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THE HINDU National

➔ Poll bonds 22 firms donated over ₹100 crore

Ram Nath Kovind committee on Simultaneous polls submitted its report to President Draupadi Murmu .
The committee has following key suggestion

- **Simultaneous polls at gap of 100 days** – The committee has favored Simultaneous polls to Lok Sabha and state assemblies in the first stage , and holding municipal and Panchayat polls within 100 days of the general elections within the next phase .
- **“ Appointed date” for election**– It has recommended the President to set an “ appointed date “ after Lok Sabha elections . The next General elections and Assembly elections will be on the same appointed date .
- **Hung Parliament and No Confidence Motion** – In case of Hung Parliament and No Confidence Motion' , if election is performed , in that case the tenure of the house will “ only for the unexpired the (remaining) term of the immediately proceedings full term house .
- **Constitutional Amendments** – The panel has recommended over all 18 amendments to the constitution . The articles to be amended include , Article 83 (duration of the house of parliament) and Article 172 (duration of state legislature) of the constitution .
Article 324 A (Simultaneous Elections in Panchayats and Municipalities .)
Article 325A to allow election commission and state election commission to prepare a common electoral roll and voter ID .
- **Current situation** – “ Now , several elections are being held every year . This causes a huge burden on the government , businesses , courts , political parties , candidates contesting elections , and civil societies at large .” report observes.

Congress and other parties has criticized the report citing that it aims to “ dismantle “ the constitution .

➔ Poll bonds : 22 firms donated over ₹100 crore

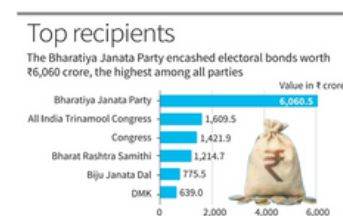
The Election Commission (EC) on Monday published data on poll bonds received from SBI on March 12 .
The data has following findings :

Key Donors

- A total electoral bond of ₹12,135 crore was purchased by donors
- 22 Parties donated more than , ₹100 crore
- Future Gaming and hotel services PR owned by lottery magnate Santiago Martin was the single largest donor to political parties between April 2019 and January 2024 .The firm doabated a cumulative sum of ₹1368 crore via electoral bond .
The Enforcement Directorate (ED) had attached ₹411 crore in the bank account of this firm , and other companies in March 2022 .
- Other Major donors include Megha Engineering and Infrastructure Limited (MEIL) , ₹966 crore . Qwik Supply Chain (₹410 crore) , Haldia Energy (₹377 cr) .Essel Mining (224.45 crore) , Bharti Airtel (₹198 crore)

➔ Political Parties who gained :

- Among parties , Bharatiya Janata Party encased electoral bond worth ₹6060 crore (47.5%) , the highest among all parties , The all India Trinamool Congress received ₹1609.5 cr (12.6%) , followed by Congress which received (₹1421.9 cr (11.1%)) .



➔ Gyanesh Kumar , Sukhbir Sandhu appointed election commissioner

- The President of India on Thursday appointed retired Bureaucrats Gyanesh Kumar and Sukhbir Singh Sandhu as Election Commissioners (EC) .
- This is the first time when the ECs were appointed according to EC and other ECE appointment conditions .
- The committee was composed of the PM , a cabinet minister chosen by the PM , and Leader of Opposition .
- Yesterday , the committee consisted of PM Narendra Modi , Home Minister Amit Shah and Adhir Ranjan Chaudhary

➔ Don't ride piggyback on Sharad Pawar to get votes , SC tells Ajit

- The Supreme Court on Thursday asked the Ajit Pawar party to not use photographs and the name of Sharad Pawar on its pamphlets .
- The Sharad Pawar faction had filed a plea in court against the Ajit Pawar faction

➔ Modi will travel to Bhutan next week

- Bhutanese PM Tshering Tobgay is on a five day visit to India. This is his first visit to India after being reelected as PM in January .
- Mr Tobgay met with PM Modi on Thursday night

- PM Modi posted on X that he had “ productive discussion encompassing various aspects of (India Bhutan’s) unique and special partnership . “ And thanked the King of Bhutan for the invitation to Bhutan .
- If election dates are announced and model code of Conduct is out in place ., PM Modi’s visit to Bhutan will carry on major agreements .
- Bhutan is building GMC (Gelephu Mindful city) on Bhutan’s southern border with Assam

➔ **Will oust BJP this election says Kisan Mahapanchayat**

- Thousands of Kisan who gathered here on Thursday on Kisan Mahapanchayat unde the Samyukt Kisan Morcha (SKM) banner resolved to defeat the BJP in coming Lok Sabha elections .
- Alleging that the policies of the center were pro corporate and anti farmer , SKM gave a call of mass protest against BJP .
- A resolution was adopted to “ expose and punish” the BJP

WORLD

➔ **Sri Lanka gets bomb disposal device through Chinese agent**

- The UK government has released its own new guidelines on extremism . The new expanded definition adds a policy of banning government funding and association with designated organizations .
- PM Rishi Sunak had earlier warned of increased Anti Sematic and Islamophobic activities as the reasons behind this

➔ **China says US Til Tok vote logic of a bandit**

- On Wednesday , the US house of Representatives approved a Bill that would force Tik Tok to digest from its parent company or face a nationwide ban .
- On Thursday , China blasted it as a “ bandit “ mentality , and said that it should take “ all necessary measures “ to protect the interest of companies overseas .
- “ The US should truly respect the principles of market economy (and) stop unjustly suppressing foreign companies “.Chinese Commerce ministry’s spokesperson He Yadong said.
- Tik Tok has repeatedly denied that it is under control of Chinese Communist parties.

Sports

➔ **Mumbai breaks Vidarbha’s resolve , ascends cloud 42**

- Mumbai defeated Vidarbha in final of Ranji Trophy . It is Mumbai’s42 nd Ranji win in 89 editions



Journey of rediscovery: Mumbai ended its second-longest title drought in the Ranji Trophy with a thumping win over Vidarbha on Thursday. EMMANUAL YOGINI

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5	20 April 2024 (Saturday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
6	21 April 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	GEOGRAPHY
7	27 April 2024 (Saturday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
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13	18 May 2024 (Saturday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
14	19 May 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	MODERN HISTORY
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16	26 May 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	BIHAR SPECIAL
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