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PIB : GS 3-Energy Resources

Ministry of Coal

Atmanirbhar Bharat: Two of the World's Five Largest Coal Mines Now in India

SECL's Gevra and Kusunda Megaprojects in Chhattisgarh Secure 2nd and 4th Spot in the List of World's 10 Largest Coal Mines

Posted On: 18 JUL 2024 3:06PM by PIB Delhi

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About

- Located in the Korba district of Chhattisgarh state, these two mines produce more than 100 million tons of coal annually accounting for about 10% of India's total coal production.

Do you know?

- The major coal-producing States in the country are Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana, Maharashtra & West Bengal.
- China is the largest producer of coal in the world.

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PIB / Ind Exp (Page 13) : GS3 - Economy

NITI Aayog

Report on “Electronics: Powering India’s Participation in Global Value Chains” by NITI Aayog released today

NITI Aayog releases report making India an electronics powerhouse

Pathway for electronics manufacturing of \$ 500 billion and 6 million jobs laid down by FY 30

Plan to expand electronics ecosystem massively

Posted On: 18 JUL 2024 7:00PM by PIB Delhi

NITI Aayog today launched the report titled “Electronics: Powering India’s Participation in Global Value Chains”. The Report extensively analyses India’s electronics sector, emphasizing its potential and challenges. It also outlines specific interventions needed for India to emerge as a global manufacturing hub for electronics.

Global Value Chains (GVCs) are critical in modern manufacturing, involving international collaboration across design, production, marketing, and distribution. They represent 70% of international trade, highlighting India’s urgent need to enhance its participation, especially in electronics, semiconductors, automobiles, chemicals, and pharmaceuticals. Electronics, in particular, is pivotal, with 75% of its exports originating from GVCs.

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Do you know?

- The global electronics market, valued at USD 4.3 trillion, is dominated by countries like China, Taiwan, USA, South Korea, Vietnam and Malaysia.
- India currently exports approximately USD 25 billion annually, representing less than 1% of the global share.

Ind Exp :GS3- Environment (Page -3)

News / Cities / Delhi / Layered plantation, Miyawaki, aquatic forests among L-G's green plan for Delhi

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The Delhi Lieutenant Governor held a review meeting with officials on the status of afforestation and greening spaces in the Capital.



News

- Recently, the Delhi Lieutenant Governor announced that layered plantations, Miyawaki forests, and aquatic forests are among the techniques that could be incorporated to maximize the utility of the land in Delhi.

What are Miyawaki forests?

- Named after Japanese botanist **Akira Miyawaki**, this method involves planting two to four different types of Indigenous trees within every square meter.
- It is one of the best techniques for quickly (within 3-4 years) establishing a forest cover on degraded land that has previously been used for construction or agriculture.
- It works well because it follows the principles of natural forestry, which include employing local plants and imitating the processes of how forests regenerate naturally.

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Ind Exp :GS1- Human Geography (Page -14)

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The Mashko Piro are possibly the largest uncontacted tribe in the world. They live deep in the Amazon rainforest of southeastern Peru



News

- Indigenous rights NGO Survival International has released rare pictures of the Mashco Piro tribes people, one of the world's 100-odd uncontacted tribes.

Mashco Piro tribes

- These nomadic hunter-gatherers live in the **Amazon Rain Forests**, close to Peru's border with Brazil and Bolivia.

Amazon Rain Forests

Location: The region belongs to **nine nations** of the **South American** continent. It is bounded by the Guiana Highlands to the north, the Andes Mountains to the west, the Brazilian central plateau to the south, and the Atlantic Ocean to the east.

Area Covered: The majority of the forest, 60%, is in Brazil, followed by Peru with 13%, Colombia with 10%, and with minor amounts in Bolivia, Ecuador, French Guiana, Guyana, Suriname, and Venezuela.

The Hindu: GS 3 –Economy (Page -12)

What is the role of the Finance Commission? | Explained

How is horizontal devolution of taxes between States decided? For how long do the recommendations of the Commission last? Why do States complain that the Centre does not give them an ample share of the tax revenue? From where do States get their funds?



News

- The sixteenth Finance Commission headed by **Arvind Panagariya** has begun its work by inviting suggestions from the public on the mandate set for it by the Centre.

What is the Finance Commission?

- The Finance Commission is a **constitutional body under Article 280** that recommends how tax revenues collected by the Central government should be distributed among the Centre and various States in the country.
- The Finance Commission decides what proportion of the Centre's net tax revenue goes to the **States overall (vertical devolution)** and how this share for the States is distributed among various States (**horizontal devolution**).
- The Centre, however, is **not legally bound** to implement the suggestions made by the Finance Commission.

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The Hindu: GS 2 -Polity and Governance (Page -12)

How do Assam's Foreigners Tribunals function? | Explained



News

- The Assam government asked the Border wing of the State's police **not to forward cases of non-Muslims who entered India illegally before 2014** to the Foreigners Tribunals (FTs).
- This was in keeping with the Citizenship (Amendment) Act of 2019 that provides a citizenship application window for non-Muslims — **Hindus, Sikhs, Christians, Parsis, Jains, and Buddhists** — who allegedly fled persecution in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, and Pakistan.

Foreigners Tribunals (FTs)

- The FTs are **quasi-judicial bodies** formed through the **Foreigners (Tribunals) Order of 1964** under **Section 3** of the **Foreigners' Act of 1946**, to let local authorities in a State refer a person suspected to be a foreigner to tribunals.
- An FT has the **powers of a civil court** in certain matters such as summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person and examining him or her on oath and requiring the production of any document.