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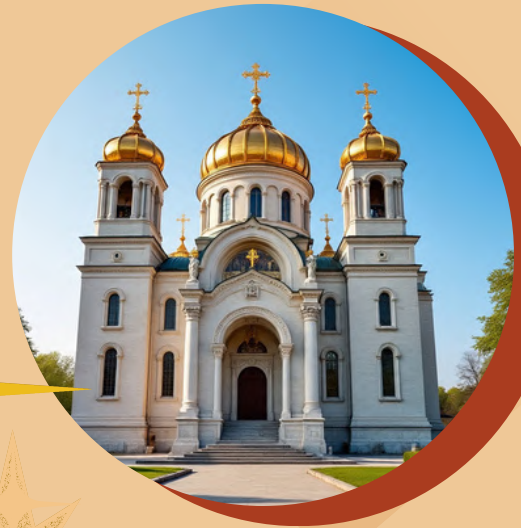
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WEEKLY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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150+ MCQ
with detailed
explanation



- **Banking & finance**
- **National**
- **International**
- **Sports**
- **Summits & conference**





Ques: How much dividend did Indian Bank pay to the Government of India for FY 2024–25?

- A. Rs.1,212 crore
- B. Rs. 1,616.14 crore
- C. Rs.1,500 crore
- D. Rs.1,400 crore
- E. Rs.1,800 crore

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Indian Bank paid a dividend of Rs.1,616.14 crore to the Government of India for the financial year 2024–25.
- The dividend was handed over by MD & CEO Binod Kumar to Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman.
- The bank declared a dividend of Rs.16.25 per share, reflecting its strong financial performance for FY25.
- Other officials present included M Nagaraju (Secretary, DFS), Alok Pande (Additional Secretary & Govt Nominee Director), and Ashish Madhaorao More (Joint Secretary, DFS).
- Indian Bank reiterated its focus on long-term value creation and consistent growth.

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Ques: How much capital does the Indian government plan to raise through QIPs by diluting stakes in PSBs during FY 2025–26?

- A. Rs 30,000 crore
- B. Rs 45,000 crore
- C. Rs 50,000 crore
- D. Rs 60,000 crore
- E. Rs 20,000 crore

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Indian government plans to mobilise Rs 45,000 crore in FY 2025–26 by diluting stakes in public sector banks (PSBs) through Qualified Institutional Placements (QIPs).
- The State Bank of India (SBI), the country's largest lender, will lead the fundraising with plans to raise Rs 20,000 crore via QIPs.
- Five PSBs – Bank of Maharashtra, Indian Overseas Bank, UCO Bank, Central Bank of India, and Punjab and Sind Bank – have been shortlisted for partial disinvestment.
- Additionally, the Department of Financial Services has approved a stake sale in Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) through Offer for Sale (OFS), marking the first LIC dilution since its IPO in 2022.

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Ques: Which state recorded the highest CAGR in GST collection between FY19 and FY25?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Karnataka
- C. Odisha
- D. Haryana
- E. Kerala

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Odisha achieved the highest Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 14.6% in GST collections between FY19 and FY25, becoming the only state to surpass the 14% benchmark under the GST compensation formula.
- Odisha's GST collections grew by 126.1%, reaching Rs.60,928 crore in FY25.
- The growth was driven by factors like tax base expansion, mining & infrastructure development, and strict enforcement against tax evasion.
- Other states like Haryana (13.7%), Maharashtra (13.3%), and Kerala (12.5%) also showed strong GST growth, but Odisha led the chart.
- Uttarakhand recorded the slowest GST growth among all states with just 5.3% CAGR.

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Ques: From July 16, Indian government departments must process payments above what amount through RBI's e-Kuber system?

- A. Rs.500 crore
- B. Rs.100 crore
- C. Rs.75 crore
- D. Rs.50 crore
- E. Rs.25 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- From July 16, 2025, Indian government departments are mandated to process payments over Rs.75 crore using the Reserve Bank of India's e-Kuber system.
- Earlier, this requirement applied only to payments exceeding Rs.500 crore.
- For certain types of transactions, the threshold has also been revised to Rs.100 crore.
- The e-Kuber system helps improve transparency, ensure faster fund reconciliation, and reduce delays in high-value payments.
- The government may further lower the limit to ₹50 crore in the future to tighten payment controls.

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Ques: What are Catastrophe Bonds (Cat Bonds) primarily used for?

- A. To fund long-term infrastructure projects
- B. To raise emergency funds for disasters by sharing risk with investors
- C. To support education and health programs
- D. To reduce inflation by controlling money supply
- E. To promote foreign trade agreements

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Catastrophe Bonds (Cat Bonds) are risk-sharing financial instruments that help governments or insurers raise emergency funds before disasters occur.
- If no disaster happens, investors earn interest.
- If a specified disaster (like an earthquake or cyclone) occurs, the issuer keeps the money to fund recovery and relief, and investors may lose their money.
- For India, Cat Bonds offer quick disaster relief funding, reduce pressure on government finances, attract private investment, and spread disaster risks globally, supporting climate resilience and disaster management goals.

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Ques: What new technology is set to redefine the global standard for measuring a "second"?

- A. Quantum Entanglement Clocks
- B. Caesium Atomic Clocks
- C. Optical Atomic Clocks
- D. Pulsar Timekeeping
- E. Satellite Synchronised Clocks

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Since 1967, the second has been defined by caesium atomic clocks, which measure time based on the vibrations of cesium-133 atoms.
- However, optical atomic clocks are about 100 times more accurate, stable over billions of years, and can detect minute changes in gravity.
- These clocks can count time with precision up to 18 decimal places, making them ideal for future technologies like advanced GPS, climate science, and fundamental physics.
- Scientists expect optical clocks to replace caesium clocks as the new global time standard by around 2030.

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Ques: Which company is set to become India's first private firm to offer satellite communication services using a locally-built geostationary satellite?

- A. Ananth Technologies Limited
- B. Larsen & Toubro
- C. Tata Advanced Systems
- D. Bharat Electronics Limited
- E. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Ananth Technologies Limited (ATL) is set to become India's first private company to offer satellite communication (satcom) services using an indigenously-built geostationary satellite.
- ATL has received authorization from IN-SPACe (Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre) based in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- The company plans to launch a 4-tonne GEO communication satellite by 2028, with a maximum data capacity of 100 Gbps.
- The satellite will be positioned 35,000 km above Earth, providing broadband-from-space services across India

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Ques: Who became the first Indian sprinter to run the Men's 100m in under 10.20 seconds?

- A. Gurindervir Singh
- B. Animesh Kujur
- C. Amiya Kumar Mallick
- D. Mohammed Anas
- E. Amlan Borgohain

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Animesh Kujur became the first Indian sprinter to break the 10.20-second barrier in the Men's 100 metres, clocking 10.18 seconds at the Dromia International Sprints and Relays in Vari, Greece.
- He surpassed the previous national record held by Gurindervir Singh.
- In the overall event standings, he finished third, behind Benjamin Richardson (10.01 seconds) of South Africa and Ali Anwar Al-Balushi (10.12 seconds) of Oman.
- Animesh Kujur also holds the national record in the 200m, with 20.32 seconds, set at the 2025 Asian Athletics Championships in South Korea.

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Ques: Where was India's first private Gati Shakti Cargo Terminal inaugurated recently?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Rajasthan
- C. Gujarat
- D. Madhya Pradesh
- E. Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India (DFCCIL) inaugurated India's first private Gati Shakti Cargo Terminal near Surat, Gujarat.
- The terminal is called the New Sanjali Terminal, developed by the Sawariya Shakti Group over 120 acres of private land.
- It is part of the Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal policy (Schedule-1) aimed at promoting private investment in logistics infrastructure.
- The terminal is strategically located between New Sanjali station (freight corridor) and Panoli station (Indian Railways).
- This initiative supports the Gati Shakti National Master Plan for enhancing multi-modal connectivity in India.

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Ques: Which Indian state launched the 'Mukhya Mantri Sehat Yojana' providing free and cashless medical treatment of up to Rs.10 lakh per year for every family?

- A. Haryana
- B. Delhi
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Punjab
- E. Bihar

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Punjab government launched the Mukhya Mantri Sehat Yojana, a universal health cover initiative.
- Under the scheme, every family in the state, regardless of income, will receive free and cashless medical treatment up to Rs.10 lakh per year.
- This is an increase from the earlier limit of Rs.5 lakh per family.
- The scheme will be operational from October 2, 2025.
- Camps will be organised across the state to enroll beneficiaries for the scheme.

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Ques: What is the purpose of the Broadcasting Infrastructure and Network Development (BIND) Scheme?

- A. To privatize broadcasting services
- B. To promote private radio stations
- C. To provide financial support to Prasar Bharati for infrastructure and content development
- D. To establish private news networks
- E. To regulate media advertisements

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Broadcasting Infrastructure and Network Development (BIND) Scheme is a Central Sector Scheme aimed at providing financial support to Prasar Bharati (which includes All India Radio (AIR) and Doordarshan (DD)).
- Cabinet Approves BIND scheme with an outlay of Rs.2539.61 crore.
- It covers infrastructure expansion, upgradation of broadcasting equipment, content development, and civil works related to broadcasting services.
- Under the scheme, an Akashvani Kendra will be established in Ujjain to enhance public broadcasting outreach.





Ques: Who won the 2025 PEN Pinter Prize for her writing on migration, faith, and the lives of women?

- A. Arundhati Roy
- B. Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- C. Leila Aboulela
- D. Margaret Atwood
- E. Jhumpa Lahiri

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Sudanese-Scottish author Leila Aboulela was awarded the 2025 PEN Pinter Prize.
- She was recognised for her powerful writing on themes like migration, religion, and the experiences of women.
- Her notable works include *The Translator* (1999), *Minaret* (2005), and *River Spirit* (2023).
- The PEN Pinter Prize, named after Nobel Laureate Harold Pinter, honors writers who show an "unflinching, unswerving" gaze upon the world.
- The award was established in 2009 and has previously been given to authors such as Salman Rushdie and Arundhati Roy.

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Ques : How Many mines received the Seven-Star Rating for sustainable mining practices from the Ministry of Mines in 2025?

- A. 4
- B. 5
- C. 1
- D. 2
- E. 3

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Mines conferred the Seven-Star Rating, the highest recognition for sustainable mining practices, to three mines in 2025.
- Naokari Limestone Mine of UltraTech Cement in Chandrapur, Maharashtra was awarded for exceptional green mining efforts.
- Noamundi Iron Ore Mine of Tata Steel in Jharkhand received the 7-star rating for its outstanding sustainability measures.
- Kammatharu Iron Ore Mine of Sandur Manganese & Iron Ores Limited in Karnataka was also honored with the Seven-Star Rating.
- In total, 98 mines were recognized in the ceremony: 3 with 7-star ratings and 95 with 5-star ratings.

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Ques: What is the name of the book authored by Arvind Yadav on the 14th Dalai Lama, set to be released in September 2025?

- A. Path of Peace
- B. Eternal Light
- C. Light of Wisdom
- D. The Lama's Legacy
- E. Spirit of Tibet

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Senior journalist and author Arvind Yadav has written a biography titled "Eternal Light: The Life and Times of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama."
- The book is scheduled for release in September 2025.
- It covers the life journey, teachings, and global influence of the Dalai Lama.
- The book also highlights Tibetan culture, the struggle for peace, compassion, and non-violence, central to the Dalai Lama's philosophy.

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Ques: Which state announced the development of Asia's largest jungle safari in the Aravalli Hills?

- A. Haryana
- B. Gujarat
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Madhya Pradesh
- E. Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Government of Haryana has announced the development of Asia's largest jungle safari in the Aravalli Hills.
- The project will cover 10,000 acres, with 6,000 acres in Gurugram and 4,000 acres in Nuh, Haryana.
- The aim is to boost eco-tourism and promote wildlife conservation.
- The Aravalli Range, one of the oldest mountain ranges in India, spans Haryana, Rajasthan, Gujarat, and Delhi, covering 1.15 million hectares.

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Ques: Who is the author of the book "Honest John: A Life of John Matthai"?

- A. Syloo Matthai
- B. Rajmohan Gandhi
- C. Bakhtiar K. Dadabhoy
- D. Jairam Ramesh
- E. Gurcharan Das

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The book "Honest John: A Life of John Matthai" is authored by Bakhtiar K. Dadabhoy.
- It chronicles the life of John Matthai, India's first Railway Minister and second Finance Minister after independence.
- The biography highlights his policy decisions, political contributions, and role in shaping India's early economy.
- The book also features a foreword by Syloo Matthai, providing a personal perspective on John Matthai's life and legacy.

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Ques: What is the title of the book written by retired Army officer S.N. Ahmed, paying tribute to the postcard era?

- A. Patra Ki Kahani
- B. Das Paise ka Postcard
- C. Yaadon ka Patra
- D. Antim Chitthi
- E. Sandeh Ka Safar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The book titled Das Paise ka Postcard has been authored by retired Army man S.N. Ahmed.
- It is a nostalgic tribute to the era when postcards were a primary mode of communication in India.
- The title reflects the price of a postcard (10 paise) during that time.

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Ques: Who inaugurated the ASMITA Weightlifting League in Modinagar?

- A. Anurag Thakur
- B. Smriti Irani
- C. Rajeev Chandrasekhar
- D. Mansukh Mandaviya
- E. Bhupender Yadav

Answer : Option D

Explanation:

- Union Sports Minister Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurated the ASMITA Weightlifting League at the Weightlifting Warriors Academy in Modinagar.
- The league is focused on promoting women's participation in weightlifting, with 42 girls competing in 8 weight categories over two days.
- Under the broader ASMITA initiative (Adolescent Girls' Sports Motivation Initiative), the government aims to organize 852 competitions in 15 sports disciplines in FY 2024-25, targeting 70,000 female athletes.
- Last year, 550 competitions were held with around 53,000 women participants.

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Ques: How many Medium Altitude Long Endurance (MALE) drones has India approved for procurement to enhance border surveillance?

- A. 47
- B. 60
- C. 78
- D. 100
- E. 87

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Indian government has fast-tracked the procurement of 87 MALE drones worth Rs.20,000 crore.
- These drones operate at medium altitudes (up to ~35,000 feet) and can fly for over 30 hours continuously.
- Their primary use includes Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR) and limited combat roles.
- The drones will be 60% indigenous, developed under the Make in India initiative.
- Previously, India relied on Israeli-made drones, but the new procurement boosts self-reliance in defense technology.

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Ques: According to Houlihan Lokey's report, which IPL franchise is the most valuable in 2024?

- A. Mumbai Indians
- B. Chennai Super Kings
- C. Royal Challengers Bengaluru
- D. Kolkata Knight Riders
- E. Punjab Kings

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- According to the Houlihan Lokey report, Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) became the most valuable IPL franchise in 2024, with a brand value of \$269 million.
- RCB surpassed other popular teams like Mumbai Indians and Chennai Super Kings in brand valuation.
- The overall IPL valuation rose to \$18.5 billion, with the brand value reaching \$3.9 billion.
- The significant increase in RCB's value is due to factors like increased viewership, sponsorship deals, and notably, their first IPL title win in 2024.

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Ques: Which country will become the 21st member of the eurozone by adopting the euro from January 1, 2026?

- A. Romania
- B. Bulgaria
- C. Serbia
- D. Hungary
- E. Poland

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The European Union ministers have granted final approval for Bulgaria to adopt the euro from January 1, 2026.
- Bulgaria will replace its current currency, the Bulgarian Lev, with the euro (EUR).
- This makes Bulgaria the 21st member of the eurozone, which is the group of EU countries using the euro as their official currency.
- The euro is the second most used currency in the world after the US dollar.
- Croatia was the most recent country to join the eurozone, adopting the euro on January 1, 2023.

About Bulgaria :

- Capital : Sofia
- Currency : Bulgarian Lev
- PM : Rosen Dimitrov Zhelyazkov

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Ques: Where will the 7th Regional Committee Meeting of ISA for the Asia-Pacific region be held in July 2025?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Kathmandu
- C. Dhaka
- D. Colombo
- E. Jakarta

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The International Solar Alliance (ISA) will conduct its 7th Regional Committee Meeting for the Asia-Pacific (APAC) region in Colombo, Sri Lanka, from July 15 to 17, 2025.
- The focus of the meeting is to accelerate solar energy deployment and promote investment-ready, scalable energy solutions in the Asia-Pacific region.
- The event will facilitate collaboration between governments, private sector leaders, and energy experts to develop innovative solar solutions for the future.
- This meeting is part of ISA's ongoing efforts to make solar energy affordable, reliable, and accessible across member countries.

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Ques: What is the name of the initiative launched by NESTS and UNICEF India to support holistic development among EMRS students?

- A. PRAGATI
- B. UDAAN
- C. TALASH
- D. GATI
- E. RISE

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- TALASH (Tribal Aptitude, Life Skills and Self-Esteem Hub) is a national initiative launched by the National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) in collaboration with UNICEF India.
- It supports the holistic development of students in Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) across 28 States and 8 Union Territories.
- The program includes psychometric assessments, career counselling, and life skills modules to empower tribal students with confidence, self-awareness, and career clarity.

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Ques: Whose 125th birth anniversary is being officially commemorated with a postage stamp and coin release from July 6, 2025 to July 6, 2027?

- A. Dr. Rajendra Prasad
- B. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
- C. Syama Prasad Mookerjee
- D. Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- E. Lala Lajpat Rai

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Department of Posts released a postage stamp and coin to mark the 125th birth anniversary of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee.
- The official two-year commemoration (2025–2027) was announced by the Ministry of Culture.
- Born on 6 July 1901 in Kolkata, Mookerjee was a noted educationist, barrister, and freedom fighter.
- He founded the Bharatiya Jana Sangh in 1951, which later evolved into the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).
- He was nicknamed "The Lion of Parliament" for his powerful speeches on national issues.

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Ques: What is the new condition set by the Bihar Cabinet for women to claim the 35% reservation in state government jobs?

- A. Age relaxation
- B. Minimum education qualification
- C. Domicile certificate mandatory
- D. Income ceiling
- E. Marital status proof

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Bihar Cabinet, chaired by CM Nitish Kumar, has made it compulsory for women to produce a Bihar domicile certificate to avail the 35% reservation in state government jobs, which was introduced in 2016.
- Earlier, women from outside Bihar could also apply under this quota.
- Now, only Bihar resident women will be eligible for the reservation.
- Women from other states can still apply but will be considered under the general category.
- Additionally, the Cabinet has approved setting up the Bihar Youth Commission to promote self-reliance, skill development, and employment among the youth

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Ques: What is the theme of World Population Day 2025 observed on July 11?

- A. Investing in Teenage Health
- B. Rights and Choices are the Answer
- C. Empowering youth for sustainable future
- D. Empowering young people to create the families they want in a fair and hopeful world
- E. Reproductive Health and Gender Equality

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The theme of World Population Day 2025 is “Empowering young people to create the families they want in a fair and hopeful world.”
- World Population Day was established in 1989 by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme.
- The United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution in December 1990 to continue observing this day annually.
- The first observance took place on 11 July 1990 in over 90 countries

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IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

Puri, a popular shrine and tourism destination in Odisha, would be transformed into a municipal corporation, according to Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi's announcement. Puri will join Bhubaneswar, Cuttack, Sambalpur, Berhampur, and Rourkela as Odisha's sixth municipal corporation.

The Kerala Fisheries department has awarded Kasaragod district the Fisheries department Excellence Award 2025, recognising its achievements in the fisheries sector under the Popular Fish Farming Project.

Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya kicksoff ASMITA Weightlifting League in Modinagar, Uttar Pradesh. ASMITA (Achieving Sports Milestone by Inspiring Women) is part of Khelo India's gender neutral mission Started in 2021.

Vidarbha Industries Power Ltd (VIPL), a 600 MW coal-based thermal project, was acquired by Adani Power Ltd (APL) for ₹4,000 crore. Located in Maharashtra's Butibori, Nagpur district, VIPL consists of two 300 MW domestic coal-fired facilities.

Priya Nair, who already serves as President of Unilever's Beauty and Well-Being division, will take over as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL) on August 1, 2025, the company revealed.

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Ques: Which company became the first to cross a \$4 trillion market valuation milestone?

- A. Nvidia
- B. Microsoft
- C. Apple
- D. Alphabet
- E. Amazon

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Nvidia became the first company to cross a \$4 trillion market valuation, marking a historic achievement in the tech and AI sectors.
- Nvidia's market cap is now approximately 75% of India's total equity market capitalization.
- It has a higher valuation than the total market cap of all countries except the US, China, Japan, Hong Kong, and India.
- In India, the top companies by market cap are Reliance Industries (\$240 billion), HDFC Bank (\$180 billion), and TCS (\$143 billion).

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI) for 2025-26?

- A. Rahul Vatts
- B. Sunil Bharti Mittal
- C. Gopal Vittal
- D. Abhijit Kishore
- E. Akash Ambani

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Abhijit Kishore, Chief Operating Officer of Vodafone Idea Ltd, has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI) for the term 2025-26.
- Rahul Vatts, Chief Regulatory Officer at Bharti Airtel, has been appointed as the Vice Chairperson of COAI.
- COAI is the industry body representing major telecom operators in India.
- COAI established in 1995 and headquarter in New Delhi.

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Ques: Which organisation recently authorised Starlink to operate broadband satellite services in India?

- A. ISRO
- B. TRAI
- C. IN-SPACe
- D. DoT
- E. BARC

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Starlink, owned by Elon Musk's SpaceX, has received approval from the Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (IN-SPACe) to operate its broadband satellite services in India.
- This is the second major clearance after the GMPCS (Global Mobile Personal Communication by Satellite) authorisation from the Department of Telecommunications (DoT).
- Starlink aims to provide high-speed internet connectivity in remote and rural areas where traditional mobile networks are not available.
- Earlier, concerns regarding security and ownership delayed the launch of Starlink services in India.

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Ques: When will the International Conference on ‘Reclaiming India’s Knowledge Legacy Through Manuscript Heritage’ be held?

- A. 5–7 August 2025
- B. 11–13 September 2025
- C. 2–4 October 2025
- D. 15–17 November 2025
- E. 25–27 December 2025

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Culture, Government of India, will organize the International Conference on ‘Reclaiming India’s Knowledge Legacy Through Manuscript Heritage’ from 11th to 13th September 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
- This first-of-its-kind, three-day hybrid conference will celebrate India’s ancient manuscript heritage and revive the guru–sisya tradition.
- The event commemorates Swami Vivekananda’s iconic speech at the Parliament of the World’s Religions on 11th September 1893, symbolizing India’s civilizational continuity.

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Ques: Which greenfield smart industrial city did Japan's Ambassador to India, Mr. Keiichi Ono, recently visit with a delegation of Japanese companies?

- A. Dholera SIR
- B. GIFT City
- C. Auric City
- D. Noida Electronics City
- E. Bengaluru ITIR

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Dholera Special Investment Region (Dholera SIR), located in Gujarat, is India's first greenfield smart industrial city under the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) project.
- The Japanese Ambassador to India, Keiichi Ono, led a delegation of top Japanese companies to Dholera SIR.
- The delegation was briefed about the Tata Electronics Semiconductor Fabrication Facility, which is being developed in partnership with Taiwan's Powerchip Semiconductor Manufacturing Corporation (PSMC).
- This semiconductor project is a crucial part of the Semicon India Programme, with over ₹1.54 lakh crore investments in Gujarat.

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Ques: Which Indian healthcare technology company has partnered with Telecom Egypt to develop a national digital healthcare platform in Egypt?

- A. Practo
- B. Tata Digital Health
- C. Medanta Digital Health
- D. 1mg Technologies
- E. KareXpert Technologies

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- KareXpert Technologies Private Limited, a Reliance Jio-backed healthcare technology company, signed an MoU with Telecom Egypt to develop and launch a national digital healthcare platform in Egypt.
- The agreement was signed during the Africa Health ExCon 2025 in Cairo, Egypt.
- The platform will be hosted on Egypt's secure national cloud infrastructure to ensure data sovereignty and privacy.
- Key features include a Hospital Information Management System (HIMS), Unified Electronic Medical Records (EMR), and Revenue Cycle Management tools, all designed to enhance healthcare access and operational efficiency in Egypt.

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Ques: Who is the only Indian content creator featured in the TIME 100 Creators List 2025?

- A. Jay Shetty
- B. Samir Chaudry
- C. Dhar Mann
- D. Prajakta Koli
- E. Michelle Khare

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- TIME Magazine published the first-ever TIME 100 Creators List in 2025, covering 15 countries and five categories: Titans, Leaders, Entertainers, Phenomena, Catalysts.
- Prajakta Koli, known for her popular YouTube and Instagram content, is the only Indian featured in the list under the Entertainment category.
- She has 7 million YouTube subscribers and 8 million Instagram followers.
- Additionally, four Indian-origin creators – Dhar Mann, Michelle Khare, Samir Chaudry, and Jay Shetty – were also featured in the list, though they represent other countries.

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Ques: Which city will host the ISSF Combined World Cup 2027 and Junior World Championships 2028?

- A. Mumbai
- B. New Delhi
- C. Hyderabad
- D. Bengaluru
- E. Chennai

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) has awarded India the hosting rights for two major shooting events : Combined World Cup in 2027 and Junior World Championships in 2028
- Both events will be held at the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range, New Delhi.
- New Delhi also hosted the ISSF World Cup Final in 2024 and the ISSF World Cup in 2021 before the Tokyo Olympics.

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Ques: Who recently resigned as the CEO of Elon Musk-owned platform X (formerly Twitter)?

- A. Sheryl Sandberg
- B. Jenna Ferrua
- C. Susan Wojcicki
- D. Omead Afshar
- E. Linda Yaccarino

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Linda Yaccarino, the CEO of X (formerly Twitter), has resigned unexpectedly.
- Her resignation came just months after Musk's AI company xAI took over X.
- The exit followed a controversy involving X's AI chatbot Grok, which posted anti-Semitic content.
- Other senior leaders from Musk's ventures, including at Tesla, also resigned recently, indicating broader leadership turbulence.
- Analysts cited differences in working style between Yaccarino and Elon Musk as a possible reason.

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Ques: Where did the Ministry of Tribal Affairs launch the first Regional Process Lab (RPL) under the Aadi KARMAYOGI – National Mission for Responsive Governance?

- A. Hyderabad
- B. Bhopal
- C. Bengaluru
- D. Ranchi
- E. Bhubaneswar

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Tribal Affairs launched the first Regional Process Lab (RPL) of the Aadi KARMAYOGI – National Mission for Responsive Governance in Bengaluru.
- This initiative aims to build a dynamic cadre of 20 lakh tribal grassroots functionaries and village-level leaders for last-mile governance delivery in tribal areas.
- The RPL will train State Master Trainers (SMTs) from Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, and Telangana.
- The mission promotes bottom-up governance, community leadership, and cross-ministry collaboration, aligning with flagship initiatives like PM-JANMAN and DAJGUA.
- A cascading training model will empower District Master Trainers (DMTs) and involve civil society organizations (CSOs) for participatory learning.





Ques: What is the purpose of Google's recently launched Agricultural Monitoring and Event Detection (AMED) API?

- A. To track global weather patterns
- B. To provide field-level crop monitoring and agricultural event detection in India
- C. To analyze stock market data for agri-businesses
- D. To monitor livestock activities in rural areas
- E. To provide subsidies directly to farmers

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Google launched the AMED (Agricultural Monitoring and Event Detection) API to provide field-level crop and agricultural event data across India.
- It uses satellite imagery and AI to map field boundaries and land use, and updates data every two weeks.

Key uses include:

- Crop monitoring (sowing, growth, health, harvest)
- Yield prediction
- Development of agri-tech tools for better farm management
- Helping financial institutions validate crop cycles for secure rural lending

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Ques: What is the bilateral trade target set between India and Brazil by 2030?

- A. \$10 Billion
- B. \$15 Billion
- C. \$20 Billion
- D. \$25 Billion
- E. \$30 Billion

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi set a target of \$20 billion bilateral trade with Brazil by 2030, up from the current \$12.2 billion.

Key highlights:

- Expansion of the Mercosur trade agreement to benefit Indian exporters
- Proposal to introduce UPI digital payments in Brazil
- Cooperation in sectors like agriculture, food processing, digital public infrastructure, and space technology
- PM Modi received Brazil's highest civilian honour – the Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross
- Additional discussions included visa liberalization, mineral resource access, clean energy, and Indian investments

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Ques: Indian Railways signed an MoU with DFCCIL for the installation of which modern system to monitor the health of rolling stock?

- A. Automated Brake Testing System
- B. Machine Vision Based Inspection System (MVIS)
- C. Infrared Fault Detection System
- D. Ultrasonic Track Inspection System
- E. Smart Coach Monitoring System

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Indian Railways has partnered with Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL) to install Machine Vision Based Inspection System (MVIS).
- MVIS is an AI/ML-powered wayside system that captures high-resolution images of the undercarriage of moving trains.
- It detects hanging, loose, or missing components and generates real-time alerts to prevent accidents or service disruptions.
- DFCCIL will procure, install, test, and commission 4 MVIS units, marking the first deployment of this technology in Indian Railways.
- This system will enhance safety, reduce manual inspections, and prevent potential accidents

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Ques: Who is known as “NASABlueberry” and is one of the strongest aspirants for NASA’s first human mission to Mars in the 2030s?

- A. Christina Koch
- B. Jessica Watkins
- C. Alyssa Carson
- D. Peggy Whitson
- E. Sunita Williams

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Alyssa Carson is a 24-year-old astrobiologist from the USA, widely recognised as a strong contender for NASA’s first human mission to Mars, planned for the early 2030s.
- She is popularly known by her NASA call sign “NASABlueberry.”
- In 2016, at the age of 15, she became the youngest graduate of the Advanced PoSSUM Space Academy, earning certification for suborbital research missions.
- She is currently one of the youngest astronauts-in-training and aspires to be among the first people to set foot on Mars.

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Ques: When was India's first-ever incentive scheme for e-trucks launched to promote clean freight mobility?

- A. 5 July 2025
- B. 11 July 2025
- C. 15 August 2025
- D. 1 September 2025
- E. 30 June 2025

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- On 11th July 2025, the Government of India launched the first-ever incentive scheme for e-trucks under the PM E-DRIVE initiative, led by Heavy Industries Minister H. D. Kumaraswamy.
- The scheme allocates Rs.500 crore specifically for electric trucks out of the Rs.10,900 crore PM E-DRIVE budget.
- It aims to deploy 5,600 e-trucks nationwide, covering N2 and N3 categories as per Central Motor Vehicle Rules (CMVR).
- Buyers get incentives ranging from Rs.2.7 lakh to Rs.9.6 lakh per truck, or 10% of the ex-factory cost, whichever is lower.
- To avail incentives, users must scrap an old diesel truck of equal or higher Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) via authorized scrapping centers.
- This shift is critical since diesel trucks (3% of fleet) contribute to 42% of transport-related greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

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Ques: From where did scientists recently extract 18–20 million-year-old enamel proteins from extinct mammal fossils?

- A. Lake Victoria Basin
- B. Great Rift Valley
- C. Lake Turkana Basin
- D. Congo Basin
- E. Sahara Desert

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Scientists extracted 18–20 million-year-old enamel proteins from extinct mammal fossils discovered in the Lake Turkana Basin, located in northern Kenya, near the border with Ethiopia.
- Lake Turkana is Africa's 4th largest lake and the world's largest permanent desert lake.
- The Omo River is the main source of inflow, contributing about 90% of the water.
- It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, known for its biodiversity and archaeological significance.

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Ques: Which city is hosting the 27th Eastern Zonal Council Meeting chaired by Amit Shah?

- A. Patna
- B. Kolkata
- C. Bhubaneswar
- D. Ranchi
- E. Raipur

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah is chairing the 27th Eastern Zonal Council Meeting in Ranchi, Jharkhand.
- The meeting involves 70 delegates from Jharkhand, Bihar, Odisha, and West Bengal.
- Key discussions include, Sexual offence investigations, Fast-track courts, Banking facilities in rural areas and Emergency Response Support System (ERSS)
- Inter-state issues such as assets & liabilities, coal royalty, Left-Wing Extremism (LWE) status, and water sharing with West Bengal are also on the agenda.
- Over 20 issues will be discussed, including health, electricity, roads, law & order, and cooperative systems.

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Ques: Which former MP and MLA from Gonda, known as the “UP Tiger,” recently passed away?

- A. Kunwar Anand Singh
- B. Raja Raghvendra Pratap Singh
- C. Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh
- D. Vir Bahadur Singh
- E. Rajnath Singh

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Kunwar Anand Singh, former Member of Parliament from Gonda and former MLA of Uttar Pradesh, passed away.
- He was popularly known as the "UP Tiger", reflecting his dominant role in eastern Uttar Pradesh politics, especially in Gonda district.
- He became king in 1964 after the death of his father, Raja Raghvendra Pratap Singh (a Swatantra Party MLA).
- He served as an MLA in 1964, 1967, and 1969, leaving a significant political legacy in the region.

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Ques: When is the International Day of Combating Sand and Dust Storms observed?

- A. 5 June
- B. 17 June
- C. 15 September
- D. 25 August
- E. 12 July

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- The United Nations General Assembly proclaimed 12 July as the International Day of Combating Sand and Dust Storms in 2023.
- Theme (2025): “Sand and Dust Storms: Working Across Agendas for Resilience and Sustainability”
- The UN has also declared 2025–2034 as the United Nations Decade on Combating Sand and Dust Storms to address the increasing environmental and health challenges caused by these storms.
- This day promotes global cooperation to reduce the risks and impacts of sand and dust storms.

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Ques: Why is 12th July observed as Malala Day?

- A. To celebrate women's right to vote
- B. To honor Malala Yousafzai's contribution to girls' education
- C. To recognize Nobel Prize winners from Pakistan
- D. To promote anti-terrorism awareness
- E. To commemorate International Literacy Day

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- 12th July is observed as Malala Day in honor of Malala Yousafzai, the Nobel Peace Prize recipient known for her advocacy of girls' education.
- Malala was born on 12th July 1997 in Mingora, Pakistan.
- In 2007, the Taliban took control of her city and banned girls from attending school.
- In 2009, she began blogging about life under Taliban rule.
- In 2012, she was shot in the head by the Taliban for her activism but survived.
- In 2013, TIME Magazine listed her among the most influential people in the world.
- Malala continues to be a global symbol of courage, education rights, and peace advocacy.

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Sachin Tendulkar's portrait was unveiled at the MCC Museum in Lord's, London. The painting was created by well-known British artist Stuart Pearson Wright.

The Government of Tamil Nadu, Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL), and IIT Madras have partnered to launch the Hyundai HTWO Innovation Centre at IIT Madras' satellite campus in Thaiyur, near Chennai.

Maharashtra declares Sarvajanik Ganeshotsav as state festival. Sarvajanik Ganeshotsav in Maharashtra was started by Lokmanya Tilak in 1893.

The Assam Cabinet approved the Assam Goods and Services Tax (Reimbursement for Indigenous Bell Metal Industries) Scheme, 2025. The bell metal workers of Sarthebari will pay the GST, and their SGST amount will be reimbursed to them.

Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, Union Minister of Communications and Minister for Development of North Eastern Region (DONER) inaugurated the VTU-VRIF-TCOE Hub and Spoke of Excellence in Bengaluru.

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Ques: As per SEBI norms, how much stake does the government need to offload in LIC to meet the 10% public shareholding mandate by May 16, 2027?

- A. 3.5%
- B. 10%
- C. 6.5%
- D. 5%
- E. 4.5%

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Currently, the Government of India holds 96.5% stake in LIC.
- In May 2022, the government sold 3.5% stake via an IPO, raising approximately Rs.21,000 crore.
- As per SEBI's minimum public shareholding norms, at least 10% of LIC shares must be held by the public by May 16, 2027.
- Therefore, the government needs to offload an additional 6.5% stake in LIC to meet this requirement.
- The Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) will decide the structure and timing of this disinvestment.

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:Ques: Who has been appointed as the Deputy Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) at State Bank of India (SBI) in 2025?

- A. Rekha Menon
- B. Ramesh Lakshminarayanan
- C. Shalini Warriier
- D. Ramesh Narayanan
- E. Babitha B P

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Babitha B P has been appointed as the Deputy Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) at the State Bank of India (SBI) in the rank of General Manager – Infrastructure Security & Special Projects.
- Previous Roles are Vice President of System Audit at Reserve Bank Information Technology (ReBIT) and Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) at CSB Bank
- This appointment strengthens SBI's leadership in cybersecurity and digital infrastructure protection.

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Ques : According to NPCI data for June 2025, which platform processed the highest number of UPI transactions in India?

- A. PhonePe
- B. Google Pay
- C. Paytm
- D. Amazon Pay
- E. BHIM

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- PhonePe processed 8.45 billion UPI transactions in June 2025, worth Rs.11.99 lakh crore.
- It captured 46.46% of the market share, making it the top UPI platform.
- Google Pay (GPay) was second with 6.54 billion transactions worth Rs.8.41 lakh crore, holding a 35.6% market share in volume.
- Combined, PhonePe and GPay handled 82.1% of total UPI volumes during this period.

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Ques : Why did the Reserve Bank of India impose a Rs.2.70 lakh penalty on Shriram Finance Limited in 2025?

- A. For KYC non-compliance
- B. For routing loan repayments through a third-party account
- C. For NPA misclassification
- D. For issuing loans without collateral
- E. For violating CRR norms

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Shriram Finance Limited violated provisions of the RBI (Digital Lending) Directions, 2025.
- The company routed loan repayments through a third-party account, instead of having borrowers directly repay to the company's account.
- This led to a Rs.2.70 lakh penalty under the RBI Act, 1934—specifically Section 58G(1)(b) read with 58B(5)(aa).
- In the exercise of its authority under Section 11(3) of the FEMA, 1999, the Reserve Bank of India fined HDFC Bank Ltd. Rs.4.88 lakh for breaking rules when issuing a term loan to a customer.

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Ques: Which bank recently withdrew the 'fraud' classification on Reliance Communications' loan account after a court stay?

- A. SBI
- B. Union Bank
- C. Canara Bank
- D. PNB
- E. Bank of Baroda

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Canara Bank informed the Bombay High Court that it has unconditionally withdrawn its earlier decision classifying Reliance Communications' (RComm) loan account as "fraudulent".
- The fraud tag was issued in November 2024, citing alleged fund diversion to group entities.
- The decision to withdraw the tag came after Anil Ambani, former director of RComm, challenged the classification, leading to a court stay in February 2025.
- As per Supreme Court and RBI guidelines, no loan account can be declared fraud without giving the borrower a personal hearing.
- The lender consortium to RComm includes Canara Bank, SBI, and Union Bank. While Canara Bank has withdrawn the tag, SBI may proceed to classify the account as fraud, which Anil Ambani is expected to challenge next.





Ques: Which state recently passed the Special Public Security Bill, 2024 aimed at curbing unlawful activities of Left-Wing Extremist organisations?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Telangana
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Jharkhand
- E. Odisha

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- On July 10, 2025, the Maharashtra Assembly passed the Maharashtra Special Public Security Bill, 2024.
- The law aims to prevent unlawful activities of Left-Wing Extremist (LWE) organisations and similar groups.
- It provides for punishment ranging from 2 to 7 years of imprisonment.
- Maharashtra has become the fifth state to enact such a law, following Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Odisha, and Jharkhand.

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Ques : Where was the Dholpur Science Centre inaugurated to promote innovation and scientific learning among youth?

- A. Jaipur, Rajasthan
- B. Dholpur, Rajasthan
- C. Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- D. Udaipur, Rajasthan
- E. Kota, Rajasthan

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh inaugurated the Dholpur Science Centre in Dholpur, Rajasthan, one of India's aspirational districts.
- The centre promotes STEM education, hands-on science learning, and innovation for school children and youth.
- It aligns with the government's 'Vigyan Setu' concept, which aims to connect scientific institutions with underserved regions and promote local entrepreneurship.

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LQues: Which of the following products from Bihar has NOT been added to the e-NAM platform recently?

- A. Shahi Litchi
- B. Marcha Rice
- C. Katarni Rice
- D. Kala Namak Rice
- E. Jardaalu Mango

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Government of India has recently added 7 products from Bihar to the e-NAM (National Agriculture Market) platform to promote online trading.
- Several of the listed products have GI tags, indicating their unique regional identity.
- Bihar has 20 mandis linked to e-NAM and 53 regulated market yards managed by the state.

The products added are:

- Marcha Rice
- Katarni Rice
- Jardaalu Mango
- Shahi Litchi
- Magahi Paan
- Banarasi Paan
- Sugarcane





Ques: What is the current FIFA ranking of the Indian men's football team as of June 2025, marking its lowest position in nine years?

- A. 127
- B. 135
- C. 94
- D. 120
- E. 133

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- The Indian men's football team has slipped to 133rd position in the latest FIFA rankings after losing two matches in June 2025.
- This is India's lowest FIFA ranking since December 2016, when it was ranked 135th.
- India's best-ever FIFA ranking was 94th in February 1996.
- In Asia, India is currently placed 24th out of 46 countries, with Japan leading at 17th rank.

Ranking of top 5 countries in FIFA rankings :

- 1 Argentina
- 2 Spain
- 3 France
- 4 England
- 5 Brazil

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Ques: Which Indian heritage site was recently inscribed as India's 44th UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2025?

- A. Kakatiya Rudreshwara Temple
- B. Maratha Military Landscapes of India
- C. Sacred Ensembles of Hoysalas
- D. Satpura Tiger Reserve
- E. Majuli River Island

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- At the 47th Session of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee in Paris (2025), the Maratha Military Landscapes of India were inscribed as India's 44th World Heritage Site.
- This site comprises a network of 12 strategic forts built between the 17th–19th centuries CE by the Maratha Empire, highlighting their military strategy, fort architecture, and terrain adaptability.

Locations covered:

- Maharashtra (11 forts): Salher, Shivneri, Lohgad, Khanderi, Raigad, Rajgad, Pratapgad, Suvarnadurg, Panhala, Vijaydurg, Sindhudurg
- Tamil Nadu (1 fort): Gingee Fort

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Ques: Who became the first batter to score 3,000 Test runs against India?

- A. Steve Smith
- B. Ricky Ponting
- C. Joe Root
- D. Alastair Cook
- E. Kane Williamson

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Joe Root of England has become the first batter in Test history to score 3,000 runs against India in red-ball cricket.
- This is only the third time in non-Ashes Test history that a player has scored over 3,000 runs against a single opponent.

The previous two instances are:

- Gary Sobers – 3,214 runs vs England
- Sachin Tendulkar – 3,630 runs vs Australia

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Ques: Which state has recently approved the Gaja Mitra Scheme to tackle human-elephant conflict?

- A. Karnataka
- B. Odisha
- C. Assam
- D. Kerala
- E. West Bengal

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Assam Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma, approved the Gaja Mitra Scheme to address human-elephant conflict.
- The scheme will be launched in eight high-risk districts of Assam.
- Under this initiative, community-based rapid response teams (with 8 local members each) will operate in 80 conflict-prone villages.
- Additionally, under the Prerona Aasoni Scheme, all Class 10 students appearing for the 2026 HSLC exams will receive a monthly allowance of Rs.300 through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

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LQues: Who won the 2025 United Nations Population Award in the individual category?

- A. Sunitha Krishnan
- B. Varsha Deshpande
- C. Kailash Satyarthi
- D. Vandana Shiva
- E. Aruna Roy

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Varsha Deshpande, a women's rights advocate from Satara, Maharashtra, won the 2025 United Nations Population Award (Individual Category).
- She is the Secretary of Dalit Mahila Vikas Mandal and is renowned for her activism to prevent sex-selective abortions and promote gender equality.
- Deshpande conducted sting operations to expose illegal prenatal sex determination practices in India, championing the cause of the 'save the girl child' movement.

About the Award:

- The UN Population Award was established in 1981 and first presented in 1983.
- It honours individuals/institutions for exceptional contributions to population and reproductive health issues.
- The award includes a gold medal, diploma, and cash prize.





Ques : Who inaugurated the new state-of-the-art office of MSTC Limited and launched the Upkaran E-Portal?

- A. Jyotiraditya Scindia
- B. H.D. Kumaraswamy
- C. Nitin Gadkari
- D. Piyush Goyal
- E. Rajnath Singh

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy (Ministry of Steel and Ministry of Heavy Industries) inaugurated the new office of MSTC Limited at Narojinagar, World Trade Center, New Delhi.
- Along with this, he also launched the "Upkaran E-Portal", aimed at connecting industry and innovation.
- The portal will support MSMEs and promote transparent and efficient trade in critical sectors.

About MSTC Limited :

- Established : 1964
- HQ : Kolkata, West Bengal
- CMD : Manobendra Ghoshal

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Ques: Which state will plant over 5 lakh saplings on 16th July to mark the Harela festival?

- A. Himachal Pradesh
- B. Uttarakhand
- C. Sikkim
- D. Assam
- E. Manipur

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Uttarakhand is set to create a new record by planting over 5 lakh saplings on 16th July 2025, to celebrate the Harela festival.
- Harela is a traditional festival predominantly celebrated in the Kumaon region of Uttarakhand and parts of Himachal Pradesh.
- The festival is celebrated three times a year : During Chaitra Navratri (March-April), Sharad Navratri (Ashwin month - September) and Shravan Harela, in the monsoon season (July)
- Harela marks the beginning of the sowing season and symbolizes prosperity, greenery, and new beginnings associated with the arrival of monsoon rains.

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Ques: What is the Indian government promoting as an alternative to Jhum cultivation in North-East India?

- A. Terrace Farming
- B. Organic Farming
- C. Settled Farming
- D. Mixed Farming
- E. Hydroponics

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Jhum cultivation is a slash-and-burn method of farming commonly practiced in North-East India. It causes deforestation, soil erosion, low fertility, and food insecurity.
- In Jhum, farmers shift fields every 2–3 years, leaving the land fallow to regain fertility.
- To address these issues, the Indian government is promoting settled farming by providing funds, plants, and support to encourage farmers to adopt permanent agricultural practices.
- A NITI Aayog working group has been set up to study Jhum cultivation in detail.
- Arunachal Pradesh has already seen a decline in Jhum cultivation area, from 3,088 sq km in 2000 to 1,551 sq km in 2010.
- Experts believe the transition from Jhum to settled farming will take time due to economic and environmental challenges.





Ques: What is the name of the operation launched by Uttarakhand Police to target individuals impersonating saints and cheating the public?

- A. Operation Dharmrakshak
- B. Operation Sadbhavana
- C. Operation Kalanemi
- D. Operation Shuddhi
- E. Operation Tapasya

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami directed the State Police to launch Operation Kalanemi.
- The operation targets fake saints and individuals impersonating sadhus, who cheat the public and exploit their religious faith.
- The name "Kalanemi" is derived from a demon in Hindu mythology, who disguised himself as a saint to mislead others.

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Ques : Which Indian state has collected the highest amount under the District Mineral Foundation (DMF) fund?

- A. Jharkhand
- B. Rajasthan
- C. Odisha
- D. Madhya Pradesh
- E. Chhattisgarh

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Odisha has collected the highest DMF fund amounting to Rs.31,324 crores, the most among all mineral-rich states.
- It is followed by Jharkhand – Rs.13,791 crores, Rajasthan – Rs.10,833 crores and Madhya Pradesh – Rs.8,605 crores
- The District Mineral Foundation (DMF) was established under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, amended in 2015, to promote sustainable development in mining-affected areas.
- DMF is currently implemented in 646 districts across 23 states.
- The Aspirational District Mineral Foundation Programme aims to align DMF funds with development goals under the Aspirational District and Block Programmes.

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Ques: Which three African World Heritage Sites were recently removed from UNESCO's List of World Heritage in Danger?

- A. Pyramids of Giza, Serengeti National Park, Timbuktu
- B. Abu Mena, Rainforests of the Atsinanana, Old Town of Ghadamès
- C. Great Zimbabwe, Kilimanjaro National Park, Okavango Delta
- D. Luxor Temple, Victoria Falls, Lalibela Churches
- E. Djenné Mosque, Bwindi Forest, Sahara Rock Art

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

• The UNESCO World Heritage Committee (2025) meeting in Paris removed three African sites from the List of World Heritage in Danger:

1. Rainforests of the Atsinanana (Madagascar):

- Inscribed in 2007 for its biodiversity
- Listed as “in danger” in 2010 due to illegal logging and threats to wildlife

2. Abu Mena (Egypt):

- Inscribed in 1979 as an ancient Christian pilgrimage site and cradle of monasticism
- Listed as “in danger” in 2001 due to structural damage from rising groundwater

3. Old Town of Ghadamès (Libya):

- Inscribed in 1986 for its desert architecture with mud-brick houses, covered pathways, and elevated walkways
- Listed as “in danger” in 2016 due to conflict, wildfires, and torrential rains





Ques : Who has been conferred the Chintha Raveendran Award for 2025?

- A. Bhalchandra Nemade
- B. Sarankumar Limbale
- C. Shanta Gokhale
- D. Laxman Gaikwad
- E. Namdeo Dhasal

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Sarankumar Limbale, a renowned Marathi writer and critic, has been awarded the Chintha Raveendran Award for 2025.
- The award ceremony was held at K.P. Kesavamenon Hall, Kozhikode, Kerala.
- The prize includes Rs.50,000 in cash, a memento, and a citation.
- The award is given in memory of Chintha Raveendran, known for his contributions to literature and social thought.

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Ques : With which organization has the Indian Navy signed an agreement to implement the National Maritime Domain Awareness (NMDA) Project?

- A. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- B. Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)
- C. DRDO
- D. Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
- E. Tata Advanced Systems

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Indian Navy has signed an agreement with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for the implementation of the National Maritime Domain Awareness (NMDA) Project.
- The project aims to strengthen maritime and coastal security through advanced data collection, analysis, and sharing across maritime stakeholders.
- The National Command, Control, Communication and Intelligence (NC3I) Network will be upgraded into the NMDA Network with AI-enabled software integration.
- The project will be executed on a Turnkey Basis and will be administered by the Indian Navy.

About Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL):

- Established : 1954
- HQ : Bengaluru, Karnataka
- CMD : Manoj Jain





Ques: What does France celebrate on Bastille Day?

- A. French Independence from Britain
- B. End of World War II
- C. Storming of the Bastille prison
- D. Coronation of Napoleon Bonaparte
- E. Signing of the Treaty of Versailles

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Bastille Day, celebrated on 14th July, is the national day of France.
- It commemorates the storming of the Bastille prison on July 14, 1789, which marked a turning point in the French Revolution.
- The Bastille symbolized royal tyranny, and its fall represented the people's revolt against King Louis XVI's rule, high taxes, food shortages, and inequality.
- The event led to the collapse of the French monarchy and the rise of modern democracy in France.

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Telangana has bagged the India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA) Industry Excellence Award 2025 under the category of State Leadership – Battery Manufacturing

After bilateral talks between PM Narendra Modi and Namibian President Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, Namibia has agreed to adopt India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) system by the end of 2025.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) provide \$100 million loan to IIFL Home Finance Limited to help more low-income families in India get access to affordable housing

Based in the Andhra Pradesh MedTech Zone (AMTZ), the World Health Innovation Forum (WHIF) has been chosen as the only international initiative to join the BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa) Plus (+) Manufacturing Working Group

Veteran Telugu actor Kota Srinivasa Rao passes away at 83. A former BJP MLA from Vijayawada, the senior actor, popularly known as Kota. Kota was conferred the Padma Shri by the Government of India in 2015

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Ques: Who has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the United States-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) in 2025?

- A. Mukesh Ambani
- B. Gautam Adani
- C. Kumar Mangalam Birla
- D. Natarajan Chandrasekaran
- E. Sunil Bharti Mittal

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Kumar Mangalam Birla, the Indian billionaire and Chairman of the Aditya Birla Group, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the United States-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF).
- He will also serve on the Executive Committee of the Board.
- His appointment is aimed at strengthening US-India bilateral dialogue, trust, and collaboration.
- USISPF is a non-profit organization that promotes strategic and economic partnerships between India and the USA.

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Ques: By what percentage did India's net direct tax collection fall between April 1 and July 10, 2025?

- A. 1.3%
- B. 0.5%
- C. 2.7%
- D. 3.8%
- E. 4.5%

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- According to the Income Tax Department, India's net direct tax collection fell by 1.3% between April 1 and July 10, 2025.
- Key Reasons for the Decline are 4% drop in corporate tax collection (Rs.2.00 lakh crore vs Rs.2.07 lakh crore last year) and 38% rise in refunds (Rs.1.02 lakh crore vs Rs.0.74 lakh crore last year)
- Non-corporate tax collections remained stable at Rs.3.45 lakh crore.
- The government has set a Rs.25.20 lakh crore target for FY25, aiming for 12.35% growth over FY24.
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman highlighted the importance of voluntary compliance and a simplified tax system.

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Ques: The RBI's draft norms for the closure of shipping bills in EDPMS allow relaxed procedures for bills of what maximum value per shipping bill?

- A. Rs.5 lakh
- B. Rs.10 lakh
- C. Rs.15 lakh
- D. Rs.20 lakh
- E. Rs.25 lakh

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued draft guidelines for the closure of shipping bills in the Export Data Processing and Monitoring System (EDPMS).
- The EDPMS was introduced in February 2014 by the RBI to monitor realisation of export proceeds.
- These norms are meant to simplify compliance related to small-value exports.
- Under the draft rules, Authorised Dealer Category-I (AD) banks can follow a relaxed procedure for shipping bills valued up to Rs.10 lakh per bill (or equivalent in foreign currency).
- Exporters can provide a self-declaration for the realisation of proceeds and any reduction in the declared export value.
- These declarations are to be obtained on a quarterly basis.
- No penalties will be imposed for delays under this relaxation.
- The draft norms are issued under Sections 10(4) and 11(1) of FEMA, 1999.





Ques: As per recent government and RBI discussions, how many Indian banks are currently ranked among the top 100 global banks by total assets?

- A. 1
- B. 5
- C. 3
- D. 4
- E. 2

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- As per the latest discussions between the Government of India and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), currently two Indian banks are ranked in the top 100 global banks by total assets.
- These are State Bank of India (SBI) – Ranked 43rd and HDFC Bank – Ranked 73rd
- The government and RBI are exploring allowing NBFCs to enter banking, and merging existing public sector banks (PSBs) to create globally competitive large banks.
- The broader goal is to help India become the 3rd largest economy by 2027–28, and have at least two Indian banks in the global top 10.
- In 2019, the government reduced the number of PSBs from 27 to 12 by merging 10 banks into 4.
- Other current stats: India has 12 PSBs, 21 private banks, 11 small finance banks, 44 foreign banks, and 5 payment banks.

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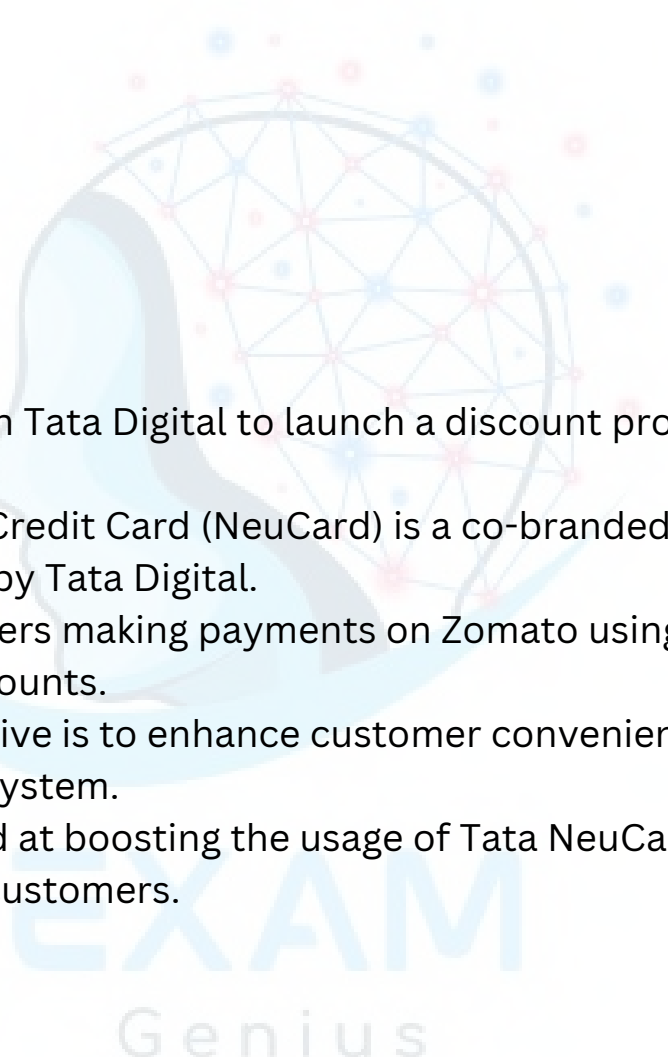
Ques: Which two companies have partnered to offer discounts to Tata NeuCard users on Zomato orders?

- A. Swiggy & ICICI Bank
- B. Zomato & Paytm
- C. Zomato & HDFC Bank
- D. Zomato & Tata Digital
- E. HDFC Bank & PhonePe

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Zomato has partnered with Tata Digital to launch a discount programme for Tata NeuCard users.
- The Tata Neu HDFC Bank Credit Card (NeuCard) is a co-branded card issued by HDFC Bank and supported by Tata Digital.
- Under this partnership, users making payments on Zomato using the NeuCard will get select promotional discounts.
- The objective of the initiative is to enhance customer convenience and strengthen Tata Digital's payment ecosystem.
- This collaboration is aimed at boosting the usage of Tata NeuCard while offering added benefits to Zomato customers.





Ques: Where did ISRO conduct the short-duration hot tests of the Gaganyaan Service Module Propulsion System (SMPS)?

- A. Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota
- B. ISRO Propulsion Complex, Mahendragiri
- C. Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram
- D. Space Applications Centre, Ahmedabad
- E. U R Rao Satellite Centre, Bengaluru

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- ISRO successfully conducted two short-duration hot tests of the Gaganyaan Service Module Propulsion System (SMPS) at the ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC), Mahendragiri, Tamil Nadu.
- The tests lasted 30 seconds and 100 seconds, validating the propulsion system's performance.
- The SMPS includes 5 Liquid Apogee Motors (LAM) and 16 Reaction Control System (RCS) thrusters.
- The Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre (LPSC), Thiruvananthapuram, is leading the project.
- The Gaganyaan Mission is scheduled for launch in 2027, with the goal of sending Indian astronauts into Low Earth Orbit (LEO).

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Ques: Which Indian agency carried out the rescue operation for the U.S. sailing vessel 'Sea Angel' near Andaman & Nicobar Islands?

- A. Indian Navy
- B. Indian Coast Guard
- C. National Disaster Response Force
- D. Indian Air Force
- E. Shipping Corporation of India

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) conducted a rescue operation for the U.S. sailing vessel 'Sea Angel', which was stranded approximately 52 nautical miles southeast of Indira Point, Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
- The ICG ship Rajveer was deployed, which established communication with the stranded crew and conducted an on-site assessment of the situation.
- The stranded yacht was safely towed and escorted to Campbell Bay Harbour, ensuring the safety of the crew and the vessel.

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Ques: Recently, how much worth of transformative projects were inaugurated by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in Meghalaya?

- A. Rs.987.81 crore
- B. Rs.2,087 crore
- C. Rs.5,400 crore
- D. Rs.1,500 crore
- E. Rs.1,087.81 crore

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman recently inaugurated and laid foundation stones for various projects in Meghalaya, totaling Rs.1,087.81 crore.
- The event was held at LARITI – International Centre for Performing Arts and Culture, Shillong.
- She also praised Meghalaya for the efficient utilization of Rs.5,400 crore allocated under the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment.
- Achievements highlighted includes 540+ km of roads constructed since 2014 and Fivefold increase in optical fiber coverage
- Successful implementation of schemes like Jal Jeevan Mission, PM Awas Yojana, PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana, and Swachh Bharat Mission.
- CM Conrad K. Sangma emphasized that her visit is crucial for addressing local issues and planning for future development.

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Ques: According to Forbes America's Richest Immigrants 2025 report, which country is the top source of immigrant billionaires in the USA?

- A. China
- B. Israel
- C. Taiwan
- D. India
- E. Germany

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- India has emerged as the top country of origin for immigrant billionaires in the USA, with 12 India-born billionaires in the Forbes America's Richest Immigrants 2025 report.
- This is an increase from 7 Indian-origin billionaires in 2022.
- Jay Chaudhry, CEO of Zscaler, is the only Indian-origin billionaire in the Top 10, ranked 8th, with a net worth of USD 17.9 billion.
- The report covers 125 foreign-born billionaires from 43 countries, holding about USD 1.3 trillion, which is 18% of America's total billionaire wealth.
- The USA continues to be the global billionaire capital with 902 billionaires, holding a combined wealth of USD 6.8 trillion.
- India overtook Israel and Taiwan to become the No.1 source of immigrant billionaires in the USA.

Rank of Top 5 Immigrant Billionaires in USA in 2025 :

- 1 Elon Musk (South Africa)
- 2 Sergey Brin (Russia)
- 3 Jensen Huang (Taiwan)
- 4 Thomas Peterffy (Hungary)
- 5 Miriam Adelson and Family (Israel)
- 8 Jay Chaudhry (India)



Ques: What is the name of the new smart card being introduced by Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC) to provide free bus travel to verified women and transgender residents?

- A. Shakti Card
- B. Mahila Mobility Card
- C. Saheli Smart Card
- D. Dilli Travel Pass
- E. Freedom Pass

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC) is set to replace the existing pink ticket system with the 'Saheli Smart Card' for free bus travel.
- The Saheli Smart Card will be mandatory for women and transgender individuals aged 12 years or older to continue availing free rides in DTC and Cluster buses.
- This new system is intended to ensure that only verified Delhi residents benefit from the free travel scheme.
- The previous pink ticket system, introduced in 2019 by the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) government, did not require any ID or residence proof.
- The Saheli Card aims to bring more accountability and targeted benefits to Delhi residents.

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Ques : Who among the following is NOT one of the four personalities recently nominated by President Droupadi Murmu to the Rajya Sabha in 2025?

- A. Ujjwal Deorao Nikam
- B. Harsh Vardhan Shringla
- C. C Sadanandan Master
- D. Dr Meenakshi Jain
- E. Raghuram Rajan

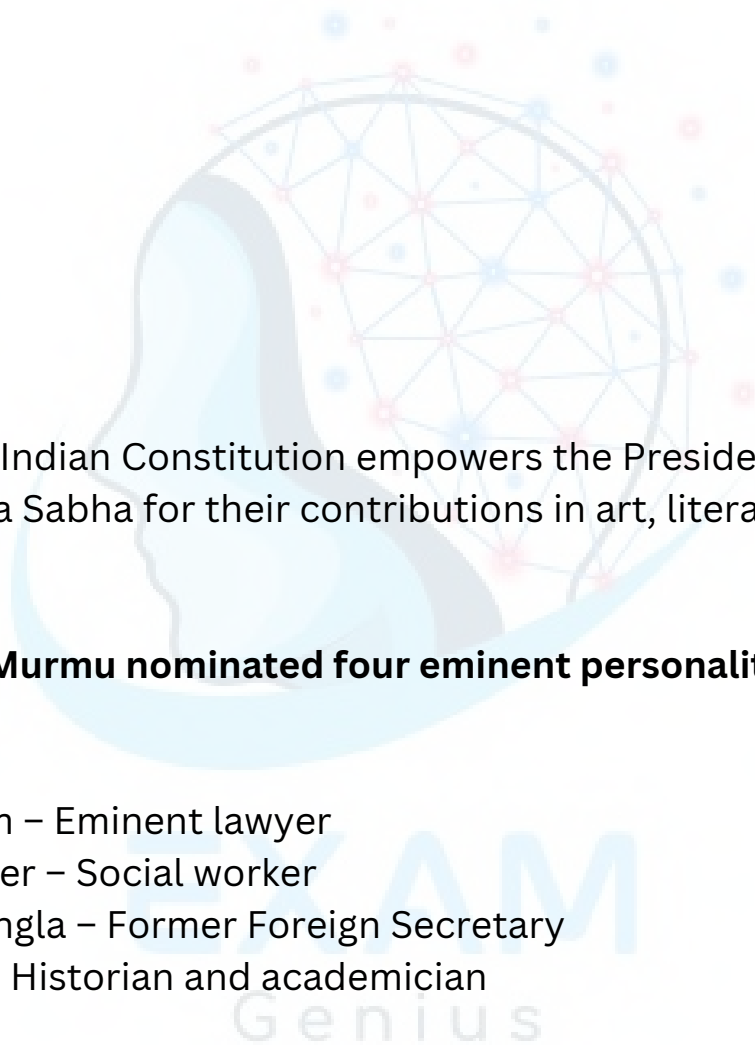
Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Article 80 (3) of the Indian Constitution empowers the President to nominate 12 members to the Rajya Sabha for their contributions in art, literature, science, and social service.

President Droupadi Murmu nominated four eminent personalities to the Rajya Sabha in 2025:

- Ujjwal Deorao Nikam – Eminent lawyer
- C Sadanandan Master – Social worker
- Harsh Vardhan Shringla – Former Foreign Secretary
- Dr Meenakshi Jain – Historian and academician





Ques: How much subsidy has the Indian government proposed to boost rare earth magnets production?

- A. Rs.1,000 crore
- B. Rs.1,200 crore
- C. Rs.1,345 crore
- D. Rs.1,500 crore
- E. Rs.1,245 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Government of India has announced a Rs.1,345 crore subsidy scheme to promote rare earth magnet production.
- The scheme will enhance India's capabilities in critical mineral technologies and promote self-reliance.
- The announcement was made by Kamran Rizvi, Secretary, Ministry of Heavy Industry, during a function in New Delhi.

Purpose of the scheme:

- To support the conversion of rare earth oxides into magnets, essential for electric vehicles (EVs) and advanced technologies.
- To establish processing facilities and reduce India's reliance on imports, particularly from China, which currently dominates global supply chains.





Ques: What is the name of India's first indigenous Beyond Visual Range Air-to-Air Missile (BVRAAM) successfully test-fired by DRDO and the Indian Air Force?

- A. Agni Air
- B. Astra
- C. Akash
- D. Trishul
- E. Varunastra

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Astra is India's first indigenous Beyond Visual Range Air-to-Air Missile (BVRAAM), successfully test-fired by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Indian Air Force (IAF).
- The test included the use of an indigenously developed Radio Frequency (RF) seeker, proving its precision and technological reliability.
- Astra is designed to engage enemy aircraft beyond line-of-sight, with a strike range of over 100 km.
- It is currently integrated with the Su-30 MKI and planned for use with other platforms like Tejas, Mirage-2000, and MiG-29 (future upgrades).
- The missile is jointly developed by DRDO, IAF, and Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), contributing to India's strategic defense capabilities.

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Ques: Where was the 11th India Maize Summit held, and what is the maize production target set for 2047?

- A. Mumbai; 50 million tonnes
- B. New Delhi; 86 million tonnes
- C. Hyderabad; 75 million tonnes
- D. Bengaluru; 60 million tonnes
- E. Kolkata; 90 million tonnes

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The 11th India Maize Summit was held in New Delhi.
- It was organized by FICCI in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Maize Research (IIMR).
- The event was inaugurated by Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan.
- The current maize production in India is 42.3 million tonnes.
- The target is to increase maize production to 86 million tonnes by 2047, as part of long-term agricultural growth plans.

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Ques : Which new online portal has been launched by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities for DDRS and DDRC proposals?

- A. grants-msje.gov.in
- B. grants.depwd.gov.in
- C. e-sarthi.gov.in
- D. divyangportal.gov.in
- E. ddrs-online.gov.in

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) has launched a new dedicated portal: <https://grants.depwd.gov.in>.
- It is for submitting and processing proposals under the Deendayal Divyangjan Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS) and the District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRC) Scheme.
- The old e-Anudaan portal (grants-msje.gov.in) has been discontinued for DDRS and DDRC-related processes.
- DDRS provides financial assistance to voluntary organizations working for the education and rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
- The scheme started in 1999 and was revised and renamed in 2003.

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Ques: Till which date has the tenure of Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan been extended?

- A. 30 September 2024
- B. 31 December 2025
- C. 22 August 2026
- D. 23 August 2024
- E. 1 January 2026

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Govind Mohan, a 1989-batch IAS officer of the Sikkim cadre, is the current Union Home Secretary.
- His tenure, which was initially set to end on 30 September 2024, has now been extended till 22 August 2026.
- He took over as Union Home Secretary on 23 August 2024, after serving as the Culture Secretary.
- Normally, the Home Secretary's term is for two years, but exceptions like this extension are sometimes made for administrative continuity.

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Ques: Who has been conferred with the ‘Hem Bahadur Malla Award 2080’ in Nepal?

- A. Hari Prasad Sharma
- B. Kalyan Shrestha
- C. Prakashman Singh Raut
- D. Sushila Karki
- E. Deepak Raj Joshee

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The ‘Hem Bahadur Malla Award 2080’ has been conferred on Kalyan Shrestha, the former Chief Justice of Nepal.
- The award was presented by the current Chief Justice Prakashman Singh Raut at a ceremony held in Kathmandu.
- The award includes a cash prize of NPR 200,000 and a certificate of honour.
- Kalyan Shrestha served as the 25th Chief Justice of Nepal, known for his contributions to the country’s judiciary.

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Ques: Where was the Uttar Pradesh Agritech Innovation Hub and the Agritech Startup & Technology Showcase inaugurated?

- A. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture & Technology, Meerut
- B. Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
- C. IIT Kanpur
- D. Lucknow University
- E. CSA University of Agriculture, KanPur

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The Uttar Pradesh Agritech Innovation Hub and the Agritech Startup & Technology Showcase was inaugurated at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture and Technology (SVPUAT), Meerut.
- The inauguration was done by Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and Minister of State for Education & Skill Development Jayant Chaudhary.
- The hub aims to transform farmers into entrepreneurs by promoting tech-enabled agriculture.
- The Meerut facility will serve as a regional hub for agricultural technology, with technical support from IIT Ropar.
- This initiative is expected to boost innovation, startups, and agritech solutions in Uttar Pradesh.

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Ques: Recently, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman launched infrastructure projects worth how much in Meghalaya?

- A. Rs.800 crore
- B. Rs.1,000 crore
- C. Rs.1,200 crore
- D. Rs.1,500 crore
- E. Rs.2,000 crore

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman launched and laid foundation stones for infrastructure and development projects worth over Rs.1,500 crore in Meghalaya.

Key projects included:

- 72 digital libraries
- Umiam Lake redevelopment project worth Rs.99.99 crore under the SASCI Scheme to promote tourism and conservation
- Mawkhan Football Stadium with Rs.732 crore allocation and a capacity of 40,000 spectators
- MICE Infrastructure (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences & Exhibitions) at Mawkhan worth Rs.99.99 crore to boost business tourism
- Working Women's Hostels in Shillong, Jowai, Byrnihat & Tura worth Rs.132 crore for safe and affordable accommodation
- CBIC Integrated Complex at Umsawli to streamline tax and customs operations





Ques: Who won the Wimbledon 2025 Men's Singles Title?

- A. Carlos Alcaraz
- B. Novak Djokovic
- C. Alexander Zverev
- D. Jannik Sinner
- E. Daniil Medvedev

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- World No.1 Jannik Sinner won the Wimbledon 2025 Men's Singles Title, defeating two-time defending champion Carlos Alcaraz in the final.
- With this victory, Sinner becomes the first Italian player to win a Wimbledon singles title.
- This is Sinner's fourth Grand Slam title: 2024 Australian Open, 2024 US Open, 2025 Australian Open (title defense against Alexander Zverev) and 2025 Wimbledon (his first grass-court major win)

In other Wimbledon 2025 highlights:

- Cash-Glasspool became the first all-British pair since 1936 to win the men's doubles title.
- Kudermetova and Mertens won the women's doubles title.
- Verbeek and Siniakova clinched the mixed doubles title.





Ques: What is the name of the security operation launched by the Indian Army for the safe conduct of the Amarnath Yatra 2025?

- A. Operation Trinetra
- B. Operation Amarnath
- C. Operation SHIVA
- D. Operation Suraksha
- E. Operation Raksha

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Indian Army has launched Operation SHIVA 2025 to provide security during the Shri Amarnath Yatra in Jammu & Kashmir.
- Over 8,500 troops have been deployed due to increasing threats from Pakistan-backed terror outfits in the Kashmir region.
- Operation SHIVA is a high-altitude annual security operation, ensuring the safe and smooth conduct of the pilgrimage.
- The operation is conducted in coordination with the civil administration, Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs), and disaster response teams to maintain security and manage emergencies.

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Ques: Which two teams from Europe qualified for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 on the final day of the Europe Qualifiers?

- A. Scotland and Netherlands
- B. Germany and Italy
- C. Italy and Netherlands
- D. Ireland and Scotland
- E. Germany and Scotland

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- On the final day of the Europe Qualifiers for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026, Italy and the Netherlands secured their spots.
- Italy qualified for the first time ever in T20 World Cup history, advancing based on their superior net run rate.
- The Netherlands won their match to secure qualification.
- The 2026 ICC Men's T20 World Cup will be co-hosted by India and Sri Lanka.
- So far, 15 teams have qualified for the tournament.
- The remaining 5 spots will be filled by teams from the Asia EAP Qualifier (3 teams) and the Africa Qualifier (2 teams).

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Ques: Who won the Wimbledon 2025 Women's Singles Title?

- A. Amanda Anisimova
- B. Aryna Sabalenka
- C. Coco Gauff
- D. Iga Swiatek
- E. Elena Rybakina

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Iga Swiatek, world number 4, won her maiden Wimbledon title in 2025, defeating Amanda Anisimova with a dominant scoreline of 6-0, 6-0 in the final held in London.
- This victory marks Swiatek's sixth Grand Slam title overall and her first Wimbledon singles crown.
- She also achieved her 100th Grand Slam match win with this triumph.
- Swiatek becomes the first Polish player in history to win a Wimbledon singles title.
- The winner's prize money was £3,000,000 (approx. \$4.07 million USD), reflecting an 11% increase from 2024.

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IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

The Indian Institute of Public Health (IIPH), Hyderabad, along with its Bengaluru and Bhubaneswar campuses, has been granted the status of an institution, deemed to be a university

Railways has decided to install CCTV cameras in all coaches. The Union Minister for Railways gave the go ahead to install CCTV cameras in all 74,000 coaches and 15,000 locos.

The Rotary Club of Colombo West along with Rotary Club of Kochi west, marked seven years of its flagship medical initiative, 'Save a Kid's Life' in Colombo - launched in 2017.

Nigeria's former president, Muhammadu Buhari, who led Africa's most populous country from 2015 to 2023, died in London

The Arthunkal police station in Alappuzha has received the International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) 9001:2015 certification from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)

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Ques: What was India's Wholesale Price Index (WPI) inflation rate in June 2025?

- A. 0.39%
- B. 3.43%
- C. -0.13%
- D. 2.05%
- E. 2.31%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- In June, wholesale price inflation (WPI) decreased to (-) 0.13 percent due to deflation in food and fuel prices as well as a decrease in the cost of manufactured goods.
- In May, the WPI-based inflation rate was 0.39 percent. In June of last year, it was 3.43 percent.

Recent WPI-based Retail inflation in India :

- May 2025 : 0.39%
- April 2025 : 0.85%
- March 2025 : 2.05%
- February 2025 : 2.38%
- January 2025 : 2.31%

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Ques: What is the name of the new insurance sector index launched by Asia Index Private Limited?

- A. BSE Financial Index
- B. BSE Insurance Index
- C. BSE Banking & Insurance Index
- D. India Insurance Benchmark
- E. BSE Secure Index

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Asia Index Private Limited has launched the 'BSE Insurance Index' to track the performance of listed insurance sector companies.
- It is derived from the BSE 1000 index constituents, selecting those that belong to the insurance sector.
- The base value of the index is set at 1000, with the inception date as June 18, 2018.
- To prevent over-concentration, the weight of any single stock is capped at 25%.
- The index is reviewed and rebalanced semi-annually, in June and December.

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Ques: What is the name of the next-generation payment gateway launched by Computer Age Management Services (CAMS)?

- A. CAMSPay Payment Gateway
- B. CAMS ClickPay
- C. CAMSPay Direct
- D. CAMS SecurePay
- E. CAMS Express Gateway

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Computer Age Management Services (CAMS) has launched the 'CAMSPay Payment Gateway', a next-generation digital payment platform for Indian businesses.
- The gateway is accredited by Mastercard, VISA, and RuPay, ensuring compliance with global security standards.
- CAMSPay is developed in collaboration with Mylapay to enhance security features.
- RBL Bank serves as the BIN sponsor, facilitating smooth card processing and banking operations.
- The system supports over 5,000 transactions per second, making it suitable for high-volume enterprises and large-scale businesses in India.

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Ques: What was India's Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation rate in June 2025, marking a 6-year low?

- A. 2.10%
- B. 1.97%
- C. 2.82%
- D. 2.05%
- E. 3.00%

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India's CPI inflation (Retail inflation) for June 2025 was 2.10%, marking the lowest level in over 6 years.
- The last time inflation was this low was in January 2019, when it stood at 1.97%.
- In May 2025, CPI inflation was 2.82%, showing a sharp decline in June.
- Lower CPI inflation indicates slower price rise of consumer goods and services, which is crucial for economic stability and policy decisions.

Month-wise list of retail inflation :

- May 2025 : 2.82%
- April 2025 : 3.16%
- March 2025 : 3.34%
- February 2025 : 3.61%
- January 2025 : 4.31%

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Ques: How many services are now included in the updated Citizen's Charter of RBI as of July 1, 2025?

- A. 133
- B. 58
- C. 180
- D. 204
- E. 150

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The services provided to the public and regulated institutions have been combined into a single list of 204 services as part of the RBI's updated and consolidated Citizens Charter.
- The goal of the new charter, which went into effect on July 1, 2025, is to make banking services more accessible and quick for regular people.
- The Citizen's Charter is an open document that lists the services that RBI offers along with the estimated time of delivery.
- In the past, RBI services were divided into two sections :58 services under the "Citizen's Charter," and 133 services under "Regulatory Approvals"
- Additionally, the change has cut the duration of 11 services, which directly benefits customers.
- Out of the 204 services, 180 can be accessed through the PRAVAAH platform, 14 offline, and 10 through other portals including e-Kuber and the Auditor Allocation System (AAS).





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director and CEO of GIFT City Company Limited, Gandhinagar?

- A. Tapan Ray
- B. Sanjay Kaul
- C. Ramesh Chand
- D. Rajesh Kumar Singh
- E. Ajay Bhushan Pandey

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Sanjay Kaul, a 2001-batch IAS officer of the Kerala cadre, has been appointed as the Managing Director and CEO of GIFT City Company Limited, Gandhinagar.
- His tenure will be for three years or until further orders.
- He succeeds Tapan Ray, the outgoing MD and CEO.
- Previously, Sanjay Kaul served as the MD of Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited and Gujarat Informatics Limited.

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Ques: According to the 2024 Economic Impact Trends (EIR) Report, what is India's rank in Travel & Tourism sector contribution to GDP?

- A. 5th
- B. 6th
- C. 7th
- D. 8th
- E. 12th

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The 2024 Economic Impact Trends (EIR) Report was published by the World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTC), London, in collaboration with Oxford Economics.
- According to the report, India climbed to the 8th position in terms of Travel & Tourism sector contribution to GDP in 2024, moving up from 10th place in 2023.
- India's Travel & Tourism contribution stood at USD 231.6 billion.
- Globally, the Travel & Tourism sector contributed USD 10.9 trillion to the world's GDP in 2024.
- The sector also supported 357 million jobs worldwide, which accounts for 1 in every 10 jobs globally.

Ranking of Top 5 Largest Global Travel Economies in 2024-25 :

- 1 USA (USD 2,360 billion)
- 2 China (USD 1,300 billion)
- 3 Germany (USD 487.6 billion)
- 4 Japan (USD 297.0 billion)
- 5 United Kingdom (UK) (USD 295.2 billion)
- 8 India (USD 231.6 billion)





Ques: What is the objective of Project Janam Shakti, recently implemented in Ferozepur, Punjab?

- A. Provide free education to pregnant women
- B. Reduce maternal mortality and ensure better natal care
- C. Promote home-based deliveries
- D. Increase women's employment in healthcare
- E. Launch a nutrition drive for infants

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Project Janam Shakti is a healthcare initiative launched in Ferozepur district of Punjab, aiming to reduce maternal mortality and ensure quality natal care for pregnant women.
- In 2024-25, Ferozepur recorded a maternal mortality rate (MMR) of 440, significantly higher than the Punjab state average of 105.
- The project is supported by JHPIEGO (Johns Hopkins Program for International Education in Gynecology and Obstetrics), a US-based global health nonprofit.

Outcomes so far:

- Maternal deaths reduced to 0–1 per month (from 2–5 per month earlier).
- Home deliveries dropped from 308 (2023-24) to 4 (2024-25), and just 1 until June 2025.





Ques: Which football club won the FIFA Club World Cup 2025 by defeating PSG 3-0 in the final?

- A. Real Madrid
- B. Chelsea
- C. Manchester City
- D. Bayern Munich
- E. AC Milan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Chelsea (England) defeated Paris Saint-Germain (PSG) (France) 3-0 to win the FIFA Club World Cup 2025.
- The final was held at MetLife Stadium, New Jersey, USA.
- The 21st FIFA Club World Cup (2025) was hosted by the United States.
- For the first time, 32 football clubs from six continents participated, making it the largest edition of the tournament.

About FIFA Club World Cup :

- Started : 2000
- Organised by : FIFA
- Most winner : Real Madrid of Spain has won the tournament five times (2014, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2022)
- Last winner : Manchester City (England) (2023)





Ques: Which institute has signed an MoU with the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) to launch an 8-week Professional Development Program in Cybersecurity?

- A. IIT Delhi
- B. IIIT Hyderabad
- C. BITS Pilani
- D. NIT Trichy
- E. IISc Bengaluru

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has partnered with Birla Institute of Technology and Science Pilani (BITS Pilani) to launch an 8-week Professional Development Program in Cybersecurity.
- The program is designed for professionals from the government sector, PSUs, and the private sector.
- The course will be conducted through BITS Pilani's Centre for Research Excellence in National Security (CRENS) at its Hyderabad campus (Telangana).
- Rapifuzz Private Limited is the technology partner for the program.
- The training is guided by the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) and will be delivered in a hybrid mode (online + offline).

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Ques: What is the name of the recent military drill conducted by the Indian Army in Meerut focusing on modern warfare technologies?

- A. Vajra Shakti
- B. Prachand Shakti
- C. Garuda Shakti
- D. Shatrujeet Shakti
- E. Sudarshan Shakti

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Indian Army conducted a military exercise titled 'Prachand Shakti' in Meerut.
- It was organised by the Charging RAM Division at the Kharga Corps Field Training Area.
- The drill showcased new-age warfare capabilities, including UAVs, AI-driven systems, loitering munitions, and autonomous platforms.
- This was part of the Army's 'Year of Tech Absorption' initiative, reflecting its commitment to technological transformation and modern battlefield readiness.

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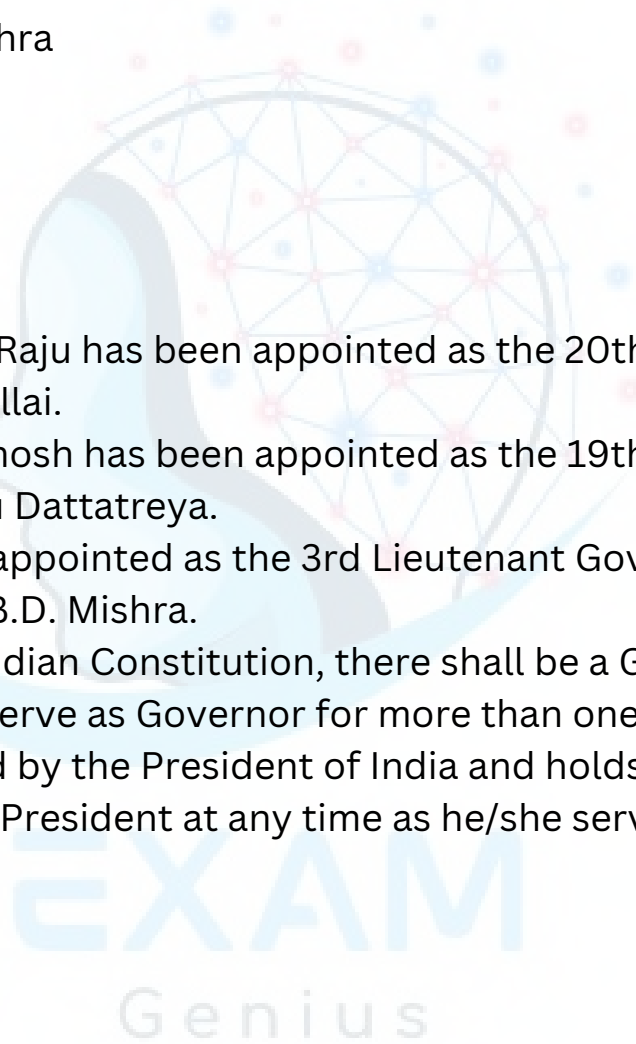
Ques: Who has been appointed as the 20th Governor of Goa, replacing P S Sreedharan Pillai?

- A. Kavinder Gupta
- B. Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju
- C. Professor Ashim Kumar Ghosh
- D. Bandaru Dattatreya
- E. Brigadier (Retd.) B.D. Mishra

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju has been appointed as the 20th Governor of Goa, replacing P S Sreedharan Pillai.
- Professor Ashim Kumar Ghosh has been appointed as the 19th Governor of Haryana, replacing Bandaru Dattatreya.
- Kavinder Gupta has been appointed as the 3rd Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, replacing Brigadier (Retd.) B.D. Mishra.
- As per Article 153 of the Indian Constitution, there shall be a Governor in every state, and one person can serve as Governor for more than one state.
- The Governor is appointed by the President of India and holds office for five years, but can be removed by the President at any time as he/she serves at the pleasure of the President.





Ques: Which military exercise is India participating in along with 18 other nations, led by Australia, that began on July 13, 2025?

- A. Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC)
- B. Talisman Sabre 2025
- C. Cobra Gold
- D. Pitch Black
- E. Malabar Exercise

Answer: Option B

- Talisman Sabre 2025 is the 11th edition of a major bilateral military exercise led by Australia, started on July 13, 2025.
- It is the largest bilateral military drill between Australia and the United States, held biennially since 2005.
- India is participating along with 18 other nations including Canada, France, Japan, Germany, the UK, etc.
- Malaysia and Vietnam are attending as observers.
- The exercise takes place at multiple locations across Australia and offshore zones using both Defence and non-Defence areas.

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Ques: Where is the 2nd BIMSTEC Ports Conclave being held in July 2025?

- A. Kolkata
- B. Visakhapatnam
- C. Chennai
- D. Colombo
- E. Bangkok

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The 2nd BIMSTEC Ports Conclave is being held in Visakhapatnam on 14th and 15th July 2025.
- The event is part of India's effort to strengthen regional maritime connectivity and cooperation within the BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) framework.
- Theme: "Navigating the Future: Blue Economy, Innovation and Sustainable Partnerships"
- The conclave was inaugurated by Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal, who handles the Ports, Shipping, and Waterways Ministry.
- Delegates from all BIMSTEC member countries (Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Thailand) participated.
- The first BIMSTEC Ports Conclave was also held in Visakhapatnam in November 2019, under the theme "The Blue Seas Synergy Summit."





Ques: Who has become the first woman Director General of the Railway Protection Force (RPF)?

- A. Archana Ramasundaram
- B. Sonali Mishra
- C. Rekha Sharma
- D. Kiran Bedi
- E. Smita Sabharwal

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Sonali Mishra, a 1993 batch IPS officer from the Madhya Pradesh cadre, has become the first woman Director General (DG) of the Railway Protection Force (RPF).
- Her appointment was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.
- She will serve as DG, RPF, until her superannuation on October 31, 2026.
- Sonali Mishra will succeed Manoj Yadava, who will retire on July 31, 2025.
- The RPF is a central armed police force responsible for the security of railway passengers, passenger areas, and railway property across India.

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Ques: Which company recently received final regulatory approval from IN-SPACe to offer commercial satellite broadband services in India?

- A. OneWeb
- B. Jio-SES JV
- C. Starlink Satellite Communications Pvt. Ltd.
- D. Hughes Communications
- E. Viasat

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Starlink Satellite Communications Pvt. Ltd. (SSCPL), owned by Elon Musk, has received final regulatory approval from IN-SPACe (Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre).
- The approval allows Starlink to operate its Starlink Gen1 satellite constellation in India, which includes 4,408 Low Earth Orbit (LEO) satellites operating at 540–570 km altitude and 600 Gbps broadband capacity over India
- The license is valid for 5 years.
- Starlink is now the third satcom operator in India with full approval after Eutelsat OneWeb (Bharti Group-backed) and Reliance Jio-SES Joint Venture

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Ques: India has achieved what milestone in its energy transition journey, five years ahead of its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) target?

- A. 40% of electricity capacity from renewables
- B. 50% of installed electricity capacity from non-fossil fuels
- C. 100 GW solar power installed
- D. Net-zero emissions achieved
- E. 300 GW wind power capacity

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Reaching 50% of its installed electrical capacity from non-fossil fuel sources five years ahead of the goal set under its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to the Paris Agreement is a significant milestone in India's energy transition journey.
- This transformation has been made possible by flagship programs like PM-KUSUM, PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana, solar park development, and the National Wind-Solar Hybrid Policy.
- The nation must take a bold, inclusive, and technologically advanced approach as it works toward its goals of 500 GW of non-fossil capacity by 2030 and net-zero emissions by 2070.

Installed Electricity Capacity by Source as on 30.06.2025 :

- Thermal : 242.04 GW
- Nuclear : 8.78 GW
- Large Hydro : 49.38 GW
- RE : 184.62 GW

Fossil vs Non-Fossil Energy Share in Installed Capacity as on 30.06.2025

- Thermal : 242.04 GW
- Non-Fossil Fuel (RE+ LH+Nuclear) : 242.78 GW





Ques: Who was the 114-year-old marathon runner known as the “Turbaned Tornado” who recently passed away in a road accident?

- A. Milkha Singh
- B. Fauja Singh
- C. Gurbachan Singh Randhawa
- D. Sardar Singh
- E. Harbhajan Singh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Fauja Singh, the 114-year-old marathon runner, passed away in a road accident in Beas Pind near Jalandhar, Punjab.
- He was globally recognized as the world's oldest marathon runner.
- At the age of 100, he set eight world age-group records in one day at the Ontario Masters Association Fauja Singh Invitational Meet in Toronto, Canada.
- His biography is titled “Turbaned Tornado”.
- He was a torchbearer for the 2012 London Olympics and received the British Empire Medal (BEM) in 2015 for his contributions to sport and charity.

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Ques: What is the name of the next-generation Shinkansen train set to be introduced in the Mumbai-Ahmedabad Bullet Train Project in collaboration with Japan?

- A. E5 Shinkansen
- B. E6 Shinkansen
- C. E10 Shinkansen
- D. N700 Shinkansen
- E. E7 Shinkansen

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Mumbai-Ahmedabad Bullet Train Project is being developed using Japanese Shinkansen technology.
- Currently, Japan operates the E5 Shinkansen trains.
- The E10 Shinkansen is the next-generation train, and it will be introduced simultaneously in India and Japan as part of the strategic partnership.
- The project achieved a major milestone by opening the first section of the 21 km undersea tunnel between BKC and Thane.
- 310 km of viaduct construction has been completed along with 15 river bridges and 5 completed stations out of 12 planned.
- The 508 km corridor is under development, marking one of India's most advanced infrastructure projects.

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Ques: Which veteran actor-producer, known for films like Heera Panna, Roti Kapada Aur Makaan, and Kranti, recently passed away at the age of 79?

- A. Dheeraj Kumar
- B. Prem Chopra
- C. Dharmendra
- D. Raj Babbar
- E. Raza Murad

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Dheeraj Kumar, a veteran actor and producer, passed away at the age of 79.
- He worked extensively in both Hindi and Punjabi cinema.
- He went on to act in several notable films such as Heera Panna (1973), Roti Kapada Aur Makaan (1974), Sargam (1979), and Kranti (1981).
- He later became a successful television producer, known for creating several popular TV series.

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Ques: On which date was the National Cadet Corps (NCC) formally inaugurated in independent India?

- A. 26 January 1950
- B. 15 August 1947
- C. 15 July 1948
- D. 16 April 1948
- E. 1 July 1949

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The National Cadet Corps (NCC) of Independent India was formally inaugurated on 15 July 1948.
- The NCC Act came into existence on 16 April 1948, officially establishing the organization under the Ministry of Defence.
- The Girls Division of NCC was introduced in July 1949 to include women in this youth development initiative.
- The NCC aims to develop character, comradeship, leadership qualities, and ideals of service in the youth of India.

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Ques: Which state won the IESA Industry Excellence Award 2025 for State Leadership in Battery Manufacturing during the 11th India Energy Storage Week (IESW)?

- A. Telangana
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Gujarat
- D. Karnataka
- E. Odisha

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The 11th India Energy Storage Week (IESW) was held at the India International Convention & Expo Centre (IICC), Yashobhoomi, New Delhi.
- It is an international conference and exhibition organized by the India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA).
- Telangana received the IESA Industry Excellence Award 2025 in the category of State Leadership in Battery Manufacturing.
- During the event, IESA also launched the 'IESA India Hydrogen Report', projecting India's hydrogen demand to grow at a 3% CAGR, reaching 8.8 million metric tonnes per annum.
- According to the report, Odisha, Gujarat, Karnataka, and Andhra Pradesh together account for 82% of India's 9 MTPA green hydrogen capacity projects.





Ques: What is the theme of World Youth Skills Day 2025?

- A. Youth Empowerment through AI and Digital Skills
- B. Building Skills for a Better Future
- C. Skilling the Youth for Green Jobs
- D. Transforming Education for Skills Development
- E. Skills for Inclusive Growth

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- World Youth Skills Day is celebrated every year on 15 July.
- The United Nations General Assembly declared it in 2014 to highlight the importance of skills for employment, decent work, and entrepreneurship for youth.
- 15 July 2025 marks the 10th anniversary of World Youth Skills Day (WYSD).
- The 2025 theme is "Youth Empowerment through AI and Digital Skills", focusing on preparing youth for the technological future through AI and digital literacy.

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IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

JSW Energy Limited has been included in the FTSE4Good Index Series, recognizing its strong Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) practices

T-Hub, India's premier innovation incubator, launched the second cohort of its Orbit programme under the Atal Incubation Centre (AIC) T-Hub Spacetech Accelerator.

Meenakshi Ganesan took over as the Bureau of Indian Standards' (BIS) Deputy Director General (DDG) for the Southern Regional Office. As the DDG of BIS, Southern Region, she is the first female to assume the position.

This recently described skipper butterfly, *Zographetus mathewi*, is a member of the Hesperidae family. The new species bears the name of George Mathew, a well-known entomologist from India.

A MOU is anticipated to be completed next week, and a 20,000 square foot Skill Development Center will be built at the Aurangabad Industrial City (AURIC) in collaboration with the Confederation of Indian Industry.

Australian Foreign Minister Penny Wong announced the 34 recipients of this year's Maitri Grants, Fellowships and Scholarships.

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Ques: Which two Cyprus-based firms announced a Rs.10,000 crore investment in the Indian shipping industry in 2025?

- A. Maersk Line & COSCO
- B. Interiorient Navigation & Danship & Partners
- C. MSC Shipping & CMA CGM
- D. Evergreen Marine & HMM Co Ltd
- E. NYK Line & K Line

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Interiorient Navigation Co Limited and Danship & Partners Limited, two major shipping firms based in Cyprus, announced a Rs.10,000 crore investment in India's shipping industry in 2025.
- This is the largest Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the Indian shipping sector since the Government of India allowed 100% FDI in shipping in 2005.
- The investment announcement came after Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Cyprus in June 2025, strengthening bilateral trade and maritime cooperation.

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Ques: Which Taiwanese bank has recently applied to set up an IFSC Banking Unit in GIFT City?

- A. Fubon Bank
- B. Taiwan Bank
- C. E.SUN Bank
- D. Mega Bank
- E. CTBC Bank

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- CTBC Bank, Taiwan's largest privately owned bank, has applied to the International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) to set up an IFSC Banking Unit (IBU) in GIFT City, Gujarat.
- The bank plans to establish operations in Brigade Towers, GIFT SEZ area, with a space of over 3,100 sq. ft.
- This move follows the January 2025 approval from Taiwan's Financial Supervisory Commission for CTBC to expand into India.
- Other foreign banks such as Taipei Fubon Bank, Mashreq Bank (UAE), and Abu Dhabi Bank have also shown interest in setting up IBUs in GIFT City.
- As of March 2025, there are 29 IBUs in GIFT City, managing cumulative assets of \$88.5 billion.
- Taiwanese banks are focusing on India due to the growing electronics and semiconductor trade, positioning India as a strategic hub.





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Interim MD & CEO of Karnataka Bank?

- A. Srikrishnan Hari Hara Sarma
- B. Raghavendra Srinivas Bhat
- C. Sanjay Kaul
- D. Tapan Ray
- E. Rajesh KuLmar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Raghavendra Srinivas Bhat, who was serving as the Chief Operating Officer (COO) of Karnataka Bank, has been appointed as the Interim Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO).
- His term will be for three months or until the appointment of a regular MD & CEO, whichever is earlier.
- He replaces Srikrishnan Hari Hara Sarma, the previous MD & CEO.

About Karnataka Bank :

- Established : 1924
- HQ : Mangalore, Karnataka
- Tagline : Your Family Bank Across India

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Ques: Which new credit rating agency has RBI allowed banks to use for rating non-resident corporations in IFSCs under amended Basel III norms?

- A. CRISIL
- B. ICRA
- C. CareEdge Global IFSC Limited
- D. Fitch Ratings
- E. Moody's

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has amended the Basel III Capital Regulations to expand credit rating options for Scheduled Commercial Banks (excluding Local Area Banks, Payments Banks, and Regional Rural Banks).
- Banks are now allowed to use ratings from M/s CareEdge Global IFSC Limited for assigning risk weights to their claims on non-resident corporations located in International Financial Services Centres (IFSC).
- Previously, banks could only use ratings from Fitch, Moody's, and Standard & Poor's for such purposes.

The RBI has defined a rating-risk weight mapping for CareEdge Global IFSC Ltd as follows:

- AAA – 20% risk weight
- AA – 30%
- A – 50%
- BBB – 100%
- BB & below – 150%





Ques: What is the name of the national-level competition launched by NSO and the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell to promote data innovation?

- A. Data Challenge India
- B. Viksit Bharat Hackathon
- C. Statathon – A Data Journey Towards Viksit Bharat
- D. Digital Census Innovation Drive
- E. Bharat Data Quest

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The National Statistical Office (NSO) in collaboration with the Innovation Cell of the Ministry of Education launched a national competition called “Statathon – A Data Journey Towards Viksit Bharat.”
- The Statathon aims to encourage innovative solutions and the use of emerging technologies to transform India's official statistics system.
- It is organized under the Data Innovation Lab (DI Lab) initiative of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI).
- The event commemorates 75 years of the National Sample Survey (NSS).
- Grand Finale: Winners will get Rs.1,00,000 and runner-ups Rs.50,000 in each problem category.

Competition Structure:

- Phase 1: 50 teams shortlisted for mentorship.
- Phase 2: 25 teams will receive Rs.50,000 each for solution development.





Ques: What is the global rank of India's National Stock Exchange (NSE) in IPO fundraising during the first half of 2025?

- A. 1st
- B. 2nd
- C. 3rd
- D. 4th
- E. 5th

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- According to S&P Global Market Intelligence, India's National Stock Exchange (NSE) ranked 4th globally in terms of IPO fundraising during H1-CY25 (January to June 2025).
- NSE raised USD 5.51 billion, contributing 8.9% of the total global IPO proceeds of USD 61.95 billion.
- NSE also led globally in the number of IPOs, hosting 73 IPOs, surpassing the Nasdaq Global Market's 66 IPOs.
- Overall, India saw 119 IPOs (Mainboard + SME) raising Rs.51,150 crore in H1-CY25, up from Rs.37,682 crore via 157 IPOs in H1-CY24.

Top 3 in terms of Initial Public Offering (IPO) fundraising during the 1st Half of Calendar Year 2025 :

- 1 Nasdaq Global Market (USA) - USD 12.96 billion
- 2 New York Stock Exchange - USD 8.62 billion
- 3 Nasdaq Global Select Market - USD 7.37 billion
- 4 National Stock Exchange - USD 5.51 billion





Ques: How much investment has BITS Pilani planned for setting up the new AI+ campus at Amaravati?

- A. Rs.1,000 crore
- B. Rs.2,000 crore
- C. Rs.2,319 crore
- D. Rs.1,319 crore
- E. Rs.2,500 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- BITS Pilani will invest a total of Rs.2,319 crore to expand its presence and academic offerings.
- Out of this, Rs.1,000 crore is allocated for setting up a new AI+ campus at Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh.
- The Phase-1 of the Amaravati campus will accommodate 3,000 students, while Phase-2 will add capacity for 4,000 more.
- The remaining Rs.1,319 crore will be used under Project 'Vistaar' to modernize existing campuses in Pilani, Goa, and Hyderabad.
- The new campus will focus on Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML), Innovation, Strategy, and Language technologies through Master's and Ph.D. programs.
- Student intake is expected to rise from 18,700 currently to 26,000 by the 2030-31 academic year.
- The initiative aims to create next-gen innovation hubs, promote sustainable infrastructure, and foster global collaborations.





Ques: Which Indian state became the first to support the Cruise Bharat Mission by framing a dedicated Cruise Shipping Policy?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Gujarat
- C. Goa
- D. Kerala
- E. Tamil Nadu

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Gujarat has become the first state in India to support the Cruise Bharat Mission (CBM) by initiating the formulation of its Cruise Shipping Policy.
- The goal is to boost coastal tourism and enhance cruise tourism infrastructure in the state.
- Three proposed cruise clusters in Gujarat, Padala Island – Rann of Kutch, Porbandar – Veraval – Diu and Dwarka – Okha – Jamnagar
- Cruise Bharat Mission (CBM) was launched on September 30, 2024, by Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal (Ports, Shipping and Waterways).
- Mission Objective is to Increase sea cruise tourism in India tenfold by 2029.

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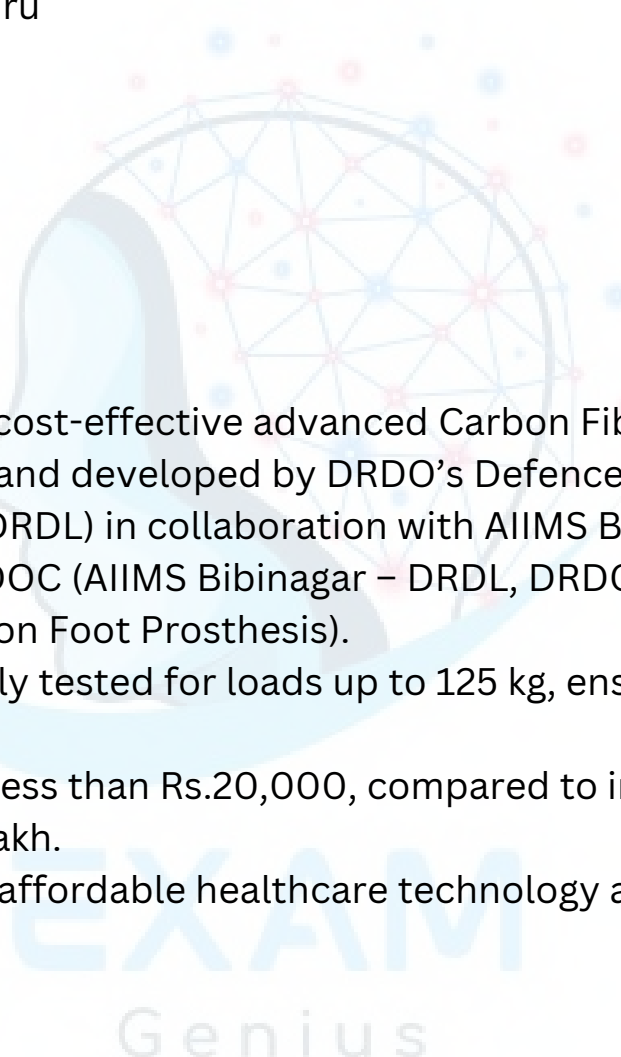
Ques: Which organization has developed India's first cost-effective advanced Carbon Fibre Foot Prosthesis under the Make-in-India initiative?

- A. ISRO & AIIMS Delhi
- B. DRDO-DRDL & AIIMS Bibinagar
- C. BARC & IIT Bombay
- D. HAL & NIMHANS Bengaluru
- E. CSIR & AIIMS Raipur

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India's first Make-in-India cost-effective advanced Carbon Fibre Foot Prosthesis was indigenously designed and developed by DRDO's Defence Research & Development Laboratory (DRDL) in collaboration with AIIMS Bibinagar, Telangana.
- The product is called ADIDOC (AIIMS Bibinagar – DRDL, DRDO Indigenously Developed Optimised Carbon Foot Prosthesis).
- It has been biomechanically tested for loads up to 125 kg, ensuring safety and durability.
- The new prosthesis costs less than Rs.20,000, compared to imported prosthetic feet that cost around Rs.2 lakh.
- This innovation promotes affordable healthcare technology and supports the Make-in-India initiative.





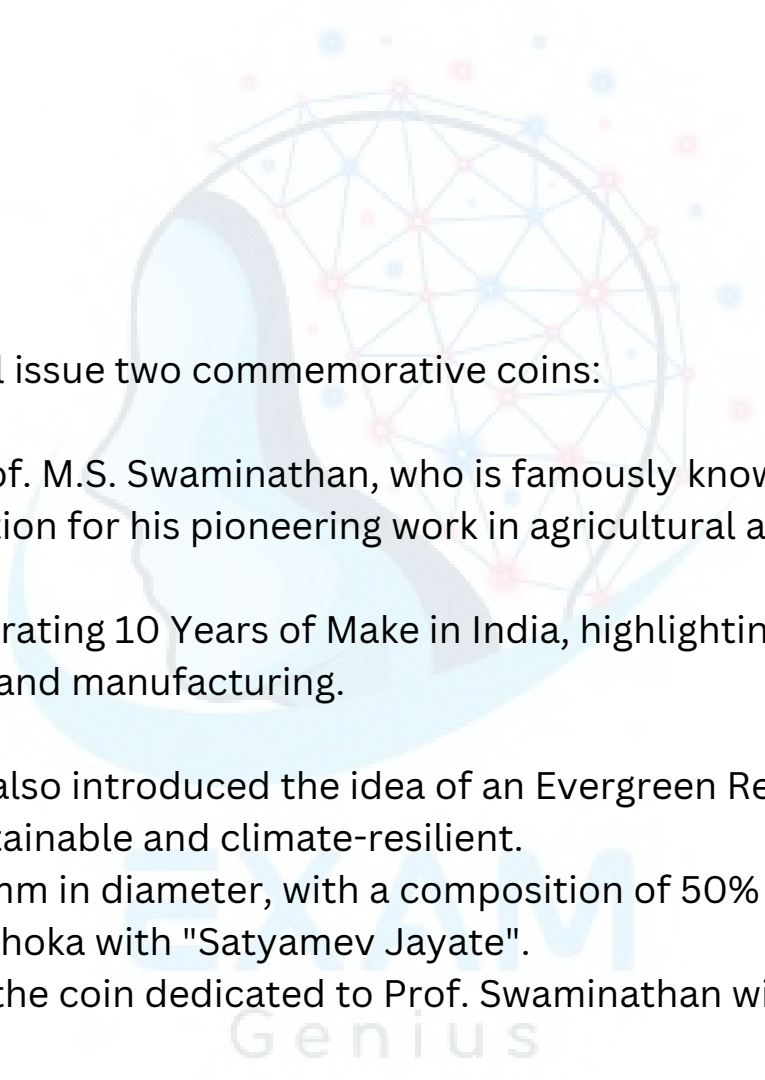
Ques: The Government is set to issue a commemorative coin in honor of which Indian personality known as the Father of Green Revolution?

- A. Verghese Kurien
- B. M.S. Swaminathan
- C. M. Visvesvaraya
- D. N.T. Rama Rao
- E. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The government will issue two commemorative coins:
 1. One in honor of Prof. M.S. Swaminathan, who is famously known as the Father of India's Green Revolution for his pioneering work in agricultural advancements and food security.
 2. The other for celebrating 10 Years of Make in India, highlighting sectors like science, technology, and manufacturing.
- Prof. Swaminathan also introduced the idea of an Evergreen Revolution, aiming to make agriculture sustainable and climate-resilient.
- The coin will be 44 mm in diameter, with a composition of 50% silver, and feature the Lion Capital of Ashoka with "Satyamev Jayate".
- The reverse side of the coin dedicated to Prof. Swaminathan will have his image.





Ques: What is the name of the scheme launched by the Department of Telecommunications to promote telecom awareness through student volunteers?

- A. Digital Doot Scheme
- B. Sanchar Mitra Scheme
- C. Cyber Yoddha Scheme
- D. Telecom Sevak Yojana
- E. Digital Rakshak Programme

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) launched the Sanchar Mitra Scheme to engage student volunteers as “Digital Ambassadors” (Sanchar Mitras).
- The scheme focuses on promoting Telecom awareness, Digital literacy, Cyber fraud prevention, Electromagnetic Field (EMF) radiation safety and Responsible use of mobile services
- The first outreach session under this scheme was conducted at BSNL Bhawan, Guwahati, Assam.
- The initiative aims to create a digitally aware and safe society, especially among students and youth, by empowering them with telecom and cyber safety knowledge.

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Ques: Where was India's second longest cable-stayed bridge, the Sigandur Bridge, recently inaugurated?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Karnataka
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Kerala
- E. Andhra Pradesh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated the Sigandur Bridge in Karnataka, making it India's second longest cable-stayed bridge.
- The Sigandur Bridge (Ambaragodlu-Kalasavalli Bridge) is built over the Sharavati river backwaters in Sagar taluk, Shivamogga district, Karnataka.
- Length: 2.44 km
- Width: 16 meters
- The bridge significantly reduces the distance between Sagara town and Sigandur, where the Chowdeshwari Temple is located.
- India's longest cable-stayed bridge is the Sudarshan Setu, located in the Gulf of Kutch, Gujarat, connecting Bet Dwarka with Okha coast.
- Sharavati River is a west-flowing river in Karnataka. It is Famous for Jog Falls, one of India's highest waterfalls (253 m).
- Major tributaries: Nandihole, Haridravathi, Mavinahole, Hilkunji, Yennehole, Hurlihole, and Nagodihole.





Ques: As per the recent announcement, what will be the new monthly assistance amount under the Ladli Behna Scheme in Madhya Pradesh from October 2025?

- A. Rs.1000
- B. Rs.1250
- C. Rs.1500
- D. Rs.2000
- E. Rs.2500

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Ladli Behna Scheme is a flagship women empowerment initiative of the Madhya Pradesh Government providing monthly financial aid to women.
- Currently, the scheme provides Rs.1,250 per month to eligible women.
- As announced by CM Mohan Yadav, from October 2025, this monthly assistance will be increased to Rs.1,500.
- Additionally, 12.7 million women beneficiaries will receive a special Rs.250 Rakhi gift ahead of Raksha Bandhan.
- The scheme aims to empower women financially, promote social welfare, and reduce gender inequality in the state.

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Ques: Which global fashion brand is partnering with Maharashtra artisans to produce Kolhapuri-inspired sandals?

- A. Gucci
- B. Louis Vuitton
- C. Prada
- D. Armani
- E. Versace

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Prada, the Italian luxury fashion brand, faced backlash for using Kolhapuri chappal designs in its Spring/Summer 2026 men's collection without crediting Indian artisans.
- In response, Prada has decided to collaborate with local artisans in Maharashtra to launch a 'Made in India' Kolhapuri-inspired leather sandal line.
- The partnership will be coordinated by the Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (MACCIA).
- Prada will also send a technical team to Maharashtra to ensure adherence to Geographical Indication (GI) tag standards and ethical sourcing practices.
- The initiative aims to support long-term collaboration with the Kolhapuri artisan community, respecting their cultural heritage.

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Ques: Where did Union Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurate the ‘North-East Conclave 2025’?

- A. IIT Guwahati
- B. IIM Shillong
- C. NIT Manipur
- D. Tripura University
- E. Assam University

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated the ‘North-East Conclave 2025’ at the Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Shillong, Meghalaya.
- During the event, she also laid the foundation stone for the first campus of the Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) in the North-East region.
- The two-day conclave was organized by the IICA under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MoCA).
- The theme of the event was “From Ideation to Incorporation”, focusing on nurturing corporate and entrepreneurial growth in the North-East.

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Ques: Where was India's first-ever water technology park 'Aqua Tech Park' inaugurated in 2025?

- A. Bengaluru, Karnataka
- B. Kochi, Kerala
- C. Bagibari, Sonapur, Assam
- D. Hyderabad, Telangana
- E. Bhubaneswar, Odisha

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India's first-ever water technology park, named 'Aqua Tech Park', was inaugurated at Bagibari in Sonapur, Assam by Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma.
- The park aims to boost fish production and promote aquaculture-based livelihood opportunities in Assam.
- The project was developed jointly by Kolong-Kopili (NGO), NABARD, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (CIFA), Assam's Department of Fisheries and Selco Foundation

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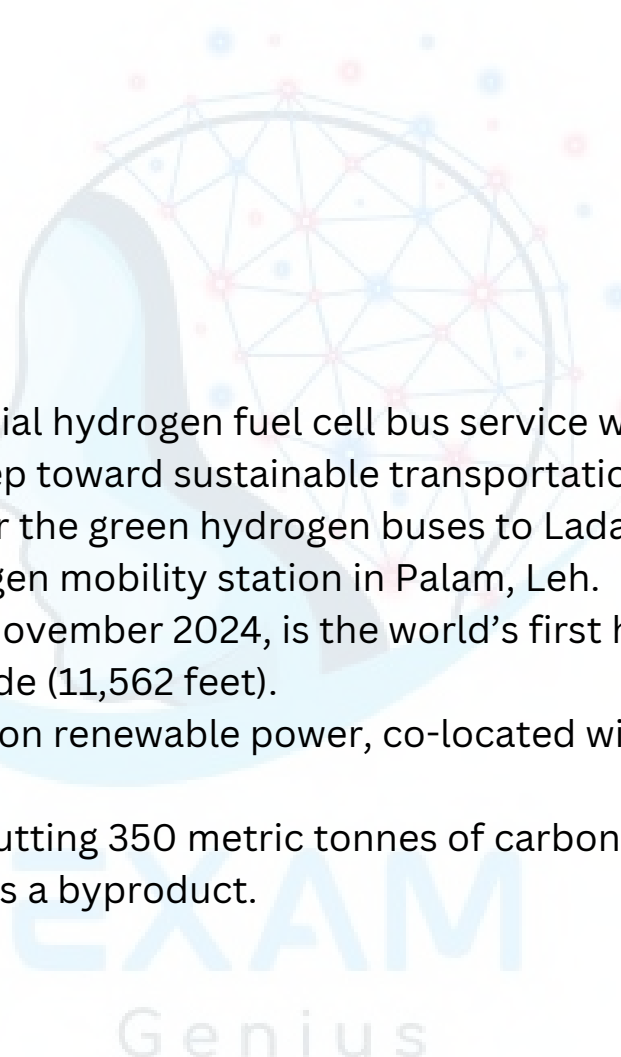
Ques: Where was India's first-ever commercial hydrogen fuel cell bus service launched?

- A. Sikkim
- B. Ladakh
- C. Himachal Pradesh
- D. Uttarakhand
- E. Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India's first-ever commercial hydrogen fuel cell bus service was launched in Leh, Ladakh, marking a major step toward sustainable transportation.
- NTPC Limited handed over the green hydrogen buses to Ladakh SIDCO in a formal ceremony at NTPC's hydrogen mobility station in Palam, Leh.
- This station, launched in November 2024, is the world's first hydrogen fuelling station at such a high altitude (11,562 feet).
- The station operates fully on renewable power, co-located with a 1.7 MW solar plant.
- The initiative will help in cutting 350 metric tonnes of carbon emissions and will also produce pure oxygen as a byproduct.





Ques: Which global organization recently released a technical brief recognizing India's leadership in integrating AI with traditional medicine?

- A. World Health Organisation (WHO)
- B. World Economic Forum
- C. UNESCO
- D. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- E. International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The World Health Organisation (WHO) released a technical brief titled “Mapping the Application of Artificial Intelligence in Traditional Medicine”.
- The brief recognises India's leadership in integrating AI with traditional medicine, especially through the AYUSH systems (Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha, Homeopathy).

India's key initiatives highlighted:

- Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL) – Established in 2001 by CSIR and the Ministry of AYUSH, it is the world's first digital library to safeguard traditional knowledge.
- SAHI Portal (2021): Showcases Ayurvedic historical records, developed by CCRAS-National Centre of Indian Medical Heritage, Hyderabad.
- NAMASTE Portal (2017): Promotes electronic health records in AYUSH.
- AYUSH Research Portal (2011): Shares research on traditional medicine.





Ques: Where was the 75th Pradhan Mantri Divyasha Kendra (PMDK) inaugurated?

- A. Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
- B. Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh
- C. Badaun, Uttar Pradesh
- D. Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- E. Agra, Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 75th Pradhan Mantri Divyasha Kendra (PMDK) was inaugurated at the Government Medical College, Badaun, Uttar Pradesh.
- It was inaugurated by Union Minister of State for Social Justice & Empowerment, Shri B.L. Verma.
- PMDK is a one-stop service centre providing assessment, counselling, distribution, and post-distribution care for Divyangjan (persons with disabilities) and senior citizens.
- The centre distributes assistive devices and appliances free of cost under two schemes ADIP Scheme (Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/Appliances) and Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) (for elderly beneficiaries)
- Devices provided include Tricycles, wheelchairs, hearing aids, walkers, artificial limbs, and mobility support accessories.
- The initiative aligns with the government's mission of empowerment and inclusion of Divyangjan and senior citizens.





Ques: India recently signed a fertiliser supply deal with which country's company for 3.1 million MT of DAP annually?

- A. Saudi Arabia
- B. Russia
- C. China
- D. UAE
- E. Iran

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Indian companies IPL, KRIBHCO, and CIL have signed a 5-year fertiliser deal with Saudi Arabia's Ma'aden for an annual supply of 3.1 million metric tonnes of DAP (Di-Ammonium Phosphate).
- The deal was signed during the visit of Union Fertilizer Minister JP Nadda to Saudi Arabia.
- The agreement aims to address India's DAP shortage, especially after China imposed restrictions on DAP exports.
- DAP is the second-most used fertiliser in India after urea, essential for agricultural productivity.
- The contract also includes a provision to extend the deal for another 5 years after the initial term.
- India has already imported 1.905 MMT of DAP in FY25, marking a 17% rise compared to FY24.





Ques: Who among the following is popularly known as the "Kingmaker" in Indian politics and proposed the famous 'Kamaraj Plan'?

- A. C. Rajagopalachari
- B. K. Kamaraj
- C. Morarji Desai
- D. Lal Bahadur Shastri
- E. Jagjivan Ram

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- K. Kamaraj (15 July 1903 – 2 October 1975) is widely known as the "Kingmaker" in Indian politics.
- He was the President of the Indian National Congress (INC) from 1964 to 1967.
- He also founded the Indian National Congress (Organisation) after the party split.
- Served as the Chief Minister of Madras State (now Tamil Nadu) in 1954.
- Awarded Bharat Ratna posthumously in 1976, India's highest civilian honor.
- In 1963, he proposed the 'Kamaraj Plan', advising senior Congress leaders to resign from government posts to focus on party organisation.

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Ques: How many medals did Indian cueists win at the inaugural Billiards Championships 2025 held in Mauritius?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The inaugural Billiards Championships 2025 were held in Mauritius from July 2-6, 2025.
- Athletes from 36 Commonwealth nations participated, competing in Snooker, 10-Ball Pool, Heyball, and Blackball.
- India's medal tally : Total Medals: 5 (1 Gold + 2 Silver + 2 Bronze)
- 1 Gold to Vidya Pillai (Women's Heyball)
- 2 Silver : Shivam Arora (Men's Heyball) and Chitra Magimairaj (Women's 10-ball Pool)
- 2 Bronze : Keerthana Pandian (Women's 6-red Snooker) and Anupama Ramachandran (Women's 6-red Snooker)

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Yakten, a village in Sikkim's Pakyong district, was officially inaugurated as India's first digital nomad village under Project 'Nomad Sikkim'

Marking an important milestone in the transformative leadership program of DAKSH (Development of Aspiration, Knowledge, Succession & Harmony), IIM Ahmedabad hosted the inaugural ceremony of the 6-day classroom immersion program. The ceremony was facilitated by Capacity Building Commission (CBC) and Standing Conference of Public Enterprises (SCOPE)

Handball Association of India (HAI) & Prasar Bharati signed MOU to provide wider broadcast coverage of handball events and foster greater public interest and player participation

ICC Men's and ICC Women's player of the month for June 2025 are Aiden Markram (South Africa) and Hayley Matthews (West Indies) respectively

United Arab Emirates-India Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) Council in partnership with the Embassy of the UAE in India, hosted an exclusive "Start-up Sundowner" event in Mumbai

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