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Ques : Who removes 1% mandatory security deposit requirement for public issues ?
सार्वजनिक निर्गमों के लिए 1% अनिवार्य सुरक्षा जमा की आवश्यकता को कौन हटाता है?

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

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has scrapped the requirement for corporations to deposit 1% of the issue size with stock exchanges before making a public offering.
- The adjustment is effective immediately, according to SEBI's circular.
- The move intends to make conducting business easier for issuers while also reducing procedural requirements for public offerings.
- Previously, firms had to deposit 1% of the issue size with the selected stock exchange, which was repaid when the issue was completed.
- The modification affects SEBI's Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements (ICDR) Regulations, 2018.



Recent News Headlines Related to SEBI

- Unifi Asset Management Pvt Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Unifi Capital, has received final approval from the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) to launch its mutual fund operations.
- SEBI may soon expand angel funds' investor base to include Hindu undivided families (HUFs), family trusts, and single proprietorships.
- SEBI, the market regulator, has exempted infrastructure investment trusts (InvITs) and real estate investment trusts (REITs) from specific lock-in and allotment restrictions when issuing units to an employee benefit trust under unit-based employee benefit (UBEB) schemes.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) requires qualified stock brokers (QSBs) to provide clients with either a UPI-based block system for trading or a three-in-one trading account.
- SEBI seeks to widen the definition of Unpublished Price Sensitive Information (UPSI) to include restructuring plans, anticipated fundraising activities, one-time bank payments, and other significant business actions.
- SEBI has suggested new restrictions, including a Rs 1 crore minimum investment requirement for participants in securitization activities.
- 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.



Ques : __ and Maldives Monetary Authority sign agreement to boost local currency usage.

__ और मालदीव मौद्रिक प्राधिकरण ने स्थानीय मुद्रा के उपयोग को बढ़ावा देने के लिए समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किए।

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

Answer : Option B

Explanation : •

- RBI and the Maldives Monetary Authority (MMA) have signed a MoU to encourage the use of local currencies (the Indian rupee - INR and the Maldivian Rufiyaa - MVR) in cross-border transactions.
- The MoU intends to make it easier to invoice and settle transactions in INR and MVR, lowering costs and increasing efficiency by shortening settlement time.
- The MoU was signed by RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das and MMA Governor Ahmed Munawar.

About RBI :

- Established : 1 April 1935
- Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
- Governor : Shaktikanta Das

About MMA :

- Established : July 1, 1981
- Headquarters : Male
- Governor : Ahmed Munawar





Recently signed banking agreements

- Nvidia and SoftBank Corporation announced the deployment of the world's first telecom network that can conduct AI and 5G operations simultaneously.
- Visa has teamed with fintech company Affirm to launch a single card in the United States that accepts both debit transactions and "Buy Now, Pay Later" (BNPL) purchases, meeting the need for flexible payment choices.
- The International Finance Corporation (IFC) will combine with Bajaj Finance to spend \$400 million of the \$1 billion fundraising effort to help expand the latter's EV fleet, energy-efficient consumer goods (EECG), and women's empowerment
- Cashfree Payments has worked with Indian firms such as Swiggy and Nykaa to allow international clients to make payments in India.
- 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 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
- 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.



Ques : Which organization has signed an MoU with H2Global Stiftung in November 2024 to promote Green Hydrogen initiatives, aiming to enhance India's position as a global export hub for Green Hydrogen and its derivatives?
किस संगठन ने ग्रीन हाइड्रोजन पहल को बढ़ावा देने के लिए नवंबर 2024 में H2Global Stiftung के साथ एक समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं, जिसका उद्देश्य ग्रीन हाइड्रोजन और इसके डेरिवेटिव के लिए वैश्विक निर्यात केंद्र के रूप में भारत की स्थिति को बढ़ाना है?

- (a) Solar Energy Corporation of India Ltd / भारतीय सौर ऊर्जा निगम लिमिटेड
- (b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited / हिंदुस्तान एयरोनॉटिक्स लिमिटेड
- (c) Tata Advanced Systems / टाटा एडवांस्ड सिस्टम्स
- (d) Steel Authority of India Limited / स्टील अथॉरिटी ऑफ इंडिया लिमिटेड
- (e) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited / भारत हेवी इलेक्ट्रिकल्स लिमिटेड

Answer : option A

Explanation : •

- The Solar Energy Corporation of India Ltd (SECI), which is part of the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, has signed a MOU with H2Global Stiftung to build a cooperation framework to promote green hydrogen activities.
- The goal is to improve knowledge exchange on market-based procedures and develop collaboration between India and importing nations, thereby helping to the global advancement of the green hydrogen economy.
- This relationship allows India to work on collaborative tender design concepts, particularly in designing joint tenders that are consistent with India's objective to become an export hub for green hydrogen and its derivatives.



Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement :

- The National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH), a constituent body of the Quality Council of India (QCI), has signed a MOU with the Research Society for the Study of Diabetes in India (RSSDI) to improve the quality and consistency of diabetes care in India by implementing robust clinical and digital health standards.
- Reliance Industries and Walt Disney have finalized an \$8.5 billion merger of their Indian media assets.
- NASA has worked with Microsoft to create a more accessible and user-friendly Artificial Intelligence-based chatbot that can assist individuals in decoding scientific facts about the Earth.
- MOSart Labs and IIT Bhubaneswar collaborated To launch a Professional Diploma Program in Semiconductor Technology and Chip Design.
- United Arab Emirates (UAE) & Rajasthan government signed an agreement For an investment of Rs 3 lakh crore in the renewable energy sector in Rajasthan. The goal of this investment is to establish solar, wind, and hybrid projects with a combined capacity of 60 gigawatt (GW).
- The National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (NHIDCL), a CPSE under the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India, and the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) have signed a MOU to give internship opportunities to Undergraduate (UG) and Postgraduate (PG) students.
- Cairn Oil & Gas, a Vedanta Group company, has signed a MOU with the United Nations Environment Programme's flagship methane reporting and mitigation initiative, Oil & Gas Methane Partnership (OGMP) 2.0, making it India's first oil and gas producer to commit to effectively reducing methane emissions.



Ques : Prasar Bharati, India's public broadcaster, has launched its own OTT platform, named _____.

भारत के सार्वजनिक प्रसारक प्रसार भारती ने _____ नाम से अपना खुद का OTT प्लेटफॉर्म लॉन्च किया है।

- (a) Lehar
- (b) Samandar
- (c) Sagar
- (d) Waves
- (e) Ocean

Answer : Option D

Explanation : •

- Prasar Bharati, India's public broadcaster, unveiled its own OTT platform, 'Waves'.
- The app, which is accessible on Android and iOS, seeks to provide different material with the tagline "Waves - Family Entertainment Ki Nayi Lehar."
- Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant introduced the platform during the opening ceremony of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI), calling it a important event for the Indian entertainment sector.
- 'Waves' provides material in over 12 languages, including Hindi, English, Marathi, Tamil, and Assamese, spanning categories such as infotainment, gaming, education, and retail.
- It offers 65 live TV channels, video-on-demand, free-to-play games, and even online shopping in partnership with ONDC.
- 'Waves' will present new films and shows at IFFI 2024, including 'Roll No.52' by Nagarjuna and Amala Akkineni, 'Fauji 2.0' featuring Gauhar Khan, and 'Kicking Balls' by Guneet Monga Kapoor.
- Live content includes 'Mann Ki Baat', Ayodhya's Prabhu Shriram Lalla Aarti, and international events like the US Premier League Cricket Tournament.
- Waves has also partnered with CDAC for a cyber-security awareness campaign.

About Prasar Bharati :

- Established : 1997
- HQ : New Delhi
- CEO : Gaurav Dwivedi
- Chairman : Navneet Kumar Sehgal



Ques : Consider the following Statement About India's first Artificial Intelligence (AI) data :
भारत के पहले आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस (एआई) डेटा के बारे में निम्नलिखित कथन पर विचार करें:

(a) It is launched by Ministry of Education

इसे शिक्षा मंत्रालय द्वारा लॉन्च किया गया है

(b) The goal is to boost innovation and strengthen the country's national security.

लक्ष्य नवाचार को बढ़ावा देना और देश की राष्ट्रीय सुरक्षा को मजबूत करना है।

(c) launched it at the 9th ASSOCHAM AI Leadership Meet 2024.

इसे 9वीं एसोचैम एआई लीडरशिप मीट 2024 में लॉन्च किया गया।

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

(a) Only A

(b) Only B

(c) Both A and B

(d) Both A and C

(e) Only C

Answer : Option B

Explanation : •

- The Ministry of Science and Technology has inaugurated India's first Artificial Intelligence (AI) data bank, with the goal of boosting innovation and strengthening the country's national security.
- The program will give researchers, companies, and developers access to high-quality, varied datasets needed to build scalable and inclusive AI solutions.
- Jitendra Singh, Minister of Science and Technology (Independent Charge), launched it at the 7th ASSOCHAM AI Leadership Meet 2024.
- The "AI for India: Advancing India's AI Development - Innovation, Ethics, and Governance" event featured India's strategic blueprint for harnessing AI's revolutionary potential.



News Headlines Related to Ministry :

- The Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Union Ministry of Jal Shakti, has launched the three-week Hamara Shauchalay: Hamara Samman campaign
- Housing and urban affairs minister Manohar Lal Khattar announced the chowk outside the Inter-State Bus Terminal (ISBT) bus stand in Delhi's Sarai Kale Khan will be renamed after Bhagwan Birsa Munda
- The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has reformed the Central Apprenticeship Council (CAC), which is responsible for updating existing standards and encouraging industry use of on-the-job training.
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah has authorized three projects costing Rs. 725.62 crore to improve disaster resilience, including the "Expansion and Modernization of Fire Services in the States."
- Pralhad Joshi, Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, and New and Renewable Energy, has flagged off mobile vans from NCCF, NAFED, and Kendriya Bhandar to kick off Phase II of the retail sale of Bharat Atta and Bharat Rice
- The Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment started the 'Shilp Samagam Mela 2024' in Dilli Haat, New Delhi.
- Union Minister Nitin Gadkari, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) unveiled a Rs 100 commemorative coin to mark the Birth Centenary of HH Mataji Nirmala Devi Ji at the National Museum in New Delhi.
- The 21st Livestock Census, announced by Union Minister Rajiv Ranjan Singh, would cost Rs.200 crore and take place until February of next year
- Union Minister for Communications Jyotiraditya Scindia has introduced the "International Incoming Spoofed Calls Prevention System" of the Department of Telecommunications, which can detect and reject spam international calls with Indian numbers as the caller ID.





Ques : Elets Technomedia to host the 18th Elets NBFC100 Tech Summit in which city?
एलेट्स टेक्नोमीडिया किस शहर में 18वें एलेट्स एनबीएफसी 100 टेक शिखर सम्मेलन की मेजबानी करेगा?

- (a) Delhi / दिल्ली
- (b) Mumbai / मुंबई
- (c) Bangalore / बेंगलोर
- (d) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (e) Hydreabad / हैदराबाद

Answer : Option B

Explanation : •

- Elets Technomedia, in partnership with The Banking & Finance Post Magazine, is conducting the 18th Elets NBFC100 Tech Summit at ITC Maratha in Mumbai.
- Presented by Acies and powered by Lenovo, this event will spark lively debates and highlight future-ready technologies in the NBFC sector.
- As India's largest and longest-running NBFC gathering, the summit will bring together over 100 premier NBFCs and top technology vendors for an important platform of information exchange and collaboration.
- The summit will also feature engaging Trialogue Chats and Fireside Chats on major themes like omni-channel lending and the next generation of credit scoring.



Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- Meeting of the South Asian Telecommunication Regulators' Council (SATRC-25) 25th Edition Held at New Delhi. It is Inaugurated by Union Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, Ministry of Communications
- The Indian Society of Soil Science, New Delhi, is organising the Global Soils Conference under the auspices of the International Union of Soil Sciences, Italy, in partnership with the Indian Council of Agricultural Research and the National Academy of Agricultural Science
- The 31st Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Economic Leaders Meeting, which included the leaders of the 21 member countries, took place in Lima, Peru
- The 6th Helicopter & Small Aircraft Summit 2024 was inaugurated in Shillong, Meghalaya
- Annual High-Level Meeting 7th Edition Held at Colombo between Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and Sri Lanka Coast Guard (SLCG)
- Tri-Services Commanders' Conference (TSTCC) 35th Edition Held at Southern Naval Command, Kochi and Chaired by Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan.
- Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD COP 16) 16th Edition Held at Cali, Colombia. Theme is Peace with Nature
- Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan has inaugurated the 2nd edition of the annual Indian Military Heritage Festival in New Delhi
- The Indian Poultry Equipment Manufacturers Association (IPEMA) will host a three-day poultry expo in Hyderabad.
- The 29th Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP29) kick off in the Azerbaijani capital Baku, aiming to address escalating climate challenges



Ques : Which ministry launch “Bhu-Neer” Portal for ground water ?

किस मंत्रालय ने भूजल के लिए "भू-नीर" पोर्टल लॉन्च किया?

- (a) Union Ministry of Home Affairs / केंद्रीय गृह मंत्रालय
- (b) Union Ministry of Education / केंद्रीय शिक्षा मंत्रालय
- (c) Union Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship / केंद्रीय कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्रालय
- (d) Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment / केंद्रीय सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय
- (e) Union Ministry of Jal Shakti / केंद्रीय जल शक्ति मंत्रालय

Answer : Option E

Explanation : •

- Shri C.R. Paatil, the Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti, digitally launched the "Bhu-Neer" platform during the India Water Week 2024 closing ceremony.
- The portal, created by the Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA) in partnership with the National Informatics Centre (NIC), is intended to improve groundwater regulation in India.
- The project reflects the government's emphasis on transparency, efficiency, and sustainability in groundwater management.
- It is Created to streamline the regulation of groundwater extraction across India and Aims to simplify processes for project proponents seeking groundwater withdrawal permits.



Ques : Who has been elected as the president of the International Mind Sports Association (IMSA), a global body for the governance and promotion of mind sports?

माइंड स्पोर्ट्स के प्रशासन और संवर्धन के लिए एक वैश्विक निकाय, इंटरनेशनल माइंड स्पोर्ट्स एसोसिएशन (IMSA) के अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे चुना गया है?

- (a) Tulsi Gabbard / तुलसी गबार्ड
- (b) Arindam Bagchi / अरिंदम बागची
- (c) Nandan Kumar Jha / नंदन कुमार झा
- (d) Tanu Singh / तनु सिंह
- (e) Arvindar Singh Sahney / अरविन्दर सिंह साहनी

Answer : Option C

Explanation : •

- Nandan Kumar Jha of India has been chosen president of the International Mind Sports Association (IMSA), which governs and promotes mind sports worldwide.
- The International Mind Sports Association (IMSA), which has over 200 member countries, collaborates with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and other global sports federations to integrate mind sports into mainstream international sports.

About International Mind Sports Association :

- Established : 2005
- HQ : Lausanne, Switzerland



Recent Appointment in different departments :

- K. Sanjay Murthy : Comptroller and Auditor General of India
- Mithali Raj : Mentor of Women's Cricket Operations by the Andhra Cricket Association (ACA) for 3 years
- Tulsi Gabbard : Director of National Intelligence
- Ashutosh Gowariker : chairperson of the IFFI 2024 International Jury
- Chris Evans : First Anti-Slavery Commissioner of Australia
- Mara Kocho : MD of the North Eastern Handicrafts & Handlooms Development Corporation Limited (NEHHDC) (Replaced Brigadier Rajiv Kumar Singh)
- Arvinder Singh Sahney : Chairman of Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)
- Amandeep Johl : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Professional Golf Tour of India (PGTI) (Replaced Uttam Singh Mundy)
- Shirley Ayorkor Botchwey : Commonwealth Secretary-General(SG), Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA)
- S. Gopalakrishnan : Chairman of the Staff Selection Commission (SSC) (Replaced Rakesh Ranjan)
- Harsha Vardhan Agarwal : President of Ficci
- Vilas Sopan Wadekar : Chairman & Managing Director, Mumbai Railway Vikas Corporation Limited (Schedule A), public sector undertaking (PSU) (Replace Subhash Chandra Gupta)

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Ques : Rafael Nadal Retires from professional tennis. He belongs to which country ?
राफेल नडाल ने पेशेवर टेनिस से संन्यास लिया। वह किस देश का है?

- (a) Poland / पोलैंड
- (b) Belarus / बेलारूस
- (c) Spain / स्पेन
- (d) Czech Republic / चेक गणराज्य
- (e) Australia / ऑस्ट्रेलिया

Answer : Option C

Explanation : •

- Rafael Nadal, one of tennis' all-time greats, will retire from professional tennis at the 2024 Davis Cup in Málaga, Spain.
- In his final match, he lost 6-4, 6-4 to Botic Van de Zandschulp of the Netherlands, bringing an end to an incredible career.
- Nadal's career includes 22 Grand Slam wins, four Davis Cup victories, and two Olympic gold medals. He was known for his grit, humility, and unrivaled court prowess.
- Began professional career in 2001. First Grand Slam Win at the 2005 French Open.
- Olympic Gold in Singles 2008 (Beijing) and Olympic Gold in Doubles 2016 (Rio, partnered with Marc López)



Recently Retired Players :

- Tim Southee (New Zealand) : international cricket
- Mohammad Nabi (Afghanistan) : Retire from ODI Cricket
- Wriddhiman Saha (India) : retired from all cricket formats
- Rani Rampal : Retirement from Hockey
- Wicketkeeper-Batter Matthew Wade : Retires from International Cricket
- Andres Iniesta (Spain) : Retirement from professional football
- Rafael Nadal (from Spain) : Retirement from professional tennis
- Dipa Karmakar : Retirement from gymnastics
- Dwayne Bravo : All forms of cricket
- Luis Suarez (Uruguay) : National football team
- Moeen Ali (England) : Retirement from international cricket
- Shannon Gabriel (West Indies) : Retirement from international cricket
- Dawid Malan (England) : Retirement from international cricket
- Shikhar Dhawan (India) : All forms of cricket
- Ilkay Gundogan (Germany) : International football
- Ashwini Ponnappa : Badminton
- Rohan Bopanna (India) : international tennis

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Ques : Which state Set Up 3 Global Innovation Districts to Boost Global Capacity Centres (GCC) Growth ?

वैश्विक क्षमता केंद्र (जीसीसी) के विकास को बढ़ावा देने के लिए किस राज्य ने 3 वैश्विक नवाचार जिले स्थापित किए?

- (a) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- (b) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (c) Uttarakhand / उत्तराखंड
- (d) Haryana / हरियाणा
- (e) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र

Answer : Option B

Explanation : •

- Karnataka plans to develop three global innovation districts in Bengaluru, Mysuru, and Belagavi as part of its Global Capacity Centers (GCC) agenda.
- During the 27th Bengaluru Tech Summit, Siddaramaiah announced that Karnataka has launched India's first policy to empower and promote Global Capability Centers (GCCs).
- The NIPUNA Karnataka program aims to develop an industry-ready workforce. Recently signed MoUs with Microsoft, Intel, Accenture, IBM, and BFSI Consortium will train 1 lakh people in Karnataka.

About Karnataka :

- Capital : Bangalore
- CM : Siddaramaiah
- Governor : Thawar Chand Gehlot



Ques : Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary have been declared as tiger reserves. It is located in which state?

गुरु घासीदास राष्ट्रीय उद्यान और तमोर पिंगला वन्यजीव अभयारण्य को बाघ अभयारण्य घोषित किया गया है। 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 E

Explanation : •

- The Chhattisgarh government has officially established Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary as tiger reserves, bringing the total number of tiger reserves in the state to four.
- The reserve will be dubbed the Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve.
- The tiger reserve covers 2829.38 square kilometers and includes a core/critical tiger habitat of 2049.2 square kilometers, which includes the Guru Ghasidas National Park and the Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary, as well as a buffer of 780.15 square kilometers.
- The Zoological Survey of India has recorded 753 species from the Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve, including 365 invertebrates and 388 vertebrates.
- The vertebrate fauna consists of 230 bird species and 55 mammal species, including numerous vulnerable species in each group.

About Chhattisgarh :

- Capital – Raipur
- Chief Minister – Vishnu Deo Sai (replace Bhupesh Baghel)
- Deputy CM – Arun Sao & Vijay Sharma



Recent News Headlines related to Tiger reserves

- The central government has given preliminary approval for Bihar's second tiger reserve in Kaimur district. The Bihar government proposed developing the Kaimur Wildlife Sanctuary (KWLS) into a tiger reserve.
- According to 'EnviStats India-2024' report Nagarjunsagar Srisailem Tiger Reserve (NSTR) has been ranked first for its leopard population.
- Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve in the Chandrapur district in Maharashtra is going to introduce a ropeway safari for the first time. It is the largest and oldest Tiger Reserve of Maharashtra.
- The forest department organised its first 'Cyclothon' recently to celebrate World Wildlife Week 2024 at the buffer zone of the Kawal Tiger Reserve in Telangana. Government of India declared Kawal Wildlife Sanctuary a Tiger Reserve in 2012.
- The Ratapani Sanctuary is stretching its arms to get the status of a tiger reserve. It is Situated in Raisen and Sehore districts of Madhya Pradesh, it spreads over 825.90 sq km.
- The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has been told by forest officials at the Palamau Tiger Reserve that Naxals have invaded the area.
- 'Dark Sky Park' has made Pench Tiger Reserve in Maharashtra the first tiger reserve in India and the fifth in Asia.
- A cutting-edge artificial intelligence (AI) technology for the early detection of forest fires was recently introduced by Pench Tiger Reserve.
- By the end of the year, Bihar will have another tiger reserve, the Kaimur Wildlife Sanctuary, in the Kaimur district, following the Valmiki Tiger Reserve (VTR) in the West Champaran district.
- The creation of the Special Tiger Protection Force for the three Tiger Reserves in Arunachal Pradesh has been approved.
- The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) approved a proposal to establish India's 54th tiger reserve in the districts of Karauli and Dholpur in Rajasthan.
- The Veerangana Durgavati Tiger Reserve rises to rank seventh in Madhya Pradesh and 55th overall in India.
- The Bihar government has begun exploring the constitution of the Rhino Task Force to Conserve the Rhino species in Valmiki Tiger Reserve.





Ques : Which country has been declared as the official partner country for the 25th edition of the famous Hornbill Festival of Nagaland along with Wales?

वेल्स के साथसाथ नागालैंड के प्रसिद्ध हॉर्नबिल फेस्टिवल के 25वें संस्करण के लिए किस देश को आधिकारिक भागीदार देश घोषित किया गया है

- (a) South Korea / दक्षिण कोरिया
- (b) Germany / जर्मनी
- (c) Japan / जापान
- (d) Mexico / मेक्सिको
- (e) Peru / पेरू

Answer : Option C

Explanation : •

- Japan and Wales will be the official partner countries for the 25th edition of Nagaland's famed Hornbill Festival.
- The festival, which runs from December 1 to 10 in Kisama in Kohima, will highlight Japan's contributions in areas such as cultural performances, capacity building, and workshops focusing on handicrafts and bamboo products, with renowned Japanese artists and specialists leading these sessions.
- The Hornbill Festival is Nagaland's annual cultural event, held from December 1 to 10 at Kisama Heritage Village near Kohima. The Nagaland government organized it to exhibit the state's diverse cultural heritage.



Recent News Headlines Related to Festivals & Fairs :

- Bodoland Mohotsav : celebration of the Bodo language in Delhi (theme is 'Peace and Harmony for Prosperous Bharat')
- Jauljibi Mela : Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand
- Igas Bagwal (also known as Budhi Diwali or Harbodhni Ekadashi) : Uttarakhand
- Bali Padyami festival (Bali Pratipada) : Karnataka
- Ningol Chakkouba : Meitei community in Manipur
- 20th Divya Kala Mela : goal is to help Divyang craftsmen market and promote their products
- 8th Bhartiya Kala Mahotsav : President Droupadi Murmu has inaugurated in Secunderabad, Telangana. focuses on the North-Eastern states.
- Jivitputrika or Jitiya Vrat : Hindu festival celebrated by mothers in northern and eastern India, including Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, and Nepal.
- Naga King Chilli festival : Seiyhama village in Nagaland celebrated 3rd edition belongs to the genus Capsicum
- harvest festival of Karma or Karam Parv : Tribal populations of many states
- 9th Ladakh Zaskar Festival 2024 : Celebrated in Zaskar, situated in the Ladakh

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Ques : Consider the following Statement About Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) :
भारत के पहले आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस (एआई) डेटा के बारे में निम्नलिखित कथन पर विचार करें:

- (a) It is Published by Germanwatch, New Climate Institute, and Climate Action Network International
इसे जर्मनवॉच, न्यू क्लाइमेट इंस्टीट्यूट और क्लाइमेट एक्शन नेटवर्क इंटरनेशनल द्वारा प्रकाशित किया गया है
- (b) India ranked 11th on a list of over 60 countries
60 से अधिक देशों की सूची में भारत 11वें स्थान पर है
- (c) Denmark ranked fourth in the Index.
डेनमार्क सूचकांक में चौथे स्थान पर है।

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

- (a) Only A
(b) Only B
(c) Both A and B
(d) Both A and C
(e) Only C

Answer : Option D

Explanation : •

- India is among the top ten achievers in the Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2025, despite a two-spot drop from the previous year.
- India is now placed 10th out of 60 countries for its efforts to combat climate change, down two points from the previous year.
- According to the Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI 2025) report released at the annual UN climate conference in Baku, Denmark and the Netherlands rank fourth and fifth, respectively, while China and the United States rank 55th and 57th.

Ranking of top 5 countries :

- 4 Denmark
5 Netherlands
6 United Kingdom
7 Philippines
8 Morocco
67 Islamic Republic of Iran



India's Rankings in Different Indices

- Brand Finance's Global City Index Published by Brand Finance : London (top), New Delhi (77), Mumbai (78)
- WJP Rule of Law Index 2024 Published by World Justice Project (WJP) : India (79th), Denmark (top)
- World Intellectual Property Indicators Report 2024 : India (6th), China (top)
- EdelGive-Hurun India Philanthropy List 2024 : Shiv Nadar & Family (top)
- 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



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

विश्व मत्स्य पालन दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 21 November
- (b) 22 November
- (c) 20 November
- (d) 19 November
- (e) 23 November

Answer : Option A

Explanation : •

- Every year on November 21, the world celebrates World Fisheries Day.
- Its goal is to raise awareness about overfishing, habitat degradation, and other severe risks to the sustainability of marine and freshwater resources.
- Theme 2024: India's Blue Transformation: Strengthening Small-Scale and Sustainable Fisheries.
- The celebrations began in 1997, when the "World Forum of Fish Harvesters & Fish Workers" gathered in New Delhi, resulting in the founding of the "World Fisheries Forum" with representatives from 18 countries signing a declaration advocating for a global mandate of sustainable fishing practices and regulations.



Ques : National Philosophy Day is observed every year on the third __ of November.

राष्ट्रीय दर्शन दिवस हर साल नवंबर के तीसरे ____ को मनाया जाता है।

- (a) Tuesday
- (b) Wednesday
- (c) Thursday
- (d) Friday
- (e) Monday

Answer : Option C

Explanation : •

- National Philosophy Day is commemorated every year on the third Thursday of November; this year's date was November 21.
- The day encourages philosophical and critical thinking, as well as conversation on global issues. It seeks to promote multicultural understanding, teach philosophy, and highlight its relevance to contemporary issues such as social justice, ethics, and governance.



Important Days :

- 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
- 6 November : International Day for Preventing Environmental Exploitation in War and Armed Conflict
- 7 November : Infant Protection Day (Theme 2024: Protecting Our Future)
- 7 November : National Cancer Awareness (Theme 2024: Hope, Love, and Strength: Our Weapons against Cancer)
- 8 November : World Radiography Day (Theme 2024: Radiographers: Seeing the Unseen)
- 9 November : National Legal Services Day (Theme 2024: Celebrating Equal Access to Justice)
- 9 November : World Adoption Day
- 9 to 15 November : International Week of Science and Peace
- 10 November : World Immunization Day
- 10 November : World Science Day for Peace and Development (Theme 2024: Youth at the Forefront)
- 10 November : World Public Transport Day (Theme 2024: Connecting Communities, Reducing Emissions)
- 11 November : National Education Day 2024
- 11-15 November : World Quality Week 2024 (Theme 2024 Quality: From Compliance to Performance)
- 12 November : World Pneumonia Day 2024 (Theme 2024 Every Breath Counts: Stop Pneumonia in Its Tracks)
- 13 November : 27th World Kindness Day 2024
- 14 November : Children's Day, also known as Bal Diwas (Theme 2024 For every child, every right)
- 14 November : World Diabetes Day 2024 (Theme is "Bridging Barriers and Gaps")
- 14th to 20th November : All India Cooperative Week (Theme 2024 Role of Cooperatives in Building Viksit Bharat)
- 15 November : Birsas Munda Jayanti
- 16 November : International Day of Tolerance (Theme 2024: Promoting Respect and Understanding Worldwide)
- 16 November : National Press Day (Theme 2024: Changing Nature of the Press)
- 17 November : International Students' Day (Theme 2024: Keep striving, studying, and believing in the power of education)
- 17 November (Third Sunday of November) : World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (Theme 2024 That day)
- 17 November : National Epilepsy Day (Theme 2024: Milestones on My Epilepsy Journey)
- 18 November : World Day for the Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Violence
- 18 to 24 November : World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) (Theme 2024: Educate. Advocate. Act Now)
- 19 November : International Men's Day 2024 (Theme 2024 Positive Male Role Models)
- 19 November : National Integration Day 2024
- 19 November : World Toilet Day (Theme 2024: Toilets - A Place for Peace)
- 20 November : World Children's Day (Theme 2024: Listen to the Future. Stand up for children's rights)



IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

Debasish Panda, chairperson of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI), has stated that the Bima Sugam platform will assist minimize the issue of 'forced selling' of insurance products by banks.

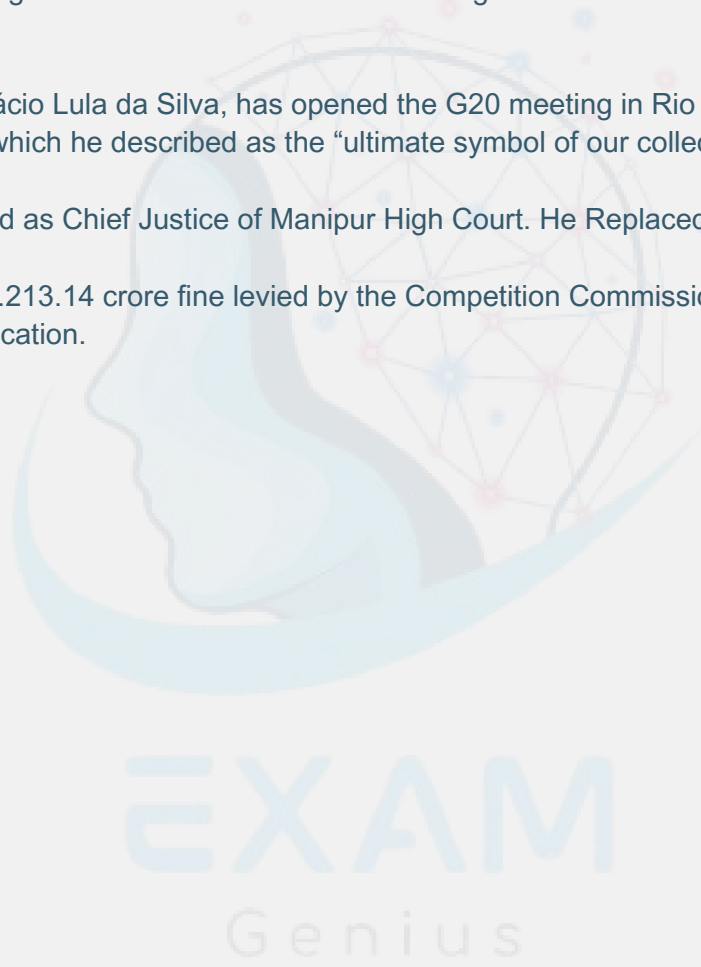
Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced that Karimganj district in the state would be renamed to Sribhumi to honour Rabindranath Tagore.

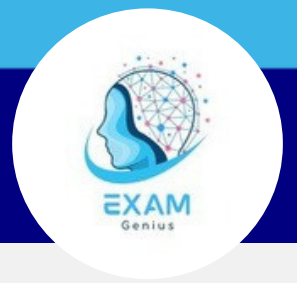
Researchers have identified a new microbe responsible for a peculiar disease that has been affecting the sesame fields of Midnapore in West Bengal. The microbe is a cell wall lacking Mollicutes bacteria, called Candidatus Phytoplasma.

The president of Brazil, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, has opened the G20 meeting in Rio de Janeiro with the launch of an alliance to combat hunger, which he described as the "ultimate symbol of our collective tragedy".

Justice Krishnakumar Appointed as Chief Justice of Manipur High Court. He Replaced Justice Siddharth Mridul

Meta plans to challenge the Rs.213.14 crore fine levied by the Competition Commission of India (CCI) for its 2021 WhatsApp privacy policy modification.





महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

भारतीय बीमा नियामक और विकास प्राधिकरण (आईआरडीएआई) के अध्यक्ष देबाशीष पांडा ने कहा है कि बीमा सुगम प्लेटफॉर्म बैंकों द्वारा बीमा उत्पादों की 'जबरन बिक्री' की समस्या को कम करने में मदद करेगा।

असम के मुख्यमंत्री हिमंत बिस्वा सरमा ने घोषणा की कि रवींद्रनाथ टैगोर के सम्मान में राज्य के करीमगंज जिले का नाम बदलकर श्रीभूमि रखा जाएगा।

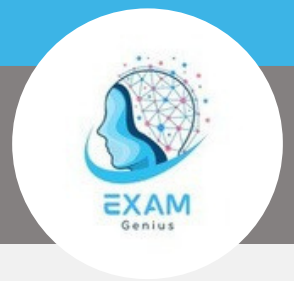
शोधकर्ताओं ने एक अजीबोगरीब बीमारी के लिए जिम्मेदार एक नए सूक्ष्म जीव की पहचान की है जो पश्चिम बंगाल के मिदनापुर के तिल के खेतों को प्रभावित कर रहा है। सूक्ष्म जीव एक कोशिका भित्ति है जिसमें मॉलिक्यूलर्स बैक्टीरिया की कमी होती है, जिसे कैडिडेटस फाइटोप्लाज्मा कहा जाता है।

ब्राज़ील के राष्ट्रपति लुइज़ इनासियो लूला दा सिल्वा ने भूख से निपटने के लिए गठबंधन की शुरुआत के साथ रियो डी जनेरियो में जी20 बैठक की शुरुआत की, जिसे उन्होंने "हमारी सामूहिक त्रासदी का अंतिम प्रतीक" बताया।

न्यायमूर्ति कृष्णकुमार को मणिपुर उच्च न्यायालय के मुख्य न्यायाधीश के रूप में नियुक्त किया गया। उन्होंने न्यायमूर्ति सिद्धार्थ मृदुल का स्थान लिया

मेटा ने 2021 व्हाट्सएप गोपनीयता नीति संशोधन के लिए भारतीय प्रतिस्पर्धा आयोग (सीसीआई) द्वारा लगाए गए 213.14 करोड़ रुपये के जुर्माने को चुनौती देने की योजना बनाई है।

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