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DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

1. Supreme Court on Constitutional Morality & Fraternity





A. Core Idea

Supreme Court said political leaders must promote fraternity and avoid hate speech, as their words influence society and governance.

B. Why in News

SC made observations while hearing a petition on hate speech by public officials.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- Preamble includes **Fraternity**
- Article **19(2)**: restrictions on speech
- Article **51A(e)**: promote harmony
- RPA **1951 Sections 123(3), 125**: communal appeals = corrupt practice
- IPC **153A, 505**: promoting enmity punishable

D. Important Terms

- **Fraternity**: Sense of brotherhood among citizens
- **Constitutional Morality**: Following Constitution's core values
- **Prior Restraint**: Preventing speech before it happens

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Supreme Court of India
- Election Commission (RPA enforcement)
- Police / Judiciary (IPC enforcement)

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Representation of the People Act, 1951 – bans communal appeals
- IPC / Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita – penalizes hate speech

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- Fraternity mentioned in **Preamble**
- Hate speech restricted under **Article 19(2)**
- Promoting enmity in elections = corrupt practice
- Public officials' speech has higher responsibility
- Article 51A(e) = harmony duty
- Ministers' speech not equal to govt policy (2023 SC ruling)

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Fraternity belongs to which part of Constitution?
- Article allowing speech restriction?
- RPA provision on communal appeal
- IPC section on promoting enmity

2. India–France Special Global Strategic Partnership





A. Core Idea

India and France upgraded ties to Special Global Strategic Partnership covering defence, energy, trade and technology.

B. Why in News

Upgrade announced after India–France leadership meeting.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- Strategic partnership since **1998**
- Horizon **2047** roadmap
- Reciprocal defence logistics agreement
- DTAA amended
- France = Indian Ocean resident power

D. Important Terms

- **Strategic Partnership:** Long-term cooperation in defence & economy
- **Reciprocal Deployment:** Using each other's military bases
- **DTAA:** Avoid double taxation
- **Hegemony:** Dominance of one country

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Governments of India & France
- Foreign Ministries
- Defence Forces
- ISRO & CNES

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Article 51: promote international peace
- Article 73: Union treaty power
- DTAA treaty framework

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- France supports India in Indo-Pacific
- France helped in nuclear & space cooperation
- France did not sanction India after 1998 tests
- Rafale aircraft deal with France
- Jaitapur nuclear project with France
- Annual Foreign Ministers' dialogue started

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Strategic partner country of India
- DTAA purpose
- Indo-Pacific partner identification
- Rafale supplying country

3. Rise of Quick Commerce in India FMCG



A. Core Idea

Quick commerce is ultra-fast online delivery (10–30 min) changing FMCG retail distribution in cities.

B. Why in News

Rapid growth and rising FMCG sales through quick commerce platforms.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- Market projected **₹5.8 trillion** by 2030
- CAGR **37–39% (2025–30)**
- **~51 million** monthly users
- HUL q-commerce revenue **~₹1,800 crore**
- Emami share **~20%** e-commerce

D. Important Terms

- **Quick Commerce:** delivery under 30 min
- **Dark Store:** warehouse for online orders
- **FMCG:** fast-moving consumer goods
- **SKU:** product identification code

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- FMCG companies (HUL, Tata Consumer, Marico)
- E-commerce platforms
- Consumer Affairs Ministry
- Competition Commission of India

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Consumer Protection E-Commerce Rules 2020
- FDI Policy (100% marketplace e-commerce)
- Competition Act 2002
- Legal Metrology Rules

- Dark stores not open to public
- Q-commerce mainly urban model
- Kirana = General Trade
- Gig jobs created in delivery sector
- E-commerce governed by Consumer Rules 2020
- FDI allowed in marketplace model

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Definition of dark store
- FMCG meaning
- FDI in e-commerce allowed model
- Competition Act purpose

4. India–UAE Strategic Partnership & Trade Target



A. Core Idea

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

India and UAE aim to double bilateral trade to \$200 billion by 2032 under CEPA partnership.

B. Why in News

Trade reached \$100 billion earlier than target after CEPA implementation.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- CEPA signed **2022**
- Trade target **\$200B by 2032**
- LNG supply **0.5 million tonnes/year (10-yr)**
- Indians in UAE ~**3.5 million**
- Bharat Mart **2.7 million sq ft**

D. Important Terms

- **CEPA**: comprehensive free trade agreement
- **LCSS**: trade in local currencies
- **MRO**: aircraft maintenance hub
- **Digital Embassy**: data stored abroad under home law

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Governments of India & UAE
- RBI & UAE Central Bank
- Space agencies (IN-SPACe, UAE Space Agency)
- Trade ministries

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- CEPA 2022 trade agreement
- Bilateral Investment Treaty 2024
- Article 51 foreign policy basis

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

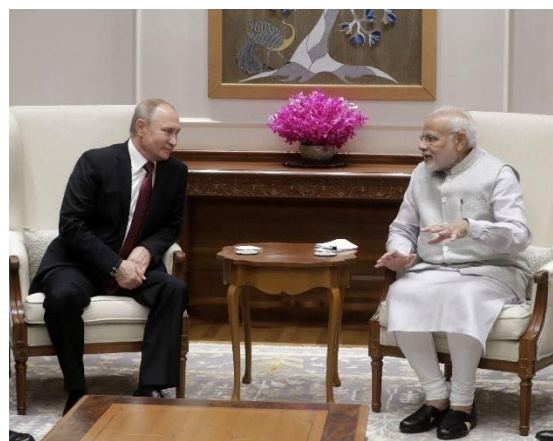
- UAE = major energy partner of India

- CEPA boosts trade & investment
- UAE key in IMEC corridor
- UPI-AANI payment linkage
- UAE hosts large Indian diaspora
- LNG supply agreement signed

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- CEPA partner country
- Largest Indian diaspora region
- IMEC corridor transit country
- Local currency settlement meaning

5. India–Russia Diplomatic Review



A. Core Idea

India and Russia reviewed their strategic partnership focusing on defence, energy and connectivity cooperation.

B. Why in News

India–Russia diplomatic meeting held in Moscow to review bilateral ties.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- Strategic partnership since **2000**
- Trade target **\$100 billion by 2030**
- India imports large Russian crude oil
- S-400 missile deal with Russia
- INSTC & Chennai–Vladivostok corridor projects

D. Important Terms

- **Strategic Autonomy:** independent foreign policy
- **INSTC:** India–Iran–Russia transport corridor
- **Reciprocal Logistics:** military base access
- **Rupee-Ruble Trade:** local currency trade

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Governments of India & Russia
- IRIGC (India-Russia Intergovernmental Commission)
- Defence ministries
- Energy companies

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Article 51: international relations principle
- India-Russia defence & logistics agreements

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- Russia major defence supplier to India
- S-400 missile from Russia
- BrahMos missile joint project
- INSTC connects India to Russia via Iran

- Chennai–Vladivostok maritime corridor
- Russia key energy partner

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- S-400 supplying country
- INSTC member countries
- BrahMos joint partners
- Major oil supplier to India

6. RBI Bond & Liquidity Management



A. Core Idea

RBI bought government bonds to maintain liquidity and keep interest rates stable.

B. Why in News

RBI absorbed large share of government bonds through OMO in FY26.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- Govt borrowing FY26: **₹13.65 lakh crore**
- RBI OMO liquidity: **₹6.39 lakh crore**
- RBI absorbed **~47% bonds**
- 10-yr yield **~6.30–6.70%**

- Maturing bonds: ₹5.47 lakh crore

D. Important Terms

- **OMO**: RBI buys/sells govt bonds
- **Bond Yield**: return on bond
- **Liquidity**: money in banking system
- **Crowding Out**: govt borrowing reduces private loans

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Reserve Bank of India
- Government of India
- Commercial banks

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- RBI Act 1934 (Sections 17,20,21)
- FRBM Act 2003
- Article 292: govt borrowing

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- RBI = banker to government
- OMO controls money supply
- Bond yield inversely related to price
- Govt securities called G-Secs
- RBI manages public debt
- Liquidity affects interest rates

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- OMO purpose
- RBI role as banker
- Bond yield relation
- FRBM objective

7. India Foreign Policy: Position of Strength



A. Core Idea

India says its strong economy and trade deals allow it to negotiate better in global diplomacy.

B. Why in News

External Affairs Minister stated India negotiates globally from a strong position.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- US tariff cut: **50% → 18%**
- India-EU FTA concluded 2026
- India seen as China+1 manufacturing hub
- Member of Quad, BRICS, G20

D. Important Terms

- **Multi-alignment**: working with many blocs
- **De-risking**: diversify supply sources
- **FTA**: free trade agreement
- **Economic Security**: economy linked to national security

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Ministry of External Affairs
- WTO & trade partners
- Quad / BRICS / G20

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Foreign Trade Act 1992

- Customs Act 1962
- Article 51 foreign policy

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- India follows multi-alignment policy
- FTAs reduce tariffs
- India-EU FTA 2026
- India-US tariff reduction
- Quad & BRICS membership
- Economic strength boosts diplomacy

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Meaning of FTA
- India member of which groups
- China+1 strategy
- Multi-alignment concept

8. NHA Bee Corridors on Highways



A. Core Idea

NHA will plant flowering plants along highways to support bees and improve biodiversity.

B. Why in News

NHA announced bee corridor plantation along national highways.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- 40 lakh trees planned FY26–27
- ~60% under bee corridors
- Plant spacing: **500 m–1 km**
- Native species: Neem, Mahua, Palash, Jamun

D. Important Terms

- **Pollinator:** insect helping pollination
- **Bee Corridor:** habitat path for bees
- **Foraging Distance:** bee travel range (~1 km)
- **Green Highways:** eco-friendly roads

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- NHA
- Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
- Forest & Environment agencies

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Green Highways Policy 2015
- Wildlife Protection Act 1972
- Article 48A environment
- Article 51A(g) duty

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- Bees are key pollinators
- Pollination increases crop yield
- Native plants preferred in corridors
- NHA builds national highways
- Green Highways uses 1% project cost
- Biodiversity linked to agriculture

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Pollinator definition
- NHA function

- Green Highways Policy
- Article 48A subject

9. Proposed Social Media Age Restrictions (Under-16)



A. Core Idea

Government plans to restrict social media use for children below 16 to protect them online.

B. Why in News

India considering age-based social media restrictions via IT Rules amendment.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- Proposed age limit: **16 years**
- IT Rules: **2021**
- DPDP Act: **2023**
- Similar laws: Australia (<16), France (<15)

D. Important Terms

- **Intermediary**: online platform like social media
- **Parental Consent**: guardian approval for child data
- **Age Verification**: checking user age
- **Deepfake**: AI-generated fake media

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY)
- Social media platforms
- State governments

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- IT Rules 2021
- DPDP Act 2023
- Article 39(f): child protection

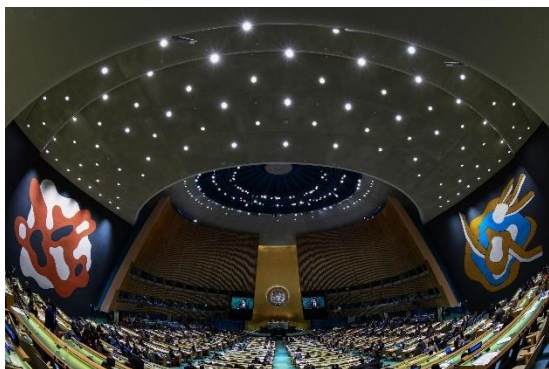
G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- IT Rules regulate intermediaries
- DPDP Act protects children's data
- Social media = intermediary
- State duty to protect children
- Age verification likely mandatory
- Online privacy linked to Article 21

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Intermediary definition
- DPDP Act purpose
- Child protection DPSP article
- Social media regulation law

10. Decline of Rules-Based International Order



A. Core Idea

Global system based on international law is weakening as powerful countries act unilaterally.

B. Why in News

Debate on weakening multilateralism and global rules-based order.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- UN formed **1945**
- UN Charter Article **2(4)**: no force
- Article **51**: self-defence
- P5 = 5 permanent UNSC members

D. Important Terms

- **Rules-Based Order**: global law system
- **Sovereign Equality**: equal states
- **Multilateralism**: cooperation of many nations
- **Non-intervention**: no interference

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- United Nations
- UN Security Council
- International institutions

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- UN Charter
- Article 51 (Indian Constitution DPSP)

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- UN promotes peace & security
- UNSC has 5 permanent members
- Article 2(4) bans force
- Sovereignty principle in UN
- India supports multilateralism
- International law basis of order

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- UN Charter provisions
- P5 countries
- Multilateralism meaning
- Sovereignty principle

11. Aviation Regulatory Reforms & Flight Cancellations



A. Core Idea

Flight cancellations exposed need for better aviation regulation and airfare monitoring.

B. Why in News

Large-scale airline cancellations after new pilot duty rules.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- 2000+ flights cancelled
- 3 lakh passengers affected
- IndiGo + Air India ~90% market
- FDTL = pilot duty limit rules
- Aviation law updated **2024**

D. Important Terms

- **FDTL**: pilot duty/rest limits
- **Predatory Pricing**: unfair high/low price
- **DGCA**: aviation regulator
- **Market Dominance**: large market share

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- DGCA
- Ministry of Civil Aviation
- Competition Commission of India

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Bharatiya Vayuyan Adhiniyam 2024
- Competition Act 2002
- Aircraft Rules 1937

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- DGCA regulates aviation
- FDTL ensures pilot safety
- CCI checks monopoly abuse
- Aviation law updated 2024
- Airlines must show tariffs

- High concentration in airlines

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- DGCA function
- FDTL meaning
- Competition Act purpose
- Aviation ministry role

12. J&K Statehood & Tele-Law Expansion



A. Core Idea

Government working on restoring J&K statehood and expanding digital legal services.

B. Why in News

Discussions on statehood restoration and Tele-Law expansion in J&K.

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C. Key Facts & Figures

- J&K reorganisation: **2019**
- Tele-Law in J&K: **7.5 lakh** consultations
- Coverage: **20 districts, 4000 panchayats**
- 14 tourist sites reopened

D. Important Terms

- **Tele-Law**: online legal advice
- **DISHA Scheme**: access to justice program
- **Statehood**: full state status
- **Pre-litigation**: before court case

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Union Govt & J&K Govt
- Ministry of Law & Justice
- CSC network
- Judiciary

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- J&K Reorganisation Act 2019
- Article 3: state formation
- Article 39A: free legal aid
- DISHA scheme

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- J&K became UT in 2019
- Parliament can create states (Art 3)
- Tele-Law via CSC centres
- Legal aid = DPSP Art 39A
- Access to justice fundamental
- Tourism key J&K economy

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Article 3 provision
- Tele-Law scheme purpose
- J&K status change year
- Legal aid DPSP article