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History, Art and Culture

Ravi Shankar Vyas

• **Born –** Feb 25, 1884, in Gujarat.
• **Role -** 1921 Participated in Indian National Movement demonstrating his commitment by relinquishing his rights to his ancestral property.
• **Associated** - With Mahatma Gandhi & Sardar Patel.
• **Participated in** - Quit India Movement in 1942.

Adopt a Heritage 2.0 Programme.

• **Initiated by** –Bisleri International & Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)
• **Focus** - On core objective is water conservation at historical sites.
• **Alignment -** This project is in line with India's broader goals for environmental restoration and sustainability.
• **Initial Phase** - Will concentrate on reviving four historically significant water bodies
  - Chand Baori (Abhaneri, Rajasthan)
  - Baori at Neemrana (Rajasthan)
  - Padma and Rani Talabs at Ranthambore Fort (Rajasthan)
  - Budha Budhi Pond at Kalinjar Fort (Uttar Pradesh)

Geography

Dukono Eruption

• **Located in**- Halmahera Island in North Maluku, Indonesia.
• **Nature of Volcano** – Active
• **Indonesia -** Has 130 active volcanoes, Situated on the Ring of Fire, faces frequent eruptions & earthquakes.
• **Active volcanoes** - Mount Merapi and Kelut, both located on Java Island of Indonesia.
• **Pacific Ring of Fire:** This 40,000km zone, with tectonic plate interactions, causes 90% of global earthquakes.

Zagros Mountains

• **Located In** - Iraq was pulled into the Earth.
• **Highest Peak**- Mount Dena.
• **Ancient city** – Susa.
• **Formation of Mountain –**Tectonic in Origin formed during Miocene and Pliocene orogenic episodes.
• This resulted in Arabian Plate's subduction under the Eurasian Plate, creating a 1,500km natural barrier.
• **Geographic Extension-** Stretching from Turkey to Iran, ending at the Strait of Hormuz.

Polity & Governance

Principal Secretary (PS) to the PM

Shaktikanta Das recently appointed as Principal Secretary to the PM.
• **Former post -** Governor of RBI.
• **PS Administrative head of** - Prime Minister's Office (PMO).
• **Functions -** Briefing notes for discussions with foreign dignitaries, ensuring inter-ministerial coordination, and managing key communications for the PM.
• **Advisory Role -**Assisting the Prime Minister on various domestic and foreign policy matters.

International Relations and Issues

India to Host 12th Regional 3R & Circular Economy Conference in Jaipur.

• **Nodal Agency**- Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs
• **Launched by** - United Nations Centre for Regional Development in 2009.
• **Theme**- Realizing Circular Societies Towards Achieving Sustainable Development Goals & Carbon Neutrality in Asia-Pacific".
• **Aim -** Provide strategic policy inputs to Asia-Pacific governments for 3R and circularity, while sharing best practices.
• **Features** - India's achievements in the 3R and circular economy, featuring exhibitions from key ministries and missions.
• The conference will include an international '3R trade and technology exhibition' with participants from Indian and Japanese businesses.
• The event will conclude with the 'Jaipur Declaration,' aimed at promoting a resource efficient circular economy in the Asia-Pacific region.

Economy

Compendium of Datasets and Registries in India 2024

• **Nodal Ministry-** Ministry of Statistics
• **Data Centralization –** Consolidation of 270 datasets from 40 Ministries.
• **Objective -** Offering a single access point for diverse sectors like agriculture, health, and education, aiding informed decisions.
• **Metadata Standardization-** Detailing with collection methods, update frequency & sharing policies, ensures data reliability and user trust.
• **Legal and Regulatory Framework**- Each dataset has a legal and regulatory framework.
• Outlines rules for data collection and dissemination.
• Crucial for stakeholders to understand regulations for responsible data use.

Environment

Soliga Tribe-Guardians of the BRT Tiger Reserve

• **Soliga meaning** - "Children of bamboo".
• **Reside** – In Karnataka's Biligiri Rangana & Male Mahadeshwara Hills.
• **Population Found** – Karnataka & Tamil Nadu.
• **Language spoken**- Sholaga, Kannada & Tamil.
• **Unique Rights & Habitat** – They are the India's 1st tribe granted official rights within a tiger reserve to Own, manage, and use forest resources.
• **Role –** Conservation of Biligiri Rangaswamy Temple Tiger Reserve.
• **Livelihood** - Engage in shifting cultivation and forest product collection, with honey being a vital food source.

Prakriti 2025

• **Inauguration** - Union Minister for Power, Shri Manohar Lal.
• **Location** - New Delhi.
• **Focus** - Carbon markets and transformational climate initiatives.
• **Goal** - Promoting resilience, awareness, knowledge, and resources.

Security

Sagar Kavach' security exercise

• **Location-** West Bengal coastline.**Objective** – Exercise aimed to improve Standard Operating Procedures and enhance inter-agency coordination for India's eastern maritime border.
• **Functions -** Scenarios involving hijacked fishing boats and barges.
• Tested response to illegal transportation of goods along the coastline.
• Focused on detection and disposal of improvised explosive devices on critical infrastructure.



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