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Hindi-Urdu Debate

While Hindi and Urdu are assigned distinctive historical genealogies, what is often missed is the context of fluidities of medieval India where such vocabularies of linguistic and social binaries hardly existed. **page 30**

Criteria for Delimitation

The principle of one person, one vote, one value should be balanced with the constitutional principle of fraternity so that people of certain states do not feel dominated. **page 10**

Internal Migration in Arunachal

One of the most significant repercussions of internal migration in the eastern borderland areas is an increase in both horizontal and vertical socio-economic disparities between regions, as well as between classes and communities. **page 53**

Issues with PLFS 2023-24

The unit-level data for PLFS 2023-24 contain serious errors in assigning unique identification numbers for FSUs in the revisit schedule. **page 20**

Rabhas in the Freedom Struggle

Oral histories reveal diverse accounts of our indigenous pasts that should keep becoming parts of our memory of the freedom struggle. **page 72**

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A Potential Delimitation Compromise

- 10 Using the number of eligible voters as a basis for delimitation rather than population might provide a politically expedient solution to the crisis of malapportionment of seats in the Lok Sabha. —Alok Prasanna Kumar

The 'Unconstitutional Constitutional Amendment'

- 13 The decision of the Israel Supreme Court in the Movement for Quality Government bears wider comparative messages and carries some salient takeaways. —Upendra Baxi

Climate Change: Looking beyond NDCs

- 16 The extant nationally determined contributions fall short of accomplishing the requisite mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions. —Sakshi Tewari

Serious Issues with PLFS 2023–24

- 20 The 5-digit unique identification for first stage units in the revisit data of the Periodic Labour Force Survey 2023–24 presents some serious issues.
—Panchanan Das

Retail Lending and Commercial Banks

- 22 Regulatory controls, insights into the socio-economic attributes of borrowers, and the end use of funds can minimise risks associated with high growth in the unsecured category of retail loans. —Elizabeth James

Relocating the Hindi–Urdu Debate

- 30 Every time World Hindi Diwas is celebrated, not only does it evoke the idea of the monolingual identity of the Indian nation but also invents certain linguistic claims and imaginaries about the Hindi-Hindu past.
—Aqsa Agha, Maanvender Singh, Bikku & Ugen Bhutia

Developmental Spending and Income Inequality

- 35 The relationship between development and non-development expenditures at the state and union government levels from 1980 to 2020 is examined to identify their impact on income disparity. Results show that the state government spending on development, social, and economic services reduces income inequality, whereas the union government spending increases it.
—Sahil Verma, Bimal Kishore Sahoo & Sunandan Ghosh

Does Convergence Remain Elusive?

- 45 This paper ranks and compares Indian states based on their macroeconomic performance beyond growth and per capita income, assessing its relationship with human development and examining interstate convergence. Rankings based on overall macroeconomic performances differ quite significantly from those based on traditional measures. —Suchismita Bose, Somnath Chattopadhyay

Borderland Mobility

- 53 The internal migration of indigenous people from hilly border villages to foothill plain areas in Arunachal Pradesh has been intense and critical. According to official estimates, more than 500 villages along the Indo-China border in the frontier state have been depopulated and turned into ghost villages.
—Ingo Mitalo, Rajan Sarma & Jayanta Krishna Sarmah

Are Greens Healthy for Banks' Balance Sheets?

- 61 The relationship between green lending by banks and their asset quality and profitability is examined using a data set of 33 Indian banks from March 2015 to December 2022. The findings reveal a negative relationship between banks' green lending share and non-performing assets ratio. —Snehal S Herwadkar, Sambhavi Dhingra, Sonali Goel & Rahul A Nair

Postscript

- 71 Lekshmi R on the relegitimation of English training in the age of new media; Rimon Bhuyan Gogoi on oral histories of the freedom movement; Indra Munshi's poem, 'In My City'.