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PRELIMS FACTS & MAINS ANALYSIS

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World Day Against Trafficking in Persons 2026

Why in News?

30 July is observed as World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. The UN's 2026 focus highlights trafficking victims being forced into online scam operations, linking human trafficking with cyber-enabled organised crime.



Key Points

- Observed annually on 30 July.
- Highlights human trafficking as a serious human-rights violation.
- Emerging threat: trafficking for forced criminality in scam centres.
- Technology and AI can facilitate transnational organised crime.
- Requires cooperation among law-enforcement, financial regulators and technology platforms.

Prelims Facts

- Observed under UNODC.
- UN Convention against Cybercrime adopted by Member States in 2024.
- Trafficking can involve exploitation, forced labour and forced criminality.



Mains Link

GS II – Human Rights, International Organisations, Internal Security

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Census 2027: Phase-I House-listing Operations

Why in News?

The Census 2027 Phase-I house-listing and housing census is being conducted during 1–30 July 2026 in states including Kerala, following the self-enumeration phase.



Key Points

- Phase-I: House-listing & Housing Census.
- Self-enumeration preceded the field exercise.
- Census operations are conducted under the Census Act, 1948.
- Provides important demographic and housing information.
- Census data supports evidence-based planning and welfare policy.

Prelims Facts

- Census Act: 1948.
- Census Rules: 1990.
- Conducted by Office of the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India.
- Census 2011 was India's last completed population census.



Mains Link

GS II – Governance, Population, Evidence-based Policy

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India at Commonwealth Games 2026

Why in News?

Indian athletes are continuing their campaign at the 2026 Commonwealth Games, with Indian participation across athletics, swimming, weightlifting, bowls and para-sports on 30 July.



Key Points

- India competing in multiple sporting disciplines.
- Athletics includes events such as javelin, decathlon and triple jump.
- Para-sport events are also part of India's campaign.
- Commonwealth Games provide a platform for elite sport and international sporting diplomacy.

Prelims Facts

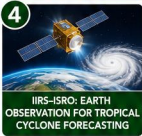
- Commonwealth Games are organised under the Commonwealth Sport movement.
- India is one of the major participating nations.
- Sports include athletics, swimming, weightlifting and para-sports.



Mains Link

GS III – Sports, Youth Development, Soft Power

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ISRO-IIRS: Earth Observation for Tropical Cyclone Forecasting

Why in News?

The Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), ISRO is conducting a workshop on Earth Observations and Numerical Model Applications for Tropical Cyclone Monitoring and Forecasting on 30 July.



Key Points

- Uses satellite-based Earth Observation data.
- Supports tropical cyclone monitoring and forecasting.
- Combines satellite observations with Numerical Weather Prediction (NWP).
- Data assimilation improves forecast accuracy.
- AI/ML can strengthen disaster early-warning systems.

Prelims Facts

- IIRS – Indian Institute of Remote Sensing.
- IIRS is an autonomous institute under ISRO.
- Earth Observation satellites provide data for weather and disaster monitoring.
- NWP uses mathematical models to predict atmospheric conditions.



Mains Link

GS III – Science & Technology, Disaster Management, Space Technology

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All India Police Judo Cluster Championship 2026

Why in News?

The CISF is hosting the 11th All India Police Judo Cluster Championship 2026 in Hyderabad from 23–30 July, with more than 1,600 athletes from 36 State Police and CAPF organisations.



Key Points

- Organised under the All India Police Sports Control Board.
- Five disciplines: Judo, Wushu, Taekwondo, Karate and Pencak Silat.
- Promotes physical fitness and sporting excellence among police personnel.
- Anti-doping tests conducted by NADA.
- Venue: GMC Balsegoy Indoor Stadium, Gachibowli, Hyderabad.

Prelims Facts

- CISF – Central Industrial Security Force.
- CISF functions under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- NADA – National Anti-Doping Agency.
- AIPSCB – All India Police Sports Control Board.



Mains Link

GS III – Internal Security, Police Reforms, Human Resource Development

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