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### **National and International News**

Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ)	<ul> <li>Why in the news?</li> <li>The Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) has proposed to notify 3,328 square kilometers around the Gir forest in Gujarat as an Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ).</li> <li>About Eco-Sensitive Zone:</li> <li>ESZ Definition: Land within 10 km of national parks and wildlife sanctuaries is generally notified as an ESZ.</li> <li>Flexibility: The 10-km rule is a general guideline, and the extent of ESZs can vary based on specific ecological needs.</li> <li>Sensitive Corridors: Areas beyond 10 km can also be designated as ESZs if they are crucial for wildlife movement or</li> </ul>
Global Framework on Chemicals Fund	<ul> <li>ecological connectivity.</li> <li>Buffer Zone Function: ESZs serve as a buffer zone around protected areas, allowing wildlife to transition between habitats.</li> <li>Why in the news?</li> <li>The Global Framework on Chemicals fund has recently launched its first project, aimed at promoting the safe and sustainable management of chemicals and waste</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>management of chemicals and waste.</li> <li>About Global Framework on Chemicals Fund: <ul> <li>Established: During the fifth International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM5) in September 2023.</li> <li>Purpose: Supports countries in implementing the international agreement on chemicals management.</li> <li>Objective: To finance projects and programs that help developing countries, least developed countries, Small Island Developing States, and countries with economies in transition prevent or minimize harm from chemicals and waste.</li> <li>Executive Board: Made up of representatives from UN regions and donors.</li> <li>Financing: Provides grants of \$300,000 to \$800,000 for up to three years.</li> <li>Funding Source: Voluntary contributions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>







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English Channel	<ul> <li>Why in the news?</li> <li>The French Interior Minister recently reported that several people, including a child, had lost their lives while attempting to cross the English Channel from France to England.</li> <li>About English Channel: <ul> <li>Location: Separates southern England from northern France.</li> <li>Connection: Connects to the North Sea through the Strait of Dover.</li> <li>Name: English Channel (18th century), previously known as the "Narrow Sea" (English) and "la Manche" (French).</li> <li>Climate: Temperate maritime climate with warm summers and cold winters.</li> <li>Importance: One of the world's busiest shipping areas, accounting for 20% of global maritime trade.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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	Why in the news?
Kawal Tiger Reserve	<ul> <li>Why in the news?</li> <li>The forest department celebrated World Wildlife Week 2024 with cyclothon.</li> <li>The event took place at the buffer zone of the Kawal Tiger Reserve</li> <li>This was the first cyclothon organized by the forest department.</li> </ul>
	About Kawal Tiger Reserve: • Location: • North-eastern part of Telangana State • Along the banks of the river Godavari • Deccan Peninsula-central highlands
	<ul> <li>Status: Tiger Reserve (declared in 2012)</li> <li>Habitat:         <ul> <li>Diverse habitat: dense forests, grasslands, open areas, rivers streams, water bodies</li> <li>Catchment for Godavari and Kadam rivers</li> <li>Southernmost tip of Central Indian Tiger Landscape</li> <li>Linked to Tadoba-Andhari (Maharashtra) and Indrava (Chhattisgarh) tiger reserves</li> </ul> </li> <li>Vegetation:         <ul> <li>Southern Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest</li> <li>Teak and Bamboo</li> </ul> </li> <li>Fauna:             <ul> <li>Cheetal, Sambar, Barking Deer, Nilgai, Sloth Bear, India Bison, Panther, Tiger</li> <li>Reptiles: Crocodile, Python, Monitor Lizard, Star Tortoise</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Lipulekh Pass	Cobra Why in the news?  Pilgrims have recently had a historic opportunity to see the sacre Kailash peak from the Old Lipulekh Pass, which is located withi Indian territory.
	<ul> <li>About Lipulekh Pass:</li> <li>Location: High-altitude mountain pass in Kumaon region Uttarakhand.</li> <li>Significance: <ul> <li>Ancient Trade Route: Connected India and Tibet for centuries.</li> <li>Religious Significance: Part of the Kailash Mansarova Yatra.</li> <li>Strategic Importance: Gateway to higher Himalayan regions</li> <li>Historical Events:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



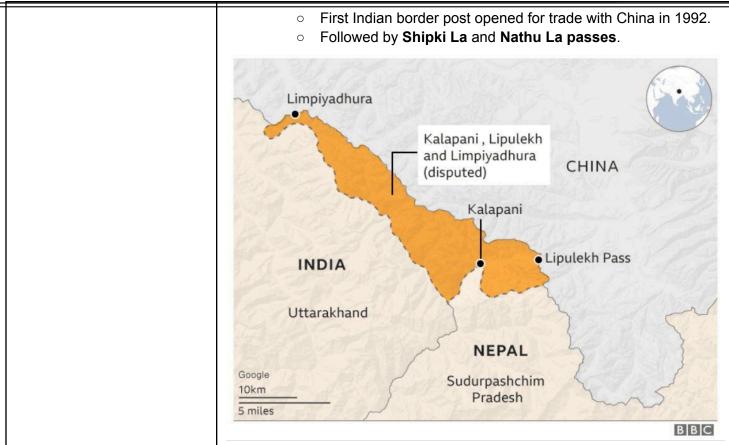








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