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37 This paper explores the determinants of fertiliser application in Punjab through an analysis of both secondary data and a primary survey-based case study. An analysis of primary data indicates that the fertiliser policy favouring urea has encouraged its overuse, which is incongruent with the soil nutrient level, and this might be one of the possible contributing factors to the soil nutrient imbalance in the study location. — Partha Saha, Krishanu Karmakar

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45 By using both qualitative and interpretative methods complemented by field visits, this paper attempts to trace Dalit Hindus' movement from forced migration into ascribed untouchability. Their present socio-economic status and living conditions in Dhaka are explored as also the recent spotlighting of their underdevelopment by civil society and government action. – Anindita Ghoshal, Fairooz Jahan & Shah Md Azimul Ehsan

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20 Using a novel database, the article examines the characteristics of Indian unicorns in a global perspective. — Saibal Ghosh

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24 The impact and relevance of protests demanding President Gotabaya Rajapaksa's resignation, referred to as the aragalaya, need to be scrutinised.
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39 With a surge in student and white-collar population, Pune has attracted migrant labourers to meet the demand of domestic work. This paper attempts to understand the lives of part-time female domestic workers in the Viman Nagar neighbourhood. It explores the current market conditions of domestic work by examining the wage trends and perceived negotiating power among the respondents. — Aditi Natarajan, Malavika Rangarajan

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47 The central proposition of this paper is that the Kerala economy must grow on a path that leverages the strengths of its ecosystem, both natural and social, in a way that engenders growth that is widely inclusive and inherently sustainable. The central concern must be whether and how far the various economic activities find a harmonious alignment with the differentia specifica of Kerala's unique ecological wealth and social circumstances. - Mihir Shah

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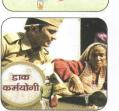
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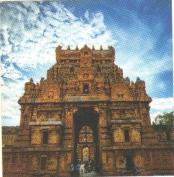
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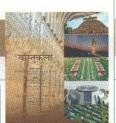
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