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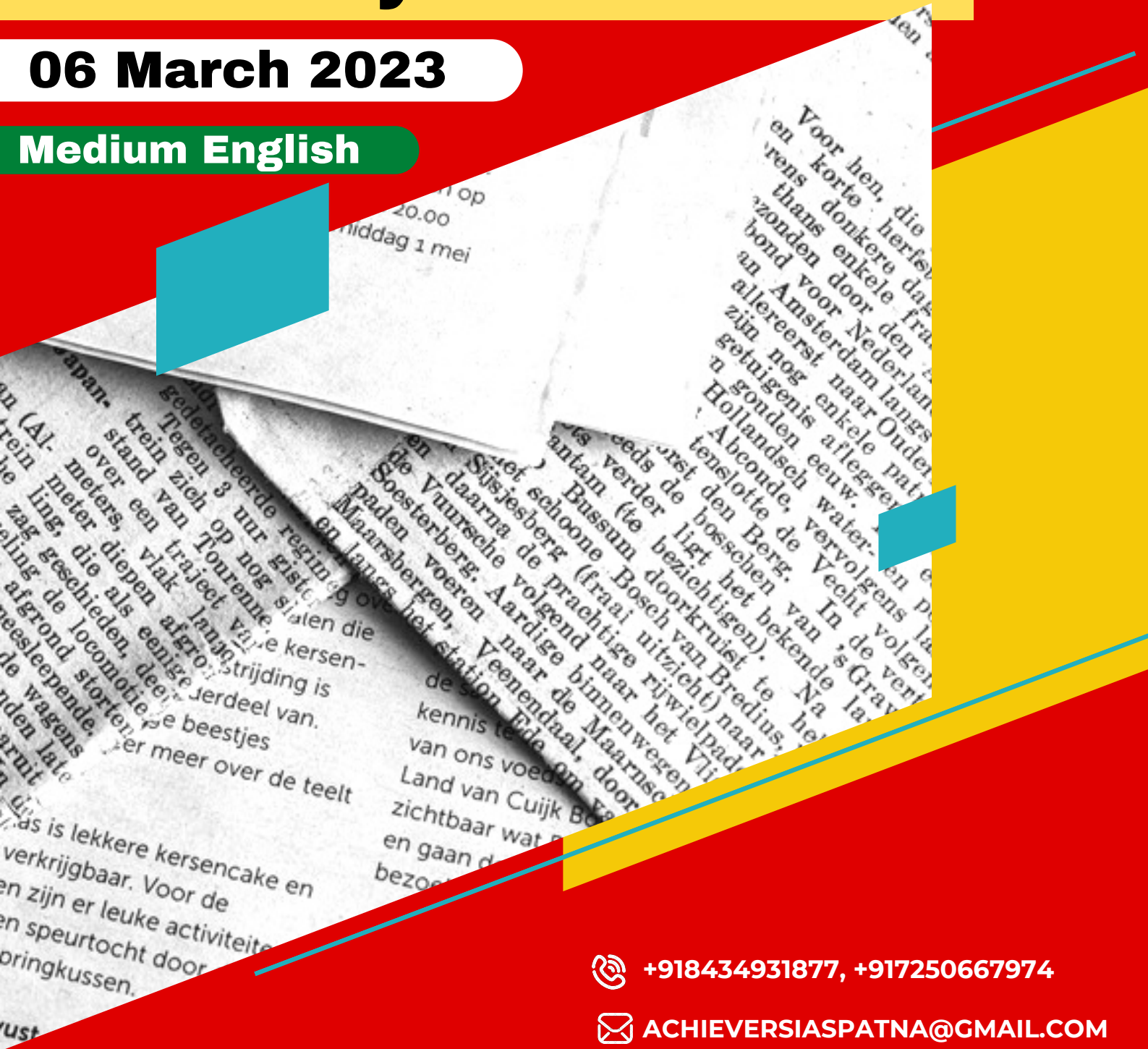
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CURRENT AFFAIRS

THE HINDU 06-03-23 NATIONAL

➔ Tardy Police Verification nips Kashmiri aspirations.

Many Kashmiri residents feel that police is delaying VISA clearance Process to punish residences whose Kin have separatist leanings. There are those who accusing Police of making adverse reports and thus denying VISA. This has left hundreds without Jobs and Passport. Several J&K Politicians such as Mahbooba Mufti and her daughter Itija Mufti were denied passports in 2022.

➔ Eight parties write to PM against use of agencies for "Political witch-hunt."

Against the backdrop of Delhi Dy. CM Manish Sisodia's arrest by CBI eight political Parties have wrote to PM about govt misusing ED and CBI. The signatories KCR of Bharat Rashtra Samiti (BRS), Aravind Kejriwal of AAP, Punjab CM. Bhagwat Mann, West Bengal CM Mamta Banerjee (TMC), Sharad Pawar from NCP, Tejashwi Yadav of RJD, Akhilesh Yadav of SP, Farooq Abdullah of National Conference, and Former Maharashtra CM Uddhav Thackeray. No signatories from Congress appear in this.

➔ Adani Projects is like a govt- to - govt deal says Srilanka FM.

Srilanka's Foreign Minister Ali Sabry in an interview with The Hindu has called Adani group projects in Srilanka as a "govt to govt. kind of deal " as it was 'Indian govt that had identified the group for infra structural projects including wind power project including Wind power project in Northern Srilanka.

He said that his govt is confident about Adani posts, airports and Energy. As these companies has strong fundamentals a So Srilanka govt is not about Hindenburg report and fall of Adani shares after that.

➔ Tamil Nadu BJP chief booked for "False Propaganda" on state of migrant labourers Chennai Police's Crime Branch has filed a case against BJP's Tm chief K.

Annadurai for posting "false messages" on Social media platforms that promoted social disharmony. K. Annadurai had posted tweets and videos on twitter where DMK ministers could be seen calling North Indians "Panipuriwala". Currently Migrant worker are under fear over take news of local attacking them in Tamil Nadu.

➔ Tamil Nadu Governor urges migrant workers not to feel insecure.

Tamil Nadu governor N. Ravi has called the migrant workers not to panic or feel insecure, and that the people of state are friendly and nice and state govt is committed to providing security to them.



➔ **Away from spotlight, India holds Conference of Global Intelligence chiefs**

Amid the G-20 Foreign Minister's meeting India Conducted second conference of intelligence and security chiefs from around the world, called Raising Security Dialogue, on March 1. It saw a participation of 26 countries.

Raising Security Dialogue is on the lines with Munich Security Conference and Shangri-La Dialogue, Singapore.

It is organised by Research and Analysis wing (RAW) and National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS). US did not participate, UK, France, Japan participated in this. PM Modi and Ajit Doval inaugurated it and counterterrorism, radicalisation, drug trafficking were discussed in this

➔ **India summons Swiss Ambassador over posters.**

India summoned Swiss Ambassador over posters critical to India near UN Human Rights (UNHCR) office in Geneva.

MEA raised "the issue of unfounded and malicious anti-India posters" near UNHCR OFFICE IN Geneva (Switzerland).

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➔ **Government approves launch of IFFCO's nano DAP fertilizer.**

Govt. has approved launch of nano DAP (Di-Ammonium phosphate) fertilizers. It is a big step towards self-reliance in fertilizers, said PM Modi in a tweet about this.

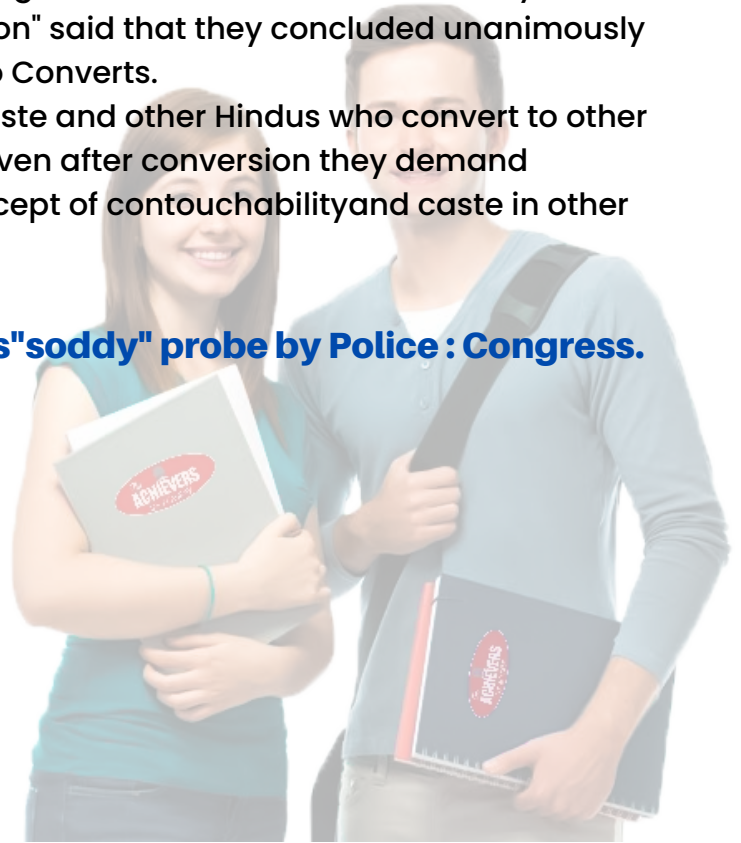
IFFCO is a Co-operative company which manufactures fertilizers.

➔ **No quota for converts, say outfits at conclave of RSS media wing.**

The Vishwasamnad Kendra, the media wing of RSS, on conclusion of two day conference on "Conversion and Reservation" said that they concluded unanimously that reservation should not be provided to Converts.

They were pointing to tribals, Schedule Caste and other Hindus who convert to other religion like Muslim and Christianity, but even after conversion they demand reservation. under SC, ST, etc. There is concept of untouchability and caste in other religion.

➔ **Acquitted of 3 in Hathras case shows "soddy" probe by Police : Congress.**



STATES

- ➔ **CBI is forcing Sisodia to sign papers containing false charges, says AAP. Court had extended CBI custody till 6th March. AAP is trying to portray its leaders as a "Political victim" and it would be better if they apologise to public for his misdeeds, says BJP.**
- ➔ **In a rally in Ratnagiri, Maharashtra Uddhaya Thackeray said "ECI move to award party name, symbol to Shinde group is unacceptable". He accused ECI (Election Commission of India) taking orders from govt**
- ➔ **Kejriwal pitches AAP as alternative. The Delhi CM starting campaign for Chhatisgarh polls, in Raipur promised the states to rid of mining mafias. He accused Congress and BJP of looting state resources.**

THE HINDU 06-03-23 WORLD

- ➔ **China increases defence spending by 7.2%. China govt.**
announced to increase its defence budget by 7.2% to 225 billion in 2023 saying the rise was needed to deal with "Complex security challenges" India's defence budget is 72 billion
National People's Congress (NPC)'s annual session is going on where several other decisions were taken.
 - China's economic growth targeted for 2023 is 5%.
 - This was China's Premier Li Keqiang last NPC session. Li Qiang will be China's new Premier.
 China's Premier is only 2nd important person after President.
Last year China's economy was hit by COVID.
NPC - It is China parliament.
- ➔ **Sri Lanka fisherman fiercely oppose proposal to issue Licence to Indian fisherman.**
On February 22, Sri Lankan foreign minister told in Parliament that they are looking in possibility of giving license to Indian fisherman. The license will permit Indian Fisherman catching fish in Sri Lankan waters.
The issue was raised by India's Foreign Minister S- Jaishankar to safeguard Indian fisherman livelihood. Sri Lankan foreign minister Ali Sabri told "2000 to 3000 [Indian trawlers] come to our seas every day and our navy is unable to control that. However, Sri Lankan Mother Fisher man has told that they" fiercely oppose "Sri Lanka govt plan to give licences to Indian Fisherman."

➔ **Imran Khan dodges arrest after police show up at residence Pakistan**
Police reached Lahore residence of Imran Khan to arrest him in Toshakhana care but returned empty handed legal team of Imran Khan assured police that Imran Khan will appear before Court on March 7. Earlier a Pakistan's court has issued warrant against Imran Toshakhana Case.

➔ **Nations secure pact to protect marine life in the high seas.**

for the first time, UN members have agreed on a unified treaty to protect biodiversity in high seas

A new body will be created to manage conservation of ocean life and establish marine protected areas in the high seas.

High Seas - Open ocean, not under any country's jurisdiction

It is a major step forward for conservation of biodiversity at global level.

Editorials

TAX TRANSITIONS

GST revenue trends signal more compliance, cooling import demand

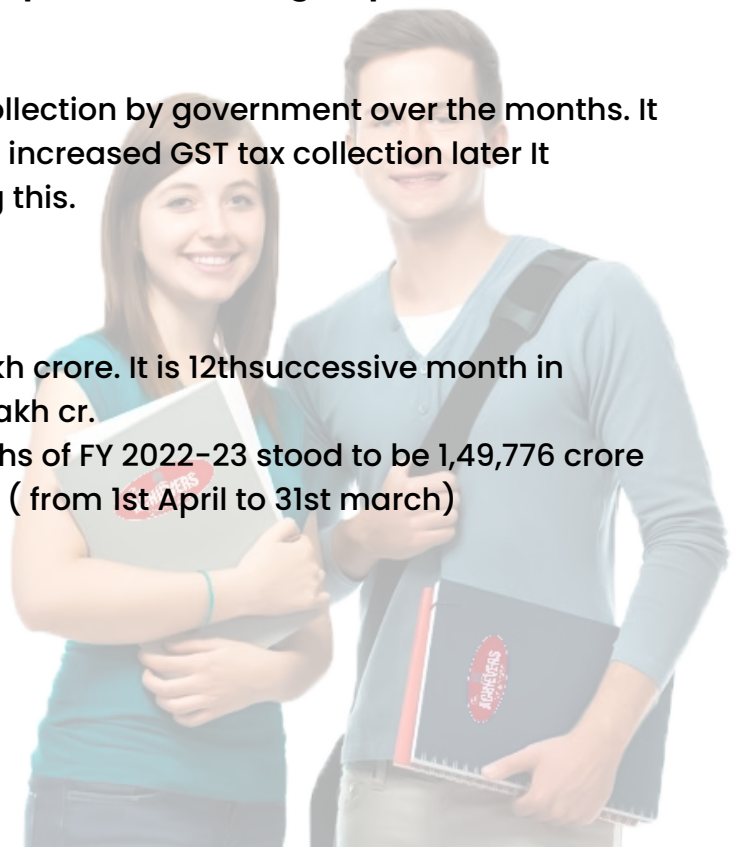
➔ **What the editorial is all about?**

The editorial talks about increased GST collection by government over the months. It hails govt for its policy changes that have increased GST tax collection later it focusses on issues and hurdles pertaining this.

➔ **How is the GST Collection trend ?**

February, 2023 GST collection stood 1.5 lakh crore. It is 12th successive month in which GST collection has been above 1.4 lakh cr.

The average GST collection in first 11 months of FY 2022-23 stood to be 1,49,776 crore which is (21.5% lakh cr) FY - Financial year (from 1st April to 31st March)



Editorials - 1

The increased GST Collection goes well with govt telling that policy changes in recent years will improve GST Collection.

➔ What are concerns regarding GST collections?

- Goods and services import has increased. Tax Revenue from goods import has risen 29%. Revenue from services import has risen 22%. This data is for first 10 months of FY 23. Import rising is a concern, through it provides some revenue.
- Domestic revenue trends are uneven. There are states which provides quite small revenue collection while there are states which give high GST revenue
- Budget 2023-24 has told GST revenue growth to decline from 22% to 12%.

Editorials - 2

Attack on knowledge

The non-government sector should not be dragged into legal quagmire

➔ What the editorial is all about?

Recently Home ministry suspended FCRA registration for CPR (Centre of Policy Research). The editorial Comes heavily on government's action. It says that govt has been very intolerant and organisation such as CPR should be given independence and this trend will be good for country's research environment.

➔ What is CPR and why its registration suspended?

CPR - Centre for policy research is a think tank, which publishes articles, research papers about govt. policies, schemes etc. For violation of tax Compliances under FCRA (Foreign Contribution Regulation Act) its FCRA license has been suspended. CPR following this will not be able to get funds from Foreign organisations, persons. The changes on CPR are;

- Diversion of funds
- Lapses in BIT paper work
- Lapses in accounting counting

➔ What the editorial's concern?

India's New education policy is committed to promote research and make India Centre of excellence in Technology. For this flow of Knowledge and Research across the world is necessary. Also funding from pvt. organisation are necessary. India should think taking action similar to recent carefully.

