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The 5 stories you can't skip

- Indian High Commissioner meets Bangladesh Minister to restart cross-border trains**
Why it matters: Indian High Commissioner Dinesh Trivedi met Bangladesh's Minister for Road Transport and Bridges Shaikh Rabiul Alam to discuss restarting passenger train services between India and Bangladesh.
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Why it matters: The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) expressed alarm over the non-transfer of ₹9,222 crore in cess and levy collections to four designated reserve funds as highlighted in the CAG Report No.
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- FSSAI Proposes Warning Labels for High Sugar Salt Fat Foods**
Why it matters: The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) proposed a warning label system for packaged foods high in sugar, salt, or fat to improve public health awareness.
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Why in news: Indian High Commissioner Dinesh Trivedi met Bangladesh's Minister for Road Transport and Bridges Shaikh Rabiul Alam to discuss restarting passenger train services between India and Bangladesh.

REMEMBER

- Kolkata and New Jalpaiguri are the primary Indian departure points for the proposed cross-border trains.
- Dhaka and Khulna are the primary Bangladeshi destinations for the resumed train services.
- The Inter-Governmental Railway Meeting is the annual bilateral forum used to fix dates for cross-border rail connectivity.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss how enhancing cross-border rail connectivity between India and Bangladesh can serve as a catalyst for regional economic integration and trade.

USE: Regional Connectivity

Bilateral Trade

Infrastructure Integration

Economic Engagement

Full note → satyadheesh.in/news/119166

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REMEMBER

- The 'Correct the Map' resolution was passed on September 4, 2026.
- The UN map depicted Arunachal Pradesh and Aksai Chin as distinct regions between unspecified claim lines.
- The UN map showed the Line of Control (LoC) between India and Pakistan in Jammu and Kashmir as a dotted line.

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the significance of cartographic accuracy in international diplomacy and the implications of disputed border representations in multilateral forums like the UN.

USE: Cartographic representation

Territorial integrity

Multilateral diplomacy

Sovereignty

Full note → satyadheesh.in/news/119145

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Why in news: Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian is arriving in New Delhi for a BRICS summit alongside Xi Jinping and Vladimir Putin to potentially broker a new ceasefire.

REMEMBER

- Brent crude oil was trading around \$97 a barrel during the period of the summit.
- The Strait of Hormuz is the primary maritime corridor where Iran is targeting shipping.
- BRICS members and their partners have brokered every ceasefire in the current conflict to date.

MAINS ANGLE Analyze the role of the BRICS bloc as a mediator in regional conflicts and its influence on global maritime security in the Middle East.

USE:

BRICS

Geopolitics

Maritime Security

Ceasefire

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REMEMBER

- Public Accounts Committee (PAC): A parliamentary committee that examines the appropriation of funds and the examination of expenditure by the government.
- ₹9,222 crore: The amount of cess and levy collections reported as untransferred to designated reserve funds.

MAINS ANGLE Examine the role of the Public Accounts Committee in ensuring fiscal discipline and accountability in the management of cess and levy collections.

USE:

Fiscal discipline

Audit oversight

Parliamentary accountability

Cess and levies

Full note → satyadheesh.in/news/119203

FSSAI Proposes Warning Labels for High Sugar Salt Fat Foods

Why in news: The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) proposed a warning label system for packaged foods high in sugar, salt, or fat to improve public health awareness.

REMEMBER

- FSSAI: Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
- 88% of respondents prefer large, visible warnings

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the role of regulatory bodies like FSSAI in addressing non-communicable diseases through mandatory food labeling and public health interventions.

USE : Non-communicable diseases Public health intervention

Information asymmetry

Regulatory framework

Full note → satyadheesh.in/news/119128

NHRC Orders Delhi Govt and UGC to Fix Hostel Crisis by October 15

Why in news: The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) directed the Delhi government and the University Grants Commission (UGC) to submit a plan by October 15, 2026

REMEMBER

- NHRC: National Human Rights Commission
- UGC: University Grants Commission
- NHRC deadline for the comprehensive plan: October 15, 2026

MAINS ANGLE Examine the institutional challenges in ensuring safe and affordable student housing in urban educational hubs and the role of regulatory bodies in ensuring student safety.

USE : Right to Education Institutional Accountability

Urban Infrastructure

Human Rights

Full note → satyadheesh.in/news/119055

UK Foreign Minister Announces Sanctions on Israeli Settlements, Angers US and Israel

Why in news: UK Foreign Minister Ed Miliband announced a sanctions regime and import ban on illegal Israeli settlements in the West Bank, sparking criticism from the US and Israel.

REMEMBER

- Ed Miliband: UK Foreign Minister
- UK-Israel annual trade: £6 billion
- West Bank: Occupied territory targeted by UK sanctions

MAINS ANGLE Analyze the implications of unilateral sanctions by major powers on regional geopolitical stability and the efficacy of such measures in curbing settlement expansion.

USE : Unilateral sanctions Geopolitical friction

Settlement expansion

Trade diplomacy

Full note → satyadheesh.in/news/119053

IAEA Chief Grossi Warns Iran Over Nuclear Site Access

Why in news: IAEA Chief Rafael Grossi warned that Iran's lack of cooperation and access to nuclear sites remains unresolved, while Western powers (France, Germany, UK, US) are pushing for a UN Security Council referral.

REMEMBER

- IAEA: International Atomic Energy Agency
- Iran's uranium enrichment reached as much as 60 percent at hit facilities
- UN Security Council (UNSC) referral sought for Iran nuclear issue

MAINS ANGLE Discuss the role of international monitoring bodies like the IAEA in preventing nuclear proliferation and the implications of non-cooperation by sovereign states.

USE : Nuclear Proliferation IAEA Non-proliferation

UN Security Council

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Everything else, one line each

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