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## SUMMARY OF THE HINDU FOR BPSK EXAMINATION ENGLISH

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## THE HINDU National

### ➔ India France defense ties take a leap

PM Modi and French President meeting in Jaipur resulted in following key agreements ;

- India and France has announced a “ Defense Industrial Road map “ for cooperation in defense production , future cooperation , and on “ condesign and codevelopment “ of military hardware .
- A new agreement on defense + space partnership that will see them collaborate on “ space situational awareness “ , an MOU on coordinating on Satellite launch was also signed .

Currently deals on procurement of 26 Ramale M for Indian Navy and 3 Scorpene class submarines is under negotiation .

**Journalist protest** - Ministry of Home Affairs had recently issued two weeks notice to French Journalist Vennessa Dougnac to leave India citing“ violation “ of VISA rules in connection to her reporting .

30 Foreign Journalists issued a letter to protest over the case

### ➔ On Parade ground and skies above , women marchers and pilot steal the show

Highlights of Republic Day celebration :

- Unfurling the National Flag : Major Saumya Shuka unfurled the National flag. On Republic day falg is unfurled while of Indepence day flag is hoisted .  
‘Unfurling’ and ‘Hoisting ‘ are two different techniques to present National flag .
- The Parade’s theme was ‘ Viksit Bharat ‘and “Bharat Loktantra ki Matruka “ .
- Parade witnessed maiden participation of an all women triaervices contingent .
- For the first time French air and space force joined the flypast with two French Rafales and one A330 MRTT , France is the first country to join the flypast .  
France military contingent was the first to participate in Indian Republic day 2016.
- Over 15 state tablaueand eight department tabaleu was rolled out .

### ➔ President’s horse drawn buggy returns to duty at R day event after 40 years .

On Republic day , President Draupadi Murmu along with French President Emanuel Macron travelled from Rashtrapati Bhawan on a colonial era open horse buggy .

This presidential carriage has returned for Republic day celebration after 40 years .

It replaces the Limousine .

The Balck carriage with Gold rims was drawn by six horses

*President I*



➔ **Chandrayaan helped moon lander make pinpoint landing , says Japan**

Japan's space Agency JAXA has confirmed that Japan's moon lander successfully achieved its pinpoint landing on the moon on January 19 .

However, one of its two Lander engines failed during descent .

As Smart Lander for Investigating Moon ( SLIM ) , touches down near Shioli crater. JAPAN became the fifth country to soft land a robotic instrument on the Moon . SLIM used maps of moon surface ,on this area acquired by the orbiter of Chandrayaan 2 mission .

The engine's failure caused SLIM to drift to a spot 55 m east of the actual landing site

➔ **Govt makes it clear that Aadhaar no proof of citizenship , birth dates**

The New Aadhaar Card has started including a disclaimer that says it as a “ proof of identity , not of citizenship , or of date of birth “ . This is being added in both paper based and pdf Aadhaar cards .

**Not proof of citizenship** – Aadhaar card has never been proof of citizenship , as a foreign national is also eligible to get one if they have been living in India for more than 180 days .

Different departments accept Aadhaar card for the purposes reserved for citizens only .

For instance , the Election Commission accepts Aadhaar Card for a proof of date of birth for voting

➔ **Airbus Tata to set up India's first private copter assembly line**

In the backdrop of Emmanuel Macron's visit to India , Airbus helicopters has announced that it is partnering with Tata group to establish a Final Assembly Line ( FAL ) , to produce Airbus' best selling H125 civil helicopter .

The FAL will be set up by Tata Advanced Systems Limited ( TASL ) in collaboration with Airbus .

The helicopter produced will be exported to neighbouring countries .

Currently Tata and Airbus is making C 295 military transport aircraft in Vadodra .

H125 is the world's best selling single engine helicopter , it outclasses other helicopters in its category . It can operate in high and hot and extreme environments and can be easily reconfigured for various missions , including aerial work firefighting .

“ The H125 is the only helicopter to have landed on Mount Everest

**AH125**



## World

### ➔ Israel must take measures to prevent Genocidal acts in Gaza and permit a

Israel must prevent Genocidal acts in Gaza , and allow humanitarian aid in Gaza , UN's top court ruled on Friday .

ICJ was not deciding whether Israel was actually committing genocide or not ,But it issued some important direction to prevent further civilian casualties in Gaza . The directions issued are :

(1) Israel must “ take all measures in its power “ to prevent Genocidal acts , and also stop officials making declarations inviting genocide

(2) The court urged Israel to take “ immediate and effective measures to enable the provision of urgently needed basic services and humanitarian assistance “ .

Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said “ the charges against Israel “ is not only false , its outrageous and decent people everywhere should reject it “

During hearing Israel stressed that it was acting in self defense and was doing all to minimise the plight of civilians .

South Africa had accused Israel of “Genocidal” acts in Palestine.

### ➔ UN agency for Palestinian refugees sacks staff for ‘ role in Hamas attack ‘

The UN agency for Palestinian refugees said that it had sacked several of its employees accused by Israel of being involved with Hamas for October 7 attack on Israel .

The head of UNRWA ( UN Relief and Works agency in Palestine and Near East ) Phillipe Lazrinni , vowed “ to hold accountable include g through criminal prosecution “ any UNRWA employee , found to have taken part in acts of terror .

UN Chief Antonio Gueterras pledged to conduct “ urgent and Comprehensive “ review of UNRWA .

US state department has said that it has “ temporarily paused additional funding to the agency .

US state department suspects involvement of 12 employees in Hamas attack on Israel .

### ➔ Bodies of 77 Ukrianian soldiers repatriated to Kyiv

Ukraine said on Tuesday that Russia has returned bodies of 77 Ukrianian prisoners .

65 of these had died in recent accident of Illyisin 2 transport aircraft . Russia initially accused Ukriane of firing anti drone missile that led to the accident . Russia has given orders of investigation .

Ukriane has not denied Russia's charges , but has accused Russia of whether there were any Ukrianian on the Aircraft .

### ➔ Alabama in the US ,uses nitrogen gas in first of its kind execution .

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For the first time in USA man was executed using Nitrogen gas . Masking with Nitrogen gas causes deficiencies of Oxygen causing death .

The general method to execute is by Lethal Injection .

Three states in US has authorised Nitrogen Hypoxia for execution , as the drugs used in injection method has become difficult to find.

**UK citizen convicted on ‘spying’ charges in China**



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➔ **Swedish PM refuses to negotiate NATO membership with Hungary**

Swedish Prime Minister Ulf Kristresson said on Friday that he would not “ negotiate “ with Hungary over Sweden’s NATO bid .

