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Blotting Paper

- Blotting paper absorbs ink through **capillary action**, a natural process where liquids **move to lower surface tension**.
 - Capillary tubes, tiny channels less than 1mm wide, when in contact with liquids, draw the **liquid upward, higher than its outside level**.
- Blotting paper, derived from **cotton linter, wood, or straw**, contains **microscopic capillaries** formed during its creation. These capillaries **quickly soak up ink or water, spreading it across the paper**.
- Capillary action also drives **plant sap upward** and helps **oil reach lamp wicks** for burning.

India and Kenya Signed a MoU for Collaboration in Shipbuilding

- On a visit to India, the Kenyan Cabinet Secretary for Defence signed an MoU with India's defence minister for **capacity building and collaboration in ship design and construction**.
- The two Ministers emphasised on the need for **deeper maritime security cooperation** in **IOR** and agreed for a joint training in **counter-insurgency** and **UN peacekeeping domains**.
- Kenya is located in East Africa between the **Indian Ocean and Lake Victoria**.
- Kenya is significant for India in the geopolitics of Western Indian Ocean. It is also an active member of the **African Union** with whom India has a long-established connection.



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