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Ques : How many years has Equitas Small Finance Bank partnered with Chennai Super Kings (CSK)?

- a) 2 years
- b) 3 years
- c) 4 years
- d) 5 years
- e) 6 years

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Equitas Small Finance Bank, a leading bank in India, has renewed its association with Chennai Super Kings (CSK) and Gujarat Titans (GT), the most successful teams in the Indian T20 League.
- Equitas' six-year cooperation with CSK and three-year partnership with GT demonstrate the company's dedication to excellence and community engagement through its 'Bank Behind Champions' initiative.

About Equitas Small Finance Bank :

- Established : 2007
- HQ : Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- MD & CEO : Vasudevan P N
- Tagline : It's Fun Banking

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Ques : What was the penalty amount imposed by the RBI on Punjab & Sind Bank?

- a) Rs.75 lakh
- b) Rs.68.2 lakh
- c) Rs.50 lakh
- d) Rs.90 lakh
- e) Rs.100 lakh

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed monetary penalties on Punjab & Sind Bank for not complying with regulatory guidelines.
- Punjab & Sind Bank faced a Rs.68.2 lakh penalty for lapses related to reporting large exposures and failure to maintain basic savings bank accounts as per RBI norms.
- **Reason : Non-compliance with RBI directions related to:**
 - Creation of a Central Repository of Large Common Exposures – Across Banks.
 - Financial Inclusion – Access to Banking Services – Basic Savings Bank Deposit Account (BSBDA).
- The penalty was imposed under Section 47A(1)(c), read with relevant provisions of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- RBI conducted a statutory inspection based on the bank's financial position as of March 31, 2023.





Ques : The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (INSPACe) has appointed which institution to manage a Rs.1,000 crore venture capital fund ?

- (a) NABARD
- (b) IRDAI
- (c) PFRDA
- (d) SEBI
- (e) SIDBI

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (INSPACe) has chosen Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) Venture Capital Limited (SVCL) to oversee a Rs.1,000 crore fund for space technology entrepreneurs in India.
- The fund has a total amount of Rs.1,000 crore, spread over five years. Rs.150 crore is allotted for 2025-26, Rs.250 crore yearly for the next three years, and Rs.100 crore for 2029-30.
- Growth-stage firms can obtain capital ranging from Rs.10 crore to Rs.30 crore, while late-stage startups can receive Rs.30 crore to Rs.60 crore.
- The fund aims to help approximately 40 businesses in the space supply chain, encompassing upstream, midstream, and downstream industries.
- The plan aims to increase India's space economy by fivefold during the next decade, reaching a \$44 billion sector by 2033.

About Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) :

- Established : April 2, 1990
- HQ : Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
- CMD : Shri Manoj Mittal





Ques : Why has the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a Rs.75 lakh penalty on HDFC Bank?

- (a) For not maintaining minimum CRR
- (b) For financial frauds
- (c) For non-compliance with KYC norms
- (d) For violating RBI's forex regulations
- (e) None of the above

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a Rs.75 lakh penalty on HDFC Bank for non-compliance with KYC norms.
- The penalty is under Section 47A(1)(c) and Section 46(4)(i) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- Action was taken following ISE 2023 (Inspection for Supervisory Evaluation), which reviewed the bank's financials as of March 31, 2023.
- Key violations:
 - Failure to categorize customers into low, medium, or high risk based on risk perception.
 - Assigning multiple customer IDs instead of a Unique Customer Identification Code (UCIC) per customer.
- RBI clarified that this penalty is regulatory and does not affect the validity of customer transactions.





Recent Penalties imposed on Banks by RBI :

- RBI imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.36.28 lakh on Citibank N.A. under Section 11(3) of FEMA, 1999
- RBI imposed a penalty of Rs.36.30 lakh on IDBI Bank under Section 11(3) of FEMA, 1999.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed penalties of Rs 66.60 lakh and Rs 33.10 lakh on The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC) and IIFL Samasta Finance, respectively, for violating regulations
- Citibank, Asirvad Micro Finance, and JM Financial Home Loans have all received monetary penalties from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for breaking regulatory standards. Citibank was fined Rs 39 lakh, Asirvad Micro was fined Rs 6.20 lakh and JM Financial Home Loans was fined Rs 1.50 lakh.
- Nainital Bank Ltd received a penalty of Rs.61.40 lakh for failing to follow guidelines on 'Interest Rate on Advances' and 'Customer Service in Banks
- The RBI assessed a Rs.6.70 lakh penalty on Ujjivan Small Finance Bank for failing to comply with its 'Loans and Advances - Statutory and Other Restrictions'
- Shriram Finance, a non-banking business, was fined Rs.5.80 lakh by the RBI for failing to comply with KYC standards and 'Data Format for Furnishing of Credit Information to Credit Information Companies'
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued penalties on Equitas Small Finance Bank and India Post Payments Bank for failing to comply with regulatory requirements
- Equitas Small Finance Bank has been fined Rs 65 lakh, India Post Payments Bank Ltd has been fined Rs 26.70 lakh and Aptus Finance India Pvt Ltd has also received a Rs 3.10 lakh
- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) issued a Rs.1 crore penalty on Royal Sundaram General Insurance for violating outsourcing standards
- RBI Fines Canara (Rs.1.63 crore), BOI (Rs.1 crore), and J&K Bank (Rs.3.31 crore) for Non-Compliance





Ques : Which organizations have signed a pact to digitally transform rural areas using BharatNet broadband?

- (a) TRAI and NABARD
- (b) DoT and NABARD
- (c) NITI Aayog and NABARD
- (d) DoT and SEBI
- (e) None of the above

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and NABARD have signed a pact to digitally transform rural areas using the BharatNet broadband network.
- This collaboration aims to boost rural digital inclusion by enhancing access to high-speed internet and digital services.
- Key areas of focus include reference data and digital content sharing, integration of digital services, awareness programs, and capacity building.
- The initiative will also support the expansion of ICT infrastructure to strengthen digital connectivity across rural India.
- The goal is to promote the digital economy and bridge the rural-urban digital divide.

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Ques : What is the maximum time limit set by IRDAI for approving cashless authorization requests?

- a) 30 minutes
- b) 1 hour
- c) 2 hours
- d) 3 hours
- e) 4 hours

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has introduced new guidelines to make health insurance claims faster and more policyholder-friendly.
- Insurers must approve cashless authorization requests within 1 hour and process discharge authorizations within 3 hours to ensure prompt support during medical emergencies.
- IRDAI is pushing for 100% cashless claim settlements, requiring digital pre-authorization and hospital help desks, with a compliance deadline of July 31, 2024.
- Claim rejections must be approved by a senior committee (PMC or CRC) and include written explanations based on policy terms.
- Policyholders can choose how to settle claims when holding multiple policies, and insurers/TPAs must collect documents themselves. Premium refunds are allowed for mid-term cancellations.
- These reforms aim to build transparency, trust, and faster service in India's health insurance sector.





Ques : Previously, SPDs were not allowed to participate in which of the following operations?

- a) Overnight liquidity operations
- b) Marginal Standing Facility (MSF)
- c) Long-term Variable Rate Repos (VRRs)
- d) Term repos
- e) Call money operation

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed standalone primary dealers (SPDs) to participate in all repo operations, regardless of the tenor.
- Earlier, SPDs were permitted only in overnight liquidity management operations, excluding the Marginal Standing Facility.
- Their participation in long-term variable rate repo (VRR) operations and daily VRRs was limited and allowed on a case-by-case basis.
- This change comes at a time of liquidity crunch, particularly at the financial year-end.
- The move aims to ease liquidity access for SPDs and support the banking system through broader participation in repo operations.

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Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- The 614th meeting of the Central Board of Directors of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) was held in Thiruvananthapuram.
- RBI released a paper titled 'Changing Dynamics of India's Remittances: Insights from the Sixth Round of India's Remittances Survey' in their monthly bulletin
- RBI has approved a revision in ATM interchange fees, which will take effect from May 1. The fee for financial transactions has been increased from Rs.17 to Rs.19, and for non-financial transactions from Rs.6 to Rs.7
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced the interest rate for the Government of India Floating Rate Bond 2033 (GOI FRB 2033) as 7.81% per annum for the period from March 22, 2025, to September 21, 2025
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has held its Annual Conference of RBI Ombudsmen in Mumbai. The conference's theme was "Transforming Grievance Redress: The AI Advantage"
- Since mid-January, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has pumped more than Rs. 5 lakh crore into the banking system through bond purchases, FX swaps, and early-April maturity repos.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the Bank of Mauritius (BOM) have signed an MoU to promote the use of Indian Rupee (INR) and Mauritian Rupee (MUR) for cross-border transactions
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved BRISKPE as a Payment Aggregator – Cross Border (PA-CB) for import and export transactions in India
- The RBI and National Centre for Financial Education (NCFE) have started nationwide programs to promote financial literacy
- Kuhoo Finance Private Limited, a fintech platform specializing in student loans, has received a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) license from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will shortly produce Rs.100 and Rs.200 banknotes in the Mahatma Gandhi (New) Series, with the signature of the newly appointed Governor, Shri Sanjay Malhotra
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has set the final redemption price for Sovereign Gold Bonds (SGBs) maturing on March 17, 2025, at Rs.8,624 per unit
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has been awarded the Digital Transformation Award 2025 by Central Banking, London, UK, for its innovative digital initiatives
- The Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH) has launched DesignShaalaa™, an initiative that promotes financial innovation through Human-Centered Design (HCD)





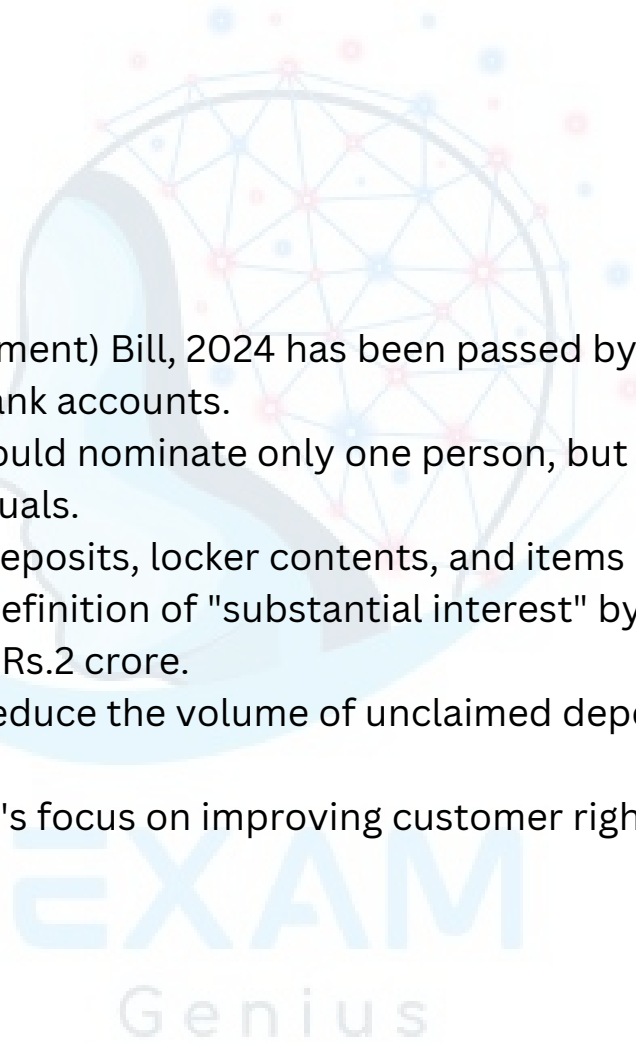
Ques : What is the maximum number of nominees a bank account holder can now have under the Banking Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4
- (e) None of the above

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Banking Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024 has been passed by Parliament to allow multiple nominations for bank accounts.
- Earlier, account holders could nominate only one person, but now they can nominate up to four individuals.
- This provision applies to deposits, locker contents, and items in safe custody.
- The bill also updates the definition of "substantial interest" by increasing the threshold from Rs.5 lakh to Rs.2 crore.
- The amendment aims to reduce the volume of unclaimed deposits, which currently exceed Rs.45,000 crore.
- It reflects the government's focus on improving customer rights and transparency in banking.





Ques : The SANSAD BHASHINI initiative promotes which of the following aspects within Parliament?

- a) Security and surveillance
- b) Infrastructure modernization
- c) Linguistic inclusivity and digital workflows
- d) Data protection laws
- e) Voting system reforms

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Lok Sabha Secretariat and the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
- The objective of this agreement is to launch the SANSAD BHASHINI initiative.
- This initiative aims to provide in-house AI-powered multilingual solutions to support and streamline various parliamentary operations.
- It is designed to enhance linguistic inclusivity and ensure efficient digital workflows within Parliament.

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Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement :

- India and Singapore have signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) during Singapore Maritime Week to collaborate on establishing a Green and Digital Shipping Corridor (GDSC)
- A Japanese consortium comprising IHI Corporation, Hokkaido Electric, and Mitsubishi Gas Chemical has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for establishing a green ammonia plant in India
- Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd (BHEL) has received a big order worth Rs.7,500 crore from Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Ltd (GSECL) to build a new 800 MW thermal power unit at the Ukai power plant in Tapi district, Gujarat
- Vodafone Idea (Vi) has signed MoU with the West Bengal State Export Promotion Society (WBSEPS) to accelerate the digital transformation of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in West Bengal
- The Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) and the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS) have signed MoU to work together on research, training, and specialized mental health support for military people and their families
- Andhra Pradesh & Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (Gates Foundation) signed MOU to integrate cost-effective and scalable solutions in key sectors such as healthcare, medtech, education, and agriculture
- The CSIR-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (CSIR-IIIM), Jammu, signed an MoU with HAPICO Industries Pvt. Ltd. on 20 March 2025 to develop novel biopesticides
- DPIIT has signed MOU with Kyndryl Solutions Pvt Ltd to accelerate innovation and expand India's startup ecosystem
- Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) and Global cosmetics major Estée Lauder Companies Inc. Partner to expand the BEAUTY&YOU India program with a new initiative to support women-founded startups





Ques : What is the prize pool for the Biometric SDK Benchmarking Challenge?

- a) Rs. 5.5 lakhs
- b) Rs. 10 lakhs
- c) Rs. 7.7 lakhs (USD 9,000)
- d) Rs. 15 lakhs
- e) Rs. 3.3 lakhs

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- UIDAI, in collaboration with IIIT-Hyderabad, has launched a biometric SDK benchmarking competition to test the age invariance of biometric algorithms.
- The first phase focuses on fingerprint authentication for children aged 5–10 years, evaluating 1:1 matching algorithms over a span of 5–10 years.
- Participant submissions are securely evaluated using anonymized datasets, ensuring no data sharing.
- Prizes worth Rs.7.7 lakhs are being offered, along with the opportunity to work with UIDAI on advancing biometric tech.
- Upcoming phases will include benchmarking for iris and facial recognition.
- Aadhaar continues to be a major tool for governance and digital inclusion, enabling around 90 million authentication transactions daily.

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Ques : Which artillery system has the Ministry of Defence (MoD) signed a Rs.6,900 crore contract for?

- (a) ATAGS
- (b) K9 Vajra
- (c) Dhanush
- (d) M777
- (e) None of the above

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Ministry of Defence (MoD) signed a Rs.6,900 crore contract with Bharat Forge Ltd and Tata Advanced Systems Ltd.
- The deal involves procurement of 307 Advanced Towed Artillery Gun Systems (ATAGS) and 327 towing vehicles.
- The artillery guns will equip 15 Artillery Regiments of the Indian Army.
- ATAGS is a 155-mm artillery gun developed by DRDO's Armament Research and Development Establishment (ARDE). Features include over 40 km range, automated loading, precision targeting, and advanced fire control system.
- Contract signed in the presence of Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh in New Delhi.
- The ATAGS project was initiated in 2013 by DRDO to replace older artillery systems.
- This marks the Indian Army's first major towed gun procurement from the private sector.
- With this deal, MoD's total capital procurement for FY 2024-25 has reached Rs.1.4 lakh crore.





Ques : Which two institutions recently signed an MoU to collaborate on the development of advanced medical devices?

- a) CSIR and ICMR
- b) DRDO and AIIMS
- c) ISRO and AIIMS
- d) BARC and PGIMER
- e) SAMEER and AIIMS

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering & Research (SAMEER) and AIIMS have signed an MoU to collaborate on the development of advanced medical devices.
- The focus areas include high-field and low-field MRI, Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) systems, and research in Radio Frequency (RF) and microwave technologies.
- The partnership is aimed at promoting innovation in the healthcare sector through technology.
- The MoU was signed during the 32nd Foundation Day of the Department of NMR at AIIMS, New Delhi.

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Ques : By how much have the investment limits been increased in the new MSME classification?

- a) Doubled
- b) Tripled
- c) Increased by 2.5 times
- d) Increased by 1.5 times
- e) Reduced by 50%

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Effective April 1, 2025, the Government of India amended the classification requirements for Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), increasing investment and turnover limits.
- This initiative intends to boost business growth, extend MSME benefits, and improve lending and incentives.
- Investment and turnover restrictions have risen by 2.5 times each.
- The Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Development (MSMED) Act 2006, which came into effect on 2 October 2006, defines the MSME sector in India.
- The investment limit for Micro Enterprises has been increased from Rs.1 crore to Rs.2.5 crore, and the turnover limit has been raised from Rs.5 crore to Rs.10 crore.
- For Small Enterprises, the investment limit has been revised from Rs.10 crore to Rs.25 crore, and the turnover limit has been increased from Rs.50 crore to Rs.100 crore.
- For Medium Enterprises, the investment ceiling has been raised from Rs.50 crore to Rs.125 crore, and the turnover threshold has been increased from Rs.250 cr.





Ques : What is the value of WWE's exclusive streaming deal with Netflix?

- (a) \$1 billion
- (b) \$3 billion
- (c) \$5 billion
- (d) \$7 billion
- (e) None of the above

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- WWE has entered into a \$5 billion exclusive streaming agreement with Netflix.
- Under this deal, Netflix will have the global streaming rights to major WWE content, including popular shows.
- This move is seen as a major step toward expanding WWE's international viewership and digital reach.
- WWE is also exploring opportunities to bring its flagship programs like Raw and SmackDown to India.
- The company is actively seeking international talent to strengthen its global brand and audience connection.
- This partnership is expected to reshape how WWE content is consumed across the world.

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Ques : Which country's wrestler did Sunil Kumar defeat in the bronze medal match?

- a) Iran
- b) Japan
- c) Tajikistan
- d) China
- e) Kazakhstan

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Indian wrestler Sunil Kumar secured a bronze medal in the 87kg Greco-Roman category at the Asian Wrestling Championship held in Amman, Jordan.
- He defeated China's Jiaxin Huang in the bronze medal match after losing the semifinal to Iran's Yasin Yazdi with a score of 3-1.
- In the quarterfinals, Sunil showcased a strong comeback by defeating Tajikistan's Sukhrob Abdulkhaev 10-1, scoring all his points in the second period.
- A former silver medallist in 2019, Sunil is striving to return to top form, and this bronze marks a significant step forward in his campaign.

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Recent News headlines related to Sports

- In Gymnastics, India's Pranati Nayak has bagged the bronze medal in the Women's Vault final at the Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG) World Cup in Antalya, Turkey
- The Indian team earned the bronze medal in the mixed quad category event at the ISTAF Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025, which is now underway in Patna
- Oscar Piastri won his third career race, the Chinese Grand Prix 2025, beating teammate Lando Norris by 6.3 seconds.
- McLaren dominated the race, with Piastri and Norris finishing first and second, respectively, giving the team its first one-two finish since the 2021 Italian Grand Prix
- Archana Jadhav, an Indian long-distance runner, received a four-year ban by World Athletics' Athletes Integrity Unit (AIU) after testing positive for Oxandrolone, a banned substance
- Anahat Singh, an Indian squash prodigy, and Veer Chotani won the women's and men's singles titles at the SRFI Indian Tour PSA Challenger event.
- India has won both the Men's and Women's Kabaddi World Cup 2025 titles held in Wolverhampton, England. In the final, the Indian Men's team narrowly defeated England 44-41, while the Women's team secured a dominant victory with a 57-34 win over England at the same venue.
- Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) unveiled the mascot, logo, and anthem for the 2nd Khelo India Para Games (KIPG 2025) at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Complex in New Delhi
- Lando Norris of McLaren won the 2025 Australian Grand Prix, the season's first race at Albert Park, by 0.811 seconds, securing his fifth career victory. Max Verstappen of Red Bull finished second
- India will host the 11th Asian Swimming Championship at the Naranpura Sports Complex in Ahmedabad, Gujarat
- The International Olympic Committee (IOC) has officially approved boxing for inclusion in the Los Angeles 2028 Olympics after a unanimous vote
- Indian athletes finished their outstanding campaign at the Special Olympics World Winter Games in Turin, Italy, with 33 medals, including 8 gold, 18 silver, and 7 bronze. This was the 12th edition of the Special Olympics Winter Games, which took place after an eight-year delay





Ques : Parminder Chopra has been given additional charge as CMD of which public sector company?

- a) NTPC Limited /
- b) Power Grid Corporation
- c) REC Limited
- d) NHPC Limited
- e) BHEL

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Parminder Chopra, currently serving as the CMD of Power Finance Corporation, has been given additional charge as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of REC Limited.
- Her tenure is for three months or until further orders, whichever is earlier.
- She replaces Vivek Kumar Dewangan.
- In 2023, she was honoured with the 'Icon of the Year' award by the Institute of Cost Accountants of India.

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Recent Appointment in different departments :

- Ashok Singh Thakur : chairman of the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH)
- Shri Amitabh Kant : Chancellor (Chairperson) of NIIT University (NU) (Replaced Shri K Kasturirangan)
- Justice Harish Tandon : Chief Justice of the Orissa High Court
- Anuj Kumar Singh : Joint Secretary (Director level) in the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Delhi
- Ajay Seth : Finance Secretary of India (succeeds Tuhin K. Pandey)
- Kirsty Coventry : first woman and African President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- Rajivnayan Rahulkumar Bajaj : reappointed as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Bajaj Auto
- Lip-Bu Tan : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Intel Corporation
- Dr. Shivkumar Kalyanaraman : CEO of the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF)
- N Ganapathy Subramaniam : board of directors of Tata Communications
- Arun Mammen : Chairman of the Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association (ATMA)
- Amitava Mukherjee : Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of NMDC Limited
- Dr Himanshu Pathak : Director General (DG) of International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)
- Justice Joymalya Bagchi : judge of the Calcutta High Court Appointed as Judge of the Supreme Court
- Takashi Nakajima : President & CEO of Honda Cars India (Replaced Takuya Tsumura)
- Vikas Kaushal : Chairman and Managing Director of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation (HPCL)





Ques : Who is the first Indian woman to enter the global top 10 richest women list?

- (a) Roshni Nadar
- (b) Falguni Nayar
- (c) Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw
- (d) Savitri Jindal
- (e) None of the above

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Roshni Nadar, the chairperson of HCL, has become the first Indian woman to feature in the global list of top 10 richest women.
- She is ranked fifth among the world's richest women, with a total net worth of ₹3.5 trillion.
- In India, she is the third richest individual after Mukesh Ambani and Gautam Adani.
- Mukesh Ambani remains India's richest person with ₹8.6 trillion, though he is no longer in the global top 10.
- Gautam Adani follows with ₹8.4 trillion, registering a 13% growth in his wealth.
- India added 13 new billionaires in 2024, bringing the total to 284, and now ranks third globally after the USA and China.

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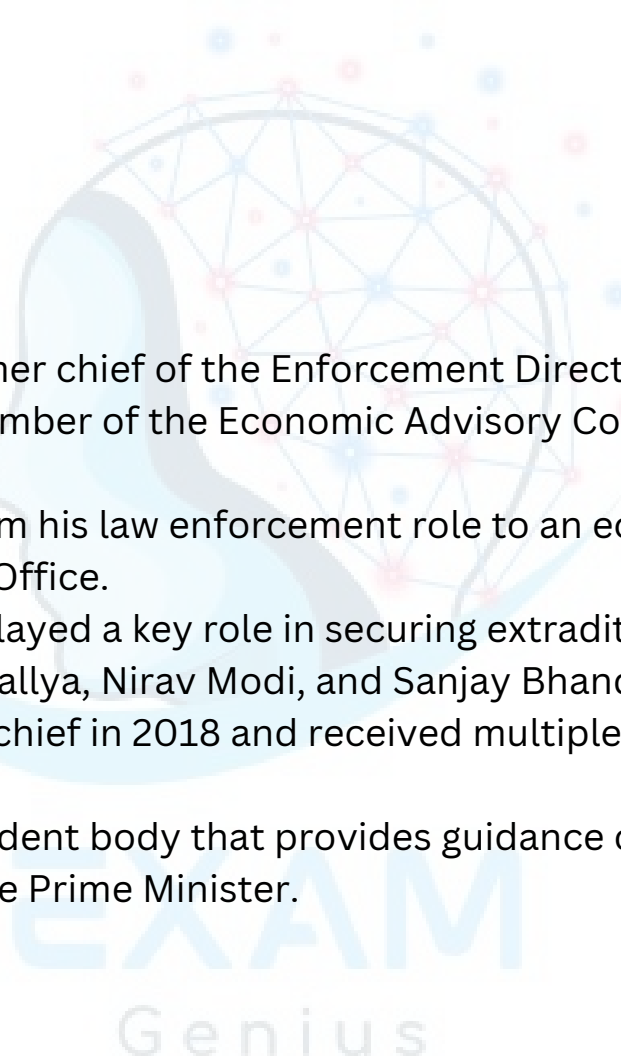
Ques : Sanjay Kumar Mishra, who was recently appointed as a full-time member of the EAC-PM, previously served as the chief of which agency?

- a) Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)
- b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- c) Enforcement Directorate (ED)
- d) Income Tax Department
- e) Intelligence Bureau (IB)

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Sanjay Kumar Mishra, former chief of the Enforcement Directorate (ED), has been appointed as a full-time member of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM).
- This marks a transition from his law enforcement role to an economic advisory role under the Prime Minister's Office.
- During his ED tenure, he played a key role in securing extradition approvals for high-profile fugitives like Vijay Mallya, Nirav Modi, and Sanjay Bhandari.
- Mishra was appointed ED chief in 2018 and received multiple extensions from the central government.
- The EAC-PM is an independent body that provides guidance on economic and related issues directly to the Prime Minister.





Ques : What is the name of the newly inaugurated Centre of Excellence at IIT-Madras?

- a) Abdul Kalam Research Centre
- b) Vikram Sarabhai Institute
- c) Rakesh Sharma Aerospace Lab
- d) S Ramakrishnan Centre of Excellence
- e) Aryabhata Space Innovation Hub

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Chairman of ISRO and Secretary of the Department of Space inaugurated the Centre of Excellence for Research in Fluid and Thermal Sciences at IIT-Madras.
- The centre is named S Ramakrishnan Centre of Excellence, in memory of Dr. S Ramakrishnan, a distinguished space scientist and former Director of LPSC and VSSC, ISRO.
- He was awarded the Padma Shri in 2003 for his contributions to science and engineering.

About ISRO :

- Established : 15 August 1969
- HQ : Antariksh Bhavan in Bangalore
- Chairman : V. Narayanan

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Ques : When is World Purple Day observed annually?

- (a) 23 March
- (b) 24 March
- (c) 25 March
- (d) 26 March
- (e) 27 March

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- World Purple Day is commemorated yearly on March 26 to promote awareness about epilepsy, a neurological illness that affects millions of people worldwide.
- Cassidy Megan, a Canadian teenager, established this global campaign in 2008 with the goal of educating people about epilepsy and reducing stigma.
- Epilepsy is a neurological illness characterized by recurring seizures, which are brief and unexpected disruptions in brain function. During a seizure, brain cells fire improperly, causing alterations in behavior, sensation, and consciousness. The three main kinds of epilepsy are idiopathic, symptomatic, and cryptogenic.

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Ques : World Theatre Day is celebrated annually on which day ?

- (a) 23 March
- (b) 24 March
- (c) 25 March
- (d) 26 March
- (e) 27 March

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- World Theatre Day is observed yearly on March 27 to commemorate the significance of theatre arts and their impact on society.
- Theme 2025: Theatre and a Culture of Peace
- The International Theatre Institute (ITI) established this day in 1961 to celebrate theatre's ability to stimulate creativity, cultural interchange, and social awareness.

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Important days :

- 3 March : World Wildlife Day (Theme 2025: Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and the Planet)
- 3 March : World Hearing Day (Theme 2025 – Changing mindsets: empower yourself to make ear and hearing care a reality for all)
- 4 March : National Safety Day (Theme 2025 - Safety and well-being are crucial for Viksit Bharat (Developed India))
- 4 March : 6th World Engineering Day 2025 (Theme 2025 Unleashing the power of engineers to advance the Sustainable Development Goals)
- 5 March : International Day for Disarmament and Nonproliferation Awareness
- 6 March : National Dentist's Day 2025
- 7 March : 7th Jan Aushadhi Diwas 2025
- 1st to 7th March : Jan Aushadhi Diwas Week
- 8 March : International Women's Day (IWD) (Theme 2025: For All Women and Girls: Rights, Equality, and Empowerment)
- 4 to 10 March : 54th National Safety Week 2025 (Theme 2025 Safety & Well-being Crucial for Viksit Bharat)
- 10 March : International Day of Women Judges
- 10 March : CISF Raising Day
- 11 March : 135th Foundation Day of National Archives of India (NAI)
- 12 March (Second Wednesday of March) : No Smoking Day 2025
- 13 March (2nd Thursday of March) : World Kidney Day (WKD) (Theme 2025 : Are Your Kidneys OK? Detect Early, Protect Kidney Health)
- 14 March : Pi Day
- 14 March : International Day of Action for Rivers (Theme 2025 Our Rivers, Our Future)
- 14 March : World Sleep Day (Theme 2025: Make Sleep Health a Priority)
- 15 March : World Consumer Rights Day (Theme 2025: A Just Transition to Sustainable Lifestyles)
- 15 March : International Day to Combat Islamophobia
- 16 March : National Vaccination Day 2025
- 18 March : National Ordnance Factories Day
- 20 March : World Oral Health Day (Theme 2025: "A Happy Mouth is...A Happy Mind.")
- 20 March : World Sparrow Day (Theme 2025: A tribute to nature's tiny messengers)





IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

Sanjay Singh, president of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI), has been elected as a Bureau Member of United World Wrestling (UWW)-Asia. The election occurred during the UWW-Asia General Assembly in Amman.

Sarra Zaafrani Zenzri (2nd Women) Appointed as Prime Minister (PM) of Tunisia by Tunisian President Kais Saied. She Replaced Kamel Madouri.

Vicky Kaushal Appointed as Brand Ambassador of Tata Motors for its Passenger and Electric Vehicle segment. Under the “Take the Curvv” campaign.

The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), in partnership with the IIM Ahmedabad, hosted a workshop on "Emerging Trends in Public Data and Technology for Research and Policy" on the IIM Ahmedabad campus to improve the national data ecosystem and drive evidence-based policymaking.

Sanjay Kumar Singh, President of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) Appointed as Bureau member of United World Wrestling (UWW)-Asia during Elections held during UWW general assembly in Amman, Jordan (22 Votes)

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