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Why it matters: US envoys Jared Kushner and Steve Witkoff arrived in Kyiv to meet President Volodymyr Zelensky following talks with Vladimir Putin to negotiate an end to the Russia-Ukraine war.

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2 Iran Strikes US Drone and Oil Tankers, Warning of Severe Retaliation

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REMEMBER

- Jared Kushner and Steve Witkoff: US envoys sent to negotiate the Russia-Ukraine war.
- Rzeszow, Poland: The location where the US envoys were reported to have arrived before proceeding to Kyiv.
- A three-day truce was agreed upon by Russia and Ukraine to facilitate negotiations.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the role of third-party mediation in resolving protracted interstate conflicts and the challenges of enforcing truces in active war zones.

USE: mediation geopolitics ceasefire multilateralism

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REMEMBER

- President Droupadi Murmu: Appointing authority for High Court Chief Justices
- Chief Justice of India: Consulted by the President for High Court appointments
- Eight judges were appointed as Chief Justices of High Courts on September 5, 2026

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the constitutional framework governing the appointment of High Court judges and the significance of the consultative role of the Chief Justice of India.

USE: Judicial Independence Constitutional Appointment Collegium System Judicial Administration

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MAINS ANGLE Analyze the geopolitical and economic implications of maritime insecurity in the Strait of Hormuz on global energy markets and regional stability.

USE: maritime security energy geopolitics chokepoint dynamics deterrence

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Indian FM Defends Trade with Russia: "Curtailing Purchases Won't End Conflict"

Why in news: Indian FM S. Jaishankar defended India's continued trade with Russia during a visit to Kyiv, arguing that curtailing oil purchases will not end the Ukraine conflict.

REMEMBER

- India continues to import Russian oil despite Western sanctions
- S. Jaishankar: Indian Foreign Minister
- Denis Alipov: Russian Ambassador to India

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the complexities of India's 'strategic autonomy' in balancing its energy security requirements with international pressure regarding trade with Russia.

USE: Strategic Autonomy Energy Security Non-Alignment Diplomatic Mediation

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Why in news: Iran claimed to have struck an unmanned US vessel in the Strait of Hormuz, while the US dismissed the claim amidst escalating maritime hostilities.

REMEMBER

- Strait of Hormuz: A strategic maritime chokepoint used by Iran for oil transport.
- At least five individuals were killed in recent US bombardments.
- Iran utilizes a 'shadow fleet' to transport oil despite international sanctions.

MAINS ANGLE Analyze the geopolitical and economic implications of maritime insecurity in the Strait of Hormuz on global energy markets and international maritime law.

USE: Maritime Security Energy Diplomacy Shadow Fleet

Chokepoint Geopolitics

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India demands UN map show Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh accurately

Why in news: India demanded that UN-initiated world maps accurately depict the Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh in alignment with India's official maps.

REMEMBER

- UN resolution on cartographic representation adopted on September 4, 2026, with 164 votes in favor.
- Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh are designated as Union Territories of India.
- The United States was the only country to vote against the UN resolution on cartographic representation.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the significance of accurate cartographic representation in international diplomacy and its implications for India's sovereign claims.

USE: Cartographic representation Territorial integrity

Multilateralism

Sovereign claims

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China releases 15th Five-Year Plan for renewable energy, advances Yarlung Zangbo hydropower project

Why in news: China released its 15th Five-Year Plan for renewable energy, advancing the Yarlung Zangbo Lower Reaches Hydropower Project despite glacial collapse concerns near the Nepal-China border.

REMEMBER

- Yarlung Zangbo Lower Reaches Hydropower Project: Expected to generate 60 GW installed capacity.
- Investment for the Yarlung Zangbo project: 1.2 trillion Yuan.
- Nyingchi: Location visited by Vice Premier Zhang Guoqing regarding project safety.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the geopolitical and ecological implications of large-scale transboundary hydropower projects in the Himalayas, with specific reference to the Yarlung Zangbo project.

USE: Transboundary water governance Hydro-politics

Glacial dynamics

Renewable energy infrastructure

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Early Census 2027 in Goa, UP, Punjab Kicks Off Amid Election Hopes

Why in news: The Registrar General of India announced the commencement of early population enumeration for Census 2027 in Goa, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, and parts of Uttarakhand.

REMEMBER

- Registrar General of India: The official responsible for announcing and overseeing the census enumeration.
- Census 2027: The upcoming national population enumeration cycle.
- Self-enumeration: A census method available from November 16 to November 30, 2026.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the significance of periodic census data in formulating socio-economic policies and infrastructure planning in India.

USE: Demographic data Population enumeration

Socio-economic planning

Data-driven policy

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