Environment & Ecology

Hoolock Gibbon:

- Only ape found in India; habitat: Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, and other Northeastern states.
- Conservation status:
 - Eastern Hoolock Gibbon: Vulnerable (IUCN).
 - Western Hoolock Gibbon: *Endangered* (IUCN).
- o Listed in Schedule I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- o Largest population: Hollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary, Assam.

International Relations

• Colombo Process:

- o Regional Consultative Process for managing overseas employment.
- Membership: 12 Asian countries including India, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, and others.
- Objectives: Sharing best practices, addressing labor migration issues, and fostering ethical recruitment.
- o India became chair (2024–2026).

Art & Culture

Koya Tribe:

- o Predominantly found in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Chhattisgarh, Odisha.
- o Speak Koyi (Dravidian language, related to Gondi and Telugu).
- Cultural practices: Mahua liquor tradition; key festivals include Vijji Pandum and Kondala Kolupu.

Economy

• Controller General of Accounts (CGA):

- o Principal Accounting Adviser to GoI.
- Established in 1975; manages fiscal data and accounts of Union Government.
- o Prepares annual analysis of fiscal indicators.

Science & Health

• Rabies:

- o Viral, zoonotic, vaccine-preventable disease; primarily spread by dog bites.
- o Fatal once symptoms appear.
- Jammu & Kashmir declared rabies a notifiable disease under Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897.
- o Prevention: Vaccinating dogs, post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP).

Polity

• Interim Bail:

o Temporary relief pending regular/anticipatory bail.

 Criteria: No risk of absconding or tampering with evidence, and absence of custodial interrogation necessity.

• Exit Polls:

- o Regulated under Section 126A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951.
- Results cannot be published until voting concludes.

Current Affairs & Events

• World No-Tobacco Day:

- Celebrated annually on May 31; 2024 theme: "Protecting Children from Tobacco Industry Interference."
- Tobacco introduced to India by the Portuguese in 1605.
- o Predominantly grown in Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka.

• World Health Assembly:

- o 77th session (2024): Resolution on increasing organ transplantation availability.
- o Focus: Ethical access and addressing trafficking in human organs.