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Peru



WHY IN THE NEWS?

The 9th round of India-Peru trade agreement was successfully concluded in Peru.

- **Location** : Peru is a country in western South America.
- **Capital** : Lima
- **Bordering Countries** : Ecuador, Colombia, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile.
- **Bordering Waterbodies** : Pacific Ocean.
- **Associated Geographical Features** :
 - Andes mountains passes through Peru.
 - Tropical Amazon rainforest with the Amazon River.
 - Ocean Currents in the reagon - Humboldt (cold) and El Nino (warm).



- **Economy** :
- The country was the second world producer of copper, silver and zinc, eight world producer of gold.



Denmark



WHY IN THE NEWS?

Denmark's government announced a political agreement to ban access to social media for anyone aged under 15.

- **Location** : Nordic country in Northern Europe.
- **Capital** : Copenhagen
- **Borders** :
 - Land Borders : Germany
 - Maritime Borders : Sweden, Norway, Poland, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, Iceland, Canada (in Greenland Region).
- **Climate** : Temperate climate
- **Vegetation** : Boreal Forest



Vietnam



WHY IN THE NEWS?

The 15th India - Vietnam Defence Policy Dialogue held in Hanoi.



- **Location :** It is a country in Southeast Asia located in the Indochinese Peninsula.
- **Capital :** Hanoi
- **Border Countries :**
 - China, Laos and Cambodia.
- **Maritime Borders :**
 - Thailand through the Gulf of Thailand.
 - Philippines, Indonesia, and Malaysia through the South China Sea.
- **River Delta :** Red river delta, Mekong river delta.
- **Climate :** Tropical Climate
- **Associated Groupings :** ASEAN, Non - Alignment Movement
- **Island Dispute :** Slightly island dispute with China.



Myanmar

WHY IN THE NEWS?

India airlifts 197 citizens rescued from cybercrime canners in south Myanmar.



- **Capital :** Naypyidaw
- **Border Countries :** Bangladesh, India, China, Thailand, and Laos.
- **Bordering Waterbodies :** Bay of Bengal.
- **Indian States Bordering Myanmar :** Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Mizoram.
- **International Groupings :** Myanmar is a member of the East Asia Summit, Non-Aligned Movement, ASEAN, and BIMSTEC.
- **Major River :** Irrawaddy river flow from north to south known for Irrawaddy dolphins.



Angola



WHY IN THE NEWS?

Angola has come forward to partner with India in some “very critical” area of cooperation like renewable energy, wildlife conservation and management, and biofuels during Indian President visit.

- **Location** : Angola is located in southwestern Africa.
- **Capital** : Luanda
- **Bordering Countries** : Republic of the Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Zambia, Namibia
- **Ocean** : Share border with Atlantic Ocean.
- **Rivers** : Zambezi and Okavango systems.
- **Desert Region** : Southwest Angola is part of the Namib Desert.



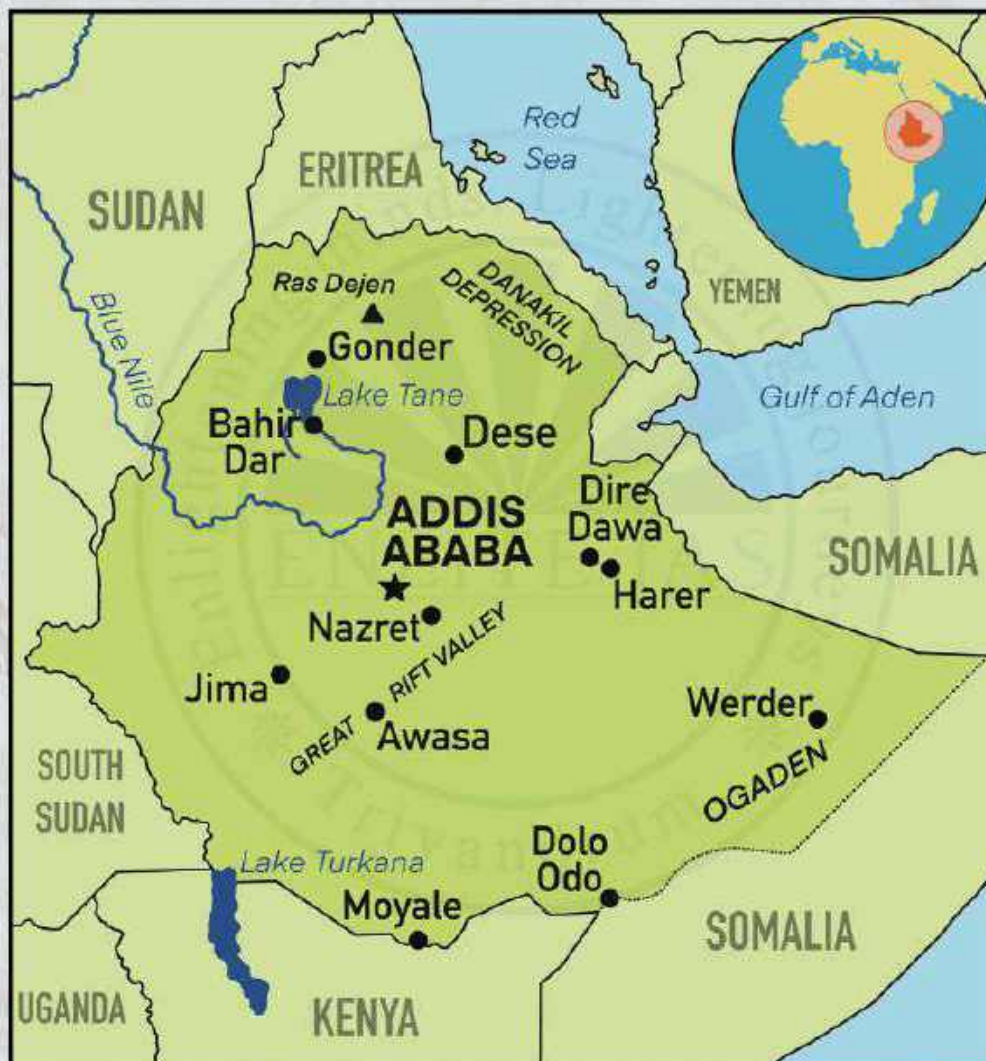
Ethiopia



WHY IN THE NEWS?

Ethiopia is set to be confirmed as host of the COP32 climate summit in 2027.

- **Location** : It is a landlocked country in the Horn of Africa.
- **Capital** : Addis Ababa.
- **Borders** : Eritrea, Djibouti, Somalia, Kenya, South Sudan and Sudan.
- **Associated International Groupings** : Group of 24, the Non- Aligned Movement, the Group of 77, and the organisation of African Unity.
- **Headquarters Locating in Ethiopia** : Addis Ababa is the headquarters of the African Union, the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa.



- **Geographical Feature** :
- One of the Country through which African Rift Valley passes.
- Hottest place in Africa- Dadda, Ethiopia.



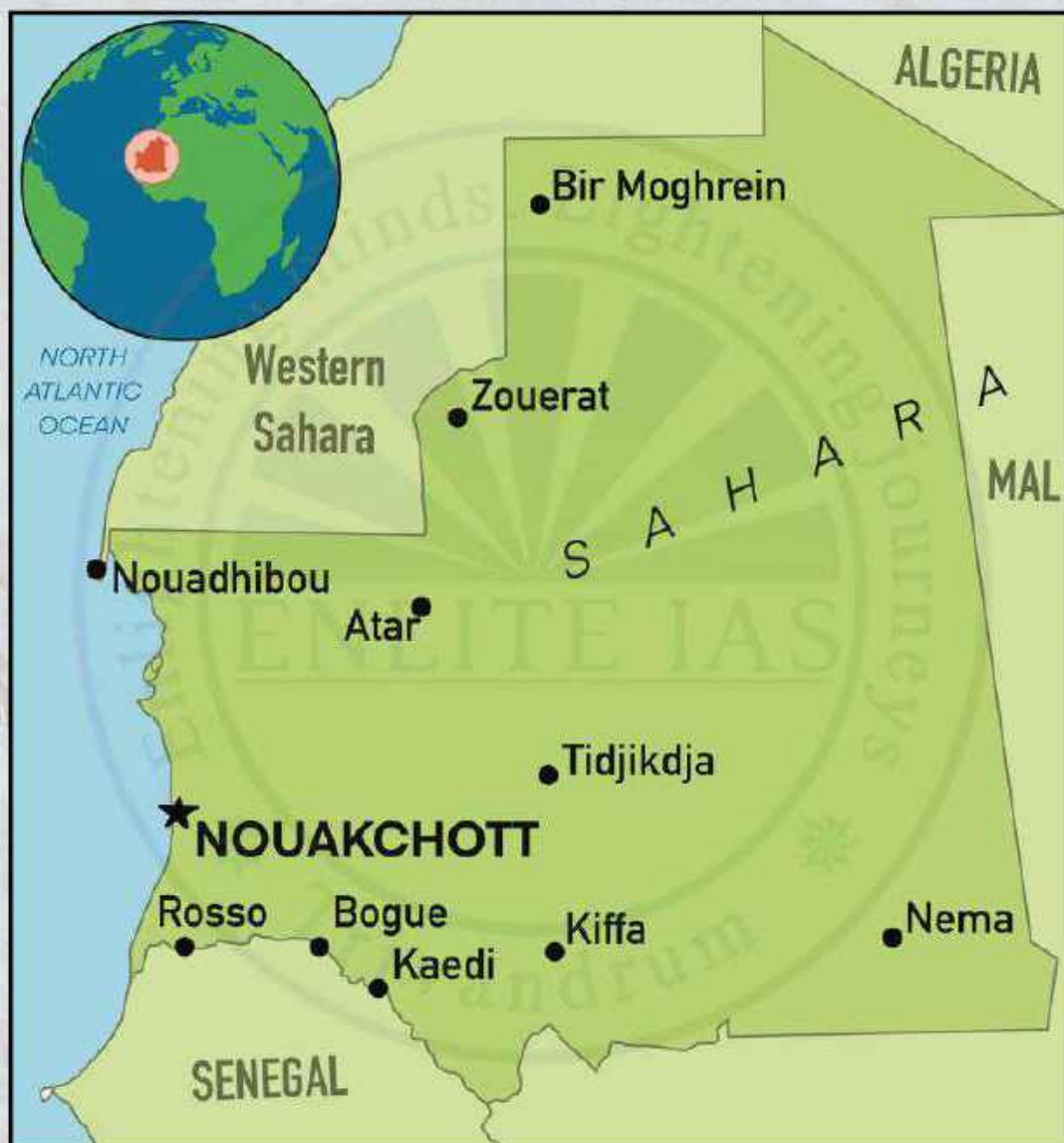
Mauritania



WHY IN THE NEWS?

The World Health Organization (WHO) confirmed an outbreak of Rift Valley Fever (RVF) affecting Mauritania and Senegal in Western Africa.

- **Location** : Mauritania is located on the Atlantic coast of Africa.
- **Capital** : Nouakchott
- **Border Countries** : Algeria, Mali, and Senegal.
- **Geography** :
 - Border with Western Sahara, Atlantic Ocean.
 - Part of Sahel and the Maghreb.



- The most prominent feature of this region is the Guelb er Richat, also known as the Eye of the Sahara, which is a deeply eroded dome consisting of a variety of intrusive and extrusive igneous rocks.
- **International Grouping** : African Union.



Senegal



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- **Location** : Senegal is the westernmost country in Africa.
- **Capital** : Dakar
- **Borders** : Mauritania, Mali, Guinea, Guinea - Bissau and Senegal nearly surrounds Gambia.
- **Maritime Border** : Cape Verde
- **International Grouping** : ECOWAS, African Union.

Geography :

- Located in Sahel region.
- The region has tropical climate.



Botswana



WHY IN THE NEWS?

India and Botswana formally announced the translocation of eight cheetahs from the African nation during the state visit of President Droupadi Murmu.

- **Location** : Botswana is a landlocked country in Southern Africa.
- **Capital** : Gaborone
- **Border Countries** : South Africa, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
- **Geography Feature** : Kalahari Desert.
- **River** : Zambezi River
- **International Grouping** : African Union.



Iraq



WHY IN THE NEWS?

Incumbent Iraqi Prime Minister Mohammed Shia al-Sudani has scored a big win in general elections.

- **Location** : West Asia
- **Capital** : Baghdad
- **Border Countries** : Turkey, Iran, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Syria.
- **Bordering Waterbodies** : Persian Gulf
- **Major River** : Tigris, Euphrates
- **Geographical Features** : Zagros mountain range and eastern part of the Syrian Desert.
- **Climate** : Iraq has a hot arid climate with subtropical influence.



- **International Groupings** : Arab League, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation.



Oman



WHY IN THE NEWS?

Oman has secured a seat on the International Coordinating Council of UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme.

- **Location** : Oman is a West Asian country locating in the South eastern coast of Arabian Peninsula.
- **Capital** : Muscat
- **Bordering Countries** : Yemen, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia.
- **Bordering Waterbodies** : Arabian Sea, Gulf of Oman.
- **Associated Groupings** : Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), and the Arab League.

