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Ques: Which foreign corporate entity became the first to list Green Bonds on NSE International Exchange (NSE IX) at GIFT IFSC, Gujarat?

- A. Sampath Bank
- B. HSBC Holdings
- C. Standard Chartered Bank
- D. Hatton National Bank
- E. DFCC Bank PLC

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- DFCC Bank PLC, based in Colombo, Sri Lanka, became the first foreign corporate entity to list Green Bonds worth LKR 2.5 billion on the National Stock Exchange – International Exchange (NSE IX) at GIFT IFSC, Gujarat.
- The raised funds will be used to finance solar energy projects in Sri Lanka, including ground and rooftop installations.
- DFCC Bank PLC was established in 1955 and is headquartered in Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- The current Chairman of DFCC Bank is Jegatheesan Durairatnam.

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Ques: According to NSO, retail inflation in May 2025 fell to what percentage – the lowest in 75 months?

- A. 2.82%
- B. 2.99%
- C. 3.16%
- D. 1.78%
- E. 0.99%

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- According to the National Statistical Office (NSO), retail inflation (CPI) in May 2025 dropped to 2.82%, the lowest level in 75 months. In April, the rate was 3.16%.
- The primary reason for this dip was the sharp fall in food prices, especially vegetables and pulses.
- The Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI) also declined to 0.99% in May, compared to 1.78% in April, making it the lowest since October 2021.
- HDFC Bank has cautioned that due to heavy rains, some vegetable prices may rise again in select regions.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank observed that downward trends in pulses and cereals are continuing.
- Inflation could remain below the RBI's FY26 forecast of 3.7%.
- The RBI is not expected to cut the repo rate before September 2025, though rate cuts may follow if inflation remains controlled.

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Ques: What is the minimum outstanding amount required for a State Government Security (SGS) to be eligible for STRIPS as per RBI?

- A. Rs.500 crore
- B. Rs.1,000 crore
- C. Rs.2,000 crore
- D. Rs.750 crore
- E. Rs.1,500 crore

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed STRIPS (Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal of Securities) for State Government Securities (SGS).
- This facility was previously only applicable to Government of India (GoI) bonds.
- Now extended to bonds issued by states and union territories.
- To be eligible for STRIPS, an SGS must have Minimum outstanding amount of Rs.1,000 crore, and Residual maturity of up to 14 years.
- STRIPS separate the interest (coupon) and principal components of a bond into individual zero-coupon securities, which are Traded at a discount, and Redeemed at face value.
- Its objective is to Enhance liquidity in the primary and secondary markets and promote overall bond market development.

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Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- RBI has reduced the qualifying asset threshold for Non-Banking Financial Companies – Microfinance Institutions (NBFC-MFIs) from 75% to 60% to provide a boost to the sector
- RBI will discontinue daily Variable Rate Repo (VRR) auctions from June 12, 2025, as the liquidity surplus in the banking system has significantly improved
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) published data in June 2025 indicating that bank deposit growth in India decreased to 10.6% YoY in FY25, the fiscal year 2024–2025, from 13% in FY24
- Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Ltd (SPMCIL) delivered 3.4 tonnes of refined gold to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) during FY25
- RBI has rejected the application of Annapurna Finance for a Universal Bank Licence
- RBI has increased the Loan-to-Value (LTV) ratio for gold jewellery-backed loans up to Rs.2.5 lakh to 85%.
- In the 55th meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) held from June 4 to 6, 2025, RBI reduced the Policy Repo Rate by 50 basis points to 5.50%.
- RBI launched a Hindi Book Writing Scheme (2024–25) to encourage original works in Economics, Banking, and Finance. The scheme is open to working or retired professors from UGC-recognized Indian universities
- As per RBI's 2025 amendment titled "Inoperative Accounts/Unclaimed Deposits in Banks – Revised Instructions", any bank deposit not operated for 10 years or more will be transferred to the Depositor Education and Awareness (DEA) Fund
- To address long-standing gaps in climate-related financial data, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) introduced the "Reserve Bank-Climate Risk Information System (RBI-CRIS)," a two-pronged data platform
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed total penalties of Rs.54.78 crore in FY 2024-25 on various regulated entities for statutory violations
- RBI announced a five-part documentary series in collaboration with Jio Hotstar. The series is titled "RBI Unlocked: Beyond the Rupee", produced by Chalkboard Entertainment, a Mumbai-based production house
- RBI's balance sheet expanded by 8.2% in FY 2024–25, reaching a total size of Rs.76.25 lakh crore



Ques: How much stake did PhonePe sell in CE Info Systems (MapmyIndia's parent) in June 2025?

- A. 3%
- B. 5%
- C. 6.5%
- D. 8%
- E. 4.25%

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- In June 2025, PhonePe sold a 5% stake in CE Info Systems, the parent company of MapmyIndia, via an open market transaction.
- The deal involved the sale of 27.21 lakh shares at an average price of Rs.1,786.22 per share, amounting to a total value of Rs.486 crore.
- Following this transaction, PhonePe's total stake in CE Info Systems dropped from 18.74% to 13.74%.
- After the stake sale, CE Info Systems' stock price fell 9.39%, closing at Rs.1,768.75.
- PhonePe is a subsidiary of Flipkart, which is owned by Walmart.

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Ques: Where is the new cancer care block being constructed by Tata Memorial Centre and ICICI Bank?

- A. Navi Mumbai
- B. Hyderabad
- C. Chandigarh
- D. Visakhapatnam
- E. Bhubaneswar

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Tata Memorial Centre (TMC) and ICICI Bank have initiated construction of an advanced cancer care block at Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital & Research Centre (HBCHRC) in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- The Rs.550 crore facility is part of ICICI Bank's larger Rs.1,800 crore CSR initiative.
- It will provide care for 3,000 paediatric and blood cancer patients and include 215 beds, bone marrow transplant, and immunotherapy services.
- The total campus capacity after this expansion will be 555 beds across 10.7 lakh sq. ft. with 19 LINACs for radiotherapy.

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Ques: What is the extended deadline for low-risk customers to update their KYC as per RBI?

- A. December 2025
- B. January 2026
- C. June 2026
- D. March 2025
- E. April 2026

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended the deadline for low-risk individual customers to update their KYC (Know Your Customer) details.
- The new deadline is 30 June 2026 or within one year from the due date, whichever is later.
- This move comes in response to a large backlog, especially in accounts opened under DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer), Scholarship schemes and Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)
- RBI has also authorized Business Correspondents (BCs) – including NGOs, SHGs, MFIs, and local kirana shopkeepers – to collect self-declarations from customers if there are no changes or only address changes in KYC.
- Banks are mandated to send three advance notices, including one by letter, and conduct awareness camps to ensure smoother KYC completion.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Managing Director and CEO of Axis Max Life Insurance in 2025?

- A. Prashant Tripathy
- B. Sumit Madan
- C. Amitabh Chaudhry
- D. Rajesh Sud
- E. Sandeep Bakhshi

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Sumit Madan has been appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Axis Max Life Insurance in 2025.
- He replaces Prashant Tripathy, who took early retirement.
- Axis Max Life Insurance is a joint venture between Max Financial Services and Axis Bank, providing life insurance and related financial products in India.

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Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- R Doraiswamy : CEO and MD of LIC
- Sat Pal Bhanoo : additional charge of CEO & MD of LIC
- Shri T. Rabi Sankar : part-time member of the 16th Finance Commission (XVIFC)
- K. Prathapa Reddy : Chairman of Telangana Grameena Bank (TGB) (replacing Y. Sobha)
- Stefan Schaffer : Chief Executive officer (CEO) of Deutsche Bank India (Replaced Dilipkumar Khandelwal)
- Swarup Kumar Saha : Managing Director and CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank
- Raman Aggarwal : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Finance Industry Development Council (FIDC) - Representative body of NBFCs
- Mauritanian economist Sidi Ould Tah : 9th President of the African Development Bank (AfDB)
- Asheesh Pandey : Managing Director and CEO of Union Bank of India (UBI)
- Prashant Thakker : Head of Citigroup Inc. corporate bank for South- and Southeast Asia
- Dinesh Pant and Ratnakar Patnaik : Managing Directors (MDs) of Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC)
- Parameswaran Iyer : Interim Executive Director (ED) to represent India, Bangladesh, Bhutan, and Sri Lanka at the International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- Sanjay Joshi : Chairman-cum-Managing Director (CMD) of Oriental Insurance Company Limited (OICL)
- Dr. Poonam Gupta : Deputy Governor of RBI
- Vivek Singh : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Home Credit India
- Neeraj Kumar Gupta : Chairman and Public Interest Director at NSE International Exchange (NSE IX) at GIFT City
- Santosh Kumar : Deputy CFO, Special Officer-Finance & Accounts, and Key Managerial Personnel IndusInd Bank
- Ajay Bhushan Pandey : Vice President – Investment Solutions at the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
- Piyush Anchliya : Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Cashfree Payments
- Dr. Neelam Dhungana Timsina : Acting Governor of Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB) (replaced Mahaprasad Adhikari)





Ques: As per Bank of Baroda, how much cumulative FDI did India receive via direct equity flows till March 2025?

- A. \$500 billion
- B. \$890 billion
- C. \$729 billion
- D. \$643 billion
- E. \$111 billion

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- According to Bank of Baroda Economic Research, India received \$729 billion in cumulative Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) through equity flows from 2000 to March 2025.
- Over 85% of this FDI came from just 12 countries, including Mauritius, Singapore, the US, the UK, and the Netherlands.
- Singapore's share increased significantly from 13% in 2024 to 24% by March 2025, while Mauritius' share declined from 35.2% to 24.7%.
- FDI in the IT software & hardware sector rose dramatically from \$15 billion (2015) to \$111 billion (2025).
- The services sector also grew from \$43 billion to \$118 billion during the same period.
- However, sectors like pharmaceuticals (5.3% → 3.2%) and construction (9.7% → 3.7%) saw declines due to price competition and inventory/land issues, respectively.
- FDI in non-conventional energy (renewables) increased from 1.5% to 3%, and trading sector FDI nearly doubled from 3.2% to 6.5%, thanks to liberalized FDI policies.





Ques: What was the Gross Merchandise Value (GMV) achieved by GeM in the first 10 months of FY 2024-25?

- 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 C

Explanation :

- Government e-Marketplace (GeM) crossed Rs.6 lakh crore GMV by January 23, 2025, in FY 2024-25, reflecting a 50% increase over the previous year's figure of Rs.4 lakh crore.
- Out of this 62% (Rs.2.54 lakh crore) came from the services segment and 38% (Rs.1.55 lakh crore) from product sales
- GeM has become a key e-procurement platform with 1.6 lakh government buyers and 22.5 lakh sellers/service providers.
- Since launch in 2016, it has processed 2.59 crore+ orders with cumulative GMV of over Rs.11.64 lakh crore.

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Ques : What is the new basic customs duty on crude edible oils as per recent announcement by the Centre?

- A. 20%
- B. 15%
- C. 10%
- D. 5%
- E. 12.5%

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Central Government has reduced the basic customs duty on crude edible oils like sunflower, soybean, and palm oil from 20% to 10%.

This move:

- Increases the duty gap between crude and refined oils to 19.25% (from 8.75%)
- Aims to reduce retail prices of edible oils
- Helps in curbing inflation
- Encourages domestic refining
- Provides relief to consumers and fair returns to farmers

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Ques: Which organization recently unveiled the official logo of the Shooting League of India (SLI)?

- A. Indian Olympic Association
- B. Sports Authority of India
- C. National Rifle Association of India
- D. Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- E. Indian Shooting Federation

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) officially unveiled the logo of the Shooting League of India (SLI) at the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range, New Delhi.
- The logo was designed by Chennai-based Sportwalk, a renowned sports media and marketing agency.
- The design symbolizes precision, intensity, and tradition in Indian shooting sports.
- SLI will host mixed team events in Pistol (10m, 25m), Rifle (10m, 50m 3 Positions), and Shotgun (Trap & Skeet)
- Colors used in the logo:
 - Deep Navy Blue: Focus, determination, legacy
 - Vibrant Orange: Energy, passion
 - Fiery Red Pink: Explosive precision and excitement

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Ques: What is the objective of the 'Mukhya Mantrir Jiban Anuprerana' scheme launched by the Assam Government?

- A. Promoting tourism in Assam
- B. Supporting entrepreneurs
- C. Providing financial aid to research scholars
- D. Offering skill training to youth
- E. Granting subsidies for agriculture

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The 'Mukhya Mantrir Jiban Anuprerana' scheme was launched by Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma.
- The scheme aims to provide one-time financial assistance to research scholars, especially Divyang (specially-abled) scholars, to promote research and development in Assam.
- Benefits given are Rs.25,000 for full-time research scholars and Rs.40,000 for Divyang research scholars
- Eligibility: Permanent residents of Assam studying in state or central public institutions.
- Additionally, the CM also launched the Swagata Satirtha Portal, aimed at simplifying and making the transfer process for government employees more transparent and time-bound.





Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

- Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah will inaugurate the PM-KUSUM Component C scheme on June 11, 2025, at Gauribidanur, Chikkaballapura district
- Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) was launched in 2015 to offer short-term, industry-relevant skill training to youth. As of April 18, 2025, more than 1.63 crore youth have been trained under this scheme
- Under the EV manufacturing scheme, the minimum investment required in India over 3 years is Rs.4,150 crore (approximately USD 500 million)
- The Gujarat Karmayogi Swasthya Suraksha Yojana was launched by the Government of Gujarat to provide cashless medical treatment up to Rs.10 lakh per annum
- The Central Government has approved Rs.800 crore under the AMRUT 2.0 scheme to support the Yamuna cleaning project in Delhi
- The Rahveer Yojana, initiated by the Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and implemented by Madhya Pradesh, aims to encourage Good Samaritans to help road accident victims
- Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi has asked officials to include widowed women under the 'Mukhya Mantri Kanya Vivah Yojana' (MMKVY). The State Government has made a provision of Rs.12 crore in the 2025-26 State Budget
- Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy launched the 'Indira Saura Giri Jala Vikasam' scheme at Macharam village in Amrabad mandal, Nagar Kurnool district to empower 2.1 lakh tribal farmers by providing free solar pumps for irrigation, especially for those holding land under the Forest Rights Act (RoFR)
- The Pilot Apprenticeship Scheme under the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) was launched by Union MoS Jayant Chaudhary and Mizoram CM Lalduhoma
- The SPICED scheme, launched by the Spices Board for FY 2025-26, stands for "Sustainability in Spice Sector through Progressive, Innovative and Collaborative Interventions for Export Development"
- The Government of Uttar Pradesh launched the Mukhyamantri Suposhan Abhiyan across 8 aspirational districts to combat child malnutrition among children aged 3 to 6 years
- The 'Indira Saura Giri Jala Vikasam' scheme launched by Telangana CM A. Revanth Reddy aims to provide solar-powered borewell irrigation facilities to tribal farmers





Ques: What is the name of the agentic AI assistant launched by Ola's Krutrim?

- A. Akruti
- B. Kruti
- C. Krish
- D. Krutika
- E. KrutAI

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Ola's AI company Krutrim launched Kruti, claimed to be India's first agentic AI assistant, which goes beyond traditional chatbot functions.
- Kruti can proactively perform tasks like cab booking, food ordering, bill payment, image generation, and deep research.
- It is built on the Krutrim V2 LLM and open-source models, offering advanced reasoning and personalized assistance.
- Unlike passive chatbots, Kruti understands voice and text input, remembers past interactions, and adapts to user behavior over time.
- It supports communication in 13 Indian languages and can adjust responses based on tone, length, and context.
- Ola Founder Bhavish Aggarwal described Kruti as a "task-getting AI assistant" that simplifies everyday life, not just a conversational bot.
- Kruti's advanced AI features, such as image creation and research, are available free of cost.



Ques: What is India's rank in the Global Gender Gap Index 2025 out of 148 countries?

- A. 125
- B. 128
- C. 131
- D. 135
- E. 127

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Global Gender Gap Report Edition 19th Published by World Economic Forum (WEF)
- India ranks 131st out of 148 countries in the Global Gender Gap Index 2025, slipping in position compared to previous years.
- It lags behind neighbouring countries like Bangladesh (24th), Bhutan (119th), Nepal (125th), and Sri Lanka (130th).
- The World Economic Forum (WEF), headquartered in Cologny, Switzerland, publishes this index annually.
- India's overall gender parity score is 64.4%, a slight improvement of +0.3 points over 2024.
- The Economic Participation and Opportunity subindex improved to 40.7%, but Political Empowerment declined, with women's representation in Parliament at only 13.8%.

Rank of top 5 Countries with scores on Global Gender Gap Index 2025 :

- 1 Iceland (16th Time) : 0.926
- 2 Finland : 0.879
- 3 Norway : 0.863
- 4 United Kingdom (UK) : 0.838
- 5 New Zealand : 0.827
- 131 India : 0.644
- 148 Pakistan : 0.567





India's Rankings in Different Indices

- 2025 Global Data Center Market Comparison report : Mumbai (6th), Virginia, United States of America (USA) (1st)
- Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2025 : India (10th), Denmark (4th)
- World's Wealthiest Cities Report 2025 4th Edition Published by Henley & Partners : New York City, USA (1st), Mumbai, India (27th)
- Forbes' 2025 list of the world's highest-paid athletes : Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal) : Soccer
- 2025 Kantar BrandZ report : Apple (1st), TCS (45th)
- World Press Freedom Index 2025 was published by Reporters Without Borders (RSF) : India (151th), Norway (1st)
- Human Development Index (HDI) 2023 : India (130th)
- 2nd edition of the 2025 CareEdge State Rankings was published by CareEdge Ratings : Maharashtra (top) Gujarat (2nd)
- Asia University Rankings 2025 published by Times Higher Education (THE) : Indian Institute of Science (IISc) (38th), Tsinghua University (China) (1st)
- According to Newsweek and Statista's "World's Best Hospitals 2025" : All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in New Delhi (97th)
- World's busiest airports in 2024 Published by Airports Council International (ACI) : Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in Delhi (9th), Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (United States) (1st)
- Report Automotive Industry: Powering India's Participation in Global Value Chains 2nd Edition Published by National Institution for Transforming India (NITI Aayog) : India (4th), China (1st)
- Panchayat Advancement Index (PAI) baseline report 1st Edition Published by Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) : Gujarat (top)
- World's Best Airport for 2025 : Singapore Changi Airport (1st), Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA), or Delhi International Airport (32nd)
- 'Readiness for Frontier Technologies' index Published by UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD) : India (36th)
- Annual World's Billionaires list 39th Edition Published by Forbes : Elon Musk, CEO of Tesla Motors (1st), Mukesh Ambani (18th)
- Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI 37) 37th Edition Published by China Development Institute (CDI) : GIFT City-Gujarat (India) (46th), New York (USA) (1st)





Ques: In June 2025, Reliance Industries sold 3.6% stake in which company for Rs.7,703 crore?

- A. Berger Paints
- B. CE Info Systems
- C. Asian Paints
- D. Aditya Birla Paints
- E. JSW Paints

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- In June 2025, Reliance Industries (RIL) sold its 3.6% stake (3.5 crore shares) in Asian Paints through block deals, executed by its subsidiary Siddhant Commercials.
- The stake was sold at a price of Rs.2,201 per share, amounting to a total of Rs.7,703 crore.
- SBI Mutual Fund acquired the entire stake sold by RIL.
- RIL originally invested ₹500 crore in Asian Paints in January 2008, making this exit a 15x return deal.
- Even after this transaction, RIL continues to hold 87 lakh shares in Asian Paints.
- Asian Paints' market share declined from around 60% to 50% in FY25.

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Ques: Which Indian city was recently declared the country's 'Leopard Capital' after a 2024–2025 camera-trap survey?

- A. Mumbai
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Nagpur
- D. Dehradun
- E. Bhopal

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Bengaluru (Karnataka) was declared India's 'Leopard Capital' after a year-long camera-trap survey (2024–2025) conducted by the Holématti Nature Foundation (HNF).
- The survey estimated 80–85 leopards in the forests and scrublands around Bengaluru, surpassing Mumbai's 54 leopards documented inside Sanjay Gandhi National Park.
- It was conducted over an area of 282 sq km, using more than 250 camera traps.
- Key habitats surveyed included Turahalli, B.M. Kaval, U.M. Kaval, Roerich Estate, and Bannerghatta National Park (BNP).
- Among these, 54 leopards were found inside BNP, and 30+ in other forested areas on Bengaluru's outskirts.

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Ques: What is the primary purpose of the Indian Air Force's upcoming I-STAR aircraft project worth Rs.10,000 crore?

- A. Transporting troops during emergency operations
- B. Conducting aerial refueling missions
- C. Intelligence, Surveillance, Target Acquisition and Reconnaissance
- D. Training pilots for international competitions
- E. Launching satellite payloads

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Indian Air Force (IAF) is set to acquire I-STAR aircraft under a Rs.10,000 crore project, which is expected to be cleared soon by the government.
- I-STAR stands for Intelligence, Surveillance, Target Acquisition, and Reconnaissance.
- These aircraft will be capable of detecting, tracking, and targeting enemy infrastructure like radar stations, mobile air defense units, and command hubs — all without entering hostile airspace.
- India plans to procure three aircraft from global aviation companies such as Boeing and Bombardier, which will then be fitted with indigenous sensor and electronic systems developed by DRDO's Centre for Airborne Systems (CABS).

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Ques: Which Indian quantum deeptech company won the iDEX ADITI 2.0 Defence Challenge to develop a Quantum Positioning System for the Indian Navy?

- A. Bellatrix Aerospace
- B. QuBeats
- C. Dhruva Space
- D. IdeaForge
- E. Pixel

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- QuBeats, an Indian quantum deeptech startup, won the Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX) – Acing Development of Innovative Technologies (ADITI) 2.0 Defence Challenge.
- The project focuses on developing an indigenous Quantum Positioning System (QPS) specifically for the Indian Navy.
- QuBeats received a grant of Rs.25 crore to develop next-generation high-precision quantum sensors.
- These quantum sensors detect Earth's unique magnetic anomaly signatures, enabling GPS-independent navigation, effective day or night, and in all conditions — a significant advancement for strategic defense operations.

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Ques : What is the name of the solar-powered car developed by IIT Madras students for the World Solar Challenge 2025?

- A. Suryavaan
- B. Agnirath
- C. Jalashwa
- D. Surya Rath
- E. Aagneya

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- The solar car 'Aagneya' was created by Team Agnirath from IIT Madras, under the Centre for Innovation (CFI). This student-led vehicle will represent India in the prestigious Bridgestone World Solar Challenge 2025, covering a distance of 3,000 km across Australia.
- Aagneya has a carbon fiber body for reduced weight
- Developed with 15,000+ hours of dedicated work
- A multi-disciplinary effort by 38 students, starting with just 6 in 2021

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Recent News Headlines Related to IITs

- IIT Gandhinagar led archaeological research that discovered human presence in the Great Rann of Kutch dating back at least 5,000 years before the Harappan civilisation
- IIT Madras has signed a MOU with Grid Controller of India Limited (GRID-INDIA) under the Ministry of Power to enhance Tanzania's electrical grid infrastructure. The collaboration is based at IIT Madras Zanzibar, the institute's international campus in Tanzania.
- IIT Kharagpur and Singapore's Institute of Microelectronics (IME), under the Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR) Signed MOU at SEMICON Southeast Asia 2025 to collaborate on semiconductor research and talent development
- The Bharat Forecast System (BFS) is developed by Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune. It provides a 6 km resolution, which is the highest resolution in the world for weather forecasting
- IIT Delhi launched the 'Manasvi' mentorship programme in New Delhi to inspire high-school girls to pursue careers in STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics)
- The Delhi cabinet has approved five cloud-seeding trials to combat high pollution levels in the city. IIT Kanpur will lead the planning and execution of the project
- The Union Cabinet approved the Phase-B construction for 5 new IITs under the IIT Expansion Plan 2025. The five IITs are: IIT Tirupati (Andhra Pradesh), IIT Palakkad (Kerala), IIT Bhilai (Chhattisgarh), IIT Jammu (Jammu & Kashmir) and IIT Dharwad (Karnataka)
- Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB) is initiating a Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) pilot project in collaboration with IIT Bombay
- Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) signed an MoU with IIT Hyderabad to integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Digital Twin technologies in India's maritime sector
- Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Anil Chauhan inaugurated Techkriti 2025, Asia's largest intercollegiate technical and entrepreneurial festival, at IIT Kanpur
- UIDAI, in collaboration with IIT-Hyderabad, has launched a biometric SDK benchmarking competition to test the age invariance of biometric algorithms
- The National Statistical Office (NSO) India organized a 36-hour hackathon named "Hack the Future" in collaboration with IIT Gandhinagar on March 24, 2025



Ques: Who won the Men's Singles title at the 43rd edition of the Indonesia Open (Kapal Api Indonesia Open 2025)?

- A. Anders Antonsen
- B. Viktor Axelsen
- C. Kento Momota
- D. Anthony Ginting
- E. Lakshya Sen

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The 43rd edition of the Indonesia Open, officially titled the Kapal Api Indonesia Open 2025, was a premier badminton tournament held at Istora Gelora Bung Karno, Jakarta, Indonesia

Winners of Indonesia Open 2025 :

- Men's Singles : Anders Antonsen (Denmark)
- Women's Singles : An Se-young (South Korea)
- Men's Doubles : Seo Seung-jae & Kim Won-ho (South Korea)
- Women's Doubles : Liu Shengshu & Tan Ning (China)
- Mixed Doubles : Thom Gicquel & Delphine Delrue (France)





Ques: The Boeing 787-8 aircraft involved in the Ahmedabad crash was delivered in which year?

- A. 2011
- B. 2012
- C. 2013
- D. 2014
- E. 2015

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner that crashed in Ahmedabad was delivered in 2014, three years after the model's entry into service in 2011.
- It was heading to Gatwick Airport with 242 passengers onboard when it collided with a medical college hostel.
- The 787-8 is considered among the most advanced commercial jets, with a range of 13,530 km and passenger capacity of 248.
- Over 2,500 units of the 787 have been sold globally, including 47 to Air India.
- The crashed aircraft was powered by twin GE Aerospace engines.
- The 787 series is built using composite materials, providing 20% more fuel efficiency and enabling airlines to open new routes without relying on larger aircraft like the Boeing 747.
- Boeing had outsourced a significant portion of the aircraft's structure globally, which later led to supply chain issues, prompting the company to admit it had overextended outsourcing.





Ques: Which two countries jointly launched the "Blue NDC Challenge" to promote ocean-focused climate action at the UN Ocean Conference 2025?

- A. USA and Canada
- B. India and Germany
- C. France and Brazil
- D. UK and Japan
- E. China and Australia

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- At the third UN Ocean Conference (UNOC3) held in Nice, France, a significant climate initiative called the Blue Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) Challenge was jointly launched by France and Brazil.
- The initiative aims to place oceans at the center of global climate strategies, especially in the lead-up to COP30, which will be hosted by Brazil in Belém in November 2025.
- The Blue NDC Challenge encourages countries to include ocean-based solutions in their revised Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Agreement, targeting the 1.5°C global warming limit and enhancing climate resilience.
- Australia, Fiji, Kenya, Mexico, Palau, and Seychelles have joined France and Brazil in endorsing the initiative.
- These revised NDCs represent the highest form of political commitment under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).





Ques: IG Drones has partnered with which Belgian firm to integrate 3D perception systems into UAVs?

- A. Skysense
- B. VoxelSensors
- C. DronePort
- D. FlyBelgium
- E. AirNetics

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- IG Drones, an Indian drone technology firm, has signed a strategic partnership with Belgium-based VoxelSensors, a deep tech company.
- The collaboration focuses on integrating next-generation 3D perception systems into Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs).
- VoxelSensors is known for its SPAES (Streaming Perception for AI Enhanced Systems) technology, which provides ultra-low latency and high-precision sensing.
- This innovation enables UAVs to navigate GPS-denied environments, including dense forests, tunnels, and complex urban settings.
- These drones will feature enhanced environmental awareness, obstacle avoidance, and high-fidelity 3D mapping.
- The system is expected to improve efficiency in emergency response, infrastructure inspection, smart cities, and environmental monitoring.
- The Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY) has highlighted this as a milestone in India's global collaboration in drone technology.





Ques: Which country won the UEFA Nations League 2024–25, becoming the first to win the title twice since its inception?

- A. Spain
- B. France
- C. Germany
- D. Portugal
- E. Netherlands

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Portugal won their second UEFA Nations League title by defeating Spain 5–3 in a penalty shootout, after a 2–2 draw in the final held at the Allianz Arena, Munich, Germany.
- This was the 4th edition of the UEFA Nations League, conducted from September 2024 to June 2025.
- Portugal became the first nation to win the tournament twice since its launch in 2018–19.
- Their first title came in 2019, when they beat the Netherlands 1–0 in the final.
- Cristiano Ronaldo, at 40 years and 123 days, became the oldest male player in the world to score in an international football match, and also in a Nations League final, surpassing Luka Modrić (37 years).
- He was also the highest goal scorer of the tournament with 8 goals.

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Ques: Marc Garneau, who recently passed away, was the first Canadian to achieve what historic milestone?

- A. First Canadian Prime Minister of Indian origin
- B. First Canadian Nobel Peace Prize winner
- C. First Canadian astronaut in space
- D. First Canadian to serve in NATO command
- E. First Canadian to walk on the Moon

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Marc Garneau, who recently passed away, was the first Canadian astronaut in space.
- In 1984, he flew aboard the NASA Space Shuttle Challenger during the STS-41-G mission.
- He completed a total of three spaceflights STS-41-G in 1984, STS-77 in 1996 and STS-97 in 2000
- After his space career, he served in Canadian politics, holding prominent positions Minister of Transport (2015–2021) and Minister of Foreign Affairs (2021) under Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

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Ques: What was the theme of World Day Against Child Labour 2025, observed on 12th June?

- A. Children First: End Child Labour Now
- B. Act Now: End Child Labour
- C. Progress is clear, but there's more to do: let's speed up efforts!
- D. Protect Children from Work, Not from Childhood
- E. Building a Better Future Together

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- World Day Against Child Labour is observed every year on 12th June to raise awareness about the global issue of child labour.
- The 2025 theme was: "Progress is clear, but there's more to do: let's speed up efforts!"
- Child labour refers to work that is inappropriate for a child's age or harmful to their physical or mental development.
- In India, the Constitution prohibits children under 14 years from working in mines, factories, or hazardous occupations.
- As per the International Labour Organisation (ILO), individuals under 18 years should not be engaged in hazardous work.

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Important days :

- 25 May : World Thyroid Day (first World Thyroid Day was celebrated in 2008)
- 25 May : 2nd World Football Day 2025 (May 25, 2024, commemorates the 100th anniversary of the 1924 Olympic Football Tournament held in Paris(France))
- 25 May : International Missing Children's Day
- 25 May : Africa Day (2025 theme is: "Revisiting Our History, Shaping Our Future")
- 21 to 25 May : Football Week 2025 (Theme 2025 Together, We Are Stronger)
- 29 May : International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers 2025 (Theme 2025 The Future of the Peacekeeping)
- 29 May : World Digestive Health Day 2025 (Theme 2025 Your Digestive Health: Nourish to Flourish)
- 30 May : 2nd International Day of Potato, coinciding with the 80th anniversary year of Food and Agriculture Organization (Theme 2025 Shaping history, feeding the future)
- 31 May : World No Tobacco Day (Theme 2025 Unmasking the Appeal: Exposing Industry Tactics on Tobacco and Nicotine Products)
- 1 June : Global Day of Parents 2025 (Theme 2025 Raising Parents)
- 1 June : World Milk Day (theme for 2025 is: "Let's Celebrate The Power of Dairy")
- 1 June : Global Day of Parents (Theme : Raising Parents)
- 3 June : World Bicycle Day 2025
- 4 June : 43rd International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression
- 5 June : International Day for the Fight against Illegal Unreported and Unregulated Fishing
- 5 June : World Environment Day (Theme 2025 : Putting an End to Plastic Pollution)
- 6 June : UN Russian Language Day 2025
- 6 June : World Pest Day (theme for 2025 was: "Guardians of Health: Professional Pest Management for a Safer World")
- 7 June : 7th World Food Safety Day 2025 (Theme 2025 Food safety: science in action)
- 8 June : World Oceans Day (theme "Wonder: Sustaining what sustains us.")
- 8 June : World Brain Tumor Day (Theme 2025 Brain Health for All Ages)
- 9 June : World Accreditation Day (Theme, "Accreditation: Empowering Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)")
- 9 to 13 June : International Archives Week





IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

Muhammad Waseem (UAE) and Chloe Tryon (South Africa) are the Winners of the ICC Men's and ICC Women's player of the month Respectively.

Tata Asset Management Private Limited (TAMPL), part of the Tata group, received approval from the IFSCA to operate as a Regional Fund Management Entity (FME) (Retail) at GIFT IFSC. TAMPL Established in 1994 and HQ in Mumbai.

To commemorate Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 11 years in office, the Narendra Modi App or NaMo App has launched the 'Jan Man Survey.'

In the village of Udampatti in the Melur taluk, an 800-year-old Shiva temple from the later Pandya period has been discovered. Shilpa Sastram and inscriptions attest to the temple's dedication to Lord Shiva under the name Thennavanisvaram.

Nicholas Pooran, West Indies' record holder in T20s, retires from international cricket.

NASA's 2001 Mars Odyssey orbiter recently delivered a stunning new picture from Mars, capturing the colossal Arsia Mons volcano. It is one of the largest volcanoes in the solar system, with a height of over 18 kilometers (11 miles).

Tata Electronics Private Limited (TEPL) and Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) signed an agreement to produce key components such as Microcontrollers (MCUs), Systems-on-Chip (SoCs), and Monolithic Microwave Integrated Circuits (MMICs) to meet current and future requirements of BEL