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[The Debate On The National Language](#)

Context:

Remarks by a Hindi actor to the effect that Hindi is the national language of India sparked a controversy recently over the status of the language under the Constitution.

Relevance:

GS III- Polity and Governance

Dimensions of the Article:

1. What is the status of Hindi?
2. What is the Eighth Schedule?
3. What is the three-language formula?

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[Embroiding Transnistria in the Russia-Ukraine War](#)

Context:

As the Russia-Ukraine War completes over two months, Transnistria, the tiny breakaway region of Moldova, risks being dragged into the conflict.



Tensions in Transnistria

The small region wedged between Moldova to its west and Ukraine to its east risks being dragged into the ongoing conflict

TRANSNISTRIA FACTFILE

- Split from Moldova in 1991-92 war, amid collapse of the Soviet Union. Becomes a self-declared independent state not recognised internationally
- Referendum in 2006 saw 97.2% vote in favour of joining Russia
- Its a separatist region that permanently hosts estimated 1,500 Russian "peacekeeping" troops
- Population: **4,70,000**
- Area: **4,000 sq km**

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Apr 25-27, 2022: Transnistria officials claim series of incidents:

- Explosions hit state security HQ in Tiraspol. Separatist authorities blame Ukrainian "infiltrators"
- Blasts at Mayak radio centre damage Soviet-era masts used to broadcast Russian news
- Attack on military unit in village of Parcani, just outside Tiraspol
- Shots fired from Ukraine towards Kolbasna village, location of large Russian arms depot



■ **Russia could use flare-up of tensions as pretext for invasion. If Russia reinforces Transnistria, it might then move on to Ukraine's key port city of Odesa**

Sources: AFP, BBC

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Relevance:

GS II- International relations

Dimensions of the Article:

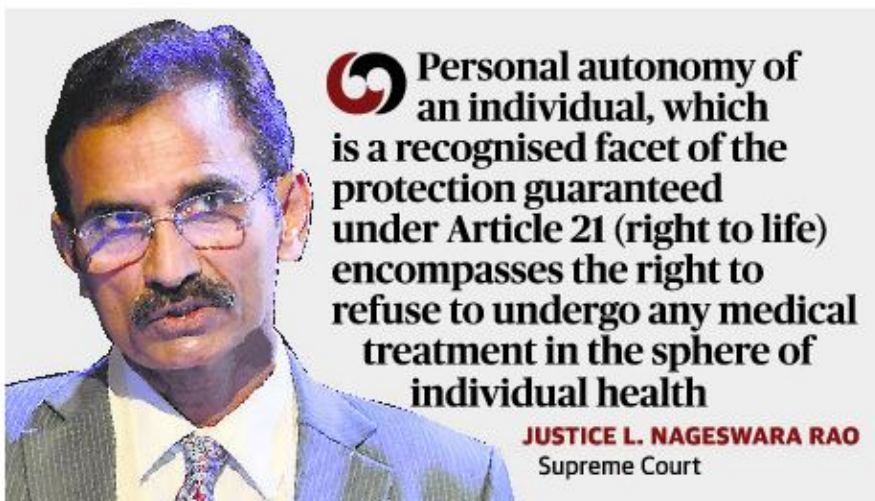
1. Where is Transnistria?
2. What is the political make-up of Transnistria?
3. Why is it in the news now?
4. What lies ahead?

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[No One Can Be Forced To Get Vaccinated: SC](#)

Context:

The Supreme Court has upheld the right of an individual against forcible vaccination and the government's COVID-19 vaccination policy to protect communitarian health.





Relevance:

GS II- Government Policies and Interventions

Dimensions of the Article:

1. Details
2. Right not to get vaccinated
3. About Vaccine Hesitancy

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[Jute Industry](#)

Context:

Member of Parliament (MP) from Barrackpore constituency in West Bengal met the Union Textile minister about issues concerning jute farmers, workers and the overall jute industry.

Relevance:

GS III- Major crops-cropping patterns in various parts of the country

Dimensions of the Article:

1. About Jute "The Golden Fiber"
2. About Jute Cultivation Overview
3. Advantages of Jute
4. Disadvantages of Jute
5. Importance of Jute Industry

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[Contempt of Court](#)

Context:

The CJI pointed to how courts had to deal with the new problem of “contempt petitions” triggered by the “deliberate inaction” of governments that chose to ignore judgments and orders.

Relevance:

GS II- Polity and Governance

Dimensions of the Article:

1. What did the CJI say?
2. What is contempt of court?
3. What is the statutory basis for contempt of court?
4. What are the kinds of contempt of court?
5. What is not contempt of court?

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