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Ques: How many branches did Karur Vysya Bank inaugurate in FY 2024-25? करूर वैश्य बैंक ने वित्त वर्ष 2024-25 में कितनी शाखाएं शुरू कीं?

- a) 46
- b) 50
- c) 40
- d) 60
- e) 38

**Answer**: Option A

- Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) has opened 46 new branches in the financial year 2024-25, expanding its total branch network to 888.
- The newly inaugurated branches include locations in Kumbakonam, Visakhapatnam, Coimbatore, and Alapakkam (Chennai).
- The bank aims to enhance its footprint in Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh, strengthening its banking presence in these regions.

















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# Ques: Which bank earned the highest fee from ATM withdrawals in FY24? वित्त वर्ष 2024 में एटीएम निकासी से किस बैंक ने सबसे अधिक शुल्क अर्जित किया?

- a) Bank of Baroda / बैंक ऑफ बडौदा
- b) Punjab National Bank / पंजाब नेशनल बैंक
- c) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक
- d) Union Bank of India / यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- e) Canara Bank / केनरा बैंक

**Answer**: Option C

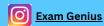
- State Bank of India (SBI), which holds a 30% share in India's ATM network with over 65,000 ATMs, earned Rs.331 crore in fees from ATM withdrawals in FY24.
- Unlike SBI, other Public Sector Banks (PSBs) suffered losses on ATM cash withdrawals, with Bank of Baroda (BoB) incurring the highest loss of Rs.212 crore.
- The disparity arises due to SBI's extensive ATM network, which allows it to charge fees from customers of other banks, while smaller PSBs face higher outflow costs.
- The trend highlights the financial impact of ATM usage fees and operational costs on different banks within the public sector.

















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Oues: Who has been elected as the new Chairman of the Indian Banks' Association (IBA)?

भारतीय बैंक संघ (आईबीए) के नए अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे चुना गया है?

- a) Atul Kumar Goel / अतुल कुमार गोयल
- b) A Manimekhalai / ए मणिमेखलाई
- c) Swarup Kumar Saha / स्वारूप कुमार साहा
- d) CS Setty / सीएस सेट्री
- e) B Ramesh Babu / बी रमेश बाब्

**Answer**: option D

- The Indian Banks' Association (IBA) has elected CS Setty, the Chairman of the State Bank of India (SBI), as its new Chairman.
- Union Bank MD A Manimekhalai, Punjab & Sind Bank MD Swarup Kumar Saha, and Madhav Nair from Bank of Bahrain & Kuwait BSC have been elected as Deputy Chairmen.
- Karur Vysya Bank MD B Ramesh Babu has been elected as the honorary secretary.
- Former PNB MD Atul Kumar Goel was recently appointed as the CEO of IBA.





















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Ques: Which bank has launched the PM-Vidyalaxmi scheme to support meritorious students financially?

किस बैंक ने मेधावी छात्रों को वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान करने के लिए पीएम-विद्यालक्ष्मी योजना शुरू की है?

- (a) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (b) Karnataka Bank / कर्नाटक बैंक
- (c) Bank of baroda / बैंक ऑफ बडौदा
- (d) Canara Bank / केनरा बैंक
- (e) Bank of Maharashtra / बैंक ऑफ महाराष्ट्र

**Answer**: Option C

- Bank of Baroda (BoB) has launched the PM-Vidyalaxmi Scheme to provide financial assistance to meritorious students pursuing higher education.
- The scheme is part of a Government of India initiative to ensure financial constraints do not hinder students' access to quality education.
- The program aims to support talented youth by offering easy access to education loans through the Vidyalaxmi Portal.
- The scheme aligns with the government's vision of promoting financial inclusion in education and helping students achieve their academic goals.



















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Ques: What is the starting price of own damage cover on PhonePe for 2-wheeler insurance?

PhonePe पर 2-पहिया बीमा के लिए स्वयं क्षति कवर की प्रारंभिक कीमत क्या है?

- a) Rs.10
- b) Rs.5
- c) Rs.1
- d) Rs.50
- e) Rs.100

**Answer**: Option C

- PhonePe has introduced insurance coverage for both two-wheelers and fourwheelers, enabling users to compare policies from multiple insurers and purchase them online.
- The platform offers significant savings, allowing users to save up to Rs.4,000 on two-wheeler insurance and up to Rs.40,000 on four-wheeler insurance compared to dealership rates.
- It provides the most affordable pricing for two-wheeler insurance, with own damage cover starting at just Rs.1.
- The entire insurance purchase process is 100% digital, eliminating the need for any paperwork.

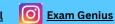


















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Ques: What is the interest rate on Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana for the April-June 2025 quarter?

अप्रैल-जून 2025 तिमाही के लिए सुकन्या समृद्धि योजना पर ब्याज दर क्या है?

- a) 7.1%
- b) 7.7%
- c) 8.0%
- d) 8.2%
- e) 7.5%

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation:**

- The Government of India has kept interest rates unchanged on small savings schemes for the April-June 2025 quarter, making it the fifth consecutive quarter without revision.
- Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (SSY) will continue to offer an interest rate of 8.2%, ensuring stable returns for investors.
- The Public Provident Fund (PPF) and a three-year term deposit retain their rates at 7.1%, while post office savings deposits remain at 4%.
- Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP) will continue to offer 7.5% interest, with a maturity period of 115 months.
- The National Savings Certificate (NSC) interest rate remains at 7.7%, and the Monthly Income Scheme (MIS) continues to provide a 7.4% interest rate.

# Rate of interest from April to June 2025:

• Post Office Savings Deposit: 4%

• 1 Year Time Deposit : 6.9%

• 2 Year Time Deposit : 7%

• 3 Year Time Deposit : 7.1%

• 5 Year Time Deposit : 7.5%

• 5 Year Recurring Deposit : 6.7%

Senior Citizen Savings Scheme: 8.2%

• Monthly Income Account Scheme: 7.4%

National Savings Certificate: 7.7%















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•Public Provident Fund: 7.1%

• Kisan Vikas Patra: 7.5%

• Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana: 8.2%

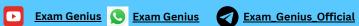


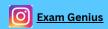


















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Ques: Where was the 8th State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) Meeting held by RBI?

RBI द्वारा 8वीं राज्य स्तरीय समन्वय समिति (SLCC) बैठक कहाँ आयोजित की गई?

- (a) Guwahati / गुवाहाटी
- (b) Shimla / शिमला
- (c) Dehradun / देहरादुन
- (d) Srinagar / श्रीनगर
- (e) Gangtok / गंगटोक

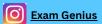
**Answer**: Option E

- The 8th State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) Meeting was held in Gangtok to discuss financial regulations and fraud prevention measures.
- It was chaired by Ravindra Telang, Chief Secretary of Sikkim, and convened by Thotngam Jamang, Regional Director of RBI.
- Key discussions included the implementation of BUDS Rules under the Banning of Unregulated Deposit Schemes Act, 2019.
- The meeting addressed the rise in digital and financial frauds, with Sikkim Police reporting recovery efforts.
- RBI and SEBI highlighted investor awareness programs, the Sachet portal for reporting unregulated entities, and initiatives to curb fraudulent activities.
- The meeting was attended by dignitaries from RBI, SEBI, and Sikkim government departments, emphasizing financial literacy outreach by RBI Gangtok.















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Ques: Which company is LIC acquiring a 40-49% stake in? एलआईसी किस कंपनी में 40-49% हिस्सेदारी खरीद रही है?

- a) Star Health Insurance / स्टार हेल्थ इंश्योरेंस
- b) ICICI Lombard / आईसीआईसीआई लोम्बार्ड
- c) Care Health Insurance / केयर हेल्थ इंश्योरेंस
- d) Max Bupa Health Insurance / मैक्स बुपा हेल्थ इंश्योरेंस
- e) ManipalCigna Health Insurance / मणिपालसिग्ना हेल्थ इंश्योरेंस

**Answer**: Option E

- Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) is set to acquire a 40-49% stake in ManipalCigna Health Insurance, marking its entry into the standalone health insurance segment.
- The deal, valued at Rs.3,500 crore, includes both fresh capital infusion and the sale of existing shares.
- With LIC's strong distribution network and financial backing, the standalone health insurance market is expected to undergo significant changes.
- This acquisition aligns with LIC's strategy to diversify beyond life insurance and expand its presence in the health insurance sector.
- ManipalCigna is a joint venture between Manipal Group and US-based Cigna Corporation, specializing in innovative health insurance solutions.



















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Ques: Which organization has partnered with Bank of India to offer general insurance products?

बैंक ऑफ इंडिया ने सामान्य बीमा उत्पादों की पेशकश के लिए किस संगठन के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- (a) LIC / एलआईसी
- (b) SBI General Insurance / एसबीआई जनरल इंश्योरेंस
- (c) HDFC ERGO / एचडीएफसी एर्गो
- (d) New India Assurance / न्यू इंडिया एश्योरेंस
- (e) ICICI Lombard / आईसीआईसीआई लोम्बार्ड

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation:**

• This partnership between Bank of India (BOI) and New India Assurance (NIACL) is a strategic move to enhance financial security for BOI's customers.

### **Key Benefits of the Tie-up:**

- Comprehensive Coverage: Customers can access a wide range of general insurance products, including health, motor, travel, and property insurance.
- Seamless Access: BOI's customers can now conveniently purchase New India Assurance policies directly through the bank's network.
- Enhanced Financial Protection: The collaboration aims to strengthen financial inclusion by providing affordable and accessible insurance solutions.





















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Ques: What percentage cap is India's central bank planning to allow for individual foreign investors in listed companies? भारत का केंद्रीय बैंक सूचीबद्ध कंपनियों में व्यक्तिगत विदेशी निवेशकों के लिए कितने प्रतिशत की सीमा की

- a) 5%
- b) 7.5%
- c) 10%
- d) 15%
- e) 12%

**Answer**: Option C

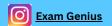
अनुमति देने की योजना बना रहा है?

- India's central bank plans to double the cap on individual foreign investor holdings in listed companies from 5% to 10% to attract more capital inflows.
- Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) have withdrawn over \$28 billion from Indian stocks since September due to weak earnings, high valuations, and US tariff concerns.
- The move extends investment benefits previously available only to overseas Indian citizens under FEMA to all foreign investors.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) also plans to increase the total holding limit for all foreign individual investors in an Indian listed company from 10% to 24%.
- The proposal is in its final discussion stage between the government, RBI, and SEBI to encourage foreign investment and strengthen market liquidity.













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### Ques: Where has Jana Small Finance Bank opened its first branch in Andhra Pradesh?

जना स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक ने आंध्र प्रदेश में अपनी पहली शाखा कहां खोली है?

- a) Vijayawada / विजयवाडा
- b) Visakhapatnam / विशाखापत्तनम
- c) Tirupati / तिरुपति
- d) Guntur / गुंटूर
- e) Nellore / नेल्लोर

**Answer**: Option D

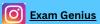
- Jana Small Finance Bank has expanded its operations to Andhra Pradesh by opening its first branch in Guntur.
- The branch will provide a range of banking services, including deposits, housing loans, gold loans, MSME loans, and agricultural loans.
- This expansion aligns with the bank's strategy to strengthen its presence in South India and enhance financial inclusion.
- Jana Small Finance Bank aims to support small businesses and individuals by offering secured and unsecured business loans, along with supply chain finance solutions.

















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Ques: Which Indian bank has partnered with JPMorgan to enable 24x7 US dollar payments?

किस भारतीय बैंक ने 24x7 अमेरिकी डॉलर भुगतान को सक्षम करने के लिए जेपी मॉर्गन के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- a) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- b) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- c) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- d) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक
- e) Kotak Mahindra Bank / कोटक महिंद्रा बैंक

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation**:

This collaboration between Axis Bank and JPMorgan represents a major step in modernizing cross-border transactions, particularly for businesses operating in India.

- Real-Time Transactions: The service allows Indian commercial clients to make and receive USD payments 24x7, eliminating delays caused by banking hours or holidays.
- Blockchain Integration: The system is powered by Kinexys, JPMorgan's blockchain and digital asset unit, enhancing transaction speed and security.
- GIFT City Operations: The service will be available from GIFT City, Gujarat, India's premier international financial hub.
- First-of-its-Kind in India: This marks a significant shift in the Indian banking sector, as no other Indian company has previously had such flexibility for USD transactions.





















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Ques: Which organization recently launched BHIM 3.0 to enhance digital payment accessibility?

किस संगठन ने हाल ही में BHIM 3.0 को डिजिटल भुगतान पहुंच बढ़ाने के लिए लॉन्च किया है?

- (a) RBI
- (b) SEBI
- (c) NPCI
- (d) NITI Aayog
- (e) SIDBI

**Answer**: Option C

- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) has launched BHIM 3.0, a revamped version of its digital payment platform aimed at improving user experience and promoting financial inclusivity. • BHIM 3.0 now supports over 15 Indian languages and is designed to work efficiently in areas with low internet connectivity, making it more accessible for users in remote locations.
- This update aligns with NPCI's vision of promoting a cashless economy and expanding digital payment solutions to underserved regions.
- The launch of BHIM 3.0 is an important step in making digital payments more accessible and inclusive across India.













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# Ques: Which regulatory authority granted approval for MobiKwik Securities **Broking?**

मोबिक्विक सिक्योरिटीज ब्रोकिंग को किस नियामक प्राधिकरण ने मंजुरी दी?

- a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) / भारतीय प्रतिभृति और विनिमय बोर्ड (सेबी)
- b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) / भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (आरबीआई)
- c) Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) / कॉर्पोरेट मामलों का मंत्रालय (एमसीए)
- d) National Stock Exchange (NSE) / नेशनल स्टॉक एक्सचेंज (एनएसई)
- e) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) / भारतीय बीमा नियामक और विकास प्राधिकरण (आईआरडीएआई)

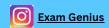
**Answer**: Option C

- MobiKwik, a fintech company, has entered the stock broking industry by launching its wholly owned subsidiary, MobiKwik Securities Broking.
- The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has approved the establishment of this new entity.
- MobiKwik will compete with established players like Zerodha, Groww, and AngelOne in the stock broking sector.
- The subsidiary aims to join various stock and commodity exchanges in India and globally, allowing trading in shares, securities, debt instruments, commodities, currencies, and derivatives.
- MobiKwik Securities Broking starts with an initial capital of Rs 1 lakh, with plans to invest an additional Rs 2 crore in phases for expansion.















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Ques: What is the primary objective of the ₹22,919 crore PLI scheme approved by the Union Cabinet?

केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल द्वारा अनुमोदित ₹22,919 करोड की पीएलआई योजना का मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या है?

- a) Boost semiconductor manufacturing / सेमीकंडक्टर निर्माण को बढावा देना
- b) Increase exports of pharmaceuticals / फार्मास्यूटिकल्स का निर्यात बढ़ाना
- c) Promote domestic production of electronic components / इलेक्ट्रॉनिक घटकों के घरेलू उत्पादन को बढावा देना
- d) Support renewable energy projects / नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा परियोजनाओं का समर्थन करना
- e) Expand automobile manufacturing capacity / ऑटोमोबाइल निर्माण क्षमता का विस्तार करना

**Answer**: Option C

- The Rs.22,919 crore Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme aims to boost domestic manufacturing of critical electronic components.
- The scheme is expected to attract Rs.59,350 crore in investments and generate electronic products worth Rs.4.6 lakh crore over six years.
- It will create approximately 91,600 jobs and support key components such as printed circuit boards (PCBs), lithium-ion battery cells, and enclosures for electronics hardware.
- The scheme provides employment-linked benefits, capital expenditure support, and turnover-based incentives.



















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Ques: Where has Waaree Energies inaugurated India's largest solar cell factory? वारी एनर्जी ने भारत का सबसे बड़ा सौर सेल कारखाना कहां शुरू किया है?

- a) Surat / सूरत
- b) Chikhli / चिखली
- c) Noida / नोएडा
- d) Nandigram / नंदीग्राम
- e) Vadodara / वडोदरा

**Answer**: Option B

- Waaree Energies has inaugurated India's largest solar cell manufacturing facility in Chikhli, South Gujarat, with a production capacity of 5.4 GW.
- The factory uses advanced TOPCon (Tunnel Oxide Passivated Contact) technology, enabling the production of 20 solar cells per second.
- The facility has achieved 25% efficiency in its solar cells, improving energy conversion rates and maximizing power output from the same surface area.
- Spread across 150 acres with a built-up area of 101 acres, this plant is one of Waaree Energies' four manufacturing units in India.
- The company has invested Rs.3,000 crore in the Chikhli plant, with its other three facilities located in Surat, Nandigram, and Noida.

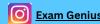


















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Ques: Who is heading the task force formed to address student suicides in India? भारत में छात्र आत्महत्याओं से निपटने के लिए गठित टास्क फोर्स का नेतृत्व कौन कर रहा है?

- a) Justice U.U. Lalit / न्यायमूर्ति यू.यू. ललित
- b) Dr. K. Kasturirangan / डॉ. के. कस्तुरीरंगन
- c) Justice S. Ravindra Bhat / न्यायमूर्ति एस. रवींद्र भट
- d) Justice Ranjan Gogoi / न्यायमूर्ति रंजन गोगोई
- e) Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar / प्रो. एम. जगदीश कुमार

**Answer**: Option C

- A task force, led by former Supreme Court judge Justice S. Ravindra Bhat, has been formed to investigate the primary causes of student suicides and suggest measures to foster a more inclusive academic environment.
- The task force consists of 10 members and will submit an interim report in 4 months, followed by a final report in 8 months.
- As per the NCRB 2022 report, student suicides made up 7.6% of total suicides in India.
- The number of student suicides has nearly doubled in a decade, rising from 6,654 in 2012 to 13,044 in 2022.
- Maharashtra recorded the highest student suicides, followed by Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and Odisha.

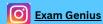


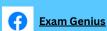
















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Ques: How much total amount has been released by the Union Government as the second installment of the XV Finance Commission (XV FC) Grants for rural local bodies in Karnataka and Tripura for FY 2024-25?

केंद्र सरकार ने वित्त वर्ष 2024-25 के लिए कर्नाटक और त्रिपुरा में ग्रामीण स्थानीय निकायों के लिए XV वित्त आयोग (XV FC) अनुदान की दूसरी किस्त के रूप में कुल कितनी राशि जारी की है?

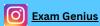
- a) Rs.350 crores
- b) Rs.402 crores
- c) Rs.600 crores
- d) Rs.500 crores
- e) Rs.436 crores

**Answer**: Option E

- The Union Government has disbursed over Rs.436 crores as the second installment of the Fifteenth Finance Commission (XV FC) Grants for rural local bodies in Karnataka and Tripura for the financial year 2024-25.
- Karnataka received Rs.404.97 crores in Untied Grants for 5,375 eligible Gram Panchayats, while Tripura was allocated Rs.31.13 crores for 589 Gram Panchayats, Block Panchayats, District Panchayats, and Traditional Local Bodies.
- The grants enable Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) to address local developmental needs as per the 29 subjects listed in the Eleventh Schedule of the Constitution.
- These funds are meant for developmental projects and cannot be used for salaries or administrative expenses.
- XV Finance Commission Grants are categorized into Untied Grants, which provide flexibility for local development, and Tied Grants, which focus on essential services like sanitation and drinking water.
- This initiative aims to decentralize resources and strengthen local governance for rural development.













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Oues: Which state CM launches AI chatbot 'Sarathi' for enhanced citizen engagement?

किस राज्य के मुख्यमंत्री ने नागरिक सहभागिता बढाने के लिए एआई चैटबॉट 'सारथी' लॉन्च किया है?

- (a) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- (b) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (c) Uttarakhand / उत्तराखंड
- (d) Haryana / हरियाणा
- (e) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र

**Answer**: Option D

- Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini has inaugurated the Al-powered chatbot 'Sarathi' on the Chief Secretary's office website.
- This chatbot aims to improve citizen involvement by offering quick access to government directives, notices, and circulars from previous years.
- According to the statement, HARTRON (Haryana State Electronics Development Corporation Limited) built the chatbot.















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Ques: Who has been reappointed as the Managing Director of Ambuja Cement Ltd? अंबुजा सीमेंट लिमिटेड के प्रबंध निदेशक के रूप में किसे फिर से नियुक्त किया गया है?

- a) Vinod Bahety / विनोद बहेती
- b) Rakesh Tiwary / राकेश तिवारी
- c) Ajay Kapur / अजय कपूर
- d) Gautam Adani / गौतम अडानी
- e) Sanjay Gupta / संजय गुप्ता

**Answer**: option C

- Ajay Kapur has been reappointed as the Managing Director of Ambuja Cement Ltd for a tenure of two years, starting from April 1.
- The board has also appointed Vinod Bahety as the Additional Director, Whole-time Director, and CEO for a period of three years.
- Rakesh Tiwary has been appointed as the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the company.

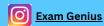


















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Ques: What does 'P4' stand for in the 'Zero Poverty - P4' initiative? 'शुन्य गरीबी - P4' पहल में 'P4' का क्या अर्थ है?

- a) Public-Private-Panchayat Partnership / सार्वजनिक-निजी-पंचायत भागीदारी
- b) Public-Private-People Partnership / सार्वजनिक-निजी-जन भागीदारी
- c) Poverty Prevention Partnership / गरीबी निवारण भागीदारी
- d) People's Prosperity Partnership / जन समृद्धि भागीदारी
- e) Public-Private-Poor Partnership / सार्वजनिक-निजी-गरीब भागीदारी

**Answer**: Option B

- Andhra Pradesh CM N. Chandrababu Naidu launched the 'Zero Poverty P4' initiative to eradicate poverty in the state by 2029.
- P4 stands for Public-Private-People Partnership, emphasizing collaboration between these sectors to reduce the socio-economic gap.
- The initiative encourages the wealthiest 10% of the population to extend support to the bottom 20% poorest families.
- The government will play a facilitative role by using real-time digital dashboards to monitor the progress of the initiative.

















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# Ques: Where is the Yuge Yugeen Bharat National Museum being developed? युगे युगीन भारत राष्ट्रीय संग्रहालय कहाँ विकसित किया जा रहा है?

- a) Rashtrapati Bhavan / राष्ट्रपति भवन
- b) India Gate / इंडिया गेट
- c) North and South Blocks, New Delhi / उत्तर और दक्षिण ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली
- d) Red Fort / लाल किला
- e) Raj Ghat / राजघाट

**Answer**: Option C

- The Yuge Yugeen Bharat National Museum is a major upcoming museum in New Delhi, being developed under the Central Vista Redevelopment Project.
- It will be located in the North and South Blocks and aims to showcase India's rich civilizational and cultural heritage.
- A technical cooperation agreement has been signed between the National Museum of India and France Museums Development for the museum's development.
- The project seeks to transform iconic government buildings into world-class cultural spaces.

















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Ques: Which of the following pilot projects are included in this initiative? इस पहल में निम्नलिखित में से कौन सी पायलट परियोजनाएँ शामिल हैं?

- a) Didi ki Dukan / दीदी की दुकान
- b) Computer Didi Centers / कंप्यूटर दीदी केंद्र
- c) Digital Didi Program / डिजिटल दीदी कार्यक्रम
- d) Both (a) and (b) / (a) और (b) दोनों
- e) All of the above / उपरोक्त सभी

**Answer**: Option D

- The Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) and UNICEF YuWaah have signed a three-year partnership to promote rural employment, entrepreneurship, and skill development for women from Self-Help Groups (SHGs).
- Pilot projects such as "Computer Didi Centers" and "Didi ki Dukan" will be launched in five states—Andhra Pradesh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, and Rajasthan to enhance digital infrastructure and economic opportunities.
- If successful, the initiative could expand to impact 35 lakh women across 7,000+ blocks in India, aligning with the 2025-26 Union Budget's vision for rural development.
- The partnership will introduce a "Youth Hub" for jobs, skilling, and volunteering, and will also promote the "Lakhpati Didis" model, which aims to empower women entrepreneurs in rural India.



















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Ques: Which state has become the first state in India to pass a law creating a commission for senior citizens?

वरिष्ठ नागरिकों के लिए आयोग बनाने वाला कानून पारित करने वाला भारत का पहला राज्य कौन सा बन गया है?

- (a) Kerala / केरल
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाड्
- (c) Odisha / ओडिशा
- (d) Andhra Pradesh / आंध्र प्रदेश
- (e) Telangana / तेलंगाना

**Answer**: Option A

- Kerala has become the first state in India to establish a dedicated commission for senior citizens through legislation.
- According to the United Nations Population Fund, Kerala's elderly population (60) and above) is projected to reach 22.8% by 2036, up from 16.5% in 2021.
- The Kerala State Senior Citizens Commission will have a chairperson and up to three members, including one woman and one representative from Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes.
- The commission will be supported by an Additional Secretary as the secretary and a Joint Secretary from the law department as the registrar.
- Members will serve a fixed tenure of three years.
- The Kerala government provides a rs.1,600 monthly pension under the Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme for individuals aged 60 and above with an annual income of Rs.1,00,000 or less.















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Ques: Which state topped the medal tally at the Khelo India Para Games 2025? खेलो इंडिया पैरा गेम्स 2025 में पदक तालिका में कौन सा राज्य शीर्ष पर रहा?

- a) Haryana / हरियाणा
- b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाड्
- c) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- d) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- e) Punjab / पंजाब

**Answer**: Option A

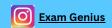
- The Khelo India Para Games 2025 completed at JLN Stadium in New Delhi, providing as a major platform for para-athletes, with 18 national records broken and over 550 medals given in six sports.
- Haryana won the most medals with 34 gold, 39 silver, and 31 bronze, followed by Tamil Nadu with 28 gold, 19 silver, and 27 bronze, and Uttar Pradesh in third with 23 gold, 21 silver, and 20 bronze.
- Over 1,300 para-athletes from all over India competed in Para Archery, Para Athletics, Para Badminton, Para Powerlifting, Para Shooting, and Para Table Tennis over the course of eight days.
- Union Minister Raksha Nikhil Khadse unveiled the Handbook on Accessibility of Sports Facilities, underlining the government's commitment to promoting inclusivity and parasports in India.

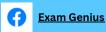
















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# Ques: Who did Gopal Vittal replace as the Chairman of GSMA? जीएसएमए के अध्यक्ष के रूप में गोपाल विट्टल ने किसे प्रतिस्थापित किया?

- a) Mukesh Ambani / मुकेश अंबानी
- b) Sunil Bharti Mittal / सुनील भारती मित्तल
- c) Jose Maria Alvares-Pallete / जोस मारिया अल्वारेस-पैलेटे
- d) Pekka Lundmark / पेक्का लुंडमार्क
- e) Nick Read / निक पढें

**Answer**: Option C

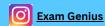
- Gopal Vittal, Vice Chairman and Managing Director of Bharti Airtel, has been appointed as the Chairman of the Board of the Global System for Mobile Communications Association (GSMA).
- His tenure will continue until the end of 2026.
- He replaces José Maria Álvares-Pallete, CEO of Telefónica, in this role.
- Vittal is the second Indian to hold this prestigious position, following Sunil Mittal.
- Before his formal appointment, he had been serving as the acting chair since February 2025.

















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Ques: Bandhan Bank has signed an MoU with which branch of the Indian Armed Forces to introduce the Shaurya Salary Account? बंधन बैंक ने शौर्य वेतन खाता शुरू करने के लिए भारतीय सशस्त्र बलों की किस शाखा के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- a) Indian Army / भारतीय सेना
- b) Indian Navy / भारतीय नौसेना
- c) Indian Air Force (IAF) / भारतीय वाय सेना (IAF)
- d) Indian Coast Guard / भारतीय तटरक्षक बल
- e) Paramilitary Forces / अर्धसैनिक बल

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- Bandhan Bank has signed an MoU with the Indian Air Force (IAF) to launch the Bandhan Bank Shaurya Salary Account for IAF personnel, veterans, and their families.
- It is a zero-balance corporate salary account designed to provide financial benefits to defense personnel.
- Key benefits include personalized insurance coverage, competitive interest rates, and access to over 1,700 branches across India.

### **About Bandhan Bank:**

• Incorporated: 2014 and Started Operations in 2015

HQ : Kolkata

• MD & CEO: Partha Pratim Sengupta

Tagline: Aapka Bhala, Sabki Bhalai



















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Ques: Priority Sector Lending (PSL) guidelines are issued by RBI to ensure the flow of credit to which of the following sectors? आरबीआई द्वारा प्राथमिकता क्षेत्र ऋण (पीएसएल) दिशानिर्देश निम्नलिखित में से किस क्षेत्र को ऋण प्रवाह स्निश्चित करने के लिए जारी किए जाते हैं?

- a) Agriculture and MSMEs / कृषि और एमएसएमई
- b) Renewable Energy and Housing / नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा और आवास
- c) Education and Export Credit / शिक्षा और निर्यात ऋण
- d) All of the above / उपरोक्त सभी
- e) Only MSMEs and Housing / केवल एमएसएमई और आवास

Answer: Option D

### **Explanation:**

- The Reserve Bank amended its Priority Sector Lending (PSL) criteria to better focus bank credit to priority areas of the economy.
- The RBI said that the new standards will take effect on April 1, 2025.
- The revised guidelines increase loan ceilings, notably for housing loans, to improve PSL coverage.
- Additionally, the RBI has expanded the 'Weaker Sections' category by removing the cap on loans by UCBs to individual women beneficiaries.

## Changes in Loan Limits:

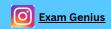
- The maximum limit for education loans, including vocational courses, has been increased to Rs.25 lakh per individual.
- In social infrastructure, borrowers can avail up to Rs.8 crore for setting up schools, drinking water facilities, and healthcare facilities in Tier 2 to Tier 6 cities.
- Loan limits for artisans, village, and cottage industries have been raised from Rs.1 lakh to Rs.2 lakh.
- Individual women beneficiaries can now avail loans up to Rs.2 lakh per borrower, up from Rs.1 lakh.
- Individual farmers can take loans against Negotiable Warehouse Receipts up to Rs.90 lakh, increased from Rs.75 lakh, while for other Warehouse Receipts, the limit is Rs.60 lakh.

















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- Corporate farmers can avail loans up to Rs.4 crore against Negotiable Warehouse Receipts and Rs.2.5 crore against other Warehouse Receipts. Entities undertaking farming with assured product marketing can avail loans up to Rs.10 crore.
- Loans to registered NBFCs for co-lending to MSMEs have been set at Rs.20 lakh per borrower.
- For export credit, Indian banks can lend up to 2% of Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC) or a maximum of Rs.50 crore. Foreign banks with 20 or more branches have a limit of 2% of ANBC, while those with fewer than 20 branches can lend up to 32% of ANBC.

### Renewable Energy interest rates:

- Renewable energy-based power generators and public utilities can avail loans up to ₹35 crore.
- The loan limit for individual households for renewable energy purposes has been set at ₹10 lakh per borrower.

### Housing Loans (classification based on population size):

In centers with a population of 50 lakh and above, the loan limit is Rs.50 lakh.

## Revised PSL Targets for Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs):

- The total Priority Sector Lending (PSL) target is set at 60% of Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC) or Credit Equivalent of Off-Balance Sheet Exposures (CEOBSE).
- Banks are required to allocate 7.5% of ANBC towards micro enterprises.
- Advances to weaker sections should constitute 12% of ANBC.

### It now includes Transgenders along with earlier categories of:

- Small and Marginal Farmers, Artisans, Individual members of SHGs or Joint Liability Groups,
- Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes, Persons with disabilities, Minority communities notified by Government of India
- Individual women beneficiaries up to ₹2 lakh (This limit is not applicable to UC)
- Transgender

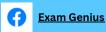
















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### Ques: Dilma Rousseff has been reappointed as the President of which financial institution?

डिल्मा रूसेफ को किस वित्तीय संस्थान के अध्यक्ष के रूप में फिर से नियुक्त किया गया है?

- a) World Bank / विश्व बैंक
- b) International Monetary Fund (IMF) / अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मुद्रा कोष (IMF)
- c) New Development Bank (NDB) / न्यू डेवलपमेंट बैंक (NDB)
- d) Asian Development Bank (ADB) / एशियाई विकास बैंक (ADB)
- e) Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) / इंटर-अमेरिकन डेवलपमेंट बैंक (IDB)

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- Dilma Vana Rousseff, the former President of Brazil, has been reappointed as the President of the New Development Bank (NDB), formerly known as the BRICS Development Bank, with her tenure now extended until 2030.
- She initially became the Chair of the NDB in March 2023, succeeding Marcos Troyjo, and her tenure was originally set to end in July 2025.
- The extension of her term was proposed by Russia during the 2024 BRICS Summit held in Kazan, Russia.
- Rousseff previously served as the 36th President of Brazil from 2011 until her impeachment and removal from office on August 31, 2016.

### About New Development Bank (NDB):

- Established : July 2015
- HQ: Shanghai, China
- Members: Algeria, Brazil, China, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Russia, South Africa,

United Arab Emirates, Uruguay

















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Ques: The Rupee Term Loan (RTL) agreement between IRFC and NTPC REL will support which sector?

**आईआरएफसी** और एनटीपीसी आरईएल के बीच रुपया टर्म लोन (आरटीएल) समझौता किस क्षेत्र को सहायता प्रदान करेगा?

- a) Thermal Power Generation / थर्मल पावर जनरेशन
- b) Nuclear Energy / परमाणु ऊर्जा
- c) Renewable Energy / नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा
- d) Coal Mining / कोयला खनन
- e) Hydrocarbon Exploration / हाइड्रोकार्बन अन्वेषण

Answer: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- Indian Railway Finance Corporation (IRFC) has signed a Rupee Term Loan (RTL) agreement worth Rs.5,000 crore with NTPC Renewable Energy Limited (NTPC REL), a subsidiary of NTPC Green Energy Limited (NTPC GEL).
- The loan will be utilized for financing NTPC REL's ongoing and new renewable energy capacity expansion projects.
- This aligns with Indian Railways' goal of achieving net zero carbon emissions by 2030, as it is one of the largest electricity consumers in the country.

About Indian Railway Finance Corporation:

Established: 12 December 1986

• HQ: New Delhi

CMD: Manoj Kumar Dubey

















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Ques: How much does the Centre plan to raise through dated securities in the first half (April-September) of 2025-26?

केंद्र सरकार 2025-26 की पहली छमाही (अप्रैलसितंबर) में दिनांकित प्रतिभूतियों के माध्यम से कितनी राशि जुटाने की योजना बना रही है?

- (a) Rs.4 lakh Crore
- (b) Rs.5 lakh Crore
- (c) Rs.6 lakh Crore
- (d) Rs.7 lakh Crore
- (e) Rs.8 lakh Crore

**Answer**: Option E

- The Centre plans to raise Rs 8 lakh crore through dated securities in the first half of the 2025-26 fiscal year to address the revenue gap.
- This is part of the total estimated gross market borrowing of Rs 14.82 lakh crore for 2025-26, with 54% of the borrowing (Rs 8 lakh crore) to be raised in the first half through the issuance of dated securities, including Rs 10,000 crore of Sovereign Green Bonds (SGrBs).
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, in the Budget, proposed this borrowing strategy to meet the revenue shortfall in the upcoming fiscal year.
- The fiscal deficit, which is the gap between the government's total revenue and total expenditure, is estimated at 4.4% of GDP for FY26, compared to 4.8% of GDP in the current year. In absolute terms, the fiscal deficit is projected to be Rs 15,68,936 crore for 2025-26.
- The total financing for the fiscal deficit will come from a combination of net market borrowings from dated securities (Rs 11.54 lakh crore) and other sources such as small savings.















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Ques: Recently, what is the percentage increase in Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief over the existing rate, as approved by the Union Cabinet? हाल ही में, केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल द्वारा स्वीकृत महंगाई भत्ते और महंगाई राहत में मौजूदा दर से कितने प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है?

- (a) 2%
- (b) 4%
- (c) 6%
- (d) 3%
- (e) 2.5%

**Answer**: Option A

- The Union Cabinet has approved an additional instalment of Dearness Allowance (DA) for Central Government employees and Dearness Relief (DR) for pensioners, effective from January 1, 2025.
- A 2% increase will be provided over the existing rate of 53% of the basic pay or pension, benefiting 48.66 lakh Central Government employees and 66.55 lakh pensioners.
- The increase in DA and DR will cost the government Rs.6,614.04 crore annually.



















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Ques: The Indian Navy's second frigate of Project 1135.6 additional follow-on frigates, named Tavasya, was launched at which shipyard? भारतीय नौसेना के प्रोजेक्ट 1135.6 के दूसरे फ्रिगेट, तवास्य को किस शिपयार्ड में लॉन्च किया गया?

- (a) Cochin Shipyard Limited / कोचीन शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड
- (b) Hindustan Shipyard / हिंदुस्तान शिपयार्ड
- (c) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers / गार्डन रीच शिपबिल्डर्स एंड इंजीनियर्स
- (d) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders / मझगांव डॉक शिपबिल्डर्स
- (e) Goa Shipyard Limited / गोवा शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड

**Answer**: Option E

- The Indian Navy has launched its second frigate, 'Tavasya', as part of Project 1135.6 at Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) in Goa.
- Tavasya, measuring 124.8 m in length, 15.2 m in width, and 4.5 m in draft, is designed for surface, sub-surface, and air combat operations.
- The two Project 1135.6 follow-on frigates, with a top speed of 28 knots and a displacement of over 3,800 tonnes, can perform offensive and defensive tasks.
- On January 25, 2019, the Ministry of Defence (MoD) approved the contract to build two follow-on frigates under Project 1135.6.
- The first vessel, named 'Triput', was launched on July 23, 2024.
- It helps the MoD's goal of reaching Rs500 billion (\$5.85 billion) in defense exports by 2029.



















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Ques: Which country is the largest exporter of tea in 2024? 2024 में सबसे बडा चाय निर्यातक देश कौन सा है?

- (a) India / भारत
- (b) Sri Lanka / श्रीलंका
- (c) Kenya / केन्या
- (d) China / चीन
- (e) Bangladesh / बांग्लादेश

**Answer**: Option C

- India has become the second-largest tea exporter in the world by exporting 254 million kg (Mkg) of tea in 2024.
- Kenya remains the largest tea exporter, with over 500 Mkg of tea exported in 2024.
- India surpassed Sri Lanka, which was previously the second-largest tea exporter.
- The data was shared by the Tea Board of India, highlighting India's rise in the global tea export rankings.



















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Ques: How much has the Punjab government allocated for the Nangal project in its 2025-26 budget?

पंजाब सरकार ने अपने 2025-26 के बजट में नांगल परियोजना के लिए कितनी राशि आवंटित की है?

- a) Rs 5 crore
- b) Rs 10 crore
- c) Rs 15 crore
- d) Rs 20 crore
- e) Rs 25 crore

**Answer**: Option B

- The Punjab government plans to develop the Jhajjar-Bachauli Wildlife Sanctuary as a leopard safari destination to promote eco-tourism in the state.
- This will be the first wildlife sanctuary in Punjab where tourists can view wildlife in its natural habitat.
- The sanctuary, located in Sri Anandpur Sahib, was declared a protected sanctuary in 1998 under the Wildlife Protection Act of 1972.
- To support the development of tourist infrastructure, the Punjab government has allocated Rs 10 crore for the Nangal project in the 2025-26 budget.



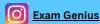


















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Ques: India has become the world's largest milk producer with a production of how many metric tons?

भारत कितने मीट्रिक टन उत्पादन के साथ दुनिया का सबसे बड़ा दूध उत्पादक बन गया है?

- a) 200 million metric tons
- b) 239 million metric tons
- c) 250 million metric tons
- d) 275 million metric tons
- e) 300 million metric tons

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

- India has become the world's largest milk producer, achieving a production of 239 million metric tons (MMT).
- Union Minister of Animal Husbandry and Dairying Rajiv Ranjan Singh announced that India targets 300 MMT of milk production in the next five years.
- The Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM), launched in 2014, has played a crucial role in driving this growth.
- India contributes over 24% of global milk production, with per capita milk consumption at 471 grams per day, exceeding the global average.

### **About India's Dairy Sector:**

- India's current milk production stands at 239 million metric tons (MMT), with a global share of over 24%.
- The target for 2030 is to reach 300 MMT.
- Since 2014, milk production has grown by 63.5%.
- The dairy sector contributes 4.5% to India's GDP.
- It provides employment to 10 crore people, with 75% of the workforce being women.















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### Ques: Gold Monetisation Scheme launched in which year? स्वर्ण मौद्रीकरण योजना किस वर्ष शुरू की गई?

- (a) 2012
- (b) 2013
- (c) 2014
- (d) 2015
- (e) 2016

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation:**

- Effective March 26, 2025, the Government of India will cease the Medium Term and Long Term Government Deposit (MLTGD) components of the Gold Monetization Scheme (GMS).
- In 2025, the federal government stopped the Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB) plan.

#### **About Gold Monetisation Scheme:**

- The scheme was launched on 15th September 2015 and replaced the existing Gold Deposit Scheme, 1999.
- It is available to all Scheduled Commercial Banks, excluding Regional Rural Banks.
- The scheme allows a wide range of eligible depositors, including Resident Indians, Hindu Undivided Families (HUFs), Trusts, Mutual Funds (MFs), Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs), Companies, Government entities, and others.
- The minimum deposit for the scheme is 10 grams of raw gold (bars, coins, or jewellery excluding stones and other metals). There is no maximum limit for the deposit under the scheme.

### Its Components are:

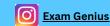
- Short Term Bank Deposit: This type of deposit has a tenure ranging from 1 to 3 years.
- Medium Term Bank Deposit: These deposits have a tenure of 5 to 7 years, and the current interest rate is 2.25% per annum.
- Long Term Bank Deposit: These deposits have a tenure ranging from 12 to 15 years, with an interest rate of 2.50% per annum.

















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Ques: Where is IIM Ahmedabad launching its first international campus? आईआईएम अहमदाबाद अपना पहला अंतरराष्ट्रीय परिसर कहां लॉन्च कर रहा है?

- (a) Singapore / सिंगापुर
- (b) Dubai / दुबई
- (c) London / लंदन
- (d) New York / न्यूयॉर्क
- (e) Sydney / सिडनी

**Answer**: Option B

- IIM Ahmedabad will launch its first international campus in Dubai, UAE, in September 2025.
- This campus will be the first instance of an IIM establishing a presence outside India.
- The initiative is aimed at expanding IIM Ahmedabad's global reach and providing international education opportunities.
- The Madan Mohanka Centre of Excellence in Case Method of Learning was also established with support from alumnus Madan Mohanka.
- IIM Ahmedabad's launch in Dubai signifies a strategic step toward enhancing its global footprint and educational impact.



















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Ques: Who has been appointed as a Full-Time Member of NITI Aayog in 2025? 2025 में नीति आयोग के पूर्णकालिक सदस्य के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- a) Amitabh Kant / अमिताभ कांत
- b) Rajiv Gauba / राजीव गौबा
- c) Arvind Virmani / अरविंद विरमानी
- d) VK Saraswat / वीके सारस्वत
- e) Ajay Bhushan Pandey / अजय भूषण पांडे

**Answer**: Option B

- Former Cabinet Secretary Rajiv Gauba has been appointed as a Full-Time Member of NITI Aayog.
- He joins the four existing full-time members: VK Saraswat, VK Paul, Ramesh Chand, and Arvind Virmani.
- Gauba served as the Cabinet Secretary of India from 2019 to 2024.
- He has also held key positions such as Union Home Secretary, Secretary in the Ministry of Urban Development, and Chief Secretary of Jharkhand.

















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Ques: What is the primary objective of developing river corridors along the sacred Ganga and Sharda rivers in Uttarakhand?

उत्तराखंड में पवित्र गंगा और शारदा नदियों के किनारे नदी गलियारे विकसित करने का प्राथमिक उद्देश्य क्या है?

- a) Boosting religious tourism / धार्मिक पर्यटन को बढावा देना
- b) Improving agricultural irrigation / कृषि सिंचाई में सुधार करना
- c) Establishing new residential areas / नए आवासीय क्षेत्रों की स्थापना करना
- d) Enhancing industrial growth / औद्योगिक विकास को बढाना
- e) Promoting river transportation / नदी परिवहन को बढ़ावा देना

**Answer**: Option A

- Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh Dhami has announced the development of corridors along the sacred Ganga and Sharda rivers to boost religious tourism in the state.
- This initiative aims to enhance infrastructure and improve the pilgrimage experience for devotees.
- At the 62nd All India Shastraotsav in Haridwar, CM Dhami highlighted the significance of ancient Indian scriptures in shaping both scientific and spiritual thought.

















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Ques: As of February 28, 2025, how many Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) have been opened across India under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP)?

28 फरवरी, 2025 तक, प्रधान मंत्री भारतीय जनऔषधि परियोजना (पीएमबीजेपी) के तहत पूरे भारत में कितने जन औषधि केंद्र (जेएके) खोले गए हैं?

- a) 12,500
- b) 15,057
- c) 18,000
- d) 20,500
- e) 10,750

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

- As of February 28, 2025, the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) has established 15,057 Jan Aushadhi Kendras (JAKs) in India.
- Uttar Pradesh has the most JAKs at 2,658 kendras, followed by Kerala (1,528), Karnataka (1,425), and Tamil Nadu (1,363).

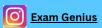
### About Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana:

- Launched: 2008
- Implemented by Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI)
- Renamed: Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Yojana (PMJAY) (2015) Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) (2016)
- Aim: to Ensure economical access to high-quality medicines, consumables, and surgical materials, reducing out-of-pocket expenses for consumers and patients















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### Oues: What is the theme of Techkriti 2025? टेककृति 2025 का विषय क्या है?

- a) Technology for Peace / शांति के लिए प्रौद्योगिकी
- b) Innovation for Progress / प्रगति के लिए नवाचार
- c) Panta Rhei / पेंटा रेई
- d) Future of Digital India / डिजिटल इंडिया का भविष्य
- e) Beyond the Horizon / क्षितिज से परे

**Answer**: Option C

- Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Anil Chauhan inaugurated Techkriti 2025, Asia's largest intercollegiate technical and entrepreneurial festival, at IIT Kanpur.
- The theme for Techkriti 2025, "Panta Rhei" (Everything Flows), focuses on the continuous evolution of technology and innovation.
- The festival promises to be a significant celebration of technology, entrepreneurship, and collaboration, aiming to push the boundaries of discovery and innovation.
- A special segment, 'Rakshakriti', was featured as a dedicated Defence Expo, showcasing cutting-edge defence technology and promoting synergy between the armed forces, academia, and the defence industry.
- General Anil Chauhan interacted with budding technologists, furthering the collaboration between these sectors.

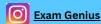


















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### Ques: Who will inaugurate the new Pamban Rail Bridge on April 6, 2025? 6 अप्रैल 2025 को नए पंबन रेल ब्रिज का उद्घाटन कौन करेगा?

- (a) Jagdeep Dhankhar / जगदीप धनखड
- (b) Rajesh Kumar Singh / राजेश कुमार सिंह
- (c) Ashwini Vaishnaw / अश्विनी वैष्णव
- (d) Droupadi Murmu / द्रौपदी मुर्मु
- (e) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी

**Answer**: Option E

### **Explanation:**

- The new Pamban rail bridge between Ramanathapuram and Rameswaram Island will be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on April 6, 2025, coinciding with Ram Navami.
- Modi lay the foundation stone for the project in November 2019.

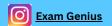
### **About New Pamban Bridge:**

- The bridge, originally constructed in 1914, was decommissioned in December 2022 due to corrosion.
- It connected Ramanathapuram on the mainland to Rameswaram Island, spanning a length of 2.05 kilometers.
- The lift span of the bridge measured 72.5 meters, allowing for ship movement with a 22-meter clearance above sea level.
- Built by Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) at a cost of RS.535 crore, the bridge featured a fully automated vertical lift span.
- The structure was designed to support a double-track railway, compatible with electrification for modern train operations.















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Ques: Where will the 14th edition of the India-Russia naval exercise Indra 2025 take place?

भारत-रूस नौसैनिक अभ्यास इंद्र 2025 का 14वां संस्करण कहाँ आयोजित होगा?

- (a) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- (b) Kochi / कोच्चि
- (c) Chennai / चेन्नर्ड
- (d) Visakhapatnam / विशाखापत्तनम
- (e) Mumbai / मुंबई

**Answer**: Option C

- The 14th edition of the India-Russia naval exercise Indra will take place off Chennai from March 28 to April 2, 2025, bolstering the two nations' strategic naval cooperation.
- The exercise will be divided into two parts: the Harbour Phase (March 28-30) in Chennai, with subject matter expert exchanges and pre-sail briefings, and the Sea Phase (March 31-April 2) in the Bay of Bengal, with tactical maneuvers and live exercises.
- Russian naval ships Pechanga, Rezkiy, and Aldar Tsydenzhapov will participate in the drill, as will Indian naval ships Rana and Kuthar, as well as maritime patrol aircraft P81.

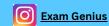


















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Ques: Universal Acceptance Day is observed annually on which day? सार्वभौमिक स्वीकृति दिवस प्रतिवर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 27 March
- (b) 28 March
- (c) 29 March
- (d) 30 March
- (e) 31 March

**Answer**: Option B

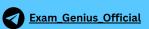
- Universal Acceptance Day is observed annually on March 28 to promote the concept that all domain names and email addresses, regardless of their characters, should be treated equally by all internet-enabled applications and systems.
- The theme for Universal Acceptance Day 2025 is "Connecting the Unconnected -Building a Multilingual Internet for Viksit Bharat."
- Universal Acceptance seeks to ensure that domain names, including those with non-ASCII characters, and email addresses are universally accepted and validated by internet applications and systems.
- The first Universal Acceptance Day was celebrated on March 28, 2023, and it continues to be observed every year.

















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

Sunil Kakkar, who leads Maruti Suzuki India Limited's (MSIL) corporate planning section, has been the company's first native Indian employee to be nominated as a full-time director.

The Sahitya Akademi's Executive Board, chaired by President Madhav Kaushik, authorized the selection of 22 works in 22 languages for the Sahitya Akademi Translation Prize 2024. The winner of the competition will receive Rs 50,000 and a copper plaque.

The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed a contract with Armoured Vehicle Nigam Limited for the procurement of the Nag Missile System (NAMIS) Tracked version of the anti-tank weapon platform, as well as Force Motors Ltd and Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd for approximately 5,000 Light Vehicles for the Armed Forces at a total cost of around Rs 2,500 crore. The overall contract cost for the procurement of the NAMIS(Tr), designed by the Defence Research & Development Laboratory of DRDO, is Rs 1,801.34 crore.

India's doubles specialist B Sumeeth Reddy, a member of the 2022 Commonwealth Games mixed team silver medal-winning squad, has announced his retirement as an active badminton player to focus entirely on coaching.

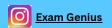
















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# महत्वपूर्ण एक पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

मारुति सुजुकी इंडिया लिमिटेड (MSIL) के कॉर्पोरेट प्लानिंग सेक्शन का नेतृत्व करने वाले सुनील कक्कड कंपनी के पहले मूल भारतीय कर्मचारी हैं, जिन्हें पूर्णकालिक निदेशक के रूप में नामित किया गया है।

अध्यक्ष माधव कौशिक की अध्यक्षता में साहित्य अकादमी के कार्यकारी बोर्ड ने साहित्य अकादमी अनुवाद पुरस्कार 2024 के लिए 22 भाषाओं में 22 कार्यों के चयन को अधिकृत किया। प्रतियोगिता के विजेता को 50,000 रुपये और एक तांबे की पट्टिका मिलेगी।

रक्षा मंत्रालय (MoD) ने एंटी-टैंक हथियार प्लेटफॉर्म के नाग मिसाइल सिस्टम (NAMIS) ट्रैक किए गए संस्करण की खरीद के लिए बख्तरबंद वाहन निगम लिमिटेड के साथ एक अनुबंध पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं, साथ ही फोर्स मोटर्स लिमिटेड और महिंद्रा एंड महिंद्रा लिमिटेड के साथ सशस्त्र बलों के लिए लगभग 5,000 हल्के वाहनों की खरीद के लिए लगभग 2,500 करोड़ रुपये की कुल लागत पर अनुबंध किया है। डीआरडीओ की रक्षा अनुसंधान एवं विकास प्रयोगशाला द्वारा डिजाइन किए गए एनएएमआईएस (टीआर) की खरीद के लिए कुल अनुबंध लागत 1,801.34 करोड़ रुपये है।

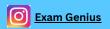
भारत के युगल विशेषज्ञ बी सुमीत रेड्डी, जो 2022 राष्ट्रमंडल खेलों की मिश्रित टीम रजत पदक विजेता टीम के सदस्य हैं, ने कोचिंग पर पूरी तरह ध्यान केंद्रित करने के लिए सक्रिय बैडमिंटन खिलाड़ी के रूप में अपनी सेवानिवृत्ति की घोषणा की है।

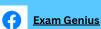
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Whole-time Member (Life) of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)? भारतीय बीमा विनियामक और विकास प्राधिकरण (IRDAI) के पूर्णकालिक सदस्य (जीवन) के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- A) T.S. Vijayan / टी.एस. विजयन
- B) Swaminathan S. Iyer / स्वामीनाथन एस. अय्यर
- C) Subhash Chandra Khuntia / सुभाष चंद्र खुंटिया
- D) Debasish Panda / देबाशीष पांडा
- E) Hemant Bhargava / हेमंत भार्गव

**Answer**: Option B

- Swaminathan S. Iyer, a Mumbai-based fintech and insurance expert, has been named Whole-time Member (Life) of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI).
- For the first time, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) chose a private sector worker for this coveted position, breaking with the long-standing practice of picking applicants from the Life Insurance Corporation (LIC).
- Iyer was previously the Executive Vice President Head of Legal, Company Secretary, Regulatory Affairs, and ESG at Tata AIA Life Insurance.
- He has over 34 years' expertise in the life insurance industry. His term will continue five years, or until he becomes 62, whichever comes first.



















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Ques: As of March 31, 2025, how much worth of ₹2,000 notes remain with the public?

31 मार्च 2025 तक, जनता के पास ₹2,000 के कितने मूल्य के नोट शेष रह गए हैं?

- (a) Rs.3.56 trillion
- (b) Rs.12,500 crore
- (c) Rs.7,800 crore
- (d) Rs.6,366 crore
- (e) Rs.5,000 crore

**Answer**: Option D

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced that 98.21% of Rs.2,000 denomination banknotes have been returned to the banking system.
- The withdrawal of Rs.2,000 notes was initiated on May 19, 2023, when their total value in circulation was Rs.3.56 trillion.
- As of March 31, 2025, only Rs.6,366 crore worth of Rs.2,000 notes remain with the public.
- The deadline for depositing or exchanging Rs.2,000 notes at banks ended on October 7, 2023.
- However, the exchange facility is still available at the RBI's 19 issue offices.



















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Ques: What was the total Certificate of Deposit (CD) issuance in March 2025? मार्च 2025 में कुल सर्टिफिकेट ऑफ डिपॉजिट (CD) निर्गम कितना था?

- (a) Rs.1.27 lakh crore
- (b) Rs.1.57 lakh crore
- (c) Rs.1.92 lakh crore
- (d) Rs.2.06 lakh crore
- (e) Rs.2.25 lakh crore

**Answer**: Option D

- In March 2025, banks issued Rs.2.06 lakh crore worth of Certificates of Deposit (CDs), marking a 62% increase compared to Rs.1.27 lakh crore issued in March 2024.
- The total CD issuances in FY25 reached Rs.13.05 lakh crore, which is nearly 37% higher than the Rs.9.57 lakh crore issued in FY24.
- Punjab National Bank issued the highest amount of CDs, worth Rs.2.16 lakh crore, followed by Bank of Baroda with Rs.1.55 lakh crore and Bank of India with Rs.1.46 lakh crore.
- The surge in CD issuances was driven by a liquidity deficit in the banking system, which exceeded Rs.3 lakh crore in March 2025, the highest in 10 years.
- Higher CD issuance may impact banks' net interest margins as it leads to an increase in funding costs.

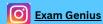


















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Ques: Which company has appointed Shyam Srinivasan as a senior advisor? श्याम श्रीनिवासन को सीनियर एडवाइजर के रूप में किस कंपनी ने नियुक्त किया है?

- (a) Federal Bank / फेडरल बैंक
- (b) TVS Capital Funds / टीवीएस कैपिटल फंड्स
- (c) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (d) ICICI Securities / आईसीआईसीआई सिक्योरिटीज
- (e) Axis Capital / एक्सिस कैपिटल

**Answer**: Option B

- TVS Capital Funds has appointed former Federal Bank MD & CEO Shyam Srinivasan as a senior advisor and operating partner.
- In this role, he will provide strategic insights and operational guidance to TVS Capital's portfolio companies.
- His primary focus will be on financial services and technology-driven businesses.
- Srinivasan led Federal Bank for 14 years, strengthening its digital banking capabilities and expanding its national presence.

















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Ques: What was India's core sector growth rate in February 2025? फरवरी 2025 में भारत की कोर सेक्टर विकास दर क्या थी?

- (a) 1.7%
- (b) 2.2%
- (c) 2.6%
- (d) 2.9%
- (e) 3.2%

**Answer**: Option D

- India's core sector growth dropped to 2.9% in February, compared with 4.6% in January 2025.
- Cement, fertilizers, steel, electricity, coal, and refinery products all had favorable development in February 2025.
- Coal production increased by 1.7% in February, slowing from 4.6% growth in January.
- In contrast, crude oil production fell by 5.2% in February, a considerable drop from the previous month's loss of 1.1%.

















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:Ques: From April 2, 2025, what is the new liquidity limit available to Standalone Primary Dealers (SPDs) under the Standing Liquidity Facility (SLF)? 2 अप्रैल 2025 से स्टैंडिंग लिक्विडिटी फैसिलिटी (SLF) के तहत स्टैंडअलोन प्राइमरी डीलर्स (SPDs) के लिए नर्ड तरलता सीमा क्या है?

- (a) Rs.8,000 crore
- (b) Rs.10,000 crore
- (c) Rs.12,500 crore
- (d) Rs.15,000 crore
- (e) Rs.20,000 crore

**Answer**: Option D

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has raised the aggregate liquidity limit for Standalone Primary Dealers (SPDs) under the Standing Liquidity Facility (SLF) from Rs.10,000 crore to Rs.15,000 crore.
- This revised limit will come into effect from April 2, 2025.
- The decision was taken after assessing the prevailing and evolving liquidity conditions in the financial market.
- SPDs play a crucial role in the trading of government securities (G-Secs) and ensuring sufficient liquidity in the financial system.
- This move aims to strengthen market liquidity and support SPDs in their operations.



















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### Oues: What was the total value of UPI transactions recorded in March 2025? मार्च 2025 में दर्ज किए गए UPI लेनदेन का कुल मूल्य क्या था?

- (a) Rs.19.78 trillion
- (b) Rs.21.48 trillion
- (c) Rs.24.77 trillion
- (d) Rs.26.50 trillion
- (e) Rs.22.33 trillion

**Answer**: Option C

- In March 2025, the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) recorded 19.78 billion transactions, amounting to Rs.24.77 trillion.
- This was the highest-ever monthly transaction value recorded by UPI since its inception in April 2016.
- The transaction value saw a 13% increase, while the volume grew by 14% compared to February, driven by financial year-end transactions.
- For the financial year 2024-25, total UPI transactions reached Rs.260.56 trillion, reflecting a 30% growth from Rs.199.96 trillion in FY24.
- On April 1, UPI users experienced transaction failures due to heavy banking activity at the financial year-end, causing intermittent service disruptions.



















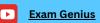
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Ques: What is the total capital cost of the Patna - Arrah - Sasaram corridor project? पटना-आरा-सासाराम कॉरिडोर परियोजना की कुल पूंजी लागत कितनी है?

- A) Rs.2,500 crore
- B) Rs.3,712.40 crore
- C) Rs.4,100 crore
- D) Rs.5,000 crore
- E) Rs.6,200 crore

**Answer**: Option B

- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has approved the construction of the Patna – Arrah – Sasaram corridor in Bihar.
- This four-lane, access-controlled corridor will span 120.10 km and be built under the Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) at a total cost of Rs.3,712.40 crore.
- Currently, travel between Sasaram, Arrah, and Patna depends on state highways, causing congestion and travel times of 3-4 hours, particularly in Arrah town.
- The project includes a greenfield corridor and 10.6 km of upgraded brownfield highway to ease traffic and improve connectivity in key areas such as Arrah, Grahini, Piro, Bikramganj, Mokar, and Sasaram.
- It will integrate with major national highways (NH-19, NH-319, NH-922, NH-131G, and NH-120), improving access to Aurangabad, Kaimur, and Patna.
- The corridor will enhance regional connectivity by linking two airports (Jay Prakash Narayan International Airport and the upcoming Bihita Airport), four major railway stations, and an Inland Water Terminal in Patna.















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Ques: Who conferred the National Intellectual Property (IP) Awards 2024? राष्ट्रीय बौद्धिक संपदा (आईपी) पुरस्कार 2024 किसने प्रदान किए?

- (a) Anurag Thakur / अनुराग ठाकुर
- (b) Piyush Goyal / पीयुष गोयल
- (c) Jitendra Singh / जितेंद्र सिंह
- (d) Nitin Gadkari / नितिन गडकरी
- (e) Kiren Rijiju / किरण रिजिजू

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

- Union Minister Piyush Goyal, Minister of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I), presented the National Intellectual Property (IP) Awards 2024 at a ceremony held at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.
- The National IP Awards 2024 were presented in 13 categories.

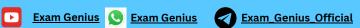
#### Winners of National IP Awards 2024:

- Top Indian Individual Patents: Sidramappa Shivashankar Dharane (Male) and Dr. Swagatika Panda (Female)
- Top Indian Individual Designs : Dr. Anusha P. (Female)
- Top Indian Academic Institution Patents : Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur (Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh (UP))
- Top R & D Institution/Organization for Patents Filing, Grant & Commercialization : Anna University (Chennai, Tamil Nadu (TN))
- Top Public / Private Company for Patents Filing, Grant & Commercialization in India : Tata Steel Limited (Manufacturing Sector), Jio Platforms Limited (Services Sector)
- Top Indian MSME for Patent Filing, Grant & Commercialization : West Bengal Chemical Industries Limited
- Top Start-up for IP Filing, Grant/Registration and Commercialization: Numeros Motors Private Limited (Bengaluru (Karnataka))
- Top Indian Company/Organisation Designs : IIT Bombay
- Top Indian Company /Organization for creating Brand in India and Abroad : Biocon Biologics Limited (Bengaluru (Karnataka))

















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• Best Incubator for Nurturing the IP: Atal Incubation Centre (AIC) - Nalanda Institute of Technology Foundation (Bhubaneswar (Odisha))

#### **Special Citations:**

- For Technology and Innovation Support Center (TISC) : West Bengal State Council of Science & Technology, Kolkata(West Bengal, WB)
- For Patent Information Centre (PIC) : West Bengal State Council of Science & Technology, Kolkata
- For Institution's Innovation Council (IICs): Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering, Pune (Maharashtra)
- For Atal Tinkering Laboratories (ATL) : DCM Presidency School, Ludhiana (Punjab)

#### Others:

- Jury Certificate Award : Sagar Defence Engineering Private Limited in Mumbai & Coromandel International Limited in Secunderabad (Telangana)
- Letters of Appreciation: Amity International School, Ghaziabad for ATL and Greater Noidabased NTPC Energy Technology Research Alliance (NETRA) for Top Public/Private Company for Patents Filing, Grant & Commercialization in India



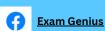
















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Ques: What is the total funding approved by the Union Cabinet for the Electronics **Component Manufacturing Scheme?** 

इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स घटक विनिर्माण योजना के लिए केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल द्वारा स्वीकृत कुल धनराशि कितनी है?

- A) Rs.10,500 crore
- B) Rs.15,750 crore
- C) Rs.50,000 crore
- D) Rs.30,000 crore
- E) Rs.22,919 crore

**Answer**: Option E

#### **Explanation:**

- The Union Cabinet, led by PM Modi, has approved the Electronics Component Manufacturing Scheme with a budget of Rs.22,919 crore to strengthen India's electronics supply chain and promote self-reliance.
- The goal of this scheme is to attract major global and domestic investments in electronics component manufacturing, boost domestic production, and connect Indian companies to global markets.
- It is expected to bring Rs.59,350 crore in investments, generate Rs.4,56,500 crore worth of production, and create 91,600 direct jobs along with many indirect job opportunities.

### **Key Features of the Scheme:**

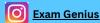
- It offers customized incentives to Indian manufacturers to help them overcome challenges, develop technology, and scale up production for different types of components and sub-assemblies.
- The scheme will run for six years, with a one-year preparation period before implementation.
- A portion of the incentive is tied to meeting employment targets.

















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Ques: From which date has the Madhya Pradesh government enforced a liquor ban in 19 religious cities?

मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने किस तारीख से 19 धार्मिक शहरों में शराब पर प्रतिबंध लागू किया है?

- (a) January 24, 2025
- (b) March 15, 2025
- (c) April 1, 2025
- (d) June 10, 2025
- (e) August 1, 2025

**Answer**: Option C

- The Madhya Pradesh government has imposed a liquor ban in 19 religious cities and select gram panchayats, effective April 1, 2025.
- The cities include Ujjain, Omkareshwar, Maheshwar, Orchha, Chitrakoot, Datia, Panna, Mandla, Maihar, and Amarkantak.
- · All liquor shops and bars within the urban limits of these cities will be permanently shut down.
- Some gram panchayats like Salkanpur and Kundalpur are also part of the ban.
- The Madhya Pradesh Cabinet approved this decision on January 24, 2025.





















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### Ques: In which city was the WTT Star Contender event held? डब्ल्यूटीटी स्टार कंटेंडर इवेंट किस शहर में आयोजित किया गया?

- (a) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- (b) New Delhi / नर्ड दिल्ली
- (c) Chennai / चेन्नर्ड
- (d) Noida / नोएडा
- (e) Gurugram / गुरूग्राम

**Answer**: Option C

- In table tennis, Manav Thakkar made history by becoming the first Indian to reach the final eight of a WTT Star Contender event.
- He defeated Andre Bertelsmeier of Germany 3-2 in the men's singles prequarterfinals of the WTT Star Contender in Chennai.
- Meanwhile, in the women's singles, three-time World Championship medalist Miyu Nagasaki of Japan upset India's Krittwika Roy 0-3 in the pre-quarterfinals.

















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Private Secretary to Prime Minister Narendra Modi?

प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी की नई निजी सचिव के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Nidhi Tewari / निधि तिवारी
- (b) Vivek Kumar / विवेक कुमार
- (c) Hardik Shah / हार्दिक शाह
- (d) Aiit Doval / अजीत डोभाल
- (e) Amit Khare / अमित खरे

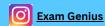
**Answer**: Option A

- Nidhi Tewari, a 2014-batch Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer, has been appointed as the Private Secretary to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- She was previously serving as Deputy Secretary in the Prime Minister's Office (PMO).
- Tewari hails from Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, which is also the parliamentary constituency of Prime Minister Modi.
- She completed her undergraduate degree in Political Science from Banaras Hindu University (BHU).
- Before joining the PMO, she worked in the Ministry of External Affairs' Disarmament and International Security Affairs Division.
- She joined the PMO as Under Secretary in 2022 and was promoted to Deputy Secretary in 2023.
- In the PMO, she was responsible for the 'Foreign and Security' section, handling foreign affairs, security, and atomic energy.















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Ques: How much were Indian auto component exports to the US worth before the tariff hike?

टैरिफ वृद्धि से पहले अमेरिका को भारतीय ऑटो कंपोनेंट निर्यात की कीमत कितनी थी?

- a) \$1.5 billion
- b) \$2.2 billion
- c) \$3.5 billion
- d) \$500 million
- e) \$4 billion

**Answer**: Option B

- US President Donald Trump has placed a 25% duty on imported autos and auto components, effective next week.
- This decision is expected to impact global markets, including the European Union (EU), Canada, India, and China. US car prices might rise by up to \$6,000 per vehicle.
- Indian car component exports to the US totaled \$2.2 billion, accounting for 29% of total Indian auto part exports.
- Tyre exports to the US totaled Rs.4,259 crore (~\$500 million), accounting for 17% of India's total tyre exports.
- Indian manufacturers such as Sona Comstar (Tesla parts supplier), Sundaram Fasteners (GM powertrain components), and Tata Motors (Jaguar Land Rover sales in the US) may have income issues.



















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Ques: How much was the final budget allocation for the Department of Fertilizers in 2024-25 after the revision?

संशोधन के बाद 2024-25 में उर्वरक विभाग के लिए अंतिम बजट आवंटन कितना था?

- A) Rs.1,68,130.81 crore
- B) Rs.1,91,836.29 crore
- C) Rs.45,000 crore
- D) Rs.54,310 crore
- E) Rs.93,068.56 crore

**Answer**: Option B

- The final budget for the Department of Fertilizers in 2024-25 was increased from Rs.1,68,130.81 crore to Rs.1,91,836.29 crore. The allocation for the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) scheme also rose from Rs.45,000 crore to Rs.54,310 crore through Supplementary Demands for Grants.
- Before each cropping season, the government assesses state-wise and month-wise fertilizer demand to ensure adequate supply. The Integrated Fertilizer Monitoring System (iFMS) tracks fertilizer movement, and weekly video conferences help coordinate smooth distribution.
- Under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana, extended until 2025-26, a total outlay of Rs.93,068.56 crore has been approved for the period 2021-22 to 2025-26.
- Urea continues to be provided at a fixed price of Rs.242 per 45 kg bag, unchanged since 2018. In the NBS scheme, Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) fertilizers receive subsidies, while companies set their prices under government monitoring.
- To maintain affordability for farmers amid global challenges, the government has introduced a one-time special package of Rs.3,500 per MT on DAP subsidy for April 2024-March 2025.
- Additionally, the government is securing long-term agreements with resource-rich countries to ensure a stable and affordable supply of fertilizers for Indian agriculture.















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Ques: Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) signed two contracts with the Ministry of Defence (MoD) for the supply of how many Light Combat Helicopters (LCH) **Prachand?** 

हिंदुस्तान एयरोनॉटिक्स लिमिटेड (HAL) ने रक्षा मंत्रालय (MoD) के साथ कितने लाइट कॉम्बैट हेलीकॉप्टर (LCH) की आपूर्ति के लिए दो अनुबंधों पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- A) 126
- B) 146
- C) 156
- D) 166
- E) 176

**Answer**: Option C

- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has signed two contracts with the Ministry of Defence (MoD) to supply 156 Light Combat Helicopters (LCH), Prachand, along with training and associated equipment, at a total cost of Rs.62,700 crore.
- The first contract covers the supply of 66 LCHs for the Indian Air Force (IAF), while the second is for 90 LCHs for the Indian Army. Deliveries will begin in the third year and continue over five years.
- Additionally, the Defence Ministry signed a contract with Metrea Management for the wet leasing of a Flight Refueling Aircraft (FRA) to provide air-to-air refueling training for IAF and Indian Navy pilots. Metrea will deliver the KC-135 FRA within six months, making it the first such aircraft to be wet-leased by the IAF.
- With these three agreements, the total number of contracts signed by the MoD in 2024-25 has reached 193, with a total value exceeding Rs.2,09,050 crore.
- This marks the highest-ever contract value, nearly double the previous record. Notably, 177 contracts (92%) have been awarded to the domestic industry, amounting to Rs.1,68,922 crore (81%).















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Ques: What is the name of the India-U.S. tri-service HADR exercise scheduled from April 1 to 13, 2025?

1 से 13 अप्रैल, 2025 तक होने वाले भारत-अमेरिका त्रि-सेवा HADR अभ्यास का नाम क्या है?

- (a) Malabar / मालाबार
- (b) Vajra Prahar / वज्र प्रहार
- (c) Yudh Abhyas / युद्ध अभ्यास
- (d) Tiger Triumph / टाइगर ट्रायम्फ
- (e) Cope India / कोप इंडिया

**Answer**: Option D

- The India-U.S. tri-service exercise 'Tiger Triumph' is a Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) exercise.
- It will be conducted from April 1 to 13, 2025.
- The objective of the exercise is to enhance interoperability between Indian and U.S. Joint Task Forces (JTF) in disaster response and crisis management.
- A Combined Coordination Centre (CCC) will be established to facilitate joint operations.
- The Harbour Phase of the exercise will take place in Visakhapatnam from April 1 to 7, 2025.



















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Ques: What is the total budgetary requirement for the Nutrient-Based Subsidy (NBS) for the Kharif season 2025?

खरीफ सीजन 2025 के लिए पोषक तत्व-आधारित सब्सिडी (एनबीएस) के लिए कुल बजटीय आवश्यकता कितनी है?

- A) Rs. 24,216.15 crore
- B) Rs. 30,000 crore
- C) Rs. 45,000 crore
- D) Rs. 37,216.15 crore
- E) Rs. 50,000 crore

Answer: Option D

- The Union Cabinet, led by PM Modi, has approved the Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) rates for Phosphatic and Potassic (P&K) fertilizers for the Kharif season 2025 (April 1 - September 30).
- The government has allocated Rs.37,216.15 crore for the subsidy, which is Rs.13,000 crore more than the budget for the Rabi season 2024-25.
- Additionally, the Cabinet has approved the inclusion of Bihar's Kosi Mechi Intra-State Link Project under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana-Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme. The project, costing Rs.6,282.32 crore (with Rs.3,652.56 crore central assistance), is expected to be completed by March 2029. It involves upgrading the Eastern Kosi Main Canal up to 41.30 km and extending it to the Mechi River at 117.50 km.

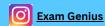
#### Benefits:

- Ensures that farmers get fertilizers at subsidized and affordable prices.
- Adjusts the subsidy based on global fertilizer price trends.















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Ques: Who did Aryna Sabalenka defeat to win her maiden Miami Open title? अर्यना सबालेंका ने अपना पहला मियामी ओपन खिताब जीतने के लिए किसे हराया?

- (a) Iga Swiatek / इगा स्विएटेक
- (b) Coco Gauff / कोको गौफ़
- (c) Jessica Pegula / जेसिका पेगुला
- (d) Elena Rybakina / ऐलेना रयबाकिना
- (e) Ons Jabeur / ओन्स जाबेउर

**Answer**: Option C

- Aryna Sabalenka won her maiden Miami Open title by defeating Jessica Pegula in the final with a score of 7-5, 6-2.
- This victory marked Sabalenka's eighth WTA 1000 title and her second title of the 2025 season after winning the Brisbane Open in January.
- Jessica Pegula faced Sabalenka in a tournament final for the third time and suffered a defeat once again.
- Sabalenka dominated the match with her aggressive gameplay, utilizing her powerful forehand to gain the upper hand.
- After her win, she expressed her joy, calling the trophy "super special."













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### Ques: What principle did the Supreme Court emphasize in its ruling on insurance claims?

### बीमा दावों पर अपने फैसले में सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने किस सिद्धांत पर जोर दिया?

- A) Principle of indemnity / क्षतिपूर्ति का सिद्धांत
- B) Principle of utmost good faith / परम सद्भाव का सिद्धांत
- C) Principle of subrogation / प्रत्यायोजन का सिद्धांत
- D) Principle of proximate cause / निकटतम कारण का सिद्धांत
- E) Principle of contribution / योगदान का सिद्धांत

**Answer**: Option B

- The Supreme Court has ruled that insurers have the right to deny health insurance claims if a policyholder fails to disclose their alcoholism at the time of purchasing the policy.
- This ruling emphasizes the principle of utmost good faith, which requires policyholders to provide accurate health information when applying for insurance.
- Legal expert Alay Razvi highlighted that non-disclosure of alcohol consumption could give insurers a valid reason to reject a claim if it relates to alcohol-related health issues.
- The case involved a man who purchased the Jeevan Arogya policy from LIC in 2013 without revealing his history of heavy alcohol consumption.
- Less than a year after buying the policy, he was hospitalized in Jhajjar, Haryana, with severe stomach pain. After a month of treatment, he suffered a fatal heart attack.
- Following his death, his wife filed a claim for medical expenses, but LIC rejected it, citing the policyholder's failure to disclose his alcoholism.
- LIC justified the rejection based on the policy's exclusions for self-inflicted diseases and complications arising from excessive alcohol consumption, as the policyholder had falsely stated that he did not drink.













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Ques: How many projects are covered under the India-Japan Official Development **Assistance (ODA) Loan Agreement?** 

भारत-जापान आधिकारिक विकास सहायता (ओडीए) ऋण समझौते के अंतर्गत कितनी परियोजनाएं शामिल हैं?

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

**Answer**: Option E

- India and Japan have signed credit agreements totaling 191.736 billion Japanese yen for six projects through Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) to India.
- India and Japan signed loan agreements yesterday totaling 191.736 billion Japanese yen for six projects in forest management, water supply, urban transportation, aquaculture, biodiversity conservation, and investment promotion.
- One of the six loan agreements is for the Tamil Nadu Investment Promotion Program (Phase 3) (TNIPP-III), worth JPY 36.114 billion.
- There's another one for the Delhi Mass Rapid Transport System Project (Phase 4 Additional Corridors) (I) (JPY 79.726 billion).
- Another project is for the construction of the Chennai Seawater Desalination Plant (II) (JPY 52.556 billion).

















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Ques: What is the new name of Aurangzebpur in Bhagwanpur block, Uttarakhand? उत्तराखंड के भगवानपुर ब्लॉक में औरंगजेबपुर का नया नाम क्या है?

- (a) Mohanpur Jaat / मोहनपुर जाट
- (b) Shivaji Nagar / शिवाजी नगर
- (c) Kesri Nagar / केसरी नगर
- (d) Prithviraj Nagar / पृथ्वीराज नगर
- (e) Kaushalyapuri / कौशल्यापुरी

**Answer**: Option B

- The Uttarakhand government has renamed 18 places across Haridwar, Dehradun, Nainital, and Udham Singh Nagar districts.
- The renaming aims to honor public sentiments and preserve Indian cultural heritage.
- Aurangzebpur in Bhagwanpur block has been renamed as Shivaji Nagar.
- Other renamings include Ghaziwali as Arya Nagar and Miyawala as Ramjiwala.
- Sultanpur Patti in Udham Singh Nagar is now called Kaushalyapuri.

















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

Ashok Singh Thakur Appointed as Chairman of Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH)

National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) has provided a loan of ₹1,787 crore to BluPine Energy Private Limited to optimize financial structuring, enhance operational efficiency, and fuel portfolio expansion.

In Tennis, Novak Djokovic has become the oldest man to reach semi-final of the ATP Masters 1000. The 37-year-old Serbian achieved this feat by defeating American Sebastian Korda with an impressive 6-3 7-6 win in the quarterfinals of the Miami Open.

Yaoshang Festival (the festival of Holi) Celebrated at Manipur. Yaoshang, a five-day festival in Manipur, begins on the full moon day of the Lamta month (February-March). The first day begins with the construction of small thatch huts, called "Yaoshang,"

Central Bank of India said it has entered into MOU with PSB Alliance Pvt Ltd for Digital Supply Chain Finance.















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अशोक सिंह ठाकुर को भारतीय राष्ट्रीय कला एवं सांस्कृतिक विरासत ट्रस्ट (INTACH) का अध्यक्ष नियुक्त किया गया

नेशनल बैंक फॉर फाइनेंसिंग इंफ्रास्ट्क्चर एंड डेवलपमेंट (NaBFID) ने वित्तीय संरचना को अनुकूलित करने, परिचालन दक्षता बढाने और ईंधन पोर्टफोलियो विस्तार के लिए ब्लूपाइन एनर्जी प्राइवेट लिमिटेड को ₹1,787 करोड का ऋण प्रदान किया है।

टेनिस में, नोवाक जोकोविच एटीपी मास्टर्स 1000 के सेमीफाइनल में पहुंचने वाले सबसे उम्रदराज व्यक्ति बन गए हैं। 37 वर्षीय सर्बियाई खिलाडी ने मियामी ओपन के क्वार्टर फाइनल में अमेरिकी सेबेस्टियन कोर्डा को 6-3, 7-6 से हराकर यह उपलब्धि हासिल की।

मणिपुर में मनाया गया याओशांग उत्सव (होली का त्योहार)। मणिपुर में मनाया जाने वाला पांच दिवसीय उत्सव याओशांग, लमता महीने (फरवरी-मार्च) की पूर्णिमा के दिन शुरू होता है। पहले दिन की शुरुआत छोटी-छोटी झोपड़ियों के निर्माण से होती है, जिन्हें "याओशांग" कहा जाता है।

सेंट्रल बैंक ऑफ इंडिया ने कहा कि उसने डिजिटल सप्लाई चेन फाइनेंस के लिए पीएसबी अलायंस प्राइवेट लिमिटेड के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं।

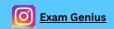


















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the fourth woman Deputy Governor of RBI in 2025?

2025 में आरबीआई की चौथी महिला डिप्टी गवर्नर के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Usha Thorat / उषा थोराट
- (b) Shyamala Gopinath / श्यामला गोपीनाथ
- (c) Poonam Gupta / पूनम गुप्ता
- (d) KJ Udeshi / केजे उदेशी
- (e) Gita Gopinath / गीता गोपीनाथ

**Answer**: Option C

- Poonam Gupta has been appointed as the Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- She is the first woman to hold this position after 14 years.
- Currently, she serves as the Director General of NCAER, an economic policy think tank.
- She is also a member of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister and the Convener of the Advisory Council to the 16th Finance Commission.
- In RBI's 90-year history, only three women have previously served as Deputy Governors - KJ Udeshi, Shyamala Gopinath, and Usha Thorat.
- With her appointment, RBI now has four Deputy Governors Swaminathan J, T Rabi Sankar, M Rajeshwar Rao, and Poonam Gupta.

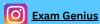


















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Ques: The second edition of Trade Watch Quarterly for Q2 FY 2024-25 was released by:

वित्त वर्ष 2024-25 की दूसरी तिमाही के लिए ट्रेड वॉच त्रैमासिक का दूसरा संस्करण किसके द्वारा जारी किया गया:

- a) Dr. Rajiv Kumar / डॉ. राजीव कुमार
- b) Dr. Ramesh Chand / डॉ. रमेश चंद
- c) Dr. V.K. Saraswat / डॉ. वी.के. सारस्वत
- d) Dr. Arvind Virmani / डॉ. अरविंद विरमानी
- e) Dr. N.K. Singh / डॉ. एन.के. सिंह

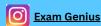
**Answer**: Option D

- The second edition of Trade Watch Quarterly for Q2 of FY 2024-25 (July-September) was officially released in New Delhi by Dr. Arvind Virmani, Member of NITI Aayog.
- Published by NITI Aayog, the report provides an analysis of India's trade performance, sector-specific trends, and emerging opportunities in global trade.
- During Q2 FY25, India's trade grew steadily by 5.67% in the April-September 2024 period compared to the same timeframe in 2023.
- Copper entered the top ten import categories, registering a 28% year-on-year increase due to rising infrastructure demand.
- While exports remained stable, electrical machinery and nuclear reactors showed growth, whereas mineral fuels and iron & steel saw declines.
- North America and the European Union accounted for nearly 40% of India's exports, while Northeast and West Asia remained key import partners.
- The edition highlights the textile sector, which plays a crucial role in industrial output, employment, and exports.
- India ranks among the top ten textile exporters globally, holding a 4% market share, with cotton and carpets comprising around 70% of textile exports.















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Ques: How much stake is ICICI Bank selling in ICICI Merchant Services? ICICI बैंक ICICI मर्चेंट सर्विसेज में कितनी हिस्सेदारी बेच रहा है?

- (a) 10%
- (b) 15%
- (c) 19%
- (d) 25%
- (e) 30%

**Answer**: Option C

- ICICI Bank has announced its decision to sell its entire 19% stake in ICICI Merchant Services.
- The bank has entered into a share purchase agreement with First Data Holding I (Netherlands) BV, First Data (India), and Fiserv Merchant Solutions.
- Fiserv Merchant Solutions was formerly known as IMSPL.
- This transaction involves the sale of ICICI Bank's equity shares in ICICI Merchant Services.

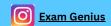


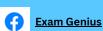
















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Ques: Luminous Power Technologies Private Limited has signed MoU with which bank to expand its access to solar financing across the country? ल्युमिनस पावर टेक्नोलॉजीज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड ने देश भर में सौर वित्तपोषण तक अपनी पहंच का विस्तार करने के लिए किस बैंक के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- a) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- b) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- c) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- d) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक
- e) Kotak Mahindra Bank / कोटक महिंद्रा बैंक

**Answer**: Option D

- Luminous Power Technologies Private Limited has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with State Bank of India (SBI), India's largest PSB, to increase access to solar finance nationwide.
- The MoU allows eligible consumers to obtain a maximum credit of Rs 10 crore, removing financial barriers to solar adoption.
- Loans will be repaid for up to 10 years, with interest rates determined by the customer's credit profile.

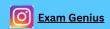


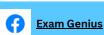
















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### Oues: What was the GST collection in March 2025? मार्च 2025 में GST संग्रह कितना था?

- (a) Rs.1.49 lakh crore
- (b) Rs.1.76 lakh crore
- (c) Rs.1.96 lakh crore
- (d) Rs.2.1 lakh crore
- (e) Rs.46,919 crore

**Answer**: Option C

- GST collections in March 2025 reached Rs.1.96 lakh crore, reflecting a 9.9% increase over the previous year.
- This is the second-highest GST collection ever, with the highest recorded in April 2024 at Rs.2.1 lakh crore.
- Revenue from domestic transactions grew by 8.8% to Rs.1.49 lakh crore.
- Revenue from imported goods increased by 13.56% to Rs.46,919 crore.
- Net GST revenue rose by 7.3% year-on-year to Rs.1.76 lakh crore, despite higher refunds.
- Tax refunds in March 2025 surged by 41%, totaling Rs.19,615 crore.



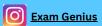


















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Executive Director - Growth of NPCI in 2025? 2025 में NPCI की कार्यकारी निदेशक - ग्रोथ के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Poonam Gupta / पूनम गुप्ता
- (b) Deepak Mohanty / दीपक मोहंती
- (c) Sohini Rajola / सोहिनी राजोला
- (d) Sivasubramanian Ramann / शिवसुब्रमण्यम रामन
- (e) Urjit Patel / उर्जित पटेल

**Answer**: Option C

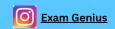
- Sohini Rajola has been appointed as the Executive Director Growth of NPCI (National Payments Corporation of India).
- She will be responsible for driving the adoption of NPCI's payment solutions.
- Her role includes leading product enhancement initiatives and overseeing business development.
- NPCI is the umbrella organization for retail payment systems in India, managing UPI, IMPS, RuPay, and other digital payment platforms.

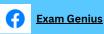
















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### Ques: Who was the Chief Guest at RBI's 90th anniversary celebration? आरबीआई की 90वीं वर्षगांठ के समारोह में मुख्य अतिथि कौन थीं?

- (a) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी
- (b) Nirmala Sitharaman / निर्मला सीतारमण
- (c) Droupadi Murmu / द्रौपदी मुर्मू
- (d) Shaktikanta Das / शक्तिकांत दास
- (e) Devendra Fadnavis / देवेंद्र फडनवीस

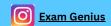
**Answer**: Option C

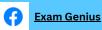
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) celebrated its 90th anniversary with a grand event.
- President Droupadi Murmu was the Chief Guest at the celebration.
- The event was attended by Maharashtra Governor, Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, and Deputy Chief Ministers Eknath Shinde & Ajit Pawar.
- The RBI Governor highlighted the bank's role in ensuring financial stability and economic progress.
- The Union Minister praised RBI's innovation and resilience in the digital payments sector.
- President Murmu emphasized RBI's trust among the public and its leadership in financial inclusion.
- A commemorative postage stamp was released to mark the occasion.
- Government officials, banking leaders, and past and present RBI executives were present at the event.















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## Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairman of PFRDA in 2025? 2025 में PFRDA के अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Deepak Mohanty / दीपक मोहंती
- (b) Sivasubramanian Ramann / शिवसुब्रमण्यम रमन
- (c) T Rabi Sankar / टी रबी शंकर
- (d) M Rajeshwar Rao / एम राजेश्वर राव
- (e) Ajay Banga / अजय बंगा

**Answer**: Option B

- Sivasubramanian Ramann has been appointed as the Chairman of the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA).
- He is a 1991-batch officer of the Indian Audit & Accounts Service (IA&AS).
- The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), chaired by PM Narendra Modi, approved his appointment.
- He will replace Deepak Mohanty, whose term ends in May 2025.
- His tenure as PFRDA Chairman will be for five years.
- PFRDA is currently implementing the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS), which was approved by the government in August 2024.



















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Ques: Which country is hosting the multinational air exercise INIOCHOS-25? कौन सा देश बहुराष्ट्रीय वायु अभ्यास INIOCHOS-25 की मेजबानी कर रहा है?

- a) United States / संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका
- b) France / फ्रांस
- c) Greece / ग्रीस
- d) India / भारत
- e) United Kingdom / यूनाइटेड किंगडम

**Answer**: Option C

- The Indian Air Force (IAF) is set to participate in the multinational air exercise INIOCHOS-25 in Greece.
- This 12-day exercise, hosted by Greece's Hellenic Air Force, will be held at Andravida Air Base and will continue until April 11, 2025.
- The IAF contingent will feature Su-30 MKI fighters, along with IL-78 and C-17 aircraft for combat support.
- The exercise involves participation from fifteen countries and will integrate multiple air and surface assets to simulate modern-day air warfare challenges.

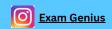


















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### Oues: Where was the Harbour Phase of Exercise INDRA 2025 conducted? अभ्यास इंद्र 2025 का हार्बर चरण कहाँ आयोजित किया गया?

- a) Mumbai / मुंबई
- b) Visakhapatnam / विशाखापत्तनम
- c) Chennai / चेन्नई
- d) Kochi / कोच्चि
- e) Goa / गोवा

**Answer**: Option C

- The 14th edition of Exercise INDRA was conducted between the Indian Navy and the Russian Navy.
- The exercise was divided into two phases: the Harbour Phase, which took place off the coast of Chennai, and the Sea Phase, which was held in the Bay of Bengal.
- The Indian Navy participated with INS Rana, INS Kuthar, and a Maritime Patrol Aircraft P81.
- The Russian Navy was represented by warships Rezky, Hero, Aldar Tsydenzhapov, and the support vessel Pechenga.
- The last edition of Exercise INDRA was conducted in the Gulf of Finland.
- The first edition of the exercise was held in 2003.

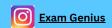


















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## Ques: Which edition of 2025 Hurun Global Rich List published this year? इस वर्ष 2025 हरुन ग्लोबल रिच लिस्ट का कौन सा संस्करण प्रकाशित हुआ?

- (a) 12th
- (b) 13th
- (c) 14th
- (d) 15th
- (e) 16th

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- 2025 Hurun Global Rich List Edition 14th Published by Hurun Research Institute
- Mukesh Ambani, Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of Reliance Industries Limited (RIL), is India's richest person with a net worth of USD 100 billion. He is also the world's 17th richest person (10th in 2024).
- The Hurun Global Rich List 2025 includes 3,442 billionaires from 71 countries, up from 3,278 last year.
- The Hurun Global Rich List has 561 women, with 224 self-made.
- The top ten wealthiest women in the world have a net worth of USD 479 billion, accounting for 20% of total wealth held by women.

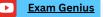
### Ranking of top five billionaires in the list:

- 1 Elon Musk Tesla, Inc, USA Net Worth: 420 USD Billion
- 2 Jeff Bezos Amazon, the USA Net Worth: 266 USD Billion
- 3 Mark Zuckerberg Mark Zuckerberg Net Worth: 242 USD Billion
- 4 Larry Ellison Oracle Corporation, the USA Net Worth: 203 USD Billion
- 5 Warren Buffett Berkshire Hathaway Inc., the USA Net Worth: 167 USD Billion

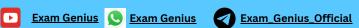
## Ranking of top 5 Women billionaires in the list:

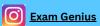
- 1 Alice Walton Walmart, the USA Net Worth: 102 USD Billion
- 2 Francoise Bettencourt L'Oréal, France Net Worth: 67 USD Billion
- 3 Julia Koch & family Koch Industries, the USA Net Worth: 60 USD Billion
- 4 Jacqueline Mars Mars Inc, the USA Net Worth: 53 USD Billion













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5 Roshni Nadar & family - HCL Technologies Limited, India Net Worth: 40 USD Billion

#### Ranking of top five billionaires in India:

- 1 Mukesh Ambani & family Reliance Industries Limited(RIL), Mumbai(Maharashtra)
- 2 Gautam Adani & family Adani Group, Ahmedabad(Gujarat)
- 3 Roshni Nadar & family HCL Technologies Limited, Noida, Uttar Pradesh(UP)
- 4 Dilip Shanghvi & family Sun Pharmaceutical Industries Limited, Mumbai
- 5 Azim Premji & family Wipro Limited, Bengaluru, Karnataka

### Ranking of top 5 countries in the list:

1 USA 870 Billionaires

2 China 823 Billionaires

284 Billionaires 3 India

4 UK 150 Billionaires

5 Germany 141 Billionaires



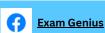
















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Ques: Which state government has partnered with UNESCO to enhance the quality of education?

किस राज्य सरकार ने शिक्षा की गुणवत्ता बढ़ाने के लिए यूनेस्को के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh / अरुणाचल प्रदेश
- (b) Sikkim / सिक्किम
- (c) Himachal Pradesh / हिमाचल प्रदेश
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (e) Uttarakhand / उत्तराखंड

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- The Himachal Pradesh government has partnered with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to enhance the quality of education in the state.
- Under this collaboration, UNESCO will assist in modernising the education system by integrating innovative teaching methods, digital learning, and skill development initiatives.
- This initiative aims to improve learning outcomes, teacher training, and infrastructure to align with global education standards.

#### **About UNESCO:**

Established: 16 November 1945

HQ: Paris, France

Director-General : Audrey Azoulay

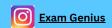


















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### Ques: What was the total value of India's defence exports in FY25? FY25 में भारत के रक्षा निर्यात का कुल मूल्य क्या था?

- (a) Rs.21,083 crore
- (b) Rs.15,918 crore
- (c) Rs.10,745 crore
- (d) Rs.30,000 crore
- (e) Rs.23,622 crore

**Answer**: Option E

- India's defence exports in FY25 reached Rs.23,622 crore, marking a 12.04% year-onyear growth.
- In FY24, defence exports stood at Rs.21,083 crore, reflecting a 32.4% increase from the previous year.
- The FY25 export figure fell short of the Rs.30,000 crore target by 21.26%.
- Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs) recorded a 42.8% rise in exports, highlighting the growing global acceptance of Indian defence products.
- The private sector contributed Rs.15,233 crore (64.5%), while DPSUs contributed Rs.8,389 crore (35.5%) to total exports.
- Indian defence exports reached approximately 80 countries, with the US, France, and Armenia being the top buyers.
- The government aims to achieve Rs.50,000 crore in defence exports by 2029



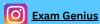


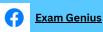
















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### Ques: What is the estimated cost of the Kosi Mechi Intra-State Link Project? कोसी मेची अंतर-राज्यीय लिंक परियोजना की अनुमानित लागत क्या है?

- A) Rs.4,500 crore
- B) Rs.5,800 crore
- C) Rs.6,282.32 crore
- D) Rs.7,100 crore
- E) Rs.8,200 crore

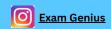
**Answer**: Option C

- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has approved the inclusion of Bihar's Kosi Mechi Intra-State Link Project under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana - Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (PMKSY-AIBP).
- The central government will provide Rs.3,652.56 crore in financial support for the project, which has a total estimated cost of Rs.6,282.32 crore and is expected to be completed by March 2029.
- The project aims to provide irrigation to an additional 2,10,516 hectares of farmland in the Kharif season across Araria, Purnea, Kishanganj, and Katihar districts.
- It will divert approximately 2,050 million cubic meters of surplus Kosi river water through the proposed link canal to improve irrigation.
- The remodeling of the existing Eastern Kosi Main Canal (EKMC) will also help address irrigation shortfalls for 1.57 lakh hectares of land.
- Launched in 2015-16, the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY) aims to expand irrigation coverage, improve water access for farming, and promote water conservation.
- The scheme has been extended for the period 2021-26 with a total budget of Rs.93,068.56 crore, including Rs.37,454 crore in central government support.















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Oues: Who has been awarded the 28th Abel Prize for Mathematics (2025)? गणित के लिए 28वें एबेल पुरस्कार (2025) से किसे सम्मानित किया गया है?

- a) Pierre Deligne / पियरे डेलिग्ने
- b) Andrew Wiles / एंड्यू विल्स
- c) Terence Tao / टेरेंस ताओ
- d) Masaki Kashiwara / मसाकी काशीवारा
- e) Jean-Pierre Serre / जीन-पियरे सेरे

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation:**

- The 28th Abel Prize for Mathematics (2025) has been awarded to Masaki Kashiwara from Japan.
- The Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters, on behalf of the Ministry of Education, presents this prestigious award annually.
- Kashiwara was recognized for his fundamental contributions to algebraic analysis and representation theory.
- His key achievements include the development of the theory of D-modules and the discovery of crystal bases, which have significantly impacted modern mathematics.

#### **About Abel Prize:**

Started: 2003

Presented by : Government of Norway

• Awarded for : Outstanding scientific work in the field of mathematics

• Prize: 7.5 million Norwegian Krone(USD 7,10,000)

• Last winner: Michel Pierre Talagrand, the French mathematician



















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Ques: Which edition of SourceX India 2025 Held at Yashobhoomi Convention Centre, New Delhi?

सोर्सएक्स इंडिया 2025 का कौन सा संस्करण यशोभूमि कन्वेंशन सेंटर, नई दिल्ली में आयोजित किया जाएगा?

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

**Answer**: Option C

- The 3rd edition of SourceX India 2025 was held at Yashobhoomi Convention Centre, New Delhi.
- The event saw participation from over 150 buyers representing more than 45 countries.
- It was inaugurated by Santosh Kumar Sarangi, Director General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) under the Union Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- The chief guest was Ashwini Kumar, President of the Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO).
- The event was organized by the Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO).
- The 1st edition was held in New Delhi in 2023, followed by the 2nd edition in 2024, also in New Delhi.



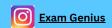


















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Ques: What is the total worth of projects launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Chhattisgarh?

प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी द्वारा छत्तीसगढ में शुरू की गई परियोजनाओं की कुल कीमत कितनी है?

- (a) Rs.33,700 crore
- (b) Rs.34,500 crore
- (c) Rs.35,600 crore
- (d) Rs.36,300 crore
- (e) Rs.37,800 crore

**Answer**: Option A

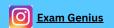
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched projects worth Rs.33,700 crore in Chhattisgarh.
- These projects align with the government's focus on infrastructure, housing, education, and rural development.
- The initiatives include three lakh new houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY).
- 130 PM-SHRI schools with smart classrooms and modern laboratories have been inaugurated.
- A 540-km petroleum pipeline has been launched to enhance regional energy security.
- A network of rural roads has been developed to improve connectivity, especially in Magist-affected areas.

















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Ques: Which male player won the men's singles title at the Indian Open 2025 PSA Copper event?

इंडियन ओपन 2025 पीएसए कॉपर इवेंट में पुरुष एकल का खिताब किस पुरुष खिलाडी ने जीता?

- a) Mohamed ElShorbagy / मोहम्मद एलशोरबागी
- b) Saurav Ghosal / सौरव घोषाल
- c) Abhay Singh / अभय सिंह
- d) Kareem El Torkey / करीम एल टॉर्की
- e) Ramit Tandon / रमित टंडन

**Answer**: Option D

- India's No. 1-ranked women's squash player, Anahat Singh, won the women's singles title at the Indian Open 2025 PSA Copper event in Mumbai.
- This victory marked her second consecutive title following her win at the SRFI Indian Tour PSA Challenger event in Chennai.
- In the men's category, Egypt's Kareem El Torkey clinched the title.
- The Indian Open 2025 PSA Copper event, featuring a prize pool of \$53,500, was held at the Bombay Gymkhana squash courts in Mumbai.



















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Ques: What is the name of the Indian humanitarian relief operation launched for Myanmar's earthquake victims?

म्यांमार के भूकंप पीड़ितों के लिए शुरू किए गए भारतीय मानवीय राहत अभियान का नाम क्या है?

- a) Operation Maitri / ऑपरेशन मैत्री
- b) Operation Brahma / ऑपरेशन ब्रह्मा
- c) Operation Dost / ऑपरेशन दोस्त
- d) Operation Samudra Setu / ऑपरेशन समुद्र सेत्
- e) Operation Karuna / ऑपरेशन करुणा

**Answer**: Option B

- The Government of India has launched Operation Brahma to assist victims of the earthquake in Myanmar.
- A 7.7 magnitude earthquake struck Myanmar on 28 March 2025, causing at least 1,000 deaths, with over 10,000 feared dead.
- The operation aligns with India's Neighbourhood First policy and its role as a first responder in Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR).
- Two Indian Air Force C-130J aircraft departed from Hindon Air Force Station, Uttar Pradesh, carrying relief materials.
- The first batch of 15 tonnes of humanitarian aid landed at Yangon airport in Myanmar.
- India has also dispatched a search-and-rescue team and a medical team.
- The relief package includes essential supplies such as tents, blankets, sleeping bags, and medical supplies like paracetamol, antibiotics, syringes, gloves, and bandages.

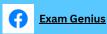
















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Ques: What is the name of the cooperative-based taxi service planned by the Indian government?

भारत सरकार द्वारा नियोजित सहकारी-आधारित टैक्सी सेवा का नाम क्या है?

- a) Swadeshi Taxi / स्वदेशी टैक्सी
- b) Gramin Ride / ग्रामीण राइड
- c) Bharat Cab / भारत कैब
- d) Sahkar Taxi / सहकार टैक्सी
- e) Sahayak Taxi / सहायक टैक्सी

Answer: Option D

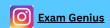
- The Indian government plans to develop "Sahkar Taxi," a cooperative-based taxi service.
- This program intends to offer a credible alternative to prominent ride-hailing systems, including Ola and Uber.
- The market is expected to rise to \$44.18 billion by 2030.
- Sahkar Taxi will follow a cooperative approach. This implies that all proceeds go directly to drivers.

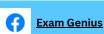
















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Ques: What is the name of the Bill passed in Lok Sabha related to Waqf properties? लोकसभा में वक्फ संपत्तियों से संबंधित पारित विधेयक का नाम क्या है?

- (a) Minority Rights Bill / अल्पसंख्यक अधिकार विधेयक
- (b) Unified Waqf Management, Efficiency, and Development (UMEED) Bill / एकीकृत वक्फ प्रबंधन, दक्षता और विकास (उमीड) विधेयक
- (c) Religious Trusts Amendment Bill / धार्मिक न्यास संशोधन विधेयक
- (d) Muslim Endowment Protection Bill / मुस्लिम बंदोबस्ती संरक्षण विधेयक
- (e) Wagf Protection and Governance Bill / वक्फ संरक्षण और शासन विधेयक

**Answer**: Option B

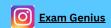
- The Lok Sabha passed the Waqf (Amendment) Bill after an extended debate that continued past midnight.
- Home Minister Amit Shah assured that the Bill does not interfere with religious practices.
- The first clause of the Bill was approved with 288 MPs in favor and 232 against.
- The Opposition was accused of spreading fear to create a vote bank.
- As per the Bill, only Muslims can be a 'mutawalli' (administrator) and 'waqif' (donor) of Waqf properties.
- The government stated that the Bill aims to ensure transparency in Waqf donations and administration.
- The Bill was introduced under the title Unified Waqf Management, Efficiency, and Development (UMEED) Bill.

















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### Ques: Fintech SaaS company Zaggle Prepaid Ocean Services Ltd acquired what percentage controlling stake in EffiaSoft Private Ltd?

फिनटेक SaaS कंपनी ज़ैगल प्रीपेड ओशन सर्विसेज लिमिटेड ने एफ़ियासॉफ्ट प्राइवेट लिमिटेड में कितने प्रतिशत नियंत्रण हिस्सेदारी हासिल की?

- a) 45%
- b) 48%
- c) 51%
- d) 55%
- e) 60%

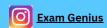
**Answer**: Option C

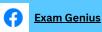
- Fintech SaaS company Zaggle Prepaid Ocean Services Ltd has announced the acquisition of a 51% controlling stake in Hyderabad-based billing software provider EffiaSoft Private Ltd.
- The deal, valued at over Rs.41 crore, aims to strengthen Zaggle's merchant services and payment processing capabilities within the fintech ecosystem.
- The acquisition will be executed in two stages. Initially, Zaggle will acquire a 45.33% stake for Rs.36.72 crore from founders Koushik Shee and Akula Krishna Rao, along with other existing shareholders.
- The board has also approved acquiring an additional 5.67% stake for Rs.4.59 crore, with the mode of acquisition (cash or share swap) to be decided later.
- The deal values EffiaSoft at an enterprise valuation of approximately Rs.81 crore.
- This acquisition follows Zaggle's recent investment in Mobileware Technologies, where it acquired a 38.34% stake for nearly Rs.23 crore.













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

The US Senate has confirmed Indian-American scientist Jay Bhattacharya as Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the country's leading health research and funding institution.

Exercise Prachand Prahaa Held at High-altitude terrain of Arunachal Pradesh between Indian Army, Navy, and Air Force. It is Conducted by Indian Army's Kolkata, West Bengal-based Eastern Command

Abound, a finance platform designed specifically for Indians living in the United States, has raised \$14 million in a seed round headed by the NEAR Foundation. Circle Ventures, Times Internet, and other significant investors took part in the round as well.

Indian cricketer Jasprit Bumrah Appointed as Brand Ambassador of Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC), L&T Finance (LTF)

Chhattisgarh government & National Association of Software and Services Companies (Nasscom) signed an agreement to boost the state's development and generate employment opportunities. Under its new industrial policy, Chhattisgarh has attracted investment proposals worth Rs.4.4 trillion

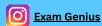
















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## महत्वपूर्ण एक पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

अमेरिकी सीनेट ने भारतीय-अमेरिकी वैज्ञानिक जय भट्टाचार्य को देश के अग्रणी स्वास्थ्य अनुसंधान और वित्त पोषण संस्थान, नेशनल इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ हेल्थ (NIH) के निदेशक के रूप में पृष्टि की है।

भारतीय सेना, नौसेना और वायु सेना के बीच अरुणाचल प्रदेश के उच्च-ऊंचाई वाले इलाके में अभ्यास प्रचंड प्रहा आयोजित किया गया। इसका संचालन भारतीय सेना की कोलकाता, पश्चिम बंगाल स्थित पूर्वी कमान द्वारा किया जाता है

संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका में रहने वाले भारतीयों के लिए विशेष रूप से डिज़ाइन किए गए एक वित्त मंच, एबाउंड ने NEAR फ़ाउंडेशन की अध्यक्षता में एक सीड राउंड में \$14 मिलियन जुटाए हैं। सर्किल वेंचर्स, टाइम्स इंटरनेट और अन्य महत्वपूर्ण निवेशकों ने भी इस राउंड में भाग लिया।

भारतीय क्रिकेटर जसप्रीत बुमराह को गैर-बैंकिंग वित्तीय कंपनी (NBFC), L&T फाइनेंस (LTF) का ब्रांड एंबेसडर नियुक्त किया गया

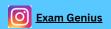
छत्तीसगढ सरकार और नेशनल एसोसिएशन ऑफ़ सॉफ़्टवेयर एंड सर्विसेज कंपनीज (नैसकॉम) ने राज्य के विकास को बढावा देने और रोज़गार के अवसर पैदा करने के लिए एक समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किए। अपनी नई औद्योगिक नीति के तहत, छत्तीसगढ़ ने 4.4 ट्रिलियन रुपये के निवेश प्रस्तावों को आकर्षित किया है

















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Ques: What is the expected growth rate of India's economy in the fiscal year 2025-26 according to the EY Economy Watch report?

EY इकोनॉमी वॉच रिपोर्ट के अनुसार वित्त वर्ष 2025-26 में भारत की अर्थव्यवस्था की अपेक्षित वृद्धि दर क्या है?

- (a) 6.1%
- (b) 6.2%
- (c) 6.3%
- (d) 6.4%
- (e) 6.5%

**Answer**: Option E

#### **Explanation**:

- The EY Economy Watch report forecasts India's GDP growth at 6.5% for FY26.
- A well-balanced fiscal strategy is recommended to support human capital development while ensuring fiscal prudence.
- Real GDP growth for FY25 is projected at 6.4%, aligning with NSO's revised estimates.
- India's real GDP growth rates for FY23, FY24, and FY25 are estimated at 7.6%, 9.2%, and 6.5%, respectively.
- The third-quarter growth rate for FY25 is estimated at 6.2%, requiring 7.6% growth in Q4 to meet the annual projection.

### **Updated GDP List:**

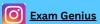
- EY Economy Watch report 6.5% (FY25)
- Fitch Rating –6.5% (FY26), 6.3% (FY27)
- CRISIL 6.5% (FY26)
- Moody's Analytics 6.4% (FY25)
- RBI -6.6% (FY25), 6.7% (FY26)
- Deloitte 6.5-6.8 (FY25)
- FICCI 6.4% (FY25)
- UN 6.6% (CY25); 6.7% (CY26)
- SBI 6.3% (FY25)
- NSO 6.4% (FY25)

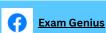
















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### Ques: By how much did UPI transaction volumes grow YoY in H2 2024? H2 2024 में UPI लेनदेन मात्रा में YoY कितनी वृद्धि हुई?

- (a) 36%
- (b) 38%
- (c) 42%
- (d) 46%
- (e) 50%

**Answer**: Option C

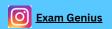
- UPI transaction volumes in H2 2024 rose by 42% year-on-year, reaching a total of 93.23 billion transactions.
- The total transaction value crossed INR 210 trillion, showing strong growth in digital payments.
- For the first time, P2M (Person-to-Merchant) transactions outpaced P2P (Person-to-Person), indicating increased merchant adoption.
- Additionally, QR code deployments surged by 126%, and PoS terminals crossed the 10 million mark, further boosting digital infrastructure.

















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### Ques: What is the tenure of the loan provided by SBI Tokyo to IREDA? एसबीआई टोक्यो द्वारा इरेडा को दिए गए ऋण की अवधि क्या है?

- a) 3 years
- b) 4 years
- c) 5 years
- d) 6 years
- e) 10 years

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- The State Bank of India's (SBI) Tokyo branch has provided a loan of JPY 26 billion (Rs 1,476 crore) to the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA).
- This includes a green shoe option of JPY 10 billion.
- The loan has a tenure of 5 years and a cost of less than 7%.
- The funding aims to strengthen IREDA's presence in international financial markets and support renewable energy development in India.

#### **About IREDA:**

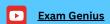
 Established: 1987 • HQ: New Delhi

CMD: Pradip Kumar Das















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Ques: As per the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), mobile numbers that remain unused for \_\_ days can be reassigned to new customers. दूरसंचार विभाग (DoT) के अनुसार, \_\_ दिनों तक अप्रयुक्त रहने वाले मोबाइल नंबरों को नए ग्राहकों को पुनः सौंपा जा सकता है।

- a) 30 days
- b) 60 days
- c) 90 days
- d) 180 days
- e) 365 days

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- NPCI will introduce updated guidelines for UPI transactions to enhance security, interoperability, and user experience.
- These guidelines apply to all member banks, Payment Service Providers (PSPs), and third-party app providers (TPAPs) like PhonePe, Google Pay, and Paytm.
- The new framework aims to address issues related to unused or reassigned mobile numbers, improving trust and efficiency.
- A key update involves managing UPI IDs linked to reassigned mobile numbers, as per DoT regulations, which allow reassignment of inactive numbers after 90 days.

### Effective Key Changes Beginning April 1:

- Mobile number records are regularly updated on a weekly basis via MNRL/DIP.
- Deactivating UPI IDs linked to inactive or repeated mobile numbers.
- Due to system slowness, PSPs must provide locally settled UPI numbers on a monthly basis.
- Verified merchants can only use the "Collect Payments" feature, and person-toperson payments are limited to Rs.2,000.
- Mandatory opt-in for UPI number seeding; consent cannot be obtained at the time of transaction.

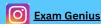


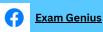
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) and Head of **Consumer Banking Group at DBS Bank India?** डीबीएस बैंक इंडिया में प्रबंध निदेशक (एमडी) और उपभोक्ता बैंकिंग समूह के प्रमुख के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- a) Prashant Joshi / प्रशांत जोशी
- b) Ambuj Chandna / अंबुज चांदना
- c) Ravi Menon / रवि मेनन
- d) Deepak Parekh / दीपक पारेख
- e) Sandeep Bakhshi / संदीप बख्शी

**Answer**: Option B

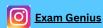
- Ambuj Chandna has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) and Head of Consumer Banking Group at DBS Bank India, replacing Prashant Joshi.
- Before this role, Chandna served as the President and Head of Consumer Bank (Products) at Kotak Mahindra Bank.
- Rajat Verma took over as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of DBS Bank India, replacing Surojit Shome on March 1, 2025.

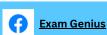
















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### Oues: What was the total UPI transaction value in March 2025? मार्च 2025 में कुल UPI लेनदेन मूल्य क्या था?

- (a) INR 18,06,811.06 crore
- (b) INR 6,70,410.55 crore
- (c) INR 24,77,221.61 crore
- (d) INR 21,10,532.32 crore
- (e) None of the above

**Answer**: Option C

- In March 2025, UPI transactions hit an all-time high since its launch, recording a total transaction value of INR 24,77,221.61 crore.
- The transaction volume stood at 18,301.51 million, with P2P (Person-to-Person) contributing 73% of the total value and P2M (Person-to-Merchant) contributing 27%.
- P2P transaction value was INR 18,06,811.06 crore and P2M transaction value was INR 6,70,410.55 crore.
- The significant surge indicates increased digital payment adoption among individuals and businesses.

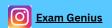


















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Ques: How much does the Indian government plan to raise through dated securities in the first half (H1) of FY 2025-26?

- a) Rs 7 lakh crore
- b) Rs 8 lakh crore
- c) Rs 9 lakh crore
- d) Rs 10 lakh crore
- e) Rs 11 lakh crore

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation**:

- The Indian government intends to raise Rs 8 lakh crore through dated securities in the first half of the fiscal year 2025-26 to address the fiscal imbalance.
- The finance ministry has anticipated Rs 14.82 lakh crore in gross market borrowing for FY26.

### India's Market Borrowing Plan for FY26:

- Total Market Borrowing: Rs.14.82 lakh crore in FY26.
- First Half Borrowing (H1 FY26): Rs.8 lakh crore (54% of total borrowing).
- Types of Securities: Issuance of dated securities with maturities ranging from 3 to 50 years.
- Sovereign Green Bonds: Rs.10,000 crore included in the borrowing plan.
- Fiscal Deficit: Estimated at Rs.15.68 lakh crore (4.4% of GDP) for FY26.
- Ways and Means Advances (WMA) Limit: Rs.1.50 lakh crore for H1 FY26.

### Revenue & Expenditure:

• Total Receipts (excluding borrowings): Rs.34.96 lakh crore

• Total Expenditure: Rs.50.65 lakh crore

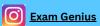
• Net Tax Receipts: Rs.28.37 lakh crore



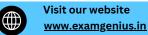














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Ques: Which state-owned gas utility company has signed a five-year agreement with Qatar Energy Trading for LNG supplies?

किस सरकारी स्वामित्व वाली गैस उपयोगिता कंपनी ने एलएनजी आपूर्ति के लिए कतर एनर्जी ट्रेडिंग के साथ पांच साल का समझौता किया है?

- a) ONGC
- b) BPCL
- c) HPCL
- d) GAIL (India) Ltd
- e) IOCL

**Answer**: Option D

- GAIL (India) Ltd will start receiving LNG from Qatar Energy Trading next month under a five-year deal, with 12 cargoes annually.
- The company has also signed a 10-year contract with Vitol Asia for 1 MTPA of LNG from 2026 and another 10-year agreement with ADNOC Gas (UAE) for 0.5 MTPA.
- These agreements align with India's goal to increase the share of natural gas in its energy mix from 6-7% to 15% by 2030, supporting energy security and sustainability.

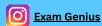


















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Ques: Which edition of Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI 37) Published by China Development Institute (CDI) in Shenzhen (China) and Z/Yen Partners in London? शेन्ज़ेन (चीन) में चाइना डेवलपमेंट इंस्टीट्यूट (सीडीआई) और लंदन में जेड/येन पार्टनर्स द्वारा ग्लोबल फाइनेंशियल सेंटर्स इंडेक्स (जीएफसीआई 37) का कौन सा संस्करण प्रकाशित किया गया है?

- (a) 34th
- (b) 35th
- (c) 37th
- (d) 39th
- (e) 40th

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

- Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI 37) 37th Edition Published by China Development Institute (CDI) in Shenzhen (China) and Z/Yen Partners in London
- Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City) in Gujarat has improved its fintech ranking from 45th to 40th.
- It secured the top rank in the 'reputational advantage' category.
- The semi-annual report evaluates 119 financial centers worldwide.
- In the Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI 37), New York City remains at the top with a rating of 769.
- The Asia-Pacific region performs strongly, with six financial centers in the global top 20.

## Ranking of Top 5 Financial Centres in GFCI 37:

- 1 New York (USA)
- 2 London (UK)
- 3 Hong Kong (China)
- 4 Singapore (Singapore)
- 5 San Francisco (USA)

## Ranking of top Indian Centres in GFCI 37:

46 GIFT City-Gujarat (India)

52 Mumbai (India)

60 New Delhi (India)







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Ques: When did Vandana Katariya make her debut for the Indian women's hockey team?

वंदना कटारिया ने भारतीय महिला हॉकी टीम में पदार्पण कब किया?

- a) 2007
- b) 2008
- c) 2009
- d) 2010
- e) 2012

**Answer**: Option C

- Indian women's hockey veteran Vandana Katariya has retired after a 15-year international career.
- She holds the record for most international appearances (320) and has scored 158 goals.
- The 32-year-old debuted in 2009 and played a crucial role in India's fourth-place finish at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.
- She was the first and only Indian woman to score a hat-trick at the Olympics.
- Vandana received prestigious awards, including the Arjuna Award (2021) and Padma Shri (2022).
- She also won multiple Hockey India awards, including the Balbir Singh Sr. Award and the Dhanraj Pillay Award for Forward of the Year (2021, 2022).

















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Ques: The Hero Asia Cup Hockey 2025 will be the \_\_ edition of the tournament. हीरो एशिया कप हॉकी 2025 टूर्नामेंट का \_\_ संस्करण होगा।

- a) 12th
- b) 13th
- c) 14th
- d) 15th
- e) 16th

**Answer**: Option A

- Rajgir, Bihar, will host the Hero Asia Cup Hockey 2025 from August 29 to September 7.
- Hockey India and Bihar State Sports Authority signed an MoU at Patliputra Sports Complex, Patna.
- Matches will be played at the newly developed Rajgir Hockey Stadium.
- This is Rajgir's second international event after hosting the Women's Asian Champions Trophy in 2024.
- The 12th edition will feature 8 teams, including India, Pakistan, Japan, Korea, China, and Malaysia.
- The remaining two teams will qualify through the AHF Cup.
- South Korea holds the record with five titles, while India and Pakistan have each won three times.

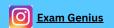


















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Ques: What prestigious title is included as part of the Ugadi Award given to MyNaa Swamy?

मैना स्वामी को दिए गए उगादि पुरस्कार के हिस्से के रूप में कौन सी प्रतिष्ठित उपाधि शामिल है?

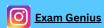
- a) Kala Bhushan / कला भूषण
- b) Kalaratna / कलारत्न
- c) Padma Shri / पद्म श्री
- d) Sangeet Natak Award / संगीत नाटक पुरस्कार
- e) Rashtrapati Puraskar / राष्ट्रपति पुरस्कार

**Answer**: Option B

- Historian and archaeologist MyNaa Swamy has been chosen for the Ugadi Award by the Andhra Pradesh government for his work in historical research and social service.
- The award includes includes the Kalaratna title, Hamsa medal, a certificate of appreciation, and a cash prize of Rs 50,000. Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu will present the award in Vijayawada.
- Swamy's research on the Vijayanagara Empire and the Lepakshi Veerabhadra temple complex has led to the discovery of over 100 previously unknown inscriptions in Telugu, Kannada, and Sanskrit.













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Ques: Bharti Airtel has partnered with which company to enhance its 5G and 4G networks?

भारती एयरटेल ने अपने 5G और 4G नेटवर्क को बेहतर बनाने के लिए किस कंपनी के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- (a) Ericsson / एरिक्सन
- (b) Samsung / सैमसंग
- (c) Nokia / नोकिया
- (d) Oualcomm / क्वालकॉम
- (e) Huawei / हुआवेई

Answer: Option C

- Bharti Airtel and Nokia have signed a multi-year agreement to enhance 5G and 4G networks in India.
- The partnership includes the deployment of Nokia's Packet Core and Fixed Wireless Access (FWA) solutions.
- These solutions will integrate 5G and 4G technologies into a unified server system, improving network performance.
- Additionally, GenAI will be used for service orchestration and network assurance, ensuring efficient autonomous network operations.
- This initiative aligns with India's goal of strengthening its digital infrastructure through advanced 5G technology.



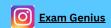


















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### Ques: Which private space company launched the Fram2 mission? किस निजी अंतरिक्ष कंपनी ने Fram2 मिशन लॉन्च किया?

- a) NASA
- b) Blue Origin
- c) ISRO
- d) SpaceX
- e) Roscosmos

**Answer**: Option D

- SpaceX launched Fram2, the first human spaceflight to directly travel over both the North and South Poles on a privately funded mission.
- The mission features groundbreaking experiments, including the first X-ray in space and research on mushroom growth in microgravity.
- Crew members include Chun Wang (China/Malta), Jannicke Mikkelsen (Norway), Rabea Rogge (Germany), and Eric Philips (Australia).
- Named after the 19th-century Norwegian exploration ship Fram, the mission aims to gather new data for long-term space exploration.

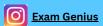


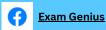
















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Ques: Where was the 37th edition of the Kathak Mahotsav 2025 held? कथक महोत्सव 2025 का 37वां संस्करण कहाँ आयोजित किया गया?

- a) Jaipur / जयप्र
- b) Lucknow / লखनऊ
- c) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली
- d) Varanasi / वाराणसी
- e) Raigarh / रायगढ

**Answer**: Option C

- The 37th edition of the Kathak Mahotsav 2025 was held in New Delhi, organized by Kathak Kendra, a constituent unit of the Sangeet Natak Akademi.
- For the first time, the event featured the Kathak Literary Festival, along with seminars, exhibitions, and mesmerizing dance performances.
- The festival showcased the rich traditions of major Kathak gharanas, including Lucknow, Jaipur, Banaras, and Raigarh.



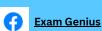
















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Ques: What is the enterprise value of UltraTech Cement's acquisition of Wonder WallCare?

UltraTech Cement द्वारा Wonder WallCare के अधिग्रहण का कुल मूल्य क्या है?

- (a) Rs.200 crore
- (b) Rs.235 crore
- (c) Rs.250 crore
- (d) Rs.275 crore
- (e) None of the above

**Answer**: Option B

- UltraTech Cement, a subsidiary of the Aditya Birla Group, has acquired Wonder WallCare for Rs.235 crore.
- The acquisition includes a modern manufacturing plant with an annual production capacity of 6 lakh tonnes, located in Nathdwara, Rajasthan.
- This move strengthens UltraTech Cement's position in the wall putty market and expands its product portfolio in the construction materials sector.
- The acquisition enhances UltraTech's production capacity and market reach, allowing the company to cater to a broader customer base.



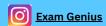


















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Ques: Steve Waugh replaced which former Australian cricketer in the Centre for **Australia-India Relations Advisory Board?** स्टीव वॉ ने सेंटर फॉर ऑस्ट्रेलिया-इंडिया रिलेशंस एडवाइजरी बोर्ड में किस पूर्व ऑस्ट्रेलियाई क्रिकेटर की जगह ली?

- a) Ricky Ponting / रिकी पोंटिंग
- b) Shane Warne / शेन वार्न
- c) Glenn McGrath / ग्लेन मैकग्राथ
- d) Adam Gilchrist / एडम गिलक्रिस्ट
- e) Brett Lee / ब्रेट ली

**Answer**: Option D

- Former Australian cricketer Steve Waugh has been appointed as a member of the Centre for Australia-India Relations Advisory Board.
- He was appointed by Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs, Penny Wong.
- Waugh replaces outgoing member Adam Gilchrist.
- The Centre for Australia-India Relations was established by the Australian Government in 2023 to strengthen bilateral ties.
- Waugh is also the author of The Spirit of Cricket: India, a book capturing the essence of Indian cricket culture.



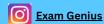


















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Ques: Where has the Consulate General of India launched a Hindi language course? भारत के महावाणिज्य दूतावास ने कहाँ हिंदी भाषा पाठ्यक्रम शुरू किया है?

- a) University of Colombo / कोलंबो विश्वविद्यालय
- b) University of Jaffna / जाफना विश्वविद्यालय
- c) University of Peradeniya / पेराडेनिया विश्वविद्यालय
- d) University of Vavuniya / वावुनिया विश्वविद्यालय
- e) University of Kelaniya / केलानिया विश्वविद्यालय

**Answer**: option D

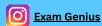
- The Consulate General of India in Jaffna has introduced a Hindi language course at the University of Vavuniya to meet the growing interest in the language.
- Indian Consul General Sai Murali and Vice-Chancellor Prof. Atputharajah jointly inaugurated the program.
- The initiative aims to enhance linguistic and cultural ties between India and Sri Lanka, promoting better communication and cultural exchange.
- With Hindi gaining popularity in the region, the course is expected to provide students with academic and professional growth opportunities.

















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Ques: Where was the Tashkent Open Agzamov Memorial 2025 chess tournament held?

ताशकंद ओपन अग्ज़ामोव मेमोरियल 2025 शतरंज टूर्नामेंट कहाँ आयोजित किया गया था?

- a) India / भारत
- b) Russia / रूस
- c) Uzbekistan / उज्बेकिस्तान
- d) Kazakhstan / कजाकिस्तान
- e) Armenia / आर्मेनिया

Answer: Option C

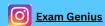
- Indian Grandmaster Nihal Sarin clinched the 2025 Tashkent Open Agzamov Memorial title in Uzbekistan.
- The 20-year-old secured the title with an unbeaten score of 8/10, surpassing a competitive field, including eight players rated above 2600.
- With this victory, Nihal gained 7.1 Elo rating points, bringing his live rating to 2694 just shy of the 2700 mark.

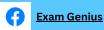
















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## Ques: Which chilli variety from Warangal has received the GI tag? वारंगल की कौन सी मिर्च किस्म को GI टैग मिला है?

- (a) Guntur Chilli / गुंटूर मिर्च
- (b) Chapata Chilli / चपटा मिर्च
- (c) Bhavnagri Chilli / भावनगरी मिर्च
- (d) Byadgi Chilli / बयाडगी मिर्च
- (e) None of the above / उपरोक्त में से कोई नहीं

**Answer**: Option B

- Warangal's Chapata Chilli, also known as tomato chilli, has been granted a Geographical Indication (GI) tag. This recognition is expected to benefit nearly 20,000 farmers.
- The chilli is mainly grown in Warangal, Hanamkonda, Mulugu, and Bhupalpally districts, with a total production of around 11,000 tonnes.
- It is cultivated over 3,000 hectares, and its harvesting season falls between February and March.
- Known for its bright red color and mild pungency, Chapata Chilli is popular among pickle makers and is used as a natural coloring agent.

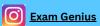


















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Ques: In which city and country was the 2025 Asian Wrestling Championships held? 2025 एशियाई कुश्ती चैंपियनशिप किस शहर और देश में आयोजित की गई थी?

- a) Tashkent, Uzbekistan / ताशकंद, उज्बेकिस्तान
- b) Doha, Qatar / दोहा, कतर
- c) Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan / नूर-सुल्तान, कजाकिस्तान
- d) Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan / बिश्केक, किर्गिस्तान
- e) Amman, Jordan / अम्मान, जॉर्डन

**Answer**: Option E

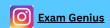
- Olympian Deepak Punia won silver in the men's freestyle 92kg category at the Asian Wrestling Championships in Amman, Jordan.
- Udit secured silver in the 61kg weight division.
- Dinesh clinched bronze in the 125kg category after defeating Turkmenistan's Zyyamuhammet Saparov.
- India's total medal tally at the event: 10 medals 1 gold, 3 silver, and 6 bronze.

















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Ques: Who did Jakub Mensik defeat in the Miami Open 2025 men's singles final? मियामी ओपन 2025 पुरुष एकल फाइनल में जैकब मेन्सिक ने किसे हराया?

- a) Carlos Alcaraz / कार्लोस अलकराज
- b) Daniil Medvedey / डेनियल मेदवेदेव
- c) Novak Djokovic / नोवाक जोकोविच
- d) Stefanos Tsitsipas / स्टेफानोस सितसिपास
- e) Alexander Zverev / अलेक्जेंडर ज्वेरेव

**Answer**: Option C

- Czech teenager Jakub Mensik defeated Novak Djokovic in the Miami Open final, denying him his 100th tour-level title.
- The 19-year-old won 7-6, 7-6 against the six-time Miami Open champion in Florida.
- Mensik became the second-youngest champion in tournament history after Carlos Alcaraz, who won in 2022 at age 18.
- He is the first Czech player to win an ATP Masters 1000 event since Tomas Berdych's Paris victory in 2005.
- The 18-year age gap between Mensik and Djokovic set a record for the biggest age difference in an ATP Masters 1000 final.



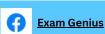














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### **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

President Droupadi Murmu has inaugurated the National Conference on Environment held at the Vigyan Bhavan in New Delhi. The National Conference on Environment 2025 has been organised by the National Green Tribunal (NGT).

The amalgamation of Aditya Birla Finance Ltd (ABFL) with its parent Aditya Birla Capital Ltd (ABCL) with effect from April 1, 2025. ABCL will be converted from a Core Investment Company to an operating NBFC (non-banking finance company).

Renault Group will acquire Nissan Motor's 51% stake in Renault Nissan Automotive India (RNAIPL), taking full control of the Chennai-based joint venture.

Punjab & Sind Bank won the Top Improvers title in the EASE 6.0 Reforms Index.

Croma, an electronics retail company owned by the Tata Group, has chosen Shibashish Roy as CEO and Managing Director.

Tata Sons Limited's Chairman, Natarajan Chandrasekaran Appointed as International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Advisory Council on Entrepreneurship and Growth

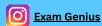


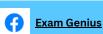














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# महत्वपूर्ण एक पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

राष्ट्रपति द्रौपदी मुर्मू ने नई दिल्ली के विज्ञान भवन में आयोजित राष्ट्रीय पर्यावरण सम्मेलन का उद्घाटन किया। राष्ट्रीय पर्यावरण सम्मेलन 2025 का आयोजन राष्ट्रीय हरित अधिकरण (एनजीटी) द्वारा किया गया है।

आदित्य बिडला फाइनेंस लिमिटेड (एबीएफएल) का अपने मूल आदित्य बिडला कैपिटल लिमिटेड (एबीसीएल) के साथ 1 अप्रैल, 2025 से विलय। एबीसीएल को एक कोर इन्वेस्टमेंट कंपनी से एक ऑपरेटिंग एनबीएफसी (गैर-बैंकिंग वित्त कंपनी) में परिवर्तित किया जाएगा।

रेनॉल्ट समूह, रेनॉल्ट निसान ऑटोमोटिव इंडिया (आरएनएआईपीएल) में निसान मोटर की 51% हिस्सेदारी का अधिग्रहण करेगा, जिससे चेन्नई स्थित संयुक्त उद्यम का पूर्ण नियंत्रण उसके पास आ जाएगा।

पंजाब और सिंध बैंक ने EASE 6.0 सुधार सूचकांक में शीर्ष सुधारक का खिताब जीता।

टाटा समूह के स्वामित्व वाली इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स खुदरा कंपनी क्रोमा ने शिबाशीष रॉय को सीईओ और प्रबंध निदेशक के रूप में चुना है।

टाटा संस लिमिटेड के चेयरमैन नटराजन चंद्रशेखरन को उद्यमिता और विकास पर अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मुद्रा कोष (आईएमएफ) की सलाहकार परिषद में नियुक्त किया गया

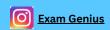


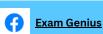
















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Ques: What is the coupon rate for the Government Security maturing in 2027? 2027 में परिपक्व होने वाली सरकारी प्रतिभूति के लिए कूपन दर क्या है?

- a) 6.79%
- b) 6.50%
- c) 6.64%
- d) 7.00%
- e) 6.80%

**Answer**: Option C

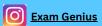
- The Government of India, in coordination with the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), will re-issue two Government Securities (G-Secs) through a price-based auction on April 4, 2025.
- The two securities being re-issued are the "6.64% Government Security 2027" for Rs.6,000 crore and the "6.79% Government Security 2034" for Rs.30,000 crore.
- The government has the option to accept up to Rs.2,000 crore extra in subscriptions for each of these securities, offering flexibility in its borrowing programme.
- The auction will be carried out via RBI's E-Kuber platform, ensuring secure and efficient electronic bidding.
- These G-Secs will be eligible for "When Issued" trading, allowing participants to buy and sell the securities before their actual issuance, thereby improving liquidity and market depth.

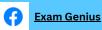
















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Ques: What is the name of the new credit card launched by Federal Bank for business customers?

फेडरल बैंक द्वारा व्यावसायिक ग्राहकों के लिए लॉन्च किए गए नए क्रेडिट कार्ड का नाम क्या है?

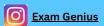
- a) Fed SME Pro / फेड एसएमई प्रो
- b) BizPower Card / बिज़पावर कार्ड
- c) SmartBiz Edge / स्मार्टबिज़ एज
- d) Federal Business Plus / फेडरल बिज़नेस प्लस
- e) Fed StarBiz / फेड स्टारबिज

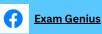
**Answer**: Option E

- Federal Bank has launched a new credit card named Fed StarBiz, aimed specifically at business customers.
- The card has been developed in collaboration with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and Visa.
- It is designed to cater to the financial needs of India's small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).
- This marks Federal Bank's strategic entry into the business and commercial credit card segment, expanding its offerings beyond personal banking products.













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Ques: Who has been given additional charge as the Chairperson of the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA) in April 2025? अप्रैल 2025 में राष्ट्रीय वित्तीय रिपोर्टिंग प्राधिकरण (NFRA) के अध्यक्ष का अतिरिक्त कार्यभार किसे सौंपा गया है?

- A) Ajay Bhushan Pandey / अजय भूषण पांडे
- B) Sangeeta Verma / संगीता वर्मा
- C) Nidhi Khare / निधि खरे
- D) Ravneet Kaur / रवीनीत कौर
- E) Alka Upadhyaya / अल्का उपाध्याय

Answer: Option D

- Ravneet Kaur, who currently serves as the Chairperson of the Competition Commission of India (CCI), has been given additional charge of the Chairperson of the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA).
- Her tenure in this role is for 3 months, starting from April 1, 2025, or until a regular appointment is made or further orders are issued, whichever is earlier.
- This appointment was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.
- She succeeds Ajay Bhushan Pandey, whose term ended on March 31, 2025.



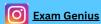


















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## Ques: What type of financial instrument will Manappuram Finance use to raise funds?

मणप्पुरम फाइनेंस फंड जुटाने के लिए किस प्रकार के वित्तीय साधन का उपयोग करेगा?

- a) Equity Shares / इक्विटी शेयर
- b) Preference Shares / वरीयता शेयर
- c) Non-Convertible Debentures / गैर-परिवर्तनीय डिबेंचर
- d) Commercial Papers / वाणिज्यिक पत्र
- e) Bonds / बांड

**Answer**: Option C

- Manappuram Finance's board has approved a fundraising plan to raise up to Rs.5,500 crore through the issuance of redeemable non-convertible debentures (NCDs).
- The decision was made in a board meeting held on March 29, 2025.
- The NCDs can be issued via private placement or public issue in one or more tranches during the financial year 2025-26.
- This move aims to strengthen the company's capital base and support its future growth strategies.
- Founded in 1949, Manappuram Finance is a key player in the gold loan segment and also offers services like microfinance, vehicle finance, and housing finance.



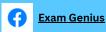
















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Ques: How much social loan facility has been announced jointly by Citi and SBI to support KCC loans?

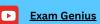
किसान क्रेडिट कार्ड ऋणों को समर्थन देने हेतु सिटी और एसबीआई ने मिलकर कितनी सामाजिक ऋण सुविधा की घोषणा की है?

- A) \$250 million
- B) \$300 million
- C) \$265 million
- D) \$295 million
- E) \$275 million

**Answer**: Option D

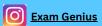
- Citi and the State Bank of India (SBI) have jointly announced a \$295 million social loan facility.
- The loan is specifically aimed at supporting SBI's Kisan Credit Card (KCC) loan portfolio, which plays a crucial role in catering to the credit needs of smallholder farmers in India.
- The objective is to boost agricultural productivity and enhance the financial wellbeing of small and marginal farmers who are often underserved in the financial ecosystem.
- According to SBI's Deputy Managing Director Jayati Bansal, this initiative will leverage SBI's vast rural network to reach the heart of India's agricultural communities

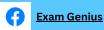
















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Ques: IndusInd Bank recently transferred corporate loans worth over Rs.10,000 crore to which two banks through Inter-Bank Participation Certificates (IBPC)?

- a) HDFC Bank and Kotak Mahindra Bank
- b) ICICI Bank and Axis Bank
- c) ICICI Bank and Federal Bank
- d) SBI and PNB
- e) Bank of Baroda and Union Bank of India

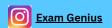
**Answer**: Option C

- IndusInd Bank Limited transferred corporate loans worth over Rs 10,000 crore to ICICI Bank Limited and Federal Bank Limited using Inter-Bank Participation Certificates (IBPC), a money market instrument used by banks to share loans and meet year-end lending targets.
- The selling bank receives 40% of the loan amount, which aids in liquidity management and deposit retirement.
- Loans were moved via the Inter-Bank Participation Certificate (IBPC) market, which is a short-term instrument (often with a 6-month tenor) that allows banks to borrow or lend using loan collateral.
- The purchased loans have an interest rate of 7.5-8%, which reflects normal market conditions for such short-term securities.
- IndusInd Bank conducted this transaction to secure liquidity and manage risks connected with a Rs.2,000 crore net value loss caused by accounting issues.















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Ques: The pension disbursement authorisation will allow IDFC FIRST Bank to serve pensioners from:

पेंशन संवितरण प्राधिकरण आईडीएफसी फर्स्ट बैंक को निम्नलिखित पेंशनभोगियों को सेवा प्रदान करने की अनुमति देगा:

- a) Only the Ministry of Home Affairs / केवल गृह मंत्रालय
- b) Only State Governments / केवल राज्य सरकारें
- c) All civil ministries and departments except Railways, Posts, Telecom, and Defence / रेलवे, डाक, दूरसंचार और रक्षा को छोडकर सभी नागरिक मंत्रालय और विभाग
- d) Only Judiciary / केवल न्यायपालिका
- e) Private sector employees / निजी क्षेत्र के कर्मचारी

**Answer**: Option C

- IDFC FIRST Bank has received authorisation from the Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO) under the Government of India to disburse pensions.
- The bank will now be able to process and disburse pension payments for various categories of central government pensioners.
- This includes retired All India Service Officers, former Members of Parliament (MPs), retired High Court and Supreme Court judges, ex-Presidents and Vice Presidents, and officials from civil ministries and departments.
- However, the authorisation excludes pension disbursement for officials from the Railways, Posts, Telecom, and Defence sectors.





















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## Ques: How much ECB funding has Piramal Finance secured recently? हाल ही में पिरामल फाइनेंस ने कितनी ईसीबी फंडिंग हासिल की है?

- A) \$200 million
- B) \$300 million
- C) \$265 million
- D) \$815 million
- E) \$150 million

**Answer**: Option C

- Piramal Finance Ltd has secured \$265 million through External Commercial Borrowing (ECB).
- This ECB facility comes with a 3-year tenure and includes a green shoe option allowing the amount to go up to \$300 million, depending on investor interest.
- The funding was arranged with the participation of global banks including First Abu Dhabi Bank, Standard Chartered Bank, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, and HSBC.
- The raised funds are fully hedged to safeguard against currency and interest rate fluctuations, ensuring stability in repayments.
- With this deal, Piramal's total ECB borrowings for FY25 stand at \$815 million.
- The company noted that the cost of funds via ECB is more competitive compared to domestic borrowing rates, making it a cost-effective financing strategy.

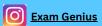


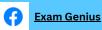
















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Ques: NABARD and which bank have signed an MoU to strengthen rural development in Assam?

नाबार्ड और किस बैंक ने असम में ग्रामीण विकास को मजबूत करने के लिए एक समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- a) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- b) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- c) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- d) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक
- e) Kotak Mahindra Bank / कोटक महिंद्रा बैंक

**Answer**: Option D

- The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) and the State Bank of India (SBI) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to boost rural development in Assam.
- Under this collaboration, NABARD and SBI have set a target of financing Rs.500 crores during the Financial Year 2025-26 (FY26).
- The partnership also aims to scale the financing to Rs.1,000 crores annually in the coming years.
- This strategic alliance is expected to play a vital role in empowering rural communities in Assam and supporting the region's long-term economic sustainability.

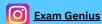


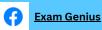
















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Oues: What was India's total external debt as of December 2024? दिसंबर 2024 तक भारत का कुल विदेशी ऋण कितना था?

- a) USD 648.7 billion
- b) USD 712.7 billion
- c) USD 717.9 billion
- d) USD 578.3 billion
- e) USD 139.6 billion

**Answer**: Option C

- As of December 2024, India's external debt stood at USD 717.9 billion, reflecting a 10.7% increase compared to USD 648.7 billion in December 2023, as reported by the Ministry of Finance in the Quarterly External Debt Report.
- On a quarterly basis, external debt saw a 0.7% rise, up from USD 712.7 billion in September 2024.
- The external debt to GDP ratio was 19.1% at the end of December 2024, slightly higher than the 19% recorded in September 2024.
- Long-term debt (with original maturity over one year) was reported at USD 578.3 billion, indicating it makes up the majority of the total debt.
- Short-term debt accounted for USD 139.6 billion of the total as of December 2024.

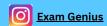


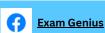
















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## Ques: Who launched the 'NITI NCAER States Economic Forum' portal? 'नीति एनसीएईआर राज्य आर्थिक मंच' पोर्टल किसने लॉन्च किया?

- (a) Nirmala Sitharaman / निर्मला सीतारमण
- (b) Hardeep Singh Puri / हरदीप सिंह प्री
- (c) Piyush Goyal / पीयूष गोयल
- (d) Rajnath Singh / राजनाथ सिंह
- (e) Dharmendra Pradhan / धर्मेंद्र प्रधान

**Answer**: Option A

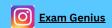
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman launched the 'NITI NCAER States Economic Forum' portal in New Delhi.
- The portal was developed by NITI Aayog in collaboration with the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER).
- It serves as a comprehensive repository of data related to social, economic, and fiscal parameters, along with research reports, papers, and expert commentaries.
- The portal includes data spanning approximately 30 years, offering insights into macroeconomic, fiscal, demographic, and socio-economic trends across Indian states.
- It aims to meet the growing need for consolidated sectoral data on a single platform.
- The portal will also act as a forum for policymakers, researchers, and analysts to access and use data for informed discussions and decision-making.

















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Ques: How much is the Government of India investing in Vodafone Idea Limited (VIL) as part of the equity shift?

इक्विटी शिफ्ट के हिस्से के रूप में भारत सरकार वोडाफोन आइडिया लिमिटेड (VIL) में कितना निवेश कर रही है?

- a) Rs.36,950 crore
- b) Rs.30,750 crore
- c) Rs.25,000 crore
- d) Rs.40,000 crore
- e) Rs.48,990 crore

**Answer**: Option A

- Vodafone Idea Limited (VIL) is undergoing a major equity shift as the Government of India (GoI) is set to acquire an increased stake in the company.
- The government will invest Rs 36,950 crore, raising its shareholding from 22.60% to approximately 48.99%.
- This move follows the issuance of equity shares to the government, effectively making it the largest shareholder in VIL.
- The development is part of efforts to support the financially stressed telecom operator and ensure its long-term viability.

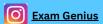


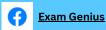
















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Ques: According to the IUCN Green Status Assessment, what is the current status of lions?

आईयूसीएन ग्रीन स्टेटस असेसमेंट के अनुसार, शेरों की वर्तमान स्थिति क्या है?

- a) Critically Endangered / गंभीर रूप से संकटग्रस्त
- b) Endangered / संकटग्रस्त
- c) Vulnerable / संवेदनशील
- d) Near Threatened / निकट संकटग्रस्त
- e) Extinct in the Wild / जंगल में विल्प्त

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), based in Gland, Switzerland, has released its first Green Status Assessment for lions (Panthera leo).
- The assessment classifies lions as 'largely depleted' in terms of ecological recovery, though they remain listed as 'Vulnerable' on the IUCN Red List.
- Lions are the second-largest big cats in the world, after the Asian tiger (Panthera tigris).
- In Asia, lions exist only in India, specifically in a single sub-population located in the Gir National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary and surrounding areas in Gujarat, covering about 14,000 sq. km.
- According to data, there are approximately 23,000 lions in Africa (as of 2023) and around 670 lions in India (as of 2020), mostly in Gujarat.

## About International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN):

Established: 1948

• HQ: Gland, Switzerland

• Director: Dr. Grethel Aguilar















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Ques: How many airports will allow personal carriage export of gems and jewellery? कितने हवाई अड्डे व्यक्तिगत परिवहन द्वारा रत्न एवं आभूषणों के निर्यात की अनुमति देंगे?

- a) 2
- b) 4
- c) 5
- d) 7
- e) 9

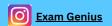
**Answer: Option E** 

- The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) will launch electronic processing for the import and export of gems, jewellery, and machinery samples via personal carriage by air passengers starting May 1, 2025.
- This initiative will enhance transparency, ease of doing business, and tracking of such items.
- Export of gems and jewellery through personal carriage will be allowed at 9 airports: Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Kochi, Coimbatore, Bangalore, Hyderabad, and Jaipur.
- Import of gems and jewellery through personal carriage will be permitted at 7 airports: Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad, and Jaipur.
- For machinery samples or prototypes, this facility will initially be available only at 4 airports: Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, and Mumbai.
- The processing will involve filing Bill of Entry/Shipping Bill electronically, streamlining documentation and reducing manual intervention.















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Ques: How many locomotives were produced in India in the financial year 2024-25? वित्तीय वर्ष 2024-25 में भारत में कितने लोकोमोटिव का उत्पादन किया गया?

- a) 1,472
- b) 1,681
- c) 1,512
- d) 1,947
- e) 1,409

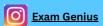
**Answer**: Option B

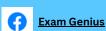
- India has become a global leader in railway locomotive manufacturing by producing a record 1,681 locomotives in the financial year 2024-25.
- This figure surpasses the total locomotive production of regions like the United States, Europe, South America, Africa, and Australia.
- Compared to the 1,472 locomotives produced in 2023-24, this is an increase of 209 units, marking a 19% growth.
- The surge in production is a result of efforts under the "Make in India" initiative to boost domestic manufacturing.
- Between 2004 and 2014, India produced 4,695 locomotives with an annual average of 470 units.
- From 2014 to 2024, the total production rose to 9,168 locomotives, increasing the annual average to around 917.
- In 2024-25, production across Indian Railways' manufacturing units was distributed as follows: 700 at Chittaranjan Locomotive Works, 477 at Banaras Locomotive Works, 304 at Patiala Locomotive Works, and 100 each at Madhepura and Marhowrah units.















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Ques: The Kumbakonam betel leaf is mainly cultivated in which region? कुंभकोणम पान की खेती मुख्य रूप से किस क्षेत्र में की जाती है?

- a) Malnad region / मलनाड क्षेत्र
- b) Western Ghats / पश्चिमी घाट
- c) Deccan Plateau / दक्कन पठार
- d) Cauvery Delta / कावेरी डेल्टा
- e) Godavari Basin / गोदावरी बेसिन

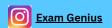
**Answer**: Option D

- The Kumbakonam vetrilai (betel leaf) and Thovalai maanikka maalai have been awarded the Geographical Indications (GI) tag by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- The Kumbakonam betel leaf is cultivated in the Cauvery Delta region, including areas like Thiruvaiyaru, Papanasam, Thiruvidaimarudhur, Kumbakonam, and Valaigaman blocks in Thanjavur and Tiruvarur districts.
- The GI tag was granted after a three-year application process, recognizing the sixgeneration old tradition of craftsmanship.
- The betel leaf has a historical significance, with its cultivation dating back centuries. In addition to paddy, common crops in these wetlands include sugarcane and betel vine.
- The Thovalai maanikka maalai is a unique type of garland that is exclusively crafted in Thovalai, highlighting its cultural and regional uniqueness.















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Ques: The Centre has increased MGNREGS wages by what percentage range for FY 2025-26?

केंद्र ने वित्त वर्ष 2025-26 के लिए मनरेगा मजदूरी में कितने प्रतिशत की वृद्धि की है?

- a) 1% 5%
- b) 2.33% 7.48%
- c) 3% 6%
- d) 4.5% 8%
- e) 5% 9.2%

**Answer**: Option B

### **Explanation:**

- The Centre has increased pay under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) by 2-7% for fiscal year 2025-26.
- The NREGS wage rates for 2025-26 have been increased by 2.33-7.48%, as announced in a notification. NREGS salary have increased by Rs 7-26.
- NREGS wages increased by ₹7 in five states: Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Nagaland, and Telangana.
- In Haryana, NREGS salaries are expected to reach Rs 400 per day by 2025-26, representing the largest rise of Rs 26 from the current rate of Rs 374 per day.
- This is the first time NREGS pay will reach Rs 400 per day in any state.
- In 2024-25, Goa experienced the highest pay rate increase of 10.56% over the previous year (2022-23), while Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand saw the lowest increase of 3.04%.

### About Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)

- Launched: 2nd February 2006
- Act: Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act was passed on 23rd August 2005
- Earlier known as: National Rural Employment Guarantee Act















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## Ques: Whom did Shirley Botchwey replace as Secretary-General of the Commonwealth?

शर्ली बोचवे ने राष्ट्रमंडल के महासचिव के रूप में किसकी जगह ली?

- a) Baroness Valerie Amos / बैरोनेस वैलेरी एमोस
- b) Kamalesh Sharma / कमलेश शर्मा
- c) Patricia Scotland / पेटीसिया स्कॉटलैंड
- d) Justin Welby / जस्टिन वेल्बी
- e) Helen Clark / हेलेन क्लार्क

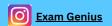
**Answer**: Option C

- Shirley Botchwey has become the first African woman to assume the office of the Secretary General of the Commonwealth of Nations.
- She replaced Patricia Scotland of Dominica, who was the first woman to hold the position.
- Shirley Botchwey previously served as Ghana's Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration from January 2017 to January 2024.
- She was also a member of Ghana's National Security Council during her tenure.
- The Secretary-General is nominated by Commonwealth leaders and can serve a maximum of two terms of four years each.
- The Secretary-General is responsible for promoting and protecting the Commonwealth's values, representing the Commonwealth publicly, and managing the Commonwealth Secretariat.
- The Commonwealth of Nations is an association of 56 independent countries that were once colonies of Great Britain.















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Ques: World Autism Awareness Day celebrated every year on which day? विश्व ऑटिज्म जागरूकता दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 31 March
- (b) 1 April
- (c) 2 April
- (d) 3 April
- (e) 4 April

**Answer**: Option C

- Every year on April 2nd, World Autism Awareness Day is held to increase awareness about autism spectrum disorder (ASD), as well as to promote acceptance and inclusion of people with autism.
- Theme 2025: Advancing Neurodiversity and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- The United Nations General Assembly established World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD) in 2007. The United Nations (UN) observed this significant day on April 2 after its inception.

















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## Ques: National Walking Day is observed every year on: राष्ट्रीय पैदल यात्रा दिवस हर साल मनाया जाता है:

- a) First Monday of April / अप्रैल का पहला सोमवार
- b) First Tuesday of April / अप्रैल का पहला मंगलवार
- c) First Wednesday of April / अप्रैल का पहला बुधवार
- d) First Thursday of April / अप्रैल का पहला गुरुवार
- e) April 2nd every year / हर साल 2 अप्रैल

**Answer**: Option C

- Every year on the first Wednesday of April, National Walking Day is held to urge individuals to put their health first by including walking into their daily routine. This year's anniversary was April 2nd.
- Theme 2025: Protect yourself from diabetes, heart disease, and cancer
- The American Heart Association (AHA) established the day to promote the benefits of walking for heart health, mental well-being, and general fitness.















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

Federal Bank Acquired Additional 4% Stake in Ageas Federal Life Insurance at a Cost of Rs.105 crore.

Now it changes stake from 26% to 30%.

PM Modi Announced Theme for 2025 International Day of Yoga. Theme 2025 Yoga for One Earth, One Health During the 120th episode of Mann ki Baat. 21 June celebrated as International Day of Yoga.

Salila Pande has taken charge as the Managing Director and CEO of SBI Card. Prior to this role, Pande served as Chief General Manager of SBI's Mumbai Metro Circle, leading the retail business

Actor Kamal Haasan has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry's Media and Entertainment Committee South.

UBS Group has effectively integrated Credit Suisse's service businesses in India into UBS Business Solutions (India), bringing together 24,000 workers under one umbrella. UBS acquired Credit Suisse in 2023, resulting in the combination of Credit Suisse Services (India), Credit Suisse Business Analytics (India), and Credit Suisse Services AG in Pune.

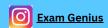
















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## महत्वपूर्ण एक लाइनर करेंट अफेयर्स

फेडरल बैंक ने 105 करोड़ रुपये की लागत से एजेस फेडरल लाइफ इंश्योरेंस में अतिरिक्त 4% हिस्सेदारी हासिल की।

अब इसने हिस्सेदारी 26% से बदलकर 30% कर दी है।

पीएम मोदी ने 2025 के अंतर्राष्ट्रीय योग दिवस के लिए थीम की घोषणा की। मन की बात के 120वें एपिसोड के दौरान थीम 2025 योग फॉर वन अर्थ, वन हेल्थ। 21 जून को अंतर्राष्ट्रीय योग दिवस के रूप में मनाया जाता है।

सलिला पांडे ने एसबीआई कार्ड की प्रबंध निदेशक और सीईओ का पदभार संभाला है। इस भूमिका से पहले, पांडे ने एसबीआई के मुंबई मेट्रो सर्किल के मुख्य महाप्रबंधक के रूप में कार्य किया, जिसमें खुदरा व्यवसाय का नेतृत्व किया गया

अभिनेता कमल हासन को फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन चैंबर्स ऑफ कॉमर्स एंड इंडस्ट्री की मीडिया एंड एंटरटेनमेंट कमेटी साउथ का अध्यक्ष नियुक्त किया गया है।

यूबीएस ग्रुप ने भारत में क्रेडिट सुइस के सेवा व्यवसायों को यूबीएस बिजनेस सॉल्यूशंस (इंडिया) में प्रभावी रूप से एकीकृत किया है, जिससे 24,000 कर्मचारी एक छतरी के नीचे आ गए हैं। यूबीएस ने 2023 में क्रेडिट सुइस का अधिग्रहण कर लिया, जिसके परिणामस्वरूप क्रेडिट सुइस सर्विसेज (इंडिया), क्रेडिट सुइस बिजनेस एनालिटिक्स (इंडिया) और पुणे में क्रेडिट सुइस सर्विसेज एजी का एकीकरण हो गया।

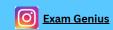


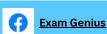
















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Ques: What is the FPI investment cap in corporate bonds as maintained by RBI for FY 2025-26?

आरबीआई द्वारा वित्त वर्ष 2025-26 के लिए कॉरपोरेट बांड्स में FPI निवेश की अधिकतम सीमा क्या रखी गई है?

- A) 10%
- B) 12%
- C) 15%
- D) 18%
- E) 20%

**Answer**: Option C

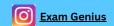
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced that the Foreign Portfolio Investor (FPI) investment limits in debt instruments will remain unchanged for the fiscal year 2025-26.
- The investment caps are maintained at 6% for Government Securities (G-Secs), 2% for State Government Securities, and 15% for Corporate Bonds.
- These limits will be effective from April 1, 2025, and aim to ensure stability and continuity in FPI participation in India's debt markets.
- This policy supports sustained foreign investment while minimizing market disruptions.

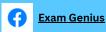
















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Ques: What is the minimum net worth required for a Credit Rating Agency (CRA) to qualify as PaRRVA?

PaRRVA के रूप में मान्यता प्राप्त करने के लिए क्रेडिट रेटिंग एजेंसी (CRA) की न्यूनतम नेट वर्थ कितनी होनी चाहिए?

- A) Rs.50 crore
- B) Rs.100 crore
- C) Rs.150 crore
- D) Rs.200 crore
- E) Rs.250 crore

**Answer**: Option B

- SEBI has introduced a framework for the Past Risk and Return Verification Agency (PaRRVA) to verify performance-related claims made by research analysts, investment advisors, and algorithm providers.
- A Credit Rating Agency (CRA) wishing to qualify as a PaRRVA must meet specific eligibility criteria.
- One of the key criteria is a minimum net worth of Rs.100 crore.
- Other conditions include at least 15 years of existence, having rated 250+ issuers of listed/proposed debt, and possessing a proper investor grievance redressal mechanism with Online Dispute Resolution (ODR).

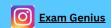


















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Ques: Who is the signatory on the newly issued Rs.10 and Rs.500 notes? हाल ही में जारी Rs.10 और Rs.500 के नोटों पर किसके हस्ताक्षर हैं?

- A) Shaktikanta Das / शक्तिकांत दास
- B) Sanjay Malhotra / संजय मल्होत्रा
- C) Nirmala Sitharaman / निर्मला सीतारमण
- D) Uriit Patel / उर्जित पटेल
- E) Raghuram Rajan / रघुराम राजन

**Answer**: Option B

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will issue new Rs.10 and Rs.500 banknotes.
- These notes will be part of the Mahatma Gandhi (New) Series.
- The signatory on these new notes will be Sanjay Malhotra, the current RBI Governor.
- The design of the new notes will be similar to the existing Rs.10 and Rs.500 notes in the same series.
- Previously issued Rs.10 notes will continue to be legal tender and valid for transactions.

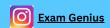


















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Ques: Which organization has partnered with Nippon India Mutual Fund to offer door-to-door KYC verification?

किस संगठन ने डोर-टू-डोर केवाईसी सत्यापन की पेशकश करने के लिए निप्पॉन इंडिया म्यूचुअल फंड के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- a) Reserve Bank of India / भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक
- b) National Payments Corporation of India / भारतीय राष्ट्रीय भुगतान निगम
- c) Department of Financial Services / वित्तीय सेवा विभाग
- d) Department of Posts / डाक विभाग
- e) Securities and Exchange Board of India / भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड

**Answer**: Option D

- The Department of Posts (DoP) has partnered with Nippon India Mutual Fund to offer door-to-door KYC verification services for investors.
- This service will make the Know Your Customer (KYC) process more convenient, secure, and compliant, allowing investors—especially senior citizens—to complete it from the comfort of their homes.
- The initiative supports the Government of India's "Jan Nivesh" campaign, which promotes financial inclusion and encourages investment among the general public.

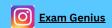


















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Ques: What is the interest rate on Government of India Floating Rate Bond 2028 for the period April 04, 2025, to October 03, 2025? भारत सरकार के फ्लोटिंग रेट बॉन्ड 2028 पर 04 अप्रैल 2025 से 03 अक्टूबर 2025 तक की ब्याज दर क्या है?

- A) 6.75%
- B) 7.00%
- C) 7.11%
- D) 7.25%
- E) 7.50%

**Answer**: Option C

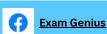
- The Government of India has announced the interest rate on the Floating Rate Bond (FRB) 2028 for the period from April 04, 2025, to October 03, 2025.
- The interest rate is 7.11% per annum for this period.
- This rate is calculated based on the Weighted Average Yield (WAY) of the last three auctions of 182-day Treasury Bills, plus a fixed spread of 0.64%.















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Ques: Which Indian port became the first to cross 200 million metric tonnes (MMT) of annual cargo volumes in FY25?

वित्त वर्ष 2025 में 200 मिलियन मीट्रिक टन (MMT) वार्षिक कार्गो वॉल्यूम को पार करने वाला पहला भारतीय बंदरगाह कौन सा बन गया?

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru Port / जवाहरलाल नेहरू बंदरगाह
- b) Kandla Port / कांडला बंदरगाह
- c) Chennai Port / चेन्नई बंदरगाह
- d) Mundra Port / मुंद्रा बंदरगाह
- e) Visakhapatnam Port / विशाखापत्तनम बंदरगाह

**Answer**: Option D

- Mundra Port in Gujarat became the first Indian port to handle over 200 million metric tonnes (MMT) of cargo in a single financial year, reaching 200.7 MMT in FY25.
- The port is part of Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone (APSEZ), whose total cargo handling across all ports reached 450.2 MMT in FY25, reflecting a 7% year-onyear increase.
- The growth was mainly driven by a 20% rise in container cargo, along with a 9% growth in liquid and gas cargo volumes.
- Additionally, APSEZ's rail logistics operations recorded 0.64 million TEUs in FY25, an 8% increase from the previous year.



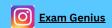


















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Ques: Who launched the 'P4 - Margadarsi Bangaru Kutumbam' poverty eradication program in Andhra Pradesh?

आंध्र प्रदेश में 'P4 - मार्गदारसी बंगारू कुटुम्बम' गरीबी उन्मूलन कार्यक्रम किसने शुरू किया?

- a) Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy / वाई.एस. जगन मोहन रेड्डी
- b) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी
- c) Pawan Kalyan / पवन कल्याण
- d) N. Chandrababu Naidu / एन. चंद्रबाबू नायडू
- e) K. Chandrashekar Rao / के.चंद्रशेखर राव

**Answer**: Option D

- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu launched the 'P4 Margadarsi Bangaru Kutumbam' program in Kotha Gollapalem, Bapatla district, to eradicate poverty at the village level.
- The initiative connects wealthy individuals with underprivileged families. Two locals, Vikram Narayana Rao and Vasantha Srinivasa Rao, were given the responsibility to support 30 families, in coordination with the Bapatla district collector for a structured implementation plan.
- The launch was held alongside the NTR Bharosa pension distribution program in Chinaganjam mandal, where Naidu highlighted the scheme's focus on poverty alleviation and also shared progress updates on Amaravati capital works and the Polavaram project.

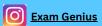


















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Ques: From which district of Odisha were drumsticks exported to Dubai for the first time?

पहली बार दुबई को सहजन (ड्रमस्टिक) का निर्यात ओडिशा के किस जिले से हुआ?

- A) Ganjam / गंजाम
- B) Khurda / खोरधा
- C) Puri / पुरी
- D) Cuttack / कटक
- E) Rayagada / रायगडा

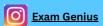
**Answer**: Option E

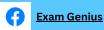
- For the first time, Odisha has exported drumsticks (Moringa) to Dubai, marking a significant milestone in the state's agri-exports.
- The export consignment, weighing 910 kg, included drumsticks and pointed gourds (parwal) and was shipped from Rayagada district via Biju Patnaik International Airport, Bhubaneswar.
- In FY 2024-25, Odisha exported over 52 tonnes of fresh fruits and vegetables, with support from 20+ Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs).
- This export was made possible under the PSFPO project, led by Odisha's Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Empowerment, with support from the Gates Foundation and NABARD.
- The consignment was facilitated by Swornajyoti FPO from Rayagada. Odisha's Moringa stands out for its high bioactive content, medicinal properties, and unique agro-climatic benefits.
- According to Sitakanta Mandal, Regional Director (East) of APEDA, this event is a big step towards connecting Odisha's farmers to the global supply chain.















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Ques: What is the name of the campaign launched by 10X Zarda King featuring Salman Khan?

सलमान खान की मौजूदगी में 10X ज़र्दा किंग द्वारा शुरू किए गए अभियान का नाम क्या है?

- a) #FamilyFeast
- b) #RishtaMubarak
- c) #TogetherWithBiryani
- d) #ZardaMoments
- e) #BirvaniForAll

**Answer**: Option B

- Salman Khan has been chosen as the brand ambassador for GRM Overseas Limited's premium basmati rice brand, 10X Zarda King.
- He features in their new campaign titled "#RishtaMubarak", which highlights how food strengthens bonds and relationships.
- The campaign focuses on tradition, family, and togetherness, aligning with Salman Khan's relatable and family-friendly image.
- It promotes the brand's biryani-special rice offerings, emphasizing quality and emotional connection through shared meals.

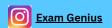


















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Ques: The Saudagari block print, which recently received the GI tag, originates from which city?

सौदागरी ब्लॉक प्रिंट, जिसे हाल ही में जीआई टैग मिला है, किस शहर से आता है?

- a) Jaipur / जयपुर
- b) Ahmedabad / अहमदाबाद
- c) Lucknow / লखनऊ
- d) Varanasi / वाराणसी
- e) Surat / सूरत

**Answer**: Option B

- The Saudagari block print, a traditional textile art form from Jamalpur, Ahmedabad, has been granted the Geographical Indication (GI) tag, recognizing its cultural and historical significance.
- This printing technique has been practiced for almost 300 years, making it one of the oldest forms of textile printing in India.
- The Chhipa community, renowned for their textile craftsmanship, has played a crucial role in preserving and evolving this unique form of block printing over generations.
- The GI tag not only protects the craft but also helps in promoting the artisans' work and ensuring their recognition at both national and international levels.



















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Ques: How many railway projects worth Rs.18,658 crore were approved recently by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs? हाल ही में आर्थिक मामलों की कैबिनेट समिति (CCEA) द्वारा कितनी रेलवे परियोजनाओं को Rs.18,658 करोड की मंजूरी दी गई?

- A) 3
- B) 4
- C) 5
- D) 6
- E) 2

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

• The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved Rs.18,658 crore worth of multi-tracking railway projects across Maharashtra, Odisha, and Chhattisgarh.

### A total of 4 projects have been sanctioned, which include:

- Sambalpur-Jarapada 3rd & 4th Line
- Jharsuguda-Sason 3rd & 4th Line
- Kharsia-Naya Raipur-Parmlakasa 5th & 6th Line
- Gondia-Balharshah Doubling
- These projects will add 1,247 km of railway lines, including 680 km of new routes.

### Key benefits include:

- Reduced congestion and smoother operations
- Railway connectivity to 3,350 villages and 4.7 million people
- 38 million man-days of employment
- 950 million litres of diesel savings through electrification
- Significant boost in freight capacity

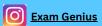


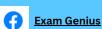
















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Ques: The India-China relationship has been historically guided by which key set of principles?

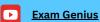
भारत-चीन संबंध ऐतिहासिक रूप से किस प्रमुख सिद्धांत द्वारा निर्देशित रहे हैं?

- a) NAM Principles / NAM सिद्धांत
- b) SAARC Charter / SAARC चार्टर
- c) Panchsheel Principles / पंचशील सिद्धांत
- d) Look East Policy / पूर्व की ओर देखो नीति
- e) Five Year Plans / पंचवर्षीय योजनाएँ

**Answer: Option C** 

- On April 1, 2025, India and China observed the 75th anniversary of their diplomatic relations. Leaders from both countries sent messages emphasizing the importance of their partnership.
- Jawaharlal Nehru, India's first Prime Minister, favored close connections between the two countries. He believed in non-alignment, Asian integration, and peaceful cohabitation based on Panchsheel ideals.
- Although Nehru viewed India-China friendship as beneficial to developing countries, the relationship has experienced hurdles over the years, including border conflicts and two wars.

















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Ques: Which veteran Bollywood actor and director, known for his patriotic films, recently passed away at the age of 87? देशभक्ति फिल्मों के लिए मशहूर बॉलीवुड के किस दिग्गज अभिनेता और निर्देशक का हाल ही में 87 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गया?

- a) Rajesh Khanna / राजेश खन्ना
- b) Dilip Kumar / दिलीप कुमार
- c) Manoj Kumar / मनोज कुमार
- d) Dharmendra / धर्मेंद्र
- e) Amitabh Bachchan / अमिताभ बच्चन

**Answer**: Option C

- Veteran Bollywood actor and director Manoj Kumar passed away in Mumbai at the age of 87.
- He was popularly known as 'Bharat Kumar' due to his iconic patriotic films that left a lasting impact on Indian cinema.
- He was honored with the Padma Shri in 1992 and the Dadasaheb Phalke Award in 2015 for his significant contributions to the film industry.
- Born as Harikrishna Giri Goswami, Manoj Kumar was known for classics like Upkar (1967), Purab Aur Paschim (1970), and Kranti (1981), which highlighted themes of nationalism and patriotism.



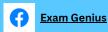
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director (MD) of Chennai **Petroleum Corporation Limited (CPCL)?** चेन्नई पेट्रोलियम कॉर्पोरेशन लिमिटेड (CPCL) के नए प्रबंध निदेशक (MD) के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- a) Ramesh Sharma / रमेश शर्मा
- b) H Shankar / एच शंकर
- c) Sandeep Kumar / संदीप कुमार
- d) Rajiv Malhotra / राजीव मल्होत्रा
- e) Anil Mehta / अनिल मेहता

**Answer**: Option B

- The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the appointment of H Shankar as the Managing Director (MD) of Chennai Petroleum Corporation Limited (CPCL), a subsidiary of Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL).
- He officially took charge as MD on April 1, 2025. Before this, he was serving as Director (Technical) at CPCL and had been holding additional charge as MD since July 16, 2024.
- His tenure will continue until his superannuation on March 31, 2029, or until further orders, whichever comes earlier.





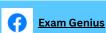
















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### Ques: Who received the Gold Mercury Award for Peace and Visionary Governance 2025?

शांति और दूरदर्शी शासन के लिए गोल्ड मर्करी पुरस्कार 2025 किसे प्राप्त हुआ?

- a) Kailash Satvarthi / कैलाश सत्यार्थी
- b) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी
- c) Pope Francis / पोप फ्रांसिस
- d) Tenzin Gyatso, the 14th Dalai Lama / तेनज़िन ग्यात्सो, 14वें दलाई लामा
- e) Antonio Guterres / एंटोनियो गुटेरेस

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation:**

- The Gold Mercury Award for Peace and Visionary Governance 2025 has been conferred upon His Holiness, Tenzin Gyatso, the 14th Dalai Lama, a globally respected Tibetan spiritual leader.
- The award was presented by Nicolas De Santis, President and Secretary General of Gold Mercury International, a London-based organization.
- The honor was bestowed at the Dalai Lama's residence in Dharamsala, Himachal Pradesh, acknowledging his lifelong commitment to global peace, non-violence, and visionary leadership.

### Other important awards won by Dalai Lama:

- Nobel Peace Prize in 1989
- Ramon Magsaysay Award for Community Leadership in 1959
- PV Narasimha Rao Memorial Award in 2024

















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Ques: When did SEBI originally announce the Cybersecurity and Cyber Resilience Framework (CSCRF)?

सेबी ने मूल रूप से साइबर सुरक्षा और साइबर लचीलापन फ्रेमवर्क (सीएससीआरएफ) की घोषणा कब की थी?

- a) January 2023
- b) August 2024
- c) April 2024
- d) October 2023
- e) February 2025

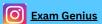
**Answer**: Option B

- SEBI has extended the deadline for regulated firms to implement the Cybersecurity and Cyber Resilience Framework (CSCRF) by three months, until June.
- In August 2024, SEBI issued a circular announcing the CSCRF. The framework provides comprehensive instructions to improve cybersecurity resilience for SEBIregulated firms.
- SEBI stressed that the extension does not apply to market infrastructure institutions (MIIs), know-your-customer registration agencies (KRAs), and qualified registrars to issue and share transfer agents (QRTAs), who must still follow the original deadlines.















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Ques: What is the name of the white-label travel platform launched for Bank of Maharashtra cardholders?

बैंक ऑफ महाराष्ट्र कार्डधारकों के लिए लॉन्च किए गए व्हाइट-लेबल ट्रैवल प्लेटफॉर्म का नाम क्या है?

- a) Tripstacc / ट्रिपस्टैक
- b) TravelMitra / ट्रैवलमित्रा
- c) MahaTrip / महाट्रिप
- d) BOM TravelEdge / बीओएम ट्रैवलएज
- e) SmartTripz / स्मार्टट्रिपज़

**Answer**: Option A

### **Explanation**:

- Tripstacc, a white-label travel platform, has gone live for Bank of Maharashtra (BOM) cards.
- It is a cooperative effort between Bank of Maharashtra and Customer Capital.
- The program employs AI-powered loyalty benefits, allowing customers to book hotels and tickets straight from BOM's card website and mobile app.
- This initiative aims to improve customer experience and loyalty, capitalizing on India's growing loyalty market, which is expected to reach USD 7.92 billion by 2028.

#### **About Bank Of Maharashtra:**

Established: 1935

• HQ: Pune, Maharashtra • MD & CEO: Nidhu Saxena

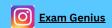
• Tagline: One Family One Bank

















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Ques: How many total child adoptions were recorded in India during FY 2024-25? वित्त वर्ष 2024-25 के दौरान भारत में कुल कितने बच्चे गोद लिए गए?

- a) 3,215
- b) 4,515
- c) 5,025
- d) 3,980
- e) 4,255

**Answer**: Option B

- India's adoption ecosystem has seen a significant boost in FY 2024-25, with a record 4,515 child adoptions, the highest since 2015-16.
- Domestic adoptions accounted for 4,155 of the total, indicating an increasing national acceptance of legal adoption
- The Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) successfully identified 8,598 children for adoption, helping more children in need find loving families.
- 245 new adoption agencies were established in collaboration with state governments to improve the adoption process.
- CARA collaborated with 16 states to host Adoptive Parent Meets during the Adoption Awareness Campaign from October 2024 to January 2025.

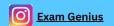
















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Ques: What is the duration of the Aarogyam health checkup? आरोग्यम स्वास्थ्य जांच की अवधि कितनी है?

- A) 60 minutes
- B) 75 minutes
- C) 80 minutes
- D) 90 minutes
- E) 110 minutes

**Answer**: Option D

- Narayana Health launched a new initiative called Aarogyam to offer quick preventive health checkups for busy professionals.
- It was launched in Bengaluru's IT corridor, targeting working individuals who often miss out on health benefits due to tight schedules.
- The duration of the checkup is just 90 minutes, making it convenient and timeefficient.
- The initiative includes a streamlined, hassle-free hospital experience using advanced diagnostic tools.
- It offers four customizable wellness packages: Vital, Prima, Enhanced, and Comprehensive.
- Chairman Dr. Devi Shetty stated that less than 30% of employees avail corporate health benefits, highlighting the need for such a program.



















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### Ques: Sagarmala Programme Launched in which year? सागरमाला कार्यक्रम किस वर्ष शुरू किया गया?

- (a) 2012
- (b) 2013
- (c) 2014
- (d) 2015
- (e) 2016

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation:**

- The Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways (MoPSW) initiated the Sagarmala Programme in March 2015, and it has already been successfully implemented for 10 years.
- The program intends to transform port-led growth in India by using the country's 7,500 km coastline, 14,500 km of navigable waterways, and strategic placement on major international trade routes.
- In order to boost the Sagarmala Programme, the GoI is planning to launch Sagarmala 2.0 with a budget allocation of Rs.40,000 crore

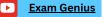
### **Achievement of Sagarmala Programme:**

- The Sagarmala Programme has 839 projects of Rs.5.79 lakh crores for execution, with 272 projects worth about Rs.1.41 lakh crores already finished.
- India has 9 ports ranked in the top 100 globally, with Vizag being in the top 20 for container ports.
- Coastal shipping has grown by 118% during the past decade, resulting in decreased logistics costs and carbon emissions.
- Inland waterways saw a 700% increase in cargo movement, reducing congestion on roads and railways.

### **About Sagarmala Programme:**

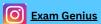
- It is Launched in March 2015
- It aim to make India one of the world's top 5 shipbuilding nations by 2047

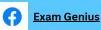














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- Under Sagarmala Programme, nearly 839 projects which are estimated to cost around Rs 5.79 lakh crores, have been identified for implementation
- Total projects under the Sagarmala Programme are classified into 5 pillars and 24 categories

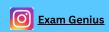


















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## Ques: What is the GNPA percentage under PM Mudra Yojana in FY25? प्रधानमंत्री मुद्रा योजना के तहत FY25 में GNPA प्रतिशत कितना है?

A) 1.9%

B) 2.1%

C) 2.21%

D) 3.61%

E) 4.0%

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

- Under the Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY), the Gross Non-Performing Assets (GNPA) for the financial year 2024-25 increased slightly to 2.21%, up from 2.1% in 2023-24.
- The highest GNPA was recorded at 3.61% in 2020-21, after which it saw a continuous decline until FY24.
- A loan becomes an NPA if three consecutive EMIs are missed.
- A new category, Tarun Plus, was introduced on October 25, 2024, with an increased loan limit of Rs.20 lakh.
- So far, over Rs.33.65 lakh crore has been sanctioned under PMMY.
- Notably, 68% of the loans have been granted to women entrepreneurs, and 50% to SC/ST/OBC borrowers.

## States with highest PM Mudra loan Disbursement:

- Tamil Nadu Rs.3.23 Lakh Crore
- Uttar Pradesh Rs.3.14 Lakh Crore
- Karnataka Rs.3.02 Lakh Crore
- West Bengal Rs.2.82 Lakh Crore
- Bihar Rs.2.81 Lakh Crore
- Maharastra Rs.2.74 Lakh Crore

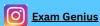


















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### Ques: Who was recently honored with the Uttar Pradesh Anmol Ratan Award? हाल ही में उत्तर प्रदेश अनमोल रतन पुरस्कार से किसे सम्मानित किया गया?

- a) Rajeev Chandrasekhar / राजीव चन्द्रशेखर
- b) Nikhil Singhal / निखिल सिंघल
- c) Sanjeev Balyan / संजीव बालियान
- d) Ashok Sinha / अशोक सिन्हा
- e) Anurag Thakur / अनुराग ठाकुर

**Answer**: Option B

- Nikhil Singhal, Founder of Vigor Media Worldwide and President of Noida High Rise Federation, received the Uttar Pradesh Anmol Ratan Award.
- The award ceremony was organized by Tapasya Foundation Trust at the Taj Lucknow.
- He was recognized for his significant contributions to the public relations industry and his leadership in strategic communication.
- As President of the Noida High Rise Federation, he has actively worked to represent and support high-rise residents by fostering dialogue with government authorities.
- Nikhil's previous honors include the ET Global Leader title by The Economic Times (2021), recognition as the Most Followed Indian Media Strategist by Khaleej Times (2022), and a spot in the Times 40 Under 40 list (2022).

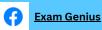
















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Ques: Microsoft Corporation (India) Private Limited Signed an MoU with which state government to establish three Artificial Intelligence (AI) Centres of Excellence (CoE)?

माइक्रोसॉफ्ट कॉर्पोरेशन (इंडिया) प्राइवेट लिमिटेड ने तीन आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस (एआई) सेंटर ऑफ एक्सीलेंस (सीओई) स्थापित करने के लिए किस राज्य सरकार के साथ एक समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए?

- (a) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- (b) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (c) Uttarakhand / उत्तराखंड
- (d) Haryana / हरियाणा
- (e) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र

**Answer**: Option E

- Government of Maharashtra & Microsoft Corporation (India) Private Limited Signed an MoU to establish three Artificial Intelligence (AI) Centres of Excellence (CoE) in Mumbai, Pune and Nagpur.
- The Mumbai Centre for Geospatial Analytics will be formed in the office of Maharashtra's Chief Secretary to facilitate spatial analysis and decision-making using geographic data.
- The Pune Centre for Forensic AI aims to use artificial intelligence and forensic science to strengthen and accelerate criminal investigations.
- The Nagpur-based Maharashtra Advanced Research and Vigilance for Enforcement of Reformed Laws Limited (MARVEL) will create AI-based solutions for a variety of government services, including enforcement, monitoring, and governance reforms.
- IIM Nagpur, based in Dahegaon, Maharashtra, will work with MARVEL to improve research and implementation of AI-powered governance projects.















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Ques: How many Mi-17 V5 helicopters does the Indian Air Force operate? भारतीय वायु सेना कितने एमआई-17 वी5 हेलिकॉप्टरों का संचालन करती है?

A) 120

B) 135

C) 151

D) 165

E) 180

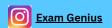
**Answer**: Option C

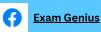
- The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed an agreement with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for the procurement of Electronic Warfare (EW) suites and modification kits for Mi-17 V5 helicopters.
- The total value of the contract is Rs.2,385.36 crore and is meant to boost the operational survivability of helicopters in hostile environments.
- This procurement will benefit the Indian Air Force (IAF), which operates 151 Mi-17 V5 helicopters, originally acquired from Russia between 2008 and 2013.
- The contract is categorized under "Buy (Indian-Indigenously Developed & Manufactured)", aligning with the Make in India initiative to encourage domestic defense production.
- A significant portion of components and sub-assemblies will be sourced from Indian manufacturers, ensuring indigenous contribution.
- The signing ceremony took place in the presence of Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh at South Block, New Delhi.















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Ques: How many kamikaze FPV drones is the Indian Army set to induct in its first batch?

भारतीय सेना अपने पहले बैच में कितने कामिकेज़ एफपीवी ड्रोन शामिल करने वाली है?

- a) 50
- b) 75
- c) 100
- d) 150
- e) 200

**Answer**: Option C

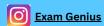
- The Indian Army plans to deploy 100 kamikaze first-person view (FPV) drones to destroy enemy assets, following successful target neutralization tests at Pathankot.
- The Army's Fleur-De-Lis Brigade conducted the test in Pathankot, Punjab.
- This FPV drone was created in conjunction with DRDO's Terminal Ballistics Research Laboratory (TBRL) in Chandigarh.
- Launched in August 2024, this effort aims to improve low-cost, high-impact aerial strike systems through substantial research, development, and trials.

















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Ques: Who has been awarded the "Sri Lanka Mitra Vibhushana", Sri Lanka's highest civilian honor for a foreign head of state, in 2025? 2025 में किसी विदेशी राष्ट्राध्यक्ष को दिया जाने वाला श्रीलंका का सर्वोच्च नागरिक सम्मान "श्रीलंका मित्र विभूषण" किसे प्रदान किया गया है?

- (a) Jagdeep Dhankhar / जगदीप धनखड
- (b) Rajesh Kumar Singh / राजेश कुमार सिंह
- (c) Ashwini Vaishnaw / अश्विनी वैष्णव
- (d) Droupadi Murmu / द्रौपदी मुर्म्
- (e) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी

**Answer**: Option E

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been honored with Sri Lanka's highest civilian award for a foreign head of state, the "Sri Lanka Mitra Vibhushana", by President Anura Kumara Dissanayake.
- The award, instituted in 2008, is given to heads of state/government for their exceptional contribution to Sri Lanka's international relations.
- The medal includes symbols like the Dharma Chakra, Pun Kalasa, Navarathna, Sun, and Moon, signifying heritage, prosperity, lasting friendship, and eternal ties.
- President Dissanayake highlighted that the award reflects Sri Lanka's gratitude for Modi's cultural, spiritual, and diplomatic support toward the island nation.

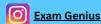


















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Ques: What is the annual duty-free cotton export quota from Australia to India under the trade agreement?

व्यापार समझौते के तहत ऑस्ट्रेलिया से भारत को वार्षिक शुल्क-मुक्त कपास निर्यात कोटा कितना है?

- A) 10,000 tonnes
- B) 25,000 tonnes
- C) 51,000 tonnes
- D) 75,000 tonnes
- E) 1,00,000 tonnes

**Answer**: Option C

- A MoU was signed on April 5 between the Cotton Association of India (CAI) and the Australian Cotton Shippers Association (ACSA).
- The MoU was signed by CAI President Atul S. Ganatra and ACSA Chair Cliff White.
- It aims to foster mutual cooperation in cotton production and trade, exchange of market ideas, and collaboration on global pricing and market outlook.
- Under the Australia-India Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement, Australia can export up to 51,000 tonnes of cotton to India annually without any duty.
- This MoU is expected to strengthen bilateral trade and market access and enhance business ties between both nations in the cotton sector.



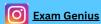


















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Ques: Which edition of Annual World's Billionaires list Published by Forbes? फोर्ब्स द्वारा वार्षिक विश्व के अरबपतियों की सूची का कौन सा संस्करण प्रकाशित किया जाता है?

- (a) 36th
- (b) 37th
- (c) 38th
- (d) 39th
- (e) 40th

**Answer**: Option D

#### **Explanation**:

- Annual World's Billionaires list 39th Edition Published by Forbes
- Elon Musk, CEO of Tesla Motors, has the highest net worth at USD 342 billion.
- He is followed by Mark Zuckerberg, CEO of Meta, with a net worth of USD 216 billion, and Jeff Bezos, chairman and creator of Amazon, in third position.
- In 2025, the list includes 3,028 billionaires, the highest number since its beginning in 1987. The world's wealthiest individuals are worth a record-breaking \$16.1 trillion.
- Mukesh Ambani is the richest person in India and Asia, with a fortune of \$92.5 billion from Reliance Industries, ranking 18th globally.
- Walmart heir Alice Walton is the richest woman, with an estimated fortune of \$101 billion.
- The United States remains the world's largest economy, with 902 billionaires, followed by China (including Hong Kong) with 516.
- According to Forbes' 2025 World's Billionaires list, India has the third greatest number of billionaires globally, with 205.

### **List of World's Top 5 Billionaires:**

- 1 Elon Musk USD \$342 B
- 2 Mark Zuckerberg USD \$216 B
- 3 Jeff Bezos USD \$215 B
- 4 Larry Ellison USD \$192 B
- 5 Bernard Arnault & Family USD \$178 B

### **List of India's Top 5 Billionaires:**















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18 Mukesh Ambani - USD \$92.5 B

28 Gautam Adani - USD \$56.3 B

48 Savitri Jindal & Family - USD \$35.5 B

51 Shiv Nadar - USD \$34.5 B

79 Dilip Shanghvi - USD \$24.9 B

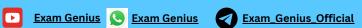


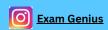


















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Ques: What is the expected year of completion for the HVDC transmission project between Bhadla and Fatehpur?

भादला और फतेहपुर के बीच एचवीडीसी ट्रांसमिशन परियोजना के पूरा होने का अपेक्षित वर्ष क्या है?

- a) 2025
- b) 2026
- c) 2027
- d) 2029
- e) 2030

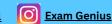
**Answer**: Option D

- Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) has partnered with Rajasthan Part I Power Transmission Limited, a subsidiary of Adani Energy Solutions Limited (AESL), for a major power transmission project.
- The collaboration involves developing a 6,000 MW, ±800 kV HVDC transmission system to carry renewable energy from Bhadla (Rajasthan) to Fatehpur (Uttar Pradesh), with completion expected by 2029.
- This project supports India's target of 500 GW of renewable energy by 2030 and reinforces BHEL's role in strengthening energy infrastructure under the Make in India initiative.
- The HVDC system will enable bi-directional power flow, support grid stability, and help integrate renewable energy into the national grid.
- It is BHEL's fourth major UHVDC project, following previous ones such as the North-East Agra, Raigarh-Pugalur, and the ongoing Khavda-Nagpur HVDC link in collaboration with Hitachi Energy India.















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## Ques: The Sarhul Festival is primarily celebrated in which Indian state? सरहल त्यौहार मुख्य रूप से किस भारतीय राज्य में मनाया जाता है?

- a) Odisha / ओडिशा
- b) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- c) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश
- d) Chhattisgarh / छत्तीसगढ
- e) Jharkhand / झारखंड

**Answer**: Option E

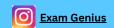
- Sarhul Festival is a traditional tribal festival celebrated by Adivasi communities in the Chhotanagpur region, especially in Jharkhand.
- It is mainly observed by the Munda, Oraon, and Ho tribes.
- The word "Sarhul" means worship of the Sal tree, symbolizing the sacred bond between the Sun and Earth, which is essential for sustaining life.
- The festival marks the beginning of the new year and the arrival of spring, celebrated with rituals, traditional music, and dances.

















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Ques: International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action is observed on which day?

खदान जागरूकता और खदान कार्रवाई में सहायता के लिए अंतर्राष्ट्रीय दिवस किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

Answer: Option C

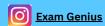
- Every year on April 4th, we commemorate International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action.
- The day's goal is to raise awareness about the impact of landmines and explosive remnants of war (ERW) on communities, as well as to encourage aid in mine action.
- Theme 2025 Safe Futures Begin Here.

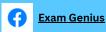
















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Ques: When is National Maritime Day celebrated in India? भारत में राष्ट्रीय समुद्री दिवस कब मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option D

- National marine Day is observed on April 5th each year to highlight the marine industry's contributions to the Indian economy.
- National Maritime Day aims to raise awareness about the maritime industry's importance, acknowledge the accomplishments of Indian sailors, and emphasize shipping's role in worldwide trade and commerce.
- The day commemorates the founding anniversary of India's first shipping firm, the Scindia Steam Navigation firm, which commenced operations on April 5, 1919.

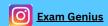


















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Ques: Where was the recent RBI-led conference for large-sized NBFCs held?

- a) Mumbai / मुंबई
- b) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- c) Chennai / चेन्नर्ड
- d) Hyderabad / हैदराबाद
- e) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली

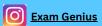
**Answer**: Option C

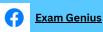
- A conference for large-sized Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) was recently held in Chennai was chaired by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- Key participants are Chairpersons of the Audit Committee of the Board (ACB), MD & CEOs, and Statutory Auditors of various NBFCs
- The central theme of the conference was: "Shared Vision, Shared Responsibility: Strengthening the NBFCs"















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Ques: Which organization has granted an NBFC license to Securis Finance Private Limited?

किस संगठन ने सिक्यूरिस फाइनेंस प्राइवेट लिमिटेड को एनबीएफसी लाइसेंस प्रदान किया है?

- (a) RBI / आरबीआई
- (b) SEBI / सेबी
- (c) NABARD / नाबार्ड
- (d) SIDBI / सिडबी
- (e) IRDAI / आईआरडीएआई

Answer: Option A

- The Reserve Bank of India has given a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) license to Securis Finance Private Limited, a subsidiary of FirstPay Technologies situated in Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- The permission allows the corporation to offer education loans to teenagers ranging from Rs 50,000 to Rs 5 lakh.
- Kuhoo Finance, India's premier student loan fintech platform, has gotten clearance for a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) license from the RBI.

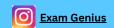


















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# LQues: What is the maximum loan amount offered under Jio Finance's LAS product?

जियो फाइनेंस के LAS प्रोडक्ट के तहत अधिकतम लोन राशि कितनी है?

- A) Rs.10 lakh
- B) Rs.50 lakh
- C) Rs.1 crore
- D) Rs.5 crore
- E) Rs.25 lakh

**Answer**: Option C

- Jio Finance Ltd (JFL), the NBFC arm of Jio Financial Services Ltd, has launched a new product called Loan Against Securities (LAS).
- Under this scheme, investors can get a loan of up to ₹1 crore by pledging their securities like shares or mutual funds.
- The interest rate starts at 9.99%, and the loan tenure can go up to 3 years.
- There are no foreclosure charges, which means borrowers can repay early without any extra fees.
- This move helps boost digital lending and makes it easier for investors to get quick funds without selling their investments.





















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Ques: What is the name of Russia's first nuclear-powered submarine equipped with Zircon hypersonic cruise missiles?

जिरकोन हाइपरसोनिक क्रूज मिसाइलों से लैस रूस की पहली परमाणु ऊर्जा चालित पनइब्बी का नाम क्या है?

- a) Kazan / कजान
- b) Belgorod / बेलगोरोड
- c) Perm / पर्म
- d) Novgorod / नोवगोरोड
- e) Kursk / कुर्स्क

Answer: Option C

- Russia has launched its first nuclear-powered submarine, Perm, equipped with Zircon hypersonic cruise missiles.
- The Perm is the sixth vessel in the sophisticated Yasen-M class built by Sevmash shipyard.
- The Zircon missile, a key submarine armament, can reach Mach 8-9 (approximately 10,000 km/h) and has a range of up to 900 kilometers.
- It will replace the Akula and Oscar-class submarines.



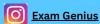


















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## Ques: Who launched the Bhagirath mobile app for water conservation? जल संरक्षण के लिए भागीरथ मोबाइल ऐप किसने लॉन्च किया?

- a) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी
- b) Pushkar Singh Dhami / पुष्कर सिंह धामी
- c) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat / गजेंद्र सिंह शेखावत
- d) Rainath Singh / राजनाथ सिंह
- e) Trivendra Singh Rawat / त्रिवेंद्र सिंह रावत

**Answer**: Option B

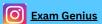
- The Bhagirath mobile app was launched by Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami.
- It was unveiled at the Mukhya Sevak Sadan, located at the CM's residence.
- The app is based on the Jal Sanrakshan Abhiyan 2025 theme: "Dhara Mera, Naula Mera, Gaon Mera, Prayas Mera".
- · Objective: To enable citizens to report and share information about critical and endangered water sources in their areas, encouraging local water conservation efforts.
- This initiative aims to strengthen community participation in protecting traditional water bodies and sources across Uttarakhand.

















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Ques: What is the funding pattern of the Vibrant Villages Programme - II (VVP-II)? वाइब्रेंट विलेज प्रोग्राम-II (VVP-II) का वित्तपोषण पैटर्न क्या है?

- a) 50% Centre 50% State
- b) 75% Centre 25% State
- c) 100% State funded
- d) 100% Centre funded
- e) Public-Private Partnership

**Answer**: Option D

- The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved Vibrant Villages Programme - II (VVP-II) as a Central Sector Scheme, with 100% funding from the Centre
- The scheme aims to boost the vision of Viksit Bharat@2047, focusing on creating safe, secure, and vibrant land borders.
- It targets villages along international land borders (ILBs) not already covered under VVP-I, promoting comprehensive development.
- The total outlay for the programme is ₹6,839 crore, and it will be implemented till FY 2028-29 across strategic villages in 18 States/UTs, including Arunachal Pradesh, Gujarat, Punjab, Rajasthan, West Bengal, etc.
- The goal is to improve living circumstances, livelihood possibilities, internal security, and integrate border inhabitants as key players in border protection.
- Infrastructure development, value chain creation through cooperatives and SHGs, SMART education, tourism circuits, and other sustainable livelihood projects will all benefit from the funding.
- The initiative will use technological platforms such as PM Gati Shakti to assure service saturation in four major areas: road, telecom, TV connectivity, and electrification, through collaboration with current schemes.















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# Ques: Where is IOC investing Rs.61,000 crore in a petrochemical project? आईओसी Rs.61,000 करोड़ का पेट्रोकेमिकल निवेश कहां कर रहा है?

- A) Mumbai, Maharashtra / मुंबई, महाराष्ट्र
- B) Kochi, Kerala / कोच्चि, केरल
- C) Paradip, Odisha / पारादीप, ओडिशा
- D) Jamnagar, Gujarat / जामनगर, गुजरात
- E) Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh / विशाखापत्तनम, आंध्र प्रदेश

**Answer**: Option C

- Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) is making a major investment of Rs.61,077 crore in Paradip, Odisha.
- The purpose is to set up a mega petrochemical complex, which will help meet the growing demand for petrochemical products in India.
- A MoU was signed between IOC and the Odisha Government for this project.
- The investment is expected to generate large-scale employment opportunities in the region.
- It will also boost the petrochemical industry and contribute to Odisha's growth as a major industrial hub in India.

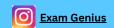


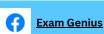
















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Ques: Which platform will Alcatel use to launch its smartphones in India? अल्काटेल भारत में अपने स्मार्टफोन लॉन्च करने के लिए किस प्लेटफॉर्म का उपयोग करेगा?

- A) Amazon / अमेजन
- B) Flipkart / फ्लिपकार्ट
- C) Tata CLiQ / टाटा क्लिक
- D) Reliance Digital / रिलायंस डिजिटल
- E) Croma / क्रोमा

**Answer**: Option B

- French tech brand Alcatel has entered into a partnership with Flipkart, one of India's leading e-commerce platforms.
- The purpose of this collaboration is to launch Alcatel's latest smartphones on both Flipkart's main site and FK Minutes platform.
- The smartphones are designed to cater to digitally-savvy consumers in metro cities as well as tier-2 and tier-3 towns.
- Under the "Make in India" initiative, Alcatel smartphones will combine French design with premium innovation, while keeping the devices affordable and featurerich.

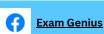
















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Ques: Which organization launched the "Customer Service Month" campaign in April 2025?

किस संगठन ने अप्रैल 2025 में "ग्राहक सेवा माह" अभियान शुरू किया?

- a) MTNL / MTNL
- b) Jio / जियो
- c) Vodafone Idea / वोडाफोन आइडिया
- d) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) / भारत संचार निगम लिमिटेड (BSNL)
- e) Airtel / एयरटेल

**Answer**: Option D

#### **Explanation:**

- Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has launched Customer Service Month in April 2025.
- · The campaign is themed "Connecting with Care", emphasizing empathy and customer-first service.
- The objective is to enhance customer experience and build stronger relationships with users.
- This initiative focuses on delivering better service quality, resolving issues promptly, and improving customer satisfaction through proactive engagement.

#### About BSNL:

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• HQ: New Delhi

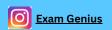
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# Ques: Mukhya Mantri Mahila Udyamita Abhiyan Launched by which state government?

मुख्यमंत्री महिला उद्यमिता अभियान किस राज्य सरकार द्वारा शुरू किया गया?

- (a) Assam / असम
- (b) Meghalaya / मेघालय
- (c) Tripura / त्रिपुरा
- (d) Manipur / मणिपुर
- (e) Arunachal Pradesh / अरुणाचल प्रदेश

**Answer**: Option A

#### **Explanation:**

- The Mukhya Mantri Mahila Udyamita Abhiyan was launched by the Assam government to empower women entrepreneurs.
- The launch event took place at Behali, Biswanath district, Assam.
- The scheme aims to benefit 30 lakh women across the state by providing financial assistance and encouraging self-employment.
- On the first day of the initiative, a total of 23,375 women received financial aid at the launch event itself.

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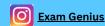
- First Year: Beneficiaries receive Rs.10,000 as seed capital to kickstart their ventures.
- Second Year: Eligible women get Rs.25,000, comprising a Rs.12,500 bank loan and Rs.12,500 government support to scale their business.
- Third Year: Those who successfully sustain their enterprise receive Rs.50,000 from the government to expand operations further.

















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Ques: Which portal has the Railway Protection Force (RPF) officially integrated with across India?

रेलवे सुरक्षा बल (RPF) ने आधिकारिक तौर पर पूरे भारत में किस पोर्टल को एकीकृत किया है?

- a) DigiLocker / डिजिलॉकर
- b) BharatNet / भारतनेट
- c) UMANG / उमंग
- d) CEIR (Central Equipment Identity Register) / CEIR (केंद्रीय उपकरण पहचान रजिस्टर)
- e) CyberSafe / साइबरसेफ

**Answer**: Option D

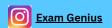
- Following a successful pilot in the Northeast Frontier Railway, the Railway Protection Force (RPF) has now officially integrated with the CEIR (Central Equipment Identity Register) portal across India.
- This integration allows RPF to block IMEI numbers of lost or stolen mobile phones, rendering them unusable and curbing illegal resale.
- Passengers can report missing phones through Rail Madad (either online or by calling 139).
- RPF's Zonal Cyber Cells will file a complaint with CEIR, block the device, and arrange recovery and return.
- RPF's Operation Amanat has returned property worth Rs.84.03 crores to over 1.15 lakh passengers. The CEIR platform will help RPF track and repair missing mobile phones more efficiently.

















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Ques: The bill aligns India's aircraft leasing framework with which international convention?

यह विधेयक भारत के विमान पट्टे ढांचे को किस अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन के साथ संरेखित करता है?

- a) Warsaw Convention / वारसॉ सम्मेलन
- b) Montreal Protocol / मॉन्ट्रियल प्रोटोकॉल
- c) Cape Town Convention / केप टाउन सम्मेलन
- d) Chicago Convention / शिकागो सम्मेलन
- e) Hague Convention / हेग सम्मेलन

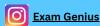
**Answer**: Option C

- The Protection of Interest in Aircraft Objects Bill, 2025, which was enacted by both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha, is the second major aviation reform under Civil Aviation Minister Ram Mohan Naidu.
- The measure seeks to connect India's aircraft leasing and financing environment with global standards, bolstering investor confidence in the country's rapidly expanding aviation business.
- It builds on the foundation of the Cape Town Convention of 2001, which aimed to simplify and standardize international leasing contracts.
- Although India formally embraced this agreement in 2008, loopholes in legal enforcement resulted in higher lease costs—typically 8-10% higher than in other countries.
- India's aviation sector has expanded rapidly, with annual passenger volume doubling from 10.38 crore (Independence to 2014) to 22.81 crore by 2024, and the number of airports expanding from 74 in 2014 to 159 in 2024.
- The Act promotes the sector's growth—as indicated by aircraft numbers increasing from 340 in 2014 to over 840 in 2024—while addressing issues such as high Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) costs, which account for 45% of airline operational expenses.
- Future goals include producing 2.5 crore gallons of Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) by 2025, converting over 100 airports to renewable energy, and expanding Flight Training Organizations (FTOs) to fulfill the demand for 30,000-34,000 pilots over the next 10-15 years.















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Ques: What is the total number of Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) the central government aims to establish?

केंद्र सरकार द्वारा स्थापित किए जाने वाले एकलव्य मॉडल आवासीय विद्यालयों (ईएमआरएस) की कुल संख्या कितनी है?

- a) 440
- b) 288
- c) 728
- d) 600
- e) 520

**Answer**: Option C

- The center aims to establish 728 Eklavya Model Residential Schools, benefiting about 3.5 lakh Schedule Tribe kids nationwide.
- The government planned to install 440 EMRSs as part of the initiative.
- Initially, 288 Eklavya schools were funded through grants and are being updated to the new model.
- The Central Sector Scheme of Eklavya Model Residential School began in 2018-19 to serve tribal youngsters in their community.
- The government plans to create one Eklavya Model Residential School in each block with more than 50% ST population and at least 20,000 tribal people.

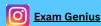


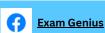
















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Ques: Who launched the Web-based Reservoir Storage Monitoring System (RSMS) Portal?

वेब-आधारित जलाशय भंडारण निगरानी प्रणाली (आरएसएमएस) पोर्टल किसने लॉन्च किया?

- a) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat / गजेंद्र सिंह शेखावत
- b) Bhupender Yadav / भूपेन्द्र यादव
- c) Mansukh Mandaviya / मनसुख मंडाविया
- d) C.R. Patil / सी.आर. पाटिल
- e) Nitin Gadkari / नितिन गडकरी

**Answer**: Option D

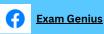
- Union Jal Shakti Minister C.R. Patil unveiled the Web-based Reservoir Storage Monitoring System (RSMS) Portal in New Delhi, which automates the compilation of weekly water storage bulletins and replaces the previous manual system.
- The portal monitors 161 important reservoirs (a total live storage capacity of 182.375 BCM) and offers real-time information, graphs, tables, and downloadable bulletins. It is accessible to policymakers and the general public.
- Bulletins are issued every Thursday and distributed to agencies such as the PMO, NITI Aayog, IMD, MoJS, and several state governments. Advisories are issued in the event of a critical storage scenario.
- Reservoir data are used for agriculture, power, home usage, disaster management, and climate resilience, and they play an important role in guaranteeing water security and managing crop cycles throughout the country.















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Ques: What is the total estimated cost of the four major multitracking projects approved for Indian Railways?

भारतीय रेलवे के लिए स्वीकृत चार प्रमुख मल्टीट्रैकिंग परियोजनाओं की कुल अनुमानित लागत कितनी है?

- a) Rs.12,500 crore
- b) Rs.18,658 crore
- c) Rs.20,100 crore
- d) Rs.15,300 crore
- e) Rs.10,000 crore

**Answer**: Option B

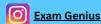
- The Union Cabinet has approved four significant multitracking railway projects aimed at increasing line capacity and improving passenger and freight transportation.
- The projects stretch 1,247 km across 15 districts in Maharashtra, Odisha, and Chhattisgarh, costing Rs.18,658 crore and expected to be finished by 2030-31.
- The goal is to improve transport efficiency for coal, iron ore, and minerals, reduce logistical costs, and promote sustainable rail operations.
- The four projects include the third and fourth line expansions between Sambalpur and Jarapda, the third and fourth lines between Jharsuguda and Sason, the fifth and sixth lines between Kharsia, Naya Raipur, and Parmalkasa, and the doubling of the Gondia-Balharshah track.
- These projects are part of the PM-Gati Shakti National Master Plan for Multimodal Connectivity.
- The projects would also include the development of 19 additional stations, which will improve access to key areas, including two aspirational districts, Gadchiroli and Rajnandgaon.
- This improved connectivity will assist roughly 3,350 villages and 47.25 million people.

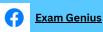
















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# Ques: How many villages are connected by the Samruddhi Mahamarg? समृद्धि महामार्ग से कितने गांव जुड़े हैं?

- a) 156
- b) 202
- c) 392
- d) 504
- e) 600

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation:**

- Maharashtra State Road Development Corporation Limited (MSRDC) received the prestigious SKOCH 2025 Award in the Gold category for Infrastructure.
- The award was presented at the 100th SKOCH Summit held at the India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.
- MSRDC was honored for the successful execution of its flagship project 'Hindu Hrudaysamrat Balasaheb Thackeray Maharashtra Samruddhi Mahamarg'.

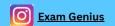
## The Samruddhi Mahamarg is a high-speed greenfield expressway, which:

- Connects 392 villages across 26 talukas in 10 districts of Maharashtra.
- Has significantly reduced travel time between Nagpur and Mumbai from 16-18 hours to just 7-8 hours.















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Ques: India will host the first-ever BIMSTEC Games in which year? भारत किस वर्ष पहली बार बिम्सटेक खेलों की मेजबानी करेगा?

- a) 2024
- b) 2025
- c) 2026
- d) 2027
- e) 2028

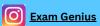
**Answer**: Option D

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the sixth BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) Summit, which was hosted by Thailand, the current chair.
- The Theme of the Summit was "BIMSTEC: Prosperous, Resilient, and Open". It reflected the leaders' priorities and the ambitions of the peoples of the BIMSTEC region, as well as BIMSTEC's efforts to ensure shared growth in the face of global uncertainty.
- To improve capacity building and economic integration, PM Modi launched the BODHI youth skilling program, suggested a BIMSTEC Chamber of Commerce, an annual BIMSTEC Business Summit, a Digital Public Infrastructure study, and a cancer care capacity-building project.
- To strengthen cultural and people-to-people links, India will host the BIMSTEC Athletics Meet in 2025, the inaugural BIMSTEC Games in 2027, a Traditional Music Festival, and youth-focused events such as a Young Leaders' Summit, Hackathon, and Young Professional Visitors Programme.















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# Ques: NTPC's new capacity addition of 90 MW is part of which project? एनटीपीसी की नई 90 मेगावाट क्षमता किस परियोजना का हिस्सा है?

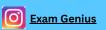
- A) Kutch Wind Energy Project / कच्छ पवन ऊर्जा परियोजना
- B) Bhuj Hybrid Project / भुज हाइब्रिड परियोजना
- C) Tamil Nadu Solar Park / तमिलनाडु सोलर पार्क
- D) Rajasthan Wind Corridor / राजस्थान पवन गलियारा
- E) NTPC Thermal Expansion / एनटीपीसी थर्मल विस्तार

**Answer**: Option B

- NTPC Limited has crossed a major milestone with its total installed capacity now exceeding 80,000 MW (80 GW).
- This was achieved after the commissioning of a 90 MW wind power unit under Phase-I of the Dayapar Wind Energy Project in Gujarat.
- The project is part of NTPC's 450 MW Hybrid Project at Bhuj.
- It is managed by NTPC Renewable Energy Limited (NGEL) and became operational on April 9, 2025.
- This development highlights NTPC's growing focus on renewable energy and supports India's clean energy goals.













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:Ques: Who recently set a new national record in the men's 100m sprint at the Indian Grand Prix 1 in Bengaluru?

हाल ही में बेंगलुरु में इंडियन ग्रैंड प्रिक्स 1 में पुरुषों की 100 मीटर स्प्रिंट में किसने नया राष्ट्रीय रिकॉर्ड बनाया?

- a) Manikanta Hoblidhar / मणिकांत होबलीधर
- b) Avinash Sable / अविनाश साबले
- c) Gurindervir Singh / गुरिंदरवीर सिंह
- d) Neeraj Chopra / नीरज चोपड़ा
- e) Muhammed Anas / मुहम्मद अनस

Answer: Option C

- Gurindervir Singh, a 24-year-old sprinter from Punjab, created history at the Indian Grand Prix 1 in Bengaluru.
- He clocked 10.20 seconds in the men's 100m sprint, setting a new national record.
- Gurindervir broke the previous record of 10.23 seconds, set by Manikanta Hoblidhar in October 2023.
- He was representing Reliance during this record-breaking performance.



















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Ques: World Health Day is celebrated every year on which day? विश्व स्वास्थ्य दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 5 April
- (b) 6 April
- (c) 7 April
- (d) 8 April
- (e) 9 April

**Answer**: Option C

- World Health Day is observed every year on April 7, commemorating the establishment of the World Health Organization (WHO) in 1948 and raising worldwide health awareness.
- Theme 2025: Healthy Beginnings, Hopeful Futures.
- The day supports universal health coverage, mental health, and equitable healthcare access, with the goal of creating a better, fairer world for all.

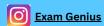


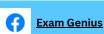














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## **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

In a remarkable display of skill and dedication, young Indian equestrian player Niharika Singhania has clinched first position in the prestigious Azelhof CSI Lier equestrian competition held in Belgium.

Book The Great Conciliator: Lal Bahadur Shastri and the Transformation of India is Authored by Sanjeev Chopra

Seema Agrawal Appointed as Director-General of Police (DGP)/ Director of Fire and Rescue Services. She Replaced Former DGP Abhash Kumar.

India Assist, a real-time travel assistance service platform & Authorities of United Arab Emirates (UAE) signed between to launch its international arm, 'UAE Assist'.

Karnataka Vikas Gramin Bank (KVGB), a leading rural bank in India, has launched e-Bank Guarantee (e-BG) services in partnership with National E-Governance Services Limited (NESL).



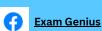














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# महत्वपूर्ण एक पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

युवा भारतीय घुडसवार खिलाडी निहारिका सिंघानिया ने कौशल और समर्पण का शानदार प्रदर्शन करते हुए बेल्जियम में आयोजित प्रतिष्ठित एज़ेलहोफ़ सीएसआई लियर घुड़सवारी प्रतियोगिता में प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त किया है।

द ग्रेट कॉन्सिलिएटर: लाल बहादुर शास्त्री एंड द ट्रांसफ़ॉर्मेशन ऑफ़ इंडिया नामक पुस्तक संजीव चोपडा द्वारा लिखी गई है

सीमा अग्रवाल को पुलिस महानिदेशक (डीजीपी)/अग्निशमन और बचाव सेवाओं की निदेशक नियुक्त किया गया। उन्होंने पूर्व डीजीपी अभाष कुमार का स्थान लिया।

इंडिया असिस्ट, एक वास्तविक समय यात्रा सहायता सेवा प्लेटफ़ॉर्म और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात (यूएई) के अधिकारियों ने अपनी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय शाखा, 'यूएई असिस्ट' को लॉन्च करने के लिए आपस में समझौता किया।

भारत के एक प्रमुख ग्रामीण बैंक, कर्नाटक विकास ग्रामीण बैंक (केवीजीबी) ने नेशनल ई-गवर्नेंस सर्विसेज़ लिमिटेड (एनईएसएल) के साथ साझेदारी में ई-बैंक गारंटी (ई-बीजी) सेवाएँ शुरू की हैं।

















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Ques: The new B2B collections solution by Axis Bank caters to which sectors? Axis Bank द्वारा शुरू किया गया नया B2B कलेक्शन समाधान किन क्षेत्रों के लिए है?

- a) Agriculture and Education / कृषि और शिक्षा
- b) IT and Real Estate / आईटी और रियल एस्टेट
- c) FMCG, Pharma, Automotives, and Healthcare / एफएमसीजी, फार्मा, ऑटोमोटिव्स और हेल्थकेयर
- d) Hospitality and Tourism / हॉस्पिटैलिटी और पर्यटन
- e) Logistics and Aviation / लॉजिस्टिक्स और विमानन

**Answer**: Option C

- Axis Bank has partnered with a Fortune 500 company to launch India's first B2B collections solution using NBBL's Bharat Connect (earlier known as BBPS).
- This new platform will help businesses make invoice payments easily, especially in sectors like FMCG, Pharma, Automotives, and Healthcare.
- It connects with different ordering apps, making it easier for distributors and retailers to manage their payments and collections.
- The solution is built on Axis Bank's Corporate API stack, making it flexible, scalable, and customizable.
- It is supported by NPCI Bharat BillPay Ltd. (NBBL) to improve supply chain finance operations.





















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Oues: Under which Act is the market-based securitisation of stressed assets being enabled?

दबावग्रस्त परिसंपत्तियों के बाजार-आधारित प्रतिभूतिकरण को किस अधिनियम के तहत सक्षम बनाया जा रहा है?

- A) RBI Act, 1934
- B) SARFAESI Act, 2002
- C) Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- D) Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016
- E) Companies Act, 2013

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) plans to allow the securitisation of stressed assets using a market-based system, in addition to the existing Asset Reconstruction Company (ARC) route.
- This will work under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, which already supports asset recovery through ARCs.
- RBI will release a draft framework soon, after considering public feedback and stakeholder suggestions.
- According to RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra, this step will help distribute financial risk better and offer an exit route for lenders.
- A discussion paper was already shared in January 2023, and the final framework will follow soon.

#### The new framework will apply to:

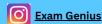
- All Scheduled Commercial Banks (except RRBs)
- All India Financial Institutions like NABARD, NHB, SIDBI, EXIM, and NaBFID
- Small Finance Banks
- NBFCs, including Housing Finance Companies (HFCs)

















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Ques: Which two Indian banks were among the first entities designated as corporate agents in GIFT-IFSC in April 2025? अप्रैल 2025 में GIFT-IFSC में कॉर्पोरेट एजेंट के रूप में नामित होने वाले दो भारतीय बैंक कौन से थे?

- a) SBI and Axis Bank / एसबीआई और एक्सिस बैंक
- b) HDFC Bank and IDFC First Bank IFSC Unit / एचडीएफसी बैंक और आईडीएफसी फर्स्ट बैंक IFSC यूनिट
- c) ICICI Bank and Kotak Mahindra Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक और कोटक महिंद्रा बैंक
- d) Bank of Baroda and PNB / बैंक ऑफ बडौदा और पीएनबी
- e) Yes Bank and IndusInd Bank / यस बैंक और इंडसइंड बैंक

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

- In April 2025, HDFC Bank Limited, the IFSC unit of IDFC First Bank, and Stock Holding Securities IFSC Limited (SSIL) became the first corporate agents in GIFT-IFSC, located in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- This means they are now officially allowed to sell insurance products at GIFT City, in addition to their usual financial services.
- These services are specifically aimed at Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) and Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) living outside India.
- One major benefit for NRIs buying insurance from GIFT City is that the insurance will follow the Indian Succession Act of 1925, making legal procedures related to inheritance easier under Indian law.

## **About International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA):**

Established: 2020

• HQ: GIFT City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat

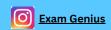
• Chairman : K. Rajaraman

















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# Ques: How much penalty has IRDAI imposed on Flipkart? IRDAI ने फ्लिपकार्ट पर कितना जुर्माना लगाया है?

- A) Rs.50 lakh
- B) Rs.75 lakh
- C) Rs.1 crore
- D) Rs.1.06 crore
- E) Rs.2 crore

**Answer**: Option D

- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has imposed a Rs.1.06 crore fine on Flipkart Internet Pvt. Ltd. (FIPL).
- The fine was due to a violation of the Insurance E-commerce Guidelines, 2017, which allow only approved insurers to be listed on an Insurance Self-Network Platform (ISNP).
- Flipkart had permission only to promote insurance policies online, but its website was redirecting users to another insurance intermediary's platform to buy policies.
- There was also a financial arrangement between Flipkart and the intermediary linked to this redirection, which went against the rules.
- Additionally, a Rs.6 lakh penalty was added because Flipkart continued selling insurance policies even after applying for renewal of registration.
- Flipkart has responded by saying it is currently reviewing the order

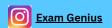


















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Ques: How many Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) will remain after the implementation of the 'One State-One RRB' plan by the Finance Ministry?

वित्त मंत्रालय द्वारा 'एक राज्य-एक क्षेत्रीय ग्रामीण बैंक (RRB)' योजना के कार्यान्वयन के बाद कितने RRB शेष रहेंगे?

- a) 25
- b) 28
- c) 30
- d) 35
- e) 43

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

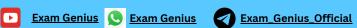
- The 'One State-One RRB' plan, which aims to rationalize costs and streamline operations, will shortly be implemented by the finance ministry, reducing the number of regional rural banks (RRBs) from 43 to 28.
- 15 RRBs existing in different states would be combined in accordance with the roadmap created by the finance ministry.
- Andhra Pradesh, which has the most RRBs (4), Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Bihar, Gujarat, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, and Rajasthan are among the states that will have their RRBs consolidated.
- In the context of RRBs, the fiscal year 2021–2022 marked a turning point when the Center agreed to provide Rs.5,445 crore as its share over two years in order to support growth capital.
- Through three stages of merger, the Center's structural consolidation of RRBs, which began in 2004-05, reduced the number of these institutions from 196 to 43 until 2020-21.
- These banks were established under the RRB Act of 1976 with the intention of lending money and offering other services to small farmers, agricultural laborers, and craftspeople in rural regions.
- As of March 31, 2024, 43 RRBs were functioning through a network of 22,069 branches across 700 districts in 26 States and 3 Union Territories (Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, and Puducherry).

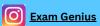
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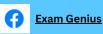
















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- In FY 2023–2024, RRBs reported a record profit of Rs 7,571 crore.
- By March 31, 2024, RRBs' consolidated capital adequacy ratio was 14.2%.
- At 6.1%, Gross Non-Performing Assets (GNPA) hit a record low.

#### **About Regional Rural Banks:**

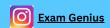
- Established: 1975 (under the Regional Rural Banks Act, 1976)
- Regulated by: Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and NABARD (National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development)
- Ownership Structure: 50% Government of India, 35% Sponsor Bank (Public Sector Banks) and 15% - State Government
- Prathama Bank, established on October 2, 1975, with its headquarters in Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh, and sponsored by Syndicate Bank. It is the 1st RRB.

















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## Ques: Which Fixed Deposit (FD) scheme has SBI recently discontinued? SBI ने हाल ही में किस फिक्स्ड डिपॉजिट (FD) योजना को बंद कर दिया है?

- a) SBI Amrit Kalash FD / एसबीआई अमृत कलश एफडी
- b) SBI Senior Care FD / एसबीआई सीनियर केयर एफडी
- c) SBI Golden Jubilee FD / एसबीआई गोल्डन जुबली एफडी
- d) SBI Platinum Deposit / एसबीआई प्लेटिनम डिपॉजिट
- e) SBI Flexi Deposit / एसबीआई फ्लेक्सी डिपॉजिट

**Answer**: Option A

- State Bank of India (SBI) has officially ended its special Amrit Kalash Fixed Deposit scheme from April 1, 2025.
- The scheme was a 400-day FD offering 7.10% interest for regular customers and 7.60% for senior citizens, and had been active since April 12, 2023.
- For those looking for similar benefits, SBI now offers the Amrit Vrishti FD scheme, which provides slightly better interest rates and extra perks, especially for senior and super senior citizens.

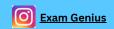


















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Ques: Who is the chairman of SEBI's high-level committee on conflict of interest rules?

SEBI की उच्च स्तरीय समिति के अध्यक्ष कौन हैं?

- A) Udav Kotak / उदय कोटक
- B) Injeti Srinivas / इंजेती श्रीनिवास
- C) Pratyush Sinha / प्रत्यूष सिन्हा
- D) G Mahalingam / जी महालिंगम
- F) Sarit Jafa / सरित जाफा

Answer: Option C

- SEBI has formed a high-level committee (HLC) of six members to review rules on conflict of interest.
- The committee is headed by Pratyush Sinha, a retired IAS officer and former Chief Vigilance Commissioner.
- Its main goal is to review the 2008 code of conduct and identify any gaps in disclosures related to property, investments, liabilities, and conflict of interest of SEBI officials and board members.
- The HLC will suggest improvements to ensure transparency, accountability, and ethical practices.
- It will also create a system to address public complaints about conflict of interest.
- The committee must submit its recommendations within 3 months.

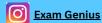


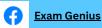
















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Ques: How much financial assistance has NABARD provided to Jharkhand for the financial year 2024-25?

वित्तीय वर्ष 2024-25 के लिए NABARD ने झारखंड को कितनी वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान की है?

- a) Rs.4,500 crore
- b) Rs.3,750 crore
- c) Rs.6,200 crore
- d) Rs.5,830 crore
- e) Rs.2,985 crore

**Answer**: Option D

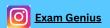
- The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has provided financial assistance of Rs.5,830 crore to the state of Jharkhand for the financial year 2024-25.
- A large share of this funding, Rs.2,143 crore, was received by two Ranchi-based banks - Jharkhand Rajya Gramin Bank and Jharkhand State Cooperative Bank Limited.
- Additionally, NABARD allocated Rs.1,988 crore under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) to support key infrastructure projects in rural areas of Jharkhand.

















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Ques: What is the rank of India in 'Readiness for Frontier Technologies' index Published by UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD)? संयुक्त राष्ट्र व्यापार और विकास (यूएनसीटीएडी) द्वारा प्रकाशित 'फ्रंटियर टेक्नोलॉजीज के लिए तत्परता' सूचकांक में भारत का रैंक क्या है?

- (a) 32nd
- (b) 34th
- (c) 35th
- (d) 36th
- (e) 38th

**Answer**: Option D

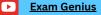
#### **Explanation**:

- 'Readiness for Frontier Technologies' index Published by UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD). It includes total 170 Countries.
- The research based on ICT deployment, Skills, Research and development (R&D) activity, Industrial capacity and Access to finance
- On a global index that gauges a nation's preparedness for cutting-edge technologies, India is now ranked 36th out of 170 countries, up from the previous vear.
- India rose from 48th place in 2022 to 36th place in 2024 on the "Readiness for Frontier Technologies" index.
- According to the paper, artificial intelligence is predicted to become a significant force in digital transformation and reach a market value of USD 4.8 trillion by 2033.
- The United States leads the world in AI investments, with \$67 billion in 2023, or 70% of worldwide funding.
- India comes in tenth place with \$1.4 billion, followed by China with \$7.8 billion.

## Ranking of India in categories:

- ICT (Information & Communication Tech): 99th
- · Skills: 113th
- Research & Development (R&D): 3rd
- Industrial Capacity: 10th
- Access to Finance: 70th

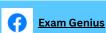
















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Ques: Rongali Bihu, also known as Bohag Bihu, is primarily celebrated in which Indian state?

रंगाली बिहु, जिसे बोहाग बिहु भी कहा जाता है, मुख्य रूप से भारत के किस राज्य में मनाया जाता है?

- a) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- b) Assam / असम
- c) Odisha / ओडिशा
- d) Manipur / मणिपुर
- e) Tripura / त्रिपुरा

**Answer**: Option B

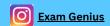
- Rongali Bihu, also called Bohag Bihu, is a major festival celebrated in Assam.
- In 2025, it is being celebrated in mid-April, marking the Assamese New Year.
- It also signals the start of the agricultural season, making it an important time for farmers in the region.

















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:Ques: Who launched a new website for the Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation (DoWR, RD & GR) in New Delhi? नई दिल्ली में जल संसाधन, नदी विकास और गंगा संरक्षण विभाग (DoWR, RD & GR) के लिए नई वेबसाइट किसने लॉन्च की?

- a) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat / गजेंद्र सिंह शेखावत
- b) Bhupender Yadav / भूपेन्द्र यादव
- c) Mansukh Mandaviya / मनसुख मंडाविया
- d) C.R. Patil / सी.आर. पाटिल
- e) Nitin Gadkari / नितिन गडकरी

**Answer**: Option D

- A new website for the Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation (DoWR, RD & GR) was unveiled in New Delhi by Union Minister of Jal Shakti C.R. Patil.
- With the goal of establishing a unified digital ecosystem across all government agencies, this project is in line with the Digital Brand Identity Manual (DBIM) framework.
- All citizens, including those with impairments, can access the website since it conforms with the most recent Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG).
- Effective updates and maintenance are made possible by a centralized content management system, guaranteeing that the public always has access to the most recent information.

















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#### Ques: Which theme is most commonly associated with Sudarsan Pattnaik's sand art?

सुदर्शन पटनायक की रेत कला से सबसे अधिक कौन सी थीम जुड़ी हुई है?

- A) Abstract modernism / अमूर्त आधुनिकतावाद
- B) Historical fiction / ऐतिहासिक कथा साहित्य
- C) Mythological symbolism and social messages / पौराणिक प्रतीकवाद और सामाजिक संदेश
- D) Celebrity portraits / सेलिब्रिटी चित्र
- E) Urban landscapes / शहरी परिदृश्य

**Answer**: Option C

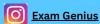
- For his exceptional contributions to sand art, renowned Indian sand artist Sudarsan Pattnaik became the first Indian to win the coveted Fred Darrington Sand Master Award.
- The prize was given out in Dorset, England, at the Sandworld 2025 International Sand Art Festival.
- Pattnaik made a 10-foot-tall sculpture of Lord Ganesha with the words "World Peace" to commemorate the event. This year's award is especially meaningful because it marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of the renowned British sculptor Fred Darrington.
- Odisha native Sudarshan Pattnaik, a Padma Shri recipient, has competed in more than 65 international sand art competitions and festivals.
- Although he has received global praise for his work, which frequently combines spiritual themes with social implications, the Weymouth award represents a new high.
- Artists from all over the world may be found in the Sandworld exhibition at Lodmoor Park, which is well-known for its enormous, intricate sand sculptures made with only sand and water.
- However, this year's message from India-rooted in peace and etched in sand-is making the biggest mark.

















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador for Thomas Cook India's foreign exchange business?

थॉमस कुक इंडिया के विदेशी मुद्रा व्यापार के लिए ब्रांड एंबेसडर के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Kartik Aarvan / कार्तिक आर्यन
- (b) Aamir Khan / आमिर खान
- (c) Rajkummar Rao / राजकुमार राव
- (d) Vicky Kaushal / विक्की कौशल
- (e) Ayushmann Khurrana / आयुष्मान खुराना

**Answer**: Option A

- Bollywood star Kartik Aaryan has been named a brand ambassador for Thomas Cook India Limited's foreign currency division.
- The corporation views India's millennial and Gen Z travelers as key contributors to the growth of outbound travel in the nation, thus this strategic initiative targets them.
- The collaboration starts with a marketing campaign for Thomas Cook's newly released Borderless Travel Card, a prepaid card with multiple currencies intended for foreign travelers.

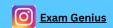


















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Ques: As of March 2024, how much forest area was reported to be under encroachment in the 25 states and Union Territories that submitted data to the **Union Environment Ministry?** 

मार्च 2024 तक, 25 राज्यों और केंद्रशासित प्रदेशों द्वारा पर्यावरण मंत्रालय को प्रस्तुत आंकडों के अनुसार कितने वन क्षेत्र पर अतिक्रमण पाया गया?

- a) 7,506 sq km / 7,506 वर्ग किमी
- b) 10,250 sq km / 10,250 वर्ग किमी
- c) 13,056 sq km / 13,056 वर्ग किमी
- d) 15,000 sg km / 15,000 वर्ग किमी
- e) 11,728 sq km / 11,728 वर्ग किमी

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

- Over 13,000 square kilometres of forest land in India is currently under encroachment — that's more than the total area of Delhi, Sikkim, and Goa combined.
- This data was collected from 25 states and Union Territories and submitted to the Union Environment Ministry by March 2024.
- The National Green Tribunal (NGT) had asked for this data after noticing a news report highlighting serious forest encroachment.

### The states with the highest encroachments are:

- Madhya Pradesh 5,460.9 sq km
- Assam 3,620.9 sq km
- Karnataka 863.08 sq km
- Maharashtra 575.54 sq km
- Arunachal Pradesh 534.9 sq km
- 10 states/UTs including Delhi, Bihar, West Bengal, Himachal Pradesh, and Jammu & Kashmir have not yet submitted their data.



















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Oues: Which nation has declared its intention to leave the International Criminal Court (ICC) as the first European country to do so? किस देश ने अंतर्राष्ट्रीय आपराधिक न्यायालय (ICC) छोडने का इरादा घोषित किया है, जो ऐसा करने वाला

पहला यूरोपीय देश है?

- (a) Slovenia / स्लोवेनिया
- (b) Poland / पोलैंड
- (c) Azerbaijan / अज़रबैजान
- (d) China / चीन
- (e) Hungary / हंगरी

**Answer**: Option E

### **Explanation:**

- Viktor Orban, the prime minister of Hungary, declared that his nation would be leaving the International Criminal Court (ICC). The International Criminal Court was founded in 2002, and Hungary was the first European nation to leave.
- In front of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who is in Hungary for a fourday official visit, Viktor Orbán revealed the country's decision to leave the ICC.
- Benjamin Netanyahu, the prime minister of Israel, has an arrest order issued by the ICC for alleged war crimes in Gaza.
- As a signatory to the 1998 Rome Statute and the ICC's founding member, Hungary was required to detain Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Hungary is not required to arrest Benjamin Netanyahu as a result of its decision to leave the ICC.

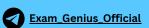
## About International Criminal Court (ICC):

- Established: 2002 under Rome Statute (adopted in 1998, entered into force in 2002)
- HQ: The Hague, Netherlands
- Members: 125 countries, including Hungary.
- Aim: to prosecute individuals for genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes, and the crime of aggression.
- President: Tomoko Akane
- Major powers like the USA, China, India, Israel, and Russia are not members.

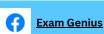
















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# Ques: When was the Stand Up India Scheme originally launched? स्टैंड अप इंडिया योजना की शुरुआत कब हुई थी?

- a) January 1, 2015 / 1 जनवरी, 2015
- b) April 5, 2016 / 5 अप्रैल, 2016
- c) March 15, 2017 / 15 मार्च, 2017
- d) May 1, 2016 / 1 मई, 2016
- e) October 2, 2015 / 2 अक्टूबर, 2015

**Answer**: Option B

### **Explanation:**

- The Government of India's (GoI) revolutionary Stand Up India Scheme marked the end of its nine-year successful execution on April 5, 2025.
- It was established on April 5, 2016, with the goal of fostering entrepreneurship at the local level with an emphasis on job creation and economic development.
- The Ministry of Finance's Department of Financial Services is in charge of implementing the initiative, while SIDBI serves as its nodal agency.
- Distribution by Category: SC Account and Loan Amount is 46248 and Rs.9747.11 crore, Amount of Loan and ST Account is Rs.3244.07 crore and 15228 and Women Entrepreneurs is Rs.43984.10 crore and 190844

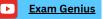
## **About Stand-Up India:**

- It is Launched in 2016.
- Composite Loan comprising both term loan and working capital, between Rs 10 lakh and Rs 1 crore through SCBs

## Eligibility for the scheme is:

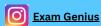
- Only SC/Scheduled Tribe ST or women entrepreneurs above the age of 18 years are eligible for the scheme
- In case of non-individual enterprises, it is mandatory that minimum 51% of the shareholding and controlling stake to be held by either SC/ST and/or women entrepreneur
- The borrower should not be a defaulter with any bank or financial institution (FI)













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Ques: Which of the following is a primary objective of the Coastal Shipping Bill, 2024?

तटीय नौवहन विधेयक, 2024 का प्राथमिक उद्देश्य निम्नलिखित में से कौन सा है?

- A. Increase import tariffs on foreign vessels / विदेशी जहाजों पर आयात शुल्क बढ़ाना
- B. Encourage the use of inland waterways exclusively / अंतर्देशीय जलमार्गों के उपयोग को विशेष रूप से प्रोत्साहित करना
- C. Promote economical and sustainable coastal transportation / किफायती और टिकाऊ तटीय परिवहन को बढावा देना
- D. Limit coastal trade to only public sector enterprises / तटीय व्यापार को केवल सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उद्यमों तक सीमित करना
- E. Restrict shipbuilding activities in India / भारत में जहाज निर्माण गतिविधियों को प्रतिबंधित करना

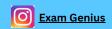
**Answer**: Option E

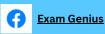
- The Lok Sabha enacted the Coastal Shipping Bill, 2024, which creates a comprehensive legal framework to support affordable, dependable, and sustainable coastal transportation while lessening the strain on rail and road systems.
- In accordance with the National Logistics Policy and in support of the "Make in India" campaign, the law streamlines coastal trade operations and eliminates the need for general trading permits for Indian ships.
- The measure intends to lower logistics costs, promote Indian ship ownership, increase shipbuilding, port services, and employment, and restrict foreign vessel participation through particular licenses.
- Green clearance channels, lower bunker fuel GST, and a National Database for Coastal Shipping are among the provisions. According to the law, coastal freight traffic is expected to increase from 162 million tonnes in 2023-2024 to 230 million tonnes by 2030.















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Ques: The International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDSDP) is observed every year on which day?

विकास और शांति के लिए अंतर्राष्ट्रीय खेल दिवस (IDSDP) हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 5 April
- (b) 6 April
- (c) 7 April
- (d) 8 April
- (e) 9 April

**Answer**: Option B

- Every year on April 6, the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDSDP) is celebrated, honoring the transformative potential of sport in promoting good change, overcoming barriers, and bridging divides.
- Leveling the Playing Field: Sport for Social Inclusion is the theme for 2025.
- The United Nations General Assembly declared April 6th to be the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace in August 2013, and it has been observed annually since 2014.



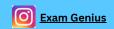


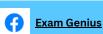
















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Ques: The International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda is observed every year on which day?

रवांडा में तुत्सी के खिलाफ 1994 के नरसंहार पर अंतर्राष्ट्रीय चिंतन दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 5 April
- (b) 6 April
- (c) 7 April
- (d) 8 April
- (e) 9 April

**Answer**: Option C

- Every year on April 7, we commemorate the International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda.
- On this day in 1994, more than 800,000 Tutsis, moderate Hutus, and others who resisted the genocide were methodically murdered in a span of 100 days, marking the start of one of the most horrific periods in modern history.
- The day, which was declared by the UN General Assembly in 2003, is a somber time to remember the deaths, offer support to the survivors, and consider the lessons that have been learnt.
- This yearly celebration inspires people all throughout the world to oppose hate speech, prejudice, and violence and to advance the ideals of human rights, peace, and universal dignity.

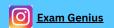
















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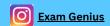
- 21 March: The International Day of Forests (Theme 2025: Forests and Food)
- 21 March: World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) (Theme 2025: Improve Our Support Systems)
- 21 March: World Puppetry Day 2025 (Theme 2025 Robots, AI, and the Dream of the Puppet?)
- 22 March (Last Saturday of March): Earth Hour
- 22 March: World Water Day (Theme 2025: Glacier Preservation)
- 22 March: World Day For Glaciers 2025 (Theme 2025 Glaciers' Preservation)
- 23 March: World Meteorological Day (Theme 2025: Closing the Early Warning Gap Together)
- 23 March: Shaheed Diwas or Martyrs' Day (March 23, 1931, lies in the execution of three young revolutionaries (Bhagat Singh, Rajguru, and Sukhdev))
- 24 March: International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims
- 24 March: World Tuberculosis Day (Theme 2025 Yes! We Can End TB: Commit, Invest, Deliver)
- 25 March: The International Day of the Unborn Child
- 25 March: The International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing Staff **Members**
- 26 March: World Purple Day
- 27 March: World Theatre Day (Theme 2025: Theatre and a Culture of Peace)
- 28 March: Universal Acceptance Day (Theme 2025 "Connecting the Unconnected
- Building a Multilingual Internet for Viksit Bharat.")
- 29 March: World Piano Day
- 30 March: International Day of Zero Waste 2025 (Theme 2025 Towards Zero Waste in Fashion and Textiles)
- 1 April: 89th edition of Utkal Divas, also known as Odisha Day or Vishuva Milan to commemorate the formation of the state of Odisha in 1936
- 2 April: International Fact-Checking Day
- 2 April: World Autism Awareness Day (Theme 2025: Advancing Neurodiversity and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs))
- 2 April (first Wednesday of April): National Walking Day (Theme 2025: Protect yourself from diabetes, heart disease, and cancer)













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

Shaleen Toshniwal Appointed as 20th Chairman of Manmade and Technical Textiles Export Promotion Council (MATEXIL). Prior to this role, he served as Vice Chairman of MATEXIL. He Replaced Bhadresh Dodhia.

Indian Railways Partners with Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) to Install Automatic Wheel Profile Measurement Systems (AWPMS). It is a touchless, real-time monitoring system to assess the shape and condition of train wheels

India will host 2025 BIMSTEC Athletics Meet and 2027 1st BIMSTEC Games.

Bangladesh officially became the new Chair of Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (Bimstec) for the next two years. It received the leadership from Thailand, the previous Chair.

















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Ques: Which Regional Rural Bank became the first in India to launch e-Bank Guarantee (e-BG) services?

भारत में ई-बैंक गारंटी (e-BG) सेवा शुरू करने वाला पहला क्षेत्रीय ग्रामीण बैंक (RRB) कौन बना?

- a) Kerala Gramin Bank / केरल ग्रामीण बैंक
- b) Andhra Pradesh Grameena Vikas Bank / आंध्र प्रदेश ग्रामीण विकास बैंक
- c) Karnataka Vikas Gramin Bank / कर्नाटक विकास ग्रामीण बैंक
- d) Jharkhand Rajya Gramin Bank / झारखंड राज्य ग्रामीण बैंक
- e) Baroda UP Bank / बडौदा यूपी बैंक

Answer: Option C

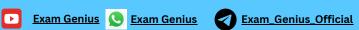
- Karnataka Vikas Gramin Bank (KVGB) launched e-Bank Guarantee (e-BG) services in Dharwad, Karnataka.
- KVGB is the first among the 43 Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) in India to offer this facility.
- The bank partnered with National E-Governance Services Limited (NESL) to launch the service.
- The e-BG process uses e-signatures and e-stamps, enabling quick and paperless issuance of guarantees.
- Beneficiaries can instantly view the guarantee on the NESL portal, removing the need for manual verification or physical copies.

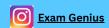


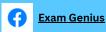
















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## Ques: What is the current reporate after RBI's April 2025 cut? अप्रैल 2025 में RBI की कटौती के बाद वर्तमान रेपो दर क्या है?

- a) 6.25%
- b) 6.75%
- c) 6.5%
- d) 6%
- e) 5.75%

**Answer**: Option D

- In April 2025, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) cut the reportate by 25 basis points (0.25%), bringing it down to 6%.
- This move was driven by concerns over Global trade war uncertainties, Tariffrelated impacts from U.S. economic policies and Risks to domestic growth momentum
- The GDP growth forecast for the current fiscal was revised downward from 6.7% to 6.5%.
- Policy stance was changed from neutral to accommodative, signaling a focus on supporting economic growth.
- RBI emphasized the need to stimulate demand and revive investment, placing higher priority on growth than inflation.
- The central bank also hinted at the possibility of further rate cuts if needed.

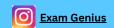


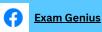
















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Ques: What is the tenure of the new 'bob Square Drive Deposit Scheme' launched by **Bank of Baroda?** 

बैंक ऑफ बडौदा द्वारा शुरू की गई नई 'बॉब स्क्वायर ड्राइव डिपॉजिट स्कीम' की अवधि क्या है?

- (a) 400 days / 400 दिन
- (b) 500 days / 500 दिन
- (c) 444 days / 444 दिन
- (d) 333 days / 333 दिन
- (e) 365 days / 365 दिन

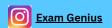
Answer: Option C

- Bank of Baroda launched a new fixed deposit scheme called 'bob Square Drive Deposit Scheme', effective from April 7, 2025.
- This scheme offers a tenure of 444 days.
- The interest rates are:
  - 7.15% per annum for the general public
  - 7.65% for senior citizens
  - 7.75% for super senior citizens (80+ years)
- This scheme replaces the earlier Utsav Deposit Scheme, which has now been withdrawn.















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Ques: Which public awareness campaign has the RBI expanded with the launch of the WhatsApp channel?

व्हाट्सएप चैनल लॉन्च करने के साथ RBI ने किस सार्वजनिक जागरूकता अभियान का विस्तार किया है?

- (a) Safer Banking India / सुरक्षित बैंकिंग इंडिया
- (b) Financial Literacy Campaign / वित्तीय साक्षरता अभियान
- (c) RBI Kehta Hai / RBI कहता है
- (d) Digital Banking Awareness / डिजिटल बैंकिंग जागरूकता
- (e) Consumer Rights Awareness / उपभोक्ता अधिकार जागरूकता

**Answer**: Option C

- RBI has launched a WhatsApp Channel to enhance its financial literacy campaign, especially targeting remote and underserved areas.
- This is part of its broader initiative 'RBI Kehta Hai', which spreads awareness on safe banking, consumer rights, and fraud prevention.
- The WhatsApp channel will share verified and secure information, helping combat financial myths and ensuring people make informed financial decisions.





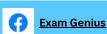
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Executive Director - Technology and **Operations of Equitas Small Finance Bank?** इक्विटास स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक के कार्यकारी निदेशक - प्रौद्योगिकी और संचालन के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Vasudevan P N / वास्देवन पी. एन.
- (b) Balaji Nuthalapadi / बालाजी नुथलापदी
- (c) Ramesh Subramanian / रमेश सुब्रमण्यम
- (d) Arvind Krishna / अरविंद कृष्णा
- (e) Sanjay Agarwal / संजय अग्रवाल

**Answer**: Option B

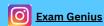
- Balaji Nuthalapadi has been appointed as the Executive Director Technology and Operations at Equitas Small Finance Bank.
- Equitas Small Finance Bank was established in 2016 and is headquartered in Chennai.
- The current Managing Director and CEO of the bank is Vasudevan P N.

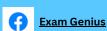
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Oman India Joint Investment Fund - Management Company? ओमान इंडिया संयुक्त निवेश कोष – प्रबंधन कंपनी के मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी (CEO) के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Rajiv Kumar / राजीव कुमार
- (b) Satish Chavva / सतीश चव्वा
- (c) Sanjay Joshi / संजय जोशी
- (d) Nitin Gupta / नितिन गुप्ता
- (e) Ravi Menon / रवि मेनन

**Answer**: Option B

- Satish Chavva has been appointed as the CEO of Oman India Joint Investment Fund
- Management Company (OIJIF-MC), a private equity fund manager backed by the Oman Investment Authority and the State Bank of India (SBI).
- He previously worked with British International Investment, where he led Direct Private Equity for South Asia.
- Chavva has a prior connection with OIJIF, having served as Director of Investments from 2016 to 2022.
- He also worked with Citi Group for over 9 years, including its private equity arm Citi Venture Capital International, in both India and the UK

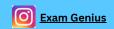


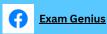
















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Ques: PNB MetLife India Insurance has partnered with which platform to launch the Pension Premier Multicap Fund under its ULIP plan? पीएनबी मेटलाइफ इंडिया इंश्योरेंस ने अपनी यूनिट लिंक्ड इंश्योरेंस प्लान (ULIP) के तहत पेंशन प्रीमियर मल्टीकैप फंड लॉन्च करने के लिए किस प्लेटफॉर्म के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- (a) BankBazaar / बैंकबाज़ार
- (b) IndiaFirst Life / इंडियाफर्स्ट लाइफ
- (c) LIC / एलआईसी
- (d) Policybazaar / पॉलिसीबाज़ार
- (e) Max Life / मैक्स लाइफ

**Answer**: Option D

- PNB MetLife India Insurance Company Limited has partnered with Policybazaar to launch the Pension Premier Multicap Fund under its Unit-Linked Insurance Plans (ULIPs).
- The fund is offered under the PNB MetLife Smart Invest Pension Plan (UIN -117L137V02).
- It aims to help build a retirement corpus while offering life insurance protection.
- The fund is open for subscription from April 1 to April 15, 2025, at an initial Net Asset Value (NAV) of Rs.10, after which it will be market-linked.



















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Ques: What was the main reason RBI imposed a Rs.36.40 lakh penalty on Aryavart Bank in March 2025?

RBI ने मार्च 2025 में आर्यावर्त बैंक पर Rs.36.40 लाख का जुर्माना किस मुख्य कारण से लगाया?

- A) Failure to report NPAs correctly / एनपीए की सही रिपोर्टिंग न करना
- B) Violation of KYC norms / केवाईसी मानदंडों का उल्लंघन
- C) Non-compliance in SLR maintenance / एसएलआर रखरखाव में गैर-अनुपालन
- D) Delay in transferring unclaimed amounts to DEAF / दावा न की गई राशि को डीईएएफ में स्थानांतरित करने में देरी
- E) Misreporting of priority sector lending / प्राथमिकता क्षेत्र ऋण की गलत रिपोर्टिंग

**Answer**: Option D

- RBI imposed a Rs.36.40 lakh penalty on Aryavart Bank, Lucknow for not complying with regulatory norms.
- The penalty was issued on March 28, 2025, after an inspection conducted by NABARD.
- The bank failed to transfer eligible unclaimed amounts to the Depositor Education and Awareness Fund (DEAF) within the prescribed timeframe.
- This action violates Section 26A read with Section 51(1) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- RBI clarified that the penalty is due to statutory non-compliance and does not affect the validity of any customer-related transactions.

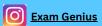


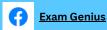
















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# Ques: Who recently resigned as the Executive Director of Federal Bank? हाल ही में फेडरल बैंक के कार्यकारी निदेशक के पद से किसने इस्तीफा दिया?

- (a) Shalini Warrier / शालिनी वॉरियर
- (b) Ramesh Iver / रमेश अय्यर
- (c) Balaji Nuthalapadi / बालाजी नुथलापदी
- (d) Rupa Devi Singh / रूपा देवी सिंह
- (e) Usha Ananthasubramanian / उषा अनंतसुब्रमण्यम

**Answer**: Option A

### **Explanation:**

- Shalini Warrier has resigned as the Executive Director of Federal Bank.
- She joined the bank in 2015 as the Chief Operating Officer (COO).
- In 2020, she was promoted to Executive Director.
- Her departure marks the end of nearly a decade-long tenure with the bank, during which she played a pivotal role in operational strategy and transformation.

#### **About Federal Bank:**

• Established: 1931 • HQ : Kochi, Kerala

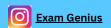
• MD & CEO: KVS Manian

• Tagline: Your Perfect Banking Partner















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Ques: What is the revised GDP growth forecast for India for FY26 as per ADB's April **2025 report?** 

ADB की अप्रैल 2025 रिपोर्ट के अनुसार FY26 के लिए भारत की संशोधित GDP वृद्धि दर क्या है?

- A) 7.3%
- B) 7.4%
- C) 7.8%
- D) 6.7%
- E) 6.9%

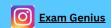
**Answer**: Option D

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) revised India's FY26 GDP growth forecast to 6.7%, down from the earlier 7% projection.
- Reasons for the downgrade includes, Global economic uncertainty, Impact of US tariffs on Indian exports and Risks to foreign investment flows
- ADB projects a slight rebound in FY27, forecasting 6.8% GDP growth.
- Inflation projections of FY26 is 4.3% and FY27 is 4.0%
- ADB recommends to Build resilience in the food supply chain and Extend policy support for rural income growth and inflation moderation
- India could gain from trade diversions triggered by evolving global tariff structures according to Moody's view.















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Ques: Under MSP operations, which state recorded the highest procurement of cotton by the government in 2025?

न्यूनतम समर्थन मूल्य (MSP) अभियान के तहत 2025 में सरकार द्वारा कपास की सबसे अधिक खरीद किस राज्य में दर्ज की गई?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (c) Telangana / तेलंगाना
- (d) Andhra Pradesh / आंध्र प्रदेश
- (e) Karnataka / कर्नाटक

**Answer**: Option C

- The Government of India procured 100 lakh bales of cotton under MSP operations through its nodal agency.
- This equals 38% of total cotton arrivals and 34% of total estimated cotton production.
- Telangana recorded the highest procurement with 40 lakh bales, followed by Maharashtra (30 lakh) and Gujarat (14 lakh).
- Other states with notable procurement include Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, and smaller amounts from Haryana, Rajasthan, and Punjab.
- A total of Rs.37,450 crore has been disbursed to around 21 lakh cotton farmers across India.

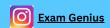


















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Ques: The 7th edition of 'Poshan Pakhwada', launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, is observed during which dates in 2025? महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय द्वारा शुरू किया गया 'पोषण पखवाड़ा' का 7वां संस्करण 2025 में किस अवधि के दौरान मनाया जा रहा है?

- (a) April 1 to 14
- (b) April 5 to 21
- (c) April 10 to 24
- (d) April 8 to 22
- (e) April 7 to 20

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation:**

• The Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) launched the 7th edition of Poshan Pakhwada, being observed from April 8 to 22, 2025.

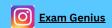
#### It focuses on four core themes:

- 1. Maternal and infant nutrition in the first 1,000 days
- 2. Promotion of the Poshan Tracker app
- 3. Community-Based Management of Malnutrition (CMAM)
- 4. Encouraging a healthy lifestyle to prevent childhood obesity
- The campaign includes WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) efforts in collaboration with Jal Jeevan Mission and Swachh Bharat Mission-Grameen.
- Social media hashtags like #DDWSJoinsPoshanPakhwada and #PoshanPakhwada are being used to enhance outreach.















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Ques: Which UK university is set to open its campus in Gift City, Gujarat, with academic session starting from 2026? कौन-सी यूके की यूनिवर्सिटी 2026 से GIFT सिटी, गुजरात में अपना कैंपस शुरू करने जा रही है?

- A) Oxford University / ऑक्सफोर्ड विश्वविद्यालय
- B) University of Manchester / मैनचेस्टर विश्वविद्यालय
- C) Coventry University / कोवेंट्री विश्वविद्यालय
- D) University of Cambridge / कैम्ब्रिज विश्वविद्यालय
- E) University of Leeds / लीडस विश्वविद्यालय

**Answer**: Option C

- Coventry University (UK) has received approval to establish an international campus in Gift City, Gujarat.
- It is among the first few foreign universities to set up a presence in India's financial hub.
- Academic session is set to begin in 2026.
- The initial courses offered include: BSc Honours in International Business Management and BSc Honours in Business and Finance
- This move supports India's efforts to boost global educational collaboration and provide international learning opportunities within the country.



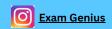


















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Ques: As per FY25 data, how many more families availed NREGS compared to pre-Covid FY20?

FY25 के अनुसार, कोविड से पहले FY20 की तुलना में कितने अधिक परिवारों ने NREGS का लाभ उठाया?

- a) 65 lakh
- b) 78 lakh
- c) 85 lakh
- d) 1 crore
- e) 45 lakh

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

- Under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), 5.78 crore families availed benefits in FY25, excluding West Bengal.
- This reflects an increase of 85 lakh families compared to FY20 (pre-Covid), when 4.93 crore families were beneficiaries.
- Maharashtra saw a notable rise 15.37 lakh families (FY20) and 30.07 lakh families (FY25)
- Increase is driven by Emphasis on individual asset creation, Work like digging wells, building goat and buffalo shedsand Provision of top-up wages beyond the standard 100-day guarantee
- Compared to the pandemic peak year (FY21), some states like Maharashtra, Bihar, Himachal Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, and Tripura recorded further increases in demand.

### States with highest demand in FY25 include:

- Tamil Nadu 65.32 lakh
- Uttar Pradesh 65.28 lakh
- Rajasthan 58.86 lakh
- Bihar 51.36 lakh
- Andhra Pradesh 46.93 lakh

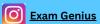


















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Ques: The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) has partnered with which organization to launch Phase 2 of the "Niveshak Didi" initiative for rural women's financial literacy?

निवेशक शिक्षा और संरक्षण कोष प्राधिकरण (IEPFA) ने ग्रामीण महिलाओं की वित्तीय साक्षरता के लिए "निवेशक दीदी" पहल के चरण 2 को शुरू करने के लिए किस संगठन के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- (a) NABARD / नाबार्ड
- (b) SIDBI / सिडबी
- (c) India Post Payments Bank / इंडिया पोस्ट पेमेंट्स बैंक
- (d) SEBI / सेबी
- (e) RBI / आरबीआई

**Answer**: Option C

- The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) under the Department of Posts have signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA).
- This is for Phase 2 of the "Niveshak Didi" initiative, which aims to enhance financial literacy for women in rural, semi-urban, and underserved areas.
- Women postal workers and community leaders are trained to act as financial educators.
- In Phase 1, over 55,000 beneficiaries participated, with 60% female, mostly from deep rural areas.

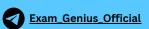


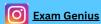


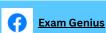
















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Ques: What will the M-CADWM sub-scheme use to connect irrigation sources with farmland?

M-CADWM उप-योजना सिंचाई स्रोतों को कृषि भूमि से जोड़ने के लिए क्या उपयोग करेगी?

- (a) Canals / नहरें
- (b) Underground pressurised piped system / भूमिगत दबावयुक्त पाइप सिस्टम
- (c) Water trucks / जल ट्क
- (d) Rainwater harvesting / वर्षा जल संचयन
- (e) Solar-powered pumps / सौर ऊर्जा संचालित पंप

**Answer**: Option B

- The M-CADWM (Modernisation of Command Area Development and Water Management) sub-scheme is aimed at improving micro-irrigation infrastructure under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) for the 2025–26 period.
- The sub-scheme focuses on delivering water directly to farm gates through a pressurised underground piping system in 78 pilot sites across India, benefiting nearly 80,000 farmers.
- The initiative aims to modernise irrigation networks, ensuring efficient water supply to 1-hectare fields in remote areas.



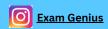


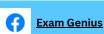
















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Ques: What is the name of India's first tri-service all-women global circumnavigation sailing expedition?

भारत के पहले त्रि-सेवा वाली महिला वैश्विक परिक्रमा नौकायन अभियान का नाम क्या है?

- (a) Navika Sagar Parikrama / नाविका सागर परिक्रमा
- (b) Nari Vayu Yatra / नारी वायु यात्रा
- (c) Samudra Pradakshina / समुद्र प्रदक्षिणा
- (d) Triveni Shakti Abhiyan / त्रिवेणी शक्ति अभियान
- (e) Tarini Parikrama / तारिणी परिक्रमा

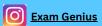
**Answer**: Option C

- The first tri-service all-women global circumnavigation expedition, "Samudra Pradakshina," was flagged off from Colaba, Mumbai, aboard the Indian Army Sailing Vessel (IASV) Triveni.
- The expedition involves 12 women crew members from the Indian Army, Navy, and Air Force.
- It was flagged off by Lieutenant General AK Ramesh from the Indian Naval Watermanship Training Centre.
- The crew underwent intensive training at the Army Adventure Nodal Centre, Marve, Mumbai.
- The voyage includes a 4,000 nautical mile journey to Seychelles and back to Mumbai in 55 days.
- The mission promotes Nari Shakti (women empowerment) in the Indian Armed Forces.
- In comparison, INSV Tarini carried out the second all-women Navika Sagar Parikrama last year, manned by two women Indian Navy officers.















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Ques: Who represented the Government of India as the Co-Chair in the 4th JWG Meeting with Japan?

भारत सरकार की ओर से जापान के साथ चौथी JWG बैठक में सह-अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसने भाग लिया?

- (a) Arvind Singh / अरविंद सिंह
- (b) Rajeev Mehta / राजीव मेहता
- (c) Mugdha Sinha / मुग्धा सिन्हा
- (d) Anita Karwal / अनीता करवल
- (e) G. Kishan Reddy / जी. किशन रेड्डी

Answer: Option C

- The 4th Joint Working Group (JWG) Meeting on Tourism Cooperation between India and Japan was held in New Delhi.
- It was co-chaired by Mugdha Sinha, Director General, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, and Haraikawa Naoya, Commissioner of the Japan Tourism Agency (JTA).
- The meeting focused on data sharing, visitor profiles, and boosting tourism, especially to Buddhist destinations, to appeal to millennial travelers.
- This collaboration aims to enhance bilateral tourism and promote cultural exchange between the two nations.

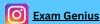


















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Ques: Who became the first Indian cricketer to score 13,000 runs in T20 cricket? T20 क्रिकेट में 13,000 रन बनाने वाले पहले भारतीय क्रिकेटर कौन बने हैं?

- (a) Rohit Sharma / रोहित शर्मा
- (b) Virat Kohli / विराट कोहली
- (c) Suryakumar Yadav / सूर्यकुमार यादव
- (d) KL Rahul / केएल राहल
- (e) MS Dhoni / एमएस धोनी

**Answer**: Option B

### **Explanation**:

- Virat Kohli became the first Indian and fifth cricketer overall to reach 13,000 runs in T20 cricket.
- He achieved this milestone during the Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) and Mumbai Indians (MI) match at Wankhede Stadium.
- He reached 13,000 runs with the 17th run of his innings.

## Other players with 13,000+ T20 runs:

- Chris Gayle 14,562
- Alex Hales 13,610
- Shoaib Malik 13,557
- Kieron Pollard 13,537

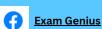
















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Ques: What is NTPC's revised thermal capacity addition target by 2032? NTPC का 2032 तक संशोधित तापीय क्षमता वृद्धि लक्ष्य क्या है?

- a) 26,000 MW
- b) 60 GW
- c) 3,580 MW
- d) 30,000 MW
- e) 80,020 MW

**Answer**: Option D

- NTPC Limited has revised its thermal capacity addition target to 30,000 MW by FY32, up from the previous target of 26,000 MW by FY31.
- This forms part of NTPC's long-term strategy to expand its energy generation portfolio, balancing thermal and renewable energy sources.
- For FY26, NTPC aims to add 3,580 MW of thermal capacity (compared to just 660 MW added in FY24).
- In the renewable energy segment, NTPC targets an addition of 5,000 MW in FY25, which is 26% higher than FY24's 3,312 MW.
- NTPC's total installed capacity currently stands at 80,020 MW, with a 2032 renewable energy target of 60 GW (60,000 MW).
- NTPC also aims to produce 50 million tonnes of coal in FY25 from its captive mines, up from 45.72 million tonnes in FY24.

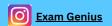


















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Ques: Which Indian President was recently honoured with the "Key to the City of Lisbon" during her visit to Portugal?

हाल ही में पुर्तगाल यात्रा के दौरान किस भारतीय राष्ट्रपति को "लिस्बन शहर की चाबी" से सम्मानित किया गया?

- (a) Pranab Mukherjee / प्रणब मुखर्जी
- (b) Ram Nath Kovind / राम नाथ कोविंद
- (c) A.P.J. Abdul Kalam / ए.पी.जे. अब्दल कलाम
- (d) Droupadi Murmu / द्रौपदी मुर्मू
- (e) K.R. Narayanan / के.आर. नारायणन

Answer: Option D

- President Droupadi Murmu was recently presented with the Key to the City of Lisbon, which is the highest civilian honour awarded by the city of Lisbon, Portugal.
- The honour was conferred during a ceremony hosted by the Mayor of Lisbon, Carlos Manuel.
- Her visit to Portugal was on the invitation of President Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa.
- This was a historic visit, taking place 27 years after the last Indian state visit to Portugal, which was made by President K. R. Narayanan in 1998.

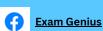
















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Ques: The book Heart Lamp, shortlisted for the International Booker Prize 2024, is a translated collection of stories originally written in which Indian language? अंतर्राष्ट्रीय बुकर पुरस्कार 2024 के लिए शॉर्टलिस्ट की गई पुस्तक हार्ट लैंप मूल रूप से किस भारतीय भाषा में लिखी गई कहानियों का अनुवादित संग्रह है?

- a) Hindi / हिंदी
- b) Bengali / बंगाली
- c) Kannada / कन्नड
- d) Malayalam / मलयालम
- e) Tamil / तमिल

**Answer**: Option C

- Heart Lamp is a collection of 12 short stories originally written in Kannada between 1990 and 2023 by Banu Mushtaq.
- The stories have now been translated into English by Deepa Bhasthi.
- This book has been shortlisted for the International Booker Prize 2024, a major global literary award.
- This is a historic moment for Kannada literature, as it is getting international recognition on a prestigious platform.
- Banu Mushtaq expressed her happiness and pride at seeing Kannada stories reach the global stage.



















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Ques: Who launched the dedicated digital portal developed by IWAI to streamline private investment in infrastructure development on National Waterways? राष्ट्रीय जलमार्गों पर बुनियादी ढांचा विकास में निजी निवेश को सुविधाजनक बनाने के लिए IWAI द्वारा विकसित समर्पित डिजिटल पोर्टल का शुभारंभ किसने किया?

- (a) Nitin Gadkari / नितिन गडकरी
- (b) Dharmendra Pradhan / धर्मेंद्र प्रधान
- (c) Ashwini Vaishnaw / अश्विनी वैष्णव
- (d) Hardeep Singh Puri / हरदीप सिंह पुरी
- (e) Sarbananda Sonowal / सर्बानंद सोनोवाल

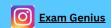
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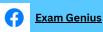
- Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal launched the dedicated digital portal developed by the Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI).
- The portal aims to facilitate private sector participation in building infrastructure (like jetties and terminals) on National Waterways, promoting Ease of Doing Business (EODB).
- Under the National Waterways Regulations, 2025, private firms can get a digital No Objection Certificate (NoC) from IWAI.
- The first digital NoC was granted to Marina India Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. for a jetty at Malim, Goa on National Waterway-68.
- This is seen as a major step toward digital governance, sustainable infrastructure, and the Viksit Bharat vision, with cargo movement already rising significantly.















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# Ques: What is the full form of OBICUS Survey launched by RBI in April 2025? अप्रैल 2025 में RBI द्वारा शुरू किए गए OBICUS सर्वेक्षण का पूरा नाम क्या है?

- A) Order Book and Industry Credit Utilisation Survey
- B) Order Books, Inventories and Capacity Utilisation Survey
- C) Official Balance and Industrial Capacity Utilisation Survey
- D) Orders, Banking and Internal Credit Utilisation Survey
- E) Operational Book of Inventories and CU System

**Answer**: Option B

- OBICUS stands for Order Books, Inventories and Capacity Utilisation Survey.
- It is conducted quarterly by the RBI since 2008.
- The survey covers selected manufacturing companies across India.
- It gathers data on New Orders, Pending Orders, Inventories (Finished Goods, Workin-Progress, Raw Materials) and Capacity Utilisation (CU)
- This data helps the RBI in monetary policy formulation by providing insights into demand, supply, and production dynamics.
- The 69th round of the survey covers the period January to March 2025 (Q4 of FY 2024-25).

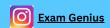


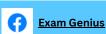
















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Ques: From April 1, 2025, around 500 weak Urban Co-operative Banks (UCBs) under the RBI's Supervisory Action Framework (SAF) will transition to which regulatory mechanism?

1 अप्रैल. 2025 से. भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (RBI) के पर्यवेक्षणात्मक कार्रवाई ढांचे (SAF) के अंतर्गत आने वाले लगभग 500 कमजोर शहरी सहकारी बैंक (UCBs) किस नियामक तंत्र में स्थानांतरित हो जाएंगे?

- (a) BASEL III Framework / बेसल III ढांचा
- (b) Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) Framework / त्वरित सुधारात्मक कार्रवाई ढांचा
- (c) Financial Resolution Mechanism / वित्तीय समाधान तंत्र
- (d) Risk Mitigation Scheme / जोखिम शमन योजना
- (e) Capital Monitoring Directive / पूंजी निगरानी निर्देश

**Answer**: Option B

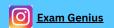
- About 500 weak UCBs under RBI's SAF will shift to the Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) framework from April 1, 2025.
- PCA enables timely supervisory intervention requiring banks to take prompt remedial measures.
- PCA focuses on capital adequacy, asset quality, and profitability as the key indicators.
- Earlier, SAF encouraged self-correction by bank management, but PCA demands more active and timely regulatory oversight.
- Under the PCA framework, co-operative banks with more than 6 % net NPA ratio can be placed under restriction.
- UCBs which have been posting net losses for two consecutive years can also be placed under the framework.
- UCBs from all tiers, except tier-I entities with up to Rs 100 crore in deposits which are posting 2.5%-4% lower CAR than the minimum requirement of 9%, can be placed under the PCA norms.

















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Ques: BharatPe recently received final approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to operate in which capacity?

भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (RBI) से भारतपे को हाल ही में किस रूप में कार्य करने की अंतिम मंजूरी मिली है?

- (a) Digital Lending Platform / डिजिटल ऋण मंच
- (b) Payment Bank / पेमेंट बैंक
- (c) Online Payment Aggregator / ऑनलाइन पेमेंट एग्रीगेटर
- (d) NBFC / गैर-बैंकिंग वित्तीय कंपनी
- (e) UPI Provider / यूपीआई प्रदाता

**Answer**: Option C

- BharatPe received final authorization from the RBI for its subsidiary Resilient Payments Private Limited to operate as an Online Payment Aggregator.
- The services will be offered under the brand name "BharatPe X."
- The company plans to grow its footprint, especially in Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities, and continues to build its merchant base and tech infrastructure.
- Founded in 2018, BharatPe is now present in over 450 cities with a merchant network of 1.3 crore+.





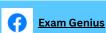
















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Ques: According to a recent report by the State Bank of India (SBI), what is the projected range of India's retail inflation for the first half of FY 2025-26? भारतीय स्टेट बैंक (SBI) की एक हालिया रिपोर्ट के अनुसार, वित्त वर्ष 2025-26 की पहली छमाही के लिए भारत की खुदरा मुद्रास्फीति का अनुमानित दायरा क्या है?

- (a) 4.5% 5.0%
- (b) 3.9% 4.0%
- (c) 3.5% 3.8%
- (d) 4.0% 4.5%
- (e) 3.0% 3.5%

**Answer**: Option B

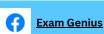
- A report by SBI projects India's retail inflation to remain between 3.9% and 4.0% in the first half (April-September) of FY 2025-26.
- This may be the first time in recent years that inflation stays below 4% for two consecutive quarters.
- The report also estimated that CPI inflation will fall to 3.8% in Q4 of FY25, with average inflation for FY25 expected around 4.6%.















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Ques: Which company became No. 1 in global semiconductor revenues in 2024? 2024 में वैश्विक सेमीकंडक्टर राजस्व में नंबर 1 कंपनी कौन बनी?

- A) Intel / इंटेल
- B) TSMC / टीएसएमसी
- C) AMD / एएमडी
- D) Nvidia / एनवीडिया
- E) Samsung / सैमसंग

**Answer**: Option D

- As per Gartner's 2024 report, Nvidia emerged as the No. 1 company in global semiconductor revenues.
- Nvidia earned \$76.69 billion in 2024, marking a 120% increase from \$34.84 billion in 2023.
- The surge was driven by skyrocketing demand for GPUs, especially for AI workloads in data centers. Its Market share is 11.7%
- Samsung ranked 2nd with \$65.69 billion in revenue (60.8% growth).
- Intel slipped to 3rd, earning \$49.80 billion with minimal 0.8% growth.
- The global semiconductor market grew by 21%, reaching \$655.88 billion in 2024.

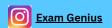


















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Ques: During Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 2025 visit to Sri Lanka, how many MoUs were signed between India and Sri Lanka across sectors like defence, energy, and health?

प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी की 2025 की श्रीलंका यात्रा के दौरान, भारत और श्रीलंका के बीच रक्षा, ऊर्जा और स्वास्थ्य जैसे क्षेत्रों में कितने समझौता ज्ञापनों (MoUs) पर हस्ताक्षर किए गए?

- (a) 5
- (b) 6
- (c)7
- (d) 8
- (e) 10

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

7 MoUs were signed between India and Sri Lanka during PM Modi's fourth visit to Sri Lanka (after 2015, 2017, 2019, and 2025).

### **Key Agreements Include:**

• Defence Cooperation: First-ever framework MoU, 40 years after IPKF deployment.

### **Energy Projects:**

- Sampur Power Project to boost energy security.
- Tripartite MoU (India-Sri Lanka-UAE) for a multiproduct energy pipeline.
- Trincomalee Development as an energy hub.

### **Solar Rooftop Initiative:**

- Solar panels on 5,000 religious institutions.
- \$17 million Indian credit.
- Expected to generate 25 MW green energy.

#### Other MoUs:

















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- Cooperation in Health & Medicine.
- Recognition of Indian Pharmacopoeia.
- Rs.2.37 billion grant for socio-economic projects in Eastern Province.
- Power Interconnection for import/export.

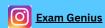


















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Ques: DRDO recently conducted successful trials of which indigenously developed Long-Range Glide Bomb (LRGB) from a Su-30 MKI fighter aircraft? DRDO ने हाल ही में किस स्वदेशी रूप से विकसित लंबी दूरी की ग्लाइड बम (LRGB) का Su-30 MKI फाडटर एयरक्राफ्ट से सफल परीक्षण किया?

- (a) Vibhav / विभव
- (b) Vajra / वज्र
- (c) Gaurav / गौरव
- (d) Shaurva / शौर्य
- (e) Trinetra / त्रिनेत्र

**Answer**: Option C

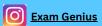
- DRDO successfully conducted release trials of the Long-Range Glide Bomb (LRGB) 'Gauray' from a Su-30 MKI aircraft.
- The bomb is a 1,000-kg class glide bomb with a demonstrated range of close to 100 km and pin-point accuracy.
- It was developed by Research Centre Imarat, Armament Research and Development Establishment, and Integrated Test Range, Chandipur.
- Developed in collaboration with Adani Defence, Bharat Forge, and MSMEs.

















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Ques: Which company won four gold awards at the IAA Olive Crown Awards 2025, including Corporate Social Crusader of the Year and Green Advertiser of the Year? किस कंपनी ने IAA ऑलिव क्राउन अवार्ड्स 2025 में कॉर्पोरेट सोशल क्रूसेडर ऑफ द ईयर और ग्रीन एडवरटाइजर ऑफ द ईयर सहित चार गोल्ड अवार्ड जीते?

- (a) Tata Group / टाटा समूह
- (b) Reliance Industries / रिलायंस इंडस्ट्रीज
- (c) Infosys / इंफोसिस
- (d) Adani Group / अदाणी समूह
- (e) Mahindra Group / महिंद्रा समूह

Answer: Option D

### **Explanation:**

- Adani Group secured 4 gold awards at the International Advertising Association (IAA) Olive Crown Awards 2025, held in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- The IAA Olive Crown Awards recognize creative excellence in green advertising and are the first of their kind in India.
- 2025 marked the 15th edition of these awards.

### The Adani Group received:

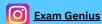
- Corporate Social Crusader of the Year
- Green Advertiser of the Year
- 2 Golds for "Pankha" film in TV/Cinema (Corporate) and Digital categories.

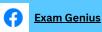
















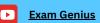
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Ques: India and Italy recently signed an MoU under which program to focus on joint research in areas like quantum technologies, AI, and biotechnology? भारत और इटली ने हाल ही में किस कार्यक्रम के तहत संयुक्त अनुसंधान पर ध्यान केंद्रित करने के लिए MoU पर हस्ताक्षर किए, जैसे क्वांटम प्रौद्योगिकियाँ, एआई और बायोटेक्नोलॉजी?

- (a) Indo-Italian Executive Programme of Cooperation (EPOC) 2025–2027 / भारत-इटली कार्यकारी कार्यक्रम सहयोग (EPOC) 2025-2027
- (b) Indo-Italian Strategic Cooperation Agreement (ISCA) 2025-2027 / भारत-इटली रणनीतिक सहयोग समझौता (ISCA) 2025-2027
- (c) Indo-Italian Research Collaboration Program (IRCP) / भारत-इटली अनुसंधान सहयोग कार्यक्रम
- (d) India-Italy Joint Science and Technology Cooperation (ISSTC) / भारत-इटली संयुक्त विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी सहयोग
- (e) Indo-Italian Innovation Partnership (IIIP) 2025-2027 / भारत-इटली नवाचार साझेदारी (IIIP) 2025-2027

**Answer**: Option A

- India and Italy signed an MoU under the Indo-Italian Executive Programme of Cooperation (EPOC) 2025-2027.
- This MoU focuses on joint research in quantum technologies, AI, and biotechnology.
- It also includes funding for 10 research mobility proposals and 10 collaborative projects.
- Both nations also reaffirmed their commitment to collaborate in green hydrogen, renewable energy, cultural heritage preservation, and the sustainable blue economy.















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Ques: What is the name of the indigenously developed two-seater trainer aircraft launched by Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union MoS for Science & Technology? डॉ. जितेंद्र सिंह, विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) द्वारा लॉन्च किए गए स्वदेशी रूप से विकसित दो-सीटर ट्रेनर विमान का नाम क्या है?

- (a) TEJAS-LTA / तेजस-एलटीए
- (b) SARAS-NG / सारस-एनजी
- (c) HANSA-3 (Next Generation) / हंसा-3 (नेक्स्ट जेनरेशन)
- (d) GARUDA-X / गरुड-एक्स
- (e) VAYU-VIKAS / वायु-विकास

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

- The HANSA-3 (Next Generation) is a two-seater trainer aircraft.
- It was launched by Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State for Science & Technology, at the National Media Centre, New Delhi.
- It is indigenously designed and developed by CSIR-NAL (National Aerospace Laboratories).
- A Technology Transfer agreement was signed with Pioneer Clean Amps Pvt. Ltd. for manufacturing and commercialization.
- Initially, 36 aircraft per year will be produced, increasing to 72 annually.
- It is powered by the Rotax 912 iSc3 Sports engine, offering the Range of 620 nautical miles, Endurance of 7 hours and Cruise Speed is 98 knots

#### **About CSIR-NAL:**

Established: 1959

• HQ: Bengaluru, Karnataka

• Director : Dr. Abhay Anant Pashilkar















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### Ques: What is the primary benefit of implementing Kavach 5.0 in Mumbai local trains?

मुंबई लोकल ट्रेनों में कवच 5.0 लागू करने का मुख्य लाभ क्या है?

- A) Increase speed of trains / ट्रेनों की गति बढाना
- B) Save fuel consumption / ईंधन की खपत बचाना
- C) Increase train services by 30% / ट्रेन सेवाओं में 30% की वृद्धि करना
- D) Eliminate ticket checking staff / टिकट चेकिंग स्टाफ को खत्म करना
- E) Introduce bullet trains / बुलेट ट्रेनें शुरू करना

Answer: Option C

- Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw announced Kavach 5.0, an advanced Automatic Train Protection (ATP) system, in Mumbai.
- It is designed to increase Mumbai local train services by 30% by reducing the 180second gap between two trains.
- Kavach 5.0 assists Loco Pilots by automatically applying brakes in emergencies and ensuring safe operations during poor weather conditions.
- The system is expected to be fully developed by December.
- Currently, around 3,500 trains run daily, serving 80 lakh commuters in Mumbai.
- To meet growing demand, Rs.17,000 crore infrastructure projects are underway to improve capacity, safety, and commuter comfort.



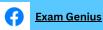
















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# Ques: What is the primary goal of the World Audio Visual & Entertainment Summit (WAVES)?

वर्ल्ड ऑडियो विजुअल और एंटरटेनमेंट समिट (WAVES) का मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या है?

- (a) To promote India as a hub for content creation and technological innovation / भारत को सामग्री निर्माण और प्रौद्योगिकी नवाचार का केंद्र बनाना
- (b) To focus on improving global trade relations / वैश्विक व्यापार संबंधों में सुधार पर ध्यान केंद्रित करना
- (c) To develop new technologies for agriculture / कृषि के लिए नई प्रौद्योगिकियां विकसित करना
- (d) To enhance India's defense capabilities / भारत की रक्षा क्षमताओं को बढाना
- (e) To promote sports and fitness / खेल और फिटनेस को बढावा देना

**Answer**: Option A

### **Explanation:**

- The Government of India will host the inaugural World Audio Visual & Entertainment Summit (WAVES) in Mumbai, Maharashtra, from May 1-4, 2025.
- WAVES is expected to enhance India's creative capabilities and solidify its standing as a center for technological innovation, intellectual property, and content production.
- Broadcasting, print media, television, radio, movies, animation, visual effects, gaming, comics, sound and music, advertising, digital media, social media platforms, generative artificial intelligence, augmented reality (AR), virtual reality (VR), and extended reality (XR) are among the industries and sectors that are the subject of this study.

#### **Shortlisted Candidates:**

- Iman Sengupta & Soham Ghosh Havas Worldwide India
- Kartik Sankar & Madhumita Basu 22feet Tribal
- Tanmay Raul & Mandar Mahadik DDB Mudra Group
- Akash Mejari & Kajol Jeswani DDB Mudra Group
- Kajal Tirlotkar Interactive Avenues

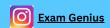


















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Ques: What is the name of the latest open-source AI model suite released by Meta in its push toward generative AI?

जनरेटिव एआई क्षेत्र में अपनी उपस्थिति को मजबूत करने के लिए मेटा द्वारा जारी किए गए नवीनतम ओपन-सोर्स एआई मॉडल सूट का नाम क्या है?

- (a) GPT-5 / जीपीटी-5
- (b) Gemini Ultra / जेमिनी अल्टा
- (c) Llama 4 / लामा 4
- (d) Falcon-X / फाल्कन-एक्स
- (e) Bard Plus / बार्ड प्लस

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation**:

- Meta released the Llama 4 open-source AI suite to strengthen its presence in generative AI.
- The first two models launched are Llama 4 Scout and Llama 4 Maverick, available on the Llama website and Hugging Face.
- Meta also announced Llama 4 Behemoth, which is described as one of the smartest and most powerful LLMs developed by the company.
- Over the next three years, the business intends to invest Rs 1,200 crore to boost growth in three high-priority categories: designer boards, construction chemicals, and pipes.

#### **Models Introduced:**

- Scout: Meta claims it is the best multimodal model available.
- Maverick: Described as Meta's flagship AI assistant, outperforms GPT4o and Gemini 2.0
- Behemoth: The most powerful LLM developed by Meta, intended to act as a teacher model.

















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Ques: Padma Shri Ram Sahay Pandey, a legendary figure in Rai folk dance, passed away at the age of 92. What recognition did he receive for his contribution to the art form?

पद्म श्री राम सहाय पांडे, जो राय लोक नृत्य के एक दिग्गज हस्ती थे, 92 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गए। कला रूप में उनके योगदान के लिए उन्हें कौन सी मान्यता प्राप्त हुई थी?

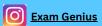
- (a) Padma Bhushan / पद्म भूषण
- (b) Padma Vibhushan / पद्म विभूषण
- (c) Padma Shri / पद्म श्री
- (d) Sangeet Natak Akademi Award / संगीत नाटक अकादमी पुरस्कार
- (e) Sahitya Akademi Award / साहित्य अकादमी पुरस्कार

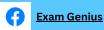
**Answer: Option C** 

- Ram Sahay Pandey was awarded the Padma Shri in 2022 for his outstanding work in preserving and promoting the Rai folk dance.
- Pandey was a prominent figure in challenging societal stigma, especially as Rai is associated with the marginalized Bedia community, which was once targeted by the Criminal Tribes Act.
- In addition to the Padma Shri, Pandey was honored with the title of 'Nritya Shiromani' and appointed to the Tribal Folk Art Council by the Madhya Pradesh government.













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Ques: World Homoeopathy Day is observed every year on which day? विश्व होम्योपैथी दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option A

- Every year on April 10, we celebrate World Homoeopathy Day, which honors the achievements of alternative medicine and the birth anniversary of Dr. Samuel Hahnemann, the pioneer of homoeopathy from Germany, who was born in 1755.
- Theme 2025 Adhyayan, Adhyaapan, Anusandhaan" (Education, Practice, and Research)
- The alternative medical practice of homeopathy is founded on the idea that "like cures like." It implies that substances that produce symptoms in healthy people can alleviate similar symptoms in sick people in little amounts.
- Although homoeopathy has ancient Greek medical roots, it wasn't until the 19th century that it became widely accepted in North America and Europe.
- To encourage awareness and research in the area, the Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India, observes World Homeopathy Day.

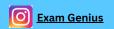


















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# Ques: National Safe Motherhood Day is observed on which day? राष्ट्रीय सुरक्षित मातृत्व दिवस किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option B

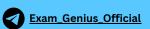
- Every year, April 11th is designated as National Safe Motherhood Day.
- Theme 2025 Healthy Beginnings, Hopeful Futures
- The purpose of the day is to raise awareness about pregnant women's safety. Despite having the largest population in the world, India still lacks adequate health facilities.
- A non-governmental organization called the White Ribbon Alliance India brought attention to the significance of maternal health in 1991. On the 90th anniversary of Kasturba Gandhi's birth, the national government declared 2003 to be National Safe Motherhood Day.
- Kasturba Gandhi, who had a strong commitment to the welfare of women and children, is honored on this day.

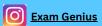


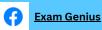
















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Ques: Which bank recently launched the "Elite Plus Savings Account" tailored for High Net-worth Individuals (HNIs)?

किस बैंक ने हाल ही में उच्च निवल मूल्य वाले व्यक्तियों (HNIs) के लिए "एलीट प्लस सेविंग्स अकाउंट" लॉन्च किया है?

- (a) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (b) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- (c) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (d) Bandhan Bank / बंधन बैंक
- (e) Yes Bank / यस बैंक

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation**:

- Bandhan Bank launched the Elite Plus Savings Account, specially designed for High Net-worth Individuals (HNIs).
- The account provides unlimited free cash deposits every month, aiming to deliver a premium banking experience.

#### **About Bandhan Bank:**

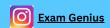
- Incorporated in 2014 and Started Operations 2015
- HQ: Kolkata
- MD & CEO: Partha Pratim Sengupta
- Tagline: Aapka Bhala, Sabki Bhalai

















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Ques: Kotak Mahindra Bank has signed an MoU with which state's startup mission to support and strengthen the startup ecosystem? कोटक महिंद्रा बैंक ने स्टार्टअप इकोसिस्टम को समर्थन देने और मजबूत करने के लिए किस राज्य के स्टार्टअप मिशन के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन (MoU) पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (c) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- (d) Kerala / केरल
- (e) Telangana / तेलंगाना

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation**:

- Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited (KMBL) signed an MoU with Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM), the nodal agency under the Government of Kerala.
- The collaboration aims to support startups with banking solutions, capacitybuilding programs, and global market linkages.
- The initiative is part of efforts to boost innovation and entrepreneurship in the state.

#### **About Kotak Mahindra Bank:**

Established: 2003

• HQ: Mumbai

MD & CEO: Ashok Vaswani

• Tagline: Let's make money simple

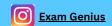


















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Ques: As per the recent announcement by RBI, who will now have the authority to modify UPI transaction limits for in-person merchant payments? भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक (RBI) की हालिया घोषणा के अनुसार, व्यक्तिगत रूप से व्यापारी भूगतान के लिए UPI लेनदेन की सीमा को संशोधित करने का अधिकार अब किसके पास होगा?

- (a) Reserve Bank of India / भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक
- (b) Ministry of Finance / वित्त मंत्रालय
- (c) National Payments Corporation of India / भारतीय राष्ट्रीय भुगतान निगम
- (d) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक
- (e) NITI Aayog / नीति आयोग

**Answer**: Option C

- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) will have the authority to change the transaction limitations for UPI in-person merchant transactions, according to an announcement made by RBI governor Sanjay Malhotra.
- At the moment, the Rs.1 lakh transaction limit for UPI, which includes both P2P and P2M payments, is specified.
- Higher restrictions, ranging from Rs.2 lakh to Rs.5 lakh, apply to some P2M transfers, nevertheless. The Rs.1 lakh cap on P2P transactions on UPI will remain in place.





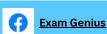
















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Ques: Which bank recently launched an 'In-App Mobile OTP' feature to enhance security against OTP-related frauds like SIM swap and phishing? निम्नलिखित में से किस बैंक ने हाल ही में सिम स्वैप और फ़िशिंग जैसे ओटीपी संबंधित धोखाधड़ी के खिलाफ स्रक्षा बढाने के लिए 'इन-ऐप मोबाइल ओटीपी' स्विधा शुरू की है?

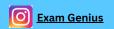
- (a) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
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- (c) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (d) Kotak Mahindra Bank / कोटक महिंदा बैंक
- (e) Yes Bank / यस बैंक

**Answer**: Option C

- Axis Bank launched the 'In-App Mobile OTP' feature on its Open mobile banking platform.
- This new security measure addresses OTP-related frauds like SIM swap and phishing.
- It replaces traditional SMS OTPs with Time-based One-Time Passwords (TOTP) generated directly within the app.
- The goal is to improve transaction safety and reduce fraud risk.













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Ques: Which company was recently granted a Certificate of Registration (CoR) by RBI to operate as an NBFC-ICC and not accept public deposits? हाल ही में किस कंपनी को आरबीआई द्वारा NBFC-ICC के रूप में कार्य करने और जनता से जमा स्वीकार नहीं करने के लिए पंजीकरण प्रमाणपत्र (CoR) प्रदान किया गया?

- (a) L&T Finance / एलएंडटी फाइनेंस
- (b) Tata Capital / टाटा कैपिटल
- (c) Muthoot Finance / मुथूट फाइनेंस
- (d) Bajaj Finserv / बजाज फिनसर्व
- (e) Piramal Finance Limited / पिरामल फाइनेंस लिमिटेड

**Answer**: Option E

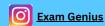
- Piramal Finance Limited (PFL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Piramal Enterprises Limited (PEL), received the Certificate of Registration (CoR) from the RBI to operate as a Non-Banking Financial Company - Investment and Credit Company (NBFC-ICC).
- Approval was granted under Section 45-IA of the RBI Act, 1934.
- PEL invested Rs.600 crore in March 2025 via a rights issue to support the operations of PFL.

















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Ques: What is the name of the AI companion robot developed by Samsung using Google Cloud's generative AI?

गुगल क्लाउड की जनरेटिव AI का उपयोग करके सैमसंग द्वारा विकसित AI साथी रोबोट का नाम क्या है?

- A) Bixby
- B) Alexa
- C) Ballie
- D) Siri
- E) Aura

Answer: Option C

- Samsung partnered with Google Cloud to integrate generative AI technology into its home companion robot, Ballie.
- The AI is powered by Google Cloud's Vertex AI platform, enabling natural and interactive conversations.
- Ballie is designed to function as a smart home assistant, capable of managing lighting, greeting visitors, and setting personal reminders.
- The robot aims to enhance everyday convenience and is expected to be available to consumers in Summer 2025.
- With this innovation, Samsung marks a significant step in bringing advanced AI capabilities into consumer robotics.



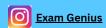


















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Ques: Which fintech company became India's first unicorn of 2025 after raising USD 60 million in a Series D round led by Kedaara Capital? 2025 में केदार कैपिटल के नेतृत्व में 60 मिलियन अमेरिकी डॉलर की सीरीज D फंडिंग जुटाकर भारत की पहली युनिकॉर्न बनने वाली फिनटेक कंपनी कौन सी है?

- (a) PhonePe / फोनपे
- (b) Razorpay / रेज़रपे
- (c) Juspay / जस्पे
- (d) Pavtm / पेटीएम
- (e) Pine Labs / पाइन लैब्स

**Answer**: Option C

- Through a combination of main and secondary investments, Juspay successfully raised USD 60 million in a Series D capital round, making it India's first unicorn of 2025.
- Kedaara Capital led this round, with participation from previous investors Accel Limited and SoftBank Group Corporation.
- For the transaction, Juspay's only financial advisor was Avendus Capital Private Limited.
- Juspay raised USD 60 million in its 2021 Series C round and USD 21.6 million in its 2020 Series B financing, according to data from market intelligence platform Tracxn.



















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Ques: How much investment will Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) make for the petrochemical complex in Odisha?

ओडिशा में पेट्रोकेमिकल कॉम्प्लेक्स के लिए इंडियन ऑयल कॉर्पोरेशन (IOC) कितना निवेश करेगी?

- a) Rs.45,000 crore
- b) Rs.50,000 crore
- c) Rs.61,000 crore
- d) Rs.70,000 crore
- e) Rs.80,000 crore

**Answer**: Option C

- Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) has announced an investment of over ₹61,000 crore to establish a mega petrochemical complex in Paradip, Odisha.
- The investment aims to cater to the rising demand for petrochemicals in India's rapidly growing economy.
- The initiative is a part of IOC's strategic plan to enhance its petrochemical capabilities, helping meet domestic demand and contribute to economic growth.
- This investment was confirmed by A. S. Sahney, the chairman of IOC.



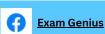
















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Ques: Which horticultural fruit from South Gujarat recently received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag, becoming the first such product from the region? दक्षिण गुजरात का कौन सा बागवानी फल हाल ही में भौगोलिक संकेत (GI) टैग प्राप्त करने वाला पहला उत्पाद बना?

- (a) Gir Kesar Mango / गिर केसर आम
- (b) Amalsad Chikoo / अमलसाड चीक
- (c) Kutchhi Kharek / कच्छी खजूर
- (d) Banganapalli Mango / बांगनपल्ली आम
- (e) Dasheri Mango / दशहरी आम

**Answer**: Option B

- Amalsad Chikoo (sapodilla) became the first South Gujarati agricultural product to be awarded a Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- The application was filed by GUJCOST and Navsari Agricultural University, and the GI was awarded to the Valsad Navsari Jilla Fal Ane Shakhbhaji Sahakari Sangh Limited.
- This is the third fruit from Gujarat with a GI tag after Gir Kesar Mango and Kutchhi Kharek.

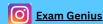


















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Ques: Which country became the 54th nation to sign the Artemis Accords in April 2025?

अप्रैल 2025 में आर्टेमिस समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर करने वाला 54वां देश कौन बना?

- A) Sri Lanka / श्रीलंका
- B) Bangladesh / बांग्लादेश
- C) Nepal / नेपाल
- D) Bhutan / भूटान
- E) Maldives / मालदीव

**Answer**: Option B

- Bangladesh became the 54th country to sign the Artemis Accords on April 8, 2025.
- The Artemis Accords, led by NASA, are a set of principles focused on promoting safe and sustainable exploration of outer space and encouraging peaceful international cooperation in deep space missions.



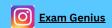


















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# Ques: Which airport has been ranked the World's Best Airport 2025 by Skytrax? स्काईट्रैक्स द्वारा 2025 का विश्व का सर्वश्रेष्ठ हवाई अड्डा किसे घोषित किया गया है?

- a) Hamad International Airport / हमाद अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा
- b) Tokyo Haneda Airport / टोक्यो हनेडा हवाई अड्डा
- c) Incheon International Airport / इंचियोन अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा
- d) Singapore Changi Airport / सिंगापुर चांगी हवाई अड्डा
- e) Narita International Airport / नारिता अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा

**Answer**: Option D

### **Explanation:**

- Skytrax, the leading air transport rating organization, named Singapore Changi Airport as the World's Best Airport for 2025.
- This marks the 13th time Changi has received this prestigious title, highlighting its consistent excellence in passenger experience.
- The ranking is based on global passenger surveys covering facilities, cleanliness, staff service, and overall travel experience.

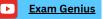
### Ranking of top 5 airports:

- 1 Singapore Changi Airport, Singapore
- 2 Doha Hamad International Airport, Qatar
- 3 Tokyo Haneda International Airport, Japan
- 4 Seoul Incheon International Airport, South Korea
- 5 Tokyo Narita International Airport, Japan

### Ranking of Top 5 Indian airports:

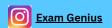
- 32 Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA), or Delhi International Airport (Best Airport in India and South Asia)
- Kempegowda International Airport (KIA), Bengaluru (Best Regional Airport in India and South Asia)
- 56 Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (RGIA), Hyderabad ((Best Airport Staff in India & South Asia 2025 4th time)
- 73 Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport, Mumbai















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80 Manohar International Airport at Mopa, Goa (Best Airport by passenger Numbers with less than 5 million passengers)

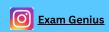


















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Ques: Kazakhstan's largest-ever rare earth metal reserve was recently discovered at which site?

कजाखस्तान का अब तक का सबसे बड़ा दुर्लभ पृथ्वी धातु भंडार हाल ही में किस स्थल पर खोजा गया है?

- (a) Irgiz
- (b) Dos
- (c) Kuirektykol
- (d) Karaganda
- (e) Astana

Answer: Option C

- Kuirektykol site, located about 300 km southeast of Astana in the Karaganda region, is home to Kazakhstan's largest rare earth metal reserve.
- The site includes promising zones like Irgiz and Dos.
- Preliminary estimates suggest 800,000 tons of rare earth metals in Irgiz alone.
- Elements like cerium, lanthanum, neodymium, and yttrium are present, with an average concentration of 700 grams per ton.

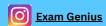


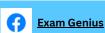
















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Ques: Which state became the first in India to implement SC categorisation in 2025?

2025 में अनुसूचित जातियों का वर्गीकरण लागू करने वाला भारत का पहला राज्य कौन बना?

- a) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- b) Andhra Pradesh / आंध्र प्रदेश
- c) Telangana / तेलंगाना
- d) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- e) Kerala / केरल

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- On April 14, 2025, Telangana became the first state in India to implement the Scheduled Castes (SC) categorisation system in government jobs and education.
- The total reservation for SC communities in jobs and education is 15%.

This categorisation divides SC communities into three groups with different reservation percentages:

- Group I: 15 most disadvantaged SC communities 1% reservation
- Group II: 18 moderately benefited SC communities 9% reservation
- Group III: 26 significantly benefited SC communities 5% reservation





















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Ques: Who became the first Indian boxer to win a gold medal at the World Boxing Cup Brazil 2025?

वर्ल्ड बॉक्सिंग कप ब्राज़ील 2025 में स्वर्ण पदक जीतने वाले पहले भारतीय मुक्केबाज़ कौन बने?

- (a) Shiva Thapa / शिवा थापा
- (b) Amit Panghal / अमित पंघाल
- (c) Hitesh Gulia / हितेश गुलिया
- (d) Odel Kamara / ओडेल कामारा
- (e) Vikas Krishan / विकास कृष्णन

Answer: Option C

- Hitesh Gulia became the first Indian boxer to win a gold medal at the World Boxing Cup Brazil 2025.
- He won in the men's 70kg weight category after a walkover as his opponent Odel Kamara of England was injured.
- India sent a 10-member all-male contingent, with no women boxers participating.

















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Oues: Who is the author of the book "Confessions of Stock Market Wizards"? "Confessions of Stock Market Wizards" पुस्तक के लेखक कौन हैं?

- a) Rakesh Jhunjhunwala / राकेश झुनझुनवाला
- b) Warren Buffett / वॉरेन बफेट
- c) Nikhil Kamath / निखिल कामथ
- d) Radhakishan Damani / राधाकिशन दमानी
- e) Safir Anand / सफ़ीर आनंद

**Answer**: Option E

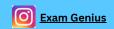
- "Confessions of Stock Market Wizards" is written by Safir Anand and published by HarperBusiness.
- The book compiles insights and investment learnings from top Indian investors, offering a detailed look into their personal experiences in the stock market.
- It highlights key lessons and strategies that have shaped the successful careers of prominent stock market figures in India.

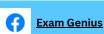
















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Ques: Which two Harappan sites in Haryana were recently declared protected monuments under the 1964 Act? हरियाणा में सिंधु-सरस्वती सभ्यता से संबंधित किन दो हड़प्पा स्थलों को हाल ही में 1964 अधिनियम के तहत संरक्षित स्मारक घोषित किया गया है?

- (a) Rakhigarhi and Banawali / राखीगढी और बनावली
- (b) Tighrana and Mitathal / तिघराना और मिताथल
- (c) Kalibangan and Dholavira / कालीबंगा और धोलावीरा
- (d) Bhirrana and Farmana / भीरड़ाना और फारमाना
- (e) Siswal and Kunal / सिसवाल और कुनाल

**Answer**: Option B

- The Haryana Heritage and Tourism Department has declared Tighrana and Mitathal villages in Bhiwani district as protected Harappan archaeological sites.
- These sites are estimated to be over 4,400 years old, part of the Sindhu-Saraswati civilization.
- This declaration was made under the Haryana Ancient and Historical Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1964.
- Uttar Pradesh has the highest number of centrally protected monuments in India, with 745.

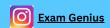


















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Ques: What was the overall unemployment rate in India for individuals aged 15 and above in calendar year 2024?

2024 कैलेंडर वर्ष में 15 वर्ष और उससे अधिक आयु के व्यक्तियों के लिए भारत में समग्र बेरोजगारी दर क्या थी?

- (a) 5.2%
- (b) 5.0%
- (c) 4.9%
- (d) 4.8%
- (e) 4.7%

Answer: Option C

- The calendar year 2024 saw a decrease in the unemployment rate among individuals aged 15 and over, from 5% to 4.9%.
- Overall unemployment in rural areas has somewhat decreased (from 4.3% to 4.2%), with modest decreases for both men and women.
- Urban male unemployment increased from 6.0% to 6.1%, while female unemployment decreased from 8.9% to 8.2%, maintaining the overall urban rate at 6.7%.



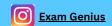


















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Ques: Where was the 135th birth anniversary celebration of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar held in 2025?

2025 में डॉ. भीमराव अंबेडकर की 135वीं जयंती कहाँ मनाई गई?

- A) India Gate / इंडिया गेट
- B) Red Fort / लाल किला
- C) Dr. Ambedkar National Memorial / डॉ. अम्बेडकर राष्ट्रीय स्मारक
- D) Prerna Sthal, Parliament House / प्रेरणा स्थल, संसद भवन
- E) Constitution Club / कॉन्स्टिट्यूशन क्लब

**Answer**: Option D

- The 135th birth anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was celebrated at Prerna Sthal, Parliament House lawns, New Delhi, on April 14, 2025.
- Top dignitaries including President Droupadi Murmu, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla attended the ceremony.
- The event was organized by the Dr. Ambedkar Foundation, and floral tributes were offered. Public access was allowed until noon, and special buses were arranged to transport visitors to the Dr. Ambedkar National Memorial.

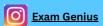


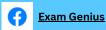
















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Ques: Which country has proposed the creation of a new international organization to accelerate global climate action ahead of COP30? COP30 से पहले वैश्विक जलवायु कार्रवाई में तेजी लाने के लिए एक नया अंतरराष्ट्रीय संगठन बनाने का प्रस्ताव

किस देश ने दिया है?

- (a) Germany / जर्मनी
- (b) Sweden / स्वीडन
- (c) Brazil / ब्राजील
- (d) Netherlands / नीदरलैंड्स
- (e) France / फ्रांस

**Answer**: Option C

- Brazil has proposed establishing a "Climate Change Council" under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
- This initiative comes ahead of the COP30 climate conference, which will be hosted in Belem, Brazil, in November 2025.
- While the idea has sparked interest, nations like Germany, Sweden, and the Netherlands have responded cautiously.

















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Ques: What was the original name of Dadi Ratan Mohini, the late chief administrator of the Brahma Kumaris?

ब्रह्माकुमारीज की दिवंगत मुख्य प्रशासिका दादी रतन मोहिनी का मूल नाम क्या था?

- (a) Saraswati / सरस्वती
- (b) Radha / राधा
- (c) Savitri / सावित्री
- (d) Lakshmi / लक्ष्मी
- (e) Parvati / पार्वती

**Answer**: Option D

- Dadi Ratan Mohini was originally named Lakshmi, born on March 25, 1925 in Hyderabad Sindh (now in Pakistan).
- She was the second chief of the Brahma Kumaris to reach the age of 100, after Dadi Janki.
- She became the chief administrator of Brahma Kumaris in 2021.
- In 2006, she undertook a 31,000-km-long journey to spread her spiritual message.















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

At an estimated cost of Rs.1,332 crore, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved the doubling of the 104-kilometer Tirupati-Pakala-Katpadi railway line in Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.

Moody's Ratings has upgraded Muthoot Finance Limited's long-term corporate family rating from Ba2 to Ba1, maintaining a stable outlook.

Supreme Courts of India and Nepal sign MOU to develop, promote, and strengthen judicial cooperation between the two nations

4-time World Champion Max Verstappen, Belgian-Dutch driver of Red Bull won the Formula 1 (F1) Japanese Grand Prix 2025 held at Suzuka Circuit, in Suzuka, Japan

Viral Davda Appointed as Deputy Chief Information Officer at Bombay Stock Exchange Limited (BSE)

Andrew Holland Appointed as Head of the newly introduced asset class — specialised investment funds (SIF) of Nippon Life India Asset Management (NAM)



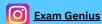
















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# महत्वपूर्ण एक-लाइनर करेंट अफेयर्स

आर्थिक मामलों की कैबिनेट समिति ने 1,332 करोड़ रुपये की अनुमानित लागत से आंध्र प्रदेश और तमिलनाड़ में 104 किलोमीटर लंबी तिरुपति-पाकला-कटपडी रेलवे लाइन के दोहरीकरण को मंजूरी दे दी है।

मुडीज रेटिंग्स ने मुथुट फाइनेंस लिमिटेड की दीर्घकालिक कॉर्पोरेट परिवार रेटिंग को Ba2 से बढाकर Ba1 कर दिया है, जिससे एक स्थिर दृष्टिकोण बना हुआ है।

भारत और नेपाल के सर्वोच्च न्यायालयों ने दोनों देशों के बीच न्यायिक सहयोग को विकसित करने, बढावा देने और मजबूत करने के लिए समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए

4 बार के विश्व चैंपियन मैक्स वर्स्टैपेन, रेड बुल के बेल्जियम-डच ड्राइवर ने जापान के सुजुका में सुजुका सर्किट में आयोजित फॉर्मूला 1 (F1) जापानी ग्रैंड प्रिक्स 2025 जीता

विरल दावड़ा को बॉम्बे स्टॉक एक्सचेंज लिमिटेड (BSE) में उप मुख्य सूचना अधिकारी नियुक्त किया गया

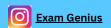
एंड्रयू हॉलैंड को निप्पॉन लाइफ इंडिया एसेट मैनेजमेंट (NAM) के नए पेश किए गए एसेट क्लास - स्पेशलाइज्ड इन्वेस्टमेंट फंड्स (SIF) के प्रमुख के रूप में नियुक्त किया गया

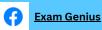
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Acting Governor of Nepal Rastra Bank, replacing Mahaprasad Adhikari?

नेपाल राष्ट्र बैंक के कार्यवाहक गवर्नर के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है, जिन्होंने महाप्रसाद अधिकारी का स्थान लिया?

- (a) Bam Bahadur Mishra / बम बहादुर मिश्र
- (b) Mahaprasad Adhikari / महाप्रसाद अधिकारी
- (c) Shankar Pokharel / शंकर पोखरेल
- (d) Paudel / पौडेल
- (e) Dr. Neelam Dhungana Timsina / डॉ. नीलम ढुंगाना तिम्सिना

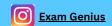
Answer: Option E

- Dr. Neelam Dhungana Timsina, Deputy Governor of Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB), has been appointed as the Acting Governor.
- She was appointed under Section 27 of the Nepal Rastra Bank Act, 2058. She replaced Mahaprasad Adhikari.
- A three-member Governor Appointment and Recommendation Committee has been formed under Finance Minister Paudel to decide the next full-time governor.
- Both Dr. Timsina and Bam Bahadur Mishra are contenders for the permanent role.
- Nepal Rastra Bank Established in April 26, 1956 (Baisakh 14, 2013 B.S.) and headquarter in Kathmandu, Nepal.















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Ques: What is the objective of the MoU signed between the New Development Bank (NDB) and the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID)?

न्यू डेवलपमेंट बैंक (NDB) और नेशनल बैंक फॉर फाइनेंसिंग इन्फ्रास्ट्रक्चर एंड डेवलपमेंट (NaBFID) के बीच हस्ताक्षरित समझौता ज्ञापन (MoU) का उद्देश्य क्या है?

- (a) To promote agricultural development in rural India / ग्रामीण भारत में कृषि विकास को बढ़ावा देना
- (b) To build a strong infrastructure finance ecosystem / एक मजबूत बुनियादी ढांचा वित्त पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र का निर्माण करना
- (c) To merge both institutions into a single financial entity / दोनों संस्थानों का विलय करके एक वित्तीय संस्था बनाना
- (d) To provide direct loans to small businesses / छोटे व्यवसायों को सीधे ऋण प्रदान करना
- (e) To conduct joint research in artificial intelligence / कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता में संयुक्त अनुसंधान करना

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

- The MoU was signed between New Development Bank (NDB) and National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) to establish a strategic framework for collaboration.
- It aims to build a robust and long-lasting infrastructure finance industry.
- The partnership focuses on clean energy, transportation, renewable energy, and sustainable water and sewage management.
- This agreement strengthens both institutions' efforts toward sustainable development in India.

#### **About NaBFID:**

Established: 2021

HQ: Mumbai

Chairman: Kundapur Vaman (K.V.) Kamath

### **About New Development Bank:**

Established: 2014

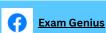






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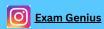


















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Ques: Which financial company recently received SEBI's final nod to launch mutual fund operations under the name Capitalmind Mutual Fund? हाल ही में किस वित्तीय कंपनी को कैपिटलमाइंड म्यूचुअल फंड नाम से म्यूचुअल फंड संचालन शुरू करने के लिए सेबी की अंतिम मंजूरी मिली है?

- A) Zerodha / जीरोधा
- B) Groww / ग्रो
- C) Capitalmind / कैपिटलमाइंड
- D) Paytm Money / पेटीएम मनी
- E) Upstox / अपस्टॉक्स

**Answer**: Option C

- Capitalmind Financial Services has received final approval from SEBI (Securities and Exchange Board of India) to launch its mutual fund business, branded as Capitalmind Mutual Fund.
- The company currently manages over Rs.2,000 crore in assets for more than 1,400 PMS (Portfolio Management Services) and AIF (Alternative Investment Fund) clients.
- Initially, Capitalmind will introduce a range of active equity mutual fund schemes and intends to expand its offerings to include debt, hybrid, and multi-asset funds in the future.
- This marks Capitalmind's entry into the mainstream mutual fund market, allowing it to offer diverse investment products to retail investors.





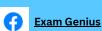
















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Ques: How much has Aye Finance been approved to raise through its Initial Public Offering (IPO) by SEBI?

सेबी द्वारा एए फाइनेंस को अपने प्रारंभिक सार्वजनिक निर्गम (IPO) के माध्यम से कितनी राशि जुटाने की मंजूरी दी गई है?

- (a) Rs.885 crore
- (b) Rs.565 crore
- (c) Rs.1,000 crore
- (d) Rs.1,450 crore
- (e) Rs.2,000 crore

**Answer**: Option D

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has approved Aye Finance, a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC), to raise Rs.1,450 crore through an Initial Public Offering (IPO).
- The IPO consists of Fresh issue of Rs.885 crore and Offer for Sale (OFS) of Rs.565 crore
- Key shareholders selling their stake include A91 Emerging Fund I LLP, CapitalG LP, and LGT Capital Invest Mauritius PCC.
- The IPO will help Aye Finance expand its lending portfolio and strengthen its capital base.



















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Ques: Which edition of Panchayat Advancement Index (PAI) baseline report Published by Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR)? पंचायती राज मंत्रालय (MoPR) द्वारा पंचायत उन्नति सूचकांक (PAI) बेसलाइन रिपोर्ट का कौन सा संस्करण प्रकाशित किया गया है?

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

**Answer**: Option A

#### **Explanation**:

- Panchayat Advancement Index (PAI) baseline report 1st Edition Published by Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) for Financial Year 2022-23 (FY23).
- Out of 2,55,699 GPs, 2,16,285 provided validated data, and 699 (0.3%) Panchayats were identified as Front Runners, according to the PAI data for 2022-2023.
- Due to awaiting certification, data for 11,712 Panchayats from five States/UTs (Meghalaya, Nagaland, Goa, Puducherry, and West Bengal (WB)) were excluded.
- 5,896 (2.7%) GPs were at the Beginner Level, 1,32,392 (61.2%) were Aspirants, and 77,298 (35.8%) were Performers.
- Gujarat led the charge with 346 GPs designated as Front Runners out of the 699 panchayats that were classed as such, followed by Telangana with 270 Front Runners.
- Bihar, Chhattisgarh, and Andhra Pradesh are states with the highest number of Aspirant GPs.

## Categories are as follows:

- Achievers (90+): None
- Front Runners (75 to below 90): 699 (0.3%)
- Performers (60 to below 75): 77,298 (35.8%)
- Aspirants (40 to below 60): 1,32,392 (61.2%)
- Beginners (below 40): 5,896 (2.7%)



















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### PAI tracks the performance of Panchayats on nine Localized SDGs (LSDGs) themes:

- Poverty-Free and Improved Livelihoods in Panchayat
- Healthy Panchayat
- Child-Friendly Panchayat
- Water-Abundant Panchayat
- Clean and Green Panchayat
- Self-Sufficient Infrastructure Panchayat
- Socially Just and Socially Secured Panchayat
- Good Governance Panchayat and
- Women-Friendly Panchayat

#### Top 5 States in PAI Baseline Report for FY23:

• Gujarat: 14, 618 (Total No. of Gram Panchayats)

• Telangana : 12,768

• Tripura: 1,176

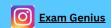
• Maharashtra: 27,849 • Uttar Pradesh : 57,702

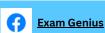
















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Ques: Where was India's first high-altitude climate research station launched? भारत का पहला उच्च-ऊंचाई वाला जलवायु अनुसंधान स्टेशन कहां लॉन्च किया गया था?

- a) Manali / मनाली
- b) Leh / लेह
- c) Udhampur / उधमपुर
- d) Shimla / शिमला
- e) Nainital / नैनीताल

**Answer**: Option C

- India's first high-altitude climate change research station was launched in Udhampur district, Jammu & Kashmir.
- Inaugurated by Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh.
- It supports advanced forecasting and climate research in the Himalayan region.
- The project aligns with India's climate leadership goals and PM Narendra Modi's vision.
- · Aims to support adaptation and mitigation in sensitive mountain ecosystems.





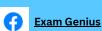
















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Ques: What is the primary objective of the MoU signed between Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) and IIT Hyderabad?

गोवा शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड (GSL) और IIT हैदराबाद के बीच हस्ताक्षरित समझौता ज्ञापन का मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या है?

- (a) Develop underwater drones for surveillance / निगरानी के लिए पानी के भीतर ड्रोन विकसित करना
- (b) Construct India's largest naval ship / भारत का सबसे बडा नौसैनिक जहाज बनाना
- (c) Integrate AI and Digital Twin technologies into the maritime sector / समुद्री क्षेत्र में एआई और डिजिटल ट्विन तकनीकों को एकीकृत करना
- (d) Launch a marine research institute / एक समुद्री अनुसंधान संस्थान शुरू करना
- (e) Develop eco-tourism projects / इको-पर्यटन परियोजनाएं विकसित करना

**Answer**: Option C

- Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) signed an MoU with Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad.
- The goal is to integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Digital Twin technologies in India's maritime sector.
- This collaboration marks Asia's first AI-driven maritime security project.
- The initiative aims to streamline decision-making, enhance maritime security, and promote eco-friendly practices.



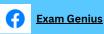
















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Ques: Which country is the only bidder to host the 2031 FIFA Women's World Cup, according to FIFA President Gianni Infantino? फीफा अध्यक्ष जियानी इन्फेंटिनो के अनुसार, 2031 फीफा महिला विश्व कप की मेजबानी के लिए एकमात्र बोलीदाता कौन सा देश है?

- (a) United Kingdom / यूनाइटेड किंगडम
- (b) Germany / जर्मनी
- (c) United States of America / संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका
- (d) France / फ्रांस
- (e) Australia / ऑस्ट्रेलिया

Answer: Option C

### **Explanation**:

- The United States of America (USA) is the only bidder to host the 2031 FIFA Women's World Cup.
- The announcement was made by FIFA President Gianni Infantino during the 49th UEFA Congress in Belgrade, Serbia.
- The tournament will see an increase in the number of teams from 32 to 48, aligning with the men's format.
- This will be the third time the USA hosts the tournament.
- The UK has been announced as the host for the 2035 edition, marking its first time.

## Other games hosted by FIFA:

- 2026 FIFA Men's World Cup (23rd edition) : The USA, along with Canada and Mexico
- 2027 FIFA Women's World Cup (10th edition): Brazil, the first Women's World Cup in South America
- UEFA European Football Championship 2028 (18th edition): England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales

















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Ques: Where was the 8th ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA) Joint **Committee Meeting held?** 

8वीं आसियान-भारत वस्तुओं में व्यापार समझौता (AITIGA) संयुक्त समिति की बैठक कहाँ आयोजित की गई?

- (a) Kuala Lumpur / क्वालालंपुर
- (b) Jakarta / जकार्ता
- (c) New Delhi / नर्ड दिल्ली
- (d) Bangkok / बैंकॉक
- (e) Singapore / सिंगापुर

Answer: Option C

- The 8th AITIGA Joint Committee Meeting was held at Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi, India. It is Co-chaired by Rajesh Agrawal (India) and Dr. Sugumari S. Shanmuga (Malaysia).
- The goal was to modernize and strengthen the ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement.
- ASEAN is a significant trade partner, accounting for 11% of India's global trade.
- Bilateral trade reached USD 121 billion in FY 2023-24.
- Next meeting: June 2025 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



















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Ques: Which Indian state is set to be declared the first to achieve total digital literacy under the 'Digi Kerala' programme?

'डिजी केरल' कार्यक्रम के तहत कौन सा भारतीय राज्य पूर्ण डिजिटल साक्षरता हासिल करने वाला पहला राज्य घोषित किया जाएगा?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (c) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- (d) Kerala / केरल
- (e) Telangana / तेलंगाना

Answer: Option D

- Kerala is set to become the first state in India to achieve 100% digital literacy, thanks to the Digi Kerala initiative.
- The programme has empowered over 21 lakh people, including senior citizens, by teaching them essential digital skills such as using WhatsApp, making video calls, and accessing platforms like YouTube.
- This initiative represents a significant milestone in grassroots digital empowerment and highlights the state's commitment to digital inclusion.

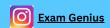


















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Ques: How many total medals did Indian shooters win at the ISSF World Cup Buenos Aires 2025?

भारतीय निशानेबाजों ने ISSF विश्व कप ब्यूनस आयर्स 2025 में कुल कितने पदक जीते?

- (a) 6
- (b) 7
- (c) 8
- (d) 9
- (e) 10

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation:**

- India finished 2nd in the medal tally, behind China.
- The event was organized by the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) and held in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

#### India won a total of 8 medals:

#### Gold: 4

- Vijayveer Sidhu Men's 25m Rapid Fire Pistol (first ever for India in this event)
- Sift Kaur Samra Women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions
- Rudrankksh Patil Men's 10m Air Rifle
- Suruchi Singh Women's 10m Air Pistol

#### Silver: 2

- Esha Singh Women's 25m Pistol
- Arya Borse & Rudrankksh Patil Mixed 10m Air Rifle

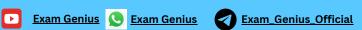
#### **Bronze: 2**

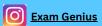
- Saurabh Chaudhary & Suruchi Singh Mixed 10m Air Pistol
- Chain Singh Men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions

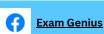
















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Ques: Under the Haryana Agniveer Policy 2024, what percentage of reservation is now allocated to Agniveers in the state police recruitment pool after completing four years of military service?

हरियाणा अग्निवीर नीति 2024 के तहत, चार साल की सैन्य सेवा पूरी करने के बाद अग्निवीरों को राज्य पुलिस भर्ती में कितने प्रतिशत आरक्षण मिलेगा?

- (a) 10%
- (b) 15%
- (c) 18%
- (d) 20%
- (e) 25%

**Answer**: Option D

- As per Haryana CM Nayab Singh Saini, Agniveers will now get 20% reservation in the state police recruitment pool after completing 4 years of service
- The Haryana Agniveer Policy, 2024 was approved by the Nayab Singh Saini cabinet in July of last year, following the Lok Sabha elections and before the state assembly elections.
- A 10% horizontal reservation for Agniveers in direct recruitment for the police, prisons, mine, and forest agencies without a written exam was one of the policy's main components.
- Now, the Agniveers who are willing to join the state police will have their reservations increased from the current 10% to 20%.

















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Ques: Which company successfully built the propulsion system, including the thirdstage rocket motor and igniter, for the Vikram-1 Satellite Launch Vehicle? विक्रम-1 उपग्रह प्रक्षेपण यान के लिए प्रणोदन प्रणाली, जिसमें तीसरा चरण रॉकेट मोटर और इग्नाइटर शामिल है, किस कंपनी ने सफलतापूर्वक निर्मित की?

- (a) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
- (b) Skyroot Aerospace Private Limited
- (c) Solar Defence and Aerospace Limited (SDAL)
- (d) Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL)
- (e) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)

Answer: Option C

#### **Explanation:**

- Solar Defence and Aerospace Limited (SDAL), a division of Solar Industries India Limited (SIIL), successfully developed the propulsion system (including the thirdstage rocket motor and igniter) for the Vikram-1 satellite launch vehicle.
- The Vikram-1 is being developed by Skyroot Aerospace Pvt. Ltd. with support from IN-SPACE and ISRO.

### Features of third-stage rocket motor:

• Propellant mass: 2,400 kilograms

Maximum thrust: 75,000 Newtons (approximately 7.65 tons)

• Payload capacity: Up to 290 kg in a 500 kilogram (km) Sun-Synchronous Polar

Orbit (SSPO) or 480 kg in a 500 km Low Earth Orbit (LEO)

### Vikram-1 comprises of:

First stage: Kalam-1200 solid motor

• Second stage: Kalam-250 solid motor

Third stage : SDAL's motor

• Fourth stage: Liquid-fueled Raman engine for orbital adjustments

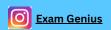
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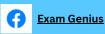














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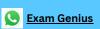
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• MD & CEO: Manish Satyanarayan Nuwal

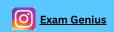


















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Ques: Which indigenous textile from Meghalaya recently received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag?

मेघालय के किस स्वदेशी वस्त्र को हाल ही में भौगोलिक संकेत (जीआई) टैग प्राप्त हुआ है?

- A) Muga Silk / मुगा सिल्क
- B) Eri Silk / एरी सिल्क
- C) Tangaliya / तंगालिया
- D) Pochampally / पोचमपल्ली
- E) Ryndia / रिंडिया

**Answer: Option E** 

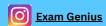
- Ryndia is a handspun, handwoven, naturally dyed, and organic fabric from Meghalaya.
- It received the GI tag on 20 November 2024.
- Recognized as part of the 'Brand Meghalaya' vision led by CM Conrad Sangma and Minister Paul Lyngdoh.
- Supported by the Department of Textiles, NABARD, and Meghalaya Ryndia Producers Association.
- Builds upon the 2021 recognition of Umden-Diwon as the state's first eri silk village.

















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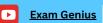
Oues: Which Indian film will become the first to be honored at London's Scenes in the Square movie trail in Leicester Square? लंदन के लीसेस्टर स्क्वायर में 'सीन्स इन द स्क्वायर' मूवी ट्रेल में सम्मानित होने वाली पहली भारतीय फिल्म कौन सी होगी?

- (a) Kabhi Khushi Kabhie Gham / कभी खुशी कभी ग़म
- (b) Mughal-e-Azam / मुग़ल-ए-आज़म
- (c) Sholay / शोले
- (d) Dilwale Dulhania Le Jayenge / दिलवाले दुल्हनिया ले जायेंगे
- (e) Lagaan / लगान

**Answer**: Option D

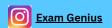
- Dilwale Dulhania Le Jayenge (DDLJ) will be the first Indian film to be honored at London's Scenes in the Square movie trail, Leicester Square.
- The iconic on-screen duo Shah Rukh Khan and Kajol will be immortalized in bronze for their roles in the film.
- DDLJ was released in 1995, directed by Aditya Chopra in his debut. It also starred Amrish Puri and Anupam Kher in key roles.
- The film celebrates 30 years of timeless success and cultural impact.

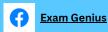
















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Ques: What is the purpose of the recently approved Rs.63,887 crore deal between India and France involving Rafale-M fighter jets? भारत और फ्रांस के बीच हाल ही में अनुमोदित Rs.63,887 करोड़ के राफेल-एम फाइटर जेट सौदे का उद्देश्य क्या है?

- (a) To enhance the Indian Air Force's fleet for land operations / भारतीय वायुसेना के बेडे को भूमि संचालन के लिए बढ़ाना
- (b) For use in aerial refueling operations / हवाई ईंधन भरने के संचालन के लिए
- (c) To equip the Indian Navy's aircraft carrier INS Vikrant with naval fighter jets / भारतीय नौसेना के विमानवाहक पोत आईएनएस विक्रांत को नौसैनिक लडाकु विमानों से लैस करना
- (d) For training pilots on new aircraft technology / नए विमान तकनीक पर पायलटों को प्रशिक्षित करने के लिए
- (e) To replace existing Scorpene-class submarines / मौजूदा स्कॉर्पीन श्रेणी की पनडुब्बियों को बदलने के लिए

Answer: Option C

- The Rs.63,887 crore (Euro 6.6 billion) deal with France involves the direct purchase of 26 Rafale-Marine (Rafale-M) fighter jets.
- These jets are specially designed for naval operations and will operate from the deck of India's aircraft carrier INS Vikrant.
- The deal includes 22 single-seat and 4 twin-seat aircraft, along with crew training, simulators, weapons, and 5-year logistics support.
- These jets are capable of STOBAR (Short Take-Off but Arrested Recovery) operations.
- Additionally, India approved the procurement of 3 more Scorpene-class submarines from France.















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Ques: What is the theme of the 9th Global Technology Summit held in New Delhi? नई दिल्ली में आयोजित 9वें ग्लोबल टेक्नोलॉजी समिट की थीम क्या है?

- (a) Vikas / विकास
- (b) Sambhavna / संभावना
- (c) Digital India / डिजिटल इंडिया
- (d) Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam / वस्धैव कुटुंबकम
- (e) Tech for All / टेक फॉर ऑल

**Answer**: Option B

- The 9th edition of the three-day Global Technology Summit was opened in New Delhi by the External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar.
- The Global Technology Summit is co-organised by the Ministry of External Affairs with New Delhi-based think tank Carnegie India. It began as an annual debate in December of 2016.
- "Sambhavna" is the theme for the 9th Global Technology Summit.

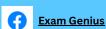
















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Ques: Which two companies have recently signed a power purchase agreement for a 200-MW clean energy project in India? हाल ही में किन दो कंपनियों ने भारत में 200 मेगावाट की स्वच्छ ऊर्जा परियोजना के लिए बिजली खरीद समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- A) Adani Green & ONGC / अडानी ग्रीन और ONGC
- B) Tata Power Renewable & NTPC / टाटा पावर रिन्यूएबल और NTPC
- C) Reliance Energy & GAIL / रिलायंस एनर्जी और गेल
- D) NTPC & Indian Oil / NTPC और इंडियन ऑयल
- E) JSW Energy & NTPC / JSW एनर्जी और NTPC

**Answer**: Option B

- Tata Power Renewable Energy Ltd. (TPREL) has signed a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with NTPC for the development of a 200-MW clean energy project.
- The project will contribute to India's clean energy transition and help in reducing carbon emissions, aligning with national goals for sustainable development.
- The project is expected to be completed within 24 months.
- This partnership highlights the collaboration between public and private sector entities in the renewable energy sector in India.

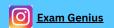


















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# Ques: What is the significance of the Madhavpur Mela festival celebrated in **Gujarat?**

गुजरात में मनाए जाने वाले माधवपुर मेला महोत्सव का क्या महत्व है?

- (a) It celebrates the harvest season in Gujarat / यह गुजरात में फसल के मौसम का उत्सव है
- (b) It commemorates the birth of Lord Krishna / यह भगवान कृष्ण के जन्म की स्मृति में मनाया जाता ਨੈ
- (c) It marks the divine union of Lord Krishna and Rukmani / यह भगवान कृष्ण और रुक्मिणी के दिव्य मिलन को दर्शाता है
- (d) It celebrates the victory of Lord Rama over Ravana / यह भगवान राम की रावण पर विजय का उत्सव है
- (e) It is held to worship the river Narmada / यह नर्मदा नदी की पूजा के लिए आयोजित किया जाता है

Answer: Option C

- Madhavpur Mela is held in Madhavpur, Porbandar district, Gujarat.
- It commemorates the divine union of Lord Krishna of Dwarka and Rukmani of Arunachal Pradesh.
- The festival gained national recognition in 2018.
- Chief Minister Bhupendrabhai Patel inaugurated the 2025 edition.
- Government investments included Rs.30 crore in pilgrimage infrastructure at Rukmani Temple and Rs.75 crore in salt control, tidal flood management, and water conservation (e.g., Mokarsagar Lake).

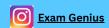


















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Ques: What retaliatory measure has China recently taken amid its ongoing trade conflict with the United States?

अमेरिका के साथ चल रहे व्यापारिक संघर्ष के बीच चीन ने हाल ही में कौन सा प्रतिशोधात्मक कदम उठाया है?

- (a) Suspended all US imports / अमेरिका से सभी आयात निलंबित कर दिए
- (b) Increased tariffs on US goods up to 84% / अमेरिकी वस्तुओं पर शुल्क को 84% तक बढा दिया
- (c) Lifted tariffs on US goods / अमेरिकी वस्तुओं पर शुल्क हटा दिए
- (d) Announced a free trade agreement with the US / अमेरिका के साथ मुक्त व्यापार समझौता घोषित किया
- (e) Allowed unrestricted access to American companies / अमेरिकी कंपनियों को असीमित पहुंच प्रदान की

**Answer**: Option B

- China announced a substantial rise in retaliatory tariffs, further intensifying the trade war between the United States and China.
- The trade battle has significantly intensified as China has increased its tariffs on US goods to as high as 84% in reaction to the Trump administration's 104% levies on Chinese imports.
- Compared to the prior rate of 34%, it is higher.
- firms like American Photonics and Novotech are among the 12 US firms that China put to its export control list, thereby prohibiting them from importing dual-use goods from China



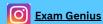


















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Executive Director-President and Chief Operating Officer (COO) of Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) for the term 2025-2030?

टाटा कंसल्टेंसी सर्विसेज (TCS) के कार्यकारी निदेशक-अध्यक्ष और मुख्य परिचालन अधिकारी (COO) के रूप में 2025-2030 की अवधि के लिए किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Rajesh Gopinathan / राजेश गोपीनाथन
- (b) N Chandrasekaran / एन चंद्रशेखरन
- (c) Aarthi Subramanian / आरती सुब्रमण्यम
- (d) Roshni Nadar Malhotra / रोशनी नाडर मल्होत्रा
- (e) Rekha Menon / रेखा मेनन

**Answer**: Option C

- Aarthi Subramanian has been appointed as the Executive Director-President and COO of Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) for a five-year term (May 1, 2025 - April 30, 2030).
- She is also a board member of TCS.
- The COO position at TCS was last held before 2009 by N Chandrasekaran, now Chairman of Tata Sons.





















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Ques: The International Day of Human Space Flight is observed every year on which day?

अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मानव अंतरिक्ष उडान दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

Answer: Option C

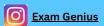
- In honor of Yuri Gagarin's momentous accomplishment as the first human to travel into space, the International Day of Human Space Flight is celebrated annually on April 12.
- Gagarin launched the Soviet spacecraft Vostok 1 into orbit around the Earth on this day in 1961, ushering in a new age of space travel.
- In 2011, the United Nations General Assembly designated April 12 as the International Day of Human Space Flight in recognition of the significance of this milestone.















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

Government of India and the Government of Israel Forge Strategic Partnership to enhance bilateral cooperation in agriculture, aiming to boost agricultural productivity, innovation, and sustainability

Junta chief Brice Oligui Nguema Appointed as President of Gabon. Libreville is the capital of Gabon and Currency is Central African CFA franc

Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Limited & Swan Defence and Heavy Industries Limited (SDHI) signed MoU to enhance collaboration in commercial shipbuilding and offshore infrastructure, reinforcing India's maritime self-reliance under the Atma Nirbhar Bharat initiative.

India's first-ever Agentic Al Hackathon Final Held at Technopark, Kerala and Organised by Techvantage.ai & CrewAl. Venkata Saketh Dakuri, the Al winner, created an AI tool for anti-money laundering and regulatory compliance.

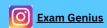
















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# महत्वपूर्ण एक लाइनर करंट अफेयर्स

भारत सरकार और इज़राइल सरकार ने कृषि में द्विपक्षीय सहयोग बढाने के लिए रणनीतिक साझेदारी की, जिसका उद्देश्य कृषि उत्पादकता, नवाचार और स्थिरता को बढ़ावा देना है

जुंटा प्रमुख ब्राइस ओलिगुई न्गुएमा को गैबॉन का राष्ट्रपति नियुक्त किया गया। लिब्रेविल गैबॉन की राजधानी है और मुद्रा मध्य अफ्रीकी सीएफए फ्रैंक है

गार्डन रीच शिपबिल्डर्स एंड इंजीनियर्स (जीआरएसई) लिमिटेड और स्वान डिफेंस एंड हैवी इंडस्ट्रीज लिमिटेड (एसडीएचआई) ने वाणिज्यिक जहाज निर्माण और अपतटीय बुनियादी ढांचे में सहयोग बढ़ाने के लिए समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए, जिससे आत्मनिर्भर भारत पहल के तहत भारत की समुद्री आत्मनिर्भरता को मजबूती मिली।

भारत का पहला एजेंटिक एआई हैकथॉन फाइनल केरल के टेक्नोपार्क में आयोजित किया गया और Techvantage.ai और CrewAl द्वारा आयोजित किया गया। एआई विजेता वेंकट साकेत डाक्री ने एंटी-मनी लॉन्डिंग और विनियामक अनुपालन के लिए एक एआई टूल बनाया।

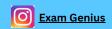


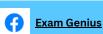
















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Ques: As per SEBI's new framework effective from April 1, 2025, what is the minimum PAN-level investment required across all SIF strategies under one AMC? सेबी के 1 अप्रैल 2025 से प्रभावी नए ढांचे के अनुसार, एक एएमसी के तहत सभी एसआईएफ रणनीतियों में पैन स्तर पर न्यूनतम निवेश क्या होना चाहिए?

- (a) Rs.1 lakh
- (b) Rs.5 lakh
- (c) Rs.10 lakh
- (d) Rs.15 lakh
- (e) Rs.20 lakh

Answer: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

• Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has introduced a regulatory framework for Specialized Investment Funds (SIFs), effective from April 1, 2025

### **Key Features of the Revised SIF Framework:**

- Investors must maintain a minimum total investment of Rs. 10 lakh across all SIF strategies under one AMC, calculated at the Permanent Account Number (PAN) level
- Requires immediate redemption if market fluctuations cause investments to drop below Rs. 10 lakh

## **Eligibility Criteria for AMCs to Launch SIFs:**

- Minimum of 3 years of operational history
- Must maintain an Average Assets Under Management (AUM) of Rs 10,000 crore or more over the last 3 years
- Each AMC is permitted to launch only one Specialized Investment Fund (SIF) strategy per category - equity, debt, or hybrid

## SEBI allows SIFs to offer three categories of investment strategies:

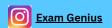
• The first is Equity-Oriented Strategies such as Equity Long-Short Funds and Sector Rotation Funds.















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- The second is Debt-Oriented Strategies like Debt Long-Short Funds and Sectoral Debt Funds.
- The third category is hybrid Strategies including Active Asset Allocator Funds and Hybrid Long-Short Funds

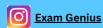


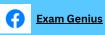
















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# Ques: What is the primary role of 'Grahak Mitras' deployed by SBI? SBI द्वारा तैनात 'ग्राहक मित्रों' की मुख्य भूमिका क्या है?

- A) To approve loans for rural customers / ग्रामीण ग्राहकों के लिए ऋण स्वीकृत करना
- B) To guide customers to use self-service banking channels / ग्राहकों को स्व-सेवा बैंकिंग चैनलों का उपयोग करने के लिए मार्गदर्शन करना
- C) To audit bank branches / बैंक शाखाओं का ऑडिट करना
- D) To train SBI employees / एसबीआई कर्मचारियों को प्रशिक्षित करना
- E) To manage SBI's mobile app / एसबीआई के मोबाइल ऐप का प्रबंधन करना

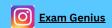
**Answer**: Option B

- The State Bank of India (SBI) will deploy 'Grahak Mitras' at 4,500 branches (which is 20% of its total 22,740 branches) to promote alternative banking channels.
- This initiative will be executed by State Bank Operations Support Services (SBOSS), a wholly-owned subsidiary of SBI.
- The primary role of these 'Grahak Mitras' is to guide and assist customers in using self-service banking options and provide first-level support at branches.
- Self-service options include ATMs/ADWMs, barcode-based SWAYAM passbook printing kiosks, cheque deposit kiosks, and digital channels like YONO, Internet Banking, and WhatsApp Banking.
- As of March 2024, 20,135 SWAYAM kiosks were installed at 17,663 branches, and 65,000 ATMs/ADWMs were operational as of December 2024.
- SBI plans to upgrade 40,000 ATMs/ADWMs and install 5,500 new SWAYAM kiosks in FY26.
- Notably, alternate channel transaction ratio improved from 88.1% in March 2019 to 98.1% in December 2024, and 3.4 crore monthly passbook transactions have shifted from counters to kiosks.















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Ques: Which bank has Piramal Finance Limited partnered with for co-lending to improve credit access in rural and semi-urban areas? ग्रामीण और अर्ध-शहरी क्षेत्रों में ऋण पहुंच बढ़ाने के लिए पिरामल फाइनेंस लिमिटेड ने किस बैंक के साथ सह-ऋण साझेदारी की है?

- (a) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (c) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- (d) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक
- (e) Yes Bank / यस बैंक

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation**:

- Piramal Finance Limited and ICICI Bank, both based in Mumbai, have formed a colending partnership.
- The collaboration focuses on providing Home Loans and Loan Against Property.
- Target beneficiaries include middle and low-income borrowers, especially in rural and semi-urban areas.

#### **About ICICI Bank:**

Established: 1994

• HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra CEO & MD : Sandeep Bakhshi

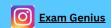
• Tagline : Khayal Apka

















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Ques: What is the title of the new BHIM campaign launched to promote it as 'Bharat Ka Apna Payments App'?

भीम को 'भारत का अपना पेमेंट ऐप' के रूप में प्रचारित करने के लिए शुरू किए गए नए अभियान का नाम क्या है?

- A) Digital Bharat Abhiyan / डिजिटल भारत अभियान
- B) Paison Ki Kadar / पैसों की कदर
- C) BHIM Bharat Pay / भीम भारत पे
- D) Apna Pay Desh Ka / अपना वेतन देश का
- E) India's Digital Drive / भारत की डिजिटल ड्राइव

**Answer**: Option B

- NPCI BHIM Services Ltd. (NBSL), a subsidiary of the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), launched the campaign 'Paison Ki Kadar' to position BHIM as 'Bharat Ka Apna Payments App'.
- The purpose of the campaign is to celebrate India's emotional and trusted relationship with money and promote BHIM as a modern, inclusive, and user-friendly payment app.
- The campaign aims to reinforce trust and familiarity with money, making BHIM a preferred and reliable choice for digital payments across India.
- BHIM 3.0 introduces features like Split Expenses, Family Mode, and Spends Analytics, supporting 15+ Indian languages and working effectively in areas with low internet connectivity.

















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Ques: Razorpay recently became the first payment gateway to integrate which new in-app UPI solution to enhance payment success rates? Razorpay हाल ही में भुगतान सफलता दर बढाने के लिए किस नए इन-ऐप UPI समाधान को एकीकृत करने वाला पहला भुगतान गेटवे बना?

- (a) BHIM Pulse
- (b) BHIM Link
- (c) BHIM Vega
- (d) BHIM Nova
- (e) BHIM Pay

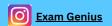
**Answer**: Option C

- Razorpay Turbo Unified Payments Interface (UPI) plugin Launched by Razorpay Software Private Limited & NPCI BHIM Services Limited (NBSL)
- It is Sponsored by Axis Bank and Launched on Bharat Interface for Money (BHIM) Vega platform
- Its aim is to address friction in online payments by minimizing drop-offs and increasing transaction success rates
- with this Razorpay has become the first payment gateway to integrate the new inapp UPI solution.
- By enabling users to pay directly within the app, BHIM Vega, a native in-app payment system, removes the need to use third-party platforms, speeding the payment process and guaranteeing a more secure and seamless transaction experience.















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Ques: On April 17, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will conduct an OMO auction to purchase government securities worth how much? 17 अप्रैल को भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक (RBI) सरकारी प्रतिभूतियों की खरीद के लिए OMO नीलामी के तहत कितनी राशि की खरीद करेगा?

- (a) Rs.20,000 crore
- (b) Rs.40,000 crore
- (c) Rs.80,000 crore
- (d) Rs.1.5 trillion
- (e) Rs.2.9 trillion

Answer: Option B

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) declared that it will buy Rs 40,000 crore worth of government securities through an open market operation (OMO) auction on April 17.
- The previously announced Rs 80,000 crore OMO project, which is being carried out in four tranches of Rs 20,000 crore each on April 3, April 8, April 22, and April 29, is being supplemented by this auction.
- In order to inject Rs 1.5 trillion into the banking sector, the central bank would also hold a long-term 43-day variable rate repo auction on the same day.
- To date, the RBI has invested Rs 2.9 trillion through OMO auctions. Additionally, through long-term variable rate repo (VRR) auctions, it has contributed Rs 2 trillion.

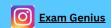


















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Ques: Which Indian cricketer became the first player in IPL history to score over 8000 runs and hit 1000 boundaries?

कौन सा भारतीय क्रिकेटर आईपीएल इतिहास में 8000 से अधिक रन बनाने और 1000 चौके लगाने वाला पहला खिलाडी बना है?

- (a) Rohit Sharma / रोहित शर्मा
- (b) David Warner / डेविड वॉर्नर
- (c) Shikhar Dhawan / शिखर धवन
- (d) Virat Kohli / विराट कोहली
- (e) KL Rahul / केएल राहुल

**Answer**: Option D

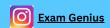
- Virat Kohli is the highest run-scorer in Indian Premier League (IPL) history and the only player to cross the 8000-run mark.
- He also became the first player to hit 1000 boundaries in IPL history during a 2025 match between RCB and Delhi Capitals at M Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru.
- He leads the tally ahead of Shikhar Dhawan (920), David Warner (899), and Rohit Sharma (885).

















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Ques: Which Indian state became the first to implement online filing and hearing for Permanent Lok Adalats?

स्थायी लोक अदालतों के लिए ऑनलाइन फाइलिंग और सुनवाई की सुविधा शुरू करने वाला पहला भारतीय राज्य कौन सा है?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (c) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- (d) Kerala / केरल
- (e) Telangana / तेलंगाना

**Answer**: Option D

- Kerala has become the first state in India to implement online filing and hearing for Permanent Lok Adalats (PLAs), initiated by the Kerala State Legal Services Authority (KELSA).
- The goal of this initiative is to simplify legal processes and make justice more accessible, especially to people living in remote and underserved areas.
- This move introduces a technology-driven justice delivery system, enabling citizens to participate in legal proceedings digitally, which is expected to reduce the burden on physical courts and improve efficiency.

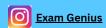


















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:Ques: Which Indian state has signed an MoU with European companies to launch a pilot electric rapid transit (e-RT) project between Hubballi and Dharwad? किस भारतीय राज्य ने हबली और धारवाड़ के बीच एक पायलट इलेक्ट्रिक रैपिड ट्रांजिट (e-RT) परियोजना शुरू करने के लिए यूरोपीय कंपनियों के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन (MoU) पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाड्
- (c) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (d) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (e) Kerala / केरल

Answer: Option D

- To begin a trial electric rapid transit (e-RT) project between Hubballi and Dharwad, the Karnataka government has inked a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with European businesses.
- This system is entirely electric and will function on city elevated roadways as well as on the ground in other locations. 250 people can travel at once in this.
- Many European nations have successfully adopted this metro-style transportation system.

















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Ques: What is the name of the seventh-generation AI chip unveiled by Google, aimed at enhancing AI application performance? एआई एप्लिकेशन के प्रदर्शन को बेहतर बनाने के लिए Google द्वारा पेश की गई सातवीं पीढी की एआई चिप का नाम क्या है?

- (a) Coral / कोरल
- (b) Ironwood / आयरनवुड
- (c) Sapphire / सैफायर
- (d) Firestorm / फायरस्टॉर्म
- (e) Titan / टाइटन

**Answer**: Option B

- A major milestone in the company's ten-year, multi-billion-dollar investment in AI hardware, Google has unveiled its seventh-generation AI chip, called "Ironwood,"
- It is intended to speed up the performance of AI applications, particularly in inference computing like creating chatbot responses.
- These Tensor Processing Units (TPUs) are specifically available to Google engineers or through Google Cloud, giving the company a competitive edge in internal AI development and cloud-based AI services.

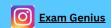




















अप्रैल 2025 में 15वीं ब्रिक्स कृषि मंत्रियों की बैठक कहां आयोजित की जाएगी?

- A) Shanghai, China / शंघाई, चीन
- B) New Delhi, India / नई दिल्ली, भारत
- C) Sao Paulo, Brazil / साओ पाउलो, ब्राजील
- D) Brasilia, Brazil / ब्रासीलिया, ब्राजील
- E) Johannesburg, South Africa / जोहान्सबर्ग, दक्षिण अफ्रीका

**Answer**: Option D

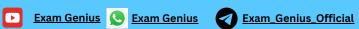
- The 15th BRICS Agriculture Ministers' Meeting is scheduled for 17 April 2025 in Brasilia, Brazil.
- The meeting will focus on "Promoting Inclusive and Sustainable Agriculture" through cooperation, innovation, and equitable trade among BRICS nations.
- Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan will represent India, with key bilateral discussions planned with Brazilian ministers.
- Collaboration will center around agriculture, agri-tech, food security, and rural development.
- Additional activities include a tree plantation under the "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam" campaign and engagement with the Indian diaspora.

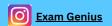


















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## Ques: Which state government launched 'Rajiv Yuva Vikasam' Scheme? किस राज्य सरकार ने 'राजीव युवा विकासम' योजना शुरू की?

- (a) Kerala / केरल
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाड
- (c) Odisha / ओडिशा
- (d) Andhra Pradesh / आंध्र प्रदेश
- (e) Telangana / तेलंगाना

**Answer**: Option E

- To encourage economic independence and entrepreneurship among young people from SC, ST, BC, minority, and EBC/EWS communities, the Telangana government introduced the "Rajiv Yuva Vikasam Scheme 2025."
- Through targeted assistance, the program, which is run by the appropriate community welfare corporations, seeks to increase financial independence.
- Concessional subsidized loans up to Rs.4 lakh are available to eligible recipients so they can launch their own companies and engage in entrepreneurial endeavors

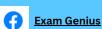
















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Ques: President Droupadi Murmu was recently conferred with an Honorary Doctorate by which Slovakian university for her contributions to public service and social justice?

राष्ट्रपति द्रौपदी मुर्मू को हाल ही में लोक सेवा और सामाजिक न्याय में उनके योगदान के लिए किस स्लोवाकियाई विश्वविद्यालय द्वारा मानद डॉक्टरेट की उपाधि प्रदान की गई?

- (a) Comenius University / कोमेनीयस विश्वविद्यालय
- (b) University of Žilina / विश्वविद्यालय ऑफ़ जिलिना
- (c) Pavol Jozef Šafárik University / पावोल जोजेफ़ शाफारिक विश्वविद्यालय
- (d) Constantine the Philosopher University / कॉन्स्टैंटाइन द फ़िलॉस्फ़र विश्वविद्यालय
- (e) Technical University of Košice / टेक्निकल यूनिवर्सिटी ऑफ़ कोसिसे

**Answer**: Option D

- President Droupadi Murmu was honored by Constantine the Philosopher University, Nitra, Slovakia.
- She received the Honorary Doctorate (Honoris Causa) for her distinguished contributions to public service, social justice, women's empowerment, and cultural diversity.
- The university is named after Saint Constantine-Cyril and recognizes individuals promoting education, humanism, and global understanding.



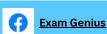
















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:Ques: What is the key objective of the unified health insurance scheme launched in Odisha by Union Health Minister Jagat Prakash Nadda? केंद्रीय स्वास्थ्य मंत्री जगत प्रकाश नड्डा द्वारा ओडिशा में शुरू की गई एकीकृत स्वास्थ्य बीमा योजना का मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या है?

- (a) To increase the budget allocation for private hospitals / निजी अस्पतालों के लिए बजट आवंटन बढाना
- (b) To replace Ayushman Bharat scheme with a state-only program / आयुष्पान भारत योजना को राज्य-आधारित कार्यक्रम से बदलना
- (c) To integrate state and central health insurance schemes for broader coverage / व्यापक कवरेज के लिए राज्य और केंद्र की स्वास्थ्य बीमा योजनाओं का एकीकरण करना
- (d) To provide health insurance to government employees only / केवल सरकारी कर्मचारियों को स्वास्थ्य बीमा प्रदान करना
- (e) To reduce the number of hospitals under government schemes / सरकारी योजनाओं के तहत अस्पतालों की संख्या कम करना

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

### The scheme launched in Cuttack, Odisha integrates:

- Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY)
- Gopabandhu Jan Arogya Yojana (formerly Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana)
- Ayushman Vayo-Vandana Yojana (for senior citizens aged 70+)

## • Coverage: 5 lakh rupees per family annually + additional 5 lakh for women members.

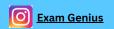
- It will benefit 352 lakh people from 1.08 crore families across 29,000+ hospitals in India.
- Odisha became the 34th state/UT to join AB-PMJAY, with Delhi as the 35th.
- The previous BJD government had refused to join AB-PMJAY; the BJP government in 2024 reversed that decision.

















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Ques: Where did India successfully demonstrate its 30-kilowatt laser-based Directed Energy Weapon (DEW) system capable of targeting drones and aircraft? भारत ने कहां पर 30-किलोवाट लेजर-आधारित डाइरेक्टेड एनर्जी वेपन (DEW) प्रणाली का सफलतापूर्वक प्रदर्शन किया, जो ड्रोन और विमानों को निशाना बना सकती है?

- (a) Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh / कुरनूल, आंध्र प्रदेश
- (b) Balasore, Odisha / बालासोर, ओडिशा
- (c) Pokhran, Rajasthan / पोखरण, राजस्थान
- (d) Jaisalmer, Rajasthan / जैसलमेर, राजस्थान
- (e) Chandipur, Odisha / चांदीपुर, ओडिशा

**Answer**: Option A

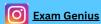
- At Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh, India successfully demonstrated a 30-kilowatt laserbased weapon system that could fire down missiles, swarm drones, and fixed-wing aircraft.
- A fixed-wing UAV was damaged and swarm drone sensors were disabled by the Vehicle-mounted Laser Directed Energy Weapon (DEW) MK-II(A), which was created by DRDO's CHESS in Hyderabad.
- India is now one of the few countries with demonstrated high-power laser DEW capabilities, including the US, China, and Russia.

















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:Ques: Which former England cricketer has been awarded a knighthood in Rishi Sunak's resignation honours list?

पूर्व ब्रिटिश प्रधानमंत्री ऋषि सुनक की इस्तीफा सम्मान सूची में किस पूर्व इंग्लैंड क्रिकेटर को नाइटहुड से सम्मानित किया गया है?

- (a) Joe Root / जो रूट
- (b) Ben Stokes / बेन स्टोक्स
- (c) Stuart Broad / स्टूअर्ट ब्रॉड
- (d) Alastair Cook / एलेस्टेयर कुक
- (e) James Anderson / जेम्स एंडरसन

Answer: Option E

- James Anderson, former England fast bowler, received a knighthood for his services to cricket.
- He is the only sportsperson on Rishi Sunak's resignation honours list.
- Anderson is England's all-time leading wicket-taker in Test cricket, with 704 wickets.
- Though retired from Tests, he still plays county cricket for Lancashire but missed the 2025 County Championship opener due to a calf injury.

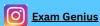


















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Ques: Where was the Symposium on Film Forensics organized by National Forensic Sciences University- NFSU held?

राष्ट्रीय फोरेंसिक विज्ञान विश्वविद्यालय-एनएफएसयू द्वारा फिल्म फोरेंसिक पर संगोष्ठी कहाँ आयोजित की गई?

- a) Mumbai / मुंबई
- b) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- c) Chennai / चेन्नई
- d) Hyderabad / हैदराबाद
- e) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली

Answer: Option E

- In New Delhi, the National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU) hosted a Symposium on Film Forensics.
- The symposium's goal is to bridge the gap between science and cinematic storytelling by providing a forum for discussion and cooperation among students, filmmakers, and forensic specialists.
- In order to increase public interest in crime-solving and scientific methodologies, it also examines and honors the nexus between forensic science and film.





















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Ques: Which African country became the first to sign a Country Partnership Framework (CPF) with the International Solar Alliance (ISA)? किस अफ्रीकी देश ने अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सौर गठबंधन (ISA) के साथ कंट्री पार्टनरशिप फ्रेमवर्क (CPF) पर हस्ताक्षर करने वाला पहला देश बनकर इतिहास रच दिया है?

- (a) Nigeria / नाइजीरिया
- (b) South Africa / दक्षिण अफ्रीका
- (c) Mauritius / मॉरीशस
- (d) Kenva / केन्या
- (e) Egypt / मिस्र

**Answer**: Option C

- Mauritius is the first African country to sign the Country Partnership Framework (CPF) with the International Solar Alliance (ISA).
- It is the fourth globally, following Bangladesh, Bhutan, and Cuba.
- The CPF ensures structured collaboration on solar energy initiatives, aligned with national priorities.
- ISA, launched in 2015 by India and France, is a treaty-based intergovernmental organization aiming to mobilize USD 1 trillion in solar investments by 2030.
- ISA Director General: Ashish Khanna



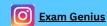


















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Ques: Who has been re-appointed as the Chairperson of the ICC Men's Cricket Committee in 2025?

2025 में ICC पुरुष क्रिकेट समिति के अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे पुनः नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Anil Kumble / अनिल कुंबले
- (b) Rahul Dravid / राहल द्रविड
- (c) VVS Laxman / वीवीएस लक्ष्मण
- (d) Sourav Ganguly / सौरव गांगुली
- (e) Sunil Gavaskar / सुनील गावस्कर

Answer: Option D

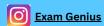
- In addition to his longtime national teammate VVS Laxman being selected once more as a panel member, former India captain Sourav Ganguly has been reappointed as the chairperson of the ICC men's cricket committee.
- Ganguly was initially named chair of the committee in 2021 and led the Indian team with excellence for five years, from 2000 to 2005.
- Ganguly, 52, took over for fellow countryman Anil Kumble, who resigned after serving up to three three-year mandates.

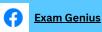
















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Ques: As per recent government announcement, what is the new ethanol blending target by 2030 in India?

हाल ही में सरकार द्वारा घोषित अनुसार, 2030 तक भारत का नया एथेनॉल मिश्रण लक्ष्य क्या है?

- A) 20%
- B) 25%
- C) 30%
- D) 35%
- E) 40%

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- India achieved 20% ethanol blending in petrol in March 2025, ahead of the earlier target of 2030.
- Now, the government has set a new goal of 30% blending by 2030, further advancing its biofuel strategy.
- The ethanol is mainly produced from sugarcane and grains (like maize), and blending helps in reducing crude oil imports, cutting emissions, and supporting farmer incomes.

### Over the last 10 years, this ethanol push has led to:

- Rs.1.2 trillion in forex savings
- Rs.1.04 trillion paid to farmers
- CO₂ emission reduction of 62.6 million metric tonnes

















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Ques: What is the primary objective of the recent NITI Aayog report on India's automotive sector?

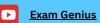
भारत के ऑटोमोटिव क्षेत्र पर नीति आयोग की हालिया रिपोर्ट का मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या है?

- (a) To increase taxes on imported vehicles / आयातित वाहनों पर कर बढ़ाना
- (b) To position India as a global player in the automotive value chain / भारत को ऑटोमोटिव मूल्य श्रंखला में वैश्विक खिलाडी के रूप में स्थापित करना
- (c) To reduce car prices in domestic markets / घरेलू बाजारों में कार की कीमतें कम करना
- (d) To promote electric vehicle use in rural India / ग्रामीण भारत में इलेक्ट्रिक वाहनों को बढ़ावा देना
- (e) To ban the production of conventional vehicles / पारंपरिक वाहनों के उत्पादन पर प्रतिबंध लगाना

**Answer**: Option B

- The NITI Aayog report aims to position India as a global leader in the automotive value chain, focusing on targeted interventions across various types of auto components.
- The report was launched by Vice Chairman Suman Bery and CEO BVR Subrahmanyam.
- India ranks 4th in global vehicle production, with a strong presence in small cars and utility vehicles, supported by the Make in India initiative and a cost-competitive workforce.
- The global auto component market is worth USD 2 trillion, with India's share at USD 70 billion.

















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Ques: Which of the following festivals marks the arrival of the spring harvest season and is celebrated as a traditional harvest festival in India? निम्नलिखित में से कौन-सा त्योहार वसंत ऋतु की फसल के आगमन को चिह्नित करता है और भारत में पारंपरिक फसल उत्सव के रूप में मनाया जाता है?

- (a) Yaoshang / याओशांग
- (b) Vaisakhi / वैसाखी
- (c) Dussehra / दशहरा
- (d) Pongal / पोंगल
- (e) Sarhul / सरहल

**Answer**: Option B

- Vaisakhi in Punjab, Vishu in Kerala, Poila Boishakh in West Bengal, Bohag Bihu in Assam, and Puthandu in Tamil Nadu are all celebrated during mid-April to mark the spring harvest and the beginning of a new year in various regional calendars.
- These festivals reflect India's agrarian roots, cultural diversity, and spirit of renewal and gratitude.
- They emphasize unity, prosperity, and the vibrant traditions of different Indian states.

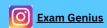


















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Ques: Padma Shri awardee D. Ramaiah, who recently passed away, was popularly known for his contributions in which of the following fields? पद्मश्री पुरस्कार से सम्मानित डी. रामैया, जिनका हाल ही में निधन हो गया, निम्नलिखित में से किस क्षेत्र में अपने योगदान के लिए प्रसिद्ध थे?

- (a) Literature / साहित्य
- (b) Social Service / सामाजिक सेवा
- (c) Environmental Protection / पर्यावरण संरक्षण
- (d) Agriculture / कृषि
- (e) Education / शिक्षा

**Answer**: Option C

- The Tree Man of Telangana, Padma Shri D. Ramaiah, died in his hometown of Reddy Palli in the Khammam district of Telangana.
- In 2017, Ramaiah received the Padma Shri in recognition of his outstanding work in environmental conservation. Throughout his life, he planted more than one crore seedlings and was devoted to spreading the word about the value of trees.
- In an effort to motivate young students, the Telangana government has incorporated his life story into the curriculum for Class 6.

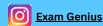


















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Ques: As per the new proposal, what significant change is expected in CPSE classification norms?

नए प्रस्ताव के अनुसार CPSE वर्गीकरण मानदंडों में कौन सा महत्वपूर्ण बदलाव प्रस्तावित है?

- A) CPSEs to be privatized / सीपीएसई का निजीकरण किया जाएगा
- B) Increase in public shareholding requirement / सार्वजनिक शेयरधारिता आवश्यकता में वृद्धि
- C) New loan scheme for CPSEs / सीपीएसई के लिए नई ऋण योजना
- D) Performance-based downgrade clause / प्रदर्शन-आधारित डाउनग्रेड क्लॉज
- E) Mandatory CSR spending limit / अनिवार्य सीएसआर खर्च सीमा

**Answer**: Option D

- The central government plans to revise the classification norms of CPSEs by introducing a performance-based downgrade clause.
- Currently, CPSEs are categorized as Maharatna, Navratna, Miniratna I, and Miniratna II, based on financial and operational benchmarks.
- The new provision aims to enhance accountability and drive efficiency, ensuring only consistently performing enterprises retain elite status.
- In FY25, CPSEs paid a record dividend of ₹74,016 crore, with major contributions from Coal India, ONGC, IOCL, PowerGrid, and NTPC.
- This move is part of a larger reform effort to make public enterprises more competitive and responsive to changing market dynamics.

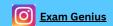


















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Ques: What is the projected GDP growth rate for India in fiscal year 2026 according to Crisil?

क्रिसिल के अनुसार वित्त वर्ष 2026 में भारत के लिए अनुमानित जीडीपी वृद्धि दर क्या है?

- (a) 5.5%
- (b) 5.8%
- (c) 6.2%
- (d) 6.5%
- (e) 6.8%

**Answer**: Option D

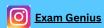
- India's GDP is expected to increase by 6.5% in fiscal 2026, according to global credit rating agency Crisil, although the agency warned that US tariff hikes continue to pose a serious danger to the prediction.
- According to the agency, the second half of FY25 saw better economic indicators, including as increased output in the capital goods, infrastructure, and construction sectors, as well as encouraging results from RBI surveys that showed growing demand and consumer confidence in both urban and rural areas.

















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Ques: Which two entities have partnered to launch India's first 'Passion Cards'? भारत के पहले 'पैशन कार्ड' लॉन्च करने के लिए किन दो संस्थाओं ने साझेदारी की है?

- A) SBI and Visa / एसबीआई और वीज़ा
- B) HDFC Bank and Rupay / एचडीएफसी बैंक और रुपे
- C) Mastercard and City Union Bank / मास्टरकार्ड और सिटी यूनियन बैंक
- D) ICICI Bank and American Express / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक और अमेरिकन एक्सप्रेस
- E) Axis Bank and Discover / एक्सिस बैंक और डिस्कवर

**Answer**: Option C

- Mastercard and City Union Bank (CUB) have jointly launched India's first "Passion Cards", which are available in both credit and debit card formats.
- These cards offer personalized designs based on individual customer passions such as travel, music, fitness, art, and more—catering especially to young, tech-savvy consumers who value personalization.
- Along with Mastercard's global acceptance and security features, the cards offer rewards and loyalty benefits tailored to the cardholder's chosen passion category.
- This is a strategic move by Mastercard to tap into the niche segment of emotionally engaging banking products, aiming to increase customer retention and brand connection by aligning with user identity.

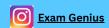


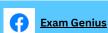
















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## Ques: Argentina seals how much from International Monetary Fund deal? अर्जेंटीना ने अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मुद्रा कोष से कितना सौदा किया?

- (a) \$8 billion
- (b) \$10 billion
- (c) \$14 billion
- (d) \$18 billion
- (e) \$20 billion

**Answer**: Option E

### **Explanation:**

- Argentina and the International Monetary Fund inked a \$20 billion, 48-month Extended Fund Facility agreement.
- By April 8, 2025, \$12 billion will be distributed, and an additional \$2 billion by June.
- The central bank of Argentina intends to abandon the fixed currency peg and permit the peso to fluctuate between 1,000 and 1,400 to the dollar.
- The "cepo" capital controls, which have been in effect since 2019, will be mainly abolished.
- The agreement, which is Argentina's 23rd with the IMF, highlights the country's historical reliance on foreign assistance.

### **About International Monetary Fund:**

Established: 27 December 1945

• HQ: Washington, D.C., U.S.

Member: 190 countries (189 UN countries and Kosovo)

• Managing Director: Kristalina Georgieva

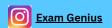


















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Ques: What is the name of the women-specific term insurance plan launched by **Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance?** 

बजाज एलायंस लाइफ इंश्योरेंस द्वारा लॉन्च की गई महिलाओं के लिए विशेष टर्म इंश्योरेंस प्लान का नाम क्या है?

- A) Nari Suraksha Plan / नारी सुरक्षा योजना
- B) Mahila Raksha Yojana / महिला रक्षा योजना
- C) Superwoman Term Plan / सुपरवूमन टर्म प्लान
- D) Sakhi Suraksha Policy / सखी स्रक्षा नीति
- E) Women Secure Shield / महिला सुरक्षित शील्ड

**Answer: Option C** 

- Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance has launched the Superwoman Term (SWT) Plan, a women-exclusive term insurance policy.
- It combines standard term insurance with add-on benefits focused on women's health and childcare.
- A Critical Illness Rider is included that covers 60 illnesses, notably breast, cervix, and ovarian cancers.
- The plan offers financial assistance during treatment, helping ensure both security and support for women and their families.



















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Ques: NPST Collaborates with which Bank to Boost Offline UPI Payment Solutions? एनपीएसटी ने ऑफलाइन यूपीआई भुगतान समाधान को बढ़ावा देने के लिए किस बैंक के साथ सहयोग किया है?

- (a) Karnataka Bank / कर्नाटक बैंक
- (b) Central Bank of India / सेंटल बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- (c) Indian Overseas Bank / इंडियन ओवरसीज बैंक
- (d) Union Bank of India / युनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- (e) Puniab & Sind Bank / पंजाब एंड सिंध बैंक

**Answer**: Option B

### **Explanation:**

- The Central Bank of India and NPST, a well-known fintech company, have inked a multi-year agreement to improve offline digital payment systems throughout India.
- To support the growth of offline payment acceptance in India, the partnership will implement NPST's Qynx platform, a Payment Platform-as-a-Service (PPaaS).

#### **About Central Bank of India:**

Established: 21 December 1911

• HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra

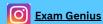
 CEO & MD: Matam Venkata Rao • Tagline : Central to You Since 1911

















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Ques: As per S&P Global Market Intelligence 2024, which two Indian banks are among the world's top 100 banks by assets? S&P ग्लोबल मार्केट इंटेलिजेंस 2024 के अनुसार, कौन से दो भारतीय बैंक विश्व के शीर्ष 100 बैंकों में शामिल हैं?

- A) ICICI Bank and Axis Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक और एक्सिस बैंक
- B) HDFC Bank and Axis Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक और एक्सिस बैंक
- C) SBI and ICICI Bank / एसबीआई और आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- D) SBI and HDFC Bank / एसबीआई और एचडीएफसी बैंक
- E) SBI and PNB / एसबीआई और पीएनबी

**Answer**: Option D

- As per the S&P Global Market Intelligence 2024 report, State Bank of India (SBI) and HDFC Bank are the only two Indian banks featured in the World's Top 100 Banks by Assets list.
- SBI secured the 43rd rank, moving up by 4 places, while HDFC Bank climbed 1 spot to 73rd position.
- The rise in rankings is attributed to factors such as mergers and acquisitions (M&A), which have boosted asset size.
- The top four global ranks are dominated by Chinese banks, led by the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Ltd.

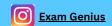


















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Ques: Which international cricket body has formed a dedicated task force to support displaced Afghan women cricketers? किस अंतरराष्ट्रीय क्रिकेट संस्था ने विस्थापित अफगान महिला क्रिकेटरों का समर्थन करने के लिए एक समर्पित कार्य बल का गठन किया है?

- (a) BCCI / बीसीसीआई
- (b) ECB / ईसीबी
- (c) ICC / आईसीसी
- (d) CA / सीए
- (e) MCC / एमसीसी

**Answer**: Option C

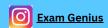
- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has formed a dedicated task force to support displaced Afghan women cricketers.
- This initiative is in collaboration with BCCI (India), ECB (England and Wales), and Cricket Australia (CA) to assist in cricket and personal development.
- It reflects ICC's commitment to inclusivity and the development of women's cricket worldwide.
- Catherine Campbell was re-appointed to the ICC Women's Cricket Committee, while Sourav Ganguly continues as Chair of the Men's Cricket Committee, with new appointees like Hamid Hassan, Temba Bavuma, and VVS Laxman (re-appointed).

















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Ques: What will be the new name of the historic town Khultabad, where Mughal emperor Aurangzeb's tomb is located, as per the Maharashtra government's recent announcement?

महाराष्ट्र सरकार की हालिया घोषणा के अनुसार, मुग़ल सम्राट औरंगज़ेब की क़ब्र वाला ऐतिहासिक शहर खुलताबाद का नया नाम क्या होगा?

- (a) Shivnagari / शिवनगरी
- (b) Sambhajinagar / संभाजीनगर
- (c) Aurangnagar / औरंगनगर
- (d) Ratnapur / रत्नापुर
- (e) Jambhulpada / जांभुलपाड़ा

**Answer**: Option D

- The Maharashtra government has decided to rename Khultabad to Ratnapur, as announced by Social Justice Minister Sanjay Shirsat.
- Khultabad was originally known as Ratnapur.
- The town is significant for housing the tomb of Mughal emperor Aurangzeb, and also the graves of his son Azam Shah and Asaf Jah I, founder of the Hyderabad Nizam dynasty.
- It is located around 25 km from Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar (formerly Aurangabad).

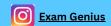


















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Ques: Where was the 2nd edition of the STREE Summit (She Triumphs Through Respect, Equality and Empowerment) held? STREE शिखर सम्मेलन (She Triumphs Through Respect, Equality and Empowerment) के दूसरे संस्करण का आयोजन कहां किया गया?

- (a) Hyderabad / हैदराबाद
- (b) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली
- (c) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- (d) Mumbai / मुंबई
- (e) Chennai / चेन्नर्ड

**Answer**: Option A

- The 2nd edition of the STREE Summit was held in Hyderabad.
- It was organized by the Hyderabad City Security Council (HCSC).
- The summit was chaired by Hyderabad Police Commissioner C.V. Anand.
- STREE stands for "She Triumphs Through Respect, Equality and Empowerment", aiming to empower women and promote gender equality.

















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Oues: Which state is set to host the 7th edition of the Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) 2025?

किस राज्य में खेलो इंडिया यूथ गेम्स (KIYG) 2025 के 7वें संस्करण का आयोजन किया जाएगा?

- (a) Bihar / बिहार
- (b) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (c) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- (d) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (e) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश

Answer: Option A

- Bihar will host the 7th Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) 2025 from 4th to 15th May 2025.
- The games will be held across Patna, Gaya, Rajgir, Begusarai, and Bhagalpur.
- Chief Minister Nitish Kumar and Union Sports Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya unveiled the mascot and logo of Khelo India Youth Games 2025.
- The mascot is Gajsimha, symbolizing elephant's strength and lion's heart, inspired by the Pala dynasty's art and heritage.
- The logo reflects Bihar's rich cultural heritage and uses orange color to represent enthusiasm and nature.
- Over 8500 participants and 10,000 delegates are anticipated to participate in the games. 18 distinct athletics and Sepak Takraw events will take place during the games in addition to standard volleyball, football, basketball, boxing, and kabaddi matches.
- The KIYG games will also feature about 27 other sports and indigenous games like Malkhamb.















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Ques: What is the name of the world's first unique quantum cybersecurity platform launched by QNu Labs to protect critical infrastructure? QNu Labs द्वारा महत्वपूर्ण अवसंरचना की सुरक्षा के लिए लॉन्च किए गए विश्व के पहले अद्वितीय क्वांटम साइबरसुरक्षा प्लेटफ़ॉर्म का नाम क्या है?

- (a) QVerse / क्यूवर्स
- (b) QShield / क्यूशील्ड
- (c) QSecure / क्यूसिक्योर
- (d) ODefense / क्युडिफेंस
- (e) QCrypt / क्युक्रिप्ट

**Answer**: Option B

- Startup QNu Labs introduces Q-Shield, the first platform of its kind in the world that enables businesses to safeguard vital infrastructure.
- The first unique platform in the world, Q-Shield, was introduced by QNu Labs, one of the companies chosen by the Department of Science and Technology (DST) as part of the National Quantum Mission.
- It gives businesses the ability to safeguard their vital infrastructure. On the occasion of World Quantum Day, it also makes it possible to handle cryptography in any environment-cloud, on-premises, or hybrid-with ease.
- Numerous services, such as Qosmos for key generation, QConnect for secure communication, and QVerse for secure collaboration, are made possible by Q-Shield.
- Incubated at IIT Madras and chosen under the National Quantum Mission, QNu Labs is enhancing India's standing in the world of quantum cybersecurity innovation.















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Ques: Which drone startup, backed by MS Dhoni, raised Rs.100 crore in Series B funding recently?

किस ड्रोन स्टार्टअप ने हाल ही में एमएस धोनी के समर्थन से ₹100 करोड़ की सीरीज़ बी फंडिंग जुटाई है?

- A) IdeaForge / आइडियाफोर्ज
- B) Garuda Aerospace / गरुड एयरोस्पेस
- C) Skylark Drones / स्काईलार्क ड्रोन
- D) Aero360 / एयरो360
- E) Drona Aviation / द्रोण एविएशन

**Answer**: Option B

- Garuda Aerospace, a Chennai-based drone startup, raised Rs.100 crore in a Series B funding round led by Venture Catalysts (VCAT).
- The company's valuation now stands at \$250 million.
- MS Dhoni is associated as both brand ambassador and investor, bringing strong brand credibility.
- The funding will be used to scale up drone production facilities, reflecting the growing demand for drones in agriculture, mapping, surveillance, etc.
- Garuda Aerospace has also worked with government departments and private organizations across India.



















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Ques: What is the name of the mission launched by the Government of India in 2025 to boost self-reliance in the critical mineral sector? भारत सरकार द्वारा 2025 में खनिज क्षेत्र में आत्मनिर्भरता बढाने के लिए शुरू किए गए मिशन का क्या नाम है?

- (a) Atmanirbhar Mineral Abhiyan / आत्मनिर्भर मिनरल अभियान
- (b) National Mineral Security Mission / राष्ट्रीय खनिज सुरक्षा मिशन
- (c) National Critical Mineral Mission / राष्ट्रीय महत्वपूर्ण खनिज मिशन
- (d) Bharat Mineral Development Scheme / भारत खनिज विकास योजना
- (e) Strategic Mineral Resources Mission / रणनीतिक खनिज संसाधन मिशन

Answer: Option C

- The National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM) was launched in 2025 to develop a robust and self-reliant framework in the critical mineral sector.
- Under this mission, the Geological Survey of India (GSI) will carry out 1,200 exploration projects between 2024-25 and 2030-31.
- A committee formed by the Ministry of Mines in 2022 identified 30 critical minerals, 24 of which have been added to Part D of Schedule I of the MMDR Act, 1957.
- A Centre of Excellence on Critical Minerals (CECM) will also be established to update the list and guide policy strategy.

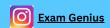


















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Ques: Which state government announces new wildlife sanctuary named after Dr **BR Ambedkar?** 

किस राज्य सरकार ने डॉ. बी.आर. अंबेडकर के नाम पर नए वन्यजीव अभयारण्य की घोषणा की है?

- a) Odisha / ओडिशा
- b) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- c) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश
- d) Chhattisgarh / छत्तीसगढ
- e) Jharkhand / झारखंड

Answer: Option C

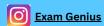
- A 258.64 square kilometer tract in the Sagar district of Madhya Pradesh has been designated as a wildlife sanctuary in honor of Dr. B R Ambedkar by the state government.
- The statement was made in advance of April 14, Ambedkar's 134th birth anniversary.
- This has resulted in 25 wildlife sanctuaries for the state, which is well-known for its tiger reserves.

















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Ques: What was the theme of the 3rd edition of Indian Navy's symposium 'Meghayan 25'?

भारतीय नौसेना की संगोष्ठी 'मेघायन 25' के तीसरे संस्करण की थीम क्या थी?

- A) Enhancing Maritime Cyber Security / समुद्री साइबर सुरक्षा को बढ़ाना
- B) Marine Biodiversity and Climate Action / समुद्री जैव विविधता और जलवायु कार्रवाई
- C) Closing the Early Warning Gap Together / प्रारंभिक चेतावनी अंतर को एक साथ बंद करना
- D) Integrated Naval Forecasting Network / एकीकृत नौसेना पूर्वानुमान नेटवर्क
- E) Ocean Surveillance Strategy / महासागर निगरानी रणनीति

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

- The Indian Navy hosted the 3rd edition of the Meteorological and Oceanological Symposium called 'Meghayan 25' on 14 April 2025, virtually inaugurated from Nausena Bhawan, Delhi.
- The event was organized to commemorate WMO Day 2025 and the founding of the World Meteorological Organization.
- The theme was "Closing the Early Warning Gap Together", reflecting global efforts to strengthen early warning systems, especially for maritime security.
- It featured technical sessions on marine meteorology, forecasting methods, and a panel discussion with top experts from Navy, IMD, ISRO, IITs, and others.

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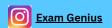
- Felicitation of 94-year-old veteran Cmde PI Oommen
- Launch of MOSDAC-IN web service for satellite data
- Revival of 'SagarManthan' journal after 10 years

















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LQues: Which state police won the national-level SKOCH Award in the category of Police & Safety for its in-house developed "Investigation, Prosecution and **Conviction Portal**"?

किस राज्य की पुलिस ने "जांच, अभियोजन और दोषसिद्धि पोर्टल" के लिए पुलिस और सुरक्षा श्रेणी में राष्ट्रीय स्तर का SKOCH पुरस्कार जीता है?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (c) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (d) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाड्
- (e) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश

**Answer**: Option E

- The SKOCH Award at the national level in the Police & Safety category was awarded to the Uttar Pradesh Police.
- The award was given for their "Investigation, Prosecution and Conviction Portal", which was developed in-house by the Technical Services Unit.
- The award was received by UP Director General of Police (DGP) Prashant Kumar, recognizing the state's innovation in improving transparency and efficiency in criminal justice delivery.



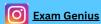


















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Ques: On the birth anniversary of Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar, which state did PM Narendra Modi dedicate several development projects to, including a new terminal at Maharaja Agrasen Airport and a GOBAR-DHAN plant?

डॉ. भीमराव अंबेडकर की जयंती के अवसर पर, प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने महाराजा अग्रसेन हवाई अड्डे के नए टर्मिनल और गोबर-धन संयंत्र सहित कई विकास परियोजनाएं किस राज्य को समर्पित कीं?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- (b) Punjab / पंजाब
- (c) Harvana / हरियाणा
- (d) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश
- (e) Rajasthan / राजस्थान

**Answer**: Option C

- PM Narendra Modi dedicated a number of development projects to the people of Haryana on the anniversary of Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar's birth, the man who drafted the constitution.
- He lay the foundation stone for the 800 MW third unit of the 8,469 crore rupee Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram Thermal Power Plant in Yamunanagar.
- In addition, he officially opened the Rewari Bypass, which was constructed at a cost of 1069 crore rupees, and laid the foundation stone for a GOBAR DHAN Plant in Yamunanagar valued at 90 crore rupees.
- Additionally, the PM launched the first flight from Maharaja Agrasen Airport to Ayodhya and laid the cornerstone for the airport's new terminal.















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Ques: Where is the 6th edition of India-Uzbekistan Joint Military Exercise DUSTLIK-VI being held?

भारत-उज़्बेकिस्तान संयुक्त सैन्य अभ्यास डस्टलिक-VI का छठा संस्करण कहाँ आयोजित हो रहा है?

- A) Termez, Uzbekistan / टर्मेज, उज्बेकिस्तान
- B) Jaipur, Rajasthan / जयपुर, राजस्थान
- C) Foreign Training Node, Pune / विदेशी प्रशिक्षण नोड, पुणे
- D) Bikaner, Rajasthan / बीकानेर, राजस्थान
- E) Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh / लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश

**Answer**: Option C

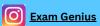
- The 6th edition of the India-Uzbekistan joint military exercise DUSTLIK-VI is being held at the Foreign Training Node in Aundh, Pune, from 16 April to 28 April 2025.
- The bilateral exercise is an annual event, conducted alternately in India and Uzbekistan-the previous edition was held in Termez, Uzbekistan in 2024.
- Around 60 personnel from the Indian JAT Regiment and IAF, along with troops from the Uzbekistan Army, are participating in this year's edition.
- The focus is on joint sub-conventional operations in a semi-urban environment, tackling scenarios like anti-terrorist actions, population control, raids, and drone warfare.
- The exercise enhances interoperability, facilitates the exchange of tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs), and strengthens defence cooperation and mutual trust between the two nations.

















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Ques: Cricket is set to make a historic return to the Olympic Games in which upcoming edition?

क्रिकेट किस आगामी ओलंपिक संस्करण में ऐतिहासिक रूप से वापसी करने जा रहा है?

- (a) Paris 2024 / पेरिस 2024
- (b) Brisbane 2032 / ब्रिसबेन 2032
- (c) Los Angeles 2028 / लॉस एंजेलेस 2028
- (d) Tokyo 2020 / टोक्यो 2020
- (e) London 2036 / लंदन 2036

**Answer: Option C** 

- The International Olympic Committee (IOC) has officially confirmed that cricket will return to the Olympic Games in Los Angeles 2028.
- The format will feature T20 tournaments with six teams each for men and women, and an athlete quota of 90 per gender.
- Teams will be allowed to field up to 15 players per squad.
- Cricket last appeared in the Olympics in Paris 1900, where Great Britain defeated France in the only match.
- The qualification process for LA 2028 is yet to be announced by the IOC.
- Cricket is one of five new sports which will feature at the next Olympic Games.
- The International Olympic Committee approved cricket's inclusion for LA28 in 2023, along with baseball/softball, flag football, lacrosse and squash.



















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Ques: Who won the Freestyle Chess Grand Slam 2025 held in Paris, France? पेरिस, फ्रांस में आयोजित फ्रीस्टाइल चेस ग्रैंड स्लैम 2025 का विजेता कौन बना?

- (a) Hikaru Nakamura / हिकारु नाकाम्रा
- (b) Fabiano Caruana / फेबियानो करूआना
- (c) Arjun Erigaisi / अर्जुन एरिगैसी
- (d) Vincent Keymer / विंसेंट कीमर
- (e) Magnus Carlsen / मैग्नस कार्लसन

**Answer**: Option E

- Magnus Carlsen, the top-ranked player in the world of chess, won the 2025 Freestyle Chess Grand Slam in Paris, France. He won the match 1.5-0.5 over American Grandmaster Hikaru Nakamura.
- Carlsen took home two lakh US dollars for this, while Nakamura took home one lakh forty thousand US dollars. In addition, Italian-American Fabiano Caruana won \$1 lakh USD and a berth in the Las Vegas Grand Slam after defeating German Grandmaster Vincent Keymer in the battle for third place.
- Maxime Vacxhier-Lagrave of France lost to Indian Grandmaster Arjun Erigaisi by a score of 1.5-0.5 points, earning him fifth place and \$50,000 in prize money.

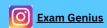


















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## Ques: What is the significance of Blue Origin's 11th human flight, NS-31? ब्लू ओरिजिन की 11वीं मानव उड़ान, NS-31, का क्या महत्व है?

- (a) It carried the first crew to Mars / यह मंगल ग्रह पर जाने वाला पहला दल था
- (b) It was the first commercial flight to the Moon / यह चंद्रमा के लिए पहली व्यावसायिक उडान थी
- (c) It was the first all-women tourist spaceflight since 1963 / यह 1963 के बाद पहली सभी महिला पर्यटक अंतरिक्ष उडान थी
- (d) It was the first flight to cross the Atlantic using a reusable rocket / यह पुन: उपयोग होने वाले रॉकेट से अटलांटिक पार करने वाली पहली उडान थी
- (e) It set a record for the longest spaceflight duration / इसने सबसे लंबी अंतरिक्ष उड़ान की अविध का रिकॉर्ड बनाया

#### **Answer: Option C**

- NS-31 was the 11th human flight by Blue Origin, using the New Shepard rocket.
- It featured an all-women crew including Katy Perry, Gayle King, and Lauren Sánchez.
- It was the first all-women space tourism mission since Valentina Tereshkova's solo flight in 1963.
- The flight was fully automated, sub-orbital, and lasted 10 minutes, safely landing back in Texas.
- The rocket, New Shepard, is fully reusable and named after Alan Shepard, the first American in space.

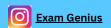


















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Ques: Who is chairing the AICTE expert committee formed to integrate Artificial Intelligence into academic programs across disciplines? एआईसीटीई द्वारा विभिन्न विषयों में कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता को शैक्षणिक कार्यक्रमों में एकीकृत करने के लिए गठित विशेषज्ञ समिति की अध्यक्षता कौन कर रहे हैं?

- (a) Sundar Pichai / सुंदर पिचाई
- (b) Anand Deshpande / आनंद देशपांडे
- (c) N. Chandrasekaran / एन. चंद्रशेखरन
- (d) Arvind Krishna / अरविंद कृष्ण
- (e) Raj Reddy / राज रेड्डी

**Answer**: Option B

- AICTE has formed an expert committee chaired by Anand Deshpande, Founder and Chairman of Persistent Systems, to integrate AI and Applied AI in both technical and non-technical programs like BBA, BCA, and Electrical Engineering.
- The year 2025 has been declared the 'Year of Artificial Intelligence' by AICTE.
- The initiative aims to bring AI education to over 14,000 colleges and 40 million students through curriculum updates, faculty training, and partnerships.
- AICTE will also revise curricula biennially to align with rapid tech changes and address challenges like AI-generated assignments.

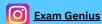


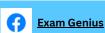
















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## Ques: Where has the Central Railway installed an ATM on a trial basis? सेंट्रल रेलवे ने परीक्षण के तौर पर एटीएम कहां लगाया है?

- A) Rajdhani Express / राजधानी एक्सप्रेस
- B) Duronto Express / दुरंतो एक्सप्रेस
- C) Deccan Queen / डेक्कन क्वीन
- D) Tejas Express / तेजस एक्सप्रेस
- E) Mumbai-Manmad Panchavati Express / मुंबई-मनमाड पंचवटी एक्सप्रेस

**Answer**: Option E

- The Central Railway (CR) has installed an ATM on board the Mumbai-Manmad Panchavati Express as a pilot project to offer cash withdrawal services during the journey.
- The ATM is located in an air-conditioned chair car coach, specifically at the rear end, where a pantry used to be.
- A shutter door ensures both security and ease of access, and the ATM has been installed by a private bank.
- The coach was modified for this purpose at the Manmad Railway Workshop.
- This is the first such attempt in India and, if successful, could be implemented in other long-distance trains, improving financial convenience for passengers.

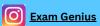


















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Ques: Which renowned Kathak dancer and choreographer, a Padma Vibhushan awardee, passed away at the age of 95 in 2025? 2025 में 95 वर्ष की आयु में किस प्रसिद्ध कथक नृत्यांगना और कोरियोग्राफर का निधन हो गया, जिन्हें पद्म विभूषण से सम्मानित किया गया था?

- (a) Sitara Devi / सितारा देवी
- (b) Birju Maharaj / बिरजू महाराज
- (c) Kumudini Lakhia / कुम्दिनी लाखिया
- (d) Shovana Naravan / शोवना नारायण
- (e) Saswati Sen / सस्वती सेन

**Answer**: Option C

- At the age of 95, renowned Kathak dancer and choreographer Kumudini Lakhia passed away.
- In honor of her lifetime commitment to Kathak, Lakhia received India's secondhighest civilian honor, the Padma Vibhushan, on Republic Day this year.
- The Madhya Pradesh government recognized her contributions to Kathak with the Padma Vibhushan in 2025, the Padma Bhushan in 2010, the Padma Shri in 1987, the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award in 1982, and the Kalidasa Samman (2022-203).



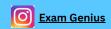


















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Ques: Madhur Bajaj, who recently passed away at the age of 73, was associated with which Indian business group?

हाल ही में 73 वर्ष की आयु में जिन मधुर बजाज का निधन हुआ, वे किस भारतीय व्यवसाय समूह से संबंधित थे?

- (a) Tata Group / टाटा समूह
- (b) Birla Group / बिडला समूह
- (c) Reliance Group / रिलायंस समूह
- (d) Bajaj Group / बजाज समूह
- (e) Mahindra Group / महिंद्रा समूह

Answer: Option D

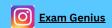
- Madhur Bajaj, the former vice chairman of Bajaj Auto, died at the age of 73.
- He was born on August 19, 1952, and held the positions of Director of Bajaj Electricals, Director of Bajaj Finance, and Chairman of Maharashtra Scooters, among other enterprises in the Bajaj Group.
- Madhur Bajaj was a cousin of the late Rahul Bajaj and the grandson of Jamnalal Bajaj, the founder of the Bajaj Group.

















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Ques: Which country builds world's first 3D-printed railway station in just 6 hours? किस देश ने सिर्फ 6 घंटे में दुनिया का पहला 3D-मुद्रित रेलवे स्टेशन बनाया?

- a) USA / यूएसए
- b) Japan / जापान
- c) Germany / जर्मनी
- d) China / चीन
- e) Russia / रूस

**Answer**: Option B

- The construction of a 3D-printed train station in Arida City by the West Japan Railway Company is a first for the globe and represents a major advancement in rail infrastructure innovation.
- In less than six hours on-site, the new Hatsushima Station was put together to replace an aging wooden building that had been there since 1948.
- The completed construction is 100 square feet in size, 2.6 meters tall, and composed of reinforced concrete.
- According to Serendix, the Japanese housing company that collaborated with West Japan Railway on the project, the new building is earthquake-resistant and has four components, including walls and a roof, much like reinforced concrete homes.

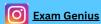


















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Ques: World Chagas Disease Day is observed every year on which day? विश्व चागास रोग दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 13 April
- (b) 14 April
- (c) 15 April
- (d) 16 April
- (e) 17 April

**Answer**: Option B

- In an effort to increase awareness of Chagas disease, a potentially fatal condition brought on by the parasite Trypanosoma cruzi, World Chagas Disease Day is celebrated annually on April 14.
- Although cases have been observed in other parts of the world as a result of global migration, the disease is primarily seen in Latin America.
- Theme 2025 Prevent, Control, Care: Everyone's role in Chagas disease
- In 2020, the first World Chagas Disease Day was observed, honoring the date of April 14, 1909, when Brazilian physician Carlos Chagas, who bears the disease's name, made the first human diagnosis of the illness.

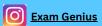


















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Ques: World Quantum Day is celebrated every year on which day? विश्व क्वांटम दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 13 April
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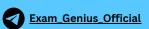
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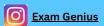
- In order to increase public understanding of quantum physics and its social implications, April 14 is designated as World Quantum Day each year.
- It encourages the general public to learn about quantum technologies such as sensing, cryptography, and computing.
- Theme 2025 Every Day in 2025
- Originally conceived as a decentralized endeavor by scientists worldwide, World Quantum Day was first observed in 2021.

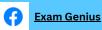
















Ques: World Art Day is celebrated every year on which day? विश्व कला दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- (a) 13 April
- (b) 14 April
- (c) 15 April
- (d) 16 April
- (e) 17 April

**Answer**: Option C

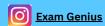
- In order to raise awareness of artistic expression and to emphasize the value of art and artists in society, World Art Day is observed annually on April 15.
- Theme 2025 Art for Unity and Transformation
- Leonardo da Vinci, who was born in 1452 and is regarded as a symbol of creativity, freedom of speech, and innovation, was born on April 15.
- First observed in 2012, the day was declared by the International Association of Art (IAA). Since then, it has developed into an international event that brings together artists, art organizations, museums, and schools from all over the world.

















# **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

In Football, Mohun Bagan Super Giant clinched the Indian Super League (ISL) 2024-25 title following a 2-1 victory over Bengaluru FC at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan Stadium in Kolkata.

National Maritime Varuna Award, India's highest individual recognition in the maritime sector won by Rajesh Unni, the founder of Synergy Marine Group For his outstanding contributions to historical research and social service. Awarded by Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) at 62nd National Maritime Day celebrations 5th April in Mumbai

Justice Arun Palli (Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court) Appointed as Chief Justice of the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh. He Replaced Chief Justice Tashi Rabistan

BlackRock-managed funds have emerged as the biggest investors in the Adani Group's \$750 million private bond offering. About one-third of the whole issuance was taken on by the asset management located in the United States, which oversees assets worth about \$12 trillion. The duration of the bonds is three to five years.

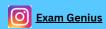


















# महत्वपूर्ण एक पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

फुटबॉल में, मोहन बागान सुपर जायंट ने कोलकाता के विवेकानंद युवा भारती क्रीडांगन स्टेडियम में बेंगलुरु एफसी पर 2-1 की जीत के बाद इंडियन सुपर लीग (आईएसएल) 2024-25 का खिताब जीता।

राष्ट्रीय समुद्री वरुण पुरस्कार, समुद्री क्षेत्र में भारत का सर्वोच्च व्यक्तिगत सम्मान, सिनर्जी मरीन ग्रूप के संस्थापक राजेश उन्नी ने ऐतिहासिक शोध और सामाजिक सेवा में अपने उत्कृष्ट योगदान के लिए जीता। 5 अप्रैल को मुंबई में 62वें राष्ट्रीय समुद्री दिवस समारोह में शिपिंग महानिदेशालय (डीजीएस) द्वारा सम्मानित किया गया

न्यायमूर्ति अरुण पल्ली (पंजाब और हरियाणा उच्च न्यायालय के न्यायाधीश) को जम्मू और कश्मीर और लद्दाख के उच्च न्यायालय के मुख्य न्यायाधीश के रूप में नियुक्त किया गया। उन्होंने मुख्य न्यायाधीश ताशी रबिस्तान का स्थान लिया

ब्लैकरॉक द्वारा प्रबंधित फंड अदानी समूह की \$750 मिलियन की निजी बॉन्ड पेशकश में सबसे बड़े निवेशक के रूप में उभरे हैं। पूरे निर्गम का लगभग एक तिहाई हिस्सा संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका में स्थित परिसंपत्ति प्रबंधन द्वारा लिया गया, जो लगभग 12 ट्रिलियन डॉलर की परिसंपत्तियों की देखरेख करता है। बांड की अवधि तीन से पांच वर्ष है।

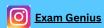


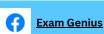
















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Ques: What is the primary objective of the International Finance Corporation's (IFC) **Catalytic First Loss Guarantee Facility?** 

इंटरनेशनल फाइनेंस कॉर्पोरेशन (IFC) की कैटलिटिक फर्स्ट लॉस गारंटी सुविधा का मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या है?

- (a) Increase foreign investment in MSMEs / एमएसएमई में विदेशी निवेश बढ़ाना
- (b) Expand access to credit for specific underserved sectors / कुछ उपेक्षित क्षेत्रों के लिए ऋण की पहुंच बढ़ाना
- (c) Provide subsidies for start-ups / स्टार्टअप्स को सब्सिडी प्रदान करना
- (d) Promote cryptocurrency adoption / क्रिप्टोकरेंसी को अपनाने को बढावा देना
- (e) Support large corporations with bailouts / बड़े निगमों को बेलआउट के माध्यम से समर्थन देना

**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

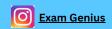
• HQ: Washington, D.C., United States

Managing Director: Makhtar Diop















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

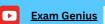
कैशफ्री पेमेंट्स के नए मुख्य वित्तीय अधिकारी (CFO) के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Akash Sinha / आकाश सिन्हा
- (b) Reeju Datta / रीजू दत्ता
- (c) Piyush Anchliya / पीयूष अंचलिया
- (d) Sanjay Aggarwal / संजय अग्रवाल
- (e) Ravi Mehta / रवि मेहता

**Answer**: Option C

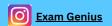
- Piyush Anchliya has been appointed as the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Cashfree Payments.
- In this role, he will focus on financial strategy, operational optimization, and supporting strategic growth.
- · Cashfree Payments, founded in 2015 by Akash Sinha and Reeju Datta, provides digital payment 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? मार्च 2025 में थोक मूल्य सूचकांक (WPI) मुद्रास्फीति दर क्या थी?

- (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%

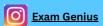


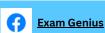
















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Ques: The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) aims to draw how many additional Indians to the UPI platform to "break their cash memory"? भारत में नेशनल पेमेंट्स कॉर्पोरेशन ऑफ इंडिया (NPCI) ने नकदी की आदत को तोड़ने के लिए UPI प्लेटफॉर्म पर कितने अतिरिक्त भारतीयों को जोडने का लक्ष्य रखा है?

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

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.



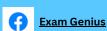
















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# Oues: What was the retail inflation rate in March 2025? मार्च 2025 में खुदरा मुद्रास्फीति दर क्या थी?

- (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%

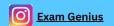
November 2024: 5.48%

















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

अपने 131वें स्थापना दिवस के अवसर पर पंजाब नेशनल बैंक (PNB) ने कितने नए उत्पाद लॉन्च किए?

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

**Answer**: Option C

- 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?

भारतीय प्रीमियर लीग (आईपीएल) के इतिहास में 200 फील्डिंग आउट पूरे करने वाले पहले खिलाड़ी कौन बने?

- (a) Dinesh Karthik / दिनेश कार्तिक
- (b) Rishabh Pant / ऋषभ पंत
- (c) AB de Villiers / एबी डिविलियर्स
- (d) M.S. Dhoni / एम.एस. धोनी
- (e) Sanju Samson / संजु सैमसन

Answer: Option D

- 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?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय के अनुसार, वर्ष 2023-24 में भारत का कच्चा रेशम उत्पादन कितना था?

- (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

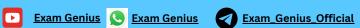
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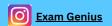
 Tenure: 2021-22 to 2025-26 Outlay: Rs. 4,679.85 crores

















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

NXT25 शिखर सम्मेलन 2025 की मेज़बानी कहाँ की गई और किन सरकारों ने इस कार्यक्रम का समर्थन किया?

- (a) New Delhi / नई दिल्ली
- (b) Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- (c) Hyderabad / हैदराबाद
- (d) Mumbai / मुंबई
- (e) Ahmedabad / अहमदाबाद

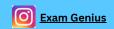
**Answer**: Option D

- 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?

श्रम एवं रोजगार मंत्रालय ने गिग और लॉजिस्टिक्स क्षेत्रों में रोजगार को बढावा देने के लिए राष्ट्रीय करियर सेवा (NCS) पोर्टल के माध्यम से किस कंपनी के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन (MoU) पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- (a) Swiggy / स्विगी
- (b) Amazon / अमेजन
- (c) Zomato / जोमैटो
- (d) Flipkart / फ्लिपकार्ट
- (e) Uber / उबर

**Answer**: Option A

- 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 semiurban 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.



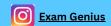


















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Ques: Who were declared ICC Men's and Women's Players of the Month for March 2025?

मार्च 2025 के लिए ICC पुरुष और महिला प्लेयर ऑफ द मंथ किसे घोषित किया गया?

- (a) Shubman Gill & Alyssa Healy / शुभमन गिल और एलिसा हीली
- (b) Shreyas Iyer & Georgia Voll / श्रेयस अय्यर और जॉर्जिया वोल
- (c) Virat Kohli & Beth Mooney / विराट कोहली और बेथ मूनी
- (d) Rishabh Pant & Meg Lanning / ऋषभ पंत और मेग लैनिंग
- (e) KL Rahul & Ellyse Perry / केएल राहल और एलिस पेरी

**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:

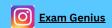
- November 2024: Haris Rauf (Pakistan), Danni Wyatt-Hodge (England)
- December 2024: Jasprit Bumrah (India), Annabel Sutherland (Australia)
- January 2025: Jomel Warrican (West Indies), Beth Mooney (Australia)
- February 2025 : Shubman Gill (India) , Alana King (Australia)

















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

भारतीय भारोत्तोलन महासंघ (IWLF) के एथलीट आयोग के अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे चुना गया है?

- (a) S. Sathish Kumar / एस. सतीश कुमार
- (b) Jeremy Lalrinnunga / जेरेमी लालरिन्ंगा
- (c) Mirabai Chanu / मीराबाई चान
- (d) Bindyarani Devi / बिंद्यारानी देवी
- (e) Punam Yadav / पुनम यादव

Answer: Option C

- 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.

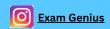


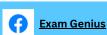
















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Ques: What is the name of the upcoming 'Zero Poverty' Mission announced by Uttar Pradesh CM on the 135th birth anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar? डॉ. भीमराव अंबेडकर की 135वीं जयंती पर उत्तर प्रदेश के मुख्यमंत्री द्वारा घोषित आगामी 'शून्य गरीबी' मिशन का नाम क्या रखा गया है?

- (a) Dr. Ambedkar Jan Kalyan Yojana / डॉ. अंबेडकर जन कल्याण योजना
- (b) Bhimrao Ambedkar Zero Poverty Mission / भीमराव अंबेडकर शून्य गरीबी मिशन
- (c) Ambedkar Antyodaya Abhiyan / अंबेडकर अंत्योदय अभियान
- (d) Samajik Nyay Abhiyan / सामाजिक न्याय अभियान
- (e) Dr. Ambedkar Aarthik Vikas Yojana / डॉ. अंबेडकर आर्थिक विकास योजना

**Answer**: Option B

- 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?

डोनाल्ड ट्रंप प्रशासन ने किस आइवी लीग विश्वविद्यालय का लगभग \$2.3 बिलियन का संघीय वित्तपोषण रोक दिया क्योंकि उसने अपने DEI कार्यक्रमों को समाप्त करने से इनकार कर दिया था?

- (a) Columbia University / कोलंबिया विश्वविद्यालय
- (b) Harvard University / हार्वर्ड विश्वविद्यालय
- (c) Princeton University / प्रिंसटन विश्वविद्यालय
- (d) Brown University / ब्राउन विश्वविद्यालय
- (e) Yale University / येल विश्वविद्यालय

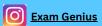
**Answer**: Option B

- 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? सूचना एवं प्रसारण मंत्रालय (Mol&B) ने AVGC-XR क्षेत्र के लिए IICT स्थापित करने हेत् किस राज्य सरकार के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (c) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (d) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाड्
- (e) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश

**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).

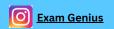
#### **About AVGC-XR:**

- 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)















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

फिल्म निर्माण में स्टंट पेशेवरों की सराहना के लिए "बेस्ट स्टंट डिज़ाइन" की नई श्रेणी ऑस्कर के किस संस्करण से शुरू की जाएगी?

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

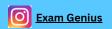
**Answer**: Option D

- 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.















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

हालिया आंकडों के अनुसार, वैश्विक ऑटोमोबाइल उत्पादन में भारत की वर्तमान रैंकिंग क्या है?

- (a) First / पहला
- (b) Second / दूसरा
- (c) Third / तीसरा
- (d) Fourth / चौथा
- (e) Fifth / पांचवां

**Answer**: Option D

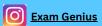
- Report Automotive Industry: Powering India's Participation in Global Value Chains 2nd Edition Published by National Institution for Transforming India (NITI Aayog)
- Report Released by Suman Bery, the Vice Chairman of the NITI Aayog and Knowledge partner is CRISIL
- India has become the 4th-largest 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.

















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Ques: Which city will host the 5th Asian Youth Para Games in December 2025 after Tashkent withdrew as the original host? ताशकंद के मूल मेज़बान के रूप में हटने के बाद, दिसंबर 2025 में 5वें एशियाई युवा पैरा खेलों की मेजबानी कौन सा शहर करेगा?

- (a) Tokyo / टोक्यो
- (b) Doha / दोहा
- (c) Jakarta / जकार्ता
- (d) Dubai / दुबई
- (e) Bangkok / बैंकॉक

**Answer**: Option D

- 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?

हाल ही में किस क्रिकेटर ने T20 क्रिकेट में 100 अर्धशतक बनाने वाले पहले एशियाई खिलाडी बनने का गौरव पाप्त किया?

- (a) Shikhar Dhawan / शिखर धवन
- (b) Babar Azam / बाबर आजम
- (c) David Warner / डेविड वार्नर
- (d) Virat Kohli / विराट कोहली
- (e) Rohit Sharma / रोहित शर्मा

**Answer**: Option D

- 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.



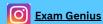


















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Ques: Which football club won the 11th edition of the Indian Super League (ISL) 2024-25 by defeating Bengaluru FC in the final? बेंगलुरु एफसी को फाइनल में हराकर इंडियन सुपर लीग (ISL) 2024-25 के 11वें संस्करण का खिताब किस फुटबॉल क्लब ने जीता?

- (a) Odisha FC / ओडिशा एफसी
- (b) Mohun Bagan Super Giant / मोहन बागान सुपर जायंट
- (c) Mumbai City FC / मुंबई सिटी एफसी
- (d) Hyderabad FC / हैदराबाद एफसी
- (e) East Bengal / ईस्ट बंगाल

**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

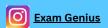
## About Indian Super League (ISL):











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• Started: 2013

• Number of clubs: 13

• Organising bodies: All India Football Federation (AIFF) and Football Sports

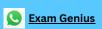
Development Limited (FSDL)

• 2024 cup winner: Mumbai City

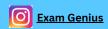


















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Ques: What is the new global ranking of Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) among the world's busiest airports in 2024? 2024 में दुनिया के सबसे व्यस्त हवाई अड्डों में दिल्ली के इंदिरा गांधी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे (IGIA) की नई वैश्विक रैंकिंग क्या है?

- (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:

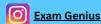
- 1 Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (United States)
- 2 Dubai International Airport (UAE)
- 3 Dallas Fort Worth International Airport (United States)
- 4 Haneda Airport (Tokyo, Japan)
- 5 Heathrow Airport (London, UK)
- 9 Indira Gandhi International Airport (New Delhi, India)

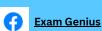
















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## Ques: By what percentage did the Ministry of Education hike the material cost under the PM POSHAN scheme in FY 2025-26?

वित्त वर्ष 2025-26 में शिक्षा मंत्रालय ने पीएम पोषण योजना के तहत सामग्री लागत में कितने प्रतिशत की वृद्धि की है?

- (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:**

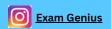
- Full form: Pradhan Mantri POshan SHakti Nirman Scheme, Renamed in 2021
- Launched on: August 15, 1995 as National Scheme for Mid-Day Meal in Schools
- Tenure: FY21 to FY26
- Benefit: One hot cooked meal is provided to 11.20 crore students studying in Balvatika and classes I to VIII, in 10.36 lakh Government 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

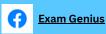
















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Ques: Who was recently conferred with the Verchol Dalit Literary Award by the **Neelam Cultural Centre?** 

नीलम सांस्कृतिक केंद्र द्वारा हाल ही में किसे वर्चोल दलित साहित्य पुरस्कार से सम्मानित किया गया है?

- (a) Bama Faustina / बामा फॉस्टिना
- (b) P. Sivakami / पी. शिवकामी
- (c) Meena Kandasamy / मीना कंडासामी
- (d) Kancha Ilaiah / कांचा इलैया
- (e) Omprakash Valmiki / ओमप्रकाश वाल्मीकि

**Answer**: Option B

- 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? किस राज्य सरकार ने भूमि रिकॉर्ड प्रबंधन को सरल, पारदर्शी और जनता के लिए सुलभ बनाने के लिए भू भारती पोर्टल लॉन्च किया है?

- (a) Kerala / केरल
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाड
- (c) Odisha / ओडिशा
- (d) Andhra Pradesh / आंध्र प्रदेश
- (e) Telangana / तेलंगाना

**Answer**: Option E

- 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. Chandrashekhar 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.

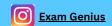


















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Oues: Where was the 2nd edition of the Defence Literature Festival 'Kalam & Kavach 2.0' held, and what was its theme?

रक्षा साहित्य महोत्सव 'कलम एंड कवच 2.0' का दूसरा संस्करण कहां आयोजित किया गया था और इसकी थीम क्या थी?

- (a) Pune; Strengthening India's Defence Network / पुणे; भारत के रक्षा नेटवर्क को मजबूत करना
- (b) New Delhi; Building a Modern Armed Force / नई दिल्ली; एक आधुनिक सशस्त्र बल का निर्माण
- (c) New Delhi; Securing India's Rise through Defence Reforms / नई दिल्ली; रक्षा सुधारों के माध्यम से भारत के उत्थान को सुरक्षित करना
- (d) Bengaluru; Reforms in Indian Defence System / बेंगल्रु; भारतीय रक्षा प्रणाली में सुधार
- (e) Hyderabad; Empowering Forces Through Strategy / हैदराबाद; रणनीति के माध्यम से बलों को सशक्त बनाना

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.



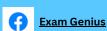














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Daniel Noboa Appointed as President of Ecuador. He won 55.85 percent of the vote against his left-wing challenger, Luisa González.

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.

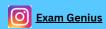


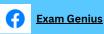














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# महत्वपूर्ण एक लाइनर करेंट अफेयर्स

डैनियल नोबोआ को इक्वाडोर का राष्ट्रपति नियुक्त किया गया। उन्होंने अपने वामपंथी प्रतिद्वंद्वी लुइसा गोंजालेज के खिलाफ 55.85 प्रतिशत वोट जीते।

मलेशिया के पूर्व प्रधानमंत्री अब्दुल्ला अहमद बदावी का 85 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गया। मलेशिया के पांचवें नेता अब्दुल्ला 2003 से 2009 तक पद पर थे, जब उन्हें सत्तारूढ़ गठबंधन के खराब चुनावी प्रदर्शन की जिम्मेदारी स्वीकार करने के लिए पद छोड़ने के लिए मजबूर होना पड़ा।

मैकलारेन के ऑस्कर पियास्त्री ने बहरीन इंटरनेशनल सर्किट में शानदार प्रदर्शन करते हुए 2025 फॉर्मूला वन सीजन की अपनी दुसरी जीत हासिल की

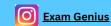
ओपन एकरेज लाइसेंसिंग पॉलिसी बिड राउंड नौ के तहत, पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय ने 1 लाख 36 हजार वर्ग किलोमीटर से अधिक के कुल 28 ब्लॉक दिए हैं। इससे भारत की आयात पर निर्भरता कम होगी और वह अपनी पूरी ऊर्जा क्षमता का एहसास कर सकेगा।

















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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?

IPO की तैयारी के तहत क्विक-कॉमर्स स्टार्टअप Zepto की मूल कंपनी का नया आधिकारिक नाम क्या है?

- (a) Zepto E-Commerce Pvt Ltd / जेप्टो ई-कॉमर्स प्रा. लि.
- (b) Zepto Retail India Ltd / ज़ेप्टो रिटेल इंडिया लि.
- (c) Zepto Private Limited / जेप्टो प्राइवेट लिमिटेड
- (d) Zepto Kart Services Pvt Ltd / जेप्टो कार्ट सर्विसेज प्रा. लि.
- (e) Zepto Tech India Ltd / जेप्टो टेक इंडिया लि.

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.

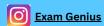


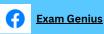
















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Ques: What is the projected GDP growth rate for India in FY27, as per Fitch Ratings? फिच रेटिंग्स के अनुसार, वित्त वर्ष 27 में भारत के लिए अनुमानित जीडीपी विकास दर क्या है?

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

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.

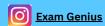


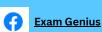
















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Ques: Ajay Bhushan Pandey has been appointed as the Vice President at which international financial institution?

अजय भूषण पांडे को किस अंतर्राष्ट्रीय वित्तीय संस्था में उपाध्यक्ष नियुक्त किया गया है?

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

**Answer**: Option D

- 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.

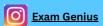


















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Ques: What is the maximum daily transaction limit set under PhonePe's new 'UPI Circle' feature for a secondary user? फोनपे के नए 'UPI सर्कल' फीचर में सेकेंडरी यूज़र के लिए अधिकतम दैनिक लेनदेन सीमा क्या है?

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

**Answer**: Option C

- 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?

31 दिसंबर 2024 तक एशियाई विकास बैंक (ADB) द्वारा भारत को कुल ऋण प्रतिबद्धता कितनी थी?

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

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.



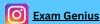


















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Ques: SIDBI is set to sign a pact with which of the following to support small businesses in adopting climate-resilient technologies? छोटे व्यवसायों को जलवायु-लचीली तकनीक अपनाने में सहायता के लिए SIDBI निम्नलिखित में से किसके साथ समझौता करने जा रहा है?

- a) World Bank / विश्व बैंक
- b) Green Climate Fund / ग्रीन क्लाइमेट फंड
- c) Asian Development Bank / एशियाई विकास बैंक
- d) IMF / आईएमएफ
- e) NDB / एनडीबी

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.

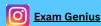


















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Ques: According to the revised forecasts, what is Morgan Stanley's GDP growth projection for India in FY26?

संशोधित पूर्वानुमानों के अनुसार, FY26 के लिए भारत की GDP वृद्धि का अनुमान मॉर्गन स्टेनली ने कितना लगाया है?

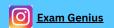
- (a) 6.7%
- (b) 6.5%
- (c) 6.3%
- (d) 6.1%
- (e) 5.7%

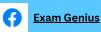
Answer: Option D

- 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? संयुक्त राष्ट्र व्यापार और विकास सम्मेलन (UNCTAD) के अनुसार, वर्ष 2025 के लिए भारत की अनुमानित आर्थिक वृद्धि दर क्या है?

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

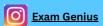
**Answer: Option D** 

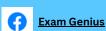
- The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) projects that robust public investment and further monetary easing would help India's economy expand by 6.5% in 2025.
- India's GDP is expected to grow at the quickest rate in 2024, despite a decrease from the 6.9% growth estimate.
- Global 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? ग्राहक सेवा से संबंधित दिशा-निर्देशों का उल्लंघन करने और निष्क्रिय खातों पर दंडात्मक शुल्क लगाने के लिए RBI ने किस बैंक पर ₹29.60 लाख का जुर्माना लगाया?

- (a) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक
- (b) Canara Bank / केनरा बैंक
- (c) Punjab National Bank / पंजाब नेशनल बैंक
- (d) Union Bank of India / यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- (e) Bank of Baroda / बैंक ऑफ बडौदा

Answer: Option C

- 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.



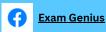
















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Ques: What was the reason behind RBI imposing Rs.61.40 lakh penalty on Kotak Mahindra Bank in April 2025?

RBI ने अप्रैल 2025 में कोटक महिंद्रा बैंक पर Rs.61.40 लाख का जुर्माना किस कारण से लगाया?

- (a) Misuse of customer data / ग्राहक डेटा का दुरुपयोग
- (b) Delay in reporting frauds / धोखाधड़ी की रिपोर्ट करने में देरी
- (c) Non-compliance with RBI guidelines on loans and advances / ऋण और अग्रिम पर आरबीआई दिशानिर्देशों का अनुपालन न करना
- (d) Violation of foreign exchange rules / विदेशी मुद्रा नियमों का उल्लंघन
- (e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

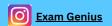
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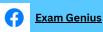
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.61.40 lakh on Kotak Mahindra Bank for non-compliance with regulatory guidelines related to loans and advances.
- The violations were identified during the Inspection for Supervisory Evaluation (ISE) based on the bank's position as 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.















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Ques: Which public sector insurance company has partnered with SIDBI to offer tailored general insurance solutions for the MSME sector? MSME क्षेत्र के लिए अनुकूलित सामान्य बीमा समाधान प्रदान करने हेतु SIDBI ने किस सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र की बीमा कंपनी के साथ भागीदारी की है?

- (a) New India Assurance / न्यू इंडिया एश्योरेंस
- (b) United India Insurance Company Ltd / यूनाइटेड इंडिया इंश्योरेंस कंपनी लिमिटेड
- (c) Oriental Insurance / ओरिएंटल इंश्योरेंस
- (d) National Insurance Company / नेशनल इंश्योरेंस कंपनी
- (e) LIC of India / एलआईसी ऑफ इंडिया

**Answer**: Option B

- 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? किस बैंक पर चालु खातों को खोलते समय ग्राहक उचित परिश्रम (Customer Due Diligence) संबंधी KYC मानदंडों का उल्लंघन करने पर RBI ने Rs.38.60 लाख का जुर्माना लगाया?

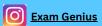
- (a) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (b) Axis Bank / ऐक्सिस बैंक
- (c) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- (d) IDFC First Bank / आईडीएफसी फर्स्ट बैंक
- (e) Yes Bank / यस बैंक

Answer: Option D

- 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.













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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?

17 अप्रैल 2025 को मनी लॉन्ड्रिंग रोकथाम (AML) और आतंकवाद के वित्तपोषण का मुकाबला (CFT) अनुपालन में सहयोग बढाने के लिए किस दो संस्थानों ने एक समझौता ज्ञापन (MoU) पर हस्ताक्षर किए?

- (a) SEBI and Ministry of Finance / सेबी और वित्त मंत्रालय
- (b) RBI and CBI / आरबीआई और सीबीआई
- (c) FIU-IND and RBI / एफआईयू-आईएनडी और आरबीआई
- (d) FIU-IND and NITI Aayog / एफआईयू-आईएनडी और नीति आयोग
- (e) Enforcement Directorate and RBI / प्रवर्तन निदेशालय और आरबीआई

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.



















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Ques: Which city will host the cricket competition during the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics, where the sport returns after 128 years? 2028 लॉस एंजेलिस ओलंपिक में क्रिकेट प्रतियोगिता की मेज़बानी कौन-सा शहर करेगा, जहाँ यह खेल 128 साल बाद शामिल किया जाएगा?

- (a) Pomona / पोमोना
- (b) Anaheim / अनाहेम
- (c) Pasadena / पासाडेना
- (d) Long Beach / लॉन्ग बीच
- (e) Santa Monica / सैंटा मोनिका

**Answer**: Option A

- 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? केंद्रीय मंत्री डॉ. मनसुख मंडाविया द्वारा विश्व की 17वीं एथलीट पासपोर्ट प्रबंधन इकाई (APMU) का उद्घाटन कहाँ किया गया?

- (a) Sports Authority of India, Bengaluru / भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण, बेंगलुरु
- (b) National Dope Testing Laboratory, New Delhi / राष्ट्रीय डोप परीक्षण प्रयोगशाला, नई दिल्ली
- (c) Nehru Stadium, Chennai / नेहरू स्टेडियम, चेन्नई
- (d) NADA Headquarters, Mumbai / NADA मुख्यालय, मुंबई
- (e) India International Centre, New Delhi / इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेंटर, नई दिल्ली

**Answer**: Option B

- 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?

नीति आयोग की रिपोर्ट के अनुसार, 2035 तक वैश्विक हस्त और विद्युत उपकरणों के बाजार का अनुमानित आकार क्या होगा?

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

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.



















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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?

प्ले ट्र वीक 2025 के दौरान इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेंटर, नई दिल्ली में आयोजित राष्ट्रीय डोपिंग रोधी एजेंसी (NADA) इंडिया के सम्मेलन का विषय क्या था?

- (a) Strengthening Sports Infrastructure / खेल अवसंरचना को मजबूत बनाना
- (b) Building Together a Clean Sport Ecosystem / मिलकर एक स्वच्छ खेल पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र बनाना
- (c) Empowering Athletes Through Education / शिक्षा के माध्यम से खिलाड़ियों को सशक्त बनाना
- (d) Zero Tolerance Against Doping / डोपिंग के खिलाफ श्न्य सहनशीलता
- (e) Sports Integrity for the Nation / राष्ट्र के लिए खेल की ईमानदारी

**Answer**: Option B

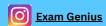
- At the India International Centre (IIC), New Delhi, the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) India successfully hosted a conference titled "Building Together a Clean Sport Ecosystem."
- As part of Play True Week 2025, the event brought together a diverse range of stakeholders who are dedicated to creating 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.

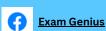
















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Ques: Who has been recommended as the 52nd Chief Justice of India by current CJI Sanjiv Khanna?

मुख्य न्यायाधीश संजीव खन्ना ने भारत के 52वें मुख्य न्यायाधीश के रूप में किसे नियुक्त करने की सिफारिश की है?

- (a) Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul / न्यायमूर्ति संजय किशन कौल
- (b) Justice B.R. Gavai / न्यायमूर्ति बी.आर. गवई
- (c) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud / न्यायमूर्ति डी.वाई. चंद्रचूड
- (d) Justice Surya Kant / न्यायमूर्ति सूर्यकांत
- (e) Justice Hima Kohli / न्यायमूर्ति हेमा कोहली

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.

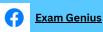
















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Ques: What was the name of the first edition of the maritime engagement held in Tanzania in 2025 involving India and several African nations? 2025 में तंजानिया में भारत और कई अफ्रीकी देशों के बीच आयोजित समुद्री अभ्यास के पहले संस्करण का नाम क्या था?

- (a) MAHASAGAR 2025 / महासागर 2025
- (b) SAGAR SETU 2025 / सागर सेतु 2025
- (c) AIKEYME 2025 / एआईकीमी 2025
- (d) IND-AFRICA NAVAL DRILL 2025 / भारत-अफ्रीका नौसेना अभ्यास 2025
- (e) UNITY WAVE 2025 / यूनिटी वेव 2025

**Answer**: Option C

- 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)



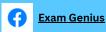
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the 23rd Law Commission of India?

भारत के 23वें विधि आयोग के अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- a) Ranjan Gogoi / रंजन गोगोई
- b) Arun Mishra / अरुण मिश्रा
- c) H.L. Dattu / एच.एल. दत्तू
- d) Dipak Misra / दीपक मिश्रा
- e) Dinesh Maheshwari / दिनेश माहेश्वरी

Answer: Option E

- 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.



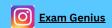


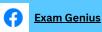
















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Ques: The 2025 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics was awarded to how many physicists across collaborative projects at CERN? 2025 का ब्रेकथ्र पुरस्कार मौलिक भौतिकी में CERN की सहयोगी परियोजनाओं में कितने भौतिकविदों को प्रदान किया गया?

- (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.

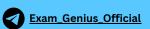
# List of winners of Breakthrough Prizes 2025:

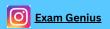
- Fundamental Physics (USD 3 million): Thousands of researchers from over 70 countries
- Mathematics (USD 3 million): Dennis Gaitsgory from Germany based Max Planck Institute for Mathematics
- Special Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics (USD 3 million): Gerardus 't Hooft from Utrecht University, 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 Maaike van Kooten from the National Research Council Canada

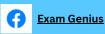
















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- New Horizons in Mathematics Prize (USD 100,000): Ewain Gwynne from the University of Chicago, John Pardon Stony Brook University (SBU), the USA and Sam Raskin from Yale University, the USA
- Maryam Mirzakhani New Frontiers Prize (USD 50,000) : Si 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)

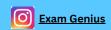


















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Ques: World Haemophilia Day is observed every year on which day? विश्व हीमोफीलिया दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option A

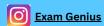
- To raise awareness of hemophilia and other bleeding illnesses, April 17 is designated as World Haemophilia Day each year.
- Theme 2025 Access for All: Women and Girls Bleed Too
- The World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH) was founded by Frank Schnabel, whose birth anniversary is celebrated on this day.
- 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? 2024 के आंकड़ों के अनुसार, भारत के कुल विदेशी मुद्रा भंडार में सोने की हिस्सेदारी कितनी है?

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

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.



















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

FY25 में आरबीआई द्वारा प्रवर्तन कार्यवाहियों पर FACE रिपोर्ट के अनुसार सबसे अधिक मौद्रिक जुर्माना किस बैंक पर लगाया गया?

- (a) UCO Bank / यूको बैंक
- (b) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक
- (c) State Bank of India / स्टेट बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- (d) J&K Bank / जम्मू और कश्मीर बैंक
- (e) Bank of Baroda / बैंक ऑफ बडौदा

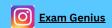
Answer: Option D

- 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.















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

IDFC FIRST बैंक को Warburg Pincus और ADIA से कुल कितनी पूंजी मिलेगी?

- (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).

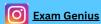
#### This investment will come from two major global investors:

- 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.















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

न्यूज़वीक और स्टैटिस्टा की 'वर्ल्ड्स बेस्ट हॉस्पिटल्स 2025' रिपोर्ट में अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान (AIIMS), नई दिल्ली को कौन-सा वैश्विक स्थान मिला है?

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

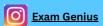
**Answer**: Option C

- According to Newsweek and Statista's "World's Best Hospitals 2025" study, the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (Aiims) 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.















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

वित्त वर्ष 2024-25 में लगातार चौथे वर्ष भारत का सबसे बडा व्यापारिक साझेदार कौन-सा देश रहा?

- (a) United States of America (USA) / अमेरिका
- (b) United Arab Emirates (UAE) / संयुक्त अरब अमीरात
- (c) China / चीन
- (d) Saudi Arabia / सऊदी अरब
- (e) Russia / रूस

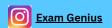
**Answer**: Option A

- 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.















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

भारतीय कृषि अनुसंधान परिषद (ICAR) के नए महानिदेशक के रूप में 3 वर्षों के लिए किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- a) Himanshu Pathak / हिमांश् पाठक
- b) Trilochan Mohapatra / त्रिलोचन महापात्र
- c) Ramesh Chand / रमेश चंद
- d) Mangi Lal Jat / मांगी लाल जाट
- e) Rajesh Sharma / राजेश शर्मा

**Answer**: Option D

- 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? टाटा ट्रस्ट द्वारा इंडिया जस्टिस रिपोर्ट (IJR 2025) का कौन सा संस्करण प्रकाशित किया गया है?

- (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 repot 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 closedcircuit television (CCTV) cameras.
- Among the four pillars, the national per capita expenditure on police is the highest at Rs. 1,275.

#### 2. Prisons:

















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- 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):

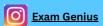
- 1 Sikkim
- 2 Himachal Pradesh (HP)
- 3 Arunachal Pradesh (AR)
- 4 Tripura
- 5 Meghalaya
- 7 Goa

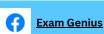
















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Ques: On the occasion of World Quantum Day, which document was released by the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA) to the Government of India to promote global collaboration in quantum science?

विश्व क्वांटम दिवस के अवसर पर, भारत सरकार के प्रधान वैज्ञानिक सलाहकार (PSA) कार्यालय द्वारा क्वांटम विज्ञान में वैश्विक सहयोग को बढावा देने के लिए कौन-सा दस्तावेज़ जारी किया गया?

- (a) National Quantum Innovation Framework / राष्ट्रीय क्वांटम नवाचार रूपरेखा
- (b) Quantum Advancement Roadmap / क्वांटम प्रगति रोडमैप
- (c) International Technology Engagement Strategy for Quantum (ITES-Q) / क्वांटम के लिए अंतरराष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संलग्नता रणनीति
- (d) Quantum Collaboration Charter / क्वांटम सहयोग चार्टर
- (e) India Global Quantum Plan / भारत वैश्विक क्वांटम योजना

**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 (OSTI).
- It aligns with India's National Quantum Mission (NQM) to ensure leadership in quantum advancements.

### About National Quantum Mission (NQM):

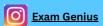
- Launched in : April 2023
- Total Outlay: Rs 6003.65 Crore
- Tenure of Project : 8 Years (from 2023-24 to 2030-31)
- Aim: to seed, nurture, and scale up scientific and industrial R&D, creating a vibrant and innovative ecosystem in Quantum Technology (QT)
- The NQM envisages the establishment of four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

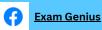
















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Ques: Who is set to become the first Indian astronaut in over four decades to travel to space in May 2025?

मई 2025 में चार दशकों बाद अंतरिक्ष यात्रा करने वाले पहले भारतीय अंतरिक्ष यात्री कौन होंगे?

- A. Rakesh Sharma / राकेश शर्मा
- B. Sunita Williams / सुनीता विलियम्स
- C. Shubhanshu Shukla / शुभांशु शुक्ला
- D. Jitendra Singh / जीतेन्द्र सिंह
- E. Gaganyaan Crew / गगनयान क्रू

Answer: Option C

- 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.

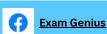
















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Ques: Under which expedition is Indian Naval Sailing Vessel (INSV) 'Tarini' undertaking a global circumnavigation journey crewed by two women officers? भारतीय नौसेना की नौकायन पोत 'INSV तारिणी' किस अभियान के अंतर्गत दो महिला अधिकारियों की टीम के साथ विश्व परिक्रमा यात्रा कर रही है?

- (a) Navika Sagar Parikrama II / नाविका सागर परिक्रमा II
- (b) Vishva Yatra Abhiyan / विश्व यात्रा अभियान
- (c) Samudra Parikrama / समुद्र परिक्रमा
- (d) Naari Sagar Mission / नारी सागर मिशन
- (e) Mahila Sagar Abhiyan / महिला सागर अभियान

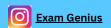
**Answer**: Option A

- 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.















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

अंतरराष्ट्रीय बिग कैट एलायंस (IBCA) का मुख्यालय कहां स्थित होगा?

- a) South Africa / दक्षिण अफ्रीका
- b) United States / संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका
- c) India / भारत
- d) Kenva / केन्या
- e) Brazil / ब्राजील

**Answer**: Option C

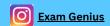
- The International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in April 2023, coinciding with the 50th anniversary of Project Tiger.
- The alliance aims to promote the global conservation of seven major big cat species: Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Snow Leopard, Puma, Jaguar, and Cheetah.
- 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.

















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Ques: Which country was appointed as the first chair of INTERPOL's newly established Committee on Governance for a two-year term? INTERPOL की नई स्थापित गवर्नेंस समिति का पहला अध्यक्ष दो वर्षीय कार्यकाल के लिए किस देश को नियुक्त किया गया?

- (a) France / फ्रांस
- (b) United Kingdom / यूनाइटेड किंगडम
- (c) Germany / जर्मनी
- (d) United Arab Emirates / संयुक्त अरब अमीरात
- (e) India / भारत

**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 Marzougi, 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?

पुस्तक 'The India I Saw: A Glimpse into the Life of S. Ambujammal' किस तमिल आत्मकथा का अंग्रेज़ी अनुवाद है?

- (a) Enathu Bharatha Payanam / एनथु भारत पयनम
- (b) Nan Kanda Bharatham / नान कांडा भारतम
- (c) Bharatha Kathai / भारत कथा
- (d) En Bharatha Anubhavangal / एन भारत अनुभवंगल
- (e) Kaalathin Kural / कालिथन कुरल

**Answer**: Option B

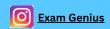
- The book 'The India I Saw: A Glimpse into the Life of S. Ambujammal' is translated from the 1973 Tamil autobiography 'Nan Kanda Bharatham'.
- S. Ambujammal, a freedom fighter, authored the original work.
- The English version is translated by historian Sriram V, offering insights into her life and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

भारत में कोयला खनन के लिए पेस्ट फिल टेक्नोलॉजी अपनाने वाला पहला कोल PSU कौन बना है?

- a) Coal India Ltd / कोल इंडिया लिमिटेड
- b) Northern Coalfields Ltd / नॉर्दर्न कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड
- c) Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd / महानदी कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड
- d) South Eastern Coalfields Ltd (SECL) / साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड (एसईसीएल)
- e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

**Answer**: Option D

- 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.



















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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? हाल ही में केंद्र सरकार द्वारा केंद्रीय प्रत्यक्ष कर बोर्ड (CBDT) में कितने नए सदस्य नियुक्त किए गए हैं?

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

Answer: Option E

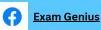
- The Union Government has appointed four new members to the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) - Pankaj Kumar Mishra, Sanjay Bahadur, L Rajasekhar Reddy, and G Aparna Rao.
- All four are 1989 batch IRS (Income Tax cadre) officers.
- The appointments were cleared by the Appointments Committee of the 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?** 2025 के टोक्यो लाइव ग्लोबल एंडोस्कोपी कार्यक्रम में गैस्ट्रोइंटेस्टाइनल (GI) एंडोस्कोपी में योगदान के लिए "लेजेंड्स ऑफ एंडोस्कोपी" की उपाधि किसे प्रदान की गई?

- (a) Dr. Naresh Trehan / डॉ. नरेश त्रेहन
- (b) Dr. Devi Shetty / डॉ. देवी शेट्टी
- (c) Dr. D. Nageshwar Reddy / डॉ. डी. नागेश्वर रेड्डी
- (d) Dr. Prathap C. Reddy / डॉ. प्रताप सी. रेड्डी
- (e) Dr. Randeep Guleria / डॉ. रणदीप गुलेरिया

Answer: Option C

- 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.



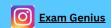


















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Ques: What was the objective of the special session of the Rashtriya Karmayogi Jan Seva Programme organised by the Ministry of Ayush? आयुष मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित राष्ट्रीय कर्मयोगी जन सेवा कार्यक्रम के विशेष सत्र का उद्देश्य क्या था?

- (a) Launching new wellness schemes / नई वेलनेस योजनाओं की शुरुआत
- (b) Promoting exports of Ayurvedic products / आयुर्वेदिक उत्पादों का निर्यात बढाना
- (c) Enhancing employees' service orientation and professional skills / कर्मचारियों की सेवा उन्मुखता और पेशेवर कौशल बढाना
- (d) Introducing a new yoga certification system / एक नया योग प्रमाणन प्रणाली शुरू करना
- (e) Organising a health camp for the public / आम जनता के लिए स्वास्थ्य शिविर आयोजित करना

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.

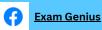
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Secretary of the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance?

वित्त मंत्रालय के राजस्व विभाग के नए सचिव के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- a) Samir Kumar Sinha / समीर कुमार सिन्हा
- b) Arvind Shrivastava / अरविंद श्रीवास्तव
- c) Nikunja Bihari Dhal / निकुंज बिहारी ढल
- d) Santosh Kumar Sarangi / संतोष कुमार सारंगी
- e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.



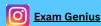


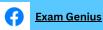
















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Ques: World Heritage Day, also known as the International Day for Monuments and Sites (IDMS), is observed on which day?

विश्व धरोहर दिवस, जिसे स्मारकों और स्थलों के लिए अंतर्राष्ट्रीय दिवस (आईडीएमएस) के रूप में भी जाना जाता है, किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.

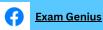














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#### **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

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 14coach 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).

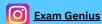
















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# महत्वपूर्ण वन-लाइनर करेंट अफेयर्स

भारत की पहली रेल यात्रा की 172वीं वर्षगांठ के सम्मान में, रेल मंत्री अश्विनी वैष्णव ने 16 अप्रैल, 1853 के उस महत्वपूर्ण दिन को याद किया, जब पहली ट्रेन महाराष्ट्र के बोरीबंदर से ठाणे के लिए रवाना हुई थी। 14 कोच वाली इस ट्रेन में 400 आमंत्रित यात्री सवार थे। तीन इंजन-सिंध, सुल्तान और साहेब- ने ट्रेन को खींचा, जिसने एक घंटे और पंद्रह मिनट में 34 किलोमीटर की यात्रा की।

गोदरेज कैपिटल लिमिटेड और तेलंगाना ने राज्य में एमएसएमई के विकास को बढावा देने के लिए ऋण सुविधाओं और व्यावसायिक अवसरों तक पहुँच बढ़ाकर समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए

टी कोशी ने ओपन नेटवर्क फॉर डिजिटल कॉमर्स (ONDC) के प्रबंध निदेशक (MD) और मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी (CEO) के पद से इस्तीफा दिया

आमिर खान को चीन के मकाऊ में मकाऊ इंटरनेशनल कॉमेडी फेस्टिवल 2025 में मास्टर ह्यूमर अवार्ड से सम्मानित किया गया। आमिर चीन में बहुत लोकप्रिय हैं, जिसके कारण उन्हें 'अंकल मी' उपनाम मिला है।

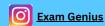
जैगल प्रीपेड ओशन सर्विसेज लिमिटेड को भारतीय राष्ट्रीय भूगतान निगम (एनपीसीआई) से टीपीएपी (थर्ड-पार्टी एप्लिकेशन प्रदाता) अनुमोदन प्राप्त हो गया है।

















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Ques: Which international financial institution approved an \$85.4 million loan for developing critical industrial infrastructure in Tripura? त्रिपुरा में महत्वपूर्ण औद्योगिक बुनियादी ढांचे के विकास के लिए \$85.4 मिलियन ऋण किस अंतर्राष्ट्रीय वित्तीय संस्था ने स्वीकृत किया?

- (a) World Bank / विश्व बैंक
- (b) International Monetary Fund (IMF) / अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मुद्रा कोष
- (c) Asian Development Bank (ADB) / एशियाई विकास बैंक
- (d) New Development Bank (NDB) / न्यू डेवलपमेंट बैंक
- (e) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) / एशियाई अवसंरचना निवेश बैंक

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.
- Bodhjungnagar 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.

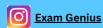


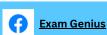
















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Ques: SBI Card recently collaborated with which company to launch the Tata Neu SBI Card, offering rewards in the form of NeuCoins? SBI कार्ड ने हाल ही में किस कंपनी के साथ मिलकर Tata Neu SBI Card लॉन्च किया है, जिसमें NeuCoins के रूप में रिवॉर्ड दिए जाते हैं?

- (a) Reliance Retail / रिलायंस रिटेल
- (b) Tata Digital / टाटा डिजिटल
- (c) Amazon Pav / अमेज़न पे
- (d) Pavtm / पेटीएम
- (e) Flipkart / फ्लिपकार्ट

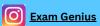
**Answer**: Option B

- 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?

RBI ने हाल ही में कलर मर्चेंट्स को-ऑपरेटिव बैंक लिमिटेड (अहमदाबाद) का लाइसेंस किस मुख्य कारण से रद्द किया?

- (a) Fraudulent transactions / धोखाधडी लेनदेन
- (b) Mergers and acquisitions / विलय और अधिग्रहण
- (c) Inadequate capital and regulatory non-compliance / अपर्याप्त पूंजी और विनियामक उल्लंघन
- (d) Cybersecurity breach / साइबर सुरक्षा उल्लंघन
- (e) High NPAs / उच्च गैर-निष्पादित संपत्ति (NPA)

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.



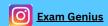


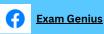
















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Ques: What is the name of the nuclear-powered battery introduced by China's Betavolt Technology, which can operate for up to 50 years on a single charge? चीन की बेटावोल्ट टेक्नोलॉजी द्वारा पेश की गई उस न्यूक्लियर बैटरी का नाम क्या है, जो एक बार चार्ज करने पर 50 साल तक काम कर सकती है?

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

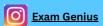
**Answer**: Option B

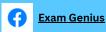
- The BV100 is a coin-sized nuclear-powered battery developed by Betavolt Technology Company Limited, based in Beijing, China.
- It uses Nickel-63, a radioactive isotope, as the energy source.
- Power Output: 100 microwatts at 3 volts.
- Lifespan: Capable of working up to 50 years without charging or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















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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? मूल्य समर्थन योजना (PSS) के तहत 2025 में सरकार द्वारा खरीदी गई अरहर (तूर) की सबसे अधिक मात्रा किस राज्य से प्राप्त हुई है?

- (a) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश
- (b) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (c) Telangana / तेलंगाना
- (d) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (e) Gujarat / गुजरात

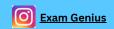
**Answer**: Option D

- 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?

तमिलनाडु सरकार द्वारा केंद्र-राज्य संबंधों की समीक्षा करने और संघवाद को मजबूत करने के लिए कदम सुझाने हेत् गठित उच्चस्तरीय समिति की अध्यक्षता कौन कर रहे हैं?

- (a) Justice Ranjan Gogoi / जस्टिस रंजन गोगोई
- (b) Justice Kurian Joseph / जस्टिस कुरियन जोसेफ
- (c) Justice Madan Lokur / जस्टिस मदन लोकुर
- (d) Justice A.K. Sikri / जस्टिस ए.के. सीकरी
- (e) Justice Deepak Gupta / जस्टिस दीपक गुप्ता

**Answer**: Option B

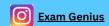
- Tamil Nadu CM M.K. Stalin has set up a 3-member high-level committee to examine the constitutional, legal, and policy framework regarding Centre-State relations.
- The committee is headed by former Supreme Court judge Justice Kurian Joseph.
- Other members include: K. Ashok Vardhan Shetty, former Vice-Chancellor 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.















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Ques: Which two Indian classical works were added to UNESCO's Memory of the World Register in 2025 for their exceptional universal value? वर्ष 2025 में किन दो भारतीय शास्त्रीय ग्रंथों को उनकी विशिष्ट सार्वभौमिक महत्ता के लिए यूनेस्को की मेमोरी ऑफ द वर्ल्ड रजिस्टर में शामिल किया गया?

- (a) Rigveda and Arthashastra / ऋग्वेद और अर्थशास्त्र
- (b) Ramayana and Manusmriti / रामायण और मनुस्मृति
- (c) Shrimad Bhagavad Gita and Natyashastra / श्रीमद्भगवद्गीता और नाट्यशास्त्र
- (d) Upanishads and Mahabharata / उपनिषद और महाभारत
- (e) Sushruta Samhita and Charaka Samhita / सुश्रुत संहिता और चरक संहिता

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.

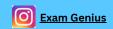


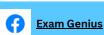
















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Ques: What is the title of the book that compiles Prime Minister Narendra Modi's speeches and was launched by Acharya Mahamandaleshwar Swami Avdheshanand Giri in New Delhi?

वह पुस्तक, जिसमें प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी के विभिन्न भाषणों का संकलन है और जिसे आचार्य महामंडलेश्वर स्वामी अवधेशानंद गिरी द्वारा नई दिल्ली में लॉन्च किया गया, उसका शीर्षक क्या है?

- (a) Bharat Ki Sanskriti / भारत की संस्कृति
- (b) Sanskriti Ka Mool Mantra / संस्कृति का मूल मंत्र
- (c) Rashtra Aur Sanskriti / राष्ट्र और संस्कृति
- (d) Sanskriti Ka Paanchva Adhyay / संस्कृति का पाँचवाँ अध्याय
- (e) Sanskriti Ke Path / संस्कृति के पथ

**Answer**: Option D

- 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.

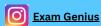


















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Ques: What is the main objective of the GP-DRASTI program recently launched by **Gujarat Police?** 

हाल ही में गुजरात पुलिस द्वारा शुरू किए गए GP-DRASTI कार्यक्रम का मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या है?

- (a) Traffic regulation using AI / एआई की मदद से टैफिक नियंत्रण
- (b) Surveillance and tactical response using drones / ड्रोन के माध्यम से निगरानी और सामरिक प्रतिक्रिया
- (c) Digitization of police records / पुलिस रिकॉर्ड का डिजिटलीकरण
- (d) Recruitment of women in police force / पुलिस बल में महिलाओं की भर्ती
- (e) Implementation of body-worn cameras / बॉडी कैमरों का उपयोग

**Answer**: Option B

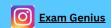
- GP-DRASTI stands for Drone Response and Aerial Surveillance Tactical Interventions, introduced by the Gujarat Police.
- The program aims to modernize policing through drone-based surveillance and tactical operations.
- Deployed in 33 police station areas across Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Surat, and Vadodara.
- 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.

















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Ques: Who won the only gold medal for India at the 6th Asian U18 Athletics Championship 2025, and in which event? 6वीं एशियाई U18 एथलेटिक्स चैम्पियनशिप 2025 में भारत के लिए एकमात्र स्वर्ण पदक किसने और किस खेल में जीता?

- (a) Hinmanshu 400m sprint / हिनमांश् 400 मीटर दौड
- (b) Hinmanshu Javelin Throw / हिनमांशु भाला फेंक
- (c) Lu Hao Javelin Throw / लु हाओ भाला फेंक
- (d) Ankit Shot Put / अंकित गोला फेंक
- (e) Aditya Long Jump / आदित्य लंबी कृद

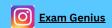
**Answer**: Option B

- 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.















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

भारत में बाल तस्करी मामलों की सुनवाई को लेकर सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने हाल ही में क्या निर्देश जारी किया?

- (a) Allow virtual hearings in all cases / सभी मामलों में वर्चुअल सुनवाई की अनुमति
- (b) Complete trials within 6 months with daily hearings / रोजाना सुनवाई के साथ 6 महीने में मुकदमों को पूरा करना
- (c) Abolish fast-track courts / फास्ट ट्रैक कोर्ट को समाप्त करना
- (d) Refer all cases to NCPCR / सभी मामलों को एनसीपीसीआर को सौंपना
- (e) Create new FIR formats / नई एफआईआर प्रारूप बनाना

**Answer**: Option B

- 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 iustice.
- Additionally, if a newborn is stolen from a hospital, the first action must be to revoke the hospital's license.

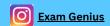


















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Ques: Which international container transshipment port, inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi in Kerala, is India's first semi-automated and truly deep-water port? पीएम नरेंद्र मोदी द्वारा केरल में उद्घाटित कौन-सा अंतरराष्ट्रीय कंटेनर ट्रांसशिपमेंट पोर्ट भारत का पहला अर्ध-स्वचालित और गहराई वाला पोर्ट है?

- (a) Paradip Port / पारादीप पोर्ट
- (b) Ennore Port / एन्नोर पोर्ट
- (c) Vizhiniam Port / विजिंजम पोर्ट
- (d) Cochin Port / कोचीन पोर्ट
- (e) Kandla Port / कांडला पोर्ट

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.



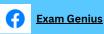
















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Ques: Which state was awarded by UIDAI for being the best-performing in mandatory biometric updates of children and verification of adult Aadhaar enrolment?

बच्चों के अनिवार्य बायोमेट्रिक अपडेट और वयस्क आधार नामांकन के सत्यापन में सर्वश्रेष्ठ प्रदर्शन करने वाला राज्य कौन-सा है, जिसे UIDAI द्वारा सम्मानित किया गया?

- (a) Assam / असम
- (b) Nagaland / नागालैंड
- (c) Meghalaya / मेघालय
- (d) Sikkim / सिक्किम
- (e) Manipur / मणिपुर

**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

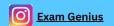
The award was presented to Shai Kupar War, Aadhaar Nodal Officer from Meghalaya's General Administration Department.

















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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? भारत में भूमिगत कोयला खनन के लिए पेस्ट फिल तकनीक अपनाने वाला पहला कोयला सार्वजनिक उपक्रम (PSU) कौन बनने जा रहा है?

- (a) Western Coalfields Limited / वेस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड
- (b) Northern Coalfields Limited / नॉर्दर्न कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड
- (c) South Eastern Coalfields Limited / साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड
- (d) Mahanadi Coalfields Limited / महानदी कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड
- (e) Central Coalfields Limited / सेंट्रल कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड

**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.

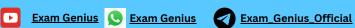
## **About Singhali Mine:**

- 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.















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• 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.

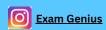


















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Ques: Where was GITEX Africa 2025, Africa's largest tech and startup event in which India participated, held?

GITEX Africa 2025, जो अफ्रीका का सबसे बड़ा टेक और स्टार्टअप इवेंट है जिसमें भारत ने भाग लिया, कहां आयोजित हुआ था?

- (a) Nairobi, Kenya / नैरोबी, केन्या
- (b) Kigali, Rwanda / किगाली, रवांडा
- (c) Lagos, Nigeria / लागोस, नाइजीरिया
- (d) Cairo, Egypt / काहिरा, मिस्र
- (e) Marrakesh, Morocco / माराकेश, मोरक्को

**Answer**: Option E

- 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.

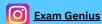


















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Ques: As per Airports Council International (ACI), which country is projected to have the highest air passenger traffic growth rate in 2026? एयरपोर्ट्स काउंसिल इंटरनेशनल (ACI) के अनुसार, 2026 में किस देश की हवाई यात्री यातायात वृद्धि दर सबसे अधिक रहने की संभावना है?

- (a) United States / संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका
- (b) China / चीन
- (c) India / भारत
- (d) Indonesia / इंडोनेशिया
- (e) Japan / जापान

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.

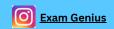


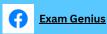
















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Ques: From which date will the new rules under the Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011 - mandating verification and stamping of radar-based speed measurement devices - come into effect?

कानूनी माप विज्ञान (सामान्य) नियम, 2011 के तहत रडार-आधारित गति माप उपकरणों के सत्यापन और मृहर लगाने के लिए अधिसूचित नए नियम किस तिथि से लागू होंगे?

- (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:

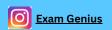
- For citizens: Ensures accurate speed readings and helps avoid unfair penalties.
- For industries: Provides a clear regulatory framework aligned with international standards.
- For law enforcement: Enhances credibility and operational efficiency with verified equipment.

















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Ques: Which edition of 'National Highways Excellence Awards' (NHEA 2023)? 'राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग उत्कृष्टता पुरस्कार' (NHEA 2023) का कौन सा संस्करण आयोजित किया जाएगा?

- (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 वचंतन 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:

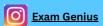
# 1. Excellence in Project Management:

- 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:















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- 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:

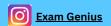
- Navratan: Director General Manager (DGM) & PD, National Highway Authority of India (NHAI)
- Devender Kumar: General Manager (GM) of New Delhi (Delhi)-based National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL)
- Subhash Chandra: Regional Office (RO) Itanagar (AR), MoRTH
- 5. Special Recognition Award: Vatakara Kozhikode (Kerala)-based Uralungal Labour **Contract Cooperative Society (ULCCS)**

















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Ques: Hari Dutt Kapri, who passed away recently, was a former captain of which Indian national sports team and an Arjuna Awardee in 1969? हाल ही में निधन हो चुके हरि दत्त कपरी किस भारतीय राष्ट्रीय खेल टीम के पूर्व कप्तान थे और उन्हें 1969 में अर्जुन पुरस्कार से सम्मानित किया गया था?

- (a) Basketball / बास्केटबॉल
- (b) Football / फुटबॉल
- (c) Volleyball / वॉलीबॉल
- (d) Hockey / हॉकी
- (e) Athletics / एथलेटिक्स

**Answer**: Option A

- 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? विश्व लिवर दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option C

- 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.

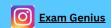


















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Ques: Who has recently been appointed as Deputy CFO and Special Officer Finance & Accounts at IndusInd Bank? इंडसइंड बैंक में हाल ही में डिप्टी सीएफओ और विशेष अधिकारी – वित्त एवं लेखा के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Santosh Kumar / संतोष कुमार
- (b) Arun Khurana / अरुण खुराना
- (c) Gobind Jain / गोबिंद जैन
- (d) Sandeep Bakshi / संदीप बक्शी
- (e) Rajnish Kumar / रजनीश कुमार

**Answer**: Option A

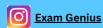
- At IndusInd Bank, Santosh Kumar, the Chief Accountant, has been promoted to Deputy CFO, Special Officer-Finance & Accounts, and Key Managerial Personnel.
- After former CFO Gobind Jain resigned in January, Arun Khurana was given the additional responsibility of CFO. He will now only serve as the bank's 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?

मिरे एसेट ने हाल ही में अपनी IFSC शाखा के माध्यम से एक नया फंड शुरू किया है ताकि भारतीय निवेशक निम्न में से किस क्षेत्र में निवेश कर सकें?

- (a) Indian government bonds / भारतीय सरकारी बॉन्ड
- (b) Real estate / रियल एस्टेट
- (c) Global equity ETFs, including AI and semiconductors / वैश्विक इक्विटी ईटीएफ, जिसमें एआई और सेमीकंडक्टर्स शामिल हैं
- (d) Gold and precious metals / सोना और कीमती धातुएं
- (e) Infrastructure projects in India / भारत में बुनियादी ढांचा परियोजनाएं

**Answer**: Option C

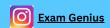
- To enable Indian investors have exposure to global markets and high-growth industries like semiconductors and artificial intelligence (AI), Mirae Asset has introduced a new fund called the Mirae Asset Global Allocation Fund IFSC.
- Launched through the company's GIFT City IFSC branch, the fund invests 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.

















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

फोनपे की पिनकोड दवा डिलीवरी सेवा वर्तमान में किन शहरों में उपलब्ध है?

- a) Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai / दिल्ली, मुंबई, चेन्नई
- b) Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Kolkata / बेंगलुरु, हैदराबाद, कोलकाता
- c) Bengaluru, Mumbai, Pune / बेंगलुरु, मुंबई, पुणे
- d) Pune, Chennai, Bhopal / पुणे, चेन्नई, भोपाल
- e) Mumbai, Delhi, Pune / मुंबई, दिल्ली, पुणे

Answer: Option C

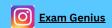
- PhonePe has launched a 24x7 medicine delivery service through its PINCODE app, covering both OTC and prescription drugs.
- The service is currently available in Bengaluru, Mumbai, and Pune, with medicines delivered within 10 minutes from the nearest medical shop.
- Orders can be placed round-the-clock, 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%? एलआईसी ने हाल ही में किस सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के बैंक में अपनी हिस्सेदारी बढाकर 7.05% कर दी है?

- (a) Punjab National Bank / पंजाब नेशनल बैंक
- (b) Union Bank of India / यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- (c) Bank of India / बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- (d) Bank of Baroda / बैंक ऑफ बडौदा
- (e) Canara Bank / केनरा बैंक

Answer: Option D

- 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?

अप्रैल 2025 के आंकडों के अनुसार, पीएमजेडीवाई के तहत जारी किए गए रूपे डेबिट कार्ड की कुल संख्या कितनी है?

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

**Answer**: Option C

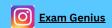
- Total deposits under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) have reached ₹2.63 lakh crore as of April 9, 2025.
- There are 552.8 million PMJDY accounts, with an average balance of ₹4,760 per account.
- 379.8 million RuPay debit cards have been issued to beneficiaries, offering ₹2 lakh accident insurance 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.

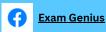
















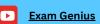
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Ques: Which city is set to become the world's first city to be powered entirely by renewable energy, as per recent plans? कौन-सा शहर हाल ही की योजनाओं के अनुसार पूरी तरह से नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा से संचालित होने वाला दुनिया का पहला शहर बनने जा रहा है?

- A. Amaravati / अमरावती
- B. Bengaluru / बेंगलुरु
- C. Hyderabad / हैदराबाद
- D. Chennai / ਚੇਜ਼ਤੀ
- E. None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

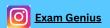
**Answer**: Option A

- 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?

लखनऊ के के.डी. सिंह बाबू स्टेडियम में आयोजित चार दिवसीय सांसद खेल महाकुंभ का उद्घाटन किसने किया?

- (a) Amit Shah / अमित शाह
- (b) Yogi Adityanath / योगी आदित्यनाथ
- (c) Anurag Thakur / अनुराग ठाकुर
- (d) Rainath Singh / राजनाथ सिंह
- (e) Narendra Modi / नरेंद्र मोदी

**Answer**: Option D

- 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.

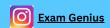


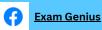
















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Ques: Prabhas and Pawak, the two cheetahs, were recently relocated from which wildlife sanctuary to Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary? प्रभास और पवक नामक दो चीतों को हाल ही में किस वन्यजीव अभयारण्य से गांधी सागर अभयारण्य में स्थानांतरित किया गया?

- A) Kuno National Park / कुनो राष्ट्रीय उद्यान
- B) Panna Tiger Reserve / पन्ना टाइगर रिजर्व
- C) Satpura National Park / सतपुडा राष्ट्रीय उद्यान
- D) Bandhavgarh National Park / बांधवगढ राष्ट्रीय उद्यान
- E) Kanha National Park / कान्हा राष्ट्रीय उद्यान

**Answer**: Option A

- 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'.















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

वर्ल्ड इकोनॉमिक फोरम की यंग ग्लोबल लीडर्स (YGL) 2025 सूची में कितने भारतीयों को शामिल किया गया है?

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

**Answer**: Option A

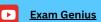
### **Explanation**:

- 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.

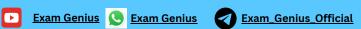
# Indian Representation in the 2025 YGL List:

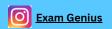
- Ritesh Agarwal: Founder and Group Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of OYO Hotels and Homes
- K. Ram Mohan Naidu: Union Minister of Civil Aviation, MoCA
- Nipun Malhotra: Founder of New Delhi based Nipman Foundation
- Alok M. Anil: Founder and Managing Director (MD) of Bengaluru based Next Big Innovation 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

















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Ques: On 19 April 2025, India celebrated the 50th anniversary of which satellite, marking the country's entry into space exploration? 19 अप्रैल 2025 को भारत ने किस उपग्रह की 50वीं वर्षगांठ मनाई, जिसने देश के अंतरिक्ष अन्वेषण की शरुआत की थी?

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

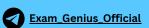
**Answer: Option C** 

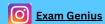
- Aryabhata was India's first satellite, launched on 19 April 1975, and completed 50 vears in 2025.
- It was named after the ancient Indian mathematician and astronomer Aryabhata.
- Launched from Kapustin Yar with the help of the USSR, it weighed 360 kg and had solar panels on 24 of its 26 sides.
- With 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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Oues: International Conclave on "Buddha Dhamma and the Culture of North-East India" held in which state?

"बुद्ध धम्म और पूर्वोत्तर भारत की संस्कृति" पर अंतर्राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन किस राज्य में आयोजित किया गया?

- (a) Assam / असम
- (b) Meghalaya / मेघालय
- (c) Tripura / त्रिपुरा
- (d) Manipur / मणिपुर
- (e) Arunachal Pradesh / अरुणाचल प्रदेश

**Answer**: Option E

- 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?

हाल ही में हए समझौते के अनुसार, कोल इंडिया और DVC मिलकर 1,600 मेगावाट की बिजली परियोजना कहाँ स्थापित करेंगे?

- a) Odisha / ओडिशा
- b) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- c) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश
- d) Chhattisgarh / छत्तीसगढ
- e) Jharkhand / झारखंड

**Answer**: Option E

- 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.

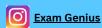


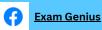
















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Ques: India recently signed its first Defence MoU with which country to co-develop next-generation combat vehicle technologies? भारत ने हाल ही में अगली पीढ़ी की युद्ध वाहन प्रौद्योगिकियों के सह-विकास के लिए किस देश के साथ अपना पहला रक्षा समझौता किया है?

- (a) Poland / पोलैंड
- (b) Slovakia / स्लोवाकिया
- (c) Israel / इजराडल
- (d) France / फ्रांस
- (e) Italy / इटली

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.



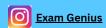
















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Ques: The Indian Air Force participated in the multinational Exercise Desert Flag-10 held in which country?

भारतीय वायु सेना ने बहुराष्ट्रीय अभ्यास डेजर्ट फ्लैग-10 में किस देश में भाग लिया?

- (a) Saudi Arabia / सऊदी अरब
- (b) United Arab Emirates / संयुक्त अरब अमीरात
- (c) Qatar / कतर
- (d) Oman / ओमान
- (e) Bahrain / बहरीन

Answer: Option B

- 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.



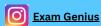


















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Ques: As per ISRO, what is the estimated wheat production from 8 major states of India as on 31 March 2025?

ISRO के अनुसार 31 मार्च 2025 तक भारत के 8 प्रमुख राज्यों से अनुमानित गेहुं उत्पादन कितना है?

- 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

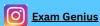
**Answer**: Option C

- 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?

"खेलों के ऑस्कर" के रूप में प्रसिद्ध 2025 लॉरियस वर्ल्ड स्पोर्ट्स अवॉर्ड्स किस शहर में आयोजित किए गए थे?

- (a) London / लंदन
- (b) Paris / पेरिस
- (c) Madrid / मैड्रिड
- (d) Rome / रोम
- (e) Berlin / बर्लिन

**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:

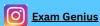
- Laureus World Sportsman of the Year Award- Armand Duplantis
- Laureus World Sportswoman of the Year Award- Simone Biles
- Laureus Sport for Good Award- Kick4Life
- Laureus Sporting Icon Award- Rafael Nadal
- Laureus Lifetime Achievement Award- Kelly Slater
- Laureus World Breakthrough of the Year Award- 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

















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## Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Economic Affairs Secretary of India? भारत के नए आर्थिक मामले सचिव के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Ajay Seth / अजय सेठ
- (b) Anuradha Thakur / अनुप्रदा ठाकुर
- (c) Ramesh Kumar / रमेश कुमार
- (d) Shailendra Kumar / शैलेंद्र कुमार
- (e) Arun Sharma / अरुण शर्मा

**Answer**: Option B

- 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 secretarylevel 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.



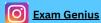


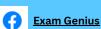
















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Ques: Which state cabinet recently approved an ordinance to implement the subcategorisation of Scheduled Castes (SCs) into three groups for equitable development?

किस राज्य मंत्रिमंडल ने हाल ही में अनुसूचित जातियों (SCs) के समान विकास के लिए उन्हें तीन समूहों में वर्गीकृत करने के लिए एक अध्यादेश को मंजूरी दी?

- (a) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- (b) Andhra Pradesh / आंध्र प्रदेश
- (c) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (d) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (e) Rajasthan / राजस्थान

**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

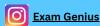
The move is aimed at equitable access to education and employment opportunities and will be enforced across all 26 districts of the state.

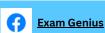
















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Ques: ISRO recently tested a Stellite-based nozzle as an alternative to which imported material for the PSLV's fourth stage? ISRO ने हाल ही में PSLV के चौथे चरण के लिए किस आयातित सामग्री के विकल्प के रूप में स्टेलाइट-आधारित नोजल का परीक्षण किया?

- (a) Titanium / टाइटेनियम
- (b) Columbium / कोलंबियम
- (c) Zirconium / जिरकोनियम
- (d) Inconel / इन्कोनेल
- (e) Graphite / ग्रेफाइट

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.

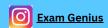


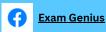
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the first-ever Indian brand ambassador of French luxury brand Chanel?

फ्रेंच लक्जरी ब्रांड चैनल की पहली भारतीय ब्रांड एम्बेसडर किसे नियक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Alia Bhatt / आलिया भट्ट
- (b) Deepika Padukone / दीपिका पाद्कोण
- (c) Ananya Panday / अनन्या पांडे
- (d) Priyanka Chopra / प्रियंका चोपड़ा
- (e) Kiara Advani / कियारा आडवाणी

Answer: Option C

- · 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.



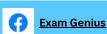
















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Ques: Pope Francis, the first Latin American Cardinal to be elected Pope, passed away at the age of 88. Which country was Pope Francis originally from? पोप फ्रांसिस, जो पहले लैटिन अमेरिकी कार्डिनल थे, को पोप चुने जाने के बाद 88 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गया। पोप फ्रांसिस किस देश के मूल निवासी थे?

- (a) Brazil / ब्राज़ील
- (b) Argentina / अर्जेंटीना
- (c) Chile / चिली
- (d) Mexico / मेक्सिको
- (e) Venezuela / वेनेज्एला

**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.

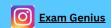
















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Ques: At which event did India's Simranpreet Kaur Brar win her maiden senior international medal in shooting?

भारत की सिमरनप्रीत कौर ब्रार ने शूटिंग में अपनी पहली सीनियर अंतर्राष्ट्रीय पदक किस प्रतियोगिता में जीता?

- (a) Asian Games 2023 / एशियाई खेल 2023
- (b) ISSF World Cup, Lima 2024 / आईएसएसएफ विश्व कप, लीमा 2024
- (c) World Shooting Championship, Baku / विश्व शूटिंग चैंपियनशिप, बाक्
- (d) Paris Olympic Qualifiers / पेरिस ओलंपिक क्वालिफायर्स
- (e) Commonwealth Shooting Championship / राष्ट्रमंडल शूटिंग चैंपियनशिप

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.

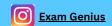


















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Oues: Which rocket will launch the NISAR satellite? NISAR उपग्रह किस रॉकेट से लॉन्च किया जाएगा?

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

**Answer**: Option B

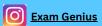
- Mission: NISAR (NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar)
- Launch Window: June 2025 (exact date yet to be announced)
- Rocket: GSLV
- Purpose: Earth observation mission to monitor minute changes (1 cm) on Earth's surface, like glacier retreat, forest cover, vegetation changes, and natural disasters.
- Assembly 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? जापान स्थित वैश्विक डिजिटल परिवर्तन और आईटी सेवा कंपनी, एनटीटी डेटा, क्लाउड प्लेटफॉर्म कंपनी नेयसा नेटवर्क्स ने आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस डेटा सेंटर क्लस्टर स्थापित करने के लिए किस राज्य के साथ एक समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- (a) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश
- (b) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (c) Telangana / तेलंगाना
- (d) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (e) Gujarat / गुजरात

**Answer**: Option C

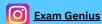
- An deal has been reached by the Telangana government, cloud platform provider Neysa Networks, and Japan-based global digital transformation and IT services business NTT DATA to establish an artificial intelligence data center cluster in Hyderabad with an investment of 10,500 crore rupees.
- The 400 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?

हिमाचल प्रदेश के किन्नौर जिले में भारतीय सेना द्वारा शुरू किए गए कम्युनिटी रेडियो स्टेशन का नाम क्या है?

- A. Radio Himalaya / रेडियो हिमालय
- B. Voice of Kinnaur / वॉडस ऑफ किन्नौर
- C. Kinnaur Ki Awaaz / किन्नौर की आवाज
- D. Sadbhavana Radio / सद्भावना रेडियो
- E. None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

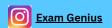
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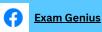
- The Indian Army has launched a community radio station named 'Voice of Kinnaur' in Pooh, located in Kinnaur district of Himachal Pradesh, near the China border.
- This initiative is part of Operation Sadbhavana, which aims to build goodwill and foster development in border areas.
- The radio station 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.















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Ques: Civil Services Day in India is observed annually on which day? भारत में सिविल सेवा दिवस प्रतिवर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option E

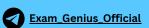
- Every year on April 21, India celebrates Civil Services Day to honor and value the efforts made by civil officials to the development of the country.
- Since Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officials and other civil service officers are essential to public administration and governance, the day 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.

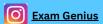
















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Ques: Earth Day is observed every year on which day? पृथ्वी दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option B



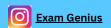


















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Ques: South India's first AC EMU (Electric Multiple Unit) suburban train was recently launched on which railway corridor?

दक्षिण भारत की पहली एसी ईएमयू (इलेक्ट्रिक मल्टीपल यूनिट) उपनगरीय ट्रेन हाल ही में किस रेलवे कॉरिडोर पर शुरू की गई?

- (a) Bengaluru Mysuru / बेंगलुरु मैसूरु
- (b) Chennai Beach Chengalpattu / चेन्नई बीच चेंगलपट्ट
- (c) Hyderabad Secunderabad / हैदराबाद सिकंदराबाद
- (d) Kochi Aluva / कोच्चि अल्वा
- (e) Mangaluru Udupi / मंगलुरु उडुपी

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.















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

हाल ही में किस कंपनी को RBI से ऑनलाइन पेमेंट एग्रीगेटर (PA) के रूप में कार्य करने की सैद्धांतिक मंजूरी मिली है?

- (a) Razorpay / रेजरपे
- (b) PB Pay Pvt Ltd / पीबी पे प्रा. लि.
- (c) CCAvenue / सीसीएवन्य
- (d) Pine Labs / पाडन लैब्स
- (e) PhonePe / फोनपे

**Answer**: Option B

- PB Pay Private Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of PB Fintech Limited (the parent company of Policybazaar), based in Gurugram, Haryana, has received inprinciple 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.

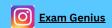


















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Ques: Poonawalla Fincorp has partnered with which fintech platform to offer instant personal loans via ZIP EMI service?

पुनावाला फिनकॉर्प ने ZIP EMI सेवा के माध्यम से त्वरित व्यक्तिगत ऋण प्रदान करने के लिए किस फिनटेक प्लेटफॉर्म के साथ साझेदारी की है?

- (a) Paytm / पेटीएम
- (b) PhonePe / फोनपे
- (c) MobiKwik / मोबिक्विक
- (d) Google Pay / गुगल पे
- (e) BharatPe / भारतपे

**Answer**: Option C

- 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? आरबीआई की नवीनतम दिशानिर्देशों के अनुसार, नाबालिग कितनी न्यूनतम आयु से स्वयं अपना बचत/मीयादी जमा खाता स्वतंत्र रूप से खोल और संचालित कर सकते हैं?

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

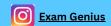
**Answer**: Option A

- 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.















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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)?** 

केंद्रीय वित्त मंत्री निर्मला सीतारमण ने हाल ही में बॉम्बे स्टॉक एक्सचेंज (BSE) की 150वीं वर्षगांठ पर किस मुल्य का स्मारक सिक्का जारी किया?

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

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation**:

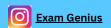
- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman unveiled a Rs.150 commemorative coin at the Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai to celebrate 150 years of BSE, Asia's oldest stock exchange.
- Along with the coin, she also launched the BSE@150 Logo and the BSE 150 Index, a benchmark index that tracks the performance 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."

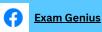
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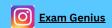


















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Ques: Which U.S. city recently declared April 14 as "Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Day"? हाल ही में किस अमेरिकी शहर ने 14 अप्रैल को "डॉ. बी. आर. आंबेडकर दिवस" घोषित किया है?

- (a) Chicago / शिकागो
- (b) New York City / न्यूयॉर्क सिटी
- (c) Washington D.C. / वॉशिंगटन डी.सी.
- (d) San Francisco / सैन फ्रांसिस्को
- (e) Houston / ह्युस्टन

**Answer**: Option B

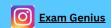
- New York City's 8.5 million citizens celebrate Dr. B R Ambedkar Day, which was declared by Mayor Eric Adams on April 14 of this year.
- The 134th anniversary of Ambedkar's birth was celebrated with a special event at the UN headquarters, where Dr. Ramdas Atwale, Minister of State for Social Justice 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? भारतीय सेना द्वारा लचीलापन और संचालन क्षमता प्रदर्शित करने के लिए आयोजित 28-दिवसीय उच्च-ऊंचाई अभियान का नाम क्या था?

- (a) Snow Warrior 2025 / स्नो वॉरियर 2025
- (b) ARMEX-24 / आर्मेक्स-24
- (c) OP Saksham / ऑपरेशन सक्षम
- (d) Mountain Yodha / माउंटेन योद्धा
- (e) Everest March / एवेरेस्ट मार्च

**Answer**: Option B

- 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.



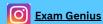


















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Ques: What is the name of the new feature launched by the Income Tax Department to ease online tax payments?

ऑनलाइन टैक्स भुगतान को आसान बनाने के लिए आयकर विभाग द्वारा शुरू किए गए नए फीचर का नाम क्या है?

- a) Easy Tax Pay / आसान कर भुगतान
- b) e-Tax Portal / ई-टैक्स पोर्टल
- c) e-Pay Tax / ई-भुगतान कर
- d) Quick Pay Tax / त्वरित कर भुगतान
- e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

Answer: Option C

- 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.

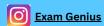


















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Ques: Who won the 68th World Press Photo of the Year award for capturing the image of a Gazan boy who lost both arms in an airstrike? गाज़ा में हवाई हमले में दोनों हाथ खोने वाले एक लडके की तस्वीर के लिए 68वां वर्ल्ड प्रेस फोटो ऑफ द ईयर अवॉर्ड किसे मिला?

- (a) John Moore / जॉन मूर
- (b) Musuk Nolte / मुसुक नोल्टे
- (c) Samar Abu Elouf / समर अबू एलौफ
- (d) Anne Frank / ऐनी फ्रैंक
- (e) Greta Thunberg / ग्रेटा थुनबर्ग

**Answer**: Option C

- The 68th World Press Photo of the Year was awarded to Samar Abu Elouf, a Qatarbased 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

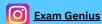


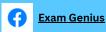
















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Ques: Which of the following cricketers were newly added to the BCCI Grade C central contract list for 2024-25?

निम्नलिखित में से किन क्रिकेटरों को 2024-25 के लिए बीसीसीआई ग्रेड C केंद्रीय अनुबंध सूची में नए रूप से जोडा गया है?

- (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

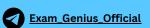
**Answer**: Option D

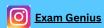
- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) revealed the yearly player retainership for the men's team for the 2024-25 season, and Indian team mainstays Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli have kept their A+ category contracts despite retiring from the T20I format.
- Nitish Kumar Reddy, Dhruv Jurel, 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.















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# Oues: Where was the world's first 10G broadband network launched? दुनिया का पहला 10G ब्रॉडबैंड नेटवर्क कहां लॉन्च किया गया?

- A. Shanghai, China / शंघाई, चीन
- B. Beijing, China / बीजिंग, चीन
- C. Sunan County, Hebei Province / सुनान काउंटी, हेबेई प्रांत
- D. Shenzhen, China / डी. शेन्ज़ेन, चीन
- E. None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

**Answer**: Option C

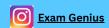
- China achieved a major technological milestone with the launch of the world's first 10G broadband network in Sunan County, Hebei Province on April 20, 2025.
- Developed by Huawei in collaboration with China Unicom, the network offers lightning-fast speeds of up to 9,834 Mbps download and 1,008 Mbps 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.

















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

भारतीय वायु सेना की सूर्य किरण टीम ने हाल ही में बिहार में किस नदी के ऊपर एयर शो का प्रदर्शन किया?

- (a) Kosi / कोसी
- (b) Gandak / गंडक
- (c) Sone / सोन
- (d) Ganga / गंगा
- (e) Punpun / पुनपुन

**Answer**: Option D

- 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? वाहनों की गति मापने वाले रडार उपकरणों के लिए भारत में नए नियम किस तिथि से प्रभावी होंगे?

- (a) April 1, 2025 / 1 अप्रैल 2025
- (b) June 1, 2025 / 1 जून 2025
- (c) July 1, 2025 / 1 जुलाई 2025
- (d) August 1, 2025 / 1 अगस्त 2025
- (e) September 1, 2025 / 1 सितम्बर 2025

Answer: Option C

- 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.

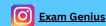


















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Ques: What is the total financial outlay approved for the development of buffer zones in Madhya Pradesh's tiger reserves?

मध्य प्रदेश के टाइगर रिजर्व में बफर ज़ोन के विकास के लिए स्वीकृत कुल वित्तीय राशि कितनी है?

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

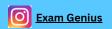
**Answer**: Option B

- 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.















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Ques: Which Indian state's electricity board is working with IIT Bombay to pilot Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) technology integration? भारत का कौन-सा राज्य विद्युत बोर्ड IIT बॉम्बे के साथ मिलकर व्हीकल-टू-ग्रिड (V2G) तकनीक एकीकरण का पायलट प्रोजेक्ट शुरू कर रहा है?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- (c) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (d) Kerala / केरल
- (e) Karnataka / कर्नाटक

**Answer**: Option D

- 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.

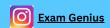


















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Ques: What percentage safeguard duty has the Indian government recently imposed on certain non-alloy and alloy steel flat product imports? भारत सरकार ने हाल ही में कुछ गैर-मिश्रधात् और मिश्रधात् फ्लैट इस्पात उत्पादों के आयात पर कितने प्रतिशत सेफगार्ड ड्यटी (सरक्षा शल्क) लगार्ड है?

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

**Answer**: Option B

- 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? 'Bravest of the Brave: The Extraordinary Story of Indian VCs of World War I' पुस्तक, जिसे हाल ही में सीडीएस जनरल अनिल चौहान द्वारा लॉन्च किया गया, के लेखक कौन हैं?

- (a) Lt Gen Satish Dua (Retd) / लेफ्टिनेंट जनरल सतीश डुआ (सेवानिवृत्त)
- (b) Major General G.D. Bakshi / मेजर जनरल जी.डी. बक्शी
- (c) General Anil Chauhan / जनरल अनिल चौहान
- (d) General Bipin Rawat / जनरल बिपिन रावत
- (e) Lt Gen R.P. Kalita / लेफ्टिनेंट जनरल आर.पी. कालिता

**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)

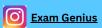
About the MacGregor Memorial Medal :

















- Stareted 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)

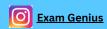


















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Ques: What is the name of the initiative launched by Amit Shah to combat liver diseases?

लीवर रोगों से निपटने के लिए अमित शाह द्वारा शुरू की गई पहल का नाम क्या है?

A. HEALTH

B. HEALD

C. LIVSAFE

D. LIVWELL

E. HEAL

**Answer**: Option B

- 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)?

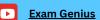
वित्तीय वर्ष 2025 (FY25) में भारत का कुल दवा और फार्मास्युटिकल निर्यात मूल्य कितना रहा?

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

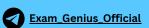
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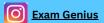
- In FY25, India's pharmaceutical exports hit an all-time high of \$30.47 billion, showing strong global demand.
- March 2025 alone saw a 31.21% year-on-year increase, with exports rising to \$3,681.51 million compared to \$2,805.71 million in March 2024.
- In comparison, FY24 exports stood at \$27.85 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.

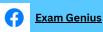
















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Ques: Which Indian state recently became the state with the highest number of Geographical Indication (GI) tags, surpassing Tamil Nadu? हाल ही में किस भारतीय राज्य ने तमिलनाडु को पीछे छोड़ते हुए सबसे अधिक भौगोलिक संकेतक (GI) टैग प्राप्त करने वाला राज्य बन गया है?

- (a) Karnataka / कर्नाटक
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाड्
- (c) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- (d) West Bengal / पश्चिम बंगाल
- (e) Kerala / केरल

**Answer**: Option C

- Uttar Pradesh (UP) has now become the state with the highest number of GIcertified 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.



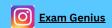


















#### **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

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.



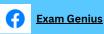
















# महत्वपूर्ण एक लाइनर करेंट अफेयर्स

ब्रिटेन की फिनटेक दिग्गज कंपनी रेवोल्यूट को भारत के यूनिफाइड पेमेंट्स इंटरफेस (UPI) के साथ एकीकृत डिजिटल वॉलेट और प्रीपेड कार्ड जैसे प्रीपेड पेमेंट इंस्ट्रमेंट्स (PPI) जारी करने के लिए भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (RBI) से पूर्ण स्वीकृति मिल गई है।

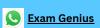
पेरू के लीमा में ISSF विश्व कप 2025 में 10 मीटर एयर राइफल फाइनल में अर्जुन बाबूता ने रजत पदक जीता, वह एक रोमांचक मैच में चीन के ओलंपिक चैंपियन लिहाओ शेंग से केवल 0.1 अंक पीछे रहे।

10 मीटर एयर पिस्टल स्पर्धाओं में, सुरुचि इंदर सिंह ने दो स्वर्ण पदक जीते - एक महिला व्यक्तिगत श्रेणी में और दूसरा सौरभ चौधरी के साथ मिश्रित टीम स्पर्धा में, जबिक मनु भाकर ने महिला फाइनल में रजत पदक हासिल किया।

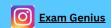
जुरो मैकट को सर्बिया का प्रधानमंत्री (PM) नियुक्त किया गया। उन्होंने मिलोस वुसेविक की जगह ली।

















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Ques: What is the time frame allowed by the RBI for Indian exporters to realize and repatriate export proceeds from Bharat Mart warehouses? भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक द्वारा भारत मार्ट गोदामों से निर्यात प्राप्तियों को प्राप्त और पुनःप्रेषित करने के लिए भारतीय निर्यातकों को कितने महीने का समय दिया गया है?

- (a) 3 months
- (b) 6 months
- (c) 9 months
- (d) 12 months
- (e) 15 months

**Answer**: Option C

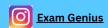
- The RBI has loosened rules to make it possible for Indian exporters to more effectively reach international markets by using warehouses at Bharat Mart, a multimodal logistics hub located in the United Arab Emirates.
- Following the sale of items from Bharat Mart warehouses, banks are now permitted to assist exporters to realize and repatriate the whole export profits within nine months.
- Now, subject to simple verifications, Indian exporters with a valid Importer Exporter Code (IEC) can open or rent warehouses in Bharat Mart without any prior requirements and provide money for setup and operations.

















Ques: RBI Deputy Governor T Rabi Sankar's tenure has been extended till which year?

RBI डिप्टी गवर्नर टी. रबी शंकर का कार्यकाल किस वर्ष तक बढाया गया है?

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2026
- (c) 2027
- (d) 2028
- (e) 2029

Answer: Option B

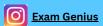
- The government has extended T. Rabi Sankar's tenure as RBI Deputy Governor.
- His tenure has been extended by one more year, and he will remain in the position until May 2026
- This extension is his second consecutive one-year extension, approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.
- The extension will be effective from May 3, 2025, or until further orders.

















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Ques: Which bank unveiled its Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) policy on Earth Day 2025, setting a goal to achieve net-zero carbon emissions by the year 2057?

किस बैंक ने पृथ्वी दिवस 2025 पर अपनी पर्यावरण, सामाजिक और शासन (ईएसजी) नीति का अनावरण किया, जिसमें वर्ष 2057 तक शुद्ध-शून्य कार्बन उत्सर्जन प्राप्त करने का लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया है?

- (a) Punjab National Bank / पंजाब नेशनल बैंक
- (b) Union Bank of India / युनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- (c) Bank of India / बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
- (d) Bank of Baroda / बैंक ऑफ बडौदा
- (e) Canara Bank / केनरा बैंक

**Answer**: Option D

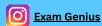
- On Earth Day 2025, Bank of Baroda launched its Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) policy, aiming to attain net-zero carbon emissions by 2057.
- As part of its "Plant a Tree" initiative, which is connected to home and vehicle loan disbursements, the bank planted more than 30,000 trees in 2025
- The bank will prioritize financing renewable energy and provide products including green deposits, residential rooftop solar loans, and a green hydrogen financing scheme in keeping with the Earth Day 2025 theme, "Our Power, Our Planet."
- The bank further launched the 'BOB Earth' online platform and started green financing training workshops to raise awareness and build capacity within the organization.

















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Ques: What is the new GDP growth forecast for India in FY26 according to IMF? IMF के अनुसार FY26 में भारत की नई GDP वृद्धि दर क्या है?

- a) 6.5%
- b) 6.4%
- c) 6.2%
- d) 6.7%
- e) 6.9%

**Answer**: Option C

### **Explanation:**

- Citing heightened trade tensions and global uncertainty, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has lowered its prediction for the Indian economy's growth rate in the fiscal year 2025-2026 to 6.2%.
- Additionally, the IMF has lowered its growth forecast for the Indian economy for 2026-2027 to 6.3%.
- The IMF projects that the global economy would expand by 2.8 percent in 2025. The projection for January had projected a 3.3% growth rate.
- In 2024, the global economy is predicted by the IMF to expand by 3.3%. In its most recent edition of the World Economic Outlook Report, the IMF made these predictions for the global economy and India.

# **Updated GDP List:**

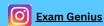
- IMF 6.2% (FY26), 6.3% (FY27)
- Fitch Rating -6.2% (FY25), 6.4% (FY26), 6.3% (FY27)
- UNCTAD 6.5% (CY25)
- Morgan Stanley 6.1% (FY26)
- CRISIL 6.5% (FY26)
- ADB -6.7%(FY26)

















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Ques: What is the deadline set by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for all banks to migrate their existing domains to the exclusive 'bank.in' domain? किस तारीख तक भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (RBI) ने सभी बैंकों को अपने मौजूदा डोमेन को 'bank.in' डोमेन में माइग्रेट करने के लिए निर्देशित किया है?

- (a) October 31, 2024
- (b) October 31, 2025
- (c) December 31, 2025
- (d) November 30, 2025
- (e) September 30, 2025

**Answer**: Option B

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has directed all banks to migrate to the exclusive 'bank.in' domain by October 31, 2025.
- This migration will be facilitated by the Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology (IDRBT), authorized by the National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI).
- The move is aimed at enhancing cybersecurity and ensuring secure and trusted digital banking operations, particularly in digital payments.
- Non-bank financial entities are also expected to adopt a similar 'fin.in' domain for added security and trust in digital financial services.



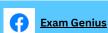
















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Ques: What was the name of the operation carried out by the Indian Army to foil the infiltration attempt along the Line of Control (LoC) in the Baramulla district? भारत सेना द्वारा बारामुला जिले में नियंत्रण रेखा (LoC) के पास घुसपैठ की कोशिश को नाकाम करने के लिए किस ऑपरेशन का नाम रखा गया था?

- (a) Operation Tikka / ऑपरेशन तिक्का
- (b) Operation Zafran / ऑपरेशन जाफरन
- (c) Operation Thunder / ऑपरेशन थंडर
- (d) Operation Black Eagle / ऑपरेशन ब्लैक ईगल
- (e) Operation Snowstorm / ऑपरेशन स्नोस्टॉर्म

**Answer**: Option A

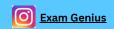
- The Indian Army successfully conducted "Operation Tikka" on April 23, 2025, to foil an infiltration attempt along the Line of Control (LoC) in the Baramulla district.
- During the operation, two terrorists were neutralized in a heavy firefight as they tried to cross from the Sarjeevan area of Uri Nala.
- A large cache of weapons, ammunition, and war-like stores was recovered from the terrorists during the operation.

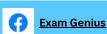
















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Ques: Which Indian cricketer was named the Leading Men's Cricketer in the World in the Wisden Cricketers' Almanack 2025 edition? कौन से भारतीय क्रिकेटर को Wisden Cricketers' Almanack 2025 संस्करण में दुनिया के सर्वश्रेष्ठ पुरुष क्रिकेटर का नाम दिया गया?

- (a) Rohit Sharma / रोहित शर्मा
- (b) Virat Kohli / विराट कोहली
- (c) Jasprit Bumrah / जसप्रीत बुमरा
- (d) Shubman Gill / श्बमन गिल
- (e) Mohammed Sirai / मोहम्मद सिराज

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation:**

- Jasprit Bumrah, India's pace spearhead, was named the Leading Men's Cricketer for his exceptional performance in 2024, especially in Test cricket, where he took 71 wickets at an average of 14.92, the best for any bowler in a single calendar year with that volume of wickets.
- Smriti Mandhana, the star Indian batter, was named the Leading Women's Cricketer for 2024 after scoring 1659 runs across formats, including four centuries in ODIs, making her the highest run-scorer in international women's cricket that year.

# Leading T20 Player in the World

• West Indian wicketkeeper-batsman Nicholas Pooran was named the Leading T20 Player in the World.

# Five Wisden Cricketers of the Year 🗆 🦳 📗 🗓 👑 S

• Every year, Wisden selects five cricketers for their performance in the English domestic season. It is given only once to a cricketer. This year, the selected players were Gus Atkinson, Jamie Smith, Dan Worral, Liam Dawson, and Sophie Ecclestone.

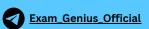
# Wisden Trophy for the Year's Outstanding Performance:

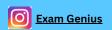
• New Zealand's Mitchell Santner was named the Wisden Trophy for the Year's Outstanding Performance.

















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Ques: How much total stake has Ambuja Cements acquired in Orient Cement? Ambuja Cements ने Orient Cement में कुल कितनी हिस्सेदारी खरीदी है?

- a) 37.8%
- b) 46.66%
- c) 50%
- d) 55%
- e) 40%

**Answer**: Option B

- Ambuja Cements acquired a total of 46.66% stake in Orient Cement.
- The acquisition includes 37.8% promoter stake from the CK Birla Group and 8.87% public stake from shareholders.
- This acquisition elevates Ambuja to the position of promoter of Orient Cement, enhancing its market position in the Indian cement industry.

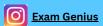


















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Ques: The Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare launched Fire Safety Week in collaboration with which organizations from 21st to 25th April 2025? केंद्र सरकार के स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय ने 21 से 25 अप्रैल 2025 तक किसके सहयोग से अग्नि स्रक्षा सप्ताह शुरू किया?

- (a) Only State Governments / केवल राज्य सरकारें
- (b) Only Central Ministries / केवल केंद्रीय मंत्रालय
- (c) Only Private Hospitals / केवल निजी अस्पताल
- (d) States/UTs and Central Ministries / राज्य/केंद्र शासित प्रदेश और केंद्रीय मंत्रालय
- (e) WHO / विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन

**Answer**: Option D

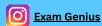
- The Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare organized Fire Safety Week from 21st to 25th April 2025 in collaboration with all States, Union Territories (UTs), and central Ministries/Departments.
- More than 3,000 participants from public and private hospitals joined virtually.
- Webinars and pledge ceremonies were held on topics like emergency evacuation, patient safety, and fire prevention in hospitals.

















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Ques: Which state government has launched the Pink E-Rickshaw Scheme to empower women and make them financially independent? किस राज्य सरकार ने महिलाओं को सशक्त बनाने और उन्हें आर्थिक रूप से स्वतंत्र बनाने के लिए पिंक ई-रिक्शा योजना शुरू की है?

- (a) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Tamil Nadu / तमिलनाडु
- (c) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (d) Kerala / केरल
- (e) Karnataka / कर्नाटक

**Answer**: Option A

- The Maharashtra government has started the Pink E-Rickshaw Scheme to help women become financially independent.
- The scheme was officially launched by Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar in Pune.
- It is managed by the Women & Child Development Department of Maharashtra.
- Kinetic Green Energy is partnering with the government to provide electric threewheelers.
- Under this scheme, 10,000 pink e-rickshaws will be distributed across eight districts: Nagpur, Ahmednagar, Solapur, Kolhapur, Amravati, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar, Pune, and Nashik.

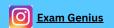


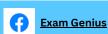
















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Ques: Which state has launched the Mahila Samvad campaign—an ambitious, statewide drive to connect women with welfare schemes and elevate their voices in governance?

किस राज्य ने महिला संवाद अभियान शुरू किया है - जो महिलाओं को कल्याणकारी योजनाओं से जोडने और शासन में उनकी आवाज को बुलंद करने के लिए एक महत्वाकांक्षी, राज्यव्यापी अभियान है?

- (a) Tripura / त्रिपुरा
- (b) Jammu and Kashmir / जम्मुऔर कश्मीर
- (c) Nagaland / नागालैंड
- (d) Bihar / बिहार
- (e) Chhattisgarh / छत्तीसगढ

**Answer**: Option D

- The Mahila Samvad campaign, an ambitious statewide initiative to link women with welfare programs and increase their voices in governance, was started by Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar.
- The campaign is an outreach initiative spanning the entire state of Bihar with the goal of reaching over two crore women in 70,000 places.
- Eventually, all 38 districts and 48,000 villages in Bihar will be covered by 600 "Mahila Samvad raths."





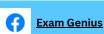
















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Ques: Where is India's largest international cruise terminal located? भारत का सबसे बड़ा अंतरराष्ट्रीय क्रूज टर्मिनल कहाँ स्थित है?

- (a) Chennai / चेन्नर्ड
- (b) Kochi / कोच्चि
- (c) Mumbai / मुंबई
- (d) Goa / गोवा
- (e) Kolkata / कोलकाता

Answer: Option C

- The Mumbai International Cruise Terminal (MICT) is India's largest international cruise terminal, recently commencing operations.
- Located at Ballard Pier, Mumbai, it spans over 4.15 lakh square feet.
- Developed under the Cruise Bharat Mission, the terminal can handle five ships simultaneously and has state-of-the-art facilities, including 72 check-in and immigration counters.
- The total investment in the MICT project is Rs.556 crore, and it is expected to play a key role in boosting cruise tourism in India.
- Additionally, it can manage five ships with a draft of 11 meters and a maximum length of 300 meters at the same time. Over 300 cars can be parked at the same time at the parking spot.



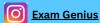


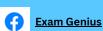
















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Ques: At which position did India finish in the medal tally at the ISSF World Cup Lima 2025?

भारत ने आईएसएसएफ वर्ल्ड कप लीमा 2025 में पदक तालिका में कौन-सा स्थान हासिल किया?

- (a) First / पहला
- (b) Second / दूसरा
- (c) Third / तीसरा
- (d) Fourth / चौथा
- (e) Fifth / पाँचवाँ

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation:**

- Indian shooters won a total of seven medals at the ISSF World Cup Lima 2025 2gold, 4 silver, and 1 bronze.
- With this, India finished third in the medal standings, behind China and the USA.
- The Lima event was the second ISSF World Cup of 2025, held in Peru from 13-22 April 2025.
- Earlier, at the Buenos Aires World Cup (Argentina) from 1-10 April 2025, India had finished second with eight medals – 4 gold, 2 silver, and 2 bronze.

#### Gold medal winners:

- Suruchi Singh in the women's 10m air pistol event. She had also won the gold at the Buenos Aires event.
- Saurabh Chaudhary & Suruchi Singh in the 10m air pistol mixed team event.

#### Silver Medal winners:

- Manu Bhaker in the women's 10m air pistol event. She failed to win a medal at the Buenos Aires event.
- Arjun Babuta in the men's 10m air rifle event
- Simranpreet Kaur Brar in the women's 25m pistol event. It was Simranpreet's firstever medal at the World Cup.
- Rudrannksh Patil & Arya Borse in the 10m air rifle mixed team event.

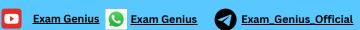
#### Bronze medal winner:

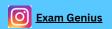
• Saurabh Chaudhary in the men's 10m air pistol event.

















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Ques: India signed four MoUs with which country to expand the Strategic Partnership Council to include two new committees? भारत ने सामरिक साझेदारी परिषद का विस्तार कर दो नई समितियों को शामिल करने के लिए किस देश के साथ चार समझौता ज्ञापनों पर हस्ताक्षर किए?

- (a) United States of America (USA) / अमेरिका
- (b) United Arab Emirates (UAE) / संयुक्त अरब अमीरात
- (c) China / चीन
- (d) Saudi Arabia / सऊदी अरब
- (e) Russia / रूस

**Answer**: Option D

## **Explanation**:

- In addition to signing four memorandums of understanding, Saudi Arabia and India decided to add two more committees to the India-Saudi Arabia Strategic Partnership Council.
- The senior leaders of both nations reached a consensus on this during Prime Minister Modi's trip to Saudi Arabia.
- This was Prime Minister Narendra Modi's third visit to Saudi Arabia as the Prime Minister of India. He first visited Saudi Arabia in 2016 and again in 2019.

# The following are the MoUs:

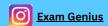
- collaboration between the two nations' space organizations in the sphere of space,
- collaboration in the health sector.
- An anti-doping cooperation agreement between NADA and the Saudi anti-doping agency.
- collaboration between the nations' postal authorities on the inward surface parcel.

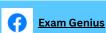
















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Ques: Who was awarded the Gurudev Kalicharan Brahma Award 2025 for contributions in education and social empowerment? शिक्षा और सामाजिक सशक्तिकरण में योगदान के लिए गुरुदेव कालिचरण ब्रह्म पुरस्कार 2025 किसे दिया गया?

- (a) Kailash Satyarthi / कैलाश सत्यार्थी
- (b) Abhijit Banerjee / अभिजीत बनर्जी
- (c) Sonam Wangchuk / सोनम वांगचुक
- (d) Achyuta Samanta / अच्युत सामंत
- (e) Anand Kumar / आनंद कुमार

**Answer**: Option D

- Achyuta Samanta, the founder of KIIT and KISS, received the Gurudev Kalicharan Brahma Award 2025 in Kokrajhar, Assam.
- The award is given by the Gurudev Kalicharan Brahma Trust to individuals making major contributions to education and social upliftment.
- It was presented on the 166th birth anniversary of Gurudev Kalicharan Brahma, an important Bodo community leader.
- Dr. Samanta also donated the full Rs. 1 lakh cash prize back to the Trust for its development.

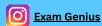


















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# Ques: Where was the Special Category National Panchayat Awards-2025 ceremony held?

### विशेष श्रेणी राष्ट्रीय पंचायत पुरस्कार-2025 समारोह कहाँ आयोजित किया गया?

- (a) Gondia, Maharashtra / गोंदिया, महाराष्ट्र
- (b) Lohna Uttar, Madhubani, Bihar / लोहना उत्तर, मधुबनी, बिहार
- (c) Hassan, Karnataka / हासन, कर्नाटक
- (d) Krishna, Andhra Pradesh / कृष्णा, आंध्र प्रदेश
- (e) Mayurbhani, Odisha / मयूरभंज, ओडिशा

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation:**

- The Ministry of Panchayati Raj organized the Special Category National Panchayat Awards-2025 for the first time.
- The award ceremony was held at Lohna Uttar Gram Panchayat, Madhubani, Bihar during the National Panchayati Raj Day celebrations.
- These awards recognize Gram Panchayats for excellence in Climate Action (CASPA), Self-Reliance (Atmanirbharta) (ANPSA), and Capacity Building Institutions (PKNSSP).
- A monetary incentive of Rs. 1 crore (for Rank 1), Rs. 75 lakh (for Rank 2), and Rs. 50 lakh (for Rank 3) is included with each award. Certificates and specially made trophies will be given to the winners.
- Notably, women Sarpanches are in charge of three of the six awardee Gram Panchayats: the Hatbadra Gram Panchayat in Odisha, the Motipur Gram Panchayat in Bihar, and the Dawwa S Gram Panchayat in Maharashtra.

# Climate Action Special Panchayat Award (CASPA):

Rank 1: Dawwa S Gram Panchayat, Gondia District, Maharashtra

Rank 2: Biradahalli Gram Panchayat, Hassan District, Karnataka

Rank 3: Motipur Gram Panchayat, Samastipur District, Bihar

# Atma Nirbhar Panchayat Special Award (ANPSA):

Rank 1: Mall Gram Panchayat, Rangareddi District, Telangana

Rank 2: Hatbadra Gram Panchayat, Mayurbhanj District, Odisha

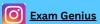
Rank 3: Gollapudi Gram Panchayat, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh

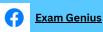
















Panchayat Kshamta Nirman Sarvottam Sansthan Puraskar (PKNSSP)

Rank 1: Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA), Kerala

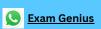
Rank 2: State Institute for Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Odisha

Rank 3: State Institute of Panchayat and Rural Development, Assam

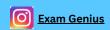


















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Ques: Which company has been approved by the Competition Commission of India (CCI) for the acquisition of Hindustan Coca-Cola Beverages' business in North **Gujarat and Diu?** 

कौन-सी कंपनी को भारतीय प्रतिस्पर्धा आयोग (CCI) द्वारा उत्तर गुजरात और दमन की हिंद्स्तान कोका-कोला बेवरेजेज के व्यवसाय के अधिग्रहण की मंजूरी मिली है?

- (a) Kandhari Global Beverages Private Limited / कंधारी ग्लोबल बेवरेजेज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड
- (b) Coca-Cola India / कोका-कोला इंडिया
- (c) PepsiCo India / पेप्सिको इंडिया
- (d) Parle Beverages / पार्ले बेवरेजेज
- (e) Red Bull India / रेड बुल इंडिया

**Answer: Option A** 

- Kandhari Global Beverages Private Limited has received approval from the Competition Commission of India (CCI) for the proposed acquisition of the Target Business, which involves the preparation, packaging, supply, and distribution of nonalcoholic beverages (NAB) in North Gujarat and the Union Territory of Diu.
- Kandhari Global Beverages is an authorized bottler for The Coca-Cola Company (TCCC) and Schweppes Holdings Limited (SHL), and operates in Rajasthan.



















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Ques: World Book and Copyright Day is observed every year on which day? विश्व पुस्तक एवं कॉपीराइट दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option A

- Every year on April 23, we commemorate World Book and Copyright Day.
- UNESCO organized this international celebration with the goals of highlighting the worth of literature, promoting lifelong learning, and highlighting the necessity of reading.
- The day, which was created by UNESCO in 1995, celebrates writers, promotes literacy, and emphasizes the value of books in promoting creativity and knowledge.
- A legal concept known as copyright confers exclusive rights on writers' unique works, including plays, novels, music, and artwork.
- One form of intellectual property that safeguards the rights of writers of original works is copyright. It grants them the sole authority to manage the usage of their creations.

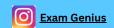


















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Ques: National Panchayati Raj Day is marked every year on which day? राष्ट्रीय पंचायती राज दिवस हर वर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option B

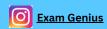
- National Panchayati Raj Day is celebrated every year on April 24 in India to mark the historic moment when the Constitution (73rd Amendment) Act, 1992 came into force on April 24, 1993.
- The day celebrates grassroots democracy and aims to empower rural communities through the Panchayati Raj system, which consists of three tiers of local governance.
- The first Panchayati Raj Diwas was celebrated in 2010, and it was officially declared by Prime Minister Manmohan Singh.

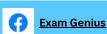
















#### **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

India's cricket captain Rohit Sharma Appointed as Brand ambassador for Season 3 of the Twenty20 (T20) Mumbai League. Season 3 will maintain an eight-team format, with two new additions.

The Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) has slapped a Rs.37 lakh penalty on Union Bank of India for discrepancies in reporting suspicious transactions for 2011-2014.

Oscar Jack Piastri, an Australian Formula 1 (F1) driver representing the United Kingdom (UK)-based McLaren won F1 Saudi Arabian Grand Prix(GP) 2025 held at Jeddah Corniche Circuit in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

In order to encourage women in higher education institutions to pursue jobs in artificial intelligence (AI), Microsoft and the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to establish AI jobs for Women, a groundbreaking skilling program.

Neeraj Chopra, India's two-time Olympic medallist, started his 2025 season by winning a gold medal at the NWU Potch Invitational held in South Africa. With a throw of 84.52 meters, he took first place, surpassing both Duncan Robertson (71.22 meters) and Douw Smit (82.44 meters) of South Africa.



















# महत्वपूर्ण एक पंक्ति करंट अफेयर्स

भारत के क्रिकेट कप्तान रोहित शर्मा को ट्वेंटी-20 (टी-20) मुंबई लीग के सीजन 3 के लिए ब्रांड एंबेसडर नियुक्त किया गया। सीजन 3 में आठ टीमों का प्रारूप रहेगा, जिसमें दो नए खिलाडी शामिल होंगे।

वित्तीय खुफिया इकाई (एफआईयू) ने 2011-2014 के लिए संदिग्ध लेनदेन की रिपोर्टिंग में विसंगतियों के लिए यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया पर 37 लाख रुपये का जुर्माना लगाया है।

ऑस्कर जैक पियास्ट्री, यूनाइटेड किंगडम (यूके) स्थित मैकलारेन का प्रतिनिधित्व करने वाले एक ऑस्ट्रेलियाई फॉर्मूला 1 (एफ1) ड्राइवर ने सऊदी अरब के जेद्दाह में जेद्दाह कॉर्निश सर्किट में आयोजित एफ1 सऊदी अरब ग्रैंड प्रिक्स (जीपी) 2025 जीता।

उच्च शिक्षा संस्थानों में महिलाओं को कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता (एआई) में नौकरी करने के लिए प्रोत्साहित करने के लिए, माइक्रोसॉफ्ट और कौशल विकास और उद्यमिता मंत्रालय (एमएसडीई) ने महिलाओं के लिए एआई नौकरियों की स्थापना के लिए एक समझौता ज्ञापन (एमओयू) पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं, जो एक अभूतपूर्व कौशल कार्यक्रम है। भारत के दो बार के ओलंपिक पदक विजेता नीरज चोपडा ने दक्षिण अफ्रीका में आयोजित एनडब्ल्यूयू पोच आमंत्रण में स्वर्ण पदक जीतकर अपने 2025 सत्र की शुरुआत की। 84.52 मीटर के थ्रो के साथ, उन्होंने दक्षिण अफ्रीका के डंकन रॉबर्टसन (71.22 मीटर) और डौ स्मिट (82.44 मीटर) दोनों को पीछे छोड़ते हुए पहला स्थान हासिल किया।

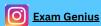


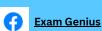
















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Ques: NABARD has acquired a 10% equity stake in which agri-fintech company? NABARD ने किस एग्री-फिनटेक कंपनी में 10% इक्विटी हिस्सेदारी का अधिग्रहण किया है?

- a) AgriBazaar / एग्रीबाजार
- b) Samunnati / समुन्नति
- c) 24x7 Moneyworks / 24x7 मनीवर्क्स
- d) Jai Kisan / जय किसान
- e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

**Answer**: Option C

- National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has acquired a 10% equity stake in 24x7 Moneyworks Consulting Pvt. Ltd.
- 24x7 Moneyworks is an agri-fintech venture focused on digital solutions for rural credit.
- The investment amount has not been disclosed publicly.
- Its flagship platform, eKisanCredit (eKCC), offers a fully digital loan origination system.
- The platform integrates land records, Aadhaar, eKYC, and core banking systems, ensuring end-to-end automation of the rural credit lifecycle.

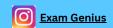


















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Ques: By what percentage did outward remittances under LRS decline during April 2024-February 2025?

अप्रैल 2024 से फरवरी 2025 के बीच LRS के तहत विदेशी प्रेषणों में कितनी प्रतिशत गिरावट दर्ज की गई?

- a) 5.5%
- b) 8.2%
- c) 10.5%
- d) 12%
- e) 11%

**Answer**: Option B

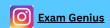
- Outward remittances under the RBI's Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) dropped by 8.21% year-on-year during April 2024 to February 2025.
- The total amount of remittances fell from \$29.43 billion in the previous year to \$27.02 billion this year.
- The largest segment, international travel, saw a slight decline of 1%, amounting to \$15.84 billion.
- Other segments also experienced a decline: Maintenance of close relatives dropped by 21.74%, Overseas education remittances fell by 15.93% and Gifts declined by 19.09%.
- However, investment in equity/debt grew by 8.27%, reaching \$1.39 billion.
- A key area of growth was remittances for buying overseas immovable property, which rose by 28.32% to \$277.7 million.
- The decline in remittances is attributed to less spending on international travel and fewer students studying abroad, possibly influenced by seasonal patterns and global immigration uncertainties.

















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# Ques: From when will the RBI's revised Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) instructions become applicable?

आरबीआई के संशोधित लिक्विडिटी कवरेज रेश्यो (LCR) निर्देश कब से लागू होंगे?

- (a) April 01, 2025
- (b) October 01, 2025
- (c) April 01, 2026
- (d) October 01, 2026
- (e) January 01, 2026

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation:**

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced amendments to the Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) framework.
- These changes apply to all Commercial Banks (excluding Regional Rural Banks, Local Area Banks, and Payment Banks).
- To give banks time to adjust, the revised instructions will come into effect from April 1, 2026.

## Key changes include:

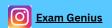
- An additional 2.5% run-off factor for retail deposits enabled with internet and mobile banking.
- Stable retail deposits with IMB will have a 7.5% run-off and less stable ones will have 12.5% run-off.
- Government securities in Level 1 HQLA must be valued at current market value.
- Funding from non-financial entities like trusts, LLPs, etc., will now have a lower runoff rate of 40% (earlier 100%).

















Ques: What is the revised FY26 GDP growth forecast for India according to the World Bank?

विश्व बैंक के अनुसार भारत के लिए FY26 की संशोधित जीडीपी वृद्धि दर क्या है?

- a) 6.3%
- b) 6.5%
- c) 6.4%
- d) 6.7%
- e) 7%

**Answer**: Option A

- The World Bank has reduced India's FY26 GDP growth forecast by 40 basis points, from 6.7% to 6.3%.
- This adjustment is due to global economic weakness and policy uncertainty, which are expected to offset the benefits of monetary easing and regulatory streamlining.
- Earlier, the IMF also reduced its growth forecast for FY26 to 6.2%, citing tariff tensions as a key reason.
- Private investment and public capital expenditure in FY25 were lower than expected, which impacted the overall growth outlook.
- The RBI also projected FY25 growth at 6.5%, a reduction from previous estimates.



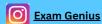


















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Ques: According to the World Bank, how many people did India lift out of poverty between 2011-12 and 2022-23?

विश्व बैंक के अनुसार, भारत ने 2011-12 और 2022-23 के बीच कितने लोगों को गरीबी से बाहर निकाला?

- a) 100 million
- b) 150 million
- c) 170 million
- d) 200 million
- e) 220 million

**Answer**: Option C

- The World Bank, in its latest 'Poverty and Equity Brief', reported that India lifted 170 million (17 करोड) people out of poverty between 2011-12 and 2022-23.
- The extreme poverty rate declined sharply from 16.2% in 2011-12 to just 2.3% in 2022-23.
- In rural areas, extreme poverty fell to 2.8% (down from 18.4%), and in urban areas, it dropped to 1.1% (down from 10.7%).
- Key states contributing to this achievement include Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Bihar, West Bengal, and Madhya Pradesh.
- Notably, employment growth outpaced the working-age population growth, further supporting poverty reduction and improving livelihoods across the country.

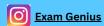


















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Ques: China recently launched its first "Gold Recycling ATM" at which location? चीन ने हाल ही में अपना पहला "गोल्ड रीसायक्लिंग एटीएम" किस स्थान पर लॉन्च किया है?

- a) Beijing Mall / बीजिंग मॉल
- b) Global Harbor Mall, Shanghai / ग्लोबल हार्बर मॉल, शंघाई
- c) Shenzhen Financial Center / शेन्ज़ेन फाइनेंशियल सेंटर
- d) Guangzhou Grand Mall / गुआंगज़ौ ग्रैंड मॉल
- e) Shanghai Tower / शंघाई टॉवर

**Answer**: Option B

- China has launched its first-ever Gold Recycling ATM at the Global Harbor Shopping Mall, Shanghai.
- Developed by Kinghood Group, the machine allows users to exchange their gold jewellery for instant cash.
- The ATM scans, weighs, melts, and tests the gold's purity before determining its value.
- After evaluation, the cash amount is directly credited to the user's bank account.
- The machine only accepts gold items weighing more than 3 grams, and the minimum purity required is 50%.



















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Ques: In the financial year 2024-25, India's smartphone exports crossed which milestone for the first time?

वित्तीय वर्ष 2024-25 में भारत के स्मार्टफोन निर्यात ने पहली बार कौन-सा मील का पत्थर पार किया?

- (a) Rs.1 lakh crore
- (b) Rs.1.5 lakh crore
- (c) Rs.2 lakh crore
- (d) Rs.2.5 lakh crore
- (e) Rs.3 lakh crore

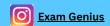
Answer: Option C

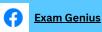
- India's smartphone exports crossed the Rs.2 lakh crore milestone for the first time in FY2024-25, as announced by Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw.
- Smartphone exports grew by 54% compared to the previous year, indicating stronger integration into global value chains (GVCs).
- The India Cellular and Electronics Association (ICEA) had initially projected exports of around Rs.1.68 lakh crore, but actual figures exceeded expectations.
- Apple was the largest contributor, accounting for nearly 70% of total smartphone exports through its iPhone supply chain.
- India's overall mobile phone production also rose to an estimated Rs.5.25 lakh crore in FY25, up from Rs.4.22 lakh crore in FY24.
- With this significant accomplishment, ICEA reaffirmed its dedication to helping India reach its goal of \$500 billion in electronics exports and manufacturing by 2030.















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Ques: India decides to suspend visa services to Pakistani nationals with immediate effect. When was the SAARC Visa Exemption Scheme originally established? भारत ने पाकिस्तानी नागरिकों के लिए वीज़ा सेवाओं को तत्काल प्रभाव से निलंबित करने का निर्णय लिया है। SAARC वीज़ा छूट योजना मूल रूप से कब स्थापित की गई थी?

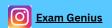
- (a) 1992
- (b) 1998
- (c) 1995
- (d) 2000
- (e) 2001

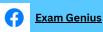
**Answer**: Option A

- India has immediately suspended all visa services for citizens of Pakistan and requested that those who are currently in the country go within 48 hours.
- SAARC Visa Exemption Scheme suspended: Pakistani people are no longer eligible for special visas under the 1992 program that granted them to 24 categories of dignitaries from SAARC nations, including Pakistan.
- Closure of Attari Integrated Check Post (ICP): India has stopped cross-border travel and bilateral trade by closing the Attari Land Port, which is the only land commercial and mobility route between India and Pakistan.
- Revocation of defense attachés: Direct military-diplomatic contacts between the two nations will cease when defense attachés from both sides are recalled.
- Indus Water Treaty suspended: In response to Pakistan's encouragement of crossborder terrorism, India has suspended the 1960 Indus Water Treaty with Pakistan.
- Staff reduction at the Pakistan High Commission: By May 1, 2025, India plans to cut the number of Pakistani diplomats from 55 to 30. Since 2019, there hasn't been an Indian High Commissioner assigned to Pakistan.
- The attack has been attributed to the outlawed Resistance Front (TRF), which is associated with the Pakistani terrorist organization Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT). An investigation into the incident has been initiated by the National Investigation Agency (NIA), which looks into terror incidences in India.













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Ques: How much FDI is the Indian government planning to allow in nuclear power plants?

भारत सरकार न्यूक्लियर पावर प्लांट्स में कितने प्रतिशत एफडीआई की अनुमति देने की योजना बना रही है?

- a) 26%
- b) 74%
- c) 100%
- d) 49%
- e) 50%

**Answer**: Option D

- The Indian government is planning to allow up to 49% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in nuclear power plants to attract private and foreign capital.
- This move aims to boost India's nuclear power capacity and reduce dependence on coal to meet carbon emission reduction targets.
- India has set a target to expand nuclear power generation to 100 GW by 2047, a 12fold increase from the current capacity of just over 8 GW.
- Foreign companies like Westinghouse Electric, GE-Hitachi, Electricite de France, and Rosatom have shown interest in investing.
- Any foreign investment will require prior government approval, and amendments to existing nuclear investment laws are expected to be tabled during the July Parliament session.



















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Ques: Which state's education department announced that Hindi will no longer be mandatory from grades 1 to 5 under NEP 2020 reforms? किस राज्य के शिक्षा विभाग ने NEP 2020 सुधारों के तहत कक्षा 1 से 5 तक हिंदी को अनिवार्य नहीं रखने की घोषणा की?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- (b) Maharashtra / महाराष्ट्र
- (c) Gujarat / गुजरात
- (d) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश
- (e) Rajasthan / राजस्थान

**Answer**: Option B

- Under the reforms aligned with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the Maharashtra state school education department announced a phase-wise implementation of a new curriculum framework.
- As per the new policy, Hindi will no longer be mandatory from grades 1 to 5.
- However, the three-language formula will still be applicable from Class 1 onwards, but students are not required to choose Hindi specifically as their third language.
- The announcement was made by Maharashtra's School Education Minister, Dadaji Bhuse.

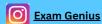


















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Ques: Which institution recently became the first among newer AIIMS and the first government hospital in Chhattisgarh to successfully perform a Swap Kidney **Transplant?** 

कौन सा संस्थान हाल ही में स्वैप किडनी ट्रांसप्लांट सफलतापूर्वक करने वाला नए AIIMS में पहला और छत्तीसगढ का पहला सरकारी अस्पताल बना?

- (a) AIIMS Bhopal / एम्स भोपाल
- (b) AIIMS Bhubaneswar / एम्स भवनेश्वर
- (c) AIIMS Raipur / एम्स रायपुर
- (d) AIIMS Rishikesh / एम्स ऋषिकेश
- (e) AIIMS Patna / एम्स पटना

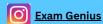
**Answer**: Option C

- AIIMS Raipur successfully performed its first Swap Kidney Transplant (Kidney Paired Donation).
- With this, it became the first among the newer AIIMS institutes and the first government hospital in Chhattisgarh to achieve this milestone.
- A Swap Kidney Transplant involves exchanging donors between two incompatible donor-recipient pairs to enable compatible transplants.
- This method is estimated to increase the number of kidney transplants by around 15%.
- The National Organisation and Tissue Transplant Organisation (NOTTO) has also recommended promoting Swap transplantation across all states and UTs to boost organ donation rates.















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Ques: Which wetland in Navi Mumbai has been declared as a Flamingo **Conservation Reserve by Maharashtra SBWL?** महाराष्ट्र राज्य वन्यजीव बोर्ड (SBWL) द्वारा नवी मुंबई के किस वेटलैंड को फ्लेमिंगो संरक्षण रिजर्व घोषित किया गया है?

- a) Talawe Wetland / तलावे वेटलैंड
- b) NRI Wetland / एनआरआई वेटलैंड
- c) DPS Wetland / डीपीएस वेटलैंड
- d) Seawoods Wetland / सीवृडस वेटलैंड
- e) Uran Wetland / उरण वेटलैंड

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation:**

- The Maharashtra State Board of Wildlife (SBWL) has declared the DPS Wetland in Navi Mumbai as a Flamingo Conservation Reserve.
- The decision was made during a meeting chaired by Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, along with Forest Minister Ganesh Naik and BNHS Director Kishor Rithe.
- This move aims to protect the habitat of flamingos and prevent potential bird-hit incidents at nearby airports.

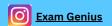
#### Along with this, the SBWL also approved:

- Extension of Bor Wildlife Sanctuary (Wardha) to include Garamsur, Yenidodka, Methiraji, Umarvihori, and Maraksur villages.
- Protection of Devrais (sacred groves) in the Western Ghats region.















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## Ques: Who won the IBSF World Billiards Championship 2025 title? IBSF विश्व बिलियर्ड्स चैम्पियनशिप 2025 का खिताब किसने जीता?

- (a) Pankaj Advani / पंकज आडवाणी
- (b) Sourav Kothari / सौरव कोठारी
- (c) Aditya Mehta / आदित्य मेहता
- (d) Geet Sethi / गीत सेठी
- (e) Dhruv Sitwala / ध्रव सिटवाला

**Answer**: Option B

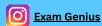
- Sourav Kothari won the International Billiards and Snooker Federation (IBSF) World Billiards Championship 2025 title.
- The final was held at Carlow, Ireland, where Sourav Kothari defeated Pankaj Advani with a score of 725-480.
- This was Souray Kothari's first IBSF World Billiards title (timed format).
- With this win, he became only the third Indian to achieve both the IBSF and World Billiards League (WBL) World titles.

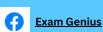
















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Ques: On the occasion of National Panchayati Raj Day 2025, where did Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurate and lay foundation stones for projects worth over Rs.13,480 crore?

राष्ट्रीय पंचायती राज दिवस 2025 के अवसर पर प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने Rs.13,480 करोड से अधिक की परियोजनाओं का उद्घाटन और शिलान्यास किस स्थान पर किया?

- (a) Gopalgani, Bihar / गोपालगंज, बिहार
- (b) Madhubani, Bihar / मध्बनी, बिहार
- (c) Saharsa, Bihar / सहरसा, बिहार
- (d) Patna, Bihar / पटना, बिहार
- (e) Samastipur, Bihar / समस्तीपुर, बिहार

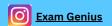
**Answer**: Option B

- On National Panchayati Raj Day 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Madhubani, Bihar.
- He inaugurated, laid the foundation stone, and dedicated to the nation development projects worth over Rs.13,480 crore.
- Major highlights included the foundation stone of an LPG bottling plant at Hathua (Gopalganj District) worth around Rs.340 crore, power infrastructure projects worth over Rs.6,200 crore, and the flagging off of multiple trains including the Amrit Bharat Express and Namo Bharat Rapid Rail.
- These initiatives aim to enhance connectivity, power distribution, and fuel supply chain efficiency across Bihar.













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Ques: Which state topped in Atal Pension Yojana (APY) enrolments, recording 2.19 million new subscribers?

किस राज्य ने अटल पेंशन योजना (APY) नामांकन में शीर्ष स्थान प्राप्त किया, 2.19 मिलियन नए ग्राहक दर्ज किए?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh / उत्तर प्रदेश
- (b) Punjab / पंजाब
- (c) Haryana / हरियाणा
- (d) Madhya Pradesh / मध्य प्रदेश
- (e) Rajasthan / राजस्थान

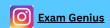
**Answer**: Option A

- Uttar Pradesh recorded over 12 million (1.2 करोड) registrations under the Atal Pension Yojana (APY), the highest among all states.
- Top contributing districts include Prayagraj, Lucknow, Bareilly, Fatehpur, and Kanpur Nagar.
- The APY scheme provides monthly pensions ranging from Rs.1,000 to Rs.5,000 for unorganised sector workers aged 18-40 years, starting from the age of 60 years.
- Contributions are made via auto-debit, with flexible payment options like monthly, quarterly, or half-yearly instalments.
- Upon the subscriber's death, the pension continues to the spouse, and the remaining corpus is given to the nominee after both pass away.
- Uttar Pradesh achieved 2.19 million new subscriber registrations, far exceeding its target of 1.58 million.
- The State-Level Bankers' Committee (SLBC) of UP was honoured with the "Award of Ultimate Leadership" for outstanding APY implementation.
- Special campaigns by the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) played a crucial role in boosting enrolments.















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Ques: Who won gold in the women's 400-meter hurdles at the National Federation Senior Athletics Competition 2025 in Kochi?

कोच्चि में आयोजित राष्ट्रीय महासंघ सीनियर एथलेटिक्स प्रतियोगिता 2025 में महिलाओं की 400 मीटर बाधा दौड में स्वर्ण पदक किसने जीता?

- (a) Anu R / अनु आर
- (b) Ashwini R / अश्विनी आर
- (c) Saritaben Gayakwad / सरिताबेन गायकवाड
- (d) Niharika Vashisht / निहारिका वशिष्ठ
- (e) Vithya Ramrai / विथ्या रामराज

**Answer**: Option E

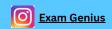
- Olympian Vithya Ramraj won gold in the women's 400-meter hurdles at the National Federation Senior Athletics Competition 2025 in Kochi.
- She clocked 56.04 seconds, qualifying for the Asian Championships 2025.
- Vithya also set a new meet record, breaking Saritaben Gayakwad's previous 2019 record of 57.21 seconds.
- Anu R finished second and Ashwini R came third in the event.

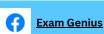
















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Ques: Who launched the National Zero Measles-Rubella Elimination Campaign 2025-26 in India?

भारत में राष्ट्रीय शून्य खसरा-रूबेला उन्मूलन अभियान 2025-26 किसने लॉन्च किया?

- (a) Mansukh Mandaviya / मनसुख मांडविया
- (b) J.P. Nadda / जे. पी. नड्डा
- (c) Ashwini Vaishnaw / अश्विनी वैष्णव
- (d) Dr. Harsh Vardhan / डॉ. हर्षवर्धन
- (e) Bhupender Yadav / भूपेंद्र यादव

**Answer**: Option B

- Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda launched the National Zero Measles-Rubella Elimination Campaign 2025-26. The campaign reaffirms India's target to eliminate measles and rubella by 2026.
- India achieved 93.7% first-dose and 92.2% second-dose MR vaccine coverage, with hundreds of districts reporting zero cases.
- India was globally recognised with the Measles and Rubella Champion Award 2024.
- The campaign stresses 95%+ vaccine coverage, rapid outbreak response, strong surveillance, and countering vaccine hesitancy through multilingual awareness.



















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# Oues: What is the theme of World Immunization Week 2025? विश्व टीकाकरण सप्ताह 2025 की थीम क्या है?

- (a) Vaccines Work for All / सभी के लिए टीके प्रभावी हैं
- (b) Long Life for All / सभी के लिए लंबी उम्र
- (c) Immunization for All is Humanly Possible / सभी के लिए टीकाकरण मानवीय रूप से संभव है
- (d) Protect with Vaccines / टीकों से स्रक्षा
- (e) Vaccines Bring Us Closer / टीके हमें करीब लाते हैं

Answer: Option C

- World Immunization Week is observed globally every year from April 24 to April 30 to spread awareness about the critical role of vaccines in saving lives.
- The theme for 2025 is "Immunization for All is Humanly Possible".
- The campaign emphasizes that immunization can protect people of all ages against preventable and deadly diseases.
- The week highlights the collective efforts needed to ensure vaccine accessibility and coverage globally.

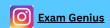


















#### **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

The "I Am Circular" Coffee Table Book, created by the International Council for Circular Economy (ICCE), was released at the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India. The selected innovations are based on three key themes: Design to Last, Work with Nature, and Use Existing Resources.

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare's Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) has introduced a cutting-edge Health Management Information System (HMIS) created by C-DAC. PAN-based beneficiary identification, digital verification, contribution tracking, online card change, and real-time application tracking are just a few of the quicker services that the updated HMIS will provide.

The 38th meeting of the Central Advisory Board of Archaeology was hosted by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in New Delhi. The meeting was hosted by the Director General of the Archaeological Survey of India, Yadubir Singh.

Captain (Retd.) Jagmohan currently working in Goa Shipyard Ltd Appointed as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) till 30th September 2029. He Replaced Biju George.

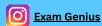


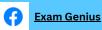
















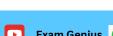
# महत्वपूर्ण एक-लाइनर करेंट अफेयर्स

इंटरनेशनल काउंसिल फॉर सर्कुलर इकोनॉमी (ICCE) द्वारा निर्मित "आई एम सर्कुलर" कॉफी टेबल बुक का विमोचन भारत सरकार के इलेक्ट्रॉनिक्स और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय (MeitY) में किया गया। चयनित नवाचार तीन प्रमुख विषयों पर आधारित हैं: डिजाइन टू लास्ट, वर्क विद नेचर और यूज एक्सिस्टिंग रिसोर्सेज।

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय की केंद्रीय सरकार स्वास्थ्य योजना (CGHS) ने C-DAC द्वारा निर्मित अत्याधुनिक स्वास्थ्य प्रबंधन सूचना प्रणाली (HMIS) की शुरुआत की है। पैन-आधारित लाभार्थी पहचान, डिजिटल सत्यापन, योगदान ट्रैकिंग, ऑनलाइन कार्ड परिवर्तन और वास्तविक समय आवेदन ट्रैकिंग कुछ ऐसी त्वरित सेवाएँ हैं जो अपडेटेड HMIS प्रदान करेगी।

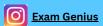
भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण (ASI) द्वारा नई दिल्ली में केंद्रीय पुरातत्व सलाहकार बोर्ड की 38वीं बैठक आयोजित की गई। बैठक की मेजबानी भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण के महानिदेशक यदुबीर सिंह ने की।

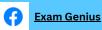
कैप्टन (सेवानिवृत्त) जगमोहन वर्तमान में गोवा शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड में कार्यरत हैं, उन्हें 30 सितंबर 2029 तक मझगांव डॉक शिपबिल्डर्स लिमिटेड (एमडीएल) का अध्यक्ष और प्रबंध निदेशक (सीएमडी) नियुक्त किया गया है। उन्होंने बीजू जॉर्ज का स्थान लिया है।















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Ques: Which Indian bank recently crossed Rs.15 lakh crore market capitalization, becoming the third Indian company to do so?

किस भारतीय बैंक ने हाल ही में Rs.15 लाख करोड़ बाजार पूंजीकरण पार कर तीसरी भारतीय कंपनी बनने का गौरव प्राप्त किया है?

- (a) ICICI Bank / आईसीआईसीआई बैंक
- (b) State Bank of India / भारतीय स्टेट बैंक
- (c) Kotak Mahindra Bank / कोटक महिंद्रा बैंक
- (d) HDFC Bank / एचडीएफसी बैंक
- (e) Axis Bank / एक्सिस बैंक

**Answer**: Option D

- HDFC Bank Limited achieved a historic milestone by crossing a market capitalization (m-cap) of Rs.15 lakh crore.
- It became the third Indian company to reach this valuation, after Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) and Tata Consultancy Services (TCS).
- As of 31 March 2025, HDFC Bank's m-cap stood at Rs.15,01,289.37 crore.
- The bank also posted a standalone net profit of Rs.17,616 crore for Q4 FY25, marking a 6.7% increase over the same quarter of the previous year.
- The milestone reflects steady share price growth and strong investor confidence in HDFC Bank.



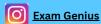


















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Ques: As per RBI's directive, what percentage of ATMs must dispense Rs.100 or Rs.200 denomination notes by March 31, 2026?

RBI के अनुसार 31 मार्च 2026 तक कितने प्रतिशत ATM से Rs.100 या Rs.200 के नोट निकलने चाहिए?

- a) 40%
- b) 60%
- c) 80%
- d) 90%
- e) 100%

**Answer**: Option D

#### **Explanation:**

- RBI has directed all banks and White Label ATM Operators (WLAOs) to ensure that their ATMs dispense Rs.100 or Rs.200 denomination notes regularly.
- The objective is to increase the availability of lower denomination notes for public convenience during small transactions.
- This move aims to enhance circulation of small currency notes and make cash transactions smoother for common people.

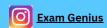
#### As per the timeline:

- By 30 September 2025, 75% of ATMs must dispense Rs.100 or Rs.200 notes from at least one cassette.
- By 31 March 2026, the compliance level must rise to 90% of ATMs.















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Ques: Which co-operative bank's license was cancelled by the RBI due to inadequate capital and poor financials? आरबीआई द्वारा अपर्याप्त पूंजी और खराब वित्तीय स्थिति के कारण किस सहकारी बैंक का लाइसेंस रद्द कर दिया गया?

- (a) Shree Veershaiv Co-operative Bank / श्री वीरशैव सहकारी बैंक
- (b) Ajantha Urban Co-operative Bank Maryadit / अजन्ता अर्बन को-ऑपरेटिव बैंक मर्यादित
- (c) Rupee Co-operative Bank / रुपी को-ऑपरेटिव बैंक
- (d) Saraswat Co-operative Bank / सारस्वत को-ऑपरेटिव बैंक
- (e) Punjab and Maharashtra Co-operative Bank / पंजाब और महाराष्ट्र को-ऑपरेटिव बैंक

**Answer**: Option B

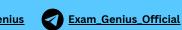
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) cancelled the license of Ajantha Urban Co-operative Bank Maryadit, located in Aurangabad, Maharashtra.
- The cancellation was due to the bank's inadequate capital base, poor earnings prospects, and inability to safeguard depositors' interests.
- The bank violated provisions under Sections 11(1), 22(3)(a) to 22(3)(e), and Section 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.



















Ques: What is the new deadline set by RBI for NSM compliance as per BIS standards?

RBI द्वारा NSM मानकों के अनुपालन के लिए नई समयसीमा क्या तय की गई है?

A. July 1, 2025

B. November 1, 2025

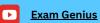
C. March 1, 2025

D. October 30, 2024

E. September 1, 2025

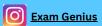
**Answer**: Option B

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) extended the deadline for Note Sorting Machine (NSM) compliance with BIS standards (IS 18663:2024) by 6 months, making the new effective date November 1, 2025.
- Only those NSMs that meet the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) specifications will be allowed for use to ensure the authenticity, fitness, and security of processed currency notes.
- The standard IS 18663:2024 was officially published in the Gazette of India on March 19, 2024.
- RBI had earlier issued a circular regarding this compliance requirement to all banks on October 30, 2024.
- The move will help in better detection of counterfeit and unfit notes, leading to uniformity and improved quality of currency in circulation across banks.















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Ques: How much monetary penalty did RBI impose on Indian Bank for regulatory violations?

RBI ने Indian Bank पर नियामकीय उल्लंघन के लिए कितना जुर्माना लगाया?

- a) Rs.1.20 crore
- b) Rs.1.60 crore
- c) Rs.63.60 lakh
- d) Rs.71.30 lakh
- e) Rs.74.52 lakh

**Answer**: Option B

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed monetary penalties on Indian Bank, Indian Overseas Bank, and Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Ltd in 2025 for regulatory non-compliance.
- Indian Bank faced a fine of ₹1.60 crore for not linking floating rate loans (including MSME loans) to an external benchmark and for taking collateral on KCC and MSME loans up to ₹10 lakh — both violations of RBI guidelines.
- Indian Overseas Bank was penalized ₹63.60 lakh for non-compliance with regulatory instructions, although the specific details were not disclosed.
- Mahindra Finance received a penalty of ₹71.30 lakh for regulatory non-compliance, with exact violations not specified.

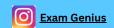


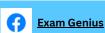
















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# Ques: What was the total credit card spending in March 2025? मार्च 2025 में कुल क्रेडिट कार्ड खर्च कितना रहा?

A. Rs.1.64 trillion

B. Rs.1.80 trillion

C. Rs.2.01 trillion

D. Rs.2.10 trillion

E. Rs.2.20 trillion

Answer: Option C

#### **Explanation:**

- In March 2025, total credit card spending in India surged to a record Rs.2.01 trillion, marking a 4-month high.
- POS (Point of Sale) transactions rose 13.08% year-on-year (YoY), and e-commerce transactions reached Rs.1.30 trillion in March.
- Compared to February 2025, spending jumped 20.66% month-on-month (MoM) from Rs.1.67 trillion.
- The surge was driven by factors like insurance premium payments, government dues settlement, and year-end shopping offers.
- New Credit Card Additions: Only 8 lakh cards were added in FY25, much lower than 1.5 crore in FY24, due to RBI's stricter norms on unsecured loans.
- Total Credit Cards Outstanding: Reached 109.88 million, showing a 7.94% YoY growth.

#### **Bank-wise MoM growth:**

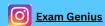
- HDFC Bank: Rs.57,751 crore (24.5% increase)
- SBI Card: Rs.32,464.27 crore (24.02% increase)
- ICICI Bank: Rs.36,698.7 crore (18.42% increase)
- Axis Bank: Rs.23,312 crore (23.45% increase)

















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Ques: Which Indian institution ranked highest in the Asia University Rankings 2025 published by Times Higher Education (THE)?

टाइम्स हायर एजुकेशन (THE) द्वारा प्रकाशित एशिया यूनिवर्सिटी रैंकिंग्स 2025 में कौन सा भारतीय संस्थान सबसे ऊपर रहा?

- (a) Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT Bombay) / भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान बॉम्बे (आईआईटी बॉम्बे)
- (b) Indian Institute of Science (IISc) / भारतीय विज्ञान संस्थान (आईआईएससी)
- (c) Anna University / अन्ना विश्वविद्यालय
- (d) Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT Delhi) / भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान दिल्ली (आईआईटी दिल्ली)
- (e) Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) / जवाहरलाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालय (जेएनयू)

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation**:

- Indian Institute of Science (IISc) was the top-ranked Indian institution in the Asia University Rankings 2025 published by Times Higher Education (THE).
- IISc secured a rank of 38 with an overall score of 65.2.
- Anna University followed IISc as the second-highest ranked Indian institution.
- A total of 853 universities from 35 countries/territories participated in the rankings.
- Additionally, Uzbekistan, Bahrain, Mongolia, and Syria were represented for the first time.

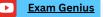
## Ranking of top 5 universities:

- 1 Tsinghua University (China)
- 2 Peking University (China)
- 3 National University of Singapore (Singapore)
- 4 Nanyang Technological University (Singapore)
- 5 The University of Tokyo (Japan)

## Ranking of top 5 Indian universities:

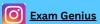
- Indian Institute of Science (Bangalore) 38
- 111 Anna University (Tamil Nadu)

















- 131 IIT Indore
- 140 Mahatma Gandhi University (Kerala)
- 146 Shoolini University of Biotechnology and Management Sciences (Himachal Pradesh)



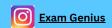


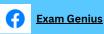
















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Oues: Maharashtra Governor C.P. Radhakrishnan conferred which edition of the 'Yashraj Bharti Samman' awards?

महाराष्ट्र के राज्यपाल सी.पी. राधाकृष्णन ने 'यशराज भारती सम्मान' पुरस्कार का कौन सा संस्करण प्रदान किया?

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

**Answer**: Option A

#### **Explanation:**

- Three noteworthy grassroots organizations received the third edition of the "Yashraj Bharti Samman" awards from Maharashtra Governor C.P. Radhakrishnan in recognition of their outstanding work in the areas of governance, healthcare, and education for sustainable development.
- The influence of Jan Swasthya Sahayog (Chhattisgarh), Pratham Education Foundation, and the Services Plus platform created by the National Informatics Center were acknowledged during the award ceremony, which took place in Mumbai.

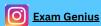
## Winners of the Yashraj Bharti Samman Awards 2025:

- Jan Swasthya Sahayog (Chhattisgarh): Recognized for delivering expert-led healthcare services in remote and tribal regions
- Pratham Education Foundation: Honored for promoting sustainable development through education
- Services Plus Platform (NIC): Developed by the National Informatics Centre (NIC)















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# Oues: When was the SMILE scheme launched? SMILE योजना की शुरुआत कब हुई थी?

- a) 2019
- b) 2020
- c) 2021
- d) 2022
- e) 2023

**Answer**: Option D

#### **Explanation:**

- The SMILE Scheme (Support for Marginalised Individuals for Livelihood and Enterprise) was launched in 2022 by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
- Its objective is to identify, rescue, and rehabilitate individuals engaged in begging, with special attention to urban areas, religious places, and transgender empowerment.
- In two years, 9,958 beggars were identified across 81 cities, but only 970 persons were successfully rehabilitated as of December 2024. Children rescued among them were 352.
- Target for FY 2023-26: Rehabilitate 8,000 individuals.
- Budget Allocation: Rs.100 crore for 2023-26, out of which Rs.14.71 crore has been spent till December 2024.

## **Implementation** Phases:

- Phase 1: Covered 30 cities like Ayodhya, Amritsar, Delhi, Hyderabad, Gaya.
- Phase 2: Added 50 more cities.

















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Air India Express, replacing Campbell Wilson in 2025?

2025 में कैंपबेल विल्सन की जगह एयर इंडिया एक्सप्रेस के नए अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Nipun Aggarwal / निपुण अग्रवाल
- (b) Basil Kwauk / बैसिल क्वाक
- (c) Rajiv Bansal / राजीव बंसल
- (d) Vinod Hejmadi / विनोद हेjmadi
- (e) Jyoti Priya Mallick / ज्योति प्रिया मलिक

Answer: Option A

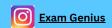
- Nipun Aggarwal, the current Chief Commercial Officer (CCO) of Air India, has been appointed as the new Chairman of Air India Express.
- He replaces Campbell Wilson, who will continue to serve as the Managing Director (MD) and CEO of Air India.
- Additionally, Captain Basil Kwauk, Air India's Chief Operations Officer (COO), will also join the Air India Express Board, further strengthening operations.

















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Ques: Who won the Pune FIDE Women's Grand Prix 2025 after defeating Nurgyul Salimova in the last round?

पुणे फाइड महिला ग्रां प्री 2025 में अंतिम दौर में नर्ग्युल सालिमोवा को हराकर किसने जीत दर्ज की?

- (a) Divya Deshmukh / दिव्या देशमुख
- (b) Nurgyul Salimova / नर्ग्युल सालिमोवा
- (c) Koneru Humpy / कोनेरु हम्पी
- (d) Zhu Jiner / झू जिनर
- (e) Alina Kashlinskaya / एलीना काशलिंस्काया

Answer: Option C

- Indian Grandmaster Koneru Humpy won the Pune FIDE Women's Grand Prix 2025, finishing with 7/9 points, after defeating Nurgyul Salimova in the last round.
- Zhu Jiner of China also scored 7/9 points but finished second on tiebreaks and shared points and prize money with Humpy.
- Divya Deshmukh, India's International Master, finished third with 5.5/9 points after drawing her final game against Alina Kashlinskaya.

















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Ques: How many new Global Geoparks were designated by UNESCO in its latest expansion?

यूनेस्को द्वारा हाल ही में कितने नए ग्लोबल जियोपार्क नामित किए गए हैं?

- (a) 12
- (b) 14
- (c) 16
- (d) 18
- (e) 20

**Answer**: Option C

#### **Explanation**:

- UNESCO now has 229 geoparks spread over 50 nations after designating 16 additional Global Geoparks.
- With this, the UNESCO Global Geoparks Network now covers an area of over 855,000 km2, which is the size of Namibia.
- UNESCO Global Geoparks (UGGPs) Launched In 2015 as part of the International Geosciences and Geoparks Programme (IGGP). Its Reassessment is done Every 4 years.

#### 16 New UNESCO Global Geoparks:

#### **Geoparks Across Europe:**

- Italy: MurGEopark UNESCO Global Geopark
- Norway : The Fjord Coast UNESCO Global Geopark
- Spain : Costa Quebrada UNESCO Global Geopark
- United Kingdom: Arran UNESCO Global Geopark

# Geoparks Across the Middle East and Latin America:

- Saudi Arabia: North Riyadh UNESCO Global Geopark
- Saudi Arabia : Salma UNESCO Global Geopark
- Vietnam: Lang Son UNESCO Global Geopark
- Ecuador : Napo Sumaco UNESCO Global Geopark

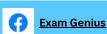
















• Ecuador: Tungurahua Volcano UNESCO Global Geopark

#### Geoparks Across Asia:

• Republic of Korea: Danyang UNESCO Global Geopark

• Republic of Korea: Gyeongbuk Donghaean UNESCO Global Geopark

• Republic of Korea: Mt Paektu UNESCO Global Geopark

• China: Kanbula UNESCO Global Geopark

• China: Yunyang UNESCO Global Geopark

• Indonesia: Kebumen UNESCO Global Geopark

• Indonesia: Meratus UNESCO Global Geopark

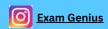


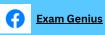
















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Ques: Who was the former ISRO chief and key architect of India's first moon mission Chandrayaan-1, who passed away at the age of 84 in 2025? 2025 में 84 वर्ष की आयु में किस पूर्व इसरो प्रमुख और भारत के पहले चंद्र मिशन चंद्रयान-1 के प्रमुख वास्तुकार का निधन हुआ?

- (a) Dr. Vikram Sarabhai / डॉ. विक्रम साराभाई
- (b) Dr. A.S. Kiran Kumar / डॉ. ए.एस. किरण कुमार
- (c) Dr. K. Kasturirangan / डॉ. के. कस्तूरीरंगन
- (d) Dr. G. Madhavan Nair / डॉ. जी. माधवन नायर
- (e) Dr. R. Radhakrishnan / डॉ. आर. राधाकृष्णन

Answer: Option C

- Dr. K. Kasturirangan was a renowned astrophysicist and served as the Chairman of ISRO for nearly a decade.
- He was the visionary behind India's first moon mission, Chandrayaan-1, initially called Somayaan.
- Born on October 24, 1940, he was a recipient of Padma Shri (1982), Padma Bhushan (1992), and Padma Vibhushan (2000).
- Dr. Kasturirangan revealed India's moon mission plans during his speech on National Technology Day on May 11, 1999.

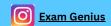


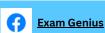
















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Ques: According to the CBDT's latest notification effective from April 22, 2025, what is the TCS rate on the purchase of luxury goods valued above Rs.10 lakh? केंद्रीय प्रत्यक्ष कर बोर्ड (CBDT) की नवीनतम अधिसूचना के अनुसार, 22 अप्रैल 2025 से Rs.10 लाख से अधिक मूल्य के लक्ज़री सामानों की खरीद पर TCS दर क्या है?

- (a) 0.5%
- (b) 1%
- (c) 2%
- (d) 5%
- (e) 10%

**Answer**: Option B

#### **Explanation**:

- The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) announced that 1% Tax Collected at Source (TCS) will now apply to the purchase of certain luxury goods valued above Rs.10 lakh.
- Effective Date: The rule came into force on April 22, 2025.
- Previous Scenario: Luxury goods were not subject to TCS earlier.
- Mechanism: Sellers must collect the TCS at the time of sale and deposit it against the buver's PAN.
- Additional Info: TCS was already applicable on motor vehicles exceeding Rs.10 lakh, and now it extends to other luxury items as per Section 206C of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

## Following is the list of luxury goods on which tax will be collected by the seller as per the notification:

- 1. Any wrist watch
- 2. Any art piece, such as antiques, paintings and sculptures
- 3. Any collectibles such as coins, stamp
- 4. Any yacht, rowing boat, canoe, helicopter
- 5. Any pair of sunglasses
- 6. Any bag such as handbag, purse
- 7. Any pair of shoes
- 8. Any sportswear and equipment such as golf kit, ski wear

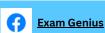
















- 9. Any home theatre system
- 10. Any horse for horse racing in race clubs and a horse for polo

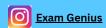


















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Oues: Which has been declared as India's 107th national park in 2025? 2025 में भारत का 107वां राष्ट्रीय उद्यान कौन घोषित हुआ है?

- a) Nandankanan / नंदनकानन
- b) Satkosia / सतकोसिया
- c) Similipal / सिमिलिपाल
- d) Bhitarkanika / भितरकणिका
- e) None of these / इनमें से कोई नहीं

**Answer**: Option C

- Similipal, located in Mayurbhanj district, Odisha, has been officially declared as India's 107th National Park in 2025.
- It is now recognized as the largest national park in Odisha, enhancing the state's ecological profile.
- Similipal is famous for its Royal Bengal Tigers, Asian Elephants, Gaurs, dense forests, waterfalls, and rich biodiversity.
- It was earlier a Tiger Reserve under Project Tiger (declared in 1973) and is also part of the UNESCO World Network of Biosphere Reserves.
- The new National Park status is expected to give a major boost to eco-tourism, wildlife protection, and forest conservation efforts in eastern India.





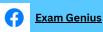
















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Interim Chairman of the World Economic Forum (WEF) after Klaus Schwab's resignation in 2025? क्लाउस श्वाब के इस्तीफे के बाद 2025 में वर्ल्ड इकोनॉमिक फोरम (WEF) के अंतरिम अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (a) Peter Brabeck-Letmathe / पीटर ब्राबेक-लेटमैथ
- (b) Kristalina Georgieva / क्रिस्टालिना जॉर्जीवा
- (c) Christine Lagarde / क्रिस्टीन लैगार्ड
- (d) António Guterres / एंटोनियो गृटेरेस
- (e) Ursula von der Leyen / उर्स्ला वॉन डेर लेयेन

**Answer**: Option A

#### **Explanation:**

- Klaus Schwab, the founder of the World Economic Forum (WEF), resigned as Chairman and board member in 2025.
- Peter Brabeck-Letmathe, an Austrian businessman and Vice Chairman of the WEF Foundation Board, was appointed as the Interim Chairman.
- Brabeck-Letmathe is known for his leadership roles, including his previous tenure as CEO and Chairman of Nestlé.
- The transition marks a significant leadership change for the WEF.

## **About World Economic Forum (WEF):**

Established: 1971

• HQ: Cologny, Switzerland • President : Borge Brende

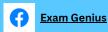
















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Ques: Which application, developed by the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD), won the Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration 2024 under the Innovation (Centre) category? किस एप्लिकेशन ने महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय (MoWCD) द्वारा विकसित होकर नवाचार (केंद्र) श्रेणी में प्रधानमंत्री उत्कष्टता पुरस्कार 2024 जीता?

- (a) Nari Shakti App / नारी शक्ति ऐप
- (b) PoshanTracker App / पोषण ट्रैकर ऐप
- (c) ChildCare Plus App / चाइल्डकेयर प्लस ऐप
- (d) Anganwadi Seva App / आंगनवाडी सेवा ऐप
- (e) Bal Vikas Portal / बाल विकास पोर्टल

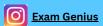
**Answer**: Option B

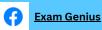
- The PoshanTracker Application, developed by the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD), won the Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration 2024 under the Innovation (Centre) category.
- It was awarded at the 17th Civil Services Day on April 21, 2025, in New Delhi.
- The app is used by Anganwadi workers to provide real-time data on the delivery of nutrition and childcare services.
- The award was received by Shri Anil Malik, Secretary, MoWCD.















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## Ques: Where will the DP World India Championship 2025 be held? डीपी वर्ल्ड इंडिया चैंपियनशिप 2025 कहाँ आयोजित की जाएगी?

- (a) Royal Calcutta Golf Club / रॉयल कलकत्ता गोल्फ क्लब
- (b) DLF Golf and Country Club, Gurugram / डीएलएफ गोल्फ एंड कंट्री क्लब, गुरुग्राम
- (c) Oxford Golf Resort, Pune / ऑक्सफोर्ड गोल्फ रिज़ॉर्ट, पुणे
- (d) Delhi Golf Club / दिल्ली गोल्फ क्लब
- (e) Karnataka Golf Association, Bengaluru / कर्नाटक गोल्फ एसोसिएशन, बेंगलुरु

**Answer**: Option D

- The DP World India Championship 2025 will debut at the historic Delhi Golf Club, on the Lodhi Course, from October 16 to 19, 2025.
- It will be co-sanctioned with the Professional Golf Tour of India (PGTI) and feature a USD 4 million prize purse, making it the richest golf tournament ever held in India.
- The Lodhi Course was originally designed by Peter Thomson in 1977 and upgraded by Gary Player Design in 2019.
- It has a rich legacy, having hosted the first Indian Open in 1964.

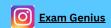


















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Ques: International Delegate's Day is observed annually on which day? अंतर्राष्ट्रीय प्रतिनिधि दिवस प्रतिवर्ष किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

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

**Answer**: Option C

- Every year on April 25, International Delegate's Day is celebrated to honor the crucial role delegates play in fostering global peace, diplomacy, and cooperation.
- This date marks the opening day of the United Nations Conference on International Organization, also referred to as the San Francisco Conference, which took place on April 25, 1945.
- This conference laid the groundwork for the UN's creation and established a new international framework for settling disputes and advancing peace by bringing together representatives from 50 nations to create the UN Charter.

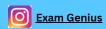


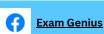
















#### **IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs**

Book Mere Achhe Din Authored by 90-year-old veteran social worker Hari Singh Rana and Released by Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu

The Competition Commission of India approved the acquisition of 100% equity shareholding of AAM India Manufacturing Corporation Pvt. Ltd. (AAMCPL) by Bharat Forge Limited (BFL), subject to voluntary modifications offered by the parties.

The Festival Garia and Borsho Boron Utsav 2025 was held at Swami Vivekananda Maidan, Agartala, Tripura. Tripura's Chief Minister Manik Saha emphasized the importance of Garia Puja for the Tripuri and Reang communities, who worship Lord Shiva

Jitendra Srivastava has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of REC (Rural Electrification Corporation) by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC)

Flipkart (a Walmart Group firm) is planning to shift its domicile from Singapore to India. The move is seen as a step towards a potential IPO (Initial Public Offering) in India

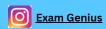
Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya has launched digital issuance of sports certificates through DigiLocker, empowering athletes with easy and secure access to their achievements.

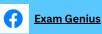
















# महत्वपूर्ण एक-लाइनर करंट अफेयर्स

पुस्तक मेरे अच्छे दिन 90 वर्षीय वरिष्ठ सामाजिक कार्यकर्ता हरि सिंह राणा द्वारा लिखित और हिमाचल प्रदेश के मुख्यमंत्री ठाकुर सुखविंदर सिंह सुख द्वारा विमोचित

भारतीय प्रतिस्पर्धा आयोग ने भारत फोर्ज लिमिटेड (बीएफएल) द्वारा आम इंडिया मैन्युफैक्चरिंग कॉरपोरेशन प्राइवेट लिमिटेड (एएएमसीपीएल) की 100% इक्विटी शेयरधारिता के अधिग्रहण को मंजूरी दे दी है, जो पार्टियों द्वारा प्रस्तावित स्वैच्छिक संशोधनों के अधीन है।

फेस्टिवल गरिया और बोरशो बोरोन उत्सव 2025 का आयोजन त्रिपुरा के अगरतला स्थित स्वामी विवेकानंद मैदान में किया गया। त्रिपुरा के मुख्यमंत्री माणिक साहा ने भगवान शिव की पूजा करने वाले त्रिपुरी और रियांग समुदायों के लिए गरिया पूजा के महत्व पर जोर दिया।

कैबिनेट की नियुक्ति समिति (एसीसी) ने जितेंद्र श्रीवास्तव को आरईसी (ग्रामीण विद्युतीकरण निगम) का नया अध्यक्ष और प्रबंध निदेशक (सीएमडी) नियुक्त किया है।

फ्लिपकार्ट (वॉलमार्ट समूह की एक फर्म) सिंगापुर से भारत में अपना मुख्यालय स्थानांतरित करने की योजना बना रही है। इस कदम को भारत में संभावित आईपीओ (आरंभिक सार्वजनिक पेशकश) की दिशा में एक कदम के रूप में देखा जा रहा है।

केंद्रीय मंत्री डॉ. मनसुख मंडाविया ने डिजिलॉकर के माध्यम से खेल प्रमाणपत्रों के डिजिटल जारीकरण की शुरुआत की है, जिससे एथलीटों को अपनी उपलब्धियों तक आसान और सुरक्षित पहुंच मिल सकेगी।







