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THE HINDU National

➔ Priest can certify CAA eligibility , says govt helpline

- A local priest may issue an “ eligibility certificate “ under the Citizenship Amendment Act 2019 , to validate the religion of the applicant , according to a recent response received by The Hindu through the Union Home Ministries helpline .
- The entire process is online , but the applicants will have to present themselves on an appointed day before a committee , which will verify the documents .
- The applicants have to submit a clutch of documents one of which is an eligibility certificate to validate the religion of the applicant .
- Any local priest can certify the faith of the person

➔ India strongly objects to US remarks on Kejriwal's arrest

- India on Wednesday summoned a US diplomat in New Delhi and expressed “ strong objections “ to the remarks of a spokesperson of the US state department on the arrest of Arvind Kejriwal .
- On Monday the US state department had said “ We encourage a fair , transparent and timely legal process for Chief Minister Kejriwal “ .
- In the statement MEA said that “ fellow democracies should respect each other’s sovereignty “ and highlighted India’s “ Independent Judiciary “ .
- Despite summons,the US repeated it’s briefing in Washington saying the US “ continues to follow “ the center's action on the run up of elections .

➔ Election commission issues , notices to Shrinete , Ghosh for ‘ offensive ‘ remark

- Election commission on Wednesday slapped show cause notice on Congress’s Supriya Shrinete and BJP’s Dillip Ghose for their “ offensive “ , “ insulting “ and “ undignified “ comment on Kangana Ranaut and Mamta Banerjee respectively .
- Supriya Shrinete in

➔ Somalian pirates used an Iranian fishing vessel to hijack MV Ruen

- Somali pirates that were using the MV Suez vessel that was later rescued by the Indian Navy had captured the vessel using another captured vessel .
- On November 29 , Somali Pirates captured Al Ashkaan which had 24 Pakistani Crew members off the coast of Yemen .
- Al Ashkaan. was used to capture MV Ruez on December 14 .
- The Indian Navy recently intercepted the vessel MV Ruez and captured 35 pirates in 40 hours .

WORLD

➔ China to develop SriLanka’s deep sea port or airport

- Srilankan Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena met his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping in Beijing on Wednesday .
- Dinesh Gunawatdena said China, the Island’s biggest creditor – would “ assist “ Sri Lanka in restructuring its external debt .
- Mr Gunawardena said that Beijing had offered “ assistance to develop “ Colombo International Airport and Hambantota port .
- A Japanese funded expansion project was on halt since Sri Lanka's Sovereign bond default .
- The southern sea port of Hambantota was handed to a Chinese state owned company for a 99 year old lease

Debt restructuring

- Srilankan PM said that China would “ assist “ Sri Lanka in restructuring of external debt .
- a key condition to the 2.9 billion dollar bailout package by the IMF .
- China was the biggest creditor to Sri Lanka prior to the Srilankan economic crisis in 2022 .
China was reluctant to take a haircut of its loans but could extend the tenure and adjust interest rates



➔ Palestinians denied homeland , India talks to Russia ‘ bluntly ‘ : Jaishankar

- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Wednesday said that a response in Ongoing conflict in Gaza has to acknowledge the fact that Palestinian people were “ denied the right to their homeland “ .
- “ Whatever rights or wrongs of the issue , there is the underlying issue of the rights of Palestinians and the fact that they have been denied their homeland . “ , he said .

➔ **India releases second tranche of ₹500 crore , for Bhutan infra work**

- India has released the second tranche of ₹500 crore to Bhutan for development of infrastructure related to the Gyalsung project .
- During the recent visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on March 23 , the firm has agreed to provide ₹10,000 crore for the next five years . Earlier the amount was ₹5,000 crore

➔ **Myanmar Army behind Facebook pages spewing hate speech : UN probe**

- A recent probe by the UN has revealed that Myanmar army was behind continuous hate speech and hate attacks against Rohingya on Facebook before the 2017 crackdown against Muslim minority .
- In late 2021 , Rohingya sued Facebook for 150 billion dollars claiming that it failed to stop hate speech against them.

➔ **Xi meets US business executives in effort to attract foreign investment**

- Xi said that it will be a win win situation for both sides if they continue to invest more and work together . He also told businesses to ignore minor differences the two countries have .
- China is a major production center for many US companies . China however is seeing stagnant growth as many companies are moving to other parts of world such as South East Asia and India

Science

➔ **Study unravels the recipe that gives Kashmiri rice variety unique Aroma**

- The Kashmir Himalayas is known for Musk Budiji, an indigenous rice variety known for its rich aroma and taste .
- Recently researchers in Sher E Kashmir University of Agriculture Science and Technology (SKUAST) , Srinagar reported that altitude and aroma play an important part in its aroma .
- A recent study published in Nature Scientific Report has reported identifying 35 aromatic components in the variety , at an altitude at nearly 5,000 to 7,000 feet .

➔ **Is Australia’s Carbon Credit scheme a ‘ Catastrophic ‘**

- Australia’s Carbon Credit scheme was undermined by damning new research on March 27 , which found the world's leading reforestation project has been an underforming “ catastrophe “ .
- Australia had set aside 42 million hectares of land , an area equivalent to Japan for the Carbon Credit scheme . The Objective was to regenerate native forest to offset emissions .
- But researchers have found that 80 % of these are either stagnant or wood lands were sinking

Text and Context

➔ **On sustainable building materials**

- India is witnessing an unprecedented boom in the construction sector . The building sector is a major electricity consumer accounting for 33% of the total energy consumed .
- The India action Cooling Plan has forecasted an eight fold increase of cooling. Demand between 2017 and 2037 .
- Autoclaves Aerotated Conclave (AAC) has come out as a construction material that is far above from red brick , fly ash and monolithic concrete (Mivan) .
- The material provides excellent heat insulation . That will save the cost of ACs in Summer .
- The material is further good in speed , scalability , strength etc .

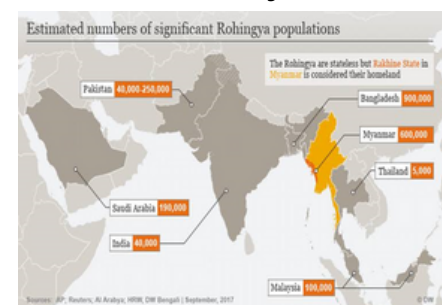


➔ **Why are Rohingya refugees risking their life at sea ?**

- Recently Indonesia rescued about 75 Rohingyas from its coasts . The Rohingyas were crossing through wooden boats .
- As per United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) .
- In 2023 about. 4500 Rohingya tried to cross to other countries in the Bay of Bengal and Andaman Sea . About 600 of them died because of the lack of proper boats

➔ **Who are Rohingyas ?**

- Rohingya belong to the Rakhine state of Myanmar . Myanmar has refused to recognise them , denying citizenship since 1982 . Many Rohingya are living in Myanmar having no democratic rights and facing Persecution from the Military Junta . They are living in penury .
- Over 1 million Rohingya have fled since 1990 .
- Six lakh still live in the country .
- About 9.6 lakh Rohingya reside in Refugee camps in Bangladesh mostly in Cox Bazar .
- Rohingyas try to flee to Muslim Majority countries such as Malaysia , Indonesia .
- They are exploited by human traffickers



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70th BPS PT (Prelims) TEST SERIES SCHEDULE

Test No.	Date	Time	Type
1	07 April 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
2	14 April 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	POLITY
3	21 April 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
4	28 April 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	GENERAL SCIENCE
5	05 May 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
6	12 May 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	GEOGRAPHY
7	19 May 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
8	26 May 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	ECONOMY
9	02 June 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
10	09 June 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	ANCIENT HISTORY
11	16 June 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
12	23 June 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	MEDIEVAL HISTORY
13	30 June 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
14	07 July 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	MODERN HISTORY
15	14 July 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	FULL LENGTH
16	21 July 2024 (Sunday)	11:00 am To 02:00 pm	BIHAR SPECIAL
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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