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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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Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- 'IndiGo Kotak Credit Card' and the 'IndiGo Kotak Premium Credit Card' Launched by Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited(KMBL) and IndiGo Airlines
- Kshema Kisan Sathi is a dual-benefit insurance product launched through a bancassurance partnership between Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) and Kshema General Insurance
- The Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) launched two new plans in 2025: Nav Jeevan Shree (Plan 912) and Nav Jeevan Shree Single Premium (Plan 911)
- Punjab National Bank (PNB), after SBI and Canara Bank, has announced that it will no longer charge penalties for non-maintenance of Minimum Average Balance (MAB) in savings accounts
- CoinSwitch launched Web3 Coins to offer Indian investors direct access to over 1 lakh decentralised crypto tokens, enabling simplified trading in rupees
- INDIE for Business Launched by IndusInd Bank Limited to empower India's Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), which comprises over 60 billion businesses
- Slice launched the Slice Unified Payments Interface (UPI) Credit Card and opened India's first UPI powered bank branch in Koramangala, Bengaluru. The newly launched Slice UPI Credit Card is a RuPay-based card with zero joining and annual fees.
- Bank of Baroda launched the bob Flexi Systematic Deposit Plan (bob Flexi SDP) to provide customers with a flexible recurring deposit option
- PhonePe HDFC Bank Co-branded Credit Card Launched by PhonePe Limited, HDFC Bank Limited and Powered by RuPay network in 2 Variants 'Ultimo' and 'UNO'
- RazorpayX Corporate Cards Launched by Razorpay, Mastercard , RBL Bank, and YES Bank. Startups can avail credit limits of up to Rs 2 crore without collateral, easing financial constraints
- IDFC FIRST Bank has launched UPI payment services for NRIs using international mobile numbers linked to their NRE or NRO accounts via the bank's mobile app
- HDFC Life Insurance Company Limited, in collaboration with the Society for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (SINE) and IIT Bombay, has launched HDFC Life InsUReka, an innovation challenge





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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Recent Appointment in different departments :

- Dr Abhijat Sheth : Chairperson of the National Medical Commission (NMC)
- CR Srinivasan : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Digital Connexion
- Abhijit Kishore : Chairperson of the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI)
- Rahul Vatts : Vice Chairperson of the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI)
- Priya Nair : Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL)
- Sabih Khan : Chief Operating Officer (COO) of Apple (succeeding Jeff Williams)
- Former British PM Rishi Sunak : rejoins Goldman Sachs as adviser
- Sanjog Gupta : 7th CEO of the International Cricket Council (ICC)
- Aditya Mangla : Chief Executive Officer of Zomato parent Eternal (Replaced Rakesh Ranjan)
- Hardeep Singh Brar : CEO of BMW India (succeeds Mr. Vikram Pawah)
- Priyanka Kakkar : Co-President of the BRICS Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BRICS CCI) Women's Wing
- Ms. Mamatha Venkatesh : Head of Startup India under the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)
- Amitabh Kant : non-executive director on the Board of Directors of InterGlobe Aviation Ltd
- Sudhanshu Mittal : President of the Kho-Kho Federation of India (KKFI)
- Upkar Singh Virk : Secretary of Kho-Kho Federation of India (KKFI)
- Govind Sharma (Maharashtra Kho Kho Association) : Treasurer of Kho-Kho Federation of India (KKFI)
- Indian cricketer Rinku Singh : Uttar Pradesh Basic Education Department as a District Basic Education Officer (BSA), under International Medal Winner Direct Recruitment Rules, 2022
- Ravi Agarwal : Reappointed as Chairman of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) for 1 year
- Ahn Gyu-back : First civilian defence minister in 64 years in South Korea
- Kirsty Coventry : first female and first African president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- Professor Suman Chakraborty : Director of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur (Replaced Professor Amit Patra)
- Prof M Satish Kumar : First Dean of its upcoming campus in Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City) of Queen's University Belfast (QUB)





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.





India's Rankings in Different Indices

- FIFA rankings : Indian (133rd), Argentina (1st)
- 74th edition of the Statistical Review of World Energy 2025 was published by the London-based Energy Institute (EI) : India (4th), USA (1st)
- Geo Semi-Annual India FinTech Report (SEA TECH)-H1 2025, published by Tracxn Technologies Limited : India (3rd), United States (1st)
- world's most equal societies by World Bank : India (4th), Slovak Republic (1st)
- Hurun Global Unicorn Index 2025 : India (3rd), USA (1st)
- 10th edition of the Global Peace Index 2025 was released by the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP) : India (115th), Iceland (1st)
- 2025 SDG Index : India (99th), Finland (1st)
- QS World University Rankings 2026 : Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) (1st), IIT Delhi (123rd)
- Global Liveability Index 2025 is published by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) : Copenhagen (Denmark) (1st)
- Global Energy Transition Index (ETI) 2025 published by the World Economic Forum (WEF) : India (71st)
- "Women in Politics: 2025" report : India (174th)
- Global Gender Gap Report Edition 19th Published by World Economic Forum (WEF) : India (131st), Iceland (1st)
- 2025 Global Data Center Market Comparison report : Mumbai (6th), Virginia, United States of America (USA) (1st)
- Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2025 : India (10th), Denmark (4th)
- World's Wealthiest Cities Report 2025 4th Edition Published by Henley & Partners : New York City, USA (1st), Mumbai, India (27th)
- Forbes' 2025 list of the world's highest-paid athletes : Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal) : Soccer
- 2025 Kantar BrandZ report : Apple (1st), TCS (45th)
- World Press Freedom Index 2025 was published by Reporters Without Borders (RSF) : India (151st), Norway (1st)
- Human Development Index (HDI) 2023 : India (130th)
- 2nd edition of the 2025 CareEdge State Rankings was published by CareEdge Ratings : Maharashtra (top) Gujarat (2nd)
- Asia University Rankings 2025 published by Times Higher Education (THE) : Indian Institute of Science (IISc) (38th), Tsinghua University (China) (1st)





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)





Recent News headlines related to Sports

- World No.1 Jannik Sinner won the Wimbledon 2025 Men's Singles Title, defeating two-time defending champion Carlos Alcaraz in the final
- 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
- 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
- The 23-year-old Harikrishnan is from Chennai Becomes India's 87th Grandmaster. India's 86th Grandmaster is L.R. Srihari while the 85th was P. Shyaamnikhil
- 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
- 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
- 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
- Indonesia will host the 2025 Artistic Gymnastics World Championships in Senayan, Jakarta, from October 19 to 25
- The Formula One (F1) British Grand Prix (GP) 2025, also known as the Formula 1 Qatar Airways British GP 2025, was won by Lando Norris of the United Kingdom, who was driving for McLaren
- Vidya Pillai clinches Heyball gold in Commonwealth Billiards Championships. She defeated South Africa's Marina Jacobs in Mauritius. Heyball, also known as Chinese 8-ball, is a cue sport that combines elements of snooker and American pool
- Magnus Carlsen of Norway won the SuperUnited Rapid & Blitz Croatia 2025 tournament held in Zagreb, Croatia
- Harvinder Singh, world number 1 and reigning Paralympic champion, won two gold medals at the Asian Para-Archery Championships 2025 in Beijing. Recurve Men's Open and Recurve Open Mixed Team (with Bhawna). India finished second overall with 9 medals (3 Gold, 3 Silver, 3 Bronze), behind China



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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Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement :

- The Indian Navy has signed an agreement with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for the implementation of the National Maritime Domain Awareness (NMDA) Project
- BHASHINI (Bhasha Interface for India) Division) has signed a MOU with the Government of Puducherry to empower citizens through language technology and foster governance that speaks every language, including Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu and other regional Indian Languages.
- 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
- Indian Railways has partnered with Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL) to install Machine Vision Based Inspection System (MVIS)
- 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
- 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
- The Government of Odisha signed an MoU with Skymet Weather Services Pvt. Ltd. in Bhubaneswar to implement the WINDS project – Weather Information Network Data System
- The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities has signed an MoU with Sri Aurobindo Society (SAS) to implement 'Project Inclusion'
- Under the recent cooperation between India and Trinidad and Tobago, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced a gift of 2,000 laptops to school students in the Caribbean nation
- Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian signed a law suspending cooperation with the Vienna based International Atomic Energy Agency
- Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) & South Korea based HD Korea Shipbuilding & Offshore Engineering Co. Ltd.(KSOE) signed MOU to boost long-term cooperation in shipbuilding, workforce development, and international maritime innovation
- Ghana has launched a climate-resilient wheat initiative in partnership with India's Arima Farms and Fumesua, near Kumasi (Ghana) based Council for Scientific and Industrial Research-Crops Research Institute (CSIR-CRI). This program introduces 'Wheat Pride 999' , developed by India's Greenpride



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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Recent News Headlines Related to Defence Exercise :

- The Japan Coast Guard Ship Itsukushima arrived at Chennai Port as part of a Global Ocean Voyage Training. The port call will culminate in a joint sea exercise named 'Jaa Mata' (meaning See you later) on July 12, 2025
- ConvEx-3 (2025) is a full-scale international emergency preparedness exercise focused on nuclear or radiological emergencies with potential cross-border impacts
- The 53rd edition of NATO's premier multinational maritime-focused exercise, BALTOPS 25, was launched in Latvia
- Tiger Claw is the first-ever joint exercise between the Special Forces of the Indian Air Force (Garud) and the United States Air Force Special Forces
- The 8th edition of Exercise Shakti 2025, a biennial bilateral military exercise between India and France, will be held at La Cavalerie, France, from June 18 to July 1, 2025
- The India-U.K. joint naval Passage Exercise (PASSEX) took place in the North Arabian Sea on June 9–10, 2025. The Indian Navy was represented by INS Tabar (a stealth frigate), a submarine, and a P-8I maritime patrol aircraft
- The 22nd edition of the multinational exercise 'Khaan Quest' is being held in Mongolia from June 14 to 28, 2025. It was first initiated in 2003 by the USA and Mongolia, and has been a multinational event since 2006
- The 17th edition of the India–Mongolia joint military exercise Nomadic Elephant was held in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
- Iran and Azerbaijan launched the "Aras-2025" joint special forces military exercise. It was conducted from May 18 to 21, 2025, involving Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps and Azerbaijani troops
- Golden Dragon 2025 is a joint military exercise between China and Cambodia. The exercise is held at the Ream Naval Base in Sihanoukville, Cambodia's southern coast
- The Indian Army and the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) jointly conducted Exercise Raahat in Assam, focusing on humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) operations
- The Indian Army conducted 'Teesta Prahar', a large-scale integrated field exercise at the Teesta field firing range in West Bengal. The exercise was held under the Trishakti Corps, part of the Eastern Command
- India is set to join the Talisman Sabre 2025 military drill for the first time. This exercise is a biennial event. It aims to enhance strategic cooperation and defense collaboration in the Indo-Pacific region.





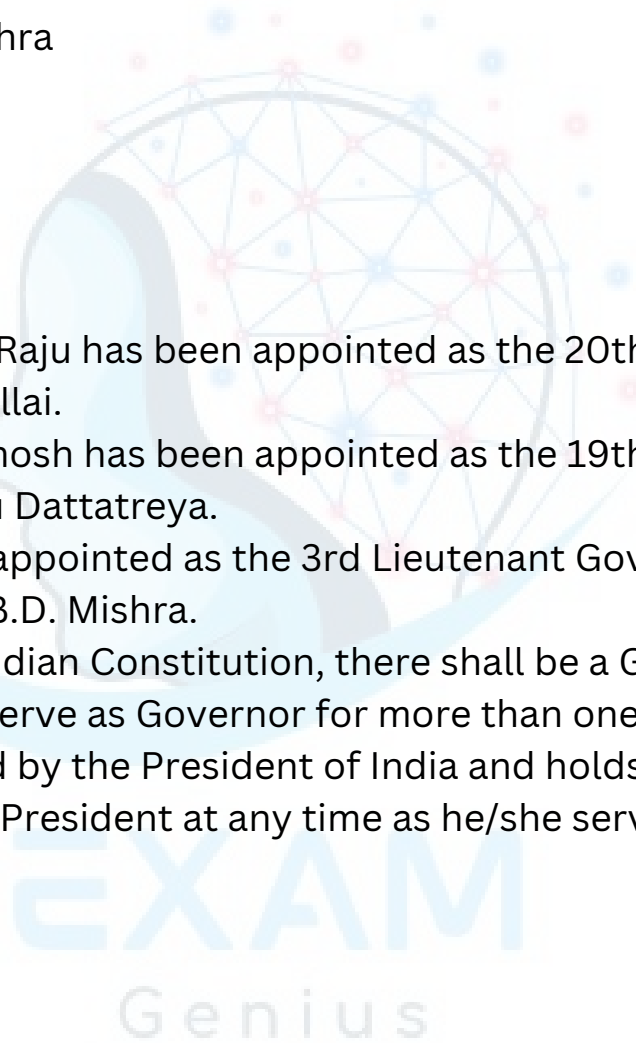
Ques: Who has been appointed as the 20th Governor of Goa, replacing P S Sreedharan Pillai?

- 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."





Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- 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)
- Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports and Labour & Employment, has announced the 'Youth Spiritual Summit' on the theme 'Nasha Mukta Yuva for Viksit Bharat'. This initiative aims to empower Bharat's Yuva Shakti and foster a drug-free society in New Delhi.
- All-India Institute of Ayurveda, New Delhi to Host 3- day national seminar 'Shalyacon 2025'. Celebrated annually on 15th July, Sushruta Jayanti commemorates the legendary Acharya Sushruta, revered as the Father of Surgery.
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah is chairing the 27th Eastern Zonal Council Meeting in Ranchi, Jharkhand
- 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
- 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 17th BRICS Summit was held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from 6–7 July 2025. The theme of the summit was: "Strengthening Global South Cooperation for a More Inclusive and Sustainable Governance"
- The third edition of the National Conference on Responsible Business Conduct (NCRBC) 2025 was inaugurated in New Delhi. Organised by the Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs
- The Development Commissioner (Handlooms) under the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, officially launched the "Handloom Hackathon 2025", a national competition aimed at modernizing India's handloom sector
- The third edition of the Bharat Mobility Global Expo (BMGE) is scheduled to be held from 4th to 9th February 2027 in the National Capital Region (NCR) of Delhi
- The 7th Annual International Conference of the Innovative Physicians Forum – IPF MEDICON 2025 in New Delhi
- Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah chaired the "Manthan Baithak" with Ministers of Cooperation from all States and Union Territories to commemorate the International Year of Cooperatives (IYC) 2025





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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Recent Defence related appointments :

- Sub-Lieutenant (SLt) Aastha Poonia : first woman pilot in the fighter stream of Indian Naval Aviation
- Lieutenant General Dinesh Singh Rana : 23rd Colonel of the Regiment of Garhwal Rifles (succeed Lieutenant General NS Raja Subramani)
- Rear Admiral V Ganapathy : command of the Military Institute of Technology (MILIT), Pune
- Senior IPS officer Parag Jain : Chief of RAW (Research and Analysis Wing)
- Lt Gen Rajiv Ghai : Deputy Chief of Army Staff (Strategy)
- Lieutenant Commander Yashasvi Solanki : Aide-de-Camp (ADC) to the President of India
- Shri Shailendra Nath Gupta : Director General of Defence Estates
- Lieutenant General Dinesh Singh Rana : 18th Commander-in-Chief of the Andaman and Nicobar Command (CINCAN) (replaces Air Marshal Saju Balakrishnan)
- Eyal Zamir : 24th Israel's new military chief (Replaced Lieutenant General Herzi Halevi)
- Dr Mayank Sharma : Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA)
- Kash Patel : 9th director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
- Shashank Anand : Inspector general (IG) of the Border Security Force of strategic Jammu sector (Replaced DK Boora)
- Amrit Mohan Prasad : Director General of Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB), the additional responsibility of Director General, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS)
- Mahesh Kumar Aggarwal : Director General of the Border Security Force (BSF)
- Gyanendra Pratap Singh : Director General of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)
- Air Commodore Debakinandan Sahu : Command of the Base Repair Depot (BRD) at Tughlakabad (Air Commodore Rishi Seth)
- Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra : Chief of the Indian Air Force's Western Air Command (Replaced Air Marshal Pankaj Mohan Sinha)
- Vitul Kumar : Director General of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) (Replaced Anish Dayal Singh)





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.





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- 2025 United Nations Population Award (Individual Category) : Varsha Deshpande, a women's rights advocate from Satara, Maharashtra
- India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA) Industry Excellence Award 2025 under the category of State Leadership – Battery Manufacturing : Telangana
- 2025 PEN Pinter Prize : Leila Aboulela
- Namibia's highest civilian honour, the "Order of the Most Ancient Welwitschia Mirabilis" : Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- 'Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross' highest civilian honour of Brazil : Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- 21st P. Kesavadev Awards : Shashi Tharoor and diabetologist Banshi Saboo
- NASA-NSS Space Settlement Design Contest 2025 : S.R.N. Mehta CBSE School in Kalaburagi, Karnataka
- Mental Health Award 2025 : Saima Wazed
- 'Key to the City of Buenos Aires' : Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- The Order of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago : Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- New York City honour : Radhanath Swami, a globally respected spiritual teacher and senior monk of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON)
- National honour of Ghana - Officer of the Order of the Star of Ghana : Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi
- 'Dharma Chakravarti' : Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- Sankalp se Siddhi Infrastructure Honour' at the ET Edge Supply Chain Management Fest-2025 : Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI)
- 2025 Shakti Bhatt Prize : Zara Chowdhary for her debut memoir 'The Lucky Ones'
- 2025 Bloomberg Philanthropies Global Tobacco Control Award : India under the 'O' category, which stands for "Offer help to quit tobacco use"
- 'Special Mention Award' at the Digital Payments Award 2024-25 : India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)
- Knighthood by King Charles III : David Robert Joseph Beckham
- Skytrax's World Airline Awards 2025 : Qatar Airways





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 days :

- 1 July : National Chartered Accountants Day
- 1 July : National Postal Worker Day
- 1 July : Canada Day
- 1 July : National Doctor's Day (Theme for 2025: "Behind the Mask: Who Heals the Healers?")
- 1 July : 8th Goods and Services Tax Day 2025 (Theme 2025 GST-Simplifying Taxes: Empowering Citizens)
- 2 July : World Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) Day
- 2 July : World Sports Journalists Day (Theme 2025 Championing Fair Play: Reporting with Integrity and Impact)
- 3 July : International Plastic Bag Free Day 2025
- 5 July (First Saturday of July): International Day of Cooperatives (Theme: "Cooperatives: Driving Inclusive and Sustainable Solutions for a Better World.")
- 6 July : World Zoonoses Day
- 6 July : World Rural Development Day (WRDD) (Theme: Rural Empowerment - Global Impact)
- 7 July : Global Forgiveness Day
- 7 July : World Kiswahili Language Day
- 7 July : World Bioproduct Day (Theme "World Bioproduct Day – The BioE3 Way")
- 10 July : Global Energy Independence Day
- 10 July : National Fish Farmers day
- 11 July : World Horse Day (THEME: Honoring a Timeless Partner)
- 11 July : World Population Day 2025 (Theme : "Empowering young people to create the families they want in a fair and hopeful world.")
- 12 July : Paper Bag Day
- 12 July : International Day of Hope (THEME: A Universal Need in Uncertain Times)
- 12 July : International Day of Combating Sand and Dust Storms (Theme (2025): "Sand and Dust Storms: Working Across Agendas for Resilience and Sustainability")
- 12 July : Malala Day
- 14 July : Bastille Day, is the national day of France





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.

