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Social Issues

Supreme Court Guidelines – Human Trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation (CSE)

• Supreme Court invoked *Articles 32 & 142* to lay down a binding direction constituting a *Victim Protection Plan* covering rescue, identification, rehabilitation, prosecution, and institutional coordination.
• **Key Points** –
• **Consent –** It is the *central differentiator (trafficking vs voluntary sex work).*
• Rescue under the *Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956* must target exploitation and coercion, not consensual sex work.
• Rooted protections in *Article 23 (prohibition of trafficking).*
• Child protection integrates Juvenile Justice Act and POCSO Act for care, rehabilitation and safeguarding against sexual offences.
• **Relied on *Palermo Protocol* –**
  - 3 essential elements – The Action, The Means and The Exploitation.
  - Consent becomes legally irrelevant in cases where trafficking is established through force, coercion, deception, or exploitation.

Polity & Governance

Pension Adalat – Grievance Redressal

• **Pension Adalat -** A platform for *on-the-spot* qualitative redressal of long-pending pension grievances of Central Government pensioners or family pensioners.
• **Implemented by –** Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (DoPPW) under the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions.

Goa Statehood Day

• Goa attained statehood on 30 May 1987 (earlier a Union Territory), becoming India's 25th State.
• **Annexation –** Goa was annexed from Portugal in 1961 through a military operation – *Operation Vijay.*
• **Capital –** Panji
• **Highest Peak –** Sonsogor.

National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)

• **Established Under –** The Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 for the protection and promotion of human rights.
• **Nature –** Statutory, quasi-judicial body.
• **Composition –**
  - A Chairperson (former CJI or SC Judge),
  - A SC Judge,
  - A Chief Justice of a High Court,
  - 3 members (including at least one woman) with expertise in human rights.
• Anchors India's commitment to Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).
• **UDHR –** An *international declaration outlining fundamental human rights* adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 1948 at Paris, France.

Economy

Common Landing Portal – Unclaimed Financial Assets

• A single unified portal.
• **Aim –** To trace *unclaimed bank deposits, insurance claims, shares, dividends, mutual funds*; aligned with Viksit Bharat 2047 vision.
• **Launched by** – Department of Financial Services (DFS) under Ministry of Finance in collaboration with PSB (Public Sector Banks) Alliance.
• **PSB Alliance –** It is a joint venture of India's 12 Public Sector Banks (PSBs) established under the Government of India's EASE (Enhanced Access and Service Excellence) Banking Reforms Programme.

Special Economic Zones (SEZs)

Recently, Government notified 2 New SEZs in Puducherry.
• It is a designated geographical area within a country where business and trade laws are different, often more relaxed from the rest of the nation.
• **Announced in –** April 2000.
• **Governed by –** SEZ Act, 2005.
• **Features –** Promote exports, Foreign Direct Investment, employment, infrastructure; enjoy tax incentives, simplified procedures, single-window clearance.

Zero Coupon Zero Principal Instrument (ZCZP)

Recently, MCA facilitated Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) through ZCZPs by expanding the scope of Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013.
• **Zero Coupon Zero Principal Instruments (ZCZPs)** – They are *regulated securities that let Not-for-Profit Organisations raise funds via the Social Stock Exchange (SSE).*
• Unlike normal bonds, they *pay no interest and do not return the invested capital.*
• ZCZP's key benefit is converting *un-tracked donations into transparent, audited social investments.*

Science

India Semiconductor Mission (ISM)

Recently, A MoU signed to establish an Advanced Packaging Glass Core Substrate Facility in Bhubaneswar–Khurda.
• **ISM** – A transformative initiative designed to propel the country into the global spotlight as a leader in semiconductor and display manufacturing.
• **Launched in –** 2021 under Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
• **Objectives** –
  - Develop design, fabrication, packaging, testing ecosystem.
  - Attract global majors.
  - Support domestic manufacturing, R&D, supply chain resilience.

Miscellaneous

Jain Community – Educational Contribution

• *National Commission for Minorities (NCM)* released a report on *Contribution of Jain Community in the Field of Education*
• Study was undertaken by *Socio-Economic and Educational Development Society (SEEDS).*
• **Key Role –** Role of Jain trusts and philanthropists.
• Institutions in promoting learning, research, scholarships, inclusive access, value-based education guided by knowledge, service, compassion, inclusiveness.

Commemorative Book – Operation Sindoor

• A book consisting of personal testimonies of 100 officers, sailors, airmen & soldiers who participated in Op Sindoor

• An operation that compelled Pakistan to seek ceasefire within 4 days.

• **Significance –** Captures human dimension of modern warfare (leadership, courage, judgment, resilience).

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