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History, Art and Culture

Yadgir Fort

• It is one of the largest hill forts in Karnataka.
• **Construction**
  - Originally built by - Kalyana Chalukyas
  - Strengthened by - Yadava rulers
  - Expanded under – Muslim rulers

Geography

Pangong Lake

• It is also known as Pangong Tso.
• **Located in** – Himalayas.
• One-third of it lies in India and the other two-thirds in China.
• The Line of Actual Control (LAC), which separates Indian-controlled territory from Chinese-controlled territory, passes through the lake.
• **Notable features** – Ever-changing shades, ranging from deep blue to turquoise.
• It is the *world's highest saltwater lake*.

Social Issues

Total fertility rate (TFR)

• **Definition** – It estimates the *average number of children a woman would have during her childbearing years.*
• **Calculated by** – Adding up age-specific fertility rates, usually for women aged 15 to 49.
• **Current status** – According to the UN, the total fertility rate dipped in many countries.
• Two-thirds of the global population lives in a country or area where fertility is below 2.1 births per woman, the level where population can be stabilised.

Polity & Governance

National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)

Shri Justice V Ramasubramanian*, former judge of the Supreme Court of India joins as the new Chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission, (NHRC).*
• **Established in** – 1993.
• **Statutory body** – Established under Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993.
• **Aim** – To promote and protect human rights.
• **Selection Committee** – It recommends candidates to the President for the NHRC which includes
  - Prime Minister (Chairman)
  - Speaker of Lok Sabha
  - Union Home Minister
  - Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha
  - Leaders of the Opposition in both Houses of Parliament

International Relations and Issues

Durand Line

• It is the border line *between Afghanistan and Pakistan*.

• **Established by** – An agreement between Sir Mortimer Durand, the British Indian government's foreign secretary, and Abdur Rahman Khan, the Emir of Afghanistan.

• **Signed in** - 1893, in Kabul, Afghanistan.

McMahon Line

• It is de facto border between China and India in the Eastern Sector.

Radcliffe line

• It is the border line divides India and Pakistan.

Science

Bletchley Declaration

• It is an international agreement signed at the AI Safety Summit in Bletchley Park, United Kingdom in *2023*.

• **Signed by** - 28 countries and the European Union.

• The United States, China, Japan, the United Kingdom, France, and *India* are signatories.

• **Declaration** – It is the 1st global pact on tackling the risks of frontier artificial intelligence (AI).

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Sample

Migration and Development Brief

• It provides an update on recent developments in migration, remittance flows, and related policies.

• **Prepared by** - *World Bank's* Development Economics (DEC) Migration and Remittances Unit

• **Zelinsky Model of Migration Transition** – It suggests that the type of migration that occurs within a country is dependent on the country's development level and society type.

Miscellaneous

Kaamya Karthikeyan

• She became the youngest female (17 years) to ascend *the 7 Peaks of the Continents.*

• **7 mountains** – Mt Kilimanjaro (Africa), Mt Elbrus (Europe), Mt Kosciuszko (Australia), Mt Aconcagua (South America), Mt Denali (North America), Mt Everest (Asia), and Mt Vinson (Antarctica).

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