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THE HINDU National

➔ April's gross GST taking power past ₹ 2.1 lakh crore in new record

- Gross GST revenue collection posted a record of ₹2.1 lakh crore .
- This collection is 12.4 % higher than the previous highest tally of ₹1.87 lakh crore .
- This is because of strong momentum in the economy , Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has pointed out .
- April's GST revenue is usually the highest , as taxpayers meet the compliances before the end of the financial year .



➔ SC slams IMA chief for remarks about court's criticism

- The Supreme Court (SC) has declined a plea by government to allow administrative allocation by center .
- The application by government said that spectrum was assigned not only for the use of commercial telecom services but also for discharge of sovereign and public interest functions .
- In its previous judgement , SC has held that spectrum need to be allocated through auctions only .

➔ Telangana CM has no role In a doctored video , says lawyer

- Telangana CM A Revanth Reddy lawyers said in court that he had nothing to do with creating or posting doctored videos of Amit Shah .
- Delhi Police sources said that they are close to identifying the creator of a deep fake video .
- Notices has also been shared to give other Congress leaders who have shared the video .
- In the doctored video Home Minister Amit Shah was heard saying that BJP will scrap quota for SCs / STs once it will come to power again.

➔ Israel's Likud among foreign parties to witness election

- Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has invited 18 political parties from 10 countries to witness Lok Sabha Polls .
- Representatives of 18 political parties from 10 countries have arrived in India .
- Among the Political parties invited are Likud Party of Israel , Liberal Party of Australia , Awami League of Bangladesh , Uganda's National Resistance Party .One Political party each from Nepal , Russia , Vietnam , Sri Lanka and Mauritius has also been invited
- Israel's Likud political parties are currently at the centre of global affairs because of ongoing Gaza war . Benjamin Netanyahu is a

➔ EC brings out protocol on symbol loading units as mandated by top courts

- The Election commission on Wednesday released new protocols for handling and storage of Symbol Loading Unit (SLU) , in compliance with the Supreme Court's order of April 26 .
- The top court issued directions to seal and store the SLUs in a container , and store them in a strong room along with EVMs for at least 45 days after the declaration of results .
- The direction was regarding if a losing candidate needed to verify the EVMs .
- The SLU uploads the name and Symbols of the candidate contesting a particular seat on VVPAT.

➔ DGCA deregisters all 54 Go First Aircrafts

- The DGCA on Wednesday deregistered all 54 Go First aircraft .
- Earlier Delhi High Court had given direction to DGCA to deregister 54 aircraft within 5 days .
- Go First had filed for insolvency to National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) . NCLT barred lessors to take any action against Go First .
- Lessors moved Delhi High Court against NCLT orders .
- Delhi High court directed DGCA to deregister 54 flights owned by Go First .
- HC has allowed lessors to inspect the plane and undertake it's maintenance

WORLD

➔ New York Police storm Columbia University again ; over 100 protesters held

- Dramatic scene emerged from Columbia University , where Pro Palestine protesters had captured Hamilton hall .
- The University called New York Police Department (NYPD) , NYPD gained entry to Hamilton Hall through window .
- The police also cleared ' Gaza Solitary encampment ' the temporary encampment by protesters .
- The police arrested around 109 people . It has put campus has been barricaded

➔ In Israel , Blinken asks Hamas to accept ' very strong ' deal

- US Secretary of State Antony Blinken was in Tel Aviv on Wednesday .
- Here he met Israeli President Benjamin Netanyahu and opposition leader Yair Lapid .
- He met Israeli hostages families . Mr Blinken said Hamas to accept a " very strong " ceasefire hostage offer as he vowed to put priority on families seeking to reunite the loved ones .
- Freeing the hostages was " at the hear of everything we do " , Mr Blinken said .
- " There is a very strong proposal on the table right now . Hamas needs to say , and needs to get this done . "
- Israeli PM Netanyahu in a recent statement said that the Rafah invasion will go on , even if an agreement with Hamas occurs or not .

- Mr Blinken reiterated his stand against Rafah invasion .
- Rafah currently holds around 1.5 million of 2.3 million Gaza population. There is fear that lots of civilians can suffer heavily if Israel invades Rafah . The UN , EU and US has warned Israel against any such move

➔ 'Australia has laws to deal with foreign interference'

- The Australian News Channel ABC recently reported that Indian operatives were caught while they were trying to access " classified information on Australia trade relationship " . The report indicated the broad nature of Indian network that supplied members of Indian diaspora in Australia .
- In response to a question on this report , US Foreign Minister Penny Wong said that Australia will uphold it's democratic values in face of " foreign interference " .
- Australia and India are close strategic partnership. The two countries have its own Free Trade Agreement as well but Australia and India .
- But, the Khalistani issue is one of the key friction points between the two countries. The Khalistani Movement is active in Australia .
- Pro Khalistani protests was reported in many Australian cities last year

➔ 'S Korea discussing participation in AUKUS tech pact'

- South Korea's defence minister on Monday said that his country was actively discussing partnership with the AUKUS countries in developing hypersonic weapons , drones and other advanced technologies .
- South Korean Defense Minister , Shin Won Shik said this in a meeting with Australian counterpart in Melbourne .
- AUKUS is a defence partnership between Australia , the US and the UK .
- It was established in 2021 with two main goals in mind :
 - (1) Pillar One – It aims to provide Australia with a nuclear powered attack submarine .
 - (2) Pillar two – Focussed on developing advanced fighting capabilities ,such as Artificial intelligence , undersea drones and hypersonic missiles .
- South Korea is trying to be part of " Pillar two " of AUKUS .
- Japan , South Korea and New Zealand are among the three major countries that are expected to join AUKUS .
- AUKUS is thought to be the US move to counter China in the Pacific

➔ In a first , UK sends asylum seeker to Rwanda

- UK press (The Sun) has reported the first incident of a UK migrant being deported to Rwanda under a voluntary scheme.
- The unnamed man was paid 3000 euros to leave , he took a commercial plane in UK to arrive at Kigali .
- Recently US Prime Minister Rishi Sunak had vowed to forcibly deport illegal migrants to Rwanda . This is different from earlier plan under which illegal migrants were paid for voluntary taking flight for Rwanda . The UK government is trying to pass a law that will involve law enforcement agencies to forcibly deport illegal migrants . The move has been criticised by opposition parties



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- Recently The Washington Post had published the name of the Indian officials who had passed the orders of killing of Pannun . The reporter had said that Ajit Dowal knew about this .
- In response to a question over this US state department principal spokesperson Vedant Patel said that the US expected " accountability " from the Indian side and was regularly raising concerns over the Pannun issue with New Delhi on a regular basis

➔ China's third aircraft carrier Fujian conducts first sea trial

- China's Fujian Aircraft carrier held its maiden sea trial on Wednesday .Fujian. is China's third aircraft carrier .
- India also has two aircraft carriers : INS Vikramaditya and INS Vikrant . And it is in the process of getting a third one

Science

➔ Plastic talks conclude in Ottawa with little progress

- 192 countries deliberated over a week in Ottawa , to formulate a binding agreement to " end plastic pollution " .
- The programme comes under the United States Environmental Programme ,(UNEP) .
- But the activists and environmental groups has termed it " disappointing " .
- This was the fourth round of talks since countries resolved in 2022 to eliminate plastic .
- No concrete agreement on the elimination of plastic was taken

Editorial

➔ Sea also rises

India also collaborates with Indian Ocean countries on data warming

- The editorial is about a recently published report by Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology , Pune . The report is about the warming of the Indian Ocean .
- The Indian Ocean has warmed 1.2 degree celsius. It is expected to warm between 1.7 -3.8 degree celsius between 2020 and 2100
- The report says that warming will put Indian Ocean into " near permanent heatwave state " .
- This will affect fisheries , coral life, and Kemp forest within sea .
- The frequency of cyclones will increase manifold causing severe floods in coastal regions .
- The editorial suggests that India needed to form a data gathering centre with the countries that borders , Indian Ocean .

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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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