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Species

Jacanas

• **Identifiable by** – Long toes and long claws that enable them to walk on floating vegetation in shallow lakes, their preferred habitat.
• **Found –** Worldwide within the tropical zone.



● **The jacana** bird, found in marshes across **the Americas, Australia, Asia and Africa,** looks lovely but brooks no nonsense. The wading bird comes uniquely kitted out with **fighting spurs and long claws** for walking on floating vegetation. Females are **built larger than males and aggressively battle others to defend territories** where they have multiple partners. Men meanwhile look after chicks, even **carrying babies under their wings to safety**

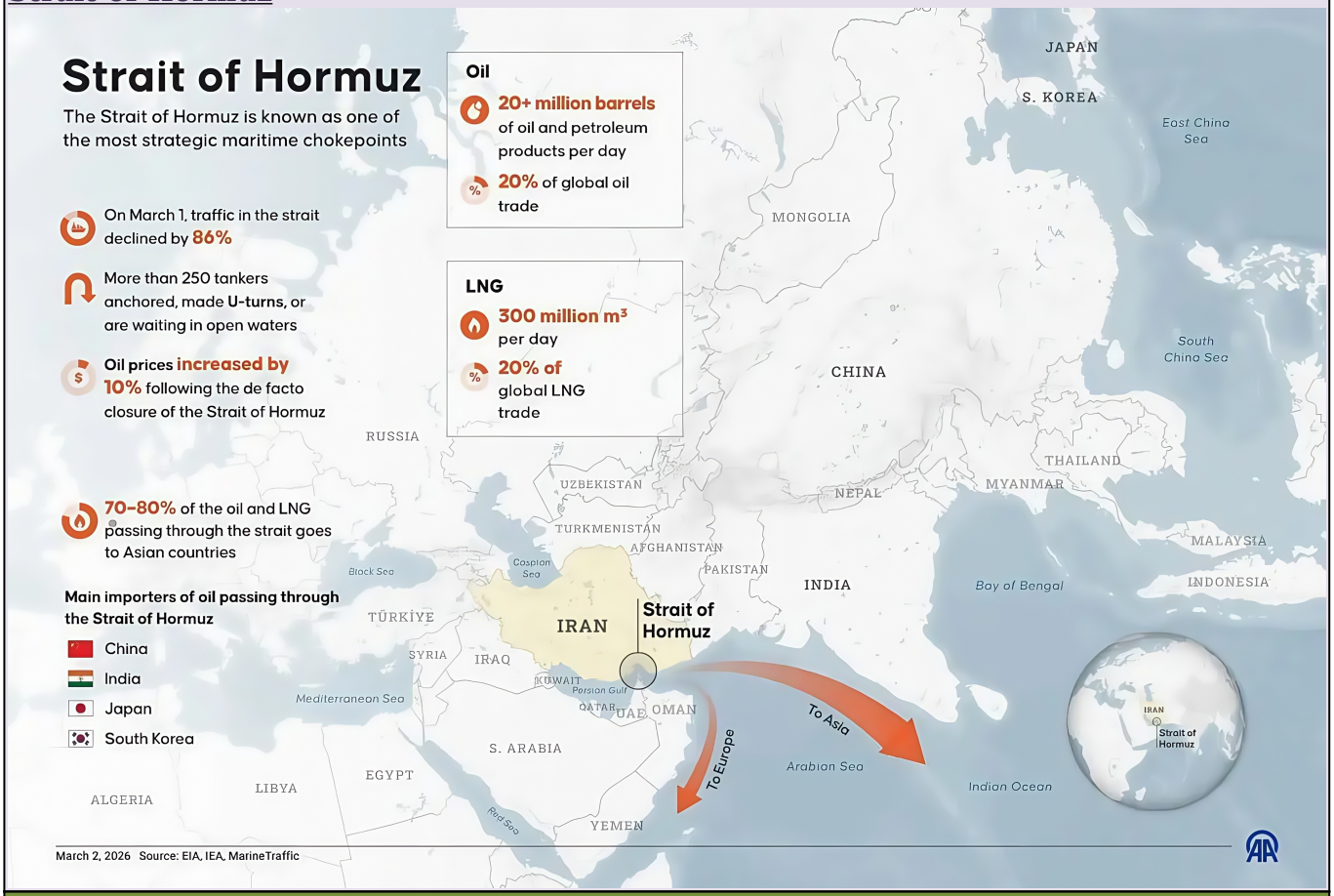
Polity & Governance

State's Social Media Ban

• **Karnataka –** Plans to ban social media use for children under 16.
• **Andhra Pradesh –** Proposes ban for children below 13, to be implemented within 90 days.
• **Objective –** To protect minors from harmful effects of excessive mobile and social media use.

International Relations and Issues

Strait of Hormuz



Economy

Post Budget Webinar

- **Theme –** "Sabka Saath Sabka Vikas-Fulfilling Aspirations of People".
- **Objective –** To translate Union Budget reforms into actionable frameworks through collaboration with ministries, academia, industry, civil society, and partners.
- **Session highlighted by Ministry of Education –**
  - Education to Employment & Enterprise Standing Committee
  - AVGC Content Creator Labs
  - University Townships
  - Girls' Hostels for STEM
  - National Telescope Scheme
  - Divyang Kaushal Yojana
- **Aim of these schemes –** To boost human capital formation, digital creativity, gender inclusion, frontier science, and disability-inclusive growth.

Agriculture

Fertiliser Outlook

India has adequate fertiliser stocks, especially urea, to meet upcoming Kharif season (June–Sept) needs.

• **Concern –** Prolonged conflict in West Asia could disrupt imports of raw materials (rock phosphate, phosphoric acid), affecting the Rabi season (Oct–Apr).
• **Government measures –** Central procurement of DAP and DSP ensures backup supply; gas imports from Australia and the Middle East remain stable.
• **Outlook –** No immediate concerns for farmers; FACT assures uninterrupted supply and calls the situation "temporary."
• **Note –**
• **FACT –** Fertilisers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd.
- South India's largest supplier.
- Holds 1.4 lakh metric tons in stock and can produce 1.5 lakh metric tons by April 2026.
• **Targets –** 5.5 lakh metric tons production plus 1 lakh metric tons imports for Kharif 2026.

Environment

Jal Mahotsav 2026

• It is a nationwide campaign.
• **Initiated by –** Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti.
• **Observed from –** 8 March to 22 March.
• **Objective –** To strengthen community participation in rural drinking water management and promoting water conservation under the Jal Jeevan Mission.

Science

Abdominal Obesity

The progressive increase in obesity and abdominal obesity in India represents a significant and evolving metabolic crisis.

• **Concern -** Asian Indians often develop abdominal obesity at normal BMI, a pattern tied to *higher insulin resistance, ectopic fat buildup, and earlier metabolic disease onset.*
• **Metabolic crisis contributes to –** The rising prevalence of
- Type 2 diabetes,
- Cardiovascular disease,
- Metabolic dysfunction-associated steatotic liver disease (MASLD) and associated cardiometabolic disorders.
• **5th National Family Health Survey's data –** Abdominal obesity affects *40% of women and 12% of men in India*, and it is spreading beyond urban, affluent groups into rural and lower socioeconomic populations.

SPORTS

India's Record on T20 World Cup

• India became the 1st team to successfully defend the ICC Men's T20 World Cup and secure a 3rd global title.
• **3 world cups**
- 2007 – India vs Pakistan, held in South Africa.
- 2024 – India vs South Africa, held in Barbados, eastern Caribbean Island.
- 2026 – India vs New Zealand, held in India.

Miscellaneous

International Women's Day 2026

In 2026, the world celebrates 115 years of International Women's Day.

• **Observed annually on –** 8th March.
• **First observed in –** 1911.
• **Theme –** *"Give To Gain,"* highlighting the importance of mutual support and collective progress.
• **Aim –** To honours the achievements of women and promotes gender equality, empowerment, and women's rights.

"Shakti Walk #SheLeadsBharat"

• **Held in –** New Delhi to mark International Women's Day 2026.
• **Organized by –** Ministry of Women and Child Development.
• **Objective –** To celebrated the spirit of Nari Shakti and highlighted the key role of women in shaping a progressive and inclusive Bharat.

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