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# **AIR- History**



#### News

 Central government has decided to celebrate the 17th of September every year as Hyderabad Liberation Day in honour of the martyrs of the Hyderabad Liberation Movement.

# **Hyderabad Liberation Day**

- The princely state of Hyderabad under Nizam's rule became an integral part of the independent Union of India on 17 September 1948.
- It was merged after the success of Operation Polo.

#### PIB-Environment

Ministry of Heavy Industries



Ministry of Heavy Industries announces Electric Mobility Promotion Scheme 2024

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The Hindu: History and Culture

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# **History of Ahmednagar**

- It is located in the Western region of Maharashtra.
- The region has been a part of some prominent kingdoms such as the Mauryan ruler Ashoka, Rashtrakuta Dynasty, the Western Chalukyas, and the Delhi Sultanate.
- In the 14th century Afghan soldier Alladin Hasan Gangu led the establishment of the Bahmani kingdom in the Deccan.
- Malik Ahmad Nizam Shah, the Prime minister of the Bahmani Sultanate defeated the king of the Bahmani kingdom and laid the foundation of a city in 1490. This city was named after him- Ahmednagar.

The Hindu: Defence

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#### **Ahilyabai Holkar**

- Ahilya Bai Holkar was the noble queen of the Maratha Empire, in early modern India.
- She was born in Chondi village of Ahmednagar to the village head, in 1725.
- She was married to Khande Rao (son of Malhar Rao Holkar, the army commander to Peshwa Bajirao).

#### Role in administration

- After the death of her husband, Ahilyabai excelled at administrative and military strategies.
- She established **Maheshwar** (Madhya Pradesh) a town on the bank of Narmada river the Capital of the Holkar dynasty.
- Temple construction: Ahilya Bai was a great pioneer and builder of Hindu temples and constructed hundreds of temples throughout India. She rebuilt Somanath Temple in Gujarat and led the restoration of Kashi Vishwanath temple in Varanasi.

The Hindu: Economy

# Niti Aayog suggests easing e-commerce route for MSME exports





#### **News**

 Niti Aayog has suggested to promote e-commerce exports and improve access to finance, especially for micro, small & medium enterprises (MSMEs).

### **About**

- MSMEs are said to account for 38.4% of India's manufacturing output and contribute 45% of exports.
- MSMEs account for more than 11 crore jobs and contribute around 27 per cent of India's GDP.

# **Challenges for MSME**

- In a report titled 'Boosting Exports from MSMEs', the Aayog said India has several portals that help exporters access information, most of which offer incomplete or outdated information.
- "Therefore, creating a one-stop information data intelligence portal, using an Al-based interface will be essential to impart information to MSMEs.
- China exported \$200 billion worth of goods through ecommerce in 2022, India exported only \$2 billion, and a key reason for this gap is the cumbersome compliance process associated with exports.

#### The Hindu: Environment

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# Supreme Court stops Assam's move to withdraw notification of Pobitora wildlife sanctuary

The sanctuary hosts one of the largest rhino populations in the country

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#### News

 SC has stopped the Assam govt from de-notifying Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary, a prime habitat for onehorned rhinos.

# **Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary**

- It is located on the southern bank of the Brahmaputra river in Morigaon district in Assam.
- It is often referred to as 'Mini Kaziranga' owing to the similarity of landscape, floral, and faunal distribution.
- Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary is known for holding the highest density of Greater One Horned Rhinoceros in the country.
- The Sanctuary consists of the Rajamayong Reserve Forest and Pobitora Reserve Forest.

### **One-horned Rhino**

The One-horned Rhino is listed under the Schedule I of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 and vulnerable in the **IUCN** Red List.

# The Hindu-Polity and Governance

# Appointment of EC | Supreme Court to hear plea to bring CJI back in selection committee

NGO flags in Supreme Court that Centre can take 'unfair advantage' while filling two EC vacancies

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#### News

The Supreme Court will hear a plea on CJI's inclusion in the Selection Committee for the appointment of EC.

#### **About**

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- The plea says that the Centre could take an "unfair advantage" while filling the two vacancies of Election Commissioners (ECs) and therefore the new law on the appointments of ECs should be put on hold.
- And added that the Chief Justice of India (CJI) should be brought back in the selection committee headed by the Prime Minister for appointments of ECs as directed by a landmark Supreme Court judgment in the **Anoop** Baranwal case.
- In Anoop Baranwal versus Union of India (2023), SC held that the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and two ECs shall be appointed by the President on the advice of a committee comprising of Prime Minister, Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha or the leader of the single largest party in Opposition and the CJI.

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- So, the government enacted a new law The Chief **Election Commission and other Election Commissions** (Appointment, Conditions of Service and Term of Office) Act, 2023.
- The law had **replaced the CJI with a Cabinet Minister** on the selection committee, giving the Centre a dominant role in the appointment process.

# The Hindu/Indian Express—Polity and Governance



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# President approves Uttarakhand's UCC Bill

The Bill was one of the poll promises of the BJP during Assembly elections in Uttarakhand in 2022.

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#### News

 Uttarakhand has now become the first State in independent India to have a Uniform Civil Code (UCC) Act after President Droupadi Murmu approved the State's UCC Bill, 2024.

# **Key Provisions of the Bill**

- The Bill makes it mandatory for partners in a live-in relationship within the State to submit a "statement of live-in relationship" to the concerned Registrar within whose jurisdiction they are residing.
- It prohibits bigamy or marriages with more than one person.
- The legal age of marriage for men (21) and women (18).
- Equal inheritance rights for men and women.
- The tribal communities have been exempted from the application of the Bill.

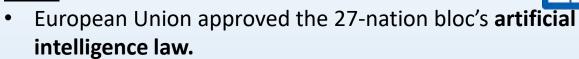
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# **About**

- The AI Act is expected to act as a global model for other governments to regulate AI technology.
- The law will cover most of the areas where AI is applicable such as medical devices or critical infrastructure.
- Other countries, from Brazil to Japan, as well as global groupings like the United Nations and Group of Seven industrialized nations, are moving to draw up Al guidelines.