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1 Where is the Great Green Wall?

This one isn't in China.

The **Great Green Wall of Aravalli** is a 1,600 km long green ecological corridor along Aravalli range from **Gujarat to Delhi**, formed to act as a buffer against pollution.



- As per a recent survey, 2019's stubble or crop residue burning accounted for **44%** of **Delhi's** air pollution and **Punjab** burnt **9 million tonnes** of such stubble.
- Meanwhile Delhi CM, Arvind Kejriwal met scientists at the Indian Agriculture Research Institute for a live demonstration of a machine called **Pusa decomposer**.
- Made up of a set of **4 tablets**, composed of extracted fungi strains, the decomposer will help the stubble decompose at a comparatively faster rate and has an estimated cost of **₹20 per acre**.

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2 “Jalameva Yasya, Balameva Tasya”

It is the **motto** of iconic aircraft carrier ship, **INS Viraat** and translates as, “He who rules over the seas is all powerful”.

The ship was integrated into the Royal Navy of the UK in 1959 by the name ‘HMS (Her Majesty’s Ship) Hermes’.



- As it sailed for the last time this week before dismantling, **Indian Navy** appointed its first female airborne tacticians, Sub Lieutenant (SLt) **Kumudini Tyagi** and SLt **Riti Singh**, from warship decks for helicopter operations.
- **Indian Air Force** has been integrating women fighter pilots since **2016**. It would also be inducting a female pilot in the ‘**Rafale**’ squadron, with the pilot currently operating MiG-21 Bison jets.

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3 What is the League of Nations?

Even though it sounds like another Superhero movie, this league was the **first Worldwide Inter-governmental Organisation**, formed to maintain world peace, after the Paris Peace Conference, which ended World War I.



- **PM Narendra Modi** made an address to the 75th United Nations General Assembly, held virtually last week.
- The major highlight of the event was his questioning the relevance of the board and the inadequate position provided to India, the largest democracy in the world.
- UN Security Council (UNSC) has **5 permanent members** – China, Russia, France, the UK and the US while **India** has been elected as a **non-permanent member** of the for **8th time**.

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4 Who is Armenia named after?

According to the histories of Moses of Chorene, Armenia derives from the name of **Aram**, a lineal descendant of **Hayk The Great**.

Hayk was the legendary patriarch and founder of the Armenian nation.

- Armed conflict between **Armenia** and **Azerbaijan**, nations lying amidst Asia and Europe, erupted recently in the disputed Nagorno-Karabakh region.
- Armenian separatists reported **31 military** casualties on their side, while Azerbaijan reported **26 civilian** casualties, with claims of “heavy losses”.
- Armenian PM **Nikol Pashinyan** has requested the international community to intervene and prevent a “large scale war”.



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