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HEADLINES OF THE DAY



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Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

A Nipah virus patient in Mallapuram district of Kerala, confirmed by NIV, Pune succumbs to the disease

Immediate public health measures have been advised by the Centre to contain the disease

A joint outbreak response Central team will be deployed to assist the State with case investigation, identification of epidemiological linkages, and technical support

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A case of Nipah virus has been detected in Mallapuram district of Kerala. A 14-year-old boy from Mallapuram exhibited AES symptoms and was admitted to a healthcare facility in Perinthalmanna before being transferred to a higher health center in Kozhikode. However, the patient later succumbed to the disease. The samples were sent to NIV, Pune which has confirmed a Nipah virus infection.

The Centre has advised the following immediate public health measures to be taken by the State government:

- Active case search in the family of the confirmed case, the neighborhood, and areas with similar topography.
- Active contact tracing (for any contacts) during past 12 days.
- Strict quarantine of the contacts of the case and isolation of any suspects.
- Collection and transportation of samples for lab testing.

News

- A 14-year-old boy from Mallapuram district of Kerala has died from the Nipah virus.

Nipah Virus Disease (NiVD)

- Nipah virus infection is a **zoonotic illness** that is transmitted to people from animals (such as bats or pigs), and can also be transmitted through contaminated food or directly from person-to-person.
- **Fruit bats** of the Pteropodidae family are the natural host of Nipah virus.
- Nipah virus was first recognized in 1999 during an outbreak among pig farmers in, Malaysia.

Symptoms

- It includes fever, headaches, myalgia, vomiting and sore throat.

Treatment

- There is no treatment or vaccine available for either people or animals.

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Prime Minister's Office

PM inaugurates 46th Session of World Heritage Committee at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi

“India is committed to promoting global cooperation and engaging local communities towards heritage conservation efforts”

“India is so ancient that every point of the present here tells the story of some glorious past”

“Return of ancient heritage artifacts is a display of global generosity and respect for history”

“Maidam, first entry in the UNESCO World Heritage list from Northeast are special due their uniqueness”

“India's heritage is not just a history. India's heritage is also a science”

“The history of India and Indian civilization are much older and broader than the common understanding of history”



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नई दिल्ली, भारत
21-31 जुलाई, 2024

New Delhi, India
21-31 July, 2024

New Delhi, Inde
21-31 juillet, 2024

News

- The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the 46th Session of the **World Heritage Committee** at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.

About

- India is hosting the World Heritage Committee Meeting for the first time.

World Heritage Committee

- The World Heritage Committee meets annually and is responsible for managing all matters on World Heritage and deciding on sites to be inscribed on the World Heritage list.
- The logo of the 46th World Heritage Committee meeting is inspired by the World Heritage Site of **Hampi**.
- The tagline of the logo is **सह नो यशः**: which means in English as **‘May our Glory Grow’**.

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Kerala issues technical guidelines for diagnosis, management of amoebic meningoencephalitis

These guidelines/standard operating procedure (SOP) are to be followed by all hospitals when dealing with cases of acute meningitis.

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Primary amoebic meningoencephalitis (PAM)

- It is a rare but lethal **central nervous system infection** of rapid fatality caused by **free-living amoebae** found in freshwater, lakes, and rivers (never in seawater).
- It is usually caused by an infection with **Naegleria fowleri**, a microscopic amoeba commonly called a **“brain-eating amoeba.”**
- The amoeba enters through the nasal channels and destroys brain tissue, causing severe brain swelling and death in most cases.
- This disease occurs more often during the warmer months of the year and in warmer climates.

Treatment : At present, doctors treat it with a combination of drugs, including amphotericin B, azithromycin, fluconazole, rifampin, miltefosine, and dexamethasone.

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India's garment export woes are self-inflicted: report

At \$14.5 billion, exports from job-intensive sector were lower in 2023-24 than a decade earlier, owing to barriers on raw material imports and difficult trade procedures, says a report by Global Trade Research Initiative

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News

- Global Trade Research Initiative (GTRI) has released the report titled, “**How Complex Procedures, Import Restrictions and Domestic Interests Hinder India’s Garments Exports**”.

Highlights of the Report

- Exports from India’s **labour-intensive garment sector**, which have been losing ground to rivals like Vietnam and Bangladesh and were lower than 2013-14 levels last year, have been dented more by the country’s high duties and barriers on raw material imports along with difficult customs and trade procedures, rather than other nations’ competitive strengths.
- India’s garment exports in **2023-24 stood at \$14.5 billion**, compared with \$15 billion in 2013-14. Between 2013 and 2023, garment exports from **Vietnam has grown nearly 82%** to hit \$33.4 billion while that of **Bangladesh has grown nearly 70%** to hit \$43.8 billion. China exported about \$114 billion of garments in the same year, nearly a quarter lower than a decade earlier.

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Indian Express :GS2- Polity and Governance (Page -1)

Parliament Budget Session 2024 Live Updates: Nirmala Sitharaman to table economic survey today

Parliament Budget Session 2024 Live Updates: The NDA government will present the Union Budget tomorrow. It is also expected to bring at least six Bills in Parliament over the course of the monsoon session scheduled to go on till August 12.



News

- The Monsoon session of Parliament, also serving as this year's Budget session, will begin today.

About

- India does not have a fixed **parliamentary** calendar. However, The **maximum gap** between two sessions of Parliament **cannot be more than six months**
- By Convention, there are, usually, three sessions of the Indian Parliament in a year – Budget Session, Monsoon Session, and Winter Session.

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News

The International Court of Justice (ICJ), has said that Israel's occupation of the West Bank and East Jerusalem violated international law, and its presence in Palestinian territories should come to an end "as soon as possible".

About

Israel has occupied the West Bank and East Jerusalem since the Six-Day War in 1967. Prior to this, the territories were under Jordanian control.

International Court of Justice (ICJ)

- It is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations (UN).
- It was established in June 1945 by the Charter of the United Nations and began work in April 1946.
- The seat of the Court is at the Peace Palace in The Hague (Netherlands).

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- The Court's role is to settle, in accordance with international law, legal disputes submitted to it by States and to give advisory opinions on legal questions referred to it by authorized United Nations organs and specialized agencies.
- The Court is composed of 15 judges, who are elected for terms of office of nine years by the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council.
- Its official languages are **English and French.**