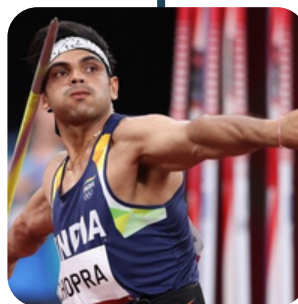


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Ques : India's UPI Processes Nearly __ Transactions In April-July.

भारत के UPI से अप्रैल-जुलाई में लगभग _ लेनदेन की प्रक्रिया होती है

- (a) 81 Lakh Crore**
- (b) 82 Lakh Crore**
- (c) 83 Lakh Crore**
- (d) 84 Lakh Crore**
- (e) 85 Lakh Crore**

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Paysecure statistics shows that India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) completed almost 81 lakh crore rupees in transactions from April to July 2024.
- India is the world leader in digital transactions, accounting for nearly 40% of all payments, with UPI being the preferred method. This is a 37% increase year on year (YOY).
- UPI transactions reached 20.6 lakh crore rupees in July 2024, the highest- ever recorded in a month.
- UPI handled 3,729.1 transactions per second, up 58% from 2,348 in 2022.
- In 2023, Skrill, based in the UK, was the second-most popular alternative payment method, processing 49 billion transactions at a rate of 1,553.8 per second.
- Pix, founded in Brazil, is the third most popular alternative payment method, processing 1,331.8 transactions every second.

Ques : India's first Braille insurance policy named 'Special Care Gold' introduced by which insurance company ?

भारत की पहली ब्रेल बीमा पॉलिसी जिसका नाम 'स्पेशल केयर गोल्ड' है, किस बीमा कंपनी द्वारा शुरू की गई?

(a) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance / बजाज आलियांज जनरल इंश्योरेंस

(b) ICICI Prudential Life Insurance / आईसीआईसीआई प्रूडेंशियल लाइफ इंश्योरेंस

(c) Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance / कोटक महिंद्रा लाइफ इंश्योरेंस

(d) Go Digit General Insurance / गो डिजिट जनरल इंश्योरेंस

(e) Star Health and Allied Insurance / स्टार हेल्थ एंड अलाइड इंश्योरेंस

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Star Health and Allied Insurance Company Limited has introduced an insurance policy in Braille named 'Special Care Gold'.
- The Braille version was produced in collaboration with the National Association of the Blind (NAB).
- The Braille edition helps visually impaired people to independently access and review policy information, as well as make educated health and financial decisions.
- According to the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, approximately 34 million people in India (2.5% of the population) are visually impaired.
- The launch aligns with the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India's (IRDAI) vision of 'Insurance for All'.

Eligibility :

- Any person aged between 18 and 65 years can avail this policy.
- Dependent children are covered from newborn to 17 years of age.

About National Association of the Blind (NAB) :

- Established : 1951
- HQ : Mumbai
- Brand Ambassador : John Abraham
- President : Hemant Takle

About Star Health and Allied Insurance Co Ltd :

- Founded : 2006
- Headquarters : Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India
- MD & CEO : Mr. Anand Roy

Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- Global payments technology company Mastercard announced the global launch of its new Payment Passkey Service.
- GIGA is a full financial suite designed specifically for Indian gig workers and freelancers, and it was unveiled by HDFC Bank Limited.
- Being the first bank to do so, Karnataka Bank will provide personal loans via the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC).
- Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), a key player in the energy sector in India, and RBL Bank have partnered to introduce the co-branded credit card XTRA at the Global Fintech Fest (GFF) in Mumbai.
- High-End Credit Card "ETERNA" on RuPay Network Launched by BOBCARD Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda (BOB).
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- DigiPassBook, a new feature on HDFC Bank's SmartWealth app, enables users to manage all of their investments from a single location.
- Axis Bank Limited launches 'Neo for Merchants', a transformative mobile app which will act as a one stop solution for the merchant community, in partnership with VISA and Mintoak.
- Ecommerce major Amazon India has launched its artificial intelligence (AI)- powered shopping assistant 'Rufus' in India.
- A new security feature called Face Match has been introduced by Airtel Payments Bank to guard against fraudulent activity on user accounts.

Ques : ___ partnership with Ashok Leyland to Offer Vehicle Finance Solutions

वाहन वित्त समाधान की पेशकश के लिए ___ ने अशोक लीलैंड के साथ साझेदारी की

- (a) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक**
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक**
- (c) IndusInd Bank / इंडसइंड बैंक**
- (d) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक**
- (e) Bandhan Bank / बंधन बैंक**

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Ashok Leyland, a commercial vehicle maker, has inked an MoU with Bandhan Bank.
- The partnership's goal is to provide Ashok Leyland clients with customized financial options. Bandhan Bank will provide comprehensive financial solutions, including vehicle loans.
- The loans will have flexible monthly repayment plans that adjust to the customer's preferences.
- The alliance will focus on satisfying customer demands by offering specialized financial assistance for purchasing Ashok Leyland cars.

About Ashok Leyland :

- Founded : 7 September 1948
- Headquarters : Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India

About Bandhan Bank :

- Founded : 23 August 2015
- Headquarters : Kolkata, West Bengal, India
- MD & CEO : Ratan Kumar Kesh
- Tagline : 'Aapka Bhalai. Sabki Bhalai. ', (Your benefit. Everyone's welfare.)

Recently signed banking agreements

- Visa and the Tourism & Hospitality Skill Council inked a 3-year partnership of up to \$1 million USD. This initiative, designed to up skill at least 20,000 Indian youth in tourism-relevant skills.
- To introduce its UPI Third Party Application Provider (TPAP) service, BharatPe has teamed up with Unity Bank. The "postpe" app has been renamed "BharatPe," and UPI payments are now accepted on it.
- Birla Aditya The "Income Suraksha Plan," a new term insurance plan, has been jointly introduced by Sun Life Insurance (ABSLI) and Policybazaar.
- Two-wheeler loans are now possible thanks to a partnership between BharatPe and OTO Capital, a digital commerce and lending platform.
- YES Bank has entered into a co-lending partnership with Newtap Finance Private Limited to provide personalised financing solutions for creditworthy individuals on payments platform CRED.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and ESAF Small Finance Bank have partnered to create the exclusive Inori RuPay Platinum Credit Card.
- Zeta, a global supplier of cutting-edge banking technology to financial institutions, has partnered up with HDFC Bank to provide the bank's UPI (CLOU) platform credit line services.
- A strategic agreement to grow their co-lending business has been announced by Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited (also known as Piramal Finance), and the Central Bank of India.
- Indian consumers now have fast access to digital credit thanks to a partnership between PayU, a fintech company sponsored by Naspers, and Amazon Pay Later.
- Consumer payments and lending company Slice has received approval from the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) for its merger with North East Small Finance Bank (NESFB).
- Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), a significant state-owned steel manufacturer, and Bank of Baroda (BoB) have agreed to a Rs.5,000 crore credit arrangement.

Ques : POP Launches India's First Multi-Brand Co-Branded Credit Card in Partnership with RuPay & __
POP ने भारत का पहला मल्टी-ब्रांड सह-ब्रांडेड क्रेडिट कार्ड लॉन्च किया RuPay और _ के साथ साझेदारी

- (a) South Indian Bank / साउथ इंडियन बैंक**
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक**
- (c) Yes Bank / यस बैंक**
- (d) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक**
- (e) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक**

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- YEB BANK POP-CLUB RuPay Credit Card Launched by POPtech Growth Private Limited (POP) & Yes Bank Limited Powered by RuPay
- Every transaction earns POPcoins for the cardholder, and using the card with POP UPI increases rewards.
- 10% POPcoins are earned for online transactions, 2% are earned for offline transactions, and an extra 5% are earned for POP UPI transactions.
- Within the POP app, POPcoins can be redeemed for goods in a variety of categories, including home goods, electronics, fashion, and cosmetics.

About POPtech Growth Private Limited :

- Established : 2023
- HQ : Bengaluru, Karnataka
- CEO : Thuong (Jayce) Nguyen

About YES Bank :

- Established : 2004
- HQ : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- MD & CEO : Prashant Kumar
- Chairman : Sunil Mehta
- Tagline : Experience our Expertise

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- Sampoorna Raksha Promise, the newest term insurance offering from Tata AIA Life Insurance, has been revealed. Upon notification of a death claim, the plan offers an instant reimbursement of Rs.3 lakh to cover emergency needs.
- The savings account called "Avni," which is only available to women, has been launched by Bandhan Bank.

Ques : Which Small Finance Bank is planning to expand its newly introduced Dabba Savings Accounts campaign across the country ?

कौन सा लघु वित्त बैंक पूरे देश में अपने नए शुरू किए गए डब्बा बचत खाता अभियान का विस्तार करने की योजना बना रहा है

(a) AU Small Finance Bank Limited / एयू स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड

(b) Capital Small Finance Bank Limited / कैपिटल स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड

(c) Fincare Small Finance Bank Limited / फिनकेयर स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड

(d) ESAF Small Finance Bank Limited / ESAF स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड

(e) North East Small Finance Bank Limited / उत्तर पूर्व स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The nation will soon witness the nationwide rollout of ESAF Small Finance Bank's recently launched Dabba Savings Account initiative.
- In line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the government's efforts to entice the unbanked into formal banking, the campaign seeks to advance financial inclusion.
- The Dabba Savings Account Campaign was recognized with many awards at the MAD Stars awards in Busan, South Korea, and recently received bronze in the Sustainable Development Goals category at the Cannes Lions International Festival of Creativity.
- The campaign targets women in low-income communities who lack bank accounts because they are inaccessible or fearful of banking procedures.
- In order to promote micro savings accounts—which are essential for cultivating a savings culture within the microbanking community—it is intended to cater to the financial demands of microbanking clients.

Ques : Ramon Magsaysay Award given in how many categories ?
रेमन मैग्सेसे पुरस्कार कितनी श्रेणियों में दिया जाता है?

- (a) 2
- (b) 3
- (c) 4
- (d) 5
- (e) 6

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Hayao Miyazaki, a Japanese anime filmmaker, was awarded the Ramon Magsaysay Award, sometimes known as Asia's Nobel Prize.
- The Ramon Magsaysay Award is Asia's highest honor, recognizing greatness of spirit and transformative leadership. It is presented in formal ceremonies in Manila, Philippines.
- Ramon Magsaysay Award established in 1957 and In 1958, Vinoba Bhave became the first Indian to win the Magsaysay Award.

Award was granted in six categories :

- Community Leadership: Recognizing a community's efforts to provide opportunity and improve the lives of the poor.
- Public Service : Recognize great public service by private citizens.
- Government Service: Recognizes exceptional public service in all branches of government, including executive, judicial, legislative, and military.
- Peace and International Understanding: Recognize contributions to promoting friendship, tolerance, peace, and solidarity as the basis for sustainable development within and between countries.
- Journalism, Literature, and Creative Communication Arts: Recognize the impact of effective writing, publishing, photography, radio, television, cinema, and performing arts on the public good.
- Emergent Leadership: Recognizes individuals under 40 years of age who have made remarkable contributions to social change in their community, but whose leadership may not be widely known outside of the community.

Recent News Headlines Related to Awards & Winners :

- ICC Emerging Asia Banking Conclave & Awards 2024 : Jana Small Finance Bank
- Prof. Dhiraj Mohan Banerjee : National Geoscience Award for Lifetime Achievement
- Dr. Ashutosh Pandey : National Young Geoscientist Award
- Arshad Nadeem (Pakistan) : second-highest civilian award of Pakistan Hilal-e-Imtiaz
- Abhinav Bindra : prestigious Olympic Order by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- President Droupadi Murmu : Grand Collar of the Order of Timor Leste (highest civilian honor)
- Global Water Tech Award 2024 : Delhi Metro Rail Corporation
- Prestigious V Venkayya Epigraphy Award : Tamil Epigrapher V. Vedachalam
- Customised gold coins by the Grevin Museum : Shah Rukh Khan
- International Excellence Award : CA Arpit Jagdish Kabra
- 'Best Performing State' under the Prime Minister SVANidhi scheme : Madhya Pradesh
- Awarded with Olympic Order by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) : Shooter Abhinav Bindra
- "Best Child and Women Development Initiatives of the Year 2024" : Sri Kurumba Educational and Charitable Trust
- COSPAR Harrie Massey Award : Prahlad Chandra Agrawal
- Golden sand master award : Sudarsan Pattnaik
- Gulbenkian Prize for Humanity 2024. : Andhra Pradesh Community Managed Natural Farming (APCNF)
- best state in Horticulture in the prestigious Agriculture Leadership Awards 2024 : Nagaland
- Order of St Andrew Russia's Highest Civilian Honour : Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- "Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur" Highest civilian award of France : Roshni Nadar Malhotra

Ques : Who among the following assumed the position of Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief (AOC-in-C) of Central Air Command?

निम्नलिखित में से किसने मध्य वायु कमान के एयर ऑफिसर कमांडिंग-इन-चीफ (AOC-in-C) का पद ग्रहण किया?

- (a) Ashutosh Dixit / आशुतोष दीक्षित**
- (b) Sujoy Lal Thaosen / सुजॉय लाल थाओसेन**
- (c) Vineet McCarty / विनीत मैक्कार्टी**
- (d) Tejinder Singh / तेजिंदर सिंह**
- (e) Subodh Kumar Jaiswal / सुबोध कुमार जयसवाल**

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit took over as the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Central Air Command.
- He graduated from the famous National Defence Academy, Defence Services Staff College (Bangladesh), and National Defence College, has actively engaged in a number of missions and exercises, including Op-Safed Sagar and Op-Rakshak.
- He was commissioned into the Indian Air Force's (IAF) fighter stream on December 6, 1986. The Air Officer is an Experimental Test Pilot and Qualified Flying Instructor with over 3300 hours of flight time on various IAF aircraft.
- The Hon'ble President of India has given him the Ati Vishisht Seva Medal, Vayu Sena Medal, and Vishisht Seva Medal in appreciation of his outstanding contribution.

Recent Defence related appointments :

- Air Marshal Tejinder Singh : Deputy Chief of the Indian Air Force
- Vice Admiral Rajesh Dhankhar : Director General of Project Seabird
- Rajwinder Singh Bhatti : Director General of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)

- B Srinivasan : Director General (DG) of National Security Guard
- Sanjeev Raina : ITBP Additional Director General
- Daljit Singh Chawdhary : additional charge of Director General of Border Security Force
- Hargobinder Singh Dhaliwal : Director General of Police (DGP) of Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- Captain Supreetha C.T. : first woman officer from the Corps of Army Air Defence, to be operationally deployed at Siachen Glacier
- Rajindra Khanna : Deputy National Security Adviser (NSA)
- Lt Gen NS Raja Subramani : Vice Chief of Army Staff
- Rear Adm Nelson D'Souza : Commandant, Military Institute of Technology, Pune
- Upendra Dwivedi : Chief of the Army Staff
- Sub Lieutenant Anamika B. Rajeev : Indian Navy's first woman helicopter pilot
- Vice Admiral Gurcharan Singh : Commandant in National Defence Academy
- Vice Admiral Sanjay Bhalla : Chief of Personnel of the Indian Navy
- IPS Officer Idashisha Nongrang : first woman Director General of Police (DGP) of Meghalaya state
- Nalin prabhat : Director general of the National Security Guard (NSG)
- Vice Admiral Dinesh Kumar Tripathi : Chief of the Naval Staff
- Sapna Tewari : Special Director in the Intelligence Bureau (IB)
- Jagjit Pavadia : Re-elected to International Narcotics Control Board
- IPS officer Love Kumar : Inspector General in SPG (Special Protection Group)
- S Rajeev : Vigilance Commissioner in the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC)
- Daljit Singh Chaudhary : Director General (DG) of the National Security Guard (NSG)
- Lieutenant General JS Sidana : 33rd Director General of the Department of Electronics and Mechanical Engineers (DGEME) and Senior Colonel Commandant of the EME Corps
- Anurag Agarwal : Head of Parliament security

Ques : World Health Organisation has declared Dhulikhel Becomes Second Healthiest City In Asia. It is in which country?

विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन ने घोषित किया है कि धुलीखेल एशिया का दूसरा सबसे स्वस्थ शहर बन गया है। यह किस देश में है?

- (a) Sri Lanka / श्रीलंका
- (b) Nepal / नेपाल
- (c) Bhutan / भूटान
- (d) India / भारत
- (e) Bangladesh / बांग्लादेश

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The World Health Organization recognizes Dhulikhel Municipality in Kavrepalanchok district as Nepal's first 'healthy city' and Asia's second-healthiest city.
- Dhulikhel has a score of 65.48, ranking second only to Pune's Banda City in India, which is the healthiest city in Asia.
- The municipality received USD 5,000 for implementing Healthy City initiatives.
- Dhulikhel Municipality has made progress towards four SDGs: poverty alleviation, decent education, access to safe drinking water, and zero carbon emissions.

About Nepal :

- Capital : Kathmandu
- Currency : Nepalese rupee
- President : Ram Chandra Paudel
- Prime minister : KP Sharma Oli

Ques : Which Edition of Durand Cup played this year ?
इस वर्ष डुरंद कप का कौन सा संस्करण खेला गया?

- (a) 131st
- (b) 132nd
- (c) 133rd
- (d) 134th
- (e) 135th

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The 133rd Durand Cup was held in Kolkata, Kokrajhar (Assam), Jamshedpur (Jharkhand), and Shillong (Meghalaya) from July 27 to August 31, 2024.
- Asia's oldest football event concluded on August 31, 2024, at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan in Kolkata, West Bengal.
- NorthEast United Football Club won their maiden Durand Cup trophy by defeating defending champion Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG) 4-3 in a penalty shootout.
- Mohun Bagan Super Giant football club, the most successful team in the history of the Durand Cup, having won it 17 times.

Title Winners :

- Golden Boot (top goal scorer) : Noah Sadaoui scored six goals (Kerala Blasters Football Club)
- Golden Glove (Best Goalkeeper) : Gurmeet Singh (NorthEast United Football Club)
- Golden Ball (Best player of the tournament) : Jithin MS (NorthEast United Football Club)

About Durand Cup :

- Started : 1888 at Shimla by the British India Army
- It is the oldest football tournament in India and Asia.
- The event is named after Mortimer Durand, the then-foreign secretary of British India.

Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Himanshi Tokas won a silver medal at the Asian Cadet and Junior Judo Championships in Mungyeong, South Korea.
- In the Paris Paralympic Games, Indian shooter Rubina Francis won bronze in the women's 10-meter air pistol SH1 final qualification round.
- Yogesh Kathuniya of India won his second consecutive Paralympic silver medal in the men's discus throw F-56 event with a season-best effort of 42.22m at the current Games in Paris.
- Aarti opened India's medal tally at the World U20 Athletics Championships in Lima, Peru, by winning a bronze medal in the women's 10000m race walk event in the national U20 record time.
- Karthik Venkataraman won the 61st edition of the Indian National Championship by scoring 9/11 points in the event organised by the Haryana Chess Association.
- The 8th Women's Asian Champions Trophy Hockey Tournament will take place in Rajgir, Bihar, in 2024. India is hosting the competition for the second time in a row.
- Bangladesh team has won the title of SAFF (South Asian Football Federation) Under-20 Championship Football Tournament.
- Hockey India has revealed their updated national men's hockey team for the 8th Men's Asian Champions Trophy in 2024, which will be captained by Harmanpreet Singh.
- In the women's 10m Air Rifle competition, Indian competitors Avani Lekhara and Mona Agarwal took home the gold and bronze medals, respectively.
- Indian wrestler Ronak Dahiya won Bronze medal in Men's Greco-Roman 110 kilograms event at Under-17 World Wrestling Championship in Jordan.
- Tanvi Patri, an Odisha girl of 14 years old, defeated Vietnamese player Nguyen Thi Thu Huyen in the final to win the Asian U-15 Junior Championships 2024 women's singles title.
- Max Verstappen was defeated by Lando Norris at the Zandvoort Dutch Grand Prix.

India received the silver medal at the Asian Surfing Championship 2024, which was held in Thulusdhoo, Maldives, in the Maruhaba Cup, a prominent team event.

- Mother-of-two Diana Pundole, a Pune-based teacher, broke over the glass ceiling when she won the saloon class national championship at the MRF Indian National Car Racing Championship 2024, which was held in Chennai.
- The Indian men's cricket team captain Rohit Sharma was awarded the 23th CEAT International Cricketer of the Year Award at a ceremony held in Mumbai.
- Para-athletes Sumit Antil, a gold medallist at the Tokyo Paralympic Games, and Bhagyashri Jadhav, a shot putter, have been selected by the Paralympic Committee of India to represent their country in the opening ceremony of the 2024 Paris Paralympic Games.

Ques : Who unveiled the new flag and insignia of the Supreme Court of India ?

भारत के सर्वोच्च न्यायालय के नए ध्वज और प्रतीक चिन्ह का अनावरण किसने किया?

- (a) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी
- (b) Amit Shah / अमित शाह
- (c) Rajnath Singh / राजनाथ सिंह
- (d) Droupadi Murmu / द्रौपदी मुर्मू
- (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar / जगदीप धनखड़

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- During the two-day National Conference of District Judiciary in New Delhi, President Droupadi Murmu revealed the Supreme Court of India's new flag and emblem.
- The blue flag represents trust, wisdom, and justice, and includes key symbols of Indian identity.

- Along with the flag, the new Supreme Court symbol was unveiled. The text "Supreme Court of India" and the Sanskrit phrase "Yato Dharmastato Jayah" are inscribed in Devanagari script.
- This saying means "Where there is Dharma, there is victory" or "Victory lies where Dharma (righteousness) prevails."
- Also Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled a commemorative postage stamp celebrating 75 years of the Supreme Court of India District Judges Conference at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.

Ques : Which country will host the 19th Internet Governance Forum (IGF) from December 2024?

कौन सा देश दिसंबर 2024 से 19वें इंटरनेट गवर्नेंस फोरम (IGF) की मेजबानी करेगा?

- (a) Iran / ईरान
- (b) India / भारत
- (c) UAE / यूएई
- (d) Syria / सीरिया
- (e) Saudi Arabia / सऊदी अरब

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Saudi Arabia will host the 19th Internet Governance Forum (IGF) from December 15–19, 2024, at the King Abdulaziz International Conference Center in Riyadh.
- The IGF is a global multi-stakeholder platform. The UN-organized event, which has been held since 2006, promotes conversations on public policy concerns concerning the internet, allows information sharing, experience exchange, and collaboration to find answers.
- The forum's goal is to obtain an agreement among governments, the commercial sector, and non-profit groups on measures that will strengthen global internet governance.

- The five-day event is projected to attract over 10,000 people from 160 nations, including over 1,000 international speakers.

About Saudi Arabia :

- Capital- Riyadh
- Currency- Saudi riyal
- Prime minister- Mohammed bin Salman Al Saud

Ques : FICCI Honours _____ and Neeraj Chopra as Youth Icons of India.

फिक्की ने _____ और नीरज चोपड़ा को भारत के युवा प्रतीक के रूप में सम्मानित किया

- (a) Sanjana Sanghi / संजना सांघी
- (b) Aamir Khan / आमिर खान
- (c) Rajkummar Rao / राजकुमार राव
- (d) Vicky Kaushal / विकी कौशल
- (e) Ayushmann Khurrana / आयुष्मान खुराना

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) recently organized its prestigious Young Leaders Awards in New Delhi.
- This event showcased the achievements of artists, entrepreneurs, and social leaders, highlighting their contributions to society and their respective industries.

FICCI Young Leaders Youth Icon award Winners are :

- Ayushmann Khurrana : Bollywood superstar and versatile actor
- Neeraj Chopra : Olympic gold medalist in javelin throw

About Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) :

- **President:** Subhrakant Panda
- **Founded:** 1927
- **Founder:** Ghanshyam Das Birla
- **Headquarters:** New Delhi

Ques : Where was the India Bio-Energy & Tech Expo 2024 organised?

इंडिया बायो-एनर्जी एंड टेक एक्सपो 2024 कहाँ आयोजित किया गया?

- (a) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- (b) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली
- (c) Chennai / चेन्नई
- (d) Greater Noida / ग्रेटर नोएडा
- (e) Gurugram / गुरुग्राम

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister for Road Transports and Highways, and Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas, jointly opened the India Bio-Energy & Tech Expo 2024 in New Delhi.
- The India Bio-Energy & Tech Expo 2024, organized by the Indian Federation of Green Energy and MMACTIV Sci-Tech Communications Ltd, took place in New Delhi.
- Both ministers recognized significant companies in the bioenergy industry for their contributions to increasing production and supply.
- The India Bio-Energy & Tech Expo 2024 brings stakeholders together to discuss the future of bioenergy technologies and promote India's efforts.

Ques : India, Sri Lanka, ____, Maldives sign Charter and MoU for establishment of Colombo Security Conclave Secretariat.

भारत, श्रीलंका, __, मालदीव ने कोलंबो सुरक्षा कॉन्क्लेव सचिवालय की स्थापना के लिए चार्टर और समझौता जापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए

- (a) Netherland / नीदरलैंड**
- (b) Mauritius / मॉरीशस**
- (c) Brazil / ब्राजील**
- (d) Chad / चाड**
- (e) Scotland / स्कॉटलैंड**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- India, the Maldives, Mauritius, and Sri Lanka have signed a Charter and an MoU to establish the Colombo Security Conclave (CSC) Secretariat in Colombo to address security and stability concerns in the Indian Ocean Region.
- National Security Advisor Ajit Doval stressed the significance of the Colombo Security Conclave in tackling classic, nontraditional, and emergent hybrid security concerns.
- He emphasized the importance of long-term regional collaboration across multiple security pillars.
- The Government of Sri Lanka sponsored the signing event in Colombo. Seychelles has an observer status in the Colombo Security Conclave

There are five pillars of cooperation under the CSC :

- Maritime Safety and Security
- Countering Terrorism and Radicalisation
- Combating Trafficking and Transnational Organised Crime
- Cyber Security and Protection of Critical Infrastructure and Technology
- Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief.

Ques : World Coconut Day is celebrated annually on which day?

विश्व नारियल दिवस प्रतिवर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 1 September**
- (b) 2 September**
- (c) 3 September**
- (d) 4 September**
- (e) 5 September**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- World Coconut Day is celebrated annually on September 2nd.
- Objective – To promote the importance of coconuts worldwide. This versatile fruit is crucial in agriculture, nutrition, and the economy in many tropical regions.
- World Coconut Day was established in 2009 by the Asian and Pacific Coconut Community (APCC), an intergovernmental organization under the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Ques : World Skyscraper Day is celebrated every year on which day?

विश्व गगनचुंबी इमारत दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 1 September**
- (b) 2 September**
- (c) 3 September**
- (d) 4 September**
- (e) 5 September**

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- World Skyscraper Day is celebrated every year on September 3.
- It is a tribute to the breathtaking structures that have transformed the cities. These structures are testaments to human creativity, engineering prowess and an unwavering drive to reach for the skies.
- The World Skyscraper Day has its roots in the history of modern skyscrapers.
- The date was decided to commemorate the birthday of Louis H. Sullivan, an American architect also known as the Father of Skyscrapers. His work includes stunning designs and layouts.
- He designed some of America's most iconic structures, including the Wainwright Building, Union Trust Building and Prudential Building.

Important days :

- 7 August : National Javelin Day
- 7 August : National Handloom Day
- 9 August : Nagasaki Day 2024 (Theme 2024 Together with the Hibakusha, let us achieve a nuclear weaponfree, peaceful, and just world—for the future of humankind and our planet)
- 9 August : International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples (Theme 2024 – Protecting the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Voluntary Isolation and Initial Contact)
- 10 August : World Lion Day (Theme 2024 : Celebrating the King of the Jungle)
- 10 August : World Biofuel Day 2024 (Theme 2024 Sustainable Biofuels: Fueling a Greener Future)
- 12 August : International Youth Day (Theme 2024 – From Clicks to Progress: Youth Digital Pathways for Sustainable Development)

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महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

- क्लियरटैक्स ने भारत में 20 मिलियन से अधिक भारतीय गिग वर्कर्स के लिए टैक्स फाइलिंग को आसान बनाने के लिए माइक्रोसॉफ्ट के साथ हाथ मिलाया है।
- रूसी सैनिकों ने हाल ही में ग्रोम-ई1 हाइब्रिड मिसाइल से यूक्रेन के खार्किव पर हमला किया। यह हवा से सतह पर मार करने वाली मिसाइल है जिसकी अधिकतम सीमा 120 किमी (75 मील) है।
- चेन्नई स्थित फिनटेक स्टार्टअप पेशार्प प्राइवेट लिमिटेड को पेमेंट एग्रीगेटर (पीए) के रूप में कार्य करने के लिए भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (आरबीआई) से अंतिम प्राधिकरण प्राप्त हुआ।
- राष्ट्रीय डिजिटल भारत मिशन और एनआईआईटी फाउंडेशन के संयुक्त उद्यम के साथ 2017 में शुरू की गई डिजिटल बस पहल ने अब तक तीन लाख से अधिक लाभार्थियों को प्रभावित किया है।
- पेरिस पैरालिंपिक 2024 में, भारतीय पैरा एथलीट प्रीति पाल ने महिलाओं की 200 मीटर - टी35 फाइनल में कांस्य पदक जीतकर भारत के लिए एक और पदक हासिल किया।
- एक्सिस बैंक ने इनोवेटिव डिजिटल सॉल्यूशंस पेश किए: यूपीआई-एटीएम और बिजनेस के लिए भारत कनेक्ट। यूपीआई-एटीएम किसी भी यूपीआई एप्लिकेशन (ऐप) का उपयोग करके कार्ड रहित नकद निकासी और जमा प्रणाली है।
- भारतीय रेलवे (आईआर) ने अपने भर्ती पोर्टल को डिजीलॉकर के साथ विलय कर दिया है, जिससे भर्ती प्रक्रिया 18-24 महीने से घटकर 6 महीने से भी कम हो गई है।
- असम के 15 वर्षीय शतरंज अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मास्टर मयंक चक्रवर्ती ने ग्रीस में आयोजित जीएम नॉर्म टूर्नामेंट में अपना दूसरा ग्रैंड मास्टर नॉर्म जीता है।
- भारतीय पुरुष राष्ट्रीय स्क्वैश चैंपियन, अभय सिंह ने 2024 तुआंकु मुहरिज़ ट्रॉफी का पुरुष एकल खिताब जीता और मलेशिया की ऐरा अज़ामन ने महिला एकल खिताब जीता।

Ques : The World Bank revised its FY25 growth forecast for India to how much per cent from its previous estimate of 6.6%?

विश्व बैंक ने भारत के लिए वित्त वर्ष 2025 के विकास पूर्वानुमान को 6.6% के अपने पिछले अनुमान से संशोधित कर कितने प्रतिशत कर दिया है?

- (a) 6.8%**
- (b) 7.0%**
- (c) 7.2%**
- (d) 7.4%**
- (e) 7.5%**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The World Bank upped India's FY25 growth forecast to 7%, up from 6.6% previously.
- The improvement reflects the Indian government's ongoing capital expenditure on infrastructure, an increase in household real estate investments, higher-than-expected monsoon and agricultural output, and increased private consumption, according to the report.
- Moody's raised its economic growth forecast for India to 7.2% in 2024 and 6.6% in 2025, up from earlier estimates of 6.8% and 6.4%, respectively, citing broad-based development.
- According to their predictions, India's debt-to-GDP ratio will fall from 83.9% in FY24 to 82% in FY27, while the current account deficit is expected to remain between 1% and 1.6% of GDP through FY27.

Updated GDP List :

- World Bank – 7% (FY25)
- Moody's – 7.2% (FY24), 6.6% (FY25)
- Goldman Sachs – 6.7% (CY24), 6.4% (CY24)
- Deloitte – 7 – 7.2% (FY25)
- India Ratings – 7.5% (FY25)
- FICCI – 7% (FY25)
- ADB – 7% (FY25), 7.2%(FY26)

Ques : Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) established in which year ?

भारतीय बीमा विनियामक और विकास प्राधिकरण (IRDAI) की स्थापना किस वर्ष में हुई?

- (a) 1956**
- (b) 1965**
- (c) 1972**
- (d) 1985**
- (e) 1999**

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has issued a Master Circular to streamline norms on policyholder protection.
- The Master Circular replaces 30 previous circulars and consolidates them into a comprehensive document.
- Both life and health insurance contracts include a 30-day free look period, which allows policyholders to review policy terms and conditions.
- Most policies do not require a premium proposal deposit, with the exception of those where risk coverage begins immediately upon receipt of premium.
- IRDAI's Bima Bharosa website allows policyholders to search for unclaimed money.

About IRDAI :

- Established : 1999
- Headquarters : Hyderabad, Telangana
- Chairperson : Debasish Panda
- The IRDAI is a statutory body under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance (MoF), Government of India (GoI) and is tasked with regulating and licensing the insurance and reinsurance industries in India.

Ques : Max Life Forms Bancassurance Partnership with ____
मैक्स लाइफ ने _ के साथ बैंक एश्योरेंस साझेदारी बनाई

- (a) City Union Bank / सिटी यूनियन बैंक**
- (b) Indian Overseas Bank / इंडियन ओवरसीज बैंक**
- (c) Union Bank of India / यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया**
- (d) Karnataka Bank / कर्नाटक बैंक**
- (e) CSB Bank / सीएसबी बैंक**

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Max Life Insurance Company Limited has formed a bancassurance collaboration with CSB Bank, a private sector bank in India.
- Over 2.5 million CSB Bank clients will benefit from a variety of savings, protection, retirement, and group life insurance programs through the agreement.
- Max Life will offer its comprehensive insurance products to CSB Bank customers, assisting them in achieving their goals and protecting their loved ones at various life stages.
- Bancassurance is an insurance distribution mechanism in which insurance companies work with banks to market policies.

About Max Life Insurance Company Limited :

- Established : 2001
- Headquarters : New Delhi, Delhi, India
- MD & CEO : Prashant Tripathy
- It is an 80:20 joint venture between Max Financial Services and Axis Bank. The company is a subsidiary of the publicly-listed Max Financial Services.

About CSB Bank :

- Established : 26 November 1920
- Headquarters : Thrissur, Kerala, India
- MD & CEO : Pralay Mondal

Recently signed banking agreements

- Ashok Leyland, a commercial vehicle maker, has inked an MoU with Bandhan Bank. To provide financial solutions, including vehicle loans.
- Visa and the Tourism & Hospitality Skill Council inked a 3-year partnership of up to \$1 million USD This initiative, designed to up skill at least 20,000 Indian youth in tourism-relevant skills.
- To introduce its UPI Third Party Application Provider (TPAP) service, BharatPe has teamed up with Unity Bank. The "postpe" app has been renamed "BharatPe," and UPI payments are now accepted on it.
- Birla Aditya The "Income Suraksha Plan," a new term insurance plan, has been jointly introduced by Sun Life Insurance (ABSLI) and Policybazaar.
- Two-wheeler loans are now possible thanks to a partnership between BharatPe and OTO Capital, a digital commerce and lending platform.
- YES Bank has entered into a co-lending partnership with Newtap Finance Private Limited to provide personalised financing solutions for creditworthy individuals on payments platform CRED.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and ESAF Small Finance Bank have partnered to create the exclusive Inori RuPay Platinum Credit Card.
- Zeta, a global supplier of cutting-edge banking technology to financial institutions, has partnered up with HDFC Bank to provide the bank's UPI (CLOU) platform credit line services.
- A strategic agreement to grow their co-lending business has been announced by Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited (also known as Piramal Finance), and the Central Bank of India.
- Indian consumers now have fast access to digital credit thanks to a partnership between PayU, a fintech company sponsored by Naspers, and Amazon Pay Later.
- Consumer payments and lending company Slice has received approval from the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) for its merger with North East Small Finance Bank (NESFB).

**Ques : Finance Ministry Eases Rules for Expenditures Over
_____to Speed Up Capex**

**वित्त मंत्रालय ने पूंजीगत व्यय में तेजी लाने के लिए __ से अधिक के
व्यय के नियमों को आसान बनाया**

- (a) Rs.500 Crore**
- (b) Rs.600 Crore**
- (c) Rs.700 Crore**
- (d) Rs.800 Crore**
- (e) Rs.900 Crore**

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- The Finance Ministry has loosened spending limits above Rs.500 crore to speed up capital expenditure (capex) for the current fiscal year.
- The fiscal year's capital expenditure target is a record Rs.11.11 lakh crore, up 11.1% from the previous plan.
- The relaxation intends to increase government spending, which had previously halted due to the general elections.
- Financial Advisers will now review and freeze the timing of dividend receipts and other non-tax receipts for their respective ministries and departments.
- Dividend payments and buyback considerations will be targeted for the first half of the financial year.

Ques : _____ Raises \$300 Million by Issuing 5-Year Bonds via IFSC Banking Unit
_____ ने IFSC बैंकिंग यूनिट के माध्यम से 5-वर्षीय बांड जारी करके \$300 मिलियन जुटाए

- (a) Canara Bank / केनरा बैंक**
- (b) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक**
- (c) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक**
- (d) UCO Bank / यूको बैंक**
- (e) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक**

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Canara Bank has issued \$300 million in 5-year bonds.
- The bonds were issued under the bank's USD 3 billion Medium-Term Note (MTN) program through its IFSC Banking Unit.
- The 5-year bond is priced at T+125 basis points, with a semi-annual coupon rate of 4.896% and a maturity date of September 11, 2029.
- The proceeds from the bonds will be used by the issuer's IFSC/GIFT banking unit for general corporate purposes.
- The last benchmark bond, issued in 2019, was priced at T+170 basis points and matured on March 28, 2024.

About Canara Bank :

- Founded : 1906
- Headquarters : Bangalore, Karnataka, India
- MD & CEO : K Satyanarayana Raju
- Tagline : Together We Can

Ques : _____ Launches Digital Film to Support Indian Athletes for Paralympic Games Paris 2024

_____ ने पैरालिंपिक गेम्स पेरिस 2024 के लिए भारतीय एथलीटों का समर्थन करने के लिए डिजिटल फिल्म लॉन्च की

- (a) Canara HSBC Life Insurance / केनरा एचएसबीसी जीवन बीमा**
- (b) Bharti AXA Insurance / भारती एक्सा इंश्योरेंस**
- (c) SBI Life Insurance / एसबीआई लाइफ इंश्योरेंस**
- (d) Max Life Insurance / मैक्स लाइफ इंश्योरेंस**
- (e) HDFC Life Insurance / एचडीएफसी लाइफ इंश्योरेंस**

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- SBI Life Insurance has released a new digital short to promote the Indian delegation in the Paralympic Games Paris 2024.
- The film intends to portray the inspirational stories of three para athletes: Simran Sharma (runner), Ashok Malik (powerlifter), and Mona Agarwal (shooting), demonstrating their unwavering determination.
- The digital film encapsulates the idea of 'IRADDE', representing the athletes' tenacity, and is consistent with SBI Life's philosophy, 'Apne Liye, Apno Ke Liye'.
- It demonstrates how loved ones' support and strength enable these Paralympians to overcome obstacles and achieve their goals.

About SBI Life Insurance :

- Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
- MD & CEO : Mr. Amit Jhigran
- It was incorporated in October 2000 and was registered with the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) in March 2001.
- It is a joint venture between State Bank of India (SBI) and French financial institution BNP Paribas Cardif.

Ques : _____ Introduces Special Fixed Deposit with Interest Rates Up to 7.9% for Limited Tenure

__ ने सीमित अवधि के लिए 7.9% तक की ब्याज दरों के साथ विशेष सावधि जमा की शुरुआत की

- (a) J&K Bank / जे एंड के बैंक**
- (b) Indian Overseas Bank / इंडियन ओवरसीज बैंक**
- (c) Bank of India / बैंक ऑफ इंडिया**
- (d) Karnataka Bank / कर्नाटक बैंक**
- (e) Central Bank of India / सेंट्रल बैंक ऑफ इंडिया**

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Bank of India has announced a special tenor fixed deposit scheme called Star Dhan Vriddhi, which will pay senior residents up to 7.9% in interest.
- The Bank of India has changed its FD interest rates for amounts less than Rs 3 crore and launched a new special FD tenure of 333 days at higher rates.
- Following the change, the bank will provide FD interest rates ranging from 3% to 7.25% for terms ranging from 7 days to 10 years to regular clients.
- This term has the highest interest rates, at 7.25% for regular people, 7.75% for senior citizens, and 7.90% for super seniors.
- These tariffs are effective September 1, 2024.

About BoI :

- Founded : 7 September 1906
- Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- MD & CEO : Rajneesh Karnatak
- Tagline : Relationship beyond banking

Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- ESAF Small Finance Bank's recently launched Dabba Savings Account initiative
- Star Health and Allied Insurance Company Limited has introduced an insurance policy in Braille named 'Special Care Gold'.
- YEB BANK POP-CLUB RuPay Credit Card Launched by POPtech Growth Private Limited (POP) & Yes Bank Limited Powered by RuPay
- Global payments technology company Mastercard announced the global launch of its new Payment Passkey Service.
- GIGA is a full financial suite designed specifically for Indian gig workers and freelancers, and it was unveiled by HDFC Bank Limited.
- Being the first bank to do so, Karnataka Bank will provide personal loans via the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC).
- Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), a key player in the energy sector in India, and RBL Bank have partnered to introduce the co-branded credit card XTRA at the Global Fintech Fest (GFF) in Mumbai.
- High-End Credit Card "ETERNA" on RuPay Network Launched by BOBCARD Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda (BOB).
- Tata AIA Life launches 'Sampoorna Raksha Promise' product with Rs.3 lakh instant payout feature.
- DigiPassBook, a new feature on HDFC Bank's SmartWealth app, enables users to manage all of their investments from a single location.
- Axis Bank Limited launches 'Neo for Merchants', a transformative mobile app which will act as a one stop solution for the merchant community, in partnership with VISA and Mintoak.
- Ecommerce major Amazon India has launched its artificial intelligence (AI)- powered shopping assistant 'Rufus' in India.

Ques : Which government has introduced the Digital Media Policy, 2024 ?

किस सरकार ने डिजिटल मीडिया नीति, 2024 पेश की है?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश**
- (b) Gujarat / गुजरात**
- (c) Rajasthan / राजस्थान**
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र**
- (e) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश**

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- The Uttar Pradesh government's Digital Media Policy, 2024 encourages social media influencers to promote state programs, schemes, and successes on various online platforms.
- Influencers can earn up to Rs.8 lakh per month based on platform and category.
- X, Facebook, and Instagram: Payments of Rs.5 lakh, Rs.4 lakh, Rs.3 lakh, and Rs.2 lakh.
- Payments for YouTube videos, shorts, and podcasts range from Rs.8 lakh to Rs.4 lakh.

About Uttar Pradesh :

- Capital : Lucknow
- CM : Yogi Adityanath
- Governor : Anandiben Patel
- Classical Dance : Kathak National Park Dudhwa National Park

Ques : ____ & SAFHAL Signed an Airframer Contract to Develop and Produce 'Aravalli' Helicopter Engines
__ और SAFHAL ने 'अरावली' हेलीकॉप्टर इंजन के विकास और उत्पादन के लिए एक एयरफ्रेमर अनुबंध पर हस्ताक्षर किए

- (a) DRDO**
- (b) ISRO**
- (c) NASA**
- (d) HAL**
- (e) None of these**

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and SAFHAL Helicopter Engines Private Limited (SAFHAL) have signed an airframer contract to design, develop, produce, supply, and maintain a new high-power engine called "Aravalli".

The Aravalli engine will power the 13-ton Medium Lift class Indian MultiRole Helicopter (IMRH) and Deck-Based Multi-Role Helicopter (DBMRH), both designed and built by HAL.

The engine is called after the Aravalli Mountain Range (AMR), representing India's goal of self-reliance in crucial engine technology.

About the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited :

Established : 1940

HQ : Bengaluru, Karnataka

CMD : C.B. Ananthakrishnan

Recent News Headlines related to Defence

- The President of Ukraine recently declared that the nation's defense industry-produced Hrim-2 ballistic missile, which is its first, has been successfully tested.
- Goa Shipyard (GSL) has launched the first of two indigenous Pollution Control Vessels (PCVs) for the Indian Coast Guard, marking a major step towards self-reliance in defense manufacture.
- India has reordered 73,000 SIG716 assault weapons from SiG Sauer Inc., a US company.
- Axiom Space & Nokia Partners To Bring 4G Technology in NASA's Lunar Spacesuits. It will be used for NASA's Artemis III lunar mission.
- Kim Jong Un, the leader of North Korea, recently revealed a brand-new kind of "suicide drone." These drones are made to behave like guided missiles.
- India launched its first reusable hybrid rocket, named RHUMI-1. Space Zone India, a start-up based in Tamil Nadu, worked with the Martin Group to develop the rocket. The rocket was launched from Chennai, India's Thiruvudandhai.
- Launched from SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket carried the satellite Tanager-1, which was created by an alliance of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).
- The Shaheen-II surface-to-surface ballistic missile was successfully launched into training by the Pakistani military lately.
- Swadeshi (indigenous) Kamikaze Drones are do-or-die Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) powered by in-house engines that can propel them up to 1,000 kilometers (km) in the air. These drones were recently introduced by the National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL).
- Elon Musk's Starlink, SpaceX's satellite division, has been given permission by Sri Lanka's telecoms authority to offer satellite internet services there.

Ques : L'Oreal Paris, a French cosmetics company, has appointed __ as its new brand ambassador.

फ्रांसीसी सौंदर्य प्रसाधन कंपनी लोरियल पेरिस ने __ को अपना नया ब्रांड एंबेसडर नियुक्त किया है।

- (a) Kareena Kapoor / करीना कपूर**
- (b) Alia Bhatt / आलिया भट्ट**
- (c) Ananaya Pandey / अनन्या पांडे**
- (d) Katrina Kaif / कैटरीना कैफ**
- (e) Sunny Leone / सनी लिओनी**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

Leading French cosmetics company L'Oreal Paris has named Bollywood actress Alia Bhatt as its new worldwide brand ambassador.

Bhatt joins a broad group of L'Oreal brand ambassadors, including Viola Davis, Jane Fonda, Eva Longoria, Kendall Jenner, Elle Fanning, Camila Cabello, and many more.

She will star in the French beauty brand's campaigns beginning in September 2024.

Bhatt represents L'Oreal Paris' core values of inclusivity and empowerment, demonstrating the transformational power of self-belief to women all throughout the world.

Recent Headlines Related to Brand Ambassador :

- Salman Khan : GRM Basmati Rice
- Shikhar Dhawan : MotoGP
- Aditya Roy Kapur : Bisleri Limonata
- PV Sindhu : Greenday's 'Better Nutrition' brand
- Shah Rukh Khan : Muthoot Pappachan Group (MPG)
- Pakistan's Shahid Afridi : brand ambassador of 9th ICC Men's T20 World Cup
- Kareena Kapoor : UNICEF India as its new National Ambassador
- Sana Mir : ambassador for the upcoming ICC Women's T20 World Cup
- Mahendra Singh Dhoni : French carmaker Citroen made him as its brand ambassador in India
- Usain Bolt : brand ambassador for the 9th ICC Men's T-20 World Cup
- Valerie Adams : International Event Ambassador for the "16th edition of Tata Consultancy Services' (TCS) World 10K Bengaluru (Karnataka)"

Ques : India's Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar clinched the bronze medal in the mixed compound open _____ event at the Paris 2024 Paralympics.

भारत की शीतल देवी और राकेश कुमार ने पेरिस 2024 पैरालिंपिक में मिश्रित कंपाउंड ओपन _____ स्पर्धा में कांस्य पदक जीता।

- (a) Tennis / टेनिस
- (b) Chess / शतरंज
- (c) Badminton / बैडमिंटन
- (d) Wushu / वुशु
- (e) Archery / तीरंदाजी

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- India's Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar won bronze in the mixed compound open archery event at the Paris 2024 Paralympics.
- The duo won a nail-biting encounter against Italy's Eleonora Sarti and Matteo Bonacina by a single point (156-155).
- Sheetal Dev, then 17, became India's youngest Paralympic medalist in history. She was the only female armless archer in Paris 2024.
- Rakesh Kumar, 39, won his first Paralympic medal after years of consistent performance at the highest level. He won gold medals at both the Para World Championship and the Asian Para Games

Recent News headlines related to Sports

- The 133rd Durand Cup was held in Kolkata, Kokrajhar (Assam), Jamshedpur (Jharkhand), and Shillong (Meghalaya) from July 27 to August 31, 2024.
- NorthEast United Football Club won their maiden Durand Cup trophy by defeating defending champion Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG) 4-3 in a penalty shootout
- Himanshi Tokas won a silver medal at the Asian Cadet and Junior Judo Championships in Mungyeong, South Korea.
- In the Paris Paralympic Games, Indian shooter Rubina Francis won bronze in the women's 10-meter air pistol SH1 final qualification round.
- Yogesh Kathuniya of India won his second consecutive Paralympic silver medal in the men's discus throw F-56 event with a season-best effort of 42.22m at the current Games in Paris.
- Aarti opened India's medal tally at the World U20 Athletics Championships in Lima, Peru, by winning a bronze medal in the women's 10000m race walk event in the national U20 record time.
- Karthik Venkataraman won the 61st edition of the Indian National Championship by scoring 9/11 points in the event organised by the Haryana Chess Association.

- The 8th Women's Asian Champions Trophy Hockey Tournament will take place in Rajgir, Bihar, in 2024. India is hosting the competition for the second time in a row.
- Bangladesh team has won the title of SAFF (South Asian Football Federation) Under-20 Championship Football Tournament.
- Hockey India has revealed their updated national men's hockey team for the 8th Men's Asian Champions Trophy in 2024, which will be captained by Harmanpreet Singh.
- In the women's 10m Air Rifle competition, Indian competitors Avani Lekhara and Mona Agarwal took home the gold and bronze medals, respectively.
- Indian wrestler Ronak Dahiya won Bronze medal in Men's Greco-Roman 110 kilograms event at Under-17 World Wrestling Championship in Jordan.
- Tanvi Patri, an Odisha girl of 14 years old, defeated Vietnamese player Nguyen Thi Thu Huyen in the final to win the Asian U-15 Junior Championships 2024 women's singles title.
- Max Verstappen was defeated by Lando Norris at the Zandvoort Dutch Grand Prix.
- India received the silver medal at the Asian Surfing Championship 2024, which was held in Thulusdhoo, Maldives, in the Maruhaba Cup, a prominent team event.

**Ques : Procurement of 240 aero-engines (AL-31FP) for SU-30 MKI fighter aircraft from _ _ _
_ _ _ से SU-30 MKI लड़ाकू विमान के लिए 240 एयरो-इंजन (AL-31FP) की खरीद**

- (a) DRDO**
- (b) ISRO**
- (c) NASA**
- (d) HAL**
- (e) None of these**

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

The Cabinet Committee on Security, led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, authorized a proposal to purchase 240 AL-31FP engines for Russian-origin SU-30 MKI fighter aircraft from Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) at a cost of around Rs.26,000 crore.

The MoD approved a Rs.60,000 crore upgrade for the Indian Air Force's SU-30 MKI fleet to extend operational life.

The Ministry of Defence said the proposal for upgrade of SU-30 MKI has been given nod under Buy (Indian) category and the delivery of these aero-engines would start after one year and complete over a period of eight years.

SU-30 MKI fighter aircraft is the fourth-generation fighter jet powered by two AL-31 FP aero engines. AL-31FP is a high temperature turbojet by-pass engine of modular design.

The Su-30MKI fleet of IAF was fitted with air-launched version of BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles and was successfully tested in November 2017.

Ques : Which state government recently introduced the "Brindavan Gram Scheme"?

हाल ही में किस राज्य सरकार ने "बृन्दावन ग्राम योजना" शुरू की है?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश**
- (b) Gujarat / गुजरात**
- (c) Rajasthan / राजस्थान**
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र**
- (e) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश**

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The Madhya Pradesh government has authorized the 'Brindavan Gram' program, which will create 'gaushalas' and other schemes for the benefit of villages.
- This plan is the flagship of Chief Minister Mohan Yadav, who made a formal declaration on Janmashtami.
- The selected gram panchayats will be called 'Brindavan Gram'. Madhya Pradesh has 313 blocks, and one gram panchayat will be selected from each. Gaushalas (cow shelters) will be built, and milk output will be increased.

About Madhya Pradesh :

- Capital – Bhopal
- Chief Minister – Dr Mohan Yadav (replace Shivraj Singh Chauhan)
- Deputy CM – Jagdish Devda & Rajendra Shukla
- Speaker of Madhya Pradesh Assembly – Narendra Singh Tomar
- Governor – Mangubhai C. Patel

Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

- Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM-JANMAN) Launched in 2023.
- Information, Education and Communication (IEC) Campaign on PMJANMAN mission, to raise awareness and ensure 100% saturation of Government Schemes. Launched by Union Minister for Tribal Affairs.
- 'Vigyan Dhara' scheme under Department of Science and Technology, aim is to foster research, innovation, and technology development in addition to increasing capacity in science and technology
- Mukhyamantri Bal Paushtik Aahar Yojana (MBPAY) Launched by Himachal Pradesh (HP) Chief Minister(CM) Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu To provide nutritious food to children in government-run schools.
- Odisha state government has launched the Subhadra scheme under which Rs.50,000 will be provided over five years to one crore women between the ages of 21 and 60
- Scooters manufactured by Ola Electric, model numbers S1 X 3 kWh and S1 X 4 kWh, have been certified as complying with the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for the automotive and auto component industries.
- The Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana was started by the Department of Post, which is part of the Union Ministry of Communication, to encourage student research and scholarship in stamps throughout the nation.
- The Unified Pension System (UPS) for its employees has been approved by the Union Cabinet. The current National Pension System (NPS) will be replaced with the new plan Unified Pension System (UPS).
- On the occasion of Raksha Bandhan, the Maharashtra government, led by Eknath Shinde, is scheduled to formally introduce the "Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana."
- Yogi Adityanath, the chief minister of Uttar Pradesh, introduced the "Mukhyamantri Yuva Udyam Vikas Abhiyan Yojana" with the goal of increasing job prospects for young people in the state.
- Western Railway has added Kandivali and Dahisar stations to the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. The Ministry of Railways started this continuing project in February 2023 with the goal of revitalizing train stations all over India.
- The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has announced the Scheme Guidelines for the PM-Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana's "Model Solar Village" implementation.

Ques : Who has been appointed as the Chairman of Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI) for 2024-25?
2024-25 के लिए भारतीय विज्ञापन मानक परिषद (ASCI) के अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Gaurav Banerjee / गौरव बनर्जी
- (b) Jetha Ahir / जेठा अहीर
- (c) Partha Sinha / पार्थ सिन्हा
- (d) Amardeep Singh Bhatia / अमरदीप सिंह भाटिया
- (e) Rajesh Kumar Singh / राजेश कुमार सिंह

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI) has named Partha Sinha as its new Chairman for 2024-25.
- Sinha is the President and Chief Brand Officer of Bennett Coleman & Company Limited.
- Sinha, who has previously worked for Ogilvy, Publicis, BBH, McCann, and Citibank, will succeed Saugata Gupta, Marico Limited's Managing Director and CEO.

Recent Appointment in different departments :

- Bharath Sesha : Managing Director for the Philips Indian subcontinent (Replaced - Daniel Mazon)
- Arun Agarwal : Chairman of Texas Economic Development Corporation (TEDC) board
- Rajneesh Narang : Additional Charge of Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) (Replaced Pushp Kumar Joshi)
- Satish Kumar : Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Railway Board

- Laurent Freixe : Nestle CEO (Replace Mark Schneider)
- Jay Shah : Chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC)
- Satish Kumar Vaduguri : Additional Charge of Chairman of the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) (Replaced - Shrikant Madhav Vaidya)
- Sanjiv Ranjan : Secretary General (SG) of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Secretariat in Mauritius
- M Suresh : additional charge as Chairman of AAI
- Ashok Kumar Singh : Director General of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)
- Govind Mohan : Secretary of the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (Home Secretary)
- Harish Dudani : Member in Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)
- Amit Singh Negi : Additional secretary in the Prime Minister's Office
- Grinson George : Director of ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI)
- Robert "Kelly" Ortberg : CEO of Boeing
- Preeti Sudan : Chairman of Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)
- Mohsin Naqvi : President of the Asian Cricket Council
- Cmde D.K. Murali : Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Broadcast Engineering Consultants India Limited (BECIL)
- Veteran filmmaker Shekhar Kapur : festival director for the International Film Festival of India (IFFI)
- Ajinkya Naik : youngest president of the Mumbai Cricket Association (MCA)

Ques : Exercise Varuna is conducted between India and

वरुण अभ्यास भारत और ___ के बीच आयोजित किया जाता है

- (a) Russia / रूस**
- (b) USA / यूएसए**
- (c) Israel / इजराइल**
- (d) UK / यूके**
- (e) France / फ्रांस**

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Exercise VARUNA (2024), edition 22nd Held at Mediterranean Sea between India & France (Navy).
- This bilateral exercise between the two navies was initiated in 1993.
- The Indian Navy sent a P8I aircraft to France to participate in 'Exercise Varuna' alongside the French navy.
- The Indian Navy's P-8I aircraft, renowned for its maritime surveillance and anti-submarine warfare capabilities, will play a pivotal role in these exercises and it joins the INS Tabar.
- P-8I is a long-range, multi-mission maritime patrol aircraft being manufactured by Boeing for the Indian Navy.

Recent News Headlines Related to Defence Exercise :

- Maritime partnership exercise (MPX) held at Mediterranean Sea, Malaga, Spain between India (INS Tabar) & Spain (Spanish Navy Ship Atalaya).
- The Ulchi Freedom Shield Exercise was conducted between USA and South Korea to strengthen their combined readiness to counter North Korea's armaments and cyberattacks.
- Exercise Udara Shakti 2024, a combined air exercise carried out in cooperation with the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF), the Indian Air Force (IAF) contingent at Kuantan, Malaysia.
- The Indian Army has conducted a strategic military exercise, 'Parvat Prahaar' (Mountain Strike), in Eastern Ladakh, focusing on high-altitude warfare and operations.
- The 10th edition of India- Sri Lanka Joint Military Exercise MITRA SHAKTI commenced today, at Army Training School, Maduru Oya, Sri Lanka.
- India is set to host its first multinational air exercise, 'Tarang Shakti 2024', in two phases starting on August 6th in Sular, Tamil Nadu.
- The Indian Army contingent has embarked on its journey to participate in the multinational military exercise KHAAN QUEST 2024 in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.
- An Indian Air Force (IAF) contingent landed at the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) Base Darwin, Australia for participating in Exercise Pitch Black 2024.
- The Indian Army contingent departed for the 13th edition of India Thailand joint military Exercise MAITREE being conducted from the 1st to 15th of July at Fort Vachiraprakan in Tak Province of Thailand.
- Indian Air Force and Egyptian Air Force conducted 4th edition of Exercise-HOPEX this year.
- The Indian Air Force's first multinational air exercise, Tarang Shakti 2024, will be held in August.
- The 8th edition of the Japan-India Maritime Exercise (JIMEX-24) has started at Yokosuka, Japan. The JIMEX-24 exercise is being hosted by the Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF). The Japanese Navy is called the Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force.
- The second edition of India, Australia, Indonesia Trilateral Maritime Security Workshop (TMSW) was conducted at INS Dronacharya, Kochi, India.

IMPORTANT ONE LINER CURRENT AFFAIRS

- Uttar Pradesh is set to Invest Rs 33,500 Crore (around \$4 billion) in IT and ITeS Hubs.
- The BCCI recently appointed former India wicketkeeper Ajay Ratra as the men's cricket team selector, replacing Salil Ankola in the five-member panel.
- Union Minister Smt Annapurna Devi Launches 7th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2024 at Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar, Gujarat for enhancing nutrition awareness.
- Union Law and Justice Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal launched the new Notary Portal in New Delhi.
- Dr D K Sunil Appointed as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) (Additional charge) of the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL). He Replaced CB Ananthakrishnan.
- The revenue department in the finance ministry has formed a panel headed by V K Gupta, chief commissioner of income-tax (I-T), to simplify the decades-old I-T Act.
- Abdul Ghafoor Majeed Noorani, (popularly known as A. G. Noorani) a renowned Constitutional expert, a distinguished lawyer, and author passed away at the age of 94 in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Indian paddler Divyanshi Bhowmick clinched a bronze medal in the Under-19 Youth Girls Singles Event at the World Table Tennis Youth Contender Varazdin 2024 ARENA VARAZDIN in Croatia.

महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

- उत्तर प्रदेश आईटी और आईटीईएस हब में 33,500 करोड़ रुपये (लगभग 4 बिलियन डॉलर) का निवेश करने के लिए तैयार है।
- बीसीसीआई ने हाल ही में भारत के पूर्व विकेटकीपर अजय रात्रा को पांच सदस्यीय पैनल में सलिल अंकोला की जगह पुरुष क्रिकेट टीम का चयनकर्ता नियुक्त किया है।
- केंद्रीय मंत्री श्रीमती अन्नपूर्णा देवी ने पोषण जागरूकता बढ़ाने के लिए महात्मा मंदिर, गांधीनगर, गुजरात में 7वें राष्ट्रीय पोषण माह 2024 का शुभारंभ किया।
- केंद्रीय कानून और न्याय मंत्री अर्जुन राम मेघवाल ने नई दिल्ली में नया नोटरी पोर्टल लॉन्च किया।
- डॉ डी के सुनील को हिंदुस्तान एयरोनॉटिक्स लिमिटेड (एचएएल) के अध्यक्ष और प्रबंध निदेशक (सीएमडी) (अतिरिक्त प्रभार) के रूप में नियुक्त किया गया। उन्होंने सीबी अनंतकृष्णन का स्थान लिया।
- वित्त मंत्रालय के राजस्व विभाग ने दशकों पुराने आईटी अधिनियम को सरल बनाने के लिए मुख्य आयकर आयुक्त (आई-टी) वी के गुप्ता की अध्यक्षता में एक पैनल का गठन किया है।
- अब्दुल गफूर मजीद नूरानी, (ए.जी. नूरानी के नाम से लोकप्रिय) एक प्रसिद्ध संवैधानिक विशेषज्ञ, एक प्रतिष्ठित वकील और लेखक का 94 वर्ष की आयु में मुंबई, महाराष्ट्र में निधन हो गया।
- भारतीय पैडलर दिव्यांशी भौमिक ने क्रोएशिया में वर्ल्ड टेबल टेनिस यूथ कंटेंडर वराज़दीन 2024 एरेना वराज़दीन में अंडर-19 यूथ गर्ल्स सिंगल्स इवेंट में कांस्य पदक जीता।

Ques : Who has been appointed as MD of NABCONS (NABARD Consultancy Services), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development?

राष्ट्रीय कृषि और ग्रामीण विकास बैंक की पूर्ण स्वामित्व वाली सहायक कंपनी नैबकॉन्स (नाबार्ड कंसल्टेंसी सर्विसेज) के एमडी के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Rajnish Kumar / रजनीश कुमार
- (b) Sachidananda Mohanty / सच्चिदानंद मोहंती
- (c) Deepak Mohanty / दीपक मोहंती
- (d) Y Haragopal / वाई हरगोपाल
- (e) Siddhartha Mohanty / सिद्धार्थ मोहंती

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Y Haragopal has been named the Managing Director of NABCONS (NABARD Consultancy Services), a totally owned subsidiary of the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development.
- Prior to this promotion, he was the Chief Operating Officer of the Delhi-based consulting firm. It operates four zonal offices in Mumbai, Hyderabad, Jaipur, and Guwahati.
- Haragopal, who holds a doctorate from the Indian Agriculture Research Institute (IARI) in New Delhi, joined NABARD in 1996 as a direct recruit officer and spent 14 years in the Refinance Department at the Head Office (Mumbai) and regional offices in Punjab, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, and Telangana.

Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- Challa Sreenivasulu Setty : 27th Chairman of State Bank of India (SBI)
- Subhasri : MD & CEO of Shriram Capital Pvt Ltd
- Salee Sukumaran Nair : managing director and chief executive officer of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB)
- Rana Ashutosh Kumar Singh : Managing Director in charge of State Bank of India's (SBI) risk compliance and stressed assets resolution group (SARG) departments.

- Tan Su Shan : CEO of DBS Group (Piyush Gupta (Indian) will retire in March 2025)
- Lalitha Nataraj : CEO of NPCI Bhim Services Ltd (NBSL)
- Praveena Rai : Managing Director and CEO of Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX)
- Sanjay Shukla : Managing Director (MD) of National Housing Bank (NHB)
- Manoj Mittal : Chairman and Managing Director of Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- KVS Manian : Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Federal Bank
- K Paul Thomas : Managing Director & CEO of ESAF Small Finance Bank
- Arun Bansal : Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Paytm Payments Bank
- Ratan Kumar Kesh : interim MD and CEO of Bandhan Bank
- Siddhartha Mohanty : Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has re-designated as managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO).

Ques : Krishnan Venkat Subramanian has been appointed as MD and CEO of which bank for three years?

कृष्णन वेंकट सुब्रमण्यन को तीन साल के लिए किस बैंक का एमडी और सीईओ नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Federal Bank / फेडरल बैंक
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (c) IndusInd Bank / इंडसइंड बैंक
- (d) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (e) Kotak Mahindra Bank / कोटक महिंद्रा बैंक

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Federal Bank has accepted the appointment of Krishnan Venkat Subramanian as its Managing Director and CEO, commencing September 23, 2024.
- The decision was made at the bank's 93rd annual general meeting.

- Subramanian joins Federal Bank with substantial expertise, having previously served as Joint Managing Director of Kotak Mahindra Bank till April 30, 2024.
- During his time at Kotak Mahindra Bank, he oversaw various significant divisions, including Corporate Banking, Commercial Banking, Private Banking, and the Asset Reconstruction business.

About Federal Bank :

- Founded- 23 April 1931
- Founder- K.P Hormis
- Headquarters – Kochi, Kerala.
- MD & CEO- Krishnan Venkat Subramanian

Ques : ____ Partners with Sohan Lal Commodity Management to Launch 'Unified Collateral Management Solutions

__ ने 'यूनिफाइड कोलैटरल मैनेजमेंट सॉल्यूशंस' लॉन्च करने के लिए सोहन लाल कमोडिटी मैनेजमेंट के साथ साझेदारी की

- (a) South Indian Bank / साउथ इंडियन बैंक
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (c) Yes Bank / यस बैंक
- (d) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (e) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- South Indian Bank and Sohan Lal Commodity Management (SLCM) have established a relationship to provide "Unified Collateral Management Solutions," which will benefit farmers and other stakeholders in the agricultural ecosystem.
- This collaboration will make post-harvest loans more accessible at competitive interest rates, while simultaneously offering scientific storage services and assuring fair commodity pricing in marketplaces (mandis).
- The cooperation aims to address critical agricultural concerns, including post-harvest storage and funding.

- CEO of Sohan Lal Commodity Management (SLCM) : Sandeep Sabharwal

About South Indian Bank :

- Founded : 1929
- Headquarters : Thrissur, Kerala, India
- MD & CEO : P R Seshadri

Recently signed banking agreements

- Max Life Insurance Company Limited has formed a bancassurance collaboration with CSB Bank, a private sector bank in India.
- Ashok Leyland, a commercial vehicle maker, has inked an MoU with Bandhan Bank. To provide financial solutions, including vehicle loans.
- Visa and the Tourism & Hospitality Skill Council inked a 3-year partnership of up to \$1 million USD This initiative, designed to up skill at least 20,000 Indian youth in tourism-relevant skills.
- To introduce its UPI Third Party Application Provider (TPAP) service, BharatPe has teamed up with Unity Bank. The "postpe" app has been renamed "BharatPe," and UPI payments are now accepted on it.
- Birla Aditya The "Income Suraksha Plan," a new term insurance plan, has been jointly introduced by Sun Life Insurance (ABSLI) and Policybazaar.
- Two-wheeler loans are now possible thanks to a partnership between BharatPe and OTO Capital, a digital commerce and lending platform.
- YES Bank has entered into a co-lending partnership with Newtap Finance Private Limited to provide personalised financing solutions for creditworthy individuals on payments platform CRED.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and ESAF Small Finance Bank have partnered to create the exclusive Inori RuPay Platinum Credit Card.
- Zeta, a global supplier of cutting-edge banking technology to financial institutions, has partnered up with HDFC Bank to provide the bank's UPI (CLOU) platform credit line services.
- A strategic agreement to grow their co-lending business has been announced by Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited (also known as Piramal Finance), and the Central Bank of India.
- Indian consumers now have fast access to digital credit thanks to a partnership between PayU, a fintech company sponsored by Naspers, and Amazon Pay Later.

Ques : ____ Sets up 22 member Advisory Committee on Listing Obligations and Disclosures

____ ने लिस्टिंग दायित्वों और प्रकटीकरणों पर 22 सदस्यीय सलाहकार समिति का गठन किया

- (a) NABARD / नाबार्ड
- (b) RBI / आरबीआई
- (c) EPFO / ईपीएफओ
- (d) SEBI / सेबी
- (e) SIDBI / सिडबी

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has formed a 22-member advisory committee to streamline the rules governing listing responsibilities and transparency.
- The group is chaired by R Gandhi, a former Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India.
- It was established on August 28, 2024.
- The proposed modifications, along with the new advisory committee, aim to improve corporate governance and eliminate market information asymmetry.

About SEBI :

- Established : 12 April 1988 as an executive body and was given statutory powers on 30 January 1992 through the SEBI Act, 1992
- Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- Chairman : Madhabi Puri Buch (first woman to lead the SEBI)
- SEBI is the regulatory body for securities and commodity markets in India under the ownership of the Ministry of Finance (MoF), Gov.

Recent News Headlines Related to SEBI

- SEBI proposed a mandatory UPI block mechanism facility for secondary market trading using the UPI-based block mechanism to their clients.
- SEBI has recommended requiring communication records, including acknowledgements, to be kept for a minimum of eight years for all firms under its regulation.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has given the Bengaluru-based investment management company Capitalmind Financial Services Private Limited preliminary approval to introduce a new mutual fund.
- SEBI has imposed a ban on Anil Ambani and 24 others from securities market for five years
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), a market regulator, has suggested amending the rules pertaining to debenture trustees (DTs).
- SEBI, which oversees the securities market, has suggested adding a new class of financial instruments to the securities market in order to expand the sustainable financing framework.
- Property Share became the 1st Fractional Ownership Platform (FOP) to receive India's 1st Small and Medium Real Estate Investment Trust (SM REIT) license from SEBI under the newly notified SM REIT regulations.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) launched India's first website for passive funds at the National Stock Exchange (NSE), along with unveiling a comprehensive report on the Indian Capital Markets.
- Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has directed Mutual Funds (MFs) to value their investment in the Additional Tier-1 (AT-1) bonds issued by banks on Yield-to-Call (YTC) basis.
- Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has notified November 1, 2024 as the effective date for the implementation of insider trading rules aimed at enhancing the integrity and transparency within asset management companies (AMCs).

Ques : FSIB has recommended Rama Mohan Rao Amara for the position of MD of which bank?

एफएसआईबी ने किस बैंक के एमडी पद के लिए राम मोहन राव अमारा की सिफारिश की है?

- (a) Canara Bank / केनरा बैंक**
- (b) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक**
- (c) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक**
- (d) UCO Bank / यूको बैंक**
- (e) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Financial Services Institutions Bureau (FSIB), a headhunter for state-owned financial institutions, has proposed Rama Mohan Rao Amara for the position of Managing Director at State Bank of India, the country's largest commercial bank.
- Amara is now the Deputy Managing Director at SBI.
- Amara is expected to replace the gap left by C S Setty's promotion to SBI Chairman.
- Prior to joining SBI in July 2023, Amara was MD and CEO of SBI Card, the country's largest pure play credit card provider. He was named MD and CEO of SBI Card in January 2021.

Ques : Road Accident Deaths in India Surge by ___ during the Period 2010-2021.

2010-2021 की अवधि के दौरान भारत में सड़क दुर्घटना से होने वाली मौतों में _____ की वृद्धि हुई

- (a) 2%**
- (b) 3%**
- (c) 4%**
- (d) 5%**
- (e) 6%**

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Report WHO South-East Asia Regional Status Report on Road Safety: Towards Safer and Sustainable Mobility Published by World Health Organisation.
- As per WHO estimates, as many as 3,30,222 deaths were reported in the South-East Region (SEARO) in 2021 due to Road Traffic Injuries (RTI), which accounts for about 28% of global road traffic deaths.
- The report highlighted that globally, there were an estimated 1.19 million road traffic deaths in 2021 compared to 1.25 million deaths in 2010, with a decrease of 5% in the estimated global road traffic deaths during the period 2010-2021.
- The report underscored that vulnerable road users including pedestrians, bicyclists and two or three-wheelers constitute 66% of all reported road traffic deaths in the South-East Region.
- India reported an increase in estimated road traffic deaths by 2% during 2010-2021 period.
- The highest number of people who died in road accidents in India were drivers or riders of motorized two/three wheelers (45.1%), followed by pedestrians (at nearly 19%) and drivers or passengers of motorized fourwheelers (at 12.9%).

Ques : India's 19-year-old, Manisha Ramadass won the bronze medal in the women's singles SU5 category at the Paralympics 2024. She is related to which sport?

भारत की 19 वर्षीय मनीषा रामदास ने पैरालिंपिक 2024 में महिला एकल SU5 वर्ग में कांस्य पदक जीता। वह किस खेल से संबंधित हैं?

- (a) Tennis / टेनिस
- (b) Chess / शतरंज
- (c) Badminton / बैडमिंटन
- (d) Wushu / वुशु
- (e) Archery / तीरंदाजी

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Thulasimathi Murugesan and Manisha Ramadass won silver and bronze medals in the women's singles SU5 category at the Paralympics.
- The 22-year-old Thulasimathi, the number one seed, fought hard before losing to China's defending champion Yang Qiuxia in the final.
- Manisha, the second seed playing on the opposite court, defeated Denmark's Cathrine Rosengren, the third seed, 21-12 21-8 to win bronze.
- The SU5 category is for athletes with upper limb impairments, which might be in either the playing or non-playing hand.

Recent News headlines related to Sports

- 15-year-old Chess International Master Mayank Chakraborty from Assam has won his second Grand Master Norm in a GM Norm Tournament being conducted in Greece.
- India's Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar won bronze in the mixed compound open archery event at the Paris 2024 Paralympics
- Indian paddler Divyanshi Bhowmick clinched a bronze medal in the Under-19 Youth Girls Singles Event at the World Table Tennis Youth Contender Varazdin 2024 ARENA VARAZDIN in Croatia.
- The Indian men's national squash champion, Abhay Singh, won the men's singles title of the 2024 Tuanku Muhriz Trophy and Aira Azaman of Malaysia won the women's singles title.
- At Paris Paralympics 2024, Indian Para Athlete Preethi Pal secured yet another medal for India, clinching a Bronze medal in the Women's 200 meters – T35 Final.
- The 133rd Durand Cup was held in Kolkata, Kokrajhar (Assam), Jamshedpur (Jharkhand), and Shillong (Meghalaya) from July 27 to August 31, 2024.
- NorthEast United Football Club won their maiden Durand Cup trophy by defeating defending champion Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG) 4-3 in a penalty shootout

- Himanshi Tokas won a silver medal at the Asian Cadet and Junior Judo Championships in Mungyeong, South Korea.
- In the Paris Paralympic Games, Indian shooter Rubina Francis won bronze in the women's 10-meter air pistol SH1 final qualification round.
- Yogesh Kathuniya of India won his second consecutive Paralympic silver medal in the men's discus throw F-56 event with a season-best effort of 42.22m at the current Games in Paris.
- Aarti opened India's medal tally at the World U20 Athletics Championships in Lima, Peru, by winning a bronze medal in the women's 10000m race walk event in the national U20 record time.

Ques : Which state legislative assembly has chosen to implement Zero Hours?

किस राज्य विधान सभा ने शून्यकाल लागू करने का निर्णय लिया है?

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh / अरुणाचल प्रदेश
- (b) Sikkim / सिक्किम
- (c) Himachal Pradesh / हिमाचल प्रदेश
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (e) Uttarakhand / उत्तराखंड

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Kuldeep Singh Pathania, the speaker of the Himachal Pradesh legislative assembly, has announced the implementation of Zero Hour in the state legislative assembly.
- The Indian Parliament invented the practice of zero hours in parliamentary democracy.
- It was first introduced in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha in the 1960s, and it is slowly being adopted by India's state legislative legislatures.
- The question hour period in the state legislative assembly is from 11.30 A.m. to 12.30 Noon on almost all Himachal Pradesh legislative assembly working days.
- The zero hour will commence at 12:30 PM after the end of the Question Hour and will last half an hour.

- Question Hour in the Lok Sabha runs from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. The Rajya Sabha's Question Hour runs from 12 Noon to 1 PM.
- zero hours were introduced so that members could raise matters they consider important after the question hour without disrupting the question hours.
- The duration of the Zero Hour is not set in Parliament. It could be shorter or longer than one hour. Its duration is determined by the number of issues raised by the Speaker or Chairman of the House.
- The current Himachal Pradesh legislative assembly is the 14th legislative assembly. It was constituted in December 2022.
- The assembly has 68 members and a term of five years. Speaker of the legislative assembly: Kuldeep Singh Pathania

Ques : Union Cabinet Approves __ Schemes to Boost Farmers' Incomes and Improve Agriculture.

केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल ने किसानों की आय बढ़ाने और कृषि में सुधार के लिए _ योजनाओं को मंजूरी दी

- (a) 5
- (b) 6
- (c) 7
- (d) 8
- (e) 9

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has approved seven comprehensive initiatives.
- These efforts, with a total cost of Rs 14,235.30 crore, aim to transform several elements of agriculture in India.

About these seven schemes:

1 Digital Agriculture Mission

- The Digital Agriculture Mission, an outlay of Rs 2,817 crore.
- It comprises two foundational pillars : Agri Stack and Krishi Decision Support System
- The Agri Stack will serve as a comprehensive database
- Krishi Decision Support system will provide farmers with crucial information and tools for decision-making

2 Crop Science for Food and Nutritional Security

- Crop Science for Food and Nutritional Security, With an outlay of Rs 3,979 crore.
- Aims to prepare farmers for climate resilience and ensure food security by 2047.
- Focusing on crucial protein and oil-rich crops and enhancing the quality and yield of cash crops.

3 Strengthening Agricultural Education, Management and Social Sciences

- It has an outlay of Rs 2,291 Crore.
- Aims to prepare agriculture students and researchers for current challenges.
- Implemented under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and Aligning with the New Education Policy 2020 for holistic learning.

4 Sustainable Livestock Health and Production

- It has an outlay of Rs 1,702 crore
- Aims to increase farmers' income from livestock and dairy
- Focusing on proper feed and small livestock development.

5 Sustainable Development of Horticulture

- It has an outlay of Rs 1,129.30 crore.
- To increase farmers' income from horticulture.
- Improving crops suited for different soil conditions and Diversifying horticultural production.

6 Strengthening of Krishi Vigyan Kendra

- It has an outlay of Rs 1,202 crore
- To bolster the network of agricultural extension centers, providing farmers with localized knowledge and support.

7 Natural Resource Management

- It has an outlay of Rs 1,115 crore
- Focuses on sustainable use of natural resources in agriculture, ensuring long-term productivity and environmental conservation

Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

- The Madhya Pradesh government has authorized the 'Brindavan Gram' program, which will create 'gaushalas' and other schemes for the benefit of villages.
- Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM-JANMAN) Launched in 2023.
- Information, Education and Communication (IEC) Campaign on PMJANMAN mission, to raise awareness and ensure 100% saturation of Government Schemes. Launched by Union Minister for Tribal Affairs.
- 'Vigyan Dhara' scheme under Department of Science and Technology, aim is to foster research, innovation, and technology development in addition to increasing capacity in science and technology
- Mukhyamantri Bal Paushtik Aahar Yojana (MBPAY) Launched by Himachal Pradesh (HP) Chief Minister (CM) Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu To provide nutritious food to children in government-run schools.
- Odisha state government has launched the Subhadra scheme under which Rs.50,000 will be provided over five years to one crore women between the ages of 21 and 60
- Scooters manufactured by Ola Electric, model numbers S1 X 3 kWh and S1 X 4 kWh, have been certified as complying with the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for the automotive and auto component industries.

The Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana was started by the Department of Post, which is part of the Union Ministry of Communication, to encourage student research and scholarship in stamps throughout the nation.

- The Unified Pension System (UPS) for its employees has been approved by the Union Cabinet. The current National Pension System (NPS) will be replaced with the new plan Unified Pension System (UPS).
- On the occasion of Raksha Bandhan, the Maharashtra government, led by Eknath Shinde, is scheduled to formally introduce the "Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana."
- Yogi Adityanath, the chief minister of Uttar Pradesh, introduced the "Mukhyamantri Yuva Udyam Vikas Abhiyan Yojana" with the goal of increasing job prospects for young people in the state.

Ques : What is the overall amount of the Agrisure Fund?

कृषि निधि की कुल राशि क्या है?

- (a) Rs 750 crore
- (b) Rs 650 crore
- (c) Rs 550 crore
- (d) Rs 250 crore
- (e) Rs 450 crore

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and Rural Development, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, launched the AgriSURE Scheme in New Delhi.
- The AgriSURE Fund, formally known as the Agri Fund for Start-ups & Rural Enterprises, is a Rs. 750 crore blended capital fund.
- It is designed for growth and foster innovation in the agricultural and rural start-up ecosystem.

- The organization focuses on advancing technology-driven agricultural initiatives, improving farm product value chains, developing rural ecosystems and infrastructure, creating jobs, and supporting Farmers Producer Organizations (FPOs).
- Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare, will contribute Rs 250 crore, NABARD will contribute Rs 250 crore, and banks, insurance companies, private investors, etc., will invest the rest of the amount.
- The Fund is a closed ended scheme and has a duration of 10 years which can be extended by 2 years

Ques : The Supreme Court has constituted a high-powered committee to amicably resolve the grievances of farmers between Punjab and __

सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने पंजाब और __ के बीच किसानों की शिकायतों को सौहार्दपूर्ण ढंग से हल करने के लिए एक उच्चाधिकार प्राप्त समिति का गठन किया है

- (a) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली
- (b) Mumbai / मुंबई
- (c) Hyderabad / हैदराबाद
- (d) Haryana / हरियाणा
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Supreme Court has formed a high-powered committee chaired by Justice Nawab Singh, a former Punjab and Haryana High Court judge, to resolve the problems of farmers agitating at the Punjab-Haryana border at Shambhu.
- A Bench of Justices Surya Kant and Ujjal Bhuyan asked the five-member committee to hold its first meeting within a week.
- The court encouraged the protesting farmers to disassociate themselves from political parties and avoid politicizing the issue.
- Farmers are agitating over a variety of issues, including the legal guarantee of a minimum support price (MSP) for their produce.

Ques : Who has won the Formula One Italian Grand Prix 2024?
फॉर्मूला वन इटालियन ग्रां प्री 2024 किसने जीता है?

- (a) Sergio Pérez / सर्जियो पेरेज़**
- (b) Charles Leclerc / चार्ल्स लेक्लर**
- (c) Max Verstappen / मैक्स वेरस्टैपेन**
- (d) Sebastian Vettel / सेबस्टियन वेटेली**
- (e) Lewis Hamilton / लुईस हैमिल्टन**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Monacan racing driver Charles Leclerc won the 2024 Formula One Italian Grand Prix (GP) at the Autodromo Nazionale Monza in Monza, Italy, driving for Ferrari.
- This victory represents Leclerc's second Italian Grand Prix title. He previously won the Italian Grand Prix title in 2019.
- McLaren's Oscar Piastri (Australia) finished second, followed by Lando Norris (UK) in third place.

Recent Grand Prix Winner :

- 2024 Emilia Romagna Grand Prix Max Verstappen
- 2024 Monaco Grand Prix Charles Leclerc
- 2024 Canadian Grand Prix Max Verstappen
- 2024 Spanish Grand Prix Max Verstappen
- 2024 Austrian Grand Prix George Russell
- 2024 British Grand Prix Lewis Hamilton
- 2024 Hungarian Grand Prix Oscar Piastri
- 2024 Belgian Grand Prix Lewis Hamilton
- 2024 Dutch Grand Prix Lando Norris

Ques : SAMRIDH scheme launched in which year ?

SAMRIDH योजना किस वर्ष शुरू की गई?

(a) 2020

(b) 2021

(c) 2022

(d) 2023

(e) 2024

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- SAMRIDH is MeitY's flagship project for startup acceleration under the National Policy on Software Products – 2019.
- The SAMRIDH initiative, established in August 2021, aims to support 300 software product companies with a budget of Rs.99 crore over 4 years.
- As part of this program, Secretary MeitY Sh. S. Krishnan opened the second cohort of SAMRIDH yesterday (4th September, 2024).
- The Government of India's 100-day program includes selecting and supporting 125 businesses through potential accelerators in order to meet the aim of nurturing 300 startups.
- SAMRIDH is being implemented through potential and established accelerators around India, providing services such as product market fit, business planning, investor connections, and worldwide expansion to entrepreneurs, as well as matching capital up to Rs.40 lakh by MeitY.
- It aims to support existing and upcoming Accelerators to select and accelerate potential IT-based startups to scale.

Ques : India's Shot-Put thrower Sachin Sarjerao Khilari clinched the Silver medal in the Men's Shot Put -F46 Final, with a walloping throw of ___ at the Paris Paralympic Games.

भारत के शॉट पुट थ्रोअर सचिन सर्जेराव खिलाड़ी ने पेरिस पैरालंपिक खेलों में पुरुषों की शॉट पुट-एफ46 फाइनल में ___ का शानदार थ्रो करके रजत पदक जीता।

- (a) 14.32m
- (b) 15.32m
- (c) 16.32m
- (d) 17.32m
- (e) 18.32m

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Sachin Khilari, the 2023 and 2024 world champion, won silver in the Paris Paralympics. Khilari threw 16.32m in the men's shot put F46 at the Stade de France in Paris, trailing Canada's Greg Stewart.
- Khilari's throw was also the best ever by an Asian in the men's F46 event.
- Three Indians participated in the event. Mohd Yasser and Rohit Kumar did not make it to the podium, finishing eighth and ninth, respectively, with best throws of 14.21m and 14.10m.

Ques : who was announced as the first Indian ambassador of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF)?

हाल ही में, अंतर्राष्ट्रीय टेबल टेनिस महासंघ (आईटीटीएफ) के पहले भारतीय राजदूत के रूप में किसे घोषित किया गया?

- (a) Manu Bhaker / मनु भाकर
- (b) Sathiyar Gnanasekaran / साथियान गनसेकरन
- (c) Srihari Nataraj / श्रीहरि नटराज
- (d) Nikhat Zareen / निकहत जरीन
- (e) Sharath Kamal / शरथ कमल

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Sharath Kamal, an ace paddler, has been named the first Indian ambassador for the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) Foundation.
- The announcement was made on day 11 of Ultimate Table Tennis (UTT) season five at Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium.
- Sharath was chosen to the ITTF Athlete Commission in November 2022. He plans to encourage table tennis for development, particularly among children from impoverished homes.
- He holds the Commonwealth Games medal record for table tennis, with 13 medals, three of which were gold, at the 2022 Birmingham Games.

Recent Headlines Related to Brand Ambassador :

- Alia Bhatt : French cosmetics company L'Oreal Paris
- Salman Khan : GRM Basmati Rice
- Shikhar Dhawan : MotoGP
- Aditya Roy Kapur : Bisleri Limonata
- PV Sindhu : Greenday's 'Better Nutrition' brand
- Shah Rukh Khan : Muthoot Pappachan Group (MPG)
- Pakistan's Shahid Afridi : brand ambassador of 9th ICC Men's T20 World Cup
- Kareena Kapoor : UNICEF India as its new National Ambassador
- Sana Mir : ambassador for the upcoming ICC Women's T20 World Cup
- Mahendra Singh Dhoni : French carmaker Citroen made him as its brand ambassador in India
- Usain Bolt : brand ambassador for the 9th ICC Men's T-20 World Cup
- Valerie Adams : International Event Ambassador for the "16th edition of Tata Consultancy Services' (TCS) World 10K Bengaluru (Karnataka)"
- Ravindra Jadeja : VARNI
- Ranveer Singh : boAt
- Narendra Kumar Yadav : Fit India Movement
- Katrina Kaif : Chennai Super Kings (CSK) for IPL 2024

Ques : The International Day of Charity is observed every on which day?

अंतराष्ट्रीय दान दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 2 September**
- (b) 3 September**
- (c) 4 September**
- (d) 5 September**
- (e) 6 September**

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The International Day of Charity is a global observance held annually on September 5th. It was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 2012.
- The primary objective of this day is to increase awareness and create a shared platform for charity-related activities worldwide.
- The International Day of Charity was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 2012, in response to a proposal by Hungary.
- The date of September 5 was chosen to commemorate the anniversary of the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who was a Nobel Peace Prize laureate for her work in helping the poor and sick. Mother Teresa was a Catholic nun who founded the Missionaries of Charity, a religious congregation that provides care for the poor, sick, orphaned, and dying.

Ques : Teachers' Day is celebrated on which day ?
शिक्षक दिवस किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 2 September**
- (b) 3 September**
- (c) 4 September**
- (d) 5 September**
- (e) 6 September**

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Teachers' Day is observed on September 5 in India to honour the contributions of educators such as teachers, researchers, and professors.
- This day commemorates Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was born on September 5, 1888. In 1954, he was posthumously given the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian distinction.
- Teachers' Day commemorates the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, India's first Vice President and second President.

Important days :

- 20 August : Sadbhavana Diwas or Harmony Day 2024
- 20 August : World Mosquito Day (Theme 2024 – Accelerating the fight against malaria for a more equitable world)
- 21 August : 7th International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism 2024 (Theme 2024 Voices for Peace: Victims of Terrorism as Peace Advocates and Educators)

- 21 August : World Senior Citizens Day
- 23 August : National Space Day (to celebrate the remarkable success of Chandrayaan-3 Mission)
- 26 August : International Dog Day (Theme 2024 – Every dog deserves a spa day)
- 25 – 29 August : World Water Week (Theme 2024 – Bridging Borders: Water for a Peaceful and Sustainable Future)
- 29 August : National Sports Day (Theme 2024 – Sports are an enabler to an inclusive and fit society.)
- 29 August : International Day against Nuclear Tests (Theme 2024 – The Path to Zero: The Role of the United Nations in Nuclear Disarmament)
- 30 August : Small Industry Day (Theme 2024 – Leveraging Power and Resilience of Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) to Accelerate Sustainable Development and Eradicate Poverty in Times of Multiple Crises)
- 30 August : International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances (Theme 2024 Honoring an Invisible Struggle)
- 31 August : International Day for People of African Descent
- 1st September to 7th September : National Nutrition Week (Theme 2024 – Nutritious Diets for Everyone)
- 2 September : World Coconut Day
- 3 September : World Skyscraper Day

IMPORTANT ONE – LINER CURRENT AFFAIRS

- Olympic Order in gold given to President Emmanuel Macron of France by International Olympic Committee (IOC).
- Nomura Lowers India's GDP Growth Forecast from 6.9% to 6.7% for FY25.
- The prestigious Lord's Cricket Ground in London is set to make history by hosting the final of the ICC World Test Championship (WTC) from June 11 to June 15, 2025.
- PNB Housing Finance Limited's (PNBHFL) Board of Directors will meet to approve the plan to raise up to Rs.2,500 crore through Non-Convertible Debentures (NCDs).
- Star javelin thrower Sumit Antil became the first Indian man and second from the country to defend the title as he won the F64 category gold with Paralympics record of 70.59m at the Paris Games.
- Mastercard Collaborates with Gramophone To provide agri inputs to 2 million smallholder farmers in India via the Mastercard Community Pass platform.
- The Uttar Pradesh government has announced the construction of a Vedic-3D museum at Sampurnanand Sanskrit University in Varanasi.
- Ministry of Labour & Employment (MoLE) stated that e-Shram has registered more than 30 crore unorganised workers, showcasing its rapid and widespread adoption among the unorganised workers. Launched in 2021.
- Under the National One Health Mission (NOHM), a comprehensive mock drill named "Vishanu Yuddh Abhyas" (Virus War Exercise) was held in Ajmer district, Rajasthan.

महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

- अंतर्राष्ट्रीय ओलंपिक समिति (आईओसी) द्वारा फ्रांस के राष्ट्रपति इमैनुएल मैक्रॉन को सोने का ओलंपिक ऑर्डर दिया गया।
- नोमुरा ने वित्त वर्ष 2015 के लिए भारत की जीडीपी वृद्धि का अनुमान 6.9% से घटाकर 6.7% कर दिया।
- लंदन का प्रतिष्ठित लॉर्ड्स क्रिकेट ग्राउंड 11 जून से 15 जून, 2025 तक आईसीसी विश्व टेस्ट चैम्पियनशिप (डब्ल्यूटीसी) के फाइनल की मेजबानी करके इतिहास रचने के लिए तैयार है।
- पीएनबी हाउसिंग फाइनेंस लिमिटेड (पीएनबीएचएफएल) के निदेशक मंडल की बैठक गैर-परिवर्तनीय डिबेंचर (एनसीडी) के माध्यम से 2,500 करोड़ रुपये तक जुटाने की योजना को मंजूरी देने के लिए होगी।
- स्टार भाला फेंक खिलाड़ी सुमित अंतिल खिताब का बचाव करने वाले पहले भारतीय और देश के दूसरे पुरुष बन गए, क्योंकि उन्होंने पेरिस खेलों में 70.59 मीटर के पैरालंपिक रिकॉर्ड के साथ एफ64 श्रेणी में स्वर्ण पदक जीता।
- मास्टरकार्ड, मास्टरकार्ड कम्युनिटी पास प्लेटफॉर्म के माध्यम से भारत में 2 मिलियन छोटे किसानों को कृषि इनपुट प्रदान करने के लिए ग्रामोफोन के साथ सहयोग करता है।
- उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने वाराणसी के संपूर्णानंद संस्कृत विश्वविद्यालय में वैदिक-3डी संग्रहालय के निर्माण की घोषणा की है।
- श्रम और रोजगार मंत्रालय (एमओएलई) ने कहा कि ई-श्रम ने 30 करोड़ से अधिक असंगठित श्रमिकों को पंजीकृत किया है, जो असंगठित श्रमिकों के बीच इसकी तेजी से और व्यापक स्वीकृति को दर्शाता है। 2021 में लॉन्च किया गया।
- राष्ट्रीय एक स्वास्थ्य मिशन (एनओएचएम) के तहत, राजस्थान के अजमेर जिले में "विष्णु युद्ध अभ्यास" (वायरस युद्ध अभ्यास) नामक एक व्यापक माँक ड्रिल आयोजित की गई।

Ques : Who has been appointed as MD and CEO of Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL)?

सेंट्रल डिपॉजिटरी सर्विसेज (इंडिया) लिमिटेड (सीडीएसएल) के एमडी और सीईओ के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Tapan Goyal / तपन गोयल**
- (b) Siddharth Agnihotri / सिद्धार्थ अग्निहोत्री**
- (c) Nehal Vora / नेहल वोरा**
- (d) KVS Manian / केवीएस मणियन**
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं**

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has accepted the appointment of Nehal Vora as the MD and CEO of Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL).
- Nehal Vora's appointment to this leadership position is a significant development for CDSL, particularly as the firm works to strengthen its leadership in line with its long-term strategic goals.
- Vora, who formerly served as the BSE's Chief Regulatory Officer, is expected to offer substantial knowledge to CDSL, furthering the organization's objective to improve India's depository services sector.

Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- Krishnan Venkat Subramanian : Managing Director and CEO of Federal Bank
- Rama Mohan Rao Amara : Managing Director at State Bank of India
- Y Haragopal : Managing Director of NABCONS (NABARD Consultancy Services)
- Challa Sreenivasulu Setty : 27th Chairman of State Bank of India (SBI)
- Subhasri : MD & CEO of Shriram Capital Pvt Ltd

- Salee Sukumaran Nair : managing director and chief executive officer of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB)
- Rana Ashutosh Kumar Singh : Managing Director in charge of State Bank of India's (SBI) risk compliance and stressed assets resolution group (SARG) departments.
- Tan Su Shan : CEO of DBS Group (Piyush Gupta (Indian) will retire in March 2025)
- Lalitha Nataraj : CEO of NPCI Bhim Services Ltd (NBSL)
- Praveena Rai : Managing Director and CEO of Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX)
- Sanjay Shukla : Managing Director (MD) of National Housing Bank (NHB)
- Manoj Mittal : Chairman and Managing Director of Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- KVS Manian : Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Federal Bank
- K Paul Thomas : Managing Director & CEO of ESAF Small Finance Bank
- Arun Bansal : Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Paytm Payments Bank
- Ratan Kumar Kesh : interim MD and CEO of Bandhan Bank
- Siddhartha Mohanty : Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has re-designated as managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO).
- Charulatha S. Kar : Executive Directors of Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

Ques : Who launched Risk Intelligence Decisioning Platform and EVOK 3.0 payment platform ?

रिस्क इंटेलिजेंस डिमिजनिंग प्लेटफॉर्म और EVOK 3.0 पेमेंट प्लेटफॉर्म किसने लॉन्च किया?

- (a) phone pay
- (b) paytm
- (c) Razor pay
- (d) NPST
- (e) Amazon

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- NPST, a leading digital banking and payments technology provider launched a suite of new-age AI-enabled digital payment solutions at the Global Fintech Fest 2024.
- These Solutions are Risk Intelligence Decisioning Platform and EVOK 3.0 payment platform.
- Risk Intelligence Decisioning Platform combines insight from several data sources to learn and evaluate transaction trends. By forecasting and mitigating new threats, the platform allows merchant acquirers to efficiently foresee and prevent fraud, resulting in a strong security foundation for person-to-merchant transactions.
- EVOK 3.0 is an enhanced version of the EvoK platform that provides a comprehensive payment solution designed specifically for payment aggregators, payment gateway service providers, and retailers.
- EVOK 3.0 features advanced transaction processing capabilities such as multi-bank intelligent routing and shadow ledger capabilities that are intended to offload transaction authorization from Core Banking Systems.
- Deepak Chand Thakur, Co-founder and CEO of NPST

Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- Axis Bank introduces Innovative Digital Solutions : UPI-ATM & Bharat Connect for Business. UPI-ATM is a cardless cash withdrawal and deposit system using any UPI application (app).
- SBI Life Insurance has released a new digital short to promote the Indian delegation in the Paralympic Games Paris 2024.
- Bank of India has announced a special tenor fixed deposit scheme called Star Dhan Vriddhi, which will pay senior residents up to 7.9% in interest.
- ESAF Small Finance Bank's recently launched Dabba Savings Account initiative

- Star Health and Allied Insurance Company Limited has introduced an insurance policy in Braille named 'Special Care Gold'.
- YEB BANK POP-CLUB RuPay Credit Card Launched by POPtech Growth Private Limited (POP) & Yes Bank Limited Powered by RuPay
- Global payments technology company Mastercard announced the global launch of its new Payment Passkey Service.
- GIGA is a full financial suite designed specifically for Indian gig workers and freelancers, and it was unveiled by HDFC Bank Limited.
- Being the first bank to do so, Karnataka Bank will provide personal loans via the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC).
- Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), a key player in the energy sector in India, and RBL Bank have partnered to introduce the co-branded credit card XTRA at the Global Fintech Fest (GFF) in Mumbai.
- High-End Credit Card "ETERNA" on RuPay Network Launched by BOBCARD Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda (BOB).
- Tata AIA Life launches 'Sampoorna Raksha Promise' product with Rs.3 lakh instant payout feature.
- DigiPassBook, a new feature on HDFC Bank's SmartWealth app, enables users to manage all of their investments from a single location.
- Axis Bank Limited launches 'Neo for Merchants', a transformative mobile app which will act as a one stop solution for the merchant community, in partnership with VISA and Mintoak.
- Ecommerce major Amazon India has launched its artificial intelligence (AI)- powered shopping assistant 'Rufus' in India.
- A new security feature called Face Match has been introduced by Airtel Payments Bank to guard against fraudulent activity on user accounts.
- Sampoorna Raksha Promise, the newest term insurance offering from Tata AIA Life Insurance, has been revealed. Upon notification of a death claim, the plan offers an instant reimbursement of Rs.3 lakh to cover emergency needs.

Ques : International Solar Alliance (ISA) established in which year ?
अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सौर गठबंधन (ISA) की स्थापना किस वर्ष में हुई?

- (a) 2014
- (b) 2015
- (c) 2016
- (d) 2017
- (e) 2018

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The United States of America (USA)-based Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) a member of the World Bank Group (WBG) and the International Solar Alliance (ISA), has established a multi-donor trust fund called the 'MIGA-ISA Solar Facility'.
- The facility leverages ISA's technical expertise and MIGA's finance capabilities to boost global solar energy adoption.
- ISA has pledged USD 2 million in seed money and aims to generate USD 10 million for the facility.
- This is the first program under the guarantee component of ISA's Global Solar Facility (GSF), aiming to fund USD 200 million for African projects.

About the International Solar Alliance (ISA):

- Established : 2015
- HQ : Gurugram, Haryana
- Member : 99 countries
- Director General : Dr Ajay Mathur

Ques : _____ becomes first major Indian Bank to sign Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF)

___ कार्बन अकाउंटिंग फाइनेंशियल (पीसीएफ) के लिए साझेदारी पर हस्ताक्षर करने वाला पहला प्रमुख भारतीय बैंक बन गया

- (a) J&K Bank / जे एंड के बैंक**
- (b) Indian Overseas Bank / इंडियन ओवरसीज बैंक**
- (c) Union Bank of India / यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया**
- (d) Karnataka Bank / कर्नाटक बैंक**
- (e) Central Bank of India / सेंट्रल बैंक ऑफ इंडिया**

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Union Bank of India has announced its decision to join the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF), an international alliance of financial institutions dedicated to standardizing the measurement and disclosure of greenhouse gas emissions related to loans and investments.
- Union Bank of India has joined PCAF to support worldwide efforts to quantify and manage funded emissions, which are critical for understanding and mitigating climate risks in the banking sector.
- This action demonstrates the bank's commitment to following the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) recent proposed rules for climate risk reporting.

About Union Bank of India:

- Founded: November 11, 1919
- Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
- MD & CEO : Manimekhalai
- Tagline: "Good People to Bank With"

Recently signed banking agreements

- South Indian Bank Partners with Sohan Lal Commodity Management to Launch 'Unified Collateral Management Solutions which will benefit farmers and other stakeholders in the agricultural ecosystem.
- Max Life Insurance Company Limited has formed a bancassurance collaboration with CSB Bank, a private sector bank in India.
- Ashok Leyland, a commercial vehicle maker, has inked an MoU with Bandhan Bank. To provide financial solutions, including vehicle loans.
- Visa and the Tourism & Hospitality Skill Council inked a 3-year partnership of up to \$1 million USD This initiative, designed to up skill at least 20,000 Indian youth in tourism-relevant skills.
- To introduce its UPI Third Party Application Provider (TPAP) service, BharatPe has teamed up with Unity Bank. The "postpe" app has been renamed "BharatPe," and UPI payments are now accepted on it.
- Birla Aditya The "Income Suraksha Plan," a new term insurance plan, has been jointly introduced by Sun Life Insurance (ABSLI) and Policybazaar.
- Two-wheeler loans are now possible thanks to a partnership between BharatPe and OTO Capital, a digital commerce and lending platform.
- YES Bank has entered into a co-lending partnership with Newtap Finance Private Limited to provide personalised financing solutions for creditworthy individuals on payments platform CRED.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and ESAF Small Finance Bank have partnered to create the exclusive Inori RuPay Platinum Credit Card.
- Zeta, a global supplier of cutting-edge banking technology to financial institutions, has partnered up with HDFC Bank to provide the bank's UPI (CLOU) platform credit line services.
- A strategic agreement to grow their co-lending business has been announced by Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited (also known as Piramal Finance), and the Central Bank of India.
- Indian consumers now have fast access to digital credit thanks to a partnership between PayU, a fintech company sponsored by Naspers, and Amazon Pay Later.
- Consumer payments and lending company Slice has received approval from the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) for its merger with North East Small Finance Bank (NESFB).
- Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), a significant state-owned steel manufacturer, and Bank of Baroda (BoB) have agreed to a Rs.5,000 crore credit arrangement.
- Karnataka Bank and fintech company Navi established a partnership to launch a credit line on UPI goods for users of the platform.

Ques : Loss and Damage Fund (LDF) established in which year ?
हानि एवं क्षति कोष (एलडीएफ) की स्थापना किस वर्ष में की गई?

- (a) 2019
- (b) 2020
- (c) 2021
- (d) 2022
- (e) 2023

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- A critical debate has recently erupted over whether subnational entities can claim compensation from the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change's Loss and Damage Fund (LDF).
- The LDF was founded during the 2022 UNFCCC Conference (COP27) in Egypt.
- Its Objective is to offer financial assistance to regions experiencing economic and non-economic losses as a result of climate change.
- Economic loss and damage are negative consequences that can be measured financially. Whereas Non-economic loss and damage are unfavorable consequences that are difficult or impossible to quantify financially.
- Financial assistance will be provided in the form of grants and concessional financing that may be used by any eligible countries.
- The fund encourages voluntary contributions from affluent countries while also inviting underdeveloped countries to participate
- The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is a treaty that establishes the legal framework for international cooperation on climate change. The UNFCCC's goal is to stabilize greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere to prevent dangerous human interference with the climate system.

Ques : Who visit Brunei recently from India ?

हाल ही में भारत से ब्रुनेई की यात्रा किसने की?

- (a) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी**
- (b) Amit Shah / अमित शाह**
- (c) Rajnath Singh / राजनाथ सिंह**
- (d) Droupadi Murmu / द्रौपदी मुर्मू**
- (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar / जगदीप धनखड़**

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Prime Minister Modi will visit Brunei and Singapore from September 3 to 5, 2024.
- This is the first visit by an Indian Prime Minister to Brunei since diplomatic ties were established on May 10, 1984.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrived in Brunei's capital, Bandar Seri Begawan, on 3 September 2024. Where Sultan of Brunei, Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah personally received him.
- India and Brunei are celebrating 40 years of diplomatic relationship in 2024.
- Sultan Bolkiah is currently the longest-serving monarch in the world after assuming the throne in 1967.
- The Sultan of Brunei organized a lunch for PM Modi at his house, Istana Nurul Iman Palace.
- The Istana Nurul Iman Palace is the world's largest palace, having 1,788 rooms, 257 bathrooms, and 44 stairs.

About Brunei :

- Islamic Sultanate situated on Borneo island in Southeast Asia.
- It gained independence from Great Britain in 1984.
- One of the richest countries in Asia and is a member of the OPEC+ group.
- Capital: Bandar Seri Begawan
- King: Haji Hassanal Bolkiah
- Currency: Bruneian dollar

Ques : Which ministry approved Centralized Pension Payment System (CPPS) ?

किस मंत्रालय ने केंद्रीकृत पेंशन भुगतान प्रणाली (सीपीपीएस) को मंजूरी दी?

- (a) Union Ministry of Home Affairs / केंद्र य गृह मंत्रालय**
- (b) Union Ministry of Education / केंद्र य सशिक्षा मंत्रालय**
- (c) Union Ministry of Finance / केंद्र य वित्त मंत्रालय**
- (d) Union Ministry of Labour and Employment / केंद्रीय श्रम एवं रोजगार मंत्रालय**
- (e) Union Ministry of Steel / केंद्र य इस्पात मंत्रालय**

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The proposal for a Centralized Pension Payment System (CPPS) for the Employees' Pension Scheme of 1995 has been authorized by the Union Minister of Labour and Employment and the Chairperson of the EPF's Central Board of Trustees.
- The CPPS represents a significant shift by providing a national-level consolidated system that allows pension payout through any bank and branch in India.
- Centralized Pension Payment System (CPPS) marks a significant milestone in modernization of the EPFO.
- This project tackles long-standing issues for seniors by allowing them to receive their pensions from any bank, branch, or location in the country, ensuring a seamless and effective payment method.
- There would also be no need for pensioners to attend the branch for verification at the time of pension commencement, and the pension will be credited immediately upon release.
- The CPPS will also assure the disbursement of pension throughout India without the need to move Pension Payment Orders (PPO) from one office to another.

To be eligible for benefits under the Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), an individual must meet the following criteria :

- He should join the EPFO.
- He should have completed ten years of service.
- He attained the age of 58.
- He can also withdraw his EPS at a reduced rate starting at the age of 50 years.
- He can also defer his pension for two years (up to 60 years of age), after which he will receive a pension at an additional rate of 4% per year.
- Members who have contributed to the Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS) will get a constant income from these benefits.

News Headlines Related to Ministry :

- Ministry of Labour & Employment (MoLE) stated that e-Shram has registered more than 30 crore unorganised workers, showcasing its rapid and widespread adoption among the unorganised workers. Launched in 2021.
- Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and Rural Development, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, launched the AgriSURE Scheme in New Delhi.
- Union Law and Justice Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal launched the new Notary Portal in New Delhi.
- The revenue department in the finance ministry has formed a panel headed by V K Gupta, chief commissioner of income-tax (I-T), to simplify the decades-old I-T Act.
- Union Minister Smt Annapurna Devi Launches 7th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2024 at Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar, Gujarat for enhancing nutrition awareness.
- The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) has launched the Vehicle Scrapping Policy or Voluntary Vehicle Modernization Program(VVMP) to create an ecosystem for phasing out unfit polluting vehicles across India.
- Ministry of Textiles approved 4 Start-Ups in the field of Technical Textiles, under the 'Grant for Research & Entrepreneurship across Aspiring Innovators in Technical Textiles (GREAT)' scheme.

- Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports and Labour & Employment launched the "Retired Sportsperson Empowerment Training" (RESET) Programme on the occasion of National Sports Day in New Delhi. To support retired athletes on their career development journey.
- The 24th Handicrafts Export Awards were given to Indian handicraft exporters by Union Minister Giriraj Singh of the Ministry of Textiles (MoT) during a ceremony.
- Within six months, state wildlife departments must register exotic pets included in Schedule IV of the Wildlife Act with the Ministry of Environment, Forests, and Climate Change (MoEFCC) through the PARIVESH 2.0 site.
- A new program called "Sustainability in Spice Sector through Progressive, Innovative and Collaborative Interventions for Export Development (SPICED)" has been introduced by the Spices Board, which is part of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- To mark 165 years of Income Tax (IT) in India, Union Minister Nirmala Sitharaman of the Ministry of Finance (MoF) announced "My Stamp - 165th Income Tax Day" in New Delhi.

Ques : Smart Cities Mission (SCM) launched in which year ?

स्मार्ट सिटीज़ मिशन (एससीएम) किस वर्ष शुरू किया गया?

- (a) 2012
- (b) 2013
- (c) 2015
- (d) 2017
- (e) 2020

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs reports that the Smart Cities Mission (SCM), which aims to improve urban quality of life, has completed over 90% of its projects.
- The Smart Cities Mission was launched on June 25, 2015, with the primary goal of encouraging cities to offer basic infrastructure, a clean and sustainable environment, and a good standard of living for their residents through the use of 'smart solutions'.

- It is a centrally sponsored scheme run by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).
- From 2016 to 2018, 100 cities were selected to become Smart Cities after a two-stage competition. Each city would have five years to complete their projects.
- The Central Government will give financial support to the extent of Rs. 48,000 crores over 5 years, i.e., on an average of Rs.100 crore per city per year.

Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

- Secretary MeitY Sh. S. Krishnan opened the second cohort of SAMRIDH. The SAMRIDH initiative, established in August 2021, aims to support 300 software product companies with a budget of Rs.99 crore over 4 years.
- The Madhya Pradesh government has authorized the 'Brindavan Gram' program, which will create 'gaushalas' and other schemes for the benefit of villages.
- Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM-JANMAN) Launched in 2023.
- Information, Education and Communication (IEC) Campaign on PMJANMAN mission, to raise awareness and ensure 100% saturation of Government Schemes. Launched by Union Minister for Tribal Affairs.
- 'Vigyan Dhara' scheme under Department of Science and Technology, aim is to foster research, innovation, and technology development in addition to increasing capacity in science and technology
- Mukhyamantri Bal Paushtik Aahar Yojana (MBPAY) Launched by Himachal Pradesh (HP) Chief Minister (CM) Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu To provide nutritious food to children in government-run schools.
- Odisha state government has launched the Subhadra scheme under which Rs.50,000 will be provided over five years to one crore women between the ages of 21 and 60
- Scooters manufactured by Ola Electric, model numbers S1 X 3 kWh and S1 X 4 kWh, have been certified as complying with the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for the automotive and auto component industries.

- The Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana was started by the Department of Post, which is part of the Union Ministry of Communication, to encourage student research and scholarship in stamps throughout the nation.
- The Unified Pension System (UPS) for its employees has been approved by the Union Cabinet. The current National Pension System (NPS) will be replaced with the new plan Unified Pension System (UPS).
- On the occasion of Raksha Bandhan, the Maharashtra government, led by Eknath Shinde, is scheduled to formally introduce the "Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana."
- Yogi Adityanath, the chief minister of Uttar Pradesh, introduced the "Mukhyamantri Yuva Udyam Vikas Abhiyan Yojana" with the goal of increasing job prospects for young people in the state.
- Western Railway has added Kandivali and Dahisar stations to the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. The Ministry of Railways started this continuing project in February 2023 with the goal of revitalizing train stations all over India.
- The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has announced the Scheme Guidelines for the PM-Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana's "Model Solar Village" implementation.

Ques : President Droupadi Murmu has approved the constitution of the 23rd Law Commission of India for _____-year term.

राष्ट्रपति द्रौपदी मुर्मू ने ___ वर्ष के कार्यकाल के लिए भारत के 23वें विधि आयोग के गठन को मंजूरी दे दी है।

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4
- (e) 5

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- President Droupadi Murmu has approved the constitution of India's 23rd Law Commission, whose term would run from September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2027.
- The commission will have a full-time chairperson, four members, and several ex-officio and part-time members. The commission's mandate is to study and recommend legal reforms that will improve the Indian legal system.
- Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi, the Law Commission's then-Chairman, resigned in March 2024 after serving for 17 months. While the report on simultaneous elections is complete, it cannot be submitted to the Law Ministry due to procedural restrictions that call for a chairperson.
- The 22nd Law Commission's mandate expires on August 31, 2024. The panel has been without a head for some months, delaying critical reports such as the Uniform Civil Code and simultaneous elections.
- It is Administered by Union Ministry of Law and Justice.
- 1st constituted in 1834 by the Governor-General (empowered by the Charter Act, 1833) under the Chairmanship of Lord Macaulay.

Ques : India has signed four agreements with which country on semiconductors, digital cooperation, healthcare and medical research, and education and skill development?

भारत ने किस देश के साथ सेमीकंडक्टर, डिजिटल सहयोग, स्वास्थ्य सेवा और चिकित्सा अनुसंधान, तथा शिक्षा और कौशल विकास पर चार समझौतों पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- (a) Netherland / नीदरलैंड
- (b) Mauritius / मॉरीशस
- (c) Moldova / मोल्दोवा
- (d) Singapore / सिंगापुर
- (e) UAE / यूएई

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- India and Singapore signed agreements for a semiconductor ecosystem alliance and increased interoperability between their digital industries, while elevating their relationship to a comprehensive strategic partnership.
- India and Singapore have signed four agreements including semiconductors, digital collaboration, healthcare and medical research, and education and skill development.
- The Memorandum of Understanding for a Semiconductor Ecosystem Partnership envisions collaboration to help India's burgeoning semiconductor industry while allowing Singapore enterprises and supply chains' entry into the Indian market.
- The MoU on digital technology cooperation would promote greater interoperability between the two nations' digital economy and build on previous efforts, such as connecting India and Singapore's digital payment systems

Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement :

- Mastercard Collaborates with Gramophone To provide agri inputs to 2 million smallholder farmers in India via the Mastercard Community Pass platform.
- The Indian Railways (IR) has merged its recruiting portal with DigiLocker, reducing the recruitment process from 18-24 months to less than 6 months.
- ClearTax Joins Hand with Microsoft to Ease Tax Filing for Over 20 Mn Indian Gig Workers in india.
- India, the Maldives, Mauritius, and Sri Lanka have signed a Charter and an MoU to establish the Colombo Security Conclave (CSC) Secretariat in Colombo to address security and stability concerns in the Indian Ocean Region
- India And Malaysia Sign MoU For Strengthening Co-Operation In The Field Of Tourism.

- ReNew Power Private Limited (ReNew/ RPPL) and Microsoft Corporation Signed agreement for clean power sale agreement of 437.6 MegaWatt (MW) to produce more than 1 million units of green electricity.
- An agreement was signed by the corporate body of the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant, RINL, and M/s. IOCL for the supply of hydraulic and lubricating oils and greases for a five-year term spanning from 2024 to 2029.
- ICAR-CIFE and VAMNICOM Sign MoU to Enhance Cooperative Management in Fisheries. Significant step toward the goal of creating 2 lakh PACS, Fishery Cooperatives, and Dairy Cooperatives in each Panchayat.
- United States and India have engaged into a bilateral, non-binding Security of Supply Arrangements (SOSA) to guarantee the mutual supply of defense equipment and services.
- India and Denmark Collaborate on Clean River Initiative To revitalize the Varuna River using advanced technologies and a comprehensive river management plan over a 2-3-year period.
- Hindustan Zinc Ltd., and the Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) have inked a MoU to work together on developing new zinc material variants.
- Sri Lankan government and India's state-run firm, Petronet LNG Limited Collaborate on LNG Infrastructure Development for Power Generation..

Ques : India's Dharambir has won the gold medal in the men's F51 event of which sport in Paris Paralympics 2024?

भारत के धरमबीर ने पेरिस पैरालिंपिक 2024 में किस खेल की पुरुषों की F51 स्पर्धा में स्वर्ण पदक जीता है?

- (a) Shooting / शूटिंग
- (b) Club Throw / क्लब थ्रो
- (c) Javelin Throw / भाला फेंक
- (d) Archery / तीरंदाजी
- (e) Badminton / बैडमिंटन

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Dharambir of India smashed the Asian record to win the gold medal in the Paralympics 2024, while compatriot Pranav Soorma took silver, as Indian club throwers dominated the men's F51 event in the showpiece event in Paris.
- After four fouled efforts, Dharambir, a world championship bronze medalist from Sonapat, hurled the club to a distance of 34.92m on his fifth try to take the lead.
- Soorma, who had a spinal cord injury aged 16 when a cement sheet fell on his head, threw 34.59 meters on his first attempt. Despite his outstanding effort, the 29-year-old from Faridabad was unable to beat Dharambir, resulting in a one-two finish for India.

Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Thulasimathi Murugesan and Manisha Ramadass won silver and bronze medals in the women's singles SU5 category at the Paralympics.
- The prestigious Lord's Cricket Ground in London is set to make history by hosting the final of the ICC World Test Championship (WTC) from June 11 to June 15, 2025.
- Sachin Khilari, the 2023 and 2024 world champion, won silver in the Paris Paralympics. Khilari threw 16.32m in the men's shot put F46 at the Stade de France in Paris, trailing Canada's Greg Stewart.
- Monacan racing driver Charles Leclerc won the 2024 Formula One Italian Grand Prix (GP) at the Autodromo Nazionale Monza in Monza, Italy, driving for Ferrari.
- 15-year-old Chess International Master Mayank Chakraborty from Assam has won his second Grand Master Norm in a GM Norm Tournament being conducted in Greece.
- India's Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar won bronze in the mixed compound open archery event at the Paris 2024 Paralympics

- Indian paddler Divyanshi Bhowmick clinched a bronze medal in the Under-19 Youth Girls Singles Event at the World Table Tennis Youth Contender Varazdin 2024 ARENA VARAZDIN in Croatia.
- The Indian men's national squash champion, Abhay Singh, won the men's singles title of the 2024 Tuanku Muhriz Trophy and Aira Azaman of Malaysia won the women's singles title.
- At Paris Paralympics 2024, Indian Para Athlete Preethi Pal secured yet another medal for India, clinching a Bronze medal in the Women's 200 meters – T35 Final.
- The 133rd Durand Cup was held in Kolkata, Kokrajhar (Assam), Jamshedpur (Jharkhand), and Shillong (Meghalaya) from July 27 to August 31, 2024.
- NorthEast United Football Club won their maiden Durand Cup trophy by defeating defending champion Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG) 4-3 in a penalty shootout
- Himanshi Tokas won a silver medal at the Asian Cadet and Junior Judo Championships in Mungyeong, South Korea.
- In the Paris Paralympic Games, Indian shooter Rubina Francis won bronze in the women's 10-meter air pistol SH1 final qualification round.
- Yogesh Kathuniya of India won his second consecutive Paralympic silver medal in the men's discus throw F-56 event with a season-best effort of 42.22m at the current Games in Paris.
- Aarti opened India's medal tally at the World U20 Athletics Championships in Lima, Peru, by winning a bronze medal in the women's 10000m race walk event in the national U20 record time.
- Karthik Venkataraman won the 61st edition of the Indian National Championship by scoring 9/11 points in the event organised by the Haryana Chess Association.
- The 8th Women's Asian Champions Trophy Hockey Tournament will take place in Rajgir, Bihar, in 2024. India is hosting the competition for the second time in a row.

Ques : DAC approves _____ Capital Acquisition Proposals worth Rs 1.45 lakh crore to Enhance Defence Preparedness
डीएसी ने रक्षा तैयारियों को बढ़ाने के लिए 1.45 लाख करोड़ रुपये के _____ पूंजी अधिग्रहण प्रस्तावों को मंजूरी दी

- (a) 5
- (b) 8
- (c) 10
- (d) 12
- (e) 15

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC), chaired by Union Minister Rajnath Singh of the Ministry of Defence (MoD), approved 10 capital acquisition requests for Rs 1,44,716 crore to strengthen India's defense capabilities.
- 99% of the cost comes from indigenous sources under the Buy (Indian) and Buy (Indigenously Designed, Developed, and Manufactured) categories.

To strengthen the Indian Coast Guard (ICG), the DAC approved the following three key acquisitions:

- Acquisition of Next Generation Fast Patrol Vessels for high operational capability in rough conditions.
- Approval for Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels with advanced technology for long-range operations
- Procurement of Dornier-228 aircraft for enhanced maritime surveillance.

Recent News Headlines related to Defence

- Russian troops recently hit Kharkiv, Ukraine, with a Grom-EI hybrid missile. It is an air-to-surface missile with Maximum Range of 120 km (75 miles).
- purchase 240 AL-31FP engines for Russian-origin SU-30 MKI fighter aircraft from Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) at a cost of around Rs.26,000 crore.
- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and SAFHAL Helicopter Engines Private Limited (SAFHAL) have signed an airframer contract to design, develop, produce, supply, and maintain a new high-power engine called "Aravalli".
- The President of Ukraine recently declared that the nation's defense industry-produced Hrim-2 ballistic missile, which is its first, has been successfully tested.
- Goa Shipyard (GSL) has launched the first of two indigenous Pollution Control Vessels (PCVs) for the Indian Coast Guard, marking a major step towards self-reliance in defense manufacture.
- India has reordered 73,000 SIG716 assault weapons from SiG Sauer Inc., a US company.
- Axiom Space & Nokia Partners To Bring 4G Technology in NASA's Lunar Spacesuits. It will be used for NASA's Artemis III lunar mission.
- Kim Jong Un, the leader of North Korea, recently revealed a brand-new kind of "suicide drone." These drones are made to behave like guided missiles.
- India launched its first reusable hybrid rocket, named RHUMI-1. Space Zone India, a start-up based in Tamil Nadu, worked with the Martin Group to develop the rocket. The rocket was launched from Chennai, India's Thiruvudandhai.
- Launched from SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket carried the satellite Tanager-1, which was created by an alliance of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).
- The Shaheen-II surface-to-surface ballistic missile was successfully launched into training by the Pakistani military lately.

Swadeshi (indigenous) Kamikaze Drones are do-or-die Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) powered by in-house engines that can propel them up to 1,000 kilometers (km) in the air. These drones were recently introduced by the National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL).

- Elon Musk's Starlink, SpaceX's satellite division, has been given permission by Sri Lanka's telecoms authority to offer satellite internet services there.
- The Coast Guard's new Maritime Rescue Coordination Center (MRCC) was officially opened in Chennai by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.

Ques : India will hold the second edition of the International Conference on Green Hydrogen from 11th to 13th September in which city?

भारत 11 से 13 सितंबर तक किस शहर में ग्रीन हाइड्रोजन पर अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन का दूसरा संस्करण आयोजित करेगा?

- (a) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- (b) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली
- (c) Chennai / चेन्नई
- (d) Greater Noida / ग्रेटर नोएडा
- (e) Gurugram / गुरुग्राम

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- India will host the second International Conference on Green Hydrogen in New Delhi from September 11 to 13.
- This three-day event aims to expand our understanding of the green hydrogen environment while also fostering links with global scientific groups and companies.
- India as a whole seeks to lower the emissions intensity of GDP by 45 percent. Finally, India pledges to achieving net-zero emissions by 2070.

Ques : Which Department notifies New Rules for 'Digital Bharat Nidhi' to Boost Telecom Access ?

दूरसंचार पहुंच को बढ़ावा देने के लिए कौन सा विभाग 'डिजिटल भारत निधि' के लिए नए नियमों को अधिसूचित करता है?

- (a) Department of Science and Technology / विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग
- (b) Department of Biotechnology / जैव प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग
- (c) Department of Atomic Energy / परमाणु ऊर्जा विभाग
- (d) Department of Telecommunications / दूरसंचार विभाग
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communication (MoC), has issued the 'Telecommunications (Administration of Digital Bharat Nidhi) Rules, 2024' to improve telecom access.
- The new guidelines aim to improve the management and implementation of the 'Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN)' project, created under Section 24(1) of the Telecommunications Act of 2023.
- The Indian Telegraph Act of 1885 established the Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF), which was later renamed DBN.
- The new rules supersede rules 523–527 of the Indian Telegraph Rules, 1951, which outlined how the USOF operates.

Ques : A new methodology termed as FRAME. In which R stands for ?

एक नई पद्धति को FRAME कहा गया। जिसमें R का मतलब है?

- (a) Recovery
- (b) Round
- (c) Real
- (d) Recreate
- (e) Rigid

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- According to calculations based on data from a new methodology known as Food Recovery to Avoid Methane Emissions (FRAME), each food bank reduces the same amount of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions as taking 900 gasoline-powered cars off the road for a year.

About Food Recovery to Avoid Methane Emissions (FRAME) methodology :

- It calculates the avoided emissions and co-benefits of diverting food loss and waste to direct human consumption via food recovery and redistribution operations.
- The FRAME started as a pilot project in Mexico and Ecuador, when six community-run food banks were examined.
- It was created by The Global Food Banking Network (GFN) in collaboration with the Global Methane Hub and the Carbon Trust.
- The new FRAME tool will enable food banks, food recovery organizations, private sector businesses, scientific experts, and anyone involved in the food loss and waste sector to effectively quantify and manage emissions from food recovery and redistribution.

Ques : A Book Titled, "From Oil to Lithium: Navigating the Future of Energy" by _.

एक किताब जिसका शीर्षक है, फ्रॉम ऑयल टू लिथियम: नैविगेटिंग द फ्यूचर ऑफ एनर्जी __

- (a) Amitav Ghosh / अमिताव घोष
- (b) Vikram Seth / विक्रम सेठ
- (c) Salman Rushdie / सलमान रुश्दी
- (d) Kuldeep Gupta / कुलदीप गुप्ता
- (e) Chetan Bhagat / चेतन भगत

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Book Name "From Oil to Lithium: Navigating the Future of Energy" authored by Kuldeep Gupta.
- Kuldeep Gupta, the mastermind of this thought-provoking book, brings much expertise and awards to his writing.
- Gupta's career path closely mirrors the narrative he weaves in his book, as he has been named a Future Energy Leader for the Middle East by Economic Times Energy World.
- His participation in lithium-ion cell production and several renewable energy projects, including the establishment of the region's first Gigafactory.
- The book is about the potential of renewable energy solutions and urgent need for a collective shift towards sustainability.

Recent News Headlines Related to Books :

- Modi's Governance Triumph: Reshaping India's Path to Prosperity : Tarun Chugh
- India@100: Envisioning Tomorrow's Economic Powerhouse : Professor K V Subramanian
- Breaking Rocks and Barriers: The Adventurous Life of Sudipta Sengupta : Sudipta Sengupta
- Jamsetji Tata: Powerful Learnings for Corporate Success : R Gopalakrishnan and Harish Bhat
- "Wings to Our Hopes – Volume 1" & "Kahani Rashtrapati Bhavan Ki" : Shri Rajesh Kumar
- Rashtrapati Bhavan: Heritage Meets the Present : Shri Omita Paul
- Tantra on the Edge : Madhu Khanna
- Power Within: The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi : Dr R Balasubramaniam
- I have the Streets – R Ashwin & Sidharth Monga
- 'Gateways to the Sea: Historic Ports and Docks of Mumbai Region' : Released by Governor of Maharashtra Ramesh Bais
- "The Adventures of Ed-a-Mamma: Ed Finds A Home." : Alia Bhatt
- India's Trade Policy; The 1990's and beyond – Arvind Panagariya
- An Anchored Vision – Karumuttu T Kanan
- India and The Indian Ocean World Trade and Politics – Ashin Das Gupta
- A Fly on the RBI Wall – Alpana Killawala

Ques : Which country has signed an MoU with India to strengthen public-sector audit cooperation in September 2024?

किस देश ने सितंबर 2024 में सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के लेखा परीक्षा सहयोग को मजबूत करने के लिए भारत के साथ एक समझौता जापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- (a) Netherland / नीदरलैंड**
- (b) Mauritius / मॉरीशस**
- (c) Moldova / मोलदोवा**
- (d) Singapore / सिंगापुर**
- (e) UAE / यूएई**

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- During a bilateral meeting with the President of the UAE Accountability Authority, the Comptroller and Auditor General of India signed a Memorandum of Understanding.
- This Memorandum of Understanding demonstrates our institutions' similar values and aspirations and strengthens India-UAE ties.
- The MoU aims to promote collaboration between the two Supreme Audit Institutions by focusing on knowledge exchange, capacity building, and best practices in public sector auditing. By sharing skills and experiences, both countries want to better their own audit procedures and overall governance.

IMPORTANT ONE – LINER CURRENT AFFAIRS

- The Indian deaf shooter Dhanush Srikanth won three gold medals at the 2024 World Deaf Shooting Championship in Hanover, Germany.
- India and UNESCO to Co-Organize 2024 Chief Science Advisers Roundtable in Paris.
- Razorpay has launched the innovative Point-of-Sale (POS) software, 'Razorpay DigiPOS'.
- Sheikh Khaled bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi, has officially inaugurated the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi Abu Dhabi campus.
- Para shuttler Nithya Sre Sivan has won the Bronze medal at the Paris Paralympics in the Women's Singles Badminton SH6 event.
- Motilal Oswal Mutual Fund (MOMF) has launched its New Fund Offer (NFO), the 'Motilal Oswal Nifty 500 Momentum 50 Index Fund'. This is India's first 500 Momentum 50 Index fund.
- Ministry of Women and Child Development received National Award for e-Governance 2024 (Gold) for the Poshan Tracker initiative
- At the Paris Paralympics 2024, Harvinder Singh from Haryana created history by winning a Gold in the men's archery individual recurve open final.
- Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) has become the first Indian company to surpass Rs 10 lakh crore in annual revenue.
- Babita Chauhan Appointed as Chairperson of Uttar Pradesh's women's commission and Aparna Yadav and Charu Chaudhary Appointed as Vice Chairperson of Uttar Pradesh's women's commission.

महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

- भारतीय बधिर निशानेबाज धनुष श्रीकांत ने जर्मनी के हनोवर में 2024 विश्व बधिर निशानेबाजी चैम्पियनशिप में तीन स्वर्ण पदक जीते।
- भारत और यूनेस्को पेरिस में 2024 मुख्य विज्ञान सलाहकार गोलमेज सम्मेलन का सह-आयोजन करेंगे।
- रेजरपे ने इनोवेटिव प्वाइंट-ऑफ-सेल (पीओएस) सॉफ्टवेयर, 'रेजरपे डिजीपीओएस' लॉन्च किया है।
- अबू धाबी के क्राउन प्रिंस शेख खालिद बिन मोहम्मद बिन जायद अल नाहयान ने आधिकारिक तौर पर भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान (आईआईटी) दिल्ली अबू धाबी परिसर का उद्घाटन किया है।
- पैरा शटलर निथ्या श्री सिवन ने पेरिस पैरालिंपिक में महिला एकल बैडमिंटन SH6 स्पर्धा में कांस्य पदक जीता है।
- मोतीलाल ओसवाल म्यूचुअल फंड (एमओएमएफ) ने अपना नया फंड ऑफर (एनएफओ), 'मोतीलाल ओसवाल निफ्टी 500 मोमेंटम 50 इंडेक्स फंड' लॉन्च किया है। यह भारत का पहला 500 मोमेंटम 50 इंडेक्स फंड है।
- महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय को पोषण ट्रेकर पहल के लिए ई-गवर्नेंस 2024 (स्वर्ण) का राष्ट्रीय पुरस्कार मिला
- पेरिस पैरालिंपिक 2024 में, हरियाणा के हरविंदर सिंह ने पुरुष तीरंदाजी व्यक्तिगत रिकर्व ओपन फाइनल में स्वर्ण जीतकर इतिहास रच दिया।
- रिलायंस इंडस्ट्रीज लिमिटेड (आरआईएल) 10 लाख करोड़ रुपये वार्षिक राजस्व को पार करने वाली पहली भारतीय कंपनी बन गई है।
- बबीता चौहान को उत्तर प्रदेश महिला आयोग की अध्यक्ष और अपर्णा यादव और चारु चौधरी को उत्तर प्रदेश महिला आयोग की उपाध्यक्ष नियुक्त किया गया।

**Ques : Which of the following country was approved for membership in the BRICS New Development Bank (NDB) ?
निम्नलिखित में से किस देश को ब्रिक्स न्यू डेवलपमेंट बैंक (एनडीबी) में सदस्यता के लिए मंजूरी दी गई?**

- (a) Iran / ईरान**
- (b) Algeria / अल्जीरिया**
- (c) UAE / यूएई**
- (d) Syria / सीरिया**
- (e) Saudi Arabia / सऊदी अरब**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Algeria has been approved as the BRICS New Development Bank's newest member, joining other countries looking for alternatives to international financial institutions such as the World Bank and IMF.
- Dilma Rousseff, the head of the NDB, made the decision and revealed it during a meeting in Cape Town, South Africa. The bank of the BRICS group of nations, whose name is derived from the initials of founding members Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.
- Membership in the BRICS bank will provide Algeria, Africa's biggest natural gas exporter, with "new prospects to support and strengthen its economic growth in the medium and long term."
- The NDB was founded in 2015, and its primary objective is to mobilize capital for initiatives in emerging markets and underdeveloped countries.
- The NDB has increased its membership to include Bangladesh and the UAE in 2021, as well as Egypt in 2023.

About New Development Bank (NDB) :

- Founded – 2015
- Headquarters – Shanghai, China
- Membership (9) – Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, Bangladesh, UAE, Uruguay & Egypt
- President – Dilma Rousseff (Brazil)
- Vice President – Anil Kishora (Indian)

Ques : ___ Imposes Rs.1.91 Crore Fine on Axis Bank and Rs.1 Crore Penalty on HDFC Bank

_ ने एक्सिस बैंक पर Rs.1.91 करोड़ और एचडीएफसी बैंक पर Rs.1 करोड़ का जुर्माना लगाया

- (a) NABARD / नाबार्ड**
- (b) RBI / आरबीआई**
- (c) EPFO / ईपीएफओ**
- (d) SEBI / सेबी**
- (e) SIDBI / सिडबी**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The RBI levied a monetary penalty of ₹1.91 crore on Axis Bank Limited.
- The penalty applies for violating Section 19 (1) (a) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (BR Act) and failing to follow RBI directions on interest rates on deposits, Interest Rate on Deposits and Know Your Customer (KYC).
- Opening of savings deposit accounts in the name of ineligible entities.
- Allotment of multiple customer identification codes instead of a Unique Customer Identification Code (UCIC) for certain customers.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.1 crore on HDFC Bank Limited for non-compliance with certain directions issued by RBI on 'Interest Rate on Deposits', 'Recovery Agents engaged by Banks' and 'Customer Service in Banks'.

Recent Penalties imposed on Banks by RBI :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.2.68 crore on UCO Bank.
- RBI has also imposed a penalty of Rs.2.1 lakh on Cent Bank Home Finance Limited.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.1.25 lakh on The Valsad Mahila Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd., Valsad, Gujarat
- The RBI also imposed a penalty of Rs.1,99,50,000 on Innofin Solutions Private Limited, also known as 'LenDen Club'.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.1,92,00,000 on NDX P2P Private Limited, also known as 'LiquiLoans'.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has fined Bank of Maharashtra Rs.1,27,20,000/- for failing to follow certain guidelines on the "Loan System for Delivery of Bank Credit," "Cyber Security Framework in Banks," and "Know Your Customer."
- Additionally, Hinduja Leyland Finance Limited (the company) has been fined Rs.4.90 lakh by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for failing to comply with various KYC (know your customer) regulations. Guidelines, 2016
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has fined Bank of Maharashtra Rs.1,27,20,000/-for failing to follow certain guidelines on the "Loan System for Delivery of Bank Credit," "Cyber Security Framework in Banks," and "Know Your Customer."
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed monetary penalties on 5 urban cooperative banks for failing to comply with various regulatory directions.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has levied a penalty of Rs.1,90,000 (1.9 lakh) on Muthoot Finance Limited for non-compliance with the 'Know Your Customer (KYC) Directions, 2016.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a penalty of Rs.10,000 on YES Bank for not exchanging mutilated notes.
- The Reserve Bank of India has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs 1.31 crore on Punjab National Bank for non-compliance with certain directions related to KYC and 'loans and advances'.

Ques : Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC) established in which year ?

जमा बीमा और क्रेडिट गारंटी निगम (DICGC) की स्थापना किस वर्ष में हुई?

- (a) 1978
- (b) 1954
- (c) 1985
- (d) 1970
- (e) 1980

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- The Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC) has launched an online tool called Daava Soochak, which allows depositors to check the status of their insurance claims.
- Since its formation, the DICGC has been in charge of reimbursing insured funds to depositors of insolvent banks.
- Daava Soochak, a user-friendly online tool, is part of DICGC's ongoing commitment to improving the services provided for depositors.
- Since 1962, the deposit insurance coverage level has been increased six times, from Rs 1,500 per depositor held in the same right and capacity across all covered bank branches to Rs 5,00,000 on February 4, 2020.
- Currently, 97.8% of all deposit accounts are properly safeguarded. The remaining 2.2% of accounts have deposits protected up to Rs 5 lakh.

About DICGC :

- Formed : 1978
- Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
- DICGC is a specialised division of the Reserve Bank of India which is under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India.
- It was established under the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Act, 1961 for the purpose of providing insurance of deposits and guaranteeing of credit facilities.

Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- Razorpay has launched the innovative Point-of-Sale (POS) software, 'Razorpay DigiPOS'
- Motilal Oswal Mutual Fund (MOMF) has launched its New Fund Offer (NFO), the 'Motilal Oswal Nifty 500 Momentum 50 Index Fund'. This is India's first 500 Momentum 50 Index fund.
- NPST, a leading digital banking and payments technology provider launched Risk Intelligence Decisioning Platform and EVOK 3.0 payment platform.
- Axis Bank introduces Innovative Digital Solutions : UPI-ATM & Bharat Connect for Business. UPI-ATM is a cardless cash withdrawal and deposit system using any UPI application (app).
- SBI Life Insurance has released a new digital short to promote the Indian delegation in the Paralympic Games Paris 2024.
- Bank of India has announced a special tenor fixed deposit scheme called Star Dhan Vriddhi, which will pay senior residents up to 7.9% in interest.
- ESAF Small Finance Bank's recently launched Dabba Savings Account initiative
- Star Health and Allied Insurance Company Limited has introduced an insurance policy in Braille named 'Special Care Gold'.
- YEB BANK POP-CLUB RuPay Credit Card Launched by POPtech Growth Private Limited (POP) & Yes Bank Limited Powered by RuPay
- Global payments technology company Mastercard announced the global launch of its new Payment Passkey Service.
- GIGA is a full financial suite designed specifically for Indian gig workers and freelancers, and it was unveiled by HDFC Bank Limited.
- Being the first bank to do so, Karnataka Bank will provide personal loans via the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC).
- Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), a key player in the energy sector in India, and RBL Bank have partnered to introduce the co-branded credit card XTRA at the Global Fintech Fest (GFF) in Mumbai.
- High-End Credit Card "ETERNA" on RuPay Network Launched by BOBCARD Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda (BOB).
- Tata AIA Life launches 'Sampoorna Raksha Promise' product with Rs.3 lakh instant payout feature.
- DigiPassBook, a new feature on HDFC Bank's SmartWealth app, enables users to manage all of their investments from a single location.
- Axis Bank Limited launches 'Neo for Merchants', a transformative mobile app which will act as a one stop solution for the merchant community, in partnership with VISA and Mintoak.
- Ecommerce major Amazon India has launched its artificial intelligence (AI)-powered shopping assistant 'Rufus' in India.

Ques : Who advises India to reassess Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) decision to achieve \$1 trillion export target ?

भारत को \$1 ट्रिलियन निर्यात लक्ष्य प्राप्त करने के लिए क्षेत्रीय व्यापक आर्थिक भागीदारी (RCEP) निर्णय का पुनर्मूल्यांकन करने की सलाह कौन देता है?

- (a) WTO**
- (b) NABARD**
- (c) SEBI**
- (d) WHO**
- (e) IMF**

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The World Bank has asked India to reconsider its regional integration policy, especially its choice not to join the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) as part of its goal to achieve a \$1 trillion export by 2030.
- India withdrew from RCEP negotiations in 2019, citing concerns over market access and competitiveness.
- The RCEP includes 10 ASEAN nations (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, the Philippines, Laos, and Vietnam) and six FTA partners (China, Japan, South Korea, Australia, and New Zealand).
- India has FTAs with 13 of 15 RCEP members, with the exception of China and New Zealand.

About World Bank :

- Established : 1944
- HQ : Washington DC
- Members : 189
- World Bank Group 5 : (IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA and ICSID)
- President : Ajay Banga
- MD & CFO : Anshula Kant
- Chief Economist : Indermit Gill

Ques : Indian Rupee ___ Worst Performing Asian Currency in August 2024 Due to High Dollar Demand and Equity Outflows
उच्च डॉलर की मांग और इक्विटी बहिर्प्रवाह के कारण अगस्त 2024 में भारतीय रुपया _ सबसे खराब प्रदर्शन करने वाली एशियाई मुद्रा है

- (a) 1st
- (b) 2nd
- (c) 3rd
- (d) 4th
- (e) 5th

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- In August 2024, the Indian rupee was the second-worst-performing Asian currency, trailing only the Bangladeshi taka. This was due to high dollar demand and outflows from domestic equity markets.
- It depreciated by 0.2% during the month. The rupee has depreciated by 0.6% so far in the current financial year.
- It was the third most stable Asian currency against the US dollar in FY24, following the Hong Kong dollar and Singapore dollar.
- The last time the rupee exhibited such stability was in 1994 when it appreciated by 0.4%.

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has clarified to banks that Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) cardholders are eligible for education loans for study abroad if they live in India.
- Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS): The RBI confirmed that there is no upper limit on the amount that can be remitted under LRS for education purposes.
- Resident individuals, including minors, can remit up to \$250,000 per financial year for current or capital account transactions under the LRS.
- Public sector banks (PSBs) disbursed Rs.28,699 crore towards education loans in FY24, with a year-on-year growth of 17% in number of accounts and 14.8% in disbursement amounts.

About overseas citizen of India :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) defines an Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) as a foreign national of Indian origin who is registered as an OCI cardholder under Section 7(A) of the Citizenship Act, 1955.
- The OCI scheme was introduced in 2005 to address the demand for dual citizenship for individuals of Indian origin.
- The OCI scheme grants foreign citizens of Indian origin the right to live and work in India indefinitely.

Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- Chennai based Fintech startup Paysharp Private Limited received the final authorisation from the Reserve Bank Of India (RBI) to act as a Payment Aggregator (PA).
- The Fintech Association for Consumer Empowerment (FACE) is the first Self-Regulatory Organization (SRO-FT) in the FinTech sector, having been formally registered by RBI.
- Due to high NPAs and lender repayment failures, RBI cancelled the Certificate of Registration (CoR) granted to Margdarshak Financial Services Limited (MFSL), its headquarters in Lucknow, UP.
- The Unified Lending Interface (ULI) was introduced by RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das in Bengaluru, Karnataka, during the Global Conference on Digital Public Infrastructure and Emerging Technologies.
- The schedule for the early redemption of Sovereign Gold Bonds (SGBs) issued between May 2017 and May 2020 has been released by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- The national common mobility cards (NCMCs) and Fastags autoreplenishment have been integrated into the e-mandate framework by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has given IndusInd Bank permission to form a wholly owned subsidiary that will solely focus on asset management for mutual funds.
- The RBI90Quiz, an undergraduate college test, has been made available to students by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor Shaktikanta Das received an 'A+' rating for the 2nd consecutive year in the Global Finance Central Banker Report Cards 2024.
- Peer-to-peer (NBFC-P2P) lending platforms run the risk of being branded as investment products by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) due to their inability to offer features like liquidity choices and tenure-linked guaranteed minimum returns.
- According to a Reserve Bank of India (RBI) study, capital expenditure (capex) in the private sector is expected to increase from Rs.1.59 trillion in FY24 to Rs.2.45 trillion in FY25.
- In order to improve compliance culture and offer a platform for consultation while formulating policy, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) released a framework for the recognition of self-regulatory organizations (SROs) in the financial markets.

Ques : Which Assembly Passes Historic Anti-Rape 'Aparajita' Bill Amid Political Drama ?

राजनीतिक नाटक के बीच किस विधानसभा ने ऐतिहासिक बलात्कार विरोधी 'अपराजिता' विधेयक पारित किया?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- (b) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (c) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (e) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The West Bengal Assembly unanimously enacted the 'Aparajita Woman and Child Bill (West Bengal Criminal Laws and Amendment) 2024', making a significant change in the state's legal framework against sexual offenses.
- With this move, West Bengal becomes the first state to amend central laws dealing with rape, gang-rape, and sexual crimes against children.
- The 'Aparajita' bill is named in tribute to a 31-year-old trainee doctor who was raped and murdered at RG Kar Medical Centre and Hospital last month.

Key Provisions of the Bill :

- Life Sentence: Without parole for those convicted of rape.
- Death Penalty: Imposed for rape if the victim dies or suffers severe brain damage.
- Aparajita Task Force: To ensure punishment within 21 days of the preliminary report.
- 'Ratri Saathi' Provision: Extends the duty hours for female workers, ensuring their safety during night shifts.
- Enhanced Safety Measures: Installation of CCTV cameras and increased security on routes used by female healthcare workers, with an allocation of Rs 120 crores.

About West Bengal :

- Capital : Kolkata
- CM : Mamata Banerjee
- Governor : Dr. C.V. Ananda Bose

Ques : Which ministry launched the Vishvasya-Blockchain Technology Stack ?

किस मंत्रालय ने विश्वस्य-ब्लॉकचेन टेक्नोलॉजी स्टैक लॉन्च किया?

- (a) Union Ministry of Home Affairs / केंद्र य गृह मंत्रालय**
- (b) Union Ministry of Education / केंद्र य सशिक्षा मंत्रालय**
- (c) Union Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology / केंद्रीय इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय**
- (d) Union Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises / केंद्रीय सूक्ष्म, लघु और मध्यम उद्यम मंत्रालय**
- (e) Union Ministry of Steel / केंद्र य इस्पात मंत्रालय**

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India, Shri S. Krishnan, Secretary, MeitY launched the Vishvasya-Blockchain Technology Stack.

- It Provide Blockchain-as-a-Service with a geographically distributed infrastructure that can support a variety of permissioned Blockchain-based applications.

- MeitY also unveiled the NBFLite-Lightweight Blockchain Platform, Praamaanik – an innovative blockchain-enabled solution for verifying mobile app origin and National Blockchain Portal.

- National Blockchain Framework (NBF) for promoting research and application development; facilitating state of the art, transparent, secure and trusted digital service delivery to citizens.

- The Government also unveiled a suite of applications of the Vishvasya Blockchain as a Service BaaS. And Praamaanik – verification of mobile app authenticity.

- The NBF is built on a distributed infrastructure and includes key components such as Distributed Infrastructure, Core Framework Functionality, Smart Contracts & API Gateway, and Security, Privacy & Interoperability.

News Headlines Related to Ministry :

- The Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communication (MoC), has issued the 'Telecommunications (Administration of Digital Bharat Nidhi) Rules, 2024' to improve telecom access.
- The proposal for a Centralized Pension Payment System (CPPS) for the Employees' Pension Scheme of 1995 has been authorized by the Union Minister of Labour and Employment and the Chairperson of the EPF's Central Board of Trustees.
- Ministry of Labour & Employment (MoLE) stated that e-Shram has registered more than 30 crore unorganised workers, showcasing its rapid and widespread adoption among the unorganised workers. Launched in 2021.
- Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and Rural Development, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, launched the AgriSURE Scheme in New Delhi.
- Union Law and Justice Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal launched the new Notary Portal in New Delhi.
- The revenue department in the finance ministry has formed a panel headed by V K Gupta, chief commissioner of income-tax (I-T), to simplify the decades-old I-T Act.
- Union Minister Smt Annapurna Devi Launches 7th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2024 at Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar, Gujarat for enhancing nutrition awareness.
- The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) has launched the Vehicle Scrapping Policy or Voluntary Vehicle Modernization Program(VVMP) to create an ecosystem for phasing out unfit polluting vehicles across India.
- Ministry of Textiles approved 4 Start-Ups in the field of Technical Textiles, under the 'Grant for Research & Entrepreneurship across Aspiring Innovators in Technical Textiles (GREAT)' scheme.
- Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports and Labour & Employment launched the "Retired Sportsperson Empowerment Training" (RESET) Programme on the occasion of National Sports Day in New Delhi. To support retired athletes on their career development journey.
- The 24th Handicrafts Export Awards were given to Indian handicraft exporters by Union Minister Giriraj Singh of the Ministry of Textiles (MoT) during a ceremony.

Ques : Where was the "Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC)" summit held?

"फोरम ऑन चाइना-अफ्रीका कोऑपरेशन (FOCAC)" शिखर सम्मेलन कहाँ आयोजित किया गया था?

- (a) Shanghai / शंघाई**
- (b) Beijing / बीजिंग**
- (c) Dhaka / ढाका**
- (d) Islamabad / इस्लामाबाद**
- (e) Mogadishu / मोगादिशु**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Chinese President Xi Jinping committed \$51 billion to African countries during the ninth Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) in Beijing.
- FOCAC comprises 53 African countries, except Eswatini, which supports Taiwan and opposes China's "One China" policy.
- China will finance 30 infrastructure projects with 360 billion yuan in financial aid.
- Every three years, the forum alternates between China and an African nation.
- This year's topic is "Joining Hands to Advance Modernization and Build a High-Level China-Africa Community with a Shared Future." FOCAC was founded in 2000 to boost China-Africa cooperation.

Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- India and UNESCO to Co-Organize 2024 Chief Science Advisers Roundtable in Paris.
- Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister for Road Transports and Highways, and Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas, jointly opened the India Bio-Energy & Tech Expo 2024 in New Delhi.
- Saudi Arabia will host the 19th Internet Governance Forum (IGF) from December 15-19, 2024, at the King Abdulaziz International Conference Center in Riyadh.
- 2nd edition of India-Singapore Ministerial Roundtable (ISMR) to held in Singapore.
- India will host the second International Conference on Green Hydrogen in New Delhi and aims to expand our understanding of the green hydrogen environment.

Ques : Which state government approved 33% reservation for women in the police force by deciding to amend the State Police Subordinate Service Rules, 1989?

किस राज्य सरकार ने राज्य पुलिस अधीनस्थ सेवा नियम, 1989 में संशोधन करने का निर्णय लेकर पुलिस बल में महिलाओं के लिए 33% आरक्षण को मंजूरी दी?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- (b) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (c) Rajasthan / राजस्थान
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (e) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Rajasthan State Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma, has approved a significant policy shift that mandates 33% reservation for women in the police service.
- This decision, made on September 4, 2024, is consistent with the BJP's 2023 Assembly election manifesto vow to increase female participation in law enforcement.
- The amendment to the Rajasthan Police Subordinate Service Rules, 1989, will soon be formalized through a notification by the Personnel department.
- In addition to the quota decision, the Cabinet passed various pension-related reforms. Specially abled children, siblings, and dependent parents can now be included in the Pension Payment Order if no other eligible family members are present.
- This change involves updating Rules 67 and 87 of the Rajasthan Civil Services Pension Rules, 1996.

Ques : Kapil Parmar has won bronze medal at Paris Paralympics 2024. He is related to which sport?
कपिल परमार ने पेरिस पैरालिंपिक 2024 में कांस्य पदक जीता है। वह किस खेल से संबंधित हैं?

- (a) Tennis / टेनिस
- (b) Chess / शतरंज
- (c) Badminton / बैडमिंटन
- (d) Judo / जूदो
- (e) Archery / तीरंदाजी

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- At the Paris Paralympics 2024, India's JudoKa Kapil Parmar earned the bronze medal in the Para Judo men's -60kg J1 category, defeating Brazil's Elielton de Oliveira.
- This is India's first medal in this event at the Paralympics. The match lasted just 33 seconds.
- Parmar delivered an outstanding performance, dominating his opponent from start to end and winning the bronze medal match 10-0.
- In the semifinals, he was defeated 0-10 by S Banitaba Khorram Abadi of Iran.
- Parmar, who won silver at the 2022 Asian Games in the same event, defeated Venezuela's Marco Dennis Blanco 10-0 in the quarterfinals.
- The J1 level in para judo is for competitors who have little to no visual activation. Athletes in this group wear red circles to signify that they may require directed help before to, during, and after a competition.

Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Para shuttler Nithya Sre Sivan has won the Bronze medal at the Paris Paralympics in the Women's Singles Badminton SH6 event.
- At the Paris Paralympics 2024, Harvinder Singh from Haryana created history by winning a Gold in the men's archery individual recurve open final.
- The Indian deaf shooter Dhanush Srikanth won three gold medals at the 2024 World Deaf Shooting Championship in Hanover, Germany.
- Dharambir of India smashed the Asian record to win the gold medal in the Paralympics 2024, while compatriot Pranav Soorma took silver, as Indian club throwers dominated the men's F51 event in the showpiece event in Paris.
- Thulasimathi Murugesan and Manisha Ramadass won silver and bronze medals in the women's singles SU5 category at the Paralympics.
- The prestigious Lord's Cricket Ground in London is set to make history by hosting the final of the ICC World Test Championship (WTC) from June 11 to June 15, 2025.
- Sachin Khilari, the 2023 and 2024 world champion, won silver in the Paris Paralympics. Khilari threw 16.32m in the men's shot put F46 at the Stade de France in Paris, trailing Canada's Greg Stewart.
- Monacan racing driver Charles Leclerc won the 2024 Formula One Italian Grand Prix (GP) at the Autodromo Nazionale Monza in Monza, Italy, driving for Ferrari.
- 15-year-old Chess International Master Mayank Chakraborty from Assam has won his second Grand Master Norm in a GM Norm Tournament being conducted in Greece.
- India's Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar won bronze in the mixed compound open archery event at the Paris 2024 Paralympics
- Indian paddler Divyanshi Bhowmick clinched a bronze medal in the Under-19 Youth Girls Singles Event at the World Table Tennis Youth Contender Varazdin 2024 ARENA VARAZDIN in Croatia.
- The Indian men's national squash champion, Abhay Singh, won the men's singles title of the 2024 Tuanku Muhriz Trophy and Aira Azaman of Malaysia won the women's singles title.
- At Paris Paralympics 2024, Indian Para Athlete Preethi Pal secured yet another medal for India, clinching a Bronze medal in the Women's 200 meters – T35 Final.
- The 133rd Durand Cup was held in Kolkata, Kokrajhar (Assam), Jamshedpur (Jharkhand), and Shillong (Meghalaya) from July 27 to August 31, 2024.
- NorthEast United Football Club won their maiden Durand Cup trophy by defeating defending champion Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG) 4-3 in a penalty shootout

Ques : Who has been appointed as the State Mission Director of the National Health Mission (NHM)?

सितंबर 2024 में राष्ट्रीय स्वास्थ्य मिशन (एनएचएम) का राज्य मिशन निदेशक किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Sujai Raina / सुजाई रैना**
- (b) Dinesh Dasa / दिनेश दासा**
- (c) Vasudha Gupta / वसुधा गुप्ता**
- (d) Manoj Soni / मनोज सोनी**
- (e) Vinay Goyal / विनय गोयल**

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Vinay Goyal has been appointed State Mission Director of the National Health Mission (NHM).
- He succeeds K. Jeevan Babu, who has moved to the Kerala Water Authority as Managing Director.
- Dr. Goyal, a Haryana native, is part of the 2016 IAS batch.
- He had held the positions of CEO of Thiruvananthapuram Smart City; Managing Director of Kerala Rapid Transit Corporation Ltd. (KRTCL); Director of the Backward Classes Development Department; Secretary of the Kerala State Housing Board, among others.

Recent Appointment in different departments :

- Partha Sinha : Chairman of Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI)
- Ajay Ratra : BCCI appointed as men's cricket team selector (replacing Salil Ankola)
- Dr D K Sunil : Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) (Additional charge) of the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) (Replaced CB Ananthakrishnan)
- Bharath Sesha : Managing Director for the Philips Indian subcontinent (Replaced - Daniel Mazon)
- Arun Agarwal : Chairman of Texas Economic Development Corporation (TEDC) board
- Rajneesh Narang : Additional Charge of Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) (Replaced Pushp Kumar Joshi)
- Satish Kumar : Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Railway Board
- Laurent Freixe : Nestle CEO (Replace Mark Schneider)
- Jay Shah : Chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC)
- Satish Kumar Vaduguri : Additional Charge of Chairman of the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) (Replaced - Shrikant Madhav Vaidya)
- Sanjiv Ranjan : Secretary General (SG) of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Secretariat in Mauritius
- M Suresh : additional charge as Chairman of AAI
- Ashok Kumar Singh : Director General of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)
- Govind Mohan : Secretary of the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (Home Secretary)
- Harish Dudani : Member in Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)
- Amit Singh Negi : Additional secretary in the Prime Minister's Office
- Grinson George : Director of ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI)
- Robert "Kelly" Ortberg : CEO of Boeing
- Preeti Sudan : Chairman of Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)
- Mohsin Naqvi : President of the Asian Cricket Council
- Cmde D.K. Murali : Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Broadcast Engineering Consultants India Limited (BECIL)
- Veteran filmmaker Shekhar Kapur : festival director for the International Film Festival of India (IFFI)

Ques : Which state will host the 4th Global Renewable Energy Investors Meet and Expo (RE-INVEST)

कौन सा राज्य चौथे वैश्विक अक्षय ऊर्जा निवेशक सम्मेलन और एक्सपो (री इन्वेस्ट) की मेजबानी करेगा?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश**
- (b) Gujarat / गुजरात**
- (c) Rajasthan / राजस्थान**
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र**
- (e) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश**

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will open the 4th Global RE-INVEST Renewable Energy Investors Meet and Expo in Gandhinagar on September 16.
- The Union Ministry of New and Renewable Energy's three-day flagship event, held at Mahatma Mandir, will bring together important participants in the renewable energy sector.
- On the first day of the event, all chief ministers will meet in a plenary session, followed by a similar session for all state energy ministers on the second.
- Representatives from Germany, Australia, Norway, and Denmark will be among those in attendance. Sessions will cover subjects such as green hydrogen, innovative models for round-the-clock renewable energy, making India a hub for battery energy storage, and mainstreaming offshore wind in India.

Ques : Michel Barnier, who was seen in the news recently, is the Prime Minister of which country?

हाल ही में खबरों में रहे मिशेल बार्नियर किस देश के प्रधानमंत्री हैं?

- (a) Spain / स्पेन**
- (b) Egypt / मिस्र**
- (c) USA / यूएसए**
- (d) France / फ्रांस**
- (e) UK / यूके**

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- French President Emmanuel Macron has named Michel Barnier, the European Union's former Brexit negotiator, as his new prime minister.
- Michel Barnier oversaw the EU's negotiations with Britain over its withdrawal from the bloc from 2016 to 2021. Prior to that, the conservative politician served in several French governments and was an EU commissioner.
- At 73, Barnier is the oldest prime minister in France's modern political history, succeeding Gabriel Attal, who was the youngest.

About France :

- Capital- Paris
- President- Emmanuel Macron
- Prime Minister- Michel Barnier
- Official language- French

Newly Appointed Prime Minister & President :

- Prime minister of Thailand : Paetongtarn Shinawatra
- Prime Minister of Tunisia : Kamel Madouri (replacing Ahmed Hachani)
- Prime Minister of Bulgaria : Goritsa Gruncharova-Kozhareva
- President of Iran : Masoud Pezeshkian
- President of Venezuela : Nicolas Maduro
- Prime Minister of Estonia : Kristen Michal
- President of Rwanda : Paul Kagame
- President of Lithuania : Gitanas Nauseda
- President of Iran : Masoud Pezeshkian
- Prime Minister of the United Kingdom : Keir Starmer
- Prime Minister of the Netherlands : Dick Schoof
- President of Slovakia : Peter Pellegrini
- President of South Africa : Cyril Ramaphosa
- First female President of Mexico : Claudia Sheinbaum
- President of Lithuania : Gitanas Nauseda
- President of Taiwan : Lai Ching-te
- Prime Minister of Singapore : Lawrence Wong
- President of the Russian Federation : Vladimir Putin
- President of Panama : Jose Raul Mulino
- Prime minister of Solomon Islands : Jeremiah Manele
- Pakistan's Deputy Prime Minister : Ishaq Dar
- Prime Minister of Bhutan (2nd term) : Tshering Tobgay
- Prime Minister of Yemen : Ahmed Awad bin Mubarak
- Prime Minister of Kazakhstan : Olzhas Bektenov
- Prime Minister of Tuvalu : Feleti Teo

Ques : President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the Vishwashanti Buddha Vihar in which state ?

राष्ट्रपति द्रौपदी मुर्मू ने किस राज्य में विश्वशांति बुद्ध विहार का उद्घाटन किया?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश**
- (b) Gujarat / गुजरात**
- (c) Rajasthan / राजस्थान**
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र**
- (e) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश**

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the Vishwashanti Buddha Vihar in Udgir, Maharashtra's Latur district.
- The statue of Lord Buddha at Buddha Vihar stands 10.5 feet tall and weighs 520 kilos, according to officials.
- This Buddha Vihar replicates a similar establishment in Kalaburagi, Karnataka.
- Built on 1.15 hectares, the Buddha Vihar can accommodate up to 1,200 people.
- The entry gate is modeled after the Sanchi Stupa in Madhya Pradesh.

Ques : Which edition of India-Maldives Defence Cooperation Dialogue Held in New Delhi ?

भारत-मालदीव रक्षा सहयोग वार्ता का कौन सा संस्करण नई दिल्ली में आयोजित किया गया?

- (a) 2nd
- (b) 3rd
- (c) 4th
- (d) 5th
- (e) 6th

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The 5th Defence Cooperation Dialogue between India and the Maldives was conducted in New Delhi on September 6, 2024.
- The Indian team was led by Defence Secretary Shri Giridhar Aramane, and the Maldivian delegation was led by General Ibrahim Hilmy, Chief of the Maldives National Defence Force.
- The summit served as a forum to further bilateral defense cooperation, with an emphasis on completing ongoing projects and promoting regional stability in the Indian Ocean.
- India and the Maldives share a strong defence partnership, focusing on the security of the Indian Ocean region.
- Both sides emphasized expediting ongoing defence cooperation initiatives and Focus was placed on collaborative capability development projects.

Ques : Agni-4 Ballistic Missile successfully test fired in which state ?
अग्नि-4 बैलिस्टिक मिसाइल का सफलतापूर्वक परीक्षण किस राज्य में किया गया?

- (a) Kerala / केरल
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- (c) Odisha / ओडिशा
- (d) Rajasthan / राजस्थान
- (e) Telangana / तेलंगाना

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

India has completed a successful test-fire of Agni-4 Ballistic Missile.

The Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile, Agni-4, was launched from the Integrated Test Range in Chandipur, Odisha.

The launch was successful in validating all operational and technical criteria. The Strategic Forces Command, which is part of India's Nuclear Command Authority (NCA), directed the operation.

Agni-4 boosted the range even further, reaching up to 4,000 kilometers. The 20-metre-long missile has a payload capacity of 1,000 kg and may be launched from a road-mobile launcher.

During its 2012 test launch, Agni-4 traveled over 3,000 kilometers in 20 minutes. It was the DRDO's longest-range mission at the time.

The Agni-4 missile was previously known as Agni-2 Prime. The Agni missiles are designed and developed by the DRDO.

Recent News Headlines Related to DRDO

- Energy-harvesting shoes with GPS tracking have been created by the IIT Indore, Madhya Pradesh, in collaboration with the DRDO.
- The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has sanctioned seven new projects for the private sector under the Technology Development Fund scheme.
- Medium Range-Microwave Obscurant Chaff Rocket (MR-MOCR) developed by the Jodhpur Laboratory of the Research DRDO was formally handed over to the Indian Navy at a function held in New Delhi.
- DRDO successfully tested the next-generation Supersonic Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo (SMART) system on 1 May 2024 from Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Island off the coast of Odisha.
- DRDO hands over nine defence tech projects to IIT-Bhubaneswar
- DRDO chairman Samir V Kamat gets one-year extension
- DRDO has taken up a preliminary study on the design and development of an indigenous conventional submarine under Project-76
- DRDO successfully tested the Indigenous Technology Cruise Missile (ITCM) from Chandipur, Odisha
- Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is reported to be testing a prototype of its DURGA-2 (Directionally Unrestricted Ray Gun Array) system.

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) :

- Founded : 1 January 1958
- Headquarters : New Delhi
- Chairman : Sameer V Kamat

IMPORTANT ONE – LINER CURRENT AFFAIRS

SIDDHARTHA AGGARWAL FROM BENGALURU HAS MADE HISTORY BY BECOMING THE OLDEST INDIAN TO SWIM SOLO ACROSS THE ENGLISH CHANNEL. AT THE AGE OF 49, HE COMPLETED THE 42 KM SWIM IN 15 HOURS AND SIX MINUTES.

THE UNION CABINET COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY PM NARENDRA MODI APPROVED THE DIGITAL AGRICULTURE MISSION WITH AN OUTLAY OF RS. 2817 CRORE, INCLUDING THE CENTRAL SHARE OF RS. 1940 CRORE.

RAJESH VERMA HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION FOR AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT (CAQM) IN NCR. HE SUCCEEDS DR. M.M. KUTTY.

THE EASTERN ECONOMIC FORUM 2024 WAS HELD IN VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA. IT IS AN ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL EVENT, STARTED IN 2015.

THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA, DROUPADI MURMU, HAS DELEGATED THE POWERS TO LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF DELHI TO CONSTITUTE AND APPOINT MEMBERS OF ANY AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR STATUTORY BODY.

UNION HOME AND COOPERATION MINISTER AMIT SHAH RELEASED THE DOCUMENTARY FILM MUMBAI SAMACHAR200 NOT OUT, WHICH CHRONICLES THE REMARKABLE 200-YEAR JOURNEY OF ASIA'S OLDEST NEWSPAPER.

THE 54TH MEETING OF THE GOODS AND SERVICES TAX COUNCIL CHAIRED BY FINANCE MINISTER NIRMALA SITHARAMAN CONCLUDED IN NEW DELHI.

IFFCO TOKIO GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED (IFFCO TOKIO) HAS APPOINTED SUBRATA MONDAL AS ITS NEW MANAGING DIRECTOR (MD) AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO).

महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

बेंगलुरु के सिद्धार्थ अग्रवाल ने इंग्लिश चैनल को अकेले तैरकर पार करने वाले सबसे उम्रदराज भारतीय बनकर इतिहास रच दिया है। 49 साल की उम्र में उन्होंने 42 किमी की तैराकी 15 घंटे और छह मिनट में पूरी की।

पीएम नरेंद्र मोदी की अध्यक्षता में केंद्रीय कैबिनेट समिति ने रुपये के परिव्यय के साथ डिजिटल कृषि मिशन को मंजूरी दी। 2817 करोड़ रुपये, जिसमें केंद्र का हिस्सा भी शामिल है। 1940 करोड़।

राजेश वर्मा को एनसीआर में वायु गुणवत्ता प्रबंधन आयोग (सीएक्यूएम) के अध्यक्ष के रूप में नियुक्त किया गया है। उन्होंने डॉ. एम.एम. का स्थान लिया। कुट्टी।

ईस्टर्न इकोनॉमिक फोरम 2024 रूस के व्लादिवोस्तोक में आयोजित किया गया था। यह एक वार्षिक अंतर्राष्ट्रीय कार्यक्रम है, जो 2015 में शुरू हुआ था।

भारत के राष्ट्रपति द्रौपदी मुर्मू ने किसी भी प्राधिकरण, बोर्ड, आयोग या वैधानिक निकाय के सदस्यों के गठन और नियुक्ति के लिए दिल्ली के उपराज्यपाल को शक्तियां सौंपी हैं।

केंद्रीय गृह और सहकारिता मंत्री अमित शाह ने डॉक्यूमेंट्री फिल्म मुंबई समाचार 200 नॉट आउट जारी की, जो एशिया के सबसे पुराने अखबार की 200 साल की उल्लेखनीय यात्रा का वर्णन करती है।

वित्त मंत्री निर्मला सीतारमण की अध्यक्षता में वस्तु एवं सेवा कर परिषद की 54वीं बैठक नई दिल्ली में संपन्न हुई।

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फको टोकियो जनरल इंश्योरेंस कंपनी लिमिटेड (इफको टोकियो) ने सुब्रत मंडल को अपना नया प्रबंध निदेशक (एमडी) और मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी (सीईओ) नियुक्त किया है।



Ques : Which Small Finance Bank has partnered with Tarrakki, a new fintech platform, to develop and offer digital fixed deposits?

किस लघु वित्त बैंक ने डिजिटल सावधि जमा को विकसित करने और पेश करने के लिए एक नए फिनटेक प्लेटफॉर्म, टारराक्की के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- (a) AU Small Finance Bank Limited / एयू स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड
- (b) Capital Small Finance Bank Limited / कैपिटल स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड
- (c) Suryoday Small Finance Bank / सूर्योदय स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड
- (d) Shivalik Small Finance Bank / शिवालिक स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक
- (e) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank / उज्जीवन स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Suryoday Small Finance Bank has teamed up with Tarrakki, a new fintech platform, to create and sell digital fixed deposits.
- Tarrakki will help SSFB develop technology solutions that outperform earlier systems, allowing them to quickly enroll new customers and offer digital fixed deposit products.
- This collaboration will take the form of software development kits (SDKs) and white-labeled services. Suryoday Small Finance Bank is a leading new-age digital bank in India, dedicated to digital solutions that enhance client centricity.
- Tarrakki's next-generation platform will cut the cost and time required for the bank and its partners to launch new products.

Recently signed banking agreements

- Union Bank of India has announced its decision to join the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF) to standardizing the measurement and disclosure of greenhouse gas emissions related to loans and investments.
- South Indian Bank Partners with Sohan Lal Commodity Management to Launch 'Unified Collateral Management Solutions which will benefit farmers and other stakeholders in the agricultural ecosystem.





- Max Life Insurance Company Limited has formed a bancassurance collaboration with CSB Bank, a private sector bank in India.
- Ashok Leyland, a commercial vehicle maker, has inked an MoU with Bandhan Bank. To provide financial solutions, including vehicle loans.
- Visa and the Tourism & Hospitality Skill Council inked a 3-year partnership of up to \$1 million USD. This initiative, designed to up skill at least 20,000 Indian youth in tourism-relevant skills.
- To introduce its UPI Third Party Application Provider (TPAP) service, BharatPe has teamed up with Unity Bank. The "postpe" app has been renamed "BharatPe," and UPI payments are now accepted on it.
- Birla Aditya The "Income Suraksha Plan," a new term insurance plan, has been jointly introduced by Sun Life Insurance (ABSLI) and Policybazaar.
- Two-wheeler loans are now possible thanks to a partnership between BharatPe and OTO Capital, a digital commerce and lending platform.
- YES Bank has entered into a co-lending partnership with Newtap Finance Private Limited to provide personalised financing solutions for creditworthy individuals on payments platform CRED.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and ESAF Small Finance Bank have partnered to create the exclusive Inori RuPay Platinum Credit Card.
- Zeta, a global supplier of cutting-edge banking technology to financial institutions, has partnered up with HDFC Bank to provide the bank's UPI (CLOU) platform credit line services.
- A strategic agreement to grow their co-lending business has been announced by Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited (also known as Piramal Finance), and the Central Bank of India.
- Indian consumers now have fast access to digital credit thanks to a partnership between PayU, a fintech company sponsored by Naspers, and Amazon Pay Later.

Ques : _____ and United India Insurance Sign Agreement to Offerr Insurance Products
_ और यूनाइटेड इंडिया इश्योरेंस ने बीमा उत्पाद पेश करने के लिए समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किए

- (a) AU Small Finance Bank Limited / एयू स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड
- (b) Capital Small Finance Bank Limited / कैपिटल स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड
- (c) Suryoday Small Finance Bank / सूर्योदय स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक लिमिटेड
- (d) Shivalik Small Finance Bank / शिवालिक स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक
- (e) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank / उज्जीवन स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक

Answer : Option A





Explanation :

- AU Small Finance Bank (AU SFB) and the state-owned United India Insurance Company (UIIC) have launched a strategic cooperation to provide general insurance solutions to the bank's customers.
- The alliance will offer a wide range of insurance products, including auto insurance, personal injury insurance, crop insurance, property insurance, shopkeeper insurance, and cyber incident insurance.
- The relationship takes use of UIIC's wide network of branches in over 1,000 tier 2 and tier 3 locations, which complements AU SFB's developing infrastructure and client base.
- The cooperation strengthens AU SFB's position as a preferred choice for clients throughout India's 21 states and four union territories.

About AU Small Finance Bank :

- Established : 1996
- Headquarters : Jaipur, Rajasthan, India
- MD & CEO : Sanjay Agarwal

About UIIC :

- Founded : 18 February 1938
- Headquarters : Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India
- Chairman & MD : Bhupesh Sushil Rahul

Ques : __ Approves Resolution Plan for Supertech's Dehradun Project
_ ने सुपरटेक की देहरादून परियोजना के लिए समाधान योजना को मंजूरी दी

- (a) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (b) Karnataka Bank / कर्नाटक बैंक
- (c) Bank of baroda / बैंक ऑफ बड़ौदा
- (d) Canara Bank / केनरा बैंक
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

Answer : Option C





Explanation :

- Bank of Baroda, one of Supertech Group's lenders, has authorized and sanctioned the resolution plan for the company's Dehradun project, opening the path for delivery to over 600 purchasers.
- Supertech presented a project-specific resolution plan to the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT), and this is the first project that has received lender clearance.
- The bank has approved the inclusion of a co-developer in the Dehradun project.
- Kotak Investment Advisors Ltd (KIAL) would invest Rs.450 crore in Supertech's stalled Noida project, offering major financial help.
- Supertech needs to deliver over 15,000 homes and has liabilities of approximately Rs.8,000 crore, with project receivables exceeding Rs.14,000 crore.

About Bank of Baroda :

- Founded : 20 July 1908
- Headquarters : Vadodara, Gujarat, India
- MD & CEO : Debadatta Chand
- Tagline : India's International Bank

Ques : According to recent report, which country has secured the top spot as biggest plastic polluter in the world?

हालिया रिपोर्ट के अनुसार, किस देश ने दुनिया में सबसे बड़े प्लास्टिक प्रदूषक के रूप में शीर्ष स्थान हासिल किया है?

- (a) India / भारत
- (b) Russia / रूस
- (c) Japan / जापान
- (d) USA / यूएसए
- (e) China / चीन

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- According to a Nature study, India emits 9.3 million tonnes of plastic annually, making it the world's top polluter.



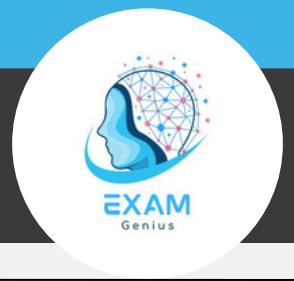


- Plastic emissions refer to materials transitioning from controlled to uncontrolled state in the environment. India's plastic pollution accounts for around 20% of global emissions.
- India creates approximately 0.12 kg of plastic garbage per person each day.
- In 2020, global plastic trash emissions totaled 52.1 million tonnes.
- Nigeria and Indonesia are the second and third highest polluters, contributing 3.5 and 3.4 million tons, respectively.
- High-income countries have effective waste collection and disposal systems, despite increased waste rates.
- Before this, China was identified as the top global polluter, but the country has dropped to fourth position. This shift reflects China's progress in waste management.

India's Rankings in Different Indices

- Hurun India Rich List 2024 Published by Hurun India : Gautam Adani, Chairman of the Adani (tops)
- Global Property Price Index 2024 Published by Knight Frank : Mumbai (2nd), Manila (1st)
- Forbes Cloud 100 2024 List 9th edition published by Forbes : Razorpay Software Private Limited (RSPL) (70th Rank), OpenAI, USA (1st Rank)
- Trade Statistics 2023 report : India (s eighth largest exporter of agricultural products), European Union (1 st Rank)
- Global Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT) rankings for 2024 : Tata AIA Life Insurance Company Limited (Tata AIA)(India)(6th Rank), AIA – China (Top)
- Henley Passport Index : India (82nd), Singapore (top)
- NITI Aayog's SDG India Index 2023-24 : Uttarakhand and Kerala (top), Bihar (worst)
- Artificial Intelligence Preparedness Index (AIPI) : India (72nd), Singapore (topped)
- Global Liveability Index 2024 : Vienna (Austria) (topped)
- Most valuable and strongest Indian brands June 2024 : Tata Group (\$28.6 billion)
- Largest Domestic Airline Markets : India (3rd), United States (topped)
- Global Energy Transition Index 2024 : India (63rd), Sweden (topped)
- Report of Cost of Living City Ranking 2024 : Mumbai (Expensive city in India), Hong Kong (Hong Kong (sar)) (1st rank)
- 2024 Environment Performance Index (EPI) : India (176th), Estonia (top)
- Global Gender Gap index 2024 : India (129th), Iceland (top)
- Container Port Performance Index 2023 (CPPI 2023) : Visakhapatnam Port (19th rank), China's Yangshan Port (1st rank)





- Oxford Economics' Global Cities Index : Delhi (350th rank), New York ranks first
- Travel & Tourism Development Index 2024 : India (39th), US topped
- Young University Rankings 2024 : Mahatma Gandhi University (MGU) in Kottayam, Kerala, ranked 81(globally), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore (topped)

Ques : In September 2024, the Ministry of Panchayati Raj and which organization signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) to collaborate on strengthening systems and engaging communities for social change?

सितंबर 2024 में, पंचायती राज मंत्रालय और किस संगठन ने सामाजिक परिवर्तन के लिए प्रणालियों को मजबूत करने और समुदायों को शामिल करने पर सहयोग करने के लिए एक आशय पत्र (LoI) पर हस्ताक्षर किए?

- (a) WTO
- (b) WHO
- (c) UNICEF
- (d) UNDP
- (e) ADB

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Panchayati Raj and UNICEF India have signed a Letter of Intent (LOI) to work together on system improvement and community engagement for social transformation.
- This collaboration seeks to establish and institutionalize systems for effective communication among the Ministry, Elected Representatives, Field Functionaries of Panchayati Raj Institutions, and Rural Communities.
- The collaboration will help to expedite progress towards localized Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by enhancing communication with communities, particularly women and children, as well as service delivery to rural citizens.

About United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) :

- Founded – 1946
- Headquarters – New York City, USA
- Director General – Catherine M. Russell
- Membership – 192





Ques : Which country has won the 4th Intercontinental Cup men's football tournament?
चौथा इंटरकांटिनेंटल कप पुरुष फुटबॉल टूर्नामेंट किस देश ने जीता है?

- (a) Iran / ईरान
- (b) India / भारत
- (c) UAE / यूएई
- (d) Syria / सीरिया
- (e) Saudi Arabia / सऊदी अरब

Answer : Option D

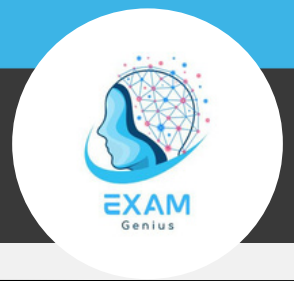
Explanation :

- Syria defeated India 3-0 in the final round-robin match to win the fourth Intercontinental Cup men's football title. India, the defending champions, failed to score a single goal during the match.
- The Chief Minister of Telangana, Revanth Reddy, presented the winners' trophy to Syrian captain Mahmoud Al-Mawas, also named the Syed Abdul Rahim Player of the Tournament.
- The All India Football Federation hosted the 4th Intercontinental Cup football championship from September 3 to 9, 2024, at the GMC Balayogi Gachibowli Stadium in Hyderabad, Telangana.
- In the 4th Intercontinental Cup Football championship, three teams - India, Syria and Mauritius participated.
- Syria, ranked 93rd in the latest FIFA ranking, was the highest-ranked team in the tournament, followed by host India, ranked 124th, and Mauritius, ranked 179th.
- The Intercontinental Cup men's football tournament is organised by the All India Football Federation(AIFF) and replaced the Nehru Cup.

Recent News headlines related to Sports

- At the Paris Paralympics 2024, India's Judo Kapil Parmar earned the bronze medal in the Para Judo men's -60kg J1 category, defeating Brazil's Elielton de Oliveira.
- Siddhartha Aggarwal from Bengaluru has made history by becoming the oldest Indian to swim solo across the English Channel. At the age of 49, he completed the 42 km swim in 15 hours and six minutes.





- Para shuttler Nithya Sre Sivan has won the Bronze medal at the Paris Paralympics in the Women's Singles Badminton SH6 event.
- At the Paris Paralympics 2024, Harvinder Singh from Haryana created history by winning a Gold in the men's archery individual recurve open final.
- The Indian deaf shooter Dhanush Srikanth won three gold medals at the 2024 World Deaf Shooting Championship in Hanover, Germany.
- Dharambir of India smashed the Asian record to win the gold medal in the Paralympics 2024, while compatriot Pranav Soorma took silver, as Indian club throwers dominated the men's F51 event in the showpiece event in Paris.
- Thulasimathi Murugesan and Manisha Ramadass won silver and bronze medals in the women's singles SU5 category at the Paralympics.
- The prestigious Lord's Cricket Ground in London is set to make history by hosting the final of the ICC World Test Championship (WTC) from June 11 to June 15, 2025.
- Sachin Khilari, the 2023 and 2024 world champion, won silver in the Paris Paralympics. Khilari threw 16.32m in the men's shot put F46 at the Stade de France in Paris, trailing Canada's Greg Stewart.
- Monacan racing driver Charles Leclerc won the 2024 Formula One Italian Grand Prix (GP) at the Autodromo Nazionale Monza in Monza, Italy, driving for Ferrari.
- 15-year-old Chess International Master Mayank Chakraborty from Assam has won his second Grand Master Norm in a GM Norm Tournament being conducted in Greece.
- India's Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar won bronze in the mixed compound open archery event at the Paris 2024 Paralympics
- Indian paddler Divyanshi Bhowmick clinched a bronze medal in the Under-19 Youth Girls Singles Event at the World Table Tennis Youth Contender Varazdin 2024 ARENA VARAZDIN in Croatia.

Ques : Onam festival is related to which state ?

ओणम त्यौहार किस राज्य से संबंधित है?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Assam / असम
- (c) Kerala / केरल
- (d) Uttarpradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- (e) Rajasthan / राजस्थान

Answer : Option C





Explanation :

- Onam is a major celebration in Kerala, southern India.
- Onam is a 10-day festival that celebrates Kerala's rich past via rituals, feasts, and cultural activities.
- Onam in 2024 would start on September 5 and end with the magnificent Thiruvonam on September 15.
- Onam's origins can be traced back to the legendary King Mahabali, who was thought to be a demon.

Recent News Headlines Related to Festivals & Fairs :

- Divya Kala Mela & Divya Kala Shakti : Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Campus in Bhubaneswar, Odisha
- Hemis Festival : Ladakh
- India Art Festival (IAF) : Hyderabad
- Saga Dawa festival : Sikkim
- Koothandavar festival : Tamil Nadu
- Ethnic Mamani Festival : Ladakh
- Janakpurdham Cultural Festival : Nepal
- Chapchar Kut Festival : Mizoram
- Divya Kala Mela – Agartala, Tripura
- 11th International Puppet Festival : Chandigarh
- Tawi Festival : Jammu and Kashmir
- 36th National Book Fair : Hyderabad
- Startup Mahakumbh 2024 : New Delhi
- Vividdhta ka Amrit Mahotsav : Rashtrapati Bhavan
- Sammakka Saralamma Jathara : Mulugu district of Telangana
- National Dairy Mela and Agricultural Exhibition : Chaibasa, Jharkhand

Ques : 'VisioNxt Fashion Forecasting Initiative' launched by which initiative ?

'VisioNxt फैशन फोरकास्टिंग इनिशिएटिव' किस पहल द्वारा शुरू किया गया?

- (a) Union Ministry of Home Affairs / केंद्र य गृह मंत्रालय
- (b) Union Ministry of Education / केंद्र य सशिक्षा मंत्रालय
- (c) Union Ministry of Finance / केंद्र य ववत्त मंत्रालय
- (d) Union Ministry of Labour and Employment / केंद्रीय श्रम एवं रोजगार मंत्रालय
- (e) Union Ministry of Textile / केंद्रीय कपड़ा मंत्रालय





Answer : Option E

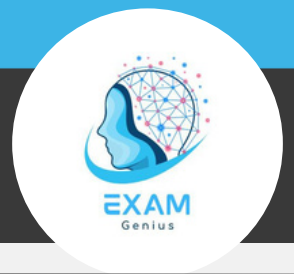
Explanation :

- Shri Giriraj Singh, Union Minister of Textiles, today launched the 'VisioNxt Fashion Forecasting Initiative' of the National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), which includes a bilingual web platform and the India-specific Fashion Trend Book 'Paridhi 24x25'.
- It is India's first ever trend insights and forecasting Initiative.
- NIFT VisioNxt is India's first-ever initiative that combines AI and EI to generate fashion trend insights and forecasts.
- It lowers reliance on global forecasting agencies, delivers unique insights into Indian fashion customers, incorporates India's strengths in information technology and textiles, and mixes artificial and human intelligence.
- VisioNxt—a Trend Insights and Forecasting Initiative—was conceptualized and formed at NIFT Delhi (Creative Lab) and NIFT Chennai (Insights Lab) in 2018, with the help of the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India.
- The effort, which is now headquartered in Chennai, focuses on providing trend insights and predictions for the Indian fashion and retail business.
- VisioNxt has achieved this through the development of a unique prediction model known as "DeepVision," designed to decode patterns and interpret fashion trends in India.

News Headlines Related to Ministry :

- Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah released the documentary film Mumbai Samachar200 Not Out, which chronicles the remarkable 200-year journey of Asia's oldest newspaper.
- Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (Meit), Government of India, Shri S. Krishnan, Secretary, Meit launched the Vishvasya-Blockchain Technology Stack.





- The Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communication (MoC), has issued the 'Telecommunications (Administration of Digital Bharat Nidhi) Rules, 2024' to improve telecom access.
- The proposal for a Centralized Pension Payment System (CPPS) for the Employees' Pension Scheme of 1995 has been authorized by the Union Minister of Labour and Employment and the Chairperson of the EPF's Central Board of Trustees.
- Ministry of Labour & Employment (MoLE) stated that e-Shram has registered more than 30 crore unorganised workers, showcasing its rapid and widespread adoption among the unorganised workers. Launched in 2021.
- Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and Rural Development, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, launched the AgriSURE Scheme in New Delhi.
- Union Law and Justice Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal launched the new Notary Portal in New Delhi.
- The revenue department in the finance ministry has formed a panel headed by V K Gupta, chief commissioner of income-tax (I-T), to simplify the decades-old I-T Act.
- Union Minister Smt Annapurna Devi Launches 7th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2024 at Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar, Gujarat for enhancing nutrition awareness.
- The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) has launched the Vehicle Scrapping Policy or Voluntary Vehicle Modernization Program(VVMP) to create an ecosystem for phasing out unfit polluting vehicles across India.
- Ministry of Textiles approved 4 Start-Ups in the field of Technical Textiles, under the 'Grant for Research & Entrepreneurship across Aspiring Innovators in Technical Textiles (GREAT)' scheme.

Ques : Moeen Ali has recently announced his retirement from international cricket. For which country did he play cricket?

मोईन अली ने हाल ही में अंतरराष्ट्रीय क्रिकेट से संन्यास की घोषणा की है। उन्होंने किस देश के लिए क्रिकेट खेला?

- (a) England / इंग्लैंड
- (b) New Zealand / न्यूजीलैंड
- (c) Australia / ऑस्ट्रेलिया
- (d) South Africa / दक्षिण अफ्रीका
- (e) Ireland / आयरलैंड

Answer : Option A





Explanation :

- Moeen Ali, the versatile England all-rounder, has announced his retirement from international cricket.
- From 2014 until 2024, the all-rounder played 298 international matches for England.
- Moeen made his international debut in 2014 against West Indies.
- He won the 2019 Cricket World Cup and 2022 T20 World Cup for the senior men's team.

Recently Retired Players :

- Shannon Gabriel (West Indies) : Retirement from international cricket
- Dawid Malan (England) : Retirement from international cricket
- Shikhar Dhawan (India) : All forms of cricket
- Ilkay Gundogan (Germany) : International football
- Ashwini Ponnappa : Badminton
- Rohan Bopanna (India) : international tennis
- PR Sreejesh (India) : international hockey
- Thomas Muller (German) : International Football
- James Anderson (England): international test cricket
- Ravindra Jadeja : T20 international cricket
- Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli : T20 international cricket
- Sunil Chhetri (India) – International Football
- Trent Boult (New Zealand) – International cricket
- David Wiese (Namibia) – International cricket
- Kedar Jadhav (India) – International cricket
- Bernadine Bezuidenhout (New Zealand) : international cricket
- Dinesh Karthik (India) : Indian wicketkeeper and Royal Challengers Bengaluru star player

Ques : Consider the following statements about BPALM Regimen :
BPALM रेजिमेन के बारे में निम्नलिखित कथनों पर विचार करें:

- (a) Union Health Ministry recently introduced the BPALM regimen.
केंद्रीय स्वास्थ्य मंत्रालय ने हाल ही में BPALM आहार शुरू किया है।
- (b) BPALM regimen to treat Multidrug-Resistant Tuberculosis under the National TB Elimination Program.
राष्ट्रीय टीबी उन्मूलन कार्यक्रम के तहत मल्टीड्रग-प्रतिरोधी तपेदिक के इलाज के लिए बीपीएलएम आहार।
- (c) vision of the Hon'ble Prime Minister to rid the country of TB by 2025
2025 तक देश को टीबी से मुक्त करने के लिए माननीय प्रधान मंत्री का दृष्टिकोण





Which of the following statement is / are true ? निम्नलिखित में से कौन सा कथन सत्य है/हैं?

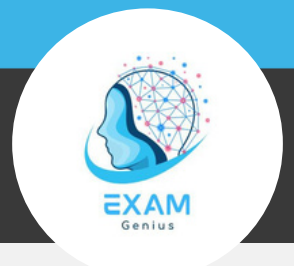
- (a) Only a / केवल ए
- (b) Both a and b / ए और बी दोनों
- (c) Both b and c / बी और सी दोनों
- (d) All a, b and c / सभी ए, बी और सी
- (e) Both a and c / ए और सी दोनों

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Under the aim of the Hon'ble Prime Minister to rid the country of tuberculosis by 2025, five years ahead of the global objective for eliminating the disease under the Sustainable Development Goals, the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has approved the introduction of the BPaLM Regimen.
- The BPaLM regimen is a novel treatment for Multi-Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis (MDR-TB) offered by the National TB Elimination Program (NTEP) as a very successful and quicker treatment option.
- The BPaLM regimen, which consists four-drug combination – Bedaquiline, Pretomanid, Linezolid and Moxifloxacin, has been proven to be safe, more effective and a quicker treatment option than the previous MDR-TB treatment procedure.
- Traditional MDR-TB therapies can last up to 20 months and have severe side effects, whereas the BPaLM regimen can cure drug-resistant TB in six months with a high treatment success rate.
- It is an all-oral regimen with a low overall pill burden, which makes it patient-friendly.
- NTEP is a centrally sponsored scheme implemented under the aegis of the National Health Mission with resource sharing between the State Governments and the Central Government.
- It is based on the daily DOTS (Directly Observed Treatment with short-course chemotherapy) strategy which ensures that infectious TB patients are diagnosed and treated effectively till cure, by ensuring availability of the full course of drugs and a system for monitoring patient compliance to the treatment.
- NI-KSHAY Portal: NI-KSHAY (Ni=End, Kshay=TB) is the web enabled patient management system for TB control under the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP)





Ques : Who has become the first Indian president of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA)?
एशियाई ओलंपिक परिषद (OCA) के पहले भारतीय अध्यक्ष कौन बने हैं?

- (a) Smita Sarangi / स्मिता सारंगी
- (b) Arkaja Das / अरकजा दास
- (c) Atul Mehra / अतुल मेहरा
- (d) Tanu Singh / तनु सिंह
- (e) Randhir Singh / रणधीर सिंह

Answer : Option E

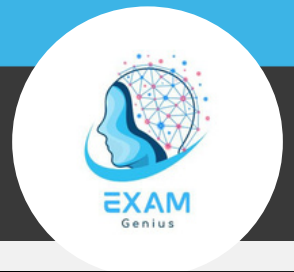
Explanation :

- Randhir Singh, a veteran sports administrator appointed as President of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA).
- A five-time Olympic shooter, Randhir was the lone eligible candidate for the OCA president's post.
- Elected during 44th General Assembly of the continental body in New Delhi for the Tenure from 2024 to 2028.
- He replaced Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah.

Recent Appointment in different departments :

- Vinay Goyal : State Mission Director of the National Health Mission (NHM) (succeeds K. Jeevan Babu)
- Rajesh Verma : Chairperson of the Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) in NCR (succeeds Dr. M.M. Kuttty)
- Partha Sinha : Chairman of Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI)
- Ajay Ratra : BCCI appointed as men's cricket team selector (replacing Salil Ankola)
- Dr D K Sunil : Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) (Additional charge) of the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) (Replaced CB Ananthakrishnan)
- Bharath Sesha : Managing Director for the Philips Indian subcontinent (Replaced - Daniel Mazon)
- Arun Agarwal : Chairman of Texas Economic Development Corporation (TEDC) board
- Rajneesh Narang : Additional Charge of Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) (Replaced Pushp Kumar Joshi)
- Satish Kumar : Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Railway Board





- Laurent Freixe : Nestle CEO (Replace Mark Schneider)
- Jay Shah : Chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC)
- Satish Kumar Vaduguri : Additional Charge of Chairman of the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) (Replaced - Shrikant Madhav Vaidya)
- Sanjiv Ranjan : Secretary General (SG) of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Secretariat in Mauritius
- M Suresh : additional charge as Chairman of AAI
- Ashok Kumar Singh : Director General of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)
- Govind Mohan : Secretary of the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (Home Secretary)
- Harish Dudani : Member in Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)
- Amit Singh Negi : Additional secretary in the Prime Minister's Office

Ques : Where is National Memorial for Queen Elizabeth II is going to build ?
महारानी एलिजाबेथ द्वितीय का राष्ट्रीय स्मारक कहाँ बनाया जा रहा है?

- (a) Tokyo
- (b) New York city
- (c) Paris
- (d) London
- (e) Dubai

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The British government proposes to build a public memorial for Queen Elizabeth II at St James's Park, London.
- The memorial will be located near The Mall, Marlborough Gate, and the Blue Bridge, honoring the Queen's legacy and offering an area for public reflection.
- This location was chosen for its proximity to Queen-related sites, including statues of her parents, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.
- The final design is set to be shown in 2026, marking Queen Elizabeth II's 100th birthday.





Ques : In wrestling, Jyoti Berwal clinched a gold medal in the women's __ freestyle category at the U20 World Championships in Pontevedra, Spain.

कुश्ती में ज्योति बेरवाल ने स्पेन के पोंटेवेद्रा में अंडर-20 विश्व चैंपियनशिप में महिलाओं की __ फ्रीस्टाइल श्रेणी में स्वर्ण पदक जीता।

- (a) 52kg
- (b) 60kg
- (c) 65kg
- (d) 70kg
- (e) 76kg

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- In wrestling, Jyoti Berwal won gold in the women's 76 kg freestyle division at the U20 World Championships in Pontevedra, Spain.
- Jyoti defeated Ukraine's Mariia Orlevych in the final. Jyoti advanced to the final by defeating Mongolian, Chinese, and Turkish opponents.
- This was India's second straight global U20 title in women's 76 kg, following Priya Malik's win in the 2023 edition.
- Indian grapplers earned two further medals in the same category. Komal in 59 kg and Srishthi in 68 kg won bronze medals.

Ques : President Droupadi Murmu conferred the 'National Teachers' Award to how many educators from across institutions, during a ceremony held at Vigyan Bhavan on the occasion of Teacher's Day?

राष्ट्रपति द्रौपदी मुर्मू ने शिक्षक दिवस के अवसर पर विज्ञान भवन में आयोजित एक समारोह के दौरान विभिन्न संस्थानों के कितने शिक्षकों को 'राष्ट्रीय शिक्षक' पुरस्कार से सम्मानित किया?

- (a) 49
- (b) 57
- (c) 82
- (d) 95
- (e) 101

Answer : Option C





Explanation :

- President Droupadi Murmu presented the 'National Teachers' Award to 82 educators from various institutions during a ceremony at Vigyan Bhavan commemorating Teacher's Day.
- 50 of the 82 recipients are affiliated with schools, with 16 in higher education and 16 in the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.
- Each prize includes a certificate of merit, a cash award of 50,000 rupees, and a silver medal.
- Urfana Amin of Jammu and Kashmir, who teaches at BHSS Soura in Hawal, Srinagar, is one of the honorees. Amin, an English, entrepreneurship, and teacher training expert, taught radio during the COVID-19 pandemic and created educational resources for DIKSHA, including FLN modules and e-content.

Recent News Headlines Related to Awards & Winners :

- National Award for e-Governance 2024 (Gold) : Ministry of Women and Child Development
- Olympic Order in gold by International Olympic Committee (IOC) : President Emmanuel Macron
- FICCI Young Leaders Youth Icon award : Ayushmann Khurrana and Neeraj Chopra
- Ramon Magsaysay Award (Asia's Nobel Prize) : Hayao Miyazaki
- ICC Emerging Asia Banking Conclave & Awards 2024 : Jana Small Finance Bank
- Prof. Dhiraj Mohan Banerjee : National Geoscience Award for Lifetime Achievement
- Dr. Ashutosh Pandey : National Young Geoscientist Award
- Arshad Nadeem (Pakistan) : second-highest civilian award of Pakistan Hilal-e-Imtiaz
- Abhinav Bindra : prestigious Olympic Order by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- President Droupadi Murmu : Grand Collar of the Order of Timor Leste (highest civilian honor)
- Global Water Tech Award 2024 : Delhi Metro Rail Corporation
- Prestigious V Venkayya Epigraphy Award : Tamil Epigrapher V. Vedachalam
- Customised gold coins by the Grevin Museum : Shah Rukh Khan
- International Excellence Award : CA Arpit Jagdish Kabra
- 'Best Performing State' under the Prime Minister SVANidhi scheme : Madhya Pradesh
- Awarded with Olympic Order by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) : Shooter Abhinav Bindra
- "Best Child and Women Development Initiatives of the Year 2024" : Sri Kurumba Educational and Charitable Trust
- COSPAR Harrie Massey Award : Prahlad Chandra Agrawal
- Golden sand master award : Sudarsan Pattnaik





Ques : On which day International Literacy Day celebrated annually ?

अंतर्राष्ट्रीय साक्षरता दिवस प्रतिवर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 6 September
- (b) 7 September
- (c) 8 September
- (d) 9 September
- (e) 10 September

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Since 1967, International Literacy Day (ILD) has been observed annually on September 8th across the globe.
- The theme for International Literacy Day 2024 is “Promoting Multilingual Education: Literacy for Mutual Understanding and Peace.”
- This theme recognizes the increasing multilingualism in today’s world and the potential of language-inclusive approaches to literacy.
- This day serves as a crucial reminder to policymakers, practitioners, and the public about the critical importance of literacy in creating a more literate, just, peaceful, and sustainable society.
- Literacy is not just a skill; it is a fundamental human right for all individuals. It serves as a gateway to the enjoyment of other human rights, greater freedoms, and global citizenship.

Ques : On which day International Day of Police Cooperation celebrated annually ?

अंतर्राष्ट्रीय पुलिस सहयोग दिवस प्रतिवर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 6 September
- (b) 7 September
- (c) 8 September
- (d) 9 September
- (e) 10 September

Answer : Option B





Explanation :

- Every year 7 September celebrated as International Day of Police Cooperation, recognizing the crucial role of law enforcement in global security.
- This day underscores the need of international police coordination, as well as the necessity for a comprehensive framework to safeguard police integrity, accountability, and oversight.
- The International Day of Police Cooperation was officially designated by the United Nations General Assembly through a resolution adopted on December 16, 2022.
- The world marked the first International Day of Police Cooperation in 2023, aligning with INTERPOL's 100th anniversary celebration.

Important days :

- 26 August : International Dog Day (Theme 2024 – Every dog deserves a spa day)
- 25 – 29 August : World Water Week (Theme 2024 - Bridging Borders: Water for a Peaceful and Sustainable Future)
- 29 August : National Sports Day (Theme 2024 – Sports are an enabler to an inclusive and fit society.)
- 29 August : International Day against Nuclear Tests (Theme 2024 - The Path to Zero: The Role of the United Nations in Nuclear Disarmament)
- 30 August : Small Industry Day (Theme 2024 – Leveraging Power and Resilience of Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) to Accelerate Sustainable Development and Eradicate Poverty in Times of Multiple Crises)
- 30 August : International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances (Theme 2024 Honoring an Invisible Struggle)
- 31 August : International Day for People of African Descent
- 1st September to 7th September : National Nutrition Week (Theme 2024 – Nutritious Diets for Everyone)
- 2 September : World Coconut Day
- 3 September : World Skyscraper Day
- 5 September : International Day of Charity
- 5 September : Teachers' Day





IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

Annual exports of technical textiles will cross \$10 billion by 2030, Union Minister for Textiles said recently.

The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) announced a Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS)-based Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system in India.

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah has been unanimously re-elected as the Chairperson of the Parliamentary Committee on Official Language.

Bisleri International and Goa State Pollution Control Board to enhance waste management in Mormugao.

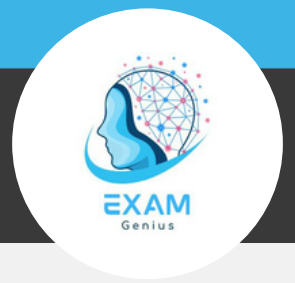
At least 172 cases of malnourished children have been identified among Sahariya tribes in Baran district, Rajasthan, within two weeks.

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath inaugurated the Jatayu Conservation and Breeding Centre in the Bharivaisi, Campierganj Range of the Gorakhpur Forest Division. It is world's first conservation and breeding centre for the Asian King Vulture or the red-headed vulture.

Celebrated football striker Luis Suarez has announced retirement from the Uruguay football team.

The government will soon roll out the much-awaited 'INDIA size' initiative of the Ministry of Textiles which aims to establish standardized measurements designed to better suit Indian body types.





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केंद्रीय कपड़ा मंत्री ने हाल ही में कहा कि तकनीकी वस्त्रों का वार्षिक निर्यात 2030 तक 10 अरब डॉलर को पार कर जाएगा।

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्रालय (MoRTH) ने भारत में ग्लोबल नेविगेशन सैटेलाइट सिस्टम (GNSS) आधारित इलेक्ट्रॉनिक टोल कलेक्शन (ETC) प्रणाली की घोषणा की।

केंद्रीय गृह मंत्री और सहकारिता मंत्री, अमित शाह को सर्वसम्मति से राजभाषा पर संसदीय समिति के अध्यक्ष के रूप में फिर से चुना गया है।

बिसलेरी इंटरनेशनल और गोवा राज्य प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड मोर्मुगाओ में अपशिष्ट प्रबंधन बढ़ाएंगे।

राजस्थान के बारां जिले में सहरिया जनजातियों में दो सप्ताह के भीतर कुपोषित बच्चों के कम से कम 172 मामलों की पहचान की गई है।

उत्तर प्रदेश के मुख्यमंत्री योगी आदित्यनाथ ने गोरखपुर वन प्रभाग के भारीवैसी, कैम्पियरगंज रेंज में जटायु संरक्षण एवं प्रजनन केंद्र का उद्घाटन किया। यह एशियाई राजा गिद्ध या लाल सिर वाले गिद्ध के लिए दुनिया का पहला संरक्षण और प्रजनन केंद्र है।

मशहूर फुटबॉल स्ट्राइकर लुइस सुआरेज़ ने उरुग्वे फुटबॉल टीम से सेवानिवृत्ति की घोषणा की है।

सरकार जल्द ही कपड़ा मंत्रालय की बहुप्रतीक्षित 'इंडियासाइज' पहल शुरू करेगी, जिसका उद्देश्य भारतीय शारीरिक प्रकारों के लिए बेहतर ढंग से डिजाइन किए गए मानकीकृत माप स्थापित करना है।

