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West Bengal News

<p><b>Impact of Climate Change on Disease Profiles: Sunderbans</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change is impacting disease profiles in regions from Sunderbans to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.</li> <li>The Sunderbans, known for its Royal Bengal Tiger population, is also home to over <b>4 million people engaged in the climate change battle.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Key points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the Sunderbans, <b>changes in cropping patterns have worsened malnutrition.</b></li> <li>Climate change impacts include rising incidence of waterborne diseases, skin infections, menstrual irregularities, and miscarriages.</li> <li>However, there is a lack of credible data quantifying these problems.</li> <li>Medical literature in the Sunderbans highlights suicides, largely due to ecological factors like climatic insults, natural calamities, poverty, and domestic violence.</li> <li>The public health system is inadequate, and non-governmental organizations fill the gap with village health camps.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Governor and State Clash: Education Minister's Removal Sought</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a recent development, <b>Governor C V Ananda Bose</b> has sought the removal of Education Minister <b>Bratya Basu from the Cabinet, accusing him of violating the Model Code of Conduct (MCC).</b></li> <li>The Bengal government responded by sending a detailed 9-page letter to the Governor, <b>reminding him of his constitutional limitations.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Key points:</b></p> <p><b>Article 164:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Under Article 164 of the Constitution, the <b>Chief Minister is appointed by the Governor</b> without any advice from anyone.</li> <li>But the individual Ministers are appointed only on the advice of the Chief Minister.</li> <li>The Article implies that the Governor cannot appoint an individual Minister according to his discretion.</li> <li><b>Therefore, the Governor can dismiss a Minister only on the advice of the Chief Minister.</b></li> </ul>



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	<p><b>Constitutional Limitations on Governor's Discretion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Chief Minister holds the authority to select or remove a Minister, acting as the voice of the people.</li><li>• During the Constituent Assembly discussions, B.R. Ambedkar <b>clarified that the Governor lacks autonomous executive powers according to the Constitution.</b></li><li>• <b>Article 164 of the Constitution includes the Governor's "pleasure," which solely pertains to the formal action of issuing dismissal orders based on the Chief Minister's advice.</b></li></ul>
<p><b>428 polling booths to be managed by women in phase I:CEO</b></p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In the first phase of Lok Sabha elections in <b>Cooch Behar, Alipurduar, and Jalpaiguri on April 19, women will manage at least 428 polling booths.</b></li><li>• The <b>Chief Electoral Officer (CEO)</b> stated that there will be approximately 230 booths managed by women in Alipurduar, 138 in Jalpaiguri, and 60 in Cooch Behar.</li></ul> <p><b>Key points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On average, <b>one booth in every Assembly constituency in Bengal</b> will be manned by women election personnel, making up about <b>10% of the total seats.</b></li><li>• The Election Commission of India (ECI) introduced <b>'home voting' for the first time this year,</b> benefiting voters <b>above 85,</b> over 40% handicapped individuals, and those belonging to 18 emergency services.</li></ul>
<p><b>Samta Diwas</b></p>	<p><b>Key Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Samta Diwas (Harmony Day) is observed on April 5th to honor the birth anniversary of Babu Jagjivan Ram, a prominent Indian politician.</b></li><li>• The day emphasizes promoting equality in all aspects of society.</li><li>• Ram's legacy includes championing the cause of social justice, particularly for disadvantaged groups.</li></ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Babu Jagjivan Ram (1908-1986) was a prominent Indian independence activist, politician, and champion of social justice.</b></li><li>• Played a <b>key role in the fight for independence, inspired by Mahatma Gandhi.</b></li><li>• Held various ministerial positions for over 30 years with the <b>Indian National Congress (INC).</b></li><li>• Notably served as <b>Defence Minister during the 1971 Indo-Pakistan War,</b> contributing to the <b>creation of Bangladesh.</b></li></ul>



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## Daily Current Affairs Encyclopedia

### International Day of Sport for Development and Peace



#### Context:

- International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDSDP) is celebrated every year on April 6th,
- IDSDP recognizes the power of sport to drive positive change.
- It's a day to acknowledge how sports and physical activity can:
  - Promote peace and understanding
  - Foster social development and inclusion
  - Encourage health and well-being

#### About:

- Creating a historical link to the first modern Olympic Games in 1896, 6 April was declared the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace by the United Nations (UN) General Assembly in 2013, and has been celebrated each year since 2014.

#### Theme:

- The 2024 theme of IDSDP is "Sport for the Promotion of Peaceful and Inclusive Societies"
- It highlights how sports can bridge divides and create a more peaceful world.
- This day is a chance to celebrate organizations and individuals using sports to make a difference.

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