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West Bengal News

BSF installs beehives India-Bangladesh fence



Context

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- The Border Security Force (BSF) has undertaken a unique experiment of installing beehives on the India-Bangladesh border fence in West Bengal
- This is to stop instances of cutting the hedge for cattle **smuggling** and other crimes, besides generating livelihood for the locals.

Key points

- The **first-of-its-kind initiative** was launched recently by the BSF's 32nd battalion in the border areas of the Nadia district
- This is done with the aim of ensuring border security and helping the local populace through apiculture
- This is done under the Centre's "Vibrant Village Programme" (VVP)

Did you know?

India and Bangladesh share a 4,096-km frontier, with West Bengal accounting for about 2,217 km.

Governor launches **'Century** Group'

Context

The Governor announced the 'Century Group' initiative under which 100 children with talent in cricket will be identified and nurtured.

Key points

- The school authorities will assess their potential talents and a grand jury will do the final selection.
- The Raj Bhavan will coordinate with the coaches and training institutions and facilitate the grooming of the members of 'Century Group'

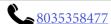
Lepchas of Sikkim-Darjeeling region to push for inclusion of their language in 8th Schedule

Context

The Lepchas, one of the three major ethnic communities of the **Sikkim-Darjeeling region**, have started a movement for the inclusion of their language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.

Key points

- Nepali, Bhutia, and Lepcha are considered to be the three major ethnic communities of the region, earlier referred to as NEBULA.
- The Nepali language was included in the **Eighth Schedule** on August 20, 1992, after a struggle of nearly four decades.
- At the moment, 22 languages are recognized in the Eighth Schedule.





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Madhur Sneha



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- The Hon'ble Chief Minister launched Eastern India's first and country's most modernized "Human Milk Bank" in SSKM Hospital in August 2013.
- It is equipped with pasteurization and the most advanced milk collection, screening, processing, testing, and storage facilities.
- The project is named "Madhur Sneha".
- Babies who are prematurely born, or are of very low birth weight, or those babies whose mothers are unable to feed directly can be recipients of banked milk from "Madhur Sneha".

Sech BandhuPrakalpa



Sech Bandhu

- It is a farmer-friendly project offering 46,000 new pump sets with power connectivity to farmers to boost irrigation in the state.
- This would help the farmers in a big way and keep them away from illegal power consumption.
- As a result, it would also reduce power theft and improve regularized power supply in rural Bengal.

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