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On Tuesday, the Supreme Court directed the RBI to issue SOPs

Why in news: The Supreme Court directed the RBI and State governments to establish SOPs, coordination centres, and compensation frameworks to combat 'digital arrest' and cyber-enabled financial frauds.

REMEMBER

- RBI: The central bank of India responsible for monetary policy and banking regulation.
- I4C: Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre, a nodal agency for cybercrime management.
- e-Zero FIR: A mechanism allowing victims to file a first information report (FIR) online regardless of the location of the crime.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the challenges in curbing cyber-enabled financial frauds in India and suggest measures to strengthen the legal and institutional framework for victim protection.

USE: cyber-enabled fraud digital arrest SOP

grievance redressal

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Heatstroke kills 20, 4853 cases reported since March 1: Rai

Why in news: The Ministry of Home Affairs reported significant heatstroke fatalities and cases, highlighting the increasing impact of heatwaves as a natural calamity.

REMEMBER

- 4,853 heatstroke cases and 20 deaths reported nationwide since March 1.
- Maharashtra recorded 11 deaths; Telangana recorded 915 cases.
- SDRF (State Disaster Response Fund) and NDRF (National Disaster Response Fund) provide coverage for heatwaves.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the growing threat of heatwaves in India as a climate-induced disaster and evaluate the adequacy of current disaster management frameworks in addressing heat-related health crises.

USE: climate change public health disaster management

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REMEMBER

- Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2026
- The bill increases the delay threshold for mandatory judicial magistrate orders from one year to two years.
- Rajya Sabha: The Upper House of the Parliament of India.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss how the systematic registration of births and deaths serves as a tool for ensuring electoral integrity and social justice in India.

USE: Electoral integrity Administrative transparency

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Global Warming Accelerates: Could Exceed 1.5°C Limit by 2030

Why in news: A study by NASA and other agencies warns that global warming is accelerating significantly, potentially breaching the Paris Agreement's 1.5°C limit by 2030.

REMEMBER

- Paris Agreement: International treaty aimed at limiting global warming to well below 2°C, preferably 1.5°C.
- The study identifies a significant acceleration in global warming starting around 2013–2014.
- El Niño: A climate pattern describing the unusual warming of surface waters in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the implications of accelerated global warming on India's climate goals and the necessity of transitioning to low-carbon economies to meet the Paris Agreement targets.

USE: climate mitigation Paris Agreement carbon footprint

anthropogenic warming

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Modi to visit Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan for SCO Summit, bilateral talks

Why in news: PM Modi's visit to Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan to attend the SCO Summit and hold bilateral talks to strengthen India's strategic and economic footprint in Central Asia.

REMEMBER

- SCO: Shanghai Cooperation Organisation is a Eurasian political, economic, and security alliance.
- Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan are landlocked countries in Central Asia.
- The visit focuses on four key pillars: trade, defence, connectivity, and investment.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the significance of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) in shaping India's strategic engagement with Central Asia.

USE : strategic footprint geopolitical competition

bilateral ties connectivity

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Census to Enumerate Castes in Ladakh and Snow-Bound Areas from September 1

Why in news: The Registrar General of India announced the second phase of the census for Ladakh and snow-bound regions, which includes the enumeration of castes.

REMEMBER

- Census reference date for this phase: October 1, 2026
- Snow-bound areas covered: Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, and Uttarakhand
- Registrar General of India: Head of the Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the significance of caste enumeration in the census for inclusive policy formulation and social justice in India.

USE : Demographic profiling Social justice

Data-driven governance Inclusive growth

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Supreme Court: Mining Ban within 10 km of Asan Wetland Applies Nationwide

Why in news: The Supreme Court ruled that the mining ban within 10 km of the Asan wetland conservation reserve applies nationwide to ensure parity across similar reserves.

REMEMBER

- Asan wetland conservation reserve is located in Uttarakhand.
- National Board of Wildlife (NBWL) is the body responsible for wildlife conservation and management.
- The mining ban applies within a 10 km radius of the wetland conservation reserve.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the significance of judicial activism in ensuring the protection of ecologically sensitive zones and the importance of uniform environmental regulations across India.

USE : Judicial Activism Ecologically Sensitive Zones

Environmental Parity Biodiversity Conservation

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A nationwide analysis of National Family Health Survey (NFHS) data quantifies

Why in news: A nationwide study linked prolonged exposure to extreme heat during pregnancy to adverse birth outcomes like low birthweight and stillbirths in India.

REMEMBER

- NFHS: National Family Health Survey is a large-scale health survey conducted in India to provide data on health and family welfare.
- India Heat Index: A tool used to quantify heat stress and its impact on human health.
- The study analyzed data from 707 districts across India between 2015 and 2020.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss how climate change and extreme heat pose a significant threat to maternal and neonatal health in India. Suggest measures to mitigate these risks.

USE : maternal health climate change vulnerable sections

public health

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USE : cyber-enabled fraud digital arrest SOP grievance redressal e-Zero FIR



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