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Prelims Topics

1st April

Daily Prelims Topic

- Bombay Natural history Society
- Art 244 (A)
- Global Gender Gap report
- Avalanche
- Bandhavgarh National Park
- DNA profiling
- Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry
- First-of-its-kind Cruise Service starts between Surat and Diu
- AIM-PRIME

Daily Mapping

1. Zoji La pass

2 April

Daily Prelims Topic

- BIMSTEC
- NCBC
- Small saving Schemes
- Land records and services index
- C-band spectrum
- XERCISE SHANTIR OGROSHENA-2021
- Dadasahebphalke award
- Colourable legislation
- FRP
- NIIF

3rd April

Daily Prelims Topic

- Chief Electoral Officer
- World Cities Cultural Forum
- Chars
- Lala-Budiya Great Indian Bustard Sanctuary
- Shigmo festival
- Notre dame Cathedral

- Gramin e-stores
- PMSYM scheme

Daily Mapping

1. Taiwan

4th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- Chenab Arch
- Lokayukta
- Whitsun reef
- Robot Sophia
- Glashow resonance
- National Policy for Rare Diseases, 2021

Daily Mapping

1. Vietnam
2. Philippines
3. Malaysia

5th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- COBRA unit
- Plasma
- Forest fires
- Excise duty
- Covid passport
- PRAAPTI
- Gene-transfer between insects & plants
- National Policy on Rare Diseases

Daily Mapping

1. Jordan

6th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- National Security Act
- Tropical cyclone
- E9 countries
- MSME Pre-pack
- Geo-engineering
- Air ionizer
- La Perouse
- Advanced Chaff Technology

Daily Mapping

1. Tehri lake

7th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- Chief Justice of India
- Civil defence volunteers
- SUPACE
- JCPOA
- NATO
- South Asian Women in Energy
- Real Exchange Rate
- Food Waste Index Report 2021

8th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- Monetary Policy Committee keeps rate unchanged
- 'Kavu' (sacred groves) and 'Gundathopes' (Wooden groves)
- The Tribunals Reforms (Rationalisation and Conditions of Service) Ordinance, 2021
- International Arbitration Tribunal
- Net Zero
- G-SAP
- FCAT
- PLI for white goods, solar modules

Daily Mapping

1. Rwanda
2. Red Sea

9th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- The Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act, 1991
- Fertilizer Pricing
- Principle of Non-refoulement
- SAGAR vision
- Ad-hoc judges
- Cryo-EM:
- Depreciation of Rupee:
- MUON G 2:
- ADB
- United Bengal Proposal
- Aqueduct Water Risk Atlas
- G-SAP

Daily Mapping

1. Seychelles
2. South China Sea

10th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- Exclusive Economic Zone/Freedom of Navigation
- UNCLOS
- Nagzira tiger reserve
- India Netherlands strategic partnership on Water sector
- LA Soufriere volcano
- Anisotropy:
- Territorial army
- Refugee vs Illegal Migrant

Daily Mapping

1. Bandar Abbas
2. Strait of Hormuz
3. Panna Tiger Reserve
4. Ken-Betwa Project

11th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- mRNA vaccine
- Working Mechanism for Consultation & Coordination on India-China Border Affairs (WMCC)
- Muslim Brotherhood
- Rehat Maryada
- Air Bubble Pact
- NEERI
- UNSC
- River dolphins
- Coral reef
- SAT

Daily Mapping

1. Lakshadweep
2. Umngot river
3. Chilika lake

12th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **Suo-motu cognizance of PIL**
- **ASHA workers**
- **Remdesivir**
- **Antarctica's 'Doomsday Glacier'**
- **Discovery of a 3000-year-old 'lost golden city' in Egypt**
- **New Umbrella Entities**
- **India-H2 alliance (IH2A)**
- **Project investment survey**
- **Manakudy bird reserve**
- **Data protection bill**
- **Shaphari scheme**
- **Remdesivir drugs**
- **Tika utsav**

Daily Mapping

1. **Natanz atomic site (Iran – Possibly hit by nuclear terrorism)**
2. **Thwaites glacier**
3. **Pangong-tso**

13th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **Sputnik 5**
- **NHRC**
- **ICLEI**
- **Appointment of Chief Election Commissioner/Election Commissioner:**
- **Refugees vs Illegal Immigrants**
- **One Web**
- **VIPIT**
- **New year festivals India**
- **India Energy Dashboard 2.0**
- **Small cases**
- **Industrial Oxygen Vs Medical oxygen**

Daily Mapping

1. **Somalia**

14th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **Section 144**
- **MSME board**
- **Raisina Dialogue**

- **Maharana Pratap**
- **ISI mark**
- **Regulatory approval of foreign vaccines**
- **Election of Rajya Sabha members**
- **e-SANTA**

Daily Mapping

1. **Yamuna and tributaries**

15th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **One Nation One Card**
- **Official language in High Courts/SCs**
- **Notified disaster/Natural calamity**
- **B.1.617 variant**
- **Monkeydactyl**
- **MANAS app**
- **Nuclear enrichment**
- **NATO**
- **RCEP**
- **NCSC**

Daily Mapping

1. **Chenabriver**
2. **Anjeyanadri Hill near Hampi**

16th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **NDMA**
- **OCI card**
- **Buddhist remains at Sitagraha hills**
- **Universal, Small finance Bank**
- **Regulatory Review Authority 2.0**
- **Human-animal chimaera experiments**
- **UNFPA Population Report Launched**
- **WPI quickens to record 7.4%**
- **Pressure Swing Adsorption**

Daily Mapping

1. **Qatar**

17th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **Monsoon prediction**

- **Extradition**
- **Dust storm**
- **Oxygen crisis**
- **MK-4482**
- **ECLGS**
- **SUVAS and SUPACE**
- **MGNREGA**
- **RTPCS Test**
- **NGT**

18th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **PM-KISAN**
- **Border Road Organization (BRO)**
- **Starship**
- **Russia-Ukraine tensions**
- **CERT-In**
- **Sanchi Stupa**
- **The National climate vulnerability assessment report:**
- **Aditya L1**
- **Class effect**
- **Covaxin**
- **Stardust**

Daily Mapping

1. **Hot Spring Gogra and other India-China border conflict points in recent time**
2. **Mahanadi**
3. **Ukraine (Rising Russia-Ukraine tensions)**
4. **Cuba**
5. **Cholistan Desert**

19th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **Electoral Bond**
- **Insurance penetration and insurance density**
- **Uniform Civil Code**
- **What corona does to brain**
- **FPI**
- **Soonicorn**
- **Oxygen express**

- **IPAB**
- **Disc Footed bat**

Daily Mapping

1. **Kailash range**
2. **Mahanadi**
3. **Ukraine (Rising Russia-Ukraine tensions)**

20th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **Triple mutant and challenges of genome sequencing**
- **LoC/LAC**
- **Thrissur Pooram festival**
- **Mahabaleshwar Temple, Gokarna**
- **INAS 323**
- **Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act**
- **Mars Helicopter Ingenuity or Ginny**
- **What goes into making a vaccine?**
- **Sudarshan Sen Committee**
- **The Startup India Seed Fund Scheme:**

Daily Mapping

1. **Table Mountain**

21st April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **OXYGEN THERAPY**
- **WORLD PRESS FREEDOM INDEX**
- **Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology**
- **Investments through participatory notes (P-notes) in the Indian capital market declined**
- **EPFO**
- **MEMORANDUM OF PROCEDURE FOR APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES**
- **Ad-Hoc Judges & Acting Judges in High Court**

Daily Mapping

1. **Chad**

22nd April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **RESPOND PROGRAMME**
- **INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION (ISS) PROGRAMME**

- **FALLING GAS & OIL PRODUCTION**
- **TYRANNOSAURUS REX**
- **EARTH DAY 2021**
- **IDRISS DEBY ITNO**
- **BOAO FORUM FOR ASIA**
- **WORLD INNOVATION DAY**
- **NEW COVID VACCINE POLICY**
- **OPCW**

23rd April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **NATIONAL HYDROGEN ENERGY MISSION**
- **State-Level Bankers' Committee**
- **INDIA US CLEAN ENERGY INITIATIVE**
- **LEGAL STATUS OF CRYPTOCURRENCY**
- **SPECIAL TASK FORCE TO MONITOR J&K GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES**
- **ARMENIAN GENOCIDE**
- **KRI NANGGALA**

24th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- **Glacial Burst**
- **Breakthrough Infections**
- **Amicus curiae**
- **PM-GKAY**
- **The Cryptocurrency and Regulation of Official Digital Currency Bill, 2021**
- **Armenian Genocide**
- **Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC)**
- **Narasimham committee**
- **Investment Opportunities in India's Healthcare Sector Report**
- **UK Parliament declares genocide in China's Xinjian**
- **PMGKY**
- **UK variant**
- **EUA for virafin**
- **WMA**

Daily Mapping

1. Sumna in Niti Valley Uttarakhand (Glacial burst reported)
2. Baralacha Pass

25th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- Reproductive number or R-Number
- Prevention of Corruption Act
- The Chief Justice of India
- Oxygen Concentrators
- SpaceX's Crew Dragon capsule
- ASEAN emergency summit on Myanmar crisis
- NPS
- RBI cyber security norms
- Varuna 21
- Oxygen concentrators
- Space x launch
- MOXIE
- Unicorn - mini black hole

Daily Mapping

1. Changi airport (Singapore)

26th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- REMDESIVIR
- NON REFOULEMENT
- CYBERCRIME VOLUNTEER
- LIQUID OXYGEN
- DEEP TIME STUDY
- OXYGEN EXPRESS
- PM CARES FUND
- RAJAN MISHRA

27th April

Daily Prelims Topic

- CAPITAL EXPENDITURE
- HERD IMMUNITY
- ZHURONG
- CRYSTAL BLADE TECHNOLOGY
- COVID TRIAGE CHALLENGE
- Chandler Good Government Index (CGGI)

Daily Mapping

1. SOMALIA
2. CHAD

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General Studies - 1

History

13th April

1. **Discuss the role of women in freedom struggle of India.**

24th April

1. **Explain the role of Indian soldiers in the two world wars.** [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

26th April

1. **Assess the role played by India during Bangladesh liberation.** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]
2. **Critically assess the legacy of Indira Gandhi.** [Reference: [First Post](#)]

Geography

9th April

1. Why India is a water-stressed country in spite of plenty of rainfall during monsoon season? Critically assess India's gain in ensuring inclusive access to clean water and sanitation facilities. What measures must be taken to address water scarcity in India. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

14th April

1. What do you understand by geographical phenomena of El Nino and La Nina and Indian Ocean Dipole? Discuss the impact of Indian Ocean Dipole on Indian Monsoon. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

15th April

1. Explain the concept of territorial waters, continental shelf and Exclusive Economic Zones. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

16th April

1. Discuss the locational factor of auto-industry. Also bring out the significance and challenges of auto industry in India. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

Society

4th April

1. The caste-based violence and discrimination is a big concern even after 75-year of independence. Discuss reasons and role of different stakeholders in addressing it. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

7th April

1. Discuss about India's food wastage problem. What role individuals can play in addressing this? [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

2. India's sexual harassment laws need more survivor-centric approach and behavioral change. Explain. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

8th April

1. Discuss how the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019 empowers transgender. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

11th April

1. Widespread disease outbreaks have the potential to shock societies into new ways of living. Discuss: [Reference: [NY Times](#)]

12th April

1. Examine role of urbanization in development. Discuss the role of better financial access to ULBs for urbanisation in India in the context of recommendation of 15th finance commission. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

16th April

1. The denial of bodily autonomy is a violation of women and girls' fundamental human rights that reinforces inequalities and perpetuates violence arising from gender discrimination. Comment. [Reference: [Scoop](#)]

17th April

1. Judiciary as a male bastion is a disservice to justice. Onus is on the institution, not women, to fix this gender deficit. Comment. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

23rd April

1. Critically examine various issues in care economy? Is it fair to women? [Reference: [Business Line](#)].

General Studies-2

Polity

1st April

1. Critically examine the need and relevance of Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Amendment Bill 2020. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]
2. What do you understand by freebies? How do they impact the election process? [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]
3. Healthcare in India is in need of big investment in upgrading quantity as well as quality of health workforce. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]
4. Discuss the recommendations of the 15th FC with regard to local government. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

3 April

1. Nexus between politicians, bureaucrats, police and criminals have been one of the major concerns in law-and-order challenge in India. In this context discuss need and path for police reform in India. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

5th April

1. The Election Commission has a job both delicate and difficult: To be scrupulous and visibly so about following processes and protocols for fairness of election. In this context examine the challenges in functioning of the ECI in recent times. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

6th April

1. Individual liberty cannot be taken away without proper application of mind and due process. In this context critically examine rising application of NSA in recent times. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

8th April

1. Discuss the rationale behind Lok Adalat? Examine their effectiveness. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

9th April

1. What do you understand by “Rule of Law”? Does flagrant violation of institutional safeguards in laws like National Security act reflect arbitrariness of state action and violation of rule of law? [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

10th April

1. A transparent process adds accountability that is much needed to resolve the deadlock in judicial appointments. In this context discuss the challenges in appointment through collegium system in judiciary and what should be the approach. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]
2. Does Indian Constitution recognize right to conversion? Discuss the opinion of various SC judgments. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]
3. Public Interest litigations have been misused to gain publicity reducing PILs to publicity interest litigations. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

11th April

1. Assess the role of institutions to hold executive accountable in Indian Parliamentary system. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]
2. What are tribunals? Discuss their role. Do we need a National Tribunal Commission? [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]
3. Discuss the twin challenge of surge in pandemic and rise in medical waste. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]
4. Discuss the role of Parliament and CAG in making the government accountable. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

12th April

1. Examine the role of the Election Commission. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]
2. Analyze the Personal Data Protection Bill. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

14th April

1. Has NGT been an effective deterrent against violation of environmental laws? In this context critically examine functioning of NGT over the years. [Reference: [DownToEarth](#)]
2. Examine if the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Bill, 2020 (NCAHP) impact on the health workforce and healthcare denotes a paradigm shift. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

15th April

What is genome sequencing? Discuss need of increased efforts to address threat like current pandemic. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

17th April

1. Critically examine the role of the government schemes in restoring purity and biodiversity of river Ganga over the years with focus on Namami Gange. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

18th April

1. Role of money and the widely-shared perception that the EC is no longer truly independent has put question mark over free and fair elections in India. Comment. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

19th April

1. Discuss the issue and implications of low insurance penetration & density in India. In this context discuss the need of new Insurance Amendment bill. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

2. Discuss the powers of the ECI under the constitution. Is it free enough to be fair?

22nd April

1. Examine the problem of backlogs crippling the Indian judiciary. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

23rd April

1. Discuss the role of chief justice of India. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

2. The ‘tribunalisation’ of justice is driven by the recognition that it would be cost-effective, accessible and give scope for utilising expertise in the respective fields. Discuss. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

3. Critically examine the proposal to hold simultaneous election to LS and State legislature election.

24th April

1. There is an urgent need to address systemic issues plaguing the judiciary to affirm the people’s faith in the institution. Elaborate. [Reference: [Indian Express](#), [Financial Express](#)]

2. The progress of panchayati raj has been patchy, since its constitutionalisation 27 years ago.

25th April

1. Declaration by Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) about the donor through electoral bond may bring a much-needed transparency into our electoral

funding if taken to natural conclusion. Critically examine. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

27th April

1. The structures of our society have been created by males and for males. Comment. [Reference: [Free Press Journal](#)]

Governance

2 April

1. Citizen-centric governance will come from governance-centric electorate. Explain. What needs to be done to achieve citizen-centric governance in this context: [Reference: [PIB](#)]

2. To avoid squandering gains made in women's participation in higher education, India must fix their poor economic participation. Comment: [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

3. What do you understand by doctrine of colorable legislation? [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

3 April

1. Public accountability is key to the good governance. In this context discuss challenges of public accountability in government schemes and propose an effective system of checks and balances. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

5th April

1. What do you understand by rare diseases? Discuss the National Policy on Rare Diseases. [Reference: [Hindustan Times](#)]

7th April

1. What do you mean by platform governance? Do you think it can usher in an era of decentralized and personalized government services? [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

8th April

1. Abortion is not merely a medico-technical issue but a fulcrum of a broader ideological struggle in which the very meaning of the family, the state, motherhood, and women's sexuality are contested. In the light of this statement critically examine Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Act 1971. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

17th April

1. With educational institutions shut for over a year, how does the future of education look in a Covid-altered world? Is the idea of a university as a physical space under threat? [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

20th April

1. There is an urgent need for safeguards against unfair discontinuation of social benefits. Discuss in the light of Aadhar-related glitches in accessing PDS. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]
2. “Re-promulgation of ordinances is a fraud on the Constitution and a subversion of democratic legislative processes”. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

21st April

1. Covid is an opportunity to make structural changes to our largest health insurance and pension schemes. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]
2. Repromulgation of *ordinances* is a “*fraud*” on the Constitution and a subversion of democratic legislative processes. Discuss

26th April

1. Analyze the Social Security for Migrant Workers during COVID-19. [Reference: [Indian Express](#), [EPW](#)]

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International Relation

7th April

1. Myanmar crisis is India's opportunity to develop long-term refugee policy. Comment. [Reference: Indian Express]

9th April

1. Do you think India needs to have "feminist" foreign policy approach? Discuss with examples around the world. [Reference: Indian Express]

2. Discuss the strategic and economic importance of South China Sea. Comment upon India's position on the dispute. [Reference: Aljazeera]

10th April

1. What is the difference between refugees and illegal migrants? Discuss India law regarding it. [Reference: The Hindu]

12th April

1. It is said that the Power and wealth is shifting from the Atlantic to the Indo-Pacific. In this context discuss idea of Indo-Pacific and role of QUAD in the region in the future. [Reference: Indian Express, Indian Express]

2. What do you understand by nuclear terrorism? Explain with case study of recent controversy in Iran. [Reference: The Week]

13th April

1. Rising Iran-Israel confrontation is not only a threat to the region, but it will challenge India's foreign policy efforts as well as impact the global international environment. Comment: [Reference: The Print]

2. Discuss the challenges in India's foreign policy in its approach to the great power triangle of Russia, China and US. [Reference: Indian Express]

3. What is UNCLOS? Discuss its objective. [Reference: The Hindu]

4. Even as the US is expected to remain India's preeminent partner in the Indo-Pacific, France's "resident power" status renders it to be India's partner of choice in the Indian Ocean region. Comment. [Reference: Orfonline]

14th April

1. While the BIMSTEC arrived with potential as well as promise, as an organisation it has remained largely dormant for the better part of its existence. In the light of the statement discuss the hurdle faced by BIMSTEC. [Reference: The Hindu, Orfonline]

16th April

1. USA withdrawal gives space to other powers including Russia, China and Pakistan. In this context need of reorientation of India's Afghan policy. [Reference: [Indian Express](#), [MSN](#)]
2. Discuss the possibilities of tensions due to territorial claims in Indo-Pacific region.

17th April

1. What is vaccine diplomacy? How does it go with the concept of National Interest? [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

20th April

1. Even after the withdrawal of US forces, Afghanistan will continue to showcase emerging international trends, shape regional strategic matrix. Explain: [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

22nd April

- Discuss the mandate of OPCW. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

24th April

1. Amid pressures for growth, India should re-examine and re-articulate its health strategy such that an ambitious campaign for expansion doesn't chip away at equity and fairness. Discuss. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

26th April

1. What do you understand by non-refoulement? Does Indian constitution and law recognize this principle? [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

General Studies-3

Economics

2 April

1. **Relatively poor availability of clear and updated land titles remains a hurdle for rural economy. Explain. Also discuss measures for land titling reform to revive rural economy. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]**

3 April

1. **What is Cash Reserve Ratio? Should the CRR be retained? [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]**

5th April

1. **Bringing petrol and diesel under GST will not lower fuel oil prices by itself. Comment. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]**

6th April

1. **Critically examine the role of FCI in ensuring food security and income security for farmers. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]**
2. **Is direct cash transfers are far more effective than food subsidy in reducing food insecurity and nutritional imbalances among the Indian population? Critically examine. [Reference: [Business Line](#)]**

8th April

1. **Start-ups can transform India's military capability and help India achieve tech self-reliance. In this context discuss about role of startups in defence indigenization. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]**

9th April

1. **Green Revolution also sowed the seeds of its own destruction. Comment.** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

10th April

1. **Discuss how PLI can be key to boosting India's manufacturing and export capabilities.** [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]
2. **Discuss need of India's current agricultural development model (in many parts of the country) must shift to environmentally sustainable food production systems. What actions can be taken in this regard?** [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

12th April

1. **Discuss the role of PLI in improving the manufacturing capacity of India.** [Reference: [Business Line](#)]

19th April

1. **The US call for global minimum tax to reverse the race to bottom to for the corporate tax may have different implications for developed and developing countries. Comment.** [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]
2. **Discuss need of any "agriculture policy" has to first and foremost address the problem of price parity between farm goods and other goods. What are the possible measures to bring in price parity?**

21st April

1. **What do you understand by unfair trade practices?** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

22nd April

1. **Indian Agriculture Needs a Holistic Policy Framework, Not Pro-market Reforms. Comment.** [Reference: [EPW](#)]

25th April

1. **What is Supply Chain Management (SCM)? Discuss the SCM of industrial oxygen in India, its challenges and way ahead.** [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]
2. **The pandemic revealed the precarious state of India's informal sector. Localized production, trade and markets offer a better alternative to existing paradigm of development. Discuss.** [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

26th April

1. **Analyze the impact of second wave of covid.** [Reference: [Business Line](#)]

27th April

- 1. Establish relationship between women empowerment and economic growth. Discuss how India can tap into this potential. [Reference: [Business Line](#)]**
- 2. MSME sector in India is in deep crisis. How far U K Sinha led expert committee recommendation will be able to solve the MSME crisis. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]**

Science and Technology

3rd April

- 1. What do you mean by Anti-Microbial resistance (AMR)? Discuss the challenge of AMR particularly in Post Covid-19 times. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]**

19th April

- 1. Explain the following terms in the context of Intellectual Property**
 - a) Ever greening**
 - b) Compulsory Licensing**
 - c) Product vs Process Patent**

18th April

- 1. Discuss the science of vaccination.**

20th April

- 1. Comment on India's experience with the genetic technology in farming. Discuss the potential of genetic engineering in reforming Indian agriculture. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]**

25th April

1. **How is the International Space Station benefiting Earth?** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

27th April

1. **What are Superbugs? Discuss the implications of world moving into post-antibiotic future?** [Reference: [Business Line](#)]
2. **What are crypto currencies? Critically Discuss the issue related to them?** [Reference: [Business Line](#)]

Environment

1st April

1. **What is the concept of Net Zero? In the context of rising climate disaster discuss why there is need of multi-pronged serious effort.** [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

2 April

1. **What do you understand by climate justice? Explain the relevance of climate justice amidst the call of sustainable development in current times.** [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

4th April

1. **Only tackling polluting vehicles wouldn't solve India's air pollution worries, it needs policies that reduce emissions from multiple sectors simultaneously. Comment:** [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

5th April

1. **Forest fires have emerged as major threat to ecology. What are major causes of forest fires? Also discuss the implications of forest fire. How vulnerable India is to forest fire. [Reference: Indian Express]**

7th April

1. **Critically examine the global climate change treaty from equity perspective. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]**

8th April

1. **In the context of Ken-Betwa link project discuss challenges in river-linking project. Should India move forward with the National River Linking Project? [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]**
2. **What do you understand by carbon neutrality? Should India join carbon neutrality declaration like many developed nations? [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]**
3. **What do you understand by carbon budget and carbon debt? [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]**

11th April

1. **Discuss the origin of Naxalism and why does it still persists? [Reference: [The Print](#)]**

12th April

1. **What do you understand by circular economy? [Reference: [Business Line](#)]**

14th April

1. **Water crisis is biggest of all impending future crises in form of depleting sources of drinking and potable water, which is key to human survival. Explain. Also suggest way ahead for water sustainability with possible role of individual, government as well as businesses. [Reference: [MSN](#)]**
2. **Discuss the net zero debate in the context of climate change. How can it be made equitable? [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]**

15th April

1. **What is Common but differential principal w.r.t climate change negotiations? Why CBDR is basis of climate justice and for united fight against climate change. [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]**

18th April

1. **Discuss the challenge of growing e-Waste crisis. Discuss the potential role of various stakeholders in addressing it. [Reference: [MSN](#)]**

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2. **Assessing vulnerability was the first step towards assessing climate risk. Discuss the significance of vulnerability in climate change adaptation and mitigation.** [Reference: [Economic Times](#)]
3. **What are extreme events? Why are they on rise?**

20th April

1. **Is Ken Betwa project a huge, costly mistake? Does a cost benefit analysis pf Ken Betwa project?** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

22nd April

1. **What do you understand by ecological restoration?**

25th April

1. **Green revolution has led to groundwater scarcity in India. Comment.** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

26th April

1. **What is net zero and why is it important?** [Reference: [DownToEarth](#)]

Internal Security

4th April

1. **Comment on the role of Social media as a tool to fight false narratives.** [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

5th April

1. **In the context of increased adoption of digital technology investigate into nature of threats arising out of it. Is India ready to address these threats:** [Reference: [Financial Express](#)]

2. **Naxalism as India's greatest internal security challenge. Critically examine India's strategy to counter naxalism. [Reference: [The Print](#), [IDSA](#)]**

6th April

1. **Discuss the role and effectiveness of state police in addressing Naxal challenge in context of recent killing of security persons in Chhattisgarh: [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]**

8th April

1. **Recent Bastar violence by Maoists embarrassing setback to the IS (internal security) capability of India at many levels and highlights the challenge that LWE (left-wing extremism) continues to pose. Discuss [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]**

9th April

1. **Any strategy to counter left-wing extremism would need to have the dual objective of defeating the insurgents militarily and fully quelling insurgent impulses. Explain. [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]**

17th April

1. **Discuss the mandate of Assam Rifles. [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]**

21st April

1. **Naxalism is the failure of the Indian state to provide economic development and social justice to the tribals. Critically examine. [Reference: [Indian Express](#), [The Hindu](#)]**

25th April

1. **The lockdown brought a tectonic shift in the payment habits of people in which they are opting for digital or contactless payments. In this context discuss RBI guideline to prevent cyber frauds.**

General Studies-4

Ethics

6th April

1. **Ethical work culture propels an organization as well as nation. In this context discuss need of ethical work culture in Indian bureaucracy.** [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]
2. **“Caesar’s wife should be above suspicion”. Discuss the above statement in context of corruption in high offices in India. Comment on the need of ethical code for public officials.** [Reference: [Business Standard](#)]

15th April

1. **What do you understand by trust?** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

16th April

1. **Hatred is destructive of a person’s wisdom and conscience that can poison a nation’s spirit. Do you agree with this view? Justify your answer.** [Reference: [Indian Express](#)]

17th April

1. **Gujarat HC observed the government must be transparent to gain public trust for its handling of Covid-19 numbers. In this context discuss transparency as the foundational value of governance with example.** [Reference: [MSN](#)]

21st April

1. **What do you understand by vaccine hesitancy? Discuss strategies to overcome vaccine hesitancy.** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

22nd April

1. **What do you understand by equity? Discuss the issue of vaccine equity in the context of corona pandemic.** [Reference: [WHO](#)]
2. **What do you understand by solidarity? Discuss its importance in the context of corona pandemic.** [Reference: [News UN](#)]

26th April

1. **Discuss the ethical issues in prioritising target populations for vaccination.** [Reference: [The Hindu](#)]

27th April

1. **Explain the difference between inequality and inequity.**