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#### History, Art and Culture

##### Armistice Lines (1949-1967)

- **Armistice agreements** - Israel concluded armistice agreements with Jordan, Egypt, Syria, and Lebanon in 1949 with UN mediation.
- **Green Line** - The 1949 Armistice Lines between Israel and its Arab neighbors came to be known as The Green Line.
- These parties agreed that would *serve only as interim arrangements* until replaced by permanent peace treaties.
- **Israel's territory** - Encompassed about 78% of the Mandate area.
- West Bank & Gaza Strip, were occupied by Jordan and Egypt respectively.
- It is also called as the Green Line, between Israel and its Arab neighbors.



Armistice Lines, 1949



#### Polity & Governance

### **Challenge Based Destination Development (CBDD)**

- **Sub-scheme of** - Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0).
- **Aim** - Holistic development of destinations to enhance tourist experience.
- To develop tourism sector in Mission Mode with active participation of the,  
- States, Public Private Partnership and Convergence of Government Programs.

### **Development of Iconic Tourist Centers to Global Scale' Scheme**

- **Umbrella scheme** - Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI).
- **Aim** - To infuse long term interest free loans for a period of 50 years to States for comprehensively develop iconic tourist centers in the country, branding, and marketing them at global scale.

### **Article 350A**

- It facilities for instruction in mother-tongue at primary stage.
- **It is Under**
  - Schedule - 8.
  - Part - XVII (17) of Official Language.
- **Added by** - 7<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act, 1956.
- **President** - May issue such directions to any State as he considers necessary or proper for securing the provision of such facilities.

### **Helsinki Rules of 1966**

- Helsinki Rules on the Uses of the Waters of International Rivers.
- It is a general rules of international law applicable to the use of the waters of an international drainage basin.
- **Regulation** - It is an international guideline regulating the use of waters in international drainage basins, including surface and groundwater, emphasizing equitable and reasonable utilization.

## **Economy**

### **GDP Growth Projection by Morgan Stanley**

- According to the Morgan Stanley, India is projected to become the world's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest economy by 2028.
- It will become the world's most sought-after consumer market with a higher share in global output, driven by macro stability-influenced policy and better infrastructure.
- **Indian economy** - It is projected to expand to \$4.7 trillion in 2026, making it the 4<sup>th</sup> largest in the world behind the US, China, and Germany.

## **Environment**

### **Tulip**

- It is a spring-blooming perennial plants that die back after flowering and persist as an underground storage bulb
- **Genus** - Tulipa.
- **Family** - About 100 species of bulbous herbs in the lily family.
- **Native to** - Central Asia and Turkey.
- **Climatic condition** - Cultivated in cool, temperate climates with long, cool springs and dry summers.
- **Tulip Garden** - It is the largest tulip garden in Asia, spread over 30 acres in Srinagar.

## **Dhanushkodi**

Recently, Tamil Nadu budget has proposed for the setting up of a sanctuary for flamingos at Dhanushkodi.

- **Located at** - South-eastern tip of Pamban Island, Ramanathapuram district, Tamil Nadu.
- It is home to diverse ecosystems such as sand dunes, marshes, and mangrove forests.
- **Key stopover for** - Migratory birds, including greater flamingos & shorebirds.
- **Area** - Extending from Rameswaram reserve forest to Dhanushkodi should be a protected area for the birds.

## **Science**

### **1-Minute Gut Health Test**

Recently, a content creator suggested taking a 1-minute test to find out the level of acidity.

- **Gut** - It is the Gastro Intestinal (GI) tract, which includes the stomach, intestines, and colon.
- **1-minute test** - Taking baking soda with water on an empty stomach.
- Baking soda (an alkali) will mix with stomach acid to produce carbon dioxide (gas), leading to burping.
- **Burp** - It is an indicator to decide whether a person has low stomach acid, which causes food to sit undigested in the gut and leading to fermentation & Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD).
- It is a popular home method for assessing stomach acid production.

## **Miscellaneous**

### **World Consumer Rights Day, 2025**

- **Celebrated on** - March 15, annually.
- **Theme** - A Just Transition to Sustainable Lifestyles.
- **Objective** - To promote the basic rights of all consumers and encourage those rights to be respected and protected.
- It serves as an essential reminder of the need to uphold consumer rights and protection.