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The Munich Accord, signed by tech companies, provides a self-regulatory framework and lays down specific commitments to protect electoral integrity from the risks presented by the creation and use of AI-generated deceptive election content. [page 37](#)

Urban Employment Programmes

UEPs can serve as a means for states to invest in building municipal capacity, both by expanding their resource footprint as well as through operationalising partnerships with NSAs, CBOs, and other institutions. [page 14](#)

Pregnancy Care in Gujarat

The location and distribution of public health centres are suboptimal in most tribal-populated districts, resulting in inadequate pregnancy care. [page 51](#)

Caste Violence in Telangana

As Dalits strive for political and economic mobility, their aspirations threaten the dominant castes' entrenched interests and power, leading to targeted violence which intensifies the cycle of discrimination. [page 43](#)

Militarisation of Space

The failure of existing norms of international space law and political conflicts of spacefaring nations make demilitarisation and outer space governance arduous. [page 22](#)

On Chaityabhoomi

10 The concept of “gaze” is useful in order to understand why “good” intent often does not lead to empathy. — *Wandana Sonalkar*

Reimagining Urban Employment Programmes

14 A broader and more inclusive approach to urban employment programmes is advocated to tackle urban vulnerabilities. — *Gautam Bhan, Shriya Anand, Sukrit Nagpal & Vrashali Khandelwal*

Treating Chronic Pain as Invisible Disability

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Artemis Accords

22 Driven by governmental and commercial institutions, the space economy is expanding and becoming increasingly valuable. — *Adithya Variath*

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25 Shakuntala Devi’s seminal work, *The World of Homosexuals*, has historically marked a significant milestone in the Indian intellectual discourse. — *Disha*

Feminisation of Informal Manufacturing Enterprises

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Crime and (No) Punishment

43 Despite the implementation of various welfare schemes by the government aimed at wooing Dalits, Telangana saw a rise in violence against Dalits. The complex relationship between rising Dalit assertion and the corresponding increase in violence against them is analysed in this paper. — *Suman Damera, A Chandrashekar Reddy*

Public Health Facilities for Pregnancy Care

51 In Gujarat, the tribal population constitutes 14.8% of the overall population, with approximately 89.17 lakh individuals residing in 14 districts. Thus, the provision of accessible and timely healthcare, especially pregnancy care, is necessary for the well-being and development of the tribal communities. — *Vijay Kumar, Tulika Tripathi*

Farmer Producer Organisations in India

62 Using mixed methods research synthesis, with 314 studies published since 2000, a significant positive impact of the farmer producer organisations on members’ crop and livestock yield, income per unit area, and technical efficiency is found. — *Vinayak Nikam, Haripriya Veesam, Kiran Kumara T M & Prem Chand*

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