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History, Art and Culture

Armistice Lines (1949-1967)

• Armistice agreements – Israel concluded armistice agreements with Jordan, Egypt, Syria, and Lebanon in 1949 with UN mediation.

• **Green Line** – The 1949 Armistice Lines between Israel and its Arab neighbors came to be known as The Green Line.

• These parties agreed that would <u>serve only as interim arrangements</u> until replaced by permanent peace treaties.

- Israel's territory Encompassed about 78% of the Mandate area.
- West Bank & Gaza Strip, were occupied by Jordan and Egypt respectively.
- It is also called as the *Green Line*, between Israel and its Arab neighbors.



## **Challenge Based Destination Development (CBDD)**

- Sub-scheme of Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0).
- Aim Holistic development of destinations to enhance tourist experience.
- To develop tourism sector in *Mission Mode with active participation* of the,

- States, Public Private Partnership and Convergence of Government Programs.

**Development of Iconic Tourist Centers to Global Scale' Scheme** 

• Umbrella scheme - Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI).

• **Aim** – To infuse long term interest free loans for a period of 50 years to States for comprehensively <u>develop iconic tourist centers</u> in the country, branding, and marketing them at global scale.

#### Article 350A

• It facilities for *instruction in mother-tongue* at primary stage.

# • It is Under

- Schedule 8.
- Part XVII (17) of Official Language.
- Added by <u>7<sup>th</sup></u> Constitutional Amendment Act, 1956.

• **President** – May *issue such directions to any State* as he considers necessary or proper for securing the provision of such facilities.

# <u>Helsinki Rules of 1966</u>

• Helsinki Rules on the Uses of the Waters of International Rivers.

• It is a *general rules of international law* applicable to the use of the waters of an international drainage basin.

• **Regulation** – It is an *international guideline* regulating the use of waters in international drainage basins, including surface and groundwater, emphasizing equitable and reasonable utilization.

#### Economy

**GDP Growth Projection by Morgan Stanley** 

• According to the Morgan Stanley, India is projected to become the <u>world's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest</u> <u>economy</u> by 2028.

• It will become the world's most sought-after consumer market with a higher share in global output, driven by macro stability-influenced policy and better infrastructure.

• **Indian economy** – It is projected to expand to \$4.7 trillion in 2026, making it the  $4^{th}$  largest in the world behind the US, China, and Germany.

## Environment

## <u>Tulip</u>

• It is a *spring-blooming perennial plants* that die back after flowering and persist as an underground storage bulb

• Genus - Tulipa.

• Family – About 100 species of bulbous herbs in the lily family.

• Native to - Central Asia and Turkey.

• **Climatic condition** – Cultivated in cool, temperate climates with long, cool springs and dry summers.

• Tulip Garden - It is the *largest tulip garden in Asia*, spread over 30 acres in *Srinagar*.

#### <u>Dhanushkodi</u>

Recently, Tamil Nadu budget has proposed for the setting up of a sanctuary for flamingos at Dhanushkodi.

- Located at South-eastern tip of Pamban Island, Ramanathapuram district, Tamil Nadu.
- It is *home to diverse ecosystems* such as sand dunes, marshes, and mangrove forests.
- Key stopover for Migratory birds, including greater flamingos & shorebirds.

• **Area** – Extending from Rameswaram reserve forest to Dhanushkodi should be a protected area for the birds.

#### Science

#### **<u>1-Minute Gut Health Test</u>**

*Recently, a content creator suggested taking a 1-minute test to find out the level of acidity.* • **Gut** – It is the *Gastro Intestinal (GI) tract*, which includes the stomach, intestines, and colon.

• 1-minute test - Taking baking soda with water on an empty stomach.

• Baking soda (an alkali) will mix with stomach acid to produce carbon dioxide (gas), *leading to burping*.

• **Burp** – It is an indicator to decide whether a person has low stomach acid, which causes food to sit undigested in the gut and leading to fermentation & Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD).

• It is a *popular home method* for assessing stomach acid production.

#### Miscellaneous

## World Consumer Rights Day, 2025

• Celebrated on - <u>March 15</u>, annually.

• **Theme** – A Just Transition to Sustainable Lifestyles.

• **Objective** – To promote the basic rights of all consumers and encourage those rights to be respected and protected.

• It serves as an essential reminder of the need to uphold consumer rights and protection.

