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Ques : What is the primary objective of the International Finance Corporation's (IFC) Catalytic First Loss Guarantee Facility?

- (a) Increase foreign investment in MSMEs
- (b) Expand access to credit for specific underserved sectors
- (c) Provide subsidies for start-ups
- (d) Promote cryptocurrency adoption
- (e) Support large corporations with bailouts

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- For qualified Financial Services Providers (FSPs) to take part in its Catalytic First Loss Guarantee Facility, the International Finance Corporation (IFC) issued a call for expressions of interest.
- While proving the commercial viability of these sectors, the facility seeks to increase loan availability for MSMEs with an agricultural focus, women-owned enterprises, and financing related to climate change.
- MSMEs globally account for 70% of employment, over 90% of all enterprises, and 50% of the global gross domestic product (GDP).
- Nonetheless, the MSME finance gap is currently USD 5.7 trillion, and when informal businesses are taken into account, it increases to USD 8 trillion.

About International Finance Corporation (IFC) :

- Established : 1956
- HQ : Washington, D.C., United States
- Managing Director : Makhtar Diop





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Cashfree Payments?

- (a) Akash Sinha
- (b) Reeju Datta
- (c) Piyush Anchliya
- (d) Sanjay Aggarwal
- (e) Ravi Mehta

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Piyush Anchliya has been appointed as the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Cashfree Payments.
- In this role, he will focus on financial strategy, operational optimization, and supporting strategic growth.
- Cashfree Payments, founded in 2015 by Akash Sinha and Reeju Datta, provides digital payment solutions for businesses.
- The startup recently began cross-border UPI payments in collaboration with major platforms like Swiggy, Zepto, Nykaa, BookMyShow, and Vedantu.

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Ques : What was the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) inflation rate in March 2025?

- (a) 1.78%
- (b) 1.95%
- (c) 2%
- (d) 2.05%
- (e) 2.15%

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Compared to 2.38 percent in February, India's wholesale inflation decreased to a four-month low of 2.05% in March on an annual basis.
- The wholesale food inflation rate decreased from 5.94 percent in February to 4.66 percent last month.

Recent WPI-based Retail inflation in India :

- February 2025 : 2.38%
- January 2025 : 2.31%
- December 2024 : 2.37%
- November 2024 : 1.89%

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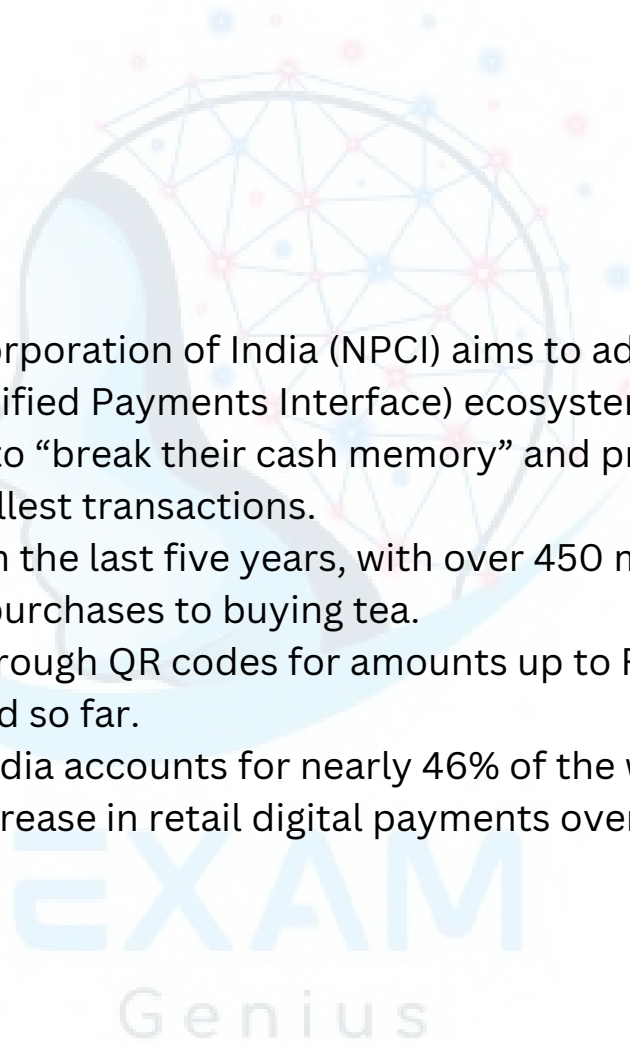
Ques: The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) aims to draw how many additional Indians to the UPI platform to “break their cash memory”?

- (a) 100–150 million
- (b) 150–200 million
- (c) 200–300 million
- (d) 300–400 million
- (e) 400–500 million

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) aims to add 200 to 300 million more Indians to the UPI (Unified Payments Interface) ecosystem.
- This initiative is intended to “break their cash memory” and promote digital payments even for the smallest transactions.
- UPI adoption has surged in the last five years, with over 450 million users using it for everything from major purchases to buying tea.
- Payments can be made through QR codes for amounts up to Rs.500,000, and no transaction fees are charged so far.
- Due to UPI’s popularity, India accounts for nearly 46% of the world’s digital transactions, with a 90x increase in retail digital payments over the last 12 years.





Ques : What was the retail inflation rate in March 2025?

- (a) 3.34%
- (b) 3.30%
- (c) 3.25%
- (d) 3.42%
- (e) 3.68%

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Falling costs for vegetables and foods high in protein caused India's retail inflation to slightly decrease to 3.34% in March, its lowest level in almost six years.
- The most recent data indicate the lowest retail inflation rate since August 2019, when it was 3.28%.
- Consumer Price Index (CPI)-based inflation was 3.61% in February and much higher at 4.85% in March of last year.

Month-wise list of retail inflation :

- February 2025 : 3.61%
- January 2025 : 4.31%
- December 2024 : 5.22%
- November 2024 : 5.48%

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Ques : On the occasion of its 131st foundation day, how many new products did Punjab National Bank (PNB) launch?

- (a) 24
- (b) 30
- (c) 34
- (d) 40
- (e) 25

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Punjab National Bank (PNB) launched 34 new products on its 131st foundation day.
- These included 12 customer-centric deposit schemes and 10 digital transformation products, among others. The launch took place in the presence of Financial Services Secretary M Nagaraju.
- The deposit schemes cater to various segments such as salaried professionals, women, defence personnel, farmers, NRIs, senior citizens, pensioners, students, and youth.
- PNB was established on April 12, 1895, during the Swadeshi movement, with its first branch in Lahore (now in Pakistan).
- Lala Lajpat Rai, a renowned freedom fighter, was the first account holder of the bank.

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Ques: Who became the first player in Indian Premier League (IPL) history to complete 200 fielding dismissals?

- (a) Dinesh Karthik
- (b) Rishabh Pant
- (c) AB de Villiers
- (d) M.S. Dhoni
- (e) Sanju Samson

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- M.S. Dhoni, captain of Chennai Super Kings, became the first player in IPL history to record 200 fielding dismissals.
- He achieved this milestone during a match against Lucknow Super Giants at the Bharat Ratna Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ekana Cricket Stadium.
- Dinesh Karthik is second on the list with 182 dismissals, followed by AB de Villiers with 126.

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Ques : According to the Ministry of Textiles, what was India's raw silk production in the year 2023-24?

- (a) 31,906 MT
- (b) 36,215 MT
- (c) 38,913 MT
- (d) 40,002 MT
- (e) 35,560 MT

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Textiles (MoT) has released data indicating that India's silk exports and production increased steadily between 2017-18 and 2023-24.
- From 31,906 million tons (MT) in 2017-18 to 38,913 MT in 2023-24, India produced more raw silk.
- From Rs. 1,649.48 crores in 2017-18 to Rs. 2,027.56 crores in 2023-24, the export of silk and silk products increased.

About Silk Samagra Scheme :

- Launched in : 2017
- Implemented by : Central Silk Board (CSB)
- Tenure : 2017-2020
- Outlay : Rs. 2161.68 crore
- Components are : 1. Research & Development, Training, Transfer of Technology and I.T. Initiatives, 2. Seed Organizations, 3. Coordination and Market Development, and , 4. Quality Certification Systems (QCS)/Export Brand Promotion and Technology Upgradation
- Aim is to boost silk production in India by improving quality and productivity

About Silk Samagra-2 :

- Tenure : 2021-22 to 2025-26
- Outlay : Rs. 4,679.85 crores





Ques: Where was the NXT25 Summit 2025 hosted, and which governments supported the event?

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Bengaluru
- (c) Hyderabad
- (d) Mumbai
- (e) Ahmedabad

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The NXT25 Summit 2025 was held at the Jio World Convention Centre in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- It was hosted by the India Global Forum (IGF).
- The summit was supported by The United Kingdom (UK) Government, Government of Maharashtra And Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I) of India.
- During the summit, the Government of Maharashtra signed MoUs worth approximately USD 50 billion, indicating massive investment and collaboration potential.

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Ques: With which company did the Ministry of Labour & Employment sign an MoU through the National Career Service (NCS) portal to boost employment in the gig and logistics sectors?

- (a) Swiggy
- (b) Amazon
- (c) Zomato
- (d) Flipkart
- (e) Uber

Answer : Option A

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Labour & Employment signed an MoU with Swiggy via the NCS portal to promote employment in the gig and logistics sectors, targeting urban and semi-urban youth.
- The National Career Service (NCS) platform has over 1.25 crore active job seekers and 40 lakh employers.
- Swiggy will create over 12 lakh job opportunities through the portal in the next 2–3 years.
- This partnership supports hyperlocal job matching and flexible work models, aligning with the government's vision of inclusive digital workforce growth.

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Ques : Who were declared ICC Men's and Women's Players of the Month for March 2025?

- (a) Shubman Gill & Alyssa Healy
- (b) Shreyas Iyer & Georgia Voll
- (c) Virat Kohli & Beth Mooney
- (d) Rishabh Pant & Meg Lanning
- (e) KL Rahul & Ellyse Perry

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Shreyas Iyer of India and Georgia Voll, a young Australian batsman, were named the International Cricket Council's (ICC) March 2025 Men's and Women's Players of the Month, respectively.
- Both victories continue their respective nations' Player of the Month winning streaks. After Shubman Gill's victory in February, Iyer earns consecutive awards for India, and Voll is the fourth consecutive Australian woman to win Women's Player of the Month.

Recent ICC players of the month Men and Women Respectively :

- November 2024 : Haris Rauf (Pakistan) , Danni Wyatt-Hodge (England)
- December 2024 : Jasprit Bumrah (India) , Annabel Sutherland (Australia)
- January 2025 : Jomel Warrican (West Indies) , Beth Mooney (Australia)
- February 2025 : Shubman Gill (India) , Alana King (Australia)





Ques: Who has been elected as the Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission of the Indian Weightlifting Federation (IWLF)?

- (a) S. Sathish Kumar
- (b) Jeremy Lalrinnunga
- (c) Mirabai Chanu
- (d) Bindyarani Devi
- (e) Punam Yadav

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Mirabai Chanu, an Olympic silver medallist and one of India's most decorated weightlifters, has been elected Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission of the Indian Weightlifting Federation (IWLF).
- Her national record total lift is 205 kg – 86 kg in snatch and 119 kg in clean and jerk.
- S. Sathish Kumar, a Commonwealth Games double gold medallist, has been elected Vice-Chairperson. He lifted a total of 317 kg in the men's 77 kg category at the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games.

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Ques: What is the name of the upcoming 'Zero Poverty' Mission announced by Uttar Pradesh CM on the 135th birth anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar?

- (a) Dr. Ambedkar Jan Kalyan Yojana
- (b) Bhimrao Ambedkar Zero Poverty Mission
- (c) Ambedkar Antyodaya Abhiyan
- (d) Samajik Nyay Abhiyan
- (e) Dr. Ambedkar Aarthik Vikas Yojana

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath announced that the 'Zero Poverty' Mission will be named after Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar on the occasion of his 135th birth anniversary.
- The mission aims to uplift underprivileged families above the poverty line, especially from marginalized communities like Musahar, Tharu, Vantangiya, Kol, Buksa, Chero, God, and Saharia.
- Around 20–25 deprived families per Gram Panchayat will be identified.
- The scheme targets 14–15 lakh families across the state.

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Ques: Which Ivy League university had approximately \$2.3 billion in federal funding frozen by the Donald Trump administration for refusing to dismantle its DEI programs?

- (a) Columbia University
- (b) Harvard University
- (c) Princeton University
- (d) Brown University
- (e) Yale University

Answer : Option B

Explanation:

- The Donald Trump administration froze about \$2.3 billion in federal funding to Harvard University.
- The action followed Harvard's refusal to comply with White House demands to limit campus activism and dismantle its Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) programs.
- The freeze includes \$2.2 billion in grants and \$60 million in federal contracts.
- Other Ivy League schools such as Princeton, Penn, Columbia, and Brown were also reportedly targeted.
- In response, the American Association of University Professors filed a lawsuit challenging the funding freeze.

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Ques : Ministry of Information & Broadcasting (Mol&B) signed MoU with which state government to set up IICT for AVGC-XR sector ?

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Gujarat
- (d) Tamil Nadu
- (e) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

• Ministry of Information & Broadcasting (Mol&B) and Government of Maharashtra, the Maharashtra Film, Stage & Cultural Development Corporation Limited (MFSCDCL) signed MoU to develop India's first of its kind institute focused on Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics, and Extended Reality (AVGC-XR).

About AVGC-XR :

- Named as : Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICT)
- Location : Dadasaheb Phalke Film City in Goregaon, Mumbai
- Established as : A not-for-profit Section 8 company under the Companies Act, 2013
- Gol Grant : An initial grant of Rs 391.15 crore
- Area allocated : 10-acre plot at Film City for a 30-year lease
- Equity share : Government of India (GoI) holding 34% , Government of Maharashtra holding 14% equity through MFSCDCL and 52% equity will be equally shared between Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)





Ques: From which edition of the Oscars will the new category "Best Stunt Design" be introduced to recognize stunt professionals in filmmaking?

- (a) 97th Oscars
- (b) 98th Oscars
- (c) 99th Oscars
- (d) 100th Oscars
- (e) 101st Oscars

Answer : Option D

Explanation:

- The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has announced a new category – Best Stunt Design – starting from the 100th Oscars in 2028.
- This decision was the result of years of advocacy by David Leitch (former stuntman and director of Deadpool 2, Bullet Train, The Fall Guy) and Chris O'Hara, a veteran stunt coordinator.
- The category aims to recognize the critical role of stunt professionals, whose work has long been considered vital yet underrepresented at the Academy Awards.
- SSS Rajamouli elated at RRRs mention in Oscars new Stunt Design category announcement poster.
- The Best Stunt Design category is the second significant addition to the Oscars in the last 14 Months.
- Previously, the Academy added a competitive Oscar for casting, which will be awarded for the First time at Next Year's Ceremony.





Ques: What is India's current rank in global automobile production as per recent data?

- (a) First
- (b) Second
- (c) Third
- (d) Fourth
- (e) Fifth

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Report Automotive Industry: Powering India's Participation in Global Value Chains 2nd Edition Published by National Institution for Transforming India (NITI Aayog)
- Report Released by Suman Bery, the Vice Chairman of the NITI Aayog and Knowledge partner is CRISIL
- India has become the 4th-largest automobile producer globally, after China, the USA, and Japan.
- India annually produces nearly 6 million automobile units.
- In 2023, global production of cars and commercial vehicles reached about 94 million units.
- India's auto industry contributes 7.1% to the GDP and 49% to manufacturing GDP.
- The Indian Auto industry produced over 28 million vehicles from April 2023 to March 2024.
- India holds a 3% share (~USD 20 billion) in the global auto component trade, expected to rise to USD 60 billion in exports and USD 145 billion in production by 2030.





Ques: Which city will host the 5th Asian Youth Para Games in December 2025 after Tashkent withdrew as the original host?

- (a) Tokyo
- (b) Doha
- (c) Jakarta
- (d) Dubai
- (e) Bangkok

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Dubai has been officially named the host city for the 5th Asian Youth Para Games, scheduled from December 7–14, 2025, after Tashkent withdrew.
- This marks the second time Dubai is hosting the event, the first being in 2017.
- The Games will witness the participation of around 1350 athletes from 30–40 countries, competing in 10 para-sports, making it the largest edition ever.
- The Dubai Club for People of Determination will host 6 out of 10 sports, highlighting the city's expertise in organizing para-sport events like the FAZZA Championships.

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Ques: Which cricketer recently became the first Asian to score 100 half-centuries in T20 cricket?

- (a) Shikhar Dhawan
- (b) Babar Azam
- (c) David Warner
- (d) Virat Kohli
- (e) Rohit Sharma

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Virat Kohli scored his 100th T20 half-century while playing for Royal Challengers Bengaluru against Rajasthan Royals at the Sawai Mansingh Stadium.
- With this feat, Kohli became the first Asian to reach the 100 half-century milestone in T20 cricket.
- Globally, David Warner leads with 108 T20 half-centuries, while Babar Azam follows with 90.
- In the IPL, Kohli has now equaled Warner's record of 66 fifty-plus scores, with Shikhar Dhawan next on the list at 53.

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Ques: Which football club won the 11th edition of the Indian Super League (ISL) 2024-25 by defeating Bengaluru FC in the final?

- (a) Odisha FC
- (b) Mohun Bagan Super Giant
- (c) Mumbai City FC
- (d) Hyderabad FC
- (e) East Bengal

Answer : Option B

Explanation:

- Mohun Bagan Super Giant, based in Kolkata, won the 11th edition of the ISL 2024-25 by defeating Bengaluru FC with a score of 2-1.
- This is their second ISL title, with the first coming in the 2022-23 season (as ATK Mohun Bagan).
- The final was held at Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan Stadium, Kolkata.
- The Mariners (nickname of Mohun Bagan) also lifted the ISL Winners Shield after defeating Odisha FC, making them the second team in ISL history to win both the Shield and the Title in the same season.
- Mumbai City FC achieved this feat earlier in the 2020-21 season.

Award Winner of the 2024-25 ISL season :

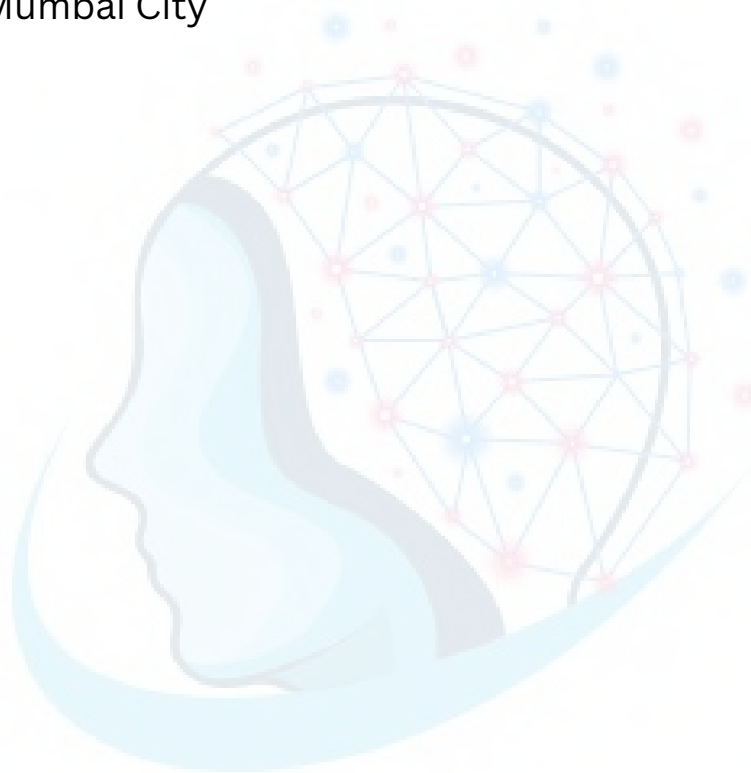
- Golden Boot (Maximum goal scorer in the season) : Alaaeddine Ajaraie of the North East United FC (23 goals)
- Emerging Player of the League : Brison Fernandes of FC Goa
- Golden Glove (Best Goalkeeper) : Vishal Kaith of Mohun Bagan Super Giant
- Best Grassroots Programme : Jamshedpur FC
- Golden Ball (Best Player of Tournament) : Alaaeddine Ajaraie of the North East United FC
- Best Elite Youth Program : Punjab FC

About Indian Super League (ISL) :





- Started : 2013
- Number of clubs : 13
- Organising bodies : All India Football Federation (AIFF) and Football Sports Development Limited (FSDL)
- 2024 cup winner : Mumbai City



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Ques : What is the new global ranking of Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) among the world's busiest airports in 2024?

- (a) 5th
- (b) 7th
- (c) 9th
- (d) 10th
- (e) 11th

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World's busiest airports in 2024 Published by Airports Council International (ACI)
- Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in Delhi rose to the 9th position among the world's busiest airports in 2024, according to Airports Council International (ACI) World.
- It handled 77.8 million passengers, marking a 7.8% increase from 2023 and a 13.6% rise compared to pre-pandemic levels in 2019.
- IGIA was ranked 10th in 2023.
- Global passenger traffic in 2024 reached 9.5 billion, and the top 10 busiest airports accounted for 855 million passengers, which is 9% of global traffic.

Ranking of top 5 busiest airports in 2024 :

- 1 Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (United States)
- 2 Dubai International Airport (UAE)
- 3 Dallas Fort Worth International Airport (United States)
- 4 Haneda Airport (Tokyo, Japan)
- 5 Heathrow Airport (London, UK)
- 9 Indira Gandhi International Airport (New Delhi, India)





Ques: By what percentage did the Ministry of Education hike the material cost under the PM POSHAN scheme in FY 2025–26?

- (a) 8.5%
- (b) 9%
- (c) 9.5%
- (d) 10%
- (e) 10.5%

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Education announced a 9.5% increase in the material cost under the PM POSHAN scheme, previously known as the Midday Meal Scheme. The revised cost is effective from May 1, 2025.
- For Grades 1 to 5, the cost increased from Rs 6.19 to Rs 6.78 per student/day.
- For Grades 6 to 8, it increased from Rs 9.29 to Rs 10.17 per student/day.
- For primary children (classes 1 - 5), the average cost per meal, when all the components (ingredients, fuel, cereals, etc.) are considered, is approximately Rs 12.13. It is around Rs 17.62 for kids in upper primary (classes 6–8).
- The Union Government will bear an additional Rs 954 crore to implement the revised rates. A total budget of Rs 12,500 crore is allocated for the FY 2025–26.

About PM POSHAN Scheme :

- Full form : Pradhan Mantri POshan SHakti Nirman Scheme, Renamed in 2021
- Launched on : August 15, 1995 as National Scheme for Mid-Day Meal in Schools
- Tenure : FY21 to FY26
- Benefit : One hot cooked meal is provided to 11.20 crore students studying in Balvatika and classes I to VIII, in 10.36 lakh Government and Government-aided schools during the all school-days
- As per the scheme, each student studying in Balvatika and primary class is eligible for 20 grams (gms) of pulses, 50 gms of vegetables and 5 gms of oil
- For upper primary students: 30g of pulses, 75g of vegetables , 7.5g of oil





Ques: Who was recently conferred with the Verchol Dalit Literary Award by the Neelam Cultural Centre?

- (a) Bama Faustina
- (b) P. Sivakami
- (c) Meena Kandasamy
- (d) Kancha Ilaiah
- (e) Omprakash Valmiki

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Retired IAS officer, writer, and politician P. Sivakami has been awarded the Verchol Dalit Literary Award.
- The award was presented by the Neelam Cultural Centre and award ceremony took place in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- The prize includes Rs.1 lakh in cash along with the Verchol Dalit Literary Award.
- P. Sivakami is well known for her contributions to Dalit literature and social justice discourse in Tamil and English.

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Ques : Which state government has launched the Bhu Bharati portal to make land record management simple, transparent, and accessible to the public ?

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

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- To make land record management easier, more transparent, and more publically available, the Telangana government launched the Bhu Bharati portal.
- On the occasion of Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar's 135th birthday, Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy launched the portal.
- The Dharani portal, which was launched by the former BRS government under K. Chandrashekhara Rao, has been replaced by this one.
- On November 2, 2020, the Dharani portal—an integrated platform for agricultural land registration and mutations—was introduced by the former BRS government.

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Ques: Where was the 2nd edition of the Defence Literature Festival ‘Kalam & Kavach 2.0’ held, and what was its theme?

- (a) Pune; Strengthening India's Defence Network
- (b) New Delhi; Building a Modern Armed Force
- (c) New Delhi; Securing India's Rise through Defence Reforms
- (d) Bengaluru; Reforms in Indian Defence System
- (e) Hyderabad; Empowering Forces Through Strategy

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 2nd edition of the Defence Literature Festival ‘Kalam & Kavach 2.0’ was held at the Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi.
- It was jointly organized by the Centre for Joint Warfare Studies (CENJOWS) and Pentagon Press.
- The theme for this edition was “Securing India's Rise through Defence Reforms.”
- The 1st edition of the festival was held in 2024 in Pune.
- Additionally, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh declared 2025 as the Year of Reforms for the Indian Armed Forces.

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Daniel Noboa Appointed as President of Ecuador. He won 55.85 percent of the vote against his left-wing challenger, Luisa González.

Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, the former prime minister of Malaysia, died at the age of 85. Malaysia's fifth leader, Abdullah, was in office from 2003 to 2009, when he was forced to step down in order to accept responsibility for the governing coalition's poor election performance.

McLaren's Oscar Piastri delivered a commanding performance at the Bahrain International Circuit, clinching his second victory of the 2025 Formula One season

Under the Open Acreage Licensing Policy Bid Round Nine, the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas has granted 28 blocks totaling more than 1 lakh 36 thousand square kilometers. This will lessen India's reliance on imports and enable it realize its full energy potential.

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Ques : What is the new official name of the parent company of the quick-commerce startup Zepto, as part of its IPO preparations?

- (a) Zepto E-Commerce Pvt Ltd
- (b) Zepto Retail India Ltd /
- (c) Zepto Private Limited
- (d) Zepto Kart Services Pvt Ltd
- (e) Zepto Tech India Ltd

Answer : Option C

Explanation:

- The parent company of Zepto, earlier known as Kiranakart Technologies Private Limited, has officially changed its name to Zepto Private Limited.
- The change, approved by the Registrar of Companies (RoC) in Mumbai, is part of Zepto's preparation for a potential IPO.
- This is a common trend followed by startups like Swiggy and Zomato before their public listings, aimed at streamlining branding.

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Ques : What is the projected GDP growth rate for India in FY27, as per Fitch Ratings?

- (a) 6%
- (b) 6.1%
- (c) 6.2%
- (d) 6.3%
- (e) 6.4%

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Citing uncertainty in the global economy, Fitch Ratings updated its estimate of India's GDP growth for FY26 to 6.4% while keeping its 6.3% forecast for FY27.
- Due to growing concerns about a possible global trade war, the global ratings agency also downgraded its predictions for FY25 and FY26 by 10 basis points, to 6.2% and 6.4%, respectively.

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Ques : Ajay Bhushan Pandey has been appointed as the Vice President at which international financial institution?

- a) IMF
- b) World Bank
- c) ADB
- d) AIIB
- e) NDB

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Ajay Bhushan Pandey, former Chairperson of the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA), has been appointed as Vice President – Investment Solutions at the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB).
- In his new role, he will oversee three major departments:
 - Sectors, Themes, and Finance Solutions
 - Sustainability and Fiduciary Solutions
 - Portfolio Management Department
- AIIB is a multilateral development bank that focuses on financing infrastructure projects in Asia and beyond.

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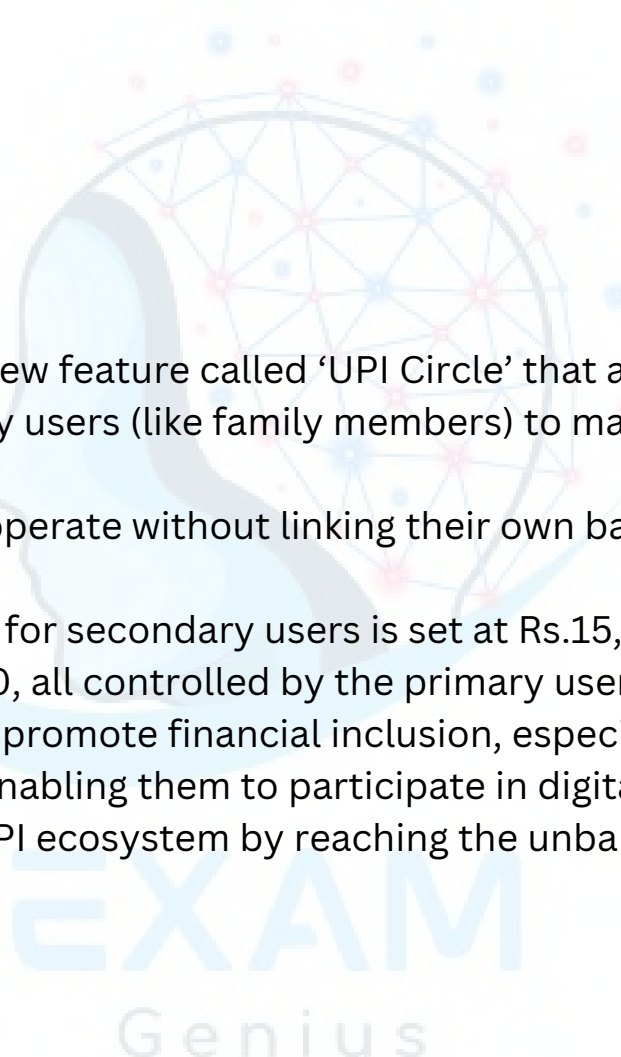
Ques : What is the maximum daily transaction limit set under PhonePe's new 'UPI Circle' feature for a secondary user?

- (a) Rs.5,000
- (b) Rs.10,000
- (c) Rs.15,000
- (d) Rs.20,000
- (e) Rs.12,000

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- PhonePe has launched a new feature called 'UPI Circle' that allows a primary user to authorize trusted secondary users (like family members) to make payments using their UPI account.
- The secondary users can operate without linking their own bank accounts by creating individual profiles.
- The daily transaction limit for secondary users is set at Rs.15,000, and the per transaction limit is Rs.5,000, all controlled by the primary user.
- The feature is designed to promote financial inclusion, especially for housewives, students, and the elderly, enabling them to participate in digital payments securely.
- It also helps expand the UPI ecosystem by reaching the unbanked population and enhancing digital access.



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Ques: As of December 31, 2024, what is the total cumulative loan commitment made by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to India?

- (a) \$55.3 billion
- (b) \$59.5 billion
- (c) \$57.5 billion
- (d) \$61.2 billion
- (e) \$62.5 billion

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- As of December 31, 2024, the Asian Development Bank has committed \$59.5 billion in loans to India overall, up from \$55.3 billion in 2023.
- It provided \$4.25 billion in finance for 21 projects in 2024 to help the Government of India catalyze strong, climate-resilient, and inclusive growth.
- As of December 31, 2024, the overall amount of ADB's support to India is \$59.5 billion, which includes 657 grants, loans, and technical assistance for the public sector.
- There are now 78 loans totaling \$16.23 billion in ADB's sovereign portfolio in India.

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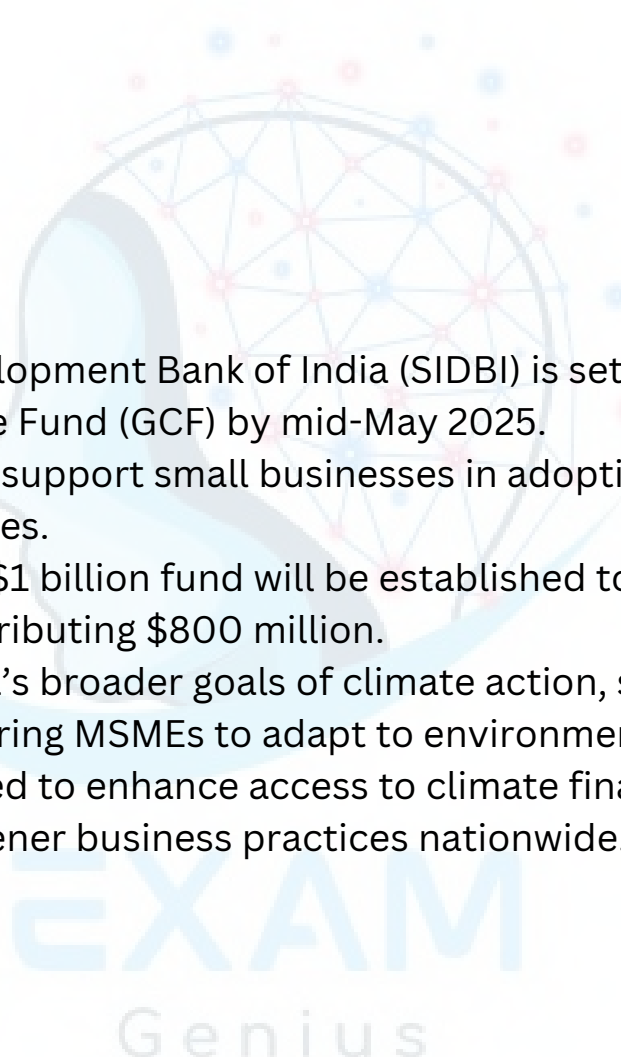
Ques : SIDBI is set to sign a pact with which of the following to support small businesses in adopting climate-resilient technologies?

- a) World Bank
- b) Green Climate Fund
- c) Asian Development Bank
- d) IMF
- e) NDB

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) is set to sign a strategic pact with the Green Climate Fund (GCF) by mid-May 2025.
- This collaboration aims to support small businesses in adopting low-emission and climate-resilient technologies.
- As part of the initiative, a \$1 billion fund will be established to finance green transitions, with SIDBI contributing \$800 million.
- The move aligns with India's broader goals of climate action, sustainable development, and empowering MSMEs to adapt to environmental challenges.
- The partnership is expected to enhance access to climate finance for small enterprises, promoting greener business practices nationwide.





Ques: According to the revised forecasts, what is Morgan Stanley's GDP growth projection for India in FY26?

- (a) 6.7%
- (b) 6.5%
- (c) 6.3%
- (d) 6.1%
- (e) 5.7%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The RBI revised India's FY26 GDP growth forecast from 6.7% to 6.5%.
- Morgan Stanley further lowered the FY26 projection to 6.1%, citing global trade and policy uncertainties.
- Growth is expected to bottom out at 5.7% in Q3 FY26, compared to 6.2% in Q3 FY25.
- Inflation is projected to average around 4% in FY26.
- The RBI may implement a cumulative 100 bps rate cut, with two more cuts expected in 2025 to support growth.

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:Ques: According to the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), what is India's projected economic growth rate for the year 2025?

- (a) 6.1%
- (b) 6.9%
- (c) 5.6%
- (d) 6.5%
- (e) 2.3%

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) projects that robust public investment and further monetary easing would help India's economy expand by 6.5% in 2025.
- India's GDP is expected to grow at the quickest rate in 2024, despite a decrease from the 6.9% growth estimate.
- Global growth is expected to fall to 2.3% in 2025, putting the world economy on a recessionary path, according to UNCTAD's latest research, "Trade and Development Foresights 2025 – Under Pressure: Uncertainty Reshapes Global Economic Prospects."
- According to UNCTAD, South Asia will grow by 5.6% in 2025 as monetary relaxation occurs throughout the majority of the region due to falling inflation.

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Ques : Which bank was fined ₹29.60 lakh by the RBI for violating guidelines related to customer service, specifically for charging penal fees on inoperative accounts?

- (a) State Bank of India
- (b) Canara Bank
- (c) Punjab National Bank
- (d) Union Bank of India
- (e) Bank of Baroda /

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.29.60 lakh on Punjab National Bank (PNB) for violating its guidelines on Customer Service in Banks.
- During the Inspection for Supervisory Evaluation (ISE) 2023, RBI found that PNB levied wrongful penal charges on customers for non-maintenance of minimum balance in inoperative accounts.
- The penalty was imposed under Section 47A(1)(c) read with Sections 46(4)(i) and 51(1) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- This regulatory action reflects non-compliance with customer-centric norms and does not affect the validity of customer transactions.
- RBI also retains the authority to take further action if deemed necessary.

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Ques : What was the reason behind RBI imposing Rs.61.40 lakh penalty on Kotak Mahindra Bank in April 2025?

- (a) Misuse of customer data
- (b) Delay in reporting frauds
- (c) Non-compliance with RBI guidelines on loans and advance
- (d) Violation of foreign exchange rules
- (e) None of these

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.61.40 lakh on Kotak Mahindra Bank for non-compliance with regulatory guidelines related to loans and advances.
- The violations were identified during the Inspection for Supervisory Evaluation (ISE) based on the bank's position as of March 31, 2023.
- Issues included failure to ensure the required loan component in working capital for certain borrowers and non-adherence to margin norms for intra-day limits granted to stockbrokers.
- The penalty was imposed under Section 47A(1)(c) read with Section 46(4)(i) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- This action is a part of regulatory compliance enforcement and does not affect the validity of customer transactions or banking operations.
- The RBI also clarified that this penalty does not bar further action against the bank in future, if necessary.





Ques: Which public sector insurance company has partnered with SIDBI to offer tailored general insurance solutions for the MSME sector

- (a) New India Assurance
- (b) United India Insurance Company Ltd
- (c) Oriental Insurance
- (d) National Insurance Company
- (e) LIC of India

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- United India Insurance Company Ltd (UIICL) has partnered with SIDBI to offer general insurance products such as home, health, motor, and engineering insurance.
- The collaboration aims to serve the MSME sector, utilizing SIDBI's extensive network of 123 branches across India.
- This move supports India's economic development by strengthening financial protection for MSMEs.

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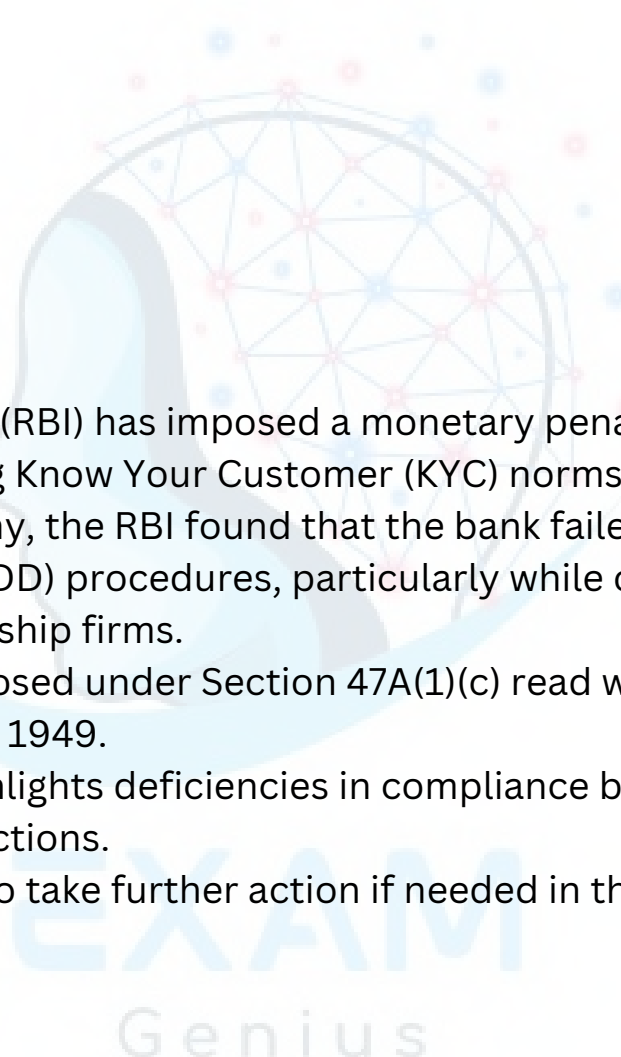
Ques : Which bank was fined Rs.38.60 lakh by the RBI for violating KYC norms related to Customer Due Diligence while opening current accounts?

- (a) HDFC Bank
- (b) Axis Bank
- (c) ICICI Bank
- (d) IDFC First Bank
- (e) Yes Bank

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.38.60 lakh on IDFC First Bank for violating Know Your Customer (KYC) norms.
- During supervisory scrutiny, the RBI found that the bank failed to follow proper Customer Due Diligence (CDD) procedures, particularly while opening current accounts of sole proprietorship firms.
- The penalty has been imposed under Section 47A(1)(c) read with Section 46(4)(i) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- This regulatory action highlights deficiencies in compliance but does not affect the validity of customer transactions.
- RBI retains the authority to take further action if needed in this matter.





Ques: On 17 April 2025, which two institutions signed an MoU to enhance cooperation in Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Combating the Financing of Terrorism (CFT) compliance?

- (a) SEBI and Ministry of Finance
- (b) RBI and CBI
- (c) FIU-IND and RBI
- (d) FIU-IND and NITI Aayog
- (e) Enforcement Directorate and RBI

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- On 17 April 2025, the Financial Intelligence Unit – India (FIU-IND) and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen cooperation for Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Combating the Financing of Terrorism (CFT) compliance.
- The MoU focuses on the effective implementation of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) and associated rules.
- Key signatories include Shri Vivek Aggarwal (Director, FIU-IND) and Shri R.L.K. Rao (Executive Director, RBI – Department of Regulation).
- Cooperation areas include:
 - Appointment of nodal officers
 - Sharing of intelligence
 - Setting reporting mechanisms under PML rules
 - Joint training for reporting entities
 - Monitoring red flag indicators and compliance
 - Conducting risk assessments and ensuring international standards
- The MoU is expected to enhance transparency, financial system integrity, and coordination in identifying and preventing suspicious transactions.





Ques: Which city will host the cricket competition during the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics, where the sport returns after 128 years?

- (a) Pomona
- (b) Anaheim
- (c) Pasadena
- (d) Long Beach
- (e) Santa Monica

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The cricket tournament will take place in Pomona, South California, during the 2028 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles.
- The cricket competition, which will include six teams in the men's and women's divisions, will take place at the Fairgrounds in Pomona. After 128 years, cricket is expected to be included in the Olympics.
- Along with baseball/softball, flag football, lacrosse (sixes), and squash, cricket was one of five new sports added to LA28.
- Men's and women's T20 competitions were held in the Asian Games in 2010, 2014, and 2023, while a women's competition was held at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham in 2022.

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Ques: Where was the world's 17th Athlete Passport Management Unit (APMU) inaugurated by Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya?

- (a) Sports Authority of India, Bengaluru
- (b) National Dope Testing Laboratory, New Delh
- (c) Nehru Stadium, Chennai
- (d) NADA Headquarters, Mumbai
- (e) India International Centre, New Delhi

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The 17th Athlete Passport Management Unit (APMU) in history was opened by Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya at the National Dope Testing Laboratory in New Delhi.
- In order to maintain fair play and the integrity of clean sport, the Athlete Passport Management entity is a specialized entity tasked with tracking and managing athletes' biological passports.
- By making it possible to trace athletes' biological profiles over time via the Athlete Biological Passport (ABP) system, APMU represents a significant turning point in the nation's fight against doping. By recognizing unethical actions, this novel technique will safeguard sports fairness and assist in discovering drug habits.

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Ques: According to NITI Aayog's report, what is the projected size of the global hand and power tools market by 2035?

- (a) \$100 billion
- (b) \$134 billion
- (c) \$190 billion
- (d) \$60 billion
- (e) \$25 billion

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- A report titled "Unlocking \$25+ Billion Export Potential – India's Hand & Power Tools Sector" was released by NITI Aayog.
- According to the analysis, the power and hand tool trade market is expected to rise dramatically from its current worth of about \$100 billion to approximately \$190 billion by 2035.
- Electrical tools make up the majority of this industry, with hand tools accounting for \$34 billion and projected to reach \$60 billion by 2035, and power tools, including tool accessories, accounting for \$63 billion and projected to reach \$134 billion.
- Over the next ten years, the hand and power tool industry will contribute to the expansion of our global presence and the improvement of our domestic manufacturing.





Ques: What was the theme of the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) India's conference held at the India International Centre, New Delhi, during Play True Week 2025?

- (a) Strengthening Sports Infrastructure
- (b) Building Together a Clean Sport Ecosystem
- (c) Empowering Athletes Through Education
- (d) Zero Tolerance Against Doping
- (e) Sports Integrity for the Nation

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- At the India International Centre (IIC), New Delhi, the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) India successfully hosted a conference titled "Building Together a Clean Sport Ecosystem."
- As part of Play True Week 2025, the event brought together a diverse range of stakeholders who are dedicated to creating a clean, equitable, and values-based athletic environment in India.
- The release of "NADA India's Fair Play Guide" in 10 regional languages, which aims to increase access to clean sport education for athletes and stakeholders nationwide, was one of the highlights of the first session.
- To reaffirm their dedication to fair play and doping-free sport, participants also took part in a pledge signing ceremony.

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Ques: Who has been recommended as the 52nd Chief Justice of India by current CJI Sanjiv Khanna?

- (a) Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul
- (b) Justice B.R. Gavai
- (c) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud .
- (d) Justice Surya Kant
- (e) Justice Hima Kohli

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Justice B.R. Gavai has been recommended as the 52nd Chief Justice of India by the incumbent CJI Sanjiv Khanna, who retires on May 13, 2025.
- Justice Gavai was born in Amravati on November 24, 1960, and became a member of the Bar on March 16, 1985. The father of Justice Gavai, Ramakrishna Suryabhan Gavai, popularly referred to as "Dadasaheb," was a well-known Dalit politician and former governor of Bihar.
- Justice Gavai was elevated to the Supreme Court in May 2019 and is due to retire on November 23, 2025.
- Beginning in 1987, Justice Gavai practiced at the Bombay High Court, where he appeared in instances involving administrative law and constitutionalism.
- In 2003, he was promoted to Additional Judge of the Bombay High Court, and in November 2005, he was named a Permanent Judge.
- He has delivered key judgments including those related to Article 370, electoral bonds, pan-India guidelines against illegal demolitions or the 'bulldozer culture' of States , and personal liberty in the Manish Sisodia bail case.
- He is also notable as the first Dalit CJI from the Scheduled Caste community in many decades.





Ques: What was the name of the first edition of the maritime engagement held in Tanzania in 2025 involving India and several African nations?

- (a) MAHASAGAR 2025
- (b) SAGAR SETU 2025 /
- (c) AIKEYME 2025
- (d) IND-AFRICA NAVAL DRILL 2025
- (e) UNITY WAVE 2025

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 1st edition of Africa India Key Maritime Engagement (AIKEYME 2025) was conducted in Tanzania.
- The engagement included a Harbour Phase and a Sea Phase.
- Participating countries: India, Tanzania, Comoros, Djibouti, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, and South Africa.
- Indian naval participants: INS Chennai (destroyer) and INS Kesari (large platform).
- This initiative aligns with the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, promoting Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions (MAHASAGAR)

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Ques : Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the 23rd Law Commission of India?

- a) Ranjan Gogoi /
- b) Arun Mishra
- c) H.L. Dattu
- d) Dipak Misra
- e) Dinesh Maheshwari

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Justice Dinesh Maheshwari, a retired Supreme Court judge, has been appointed as the Chairperson of the 23rd Law Commission of India.
- The 23rd Law Commission was officially constituted on September 3, 2024, following the completion of the 22nd Commission's term on August 31, 2024.
- The commission's mandate includes reviewing and recommending reforms in legal matters, notably the feasibility of implementing a Uniform Civil Code (UCC).
- Justice Maheshwari brings significant judicial experience to the role, expected to aid in complex legal evaluations and legislative reforms.

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Ques: The 2025 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics was awarded to how many physicists across collaborative projects at CERN?

- (a) 5,200
- (b) 8,375
- (c) 10,000
- (d) 13,508
- (e) 15,750

Answer: Option D

Explanation

- The 11th annual Breakthrough Prizes, often referred to as the Oscars® of Science, were held in Santa Monica, California, USA.
- Six prizes of \$3 million each were announced in categories including Life Sciences, Mathematics, and Fundamental Physics.
- The 2025 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics was awarded to 13,508 physicists involved in four collaborative projects at CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research located near Geneva, Switzerland.

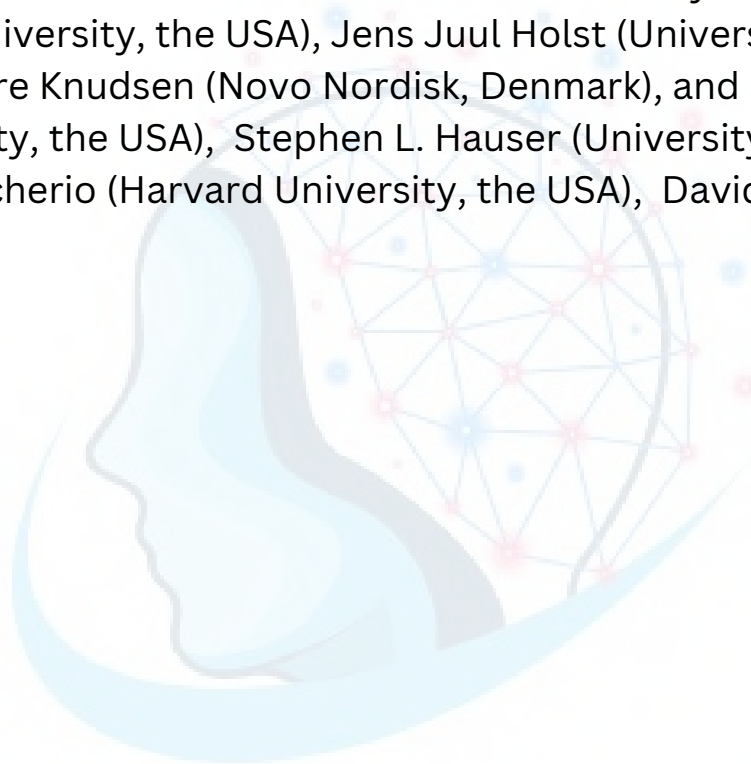
List of winners of Breakthrough Prizes 2025 :

- Fundamental Physics (USD 3 million) : Thousands of researchers from over 70 countries
- Mathematics (USD 3 million) : Dennis Gaitsgory from Germany based Max Planck Institute for Mathematics
- Special Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics (USD 3 million) : Gerardus 't Hooft from Utrecht University, The Netherlands
- New Horizons in Physics Prize (USD 100,000) : Waseem Bakr from Princeton University, the USA , Jeongwan Haah from Stanford University, the USA, Sebastiaan Haffert from Leiden University, the Netherlands, Rebecca Jensen-Clem from the University of California, Santa Cruz, and Maaïke van Kooten from the National Research Council Canada





- New Horizons in Mathematics Prize (USD 100,000) : Ewain Gwynne from the University of Chicago , John Pardon Stony Brook University(SBU), the USA and Sam Raskin from Yale University, the USA
- Maryam Mirzakhani New Frontiers Prize (USD 50,000) : Si Ying Lee from Stanford University, Rajula Srivastava from the University of Bonn, Germany and Ewin Tang from the University of California, Berkeley
- Life Sciences (USD 3 million) : Daniel J. Drucker (University of Toronto), Joel Habener (Harvard University, the USA), Jens Juul Holst (University of Copenhagen, Denmark), Lotte Bjerre Knudsen (Novo Nordisk, Denmark), and Svetlana Mojsov (Rockefeller University, the USA), Stephen L. Hauser (University of California, the USA) and Alberto Ascherio (Harvard University, the USA), David R. Liu (Harvard University)



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Ques : World Haemophilia Day is observed every year on which day ?

- (a) 17 April
- (b) 18 April
- (c) 19 April
- (d) 20 April
- (e) 21 April

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- To raise awareness of hemophilia and other bleeding illnesses, April 17 is designated as World Haemophilia Day each year.
- Theme 2025 – Access for All: Women and Girls Bleed Too
- The World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH) was founded by Frank Schnabel, whose birth anniversary is celebrated on this day.
- The World Federation of Haemophilia established World Haemophilia Day in 1989 in remembrance of its founder, Frank Schnabel, who was instrumental in bringing attention to the condition and devoted his life to helping those who were affected by it.

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Ques : As per 2024 data, what is the share of gold in India's total forex reserves?

- a) 8.6%
- b) 11.4%
- c) 6.7%
- d) 12.8%
- e) 10.3%

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- According to the World Gold Council (WGC), the share of gold in India's total forex reserves stood at 11.4% in 2024, up from just 6.7% in 2018.
- This sharp increase reflects the Reserve Bank of India's active gold accumulation strategy to diversify the reserve portfolio.
- In 2024, India purchased 72.6 tonnes of gold, becoming the third-largest central bank gold buyer globally, after Poland and Turkey.
- This move was in response to global economic uncertainties, currency volatility, and a growing need to reduce reliance on the US dollar.
- The RBI's enhanced gold holdings contribute to greater financial stability, acting as a hedge against inflation and geopolitical risks.
- As of February 2025, the gold share further rose to 12%, indicating continued strategic investment in gold.





Ques: Which bank faced the highest monetary penalty imposed by the RBI in FY25 as per the FACE report on enforcement actions?

- (a) UCO Bank
- (b) Axis Bank
- (c) State Bank of India
- (d) J&K Bank
- (e) Bank of Baroda

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- FACE, a self-regulatory organization recognized by the RBI, said that the RBI conducted 79 enforcement proceedings against banks and NBFCs in FY25.
- Of them, 30 were against banks, 1 was against a credit bureau, and 48 were against NBFCs. Monetary fines of Rs.33 crore were levied.
- In contrast, NBFCs are responsible for 60% of penalty cases but only 18% of the total penalty sum.
- Banks were engaged in only 38% of the instances, but they were responsible for 82% of the overall penalty amount.
- For infractions pertaining to BSBDA accounts, beneficial ownership identification, and working capital loans against government subsidies, J&K Bank was hit with the highest fine of Rs.3.31 crore.
- UCO Bank was fined Rs.2 crore and Axis Bank Rs.1.9 crore for violations of regulatory norms
- FACE did not include actions against regional rural banks and cooperative banks for this report.





Ques : What is the total capital infusion IDFC FIRST Bank will receive from Warburg Pincus and ADIA arm?

- (a) Rs.5,000 crore
- (b) Rs.6,500 crore
- (c) Rs.7,500 crore
- (d) Rs.8,000 crore
- (e) Rs.8,500 crore

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- IDFC FIRST Bank is set to receive a total capital infusion of Rs.7,500 crore through a preferential issue of CCPS (Compulsorily Convertible Preference Shares).

This investment will come from two major global investors:

- Rs.4,876 crore from Warburg Pincus (via Currant Sea Investments B.V.)
- Rs.2,624 crore from Platinum Invictus B 2025 RSC Ltd, a subsidiary of ADIA (Abu Dhabi Investment Authority)
- The bank's capital adequacy ratio will increase from 16.1% to 18.9%, with CET-1 rising to around 16.5%, strengthening its ability to absorb financial shocks.
- This funding marks a key step in the bank's strategy to expand operations, enhance profitability, and improve investor confidence.
- The preferential allotment was approved by the bank's board to support this capital raise.
- The entry of reputed global institutions reflects strong confidence in the bank's future performance and growth potential.





Ques: In the World's Best Hospitals 2025 report by Newsweek and Statista, what is the global rank of AIIMS, New Delhi?

- (a) 122
- (b) 113
- (c) 97
- (d) 146
- (e) 228

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- According to Newsweek and Statista's "World's Best Hospitals 2025" study, the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (Aiiims) in New Delhi is the 97th-best hospital in the world.
- The institute, which was placed 122nd in the same survey in 2023, rose nine spots to 113th in 2024, and is now 16 spots higher at 97th. This is a significant increase.
- In its sixth year, the annual ranking assessed more than 2,400 hospitals in 30 countries, gauging their performance based on peer recommendations from thousands of medical professionals, clinical outcomes, patient satisfaction, and sanitary standards.
- Two other Indian hospitals, in addition to AIIMS, were listed among the top 250.
- Two more institutes also made a significant appearance, ranking 146th (ranked 166th in 2024) and 228th (ranked 246th in 2024), respectively: Medanta – The Medicity in Gurgaon and Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER) in Chandigarh.
- The Mayo Clinic and Cleveland Clinic in the United States are at the top of the 2024 list, followed by Toronto General in Canada and Johns Hopkins Hospital. Karolinska University Hospital in Sweden completes the top five.





Ques: Which country remained India's largest trading partner in FY 2024-25 for the 4th consecutive year?

- (a) United States of America (USA)
- (b) United Arab Emirates (UAE) /
- (c) China
- (d) Saudi Arabia
- (e) Russia

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The United States of America (USA) remained India's top trading partner for the fourth consecutive year in Financial Year 2024–25 (FY25), with bilateral trade totaling USD 131.84 billion, according to trade data issued by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I).
- With a total bilateral trade value of USD 127.7 billion in FY25, China was India's second-largest trading partner, followed by the United Arab Emirates (UAE) in third place with USD 100.5 billion.
- In FY25, India's imports from the USA increased by 7.44% to USD 45.33 billion, while its exports to the USA increased by 11.6% to USD 86.51 billion.
- From USD 35.32 billion in FY24 to USD 41.18 billion in FY25, India's trade surplus with the USA grew.
- In FY 24-25 India and China total trade - USD 127.7 Billion and Trade Deficit - USD 99.2 Billion
- India's exports to China declined to USD 14.25 Billion meanwhile imports from China increased to USD 113.45 Billion.





:Ques : Who has been appointed as the new Director-General of ICAR for a period of 3 years?

- a) Himanshu Pathak
- b) Trilochan Mohapatra
- c) Ramesh Chand
- d) Mangi Lal Jat
- e) Rajesh Sharma

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- Dr. Mangi Lal Jat has been appointed as the Director-General of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and Secretary of the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE).
- He succeeds Dr. Himanshu Pathak, who retired from ICAR and joined ICRISAT on 6 March 2025.
- Dr. Jat previously served as Deputy Director General – Research (AI) at ICRISAT, Hyderabad, and brings with him vast experience in agricultural research.
- His appointment is for a tenure of 3 years from the date he assumes office, or until further notice, whichever is earlier.
- ICAR is India's apex body overseeing agricultural education and research, while DARE functions under the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.

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Ques : Which edition of India Justice Report (IJR 2025) Published by Tata Trusts ?

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

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

India Justice Report (IJR 2025) 4th Edition Published by Tata Trusts. It is Released by Justice Madan Lokur, Chair of the UN Internal Justice Council.

It is started in 2019. Four Pillars of report are : 1. Police 2. Prisons 3. Judiciary 4. Legal Aid

Out of 18 major and mid-sized Indian states with a population of one crore or more, Karnataka has the best record for delivering justice. Report on the basis of Four pillar :

1. Police :

- The police-to-population ratio in India is still 155 per 1 lakh, much below the necessary 197.5.
- In terms of police performance, Telangana State is ranked first, followed by Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.
- Despite having the greatest progress in the police category, Bihar had the lowest police ratio, at just 81.
- In India, 30% of police stations lack female help desks, while nearly 17% lack closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras.
- Among the four pillars, the national per capita expenditure on police is the highest at Rs. 1,275.

2. Prisons :





- Tamilnadu has the lowest staff vacancies and the best budget utilization in jail administration. With 22 prisoners for every officer, it also boasts the best ratio.
- With 80% of the total, Karnataka has the largest percentage of undertrial prisoners (UTP).
- AP spends the most per prisoner, at Rs2.67 lakh per year, whereas the national average is Rs 57 per capita.

3. Legal Aid :

- The state with the greatest improvement in legal aid was Haryana. Only Rs 6 is spent annually per person nationwide on legal help.

4. Judiciary :

- Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, and Rajasthan all saw improvements in judicial metrics
- Gujarat had the most open positions for High Court (HC) judges and personnel.
- Just Rs 182 is spent on the judiciary nationwide per person, and no state allocates more than 1% of its whole budget to it.

Ranking of Top 5 and last States in IJR 2025 (large and mid-sized States) :

- 1 Karnataka
- 2 Andhra Pradesh (AP)
- 3 Telangana
- 4 Kerala
- 5 Tamil Nadu (TN)
- 18 West Bengal

Ranking of Top 5 and last States in IJR 2025 (Small States) :

- 1 Sikkim
- 2 Himachal Pradesh (HP)
- 3 Arunachal Pradesh (AR)
- 4 Tripura
- 5 Meghalaya
- 7 Goa



Ques: On the occasion of World Quantum Day, which document was released by the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA) to the Government of India to promote global collaboration in quantum science?

- (a) National Quantum Innovation Framework
- (b) Quantum Advancement Roadmap
- (c) International Technology Engagement Strategy for Quantum (ITES-Q)
- (d) Quantum Collaboration Charter
- (e) India Global Quantum Plan

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Office of the PSA launched the first edition of ITES-Q to mark World Quantum Day and the International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IYQST 2025).
- Unveiled by Prof. Ajay Kumar Sood, the report focuses on boosting global collaboration and innovation in Quantum Science, Technology, and Innovation (QSTI).
- It aligns with India's National Quantum Mission (NQM) to ensure leadership in quantum advancements.

About National Quantum Mission (NQM) :

- Launched in : April 2023
- Total Outlay : Rs 6003.65 Crore
- Tenure of Project : 8 Years (from 2023-24 to 2030-31)
- Aim : to seed, nurture, and scale up scientific and industrial R&D, creating a vibrant and innovative ecosystem in Quantum Technology (QT)
- The NQM envisages the establishment of four Thematic Hubs (T-Hubs) in key domains : 1. Quantum Computing 2. Quantum Communication 3. Quantum Sensing & Metrology 4. Quantum Materials & Devices





Ques : Who is set to become the first Indian astronaut in over four decades to travel to space in May 2025?

- A. Rakesh Sharma
- B. Sunita Williams
- C. Shubhanshu Shukla
- D. Jitendra Singh
- E. Gaganyaan Crew

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla will travel to the International Space Station (ISS) in May 2025 as part of the Axiom-4 mission aboard a Russian Soyuz spacecraft.
- He will be the first Indian astronaut to go to space after Rakesh Sharma's mission in 1984, marking a gap of over 40 years.
- The announcement was made by Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh, and the mission involves coordination between the Department of Space and ISRO.

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Ques: Under which expedition is Indian Naval Sailing Vessel (INSV) 'Tarini' undertaking a global circumnavigation journey crewed by two women officers?

- (a) Navika Sagar Parikrama II
- (b) Vishva Yatra Abhiyan
- (c) Samudra Parikrama
- (d) Naari Sagar Mission
- (e) Mahila Sagar Abhiyan

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- For the last part of her voyage to Goa, the Indian Naval Sailing Vessel (INSV) "Tarini," which was carrying two female officers, was ceremoniously launched off from Cape Town, South Africa.
- Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi, the Chief of the Naval Staff, launched off the full voyage, which will span over 23,400 nautical miles (43,300 km), from Goa on October 2, 2024. It is expected to return to Goa by the end of May.
- Under the Navika Sagar Parikrama (NSP) II, an Indian Navy expedition who is trying a double-handed round of the planet via the three Great Capes, "Tarini" is embarking on the global circumnavigation journey.
- Before arriving in Cape Town, the journey has so far made stops in Fremantle, Australia; Lyttelton, New Zealand; and Port Stanley, Falklands, UK.
- The warship, manned by Lt Cdr Dilna K and Lt Cdr Roopa A, made a planned stopover at Cape Town as part of the ongoing Navika Sagar Parikrama II.





Ques : Where will the headquarters of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) be located?

- a) South Africa
- b) United States
- c) India
- d) Kenya
- e) Brazil

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in April 2023, coinciding with the 50th anniversary of Project Tiger.
- The alliance aims to promote the global conservation of seven major big cat species: Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Snow Leopard, Puma, Jaguar, and Cheetah.
- As per the headquarters agreement signed in April 2024, India will host the permanent headquarters and secretariat of IBCA.
- The Government of India has committed Rs.150 crore towards the alliance between 2023-24 and 2028-29. This will cover corpus funding, infrastructure, and recurring expenses.
- India became an official member in September 2023, after ratification by five initial signatories: India, Liberia, Eswatini, Somalia, and Nicaragua.
- IBCA attained global legal status in February 2024, making it an internationally recognized conservation platform.
- The agreement was signed by P. Kumaran (Secretary, East – MEA) and S. P. Yadav (Director General, IBCA), confirming India as the host nation for the headquarters.





Ques: Which country was appointed as the first chair of INTERPOL's newly established Committee on Governance for a two-year term?

- (a) France
- (b) United Kingdom
- (c) Germany
- (d) United Arab Emirates
- (e) India

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- One of the main advisory groups of the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), the Committee on Governance, has been chosen to be chaired by the Ministry of Interior of the United Arab Emirates (UAE).
- As a result, the UAE was appointed as the first nation to chair this newly established standing committee, which will have a two-year term.
- During the committee's meeting in Lyon, France, representatives from INTERPOL member states gave Lieutenant Colonel Dana Humaid Al Marzouqi, Director General (DG) of the International Affairs Bureau at the Ministry of Interior (UAE), 67% of the vote.

About INTERPOL's Committee on Governance :

Established : November 2024, during 92nd General Assembly of INTERPOL held in Glasgow, the United Kingdom

Aim : to monitor the review of INTERPOL's statutes, regulations, and related documents, proposing necessary amendments or clarifications

About International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) :

- Established : 1923
- HQ : Lyon, France
- Secretary General : Valdecy Urquiza (Brazil)

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Ques: The book 'The India I Saw: A Glimpse into the Life of S. Ambujammal' is an English translation of which Tamil autobiography?

- (a) Enathu Bharatha Payanam
- (b) Nan Kanda Bharatham
- (c) Bharatha Kathai
- (d) En Bharatha Anubhavam
- (e) Kaalathin Kural

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The book 'The India I Saw: A Glimpse into the Life of S. Ambujammal' is translated from the 1973 Tamil autobiography 'Nan Kanda Bharatham'.
- S. Ambujammal, a freedom fighter, authored the original work.
- The English version is translated by historian Sriram V, offering insights into her life and India's freedom movement through her lens.

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Ques : Which coal PSU has become the first in India to adopt paste fill technology for coal mining?

- a) Coal India Ltd
- b) Northern Coalfields Ltd
- c) Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd
- d) South Eastern Coalfields Ltd (SECL)
- e) None of these

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- South Eastern Coalfields Ltd (SECL) has become the first coal PSU in India to adopt Paste Fill Technology, a modern innovation in underground mining.
- This technology helps prevent land subsidence, ensures structural safety of mines, and promotes the recycling of waste materials such as fly ash.
- SECL has signed a Rs.7040 crore agreement with TMC Mineral Resources Pvt. Ltd. for the implementation of this method at the Singhali underground coal mine in Korba, Chhattisgarh.
- The project will be operational for 25 years, with an expected output of 8.4 million tonnes of coal, setting a benchmark in sustainable mining practices.

EXAM
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:Ques : How many new members have recently been appointed to the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) by the Union Government?

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

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The Union Government has appointed four new members to the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) – Pankaj Kumar Mishra, Sanjay Bahadur, L Rajasekhar Reddy, and G Aparna Rao.
- All four are 1989 batch IRS (Income Tax cadre) officers.
- The appointments were cleared by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- With these appointments, CBDT now has a near full-strength board, headed by Chairman Ravi Agrawal (1988 batch IRS).
- Before these new additions, Prabodh Seth and Ramesh Narain Parbat were the only serving members from the same batch.
- The CBDT, under the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, plays a key role in the formulation of direct tax policy and administration in India.

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Ques: Who was awarded the "Legends of Endoscopy" title at the Tokyo Live Global Endoscopy 2025 event for contributions to GI Endoscopy?

- (a) Dr. Naresh Trehan
- (b) Dr. Devi Shetty
- (c) Dr. D. Nageshwar Reddy
- (d) Dr. Prathap C. Reddy
- (e) Dr. Randeep Guleria

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Dr. D. Nageshwar Reddy, Chairman of AIG Hospitals, was honored with the "Legends of Endoscopy" award.
- The award was conferred by a community of Japanese gastroenterologists.
- The honor was presented during the Tokyo Live Global Endoscopy 2025 event at SHOWA Medical University Koto Toyosu Hospital in Tokyo.
- It recognized his significant contributions to the advancement of Gastrointestinal (GI) Endoscopy.

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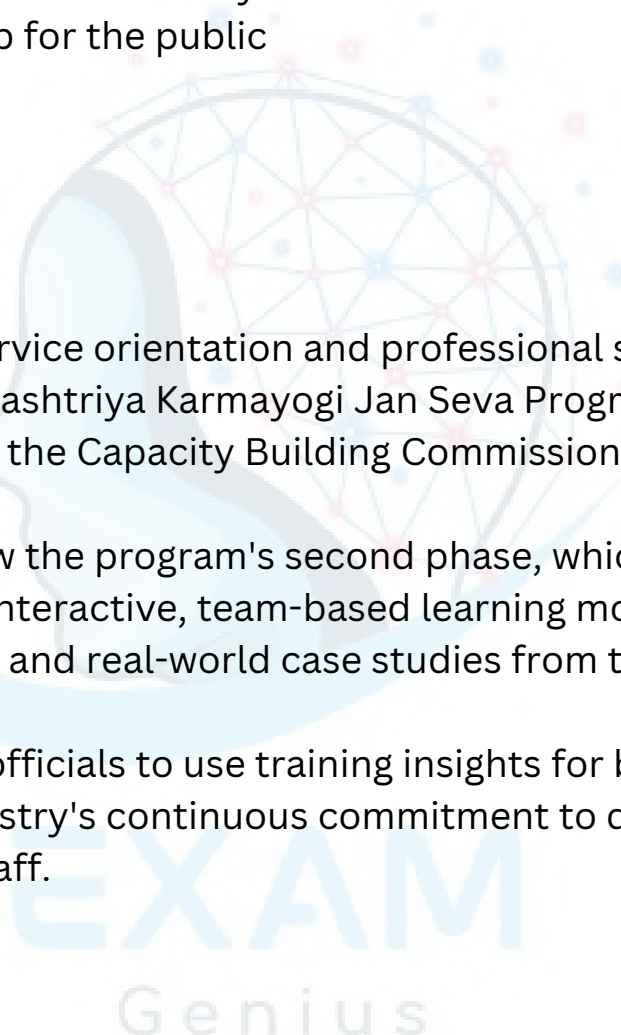
Ques: What was the objective of the special session of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Jan Seva Programme organised by the Ministry of Ayush?

- (a) Launching new wellness schemes
- (b) Promoting exports of Ayurvedic products
- (c) Enhancing employees' service orientation and professional skills
- (d) Introducing a new yoga certification system
- (e) Organising a health camp for the public

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- To improve employees' service orientation and professional skills, the Ministry of Ayush organized a special Rashtriya Karmayogi Jan Seva Program session at Ayush Bhawan in partnership with the Capacity Building Commission under Mission Karmayogi.
- Dr. Subodh Kumar oversaw the program's second phase, which was managed by Shipra Singh and included interactive, team-based learning modules on leadership, motivation, self-awareness, and real-world case studies from traditional medicine, yoga, and Ayurveda.
- The program encourages officials to use training insights for better public service delivery, reflecting the Ministry's continuous commitment to developing a responsive and effective staff.





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

- a) Samir Kumar Sinha
- b) Arvind Shrivastava
- c) Nikunja Bihari Dhal
- d) Santosh Kumar Sarangi
- e) None of these

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Government of India has appointed Arvind Shrivastava as the new Secretary of the Department of Revenue, which functions under the Ministry of Finance.
- He was earlier serving as Additional Secretary in the Prime Minister's Office (PMO), bringing significant administrative experience to his new role.
- The Department of Revenue is responsible for matters related to income tax, customs, GST, and overall revenue collection of the central government.
- Arvind Shrivastava's appointment is part of a broader reshuffle of secretaries across key ministries, aimed at strengthening administrative leadership.

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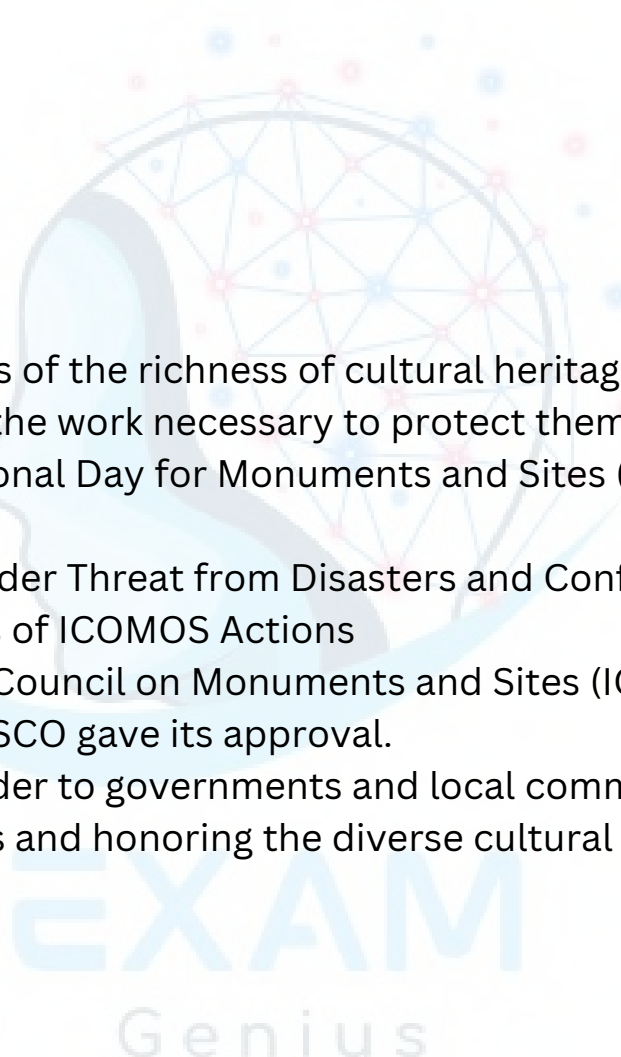
Ques : World Heritage Day, also known as the International Day for Monuments and Sites (IDMS), is observed on which day ?

- (a) 17 April
- (b) 18 April
- (c) 19 April
- (d) 20 April
- (e) 21 April

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- In order to raise awareness of the richness of cultural heritage, the fragility of monuments and sites, and the work necessary to protect them, World Heritage Day, also known as the International Day for Monuments and Sites (IDMS), is celebrated annually on April 18.
- Theme 2025 – Heritage under Threat from Disasters and Conflicts: Preparedness and Learning from 60 Years of ICOMOS Actions
- In 1982, the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) made the proposal, and in 1983, UNESCO gave its approval.
- The day serves as a reminder to governments and local communities of the value of conserving historical places and honoring the diverse cultural heritage of the world's civilizations.





IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

In honor of the 172nd anniversary of India's first rail trip, Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw recalled the momentous day on April 16, 1853, when the first train left Bori Bunder for Thane in Maharashtra. There were 400 invited passengers on the 14-coach train. Three engines—Sindh, Sultan, and Saheb—pulled the train, which traveled 34 kilometers in one hour and fifteen minutes.

Godrej Capital Limited & Telangana signed MoU to boost growth and development of MSMEs in the state by enhancing access to credit facilities and business opportunities

T Koshy Resigned as Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)

Aamir Khan honoured at Macau International Comedy Festival 2025, Macau in China with Master Humor Award. Aamir enjoys massive popularity in China, earning the nickname 'Uncle Mi'.

Zaggle Prepaid Ocean Services Limited has received TPAP (Third-Party Application Provider) approval from the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).

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Ques: Which international financial institution approved an \$85.4 million loan for developing critical industrial infrastructure in Tripura?

- (a) World Bank
- (b) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- (c) Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- (d) New Development Bank (NDB)
- (e) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- A loan of \$85.4 million has been authorized by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to finance essential industrial infrastructure in Tripura's nine industrial complexes.
- Bodhjunagar Industries, Kumarghat Industries, R.K. Nagar Industries, Dharmanagar Industries, Dhajanagar Industries, Dukli Industries, Deewanpasma Industries, Nagicherra Industries, and Sarasima Industries are the nine industrial estates of the Tripura government that will receive funding.

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Ques: SBI Card recently collaborated with which company to launch the Tata Neu SBI Card, offering rewards in the form of NeuCoins?

- (a) Reliance Retail
- (b) Tata Digital
- (c) Amazon Pay
- (d) Paytm
- (e) Flipkart

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Tata Neu SBI Card is a co-branded credit card created by SBI Card and Tata Digital to give consumers a satisfying shopping experience.
- There are two types of the card: the Tata Neu Plus SBI Card and the Tata Neu Infinity SBI Card.
- NeuCoins can be earned by cardholders on all domestic and foreign purchases, whether they are made in-person or online.
- The NeuPass account in the Tata Neu app receives these incentives once a month. They can be exchanged for a range of goods and services, such as electronics, groceries, travel, and clothing.
- Up to 10% can be redeemed with the Tata Neu Infinity SBI Card and up to 7% with the Tata Neu Plus SBI Card.
- Additional benefits of the card include up to 1.5% back on UPI purchases and up to 5% back on Tata Neu bill payments.

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Ques: The RBI recently cancelled the license of Color Merchants Co-operative Bank Ltd (Ahmedabad) due to what key reason?

- (a) Fraudulent transactions
- (b) Mergers and acquisitions
- (c) Inadequate capital and regulatory non-compliance
- (d) Cybersecurity breach
- (e) High NPAs

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Due to insufficient capital adequacy, weak earnings prospects, and non-compliance with Sections 11(1) and 22(3)(d) read with Section 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, the RBI revoked the license of Color Merchants Co-operative Bank Limited, located in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- Section 5(b) of the Banking Regulation Act prohibits the bank from taking deposits or carrying out banking operations.
- Section 18A of the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC) Act, 1961 states that each depositor is entitled to up to Rs 5 lakh.

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Ques: What is the name of the nuclear-powered battery introduced by China's Betavolt Technology, which can operate for up to 50 years on a single charge?

- (a) AtomVolt
- (b) BV100
- (c) NukeCore
- (d) PowerCell-X
- (e) EnergyVault

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The BV100 is a coin-sized nuclear-powered battery developed by Betavolt Technology Company Limited, based in Beijing, China.
- It uses Nickel-63, a radioactive isotope, as the energy source.
- Power Output: 100 microwatts at 3 volts.
- Lifespan: Capable of working up to 50 years without charging or maintenance.
- Energy Density: Offers 10 times more energy than lithium-ion batteries.
- Operating Temperature Range: Between -60°C to $+120^{\circ}\text{C}$, with no risk of explosion or fire.

EXAM
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Ques: Under the Price Support Scheme (PSS), which Indian state contributed the highest quantity of tur (pigeon pea) procured by the government in 2025?

- (a) Madhya Pradesh
- (b) Maharashtra
- (c) Telangana
- (d) Karnataka
- (e) Gujarat

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Under the Price Support Scheme (PSS), the government has purchased 3,40,000 tonnes of tur (pigeon pea) to aid farmers; Karnataka has contributed the most, with 1,30,000 tonnes.
- Karnataka farmers are earning an extra state bonus of Rs 450 per quintal on top of the minimum support price (MSP) of Rs 7,550 per quintal for tur.
- In order to control market prices and stop price increases, the government wants to keep a buffer stock of 10 lakh tonnes of tur.
- Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Telangana, and Uttar Pradesh are among the other states that have contributed.
- Additionally, 17,000 tonnes of chana (gram) have been purchased by the government, mostly from Madhya Pradesh and Telangana.
- The government pledged in Budget 2025 to purchase all tur, masur, and urad from central agencies at a 100% rate compared to state output until 2028–2029.

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Ques : Who is heading the high-level committee formed by the Tamil Nadu government to review Centre-State relations and recommend steps to strengthen federalism?

- (a) Justice Ranjan Gogoi
- (b) Justice Kurian Joseph
- (c) Justice Madan Lokur
- (d) Justice A.K. Sikri
- (e) Justice Deepak Gupta

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Tamil Nadu CM M.K. Stalin has set up a 3-member high-level committee to examine the constitutional, legal, and policy framework regarding Centre-State relations.
- The committee is headed by former Supreme Court judge Justice Kurian Joseph.
- Other members include : K. Ashok Vardhan Shetty, former Vice-Chancellor of Indian Maritime University and M. Naganathan, former Vice-Chairman, State Planning Commission
- The committee is expected to submit an interim report by January 2026 and the final report within two years.
- A similar committee was established in 1969 by M. Karunanidhi, the father of MK Stalin and the previous chief minister of Tamil Nadu. It was led by P V Rajamannar, the former chief justice of the Madras High Court.
- A federal organization with a powerful center is provided for under the Indian constitution.
- The Constitution's seventh schedule lists the legislative, executive, and financial branches' respective authorities.
- Union, State, and Concurrent are the three categories into which the powers are divided in the seventh schedule.





Ques: Which two Indian classical works were added to UNESCO's Memory of the World Register in 2025 for their exceptional universal value?

- (a) Rigveda and Arthashastra
- (b) Ramayana and Manusmriti
- (c) Shrimad Bhagavad Gita and Natyashastra
- (d) Upanishads and Mahabharata
- (e) Sushruta Samhita and Charaka Samhita

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Shrimad Bhagavad Gita is a spiritual-philosophical scripture consisting of 700 verses and forms part of the Mahabharata.
- Natyashastra, written by Bharat Muni, is the foundational treatise on Indian performing arts, covering drama, dance, and music.
- Both texts were recognized by UNESCO in 2025 and added to the Memory of the World Register for their global cultural and historical significance.

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Ques: What is the title of the book that compiles Prime Minister Narendra Modi's speeches and was launched by Acharya Mahamandaleshwar Swami Avdheshanand Giri in New Delhi?

- (a) Bharat Ki Sanskriti
- (b) Sanskriti Ka Mool Mantra
- (c) Rashtra Aur Sanskriti
- (d) Sanskriti Ka Paanchva Adhyay
- (e) Sanskriti Ke Path

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The book titled "Sanskriti Ka Paanchva Adhyay" is a compilation of speeches by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, delivered on various occasions highlighting India's cultural and spiritual essence.
- It was launched in New Delhi by Acharya Mahamandaleshwar Swami Avdheshanand Giri, the head of the Juna Akhara.
- The event was presided over by Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha Harivansh, who praised PM Modi's contributions toward preserving Indian culture, traditions, and heritage.

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Ques: What is the main objective of the GP-DRASTI program recently launched by Gujarat Police?

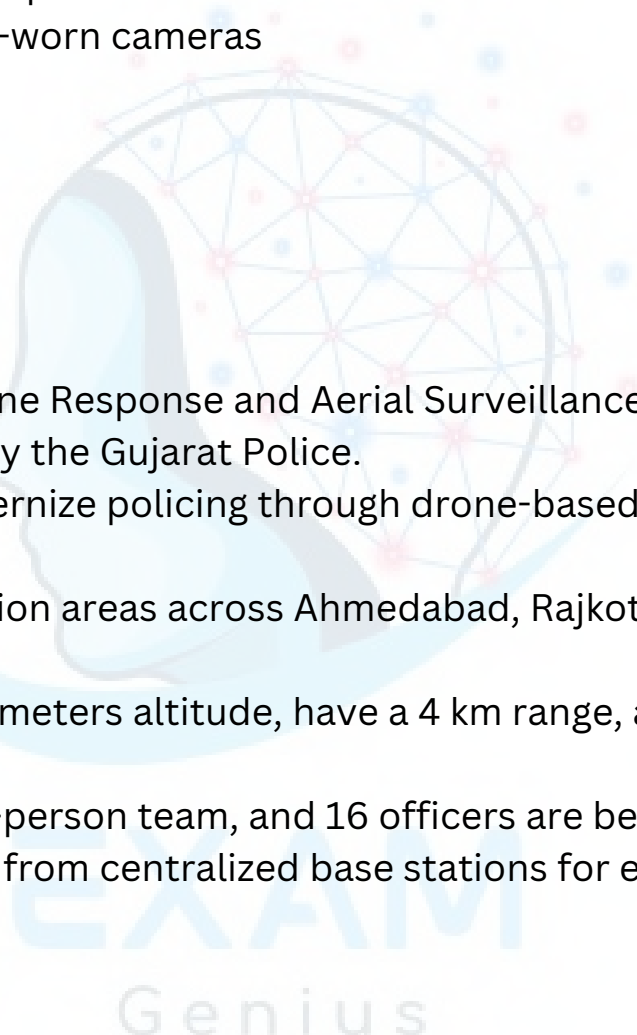
- (a) Traffic regulation using AI
- (b) Surveillance and tactical response using drones
- (c) Digitization of police records
- (d) Recruitment of women in police force
- (e) Implementation of body-worn cameras

Answer: Option B

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Explanation:

- GP-DRASTI stands for Drone Response and Aerial Surveillance Tactical Interventions, introduced by the Gujarat Police.
- The program aims to modernize policing through drone-based surveillance and tactical operations.
- Deployed in 33 police station areas across Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Surat, and Vadodara.
- Drones operate up to 120 meters altitude, have a 4 km range, and a 45-minute flight time.
- Each is operated by a two-person team, and 16 officers are being trained currently.
- Drones will be dispatched from centralized base stations for effective coverage.





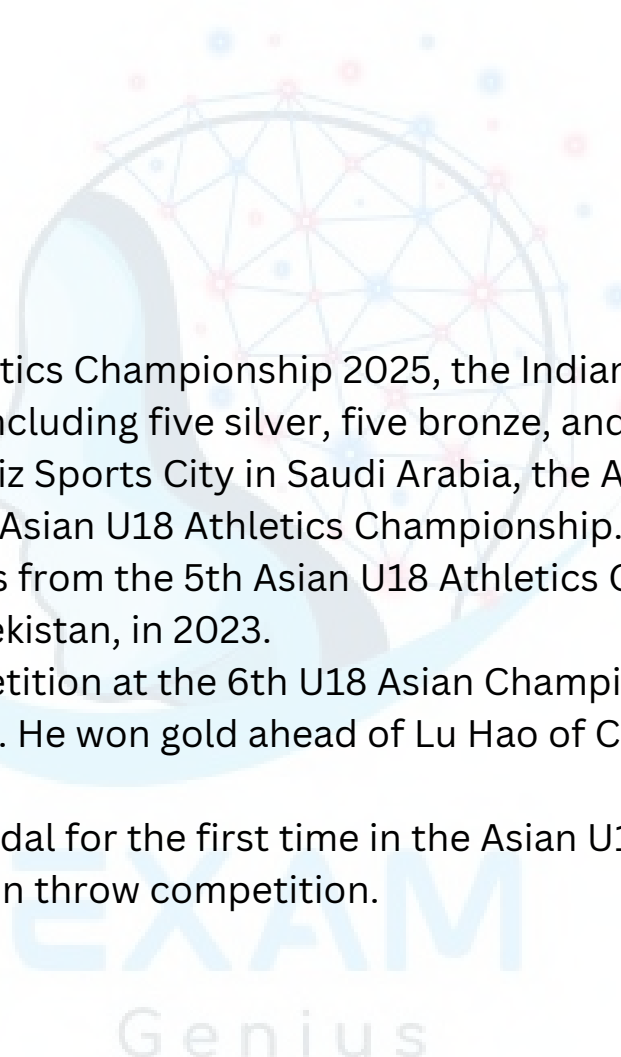
Ques: Who won the only gold medal for India at the 6th Asian U18 Athletics Championship 2025, and in which event?

- (a) Hinmanshu – 400m sprint
- (b) Hinmanshu – Javelin Throw
- (c) Lu Hao – Javelin Throw
- (d) Ankit – Shot Put
- (e) Aditya – Long Jump

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- At the 6th Asian U18 Athletics Championship 2025, the Indian athletes finished their campaign with 11 medals, including five silver, five bronze, and one gold.
- At Prince Naif Bin Abdulaziz Sports City in Saudi Arabia, the Asian Athletics Association hosted the 6th Asian U18 Athletics Championship.
- India took home 24 medals from the 5th Asian U18 Athletics Championships, which were held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, in 2023.
- In the javelin throw competition at the 6th U18 Asian Championship, Hinmanshu took home India's only gold. He won gold ahead of Lu Hao of China with his opening throw of 67.57 meters.
- India took home a gold medal for the first time in the Asian U18 Athletics Championship's boys' javelin throw competition.





Ques: What directive did the Supreme Court recently issue regarding the trial of child trafficking cases in India?

- (a) Allow virtual hearings in all cases
- (b) Complete trials within 6 months with daily hearings
- (c) Abolish fast-track courts
- (d) Refer all cases to NCPCR
- (e) Create new FIR formats

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Supreme Court, in a landmark ruling by Justices JB Pardiwala and R Mahadevan, issued directions to ensure the prevention and speedy trial of child trafficking cases.
- All High Courts were instructed to ensure that lower courts conclude trials within six months.
- The Court also ordered that these cases be heard on a daily basis to avoid delays in justice.
- Additionally, if a newborn is stolen from a hospital, the first action must be to revoke the hospital's license.

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Ques: Which international container transshipment port, inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi in Kerala, is India's first semi-automated and truly deep-water port?

- (a) Paradip Port
- (b) Ennore Port
- (c) Vizhinjam Port
- (d) Cochin Port
- (e) Kandla Port

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Vizhinjam International Seaport was inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
- It is India's first semi-automated and deep-water international container transshipment port.
- Developed under a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model involving the Kerala government, the Centre, and Adani Ports.
- The Concession Agreement was signed in 2015, and the total investment is over ₹18,000 crore.
- Since its commercial launch, it has handled 265 ships and 5.48 lakh TEUs.
- The first Mother Ship, MV San Fernando, docked in July 2024.

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Ques: Which state was awarded by UIDAI for being the best-performing in mandatory biometric updates of children and verification of adult Aadhaar enrolment?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Nagaland
- (c) Meghalaya
- (d) Sikkim
- (e) Manipur

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) recognized Meghalaya as:

- Best-performing state in mandatory biometric updates of children
- Best-performing in adult Aadhaar enrolment verification

The award was presented to Shai Kupar War, Aadhaar Nodal Officer from Meghalaya's General Administration Department.

EXAM
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Ques: Which coal PSU is set to become the first in India to adopt Paste Fill Technology for underground coal mining?

- (a) Western Coalfields Limited
- (b) Northern Coalfields Limited
- (c) South Eastern Coalfields Limited
- (d) Mahanadi Coalfields Limited
- (e) Central Coalfields Limited

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- An important step toward environmentally friendly and sustainable mining methods will be taken when South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) becomes the first coal PSU in India to use paste fill technology for coal mining.
- SECL and TMC Mineral Resources Private Limited have inked a Rs. 7040 crore deal to put this cutting-edge underground mining technology into practice.
- The project will be implemented at Singhali underground coal mine in the Korba area, aiming to produce 84.5 lakh tonnes of coal over 25 years.
- A contemporary underground mining technique that does not require acquiring surface land is paste filling.
- Following the extraction of coal, a specifically produced paste consisting of fly ash, crushed opencast mine overburden, cement, water, and binding agents is used to replace the mined-out voids. This procedure guarantees the mine's structural stability and stops land subsidence.

About Singhali Mine :

- The Singhali underground mine began operations in 1993 after receiving approval in 1989 for a production capacity of 0.24 million tonnes annually.
- The mine currently possesses 8.45 million tonnes of G-7 grade non-coking coal reserves that can be extracted.
- It was created with the Bord and Pillar technique, which uses Universal Drilling Machines (UDMs) and Load Haul Dumpers (LHDs) for subterranean operations.





- Traditional caving techniques are not practical due to safety concerns because the surface region above the mine is heavily populated with villages, high-tension electrical wires, and a Public Works Department (PWD) road.



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Ques: Where was GITEX Africa 2025, Africa's largest tech and startup event in which India participated, held?

- (a) Nairobi, Kenya
- (b) Kigali, Rwanda
- (c) Lagos, Nigeria
- (d) Cairo, Egypt
- (e) Marrakesh, Morocco

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- GITEX Africa 2025 is the largest tech and startup event in Africa, hosted in Marrakesh, Morocco.
- It brought together global leaders, innovators, and startups to explore collaborative tech opportunities.
- India was represented by Jayant Chaudhary, Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.
- The event served as a key platform for Indian startups to showcase innovation and explore bilateral partnerships.

EXAM
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Ques: As per Airports Council International (ACI), which country is projected to have the highest air passenger traffic growth rate in 2026?

- (a) United States
- (b) China
- (c) India
- (d) Indonesia
- (e) Japan

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- According to ACI Asia-Pacific & Middle East, India is expected to surpass China in air passenger traffic growth rate in 2026, with a projected growth of 10.5%, compared to China's 8.9%.
- In 2027, India is forecasted to continue leading with 10.3% growth vs. China's 7.2%.
- India's CAGR from 2023 to 2027 is estimated at 9.5%, higher than China's 8.8%.
- Over the long term (2023–2053), India is projected to be the fastest-growing aviation market in the world with a CAGR of 5.5%, ahead of China's 3.8%.
- Currently, India has 159 operational airports, with 50 more planned, and domestic airlines have placed orders for over 1,700 aircraft.

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Ques: From which date will the new rules under the Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011 – mandating verification and stamping of radar-based speed measurement devices – come into effect?

- (a) 1 April 2025
- (b) 1 June 2025
- (c) 1 July 2025
- (d) 1 August 2025
- (e) 1 October 2025

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Consumer Affairs has introduced new regulatory measures to ensure accuracy and standardisation in radar-based speed measurement.
- These apply to microwave Doppler radar equipment, which are commonly used in traffic enforcement.
- The rules ensure compliance with technical standards, calibration protocols, tamper protection, and environmental stability.
- The changes will take effect from 1 July 2025, allowing sufficient lead time for implementation.

Impact on Stakeholders:

- For citizens: Ensures accurate speed readings and helps avoid unfair penalties.
- For industries: Provides a clear regulatory framework aligned with international standards.
- For law enforcement: Enhances credibility and operational efficiency with verified equipment.





Ques : Which edition of 'National Highways Excellence Awards' (NHEA 2023) ?

- (a) 3rd
- (b) 4th
- (c) 5th
- (d) 6th
- (e) 7th

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) hosted the sixth edition of the "National Highways Excellence Awards" (NHEA 2023) at the Bharat Mandapam Convention Centre in New Delhi.
- MoRTH started these awards in 2018 with the intention of motivating those involved in the building and upkeep of highways.
- The "पथ वचंन Hackathon" winners received recognition for their creative, technologically advanced suggestions to enhance highway infrastructure.
- After several examination stages, the jury selected 22 submissions from a total of 125 nominations.

For the 2023 cycle of awards, the 5 categories are as follows :

1. Excellence in Project Management :

- H.G. Infra Engineering Limited (Jaipur, Rajasthan) : Ateli Mandi to Narnaul section of NH-11 & Narnaul Bypass as an economic corridor (Haryana), (Silver)
- Bhartia Infra Projects Limited (Guwahati, Assam) : Hakanjuri to Khonsa section of NH-315A (Arunachal Pradesh, AP), (Silver)

2. Excellence in Operation & Maintenance : Nanguneri Kanyakumari Tollway Private Limited (TN) : Madurai to Kanyakumari of NH-7 Package 4 (Tamil Nadu, TN) (Gold)

3. Green Highways :



- Ashoka Buildcon Limited (Nashik, Maharashtra) : Kandi to Ramsanpalle section of NH161 (Telangana) (Gold)
- Deccan Tollways Limited (Chennai, TN) : Maharashtra-Karnataka border to Sangareddy section of NH-65 (in Karnataka & Andhra Pradesh, AP) (Silver)

4. Best Engineer Award :

- Navratan : Director General Manager (DGM) & PD, National Highway Authority of India (NHAI)
- Devender Kumar : General Manager (GM) of New Delhi (Delhi)-based National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL)
- Subhash Chandra : Regional Office (RO) Itanagar (AR), MoRTH

5. Special Recognition Award : Vatakara Kozhikode (Kerala)-based Uralungal Labour Contract Cooperative Society (ULCCS)





Ques: Hari Dutt Kapri, who passed away recently, was a former captain of which Indian national sports team and an Arjuna Awardee in 1969?

- (a) Basketball
- (b) Football
- (c) Volleyball
- (d) Hockey
- (e) Athletics

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Hari Dutt Kapri, born in 1942 in Chiiriyakhan village, Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand, was a former captain of the Indian basketball team.
- He led the team from 1965 to 1978, a period considered the golden era of Indian basketball.
- Under his leadership, India rose from 7th to 4th place in Asia in 1969.
- He received the Arjuna Award in 1969 for his exceptional contribution to Indian sports

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Ques : World Liver Day is observed every year on which day ?

- (a) 17 April
- (b) 18 April
- (c) 19 April
- (d) 20 April
- (e) 21 April

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- To raise awareness about liver health and prevent disorders related to the liver, World Liver Day is celebrated annually on April 19.
- Theme 2025 – Food is Medicine
- The liver produces bile, controls metabolism, and detoxifies the blood, among more than 500 other essential processes.

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Ques: Who has recently been appointed as Deputy CFO and Special Officer – Finance & Accounts at IndusInd Bank?

- (a) Santosh Kumar
- (b) Arun Khurana
- (c) Gobind Jain
- (d) Sandeep Bakshi
- (e) Rajnish Kumar

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- At IndusInd Bank, Santosh Kumar, the Chief Accountant, has been promoted to Deputy CFO, Special Officer-Finance & Accounts, and Key Managerial Personnel.
- After former CFO Gobind Jain resigned in January, Arun Khurana was given the additional responsibility of CFO. He will now only serve as the bank's deputy CEO.
- According to the exchange filing, Santosh Kumar will oversee the bank's accounts and finance operations in his new position until a full-time CFO is hired.

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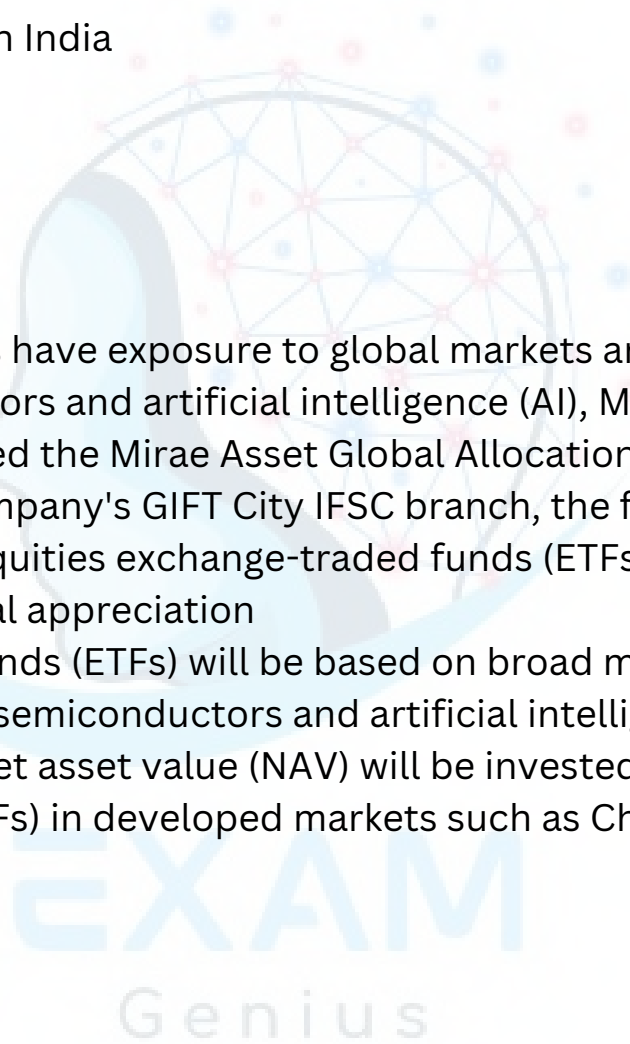
Ques: Mirae Asset recently launched a new fund via its IFSC branch to help Indian investors invest in which of the following?

- (a) Indian government bonds
- (b) Real estate
- (c) Global equity ETFs, including AI and semiconductors
- (d) Gold and precious metals
- (e) Infrastructure projects in India

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- To enable Indian investors have exposure to global markets and high-growth industries like semiconductors and artificial intelligence (AI), Mirae Asset has introduced a new fund called the Mirae Asset Global Allocation Fund IFSC.
- Launched through the company's GIFT City IFSC branch, the fund invests in a portfolio of international equities exchange-traded funds (ETFs) with the goal of generating long-term capital appreciation
- These exchange-traded funds (ETFs) will be based on broad market indices and high-growth industries like semiconductors and artificial intelligence (AI).
- 90 – 100% of the fund's net asset value (NAV) will be invested in international exchange-traded funds (ETFs) in developed markets such as China and the United States.





Ques : Which cities currently have access to PhonePe's PINCODE medicine delivery service?

- a) Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai
- b) Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Kolkata
- c) Bengaluru, Mumbai, Pune
- d) Pune, Chennai, Bhopal
- e) Mumbai, Delhi, Pune

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- PhonePe has launched a 24x7 medicine delivery service through its PINCODE app, covering both OTC and prescription drugs.
- The service is currently available in Bengaluru, Mumbai, and Pune, with medicines delivered within 10 minutes from the nearest medical shop.
- Orders can be placed round-the-clock, ensuring fast access to essential medicines at any time.

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Ques: LIC recently increased its stake in which public sector bank to 7.05%?

- (a) Punjab National Bank
- (b) Union Bank of India
- (c) Bank of India
- (d) Bank of Baroda
- (e) Canara Bank

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The massive insurance company LIC has raised its ownership of the state-owned Bank of Baroda (BoB) by almost 2% to 7.05 percent.
- Over the course of a year and a half, the life insurance business has purchased an additional 10.45 crore shares from the open market.
- The purchase, which took place between November 20, 2023, and April 16, 2025, raised LIC's ownership of the Mumbai-based bank from 5.03 percent to 7.05 percent.

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Ques : As per the data of April 2025, what is the total number of RuPay debit cards issued under PMJDY?

- A. 552.8 million
- B. 308 million
- C. 379.8 million
- D. 184.7 million
- E. 456.8 million

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Total deposits under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) have reached ₹2.63 lakh crore as of April 9, 2025.
- There are 552.8 million PMJDY accounts, with an average balance of ₹4,760 per account.
- 379.8 million RuPay debit cards have been issued to beneficiaries, offering ₹2 lakh accident insurance coverage.
- Of the total accounts, 368.1 million are in rural and semi-urban areas, and 184.7 million in urban and metro regions.
- 308 million accounts are held by women, highlighting the scheme's inclusive outreach.
- Other features include 3–4% annual interest, no minimum balance requirement, and an overdraft facility of ₹10,000.
- PMJDY was launched on August 28, 2014, to provide universal banking access.





Ques : Which city is set to become the world's first city to be powered entirely by renewable energy, as per recent plans?

- A. Amaravati
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Hyderabad
- D. Chennai
- E. None of these

Answer :Option A

Explanation :

- Amaravati, the proposed capital city of Andhra Pradesh, is set to become the world's first city powered entirely by renewable energy.
- The project targets a total electricity requirement of 2,700 MW, with at least 30% of it coming from solar, wind, and hydropower sources.
- Amaravati is envisioned as a smart, ultra-modern, and environment-friendly people's capital that aligns with global sustainability goals.
- The foundation stone of this ₹65,000 crore project will be laid by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in April 2025, under the leadership of CM N. Chandrababu Naidu.
- Spread across 217 sq. km (within an 8,352 sq. km capital region), the city will act as a global model for future smart and green cities.
- The goal is to achieve 100% renewable energy reliance by the year 2050, significantly reducing dependence on fossil fuels.

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Ques: Who inaugurated the 4-day Sansad Khel Mahakumbh held at K.D. Singh Babu Stadium in Lucknow?

- (a) Amit Shah
- (b) Yogi Adityanath
- (c) Anurag Thakur
- (d) Rajnath Singh
- (e) Narendra Modi

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Rajnath Singh, Union Defence Minister, inaugurated the Sansad Khel Mahakumbh in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- Traditional Indian sports like Kalaripayattu, Yoga, and Mallakhamba were showcased during the ceremony.
- Around 2,500 athletes are participating across 8 sports : Athletics, Kabaddi, Basketball, Volleyball, Football, Hockey, Boxing, and Taekwondo.
- Participants are categorized as junior (class 9–12) and senior (college/university students).
- Cash prizes worth Rs.8 lakhs will be awarded to the winners.

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Ques : Prabhas and Pawak, the two cheetahs, were recently relocated from which wildlife sanctuary to Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary?

- A) Kuno National Park
- B) Panna Tiger Reserve
- C) Satpura National Park
- D) Bandhavgarh National Park
- E) Kanha National Park

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Two cheetahs — Prabhas and Pawak — have been relocated from Kuno National Park to Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary in Madhya Pradesh.
- The relocation was conducted by Chief Minister Mohan Yadav, marking a key step in India's cheetah reintroduction efforts.
- Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary spans 64 sq. km, covering parts of Mandsaur and Neemuch districts.
- Both cheetahs were originally brought from South Africa in February 2023 as part of the larger Cheetah Project.
- After this move, Madhya Pradesh now hosts 24 cheetahs: 14 in the wild and 10 in enclosures
- Future translocations include 4 cheetahs from Botswana, with 4 more expected in May.
- Purpose: To reintroduce cheetahs in India, enhance biodiversity, and position Madhya Pradesh as the 'Cheetah State'.





Ques: How many Indians were included in the World Economic Forum's Young Global Leaders (YGL) 2025 list?

- (a) 7
- (b) 8
- (c) 9
- (d) 10
- (e) 11

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- 116 leaders under 40 from almost 50 nations were recognized by the World Economic Forum (WEF) in their 2025 list of Young Global Leaders (YGL).
- There are seven Indians on the list. Prominent figures like Milojko Spajić, Prime Minister (PM) of Montenegro, Paetongtarn Shinawatra, PM of Thailand, and Sana Mir, Sports Analyst and Commentator of Pakistan Television Corporation Limited (Pakistan), are also included in the global list.

Indian Representation in the 2025 YGL List :

- Ritesh Agarwal : Founder and Group Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of OYO Hotels and Homes
- K. Ram Mohan Naidu : Union Minister of Civil Aviation, MoCA
- Nipun Malhotra : Founder of New Delhi based Nipman Foundation
- Alok M. Anil : Founder and Managing Director (MD) of Bengaluru based Next Big Innovation Labs
- Natarajan Sankar : MD and Partner at Mumbai based Boston Consulting Group (BCG), India
- Manasi Subramaniam : Editor-in-Chief and Vice-President of New Delhi based Penguin Random House India
- Anurag Maloo : Mountaineer, Entrepreneur, and Keynote Speaker at Jaipur (Rajasthan) based Orophile Ventures Private Limited





Ques: On 19 April 2025, India celebrated the 50th anniversary of which satellite, marking the country's entry into space exploration?

- (a) INSAT-1A
- (b) Bhaskara-I
- (c) Aryabhata
- (d) Rohini
- (e) APPLE

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Aryabhata was India's first satellite, launched on 19 April 1975, and completed 50 years in 2025.
- It was named after the ancient Indian mathematician and astronomer Aryabhata.
- Launched from Kapustin Yar with the help of the USSR, it weighed 360 kg and had solar panels on 24 of its 26 sides.
- With this launch, India became the 11th country to send a satellite into orbit.
- Its mission areas included Solar Physics, Aeronomy, and X-ray Astronomy.

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Ques : International Conclave on "Buddha Dhamma and the Culture of North-East India" held in which state ?

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

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The International Conclave on the theme of "Buddha Dhamma and the Culture of North-East India" was opened in Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh, by Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein.
- The International Buddhist Confederation and the Union Ministry of Culture, Government of India, are working together to organize the two-day conference.
- The two-day meeting is being attended by Buddhist monks and academics from India as well as a number of other nations, including Cambodia, Myanmar, Thailand, and Bhutan.

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Ques : As per the recent MoU, where will Coal India and DVC set up a 1,600 MW power project?

- a) Odisha
- b) West Bengal
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Chhattisgarh
- e) Jharkhand

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Coal India and Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) have signed an MoU to set up a 1,600 MW ultra-supercritical coal-fired power project in Jharkhand.
- The total investment for the project is estimated at Rs.16,500 crore, and it will operate as a 50:50 joint venture.
- The aim is to enhance India's power generation capacity through high-efficiency coal technology.

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Ques: India recently signed its first Defence MoU with which country to co-develop next-generation combat vehicle technologies?

- (a) Poland
- (b) Slovakia
- (c) Israel
- (d) France
- (e) Italy

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India and Slovakia signed their first-ever Defence Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).
- The MoU involves JCBL Group's Airbornics Defence & Space Pvt. Ltd. (ADSL) and focuses on co-developing light tank systems including turrets, active protection systems, and remote-controlled weapon systems.
- The partnership supports Make-in-India, ensures indigenous manufacturing, and aims to facilitate technology transfer, paving the way for future defence exports.

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Ques: The Indian Air Force participated in the multinational Exercise Desert Flag-10 held in which country?

- (a) Saudi Arabia
- (b) United Arab Emirates
- (c) Qatar
- (d) Oman
- (e) Bahrain

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Indian Air Force contingent took part in Exercise Desert Flag-10, held at Al Dhafra Air Base, UAE.
- The exercise is hosted by the UAE Air Force and includes participation from countries like Australia, France, USA, UK, Germany, South Korea, and others.
- The exercise aims to engage in complex fighter operations and promotes interoperability, tactical skill sharing, and cooperation with some of the world's top air forces.

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Ques : As per ISRO, what is the estimated wheat production from 8 major states of India as on 31 March 2025?

- A) 110.125 million tonnes
- B) 118.430 million tonnes
- C) 122.724 million tonnes
- D) 130.500 million tonnes
- E) 125.320 million tonnes

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- ISRO used satellite technology under its CROP (Comprehensive Remote Sensing Observation on Crop Progress) project to monitor wheat crop conditions during the Rabi season.
- The initiative covered 8 major wheat-producing states: Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Punjab, Haryana, Bihar, Gujarat, and Maharashtra.
- ISRO utilized satellites like EOS-04 (RISAT-1A), EOS-06 (Oceansat-3), and Resourcesat-2A, combining Optical & Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) technologies.
- Based on satellite imagery and crop simulation models (5x5 km resolution), the estimated wheat production as of 31 March 2025 is 122.724 million tonnes.
- Wheat was found to be sown on 330.8 lakh hectares across these states.
- This real-time assessment supports accurate forecasting, aids the government's procurement planning, ensures better policy-making, and promotes data-driven agricultural decisions.

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Ques: The 2025 Laureus World Sports Awards, known as the "Oscars of Sports," were held in which city?

- (a) London
- (b) Paris
- (c) Madrid
- (d) Rome
- (e) Berlin

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- At a lavish ceremony in Madrid, the 2025 Laureus World Sports Awards commemorated its 25th anniversary and recognized outstanding athletes and teams for their extraordinary achievements in the previous year.
- Often referred to as the "Oscars of Sports," the Laureus World Sports Awards honored the most outstanding athletes and athletic accomplishments of the previous year.
- The 2025 edition of the event, which took place in the energetic city of Madrid, brought together game-changers, emerging stars, and legends from a variety of fields.

Full List Of Winners at Laureus Sports Awards 2025 :

- Laureus World Sportsman of the Year Award- Armand Duplantis
- Laureus World Sportswoman of the Year Award- Simone Biles
- Laureus Sport for Good Award- Kick4Life
- Laureus Sporting Icon Award- Rafael Nadal
- Laureus Lifetime Achievement Award- Kelly Slater
- Laureus World Breakthrough of the Year Award- Lamine Yamal
- Laureus World Comeback of the Year Award- Rebeca Andrade
- Laureus World Sportsperson of the Year with a Disability Award- Jiang Yuyan
- Laureus World Team of the Year Award- Real Madrid
- Laureus World Action Sportsperson of the Year Award- Tom Pidcock





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Economic Affairs Secretary of India?

- (a) Ajay Seth
- (b) Anuradha Thakur
- (c) Ramesh Kumar
- (d) Shailendra Kumar
- (e) Arun Sharma

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Anuradha Thakur has been appointed as the new Economic Affairs Secretary of India.
- She will succeed Ajay Seth, who is set to retire on June 30, 2025.
- This appointment is part of a major bureaucratic reshuffle involving 20 secretary-level changes across the Finance and Commerce Ministries.
- The reshuffle, approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), aims to ensure policy continuity and administrative stability amid global economic uncertainties.
- Anuradha Thakur is among several IAS officers from the 1994 batch given key positions during this reshuffle.

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Ques: Which state cabinet recently approved an ordinance to implement the sub-categorisation of Scheduled Castes (SCs) into three groups for equitable development?

- (a) Tamil Nadu
- (b) Andhra Pradesh
- (c) Karnataka
- (d) Maharashtra
- (e) Rajasthan

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

The Andhra Pradesh Cabinet, led by CM N. Chandrababu Naidu, approved an ordinance to sub-categorise 59 SC communities into three groups:

- Group I: 12 castes – 1% reservation
- Group II: 18 castes – 6.5% reservation
- Group III: 29 castes – 7.5% reservation

The move is aimed at equitable access to education and employment opportunities and will be enforced across all 26 districts of the state.

EXAM
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Ques: ISRO recently tested a Stellite-based nozzle as an alternative to which imported material for the PSLV's fourth stage?

- (a) Titanium
- (b) Columbium
- (c) Zirconium
- (d) Inconel
- (e) Graphite

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- ISRO has indigenously developed a Stellite-based nozzle divergent to replace imported Columbium in the fourth stage of the PSLV.
- Stellite is a cobalt-based alloy that withstands high temperatures up to 1150°C.
- It was hot-tested for 665 seconds at the ISRO Propulsion Complex, Mahendragiri on April 8, 2025.
- This move is expected to reduce costs by 90% and supports India's push for Atmanirbharta in space tech.
- Also, the human-rated Vikas Engine for Gaganyaan was successfully tested at the same facility.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the first-ever Indian brand ambassador of French luxury brand Chanel?

- (a) Alia Bhatt
- (b) Deepika Padukone
- (c) Ananya Panday
- (d) Priyanka Chopra
- (e) Kiara Advani

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Ananya Panday has been announced as Chanel's first-ever brand ambassador from India.
- This follows her appearance at Chanel's Spring/Summer 2025 show in Paris.
- She is known for her work in films like Gehraiyaan, Kho Gaye Hum Kahan, CTRL, and Call Me Bae.
- With 25.9 million Instagram followers, she's become a Gen Z fashion icon, aligning with Chanel's evolving global identity.

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Ques : Pope Francis, the first Latin American Cardinal to be elected Pope, passed away at the age of 88. Which country was Pope Francis originally from?

- (a) Brazil
- (b) Argentina
- (c) Chile
- (d) Mexico
- (e) Venezuela

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Pope Francis died at the age of 88 after suffering a severe case of pneumonia. He passed away in his home in Casa Santa Marta, which is close to the Vatican's St. Peter's Basilica.
- The first Latin American cardinal to be elected as the head of the Roman Catholic Church was Pope Francis
- Following the retirement of Pope Benedict XVI, the first pope to willingly resign in 600 years, Pope Francis, born Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina, was elected as the first pope from Latin America and the southern hemisphere.
- Pope Francis is an important figure in the history of the Roman Catholic Church since Gregory III, a Syrian-born pope who died in 741 AD, was the last non-European to occupy the office.

Who is the Pope?

- The head of the Roman Catholic Church and the Bishop of Rome is called the Pope, which translates to "Father" in Greek.
- Vatican City is an enclave inside Rome, Italy, and is ruled by the Pope.
- The Roman Catholic Church views Saint Peter, one of Jesus Christ's twelve followers, as the first Pope.





Ques: At which event did India's Simranpreet Kaur Brar win her maiden senior international medal in shooting?

- (a) Asian Games 2023
- (b) ISSF World Cup, Lima 2024
- (c) World Shooting Championship, Baku
- (d) Paris Olympic Qualifiers
- (e) Commonwealth Shooting Championship

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Simranpreet Kaur Brar of India won silver in the women's 25-meter pistol event at the International Shooting Sport Federation's ISSF World Cup in Lima, Peru, earning her first senior international medal.
- The Indian shooter finished one hit behind China's Sun Yujie, who won back-to-back World Cup golds in the sport, with a total of 33 hits in the 10-series of five rapid-fire shots final.
- With 29 hits, Yao Qianxun, a second Chinese, took home the bronze. Manu Bhaker, a double medallist from the Paris Olympics, came in fourth.

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Ques : Which rocket will launch the NISAR satellite?

- a) PSLV
- b) GSLV
- c) LVM3
- d) Falcon 9
- e) SSLV

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Mission: NISAR (NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar)
- Launch Window: June 2025 (exact date yet to be announced)
- Rocket: GSLV
- Purpose: Earth observation mission to monitor minute changes (1 cm) on Earth's surface, like glacier retreat, forest cover, vegetation changes, and natural disasters.
- Assembly Issues: 12-metre antenna required improvement, causing delay.
- Development: Joint mission — components from India and the US; final testing in Bengaluru.

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Ques : Japan-based global digital transformation and IT services company, NTT DATA, cloud platform company Neysa Networks have signed an agreement with which state to set up an Artificial Intelligence data centre cluster ?

- (a) Madhya Pradesh
- (b) Maharashtra
- (c) Telangana
- (d) Karnataka
- (e) Gujarat

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- An deal has been reached by the Telangana government, cloud platform provider Neysa Networks, and Japan-based global digital transformation and IT services business NTT DATA to establish an artificial intelligence data center cluster in Hyderabad with an investment of 10,500 crore rupees.
- The 400 MegaWatt data center cluster in the new Hyderabad facility is intended to house 25,000 GPUs (Graphics Processing Units), the most potent AI supercomputing infrastructure in the nation.
- By providing autonomous, scalable, and sustainable computing capabilities to support public and enterprise AI workloads, the initiative supports Telangana's aim to become India's AI capital.

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Ques : What is the name of the community radio station launched by the Indian Army in Himachal Pradesh's Kinnaur district?

- A. Radio Himalaya
- B. Voice of Kinnaur
- C. Kinnaur Ki Awaaz
- D. Sadbhavana Radio
- E. None of these

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Indian Army has launched a community radio station named 'Voice of Kinnaur' in Pooh, located in Kinnaur district of Himachal Pradesh, near the China border.
- This initiative is part of Operation Sadbhavana, which aims to build goodwill and foster development in border areas.
- The radio station will serve as a platform to broadcast local news, promote regional culture, and share educational, health-related, and public interest content with residents of the remote region.
- The station is based at Army Tripeak Public School, and was inaugurated by the school's Principal, in the presence of senior officers from the Surya Command of the Indian Army.
- The project strengthens local outreach, improves awareness, and enhances communication in strategically important but remote regions.

EXAM
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Ques : Civil Services Day in India is observed annually on which day ?

- (a) 17 April
- (b) 18 April
- (c) 19 April
- (d) 20 April
- (e) 21 April

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Every year on April 21, India celebrates Civil Services Day to honor and value the efforts made by civil officials to the development of the country.
- Since Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officials and other civil service officers are essential to public administration and governance, the day is very important.
- Because it commemorates the day in 1947 when Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel spoke to the first group of IAS officers at Metcalfe House in Delhi, April 21 is known as Civil Services Day.
- The Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration, which are presented to officials and departments for outstanding work and creative efforts in governance, are one way the government recognizes civil servants on this day.

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Ques : Earth Day is observed every year on which day ?

- (a) 21 April
- (b) 22 April
- (c) 23 April
- (d) 24 April
- (e) 25 April

Answer : Option B





Ques: South India's first AC EMU (Electric Multiple Unit) suburban train was recently launched on which railway corridor?

- (a) Bengaluru – Mysuru
- (b) Chennai Beach – Chengalpattu
- (c) Hyderabad – Secunderabad
- (d) Kochi – Aluva
- (e) Mangaluru – Udupi

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- On the Chennai Beach–Chengalpattu route, South India's first AC EMU (Electric Multiple Unit) train was introduced, providing Metro-like comfort and signaling a significant development in the suburban rail system of the area.
- Manufactured by Integral Coach Factory, the 12-car train includes modern amenities like automatic doors, AC, CCTV, GPS displays, and regenerative braking.
- With charges ranging from Rs. 35 to Rs. 105 depending on distance, the service runs six days a week (except Sundays) and offers six services in total each day: two between Chennai Beach and Tambaram and four between Chennai Beach and Chengalpattu.
- In keeping with the success of Mumbai's AC EMU model, Southern Railway's Chennai division is launching this project to offer a pleasant, secure, and effective travel experience.



Ques: Which company recently received in-principle approval from RBI to operate as an online payment aggregator (PA)?

- (a) Razorpay
- (b) PB Pay Pvt Ltd
- (c) CCAvenue
- (d) Pine Labs
- (e) PhonePe

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- PB Pay Private Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of PB Fintech Limited (the parent company of Policybazaar), based in Gurugram, Haryana, has received in-principle approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- This approval is under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007, allowing it to function as an online payment aggregator (PA).
- Payment aggregators facilitate e-commerce sites and merchants to accept payment instruments from customers without the need for merchants to create a separate payment integration system.

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Ques: Poonawalla Fincorp has partnered with which fintech platform to offer instant personal loans via ZIP EMI service?

- (a) Paytm
- (b) PhonePe
- (c) MobiKwik
- (d) Google Pay
- (e) BharatPe

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Poonawalla Fincorp, an NBFC backed by the Cyrus Poonawalla Group, has collaborated with MobiKwik.
- The partnership introduces instant personal loans via MobiKwik's ZIP EMI service.
- Loan amounts range from Rs.50,000 to Rs.15 lakh, a major increase from earlier limits (Rs.2 lakh).
- Borrowers can choose flexible repayment tenures from 6 to 36 months.
- This initiative ensures fast digital disbursal, especially catering to users in Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities.
- It also aims to help users improve their credit score through timely repayments.

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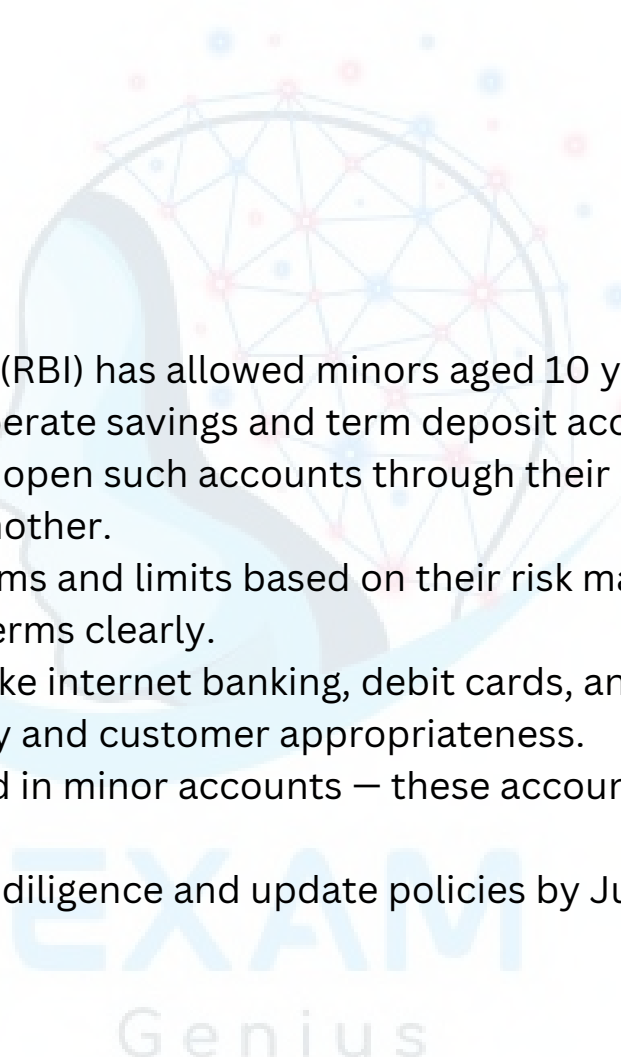
Ques: As per the latest RBI guidelines, from what minimum age can minors independently open and operate their own savings/term deposit accounts?

- (a) 10 years
- (b) 11 years
- (c) 12 years
- (d) 15 years
- (e) 18 years

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed minors aged 10 years and above to independently open and operate savings and term deposit accounts.
- Minors of any age can still open such accounts through their natural/legal guardians, including their mother.
- Banks may set specific terms and limits based on their risk management policy and must communicate these terms clearly.
- Banks can offer facilities like internet banking, debit cards, and cheque books, based on product suitability and customer appropriateness.
- Overdrafts are not allowed in minor accounts – these accounts must always remain in credit balance.
- Banks must complete due diligence and update policies by July 1, 2025, to comply with these revised norms.





Ques: Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman recently released a commemorative coin of what denomination to mark the 150th anniversary of the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)?

- (a) Rs.100
- (b) Rs.125
- (c) Rs.150
- (d) Rs.200
- (e) Rs.250

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman unveiled a Rs.150 commemorative coin at the Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai to celebrate 150 years of BSE, Asia's oldest stock exchange.
- Along with the coin, she also launched the BSE@150 Logo and the BSE 150 Index, a benchmark index that tracks the performance of the top 150 listed companies based on market cap and liquidity.
- This is the eighth commemorative coin issued by the India Government Mint, Mumbai in the year 2025.
- Metal Composition of Rs.150 Denomination coin is Quaternary alloy comprising 50% silver, 40% copper, 5% nickel, and 5% zinc
- It weighs 35 grams, has a diameter of 44 mm, and features 200 serrations on the edge.
- Obverse (Front) Design Features the Lion Capital of Ashoka with the inscription "सत्यमेव जयते," below, flanked by "भारत" and "INDIA" on the left and right periphery, respectively. Below the Ashoka Lion Capital, the rupee symbol "Rs." and the denomination "150" are inscribed in international numerals.
- Reverse (back) Design Depicts the BSE@150 logo along with inscriptions in Hindi and English: "1875 से निवेशकों को सशक्त बनाते हुए" and "Empowering Investors Since 1875."

About Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) :



- Established : 1875
- HQ : Mumbai
- Chairman & MD : Sundararaman Ramamurthy



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Ques: Which U.S. city recently declared April 14 as “Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Day”?

- (a) Chicago
- (b) New York City
- (c) Washington D.C.
- (d) San Francisco
- (e) Houston

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- New York City's 8.5 million citizens celebrate Dr. B R Ambedkar Day, which was declared by Mayor Eric Adams on April 14 of this year.
- The 134th anniversary of Ambedkar's birth was celebrated with a special event at the UN headquarters, where Dr. Ramdas Atwale, Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, gave the keynote presentation.
- Ambedkar earned an honorary degree in 1952 after earning a doctorate in economics from Columbia University in 1927.

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Ques: What was the name of the Indian Army's 28-day high-altitude expedition conducted to showcase resilience and operational readiness?

- (a) Snow Warrior 2025
- (b) ARMEX-24
- (c) OP Saksham
- (d) Mountain Yodha
- (e) Everest March

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- ARMEX-24 was a 28-day high-altitude adventure expedition organized by the Indian Army.
- Held from March 22 to April 14, 2025, the expedition aimed to showcase resilience, leadership, and operational preparedness in extreme conditions.
- The route covered 146 kilometers, ranging from the snow-clad mountains of Sikkim to the forests of Northern West Bengal.
- Twenty personnel were selected based on mental toughness, teamwork, and physical endurance.
- The expedition highlighted the Indian Army's ability to operate in harsh and remote terrains.

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Ques : What is the name of the new feature launched by the Income Tax Department to ease online tax payments?

- a) Easy Tax Pay
- b) e-Tax Portal
- c) e-Pay Tax
- d) Quick Pay Tax
- e) None of these

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- The Income Tax Department launched the 'e-Pay Tax' feature on its official online portal.
- The goal is to provide a user-friendly and efficient online tax payment system.
- This system allows individuals and businesses to pay their taxes with ease, improving compliance and reducing delays.
- It supports the government's move toward digital governance and taxpayer convenience.

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Ques: Who won the 68th World Press Photo of the Year award for capturing the image of a Gazan boy who lost both arms in an airstrike?

- (a) John Moore
- (b) Musuk Nolte
- (c) Samar Abu Elou
- (d) Anne Frank
- (e) Greta Thunberg

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The 68th World Press Photo of the Year was awarded to Samar Abu Elouf, a Qatar-based Palestinian photographer, for The New York Times.
- The awarded photograph featured nine-year-old Mahmoud Ajjour, a Gazan boy who lost both his arms in an Israeli airstrike in Gaza City (Palestine).
- The award ceremony was held during the World Press Photo Exhibition in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.
- The winner received a cash prize of €10,000.
- Other Finalists are : 1. “Night Crossing” by John Moore (USA) for Washington (USA) based Getty Images 2. “Droughts in the Amazon” by Musuk Nolte (Peru) for London

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Ques: Which of the following cricketers were newly added to the BCCI Grade C central contract list for 2024–25?

- (a) Rinku Singh, Arshdeep Singh, Sanju Samson
- (b) Ishan Kishan, Ravi Bishnoi, Prasidh Krishna
- (c) Shivam Dube, Jitesh Sharma, Avesh Khan
- (d) Nitish Kumar Reddy, Dhruv Jurel, Abhishek Sharma
- (e) Kuldeep Yadav, Yashasvi Jaiswal, Axar Patel

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) revealed the yearly player retainership for the men's team for the 2024–25 season, and Indian team mainstays Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli have kept their A+ category contracts despite retiring from the T20I format.
- Nitish Kumar Reddy, Dhruv Jurel, Abhishek Sharma, Sarfaraz Khan, Akash Deep, Varun Chakravarthy, and Harshit Rana are among the new hires to the central contracts list; they are all ranked in Grade C.
- The contract list no longer includes Shivam Dube, Jitesh Sharma, KS Bharat, and Avesh Khan, who were in the C category the previous season.
- For the 2024–25 season, which runs from October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025, 34 players have been given annual retainer contracts.
- Grade A+: Ravindra Jadeja, Jasprit Bumrah, Virat Kohli, and Rohit Sharma
- Grade A: Hardik Pandya, Mohammed Shami, Rishabh Pant, Shubman Gill, KL Rahul, and Mohammed Siraj
- Grade B: Shreyas Iyer, Axar Patel, Yashasvi Jaiswal, Kuldeep Yadav, and Suryakumar Yadav
- Grade C : Rinku Singh, Ruturaj Gaikwad, Tilak Varma, Shivam Dube, Ravi Bishnoi, Washington Sundar, Mukesh Kumar, Sanju Samson, Arshdeep Singh, Prasidh Krishna, Rajat Patidar, Dhruv Jurel, Sarfaraz Khan, Nitish Kumar Reddy, Ishan Kishan, Abhishek Sharma, Akash Deep, Varun Chakravarthy, and Harshit Rana
- Grade A players receive Rs. 5 crore annually from the BCCI, while Grade A+ players receive Rs. 7 crore. Cricket players in Grade B receive 3 crore, while those in Grade C receive 1 cr each.





Ques : Where was the world's first 10G broadband network launched?

- A. Shanghai, China
- B. Beijing, China
- C. Sunan County, Hebei Province
- D. Shenzhen, China
- E. None of these

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- China achieved a major technological milestone with the launch of the world's first 10G broadband network in Sunan County, Hebei Province on April 20, 2025.
- Developed by Huawei in collaboration with China Unicom, the network offers lightning-fast speeds of up to 9,834 Mbps download and 1,008 Mbps upload, along with ultra-low latency of just 3 ms.
- This development is a significant leap in global internet infrastructure, ushering in the era of ultra-high-speed broadband connectivity.

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Ques: The Indian Air Force's Surya Kiran team recently performed an air show over which river in Bihar?

- (a) Kosi
- (b) Gandak
- (c) Sone
- (d) Ganga
- (e) Punpun

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- The Indian flying Force's Surya Kiran team in Bihar starts their aerobatic flying display at Patna.
- Between 10 and 11 a.m., the IAF Surya Kiran aircraft will perform a spectacular show and maneuver over the Ganga River in Patna as part of the two-day program.
- The event is being held in honor of Babu Kunwar Singh, the freedom fighter who led the 1857 movement in Bhojpur, Bihar, and his Vijayotsav.

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Ques: From which date will the new regulations for radar equipment used to measure vehicle speed come into effect in India?

- (a) April 1, 2025
- (b) June 1, 2025
- (c) July 1, 2025
- (d) August 1, 2025
- (e) September 1, 2025

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Department of Consumer Affairs has issued new regulations for “Radar equipment for the measurement of the speed of vehicles” under the Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011.
- These regulations are aimed at enhancing road safety and ensuring fair traffic enforcement.
- They will come into effect from July 1, 2025, allowing sufficient time for industries and law enforcement bodies to comply.
- A technical committee framed the regulations based on the international standard OIML R 91.
- All such radar speed measuring devices will need validation and stamping by Legal Metrology authorities.

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Ques : What is the total financial outlay approved for the development of buffer zones in Madhya Pradesh's tiger reserves?

- a) Rs.100 crore
- b) Rs.145 crore
- c) Rs.200 crore
- d) Rs.175 crore
- e) Rs.250 crore

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Madhya Pradesh government has approved a Rs.145 crore plan for the development of buffer zones around its 9 tiger reserves for the financial years 2025–26 to 2027–28.
- The objective is to protect tigers by developing ecologically sensitive zones that include :
 - Chain-link fencing
 - Grasslands and water resource development
 - Wildlife protection and fire safety measures
 - Health monitoring of wild animals
 - Skill development programs for local communities
- Madhav National Park was declared the 9th tiger reserve on March 10, 2023.
- The tiger population in the state has increased from 526 to 785 in 4 years, reflecting the success of conservation efforts.





Ques: Which Indian state's electricity board is working with IIT Bombay to pilot Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) technology integration?

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Tamil Nadu
- (c) Gujarat
- (d) Kerala
- (e) Karnataka

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB) is initiating a Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) pilot project in collaboration with IIT Bombay.
- The initiative supports Kerala's goal of enhancing renewable energy integration, especially solar power.
- V2G technology allows Electric Vehicles (EVs) to act as both energy consumers and providers, enabling them to supply power back to the grid during peak demand.
- This will help build a decentralized energy storage network, contributing to grid stability and sustainable power management.

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Ques: What percentage safeguard duty has the Indian government recently imposed on certain non-alloy and alloy steel flat product imports?

- (a) 10%
- (b) 12%
- (c) 15%
- (d) 18%
- (e) 20%

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Central Government has imposed a 12% safeguard duty on the import of certain non-alloy and alloy steel flat products.
- This step is aimed at protecting the Indian steel industry, especially small and medium enterprises (SMEs), from surging steel imports.
- The move will ensure fair competition, restore market balance, and boost confidence among domestic steel manufacturers.
- Safeguard duties are temporary measures under WTO rules to protect domestic industries from injury caused by sudden import increases.

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Ques: Who authored the book 'Bravest of the Brave: The Extraordinary Story of Indian VCs of World War I', recently launched by CDS General Anil Chauhan?

- (a) Lt Gen Satish Dua (Retd)
- (b) Major General G.D. Bakshi
- (c) General Anil Chauhan
- (d) General Bipin Rawat
- (e) Lt Gen R.P. Kalita

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- At the United Service Institution of India (USI), in New Delhi, General Anil Chauhan, the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) of India, presented the "MacGregor Memorial Medal" to five Indian Armed Forces soldiers.
- The book "Bravest of the Brave: The Extraordinary Story of Indian VCs of World War I," written by retired Lieutenant General Satish Dua, a former Chief of Integrated Defence Staff (CISC), was also introduced by General Anil Chauhan during the event.

MacGregor Memorial Medal Recipients 2023 :

- Wing Commander D. Panda (Indian Air Force)
- Electrical Artificer (Radio) Rahul Kumar Pandey (Indian Navy)

MacGregor Memorial Medal Recipients 2024 :

- Chief Electrical Aircraft Artificer (Radio) Ram Ratan Jat (Indian Navy)
- Sergeant Jhumar Ram Poonia (Indian Air Force)
- Colonel Ranvir Singh Jamwal – Director, National Institute of Mountaineering and Adventure Sports (NIMAS), Arunachal Pradesh
(Currently on an expedition to Mt. Kangchenjunga)

About the MacGregor Memorial Medal :



- Started on : July 3, 1888, Named after Major General Sir Charles Metcalfe MacGregor, founder of USI (established in 1870)
- Objective : To honour exceptional military reconnaissance and exploratory journeys
- Expanded Scope (Post-1986) : Includes military expeditions, adventure activities
- Eligible Personnel : All ranks (serving/retired) of the Armed Forces, Territorial Army, Reserve Forces, Rashtriya Rifles, and Assam Rifles
- Total Medals Awarded : 127 so far (103 before Independence)



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Ques : What is the name of the initiative launched by Amit Shah to combat liver diseases?

- A. HEALTH
- B. HEALD
- C. LIVSAFE
- D. LIVWELL
- E. HEAL

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah launched the HEALD initiative – Healthy Liver, Healthy India – to address the growing challenge of liver diseases in the country.
- Supported by ILBS, this campaign aims to create nationwide awareness and embed liver health education into public health policy.
- The guiding principle emphasizes early detection and prevention, turning potential missed opportunities into proactive health actions.

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Ques: What was the total value of India's pharmaceutical exports in Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25)?

- (a) \$27.85 billion
- (b) \$28.50 billion
- (c) \$29.75 billion
- (d) \$30.47 billion
- (e) \$31.00 billion

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- In FY25, India's pharmaceutical exports hit an all-time high of \$30.47 billion, showing strong global demand.
- March 2025 alone saw a 31.21% year-on-year increase, with exports rising to \$3,681.51 million compared to \$2,805.71 million in March 2024.
- In comparison, FY24 exports stood at \$27.85 billion, indicating a growth of over 9% in FY25.
- The United States remained India's top pharma export destination, receiving \$8.95 billion worth of shipments — a 14.29% increase over the previous year.

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Ques: Which Indian state recently became the state with the highest number of Geographical Indication (GI) tags, surpassing Tamil Nadu?

- (a) Karnataka
- (b) Tamil Nadu
- (c) Uttar Pradesh
- (d) West Bengal
- (e) Kerala

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Uttar Pradesh (UP) has now become the state with the highest number of GI-certified products in India, holding a total of 77 GI tags.
- This achievement was marked by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who awarded GI certificates to 21 traditional UP items.
- With this, Uttar Pradesh surpassed Tamil Nadu, which currently has 69 GI-tagged products.
- Of these, 9 products are from Varanasi, and Kashi region alone holds 32 GI tags, emphasizing its rich artisanal and cultural legacy.

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IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

UK fintech giant Revolut has received full approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to issue Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs) such as digital wallets and prepaid cards integrated with India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI).

Arjun Babuta won a silver medal in the 10m Air Rifle final at the ISSF World Cup 2025 in Lima, Peru, finishing just 0.1 points behind Olympic champion Lihao Sheng of China in a thrilling match.

In the 10m Air Pistol events, Suruchi Inder Singh claimed two gold medals – one in the women's individual category and another in the mixed team event with Saurabh Chaudhary, while Manu Bhaker secured silver in the women's final.

Djuro Macut Appointed as Prime Minister (PM) of Serbia. He Replaced Milos Vucevic.

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