an alliance of armed ethnic minority groups announced a ceasefire on Friday , after months of conflict that has posed the biggest threat to Junta . myanamr’s Nothern Shan state is undergoing conflict since October , when the alliance of ethnic minority group TNLA (The National Liberation Army) and the Arakan Army (AA) launched attack agianst the Junta .

