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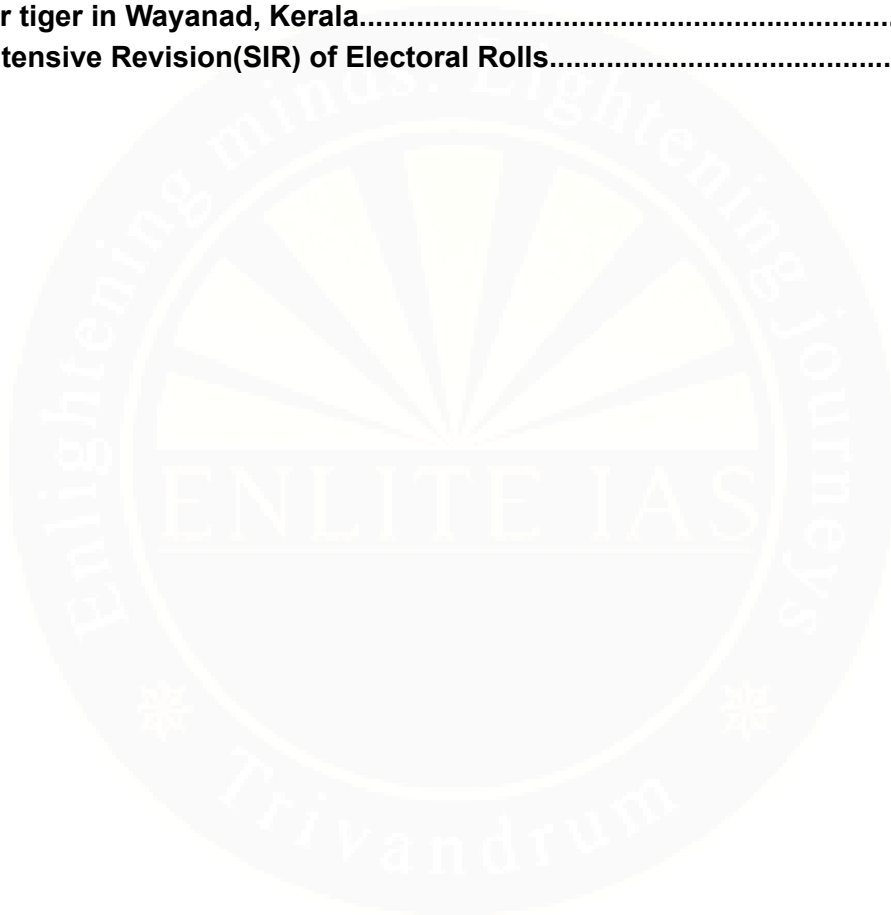
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1. Bal Vivah Mukht Bharat Abhiyan

- Prelims - Bal Vivah Mukht Bharat Abhiyan
- Mains - GS 2 - Social Justice (Vulnerable Sections- Children)

Why in the news?

- Recently, Bal Vivah Mukht Bharat Abhiyan has completed one year of its roll out.

Bal Vivah Mukht Bharat Abhiyan

- **What is it?:** is a national campaign launched to eliminate **child marriage** through a **whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach**, engaging multiple stakeholders.
- **Nodal Ministry:** Ministry of Women and Child Development
- **Key Features:**
 - **Targets seven high-burden states** such as West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan, Tripura, Assam and Andhra Pradesh, covering 300 high burden districts.
 - **Child Marriage Free Bharat Portal:** Digital platform for **awareness generation, reporting cases, and monitoring progress**.
 - Complaints are **automatically routed to concerned Child Marriage Prohibition Officers (CMPOs)** across the country.
 - All States/UTs are mandated to **register CMPOs on the portal**.



2. Malaria

- Prelims - Malaria
- Mains - GS 2 - Social Justice & Health (Health) & GS 3 - S&T (Communicable Diseases)

Why in the news?

- An invasive, urban-adapted mosquito species poses a serious threat of Malaria spread.

Malaria

- **What is it?**: Malaria is a life-threatening mosquito-borne blood disease caused by Plasmodium parasites.
- **Transmission**: The parasites spread through the bites of infected female Anopheles mosquitoes.
- **Treatment**: Malaria is preventable as well as curable.
- **Symptoms** of Malaria: Headache, Fever, Fatigue, Pain, Back Pain, Chills, Sweating, Dry cough, Nausea, Vomiting
- **Prevalent in**: Africa, South America, Asia

Urban Malaria: The spreading malaria infection in Metropolitan cities due to the presence of an invasive malarial vector- *Anopheles stephensi*



3. Coal Controller Organization

- **Prelims** - Coal Controller Organization
- **Mains** - GS 2 - Governance (Regulatory Bodies) & GS 3 - Economy (Energy Sector)

Why in the news?

- The Coal Ministry has notified new rules removing the requirement of Coal Controller Organisation (CCO) approval for the opening or reopening of coal mines.

Coal Controller Organization

- **What is it?:** Coal Controller Organisation functions as a subordinate office of the Ministry of Coal, collecting and maintaining coal production data from all public and private sector coal mines in India.
- **Data Collection Frequency:** Monthly
- **Key Functions:**
 - **Inspection of collieries** to verify correctness of coal class, grade, and size.
 - Issuing **directives for declaration and maintenance of coal grades** of seams mined in collieries.
 - Acting as **appellate authority** in disputes between **consumers and mine owners** regarding grade and size of coal.
 - **Regulation of coal stock disposal** and expected coal output from collieries.
 - **Quality surveillance:** Ensuring correct grade maintenance.
 - **Assessment and collection of excise duty** on raw coal raised and dispatched.
 - Submission of **monthly coal statistics** to Central and State Ministries.



4. Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme

- **Prelims** - Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme
- **Mains** - GS 3 - Disaster Management (Disaster preparedness)

Why in the news?

- One hundred villages across the Indian Ocean region are set to be made tsunami-ready.

Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme

- **What is it?:** Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme is an international, community-based recognition initiative developed by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO.
- **Aim:** To build resilient coastal communities through preparedness planning and effective response mechanisms and thereby minimise loss of life, livelihoods, and property due to tsunamis.
- **Features:**
 - Achieved through **collaborative efforts** between Local communities, National authorities and Scientific and disaster-management institutions.
 - Communities are recognised as “Tsunami Ready” only when a community fulfills **all 12 indicators**, grouped under **Assessment, Preparedness and Response**.
 - A Tsunami ready community will have the presence of **24-hour tsunami warning systems**, regular **mock drills and community participation** and clear evacuation routes and safe shelters.
 - The **Tsunami Ready recognition is valid for four years**, which is **renewable**, ensuring continuous improvement and sustained preparedness.



5. Prelims Pointers

- **Kimberley Process:**

- It is a mechanism to **prevent the trade in “conflict diamonds”** in the global diamond supply chain.
- It is a **tripartite international initiative** involving Governments, International diamond industry and Civil society.
- Currently has **60 participants**, representing **86 countries**.
- India has been entrusted with the **Chair of the Kimberley Process for the third time**.

- **Camellia sinensis:**

- Commonly known as **Tea plant**, it is an **evergreen shrub** used as a primary source for Green Tea, Black Tea and Oolong Tea.
- Cultivated mainly in **subtropical and warm temperate regions** of **South-East Asia**.
- **India** is the **second largest Tea producer** in the world.
- India's major tea-producing areas are dominated by **Assam, West Bengal (Darjeeling, Dooars, Terai), Tamil Nadu, and Kerala**



6. Man- eater tiger in Wayanad, Kerala

- **Prelims perspective: What need to learned**
 - How a tiger can be categorized as man eater and what steps can be taken by state.
 - IUCN status of tiger- **Endangered**
 - Tiger Survey 2026(When published note to be made)
 - Important Tiger reserves in India
- **Mains Perspective: Note need to be prepared**
 - Man -Animal conflict (**GS-III-Environment**).
- **Prelims Fact:**
 - Tiger Reserves in Kerala: Periyar Tiger reserve and Parambikulam Tiger reserve.
- **What need to be known:**
 - How a tiger can be categorized as man eater and what steps can be taken by state:
 - ★ Tigers are categorized under **Schedule I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972**, with statutory protection against hunting under section 9 (1). It can be killed if it becomes dangerous to human life or are so disabled / diseased beyond recovery.
 - ★ **The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)** decides upon the above mentioned criteria. It decides upon distinguishing between Man-killing and Man -eating tiger to ensure only very dangerous tigers are killed.
 - ★ **Man-killing tigers** are those that accidentally killed humans mostly for self-defense.
 - ★ **Man -eating tigers** is based on field evidence of preying on humans.



7. Special Intensive Revision(SIR) of Electoral Rolls

- **Prelims perspective: What need to learned:**
 - What and Why - **Special Intensive Revision (SIR)**
 - What is electoral roll
 - Election commission of India- Constitutional provisions
 - Difference between RPA 1950 & 1951(Overall view only)
- **Mains Perspective: Note need to be prepared**
 - Need for transparency in elections (**GS-II-Polity**).
- **Prelims Fact:**
 - **Eligibility for Elector - Article 326 of the Constitution of India:**
 - ★ Citizen of India
 - ★ At least 18 years of age
 - ★ Ordinarily Resident of the Constituency
 - ★ Not disqualified under any Law
 - **What is electoral roll (Voter List):**
 - ★ List of persons registered as electors residing in a constituency. The list is prepared by the Election Commission of India (ECI).

Do you know?

It was in the **Indian Councils Act, 1909** (Morley Minto Reforms) electoral rolls were introduced for the first time.

- **What need to be known:**
 - **What and Why - Special Intensive Revision (SIR):**
 - ★ To ensure **transparency** in the voter list before every election.
 - ★ **SIR** has already been done 8 times from 1951 till 2004
 - ★ The last **SIR** was done in 2002-2004.
 - ★ It is **Booth Level Officer (BLO)** who will help electors in completing SIR formalities.
 - **Changes in electoral rolls have occurred due to:**
 - ★ Frequent migration
 - ★ Resulting in voters getting registered at more than one place
 - ★ Non-Removal of Dead Voters
 - ★ Wrongful inclusion of any Foreigner