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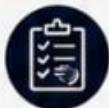


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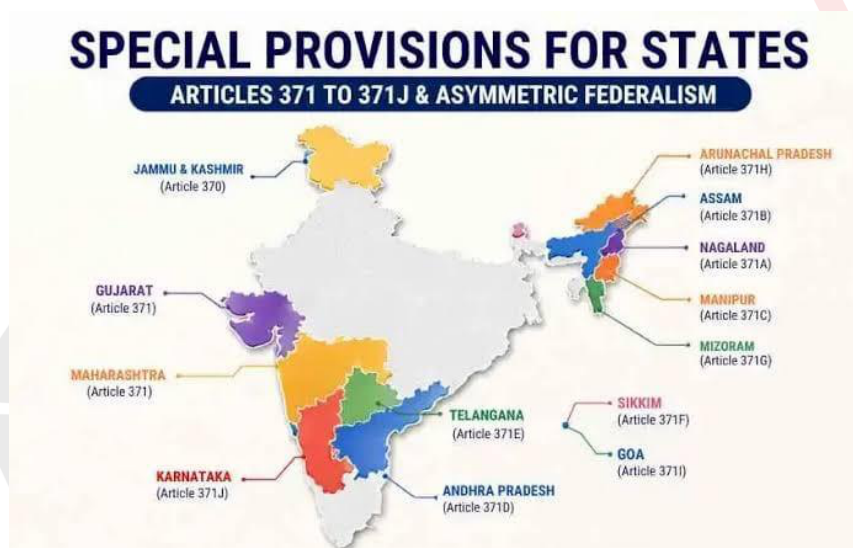
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1. Article 371 (A to J) & Proposed Article 371K for Ladakh

Context: The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has mooted a constitutional framework to insert Article 371K under Part XXI for the Union Territory of Ladakh, addressing long-standing representations from the Leh Apex Body (LAB) and Kargil Democratic Alliance (KDA) demanding Sixth Schedule protections and statehood post-2019 bifurcation.



Constitutional Architecture:

Asymmetric Federalism: Articles 371–371J provide bespoke governance models (e.g., Articles 371A and 371G safeguard customary laws and land ownership in Nagaland and Mizoram; Article 371D ensures regional equity in Andhra Pradesh/Telangana).

Structure of Article 371K: Rather than amending the Sixth Schedule (restricted to Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, and Mizoram under Article 244), it creates a sui generis model for a UT.

It grants a directly elected UT-level body legislative competence over land use, local employment, ecology, and cultural heritage, balanced with Presidential oversight under Article 240.

Administrative Application:

Strategic vs. Ecological Balance: Empowers elected councils to insulate sensitive zones (Changthang, Nubra) so border infrastructure projects (BRO roads, solar parks) do not encroach on fragile permafrost or pastoral grazing rights (Pashmina goat herders).

Domicile Protection: Establishes a statutory framework for local recruitment quotas in public employment without infringing Article 16(2).

Sources: The Indian Express, MHA Consultative Documents.

2. Procedural Safeguards Under Article 22: Supreme Court on Arrest and Re-Arrest

Context & Ruling: The Supreme Court affirmed that failure to furnish written grounds of

Arrest & Detention: A Comparison
Arrest and detention are related but legally distinct concepts.

ARREST	DETENTION
1. Taken into custody based on legal authority for suspected offense.	1. Person's freedom of movement temporarily restricted for investigation or safety.
2. Usually requires probable cause or reasonable grounds.	2. Usually requires only reasonable suspicion (or a lower legal threshold).
3. Person not free to leave, may be formally charged.	3. Person generally not free to leave temporarily, intended to be short-term; does not necessarily lead to arrest.
4. Can result in booking, charges, and court proceedings.	4. May end in release or, with developed evidence, arrest.

EXAMPLE

DETENTION: A police officer stops someone matching a description and asks questions (small icon). After evidence develops, this might lead to...

ARREST: After finding evidence, the officer formally places the person under arrest

IN SIMPLE TERMS
DETENTION: TEMPORARY RESTRAINT FOR INVESTIGATION
ARREST: FORMAL TAKING INTO CUSTODY BASED ON LEGAL AUTHORITY DUE TO SUSPECTED CRIMINAL INVOLVEMENT

arrest to an accused at the time of detention mandates immediate release, while restricting cyclical re-arrests under the BNS, BNSS, and Article 22.

Constitutional Principles:

Article 22(1) Mandate: Communicating grounds of arrest is an inviolable constitutional duty essential for enabling effective legal counsel and timely bail applications.

Bar on “Revolving-Door” Detentions: Re-arresting an individual immediately upon securing bail via successive FIRs based on identical or overlapping facts violates Article 21 and constitutes an abuse of judicial process.

Administrative Application:

Police SOPs: Station House Officers (SHOs) must draft and serve a formal “Arrest Memo” with explicit grounds in a language the detenu understands to curb arbitrary custodial detentions.

Magisterial Scrutiny: Magistrates must verify the written service of arrest grounds before authorizing police or judicial remand; absence of written service invalidates remand orders.

Sources: The Hindu, The Indian Express.

3. India–New Zealand Free Trade Agreement (FTA)

Context: The comprehensive bilateral Free Trade Agreement between India and New Zealand enters into force on October 20.

The infographic is divided into two main sections: 'EXPANDING MARKETS AND OPPORTUNITIES' on the left and 'ATTRACTING INVESTMENTS' on the right. The left section features three icons: a person with a box for 'Zero duty on 100% of goods exports upon entry into force', a clock for 'Fast track mechanism for inputs for our exports under our Foreign trade Policy', and a ship for 'Tariff elimination across all tariff lines'. Below these, it lists 'Farmers, MSMEs, youth, workers, artisans, women' as 'key beneficiaries of India's growing export competitiveness'. The right section features a target icon for 'ATTRACTING INVESTMENTS', followed by 'New Zealand to enable \$20 bn FDI into India with a rebalancing mechanism'. Below this, four categories are listed: 'Manufacturing', 'Infrastructure', 'Innovation & job creation', and 'Services'. At the bottom, a portrait of Narendra Modi is shown on the left, and a green banner with the text 'TO GET A PUSH' is on the right, also featuring a portrait of Narendra Modi.

INDIA NEW ZEALAND FTA

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- Manufacturing
- Infrastructure
- Innovation & job creation
- Services

TO GET A PUSH

Strategic & Economic Dimensions:

Trade & Investment Targets: Seeks to double two-way goods and services trade to ₹35,000 crore and attract over \$20 billion in FDI across a 10-year horizon.

Complementarity vs. Domestic Protection: Grants preferential, duty-free market access to Indian textiles, pharmaceuticals, leather, and IT services, while shielding vulnerable domestic dairy and farming sectors through Tariff Rate Quotas (TRQs) and phased tariff adjustments.

Administrative Application:

Rules of Origin (RoO): Exporters can utilize DGFT-certified preferential origin certificates to anchor regional supply chain nodes across Oceania.

Phytosanitary Protocols: Port customs authorities leverage Mutual Recognition Agreements (MRAs) to expedite agricultural shipments without compromising biosecurity standards.

Sources: The Hindu, The Indian Express, Department of Commerce.

4. Evolution of Digital Public Infrastructure: UPI's "Code-less" Era

Context: The Unified Payments Interface (UPI) is transitioning away from mandatory QR-code scans and SMS OTPs toward NFC tap-and-pay and on-device biometric authentication.

Technological Architecture:

Offline NFC Micro-Payments: Developed with NPCI, the protocol permits contactless tap-and-pay up to ₹5,000 using the PoS terminal's connectivity, facilitating digital payments in zero-cellular zones.

Biometric CDCVM & FIDO2 Passkeys: Uses Consumer Device Cardholder Verification Method (fingerprint/face unlock) on the user's handset, eliminating reliance on SMS networks and countering SIM-swap and screen-recording fraud.

Administrative Application:

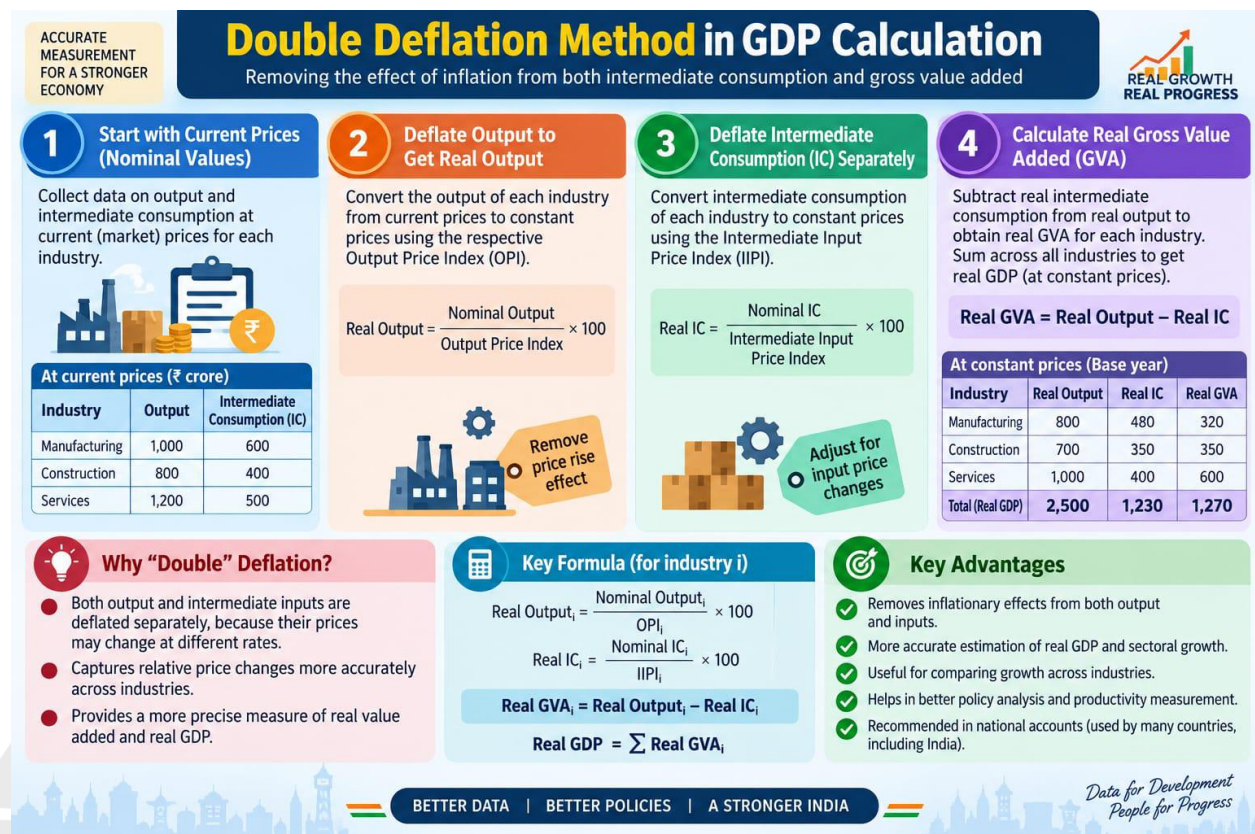
Transit & Public Distribution: Enables transit ticketing in underground metros/rural transit and ensures uninterrupted transactions at Fair Price Shops (PDS) during telecom blackouts.

Inclusive UI/UX: Lowers barriers for senior citizens and low-literacy users by replacing 6-digit PIN memorization with biometric authentication.

Sources: The Hindu, NPCI Releases.

5. National Accounts Overhaul: Double Deflation in Manufacturing GDP

Context: The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOSPI) released its compendium detailing national account revisions, formally introducing the double deflation method across 28 of 30 manufacturing compilation categories.



Economic Mechanism:

Single vs. Double Deflation: Single deflation deflated nominal value-added using an aggregate output index (such as WPI), assuming input and output prices move in lockstep. Double deflation deflates Gross Output with output-specific indices (PPI/deflector) and Intermediate Consumption with dedicated input deflators.

Eliminating "Phantom Growth": Strips out statistical distortions where sharp declines in global raw material prices make real manufacturing output appear artificially inflated despite stagnant physical volumes.

Policy Application:

Monetary Calibration: Provides the RBI's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) with an unskewed measure of industrial capacity utilization, preventing rate adjustments based on input-cost artifacts.

Fiscal Projections: Assists revenue authorities in parsing real production growth from margin expansions, improving direct tax estimates.

Sources: The Indian Express, PIB (MOSPI Compendium), The Economic Times.

6. Space Deceleration Systems: Gaganyaan Crew Module Parachutes

Context: ISRO conducted advanced integrated validation tests for its multi-stage parachute deceleration system designed to ensure safe crew module splashdown during atmospheric reentry.



GAGANYAAN MISSION
INDIA'S FIRST MANNED FLIGHT TO SPACE

The project was first approved by **PM Narendra Modi** on **August 15, 2018**.

It will send the **three member crew** to space for at least **seven days by 2022**.

ISRO hopes to deploy its biggest rocket, **GSLV MK III**, for this project.

It would be one of the **cheapest manned spaceflights** in the world, with the estimated cost of **not more than Rs 10000 crore**.

India plans to call its astronauts "**Vyomnauts**" since '**Vyom**' in Sanskrit means '**Space**'.

The space agency hopes to launch the first mission within **40 months from the date of approval**.

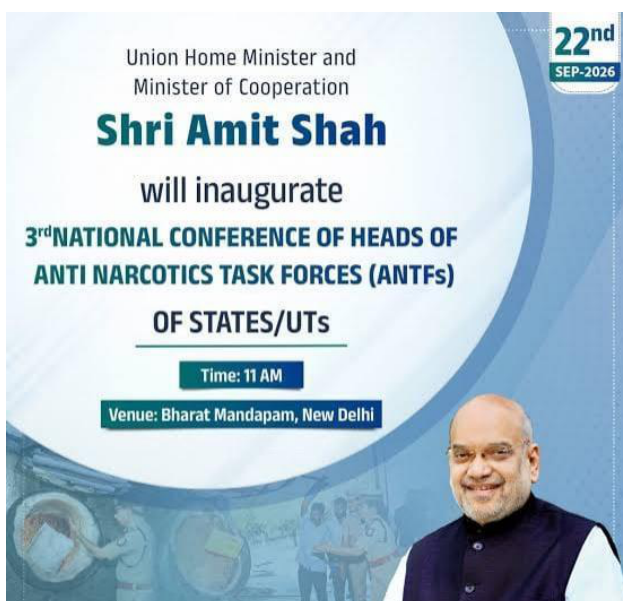
India will become **fourth country** after **Russia, US and China** to send humans to space.

Engineering & Deployment Sequence:

Apex Cover Separation: Pyrotechnic thrusters discard the protective thermal cover at designated altitudes.

Drogue Parachutes (Twin Setup): Stabilize the capsule against aerodynamic roll and pitch while bringing speeds down from transonic regimes.

Pilot & Main Parachutes (Trio Setup): Three main chutes arrest final velocity to under 8.5



m/s; the architecture retains full landing redundancy if one main chute fails to deploy.

Strategic Application:

Maritime Search & Recovery: Enables naval and coast guard units to leverage real-time descent telemetry to deploy high-speed interceptor craft to the exact splashdown coordinates in the Arabian Sea within minutes.

Sources: The Hindu, ISRO Updates.

7. Internal Security: 3rd National Conference of State ANTF Heads

Context: The Ministry of Home Affairs convened the 3rd National Conference of Anti-Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) Chiefs in New Delhi, focusing on synthetic narcotics networks and maritime trafficking.

Operational Framework:

NCORD & Inter-Agency Coordination: Streamlines the four-tier Narco Coordination Centre mechanism to coordinate intelligence across state ANTFS, the NCB, and border security forces.

Data Platforms: Expands the integration of NIDAAN (National Integrated Database on Arrested Narco-offenders) and automated Darknet monitoring to map crypto-hawala pipelines.

Administrative Application:

Asset Attachment & Local Enforcement: Field officers and district administrations can cross-reference intelligence to identify diversion of prescription drugs (codeine, tramadol) and initiate asset seizures under Section 68F of the NDPS Act.

Sources: PIB, Ministry of Home Affairs.

8. Industrial Policy: India's "Semicon 2.0" Strategy

Context: With over \$12 billion committed toward manufacturing and assembly units, the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) is shifting priorities toward deepening the upstream and design ecosystem.

Strategic Pillars:

Upstream Supply Chains: Directing incentives toward foundational manufacturing inputs, including ultra-pure specialty chemicals/gases, cleanroom gear, quartzware, and packaging substrates.

Design-Linked Incentives (DLI): Capitalizing domestic fabless firms to design indigenous Systems-on-Chip (SoCs) tailored for electric vehicles, 5G/6G systems, and edge computing.

Strategic Application:

Defense & Strategic Autonomy: Domestic packaging and wafer fabrication safeguard mission-critical components (NavIC receivers, DRDO radar chips) against export restrictions and maritime logistics bottlenecks.

Sources: The Economic Times, India Semiconductor Mission.

9. 72nd National Film Awards & Dadasaheb Phalke Award 2024

Context: The President presented the 72nd National Film Awards at Ekta Nagar (Kevadia, Gujarat), formalizing the decentralization of major national cultural awards outside New Delhi.

Key Honors:

Dadasaheb Phalke Award: Conferred upon veteran actor Anant Nag for his five-decade career across Kannada and Indian cinema.

Major Selections: Article 370 (Best Feature Film); Bhangaar (Best Non-Feature Film); Ram-Nami (Best Documentary); Mammootty (Bramayugam) and Kartik Aaryan (Chandu Champion) as joint Best Actors; Yami Gautam (Article 370) as Best Actress.

Cultural Application:

Preservation of Folk Traditions: Award-winning anthropological non-fiction works like Ram-Nami (documenting the socio-religious resistance of Chhattisgarh's Ramnami Samaj) enter the permanent archives of the National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) for cultural preservation.

Sources: PIB, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.