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Social Justice

## India's Largest Open-Air Jail Faces Land Loss for Hospital Construction

Sanganer open-air jail in Jaipur, a unique rehabilitation model for prisoners, faces a land reduction due to hospital construction. Activists argue this threatens inmates' ecosystem of education, livelihood, and social reintegration. The Supreme Court is reviewing a plea to balance jail preservation with public health needs.

Source: The Indian Express

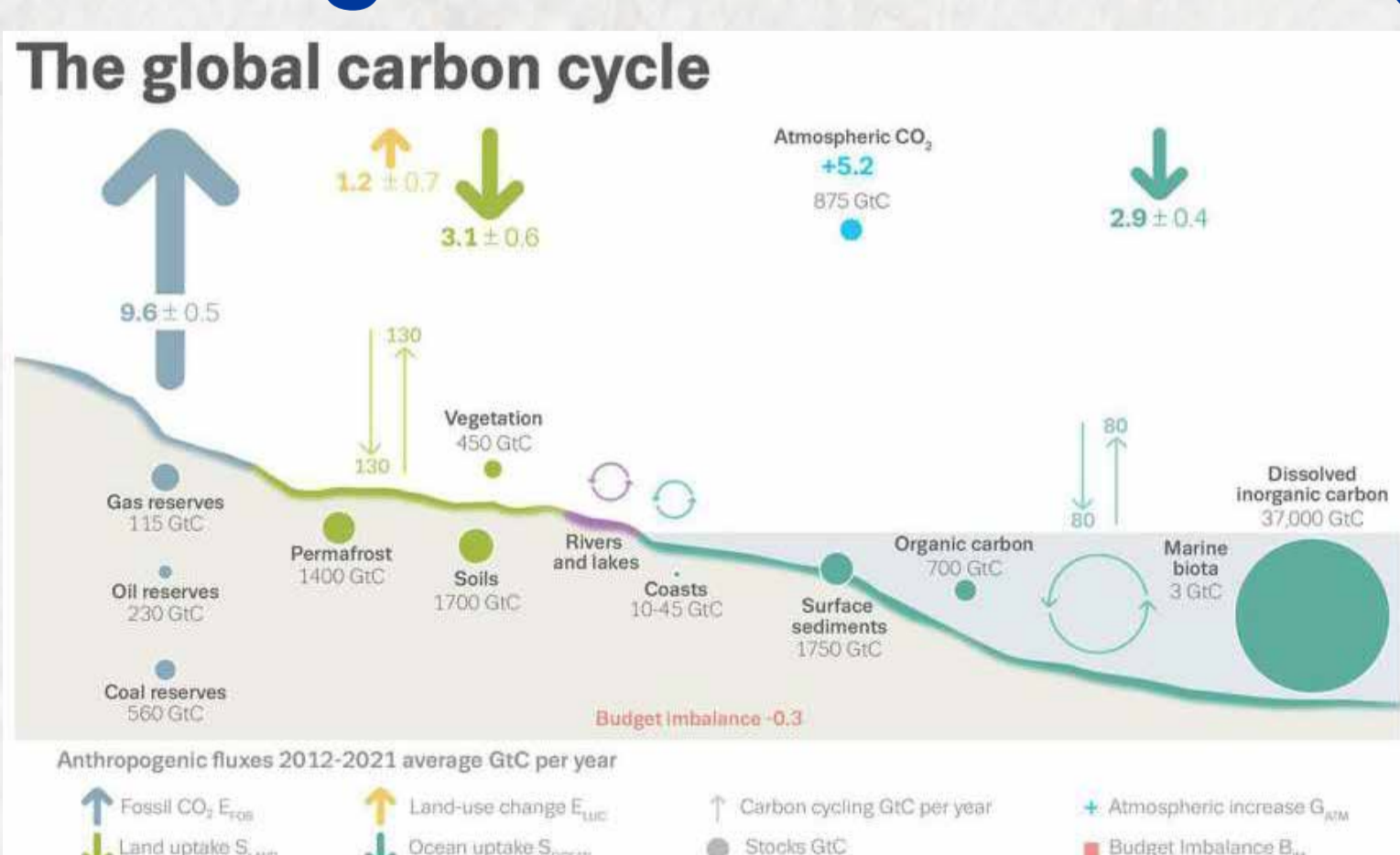


## U.S. DOJ Pushes Google to Spin Off Chrome Over Antitrust Concerns

The U.S. Department of Justice is urging Google to divest its Chrome browser to address antitrust concerns. Accusations include monopolistic practices in the browser and online advertising markets. The DOJ argues that Chrome's integration with Google's ad business gives it unfair dominance, stifling competition and innovation, and calls for structural remedies.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper

## Harnessing Oceans in the Battle Against Climate Change



Oceans, covering 70% of the Earth, play a pivotal role in mitigating climate change by absorbing CO<sub>2</sub> and regulating temperature. Scientists explore technologies like blue carbon capture, tidal energy, and ocean fertilization to boost their potential. However, concerns over ecological disruptions and sustainable management persist, necessitating balanced solutions.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper

## Plastic Treaty Stalls Over Production Debate



The Busan negotiations failed to finalize a global plastic treaty as nations disagreed on production cuts. Economic and environmental interests clashed, with India opposing limits on polymer production.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper



International Relations

## Border Vigilance Amidst Bangladesh Changes

Recent political changes in Bangladesh have not increased undocumented entries at the Indo-Bangladesh border. Data shows consistent vigilance by the BSF to prevent illegal movement.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper



Internal Security

## Forces Unearth 'HE Bomb' Alongside IED in Chhattisgarh, a First

In a first, Chhattisgarh forces discovered a powerful HE bomb paired with an IED during an anti-Maoist operation in Bijapur. Likely looted from security forces, the bomb has a 25m killing range. Over 3,550 IEDs have been seized since 2000, with such devices causing heavy casualties among security personnel and civilians.

Source: The Indian Express

## National Policy to Boost Female Workforce Participation in Progress

The Central government is drafting a policy to enhance female labour force participation, aiming to address gender gaps in employment. The policy will focus on skill development, workplace inclusivity, and social security. This comes as female workforce participation remains low despite India's economic growth, signaling a push for greater economic and social equity.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper

## Trump threatens 100% tariffs on BRICS if dollar is undermined



International Relations

Former U.S. President Donald Trump has threatened to impose 100% tariffs on BRICS nations if they attempt to undermine the U.S. dollar. His warning follows growing discussions within the BRICS alliance to reduce reliance on the dollar for global trade.

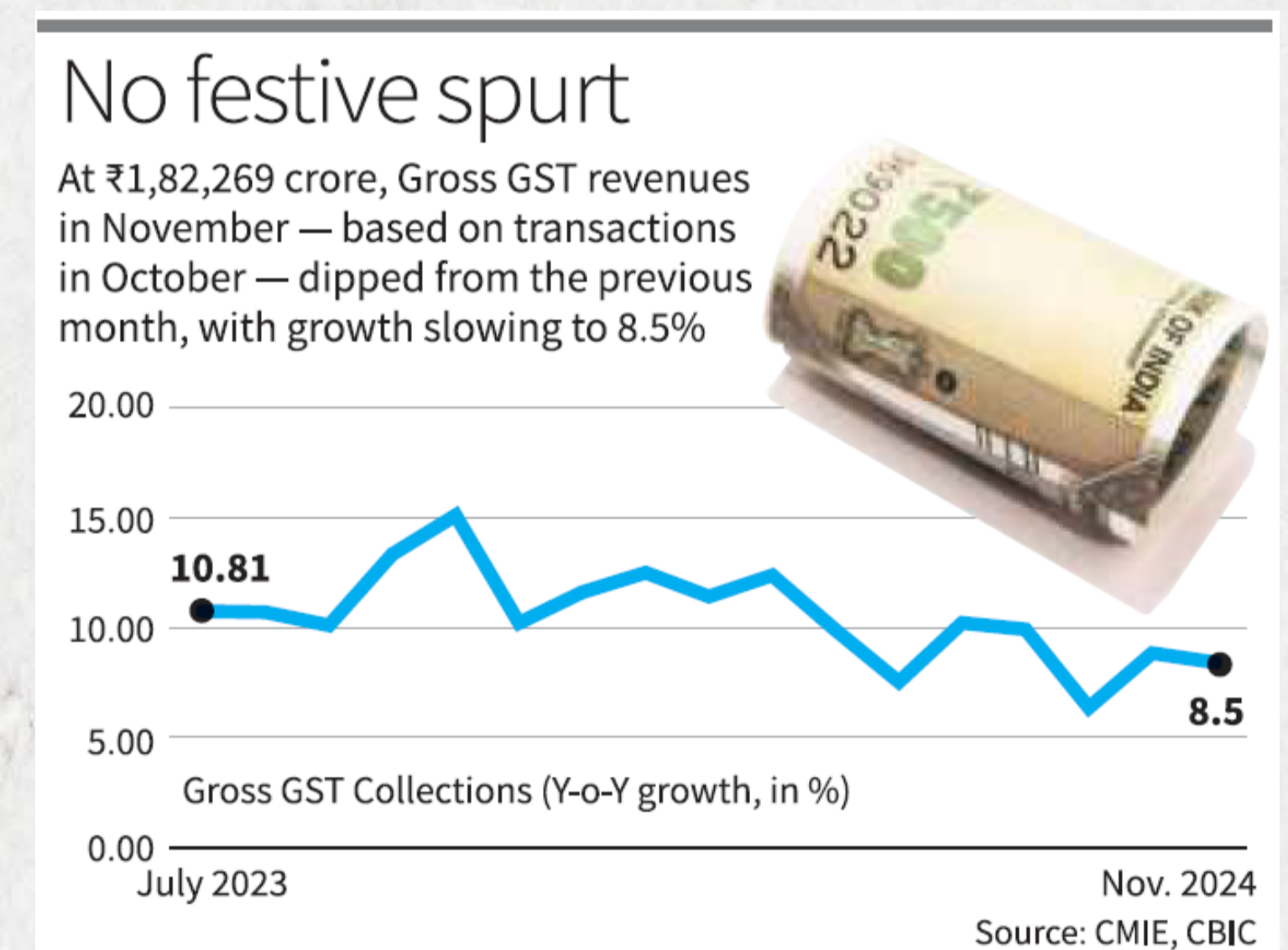
### Key Details:

- **Trump's Threat:** Former U.S. President Donald Trump warned BRICS nations of 100% tariffs if they create or back currencies to replace the U.S. dollar.
- **Trump's Statement:** "We require a commitment from these Countries that they will neither create a new BRICS Currency, nor back any other Currency to replace the mighty U.S. Dollar or, they will face 100% Tariffs, and should expect to say goodbye to selling into the wonderful U.S. Economy."
- **Dollar's Dominance:** The dollar accounts for 58% of global forex reserves, remaining critical for global trade.
- **Russia's Stand:** President Putin criticized the U.S. for "weaponizing" the dollar, urging BRICS to reduce reliance on it.
- **Geopolitical Shift:** BRICS is advancing efforts to challenge U.S.-led financial systems as their global GDP share grows.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper

## November GST Revenues Up Despite Festive Lull

Economy - Public Finance



GST collections grew by 11.1% year-on-year in November, reaching ₹1.63 lakh crore. Experts warn of potential slowdowns due to global factors affecting consumer spending.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper

## Ensuring a Healthy and Stress-Free Childbirth



Experts emphasize mental and physical preparedness for healthy childbirth. Steps include prenatal yoga,

balanced nutrition, regular medical check-ups, and stress management techniques like mindfulness. Collaborative efforts between healthcare providers and expectant mothers can improve outcomes and reduce delivery-related stress and complications.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper

## PM Highlights Digital Threats and Port Security

At the DGP meet, PM Modi raised concerns about cyberfrauds and AI misuse, urging better port security and technological adoption for policing.

Source: The Hindu Newspaper