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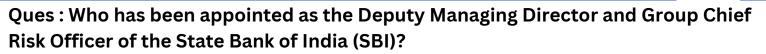
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- (a) Rajnish Kumar
- (b) Arundhati Bhattacharya
- (c) Baldev Prakash
- (d) Dinesh Khara
- (e) P K Gupta

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- State Bank of India has named Baldev Prakash as deputy managing director and group chief risk officer.
- Prakash previously served as managing director and chief executive officer of Jammu and Kashmir Bank on a three-year deputation, which concluded in December.
- Shiva Om Dikshit has been assigned a new role as deputy managing director, operations-channel management







Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- Amit Ganorkar : Managing Director(MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of TATA AIG General Insurance Company (Replaced Neelesh Garg)
- Jatinder Pal Singh : CEO of ITI Asset Management (ITI AML) (succeeding Hitesh Thakkar)
- Rajat Verma : CEO of DBS Bank India (succeeding Surojit Shome)
- Anup Kumar Sinha : Reappointment as Bandhan Bank's non-executive chairman
- 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

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Ques: Export-Import Bank of India established in which year?

- (a) 1982
- (b) 1985
- (c) 1989
- (d) 1995
- (e) 1998

Answer : Option A Explanation:

 The Export-Import Bank of India (EXIM Bank) successfully raised \$1 billion (Rs. 8,570) crore) in overseas bond issuance at competitive rates, a notable achievement for Indian issuers in global capital markets.

- The offering was priced at US Treasury rates plus 1%, with a negative new issue concession of 0.05%.
- The bond issue had global interest, with 50% coming from Asia, 32% from Europe, the Middle East, and Africa, and 18% from the US.

About Export-Import Bank of India:

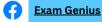
- Established : 1982
- HQ : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- CMD: Harsha Bangari

Ques : What was the theme of the 3rd edition of the Reserve Bank of India's Global Hackathon?

(a) Financial Inclusion and Literacy

- (b) Zero Financial Frauds and Being Divyang Friendly
- (c) Digital Banking Transformation
- (d) AI and Blockchain Innovations
- (e) Enhancing Rural Banking Services

Answer : Option B





Explanation :

• The Reserve Bank announced the winners of its 3rd Global Hackathon, themed 'Zero Financial Frauds' and 'Being Divyang Friendly'.

• The hackathon got 534 submissions, 39 of which came from teams outside India, including the United States, UK, Hong Kong, Singapore, Brazil, and Morocco.

- Five winners were chosen for solving a set of problem statements.
- Prize money for Winners across each problem statement is Rs 40 lakh.

• Prize money Best 'all-women team' (a team comprising only women members), across all four problem statements Rs 20 lakh.

Winners of Global Hackathon – HaRBInger 2024

• Epifi Technologies Pvt. Ltd and NapID Cybersec Pvt. Ltd : For bringing in solutions to identifying mule bank accounts/payment wallets

• Xaults Technologies Pvt Ltd : For coming up with a solution ensuring transaction anonymity in token-based (CBDC) transactions

• VisAst (Krimisha Deore) : For Best 'all women team' (a team comprising of only women members), across all four problem statements

• H Vision India Pvt. Ltd. (Hasin Vaidya) and Rupya Darshini (Parthiban R., Jebaraj V. and Gobika S.) : For providing solutions so that visually impaired people can accurately identify banknotes

• FPL Technologies Pvt Ltd : For coming out with a solution for real time prediction, detection and prevention of fraud in financial transactions which called 'OneRadar'





Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

• The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) lifted business restrictions on Arohan Financial Services Limited, a microfinance institution situated in Kolkata (West Bengal), after the lender implemented remedial steps and committed to fair loan pricing.

• HDFC Bank, India's largest private sector lender, has received the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) approval to acquire up to a 9.5% stake in Kotak Mahindra Bank, AU Small Finance Bank, and Capital Small Finance Bank.

• The Reserve Bank of India has approved a voluntary merger between The National Co-operative Bank Ltd., Bangalore (Karnataka) and Cosmos Co-operative Bank Limited (Maharashtra).

• As of December 31, 2024, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced that 98.12% of the Rs.2,000 denomination banknotes have been returned to the banking system, with Rs.6,691 crore still held by the public.

• To combat fraud, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) proposed adding a lookup tool for beneficiary accounts to the Real-Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) and National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) systems.

• The RBI's "Report on Trend and Progress of Banking in India 2023-24" provides a detailed study of the banking sector's performance for fiscal year 2023-24.

• 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.







Ques : Who maintains the Floating Rate Savings Bonds (Taxable) FRSB interest rate at 8.05% from January 1 to June 30, 2025 ?

- (a) NABARD
- (b) RBI
- (c) EPFO
- (d) SEBI
- (e) NPCI

Answer : Option B Explanation :

• The RBI has declared that the interest rate for RBI Floating Rate Savings Bonds (Taxable) FRSB 2020 (T) will stay at 8.05% from January 1 to June 30, 2025.

• The rate will be 7.70% for the National Savings Certificate (NSC) with an additional 0.35% margin.

• RBI FRSB interest is taxable and cannot be deducted. TDS applies if annual interest exceeds Rs.10,000.

• Bonds need a minimum investment of Rs.1,000, with further investments in multiples of Rs.1,000 and no maximum limit. The bonds cannot serve as security for loans.

• The RBI FRSB has a seven-year lock-in period and does not permit early withdrawals, save for senior citizens.

Ques : Who is set to become the next chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) on January 14, 2025?

(a) Dr. K Sivan

- (b) Dr. V Narayanan
- (c) Dr. A S Kiran Kumar
- (d) Dr. Sivanathan
- (e) Dr. M Annadurai

Answer : Option B







• Dr. V Narayanan, a famous scientist of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), is expected to succeed S. Somanath as chairman on January 14, 2025.

• He is currently the Director of the Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre (LPSC), where he has made significant contributions to India's space ambitions for nearly four decades.

• Dr. Narayanan joined ISRO in 1984 and has held several key positions during his career. His knowledge in rocket and spacecraft propulsion has proven useful on a number of important projects.

• Somanath became Secretary of the Department of Space on January 14, 2022, for a three-year term.

• Narayanan's specialty is in rocket and spacecraft propulsion. He served as the Project Director for the GSLV Mk III vehicle's C25 cryogenic project. Under his supervision, the team successfully produced the C25 Stage, which is an important component of the GSLV Mk III.

• He received his M.Tech in Cryogenic Engineering with First Rank from IIT-Kharagpur in 1989 and began working at the Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre's Cryogenic Propulsion division.

About Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) :

- Founded 15 August 1969
- Headquarters Bangalore, Karnataka
- Founder / 1st Chairman Vikram Sarabhai
- 10th Chairman V Narayanan (replace S. Somanath)





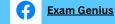


Recent Appointment in different departments :

- Bahadur Singh Sagoo : President of the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) (Replaced Adille Sumariwalla)
- Mike Johnson, a Republican from Louisiana : Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives
- Devajit Saikia : Chief Secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)
- Prabhtej Singh Bhatia : Treasurer of BCCI
- Sanjiv Ranjan : Secretary General of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Secretariat in Ebene, Mauritius (Replaced Salman Al-Farisi of Indonesia)
- Senior bureaucrat Akash Tripathi : Additional Secretary in the Ministry of Power
- Ashutosh Agnihotri : Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the Food Corporation of India (FCI)
- Jyoti Sharma : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Nasscom Foundation
- Kamal Kishore Soan : Additional Secretary and Mission Director of the Jal Jeevan Mission, which is part of the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation
- Shubha Thakur : Inter State Council Secretariat of the Home Ministry
- Faiz Ahmed Kidwai : chief of the Directorate General of Civil Aviation
- Amit Aggarwal : Secretary, of the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
- Manish Singhal : Secretary General of the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) (replace Deepak Sood)
- 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)

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• Unsoo Kim : Managing Director (MD) of Hyundai Motor India for 3 years







Ques : Which edition of Ammunition- Cum TorpedoCum Missile (ACTCM) Barge conducted by Indian Navy ?

- (a) 4th
- (b) 5th
- (c) 7th
- (d) 8th
- (e) 10th

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Indian Navy inducted its eighth ACTCM barge, LSAM 22 (Yard 132), during a ceremony at the Naval Dockyard in Mumbai.
- The ceremony was attended by Commodore Vinay Venkataram, Officer-in-Charge, Fleet Maintenance Unit (Mumbai), as the principal guest.
- On March 5, 2021, a contract was signed with M/s Suryadipta Projects Pvt. Ltd., a Thane-based MSME shipyard, to construct and deliver eleven ACTCM Barges.
- The MSME shipyard has obtained a contract to build and deliver 4 Sullage Barges for the Navy.

Ques : Who has been appointed as the Secretary of the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance?

(a) Ajay Seth (b) Tuhin Kanta Pandey

- (c) Rajiv Kumar
- (d) Tarun Bajaj
- (e) Sanjay Malhotra

Answer : Option B





Explanation :

• The Cabinet Appointments Committee (ACC) has accepted Tuhin Kanta Pandey's appointment as Secretary, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance.

• He now serves as Secretary of the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM). Meanwhile, Pandey will continue to serve as the Finance Secretary.

• In a parallel move, Arunish Chawla, who is currently Secretary of Revenue in the Ministry of Finance, has been appointed Secretary of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM), succeeding Tuhin Kanta Pandey.

• Chawla has also been appointed Secretary of the Department of Public Enterprises in the Ministry of Finance, as well as Secretary of Culture.

Ques : What percentage of the budgetary allocation was utilized by Indian Railways for capital expenditure in FY25?

- (a) 45%
- (b) 55%
- (c) 60%
- (d) 76%
- (e) 84%

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

• In FY25, Indian Railways exceeded Rs.2 lakh crore in capital expenditure (capex), making up 76% of its budget.

• The Union Budget for FY25 allocates Rs.2.65 lakh crore to Indian Railways, with a Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) of Rs.2.52 lakh crore.

• By December 2024, Indian Railways spent over Rs.2 lakh crore, including Rs.1.91 lakh crore from the GBS, Rs.824 crore from external resources, and Rs.8,733 crore from extra-budgetary sources.







Ques : Inauguration of the Adivasi Mela 2025, ahead of the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas(PBD) program, at the Exhibition Grounds in which state ?

(a) Kerala
(b) Tamil Nadu
(c) Odisha
(d) Andhra Pradesh
(e) Telangana

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

• Mohan Charan Majhi, Chief Minister of Odisha, opened the Adivasi Mela 2025 at the Exhibition Grounds in Bhubaneswar, ahead of the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) event.

• During the ceremony, the Shahid Madho Singh Haath Kharcha Scheme was established with a budget of Rs 156 crore to support tribal students. Additionally, nine tribal talents and ten tribal farmers were recognized for their remarkable accomplishments.

• Shaheed Madho Singh, a freedom fighter and tribal landowner from the Ghansa area of Bargarh district, Odisha

• Its aims is to reduce dropout rates and increase students' interest in education

• Tribal students who pass Class 8 and join Class 9 or 10 will receive a one-time incentive of Rs.5,000 per year Students and enrolling in Class 11 will also be eligible for this benefit

• It is Implemented for Current academic year 2024-2025

• Scheduled Tribe(ST) students whose annual family income does not exceed Rs 2,50,000 are eligible for the scheme.



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Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

• PLI scheme for Specialty Steel, termed as PLI Scheme 1.1 Launched by Union Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries, Shri H. D. Kumaraswamy at Vigyan Bhavan New Delhi. It is launched for the Period of FY 2025-26 to FY 2029-30.

• The Mira Bhayandar Municipal Corporation (MBMC) has developed a flagship initiative named 'Faral Sakhi' to encourage women entrepreneurs in the city of Mira Bhayandar, Maharashtra.

• The Union Cabinet, led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has approved the extension of the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana and Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme until 2025-26, with a total budget of Rs.69,515.71 crore from 2021-22 to 2025-26.

• The Income Tax Department has extended the deadline for the Vivad Se Vishwas Scheme 2024, offering taxpayers another chance to resolve disputes at lower tax rates. The extended new date isJanuary 31, 2025.

- The Haryana government has agreed to enhance the maximum amount of Death-cum-Retirement Gratuity for state government employees by 25%.
- Government of India(GoI) sanctioned Rs. 4388 crore under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan (PM-KUSUM) Scheme to solarize agriculture for states across India.
- Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) chief Arvind Kejriwal has launched a new scholarship programme aimed at Dalit students in Delhi. The scheme, named the Dr Ambedkar Samman Scholarship, will cover all expenses for Dalit students wishing to pursue higher education abroad.
- Delhi Chief Minister Atishi has introduced the Mukhyamantri Mahila Samman Yojana, which would pay a monthly stipend of Rs 1,000 to women residents with annual household incomes of up to Rs 3 lakh
- Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Uttar Pradesh have emerged as the top three states for rooftop solar installations under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana plan. It is launched on February 15, 2024.
- West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has launched the "Banglar Bari" initiative, which aims to provide housing for the state's rural poor.
- Yuva Shuddhi Abhiyan Launched by Karnataka Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot to raise awareness about the dangers of drug abuse among youth.
- The Chief Minister introduced 'Him Bhog Atta,' which is prepared from maize harvested by farmers in Uttarakhand using natural agricultural practices.
- The Indira Gandhi Sukh Shiksha Yojna aims to prevent child exploitation and assist vulnerable children of widows, poor mothers, divorced women, and disabled parent
- The Chief Minister handed over keys to 16 electric taxi owners as part of the Rajiv Gandhi Self-Employment Start-up Scheme 2023
- The Government of India's main effort for people with disabilities (PwDs), Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan or Accessible India Campaign (AIC), has been successfully implemented for 9 years.









Ques : Which country Joins BRICS as 10th Full Member ?

- (a) Indonesia
- (b) Sweden
- (c) Bhutan
- (d) Mauritius
- (e) Dubai

Answer : Option A Explanation :

• Indonesia, the world's fourth-most populous nation, has joined the BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa) alliance as the tenth full member, as announced by Brazil, the BRICS chair for 2025.

• The participation of Indonesia corresponds with Brazil's presidency theme, "Enhancing Global South Cooperation for a More Inclusive and Sustainable Governance."

• In 2024, BRICS expanded to include Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, and the UAE.

About Brics :

- Established : 2006
- HQ : Shanghai

• Members : Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Indonesia

Ques : As the year 2025 brought upon the world the 'Generation Beta', India got its first baby of this generation on New Year 's Day, January 1 in which state ?

- (a) Tripura
- (b) Mizoram
- (c) Assam
- (d) Manipur
- (e) Meghalaya

Answer : Option B





Explanation :

• On New Year's Day, January 1, 2025, India welcomed its first 'Generation Beta' baby in Aizawl, Mizoram

- The infant, Frankie Remruatdika Zadeng, is India's first kid from Generation Beta.
- Frankie's birth is significant since he belongs to Generation Beta, which refers to youngsters born between 2025 and 2039.
- Australian futurist Mark McCrindle coined the term "Generation Beta" to refer to the demographic group following Generation Alpha (2010-2024).

All the Generation Names and Years :

- The Greatest Generation : 1901–1927
- The Silent Generation : 1928–1945
- Baby Boom Generation : 1946–1964
- Generation X : 1965-1980
- Millennial Generation (Gen Y) : 1981–1996
- Generation Z (iGen) : 1997-2010
- Generation Alpha : 2010-2024
- Generation Beta : 2025-2039





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Recent News Headlines Related to First in india and world :

• Noble Hospitals and Research Centre in Pune, Maharashtra has installed the first made-in-India surgical robot, the SSI Mantra (Multi-Arm Novel Tele Robotic Assistance).

• 'Nadi Tarangini', an indigenously designed pulse diagnostic instrument, has been India's first Ayurvedic medical device to be approved for use by the Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO).

• The Gujarat government will conduct the country's first census of coastal and wader birds in the Marine National Park and Sanctuary in Jamnagar.

• In a first, Chhattisgarh state has devised an innovative concept that combines forest ecosystem services with Green Gross Domestic Product (Green GDP.

• Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu's famed tourist resort, has added another pearl to its crown. India's first glass bridge across the sea was inaugurated.

• Devi Ahilyabai Holkar Airport in Indore has been officially declared India's first Zero-Waste Airport.

• Uttarakhand has recently inaugurated its first wine production unit in Kotdwar, which is part of the government's new excise policy aimed at promoting wine tourism

• The Punjab Chief Minister, Bhagwant Singh Mann, approved the Punjab State (Development and Promotion of Sports) Act, 2024, making it the first state in the country to do so.

• Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone (APSEZ) Mundra welcomed CMA CGM Fort Diamant, the first LNG-powered container vessel to berth at the port's Container Terminal-CT4.

• Uttar Pradesh is the first state to connect its procurement process with the Centre's Govt e-Marketplace (GeM), replacing its traditional tendering system

• Masali, a village in Gujarat's Banaskantha district, has become India's first'solar village' near the border, a key milestone in the country's renewable energy efforts.

• Uttarakhand, often known as "Devbhoomi," will be the first Indian state to enact a specific Yoga Policy, aiming to make the state a global yoga destination.







Ques : In which city was the British Junior Open 2024 held?

- (a) London
- (b) Manchester
- (c) Edinburgh
- (d) Glasgow
- (e) Birmingham

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- In squash, India's Anahat Singh won the Under 17 Girl's Singles title at the British Junior Open in Birmingham, England.
- In the summit showdown, India's 16-year-old top seed defeated Egypt's Malika El Karaksy 3-2.
- Anahat won her third British Junior Open championship, having previously won in the Under-11 division in 2019 and the Under-15 category in 2023.





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Recent News headlines related to Sports

• Varun Tomar of the Indian Army has won the Men's 10-meter Air Pistol finals of the 67th National Shooting Championship 2024, which took place at Dr Karni Singh Shooting Range in New Delhi.

• Haryana Steelers reached a historic milestone by winning their first Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) title. In a thrilling final at the Shree Shiv Chhatrapati Sports Complex in Pune, the Steelers overcame the Patna Pirates by 32-23.

- West Bengal, the most successful team in the Santosh Trophy's history, added to its trophy collection by defeating Kerala in the final of the 78th edition. This was the Bengal team's 33rd Santosh Trophy.
- 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).
- Kerala won the Senior National Men's Handball Championship for the first time, defeating Chandigarh 34-31. The event final was held in Changanassery, Kerala.
- 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
- Lakshya Sen from India secured third place at the King Cup International Badminton Open by defeating French player Alex Lanier in straight games
- Karnataka's M. Raghu and Haryana's Devika Sihag won the men's and women's singles titles, respectively, at the 86th Senior National Badminton Championships 2024.
- Koneru Humpy, an Indian Grandmaster, won his second World Rapid Chess Championship, this time in New York. Koneru Humpy, 37, won the title by defeating Irene Sukandar with black pieces in the final round.
- Indian lifter Martina Devi clinched a silver medal in the women's junior +87kg category at the Asian Junior Weightlifting Championships.
- Bihar will host the Women's Kabaddi World Cup in March 2025 at Rajgir Sports Academy's indoor venue.
- The young Indian weightlifters ended the Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships 2024 with a respectable 33 medals, including 7 gold, 16 silver, and 10 bronze
- India won the inaugural Women's U-19 Asia Cup at Kuala Lumpur's Bayuemas Oval, defeating Bangladesh by 41 runs in the final.







Ques : Martin Guptill announced his retirement from international cricket at the age of 38. He is from which country?

- (a) England
- (b) New Zealand
- (c) Australia
- (d) South Africa
- (e) Ireland

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Martin Guptill, a New Zealand cricketer, has announced his retirement from international cricket at the age of 38.
- During his 14-year career, he scored over 14 thousand runs in 367 matches and smashed 23 international hundreds.
- He played 198 ODIs, 122 T2OIs, and 47 Tests, making his debut against the West Indies in 2009.
- Guptill has the record for the highest individual score in an ODI World Cup. In the 2015 World Cup, he scored 237 not out from 163 balls.
- Guptill will continue to play T20 franchise cricket across the world in the near future.







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Recently Retired Players :

- Rishi Dhawan : Retirement from Indian limited overs cricket
- Ravichandran Ashwin (Indian) : International cricket
- Imad Wasim (Pakistan) : International cricket
- Siddarth Kaul (Indian) : cricket
- Emma McKeon (Australia): professional swimming
- Rafael Nadal (Spain) : professional tennis
- 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
- PR Sreejesh (India) : international hockey





Ques : Agnes Keleti was the world's oldest living Olympic gold medalist in which sport?

- (a) Tennis
- (b) Gymnastic
- (c) Badminton
- (d) Wushu
- (e) Archery

Answer : Option B

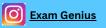
Explanation :

• Agnes Keleti, the oldest remaining Olympic gold medalist and Holocaust survivor, passed away at the age of 103.

• Keleti, a five-time Olympic champion from Hungary, earned her first gold medal at the age of 31 in Helsinki in 1952, followed by four more in Melbourne in 1956, making her the oldest female gymnast to win gold.

• Keleti is the second-most successful Hungarian athlete of all time, with 10 Olympic medals, five of which are gold.









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Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA) has achieved 'Excellent' rating for the performance MoU signed with the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) for the financial year 2023-24, with a score of 98.24.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) lifted the supervisory restrictions imposed on two non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) – Asirvad Micro Finance Limited and DMI Finance Private Limited.

Bank of Baroda enhanced its "Employee Assistance Program" (EAP) to prioritise the emotional, mental, and psychological well-being of its over 75,000 employees and their families. Partnering with Truworth Wellness, the Bank has introduced an upgraded version of the EAP, reinforcing its commitment to a supportive work environment.

The Gujarat government has approved the bifurcation of Banaskantha district to form a new administrative unit named Vav-Tharad district, with its headquarters in Tharad town. This decision will increase the number of districts in Gujarat to 34.

Banaskantha, which has 14 talukas, is the second-largest district in Gujarat by area and currently houses the highest number of talukas in the state. Vav-Tharad district will encompass eight talukas.

Edelweiss Financial Services Limited (EFSL) has announced the public issue of Secured Redeemable Non-Convertible Debentures (NCDs) with a total issue size of up to Rs. 2,000 million. The offering includes a base issue of Rs. 1,000 million and a green shoe option to retain an additional Rs. 1,000 million.



