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THE HINDU National

➔ Prajawal booked for rape ; lookout circular issued

- The Karnataka police has booked Hasan MP Pravajal Revanna on rape charges on Thursday. It has issued a look out notice against the “ absconding” MP .
- Earlier a Special Investigation Team was created and a police investigation was initiated against him .
- His father and former Minister HD Revanna , also skipped the SIT summons and has moved a court seeking anticipatory bail .
- Prajawal Ravanna is MP from Hassan and belongs to JD (S) party . He is grandson of JD (S) chief H.D. Devegoda .He was previously booked on 28 April on charges of rape , kidnapping and abduction by a woman . On Friday a second complaint was filed by another woman .
- Prajawal is believed to have left for Germany on April 27 using his diplomatic passport . A look out circular has been issued against him . He will be detained as soon as he enters India .
- Karnataka CM has said that he had requested from the PM to cancel Pravajal's diplomatic passport .
- In Karnataka , Congress and INDIA bloc parties are making this an issue for their Election campaigns . BJP and JD(S) are in alliance in Karnataka .

➔ Law and order a state subject , says SC on Bengal's suit

- The Supreme Court on Thursday categorically said that Law and Order Categoricaly was a state subject .
- “ Law and Order is a state subject . Suppose a central government employee commits dacoity , will the case be investigated by CBI only ? ” Justice BR Gavai queried .
- Justice Sandeep Mehta , also on the two judge bench said , even if an . Army Personnel commits offences , even in that case the culprit I s first handed over to Local Police .
- West Bengal has claimed that CBI is claiming “ unilateral right “ to investigate offences committed by Central government employees .
- In a similar case
- ED had approached the Supreme Court against a probe by state vigilance officials against one of ED's officers . ED is demanding the culprit be given ED custody rather than state police custody .

➔ India protests road construction in Pok valley

- India has registered its protest with Beijing against China's “illegal attempts' ' to “ alter facts on the ground' ' in the Shaksгам valley of Pak Occupied Kashmir .
- MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal was replying to a question on China building roads in Shaksгам valley .
- “ The Sakshagam valley is part of a territory of India . We have never accepted the so called China Pakistan Boundary agreement of 1963 through which Pakistan unlawfully attempted to cede the area to China , and have consistently conveyed out rejection on the same “
- “ We have registered our protest with the Chinese side against illegal attempts to alter facts on the ground . We further take necessary measures to safeguard our interests “
- MEA spokesperson said .
- Sakshgam valley is a part of Pakistan Occupied Kashmir, and was ceded by Pakistan to China in 1963, a year after India China war.
- Recent pictures have shown that China is building a road in the lower Shaksгам valley



➔ ‘ Chinese government was the ultimate paymaster of NewsClick ‘

- In the NewsClick case Delhi Police has filed a chargesheet .
- Delhi Police has accused NewsClick founder Prabir Purkayastha and head of news portal Amit Chakraborty of acting at the behest of the Chinese government.
- The Chargesheet filed by Delhi Police says that Mr Purkayastha and Neville Singham were conspiring “ Nothing but to forcibly replace Indian democracy with the party system similar to the one against that exists in present day China . “
- NewsClick was accused of spreading fake news , supporting and funding Kashmiri terrorist groups and Maoist groups . The accused were arrested under UAPA

➔ USCIRF is biased and has political agenda

- US Commission for International Religious Freedom. (USCIRF) recently published a report in which India was told to have “ particularly severe religious rights violations “ .
- The report had suggested US government to put India under a country of particular concern “ .
- MEA Spokesperson answering on this report said that USCIRF was trying to “ interfere” in India's electoral process . It called USCIRF as a “ biased organisation with a political agenda “

Science

➔ Liquid Nitrogen in food draws TamilNadu ire , yet again

- The TamilNadu Food Safety Department has issued a circular on the use of liquid nitrogen .
- saying the substances can only be used to preserve packaged food .
- A week ago , a video of a child screaming after smoke emerged from nose and mouth . The child had consumed a food item infused with liquid nitrogen .
- Liquid Nitrogen is used in. Food packaging

WORLD

➔ Police make arrests , dismantle barricades at UCLA after clashes with students protesting war in Gaza

- The police in the United States came heavily on protesters in different universities such as University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) , University of Yale .
- Barricades by protesters were removed and many arrested . There were incidents of protestors and police clashing as well

➔ Post war reconstruction of Gaza to cost 40 billion dollar , says UN

- The United Nations said on Thursday that the post war reconstruction of Gaza would require an international effort unseen since the second world war ,estimating a cost of upto 40 billion dollar .
- “ The scale of destruction is huge and unprecedentedthis is a mission that global community has not dealt with since world war 2 “ UN assistant secretary general Al Dardari said
- This has come just after truce possibilities between Israel and Hamas seems bright .
- Hamas Chief Hanniyeh has said that the group was studying the latest proposal by Israel with “ positive spirit “ .

➔ Japan and India struggling economically because they are xenophobic , says Biden

- US President Joe Biden said in a fundraising event that India and Japan were struggling economically because they were xenophobic .
- “ Why is China stalling so badly economically ?
- Why is Japan in trouble ? Why is Russia in trouble ? and India ? Because they’re Xenophobic . They don't want immigrants ,” Biden said on Wednesday , with a transcript not made public .
- He later hailed the US as a country which welcomes migrants .
- While China and Russia are US rivals , The remarks on Japan and India came as a surprise .
- The white house Spokesperson John Kirby downplayed Mr Biden remarks saying that he was just saying that the US was a nation of immigrants

Editorial

➔ Tipping point

With robust GST next government must prioritise reforms

- Revenues from Goods and Services Tax (GST) crossed ₹2 lakh crore mark in April . It was 2.1 lakh crore in April 2024 . This was 12.4 % higher than the April 2023 tally of 1.87 lakh crore of GST .
- The finance minister termed the GST as a “ landmark “ , attributing them to a strong economy and efficient collection .
- The manifesto of BJP promises that it will make the GST portal simpler for small businesses to use . Congress on the other hand has said that a single rate of GST will be implemented .
- Whoever comes to office , the anomalies of GST needs to be corrected first

➔ Eastern Front

The polarisation in voting in West Bengal is edging out the left and the Congress

- The editorial is about Lok Sabha polls in West Bengal .
- The election this time is in all seven states .
- Last time Out of 42 Lok Sabha seats BJP had won 18 . BJP also emerged as second largest party in Assembly elections by winning 77 out of 294 seats ,with 38.1% of vote share .
- BJP is raising the issue of Sandeshkhali and Teacher recruitment scam among others .
- TMC is raising the CAA issue .
- Speculation is that the Congress and the left will help BJP gain more seats

Text and Context

➔ Why are the Indian spices facing the heat ?

The story so far :

- At least five countries- including Singapore , Hong Kong , and the US have announced an investigation into possible contamination of spices sold into the market by Indian brands , MDH and Everest .
- The complaints cite the presence of Ethylene Oxide (EtO), a toxic chemical used as a food stabiliser, beyond permissible limits.
- The species board of India has initiated mandatory testing of products , shipped abroad and is reportedly working with exporters to identify the root cause of contamination

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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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