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Ques : OECD Raised India's GDP Forecast to _ for FY25.

OECD ने FY25 के लिए भारत का सकल घरेलू उपाद का पूर्व अनुमान बढ़ाकर दिया

- (a) 6.7%
- (b) 6.9%
- (c) 5.7%
- (d) 8.7%
- (e) 7.7%

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

India's GDP Projection by Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) :

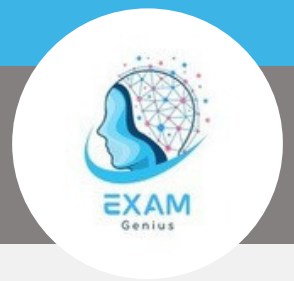
- For Financial Year 2024-25 (FY25) 6.7% from Previous projection 6.6%
- For Financial Year 2025-26 (FY26) 6.8% from Previous projection 6.6%

OECD's report has also raised India's headline inflation forecast by 20 bps, from 4.3% (projected in May 2024) to 4.5% for FY25.

While, it has lowered India's inflation for FY26 by 10 bps, from 4.2% to 4.1%, which would be almost equal to RBI's mid-point target of 4%.

About OECD :

- Established : 1961
- HQ : Paris, France
- Secretary General : Mathias Hubert Paul Cormann



Ques : Who approves amalgamation of The Rajapur Sahakari Bank Ltd. with The Malad Sahakari Bank Ltd. ?

द मलाड सहकारी बक ल मटेड के साथ द राजापुर सहकारी बक ल मटेड के समामेलन को कसनेमंजूरी द ?

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

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the merger of The Rajapur Sahakari Bank Limited and The Malad Sahakari Bank Limited, both of which are based in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- The sanction was imposed under Sub-Section (4) of Section 44A, read in conjunction with Section 56 of the Banking Regulation Act of 1949.
- The scheme of amalgamation will go into effect on September 23, 2024.
- Following the merger, The Rajapur Sahakari Bank branches will become The Malad Sahakari Bank branches from September 23, 2024.



Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) intends to establish the Unified Lending Interface (ULI) on a nationwide scale to modernize the lending sector.
- The RBI's latest State of the Economy report shows a decrease in the gap between loan and deposit growth in banks, which had been a major issue for the past two years.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI), in consultation with the Government of India, has decided to cancel the Treasury bill auctions scheduled for September 18, 2024, and September 25, 2024.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) proposed that banks keep an additional 5% "run-off factor" on digitally accessible customer deposits to mitigate the risks of large withdrawals via digital platforms such as the internet or mobile banking.
- 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.
- 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).

Ques : Who Imposes Rs.61.60 Lakh Penalty on Surat People's Co-operative Bank ?

सूरत पीपु स को-ऑपरे टव बक पर 61.60 लाख पयेका जुमान । कसनेलगाया?

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

Answer : Option B



Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.61.60 lakh on The Surat People's Co-operative Bank Limited, Surat, for non-compliance with certain directions issued by RBI
- Non-compliance on 'Income Recognition, Asset Classification, Provisioning and Other Related Matters', 'Loans and advances to directors and their relatives, and firms/concerns in which they are interested', 'Maintenance of Deposit Accounts', and 'Customer Service'.
- This penalty was levied in accordance with the authority granted on the RBI by sections 47A(1)(c), 46(4)(i), and 56 of the Banking Regulation Act of 1949.
- This action is based on shortcomings in regulatory compliance and is not intended to rule on the legitimacy of any transaction or agreement entered into by the bank with its clients.
- The RBI imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.1.50 lakh on The Bihar Awami Co-operative Bank Ltd., Patna for violating section 26A and section 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (BR Act) and failing to comply with RBI's 'Know Your Customer (KYC)' directions.

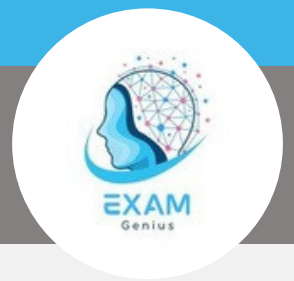
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Recent Penalties imposed on Banks by RBI :

- Penalty on Hewlett Packard Financial Services (India) Private Limited is Amount to Rs.10.4 lakh and on Muthoot Vehicle & Asset Finance Limited is Amount to Rs.7.9 lakh
- The Reserve Bank of India has imposed a penalty of Rs 31.8 lakh on BNP Paribas for failing to comply with specific RBI guidelines on 'Interest Rate on Advances'.
- The RBI levied a monetary penalty of Rs.1.91 crore on Axis Bank Limited and Rs.1 crore on HDFC Bank Limited for non-compliance with certain directions issued 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."

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Ques : Which bank has collaborated with EaseMyTrip.com to introduce an EaseMyTrip Co-branded Travel Debit Card?

कस बक ने EaseMyTrip.com के साथ मलकर EaseMyTrip को डिडेवल डे बट काड पेश कया है?

- (a) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बक
- (b) Karnataka Bank / कनाटा क बक
- (c) Bank of baroda / बक ऑफ बड़ौदा
- (d) Canara Bank / केनरा बक
- (e) None of these / इनम सेकोई नह

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Bank of Baroda, in cooperation with EaseMyTrip.com, has launched the 'Bank of Baroda EaseMyTrip Co-branded Travel Debit Card', aimed at regular travelers and those who spend money on entertainment and lifestyle.
- This is the first co-branded travel debit card issued by a public sector bank.
- The card provides a variety of special perks across airline bookings, hotel stays, OTT streaming platforms, and prominent e-commerce sites, allowing users to save year-round with no minimum order value.
- The card is intended to reinvent the consumer experience by offering discounts on flights and hotel reservations, as well as complimentary premium membership.



Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- PayU, one of India's major digital financial services companies, has launched an industry-first biometric authentication system for card payments called Flash Pay.
- IDFC FIRST Bank has released the Ashva Credit Card and Mayura Credit Card.
- Jana Small Finance Bank has announced a new "Liquid Plus" fixed deposit option with an annual interest rate of 6.75% for tenures ranging from 7 to 180 days.
- Bank of Baroda (BoB) has launched 'Aditi', a GenAI-powered virtual relationship manager, to improve its digital customer care experience.
- 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.
- Bharti Airtel has launched a Fixed Deposit (FD) marketplace through its digital arm, Airtel Finance, provides interest rates of up to 9.1% annually.
- 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 Sookchak, 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.

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Ques : Consider the following statement About India Cancer Genome Atlas (ICGA) :

भारत क सर जीनोम एटलस (आईसीजीए) के बारेम न न ल खत कथन पर वचार कर :

(a) Indian Cancer Genome Atlas (ICGA) recently announced that it has launched India's first comprehensive cancer multi-omics data portal.

इं डयन क सर जीनोम एटलस (आईसीजीए) नेहाल ही म घोषणा क है क उसनेभारत का पहला पक क सर म ट - ओ म स डेटा पोर्टल लॉच किया है।

(b) It is India's first platform providing open access to data from Indian cancer patients.

यह भारत का पहला मंच हैजो भारतीय क सर रोग के डेटा तक खुली पंच दान करता है।

(c) The ICGA Foundation is a not-for-profit organisation, operates through a public-private-philanthropic partnership

आईसीजीए फाउंडेशन एक गैर-लाभकारी संगठन है, जो सावजनक-नजी-परोपकारी साझेदारी के मायम सेसंचालत होता है

Which of the following statement is/are True ? न न ल खत म सेकौन सा कथन स य ह ?

(a) Only a

(b) Only b

(c) Only c

(d) Both a and c

(e) All a, b and c

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Recent News : Indian Cancer Genome Atlas (ICGA) recently announced that it has launched India's first comprehensive cancer multi-omics data portal.
- It is India's first portal that allows open access to data from Indian cancer sufferers.
- Open access to clinically correlated data from Indian cancer patients aims to improve cancer research and treatment for the Indian public.
- The portal will be the first in India to provide data on breast cancer patients' DNA, RNA, and protein profiles, together with clinical outcomes. The platform now has data from 50 breast cancer patients and expects to expand to over 500 in the following year.

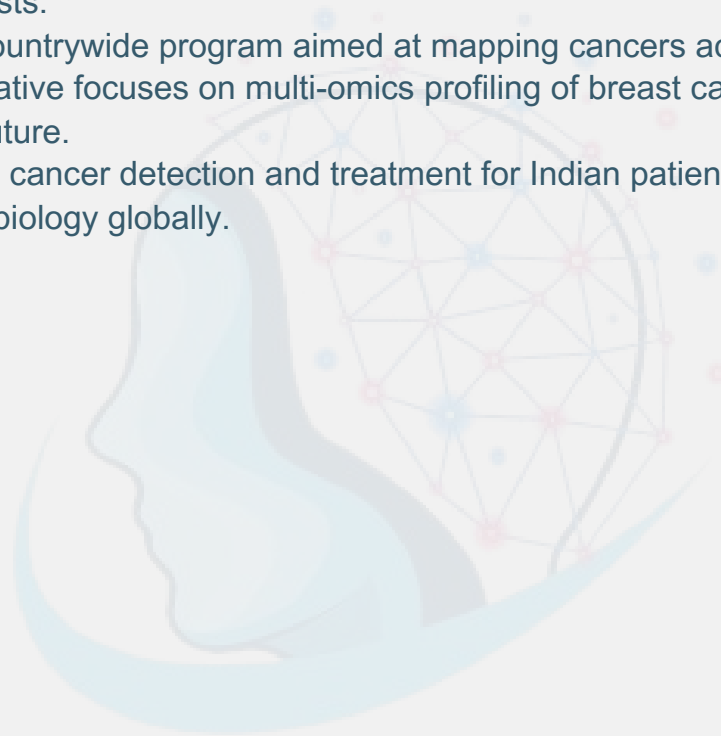


Explanation :

• India's PRIDE (Promotion of Research and Innovation via Data Exchange) guidelines make this data openly available to the worldwide research community, encouraging ethical exchange and collaboration in cancer research.

About Indian Cancer Genome Atlas (ICGA) :

- The ICGA Foundation is a not-for-profit organization with assistance from over 50 clinicians, researchers, and data analysts.
- It is a foundation-funded countrywide program aimed at mapping cancers across India.
- The foundation's initial initiative focuses on multi-omics profiling of breast cancer, with hopes to expand to other types of cancer in future.
- The objective is to improve cancer detection and treatment for Indian patients while also contributing to a better knowledge of cancer biology globally.



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Recent News Headlines Related to launched Apps/portals

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

Ques : Nagar Van Yojana (NVY) launched in which year ?

नगर वन योजना (एनवीवाई) कस वष शु क गई?

- (a) 2018
- (b) 2019
- (c) 2020
- (d) 2021
- (e) 2022

Answer : Option C



Explanation :

- Nagar Van Yojana (NVY) was launched in 2020 in an effort to enhance the urban greenery to improve the quality of life and increasing social cohesion in cities.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India met its 100-day target of 100 Nagar Vans under the Nagar Van Yojana (NVY) to promote urban greenery.
- The scheme applies to all cities with Municipal Corporations, Municipalities, and Urban Local Bodies (ULB). Nagar Van areas range from 10 to 50 hectares.
- The plan offers financial help of Rs. 4 lakh per hectare for urban forest establishment and maintenance. It encourages citizen, student, and stakeholder involvement in green space management.
- Nagar Vans must have at least two-thirds tree cover and include components such as Biodiversity Parks, Smriti Vans, Butterfly Conservatories, Herbal Gardens, and the newly developed Matri Van under Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam.
- The Nagar Van Yojana seeks to create 1000 Nagar Vans by 2027 with financial help from the National Fund of National Compensatory Afforestation Management and Planning Authority (National CAMPA).

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Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

• The Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY plan, which was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on September 23, 2018, marked its sixth anniversary. • Prime Minister Modi launched the Maharashtra Government's Acharya Chanakya Skill Development Scheme at Wardha. Aim to focuses on skilling the state's youth between the ages of 15 and 45 to become self-reliant. • The second edition of the Direct Tax Vivad se Viswas scheme 2024 (VSV 2.0) will go live soon, the Finance Ministry announced in a notification. • Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved a new plan, Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan (PMJUGA), to enhance the socioeconomic status of the country's tribal majority villages and aspirational districts. • Union cabinet recently extended the PM-AASHA price support scheme in agriculture till 2025-26. • Prime Minister Narendra Modi, introduced 'SUBHADRA', the government's flagship scheme, in Bhubaneswar, Odisha. It is the largest single-women-focused plan and is estimated to benefit over 1 crore women. • The Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (M/o MSME) established the Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) in the year 2000. • The Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana (PM-KMY) has completed 5 years of successful implementation. It is launched on 12th September, 2019 at Ranchi, Jharkhand by PM Modi. • The Union Cabinet, chaired by India's Prime Minister, has approved the Ministry of Heavy Industries' (MHI) plan to execute the 'PM E-DRIVE Scheme' for promotion of electric mobility in the country. • Union Cabinet approved the fourth phase of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). Implemented by the Union Rural Development Ministry from 2024-25 to 2028-29. • The Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PMJAY), the world's largest government-funded health insurance system, now covers all elderly persons aged 70 and above in the country.

Ques : In September 2024, who among the following won the Miss Universe India 2024 title?

सतंबर 2024 म , न न ल खत म से कसने मस यू नवस इं डया 2024 का खताब जीता?

- (a) Sushmita Roy / सु मता रॉय
- (b) Chhavi garg / छ व गग
- (c) Anushik Singh / अनु शक सह
- (d) Rhea Singha / रया सघा
- (e) None of these / इनम सेकोई नह

Answer : Option D



Explanation :

- Rhea Singha, an 19-year-old from Gujarat, has won hearts and made headlines after being crowned Miss Universe India 2024. Rhea won the grand finals, held in Jaipur, Rajasthan, after competing against 51 other exceptional finalists.
- Miss Universe India 2015, Urvashi Rautela, who acted as a judge during the event, awarded Rhea a unique Taj Mahal crown.
- Pranjal Priya was selected the first runner-up, with Chhavi Verg in second place.
- Sushmita Roy and Ruopfuzhano Whiso finished third and fourth, showing the event's wide abilities.

Ques : According to the Asian Power Index Report 2024, released recently by the Australian think tank Lowy Institute, India is ranked the ____ most powerful country in Asia.

हाल ही म ऑ` लयाई थक ट क लोवी इंड टूट 1 रा जारी ए शयन पावर इंडे स रपोट 2024 के अनुस , र भारत ए शया का _ सबसेश शाली देश है।

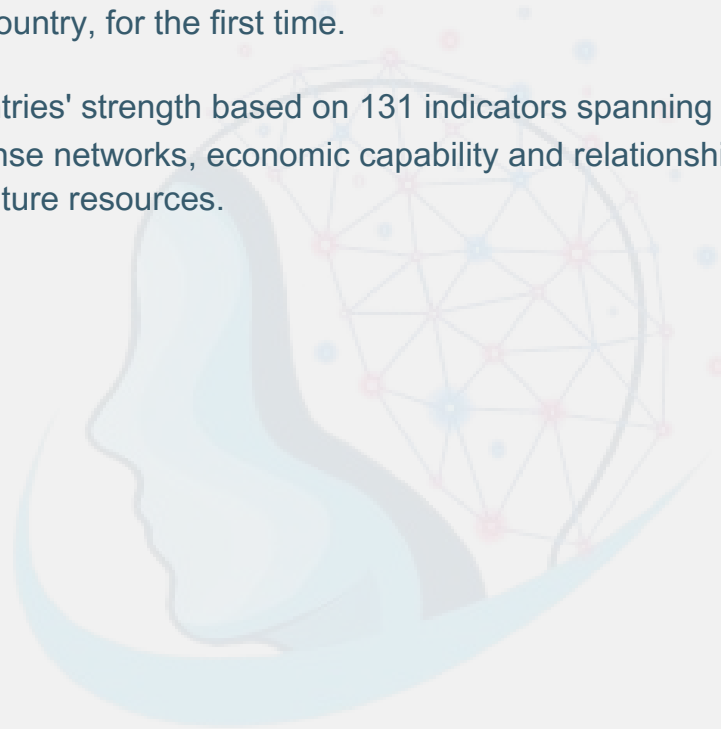
- (a) 1st
- (b) 2nd
- (c) 3rd
- (d) 4th
- (e) 5th

Answer : Option C



Explanation :

- According to the Asian Power Index Report 2024, released recently by the Australian think tank Lowy Institute, India is Asia's third most powerful country, trailing only the United States and China.
- Last year, India was named fourth most powerful country in Asia in the 2023 report, but this year, it surpassed Japan.
- The 2024 Asia Power Index Report ranks 27 countries and territories. The report now includes Timor Leste, a Southeast Asian country, for the first time.
- The report assesses countries' strength based on 131 indicators spanning eight thematic measures: military capability and defense networks, economic capability and relationships, diplomatic and cultural influence, resilience, and future resources.



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India's Rankings in Different Indices

- World's Best Companies 2024 list Published by USA based TIME Magazine : HCL Technologies Limited (India 112th rank), Apple (Top)
- 2024 Megahubs report 10th Edition Published by Official Airline Guide (OAG) : Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in New Delhi (Delhi) (24th), London Heathrow Airport (LHR) (UK)(top)
- State Food Safety Index (SFSI) 2024 6th Edition Published by FSSAI : Kerala (top), Tamil Nadu (2nd), Jammu Kashmir (3rd)
- S&P Global's "India Forward: Emerging Perspectives" report : India would become the world's third largest economy by FY31
- Report Best Countries Ranking 2024 Published by US News & World Report : India (33rd), Switzerland (top)
- Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024 5th Edition Published by International Telecommunication Union (ITU) : India has ranked among Tier 1 countries
- 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)



Ques : Pratyasa Ray was awarded the prestigious 32nd Ekalabya Puraskar, She belongs to which sports?

यसा रेको त त 32व एकल पुर कार सेस मा नत क्या गया, वह कस खेल सेसंबं धत ह ?

- (a) Swimming / तैरना
- (b) Chess / शतरंज
- (c) Badminton / बैड मट न
- (d) Wushu / वुशु
- (e) Archery / तीरंदाजी

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Pratyasa Ray, a young swimming sensation, has been shortlisted for the coveted Ekalabya Puraskar in 2024.
- Ray won six medals—four golds, one silver, and one bronze—at the Khelo India University Games in Guwahati in February of this year.
- Ray will receive a cash prize of Rs. 7 lakhs, up from the previous Rs. 5 lakhs, as well as a citation at the Ekalabya Puraskar award event, which will take place at a later date.
- Sprinter Dondapati Mrutyam Jayaram and badminton player Tanvi Patri will also be honored for their outstanding results in international and national-level competitions in their respective sports.
- Each citation winner will get a monetary prize of Rs.1.5 lakh, up from Rs.1 lakh, and citations during the award ceremony.

About Ekalabya Puraskar :

- Started in : 1993
- Given by : IMPaCT (Indian Metals Public Charitable Trust (IMPaCT))
- Prize : Rs 7 lakh
- Given to : To young sportspersons of Odisha in recognition of their outstanding performance in the preceding two years
- Last winner : International tennis player Debasis Sahoo



Recent News Headlines Related to Awards & Winners :

- Miss India Worldwide 2024 : Dhruvi Patel (USA), Teen Category : Sierra Suret (Guadeloupe)
- FIDE 100 Awards (in Hungary) : Magnus Carlsen (best male player award), Judit Polgar (best Female player award)
- South Indian International Movie Awards (SIIMA) 2024 : Aishwarya Rai Wins Best Actress (critics) Award for her role in "Ponniyin Selvan 2"
- National Energy Leader Award given by Confederation of Indian Industry – Green Business Centre (CIIGBC) : Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL)
- Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar for best performance in the Official Language Hindi category : Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances
- Singapore Literature Prize : Prasanthi Ram for English fiction, 'Nine Yard Sarees'
- National Florence Nightingale Awards : Given by Droupadi Murmu to nursing professionals.
- Powering India Awards 2024 : REC Limited Honoured as "Nodal Agency of the Year" at Bharat Electricity
- Swachh Vayu Survekshan Award 2024 : Category-1 (Population over 10 Lakhs) 1st Rank : Surat, Gujarat, Category-2 (Population 3-10 Lakhs) 1st Rank : Firozabad, Uttar Pradesh, Category-3 (Population under 3 Lakh) 1st Rank : Raebareli, Uttar Pradesh.
- 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

Ques : Which Indian film has been selected as the official entry for the 97th Academy Awards (Oscar) 2025?

कस भारतीय फ म को 97व अकादमी पुर कार (ऑस्कर) 2025 के लिए आधकारक व के प म चुना गया है?

- (a) 12th Fail / 12व फेल
- (b) Madgaon Express / मडगांव एक्सप्रेस
- (c) Laapataa Ladies / लापता देवय
- (d) 8 A.M. Metro / सुबह 8 बजेमेट्रो
- (e) Lantrani / लान्त्रानी

Answer : Option C



Explanation :

- The 97th Academy Awards will be place on March 2, 2025, in Los Angeles, United States.
- The Hindi comedy film 'Laapataa Ladies', produced by Amir Khan and Kiran Rao and directed by Kiran Rao, has been chosen as India's official entry for the International Feature Film Category at the 97th Academy Awards 2025.
- The international Feature film category is reserved for feature films selected by a specific country. The Film Federation of India's 13-member jury, led by famous Assamese director Jahnu Barua, chose the Hindi film Laapataa Ladies.
- Last year, India's official entry for the 96th Academy Awards in 2024 was the smash hit Malayalam film "2018: Everyone's a Hero".

Indian films nominated for Academy Awards :

- 57 Indian films, including Laapataa Ladies, have received Oscar nominations in the 'International Feature Film' category.
- Mother India, directed by Mehboob Khan, was the first Indian film nominated for an Oscar in 1957.
- Only three Indian films have received Oscar nominations: Mother India (1958), Salaam Bombay (1989), and Lagaaan (2001).
- No Indian films have won the Oscar for Best International Feature Film.

Ques : Cosmonauts Oleg Kononenko and Nikolai Chub set new record for longest single mission aboard International Space Station (ISS). They belongs to which state ?

अंत र याीओलेगकोनेनको और नकोलाईचुबनेअंतराीयअंत र देशनआईएसएसपरसबसेलंबेएकल मशन का नया रकॉड बनायावे कस रा य से ह ?

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

Answer : Option B



Explanation :

- Russian cosmonauts Oleg Kononenko and Nikolai Chub have established a new record for the longest single mission aboard the International Space Station (ISS).
- Kononenko and Chub broke the previous record for the longest continuous space stay, held by cosmonauts Sergei Prokopyev, Dmitry Petelin, and NASA astronaut Francisco Rubio.
- Last year, the three set the previous record by spending 370 days on the International Space Station.
- Kononenko and Chub returned to Earth on the Soyuz MS-25 spacecraft, having spent a record 374 days in space.

Ques : Who has been appointed as the Chief of National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)?

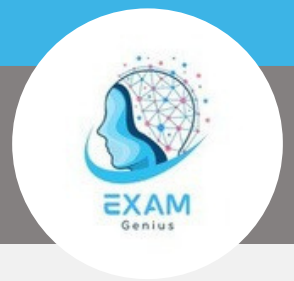
राष्ट्रीय अपराध रिकॉर्ड ब्यूरो (एनसीआरबी) के मुख के प म कसे नयु किया गया है?

- (a) Vitual Kumar / वजुअल कुमार
- (b) Praveer Ranjan / वीर रंजन
- (c) Vivek Gogia / ववेक गो गया
- (d) Amit Garg / अ मत गग
- (e) Alok Ranjan / आलोक रंजन

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Alok Ranjan, a senior IPS official, has been named as Chief of the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).
- Amit Garg has been appointed Chief of the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy (SVPNPA), which is based in Hyderabad.
- Ranjan, a 1991-batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer from Madhya Pradesh, has been named Director, NCRB, with a tenure ending on June 30, 2026.
- He succeeds his service and batchmate Vivek Gogia, who has been repatriated to the AGMUT (Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Mizoram, and Union Territory) cadre.
- Garg, a 1993-batch IPS officer from Andhra Pradesh, has been appointed Director of SVPNPA until his retirement on October 31, 2027.
- Aside from them, Praveer Ranjan has been named Special Director General of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) for a two-year term.
- Vitul Kumar, who is now the ADG of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), has been named as the force's Special DG till his retirement on August 31, 2028.
- R Prasad Meena, the current ADG of the Border Security Force (BSF), has been appointed Special DG until his retirement on July 31, 2025.



Recent Appointment in different departments :

- Jitendra J Jadhav : Director General (DG) of the Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA)
- Sang Wook Ham (South Korea) : President of the 68th General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
- Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo : President of the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI)
- Samir Kumar : Amazon India's new Country Manager (Replaced Manish Tiwary)
- Saurabh Shah : Chief Financial Officer of Adani Green Energy Ltd (Replaced Phuntsok Wangyal)
- Brijendra Pratap Singh : Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of National Aluminium Corporation (NALCO) (Replaced Sridhar Patra)
- Anurag Garg : New Director General of the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)
- Suresh Prabhu (Nominated) : World Agriculture Forum Board
- Santosh Kashyap : head coach of the national senior women's team (succeeding Chaoba Devi)
- Atishi Marlena : Chief Minister of Delhi
- RS Sharma : Non-Executive Chairperson of Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)
- Tayyab Ikram : President of the International Hockey Federation (FIH)
- Tuhin Kanta Pandey : Finance Secretary
- Ashok Raj Sigdel : 45th Chief of the Army Staff (CoAS) of the Nepali Army (Replaced Prabhu Ram Sharma)
- Amit Shah : Chairperson of the Parliamentary Committee on Official Language
- Randhir Singh : President of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) (Replaced Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah)
- 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 Ratna : 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)



Ques : DRDO, together with researchers of which IITs has developed lightweight bulletproof jackets, named ABHED (Advanced Ballistics for High Energy Defeat) ?

DRDO ने कस आईआईटी के शोधकर्ता के साथ मलकर ह के वजन वाली बुलेट प्रूफ जैकेट विकसित की है जिसका नाम ABHED (एडवांस्ड बैलस्टिक्स फॉर हाई एनर्जी डीफेट) है ?

- (a) IIT Guwahati/ आईआईटी गुवाहाट
- (b) IIT Delhi / आईआईटी दिल्ली
- (c) IIT Madras / आईआईटी मद्रास
- (d) IIT Bhubaneswar / आईआईटी भुवनेश्वर
- (e) IIT Roorkee / आईआईटी रुड़की

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO), in collaboration with experts from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi, has created lightweight bulletproof jackets called ABHED (Advanced Ballistics for High Energy Defeat), which provide 360-degree protection.
- These jackets are made of polymers and boron carbide ceramics.
- The design configuration is based on the characterization of several materials at high strain rates, followed by appropriate modeling and simulation in partnership with DRDO.
- The armor plates for the jackets have passed all relevant R&D trials in accordance with the protocols.
- The jackets fulfill the greatest threat levels while remaining lighter than the maximum weight restrictions specified in the Indian Army's respective General Staff Qualitative Requirements.
- With a minimum weight of 8.2 kgs and 9.5 kgs for different BIS Levels, these modular-design jackets with front and rear armours provide 360° protection.



Recent News Headlines Related to DRDO

- The Indian Light Tank, Zorawar, underwent successful initial vehicle testing undertaken by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).
- 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).
- 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.



Ques : World Environmental Health Day is observed every year on which day?

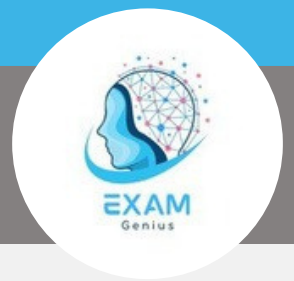
व पर्यावरण वायु दूषण हर साल कस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 24 September
- (b) 25 September
- (c) 26 September
- (d) 27 September
- (e) 28 September

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Every year on September 26th, we celebrate World Environmental Health Day.
- The day emphasizes the need of promoting a safe and healthy environment by addressing critical concerns such as clean air, water, sanitation, pollution control, and waste management.
- Theme 2024 – Environmental Health: Creating Resilient Communities through Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation.
- The International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH) founded World Environmental Health Day in 2011 to highlight the importance of environmental care to human health.



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)
- 14 September : Hindi Diwas
- 15 September : National Engineers Day (Theme 2024 – Innovating for a Sustainable Future)
- 15 September : International Day of Democracy (Theme 2024 Ensuring Effective Governance of Artificial Intelligence (AI) at all Levels)
- 16 September : World Ozone Day (Theme 2024: Montreal Protocol: Advancing Climate Action)
- 16 September : International Day of Science, Technology and Innovation for the South
- 16 September : International Day for Interventional Cardiology
- 17 September : World Patient Safety Day (Theme 2024: Improving Diagnosis for Patient Safety)
- 18 September : World Bamboo Day (Theme 2024: Next Generation Bamboo: Solutions, Innovation, and Design.)
- 18 September : International Equal Pay Day (Theme 2024: Need to Eliminate Wage Discrimination)
- 20 September : World Cleanup Day
- 21 September : International Day of Peace (Theme 2024: cultivating a culture of peace)
- 21 September : World Alzheimer's Day
- 21 September (3rd Saturday of September): International Red Panda Day
- 22 September : World Rhino Day (Theme 2024 – Keep the Five Alive)
- 23 September : International Day of Sign Languages (Theme 2024 – Sign up for Sign Language Rights)
- 25 September : World Pharmacist Day (Theme 2024 - Pharmacists: Meeting Global Health Needs)





IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

AR Dairy, a company that supplies ghee to the Lord Balaji temple, has defended the quality of its goods, noting that their samples have been cleared by authorities.

The Tirumala Venkateswara Temple, commonly known as the Tirupati Balaji Temple, is a Hindu temple located in Tirupati, Chittoor district of Andhra Pradesh.

Nepal marked a significant milestone in its democratic journey by celebrating the ninth anniversary of the declaration of its constitution.

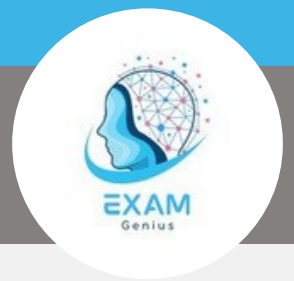
The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has allowed mutual funds to offer credit default swaps (CDS) to boost liquidity in the corporate bond market.

FSSAI held a bilateral discussion with the Bhutan Food and Drug Authority (BFDA) on the margins of the Global Food Regulators Summit at Bharat Mandapam.

Vinod Bachchan, a well-known Bollywood producer, got the prestigious Global Prestige Award at the House of Lords in the United Kingdom Parliament, recognizing his substantial contributions to the Indian film industry.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has inaugurated the 41st edition of the Indian Coast Guard Commanders' Conference in New Delhi.

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मह वपूण एक-पं करंट अफेयस

भगवान बालाजी मंदिर को घी का आपूर्ति करने वाली कंपनी एआर डेयरी ने अपने सामान का गुणवत्ता का बचाव करते ए कहा है कि उनके नमूने को अधिकांश द्वारा मंजूरी दे दी गई है।

तमाला वकिल मंदिर, जसे आमतौर पर तपत बालाजी मंदिर के नाम से जाना जाता है, आंध्र प्रदेश के चूर जले के तपतम त एक ही मंदिर है।

नेपाल ने अपने संवधान का घोषणा का नौव वषगांठ मनाकर अपनी लोकतांत्रिकता का याद में एक मह वपूण मील का पत्थर चिह्नित किया।

भारतीय तभूत और वनमय बोर्ड (सेबी) ने कॉपरेट बाजार में तरलता को बढ़ावा देने के लिए यूचुअल फंड को डिटॉक वैप (सीडीएस) का पेशकश करने का अनुमति दी है।

एफएसएसआई ने भारत मंडपम में वैकल्पिक न्यायिक शिखर सम्मेलन के मौके पर भूतान खा एवं औषधि अधिकरण (बीएफडीए) के साथ पीय चर्चा की।

बॉलीवुड के जाने-माने नमाता वनोद बन को भारतीय फिल्म उद्योग में उनके मह वपूण योगदान के लिए यूनाइटेड किंगडम संसद के हाउस ऑफ लॉर्ड्स में तिलोत्तमा लोबलेट अवार्ड मिला।

राजनाथ सिंह ने नई दिल्ली में भारतीय तटरक्षक कमांडर के सम्मेलन के 41वें संस्करण का उद्घाटन किया।

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