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Ques : Rajat Verma has been appointed as the new CEO of which Bank?
रजत वर्मा को किस बैंक का नया सीईओ नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) DBS Bank India / डीबीएस बैंक इंडिया
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (c) Yes Bank / यस बैंक
- (d) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (e) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक

Answer : option A

Explanation :

- DBS Group of Singapore has chosen Rajat Verma as CEO of DBS Bank India, succeeding Surojit Shome.
- Verma had been nominated and was awaiting clearance from the Reserve Bank of India, which is required for all bank CEO appointments.
- Verma, the current head of DBS Bank India's institutional banking group, was appointed effective March 1, following RBI approval.
- In his new post, he will be a member of DBS' group management committee, Southeast Asia's largest bank.

About Development Bank of Singapore (DBS) Bank :

- Founded – 1968
- Headquarters – Singapore
- Chairman – Peter Seah
- CEO – Piyush Gupta
- DBS Bank India' CEO- Rajat Verma (replace Surojit Shome)
- CEO – Tan Su Shan (effect from March 2025)



Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- Amitava Chatterjee : Managing director (MD) and CEO J&K Bank
- Alok Aggarwal : Managing Director and CEO of Brookfield India Real Estate Trust
- R Subramaniakumar : MD & CEO of RBL Bank
- Ram Mohan Rao Amara : Managing Director of State Bank of India (SBI)
- George Heber Joseph : Chief investment officer (CIO) of the newly- incorporated joint venture firm Jio BlackRock Asset Management Company (AMC)
- Manish Jain : Executive Director of YES Bank
- R Ramaseshan : Part-time Chairman' (independent director) of Jana Small Finance Bank (JSFB) Limited (Replaced Subhash Khuntia)
- Bhavesh Jain : Managing Director and CEO of TransUnion CIBIL
- Sanjay Malhotra : 26th Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for three years
- Vaibhav Chaturvedi : ex-officio member of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI)
- Vijay Chandok : MD & CEO of National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) (Replaced Padmaja Chunduru)
- Masato Kanda : 11th president of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- Nand Kishore : Managing Director and CEO of SBI Funds Management
- Binod Kumar : Managing Director of Chennai-based Indian Bank
- Rahul Bhawe : Managing Director (MD) and CEO of Industrial Finance Corporation of India (IFCI Ltd)
- Rishi Chhabra : country manager for India at Visa

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Ques : What is the new deadline for implementing the transaction volume cap on UPI apps as per NPCI?

एनपीसीआई के अनुसार यूपीआई ऐप पर लेनदेन वॉल्यूम कैप लागू करने की नई समयसीमा क्या है?

- (a) December 31, 2024
- (b) December 31, 2025
- (c) December 31, 2026
- (d) December 31, 2027
- (e) December 31, 2028

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) has extended the deadline for implementing transaction volume cap on Unified Payments Interface (UPI) apps by two years till December 31, 2026. This is the second time that the NPCI has extended this deadline.
- The industry giants PhonePe and Google Pay, who handle the majority of UPI transactions in the nation, are anticipated to receive much-needed relief from the most recent development. According to NPCI data, the two handled roughly 47.8% and 37.02 % of UPI transaction volumes in November, respectively.
- The deadline for current third-party application providers (TPAPs) to comply was extended by an additional two years by the apex payments authority after "considering various factors."
- Up 32.2% from 117.58 billion transactions in calendar year 2023 (CY23), UPI recorded 155.44 billion transactions as of November this year. The December 2024 numbers have not yet been released.
- In November 2020, the NPCI first suggested a 30% cap on the number of transactions that UPI apps may handle. The current players were given two years to comply with the volume cap.





Ques : The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the reappointment of Anup Kumar Sinha as the Non-Executive Chairman of which Bank ?

भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (RBI) ने किस बैंक के गैर-कार्यकारी अध्यक्ष के रूप में अनुप कुमार सिन्हा की पुनर्नियुक्ति को मंजूरी दे दी है?

- (a) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (c) IndusInd Bank / इंडसइंड बैंक
- (d) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (e) Bandhan Bank / बंधन बैंक

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Anup Kumar Sinha's reappointment as Bandhan Bank's non-executive chairman has been authorized by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- The former head of Heritage Business School (or "HBS") was Dr. Anup Kumar Sinha. He has also been a member of the NABARD Board.
- Dr. Sinha has taught at the Indian Institute of Management Calcutta (often known as "IIMC") and Presidency College. He spent twenty-five years as an economics professor at IIMC.
- He was IIMC's Dean from 2003 to 2006 in addition to serving three terms on the Board of Governors.

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Ques : Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will Closed which type of Bank Accounts to Be Starting January 1, 2025 ?

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक (RBI) 1 जनवरी, 2025 से किस प्रकार के बैंक खाते बंद कर देगा?

- (a) Dormant Accounts / निष्क्रिय खाते
- (b) Inactive Accounts / निष्क्रिय खाते
- (c) Zero Balance Accounts / शून्य शेष खाते
- (d) Both a and b / ए और बी दोनों
- (e) All a, b and c / सभी ए, बी और सी

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) plans to increase the effectiveness, security, and transparency of the financial system by rendering three different kinds of bank accounts inactive by January 1, 2025.

Types of Accounts Becoming Non-Operative :

- Dormant Accounts : Accounts that have not had any transactions for two years
- Inactive Accounts : Accounts with no activity for a fixed period, often one year
- Zero Balance Accounts : Accounts with no money deposited for a long time and a zero balance

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Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- 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.
- 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.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) hosted a two-day "High-Level Policy Conference of Central Banks from the Global South" in Mumbai, Maharashtra.





Ques : What is the projected GDP growth rate for India in FY25, according to the RBI report?

RBI की रिपोर्ट के अनुसार, वित्त वर्ष 25 में भारत के लिए अनुमानित जीडीपी वृद्धि दर क्या है?

- (a) 6.4%
- (b) 6.6%
- (c) 7.2%
- (d) 7.4%
- (e) 7.8%

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- According to the RBI, the Indian economy is showing resilience and stability, and the GDP is expected to grow by 6.6% in 2024–2025 thanks to a rebound in rural consumption, an increase in government spending and investment, and robust services exports.
- The Reserve Bank has published the Financial Stability Report (FSR) for December 2024, which includes the Sub-Committee of the Financial Stability and Development Council's (FSDC) collective assessment of the threats to financial stability and the resilience of the Indian financial system.
- Sufficient capital and liquidity buffers, excellent profitability, and a decline in non-performing assets have all contributed to the stability of scheduled commercial banks (SCBs). The gross non-performing asset (GNPA) ratio has dropped to a multi-year low, while return on equity (RoE) and return on assets (RoA) are at decadal highs.

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Ques : Who was awarded Bahrain's 'Medal of Efficiency' (First Class) by King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa?

राजा हमद बिन ईसा अल खलीफा द्वारा बहरीन के 'दक्षता पदक' (प्रथम श्रेणी) से किसे सम्मानित किया गया?

- (a) Yusuf Ali M.A / यूसुफ अली एम.ए.
- (b) Dr. Ravi Pillai / डॉ. रवि पिल्लई
- (c) Mukesh Ambani / मुकेश अंबानी
- (d) Sunil Bharti Mittal / सुनील भारती मित्तल
- (e) Azim Premji / अजीम प्रेमजी

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Dr. Ravi Pillai, a prominent Indian businessman and the founder and chairman of the Dubai-based RP Group of Companies, was awarded Bahrain's prestigious 'Medal of Efficiency' (First Class) by King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.
- This honor recognizes his contributions to Bahrain's economic development and his philanthropic initiatives.
- He was the 1st foreign national to receive this distinguished honor
- In 2010, he was awarded 'Padma Shri' (India 4th highest civilian honour) for his distinguished service
- In 2015, Arabian Business ranked him as the 4th most powerful Indian in the Middle East

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Recent News Headlines Related to Awards & Winners :

- "Great Place to Work" certification for January 2025–2026 : Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)
- SKOCH Award : Maharashtra government's initiative 'Shasan Aplya Dari' ('Government at Your Doorstep')
- 34th Vyas Samman for 2024 : Hindi writer Suryabala for Her novel "Kaun Des Ko Vasi: Venu Ki Diary" which was published in 2018
- Prestigious "Gold Award" in the State Energy Conservation Award 2024 : RINL, the corporate entity of the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant
- Royal honors 'knighthood' and 'damehood' by King Charles III : Oscar award winning filmmaker Christopher Nolan and his wife, Emma Thomas
- Pandit Swapan Chaudhuri : Rashtriya Tansen Samman 2023
- Sanand Nyas Sanstha from Indore : Raja Mansingh Tomar Samman 2023
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi : Kuwait's highest civilian honour, the Order of Mubarak Al Kabeer
- Mrs. India USA 2024 : Caitlin Sandra Neil, a 19-year-old Indian-American teenager born in Chennai, India
- Miss Teen India USA 2024 : Sanskriti Sharma from Illinois
- 14th PSE Excellence Awards in 3 Category : "Corporate Governance" and "Corporate Social Responsibility & Sustainability" and "Operational Performance Excellence" : Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA)
- Public Relations Society of India (PRSI) National Awards 2024 (in 8 category) : Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)
- US Navy's prestigious Distinguished Public Service Award : Tom Cruise
- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar : Sri Chandrasekarendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award for Public Leadership by the South Indian Education Society (SIES)
- Biocon Group Chairperson Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw : Jamsetji Tata Award by the Indian Society for Quality (ISQ)
- Best FIFA Men's Player : Vinícius Junior of Spain and Real Madrid football club of Spain





Ques : Who has been appointed as the new Director General of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)?

केंद्रीय रिजर्व पुलिस बल (सीआरपीएफ) के नए महानिदेशक के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Kuldiep Singh / कुलदीप सिंह
- (b) Subodh Jaiswal / सुबोध जयसवाल
- (c) Praveen Sood / प्रवीण सूद
- (d) Vitul Kumar / वितुल कुमार
- (e) Sanjay Arora / संजय अरोड़ा

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Vitul Kumar, a senior IPS official, has been named as Director General of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF). He replaced Anish Dayal Singh.
- Kumar, a 1993 batch IPS officer from the Uttar Pradesh cadre, is currently the CRPF's Special Director General.
- Kumar's service has been acknowledged with numerous awards, including the President's Police Medal (PPM) on January 26, 2021 and the Police Medal (PM) on August 15, 2009.
- He also earned the Director General's Commendation Disc in Silver on January 26, 2016 and Gold on January 26, 2018.

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Recent Defence related appointments :

- Jared Isaacman : NASA Chief to Oversee Moon Missions
- Valdecy Urquiza (Brazil) : Secretary-General of the International Criminal Police Organisation INTERPOL
- Rajesh Kumar Singh : Defence Secretary at South Block
- Surgeon Vice Admiral Kavita Sahai : Director General Medical Services (Navy)
- Paramesh Sivamani : 26th Director General of the Indian Coast Guard (ICG)
- Air Marshal SP Dharkar : Vice Chief of Air Staff
- IPS Nalin Prabhat : Director General of Police (DGP) of Jammu and Kashmir (Replaced R.R. Swain)
- Surgeon Vice Admiral Arti Sarin : first female officer as Director General of Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAfMS)
- Air Marshal Amar Preet Singh : Vice Chief of the Indian Air Force (IAF) (succeed Air Chief Marshal V.R. Chaudhari)
- Nikhat Zareen (boxer) : Telangana Police as a Deputy Superintendent of Police (Special Police)
- Amrit Mohan Prasad : Director General of Sashastra Seema Bal
- Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit : Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief (AOC-in-C) of Central Air Command
- Air Marshal Tejinder Singh : Deputy Chief of the Indian Air Force
- Vice Admiral Rajesh Dhankhar : Director General of Project Seabird
- Rajwinder Singh Bhatti : Director General of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)
- B Srinivasan : Director General (DG) of National Security Guard
- Sanjeev Raina : ITBP Additional Director General
- Daljit Singh Chawdhary : additional charge of Director General of Border Security Force





Ques : The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed a contract with which company for DRDO-made Air Independent Propulsion (AIP) system worth nearly Rs 1,990 crore?

रक्षा मंत्रालय (एमओडी) ने डीआरडीओ निर्मित एयर इंडिपेंडेंट प्रोपल्शन (एआईपी) सिस्टम के लिए किस कंपनी के साथ लगभग 1,990 करोड़ रुपये का अनुबंध किया है?

- (a) Cochin Shipyard Limited / कोचीन शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड
- (b) Hindustan Shipyard / हिंदुस्तान शिपयार्ड
- (c) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers / गार्डन रीच शिपबिल्डर्स एंड इंजीनियर्स
- (d) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders / मझगांव डॉक शिपबिल्डर्स
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed a contract to Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) in Mumbai for air independent propulsion (AIP) plugs valued roughly Rs 1,990 crore.
- The plugs will connect the DRDO-developed AIP system to the Kalvari-class submarines.
- An AIP is attached to traditional submarines with an AIP plug to allow the submarines to stay underwater for longer periods of time without having to come up to the ocean surface for air, minimizing the possibility of enemy discovery. AIP works as a 'force multiplier' for a diesel-electric submarine.
- DRDO is developing air independent propulsion (AIP) technology on its own.





Recent News Headlines related to Defence

- India marked a significant milestone in its self-reliance by delivering two warships to the Indian Navy: the destroyer Surat and the frigate Nilgiri.
- China successfully launched four Earth-observation radar satellites called 'PIESAT-2' using a Long March-2D rocket from the Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center in Shanxi Province.
- Space entrepreneurs in Japan and India had agreed to collaborate on a study of utilizing laser-equipped spacecraft to remove garbage from orbit, as an experimental answer to the increasingly pressing problem of orbital congestion.
- China's space program reached a milestone when two of its astronauts performed a nine-hour spacewalk. Shenzhou-19 crew members Cai Xuzhe and Song Lingdong completed a nine-hour extravehicular exercise (EVA), breaking a 22-year-old US record
- Defence PSU BEML Limited has secured Rs.136 crore contract to supply indigenously designed High Mobility Vehicles (HMs) 8x8.
- Starting in 2025, India's Aditya L1 and the European Space Agency's (ESA) Proba-3 missions will collaborate to further solar research.
- INS Tushil, a Russian-built guided missile frigate, was commissioned into the Indian Navy in Kaliningrad, Russia, in front of Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi, and other senior officials.
- Adani Defence has delivered the second Drishti-10 Starliner surveillance drone to the Indian Navy, improving the country's marine capability.
- The Ministry of Defence has inked a contract with M/s Cochin Shipyard Limited for the Short Refit and Dry Docking (SRDD) of INS Vikramaditya at a total cost of Rs. 1207.5 crore
- India and the United Kingdom have signed a Statement of Intent (Sol) to cooperate on the design and development of Electric Propulsion Systems for the Indian Navy.
- MOI-TD (My Orbital Infrastructure – Technology Demonstrator), India's first AI laboratory in space Made by Hyderabad-based space tech company TakeMe2Space (TM2Space). Launch Vehicle is ISRO'S PSLV C60 rocket.





Ques : What is the key achievement of the India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (Ind-Aus ECTA) after completing two years?

भारत-ऑस्ट्रेलिया आर्थिक सहयोग और व्यापार समझौते (Ind-Aus ECTA) के दो साल पूरे होने पर इसकी प्रमुख उपलब्धि क्या है?

- (a) Establishing a defense partnership / रक्षा साझेदारी स्थापित करना
- (b) Advancing trade ties and creating opportunities for MSMEs and employment / व्यापार संबंधों को आगे बढ़ाना और एमएसएमई और रोजगार के अवसर पैदा करना
- (c) Enhancing technological cooperation / तकनीकी सहयोग बढ़ाना
- (d) Promoting cultural exchanges / सांस्कृतिक आदान-प्रदान को बढ़ावा देना
- (e) Launching a joint space exploration program / एक संयुक्त अंतरिक्ष अन्वेषण कार्यक्रम शुरू करना

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (Ind-Aus ECTA) has completed two years of outstanding performance, promoting reciprocal growth and demonstrating the complementarity of both economies.
- The India-Australia ECTA has greatly advanced trade connections, opening up new prospects for MSMEs, businesses, and jobs in both countries while strengthening the foundation of their economic collaboration.
- Entering its third year, the Government of India is committed to maintaining this momentum through enhanced collaboration and new initiatives to drive mutual prosperity and achieve the Hon'ble Prime Minister's goal of India becoming a developed country by 2047.
- Since its signing, bilateral merchandise trade has more than doubled, increasing from USD 12.2 billion in 2020-21 to USD 26 billion in 2022-23. Total trade, however, moderated in 2023-24 to USD 24 billion, with India's exports to Australia increasing by 14%. The current fiscal year continues to show good momentum.





Ques : Karnataka Gov declared which day as Computer Operators' Day ?
कर्नाटक सरकार ने किस दिन को कंप्यूटर ऑपरेटर दिवस घोषित किया?

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

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- The Karnataka government established Computer Operators' Day on December 26 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Charles Babbage, an English mathematician and inventor of the digital computer.
- The Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department (RDPR) of Karnataka observed this.
- The first-ever Computer Operators' Day was held on December 26, 2024.

About Karnataka :

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

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Ques : Who has been appointed as the new Secretary General of the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM)?

एसोसिएटेड चैंबर्स ऑफ कॉमर्स एंड इंडस्ट्री ऑफ इंडिया (एसोचैम) के नए महासचिव के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Dilip Chenoy / दिलीप चैनॉय
- (b) Uday Shankar / उदय शंकर
- (c) Manish Singhal / मनीष सिंघल
- (d) Chandrajit Banerjee / चंद्रजीत बनर्जी
- (e) Praveen Mittal / प्रवीण मि्तल

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Manish Singhal has taken over as Secretary General of the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM), the country's premier business chamber.
- Singhal follows Deepak Sood, who left after a five-year tenure to pursue other interests.
- Singhal, an industry expert with more than 35 years of experience in Chamber and Corporate India, previously served as Deputy Secretary General of The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).
- He has also worked for several Indian multinational corporations, including Tata Motors, Eicher (Volvo), Tata Auto Comp Systems, Moser Baer India, and BEML, to name a few.

About Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) :

- ASSOCHAM is a non-governmental trade association and advocacy group. This organization represents the interests of trade and commerce in India.
- Established -1920
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Secretary General – Manish Singhal (replace Deepak Sood)
- ASSOCHAM has more than 200 chambers and trade organizations across India. It has more than 450,000 members.



Recent Appointment in different departments :

- Sachin Tendulkar : Melbourne Cricket Club (MCC) Membership
- Sandip Kumar Mishra : Director of the National Testing Agency (NTA)
- 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





Ques : Which country is set to construct its largest nuclear plant for electricity generation after receiving approval from its atomic energy regulatory agency?
कौन सा देश अपनी परमाणु ऊर्जा नियामक एजेंसी से मंजूरी मिलने के बाद बिजली उत्पादन के लिए अपना सबसे बड़ा परमाणु संयंत्र बनाने के लिए तैयार है?

- (a) China / चीन
- (b) Pakistan / पाकिस्तान
- (c) Bangladesh / बांग्लादेश
- (d) Malaysia / मलेशिया
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Pakistan's atomic energy regulatory agency has approved the construction of the country's largest nuclear reactor for electricity generating.
- The Pakistan Nuclear Regulatory Authority (PNRA) approved the construction of Chashma Nuclear Power Plant Unit 5 (C-5), the world's largest nuclear power plant with a capacity of 1200 MWe.
- C-5 is a Chinese Hualong-designed advanced third-generation pressurised water reactor with active and passive safety features such as double-shell containment and a reactor-filtered ventilation system. It has a lifespan of sixty years.
- This is Pakistan's third nuclear power facility using this architecture. Two other plants, Karachi Nuclear Power Plants units 2 and 3, are already operational and supplying power to the national grid.
- The National Economic Council's executive committee has already approved the C-5, which would cost USD 3.7 billion to build.
- Pakistan's installed nuclear energy capacity is around 3,530 MW, accounting for around 27% of total electricity generation in the national system.





Ques : Who has taken charge as the chief of the Indian Air Force's Western Air Command?

भारतीय वायु सेना की पश्चिमी वायु कमान के प्रमुख के रूप में किसने कार्यभार संभाला है?

- (a) Air Marshal Raghunath Nambiar / एयर मार्शल रघुनाथ नांबियार
- (b) Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra / एयर मार्शल जीतेन्द्र मिश्रा
- (c) Air Marshal Sandeep Singh / एयर मार्शल संदीप सिंह
- (d) Air Marshal Balabhadra Radha Krishna / एयर मार्शल बलभद्र राधा कृष्ण
- (e) Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari / एयर मार्शल विवेक राम चौधरी

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra takes over as chief of the Indian Air Force's Western Air Command, which is responsible for airspace security in the sensitive Ladakh sector and other portions of north India.
- Air Marshal Mishra, a fighter combat leader and experimental test pilot, has over 3000 hours of flying experience, according to the IAF.
- He follows Air Marshal Pankaj Mohan Sinha, who retired after more than 39 years of meritorious service.
- Air Marshal Mishra was commissioned into the Indian Air Force (IAF) as a fighter pilot on December 6, 1986.

Ques : Global Family Day is observed annually on which day ?

वैश्विक परिवार दिवस प्रतिवर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 28 December
- (b) 29 December
- (c) 31 December
- (d) 1 January
- (e) 2 January

Answer : Option D



Explanation :

- Every year on January 1, Global Family Day is marked to promote peace, solidarity, and a sense of common humanity around the world.
- Theme 2025: Let's Start the Year With Love, Unity, and Appreciation
- The day evolved from the United Nations Millennium Celebration in 2000, highlighting the importance of global solidarity and building a sense of family among people all around the world.

Important days :

- 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 'Annadatas' 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
- 29 December : International Cello Day

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IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

The 20th anniversary of the 2004 tsunami was observed across the coastal districts of Nagapattinam, Mayiladuthurai, and Karaikal in Tamil Nadu

The UAE's General Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA) introduced the first digital platform in the region for implementing CORSIA, a framework designed to reduce international aviation emissions through carbon offset mechanisms

Mizoram government entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with its partner banks – State Bank of India (SBI), Mizoram Rural Bank (MRB), and Mizoram Cooperative Apex Bank Limited (MCAB) for the disbursement of loans under the Bana Kaih(handholding) Scheme

Hemanth Muddappa, known as the "Drag King," achieved a remarkable triple crown victory in the final round of the MMSC FMSCI Indian National Motorcycle Drag Racing Championship held at the Madras International Circuit (MIC)

Puducherry led the nation with 53.03% women electors in the 2024 Lok Sabha Elections, making it the state/UT with the highest percentage of women electors.

China introduced the CR450, the world's fastest high-speed train, capable of reaching speeds of 450 kmph.

India's defence exports have surged to a record Rs 21,000 crore, a significant increase from Rs 2,000 crore a decade ago.





महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

2004 की सुनामी की 20वीं बरसी तमिलनाडु के नागपट्टिनम, मयिलादुथुराई और कराईकल के तटीय जिलों में मनाई गई।

यूएई के जनरल सिविल एविएशन अथॉरिटी (जीसीएए) ने सीओआरएसआईए को लागू करने के लिए क्षेत्र में पहला डिजिटल प्लेटफॉर्म पेश किया, जो कार्बन ऑफसेट तंत्र के माध्यम से अंतरराष्ट्रीय विमानन उत्सर्जन को कम करने के लिए डिज़ाइन किया गया एक ढांचा है।

मिजोरम सरकार ने बाना काइह के तहत ऋण वितरण के लिए अपने साझेदार बैंकों - भारतीय स्टेट बैंक (एसबीआई), मिजोरम ग्रामीण बैंक (एमआरबी), और मिजोरम सहकारी एपेक्स बैंक लिमिटेड (एमसीएबी) के साथ एक समझौता ज्ञापन (एमओए) में प्रवेश किया। हैंडहोलिंग योजना

"ड्रैग किंग" के नाम से जाने जाने वाले हेमंत मुद्दप्पा ने मद्रास इंटरनेशनल सर्किट (एमआईसी) में आयोजित एमएमएससी एफएमएससीआई इंडियन नेशनल मोटरसाइकिल ड्रैग रेसिंग चैंपियनशिप के अंतिम दौर में उल्लेखनीय ट्रिपल क्राउन जीत हासिल की।

पुडुचेरी ने 2024 के लोकसभा चुनावों में 53.03% महिला मतदाताओं के साथ देश का नेतृत्व किया, जिससे यह महिला मतदाताओं के उच्चतम प्रतिशत वाला राज्य/केंद्र शासित प्रदेश बन गया।

चीन ने दुनिया की सबसे तेज़ हाई-स्पीड ट्रेन CR450 पेश की, जो 450 किमी प्रति घंटे की गति तक पहुँचने में सक्षम है।

भारत का रक्षा निर्यात बढ़कर रिकॉर्ड 21,000 करोड़ रुपये हो गया है, जो एक दशक पहले के 2,000 करोड़ रुपये से काफी अधिक है।

