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Ques: In February 2025, how many new branches Muthoot Finance received approval to open from the RBI? फरवरी 2025 में मुथूट फाइनेंस को RBI से कितनी नई शाखाएँ खोलने की मंज़ूरी मिली है?

- (a) 75
- (b) 88
- (c) 95
- (d) 110
- (e) 115

**Answer**: Option E

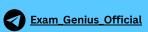
- Muthoot Finance, a finance and insurance firm, has received approval from the RBI to open 115 new branches.
- The corporation is also urged to make appropriate arrangements for the security and storage of gold jewellery, including a safe deposit vault, as specified in the existing guidelines, to the extent applicable.
- Muthoot Finance reported a 21% growth in consolidated PAT in Q3 FY25 to Rs.1,392 crore from Rs.1,145 crore in Q3 FY24.

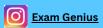


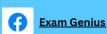
















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Ques: In February 2025, what is the total penalty imposed by SEBI on three foreign portfolio investors, Nexpact Ltd, AIRD Investment Commercial LLC, and Aviator **Global Investment Fund?** 

फरवरी 2025 में, सेबी ने तीन विदेशी पोर्टफोलियो निवेशकों, नेक्सपैक्ट लिमिटेड, एआईआरडी इन्वेस्टमेंट कमर्शियल एलएलसी और एविएटर ग्लोबल इन्वेस्टमेंट फंड पर कुल कितना जुर्माना लगाया है?

- (a) Rs 20 lakh
- (b) Rs 30 lakh
- (c) Rs 40 lakh
- (d) Rs 50 lakh
- (e) Rs 60 lakh

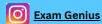
**Answer**: Option D

- SEBI, the capital markets regulator, has imposed penalties totaling Rs 50 lakh on three foreign portfolio investors for breaching the short-term investment restrictions in debt securities.
- In three separate rulings, the regulator fined Nexpact Ltd and AIRD Investment Commercial LLC Rs 20 lakh apiece, while imposing a Rs 10 lakh penalty on Aviator Global Investment Fund.
- The orders came after Sebi inspected the custodian, Orbis Financial Corporation, during FY22.
- The regulator found that Aviator Global Investment Fund, Nexpact Ltd, and AIRD Investment Commercial LLC's investments in debt instruments did not meet the allowed limits (in terms of residual maturity) for FPIs as of March 31, 2022.















#### **Recent News Headlines Related to SEBI**

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has canceled the registrations of 19 foreign venture capital institutions (FVCI) after investigations revealed that they had violated capital market rules
- 'MITRA' (Mutual Fund Investment Tracing and Retrieval Assistant) Launched by SEBI to help investors trace their unclaimed or inactive mutual fund folios
- SEBI is planning to introduce a new financial product that combines Mutual Funds (MFs) investments with Term Life Insurance (TLI)
- On India's 76th Republic Day, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) launched 'Dharohar - Milestones in the Indian Securities Market,' a digital knowledge repository
- SEBI, the market regulator, has created a web-based site for stock exchanges and other market infrastructure institutions to submit preliminary and final root cause analysis (RCA) reports on technical issues
- SEBI has collaborated with the National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM) to offer an e-learning course on municipal bonds.
- Sebi has made significant modifications to the nomination requirements for mutual funds and demat accounts to reduce unclaimed assets.
- According to SEBI Chairperson Madhabi Puri Buch, total capital market fundraising in FY2025 is likely to increase by 21% to Rs.14.7 lakh crore from Rs.11.8 lakh crore in FY2024.
- Cosmea Financial Holdings (CFH) Private Limited, led by Sam Ghosh, was granted approval by the SEBI to sponsor a Mutual Fund (MF). CFH plans to invest Rs 200 crore (USD 23.3 million) in its Asset Management Company (AMC).
- SEBI, the market regulator, slapped a Rs 54 lakh penalty on Jaiprakash Power Ventures, its MD and CEO Suren Jain, and other key personnel for falsifying the company's financial statements.
- SEBI has extended the prohibition on future trade of seven agricultural commodities until January 2025: soybeans and their derivatives, crude palm oil, wheat, rice (non-basmati), moong, chana, and mustard seeds.
- SEBI has urged stock exchanges, clearing organizations, and depositories to implement a common strategy for sharing data used in research and research publications conducted by approved academic institutions.















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Securities and Exchange **Board of India (SEBI)?** 

भारतीय प्रतिभृति एवं विनिमय बोर्ड (सेबी) के नए अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Arvind Subramanian / अरविंद सुब्रमण्यन
- (b) Raghuram Rajan / रघुराम राजन
- (c) Ajay Tyagi / अजय त्यागी
- (d) Tuhin Kanta Pandey / तुहिन कांता पांडे
- (e) None of the above / उपरोक्त में से कोई नहीं

**Answer**: Option D

- Finance Secretary Tuhin Kanta Pandey has been appointed the next Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) for a three-year term.
- The Odisha-cadre Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer would succeed Madhabi Puri Buch, who finished her three-year term on February 28, 2025.
- Mr. Pandey has an MA in economics from Punjab University in Chandigarh and an MBA from the University of Birmingham (UK). He has worked in various capacities for both the Odisha and the Indian governments.



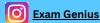


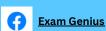
















### **Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance** Sector:

- Shahrukh Todiwala: MD, CEO of Kotak Mahindra Prime, a subsidiary of Kotak Mahindra Bank (KMB)
- Prabdev Singh (P.D.) Singh: Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of India's operation of Standard Chartered of India based in Mumbai (Replaced Zarin Daruwala)
- JP Morgan: CEO for Standard Chartered (StanC) in India
- Salila Pande: MD and CEO of SBI Cards and Payment Services Board
- Shreekant: Administrator of New India Cooperative Bank
- Dr. Madhavankutty G: Chief economist of Canara Bank
- Ashu Khullar: Global co-head of Global Asset Managers (GAM)
- Mr. Rajendra Narayan Das: Inspector general (IG) of Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)
- Ms. Parul Kush: Inspector general (IG) of Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB)
- Ms. Rani Bindu: Inspector general (IG) of Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D)
- K Balasubramanian: India subcontinent sub-cluster and banking head of Citibank (succeeding Ashu Khulla)
- P. Suriaraj: Executive Director of the Dhanlaxmi Bank
- Rakesh Sharma: Reappointment as MD and CEO of IDBI Bank
- Alok Kumar Agarwal: Managing Director and CEO of Zurich Kotak General Insurance
- Binod Kumar: MD and CEO of Indian Bank
- Ashok Chandra: MD and CEO of Punjab National Bank (PNB)
- Ankur Jhaveri: MD and CEO of Institutional Equities at JM Financial Institutional Securities

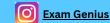


















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Ques: Which regulatory body imposed a Rs 5.05 crore penalty on the Indian Clearing Corporation (ICCL) in February 2025? फरवरी 2025 में किस नियामक संस्था ने भारतीय समाशोधन निगम (ICCL) पर 5.05 करोड़ रुपये का जुर्माना लगाया?

- (a) RBI
- (b) SEBI
- (c) NABARD
- (d) IRDAI
- (e) SBI

**Answer**: Option B

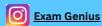
- SEBI imposed a total penalty of Rs 5.05 crore on Indian Clearing Corporation (ICCL), a wholly owned subsidiary of the BSE, for alleged violations of cyber security and system auditing standards.
- The market regulator performed an inspection from December 2022 to July 2023, after which it issued the show-cause notice in October.
- According to Sebi's findings, ICCL submitted the network auditor report to the regulator with no comments from management or the board.
- The requirements require that the audit report, along with management comments, be presented to the governing board of market infrastructure institutions. The same, together with the board's comments, must be reported to Sebi within one month of the audit's completion.

















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Ques: Which two organizations are jointly organizing the "Innovate with GolStats" Hackathon?

कौन से दो संगठन संयुक्त रूप से "इनोवेट विद गोइस्टैट्स" हैकथॉन का आयोजन कर रहे हैं?

- (a) Ministry of Finance and RBI / वित्त मंत्रालय और आरबीआई
- (b) NITI Aayog and MyGov / नीति आयोग और माईगॉव
- (c) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) and MyGov / सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय (एमओएसपीआई) और माईगॉव
- (d) Ministry of Science & Technology and NPCI / विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय और एनपीसीआई
- (e) SEBI and Ministry of Corporate Affairs / सेबी और कॉर्पोरेट मामलों के मंत्रालय

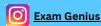
**Answer**: Option C

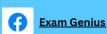
- The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), in collaboration with MyGov, is launching a data-visualization hackathon titled "Innovate with GolStats" with the theme "Data-Driven Insights for Viksit Bharat" to encourage students and researchers to use official statistics for innovative insights.
- The hackathon will take place on MyGov from February 25th to March 31st, 2025.
- Participants will analyze and visualize data from official publications such as PLFS, HCES, ASI, CPI, and GDP to provide insights that will aid evidence-based policies for India's growth.
- Participants can be undergraduate, postgraduate, or research students. The best 30 entries will win cash awards, including a Rs.2 Lakh first prize, Rs.1 Lakh second prize, Rs.50,000 third prize, and Rs.20,000 consolation prize.















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Ques: Which state government is collaborating with the Indian Navy for the conversion of Ex INS Guldar?

एक्स आईएनएस गुलदार के रूपांतरण के लिए कौन सी राज्य सरकार भारतीय नौसेना के साथ सहयोग कर रही है?

- (a) Himachal Pradesh / हिमाचल प्रदेश
- (b) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (c) Goa / गोवा
- (d) Punjab / पंजाब
- (e) Gujarat / गुजरात

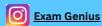
**Answer**: Option B

- The Indian Navy has given Ex INS Guldar, a decommissioned Landing Ship Tank (Medium), to the Maharashtra Tourism Development Corporation Limited (MTDC).
- This program transforms a former naval warship into an underwater museum and artificial reef, making it a first for India.
- The ship was handed over in Karwar to MTDC on a 'as is where is' basis.
- The ex-INS Guldar was built in Poland and commissioned in the Indian Navy on December 30, 1985.
- It operated in the Eastern Naval Command until 1995, then in the Andaman and Nicobar Command until its deactivation on January 12, 2024.
- Several military boats in India have been converted into museums, including the underwater museum INS Kursura near Visakhapatnam and the museum INS Vikrant, which was recommissioned in 2022.















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Ques: Which country issued aviation warnings following the eruption of Mount **Dukono?** 

माउंट डुकोनो के विस्फोट के बाद किस देश ने विमानन चेतावनी जारी की?

- (a) Indonesia / इंडोनेशिया
- (b) Sweden / स्वीडन
- (c) Bhutan / भूटान
- (d) Mauritius / मॉरीशस
- (e) Dubai / दुबई

**Answer**: Option A

## **Explanation:**

- Mount Dukono, Indonesia's most active volcano, erupted, sending a gigantic ash cloud up to 2,000 meters into the sky.
- The eruption on Halmahera Island in North Maluku province has caused Indonesian officials to issue aviation alerts and safety recommendations to inhabitants.
- The volcano, located at 1,087 meters above sea level, has been continuously active since 1933.

#### **About Indonesia:**

Capital : Jakarta

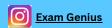
• Currency: Indonesian rupiah • President : Prabowo Subianto

















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Ques: Which organization has signed an MoU with the Government of Madhya Pradesh for a solar project?

किस संगठन ने सौर परियोजना के लिए मध्य प्रदेश सरकार के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- (a) Solar Energy Corporation of India Ltd / भारतीय सौर ऊर्जा निगम लिमिटेड
- (b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited / हिंदुस्तान एयरोनॉटिक्स लिमिटेड
- (c) South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) / साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड
- (d) Steel Authority of India Limited / स्टील अथॉरिटी ऑफ इंडिया लिमिटेड
- (e) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited / भारत हेवी इलेक्ट्रिकल्स लिमिटेड

**Answer**: Option A

- Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited (SECI), a Navratna CPSU under the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, has signed an MoU with the Madhya Pradesh government to establish a 200 MW solar project in Dhar under the CPSU Scheme, as well as a 1000 MWh battery storage project in the state.
- The 200 MW Solar Project is part of a 500 MW Agreement signed in 2023 with MP Power Management Company Limited (MPPMCL) for a 25-year period under which SECI will sell electricity to the state.

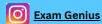


















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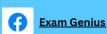
- India's National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG) & Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration (SLIDA) signed to train 1,500 Sri Lankan civil service officers over five years. The NCGG has trained 95 civil servants from Sri Lanka till date. Around 8 modules will be held annually under the programme
- Tata Power has entered into a partnership with Amazon Web Services to initiate a data-driven transformation to speed up India's energy transition
- Bisleri Signs MOU with Archaeological Survey of India to make a lasting impact on India's heritage sites, ensuring they remain preserved for centuries to come
- Godrej Partners with Bisiach & Carru for manufacturing advanced railway and aerospace equipment in the country
- India and Argentina have signed a MOU to expand their collaboration in lithium exploration and investment
- India's Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and Nepal's Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST) have signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to strengthen scientific and technical partnership
- India and Qatar Elevate Bilateral Ties to Strategic Partnership, Enhancing Trade, Investment, and Energy Cooperation. It aim to double trade from \$14.08 billion to \$28 billion within five years
- Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Ltd (TRIFED) has signed MoUs with Meesho, IFCA, and MGIRI during the 'Aadi Mahotsav' event to implement a B2B approach, enhancing market access for tribal products
- A.P. Moller Maersk (Maersk) and Cochin Shipyard Ltd. (CSL) have signed a MoU to explore collaboration opportunities in ship repair, maintenance, and building activities in India
- The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), in conjunction with AgroStar and Kay Bee Exports, successfully completed India's first commercial trial shipments of quality Sangola and Bhagwa pomegranates to Australia by sea
- The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) have signed a letter of intent to research AI-powered Digital Twin technologies for enhanced infrastructure planning















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Ques: What is the name of the witness protection scheme launched by the Haryana government in Feb 2025?

हरियाणा सरकार द्वारा फरवरी 2025 में शुरू की गई गवाह सुरक्षा योजना का नाम क्या है?

- (a) Haryana Crime Prevention Scheme 2025
- (b) Haryana Witness Security Program
- (c) Haryana Witness Protection Scheme 2025
- (d) Haryana Law Enforcement Initiative
- (e) Haryana Justice and Safety Act 2025

**Answer**: Option C

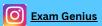
- The Nayab Singh Saini-led BJP government announced the "Haryana Witness Protection Scheme, 2025" to protect witnesses as the state prepares to adopt three new criminal legislation.
- The system will apply to witnesses to offences punished by death, life imprisonment, or imprisonment for seven years or more.
- It will also address sanctions under Sections 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, and 79 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, as well as Sections 8, 10, 12, 14, and 15 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012.
- According to a government official, the system will divide witnesses into three categories based on their perceived threat level.
- Category A comprises situations in which the witness's life, the lives of their family members, or any other individual in whom the witness is interested, is threatened during or after the inquiry or trial.
- Category B instances contain threats to the witness's safety, reputation, or property, as well as their family members, whereas category C cases involve moderate threats, such as harassment or intimidation of the witness, their family members, and so on.

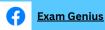
















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Ques: Which athlete secured the women's title at the New Delhi Marathon 2025? नई दिल्ली मैराथन 2025 में महिला वर्ग का खिताब किस एथलीट ने हासिल किया?

- (a) Parul Chaudhary / पारुल चौधरी
- (b) Sanjivani Jadhav / संजीवनी जाधव
- (c) Bhagirathi Bisht / भागीरथी बिष्ट
- (d) Hima Das / हिमा दास
- (e) Jyoti Gawate / ज्योति गावटे

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

- Asian champion Man Singh (Uttarakhand) won the men's race in the New Delhi Marathon 2025, while Bhagirathi Bisht (Uttarakhand) claimed the women's championship in India's national capital.
- The New Delhi Marathon is recognized as India's national marathon by the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) and is an approved World Athletics event.
- Man Singh, 35, won gold in the men's event with a time of 2:15:24.
- Bhagirathi Bisht, an exceptional female Indian athlete, won the full marathon in 2:48:59.
- India's men's marathon national record is 2:12:00, set by Shivnath Singh in Jalandhar in 1978.

## List of New Delhi Marathon 2025 winners:

• Elite men: Man Singh (2:15:24)

• Elite women: Bhagirathi Bisht (02:48:59)

• Half marathon men: Harmanjot Singh (01:04:36)

Half marathon women: Tseganeshg Mekonnen (01:23:55)

• 10K men : Parvej (00:30:25)

• 10K women : Anjali Devi (00:36:46)

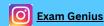


















#### **Recent News headlines related to Sports**

- Gulveer Singh, who won bronze in the Hangzhou Asian Games, became the first Indian to break the 13-minute mark in the men's 5000 metre indoor race.
- The top-seeded Indian duo of Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan and Vijay Sundar Prasanth won the men's doubles title at the Pune ATP Challenger 100. They defeated the second-seeded Australian pair of Blake Bayldon and Matthew Romios.
- A 20-year-old Indian student Vishvaa Rajakumar has made headlines by winning the Memory League World Championship, an intense online competition where participants compete in rapid memorisation challenges
- Md Shami, India's star bowler, reached a historic milestone by taking three wickets in India's first match against Bangladesh in the ICC Champions Trophy 2025 in Dubai, bringing his total to 200 in one-day international cricket
- The 34th ITTF-ATTU Asian Cup table tennis competition begins in Shenzhen, China.
- The 9th Asian Winter Games were place in Harbin, Heilongjiang Province, China. China won the most medals, with 85 (32 gold, 27 silver, and 26 bronze)
- The first edition of the Olympic Esports Games, a landmark event both in the world of esports and within the Olympic Movement, will be held in 2027 in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- Jacob Kiplimo of Uganda has created history in the half-marathon. He became the first person to complete the event in under 57 minutes. Kiplimo completed 56 minutes and 42 seconds in Barcelona. He smashed the previous record of 57:30 set by Ethiopia's Yomif Kejelcha in October



















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Ques: Where will the 12th Regional 3R and Circular Economy Forum be held in India from 3 - 5 March?

12वां क्षेत्रीय 3आर और सर्कुलर इकोनॉमी फोरम 3 से 5 मार्च तक भारत में कहाँ आयोजित किया जाएगा?

- (a) Delhi / दिल्ली
- (b) Mumbai / मुंबई
- (c) Sonipat / सोनीपत
- (d) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- (e) Jaipur / जयपुर

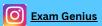
**Answer**: Option E

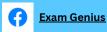
- The 12th Regional 3R and Circular Economy Forum for Asia and the Pacific will be held in India. The Forum will be held at the Rajasthan International Centre in Jaipur on March 3-5, 2025.
- The theme of the event will be "Realizing Circular Societies Towards Achieving SDGs and Carbon Neutrality in Asia-Pacific".
- The Forum will hold an international '3R trade and technology exhibition', allowing over 40 Indian and Japanese enterprises and start-ups to demonstrate best practices, ideas, and solutions that support circularity and the 3R principles while boosting cross-learning.
- Union Minister Shri Manohar Lal announced that "waste-to-wealth initiatives by NGOs and self-help groups across India will also be showcased at the Forum, promoting sustainability-driven entrepreneurship and community engagement."















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Ques: Startups, Women, and Youth Advantage through eTransactions (SWAYATT) initiative launched in which year?

स्टार्टअप, महिलाओं और युवाओं को eTransactions के माध्यम से लाभ (SWAYATT) पहल किस वर्ष शुरू किया गया?

- (a) 2018
- (b) 2019
- (c) 2020
- (d) 2021
- (e) 2022

**Answer**: Option B

- The Government e Marketplace (GeM) celebrated six years of the Startups, Women, and Youth Advantage through eTransactions (SWAYATT) initiative at its New Delhi headquarters.
- SWAYATT was founded on February 19, 2019, with the stated goal of increasing the participation of women-led firms and adolescents in public procurement.
- SWAYATT, based on GeM's foundational pillar of social inclusion, is the portal's commitment to improving the ease of doing business and establishing direct market links to annual public procurement for startups, women entrepreneurs, Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs), Self-Help Groups (SHGs), and youth, particularly those from underprivileged backgrounds.

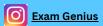


















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Ques: Which team won the 71st Senior National Men's Kabaddi Championship 2025?

71वीं सीनियर राष्ट्रीय पुरुष कबड्डी चैंपियनशिप 2025 किस टीम ने जीती?

- (a) Railways / रेलवे
- (b) Haryana / हरियाणा
- (c) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (d) Services / सेवाएँ
- (e) Karnataka / कर्नाटक

**Answer**: Option D

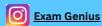
- Services won the 71st Senior National Men's Kabaddi Championship 2025 at the Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium in Cuttack, defeating Railways in a thrilling final.
- Services, led by Pro Kabaddi League standout Naveen Kumar, dominated the 71st Senior National Men's Kabaddi Championship with outstanding skill.
- Services won 43-35 over Punjab in the semi-finals, while Railways won 42-34 against Uttar Pradesh to advance to the final.

















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### Ques: What was the theme of the 'Bordermen Marathon 2025'? 'बॉर्डरमेन मैराथन 2025' का विषय क्या था?

- (a) "Run for the Nation" / "राष्ट्र के लिए दौडें"
- (b) "Strength in Unity" / "एकता में ताकत"
- (c) "Hand in Hand with Border Population" / सीमावर्ती जनसंख्या के साथ हाथ में हाथ"
- (d) "Fitness First, Duty Always" / "फिटनेस पहले, कर्तव्य हमेशा"
- (e) "Bravehearts of the Borders" / "सीमाओं के बहाद्र"

**Answer**: Option C

- The BSF Punjab Frontier staged the 'Bordermen Marathon 2025' in Amritsar, with the theme 'Hand in Hand with Border Population'.
- This mega event included three race categories: full marathon (42.195 km), half marathon (21.097 km), and 10K run.
- Daljit Singh Chawdhary, IPS, DG BSF, started the Bordermen Marathon-2025 at the Golden Gate in Amritsar. He also flagged off the 21-km half-marathon from the War Memorial and the 10-km run from Lahorimal village. All marathons ended at the Attari-Wagah joint check-post.
- Cash prizes of Rs 1.5 lakh (full marathon), Rs 75,000 (half marathon), and Rs 40,000 (10km race) for the first victors.

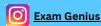


















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Ques: Renowned Odissi dancer Mayadhar Raut passed away at 92. He was honoured with Padma Shri in which year?

प्रसिद्ध ओडिसी नर्तक मायाधर राउत का 92 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गया। उन्हें किस वर्ष पद्म श्री से सम्मानित किया गया था?

- (a) 2002
- (b) 2008
- (c) 2010
- (d) 2012
- (e) 2015

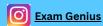
**Answer**: Option C

- Mayadhar Raut, a renowned Odissi dancer, died at the age of 92. He was born on July 6, 1930, in Kantapanhara village, Cuttack district.
- Mayadhar Raut was honored with numerous prizes, including the Padma Shri (2010), Sangeet Natak Akademi Award (1985), Sahitya Kala Parishad Award (1984), and Odissi Sangeet Natak Akademi Award (1977).















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Ques: Which government body is responsible for implementing the Income Tax Bill 2025?

आयकर विधेयक 2025 को लागू करने के लिए कौन सा सरकारी निकाय जिम्मेदार है?

- (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) / भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (आरबीआई
- (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) / भारतीय प्रतिभृति और विनिमय बोर्ड (सेबी)
- (c) Income Tax Department & Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) / आयकर विभाग और केंद्रीय प्रत्यक्ष कर बोर्ड (सीबीडीटी)
- (d) Ministry of Corporate Affairs / कॉर्पोरेट मामलों का मंत्रालय
- (e) National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) / नेशनल पेमेंट्स कॉरपोरेशन ऑफ इंडिया (एनपीसीआई)

**Answer**: Option C

- The Income Tax Department has launched an online self-help tool to help taxpayers understand the changes proposed by the Income Tax Bill 2025.
- This tool, available on the official income tax department's website, allows taxpayers to compare the contents of the new bill to those of the Income Tax Act of 1961.
- The comparison tool allows taxpayers to select a specific section from the current Income Tax Act via a dropdown menu. When you make a pick, the matching clause from the new Income Tax Bill appears on the right-hand side.
- The New Income Tax Bill, tabled in the Lok Sabha on February 13, 2025, aims to streamline the cumbersome Income Tax Act of 1961. The Act has been modified multiple times over the years, with annual amendments provided by the Union Budget.















#### **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

Hein Schumacher, CEO of Unilever, is stepping down after less than two years, and current CFO Fernando Fernandez will take over as CEO.

The 72nd Miss World Pageant will be place in Telangana from May 7 to May 31. The opening and closing ceremonies, as well as the grand finale, are scheduled to take place in Hyderabad. Nandini Gupta is set to represent India at the 72nd Miss World pageant in Telangana.

IndusInd Bank Limited announced its partnership with the Professional Golf Tour of India (PGTI) as its official Banking Partner.

Tata Power & Amazon Web Services (AWS) Partners to modernize its digital infrastructure and accelerate India's transition toward a sustainable energy ecosystem

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Advantage Assam 2.0 Investment & Infrastructure Summit 2025 in Guwahati, Assam. It consists of an opening session, seven ministerial sessions, and fourteen thematic sessions.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh awarded heroism, distinguished service, and meritorious service medals to Indian Coast Guard soldiers during an investiture event in New Delhi.

A total of 32 medals were awarded, including six President's Tatrakshak Medals for Distinguished Service, eleven Tatrakshak Medals for Gallantry, and fifteen Tatrakshak Medals for Meritorious Service.

















## महत्वपूर्ण एक-पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

यूनिलीवर के सीईओ हेन शूमाकर दो साल से कम समय के बाद पद छोड़ रहे हैं और वर्तमान सीएफओ फर्नांडो फर्नांडीज सीईओ का पद संभालेंगे।

72वीं मिस वर्ल्ड प्रतियोगिता 7 मई से 31 मई तक तेलंगाना में होगी। उद्घाटन और समापन समारोह, साथ ही ग्रैंड फिनाले, हैदराबाद में होने वाला है। नंदिनी गुप्ता तेलंगाना में 72वीं मिस वर्ल्ड प्रतियोगिता में भारत का प्रतिनिधित्व करने के लिए तैयार हैं।

इंडसइंड बैंक लिमिटेड ने अपने आधिकारिक बैंकिंग भागीदार के रूप में प्रोफेशनल गोल्फ टूर ऑफ इंडिया (पीजीटीआई) के साथ अपनी साझेदारी की घोषणा की।

टाटा पावर और अमेज़ॅन वेब सर्विसेज (एडब्ल्यूएस) ने अपने डिजिटल बुनियादी ढांचे को आधुनिक बनाने और एक स्थायी ऊर्जा पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र की ओर भारत के संक्रमण में तेजी लाने के लिए साझेदारी की है।

प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने असम के गुवाहाटी में एडवांटेज असम 2.0 इन्वेस्टमेंट एंड इंफ्रास्ट्रक्चर समिट 2025 का शुभारंभ किया। इसमें एक उद्घाटन सत्र, सात मंत्रिस्तरीय सत्र और चौदह विषयगत सत्र शामिल हैं।

रक्षा मंत्री राजनाथ सिंह ने नई दिल्ली में एक अलंकरण समारोह के दौरान भारतीय तटरक्षक सैनिकों को वीरता, विशिष्ट सेवा और सराहनीय सेवा पदक से सम्मानित किया।

कुल 32 पदक प्रदान किए गए, जिनमें विशिष्ट सेवा के लिए छह राष्ट्रपति तटरक्षक पदक, वीरता के लिए ग्यारह तटरक्षक पदक और सराहनीय सेवा के लिए पंद्रह तटरक्षक पदक शामिल हैं।















