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International & National News

Women's quota Bill in Lok Sabha	 Central government passed the women's reservation Bill in the Lok Sabha to reserve one-third of the seats in the Lower House and In the legislative Assemblies for women. Key points It is tabled as the Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty Eighth) Amendment Bill, 2023. It would be implemented only after the 2026 delimitation exercise using data from the Census to be conducted. The reservation in the Lok Sabha can hence be implemented only in the Lok Sabha election in 2029 and not in 2024. The women participation will then go to 181 from the current participation of 82 members. Did you know? It was first introduced in the parliament in 1996 by Deve Gowda government
Delimitation Commission	Context The 128th Constitutional Amendment Bill, 2023 will be implemented after the 2026 delimitation. Key points Delimitation deals with adjusting the boundaries of constituencies according to the population. Article 82 and Article 170 of the Constitution empowers the Parliament to readjust the allocation of seats in the Lok Sabha and the Legislative Assemblies of States respectively, after every census. About Delimitation Commission It is a high-powered committee entrusted with the task of drawing and redrawing boundaries of different constituencies for state assembly and Lok Sabha election. It is appointed by the President and works in collaboration with the Election Commission. The Commission consists of – A retired or working Supreme Court Judge (chairperson),



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Election Commissioner and Concerned State
Election Commissioners

Did you know?

The Commission's orders cannot be called in question before any court.

Three Hoysala temples declared World Heritage **Sites**



Context

The Hoysala temples at Belur, Halebid, and Somanathapura in Karnataka were declared UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Key points

- The Chennakeshava temple at Belur and the Hoysaleswara temple at Halebid — both in Hassan district — and the **Keshava temple at** Somanathapura in Mysuru district are given this tag.
- The Hoysala temples are known for their unique temple i.e Stellate plan on raised platform .
- The material used in temple construction is soapstone

Chennakeshava Temple, Belur:

- Construction commenced in 1117 AD and took 103 years to complete.
- The temple is dedicated to Lord Vishnu
- Theme on the temple narrates scenes from life of Vishnu and his incarnation and epics of Ramayana and mahabharata and some of shiva

Hoysaleshwara Temple, Halebidu:

- Built in 1121CE during the reign of Vishnuvardhana Hoysaleshwara.
- The temple is dedicated to Shiva,
- was built by wealthy citizens and merchants of Dwarasamudra.
- Halebid has a walled complex containing three Jaina Basadi (temples) of the Hoysala period as well as a stepped well.

Keshava Temple, Somanathapura:

It is a beautiful Trikuta Temple dedicated to Lord Krishna.

Centre floats new science awards

Context:

The Union government is set to institute the Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar — 56 prizes to felicitate scientists, technologists and innovators.





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Key points

- these awards will bestow a certificate and a medallion on the awardee
- The Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar to have three Vigyan Ratna, 25 Vigyan Shri, 25 Vigyan Yuva-Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar and three Vigyan Team awards:
- the awards will be announced every year on May 11 which is National Technology Day

Did you know?

These prizes will be awarded annually for 13 categories

WHO releases report on global impact of high BP

Why in news?

World Health Organization (WHO) released its first-ever report on hypertension.

Key facts:

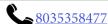
- According to report four of every five people with hypertension are not adequately treated
- Hypertension is the most important risk factor for death and disability in India
- The WHO report states that hypertension affects one in three adults worldwide.
- This condition leads to stroke, heart attack, heart failure, kidney damage and many other health problems.
- The number of people living with **hypertension** doubled between 1990 and 2019, from 650 million to 1.3 billion.
- More than three-quarters of adults with hypertension live in low- and middle-income countries.

Did you know?

FSSAI has launched an awareness campaign called Heart Attack rewind to educate people.

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