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Ques: Who chaired the 12th All India Pension Adalat in New Delhi?

- (a) Anurag Thakur
- (b) Piyush Goyal
- (c) Jitendra Singh
- (d) Nitin Gadkari
- (e) Kiren Rijiju

Answer: Option C

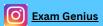
- Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh presided over the 12th All India Pension Adalat in New Delhi.
- During the event, the Minister engaged with seniors from several states and resolved their pension-related concerns on the spot. Speaking at the event, the Minister dedicated the Pension Adalat to all pensioners.
- The Pension Adalat attempted to address long-standing pension cases that had been lingering for more than 120 days in 16 departments and ministries that attended the Adalat. The Adalat discussed about 180 ministry-related cases.

















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Ques: Which edition of Paris Al Summit begins with PM Modi as Co-Chair?

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

Answer: option C

- Al Summit 2025 3rd Edition Held at Paris. It is Chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, along with French President Emmanuel Macron.
- The UK government hosted the "Global AI Safety Summit" in Buckinghamshire in November 2023, marking the first international event on artificial intelligence.
- The South Korean and UK governments jointly hosted the second Global AI Safety Summit, titled "Seoul AI Summit," on May 21-22, 2024, virtually.



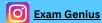


















Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

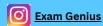
- The Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, is hosting the **BIMSTEC** Youth Summit in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, from February 7 to 11, 2025
- The third edition of the Kashi Tamil Sangamam will take place beginning February 15th. This year's theme will be 'Sage Agasthiyar'
- The 32nd session of the Indian Art History Congress opens in Noida, Uttar Pradesh. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Union Minister of Culture and Tourism, opened the threeday event
- Global Justice, Love & Peace Summit Held at Dubai Exhibition Centre, Expo City 2,800 peacekeepers and 72 distinguished speakers, including 10 Nobel Laureates, heads of state, and religious leaders Participates in it
- The Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, will host the BRICS Youth Council Entrepreneurship Working Group Meeting from March 3rd to March 7th, 2025
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the 'Utkarsh Odisha, Make in Odisha Conclave' in Bhubaneswar. The two-day conclave aims to promote investment, boost industrial growth, and position Odisha as a key economic hub in Eastern India
- Quad foreign ministers meeting 9th Edition Held at Washington D.C, the United States of America by US Secretary of State Marco Rubio. Quad group consisting of India, Japan, Australia, and the United States of America.
- The 1st International Olympic Research Conference is set to be hosted in Gujarat.
- The third National Mining Ministers Conference concluded in Konark, Odisha, with an emphasis on vital minerals mining. Rajasthan received the prize for excellent contribution to organizing the most auctions in 2023-24.
- Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister of Labour and Employment, Youth Affairs, and Sports, has opened a two-day international symposium on "Formalization and Social Security Coverage for Workers in the Informal Sector: Challenges and Innovations" in New Delhi.

















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Ques: Who chaired the meeting of the Parliamentary Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Home Affairs on 'Cyber Security and Cyber Crime'?

- (a) Amit Shah
- (b) Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya
- (c) Rajnath Singh
- (d) Piyush Goyal
- (e) Nitin Gadkari

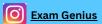
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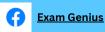
- Amit Shah, Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, presided over a meeting of the Parliamentary Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Home Affairs on 'Cyber Security and Cyber Crime' in New Delhi.
- Shri Nityanand Rai, Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, and Shri Bandi Sanjay Kumar, a Committee member, attended the meeting.
- Cyber Crime Forensic Training Labs have been set up in 33 states and union territories. 101,561 police officers have registered on the 'CyTrain' platform, a "Massive Open Online Course (MOOC)" platform, with over 78,000 certifications given.
- The Union Home Minister underlined the significance of public knowledge in preventing cybercrime and recommended that all committee members publicize the 14C hotline number 1930.
- India has emerged as the world's third-largest digital landscape. The digital economy accounts for 20 percent of India's entire economy.















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Ques: India and which country Inaugurate Indian Consulate in Marseille?

- (a) Spain
- (b) Egypt
- (c) USA
- (d) France
- (e) UK

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi and French President Emmanuel Macron will inaugurate the Indian Consulate in Marseille, strengthening India's diplomatic and economic presence in France.
- This is India's second diplomatic representation in France, following its embassy in Paris.
- Marseille, France's second-largest city, is strategically significant due to its location on the Mediterranean coast. This trade route connects Europe to Africa, the Middle East, and Asia.

About France:

• Capital: Paris • Currency: Euro

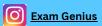
• President: Emmanuel Macron

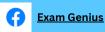
















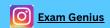
Recent Headlines Related to Inauguration:

- Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State (MoS) (Independent Charge, IC) of the Ministry of Science and Technology (MoS&T), inaugurated India's first Indigenous Automated Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Plant (BMWTP) called "Srjanam" at All India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi
- Jayant Chaudhary, Minister of State (I/C), Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), and Minister of State, Ministry of Education, opened the NSDC International Academy in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh
- The Bochasanwasi Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS) has inaugurated South Africa's largest Hindu temple in Johannesburg
- Sarala Aviation, a Bengaluru-based startup, showcased its prototype air taxi, Shunya, at the Bharat Mobility Global Expo.
- Archaeological Experiential Museum Inaugurated by Union Ministry of Culture and the Gujarat State Government at Vadnagar.
- Asia's second-largest International Society for Krishna Consciousness's (ISKCON's) temple Inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Kharghar, Navi Mumbai.
- Yogi Adityanath, Uttar Pradesh's chief minister, inaugurated Prasar Bharati's FM station 'Kumbhvani' at Circuit House.
- Z-Morh tunnel Inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. It marks a significant step in creating a year-round strategic corridor between Kashmir and Ladakh.
- National Commission for Women (NCW), in collaboration with the Lok Sabha Secretariat and the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, inaugurated 'Panchayat Se Parliament 2.0' at the Central Hall of Samvidhan Sadan.
- Om Birla, Lok Sabha Speaker, launched the Gandhi Darshan Art Gallery at Rajghat in New Delhi.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the 13-kilometer extension of the Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut Namo Bharat route. The corridor, worth Rs 4.600 crore.















Ques: Which edition of India-France AI Policy Roundtable was held at Sciences Po University, Paris, as a side event to the Al Action Summit 2025?

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

Answer: Option B

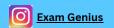
- The Second India-France AI Policy Roundtable was conducted at Sciences Po University in Paris as a prelude to the Al Action Summit 2025.
- The event was organized by the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA) to the Government of India in partnership with the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) in Bengaluru, the India Al Mission, and Sciences Po Paris.
- Experts stressed India and France's collaboration on indigenous AI models, multilingual large language models (LLMs), federated AI infrastructure, and longterm AI practices.
- The Second Roundtable expanded on the major objectives of the First Roundtable held in Bengaluru during Technology Dialogue 2025, with an emphasis on inclusive AI frameworks, varied datasets, governance, public-private collaborations, and foundational models.

















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Ques: Recently the Government includes how many New Agricultural Commodities under e-NAM?

- (a) 8
- (b) 10
- (c) 12
- (d) 14
- (e) 15

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The government of India has increased the list of agricultural commodities sold on the electronic- National Agricultural Market (eNAM) platform and includes 10 more agricultural commodities.
- With the addition of the 10 new commodities the total agricultural commodities traded on e-NAM is 231.
- The newly included agricultural commodities include dried tulsi leaves, besan (chickpea flour), wheat flour, chana sattu (roasted chickpea flour), water chestnut flour, asafoetida, dried fenugreek leaves, water chestnut, baby corn, and dragon fruit.

About e-NAM:

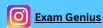
- Launched: 14th April 2016
- Funded by : Government of India 🗀 🦰 🗍 🗓 U S
- Implemented by: Small Farmers Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC), under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare
- Aim: to provide better marketing opportunities for the farmers to sell their produce through an online competitive and transparent price discovery system and online payment facility

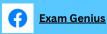
















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Ques: What is the name of the startup conclave organized by ICAR-Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR), Kozhikode?

- (a) Spice Up
- (b) Rise Up
- (c) Agri Innovate
- (d) Spice Tech
- (e) Start Spice

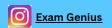
Answer: Option B

- The ICAR-Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR) in Kozhikode will host a startup summit titled Rise Up from February 19 to 21. The event's goal is to spark innovative ideas and encourage entrepreneurship in spice farming, processing, and value addition.
- The three-day conclave will feature seminars on topics such as the potential for innovation, the future of spice-based entrepreneurship, and technological breakthroughs in the spice industry.
- The Ideathon, held in cooperation with Kerala Startup Mission, invites students, entrepreneurs, and companies to submit their ideas online by February 15. Each squad can have up to five players.
- A panel of specialists will initially assess submitted ideas, and the selected concepts will be presented on the first day of the event at the IISR.
- The event offers a total prize pool of ₹1,00,000, with additional help from the research institution to develop promising concepts.
- George Ninan, Director of ICAR's Central Institute of Fisheries Technology.















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Ques: Who won the Men's Singles title at the 2025 Chennai Open Tennis tournament?

- (a) Elias Ymer
- (b) Rafael Nadal
- (c) Novak Djokovic
- (d) Kyrian Jacquet
- (e) Daniil Medvedev

Answer: Option D

- Kyrian Jacquet of France won the 2025 Chennai Open Tennis Men's Singles title, defeating Elias Ymer of Sweden in the final.
- The final took place at the **SDAT** Tennis Stadium in Nungambakkam, Tamil Nadu.
- Kyrian Jacquet, a 23-year-old French player, won his maiden ATP title.
- Shintaro Mochizuki and Kaito Uesugi of Japan won the doubles title in the 2025 Chennai Open Tennis tournament.

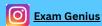


















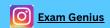
Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Meghalaya will host the 39th National Games in February/March 2027. Meghalaya, the host state for the next edition, will be presented with the IOA flag at the 38th Games' closing ceremony in Uttarakhand
- India's most accomplished player Pankaj Advani secured his 36th overall national title and 10th men's snooker crown at the Yashwant Club in Madhya Pradesh
- Jil Teichmann of Switzerland defeated Mananchaya Sawangkaew of Thailand to win the singles championship in the 2025 Mumbai Open tennis competition
- Ahead of the third One-Day International against England at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad, Indian team members, including former captain Virat Kohli, asked fans to support the 'Donate Organs, Save Lives' initiative and promise to donate organs
- The International Football Federation (FIFA) has suspended the Pakistan Football Federation (PFF) for failing to alter its constitution in order to ensure the smooth and equitable governance of the sport in the country. This is the third suspension the Pakistan Football Federation has issued since 2017
- Ireland's Aimee Maguire has been suspended from bowling in international cricket immediately after an Independent Assessment confirmed that the left-arm spinner uses an illegal bowling action
- At the ongoing 38th National Games in Uttarakhand, four-time Olympian archer Tarundeep Rai from Sikkim won the Bronze Medal in the Men's Recurve event. Juel Sarkar from West Bengal clinched the Gold while Indira Chand from Services Sports Control Boar clinched the Silver medal
- Suruchi of Haryana wins gold in the women's 10 metre air pistol at the 38th National Games with a score of 245.7
- The government has accepted the Indian contingent's participation in the 9th Asian Winter Games 2025, which will be held in Harbin, China, from February 7th to 14th. An 88-member Indian contingent, consisting of 59 athletes and 29 team officials, will compete















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Ques: Which organization launched a seven-year project with Somalia to enhance climate adaptation and resilience?

- (a) WTO
- (b) WHO
- (c) World Bank
- (d) FAO
- (e) UNDP

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) has formally launched a seven-year project in Somalia to improve climate adaptation and resilience for the country's most vulnerable people.
- The 95 million-dollar "Climate Resilient Agriculture in Somalia" initiative, known as "Ugbaad," which means "hope" in Somalia, would address climate change concerns and boost agrifood systems through large-scale investments.
- In Somalia, the agricultural industry employs an estimated 65 percent of the population and accounts for approximately 75 percent of the country's GDP.

About Food and Agriculture Organisation:

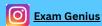
- Founded- 16 October 1945
- **HQ** Rome, Italy
- Parent organization- United Nations Economic and Social Council
- Director General Qu Dongyu

















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Ques: Cabinet Extends Safai Karamchari Commission Tenure till which date?

- (a) March 31, 2025
- (b) April 31, 2025
- (c) May 31, 2025
- (d) March 31, 2026
- (e) May 31, 2026

Answer: Option A

- National Commission for Safai Karamcharis (NCSK) Previous timeline is March 31, 2022. It is now Extended Three years until March 31, 2025.
- Extension budget is Approximately Rs.43.68 crore.
- Established in 1993 under the NCSK Act, the NCSK was initially set up to promote the welfare of Safai Karamcharis (sanitation workers) and address the challenges they face.

















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Ques: What is the new name of the Hindustan Jet Trainer HJT-36?

- (a) Tejas
- (b) Yashas
- (c) Garuda
- (d) Prachand
- (e) Dhruv

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Hindustan Jet Trainer HJT-36, the flagship training aircraft of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), has been renamed 'Yashas' following major upgrades to improve departure characteristics.
- Sanjeev Kumar, Secretary, Department of Defence Production, presented the new name in front of HAL Chief Managing Director DK Sunil and top officers at the Aero India 2025 event in Bengaluru.
- The FADEC-controlled AL-55I jet engine provides ideal thrust-to-weight ratio, enhanced thrust management, and durability.
- 'Yashas' is also fitted with stall and spin recovery, aerobatics, weapons carriage up to 1,000 kg, and single-point ground refueling and defueling capabilities.

About Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL):

• Established: 1940

• HQ: Bengaluru

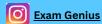
CMD: DK Sunil

















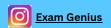
Recent News Headlines related to Defence

- Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh opened Asia's largest 15th Aero India event in Bengaluru. The five-day expo, themed "Runway to a Billion Opportunities"
- The MoD secured defence contracts worth Rs 10,147 crore to strengthen the Indian Army's firepower
- The Indian Navy's First Training Squadron (1TS) ships, INS Sujata, INS Shardul, and ICGS Veera, have landed at Changi Naval Base in Singapore for Long-Range Training Deployment to Southeast Asia
- The Indian Army renamed Kolkata's Fort William, the headquarters of its Eastern Command, Vijay Durg as part of the Central Government's anti-colonial activities
- Sunita Williams, an Indian-origin astronaut, has broken Peggy Whitson's record for the longest female spacewalk
- Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, an Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) astronaut and fighter pilot in the Indian Air Force (IAF), has been named the pilot for Axiom Mission 4 (Ax-4), a private trip to the International Space Station (ISS)
- Purchased 31 MQ-9B Predator drones from General Atomics (USA) for USD 3.99 billion, and developed two nuclear-powered assault submarines (SSNs) in-house
- The Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved the procurement of nearly Rs 10,000 crore in ammunition for the Indian Army's Pinaka Multi Barrel Rocket Launcher Systems (MBRLs)
- Chennai-based Garuda Aerospace, a drone manufacturer, has announced an investment of Rs.100 crore for the development of Andhra Pradesh as India's first 'Drone City'. Agnishwar Jayaprakash is Founder & CEO of Garuda Aerospace
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh launched 'SANJAY The Battlefield Surveillance System (BSS)' from South Block in New Delhi.
- M/s L&T Shipyard's second Multi-Purpose Vessel (MPV) for the Indian Navy was launched at its Kattupalli, Chennai, facility. The vessel, named 'Utkarsh'.
- The indigenously built micro missile system Bhargavastra was successfully tested at the Gopalpur Seaward firing range in Odisha.
- The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has inked a Rs. 2,960 crore contract with Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) to provide Medium-Range Surface-to-Air Missiles (MRSAM) to the Indian Navy.















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) for the term 2025-26?

- (a) Nirmal Jain
- (b) Suresh Prabhu
- (c) Ramesh Chand Gupta
- (d) Sanjay Malhotra
- (e) Charanjot Singh Nanda

Answer: Option E

- The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), the world's largest accounting group, has a new President, Charanjot Singh Nanda, for the fiscal year 2025-26.
- Nanda, who had previously served as ICAI's Vice-President, was elected as the 73rd President at a Central Council meeting in New Delhi.
- D Prasanna Kumar, a chartered accountant from Andhra Pradesh (Southern India Regional Council), was elected Vice President.
- Nanda, a Chartered Accountant for over 30 years, has been a member of the ICAI's Central Council since 2004 and has served many terms.
- Nanda earned a Bachelor of Commerce degree from M.L.N. College in 1987 and was constantly on the Kurukshetra University Merit List during his undergraduate studies. He became a chartered accountant in 1991.

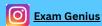


















Recent Appointment in different departments:

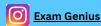
- Justin Hotard: CEO of Nokia (Replaced Pekka Lundmark)
- Vikram Kasbekar: Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Hero MotoCorp (HMC) Limited (Replaced Niranjan Gupta)
- Gopal Vittal: acting head of the GSMA (Groupe Spécial Mobile Association) board
- Hiroki Totoki: Chief Executive Officer of Sony Group (Replaced Kenichiro Yoshida)
- Allahabad High Court Justice Harsh Kumar: heading the three-member judicial committee set up to inquire into the stampede incident at Maha Kumbh 2025
- Rajesh Nirwan: Director General of the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS)
- Deshnee Naidoo: first Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Vedanta Resources Ltd (VRL)
- Hisashi Takeuchi: Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Maruti Suzuki India
- Janet Petro: 15th Acting NASA administrator (Replaced 14th NASA administrator, Bill Nelson)
- Jay Shah: Board member of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) Advisory Board
- Neeraj Parakh: Chief Executive Officer of Reliance Power
- Dhananjay Shukla: President of Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI)
- Robert Jerard Ravi: Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)
- Justice Devendra Kumar Upadhyaya: Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court (Replaced Justice Vibhu Bakhru)
- Justice Alok Aradhe: Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court (Replaced Justice Devendra Kumar Upadhyaya)
- Marco Rubio: 72nd US Secretary of State
- Nripendra Mishra: Chairperson of Executive Council of the Prime Ministers Museum and Library Society
- Vineet Joshi: Secretary of the Department of Higher Education under the Ministry of Education
- K Vinod Chandran: Chief Justice of Supreme Court

















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Ques: Who is the singer of the official song for the ICC Men's Champions Trophy 2025?

- (a) Arijit Singh
- (b) Atif Aslam
- (c) Shankar Mahadevan
- (d) Badshah
- (e) Jubin Nautiyal

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has released the official song for the ICC Men's Champions Trophy 2025, titled "Jeeto Baazi Khel Ke" and performed by Atif Aslam.
- The publication of this song fuels interest for the next 15-match competition in Pakistan and the UAE, scheduled from February 19 to March 9.
- Abdullah Siddiqui produced the song, with lyrics written by Adnan Dhool and Asfandyar Asad.

About ICC Men's Champions Trophy:

Started: 1998

• Tournament format: Group stage-Round-robin and Knockout

Number of teams: 8

• Most successful: Australia & India (2 titles each)

• 2025 edition: 9th

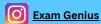
2025 host: Pakistan & UAE

















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Ques: Who has been appointed as one of the brand ambassadors for the ICC **Champions Trophy 2025?**

- (a) Virat Kohli
- (b) Rohit Sharma
- (c) Shikhar Dhawan
- (d) AB de Villiers
- (e) Steve Smith

Answer: Option C

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has been named the brand ambassador for the Champions Trophy 2025. Shikhar Dhawan, a left-handed batter, was appointed one of the event's four ambassadors.
- The event's other three ambassadors are former Australian all-rounder Shane Watson, New Zealand pacer Tim Southee, and former Champions Trophy captain Sarfaraz Ahmed.
- The competition will be place in Pakistan and Dubai from February 19 to March 9.
- India will play their matches in Dubai because they have declined to travel to Pakistan because to security concerns. India will begin their Champions Trophy campaign against Bangladesh on February 20.

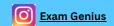


















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Ques: Which organisation signed an MOU with Korea Transport Institute (KOTI), Republic of Korea?

- (a) Department of Higher Education
- (b) Department of Official Language
- (c) Department of Fertilizers
- (d) Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade
- (e) Department of Consumer Affairs

Answer: Option D

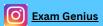
- The Korea Transport Institute and the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) have inked a collaboration agreement to improve logistics and infrastructure development.
- The **MoU** will strengthen cooperation in logistics and infrastructure development, allowing the institute's expertise to support India's ambitious infrastructure projects.
- The MoU will create a structure for information exchange and institutional cooperation among the logistics division, DPIIT, and KOTI.













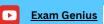




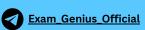
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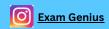
- The Fraunhofer Institute for Interfacial Engineering and Biotechnology (IGB), IIT Ropar, and Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) Pilani have signed a MoU to enhance best practices for optimizing the water-energy-food nexus and promoting a sustainable and climate-neutral economy
- Honeywell and AM Green have signed a MOU to develop carbon capture and sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) in India
- Amazon & CleanMax Partner to develop a 100 MW renewable energy project in India, which is Expected to be functional by Q2 2026. Expected Electricity Generation 355 million kWh annually
- During the Cities in Action Forum 2025, the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) signed a MOU with Expo City Dubai to promote international urban cooperation
- Indian Army's 4 Corps (Tezpur, Assam) & IIT Guwahati Collaborate and Signed by Maj. Gen. Rohin Bawa (GOC, Red Horns Division) and Prof. Devendra Jalihal (Director, IIT Guwahati) to enhance sustainability, reduce weight, and improve deployability in high-altitude regions like Arunachal Pradesh
- The Madhya Pradesh government has developed a strategic collaboration with the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Delhi to seek frequent help
- Technology Hub (T-Hub) & Indo-Turkiye Friendship Association (ITFA) sign MOU to strengthen collaboration between the innovation ecosystems of both countries, as they emerge as global leaders in economy and technology
- Air India and Kenya Airways Limited signed a Codeshare agreement to expand its network and offer more travel options for passengers.
- Government of Tripura and Digital India Bhashini Division (DIBD) of MeitY signed an MOU to increase the usage of the rich regional languages of Tripura and to facilitate citizen's digital participation by using these languages in governance
- Thomas Cook (India), an omnichannel travel organization, has partnered with the national government to provide housing, food, and transportation services for the National Games of India 2025, which will be hosted in Uttarakhand
- KPI Green Energy Limited has inked an agreement with Coal India Limited to create a 300 MW AC grid-connected solar PV facility in Gujarat's Khavda district. The Rs.1,311.40 crore project will be installed in GIPCL's Solar Park and include 5 years of operation and maintenance services

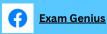
















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Ques: Logistics Performance Index (LPI), 2023 Published by which organization?

- (a) WTO
- (b) WHO
- (c) World Bank
- (d) RBI
- (e) SEBI

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Logistics Performance Index (LPI), 2023 Published by World Bank
- It is published in 6 different Categories: 1. Customs 2. Infrastructure 3.

International Shipments 4. Logistics Competence 5. Tracking & Tracing 6. Timeliness

- In 2023, India ranked 22nd globally for international shipments and 38th overall in the World Bank's Logistics Performance Index (LPI).
- In 2018, India ranked 44th in the International Shipments category.
- Indian ports have drastically reduced processing times, with an average turnaround time of 0.9 days, surpassing big economies like the USA (1.5 days), Australia (1.7 days), and Germany (1.3 days).
- India's steady increase in the World Bank's Logistics Performance Index from 54th in 2014 to 38th in 2023 is attributed to policy-driven and technology-backed reform.

Ranking of Top 5 and last countries:

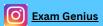
- 1 Singapore
- 2 Finland
- 3 Denmark
- 4 Germany
- 5 Netherlands
- 38 India
- 138 Libya

Ranking of India in 6 categories:

- 47 Customs 47 Infrastructure
- 22 International Shipments 38 Logistics Competence
- 35 Timeliness 41 Tracking & Tracing













India's Rankings in Different Indices

- 2025 Henley Passport Index Published by Henley & Partners: India (80th), Singapore (1st)
- USGBC's LEED green building certification global rankings by 2024: India (3rd), China (1st)
- Full-year and December 2024 international passenger market performance data Published by International Air Transport Association (IATA): India (1st), United States of America (2nd)
- 2025 list of the world's 10 most powerful countries Published by Forbes: India (12th), United States (1st)
- Forbes "50 Over 50" Women Global list 2025 1st Edition Published by Forbes : Quarraisha Abdool Karim (top) (South Africa), Urmila Asher (3rd) (India)
- World's Billionaires List 2025 Published by Forbes: Elon Musk (top), Mukesh Ambani (9th)
- World University Rankings by Subject 2025 Published by Times Higher Education (THE): Indian Institute of Science (IISc) in Bengaluru, Karnataka (96th), University of Oxford (UK) (1st)
- Global Firepower Index 2025 Published by Globalfirepower.com: India (4th), US (top)
- Global 500 2025 report 19th Edition Published by Brand Finance: Apple (top), Tata Group (15th)
- World Future Skills Index 2025 Published by Quacquarelli Symonds (QS): India (25th), USA (top)
- HSBC Hurun Global Indians List 2024 Published by Hurun: Satya Nadella, CEO of Microsoft (Top)
- Annual India Fintech Report 2024 Published by Tracxn Technologies Limited : India (3rd), United States of America (USA) (1st)
- Henley Passport Index 2025 Published by Henley: India (85th), Singapore (top)
- ThreatLandscape Report 2024 Published by CloudSEK: India (2nd), United States (top)
- Global Aging Index Published by National University of Singapore (NUS) & **Columbia University:** India (123rd), Switzerland (top)
- Hurun India Top 200 Self-Made Entrepreneurs of the Millennia 2024 Published by Hurun India & IDFC FIRST Private Banking: Kaivalya Vohra (Zepto) (Youngest), Ashok Soota (Happiest Minds Technologies) (Oldest)

















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Ques: The Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) has opened how many bank accounts as of January 15, 2025?

- (a) 54 crore
- (b) 58 crore
- (c) 52.68 crore
- (d) 53.58 crore
- (e) 54.58 crore

Answer: Option E

- The Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) has opened over 54.58 crore bank accounts as of January 15, 2025, marking an important milestone.
- Women account for 30.37 crore (55.7%) of these accounts, highlighting the scheme's impact on financial inclusion, particularly in underprivileged areas.
- As of January 15, total enrolments under the Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) were 22.52 crore, with over 10 crore women.
- The Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) had 49.12 crore enrolments, with 22.84 crore women. As of December 31, APY had 7.25 crore enrolled individuals, with 3.44 crore of them being women.

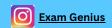


















Ques: Who is the author of the book I Am a Soldier's Wife?

- a) Naina Lal Kidwai
- b) Sudha Murthy
- c) Kiran Desai
- d) Geetika Lidder
- e) Jhumpa Lahiri

Answer: Option D

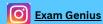
- Brigadier LS Lidder, a famous commander in the Indian Army, is remembered in a poignant book written by his wife, Geetika Lidder, titled 'I Am a Soldier's Wife: The Life and Love of Toni Lidder.'
- It is Released by Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi.
- The book commemorates his incredible journey as both a soldier and a loyal family man.
- The biography also revisits the tragic December 2021 helicopter crash, which claimed the lives of Brigadier Lidder and other distinguished officers, including General Bipin Rawat, India's first Chief of Defence Staff (CDS).

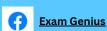
















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Ques: National Productivity Day is observed annually on which day?

- (a) 10 February
- (b) 11 February
- (c) 12 February
- (d) 13 February
- (e) 14 February

Answer: Option C

- National Productivity Day is marked annually on February 12 in India to raise awareness about the importance of productivity in achieving economic growth and sustainability, with direction from the National Productivity Council (NPC). It is part of a week-long event running from February 12 to 18.
- This day emphasizes that productivity is more than just increasing output; it is a multifaceted notion that takes into account environmental issues, human resource development, and job quality.
- Theme 2025: "From Ideas to Impact: Protecting Intellectual Property for Competitive Startups."
- The National Productivity Day honors the formation of the National Productivity Council (NPC), which was founded on February 12, 1958, under the Societies Registration Act of 1960.

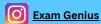


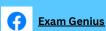
















Ques: World Radio Day is observed annually on which day?

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- (b) 11 February
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- (d) 13 February
- (e) 14 February

Answer: Option D

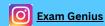
- World Radio Day is observed yearly on February 13th.
- The goal is to increase awareness about the role of radio in protecting free expression, cultural variety, and access to information.
- Theme 2025: Radio and Climate Change
- It was declared by UNESCO in 2011 and adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 2012 to acknowledge radio's role in promoting discourse, peace, and cultural variety.

















Important days:

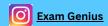
- 26 January: 76th Republic Day 2025 (Theme 2025 "Swarnim Bharat: Virasat aur Vikas" (Golden India: Heritage and Development))
- 26 January: International Customs Day (Theme 2025: Customs Delivers on its Commitment to Efficiency, Security, and Prosperity)
- 26 January: International Day of Clean Energy 2025 (Theme 2025 Climate Change: The Need for a Global Energy Transition)
- 26 January (last Sunday of January): World Leprosy Day (Theme 2025: Unite. Act. Eliminate)
- 27 January: International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust (Theme 2025 Holocaust remembrance and education for dignity and human rights)
- 27 January: National Geographic Day 2025
- 29 January: Indian Newspaper Day 2025 (Theme 2025 Role of Print Media in the Digital Age)
- 30 January : Martyrs' Day, also known as Shaheed Diwas
- 30 January: World Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) Day (Theme 2025: Unite. Act. Eliminate)
- 1 February: Indian Coast Guard Day
- 2 February: World Wetlands Day (Theme 2025: Protecting Wetlands for Our Common Future)
- 4 February: International Day of Human Fraternity (Theme 2025: Human fraternity for global peace and coexistence)
- 4 February: World Cancer Day (Theme 2024: United by Unique)
- 6 February: The International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation
- 1 7 February: World Interfaith Harmony Week (Theme 2025: Uniting for Peace)
- 2 8 February (First full week of February): International Development Week 2025 (Theme 2025 Cooperation for a Sustainable Future: Celebrating 35 Years of IDW)
- 10 February: International Day of the Arabian Leopard
- 10 February : World Pulses Day
- 10 February (2nd Monday of February): International Epilepsy Day 2025 (Theme 2025 My Epilepsy journey)
- 11 February: World Unani Day (Theme 2025: Innovations in Unani Medicine for Integrative Health Solutions. A Way Forward)
- 11 February : International Day of Women and Girls in Science
- 11 February: Anti-Smuggling Day 2025

















IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs

State-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation has signed a pact with global oil major BP to explore collaboration in exploration and production, trading and other energy vectors, in India and internationally.

Maimun Alam Appointed as Director in the Ministry of Steel under the Central Staffing Scheme.

Infibeam Avenues Limited has announced that its subsidiary, Rediff.com India Ltd., has obtained a Third-Party Application Provider (TPAP) license from the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) for its digital payment platform, RediffPay.

India and Nicaragua sign agreements to implement Quick Impact Projects (QIPs).

SBI Mutual Fund (MF) expanded its stake in Axis Bank to 5.0238%. Stake is increased by 0.036%.

One 97 Communications Limited (Paytm) has teamed up with Agoda, a prominent digital travel platform under Booking Holdings, to enhance its travel services.

Golden Peacock Award for Corporate Social Responsibility given by Institute of Directors (IOD) to Coal India Limited (CIL) at IOD's 19th International Conference on Corporate Social Responsibility at Hotel Taj Lands End, Mumbai. In the last three years, CIL and its subsidiaries have spent Rs. 1673 Crores in Healthcare, education, rural developments etc.

India has reached a historic milestone in its defense sector, with domestic defense production surpassing Rs.1.27 lakh crore.

Reliance Industries (RIL)-owned Mumbai Indians (MI), through its subsidiary RISE Worldwide, has announced the acquisition of a 49% ownership in London-based Oval Invincibles, a franchise in the England and Wales Cricket Board's (ECB) The Hundred, for an undisclosed sum.







