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**Ques : Who Proposes Rs.1 Crore Minimum Investment and Mandatory Demat Format for Securitized Debt Instruments ?**

प्रतिभूतिकृत ऋण लिखतों के लिए 1 करोड़ रुपये न्यूनतम निवेश और अनिवार्य डीमैट प्रारूप का प्रस्ताव कौन करता है?

- (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 suggested new restrictions, including a Rs 1 crore minimum investment requirement for participants in securitization activities.
- This effort, which targets both RBI-regulated originators and unregulated companies, aims to expedite investment processes while protecting investor interests.
- The proposal also limited the number of investors in private placements, enabling only 200 investors to purchase securitized debt instruments (SDIs) produced privately.
- If this limit is surpassed, the issuance must be classed as a public one.

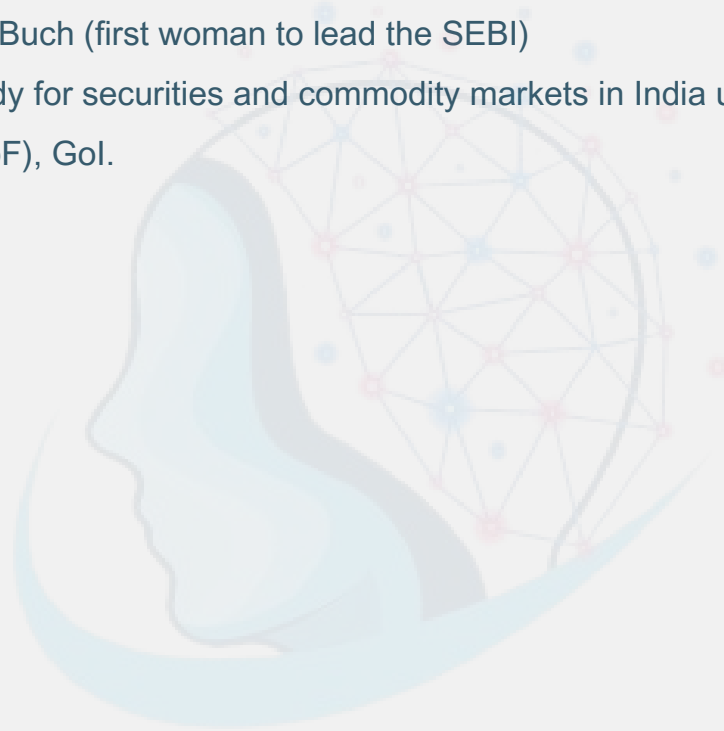
**About securitized debt instruments :**

- SDIs are financial instruments formed by pooling several types of debt, such as loans, mortgages, or receivables, and then selling them as securities to investors.
- This procedure, known as securitisation, allows the originator (often a bank) to turn illiquid assets into liquid ones, so offering an alternate source of funding.
- Public SDI offers should be open for at least three days and no more than ten days.
- Originators must maintain at least 10% risk exposure in the securitized pool (5% for receivables with a maturity of up to 24 months), aligning their interests with investors.



## 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), GoI.



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## Recent News Headlines Related to SEBI

- SEBI strives to enhance the deployment of funds obtained by asset management firms (AMCs) during New Fund Offers (NFOs), ensuring timely investment and protecting investor interests.
- SEBI levied a Rs.16 lakh penalty on Edelweiss Asset Management Ltd, CEO Radhika Gupta, and fund manager Trideep Bhattacharya for violating mutual fund regulations.
- SEBI extended the deadline to implement direct payout of securities to the Demat account from October 14 to November 11, 2024, to ensure a hassle-free implementation.
- SEBI has changed the nomination rules between Mutual Funds (MF) and Demat Accounts allowing the holders of both instruments to include up to 10 nominees.
- SEBI is considering permitting mutual funds (MFs) to start a new type of actively managed commodity fund that invests solely in exchange-traded commodity derivatives (ETCDs).
- SEBI approved a new asset class, allowing high-net-worth investors to invest in riskier regulated products. The new asset class is to have a minimum investment amount of Rs 10 lakh.
- SEBI has imposed a penalty of Rs 12 lakh on NSE Data And Analytics Ltd for its failure to segregate IT infrastructures and manpower between itself and its parent firm National Stock Exchange (NSE).
- SEBI has mandated individual investors applying for amounts up to Rs 5 Lakh through intermediaries to use only the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) to block funds. from 1st November 2024.
- Jio Financial Services' joint venture with BlackRock to enter the mutual fund industry in India has got approval from the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi), according to an exchange filing.

**Ques : Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) established in which year ?**  
**भारतीय दिवाला और दिवालियापन बोर्ड (IBBI) की स्थापना किस वर्ष में हुई?**

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

**Answer : Option C**



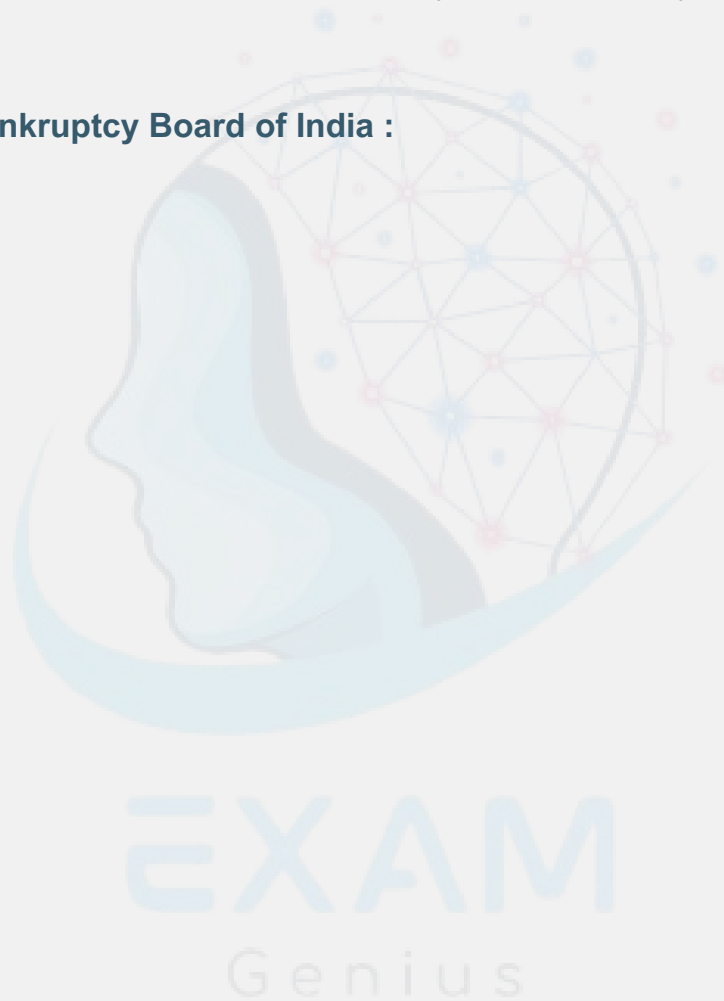


## Explanation : •

- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) has announced a collaboration with the Indian Banks' Association (IBA) to facilitate asset auctions on the eBKray platform.
- Improve transparency and efficiency in asset auctions to benefit creditors and bidders using technology.
- eBKray is owned and managed by PSB Alliance Private Limited, a group of 12 public sector banks.
- The circular, issued under Section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, is effective from November 1, 2024.

## About Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India :

- Established : 2016
- HQ : New Delhi
- Chairperson : Ravi Mittal





## Recently signed banking agreements

- Punjab & Sind Bank (PSB), a public sector bank, has partnered with National e-Governance Services Ltd to create an e-Bank Guarantee (e-BG) program
- Tata Power Renewable Energy Ltd has teamed with IndusInd Bank to provide solar financing solutions for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs).
- Solex Energy has teamed with State Bank of India (SBI) to provide solar financing alternatives to commercial, industrial, and institutional customers.
- The Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Shillong and the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) have joined to promote entrepreneurship in India's Northeast.
- India Exim Finserve IFSC Private Limited, a subsidiary of Export-Import Bank of India, has partnered with Singapore-based VoloFin Services Private Limited to offer comprehensive receivable finance solutions to Indian exporters.
- PhonePe has teamed up with Bajaj Allianz General Insurance to provide an affordable firecracker-related injury insurance policy for Diwali.
- NBBL has worked with the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) to add the National Pension System (NPS) as a biller category to the Bharat Connect platform (formerly known as Bharat Bill Payment System).
- Aditya Birla Housing Finance (ABHFL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aditya Birla Capital Ltd, has formed a strategic agreement with BharatPe, a fintech startup, to improve access to house loans and loans against property for the latter's merchant partners.



**Ques :** Government of India and ADB sign \_\_ loan to upgrade water supply, sanitation, urban mobility, and other urban services

भारत सरकार और एडीबी ने जल आपूर्ति को उन्नत करने के लिए \_ के ऋण पर हस्ताक्षर किए। स्वच्छता, शहरी गतिशीलता, और अन्य शहरी सेवाएँ

- (a) \$100 million
- (b) \$200 million
- (c) \$300 million
- (d) \$400 million
- (e) \$500 million

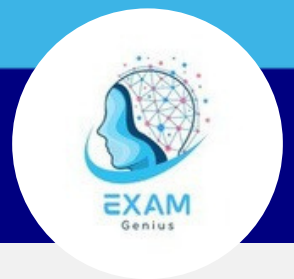
**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation :**

- The Government of India (GoI) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) have inked a \$200 million loan agreement to improve water supply, sanitation, urban mobility, and other urban services in Uttarakhand.
- Focus on making urban infrastructure more adaptable to climate and environmental dangers such as floods and landslides.
- Improvements to urban services include transportation, drainage, flood management, and public services.
- The Haldwani project will create 16 km of climate-resilient roads, implement an intelligent traffic management system, deploy compressed natural gas buses, and test electric buses.
- To prepare for disasters, the project will build 36 km of stormwater and roadside drains, improve flood control, and create an early warning system.

**About Asian Development Bank :**

- Established : 19 December 1966
- HQ : Manila, Philippines
- Members : 69
- Chief Economist : Albert Park
- President : Masatsugu Asakawa



**Ques :** Regional Rural Banks Set for Fourth Round of Amalgamation; Number of Banks Expected to Drop from 43 to \_

क्षेत्रीय ग्रामीण बैंक एकीकरण के चौथे दौर के लिए तैयार; की संख्या बैंकों की संख्या 43 से घटकर \_\_ होने की उम्मीद है

- (a) 20
- (b) 24
- (c) 28
- (d) 32
- (e) 36

**Answer :** Option C

**Explanation :** •

- A fourth phase of amalgamation is expected for Regional Rural Banks (RRBs), reducing the number from 43 to 28 through consolidation.
- 27 RRBs from 12 states can be combined into 12 RRBs.
- RRB consolidation is expected in Andhra Pradesh (4 RRBs), Uttar Pradesh, and West Bengal (3 RRBs each), as well as Bihar, Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, and Rajasthan (2 RRBs each).

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**Ques :** Which bank has unveiled an online Re-KYC service to simplify the Know Your Customer (KYC) update process for its customers?

किस बैंक ने अपने ग्राहकों के लिए अपने ग्राहक को जानो (केवाईसी) अद्यतन प्रक्रिया को सरल बनाने के लिए ऑनलाइन री-केवाईसी सेवा का अनावरण किया है?

- (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 B**

**Explanation :** •

- Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has launched an online Re-KYC solution to streamline the Know Your Customer (KYC) update procedure for its clients.
  - This digital effort enables clients to update their KYC information without visiting a branch, increasing convenience and accessibility.
- With this online Re-KYC option, consumers who have already submitted valid KYC documents can update their information using one of three simple channels :
- Visit [www.iob.in](http://www.iob.in), then navigate to the Self-Service Digital Hub on the homepage, pick "Re-KYC," and follow the directions to finish the process.
  - SMS: Text "REKYC CIF ID" to 9643-01-9643 from your registered cell number (e.g., REKYC 198979695).
  - To send an email, use the subject "REKYC CIF ID" and send it to [rekyc@iob.in](mailto:rekyc@iob.in) from your registered email account. For example, REKYC 198979695.



## Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- IDFC FIRST Bank and Swift have launched a pioneering real-time tracking solution for international money transactions
- HDFC Securities Limited, a subsidiary of HDFC Bank, has launched 'HDFC Tru', a wealth advisory platform
- Jio Financial Services has offered SmartGold as a feature in the JioFinance app. It allows clients to purchase digital gold. Users can invest in gold starting at Rs 10, making it an affordable option for many.
- CSB Bank, a renowned private sector bank, has developed SME Turbo Loan, a new loan product designed to provide small and medium-sized businesses (SMEs) with quick and smooth credit access.
- MobiKwik Fixed Deposits allows consumers to begin saving with as little as Rs 1,000 and earn up to 9.5% annual returns without creating a new bank account.
- Hyundai Motor India Ltd. (HMIL) has launched India's largest IPO of Rs.27,870 crore. The IPO offers 14.2 crore equity shares by the promoter and does not entail any new share issuance.
- The public sector Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has started the 'Mahila Shaksham' plan to fund individual women members of Self-Help Groups (SHGs).
- Bank of Baroda (BoB) has launched a 400-day 'Utsav Deposit Scheme' for the festive season, paying 7.30 percent interest to common citizens, while increasing interest rates on term deposits (TDs) in the above three to five-year bucket from 6.50 percent to 6.80 percent.
- Magma HDI General Insurance provides 'Double Suraksha,' a comprehensive insurance solution tailored to the demands of people with diverse financial backgrounds.
- Mastercard established a cutting-edge Tech Hub in Pune, Maharashtra, India to promote growth and innovation inside the organization.
- Bank of Baroda (BoB) has launched the 'bob Masterstroke Savings Account' for high-end customers.
- Indian Overseas Bank (IOB), a public-sector lender, has launched eight new Retail Loan Processing Centres (RLPCs) across India.
- Paytm Money has launched a BSE Futures & Options (BSE F&O) trading facility on its platform as part of the Noida-based company's attempts to grow its wealth management and financial services business.



**Ques :** In November 2024, which financial services provider launched a new feature allowing users to download UPI statements directly from the app?

नवंबर 2024 में, किस वित्तीय सेवा प्रदाता ने एक नई सुविधा शुरू की, जो उपयोगकर्ताओं को ऐप से सीधे UPI स्टेटमेंट डाउनलोड करने की अनुमति देगी?

- (a) Phonepe
- (b) Paytm
- (c) Airtel payments bank
- (d) BharatPe
- (e) None of these

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation :**

- One97 Communications Limited (OCL), which owns Paytm, India's top digital payments and financial services provider, has added a new feature that allows users to download UPI statements directly from the app.
- This tool allows users to view and track their financial transactions for any date range or fiscal year in a simple PDF format.
- The UPI statement download option answers Paytm consumers' growing desire for more transparency and control over their finances.
- Users may now access detailed transaction data, such as transaction amounts, recipient information, bank details, and timestamps, all neatly grouped for simple reference.
- Paytm provides a variety of UPI-based services, including P2P bank transfers, UPI Lite for minor transactions under Rs.2,000, and bill payment integration with RuPay Credit Cards.
- The software also allows users to easily monitor their bank balances and make self-account transfers.





**Ques : Visa has appointed whom as country manager for India?**

**बीज़ा ने भारत के लिए कंट्री मैनेजर के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया है?**

- (a) Amitabh Chaudhry / अमिताभ चौधरी
- (b) Rishi Chhabra / ऋषि छाबड़ा
- (c) Debasish Mishra / देबाशीष मिश्रा (
- (d) Rahul Bhave / राहुल भावे
- (e) Ashok Chandra / अशोक चंद्रा

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation : •**

- Visa, the digital payments company, has selected Rishi Chhabra as its India national manager.
- Chhabra, who joined Visa in 2023 as Vice President and Head of Merchant Services and Acquisition for India and South Asia, was instrumental in growing the company's key merchant, acquirer, and cobrand relationships.
- Prior to joining Visa, he was Fiserv's country head for India and Sri Lanka. He has previously held executive positions at First Data and PayPal, as well as worked for JP Morgan, ABN AMRO, and General Electric.

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## Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- Praveena Rai : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of Multi Commodity Exchange of India (MCX)
- Amitabh Chaudhry : reappointed by MD and CEO Axis Bank
- Ashok Chandra : MD & CEO at Punjab National Bank (PNB)
- Debasish Mishra : Chief General Manager of New Delhi Circle at SBI
- Pam Kaur : First female chief financial officer(CFO) of Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) (Replaced Georges Elhedery)
- Chitra Jayasimha : Chairperson of the National Pension System (NPS) Trust Board (Replaced Venkata Rao Yadagani)
- Pranav Chawda : CEO of JPMorgan Chase & Co.'s (Replaced Prabdev Singh)
- Sandip Goenka : CEO of Acko Life
- Prasun Sikdar : MD and CEO of Bima Sugam India Federation for three-year
- Amit Kumar : Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of AI Assets Holding Limited
- Martin Schlegel : Chairman of the Governing Board of the Swiss National Bank (SNB) (Replaced Thomas Jordan)
- Partha Pratim Sengupta : MD & CEO of Bandhan Bank for Three Year
- Ravindra Kumar Kundu : Managing Director of Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company
- Aviral Jain : Executive Director of RBI
- Parveen Kumar Gupta : Non-Executive Chairman of Utkarsh Small Finance Bank
- Sumant Kathpalia : MD & CEO of IndusInd Bank for Three-year term



**Ques :** Which bank has launched the 'Innovation Hub' in partnership with APIX, a global collaborative innovation platform for financial institutions and FinTechs?

किस बैंक ने वित्तीय संस्थानों और फिनटेक के लिए वैश्विक सहयोगी नवाचार मंच APIX के साथ साझेदारी में 'इनोवेशन हब' लॉन्च किया 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 :** •

- State Bank of India (SBI) has established the 'SBI Innovation Hub' in collaboration with APIX, a global collaborative innovation platform for financial institutions and FinTechs.
- The SBI Innovation Hub is a specialized location for FinTechs, startups, and innovators from around the world to create next-generation financial products that are suited to the digital demands of SBI's varied client base.
- The project aims to encourage financial innovation, digital transformation, and increased financial inclusion.
- To help with this digital transition, the SBI Innovation Hub gives participants access to over 250 financial service APIs from SBI. This enables them to develop and adapt their solutions in a secure Sandbox environment.



**Ques : Which bank Bank Infuses Rs.5,113 Crore to Boost India Operations ?**

**कौन सा बैंक भारत में परिचालन को बढ़ावा देने के लिए Rs.5,113 करोड़ का निवेश करेगा?**

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

**Answer : Option B**

### Explanation : •

- Deutsche Bank has invested Rs.5,113 crore in its Indian operations, its largest capital infusion in the nation in recent years.
- Deutsche Bank's regulatory capital for India branches has increased by 33% to almost Rs.30,000 crore, increasing over the last decade.
- This is the bank's greatest capital allocation to India in recent years, highlighting the country's importance in its global expansion plan.
- Deutsche Bank has demonstrated its commitment to India via prior capital infusions of Rs.2,700 crore in 2020 and Rs.3,800 crore in 2019.

### About Deutsche Bank :

- Established : 10 March 1870
- HQ : Frankfurt, Germany
- CEO : Christian Sewing



**Ques : Who Designates 10-Year Sovereign Green Bonds Under FAR for Non-Resident Investments ?**

**अनिवासी निवेशों के लिए एफएआर के तहत 10-वर्षीय सॉवरेन ग्रीन बांड को कौन नामित करता है?**

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

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation : •**

- The RBI has added 10-year Sovereign Green Bonds (SGrBs) to the list of government assets eligible for non-resident investment under the Fully Accessible Route (FAR).
- The government will issue these bonds during the second part of fiscal year 2024-25.
- During the second half of the fiscal year, the government plans to raise Rs.6.61 lakh crore, including Rs.20,000 crore through four SGrB issuances : two 10-year bonds and two 30-year bonds of Rs.5,000 crore each.

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## Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) transferred an additional 102 tons of gold from the Bank of England to secure storage facilities in India.
- The Reserve Bank of India's Governor Shaktikanta Das has been named the top central banker with A+ rating by Global Finance magazine, based in the United States
- Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Limited (Ujjivan SFB) has gained approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to provide currency products and services.
- The Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) annual Census on Foreign Liabilities and Assets of Indian Direct Investment Entities for 2023-24 shows that the United States of America (USA) remains India's leading source of FDI.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has added 13 additional firms to its 'Alert List' of unauthorized forex trading platforms, now totaling 88.
- RBI has approved the merger of Tata Capital, an unlisted entity, with Tata Motors Finance (TMFL), paving the way for the formation of India's 12th largest non-banking finance company. Resulting in Tata Motors holding a 4.7 per cent stake in the merged entity.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has expanded access to its Negotiated Dealing System-Order Matching (NDS-OM) electronic trading platform to more regulated entities (RE).
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has lifted the restriction on JM Financial Products, allowing the company to continue financing activities such as loans for shares, debentures, and IPO subscription.



**Ques : Who has won the FIH Male Player of the Year Award 2024?**

**FIH पुरुष प्लेयर ऑफ द ईयर अवार्ड 2024 किसने जीता है?**

- (a) Sufyan Khan /
- (b) Harmanpreet Singh /
- (c) Dinesh kumar /
- (d) Steve Rogers /
- (e) None of these /

**Answer : Option B**

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### Explanation : •

- Harmanpreet Singh, captain of the Indian Men's Hockey Team, and PR Sreejesh, former goalie, have won the FIH Player and goalie of the Year accolades for 2024. Harmanpreet and Sreejesh were recognized at the 49th FIH Statutory Congress in Oman.
- Harmanpreet, a two-time Olympic bronze medallist, garnered more than 63% of the votes polled in his category. Similarly, Sreejesh was quite popular with voters, receiving more than 62% of all votes in his category.
- The winners were chosen through a vote procedure that included an expert panel, national hockey associations, fans, and media.
- Harmanpreet Singh received his third FIH Player of the Year title in 2024, after winning it in 2021 and 2022. Hardik Singh, another Indian, received the 2023 Award.
- PR Sreejesh, a long-time goalkeeper for the Indian men's hockey team, won his third FIH Goalkeeper of the Year Award. PR Sreejesh, nicknamed 'the Great Wall of India' because to his exceptional goalkeeping, won the award in both 2021 and 2022.





**Ques :** Uttarakhand Foundation Day is celebrated every year on 9 November and in 2024 it is the \_ anniversary of the formation of the state.

उत्तराखंड स्थापना दिवस हर साल 9 नवंबर को मनाया जाता है और 2024 में यह राज्य के गठन की \_\_ वर्षगांठ है।

- (a) 21st
- (b) 22nd
- (c) 23rd
- (d) 24th
- (e) 25th

**Answer : Option D**

### Explanation : •

- Uttarakhand Foundation Day is commemorated every year on November 9, and in 2024, it would be the 24th anniversary of the state's foundation.
- Uttarakhand is known as the "Land of the Gods (Devbhumi)" because of the state's numerous Hindu pilgrimage sites.
- The state of Uttarakhand was established on November 9, 2000, following a protracted campaign by the people of the region for a separate state due to cultural, physical, and administrative disparities with Uttar Pradesh.
- Originally known as Uttaranchal, it became India's 27th state after being officially renamed Uttarakhand in 2007.

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**Ques :** Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Brigadier (Dr) BD Mishra Inaugurates Which edition of LG Horse Polo Cup 2024 ?

लद्दाख के उपराज्यपाल ब्रिगेडियर (डॉ.) बीडी मिश्रा ने एलजी हॉर्स पोलो कप 2024 के किस संस्करण का उद्घाटन किया?

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

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation : •**

- Brigadier (Dr) BD Mishra (Retd), the Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, opened the 4th LG Cup Horse Polo-2024 Tournament at the newly constructed Polo Stadium in Goshan, Drass.
- The Department of Youth Services and Sports at UT Ladakh arranged this event.
- The Polo Stadium in Goshan was officially opened to the public during a historic inauguration.
- The stadium, built at a cost of Rs 6.84 crore, is expected to significantly impact the region.
- The Lt Governor brought 12 Kargil girls to Delhi for specialist horse riding and polo training, guided by the President's Body Guard.
- The first L-G Horse Polo Cup took place in Drass in 2021.

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## Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Anish Sarkar of Kolkata, West Bengal, has become the world's youngest FIDE-rated chess player. At the age of three years, eight months, and 19 days, Anish achieved a FIDE rating of 1555
- Indian boxers Parthavi Grewal, Vanshika Goswami, and Hemant Sangwan won gold medals at World Boxing's first U19 World Championships in Colorado, USA, showcasing their exceptional potential.
- Ravindra Jadeja surpassed Ishant Sharma to become India's sixth highest wicket-taker in Test cricket. He reached this big milestone on the first day of the third and final Test of the series against New Zealand at Wankhede Stadium here.
- India's former cricketer VVS Laxman will take over as head coach for the Indian team during their upcoming four-match Twenty20 International (T20I) tour of South Africa in November
- India finished second overall in the Asian Arm Wrestling Cup 2024, held at the Aurika Skycity Hotel in Mumbai.
- Manika Batra created table tennis history by being the first Indian to go to the quarterfinals of a WTT Champions event.
- India won nine medals, including gold and silver, at the Under-23 global championships in Tirana, Albania, with Chirag Chikkara emerging as the champion.
- The Indian wrestling contingent finished its U23 World Wrestling Championships 2024 campaign with nine medals—1 gold, 1 silver, and 7 bronze.
- Sreeja Akula, an Indian women's table tennis player, became the highest-ranked Indian player in the world. According to the most recent International Table Tennis Federation rankings, she is placed 22nd in the world for women's singles
- South African fast bowler Kagiso Rabada has created history by becoming the bowler to take 300 wickets in the least number of balls in Test cricket.



**Ques : Food Corporation of India established in which year ?**

**भारतीय खाद्य निगम की स्थापना किस वर्ष हुई?**

- (a) 1965
- (b) 1968
- (c) 1969
- (d) 1978
- (e) 1984

**Answer : option A**

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**Explanation : •**

- The Union Cabinet approved an equity infusion of Rs.10,700 crore for the Food Corporation of India (FCI).
- The infusion of equity intends to reduce FCI's reliance on high-cost borrowing techniques including cash credit and short-term loans.
- In 2023, the government approved a Rs.21,000 crore investment to stabilize FCI's finances and reduce borrowing.
- The Union government paid off FCI's Rs.3.39 lakh crore debt in 2020-21.

**About Food Corporation of India :**

- Established : 1965
- HQ : New Delhi
- MD & CEO : Ashok Kumar Meena



**Ques :** PM Vidyalaxmi, a new Central Sector scheme that seeks to provide financial support to \_.

पीएम विद्यालक्ष्मी, एक नई केंद्रीय क्षेत्र योजना जो \_ को वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान करना चाहती है।

- (a) Women / महिला
- (b) Weaker section / कमजोर वर्ग
- (c) Students / छात्र
- (d) Vendors / विक्रेता
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

**Answer :** option C

**Explanation :** •

- The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has approved PM Vidyalaxmi, a new Central Sector plan aimed at providing financial assistance to deserving students so that financial restrictions do not impede them from pursuing higher education.
- According to the initiative, everyone admitted to Quality Higher Education Institutions (QHEIs) will be eligible for collateral-free, guarantor-free loans from banks and financial institutions to cover the entire cost of tuition and other course-related expenses.
- An outlay of Rs.3,600 crore has been allocated for the initiative, which will facilitate education loans for students securing admissions in the top 860 QHEIs of the country based on the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF). This will benefit approximately 22 lakh pupils each year.
- For loans up to Rs.7.5 lakhs, students are eligible for a credit guarantee of 75% of the outstanding debt. This would help banks make education loans available to students under the initiative.
- During the moratorium period, students with an annual family income of up to Rs.8 lakhs who are not eligible for other government scholarships or interest subvention schemes would receive a 3% interest subvention on loans up to Rs.10 lakhs.
- Payment of interest subvention will be made through e-vouchers and Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) wallets.



**Ques : \_ set to launch EU's Proba 3 Sun observation mission in December.**

**\_\_\_ दिसंबर में EU का प्रोबा 3 सन ऑब्जर्वेशन मिशन लॉन्च करने के लिए तैयार है**

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

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation : •**

- India plans to launch the European Space Agency's Proba-3 mission from the Sriharikota spaceport early next month, according to Science and Technology Minister Jitendra Singh.
- Singh said that the two satellites for the Proba-3 mission to study the Sun have arrived at Sriharikota and would be connected with ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV).
- The PSLV-XL rocket will launch two Proba-3 spacecraft into a highly elliptical orbit, reaching up to 60,000 km from Earth and dipping as close as 600 km.
- This will be the first ESA mission launched from India since the Proba-1 Earthobserving mission in 2001.
- India wants to achieve significant milestones in space exploration, including sending the first Indian to the Moon by 2040 and establishing BAS by 2035



## Recent News Headlines Related to ISRO

- ISRO has launched its analogue space mission in Leh, Ladakh.
- Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) Objective To develop and conduct biological and environmental experiments for the planned Bharatiya Antariksh Station (BAS), expected to be operational by 2028-2035
- ISRO has launched India's first analog space mission from Leh, Ladakh. The mission involves ISRO, the University of Ladakh, IIT Bombay, AAKA Space Studio, and the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council.
- EOS-06, commonly known as Oceansat-3, is an Earth observation spacecraft created by ISRO. It was successfully launched on November 26, 2022, using ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C54).
- ISRO has acquired two 400kg satellites for the next Space Docking Experiment (SPADEX)
- ISRO has received a budget of Rs 2104.06 crore for the Chandrayaan-4 mission, which would be completed in 36 months.
- The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) aims to launch the first base module of the Bharatiya Antariksh Station (BAS), India's first space station, in 2028. The BAS will contain five modules.
- ISRO's Earth Perception Satellite-8 (EOS-8) is supposed to be sent off by the Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV)-D3 on August 16 from Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh.
- The Air Breathing Propulsion Technology demonstration flight was successfully completed by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) on its second trial flight.
- GSAT 20 is a 4,700 kg heavy-weight, high-tech satellite. New Delhi: Using SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket, the Indian space agency ISRO will launch its latest big satellite in a first.
- On June 23, ISRO successfully completed the third Landing Experiment (LEX) of the Reusable Launch Vehicle (RLV) at the Aeronautical Test Range (ATR) in Chitradurga, Karnataka.





**Ques :** Popular folk singer and 'Bihar Kokila', Sharda Sinha passed away at the age of 72.

**When was Padma Bhushan conferred on Sharda Sinha?**

लोकप्रिय लोक गायिका और 'बिहार कोकिला' शारदा सिन्हा का 72 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गया। शारदा सिन्हा को पद्म भूषण कब प्रदान किया गया था?

- (a) 2012
- (b) 2014
- (c) 2016
- (d) 2018
- (e) 2020

**Answer : Option D**

**Explanation : •**

- Sharda Sinha, a popular folk singer and 'Bihar Kokila', died at the age of 72. She was well-known in Bihar for her Chhath Puja songs, died on the first day of the Puja this year.
- Bihar Kokila Sharda Sinha was born on October 1, 1952, in the Hulas village of Raghapur subdivision, Bihar's present-day Supaul district. She began her singing career in 1971 with Akashvani (All India Radio).
- Her songs, performed in Bhojpuri, Maithili, and Magadhi languages and inspired by the big festival of Chhath, Vivah Geet, and other Bihar-specific customs, captivated the public, earning her the nickname Bihar Kokila.
- Sharda Sinha received India's third highest civilian honor, the Padma Bhushan, in 2018; the fourth highest civilian award, the Padma Shri, in 1991; and the Sangeet Natak Akademi honor.



**Ques :** Which edition of MAHASAGAR virtually hosted by the Indian Navy ?

भारतीय नौसेना द्वारा महासागर का कौन सा संस्करण वस्तुतः आयोजित किया गया?

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

**Answer :** option C

## Explanation : •

- The Indian Navy had its third bi-annual interaction, 'MAHASAGAR', with the heads of foreign navies.
- The Indian Navy sponsored the first high-level virtual interaction, MAHASAGAR, on November 29, 2023. The event was held by then-Indian Naval Chief Admiral R. Hari Kumar.
- The third edition included ten countries: Bangladesh, Comoros, Kenya, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, Sri Lanka, and Tanzania.
- The third MAHASAGAR theme was "Training Cooperation to Mitigate Common Maritime Security Challenges in the Indian Ocean Region."
- The third edition of the MAHASAGAR was chaired by Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Dinesh Kumar Tripathi.

## About MAHASAGAR :

- MAHASAGAR stands for Maritime Leaders for Active Security and Growth for All in the Region. The Indian Navy has taken the initiative to communicate and cultivate good relations with the littoral countries in the Indian Ocean Region.
- The effort is part of the Indian government's SAGAR, or 'Security and Growth for All in the Region' initiative.
- The Indian Navy began the initiative in November 2023.



**Ques :** The 21st edition of the India – US Military Cooperation Group (MCG) meeting was conducted in which city?

**भारत-अमेरिका सैन्य सहयोग समूह (एमसीजी) की 21वीं बैठक किस शहर में आयोजित की गई?**

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

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation : •**

- The 21st India-US Military Cooperation Group (MCG) conference took place at the Manekshaw Centre in New Delhi.
- The summit discussed a wide variety of themes, including capacity building, training exchanges, military industry cooperation, and the advancement of joint exercises to improve preparedness for conventional and hybrid threats.
- The MCG is a historic conference designed at improving defence cooperation and strengthening strategic and operational defense collaboration among both countries' Armed Forces.
- The 21st MCG meeting is a step ahead in furthering India and the United States' shared objectives of ensuring regional and global security, countering emerging threats, and developing mutual capabilities.



## Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- Navy Chief Admiral Dinesh Kumar Tripathi launched the 'Swavlamban 2024' exhibition at Bharat Mandapam. The event intends to highlight innovations from the country's young entrepreneurs while also strengthening cooperation between the Indian Navy and numerous industrial players.
- The first Climate and Health Africa Conference (CHAC 2024) is taking place in Harare, Zimbabwe, from October 29-31.
- The first Asian Buddhist Summit will be held in India's national capital, New Delhi, from November 5 to 6. The Central Government's Ministry of Culture is organising the summit in partnership with the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC).
- Chanakya Defence Dialogue 2024 2nd Edition Held at Manekshaw Centre in Delhi. Theme is "Drivers in Nation Building: Fueling Growth Through Comprehensive Security"
- BRICS Summit is being organized from 22 to 24 October 2024 in Kazan, Russia, hosted by Russia.
- Manohar Lal, Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs and Power, delivered the closing remarks at the three-day 17th Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference & Exhibition 2024, held at Mahatma Mandir in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- Chief Justice of India, DY Chandrachud, has opened the international conference Advancements of Research and Global Opportunities for Holistic Ayurveda (AROHA-2024) in New Delhi.
- The NITI Aayog has planned a two-day international methanol lecture and expo in New Delhi in 2024. The event was organized in partnership with the Methanol Institute of the United States
- India attended the 44th Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU) meeting in Dresden, Germany.
- Dr S Jaishanakar, External Affairs Minister, represented India in the 23rd Meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organizations (SCO) Council of Heads of Government, which was held in Islamabad.



**Ques : Which state government has launched the Deepam 2.0 Scheme to provide free Gas Cylinders to Eligible Families?**

**किस राज्य सरकार ने पात्र परिवारों को मुफ्त गैस सिलेंडर उपलब्ध कराने के लिए दीपम 2.0 योजना शुरू की है?**

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- (c) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (d) Andhra Pradesh / आंध्र प्रदेश
- (e) Telangana / तेलंगाना

**Answer : Option D**

## Explanation : •

- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu has launched the Deepam 2.0 scheme in Edupuram, Ichapuram Mandal, Srikakulam district, as part of the "Super Six Promises" campaign.
- This program distributes free gas cylinders to qualified households in an effort to improve their quality of life.
- To mark the official commencement of the Deepam 2.0 initiative, the Chief Minister flagged off gas cylinder delivery vehicles and personally handed over the first cylinder to recipient Ambati Shantamma.
- Addressing a public assembly at 'Praja Vedika,' he promised to return the cost of the gas cylinders to all beneficiaries within 48 hours.
- He also announced that pensioners might now get social pensions once every three months.

## About Andhra Pradesh :

- Capital – Amaravati
- Chief Minister – N Chandrababu Naidu
- Governor – Abdul Nazeer



**Ques :** What is the name of the indigenously designed and manufactured machine pistol that was recently inducted into the Indian Army?

स्वदेशी रूप से डिजाइन और निर्मित मशीन पिस्तौल का नाम क्या है जिसे हाल ही में भारतीय सेना में शामिल किया गया है?

- (a) Sajak
- (b) Asmi
- (c) Rani
- (d) Avni
- (e) None of these

**Answer :** Option B

**Explanation :** •

- The Indian Army's Northern Command has inducted 550 Asmi machine pistols that were created, produced, and manufactured indigenously. Lokesh Machine Limited, situated in Hyderabad, manufactures Asmi machine pistols.
- Previously, the company successfully delivered 550 indigenously designed, produced, and built Asmi submachine guns to the Indian Army's Northern Command.
- This is the first batch of weapons built entirely in India, designed to equip Special Forces for close-quarter fights and specialized missions in India's Northern Theatre.
- The induction of this 100% Made-in-India weapon reflects the Indian Army's unflinching commitment to Atmanirbhar Bharat, moving the country toward self-sufficiency in defense production.



## Recent News Headlines related to Defence

- Scientists in Japan are preparing to test the world's first wooden satellite, the "LignoSat". Kyoto University researchers and Sumitomo Forestry, a homebuilder, collaborated on the LignoSat project
- North Korea recently declared that it successfully test-fired its latest intercontinental ballistic missile, the 'Hwasong-19. It incorporates solid-fuel propulsion, which allows it to be deployed more rapidly than liquid-fueled missiles.
- The three astronauts from China's Shenzhou-19 manned mission have entered the Tiangong space station and met with another astronaut trio to begin a new round of in-orbit crew handover
- ShakthiSAT mission Launched by Aerospace startup Space Kidz to train 12,000 girls aged 14-18 from 108 countries in space technology, targeting a satellite launch under ISRO's Chandrayaan-4 mission in 2026
- The Army Chief, General Upendra Dwivedi officially launched "Agniastra," a portable multi-target detonation device, during the Army Commanders Conference in Gangtok
- Rostec, a Russian state enterprise, claims its Light Multipurpose Guided Rocket, also known as "Izdeliye 305" or "Product 305," is very resistant to jamming and interference on the Ukrainian battlefield.
- India successfully launched its fourth nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine (SSBN) at the Ship Building Center (SBC) in Visakhapatnam, strengthening its nuclear deterrence capabilities.
- The upper stage of ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle C-37 (PSLV C-37) successfully re-entered Earth's atmosphere. This is a crucial step towards ISRO's goal of achieving a debris-free space mission (DFSM) by 2030.





**Ques : Which country has introduced a new scheme called the Trusted Tour Operator Scheme (TTOS) to boost tourism from India and China?**

**किस देश ने भारत और चीन से पर्यटन को बढ़ावा देने के लिए ट्रस्टेड टूर ऑपरेटर स्कीम (TTOS) नामक एक नई योजना शुरू की है ?**

- (a) New Zealand / न्यूजीलैंड
- (b) Ireland / आयरलैंड
- (c) Australia / ऑस्ट्रेलिया
- (d) South Africa / दक्षिण अफ्रीका
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

**Answer : Option D**

**Explanation : •**

- South Africa has launched a new initiative called the Trusted Tour Operator initiative (TTOS) to increase tourism from India and China.
- This plan intends to create more jobs by increasing the number of tourists.
- Indian tourists make up only 3.9% of all international visitors to South Africa, with China accounting for only 1.8%.
- According to research, increasing tourism by just 10% per year can enhance annual economic growth by 0.6% while also creating thousands of new employment for South Africans," the agency noted.
- In 2023, more than 100 million Chinese visitors traveled abroad, but just 93,000 visited South Africa. In contrast, Australia drew more than 1.4 million Chinese visitors.
- Indian tourists currently account for only 3.9% of all overseas visits in South Africa, with Chinese visitors accounting for 1.8%.
- The Department of Home Affairs stated that a 10% increase in tourism could boost economic growth by 0.6% and create thousands of jobs.



**Ques : Who topped the list of EdelGive-Hurun India Philanthropy List 2024 ?**  
**एडेलगिव-हुरुन इंडिया परोपकार सूची 2024 की सूची में शीर्ष स्थान पर कौन है?**

- (a) Shiv Nadar / शिव नादर
- (b) Mukesh Ambani / मुकेश अंबानी
- (c) Gautam Adani / गौतम अडानी
- (d) Bajaj Family / बजाज परिवार
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

**Answer : Option A**

## Explanation : •

- EdelGive-Hurun India Philanthropy List 2024 Published by Hurun India
- This year's research shows that the nation's wealthiest individuals are increasingly committed to driving social change, with over 200 philanthropists donating approximately Rs.8,783 crore.
- Shiv Nadar, creator of HCL Technologies, remains India's most generous philanthropist.
- Nadar led in donations for the third time in five years, providing Rs.2,153 crore in FY 2024, equivalent to an average of Rs.5.9 crore/day.
- In 2024, Rohini Nilekani, co-founder of Infosys and wife of Nandan Nilekani, became the most generous lady philanthropist, donating ₹154 crore annually.
- This year, there were 109 new self-made individuals, representing a 43-person increase over the previous year.

## Top 5 Philanthropists in 2024 :

- 1 Shiv Nadar & Family
- 2 Mukesh Ambani & Family
- 3 Bajaj Family
- 4 Kumar Mangalam Birla & Family
- 5 Gautam Adani & Family



## India's Rankings in Different Indices

- AI Preparedness Index (API) Published by IMF : India (72nd), Singapore (top)
- Henley Passport Index 2024 : India (83rd), Singapore (top)
- Global Nature Conservation Index for 2024 : India (176th), Luxembourg (top)
- 2024 100 Most Powerful Women (MPW) in Business 27th Edition Published by Fortune : Mary Barra, CEO of General Motors (USA) (top)
- Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2024 19th Edition Published by International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) , Concern Worldwide and Welthungerhilfe : India (105th), Belarus (top)
- State of Global Water Resource Report is an annually published by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) : 2023 was the driest year for global rivers in over three decades
- 2024 Hurun India under 35s 1st Edition Published by Hurun India : Ankush Sachdeva (ShareChat), Parita Parekh (Toddle)
- Asia Power Index Published by Lowy Institute : India (3rd), United States (top)
- World Intellectual Property Organisation announced the 17th edition of the Global Innovation Index : India (39th), Switzerland (top)
- LinkedIn's Top Startups India List 2024 : Zepto

EXAM  
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**Ques :** According to a recent notification, a station would be renamed Ajgaibinaath Dham. What state is it located in?

हालिया अधिसूचना के मुताबिक, एक स्टेशन का नाम बदलकर अजगैबीनाथ धाम रखा जाएगा. यह किस राज्य में स्थित है?

- (a) Tripura / त्रिपुरा
- (b) Jammu and Kashmir / जम्मू और कश्मीर
- (c) Nagaland / नागालैंड
- (d) Bihar / बिहार
- (e) Chhattisgarh / छत्तीसगढ़

**Answer : Option D**

**Explanation :** •

- Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary has stated that the Sultanganj railway station in the Bhagalpur district will be renamed after the famed Hindu shrine Ajgaibinath Dham.
- This decision demonstrates the government's commitment to preserving the region's cultural and religious traditions.
- Ajgaibinath Temple, an ancient shrine dedicated to Lord Shiva, is located in Sultanganj and is known for its beautiful carvings and inscriptions. The temple, located on the banks of the sacred Ganga River, is of great spiritual significance to believers.

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**Ques :** Infant Protection Day is observed every year on which day?

शिशु संरक्षण दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer :** Option C

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**Explanation :** •

- Every year on November 7, we observe Infant Protection Day.
- To increase awareness about the importance of infant safety, health, and well-being.
- Theme 2024: Protecting Our Future.
- This day serves as a reminder of the vulnerabilities that newborns and infants confront, as well as society's vital responsibility in ensuring their future.
- It encourages parents, caregivers, healthcare professionals, and communities to work together to reduce infant mortality rates, promote healthy development, and provide a safe environment for infants to flourish in.



**Ques : International Day For Preventing The Exploitation Of The Environment In War And Armed Conflict is observed every year on which day?**

**युद्ध और सशस्त्र संघर्ष में पर्यावरण के शोषण को रोकने के लिए अंतर्राष्ट्रीय दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?**

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

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation : •**

- Every year on November 6th, the International Day for Preventing Environmental Exploitation in War and Armed Conflict takes place.
- On May 27, 2016, the United Nations Environment Assembly adopted resolution UNEP/EA.2/Res.15, which acknowledged the importance of healthy ecosystems and sustainably managed resources in decreasing the risk of armed conflict and reaffirmed its firm commitment to full implementation.

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**Ques :** National Cancer Awareness Day is observed every year on which day ?  
राष्ट्रीय कैंसर जागरूकता दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer : Option C**

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**Explanation : •**

- National Cancer Awareness Day is observed on November 7th of each year.
- The day is intended to promote awareness about cancer prevention, early detection, and treatment.
- It also commemorates the birth anniversary of Marie Curie, a Polish-French physicist and chemist whose pioneering discoveries about radium and polonium revolutionized cancer treatment.
- Theme 2024: Hope, Love, and Strength: Our Weapons against Cancer.
- Dr. Harsh Vardhan, the then-Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare, launched National Cancer Awareness Day in September 2014. The day's goal is to educate the public about cancer, its therapies, and the significance of early intervention in boosting survival rates.





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

विश्व रेडियोग्राफी दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer :** Option B

**Explanation :** •

- Every year, on November 8, World Radiography Day commemorates the discovery of X-rays.
- Theme 2024: Radiographers: Seeing the Unseen.
- World Radiography Day commemorates the discovery of X-rays by Professor Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen in 1895 at Wuerzburg University in Germany. He accidentally found X-rays while working with a cathode-ray tube in his laboratory.
- This significant finding was soon recognized, and within a month, physicians in Europe and the United States were using X-rays to identify medical conditions.

EXAM  
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## Important days :

- 24 October : United Nations Day (Theme 2024 Cultivating a Culture of Peace)
- 24 October : World Polio Day (Theme 2024 A Global Mission to Reach Every Child)
- 24 October : World Development Information Day
- 24 October : International Day of Diplomats (Theme 2024 Honoring the Unsung Guardians of Global Peace)
- 24 October : UN Disarmament Week
- 24 October : 63rd Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) Raising Day
- 24 October : International Day of Diplomats (Theme 2024 Honoring the Unsung Guardians of Global Peace)
- 27 October : Indian Army Infantry Day
- 28 October to 3 November : Vigilance Awareness Week (Theme 2024 Culture of Integrity for Nation's Prosperity)
- 28 October : International Animation Day
- 29 October : International Day of Care and Support (Theme 2024 Ageing with Dignity: The Importance of Strengthening Care and Support Systems for Older Persons Worldwide)
- 29 October : World Stroke Day (Theme 2024: #GreaterThanStroke.)
- 29 October : 9th Ayurveda Day (Theme 2024 Ayurveda Innovations for Global Health)
- 27 October : World Day for Audiovisual Heritage (Theme 2024 – Your window to the world)
- 30 October : World Thrift Day
- 31 October : National Unity Day
- 31 October : World Savings Day
- 31 October : World Cities Day (Theme 2024 Youth leading climate and local action for cities)
- 24th to 31st October : Global Media and Information Literacy Week (Theme 2024: The New Digital Frontiers of Information: "Media and Information Literacy for Public Interest Information")
- 1 November : World Vegan Day (Theme 2024: Many Lives)
- 2 November : International Day to End Impunity for Crimes Against Journalists
- 3 November : World Jellyfish Day
- 5 November : World Tsunami Awareness Day (Theme 2024: Fighting Inequality for a Resilient Future)
- 6 November : National Nachos Day



## IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

The Gujarat government has announced the creation of a Caracal Breeding and Conservation Center in the Chadva Rakhal region of Kutch. A budget of Rs.10 crore has been allocated for the establishment of this center

In a significant move to strengthen bilateral ties, the Indo-Turkiye Friendship Association (ITFA) was inaugurated in Hyderabad.

Brazil has opted not to join China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), becoming the second BRICS country, after India, to reject the mega project.

Kemi Badenoch Appointed as First black woman to lead a major political party ( Conservative Party) in the United Kingdom (UK). She Replaced Rishi Sunak.

Karnataka is celebrating the Bali Padyami festival (Bali Pratipada) on marking the fourth day of Deepavali. This festival commemorates the return of the Asura king, Bali Chakravarty, from Pathala Loka to Bhuloka, boon granted to him by Lord Vishnu during his Vamana Avatar.

India and France have been re-elected as president and co-president respectively of the International Solar Alliance. India would hold the presidency till 2026.

Rahul Bhawe Appointed as Managing Director (MD) and CEO of Industrial Finance Corporation of India (IFCI Ltd)

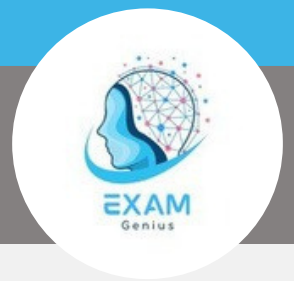
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Nima Rinji Sherpa of Nepal, at the age of 18, has been the youngest climber to scale all 14 of the world's tallest mountains, known as the "eight-thousanders."

The 352nd Governing Body meeting of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) was held in Geneva.

Madhya Pradesh cabinet has approved a proposal to raise the reservation for women in state government jobs from 33% to 35%. The decision was made during a cabinet meeting led by Chief Minister Mohan Yadav.

Haryana's professional boxer Mandeep Jangra won the World Boxing Federation's super featherweight world title by beating the British boxer Conor McIntosh. Match was held in the Cayman Islands.



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