

**EXAM GENIUS**  
Presents

# **GENIUS CURRENT AFFAIRS**



**India's No. 1 Platform for UPSC  
| SSC | BANK | RAILWAY Exam**

**Achieve Success with Exam Genius - Your Ultimate Guide to Reasoning Mastery !**



**Ques : What is the projected growth rate for the Indian economy in FY25 according to Deloitte?**

**डेलॉइट के अनुसार वित्त वर्ष 25 में भारतीय अर्थव्यवस्था के लिए अनुमानित विकास दर क्या है?**

- (a) 6.5-6.8%
- (b) 5.5-5.8%
- (c) 4.5-4.8%
- (d) 7.5-7.8%
- (e) 8.5-8.8%

**Answer : Option A**

**Explanation :**

- According to Deloitte, the Indian economy is expected to grow at 6.5-6.8 percent this fiscal year and slightly higher at 6.7-7.3 percent in FY2026, boosted by domestic consumption.
- According to Deloitte India Economist Rumki Majumdar, growth in the first half of fiscal year 2025 was slower than expected due to election concerns and disruptions in business caused by excessive rainfall and geopolitical events, which weighed on domestic demand and exports.
- However, India continues to demonstrate resilience in some areas that are worth mentioning, such as consumer patterns, service growth, the increasing role of high-value manufacturing in exports, and the capital market.

**Updated GDP List :**

- Deloitte – 6.5% – 6.8% (FY24), 6.7% – 7.3% (FY26)
- India Ratings – 6.4% (FY24), 6.6% (FY26)
- ADB – 6.5% (FY24), 7%(FY25)
- S&P – 6.8% (FY25), 6.9% (FY26)
- RBI –6.6% (FY24)
- Morgan Stanley – 6.3% (FY25)
- Moody Ratings – 2% (CY24)
- IMF – 7% (FY25), 6.5% (FY26)
- World Bank – 7% (FY25)





**Ques : Federation of Cold Storage Associations of India (FCAOI) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which bank to enhance agricultural infrastructure ?**

**फेडरेशन ऑफ कोल्ड स्टोरेज एसोसिएशन ऑफ इंडिया (FCAOI) ने कृषि बुनियादी ढांचे को बढ़ाने के लिए किस बैंक के साथ एक समझौता ज्ञापन (MoU) पर हस्ताक्षर किए?**

- (a) South Indian Bank / साउथ इंडियन बैंक
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (c) Indian Bank / इंडियन बैंक
- (d) Punjab National Bank / पंजाब नेशनल बैंक
- (e) Karur Vyasya Bank / करूर व्यास बैंक

**Answer : Option D**

**Explanation :**

- Punjab National Bank (PNB) and Federation of Cold Storage Associations of India (FCAOI) have signed an MoU to improve agricultural infrastructure and cold chain development in India.
- The partnership advances innovation, improves agricultural infrastructure, and provides farmers and agribusinesses with efficient storage and cold chain solutions.

**About Punjab National Bank :**

- Established : 19 May 1894
- HQ : New Delhi
- MD & CEO : Atul Kumar Goel
- Tagline : The Name You Can Bank Upon





## Recently signed banking agreements

- Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) partnered with Bank of Bhutan, Bhutan's largest commercial bank, to modernize its digital core and improve customer experience.
- Magma HDI General Insurance has partnered with IndoStar Capital Finance Limited (ICFL), a prominent NBFC to enhance the availability of motor, health, and commercial insurance solutions for customers.
- M2P Fintech has partnered with the State Bank of India (SBI) to provide smooth and safe payment experiences.
- Tata Power Renewable Energy, a unit of Tata Power, has partnered with Canara Bank to offer cheap financing for rooftop solar installations.
- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) has signed an MoU with HDFC Bank, India's largest private sector bank by assets, to provide entrepreneurs with world-class banking and financial services.
- Aditya Birla Housing Finance (ABHFL) has partnered with the National Housing Bank (NHB) to further the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana's (PMAY) mission of 'Housing for All'.
- Times Internet, in cooperation with ICICI Bank, has launched the Times Black ICICI Bank Credit Card, an ultra-premium offering designed for high-net-worth individuals (HNIs) and wealthy clients.
- Federal Bank has partnered with Ecofy, India's first green-only non-banking financial company (NBFC) backed by Eversource Capital, to offer innovative financing options for MSMEs investing in commercial rooftop solar installations.
- Manipal Academy of BFSI (MABFSI), a leading learning solutions provider for the BFSI sector, has partnered with Axis Bank to launch a Women-Exclusive Cohort under the Axis Bank Young Bankers Program (ABYB).
- Federal Bank, India's leading private sector bank, has established a strategic relationship with Ecofy, the country's first green-only NBFC backed by Eversource Capital, to provide MSMEs with innovative financing options for commercial rooftop solar installations.





**Ques : What is the name of the framework for which the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has constituted a committee to develop ethical and responsible use of Artificial Intelligence in the financial sector?**

**उस ढांचे का नाम क्या है जिसके लिए भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (RBI) ने वित्तीय क्षेत्र में आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस के नैतिक और जिम्मेदार उपयोग को विकसित करने के लिए एक समिति का गठन किया है?**

- (a) Ethical AI Framework (EAF) / एथिकल एआई फ्रेमवर्क (ईएएफ)
- (b) Responsible AI in Banking (RAIB) / बैंकिंग में जिम्मेदार एआई (आरएआईबी)
- (c) Framework for Responsible and Ethical Enablement of Artificial Intelligence (FREE-AI) / आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस के जिम्मेदार और नैतिक सक्षमता के लिए रूपरेखा (फ्री-एआई)
- (d) Artificial Intelligence Governance Framework (AIGF) / आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस गवर्नेंस फ्रेमवर्क (एआईजीएफ)
- (e) AI in Finance Framework (AIF) / फाइनेंस फ्रेमवर्क में एआई (एआईएफ)

**Answer : Option C**

**Explanation :**

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has set up a committee to create a Framework for Responsible and Ethical Enabling of Artificial Intelligence (FREE-AI) in the Financial Sector.
- Pushpak Bhattacharyya, Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Bombay, will serve as the committee's head.
- According to the RBI, the committee's goal is to develop a governance framework to promote ethical AI use in India's financial industry.
- The Committee will assess the current level of AI adoption in financial services, both globally and in India, review regulatory and supervisory approaches to AI with a focus on the financial sector globally, identify potential risks associated with AI, if any, and recommend an evaluation, mitigation, and monitoring framework, as well as compliance requirements for financial institutions such as banks, NBFCs, FinTechs, PSOs, and so on.
- The Committee will submit its report within six months after its initial meeting.



## Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) allows holders of full-KYC prepaid payment instruments (PPIs) including digital wallets, gift cards, and metro rail cards to make and receive UPI payments using third-party apps like Google Pay and PhonePe.
- In October 2024, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) sold \$9.2 billion, its highest monthly sale in almost two years (since September 2022, when \$10.3 billion was sold).
- Banks have asked the RBI to extend the deadline for compliance with new lending standards that prohibit overlapping activity between banks and their group businesses.
- RBI lifted business restrictions on two entities of the Edelweiss Group, ECL Finance Limited and Edelweiss Asset Reconstruction Company Limited (Edelweiss ARC).
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) cancelled Zavron Finance Private Limited's Certificate of Registration (CoR) under Section 45-IA (6) of the RBI Act, 1934.
- In-Solutions Global (ISG) has received full authorisation from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) as a payment aggregator under the Payment and Settlement Systems framework
- RBI has announced Introduction of the Secured Overnight Rupee Rate (SORR) , a benchmark based on the secured money markets
- The RBI increased the interest rate limit for NRI FCNR (B) deposits for a limited period.
- The Reserve Bank of India's Innovation Hub (RBIH), Bengaluru has launched MuleHunter.AI is a cutting-edge program that detects and flags mule bank accounts implicated in criminal financial activity, including money laundering.
- The RBI has increased the collateral-free lending limit for agricultural producers from Rs.1.66 lakh to Rs.2 lakh per borrower, providing significant relief to small and marginal farmers.
- The Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA) is lobbying the RBI for preferential treatment of Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipts (eNWRs).
- The Reserve Bank of India's sectoral credit statistics shows that bank credit to non-banking financial businesses (NBFCs) decreased to 6.4% in October from 18.3% the previous year.







**Ques : Which state launched a new citizen-centric initiative called the SWAR (Speech and Written Analysis Resource) platform ?**

**किस राज्य ने SWAR (भाषण और लिखित विश्लेषण संसाधन) मंच नामक एक नई नागरिक-केंद्रित पहल शुरू की?**

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

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation :**

- Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel has unveiled a new citizen-centric project known as the SWAR (Speech and Written Analysis Resource) platform.
- On December 25, the SWAR (Speech and Written Analysis Resource) platform was launched to coincide with Good Governance Day.
- The SWAR platform was developed by the Chief Minister's Office (CMO) in partnership with the Bhashini Team of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (National Language Translation Mission).
- This revolutionary platform uses technology to overcome linguistic obstacles. The Gujarat CMO website now includes a speech-to-text capability.





## Recent News Headlines Related to launched Apps/portals

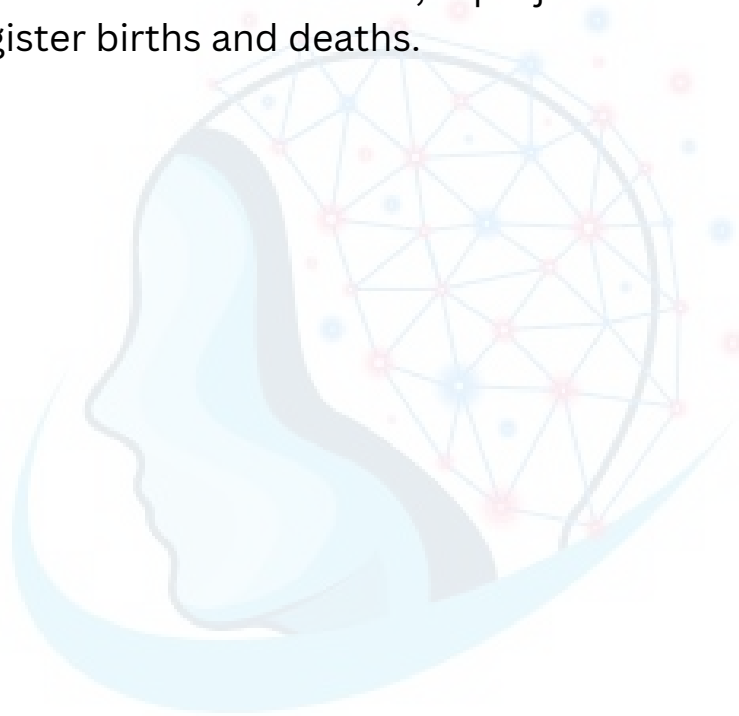
- On the occasion of 'Good Governance Day', which commemorates the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh unveiled the Rashtraparv Website and Mobile App on December 25, 2024.
- On National Consumers Day 2024, the Department of Consumer Affairs will make the "Jago Grahak Jago App" and "Jagriti App" available to the public
- Gujarat's Chief Minister, Bhupendra Patel, launched the 'Prakrutik Krushi Portal (Natural Agriculture Portal)' to encourage organic farming
- “Amrit Gyaan Kosh” Portal Launched by Union Minister of State(MoS), Dr. Jitendra Singh, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions to build a comprehensive knowledge base by curating best practices from across India, with a focus on aligning these practices with 15 of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Pralhad Joshi, Minister of Food and Consumer Affairs, has presented 'Anna Chakra', a game-changing supply chain optimization tool for the Public Distribution System
- Indian Railways has launched the 'Sanraksha' smartphone application, which is an innovative move toward boosting passenger safety and security.
- The Department of Justice is launching a year-long statewide campaign called 'Hamara Samvidhan Hamara Samman' to commemorate India's 75th year as a Republic and the adoption of its Constitution.
- Union Minister for Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal, has launched the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) and Regulatory Affairs Portal in a bid to enhance transparency and facilitate feedback on India's business environment
- Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Union Minister for Education, has inaugurated The TeacherApp, an innovative digital platform built by the Bharti Airtel Foundation to provide educators with the skills needed to address the changing demands of 21st-century classrooms.
- General Upendra Dwivedi, Chief of Army Staff (COAS), has launched an online learning platform for the Indian Army known as "Eklavya”.
- Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science and Technology, has inaugurated the VISION ("Viksit Bharat Initiative for Student Innovation and Outreach Network") Portal in New Delhi.







- 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 Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports has started a statewide campaign to improve the battle against doping in sports, encouraging athletes, coaches, and the entire sporting community to use the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) India's 'Know Your Medicine (KYM)' app
- The Civil Registration System (CRS) smartphone app, developed by India's Registrar General and Census Commissioner, is projected to dramatically cut the time necessary to register births and deaths.



EXAM  
Genius





**Ques : Who has been appointed as the Director of the National Testing Agency (NTA)?**

**राष्ट्रीय परीक्षण एजेंसी (एनटीए) के निदेशक के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?**

- (a) Ramesh Pokhriyal / रमेश पोखरियाल
- (b) Subhas Sarkar / सुभाष सरकार
- (c) Sandip Kumar Mishra / संदीप कुमार मिश्रा
- (d) Amit Khare / अमित खरे
- (e) Anil Sahasrabudhe / अनिल सहस्रबुद्धे

**Answer : Option C**

**Explanation :**

- Sandip Kumar Mishra has been appointed as the Director of the National Testing Agency (NTA) for 5 years.
- The NTA is responsible for conducting various national-level entrance examinations in India, ensuring transparency and fairness in the examination process.
- He Replaced Pradeep Singh Kharola.
- Mishra's leadership is expected to strengthen the agency's operations.
- Archana Shukla, Amit Kumar, and Shivani Appointed as Joint directors of NTA for 4 years.
- National Testing Agency (NTA) is established in 2017 and headquarter is in New Delhi.





### Recent Appointment in different departments :

- K N Renuka Pujar : first transgender guest lecturer at a Karnataka institution
- Dr. Sandip Shah : Chairperson of the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL)
- Abhijit Majumder : Chief financial officer (CFO) of Oil India
- Arunish Chawla : Revenue Secretary
- Suman Berry : Chairman of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM)
- Unsoo Kim : Managing Director (MD) of Hyundai Motor India for 3 years
- Pradeep Chugh : Company secretary of Hyundai Motor India
- Sriram Krishnan : Senior White House Policy Advisor on Artificial Intelligence
- Rupam Roy : General Secretary (GS) of All India State Bank Officers' Federation (AISBOF)
- Arun Kumar Bishoyi : President of All India State Bank Officers' Federation (AISBOF)
- Retired Supreme Court Justice V. Ramasubramanian : Chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission
- Madan B Lokur : chairperson of the United Nations Internal Justice Council (IJC)
- Raj Kumar Chaudhary : Additional charge of CMD for the government-owned hydropower company SJVN Limited (Replaced Sushil Sharma)
- Dr. Jagath Wickramaratne : Speaker of Sri Lanka's 10th Parliament (Replaced Asoka Ranwala)
- Malaysian coach Tan Kim Her : India's Doubles Badminton Coach for the 2026 Asian Games and 2028 Olympics
- Preeti Lobana : Country Manager and Vice President in India by Google
- Carl Hopkinson : Mumbai Indians' new fielding coach for the IPL 2025
- Economic Affairs Secretary Ajay Seth : Additional charge of Revenue Secretary (Replaced Sanjay Malhotra)
- Rahul Narwekar : 15th Maharashtra Legislative Assembly Speaker
- Rabindra Nath Mahato : Speaker of the 6th Jharkhand Legislative Assembly





**Ques : Who, a global auto industry icon and former chairman of Suzuki Motor Corporation, passed away at the age of 94?**

**वैश्विक ऑटो उद्योग आइकन और सुजुकी मोटर कॉर्पोरेशन के पूर्व अध्यक्ष का 94 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गया?**

- (a) Akio Toyoda / अकीओ टोयोडा
- (b) Osamu Suzuki / ओसामु सुजुकी
- (c) Soichiro Honda / सोइचिरो होंडा
- (d) Eiji Toyoda / ईजी टोयोडा
- (e) Shoichiro Toyoda / शोइचिरो टोयोडा

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation :**

- Osamu Suzuki, the former chairman of Suzuki Motor Corporation and an icon in the worldwide car industry, died at the age of 94.
- The former chairman of the Japanese brand, who headed the company for nearly four decades, has reportedly died of cancer. Suzuki stepped down as the brand's chairman in 2021, at the age of 91.
- Osamu Suzuki joined Suzuki Motor in 1958 and became president in 1978, while serving as chairman from 2000 onward.
- With 28 years in the chair and two terms as president of the brand, he became the longest-serving leader of the global carmaker.





**Ques : Which state Launches AI Task Force to promote Technological Growth ?**  
**तकनीकी विकास को बढ़ावा देने के लिए किस राज्य ने AI टास्क फोर्स लॉन्च की?**

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

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation :**

- During the 11th Chintan Shibir in Somnath, Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel launched the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Task Force to position the state as a pioneer in technology-driven government and socio-economic growth.
- The AI Task Force, directed by the Principal Secretary of Gujarat's Department of Science and Technology, has a one-year tenure with annual progress evaluations.
- The group consists of 10 members, including directors from IIT Gandhinagar and IIT Vadodara in Gujarat, as well as senior experts from India AI Mission, National Informatics Centre (NIC), and Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC).

EXAM  
Genius







**Ques : Which country Universities Set to Establish Campuses at GIFT City, Gujarat ?**

**किस देश के विश्वविद्यालय GIFT सिटी, गुजरात में परिसर स्थापित करने जा रहे हैं?**

- (a) Spain / स्पेन
- (b) China / चीन
- (c) USA / यूएसए
- (d) France / फ्रांस
- (e) UK / यूके

**Answer : Option E**

**Explanation :**

- Two UK universities, Queen's University Belfast and Coventry University, have applied to open international campuses in Gujarat's GIFT City, following the lead of Australian institutions.
- Queen's University Belfast, a top-ranked UK institution, is the third foreign university accepted for GIFT City.
- Coventry University, with over 13,000 international students from 160 countries, is preparing to join the GIFT City educational environment.
- The institution, famed for its global campuses, will open a "India Hub" in Delhi in 2024.

**About United Kingdom :**

- Capital : London
- Currency : Pound sterling
- PM : Keir Starmer

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques : Which company launched the advertising campaign "First the fan will come, then electricity will come" to promote its renewable energy initiatives?**  
**किस कंपनी ने अपनी नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा पहल को बढ़ावा देने के लिए "पहले पंखा आएगा, फिर बिजली आएगी" विज्ञापन अभियान शुरू किया?**

- (a) Tata Power / टाटा पावर
- (b) Adani Group / अदानी समूह
- (c) Reliance Industries / रिलायंस इंडस्ट्रीज
- (d) NTPC Limited / एनटीपीसी लिमिटेड
- (e) Suzlon Energy / सुजलॉन एनर्जी

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation :**

- Adani Group has launched a new advertising campaign dubbed "First the fan, then the electricity" to promote its renewable energy initiatives.
- The program is part of the Adani Group's overall commitment to renewable energy. Its renewable energy division, Adani Green Energy, aspires to build 50 GW of renewable energy capacity by 2030. This includes the huge Khavda Renewable Energy Park in Gujarat.
- Khavda, which covers 538 square kilometers—five times the size of Paris—is destined to become one of the world's largest renewable energy projects.
- The park will have a total capacity of 30 GW, with the first phase of 250 MW wind energy now online. The group's track record includes the 648 MW Kamuthi Solar Plant in Tamil Nadu, which was completed in 2016.
- At the time, it was the world's largest single-site solar energy plant. These initiatives demonstrate the Adani Group's leadership in promoting India's sustainable energy aspirations.
- Director of Adani Airport Holdings Ltd is Jeet Adani .



**Ques : Which country will host the World Audio Visual Entertainment Summit (WAVES) for the first time in 2025?**

**कौन सा देश 2025 में पहली बार वर्ल्ड ऑडियो विजुअल एंटरटेनमेंट समिट (WAVES) की मेजबानी करेगा?**

- (a) United States / संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका
- (b) China / चीन
- (c) India / भारत
- (d) Japan / जापान
- (e) Russia / रूस

**Answer : Option C**

**Explanation :**

- India will host the World Audio Visual Entertainment Summit (WAVES) for the first time in 2025.
- The WAVES Summit is set to act as a global forum for India's creative talent, encouraging collaborations and highlighting the country's potential as a hub for world-class content development.
- The WAVES Summit is set to act as a global forum for India's creative talent, encouraging collaborations and highlighting the country's potential as a hub for world-class content development.

EXAM  
Genius





## Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- Amit Shah, the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, presided over the North Eastern Council (NEC)'s 72nd plenary session in Agartala, Tripura.
- India served as vice chair during the Supply Chain Council's second meeting. India was represented by Shri Rajesh Agrawal, Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce
- Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami opened the 10th World Ayurveda Congress and Arogya Expo 2024 at Dehradun.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi opened the Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit 2024 and the Rajasthan Global Business Expo at the Jaipur Exhibition and Convention Centre (JECC) in Jaipur, Rajasthan.
- The two-day maiden India Maritime Heritage Conclave 2024 ended in New Delhi. The Conclave highlighted India's strong maritime tradition dating back to the Harappan period.
- The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) convened the India-Norway Business Forum in Mumbai in partnership with the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the Government of India
- The India Internet Governance Forum (IIGF) 2024 was hosted in the Bharat Mandapam Convention Center, Pragati Maidan in New Delhi
- The Western Air Command (WAC) staged a two-day Commanders' Conference in New Delhi, with Air primary Marshal AP Singh, Chief of the Air Staff (CAS), as the primary guest, who was greeted with a ceremonial Guard of Honour
- The Indian Embassy in Austria stated that India has been chosen to chair the 68th session of the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND)
- The second India-United Kingdom 2+2 Foreign and Defense Dialogue was conducted in New Delhi.
- The 16th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) began in Riyadh. The theme Our Land. Our Future





**Ques : Joe Biden signed a law on Christmas Eve?**

राष्ट्रपति जो बिडेन द्वारा क्रिसमस की पूर्व संध्या पर एक कानून पर हस्ताक्षर करने के बाद किस पक्षी को आधिकारिक तौर पर संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका के राष्ट्रीय पक्षी के रूप में नामित किया गया था?

- (a) Golden Eagle / गोल्डन ईगल
- (b) Bald Eagle / बाल्ड ईगल
- (c) Peregrine Falcon / पेरेग्रीन फाल्कन
- (d) American Robin / अमेरिकन रॉबिन
- (e) Red-tailed Hawk / लाल पूंछ वाला हॉक

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation :**

- The bald eagle is now the official national bird of the United States, according to a statute signed by President Joe Biden on Christmas Eve that recognizes the white-headed and yellow-beaked bird of prey.
- The bird has served as a national emblem in the United States for many years, appearing on the Great Seal of the United States, which is used on US papers, since 1782.
- Benjamin Franklin, a founding father, opposed to the species being picked to represent the country, calling it a "bird of bad moral character".
- According to the US Department of Veteran Affairs, bald eagles, like other eagles around the world, have long been regarded as emblems of strength, courage, independence, and immortality. The bald eagle, unlike other eagles, was native only to North America.
- Minnesota lawmakers spearheaded the legislation that designated the bald eagle as the national bird. The bald eagle is also protected by the National Emblem Act of 1940, which makes it unlawful to sell or hunt the bird.





**Ques : Which state celebrated the annual Kagyad Dance festival ?**

**किस राज्य ने वार्षिक काग्याद नृत्य उत्सव मनाया?**

- (a) Tripura / त्रिपुरा
- (b) Sikkim / सिक्किम
- (c) Assam / असम
- (d) Arunachal Pradesh / अरुणाचल प्रदेश
- (e) Meghalaya / मेघालय

**Answer : Option B**

**Explanation :**

- Sikkim held its annual Kagyad Dance event at Gangtok's Tsuklakhang Palace in accordance with tradition.
- Enacted on the 28th and 29th days of the 10th month of the Tibetan Lunar Calendar (early December), it is a bustling cultural festival that attracts both locals and international tourists seeking spiritual guidance.
- The event finishes with the traditional burning of effigies, which symbolizes the triumph of good over evil.

EXAM  
Genius





### Recent News Headlines Related to Festivals & Fairs :

- Ladakhi Losar : Celebrated in Ladakh to mark the New Year according to the Tibetan calendar .
- Viraasat Sari Festival 2024 : 3rd Edition Hosted by Ministry of Textiles at Handloom Haat, Janpath, New Delhi .
- Eaglenest Bird Festival : Arunachal Pradesh in Kellong and Thongre village, West Kameng District .
- International Gita Mahotsav : Kurukshetra, Haryana .
- Asthalakshmi Mahotsav : New Delhi, It will focus on India's eight north-eastern states .
- Cherry Blossom Festival : Shillong, Meghalaya .
- Hornbill Festival : Nagaland .
- 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





**Ques : Who, a revered figure in Malayalam literature and cinema, passed away at the age of 91?**

**मलयालम साहित्य और सिनेमा की एक प्रतिष्ठित हस्ती का 91 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गया?**

- (a) Kamala Surayya / कमला सुरैया
- (b) O. V. Vijayan / ओ. वी. विजयन
- (c) Thakazhi Sivasankara Pillai / थकाज़ी शिवशंकर पिल्लई
- (d) Vaikom Muhammad Basheer / वैकोम मुहम्मद बशीर
- (e) M. T. Vasudevan Nair / एम. टी. वासुदेवन नायर

**Answer : Option E**

**Explanation :**

- Madath Thekkepat Vasudevan Nair, also known as M T Vasudevan Nair, was 91 years old when he died.
- Madath Thekkepat Vasudevan Nair was born into a Nair family in Kudallur village, Palakkad district, Kerala, in 1934.
- MT's literary achievements earned him India's highest literary honour, the Jnanpith Award, in 1995, as well as numerous other accolades such as the Kendra Sahitya Akademi Award, Kerala Sahitya Akademi Award, Vayalar Award, Vallathol Award, Ezhuthachan Award, Mathrubhumi Literary Award, and O N V Literary Award.
- M T received India's third-highest civilian decoration, the Padma Bhushan, in 2005.





**Ques : International Cello Day is annually celebrated on which day ?**

**अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सेलो दिवस प्रतिवर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?**

- (a) 26 December
- (b) 27 December
- (c) 28 December
- (d) 29 December
- (e) 30 December

**Answer : Option D**

**Explanation :**

- International Cello Day is an annual event celebrated on December 29 in several countries throughout the world.
- The day commemorates the life and contributions of the great cellist Pablo Casals, who was born on this day.
- Casals is regarded as one of the finest cellists of all time, and he is credited with establishing the cello as a significant solo instrument in classical music.

EXAM  
Genius





### Important days :

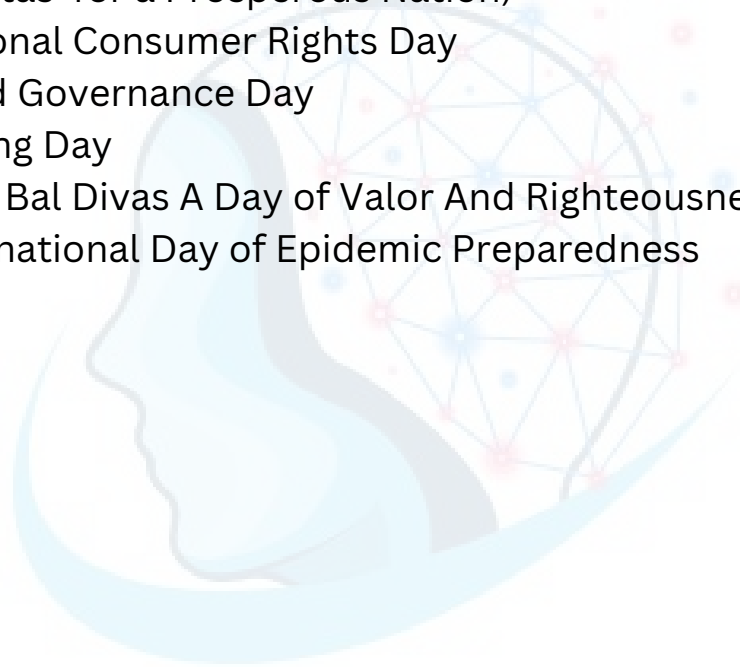
- 4 December : International Day of Banks (Theme 2024: Empowering Sustainable Development through Finance)
- 4 December : International Cheetah Day
- 4 December : Indian Navy Day 2024 (Theme 2024 Strength and Capability through Innovation and Indigenization)
- 5 December : World Soil Day (Theme 2024: Soil is Life)
- 5 December : International Volunteer Day (Theme 2024: Volunteer Now for Our Future)
- 6 December : Mahaparinirvan Diwas
- 7 December : Armed Forces Flag Day
- 7 December : International Civil Aviation Day (Theme 2024: Safe Skies. Sustainable Future: Together for the Next 80 Years)
- 9 December : International Anti-Corruption Day (Theme 2024: Uniting with Youth Against Corruption to Shape Tomorrow's Integrity)
- 9 December : International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of Genocide
- 10 December : World Human Rights Day (Theme 2024: Our Rights, Our Future)
- 11 December : International Mountain Day (Theme 2024 - Mountain solutions for a sustainable future: innovation, adaptation, and youth)
- 11 December : United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) Day
- 12 December : International Day of Neutrality
- 12 December : International Universal Health Coverage (UHC) Day
- 13 December : National Horse Day
- 14 December : National Energy Conservation Day (Theme 2024: Powering Sustainability: Every Watt Counts)
- 16 December : Vijay Diwas 2024 (Commemorates India's decisive victory over Pakistan in the 1971 Indo-Pak War)
- 18 December : International Migrants Day (Theme 2024: Recognizing the contributions of migrants and protecting their rights)
- 18 December : Minorities Rights Day
- 18 December : World Arabic Language Day (Theme 2024: Arabic Language and AI: Driving Innovation While Preserving Cultural Heritage)







- 19 December : Goa Liberation Day
- 20 December : International Human Solidarity Day (Theme 2024: Promote friendship and collaboration)
- 21 December : World Meditation Day (Theme 2024: Inner Peace, Global Harmony)
- 21 December : World Basketball Day
- 22 December : National Mathematics Day 2024 (Theme 2024 Mathematics: The Bridge to Innovation and Progress)
- 23 December : Kisan Diwas, also known as National Farmer's Day (Theme 2024: Empowering 'Annadata's' for a Prosperous Nation)
- 24 December : National Consumer Rights Day
- 25 December : Good Governance Day
- 26 December : Boxing Day
- 26 December : Veer Bal Divas A Day of Valor And Righteousness
- 27 December : International Day of Epidemic Preparedness



EXAM  
Genius





### IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

Punjab's Vijayveer Sidhu defeated fellow Olympian Gurpreet Singh of the Army Marksmanship Unit to win his first men's 25m rapid-fire pistol (RFP) title at the 67th National Shooting Championship Competitions (NSCC) for pistol events.

West Bengal(WB) Government and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) signed an MOU To enhance the treatment of children affected by NonCommunicable Diseases (NCD), including juvenile diabetes.

Lakshya Sen from India secured third place at the King Cup International Badminton Open by defeating French player Alex Lanier in straight games.

Nvidia has recently announced the launch of its Jetson Orin Nano Super Generative AI supercomputer. With a price-tag of \$249, this new model is significantly more affordable compared to its predecessor, which was priced at \$499.

Uttar Pradesh and Manipur governments signed an MOU To implement the 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' program in Lucknow, UP. Manipur is the third state to sign a MoU with Uttar Pradesh (UP) under the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat programme after Arunachal Pradesh (AR) and Meghalaya.

'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' Program is Launched on 31st October 2015 under Nodal Ministry, Ministry of Education. It is Launched during 140th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's first Deputy PM and Home Minister.

EXAM  
Genius





## महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

पंजाब के विजयवीर सिद्धू ने आर्मी मार्क्समैनशिप यूनिट के साथी ओलंपियन गुरप्रीत सिंह को हराकर पिस्टल स्पर्धाओं के लिए 67वीं राष्ट्रीय शूटिंग चैंपियनशिप प्रतियोगिता (एनएससीसी) में अपना पहला पुरुष 25 मीटर रैपिड-फायर पिस्टल (आरएफपी) खिताब जीता।

पश्चिम बंगाल (डब्ल्यूबी) सरकार और संयुक्त राष्ट्र बाल कोष (यूनिसेफ) ने किशोर मधुमेह सहित गैर-संचारी रोगों (एनसीडी) से प्रभावित बच्चों के उपचार को बढ़ाने के लिए एक समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए।

भारत के लक्ष्य सेन ने फ्रांस के खिलाड़ी एलेक्स लानियर को सीधे गेम में हराकर किंग कप इंटरनेशनल बैडमिंटन ओपन में तीसरा स्थान हासिल किया।

एनवीडिया ने हाल ही में अपने जेटसन ओरिन नैनो सुपर जेनरेटिव एआई सुपरकंप्यूटर के लॉन्च की घोषणा की है। \$249 की कीमत के साथ, यह नया मॉडल अपने पूर्ववर्ती की तुलना में काफी अधिक किफायती है, जिसकी कीमत \$499 थी।

उत्तर प्रदेश और मणिपुर सरकारों ने लखनऊ, यूपी में 'एक भारत श्रेष्ठ भारत' कार्यक्रम को लागू करने के लिए एक समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए। अरुणाचल प्रदेश (एआर) और मेघालय के बाद एक भारत श्रेष्ठ भारत कार्यक्रम के तहत उत्तर प्रदेश (यूपी) के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर करने वाला मणिपुर तीसरा राज्य है।

'एक भारत श्रेष्ठ भारत' कार्यक्रम 31 अक्टूबर 2015 को नोडल मंत्रालय, शिक्षा मंत्रालय के तहत लॉन्च किया गया है। इसे भारत के पहले उप प्रधान मंत्री और गृह मंत्री सरदार वल्लभभाई पटेल की 140वीं जयंती के दौरान लॉन्च किया गया है।

EXAM  
Genius

