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Ques: State Bank of India (SBI) recently hosted its first-ever start-up pitch fest named Dream2Demo. What was the main objective of this event?

- A. Launching new SBI digital banking services
- B. Providing a platform for entrepreneurs to present ideas to investors
- C. Offering loans to small-scale industries
- D. Signing MoUs with state governments
- E. Organizing financial literacy camps

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- State Bank of India (SBI), through its Start-up Branch, hosted its first-ever Start-up Pitch Fest – Dream2Demo.
- The event served as a platform for entrepreneurs to pitch their innovative ideas directly to leading investors, fostering growth in the start-up ecosystem.
- SBI also showcased its collaborations with Startup TN and the IIT Madras Incubation Cell to strengthen support for start-ups and innovation.

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Recent News Headlines Related to SBI :

- SBI raised \$500 million by issuing 5-year bonds with a 4.50% coupon rate, payable semi-annually
- SBI provided a €100 million line of credit to Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD). SBI aims to achieve a green portfolio constituting 7.5–10% of its domestic gross advances by 2030
- SBI Research (Ecowrap report) has estimated that the Indian economy may have grown at 6.8%–7.0% in the first quarter (Q1: April–June) of FY26, which is higher than RBI's forecast of 6.5%.
- The SBI Economic Research Department (ERD) report on Unified Payments Interface (UPI) transactions shows a significant increase in UPI adoption
- The State Bank of India's Economic Research Department (ERD) released state-wise UPI transaction data for the first time. Maharashtra emerged as the leader with 9.8% share in July.
- A unique personal loan program designed especially for Agniveers has been introduced by SBI. Agniveers with an SBI salary account are eligible for loans up to ₹4 lakh under the scheme
- The State Bank of India (SBI), India's largest lender, has revised its IMPS (Immediate Payment Service) charges effective from August 15
- State Bank of India (SBI), the country's largest lender, plans to raise up to ₹15,000 crore in FY26 through Tier-II bonds
- As per Rajya Sabha data, SBI disbursed ₹32,311 crore in education loans between FY 2022-23 and 2024-25, making it the top lender in this category. Union Bank of India ranked second with ₹14,559 crore sanctioned in the same period
- State Bank of India (SBI) has been named the World's Best Consumer Bank for 2025 by Global Finance magazine
- State Bank of India (SBI) posted a 12.48% YoY increase in Q1 FY26 net profit to ₹19,160 crore.
- State Bank of India (SBI) will raise up to Rs.20,000 crore in FY26 through Basel III-compliant Additional Tier 1 (AT1) and Tier 2 bonds
- State Bank of India (SBI) plans to raise Rs.25,000 crore via Qualified Institutional Placement (QIP) in FY26





Ques : How much liquidity is expected to be infused into the Indian economy by RBI's phased 100 bps CRR cut by November 2025?

- A. ₹1.5 lakh crore
- B. ₹2.0 lakh crore
- C. ₹2.5 lakh crore
- D. ₹3.0 lakh crore
- E. ₹3.5 lakh crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced a phased 100 basis point (1%) reduction in the Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) to boost liquidity in the banking system.
- The reduction will take place in four stages, each with a 25 basis point cut, on September 6, October 4, November 1, and November 29, 2025.
- As a result of this full 1% CRR cut, ₹2.5 lakh crore will be released into the economy by end of November 2025.
- This move aims to enhance liquidity, support credit flow, and strengthen economic growth momentum.

CRR Reduction Schedule:

- 6 September 2025 → 3.75% → 3.50%
- 4 October 2025 → 3.50% → 3.25%
- 1 November 2025 → 3.25% → 3.00%
- 29 November 2025 → 3.00% → 2.75%





Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- The Sub-Committee of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC-SC) was chaired by RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra
- Outward remittances under RBI's Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) remained broadly flat at \$6.92 billion in Q1 FY26 (April–June 2025)
- The RBI has begun the September 2025 round of its Urban Consumer Confidence Survey (UCCS) and Rural Consumer Confidence Survey (RCCS), inviting households across the country
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has instructed Indian banks to tighten checks on funds indirectly flowing from Pakistan
- RBI granted 'in-principle' approval to Aditya Birla Capital Digital (ABCD), the digital arm of Aditya Birla Capital, on 20 August 2025
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC), Japan, to acquire up to 24.99% stake (voting rights) in Yes Bank
- RBI has announced premature redemption for 28 Sovereign Gold Bonds (SGBs) issued between May 2018 and March 2021
- According to RBI & NABARD, India has 1,457 Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs). Maharashtra (458) has the highest number, followed by Karnataka (250) and Gujarat (211).
- RBI survey revealed that foreign liabilities of India's mutual fund (MF) industry rose 19.9% in FY25, reaching \$30.5 billion
- RBI's Master Circular on Customer Service in Banks requires all customer-facing materials at branches of Scheduled Commercial Banks to be available in Hindi, English, and the concerned regional language
- RBI had set up a committee under Pushpak Bhattacharya to prepare a framework for Responsible and Ethical Enablement of Artificial Intelligence (FREE-AI).
- RBI will implement a new cheque clearance mechanism from October 4, 2025, reducing the settlement cycle from the current T+1 days (up to 2 working days) to just a few hours
- RBI granted Equirus Group a non-deposit taking NBFC license, enabling the launch of Equirus Finance.
- RBI has proposed that banks must settle deposit account claims of deceased customers within 15 calendar days from receipt of all required documents



Ques: Which state had the highest outstanding small business credit portfolio growth rate as per the 'Small Business Spotlight' report by SIDBI and CRIF High Mark?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Karnataka
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Gujarat
- E. Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The 'Small Business Spotlight' report was jointly published by Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) and CRIF High Mark.
- Uttar Pradesh recorded the highest YoY growth in outstanding small business credit portfolio at 20.7%.
- Maharashtra remained the largest market with an outstanding credit portfolio of ₹6.0 lakh crore, followed by Tamil Nadu (₹4.21 lakh crore), Gujarat (₹3.69 lakh crore), Uttar Pradesh (₹3.61 lakh crore), and Karnataka (₹3.18 lakh crore).
- The top five states collectively accounted for 46% of India's total portfolio as of June 2025.
- India's total small business credit exposure grew by 19.3% YoY, reaching ₹45.3 lakh crore in June 2025.
- Private sector banks held the largest share in the portfolio at 34.4%.

Ranking of Top states in terms of Portfolio outstanding (Rs. Thousand cr)

- 1 Maharashtra : 606.2
- 2 Tamil Nadu : 421.9
- 3 Gujarat : 369.2
- 4 Uttar Pradesh : 361.7
- 5 Karnataka : 318.6





Ques: Punjab National Bank (PNB) signed an MoU to invest ₹21,000 crore under the 'Rising Rajasthan' initiative with which state government?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Punjab National Bank (PNB) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Rajasthan to invest ₹21,000 crore under the state's Rising Rajasthan initiative.
- The initiative focuses on Supporting Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), Promoting women entrepreneurs and Advancing digital financial services in the state
- Rising Rajasthan is a comprehensive economic and industrial development program launched by the Rajasthan government with the goal of transforming the state into a USD 350 billion economy by 2029.

About Punjab National Bank :

- Established : 19 May 1894
- HQ : New Delhi
- MD & CEO : Ashok Chandra
- Tagline : The Name You Can Bank Upon





Recently signed banking agreements

- Sohan Lal Commodity Management Limited (SLCM), India's largest post-harvest logistics and agri-solutions company, has collaborated with IDBI Bank Limited and Punjab & Sind Bank
- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, signed an MoU with ICICI Bank to boost support for startups and innovators across India
- Axis Max Life Insurance Ltd and India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) have announced a partnership aimed at delivering affordable life insurance solutions beyond Tier 1 into emerging regional markets across rural India.
- Indian Railways (IR) and the State Bank of India (SBI) signed a MoU to enhance insurance benefits for railway employees, especially frontline Group C workers
- Scienaptic AI, a global leader in AI-powered credit decisioning, announced that Jana Small Finance Bank (Jana SFB) has partnered with it to launch Jana Bank's Used Car Loan product
- Indian Highways Management Company Limited (IHMCL), promoted by NHAI, has signed an agreement with ICICI Bank to implement the country's first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system at Choryasi Fee Plaza, Gujarat on NH-48
- Unity Bank BharatPe Credit Card Launched by Unity Small Finance Bank Limited (Unity Bank) & BharatPe. India's first Equated Monthly Instalment (EMI)-driven credit card
- Utkarsh Small Finance Bank (SFB) has partnered with Hitachi Payment Services to upgrade its payment processing and debit card management.
- VinFast Auto India, a subsidiary of the Vietnam-based electric vehicle (EV) manufacturer, has partnered with State Bank of India (SBI) to provide financing solutions for its customers
- SBI Card and Flipkart have launched a co-branded credit card called the 'Flipkart SBI Credit Card'.
- L&T Finance Limited (LTF) has collaborated with Google Pay(GPay), a mobile payment application(app) developed by Google, to offer personal loans to eligible users
- Thomas Cook (India) Limited, an omnichannel travel company, partnered with Mastercard to enable contactless cross-border payments via Google Pay (GPay), allowing users to make secure payments at merchant locations worldwide.





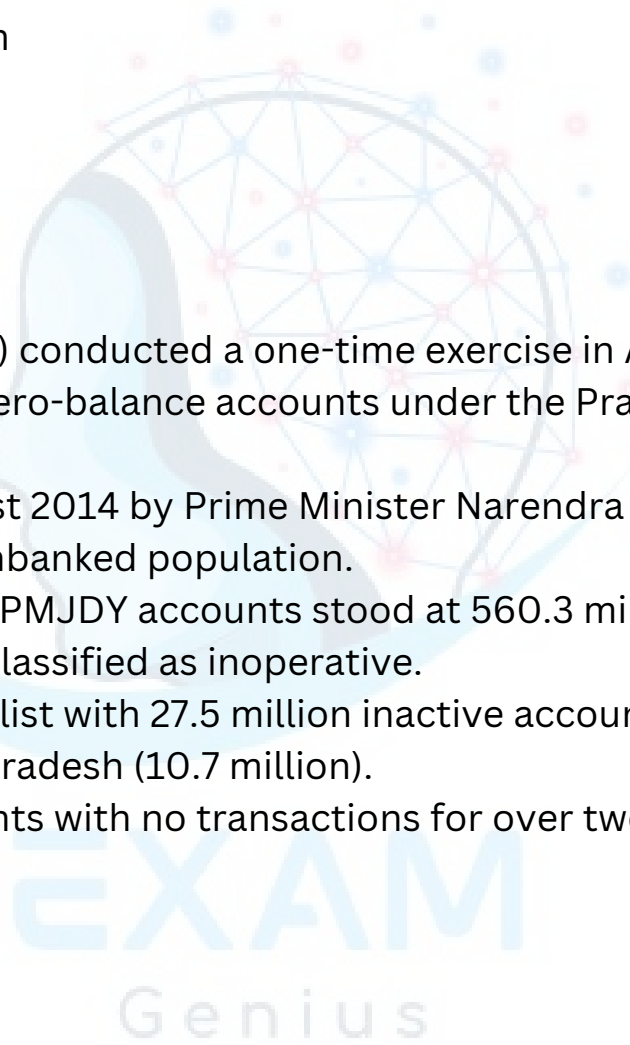
Ques: Public-sector banks recently closed nearly 1.5 million inactive zero-balance accounts under which financial inclusion scheme?

- A. Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY)
- B. Jan Suraksha Scheme
- C. Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)
- D. Stand-Up India Scheme
- E. Financial Literacy Mission

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Public-sector banks (PSBs) conducted a one-time exercise in April 2025 to close nearly 1.5 million inactive zero-balance accounts under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY).
- PMJDY, launched in August 2014 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, aims to provide banking access to India's unbanked population.
- As of July-end 2025, total PMJDY accounts stood at 560.3 million, of which 130.4 million (around 23%) were classified as inoperative.
- Uttar Pradesh topped the list with 27.5 million inactive accounts, followed by Bihar (13.9 million) and Madhya Pradesh (10.7 million).
- RBI norms: Savings accounts with no transactions for over two years are deemed inoperative.





Ques: Former US President Barack Obama won his third Emmy in 2025 for narrating which Netflix documentary series?

- A. Our Oceans
- B. Working: What We Do All Day
- C. Our Great National Parks
- D. Planet Earth
- E. Blue Planet

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Barack Obama became a three-time Emmy Award winner at the 76th Creative Arts Emmy Awards held on September 7, 2025.
- He won for his narration in Netflix's five-part documentary series "Our Oceans", which explores the wonders of Earth's oceans.
- Previous Emmy Wins Our Great National Parks (2022) and Working: What We Do All Day (2023)
- With this win, Obama further cemented his success as a documentary narrator and producer after his presidency.

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Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- The 16th India-Singapore Defence Working Group (DWG) meeting was held on September 4, 2025, in Singapore
- External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar inaugurated the SAMHiTA Conference on South Asia's Manuscript Traditions and Mathematical Contributions in New Delhi
- Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) of Ministry of Ayush, Shri Prataprao Jadhav inaugurated the Departmental Summit on 'National Ayush Mission and Capacity Building in States' at All India Institute of Ayurveda, New Delhi
- The 18th World Congress on Inclusion will be held from September 15–17, 2025, at the Expo Centre in Sharjah, UAE, under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan bin Mohammed Al Qasimi, Ruler of Sharjah
- Global Sustainability Summit (GSS) 20th Edition Held at New Delhi. It is Organised by Confederation of Indian Industry-ITC Centre of Excellence (CoE). Theme is Reimagining Sustainability: Resilient. Regenerative. Responsible
- The 'North-East Region Ministers' Conference on Civil Aviation – cum – 3rd North-East Aviation Summit' to be held in Itanagar on 4th Sept. The event is being jointly organised by the Ministry of Civil Aviation and FICCI
- The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) launched BHARATI during the "Food & Beverages Sector Stakeholders Meeting" chaired by Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal
- The BRICS Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) Healthcare Summit 2025 was held in New Delhi with the theme "Bridging Tradition and Innovation."
- The third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDC3) was held in Awaza, Turkmenistan from 5–8 August 2025
- The first-ever Sports Goods Manufacturing Conclave in New Delhi was chaired by Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports and Labour & Employment
- 17th BioFach India to Begin in Greater Noida with Focus on Organic Growth. 30 Aug – 1 Sep 2025 at the India Expo Centre & Mart, Greater Noida.
- Laos was accepted as a dialogue partner of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) during the SCO summit held in Tianjin, China





Ques: The DialogueNEXT 2025 event, focused on agricultural innovation, was recently held in which city?

- A. Mexico City
- B. New Delhi
- C. Nairobi
- D. Rome
- E. Washington D.C.

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- DialogueNEXT 2025 was held in New Delhi, India, bringing together global agricultural leaders, policymakers, scientists, and farmers.
- It was a two-day high-level conference focused on exploring and accelerating breakthrough innovations to secure the world's food future.
- Organizers are World Food Prize Foundation (Host) In partnership with CIMMYT, Borlaug Institute for South Asia (BISA), and Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
- Theme: “Take it to the Farmer” — highlighting the importance of delivering transformative agricultural solutions directly to farmers, especially in the Global South.
- The event coincided with World Agriculture Day on 9th September.
- It also discussed the “Hunger Tipping Point”, a stage where food insecurity becomes so severe that it threatens lives, livelihoods, and global stability, necessitating urgent global action to prevent famine.





Ques : Which company has recently launched the instant gifting platform ‘Giftables’?

- A. Zomato
- B. Swiggy
- C. Blinkit
- D. Amazon India
- E. Flipkart

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Swiggy has recently launched “Giftables”, an instant gifting service integrated within the Swiggy app.
- With this feature, users can order and deliver curated gifts like flowers, chocolates, gadgets, and more within minutes, similar to ordering food.
- The aim is to tap into India’s rapidly growing digital gifting market while providing a fast and seamless gifting experience for customers.

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Ques: Mohamed Irfaan Ali has been reappointed as the President of which country for a second five-year term?

- A. Suriname
- B. Guyana
- C. Trinidad and Tobago
- D. Fiji
- E. Mauritius

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Mohamed Irfaan Ali, a member of the People's Progressive Party (PPP), has been appointed as the President of Guyana for a second consecutive term with a tenure of five years.
- He first became President in 2020 and has now been re-elected in 2025.
- In 2023, he was honoured with the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award, which is India's highest recognition for individuals of Indian origin.

About Guyana:

- Capital : Georgetown
- Currency : Guyanese Dollar (GYD)
- Continent : South America





Newly Appointed Prime Minister & President :

- Prime Minister(PM) of Jamaica : Andrew Michael Holness, leader of the Jamaica Labour Party (JLP)
- Deputy Prime Minister of the United Kingdom : David Lammy
- 32nd Prime Minister (PM) of Thailand : Anutin Charnvirakul, a seasoned political figure and leader of the Bhumjaithai Party
- Prime Minister of Lithuania : Inga Ruginiene (replaced Gintautas Paluckas)
- Prime Minister of Rwanda : Justin Nsengiyumva (succeeds Edouard Ngirente)
- Prime Minister of Ukraine : Yulia Anatoliivna Svrydenko
- First female President of Suriname : Jennifer Simons (Replaced Chandrikapersad Santokhi)
- 34th Prime Minister (PM) of Mongolia : Gombojav Zandanshatar
- 14th President of South Korea : Lee Jae-myung (Replaced Yoon Suk-yeol)
- 7th President of Poland : Karol Nawrock (Replaced Andrzej Duda)
- 119th Prime Minister (PM) of Portugal : Luis Filipe Montenegro Cardoso de Morais Esteves
- President of Romania : Nicusor Dan
- 48th President of Ecuador : Daniel Noboa
- Prime Minister of Sudan : Kamil al-Taib Idris
- President of Togo : Jean-Lucien Kwassi Lanyo Savi de Tové (Replaced Faure Gnassingbe)
- Prime Minister of Yemen : Salem Saleh Bin Braik (replacing Ahmed Awad bin Mubarak)
- Prime Minister of Australia : Anthony Albanese
- Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago : Kamla Persad-Bissessar (replaced Stuart Young)
- Prime Minister (PM) of Serbia : Djuro Macut (Replaced Milos Vucevic)
- President of Ecuador : Daniel Noboa
- President of Gabon : Junta chief Brice Oligui Nguema
- Prime Minister (PM) of Tunisia : Sarra Zaafrani Zenzri (2nd Women)
- first female President of Namibia : Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah





Ques : The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) has extended the mandate of which peacekeeping force in Lebanon until the end of 2026?

- A. UNMISS
- B. UNIFIL
- C. MINUSMA
- D. UNPROFOR
- E. UNAMID

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The UN Security Council (UNSC) has unanimously extended the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) mandate for the final time until the end of 2026, after which a year-long drawdown and withdrawal will begin.
- UNIFIL was established in 1978 to patrol Lebanon's southern border with Israel.
- The force currently has 10,800 peacekeepers, of which 903 are from India, contributing significantly to the mission.

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Ques: Niti Aayog recently released a strategy to make India self-sufficient in which crop by 2030 and double its production by 2047?

- A. Rice
- B. Wheat
- C. Sugarcane
- D. Oilseeds
- E. Pulses

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Niti Aayog has unveiled a detailed plan to increase India's pulse production by 2047 and make it self-sufficient by 2030, marking a significant step toward agricultural self-reliance.
- As of 2022, India is producing 26.06 million tonnes (MT) of pulses; by 2030, that amount is expected to rise to 34.45 MT, and by 2047, it will reach 51.57 MT, potentially creating a surplus in the ensuing decades.
- In 111 high-potential districts, a significant emphasis is placed on "One Block, One Seed Village" models, which emphasize crop-specific clustering, localized agronomic methods, and community seed banks and treatment kits.

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Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement:

- Tata Electronics Private Limited and Merck (Germany) signed an agreement to strengthen India's semiconductor and electronics manufacturing capabilities. Merck will provide Tata Electronics with a comprehensive range of semiconductor-related solutions for its upcoming fabrication plant (Fab) in Dholera, Gujarat
- Federation of Indian Export Organizations has signed a MOU with BRISKPE to facilitate faster and compliant cross-border payments for Indian exporters
- Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) & Horizon Fuel Cell Technologies (Singapore) signed an agreement for 10 year to jointly develop hydrogen fuel cell-based locomotive tailored for the Indian market
- The Union Home Ministry and Manipur Government signed a Suspension of Operations (SoO) pact with Kuki-Zo insurgent groups
- DPIIT, under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, signed an MoU with Pfizer Limited to accelerate the lab-to-market journey of innovative healthcare products
- The Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT), under the Ministry of Communications, in collaboration with Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) and The Indus Entrepreneurs Delhi-NCR (TiE Delhi-NCR), launched the Samarth Incubation Program – Cohort II in New Delhi
- The Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare signed a historic agreement with Patanjali Yoggram under the Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS)
- The International Cricket Council (ICC) partnered with Google to enhance fan engagement in women's cricket
- Satcom Industry Association-India has signed a MOU with the Electronic Industry Association of the Philippines Inc. with an aim to deepen cooperation in the fields of electronics, space and satellite communication technologies.
- Kerala State Electronics Development Corporation (KELTRON) & Zimbabwe signed an agreement to supply its products and services at an event held at Kochi, Kerala
- WaveX, the startup accelerator under the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICT), launched a dedicated Media Tech Startup Incubator





Ques : Recently, Adani Power signed an agreement to set up how many MW hydro project in Bhutan?

- A. 450 MW
- B. 500 MW
- C. 570 MW
- D. 600 MW
- E. 750 MW

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Adani Power has signed an agreement with Bhutan's Druk Green Power Corporation (DGPC) to set up a 570 MW Wangchhu hydroelectric project.
- The project involves an investment of approximately ₹6,000 crore.
- It will be constructed on the Wangchhu river under the BOOT (Build, Own, Operate, Transfer) model.
- Construction is expected to start in the first half of 2026 and will be completed within five years.
- This marks the first step under Bhutan's plan to develop 5,000 MW of hydropower capacity.

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Ques: India plans to invest Rs 11 lakh crore to expand its high-speed road network by how many times within the next decade?

- A. Twofold
- B. Threefold
- C. Fourfold
- D. Fivefold
- E. Sixfold

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India plans to expand its high-speed road network fivefold within a decade, with an investment of Rs 11 lakh crore (\$125 billion).
- The country will add 17,000 km of access-controlled roads, enabling travel speeds of up to 120 km/h for safer and more efficient connectivity.
- 40% of this network is already under construction and expected to be completed before 2030, while the rest will start by 2028 and finish by 2033.
- China has built more than 180,000 kilometers of expressways since the 1990s, while the US maintains over 75,000 kilometers of interstate highways.
- As of March 2025, India's national highway network covered 146,000 km, but only 4,500 km met high-speed standards.
- The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) spent a record ₹2.5 trillion on road construction in FY 2024-25, a 21% increase from the previous year.
- For FY 2025-26, the government has allocated ₹2.9 trillion for roads and highways development.





Ques: Who was elected as the Vice President of India, defeating INDIA bloc candidate Justice B Sudershan Reddy?

- A. Jagdeep Dhankhar
- B. Justice B Sudershan Reddy
- C. Om Birla
- D. Venkaiah Naidu
- E. C.P. Radhakrishnan

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- National Democratic Alliance (NDA) nominee C.P. Radhakrishnan has been elected as the 15th individual to hold the office of Vice President, counted as the 17th Vice President in terms of position.
- He defeated INDIA bloc candidate Justice B Sudershan Reddy, securing 452 first preference votes, while Reddy received 300 votes.
- Turnout: 98.20% with 767 MPs voting out of 781; 15 votes were declared invalid.

About C.P. Radhakrishnan:

- Born on October 20, 1957, in Tiruppur, Tamil Nadu.
- Elected twice to Lok Sabha (1998 & 1999) from Coimbatore.
- Served as Governor of Maharashtra, earlier as Governor of Jharkhand, and held additional charge of Telangana & Puducherry.
- Nicknamed “Vajpayee of Coimbatore.”
- Chaired the Coir Board (2016–2020) under the Ministry of MSME, boosting coir exports to record highs.

Vice President Election Process:

- Article 63: There shall be a Vice-President of India.
- Article 64: The Vice-President shall be ex-officio Chairman of Rajya Sabha.
- Article 65: The Vice-President acts as President if the office of the President becomes vacant.
- Article 66: Lays down the election process for the Vice-President.





Ques: The Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) launched the cultural initiative “Bistirna Parore: A Musical Voyage from Sadiya to Dhubri” to mark the birth centenary of which legendary personality?

- A. Lata Mangeshkar
- B. Kishore Kumar
- C. Hemant Kumar
- D. Manna Dey
- E. Bhupen Hazarika

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI), under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, launched a unique cultural initiative titled “Bistirna Parore: A Musical Voyage from Sadiya to Dhubri” to celebrate the birth centenary (100th birth anniversary) of Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika.
- The event started from Guijan Ghat, Tinsukia and traveled along the Brahmaputra River, symbolizing his deep connection with the river and the people of Assam.
- Later, it reached Bogibeel Ghat, Dibrugarh, where a grand cultural program was held.

About Dr. Bhupen Hazarika (1926–2011):

- Known as the “Bard of Brahmaputra” for his songs that beautifully depicted life and culture around the Brahmaputra River.
- A legendary singer, composer, lyricist, poet, and filmmaker from Assam.
- His songs spread messages of humanism, unity, justice, and brotherhood.
- Languages of songs: Assamese, Bengali, Hindi, and others.

Major Awards & Honors:

- Padma Shri (1977)
- Padma Bhushan (2001)





- Dadasaheb Phalke Award (1992) – Contribution to Indian cinema
- Bharat Ratna (2019, posthumously) – India's highest civilian award

National Film Awards – Best Music Direction:

- 1969: Chakrahvuh (Hindi)
- 1975: Chameli Memsaab (Assamese)
- 1977: Ek Pal (Hindi)



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Ques: What new name has Donald Trump given to the U.S. Department of Defence?

- A. Department of Security
- B. Department of War
- C. Department of Peace
- D. Department of Military Affairs
- E. Department of Strategy

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- U.S. President Donald Trump issued an executive order to rebrand the Department of Defence as the Department of War.
- According to the White House, this change is aimed at projecting a stronger and more powerful image of America's military establishment.
- The official legal name will remain Department of Defence, but the new title Department of War will be used as a secondary label for symbolic and strategic purposes.

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Ques : The 28th Universal Postal Congress (UPC) was held in which country for the first time?

- A. Saudi Arabia
- B. United Arab Emirates
- C. Qatar
- D. Oman
- E. Bahrain

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The 28th Universal Postal Congress (UPC) was held at the Dubai World Trade Centre, UAE, marking the first time the event was hosted in the country.
- The event had participation from over 2,000 delegates representing 192 UPU member countries.
- India was represented by Union Communications Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia.
- A key announcement was the launch of the UPI-UPU Integration Project, a collaboration between India's Department of Posts, NPCI International Payments Limited, and the Universal Postal Union (UPU), aimed at enhancing global postal financial services.

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Ques : Recently, the Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) of Assam secured GI tags for how many unique Bodo products?

- A. 15
- B. 18
- C. 28
- D. 25
- E. 21

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- In September 2025, Assam's Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) achieved GI tags for 21 unique Bodo products, including traditional textiles, cuisines, musical instruments, and brews.
- This initiative involved 26 Bodo communities, helping protect and promote their cultural heritage.
- This move strengthens Assam's cultural identity and economic growth through geographical indication recognition.

Assam now has an expanded list of GI-tagged products, which already includes:

- Assam Orthodox Tea
- Muga Silk of Assam
- Karbi Anglong Ginger
- Tezpur Litchi
- Joha Rice
- Boka Chaul
- Kaji Nemu
- Chokuwa Rice
- Gamosa

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Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Max Verstappen returned to winning form by clinching a commanding victory at the 2025 Italian Grand Prix in Monza
- India will host the 28th ITTF-ATTU Asian Table Tennis Team Championships in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, from October 11 to 15, 2025
- Carlos Alcaraz, at just 22 years old, defeated his long-time rival Jannik Sinner in the men's singles final of the US Open 2025 145th edition at Flushing Meadows, New York
- Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS), launched the mascot "Jalveer" and official logo for the 11th Asian Aquatics Championship in New Delhi
- Aryna Sabalenka retained her U.S. Open crown with a win over American eighth seed Amanda Anisimova in the U.S. Open women's final
- Pranav Venkatesh dominated the Superstars section of the inaugural Fujairah Global Chess Championship (2025), held in the UAE. Secured the title with a victory against GM Alan Pichot (Spain) in the final round.
- Afghanistan team Captain Rashid Khan became the leading wicket-taker in Twenty20s as Afghanistan beat the United Arab Emirates by 38 runs in the tri-series
- India to Send First-Ever National Team to Pickleball World Cup, scheduled to take place in Florida, USA
- India has been chosen as the host of the 2026 Badminton World Championship. This is the second time India has become the host. Earlier, in 2009, the World Championship was held at the Gachibowli Indoor Stadium in Hyderabad
- The 29th edition of the BWF (Badminton World Federation) World Championships 2025, officially known as the TotalEnergies BWF World Championships 2025, was held at the Adidas Arena, Paris, France
- The 30th Commonwealth Weightlifting Championships 2025, which also included the 25th Commonwealth Senior Championships, concluded at the Veer Savarkar Sports Complex, Ahmedabad, Gujarat



Ques: Which team won the Men's Hockey Asia Cup 2025 and qualified for the FIH Men's Hockey World Cup 2026?

- A. India
- B. Malaysia
- C. South Korea
- D. China
- E. Japan

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Indian men's hockey team defeated South Korea 4-1 in the final of the Hockey Asia Cup 2025 held at Rajgir Sports Complex, Bihar, on 7th September 2025.
- With this win, India secured its 4th Asia Cup title after 2003, 2007, and 2017.
- India also qualified for the FIH Men's Hockey World Cup 2026, which will be hosted jointly by Netherlands and Belgium.
- Prize Announcement by Hockey India is ₹3 lakh for each player. ₹1.5 lakh for each support staff member.
- Runner-up: South Korea (record 5 titles overall)
- Third place: Malaysia defeated China 4-1
- Fifth place: Japan defeated Bangladesh 6-1
- Mascot: Chand – symbolizing the courage and agility of India's national animal, the tiger, and inspired by Major Dhyan Chand.
- The tournament was held from 29th August to 7th September 2025, marking the first time Bihar hosted the event.





Ques: World Suicide Prevention Day 2025 was observed on 10th September with which theme for the period 2024–2026?

- A. Creating Hope Through Action
- B. Connect, Communicate, Care
- C. Changing the narrative on suicide
- D. Working Together to Prevent Suicide
- E. Hope, Resilience and Recovery

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD) is observed annually on 10th September to raise awareness and prevent suicide cases globally.
- Theme (2024–2026): "Changing the narrative on suicide"
- It has been observed since 2003, organized by the International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) and co-sponsored by the WHO.
- India's first National Suicide Prevention Strategy (2022) : Aims to reduce suicide mortality by 10% by 2030.

Key national initiatives:

- Tele-MANAS (Tele Mental Health Assistance and Networking Across States)
- DMHP (District Mental Health Programme)
- RKSK (Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram)
- Manodarpan for school-based and community mental health support.





Important days :

- 17 August : Gabon Independence Day
- 19 August : Afghanistan Independence Day
- 19 August : World Photography Day (Theme 2025 MY FAVORITE PHOTO)
- 19 August : Afghanistan Independence Day
- 19 August : World Orangutan Day 2025
- 19 August : World Humanitarian Day (Theme 2025: "Strengthening Global Solidarity and Empowering Local Communities")
- 20 August : World Mosquito Day
- 20 August : Sadbhavna Diwas
- 20 August : Indian Akshay Urja Day
- 20 August : World Mosquito Day (Theme 2025 Accelerating the Fight Against Malaria for a More Equitable World)
- 21 August : World Entrepreneurs' Day 2025
- 21 August : World Senior Citizens' Day (2025 Theme: "Empowering Elderly Voices for an Inclusive Future")
- 21 August : Death anniversary of Shehnai maestro Ustad Bismillah Khan
- 21 August : 8th International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism (Theme 2025 United by Hope: Collective Action for Victims of Terrorism)
- 22 August : International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief
- 23 August : International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition
- 23 August : National Space Day (Theme 2025 is "Aryabhatta to Gaganyaan: Ancient Wisdom to Infinite Possibilities,")
- 26 August : Women's Equality Day (Theme 2025 Accelerate Action)
- 26 August : International Dog Day
- 26 August : Mother Teresa Birth Anniversary
- 27 August : Ganesh Chaturthi
- 27 August : World Lake Day (theme for 2025: "Lakes: the lifeblood of our planet.")
- 24 to 28 August : 35th World Water Week 2025 (Theme 2025: "Water for Climate Action")
- 29 August : International Day against Nuclear Tests
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