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I. Social Media Chatter in China

- **Indian user's presence and influence over Twitter and other social media platforms are discussed on the backdrop of "#IStandwithPutin" and "#IStandwithRussia" trends:** An opinion piece published by Tang Jingtai, a professor and scholar in the Department of Communication, School of Journalism, Fudan University on a Chinese digital news media platform noted that India has tremendous influence over social media platforms for the 3 key reasons like being huge user base with a great command over English and grammar; users are read without a prejudice or seen without animosity on the basis of nationality; and growing presence of Indians in the top 'Silicon Valley' companies. He further explained why Indian netizens support Putin and Russia citing India's traditional ties with Moscow.

II. News in China

- On Sunday, visiting Chinese State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi stated that China is eager to work with Nepal to strengthen their relationship and maintain regional peace. Wang remarked during a meeting with Nepal's Communist Party Chairman Pushpa Kamal Dahal, commonly known as Prachanda, that China values the country's long-standing friendship with Nepal. He stated that no matter how the world situation evolves or what problems arise, China would maintain its favourable stance toward Nepal. Given the world's volatility and upheavals, Wang believes both sides should guard against a recurrence of the Cold War mentality in the area and work together to ensure regional peace.
- According to China Eastern Airlines, the compensation procedure for the relatives of the 123 passengers and nine crew members killed in the MU5735 plane disaster has officially commenced. According to Liu Xiaodong, chief of the airline's PR department, the airline has formed a team to handle insurance claims and will interact with families to devise compensation options based on applicable rules and regulations. In the aftermath of the tragedy, more than 60 insurance firms have begun developing emergency response strategies. "Compensation is contingent on discussions between the airline and the families, while government agencies such as China's Civil Aviation Administration will assist in reaching a settlement," a lawyer stated.
- According to a Chinese ambassador speaking at the present session of the Human Rights Council, the key to democracy is whether the people are actually lords of their nation. China's permanent representative to the UN Office in Geneva, Chen Xu, delivered a joint statement on behalf of a group of countries at the ongoing 49th session of the Human Rights Council, saying that democracy and human rights are a common pursuit of humanity, that diversity is a fundamental feature of

human society, and that countries with different histories, cultures, and national conditions may choose different forms of democracy. "If a country's people are actually masters of their country and whether problems that its people encounter are solved is the cornerstone to democracy," he remarked.

- A scientific team reported on Sunday that China used nuclear technology to identify more than 40 chemical components in lunar soil samples returned by the Chang'e-5 mission. According to scientists, the finding will serve as a key reference for the study of the Moon's genesis and evolution, as well as increase the use of lunar resources. According to China Central Television, a research team from the China Institute of Atomic Energy (CIAE), which is affiliated with the China National Nuclear Corporation, used neutron activation analysis to discover that the chemical substances found in the Chang'e-5 lunar samples were very different from those found on Earth. "We primarily studied the materials using nuclear reactors, accurately evaluating over 40 chemical constituents in them, including macroelements, microelements, and trace elements," Guo Bing added.
- Shanghai, China's commercial capital, will begin a new round of nucleic acid testing on Monday at 5 a.m., local officials said Sunday night. According to the city's COVID-19 prevention and control office, from 5 a.m. March 28 to 5 a.m. April 1, temporary closed-off management will be implemented in areas east and south of the Huangpu River, including Pudong and its surrounding districts, to conduct nucleic acid testing. Then, mostly in urban districts west of the Huangpu River, similar temporary closed-off management and testing will be implemented from 3 a.m. on April 1 to 3 a.m. on April 5.
- The Economic Daily publishing firm has released two volumes on the study and application of Xi Jinping's economic philosophy for widespread dissemination. One of the books is an anthology of theoretical pieces by local and international specialists published by the daily in 2021 to expand on Xi's economic ideas. The other compiles the paper's in-depth study reports from the previous year on the economic thought's application in China. The articles and reports demonstrate the theoretical worth and practical use of Xi's economic ideas, and they have attracted a large number of readers from all areas of life.
- The face-to-face meetings between Indian and Chinese foreign ministers, according to Indian academic Karori Singh, demonstrate that two of the world's oldest civilizations are shouldering global responsibilities for peace and development. On Friday, Indian External Affairs Minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar and visiting State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi urged diplomacy and negotiation to resolve the Ukraine situation in New Delhi. The meeting was a part of Wang's South Asian tour of countries and shows China's growing focus on the region especially as important Asian summits are nearing.

III. India Watch

- When it comes to India-China talks, top diplomats have also been forthright and honest about keeping peace along their border. India has emphasised the significance of finding a mutually agreeable solution to the border deadlock. Despite their differences, the Chinese Foreign Minister Wang considered the problem as merely a small component of the overall picture of bilateral ties and supported mutual advantages and long-term gains. On their high-altitude border, tens of thousands of Indian and Chinese troops are stationed. A dozen rounds of negotiations between the two countries' senior military leaders have already taken place. Both agreed that early and total disengagement in remaining areas is critical to moving bilateral relations forward. Chinese analysts believe that the border problem should give way to mutual growth and assistance, and that the visit is a good omen. The Chinese media has been touting the visit --and the broader South Asian leg --as highly successful.