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THE HINDU National

➔ INDIA bloc to hold rally against Kejriwal's arrest

- The opposition INDIA bloc will hold a 'Maha Rally' at Delhi's Ram Leela Maidan on March 31 against arrest of Arvind Kejriwal and arrest of other political leaders.
- Meanwhile, Mr. Kejriwal issued his first order from jail as CM of Delhi. In his order he instructed Delhi's Water Minister Atishi to take action to curb sewage problem.

➔ Kangana, Maneka, Arun Govil in BJP fifth list for LS election; Varun dropped

- BJP has released its fifth list of candidates for Lok Sabha Polls. Candidates from total of 111 seats were announced.
- Bollywood star Kangana Ranaut, television actors Arun Govil are in the list.
- Kangana Ranaut has been fielded from Mandi.
- Arun Govil has been fielded from Meerut.
- Former Union Minister Maneka Gandhi was given ticket from Sultanpur.
- Varun Gandhi has been dropped from Pilibhit this time. He was a critic of BJP on several occasions.

➔ It's official: 'Statio Shiv Shakti' approved as Chandrayaan landing site

- The International Astronomical Unit (IAU) working group on Planet system Nomenclature have approved the name "Statio Shiv Shakti" for the landing site of Chandrayaan's Vikram's landing site.
- The IAU's gazetteer for the name reads: "compound word from Indian Mythology that depicts the masculine and feminine duality of nature".
- IAU is internationally recognised community for authority for assigning names of Planetary surface features.



➔ Pakistan to mull revival of trade ties with India

- Pakistan's newly appointed Foreign Minister, Mohammad Ishaq Dar has said that Pakistan will "seriously examine" whether to start trade with India.
- He was saying this responding to a question during a Press Meet in London.
- Meanwhile, S. Jaishankar has said that in India "the mood is not to overlook terrorism".
- In February 2019, after Pulwama attack India had withdrawn Most Favored Nation (MFN) status of Pakistan. And raised tariffs of all trade multi fold.
- After Abrogation of Article 370 from J&K Pakistan had suspended all direct trade ties with India.
- Most of the trade between the two nations used to be through Attari Wagah border crossing.

➔ Bharat Biotech commences clinical trial of Spanish Tuberculosis vaccine in India

- Clinical trial of the Spanish Tuberculosis (TB) vaccine MTBVAC have begun in India.
- Vaccine maker Bharat Biotech is conducting trial in Partnership with Spanish Biofarmaceutical Company Biofabri.
- BCG is the available vaccine for the TB but it does not contain and the newly developed strains.
- MTBVAC is only vaccine against Tuberculosis undergoing clinical trials based on genetically modified form of Micobacterium Tuberculosis, the pathogen that causes the disease. MTBVAC will be effective for all TB related cases where BCG is not effective.

➔ Anti Piracy Act, enacted in 2022 has been a great enabler, says Navy Chief

- The maritime Anti Piracy Act, enacted in 2022, has been a "great enabler" said Indian Navy Admiral Chief R. Hari Kumar.
- The Anti Piracy Act empowers Indian Navy and Indian Coastguard to board, seize and arrest pirates operating in high seas, and in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).
- For past 100 days, Indian Navy was operating under Operation Sankalp to capture pirates in high seas.
- Indian Navy reduced several vessels from pirates under the Operation. The most recent was MV Ruez where 35 pirates were arrested and handed to Mumbai Police.

WORLD

➔ Poland scrambles F 16s amid Russia air strike at Ukraine

- On Sunday , Russia launched heavy missile strike on Ukraine .
- One of its missiles violated airspace of Poland resulting in violation of Polish airspace .
- This prompted Poland , a NATO member to activate F 16 fighter jets .
- Russia has used Tu 95 MS strategic bombers .
- Polish Command center in a statement said that the object entered near Oserdow village , a village near the agricultural region near the border with
- The object entered near Oswrdow , a village near agricultural region near the border with Ukraine , and stayed there for 39 seconds.



➔ Ukraine says it struck two Russian ships near Crimea

- Ukrainian military said that it hit two large landing ships in attack on annexed Crimean Peninsula early on Sunday .
- Communication systems and other infrastructure used by Russian Navy in Black Sea was also damaged .
- However , Russian Governor of Sebastopol has said that Ukraine targetted more than 10 missiles over the Crimean part of Sebastopol .

➔ Israel beseized hospital in Gaza , demands evacuations

- Srilanka Foreign Minister Marhipala Srisena will face Police questioning on Monday onbisnrefent remarks that he was “ aware “ of the 2019 Easter Bimbinfg attacks that killed 279 people , including 11 Indians .
- On Aprile 21 , 2014 nine suicide bombers belonging to the group National Tawheed Jamat (TMJ) carried out a series of blast that tore through three churches and as many as luxury hotels in Srilanka

Text and Context

➔ Resurgence of mumps in Kerala

- Mumps is an acute viral disease , which historically affects children , has been spreading like a wildfire in Kerala , for the past few months . The case started in Malappuram and Kozhikode , districts of Kerala . The case tally by March 22 crossed 15,000 .
- Despite being a vaccine preventable diseases , mumps has never been a part of Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP) .
- Other states that got affected by the Disease is

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17	28 July 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
18	04 August 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	CURRENT AFFAIRS
19	11 August 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
20	18 August 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
21	25 August 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
22	01 September 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH

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