

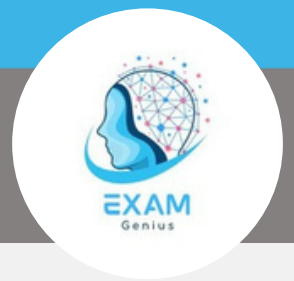
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**Ques :** \_\_\_\_ fast-tracks credit, trading of bonus shares to T+2 days  
\_\_\_\_ ने क्रेडिट, बोनस शेयरों की ट्रेडिंग को टी+2 दिनों तक फास्ट-ट्रेक किया

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

**Answer : Option D**

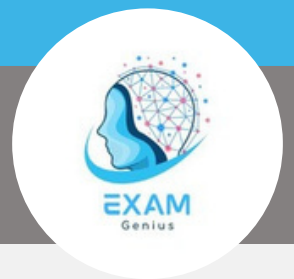
**Explanation :**

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has shortened the time for crediting and trading bonus shares to two days from the record date.
- This new regulation will apply to all bonus issues released starting October 1.
- Bonus shares will be credited to investors' accounts one working day following the record date (T+1).
- Shares will be available for trading on the second working day after the record date (T+2).

### Recent News Headlines Related to SEBI

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has formed a 22-member advisory committee to streamline the rules governing listing responsibilities and transparency.
- 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).
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) addressed recent media reports inaccurately claiming that it was considering making the T+0 settlement cycle mandatory for all transactions.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has proposed a series of near-term measures to prevent speculative trading, such as gambling in index derivatives, which include curbing multiple option contract expiries and increasing the size of options contracts.
- SEBI has introduced SEBI's Virtual Assistant (SEVA) chatbot to help investors of the securities market.

**Ques : Airtel Finance Launched FD Service with an Interest Rate of up to \_**  
**एयरटेल फाइनेंस ने \_ तक की ब्याज दर के साथ FD सेवा शुरू की**

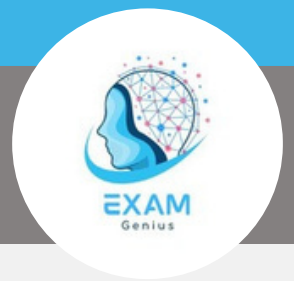
- (a) 9.1%
- (b) 9.6%
- (c) 8.5%
- (d) 5.5%
- (e) 6.5%

**Answer : Option A**

**Explanation :**

- Bharti Airtel has launched a Fixed Deposit (FD) marketplace through its digital arm, Airtel Finance.
- This new platform, accessible through the Airtel Thanks App, provides interest rates of up to 9.1% annually.
- Airtel Finance will provide FD services through partnerships with NBFCs and SFBs in India, such as Utkarsh Small Finance Bank (USFB) and Shriram Finance Limited (SFL).





## Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- SBI introduces three new payment options for commuters: the MTS RuPay NCMC prepaid card, the OneView mobile app, and an advanced design for the SBI FASTag.
- HDFC aims to enhance the income of 5 lakh marginal farmers earning less than 60,000 annually by 2025 as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program, Parivartan.
- Bank of Baroda (BoB) intends to open 7 physical branches as a trial initiative across the country.
- 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.
- 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.

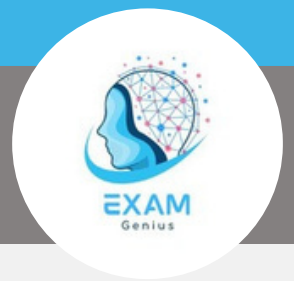
**Ques : National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) headquarter situated in \_**

**नेशनल बैंक फॉर फाइनेंसिंग इंफ्रास्ट्रक्चर एंड डेवलपमेंट (NaBFID) का मुख्यालय \_ में स्थित है**

- (a) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- (b) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली
- (c) Guwahati / गुवाहाटी
- (d) Ahmedabad / अहमदाबाद
- (e) Mumbai / मुंबई

**Answer : Option E**





## Explanation :

- The National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) was notified as a Public Financial Institution (PFI) under Section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) of the Government of India (GoI) in consultation with the Reserve Bank of India.
- This classification will enable NaBFID to finance large-scale infrastructure projects, enhancing India's infrastructure development.
- NaBFID aims to issue Rs 2 lakh crore (about USD 24 billion) in loans by March 2025, with disbursements of around Rs 1 lakh crore (approx. USD 12 billion).

## About NaBFID :

- Established : 2021 Under Act National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development Act 2021
- HQ : Mumbai
- Chairman : K. V. Kamath

## Ques : Who inaugurated the 2nd International Conference on Green Hydrogen?

ग्रीन हाइड्रोजन पर दूसरे अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन का उद्घाटन किसने किया?

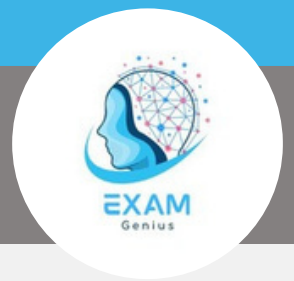
- (a) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी
- (b) Amit Shah / अमित शाह
- (c) Rajnath Singh / राजनाथ सिंह
- (d) Droupadi Murmu / द्रौपदी मुर्मू
- (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar / जगदीप धनखड़

## Answer : Option A

## Explanation :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated the 2nd International Conference on Green Hydrogen.
- The three day 2nd International Conference on Green Hydrogen is being held at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi from 11-13 September 2024.
- The Conference wants to position India as a global leader in the green hydrogen ecosystem.





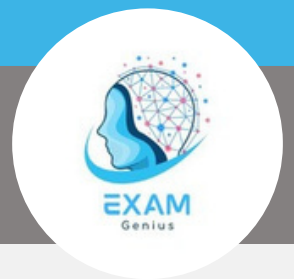
- The three-day conference will cover recent technological advancements in the Green Hydrogen value chain.
- The Gujarat government serves as the conference's state partner. The Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) is the implementation partner, while EY is the knowledge partner and FICCI is the industry partner.
- The workshop will bring together stakeholders across the Green Hydrogen value chain to discuss strategic investments and collaborations to promote adoption of green hydrogen technology in the country.
- The 2nd International Conference on Green Hydrogen was organised by the Union Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India.
- On January 4, 2023, the Government of India started the National Green Hydrogen Mission to promote the generation of green hydrogen in the country.
- The mission seeks to produce 5 million metric tonnes of green hydrogen annually by 2030. The duration of the Mission is from 2023-24 to 2029-2030 and the total outlay on the mission is Rs 19,744 crores.

## Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- The Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, has opened SEMICON India 2024 at the India Expo Mart in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh.
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh officially launched the India Defence Aviation Exposition (IDAX-24) in Jodhpur.
- The inaugural India-GCC (Gulf Cooperation Council) Joint Ministerial Meeting for Strategic Dialogue was conducted in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia's capital.
- The second Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation was held in Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi, India.
- Chinese President Xi Jinping committed \$51 billion to African countries during the ninth Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) summit in Beijing.
- The 54th meeting of the Goods and Services Tax Council chaired by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman concluded in New Delhi.
- The Eastern Economic Forum 2024 was held in Vladivostok, Russia. It is an annual international event, started in 2015.
- The 5th Defence Cooperation Dialogue between India and the Maldives was conducted in New Delhi on September 6, 2024.







- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will open the 4th Global RE-INVEST Renewable Energy Investors Meet and Expo in Gandhinagar on September 16.
- 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 company built Vinetra, the Indian Navy's Kalvari class submarine escape training facility?**

**भारतीय नौसेना की कलवरी श्रेणी की पनडुब्बी एस्केप प्रशिक्षण सुविधा विनेत्रा का निर्माण किस कंपनी ने किया?**

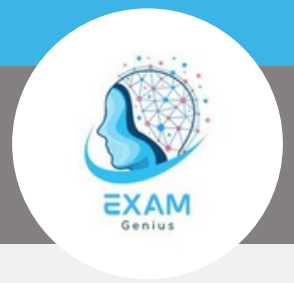
- (a) Cochin Shipyard Limited / कोचीन शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड
- (b) Hindustan Shipyard / हिंदुस्तान शिपयार्ड
- (c) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers / गार्डन रीच शिपबिल्डर्स एंड इंजीनियर्स
- (d) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders / मझगांव डॉक शिपबिल्डर्स
- (e) L&T Defence company / एल एंड टी डिफेंस कंपनी

**Answer : Option E**

**Explanation :**

- The Indian Navy has commissioned the Kalvari Submarine Escape Training Facility, which was planned and developed in-house, at its flagship submarine training base, INS Satavahana in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- The Indian Navy's Eastern Naval Command oversees INS Satavahana. L&T Defence built the Kalvari Submarine Escape Training Facility, often known as Vinetra (which means Trainer).
- The Kalvari Submarine Escape Training Facility will train the crews of the Indian Navy's Kalvari class conventional submarines. It will prepare the crew to preserve their lives and escape from the submarine if it is in difficulty due to an accident or attack.





- The facility has a five-meter escape tower and an adjacent diving basin.
- The Vinetra facility was built as part of the government's Make in India and Atma Nirbhar Bharat campaigns, which aim to make India self-sufficient in essential defense technologies and facilities.

About Kalvari Class Submarine of the Indian Navy :

- The Kalvari class submarine is being built in India as part of the Indian Navy's Project 75, which originally called for six submarines.
- The technology would be provided by the French business Naval Group, with construction by Mumbai-based Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL).
- In 2005, India and France struck a \$3.75 billion agreement to build six conventional Scorpene-class submarines in India using French technology.
- The 2000-tonne INS Kalvari class submarine can conduct a variety of duties, including surface vessel combat, anti-submarine warfare, long-range strikes, special operations, and information collection.
- The first submarine built under Project 75, the INS Kalvari, was launched in 2017. Since then, four more submarines have joined the Indian Navy.
- The Kalvari class submarines include the INS Kalvari, INS Khanderi, INS Karanj, INS Vela, INS Vagir, and INS Vaghsheer. The sixth submarine, INS Vaghsheer, is currently conducting sea trials.

**Ques : Supreme Court recently dismissed an application seeking to declare the city of \_ as a "World Heritage Site."**

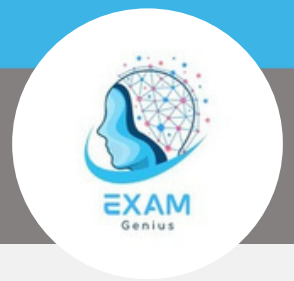
**सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने हाल ही में \_ शहर को "विश्व विरासत स्थल" घोषित करने की मांग करने वाली एक अर्जी खारिज कर दी।**

- (A) Guwahati / गुवाहाटी
- (B) Indor / इंदौर
- (C) Agra / आगरा
- (D) Mumbai / मुंबई
- (E) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली

**Answer : option C**







## Explanation :

- Supreme Court recently dismissed an application seeking to declare the city of Agra as a "World Heritage Site."

## About World Heritage Site (WHS) :

- The UNESCO World Heritage List recognizes cultural and natural places with legal protection.
- The World Heritage Convention recognizes these sites as having "outstanding universal value."
- The document was adopted by UNESCO in 1972 and became effective in 1975 after being ratified by 20 countries.
- The framework promotes international collaboration in maintaining and protecting cultural treasures and natural regions worldwide.
- There are three types of sites: cultural, natural, and mixed.
- Natural heritage sites are restricted to those natural areas that furnish outstanding examples of Earth's record of life or its geologic processes.
- Mixed heritage sites contain elements of both natural and cultural significance.

**Ques : Which court setup 5 POCSO (Protection of children from sexual offenses) court ?**

**किस न्यायालय ने 5 POCSO (यौन अपराधों से बच्चों का संरक्षण) न्यायालय की स्थापना की?**

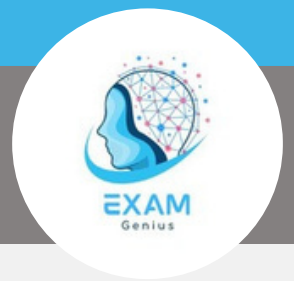
- (a) Tripura / त्रिपुरा
- (b) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- (c) Assam / असम
- (d) Manipur / मणिपुर
- (e) Meghalaya / मेघालय

**Answer : Option B**

## Explanation :

- Following a shocking event at a West Bengal hospital, the West Bengal cabinet has proposed establishing five new POCSO (Protection of Children from Sexual Offenses) Fast Track Special Courts to expedite cases related to these incidents.
- The state presently has 62 POCSO courts, including six ePOCSO courts. Each court has one judicial officer and seven staff members.
- The Protection of minors from Sexual Offenses Act 2012 (POCSO) assures prompt justice for sexual offenses against minors.
- In India, there are 757 FTSCs, 411 of which are exclusively e-POCSO, spread across 30 states and union territories.





About West Bengal :

- Capital : Kolkata
- CM : Mamata Banerjee
- Governor : Dr. C.V. Ananda Bose
- National Park : Buxa National Park, Gorumara National Park, Jaldapara National Park, Neora Valley National Park, Singalila National Park, Sundarbans National Park

**Ques : Which company will manufacture the VL-SRSAM missile being developed by DRDO?**  
**डीआरडीओ द्वारा विकसित की जा रही वीएल-एसआरएसएम मिसाइल का निर्माण कौन सी कंपनी करेगी?**

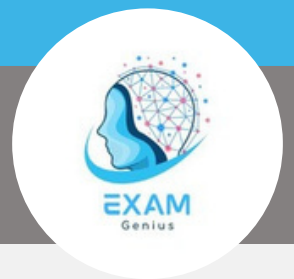
- (a) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited / हिंदुस्तान एयरोनॉटिक्स लिमिटेड
- (b) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited / भारत हेवी इलेक्ट्रिकल्स
- (c) Bharat Dynamic Limited / भारत डायनेमिक लिमिटेड
- (d) Tata Advanced Systems / टाटा एडवांस्ड सिस्टम्स
- (e) Bharat Electronics Limited / भारत इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स लिमिटेड

**Answer : Option C**

**Explanation :**

- The Indian Navy, in collaboration with the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), successfully tested the Vertical Launch Short Range Surface to Air Missile (VL-SRSAM).
- The test was conducted at the Integrated Test Range (ITR) on Chandipur island, off the coast of Odisha.
- It weighs around 170 kg and uses solid propellant. With a maximum speed of Mach 4.5, the weapon system can reach an altitude of 16 km.
- The DRDO has conducted its second successful missile test in the last week. On September 6, 2024, the DRDO successfully performed a user trial for its nuclear-capable intermediate-range ballistic missile (IRBM Agni-4).
- The VL-SRAM is being developed by DRDO and will be manufactured by Bharat Dynamic Limited, which is owned by the national government





## Recent News Headlines Related to DRDO

- India has completed a successful test-fire of Agni-4 Ballistic Missile in Chandipur, Odisha. The Agni missiles are designed and developed by the 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) carried out successful trials of the ManPortable Anti-Tank Guided Missile (MPATGM) Weapon System at Pokhran Field Firing Range, Rajasthan.

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) :

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

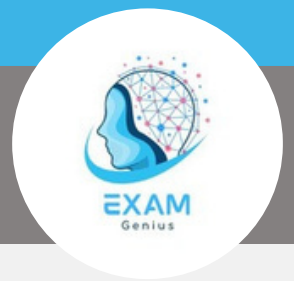
**Ques : Which operation launched by the Indian government to provide humanitarian assistance to Typhoon Yagi, which affected Vietnam and the Lao People's Democratic Republic?**

टाइफून यागी, जिसने वियतनाम और लाओ पीपुल्स डेमोक्रेटिक रिपब्लिक को प्रभावित किया, को मानवीय सहायता प्रदान करने के लिए भारत सरकार ने कौन सा ऑपरेशन शुरू किया?

- (a) Operation Sambhav / ऑपरेशन संभव
- (b) Operation Sadbhavana / ऑपरेशन सद्भावना
- (c) Operation Raahat / ऑपरेशन राहत
- (d) Operation Shayog / ऑपरेशन शयोग
- (e) Operation Madad / ऑपरेशन मदद

**Answer : Option B**



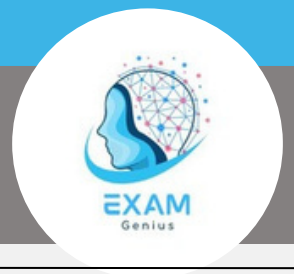


## Explanation :

- India has launched Operation Sadbhav to provide humanitarian assistance to the countries affected by Typhoon Yagi, which include Myanmar, Laos, and Vietnam.
- India delivered urgent assistance goods to Myanmar, Laos, and Vietnam to help them deal with the aftermath of the massive storm.
- These three countries are recovering from severe floods caused by Asia's most violent typhoon of the year.
- The Indian naval ship INS Satpura transported 10 tons of relief to Myanmar, including dry rations, clothing, and medications.
- A military cargo aircraft from the Indian Air Force is transporting 35 tonnes of aid to Vietnam and 10 tonnes of humanitarian supplies to Laos.
- India has been among the first to provide Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) to affected countries.
- Operation Sadbhavana is part of India's larger attempt to contribute to HADR in the ASEAN area, in accordance with its 'Act East Policy'.

## Recent News Headlines Related to Operations :

- Operation Nanhe Farishtey : launched by Railway Protection Force (RPF) to take care of the children who were perceived as at risk within the railway station premises.
- Operation Maryada : for the smooth conduct of Kedarnath Dham Yatra 2024 in Rudraprayag, Uttarakhand
- Operation Sadbhavana : launched by Indian Army Trishakti Corps to provided essential aid and healthcare to North Sikkim's Naga and Rangrang villages post-GLOF.
- Operation Sankalp - launched in the Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman with the aim of ensuring the security of Indian ships.
- Operation Kamdhenu : Jammu and Kashmir police launched to curb cattle smuggling.
- Operation Ajay – To evacuate Indians from Israel
- Operation Broader Sword : India and the USA, jointly conducted to stop the illegal shipment of drugs through the International Mail System.



- Operation Kaveri – To evacuate Indians from Sudan
- Operation Iron Sword : Israel has named the ongoing fight against Hamas as Operation Iron Sword. Hamas is a Palestinian militant group that controls some areas of the Gaza Strip.
- Operation Karuna – To help Myanmar affected by cyclone Mocha
- Operation Dost – Help to earthquake affected Turkey
- Operation Ganga – To bring back Indians from Ukraine

**Ques : Which Edition of Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024 ?**

**वैश्विक साइबर सुरक्षा सूचकांक (जीसीआई) 2024 का कौन सा संस्करण?**

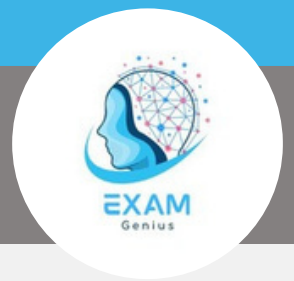
- (a) 3rd
- (b) 4th
- (c) 5th
- (d) 6th
- (e) 7th

**Answer : Option C**

### Explanation :

- Report Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024 5th Edition Published by International Telecommunication Union (ITU).
- India has ranked among Tier 1 countries in the Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI). It is issued by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).
- Pillars used for Index are Legal Measures, Technical Measures, Organizational Measures, Capacity Development, Cooperation.
- 'GCI 2024' has used a five-tier analysis this time. In this, the progress made in cyber security by various countries is tracked.
- This report places 46 countries in Tier 1, the highest category. These countries have been named "Role Modeling", which have shown a strong commitment to all important aspects of cyber security.

About the Tiers of Global Cybersecurity Index:



Tier 1 – Role-modeling Score of 95–100

Tier 2 – Advancing Score of 85–95

Tier 3 – Establishing Score of 55–85

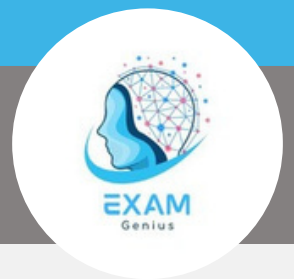
Tier 4 – Evolving Score of 20–55

Tier 5 – Building Score of 0–20

## India's Rankings in Different Indices

- According to a Nature study, Biggest plastic polluter country : India (1st), Nigeria (2nd), Indonesia (3rd)
- 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





**Ques :** Doordarshan, India's esteemed public service broadcaster, marks its \_\_\_\_ anniversary on September 15, 2024.

भारत का प्रतिष्ठित सार्वजनिक सेवा प्रसारक दूरदर्शन इसका प्रतीक है 15 सितंबर, 2024 को \_ वर्षगांठ।

- (a) 62nd
- (b) 63rd
- (c) 64th
- (d) 65th
- (e) 66th

**Answer : Option D**

### Explanation :

- Doordarshan, India's public service broadcaster, celebrates its 65th anniversary on September 15, 2024.
- Since its inception in 1959, Doordarshan has played a crucial role in Indian media, promoting unity, culture, and education.
- Doordarshan began with black-and-white transmissions and today has 35 channels, including 6 national, 28 regional, and 1 international channel.
- To commemorate its 65th anniversary, DD National will air a special program called "Dil Se Doordarshan, DD@65."

**Ques :** Which ministry launched BHASKAR Platform ?

किस मंत्रालय ने भास्कर प्लेटफॉर्म लॉन्च किया?

- (a) Union Ministry of Home Affairs / केंद्रीय गृह मंत्रालय
- (b) Union Ministry of Education / केंद्रीय शिक्षा मंत्रालय
- (c) Union Ministry of Finance / केंद्रीय वित्त मंत्रालय
- (d) Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment / केंद्रीय सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय
- (e) Union Ministry of Commerce and Industry / केंद्रीय वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय

**Answer : Option E**





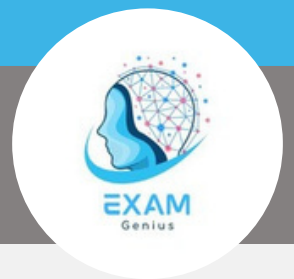
#### Explanation :

- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, is launching BHASKAR, a digital platform that aims to strengthen India's startup ecosystem as part of the Startup India program.
- The platform facilitates collaboration among important stakeholders in the entrepreneurial ecosystem, such as startups, investors, mentors, service providers, and government organizations.
- BHASKAR aims to create the largest digital register for stakeholders in the startup ecosystem.
- Each stakeholder will receive a unique BHASKAR ID, enabling individualized interactions and experiences across the platform.
- BHASKAR promotes India's global reputation for innovation and facilitates cross-border collaborations for entrepreneurs and investors.
- Powerful search features help users find relevant resources, partners, and opportunities, resulting in speedier decision-making and action.

#### News Headlines Related to Ministry :

- The Union Cabinet has approved the Ministry of Power's request to modify the financial assistance scheme for Enabling Infrastructure for Hydro Electric Projects (HEP), totaling Rs.12461 crore.
- Union Minister for Commerce and Industry launched the Trade Connect e-platform.
- Union Home Minister recently addressed the first Foundation Day program of the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) in New Delhi and launched key initiatives for prevention of cybercrime.
- Annual exports of technical textiles will cross \$10 billion by 2030, Union Minister for Textiles said recently.
- The government will soon roll out the much-awaited 'INDIAsize' initiative of the Ministry of Textiles which aims to establish standardized measurements designed to better suit Indian body types.
- The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) announced a Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS)-based Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system in India.
- 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.
- Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has approved the introduction of the BPaLM Regimen, treatment for Multi-Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis (MDR-TB) offered by the National TB Elimination Program (NTEP).
- Shri Giriraj Singh, Union Minister of Textiles, 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'.





- 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 (MeitY), Government of India, Shri S. Krishnan, Secretary, MeitY 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.

**Ques : Who has launched the website for the Ashtalakshmi Mahotsav?**

**अष्टलक्ष्मी महोत्सव के लिए वेबसाइट किसने लॉन्च की है?**

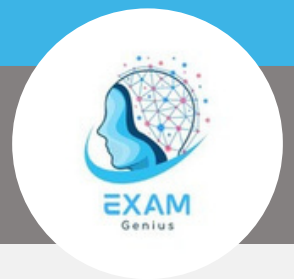
- (a) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी
- (b) Amit Shah / अमित शाह
- (c) Rajnath Singh / राजनाथ सिंह
- (d) Droupadi Murmu / द्रौपदी मुर्मू
- (e) Jyotiraditya Scindia / ज्योतिरादित्य सिंधिया

**Answer : Option E**

**Explanation :**

- Union Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, the Hon'ble Minister for Communications and Development of the North Eastern Region (DoNER), has formally launched the Ashtalakshmi Mahotsav website.
- The launch, which took place at Sanchar Bhawan in New Delhi, demonstrates the government's commitment to promoting Northeast India's cultural and economic richness on both national and international levels.
- The Ashtalakshmi Mahotsav, scheduled for December 6th to 8th, 2024, at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, is expected to be a historic celebration.
- The celebration is inspired by the eight northeastern states—Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, and Tripura—collectively known as the "Ashtalakshmi," which represent eight manifestations of prosperity.
- The website, [www.ashtalakshnimahotsav.com](http://www.ashtalakshnimahotsav.com), will serve as a one-stop shop for event updates, timetables, and participation information, providing smooth involvement for participants from all over the country.





## Recent News Headlines Related to launched Apps/portals

- Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying launched the "Rangeen Machhli" mobile app at ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (ICAR-CIFA), Bhubaneswar.
- Since its launch in 2021, the Sugamya Bharat mobile app has received over 1,400 accessibility complaints, with around 75% of them rectified (official data).
- The Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC) created and launched the Air Quality Management Exchange Platform (AQMx).
- Women and Child Development Minister, Annpurna Devi has launched the She-Box portal to make workplaces safer for women.
- The new guidelines feature an integrated, user-friendly platform on the Centralised Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS) portal.
- The Union Ministry of Power has introduced three new online platforms, JAL VIDYUT DPR, DRIPS, and PROMPT developed by Central Electricity Authority.
- The government of India has released an updated version of the Flood Watch India 2.0 App in an effort to enhance the nation's flood forecasting and flood control capabilities.
- Upasthiti (attendance) Portal : Hemant Soren, the Chief Minister of Jharkhand, launched to ensure daily attendance of doctors, para-medical staff and other employees under the health department.
- Version 4.0 of Price Monitoring System (PMS) Mobile app : Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution & New and Renewable Energy launched to improve the quality of price data
- e-Sakshya, Nyaya Setu, Nyaya Shruti and e-Summon apps : Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah has launched for the three new criminal laws
- District App : Zomato has launched a new app to consolidate various 'going-out' services such as dining, movies, sports ticketing, live performances, shopping etc.

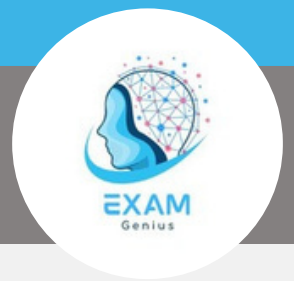
**Ques : Anmol Kharb, who was seen in news in September 2024 for achieving a remarkable achievement, is associated with which of the following sport?**

**अनमोल खरब, जो सितंबर 2024 में एक उल्लेखनीय उपलब्धि हासिल करने के लिए खबरों में थे, निम्नलिखित में से किस खेल से जुड़े हैं?**

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

**Answer : Option C**





## Explanation :

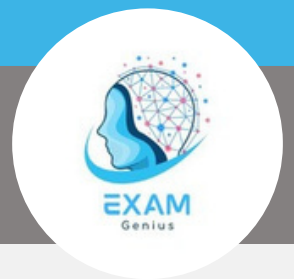
- India's 17-year-old shuttler, Anmol Kharb secured her first senior international title by winning the women's singles event at the Belgian International 2024 in Leuven.
- She Born on January 20, 2007, in Haryana's Faridabad, took up badminton at a young age.
- In a remarkable display of skill and determination, the 17-year-old, overcame Denmark's Amalie Schulz 24-22, 12-21, 21-10 in the final.
- In 2019, at the age of 12, Anmol won the U-17 All India Ranking title in Hyderabad, her first national-level title.
- Anmol soon became the India No. 1 in both the under-17 and 19 age groups. And also won Gold Medal at the Badminton Asia Team Championships 2024.

## Recent News headlines related to Sports

The 63rd Subroto Cup International Football Tournament for under-17 boys was held in New Delhi. It is a top inter-school football event.

- Paralympic archery champions Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar team up to inspire voters nationwide as Election Commission of India's national icons for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs).
- Deepali Thapa, an Indian boxer, made history as the first Asian Schoolgirl Champion in Al Ain, UAE.
- India's ancient sport, yogasana was included as a demonstration event at the 2026 Asian Games to be held in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan.
- The 2024/25 Irani Cup game, which was planned to take place in Mumbai from October 1 to 5, has been moved to Lucknow.
- The Indian contingent concluded its historic Paris Paralympics campaign with 29 medals, including seven gold, nine silver, and 13 bronze medals.
- Harvinder Singh, a gold medal-winning archer, and sprinter Preeti Pal, the first Indian woman to win two medals at the Paralympics, have been appointed India's flag bearers for the Paris Paralympic Games closing ceremony.
- Aryna Sabalenka of Belarus won the women's singles titles at the 2024 US Open Grand Slam Tennis Tournament.
- Jannik Sinner of Italy won the men's singles championships at the 2024 US Open Grand Slam Tennis Tournament.
- In wrestling, Jyoti Berwal won gold in the women's 76 kg freestyle division at the U20 World Championships in Pontevedra, Spain.
- 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.





- 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.

**Ques : Hindi Diwas is observed every year on which day ?**

**हिंदी दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?**

- (a) 11 September
- (b) 12 September
- (c) 13 September
- (d) 14 September
- (e) 15 September

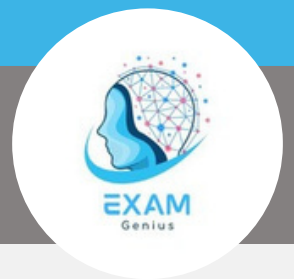
**Answer : Option D**

**Explanation :**

- Hindi Diwas is observed every year on 14 September.
- In 2024, the country is celebrating the 75th year (diamond jubilee) of the adoption of Hindi as India's official language.
- On 14 September 1946, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted Hindi in Devnagari script as the official language (Raj Bhasha) of the Indian government, based on the K, M Munshi-N.G lyenger formula.
- However, the first Hindi Diwas was observed on 14 September 1953 by the government of India. Since then, every year, 14 September has been observed as Hindi Diwas.
- On this occasion, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs organised the 4th Akhil Bharatiya Rajbhasha Sammelan and launched Bharatiya Bhasha Anubhag to promote the Hindi language.
- World Hindi Diwas is observed on 10 January every year to promote the Hindi language in the world. The first World Hindi Diwas was observed on 10 January 2006.





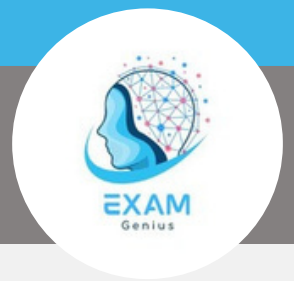


## Important days :

- 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
- 7 September : International Day of Police Cooperation
- 7 September : International Vulture Awareness Day 2024
- 7 September : International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies
- 8 September : International Literacy Day (ILD) (Theme is "Promoting Multilingual Education: Literacy for Mutual Understanding and Peace.")
- 8 September : World Physical Therapy Day (Theme 2024: LBP (Low Back Pain) and the role of physiotherapy in its prevention and management)
- 9 September : UN International Day to Protect Education from Attack
- 10 September : World Suicide Prevention Day (Theme 2024 – 'Changing the Narrative on Suicide – Start the Conversation')
- 11 September : National Forest Martyrs Day (Theme 2024 – Honoring the Guardians of Our Forests)
- 12 September : International Day of South-South Cooperation (Theme 2024 – A better tomorrow through South-South Cooperation)
- 13 September : International Chocolate Day
- 14 September : World First Aid Day (Theme 2024: First Aid and Sports)

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## IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) launched Saarthi app in collaboration with Bhashini. Application designed to assist businesses in creating their own customised buyer-side apps.

HSBC India launched global education payments to enable Indian students and the bank's customers to pay fees directly to more than 600 international universities and colleges.

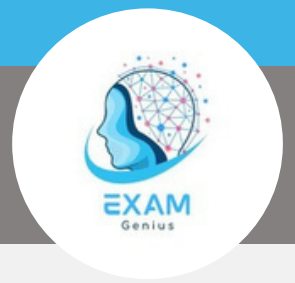
National Instructional Media Institute (NIMI) launched YouTube Channels for Industrial Training Institute (ITI) Students. NIMI formerly known as Central Instructional Media Institute (CIMI) was established in December 1986.

NIMI is functioning as an autonomous institute under Directorate General of Training (DGT), Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE), the Govt. of India.

MongoDB has announced the expansion of MongoDB for Academia in India, including a new partnership with the All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Ministry of Education, Government of India.

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) Signed MoU with Swiggy To launch 'Swiggy Skills', an initiative which offers employment opportunities within Swiggy's food delivery and quick commerce network.

Aruna Vasudev, a renowned Indian film scholar, critic, festival curator and painter, has passed away at the age of 88 in New Delhi. She was born in 1936 in British India. She was called by the nickname 'Mother of Asian Cinema'.



**महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स**

ओपन नेटवर्क फॉर डिजिटल कॉमर्स (ओएनडीसी) ने भाषिणी के सहयोग से सारथी ऐप लॉन्च किया। व्यवसायों को अपने स्वयं के अनुकूलित खरीदार-साइड ऐप बनाने में सहायता करने के लिए डिज़ाइन किया गया एप्लिकेशन।

एचएसबीसी इंडिया ने भारतीय छात्रों और बैंक के ग्राहकों को 600 से अधिक अंतरराष्ट्रीय विश्वविद्यालयों और कॉलेजों में सीधे फीस का भुगतान करने में सक्षम बनाने के लिए वैश्विक शिक्षा भुगतान शुरू किया।

नेशनल इंस्ट्रक्शनल मीडिया इंस्टीट्यूट (NIMI) ने औद्योगिक प्रशिक्षण संस्थान (ITI) के छात्रों के लिए YouTube चैनल लॉन्च किया। NIMI जिसे पहले सेंट्रल इंस्ट्रक्शनल मीडिया इंस्टीट्यूट (CIMI) के नाम से जाना जाता था, की स्थापना दिसंबर 1986 में हुई थी।

NIMI भारत सरकार के कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्रालय (MSDE) के प्रशिक्षण महानिदेशालय (DGT) के तहत एक स्वायत्त संस्थान के रूप में कार्य कर रहा है। भारत का.

MongoDB ने भारत में शिक्षा जगत के लिए MongoDB के विस्तार की घोषणा की है, जिसमें भारत सरकार के शिक्षा मंत्रालय के अखिल भारतीय तकनीकी शिक्षा परिषद (AICTE) के साथ एक नई साझेदारी भी शामिल है।

कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्रालय (MSDE) ने 'स्विगी स्किल्स' लॉन्च करने के लिए स्विगी के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए, एक पहल जो स्विगी के खाद्य वितरण और त्वरित वाणिज्य नेटवर्क के भीतर रोजगार के अवसर प्रदान करती है।

प्रसिद्ध भारतीय फिल्म विद्वान, आलोचक, महोत्सव क्यूरेटर और चित्रकार अरुणा वासुदेव का 88 वर्ष की आयु में नई दिल्ली में निधन हो गया है। उनका जन्म 1936 में ब्रिटिश भारत में हुआ था। उन्हें 'एशियाई सिनेमा की जननी' उपनाम से बुलाया जाता था।