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## Important Facts for Prelims (3rd November 2018)

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### Delhi Durbar Painting

- **oil paintings in the collection of Victoria Memorial Hall (VMH) depicting the Delhi Durbar of 1903, has been restored.** One of the biggest and most iconic
- A few years ago, a termite attack had affected the painting and the conservation unit of the VMH took on the job of restoring the painting to its former glory.
- **commissioned by the then British government Painted by British artist Roderick Mackenzie picture shows Viceroy Lord Curzon, seated on an elephant and leading the ceremonial procession of the Delhi Durbar followed by several Indian kings.** Titled 'State Entry Into Delhi', the painting was. , the
- Delhi Durbar, as the term suggests, is borrowed from Mughal vocabulary and with all its pomp and grandeur was an attempt by the British to appropriate Mughal culture.
- **it was held three times, in 1877, 1903, and 1911, at the height of the British Empire.** The Delhi Durbar was an Indian imperial style mass assembly organized by the British in Delhi, to mark the succession of an Emperor or Empress of India. Also known as the Imperial Durbar,
- **first declared Queen Victoria Kaiser "-i-Hind".second confirmed her son King Edward VII King George V** All three Imperial durbars celebrated coronations. The the Empress of India and was proclaimed with title The as Emperor of India and the third his son .
- **King George V only monarch** However, was the to attend a durbar.
- a ground Although Calcutta was then the capital of British India, Lord Lytton, Governor-General of India in 1877, chose just outside old Delhi for the first durbar, believing that the former capital of the Mughals would have a greater cultural significance in the minds of Indians.

### India's First Uterine Transplant Baby

- Recently, doctors in Pune have successfully delivered a child to a woman who had undergone a uterine transplant.

- **This is the first such birth in India and the 12th in the world.**
- The first successful transplant was performed in Saudi Arabia in 2002 but did not result in pregnancy. The first birth after a transplant, in 2014, happened in Sweden.

### **Uterine Transplant**

- **17% of all women face issues relating to infertility**, In India, about and the reason is related to the uterus in 20% of such cases.
- **newest form of infertility treatment.** For women whose uterus is not healthy, or who do not have one since birth, a transplant of the uterus is the
- **deceased, The donor may be either living or and is chosen from among women up to age 60.** Usually, women related to the recipient are potential donors.
- The transplanted uterus is removed after the woman has gone through one or two childbirths.
- **Normal reproduction is not possible** with a transplanted uterus. Therefore, the egg is fertilised through in-vitro fertilisation.
- **surgical intervention.** The childbirth happens through