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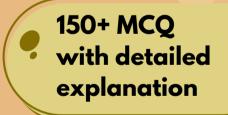
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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Non-Executive Chairman of Yes Bank Limited, with a term ending on May 13, 2027?

- A. Shaktikanta Das
- B. Rama Subramaniam Gandhi
- C. Rajnish Kumar
- D. Raghuram Rajan
- E. Urjit Patel

Answer: Option B

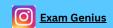
- Rama Subramaniam Gandhi has been appointed as the Non-Executive Chairman of Yes Bank Limited, with a term ending on May 13, 2027.
- The RBI has sanctioned the remuneration for this position.
- He was first appointed as Chairman of Yes Bank in September 2022 for a three-year term.
- Previously, he served as the Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for a three-year tenure from 2014 to 2017.

















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Ques: According to SEBI's revised framework, what is the new intraday net position limit for index options per entity?

A. ₹1,000 crore

B. ₹1,500 crore

C. ₹3,000 crore

D. ₹5,000 crore

E. ₹10,000 crore

Answer: Option D

- SEBI has tightened rules for intraday positions in equity derivatives, particularly index options, to curb excessive speculation and potential market manipulation.
- Under the revised framework, the intraday net position limit for index options has been raised to ₹5,000 crore per entity, up from the earlier ₹1,500 crore.
- Stock exchanges are required to strengthen real-time surveillance and conduct at least four random checks of traders' positions during trading sessions, especially between 2:45 pm and 3:30 pm.
- Violations on expiry days could result in penalties or additional surveillance deposits, effective from December 6, 2025.
- The move is expected to benefit retail investors indirectly by reducing expiry-day volatility and improving price discovery.



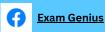
















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Ques: During April-June FY26, which country emerged as the largest source of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in India?

- A. Singapore
- B. Mauritius
- C. United States (US)
- D. United Arab Emirates (UAE)
- E. Japan

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- FDI in India rose 15% to USD 18.62 billion during April-June FY26, up from USD 16.17 billion in the same period last year.
- United States (US) emerged as the largest source of FDI, with inflows nearly tripling to USD 5.61 billion compared to USD 1.50 billion during April-June FY25, despite ongoing tariff issues.
- In Union Budget 2025, the FDI limit for companies investing their entire premium within India was raised from 74% to 100%.
- In the previous fiscal year, total FDI equity inflows stood at USD 50.01 billion, while overall FDI reached USD 80.6 billion.

Top FDI sources (April 2000 – June 2025):

 Mauritius: USD 182.2 billion • Singapore: USD 179.48 billion United States: USD 76.26 billion

Top FDI recipient states (April-June FY26):

 Karnataka: USD 5.69 billion Maharashtra: USD 5.36 billion Tamil Nadu: USD 2.67 billion • Haryana: USD 1.03 billion

















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Ques: SBI recently raised \$500 million through which instrument?

- A. Equity Shares
- B. Green Bonds
- C. 5-vear Bonds
- D. Treasury Bills
- E. Preference Shares

Answer: Option C

- State Bank of India (SBI) raised \$500 million by issuing 5-year bonds with a 4.50% coupon rate, payable semi-annually.
- The bonds are to be issued through SBI's London branch on September 9, 2025.
- These bonds will be listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange and NSE-IX Exchange, GIFT City.
- This fundraising follows the upgrade of India's sovereign credit rating by S&P Global Ratings, which has boosted investor confidence.
- The bonds provide investors a secure fixed-income investment while enabling SBI to raise funds efficiently for its operations.





















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Ques: Which organization has provided a USD 125 million loan for the Assam Urban **Sector Development Project (AUSDP)?**

- A. Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- B. International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- C. World Bank
- D. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- E. BRICS Bank

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has provided a loan of USD 125 million for the Assam Urban Sector Development Project (AUSDP).
- The objective of this project is to transform urban infrastructure and strengthen climate resilience in Assam.
- The project will cover six district headquarters Barpeta, Bongaigaon, Dhubri, Goalpara, Golaghat, Nalbari - and the state capital Guwahati.

About ADB:

• Established: 19 December 1966 • Headquarters : Manila, Philippines

Members: 69

Chief Economist: Albert Park

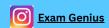
President : Masato Kanda

















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Ques: Which bank has launched the 'bob Digi Udyam' platform to provide collateralfree loans to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs)?

- A. State Bank of India (SBI)
- B. Punjab National Bank (PNB)
- C. Bank of Baroda (BoB)
- D. Union Bank of India
- E. Canara Bank

Answer: Option C

- Bank of Baroda (BoB) launched the 'bob Digi Udyam' platform, a fully digital, collateral-free lending scheme designed exclusively for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs).
- The scheme offers collateral-free working capital loans through Cash Credit (CC) and Overdraft (OD) facilities.
- Loan range: ₹10 lakhs to ₹50 lakhs for a period of one year.
- The final loan approval is done through TEJAS Loan Origination & Processing System, BoB's end-to-end digital loan processing platform.
- This initiative aims to streamline credit access and empower small businesses with hassle-free financing.

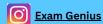


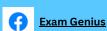
















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Ques: According to the Air Quality Life Index (AQLI) 2025 report, which region is identified as the world's most polluted zone?

- A. Northern Plains of India
- B. Indo-Gangetic Plain
- C. Eastern China
- D. Sahara Region
- E. Central Africa

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Air Quality Life Index (AQLI) 2025 report, published by the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago (EPIC), revealed alarming data about air pollution in India.
- Air pollution has become the most severe health threat in India, reducing the average life expectancy by 3.5 years.
- In 2023, India's annual average PM 2.5 level was 41 µg/m³, exceeding the WHO recommended limit of 5 µg/m³.
- 46% of India's population lives in areas where national annual PM 2.5 levels have been breached.
- The Northern Plains of India were identified as the most polluted region in India and the world, with 544.4 million people (38.9% of India's population) living under severe pollution.
- South Asia is the most polluted region globally, with particulate pollution rising by 2.8% in 2023 after a brief dip in 2022.

National Capital Region (NCR) emerged as the worst affected, where residents face a loss of 8.2 years in life expectancy, followed by:

• Bihar: 5.6 years lost

Haryana: 5.3 years lost

• Uttar Pradesh (UP): 5 years lost

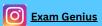


















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Ques: The Union Cabinet approved a ₹1,500 crore Incentive Scheme under the National Critical Mineral Mission to promote recycling of which feedstock?

- A. e-Waste and Battery Scrap
- B. Plastic Waste
- C. Coal Waste
- D. Textile Waste
- E. Thermal Ash

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet, chaired by PM Narendra Modi, approved a ₹1,500 crore Incentive Scheme under the National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM) to promote critical mineral recycling from secondary sources.
- Eligible feedstock includes: e-waste, Lithium-Ion Battery scrap, catalytic converters from end-of-life vehicles, and other scrap.
- Expected outcomes includes ₹8,000 crore investment and 70,000 direct and indirect jobs
- The scheme supports self-reliance and green energy transition, complementing the NCMM initiative (₹34,300 crore outlay, 2024–2031).

Incentives include:

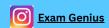
- 20% Capex subsidy on plant, machinery, equipment, and utilities.
- Opex subsidy on incremental sales (40% in the 2nd year, 60% in the 5th year).
- Incentive ceiling: ₹50 crore for large entities, ₹25 crore for small entities.

















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Ques: What is the primary objective of the PRATUSH telescope proposed to be placed in the lunar orbit?

- A. Monitoring solar flares
- B. Detecting signals from the universe's infancy
- C. Studying asteroids and comets
- D. Observing black holes
- E. Tracking space debris

Answer: Option B

- PRATUSH (Probing ReionizATion of the Universe using Signal from Hydrogen) is a proposed future radiometer that will function as a radio telescope placed on the far side of the moon.
- It is being developed by the Raman Research Institute (RRI), Bengaluru, in collaboration with ISRO.
- Objective: To detect signals from the early universe, particularly from the Cosmic Dawn, a period when the first stars and galaxies were formed.
- This pioneering mission will help scientists understand the universe's infancy and the process of cosmic reionization.



















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Ques: Who launched the AI-powered mobile application for the India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2025?

- A. Ashwini Vaishnaw
- B. Nitin Gadkari
- C. Rajeev Chandrasekhar
- D. Piyush Goyal
- E. Jyotiraditya M. Scindia

Answer: Option E

- Union Minister for Communications and Development of North East Region, Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, launched the AI-powered interactive mobile application for India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2025.
- The theme for IMC 2025 is "Innovate to Transform."
- The 9th edition of IMC will be held from October 8 to 11, 2025, at the Yashobhoomi Convention Centre, Dwarka, New Delhi.
- The event is co-hosted by the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI).
- It will bring together industry leaders, policymakers, investors, startups, and academia from India and around the world.



















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Ques: Recently, which organization signed a historic agreement with Patanjali Yoggram under the Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS)?

- A. Ministry of Defence
- B. Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare
- C. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
- D. Indian Army Medical Corps
- E. National Health Authority (NHA)

Answer: Option B

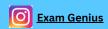
- The Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare signed a historic agreement with Patanjali Yoggram under the Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS).
- Under this agreement, ex-servicemen and their families will receive free treatment at Patanjali, covering Yoga, Ayurveda, and Naturopathy without any cost constraints.
- This initiative is expected to benefit around 6 million beneficiaries, enhancing access to holistic healthcare for retired defense personnel and their dependents.

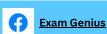
















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Ques: What is the new cut-off date set by the Ministry of Home Affairs for persecuted minorities to apply for Indian citizenship under the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019?

- A. December 31, 2014
- B. December 31, 2020
- C. December 31, 2022
- D. December 31, 2023
- E. December 31, 2024

Answer: Option E

- The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has extended the cut-off date for entry into India to December 31, 2024, for applying under the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 (CAA).
- This extension allows persecuted minorities Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis, and Christians – from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, and Pakistan who entered India on or before December 31, 2024, to apply for Indian citizenship.
- Individuals from these communities who entered without valid documents or whose documents have expired are exempted from the requirement of having a valid passport or visa.
- The step aims to facilitate the legal settlement and integration of those who fled religious persecution in their home countries.



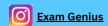


















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Ques: Where was the 29th edition of the BWF World Championships 2025 held?

- A. Tokyo, Japan
- B. Beijing, China
- C. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- D. Jakarta, Indonesia
- E. Paris, France

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- 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.
- This was the first time since 2010 that Paris hosted this prestigious badminton championship.
- The tournament featured 383 competitors from 53 nations.
- India's Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty won a bronze medal in the men's doubles category

Winners of BWF World Championships 2025:

Men's Singles : Shi Yuqi (China)

• Women's Singles: Akane Yamaguchi (Japan)

• Men's Doubles: Kim Won-ho/Seo Seung-jae (South Korea)

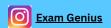
• Women's Doubles: Liu Sheng Shu/Tan Ning (China)

Mixed Doubles : Chen Tang Jie/Toh Ee Wei (Malaysia)















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Ques: On which date did NCERT celebrate its 65th foundation day in 2025?

A. 29 August

B. 1 September

C. 2 September

D. 3 September

E. 4 September

Answer: Option B

- The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) celebrated its 65th foundation day on 1st September 2025.
- On this occasion, several key initiatives were launched:
- Bal Vatika PM eVidya DTH Channel No. 35: Focused on improving foundational literacy and numeracy among children aged 3-6 years. Provides engaging audiovisual content for teachers, Anganwadi workers, and parents.
- PRASHAST 2.0 Mobile App: A tool for early identification and screening of children with 21 different types of disabilities, promoting inclusive education.
- DIKSHA 2.0 Platform: Offers structured lessons, adaptive assessments, and performance feedback. Equipped with AI-powered features such as Read Aloud, Closed Captioning and Multilingual text translation in 12 languages.



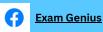
















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Ques: Which ministry organized the Dr. Ambedkar National Merit Awards Ceremony 2025 to honor high-achieving SC and ST students?

- A. Ministry of Education
- B. Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- C. Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- D. Ministry of Skill Development
- E. Ministry of Women and Child Development

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Dr. Ambedkar Foundation, under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, organized the Dr. Ambedkar National Merit Awards Ceremony 2025 in New Delhi.
- The ceremony aimed to honor SC and ST students who achieved outstanding performance in their Class 10 and Class 12 board exams.

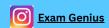
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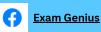
- Highest marks: ₹60,000/-
- Second highest marks: ₹50,000/-
- Third highest marks: ₹40,000/-
- Additionally, if no girl was among the top three, the highest-scoring girl received a ₹60,000 award to promote gender inclusivity and girls' education.















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Ques: Under which Act does the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) provide free foodgrains to eligible households?

- A. Essential Commodities Act, 1955
- B. Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006
- C. National Food Security Act, 2013
- D. Public Distribution Act, 2010
- E. Food Distribution and Safety Act, 2015

Answer: Option C

- The Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) is a free foodgrain distribution scheme under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013.
- It provides free rice or wheat to eligible households through the Public Distribution System (PDS).
- Launched: March 2020, during the COVID-19 pandemic as a relief measure to ensure food security for the poor.
- NFSA 2013 provisions : Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY): 35 kg grains per household per month. Priority Household (PHH): 5 kg grains per person per month.
- In 2023, PMGKAY was merged with NFSA and renamed Integrated PMGKAY, making all NFSA foodgrains completely free till 2028.
- Recently, the government announced a review of the scheme to remove ineligible beneficiaries as the food subsidy bill crossed ₹2 lakh crore in FY26.

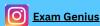


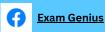
















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Ques: What is the full form of APEDA's new initiative BHARATI, launched to boost India's agri-food and agri-tech exports?

- A. Bharat's Hub for Agriculture, Research, Advancement, Trade & Innovation
- B. Bharat's Hub for Agritech, Resilience, Advancement and Incubation for Export Enablement
- C. Bharat's Hub for Agriculture, Resources and International Trade
- D. Bharat's Hub for Agri-food, Resilience and Trade Innovation
- E. Bharat's Hub for Agricultural Research and Technological Innovation

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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.
- BHARATI stands for Bharat's Hub for Agritech, Resilience, Advancement and Incubation for Export Enablement.
- This initiative marks a significant step in strengthening India's agricultural and processed food exports globally.

Purpose of BHARATI:

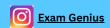
- To empower 100 agri-food and agri-tech startups.
- Promote innovation and create new export opportunities for young entrepreneurs.
- Accelerate India's journey toward achieving \$50 billion in agri-food exports by 2030 for APEDA's scheduled products.



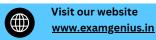














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Ques: What is the name of India's first fully indigenous microchip unveiled at Semicon India 2025?

- A. Kalpana-64
- B. Bharat-32
- C. Vikram-32
- D. ISRO-180
- E. Sarabhai-32

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India has unveiled its first fully indigenous microchip, named 'Vikram-32', at the Semicon India 2025 conference in Delhi.
- The chip was presented to Prime Minister Narendra Modi by Union IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw.
- Designed by: Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), ISRO
- Manufactured by: Semiconductor Laboratory (SCL), Chandigarh
- The Vikram-32 chip is a 32-bit processor, an upgrade over the Vikram-1601 variant (16-bit), used by ISRO since 2009.
- It has been tested in a PSLV-C60 mission and is qualified for extreme conditions ranging from -55°C to +125°C, vibration, and radiation typical of launch environments.

Future plans include:

- A 64-bit successor chip called the 'Kalpana series' for satellite applications.
- Reducing chip size from 180 nanometers to 65 nanometers and below to meet global standards.

At the event, the government also announced:

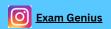
- Five new semiconductor fabrication units under construction.
- Approval of 10 projects worth ₹1.6 lakh crore across six states.
- Support for 23+ design startups under the Design-Linked Incentive (DLI) scheme.



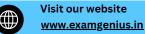














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Ques: Which country's Prime Minister, Lawrence Wong, visited India in September 2025 to mark the 60th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the two nations?

- A. Malaysia
- B. Singapore
- C. Thailand
- D. Indonesia
- E. Vietnam

Answer: Option B

- On 2 September 2025, Prime Minister of Singapore Lawrence Wong arrived in India on a three-day visit at the invitation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The visit marked the 60th anniversary of diplomatic relations between India and Singapore.
- During this visit, both leaders inaugurated Phase 2 of PSA Mumbai (Bharat Mumbai Container Terminal).
- Additionally, the armies of India and Singapore conducted a joint military exercise named 'Bold Kurukshetra 2025' in Jodhpur.





















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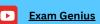
Ques: Which company became the first ground handling company in India to receive safety clearance from DGCA?

- A. Air India Limited
- B. SATS Limited
- C. Air India SATS Airport Services Private Limited (AISATS)
- D. IndiGo Ground Services
- E. SpiceJet Cargo

Answer: Option C

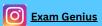
- Air India SATS Airport Services Private Limited (AISATS), a joint venture between Air India Limited and SATS Limited, has received safety certification from the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) to conduct ground handling operations.
- This action makes AISATS the first ground handling company in India to be approved; it involves inspections of equipment, personnel training, operating procedures, and compliance with international safety standards.
- With this accomplishment, India has surpassed Malaysia as the second nation in the Asia-Pacific area (APAC) to adopt a comprehensive safety framework in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).
- AISATS was founded in 2008 and offers a wide range of ground handling and cargo services at major Indian airports, including baggage handling, passenger check-in, aircraft loading and unloading, cargo management, and aircraft cleaning.

















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Ques: Which portal was launched by the Ministry of Textiles to streamline cotton procurement and enable Aadhaar-linked payments to farmers?

- A. Kapas Kisan
- B. e-Krishi
- C. Digital Cotton Platform
- D. Kisan Suvidha
- E. Cotton Connect

Answer: Option A

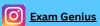
- Portal Kapas Kisan was launched by Union Minister Giriraj Singh, Ministry of Textiles, and developed by the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI).
- Objective: Streamline cotton procurement operations, ensure transparency, and enable Aadhaar-linked payments to farmers' bank accounts via the National Automated Clearing House (NACH).
- Implementation: 550 procurement centres have been set up across cottonproducing states ahead of the Kharif Marketing Season 2025-26, starting October 1, 2025.
- Language Support: Hindi and 21 regional languages.
- The launch aligns with the Digital India Vision, promoting digitization and transparency in agriculture.

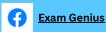














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IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs

Tata Steel Limited has acquired over 300 crore equity shares worth Rs 3,104 crore in its subsidiary, T Steel Holdings Pte Ltd (TSHPL).

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.

Air Marshal Sanjiv Ghuratia AVSM VSM assumed the appointment of Air Officer-in-Charge Maintenance at Indian Air Force Headquarters on 01 Sep 25.

The Competition Commission of India has approved the proposed combination involving acquisition of up to 100% shareholding by Manipal Hospitals Private Limited in Sahyadri Hospitals Private Limited.

CEREBO, an indigenous hand-held, portable diagnostic device, has been launched to provide a low-cost, rapid, radiation-free diagnosis for Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBIs), especially where CT/MRI access is limited.



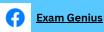
















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Ques: Sohan Lal Commodity Management Limited (SLCM) recently partnered with which two banks to provide unified collateral management services across India?

- A. SBI and PNB
- B. IDBI Bank and Punjab & Sind Bank
- C. HDFC Bank and ICICI Bank
- D. Bank of Baroda and Canara Bank
- E. Axis Bank and Union Bank of India

Answer: Option B

- 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 partnership enables farmers and traders to use their stored crops (like wheat, rice, pulses, etc.) as collateral (security) to avail loans from these banks.
- With this collaboration, SLCM has expanded its network to 27 banking partners across India and Myanmar.
- This initiative will help improve access to agricultural finance and promote the post-harvest value chain ecosystem.



















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Ques: Which bank signed an MoU with DPIIT to support startups and innovators across India?

A. HDFC Bank

B. ICICI Bank

C. Axis Bank

D. Yes Bank

F. SBI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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.
- Under this MoU, ICICI Bank will launch a Startup Engagement Programme, hosted on the Startup India portal.

Selected startups will gain:

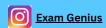
- Access to ICICI Bank's Mumbai-based accelerator facility, including dedicated workspace.
- A structured curriculum and mentorship by industry leaders.
- Opportunities to run pilot projects with ICICI Bank business units to validate their product-market fit.

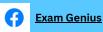
















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Ques: Who chaired the recent Sub-Committee meeting of the Financial Stability and **Development Council (FSDC-SC)?**

- A. Nirmala Sitharaman
- B. Sanjav Malhotra
- C. Shaktikanta Das
- D. Ajay Seth
- E. Rajiv Kumar

Answer: Option B

- The Sub-Committee of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC-SC) was chaired by RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra.
- The meeting focused on global and domestic macroeconomic and financial sector developments, along with issues impacting financial stability.
- The panel also reviewed inter-regulatory matters, including the simplification of KYC processes.
- Additionally, it emphasized special drives for financial inclusion to strengthen the reach of financial services across the country.

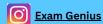


















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Ques: Survoday Small Finance Bank (SSFB) recently launched secured credit cards backed by which type of collateral?

- A. Gold
- B. Mutual Funds
- C. Insurance Policies
- D. Real Estate
- E. Fixed Deposits

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Using fixed deposits as security, Survoday Small Finance Bank (SSFB) has launched a secured credit card that aims to improve loan accessibility.
- Customers can use their fixed deposits to obtain credit using the bank's new products, the Suryoday SFB RuPay Platinum Credit Card and the Suryoday SFB RuPay Select Credit Card.
- These cards can be obtained instantly through virtual issuance and are connected with the RuPay and UPI platforms.
- The Platinum and Select versions of the secured credit card need an initial fixed deposit of ₹1,000 and ₹1,11,500, respectively.

About Suryoday Small Finance Bank:

 Established: 2017 • HQ: Navi Mumbai

• Tagline: A bank of smiles

• MD & CEO: Baskar Babu Ramachandran



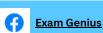
















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Ques: How many Aadhaar authentication transactions were recorded in August 2025 by UIDAI?

A. 180 crore

B. 200 crore

C. 213 crore

D. 221 crore

E. 230 crore

Answer: Option D

- In August 2025, UIDAI recorded 221 crore Aadhaar authentication transactions, showing a 10.3% increase compared to August 2024.
- Face Authentication saw rapid growth, reaching 18.6 crore transactions in August 2025, up from 6.04 crore in August 2024.
- On 1 September 2025, UIDAI achieved its highest-ever single-day face authentications - over 1.5 crore transactions.
- Till date, more than 213 crore face authentications have been completed using Aadhaar.
- Aadhaar authentication is now used by 150+ government and private entities, including banks, telecom companies, and ministries.
- In the same month, 38.53 crore e-KYC transactions were completed, supporting various financial and non-financial services.

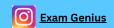


















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Ques: Axis Bank recently launched the 3rd edition of its flagship initiative, Sparsh Week. What is the theme for Sparsh Week 2025?

- A. Raise the Bar
- B. Empower the Customer
- C. Banking for All
- D. Digital First
- E. Customer First

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Axis Bank Limited launched the 3rd edition of Sparsh Week, to be celebrated from September 1 to 5, 2025.
- The theme for Sparsh Week 2025 is "Raise the Bar", focusing on enhancing customer experience, employee engagement, and leadership presence across its network.
- The initiative is anchored in four core principles such as Own the Brand, Own the Customer, Act with Speed, and Zero Pendency.
- This program aims to strengthen Axis Bank's service excellence and operational efficiency.

About Axis Bank:

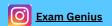
• Established : 1993

 HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra Chairman: Rakesh Makhija

 MD & CEO: Amitabh Chaudhary • Tagline: Badhti Ka naam Zindagi













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Ques: The Union Home Ministry and Manipur Government signed a peace pact with which insurgent group?

A. NSCN-IM

B. ULFA

C. LTTE

D. Bodo

E. Kuki-Zo

Answer: Option E

- The Union Home Ministry and Manipur Government signed a Suspension of Operations (SoO) pact with Kuki-Zo insurgent groups.
- The agreement was signed ahead of PM Narendra Modi's visit to Manipur on 13 September 2025, his first visit after the ethnic violence on May 3, 2023, between the Kuki-Zo and Meitei communities.
- As part of the pact, security forces will verify insurgent cadres, identify foreign nationals, and deport them if found.
- The revised pact emphasizes Territorial integrity of Manipur, Relocation of insurgent camps and Negotiated solutions for lasting peace
- This move aims to restore peace and stability in Manipur and prevent further ethnic clashes.





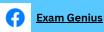
















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Ques: Which institute retained the No. 1 rank in the Engineering category in the NIRF Rankings 2025?

A. IIT Delhi

B. IIT Bombay

C. IISc Bengaluru

D. IIT Madras

E. IIT Kanpur

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) Rankings 2025, released by the Ministry of Education, marks its 10th edition.
- IIT Madras has retained the No. 1 position in the Engineering category for the 10th consecutive year (2016-2025) and has also been No. 1 Overall for seven consecutive years (2019-2025).
- IISc Bengaluru continued to hold the second position Overall.
- Total of 7,692 institutions participated this year.
- Introduction of a Sustainable Development Goal (SDG)-based category for the first time.
- Retracted research publications will now lead to penalties under the "Research and Professional Practice" criteria.
- The government aims to increase higher education students from 4.5 crore to 9 crore by 2030.

Ranking of top 5 institutions in Overall category:

- 1 Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras
- 2 Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru
- 3 Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay
- 4 Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi
- 5 Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur



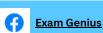
















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Ques: The government introduced voluntary hallmarking for silver jewellery from which date?

A. August 1, 2025

B. September 1, 2025

C. October 1, 2025

D. July 1, 2025

E. January 1, 2025

Answer: Option B

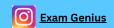
- The government introduced voluntary hallmarking for silver jewellery and articles starting September 1, 2025.
- A digital identification system will be implemented to ensure metal purity and consumer protection.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) updated its hallmarking standard by releasing IS 2112:2025, which replaced the previous IS 2112:2014 version.
- This initiative aims to improve transparency and trust in the silver jewellery market

















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Ques: Which program was launched by C-DOT in collaboration with STPI and TiE Delhi-NCR to support early-stage deep-tech startups in India?

- A. Samarth Incubation Program Cohort II
- B. Startup India Initiative
- C. Atal Innovation Mission
- D. MeitY Startup Hub
- E. T-Hub Accelerator

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- 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.
- Objective: Strengthen India's deep-tech ecosystem by supporting early-stage ventures in 5G/6G, AI, Internet of Things (IoT), and cybersecurity.

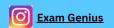
Key features:

- Grant : Provides grants of up to ₹5 lakh for selected startups.
- Access to R&D Labs: Startups can use C-DOT's advanced research labs in New Delhi and Bengaluru.
- Mentorship & Investor Connect: Structured mentorship from industry experts along with accelerator sessions on strategy, fundraising, and scaling.
- Cohort II builds on the success of Cohort I, which enabled startups to progress from prototypes to pilots, further enhancing the Indian deep-tech startup ecosystem.















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Ques: DPIIT recently signed an MoU with Pfizer Limited to support healthcare innovation. Under this initiative, how much grant will each selected startup receive?

A. ₹25 lakhs

B. ₹40 lakhs

C. ₹50 lakhs

D. ₹60 lakhs

E. ₹75 lakhs

Answer: Option D

- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (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.
- Under the partnership, the Pfizer INDovation program will provide grants of up to ₹60 lakhs to each selected DPIIT-recognized startup.
- These startups will also undergo a tailored 18-month incubation program, delivered by Social Alpha.
- With an emphasis on non-communicable illnesses, oncology, brain health, maternity and child health, and immunization, the program will assist 14 avant-garde MedTech businesses that are advancing screening, diagnostics, health monitoring, and therapy enablers.



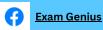
















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Ques: Which state government issued rules for 10% horizontal reservation for retired Agniveers in Group C State services in 2025?

- A. Uttarakhand
- B. Harvana
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Madhya Pradesh
- E. Rajasthan

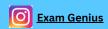
Answer: Option A

- On September 1, 2025, the Uttarakhand government issued rules providing 10% horizontal reservation for retired Agniveers in direct recruitment for Group C State services.
- Eligibility: Beneficiaries must be native of Uttarakhand.
- Covered posts include uniformed and important roles such as Police Constable (Civilian / PAC), Sub Inspector, Platoon Commander PAC, Fireman, Fire Officer II, Prisoner, Deputy Jailor, Forest Guard, Forest Inspector, Excise Constable, Enforcement Constable, Transport Department and Secretariat Guard
- Applies across all categories (General, SC/ST, OBC).
- Exemption from physical efficiency test and relaxation in maximum age limit.
- Other states like Haryana (20%) and Uttar Pradesh (20%) also provide horizontal reservation for Agniveers in police services, while Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, and Odisha have announced similar measures earlier in 2025.















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Ques: According to the 2023 SRS Report, what is India's Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)?

A. 23

B. 25

C. 37

D. 40

E. 50

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- According to the Sample Registration System (SRS) Report 2023, India's Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) dropped to a record low of 25.
- This represents a 37.5% decline from 40 in 2013, showing significant improvement in healthcare access.
- Highest IMR (37): Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, and Uttar Pradesh.
- Lowest IMR (3): Manipur.
- Kerala was the only large state with a single-digit IMR of 5, second only to Manipur.

Neighboring countries' IMR (2023):

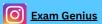
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- Sri Lanka 5
- Pakistan 50
- Afghanistan 50

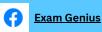
















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Ques: Which Indian cricketer, known for taking three hat-tricks in the IPL, recently announced his retirement after a 25-year career?

- A. Harbhajan Singh
- B. Amit Mishra
- C. Piyush Chawla
- D. Yuzvendra Chahal
- F. Ravichandran Ashwin

Answer: Option B

- Amit Mishra, a veteran Indian leg-spinner, announced his retirement at the age of 42 after an incredible 25-year professional cricket career.
- He made his Test debut in 2008 during Anil Kumble's farewell series against Australia, where he impressed with a five-wicket haul in Mohali.
- Mishra represented India in 22 Tests, 36 ODIs and 10 T20Is
- He holds the unique record of being the only bowler to take three hat-tricks in the IPL.



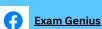
















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Ques: Who won the Prof. V.K. Gokak Award for contributions to children's literature?

A. U.R. Ananthamurthy

B. Girish Karnad

C. Anand V. Patil

D. Chandrashekhara Kambara

F. K.S. Nisar Ahmed

Answer: Option C

- Anand V. Patil, renowned for his significant contributions to children's literature, was honored with the Prof. V.K. Gokak Award.
- The award was presented in Bengaluru as a tribute to Prof. V.K. Gokak, a Jnanpith awardee and a prominent figure in Kannada literature.
- The event was hosted by Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan and the Vinayaka Gokak Vangmaya Trust.

















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Ques: Which Indian state plans to celebrate the Bathukamma festival on the scale of the Rio Carnival in 2025?

- A. Telangana
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Karnataka
- D. Tamil Nadu
- F. Maharashtra

Answer: Option A

- Telangana plans to celebrate Bathukamma—a festival honoring Goddess Gauri—on the scale of the Rio Carnival from 22-30 September 2025.
- Bathukamma comes from Telugu words Bathuku (life) and Amma (mother), symbolizing Mother Goddess come alive.
- Celebrations will kick off at the historic Thousand Pillar Temple in Warangal.
- Begins on Mahalaya Amavasya; the final day, Pedha or Saddula Bathukamma, falls two days before Dussehra.
- Women create small 'Bathukammas' and later immerse them in water.
- Modeled after Rio Carnival, which is the largest carnival in the world, attracting over 2 million revelers per day.





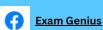
















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Ques: Karma Puja, a popular festival of Jharkhand, is primarily associated with which tree that symbolizes fertility and prosperity?

- A. Neem Tree
- B. Peepal Tree
- C. Karam Tree
- D. Banyan Tree
- E. Mango Tree

Answer: Option C

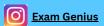
- Karma Puja is one of the most popular festivals of Jharkhand, dedicated to the Karam tree, which represents fertility, prosperity, and auspiciousness.
- It is celebrated on the 11th day (Ekadashi) of the bright fortnight in the Hindu month of Bhadrapada (August-September).
- The festival is especially significant among the Munda, Ho, Oraon, Baiga, Kharia, and Santhal communities.
- It is mainly celebrated in Jharkhand, West Bengal, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Assam, and Odisha.

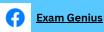
















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Ques: During which joint exercise will the U.S. temporarily deploy the Typhon Mid-Range Capability (MRC) missile system to Japan?

- A. Cobra Gold
- B. Yama Sakura
- C. Resolute Dragon
- D. Talisman Sabre
- E. Keen Edge

Answer: Option C

- The Typhon Mid-Range Capability (MRC) missile system, also known as the Strategic Mid-Range Fires System (SMRF), will be temporarily deployed to Japan during the Resolute Dragon joint exercise.
- This marks the first-ever deployment of Typhon on Japanese territory.
- Typhon is a truck-mounted, containerized launcher capable of firing SM-6 surfaceto-air/anti-ship missiles with a range of 200-320 km
- Tomahawk cruise missiles with a range of up to 1,500 km
- Its design supports integrated strike operations across land and sea, boosting battlefield flexibility and interoperability between U.S. and Japanese defense systems.



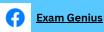
















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Ques: Teacher's Day 2025 in India is celebrated to commemorate the birth anniversary of which eminent personality?

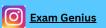
- A. Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- B. Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- C. Mahatma Gandhi
- D. Rabindranath Tagore
- E. Swami Vivekananda

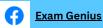
Answer: Option A

- Teacher's Day 2025 is celebrated on 5th September to honor the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, India's second President and first Vice President.
- Theme 2025: Inspiring the Next Generation of Learners.
- Dr. Radhakrishnan was born in 1888 and was a renowned scholar of comparative religion and philosophy.
- He served as First Vice President of India (1952-1962) and Second President of India (1962-1967)
- He was awarded the Bharat Ratna in 1954, India's highest civilian award.









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Kerala's Coconut Development Board Announces Financial aid for sapling is increased to rupees 45 from the present four rupees. Replanting aid is also increased to rupees 350 from rupees 40.

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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 the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)

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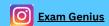


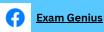
















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Ques: Tata Capital's upcoming Initial Public Offering (IPO) in September 2025 is valued at approximately how much?

A. USD 1 billion

B. USD 1.5 billion

C. USD 2 billion

D. USD 2.5 billion

E. USD 3 billion

Answer: Option C

- Tata Capital is set to launch a USD 2 billion (₹17,200 crore) IPO in the week starting September 22, 2025.
- The IPO includes 47.58 crore shares, consisting of 21 crore fresh issue shares and 26.58 crore shares via Offer-for-Sale (OFS).
- In the OFS portion Tata Sons will sell 23 crore shares. International Finance Corporation (IFC) will offload 3.58 crore shares.
- Before the IPO, Tata Sons holds 88.6% and IFC holds 1.8% stake in Tata Capital.
- This IPO complies with RBI's mandate requiring upper-layer NBFCs to go public within 3 years of classification; Tata Capital was classified in September 2022.

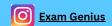


















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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Association of Mutual **Funds in India (AMFI)?**

- A. Navneet Munot
- B. Vishal Kapoor
- C. Sundeep Sikka
- D. Nilesh Shah
- F. Ashish Chauhan

Answer: Option C

- Sundeep Sikka, Executive Director (ED) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited, has been appointed as the Chairman of the Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI).
- He replaces Navneet Munot, MD & CEO of HDFC AMC.
- Vishal Kapoor, CEO of Bandhan Asset Management Company (AMC), has been appointed as the Vice Chairman of AMFI.
- AMFI (Association of Mutual Funds in India) Established in 1995 and Headquarters in Mumbai

















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Ques: PhonePe launched Loans Against Mutual Funds (LAMF) in partnership with which company?

- A. DSP Finance
- B. HDFC Finance
- C. ICICI Securities
- D. Axis Capital
- E. SBI Capital

Answer: Option A

- PhonePe, a leading fintech company, has launched Loans Against Mutual Funds (LAMF) in partnership with DSP Finance, an NBFC backed by the DSP Group.
- This product offers a secured credit limit of up to ₹2 crore by pledging mutual fund units as collateral.
- Unlike traditional loans, there are no monthly principal repayments or EMIs; customers only need to pay interest on the withdrawn amount.

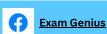
















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Ques: Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently inaugurated 'Bihar Rajya Jeevika Nidhi Saakh Sahkari Sangh Limited (BRJNSSSL)'. What is the main objective of this initiative?

- A. Promoting rural tourism in Bihar
- B. Providing affordable credit to rural women entrepreneurs
- C. Training rural youth for government jobs
- D. Developing rural infrastructure
- E. Establishing rural health centers

Answer: Option B

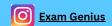
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated the Bihar Rajya Jeevika Nidhi Saakh Sahkari Sangh Limited (BRJNSSSL), a new cooperative initiative focused on women empowerment.
- Its Objective is to provide affordable and timely credit to rural women entrepreneurs associated with the Jeevika program, strengthening financial inclusion and liquidity support in Bihar.
- During the launch, PM Modi transferred ₹105 crore into the institution's bank account to mark the beginning of its operations.
- The Bihar government has sanctioned a total of ₹1,000 crore for this cooperative to support women-centric outreach programs across the state.
- This initiative is expected to empower rural women and encourage entrepreneurship in Bihar's villages.

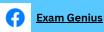
















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Ques: The Andhra Pradesh Cabinet, headed by CM N Chandrababu Naidu, recently launched the Universal Health Insurance Scheme under which model?

- A. Insurance-only Model
- B. Public-only Model
- C. Hybrid Model
- D. Private-only Model
- E. Cooperative Model

Answer: Option C

- The Andhra Pradesh (AP) Cabinet, led by CM N Chandrababu Naidu, launched the Universal Health Insurance Scheme under a Hybrid Model by integrating Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) and Dr. NTR Vaidya Seva Trust.
- Approval grant is Based on the families Above Poverty Line (APL) and Below Poverty Line (BPL)
- BPL Families Receives coverage up to Rs. 25 lakh (Rs. 2.5 lakhs by insurer + Rs. 25 lakhs by Dr NTR Vaidya Seva Trust)
- APL Families Receives upto Rs. 5 lakh insurance coverage
- Approval of 10 new medical colleges under the PublicPrivate Partnership (PPP) model



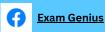
















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Oues: The National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) Guwahati, in collaboration with the National Dope Testing Laboratory (NDTL), recently developed which rare high-purity Reference Material (RM) used in antidoping analysis?

- A. Stanozolol LTM
- B. Methandienone LTM
- C. Testosterone LTM
- D. Erythropoietin LTM
- E. Nandrolone LTM

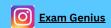
Answer: Option B

- The National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) Guwahati, under the Department of Pharmaceuticals, along with the National Dope Testing Laboratory (NDTL), has developed a rare and high-purity Methandienone Long-Term Metabolite (LTM).
- Reference Materials (RMs) are highly purified and scientifically characterized drug substances or metabolites, essential for accurate analytical testing.
- In anti-doping, RMs are vital for detecting over 450 substances prohibited by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA).
- These specialized materials are scarce and costly as only 4–5 manufacturers worldwide produce them.
- Since 2020, NIPER Guwahati has synthesized 12 out of 22 planned RMs, with Methandienone LTM being the latest addition, supporting India's self-reliance in antidoping analysis.















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Ques: Which Indian actor has been appointed as the new global brand ambassador of Levi's®?

- A. Deepika Padukone
- B. Alia Bhatt
- C. Priyanka Chopra
- D. Shraddha Kapoor
- F. Anushka Sharma

Answer: Option B

- Alia Bhatt, the renowned Indian actor and National Film Award winner, has been appointed as the new global brand ambassador of Levi's®.
- She is only the third Indian actor to represent Levi's globally, following Deepika Padukone and Diljit Dosanjh.
- Alia Bhatt is also the Global Brand Ambassador of French cosmetics brand 'L'Oreal Paris' and Italian luxury fashion brand 'Gucci'

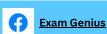
















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Ques: The newly inaugurated advanced lithium-ion battery manufacturing plant by TDK Corporation in Sohna, Haryana, will cover approximately what percentage of India's annual battery pack requirement?

A. 40%

B. 30%

C. 20%

D. 50%

E. 60%

Answer: Option A

- Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated TDK Corporation's Advanced Technologies Lithium-ion (Li-ion) Battery Manufacturing Plant at Sohna, Haryana.
- This facility will produce 20 crore (200 million) battery packs annually.
- India's total annual requirement of Li-ion battery packs is 50 crore, and this plant will meet 40% of the demand.
- The batteries manufactured here will be used in mobile phones, wearables, hearables (watches, earbuds, AirPods), and laptops, promoting domestic production and reducing imports.

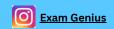


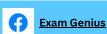
















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Oues: Which Indian filmmaker won the Best Director award in the Orizzonti section at the 82nd Venice International Film Festival for the film 'Songs of Forgotten Trees'?

- A. Zoya Akhtar
- B. Anurag Kashyap
- C. Anuparna Roy
- D. Mira Nair
- F. Rima Das

Answer: Option C

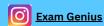
- Anuparna Roy, an Indian filmmaker, made history at the 82nd Venice International Film Festival by winning the Best Director award for her film 'Songs of Forgotten Trees'.
- Roy took home the prize in the Orizzonti section of the film festival.
- The category focuses on new trends in cinema focuses on emerging trends in cinema and showcases indie films, debuts, up-and-coming artists, and lesser-known films with a significant impact.

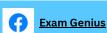
















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Ques: Who jointly launched the Guidelines for Co-location of Anganwadi Centres with Schools?

- A. Nirmala Sitharaman and Smriti Irani
- B. Dharmendra Pradhan and Annpurna Devi
- C. Rainath Singh and Piyush Goyal
- D. Mansukh Mandaviya and Annpurna Devi
- E. Amit Shah and Dharmendra Pradhan

Answer: Option B

- Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and Union Women & Child Development Minister Annpurna Devi jointly launched the Guidelines for Co-location of Anganwadi Centres with Schools.
- These guidelines aim to integrate early childhood care and education by linking Anganwadi Centres with schools.
- A dedicated learning module will also be created for Anganwadi workers ("didi") who have not studied up to Class 12 but are interested in continuing their education.

















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Ques: The Government of India recently introduced a new comprehensive framework for managing foreign nationals, replacing how many old laws?

A. 4

B. 8

C. 2

D. 5

E. 6

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

The new framework for managing foreign nationals in India replaces 4 old laws:

- 1. Passport (Entry into India) Act, 1920
- 2. Registration of Foreigners Act, 1939
- 3. Foreigners Act, 1946
- 4. Immigration (Carriers' Liability) Act, 2000

Stricter penalties have been introduced:

- Fake/forged passport or visa: 2-7 years jail + fine of ₹1-10 lakh.
- Illegal entry without valid documents: Up to 5 years jail + ₹5 lakh fine.
- Overstaying or visa violations: Up to 3 years jail + ₹3 lakh fine.
- Serious violations (fraud, terrorism, repeat offenses): Deportation, blacklisting, and up to 10 years jail.
- Mandatory reporting: Hotels, hospitals, universities, and nursing homes must report foreign nationals staying or using their facilities.
- Carrier obligations: Airlines and shipping companies must share advance passenger and crew details.
- Premises regulation: The government can seal or restrict properties misused by foreigners.
- Special exemption: Citizens of Nepal and Bhutan can still enter India without a passport or visa, but only through official routes.

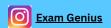


















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Ques: The Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) recently got its first 'Silver Notice' issued by INTERPOL against Pawan Thakur, who is linked to which criminal activity?

- A. Human Trafficking
- B. Drug Trafficking
- C. Cybercrime
- D. Money Laundering
- E. Arms Smuggling

Answer: Option B

- The Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) secured its first-ever 'Silver Notice' from INTERPOL against Pawan Thakur, a Dubai-based Indian drug trafficker.
- This action is connected to the seizure of 82 kg of cocaine in India.
- The Silver Notice is a new category of INTERPOL Notices, introduced to track and gather information about criminal assets, including properties, vehicles, financial accounts, and businesses.
- Silver Notice aids members in requesting information on assets linked to a person's criminal activities such as fraud, corruption, drug trafficking, environmental crime etc.
- There are 8 types of Notices apart from the INTERPOL-UNSC Special Notice.





















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Ques: Who was recently sworn in as the Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court?

A. Justice Dhananjaya Y. Chandrachud

B. Justice Shree Chandrashekhar

C. Justice N. V. Ramana

D. Justice Ranjan Gogoi

E. Justice Sanjay Kumar

Answer: Option B

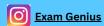
- Justice Shree Chandrashekhar, who was serving as Acting Chief Justice, was recently sworn in as the Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court.
- The oath was administered by Maharashtra Governor C. P. Radhakrishnan.
- Article 217(1): Appointment and Conditions of Office of a High Court Judge
- The President of India appoints all High Court judges, including the Chief Justice.
- The appointment is made following consultation with the Governor of the State, the Chief Justice of India (CJI), and, in the event that a judge other than the Chief Justice is appointed, the Chief Justice of the relevant High Court.

















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Ques: Which state cabinet approved a plan to open seven new medical colleges across seven districts and also sanctioned ₹20,000 crore for women entrepreneurship?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Bihar
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Rajasthan
- F. Jharkhand

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Bihar Cabinet approved opening one medical college and hospital in each of the seven districts: Kishanganj, Katihar, Rohtas, Sheohar, Lakhisarai, Arwal, and Sheikhpura.
- Bihar currently has 12 operational state-run medical colleges and 20 underconstruction colleges.
- Prohibition and State Narcotics Control Bureau has been set up with 88 posts.
- The Cabinet also approved a 30% risk allowance for police personnel working in the Anti-Terrorist Squad (ATS), capped at ₹25,000/month, on which dearness allowance is not applicable.

The Cabinet sanctioned ₹20,000 crore for the Mukhya Mantri Mahila Rozgar Yojana, under which:

- One woman per family receives ₹10,000 to start a business of her choice.
- After six months of evaluating performance, an additional ₹2 lakh grant will be given.















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Ques: The Royal Bhutan Buddhist Temple was recently inaugurated in which Indian state?

- A. Sikkim
- B. Bihar
- C. Arunachal Pradesh
- D. West Bengal
- E. Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option B

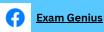
- The Royal Bhutan Buddhist Temple was inaugurated in Rajgir, Bihar, by Bhutan Prime Minister Tshering Tobgay, Union Minister for Minority Affairs Kiren Rijiju, and other representatives from both countries.
- Rajgir, located in Nalanda district, is a significant spiritual and historical site in Buddhism.
- It is where Lord Buddha spent several years meditating, delivering sermons, and establishing a monastic community.
- Rajgir is also closely linked to the First Buddhist Council, held shortly after Buddha's Mahaparinirvana.
- Bhutan PM Tshering Tobgay was on an official visit to India from September 3 to 6, 2025.















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Ques: The 27th Saras Aajeevika Mela, showcasing products made by rural women, recently began at which venue?

- A. Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
- B. Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi
- C. Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi
- D. Ramlila Maidan, New Delhi
- E. India International Trade Fair Ground, New Delhi

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 27th Saras Aajeevika Mela is being held from September 5 to 22, 2025, at the Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, near India Gate, New Delhi.
- Theme (2025): "Making of Lakhpati Didis Empowering rural women to become successful entrepreneurs and champions of Vocal for Local."
- Participants: Over 400 rural women from Self-Help Groups (SHGs) across all States and Union Territories.
- Around 200 stalls have been set up to display products.

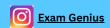
Objective:

- To provide a marketing platform for rural women.
- To enable urban visitors to experience rural life.
- To promote "Vocal for Local" products and entrepreneurship among women.















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Ques: India's first port-based Green Hydrogen Pilot Project was recently inaugurated at which port?

- A. Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Maharashtra
- B. Paradip Port, Odisha
- C. Kandla Port, Gujarat
- D. V.O. Chidambaranar Port, Tamil Nadu
- E. Visakhapatnam Port, Andhra Pradesh

Answer: Option D

- Union Ports, Shipping, and Waterways Minister Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated India's first port-based Green Hydrogen Pilot Project at V.O. Chidambaranar (VOC) Port, Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu.
- The pilot facility has a production capacity of 10 Nm³/hr.
- The project was set up at a cost of ₹3.87 crore.
- With this launch, VOC Port became the first port in India to produce green hydrogen.
- India aims to be among the world's top 10 shipbuilding nations by 2030, and top five by 2047



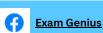
















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Ques: Which ministry introduced the Environment Audit Rules, 2025 to strengthen environmental compliance and sustainable development?

- A. Ministry of Jal Shakti
- B. Ministry of Power
- C. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- D. Ministry of Rural Development
- E. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

Answer: Option C

- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) has notified the Environment Audit Rules, 2025, aimed at improving Ease of Doing Business and promoting trust-based governance.
- The rules ensure compliance with key environmental statutes like Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 and Green Credit Rules, 2023
- A new Environment Audit Designated Agency (EADA) will certify and register environmental auditors, monitor their performance, and take disciplinary actions when required.
- Only Registered Environment Auditors (REAs) will be authorized to conduct environmental audits, with random assignment to ensure transparency and prevent conflict of interest.



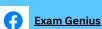














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Ques: What is the theme of International Literacy Day 2025, observed annually on 8th September?

- A. Literacy for All
- B. Bridging the Literacy Gap
- C. Promoting Literacy in the Digital Era
- D. Education for Sustainable Future
- E. Empowering Through Reading

Answer: Option C

- International Literacy Day is observed every year on 8 September to highlight the importance of literacy as a fundamental human right.
- It has been celebrated globally since 1967, under the leadership of UNESCO.
- The theme for 2025 is "Promoting Literacy in the Digital Era", emphasizing the need to adapt literacy efforts to technological advancements.
- On this day, a global conference is organized at UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France, bringing together experts and policymakers to discuss strategies for improving literacy worldwide.

















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Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah met and felicitated the CRPF, Chhattisgarh Police, DRG and Cobra jawans in New Delhi, who successfully carried out 'Operation Black Forest' on Karreguttalu hill, biggest anti - Naxal operation ever conducted on Karreguttalu hill

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

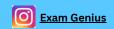
Vir Das will make history as the first Indian to headline a residency at New York's Lincoln Center Theater with his show Hey 'Stranger'

Bengaluru is set to house India's first and largest artificial intelligencepowered township, as the Karnataka government pushes ahead with the Greater Bengaluru Integrated Township (GBIT) at Bidadi.

Shri Piyush Goyal assumed charge as Secretary, Ministry of Mines. Prior to this assignment, Shri Goyal served as the Chief Executive Officer of NATGRID under Ministry of Home Affairs. He succeeds Shri V.L. Kantha Rao













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Ques: As per the HSBC India Manufacturing PMI survey, India's Manufacturing PMI reached a 17-year high of 59.3 in August 2025. This index is compiled by which organization?

- A. World Bank
- B. International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- C. S&P Global
- D. Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- E. United Nations (UN)

Answer: Option C

- HSBC released the 'HSBC India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)', which is compiled by S&P Global.
- In August 2025, India's Manufacturing PMI rose to 59.3, up from 59.1 in July 2025, reaching its highest level since 2008 (17-year high).
- The PMI survey is based on responses from around 400 manufacturing companies, making it a key economic indicator.
- PMI (Purchasing Managers' Index) reflects business activity, production levels, and overall economic health in the manufacturing and services sectors.



















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Ques: Which bank recently declared the loan accounts of Reliance Communications Ltd. and Anil Ambani as "fraud"?

- A. State Bank of India
- B. Bank of India
- C. Bank of Baroda
- D. Punjab National Bank
- E. Union Bank of India

Answer: Option C

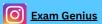
- Bank of Baroda (BoB) has officially declared the loan accounts of insolvent Reliance Communications Ltd. (RCom) and Anil Ambani as "fraud", as disclosed in a late exchange filing by the company.
- As of August 28, 2025, the total outstanding credit facilities extended by Bank of Baroda to RCom stood at ₹1,656.07 crore.
- RCom had a lender consortium comprising 14 banks, indicating that multiple banks were involved in funding the company.
- This follows similar actions by other banks, including SBI and Bank of India, which have earlier flagged RCom accounts for fund diversion and misappropriation of funds.

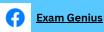
















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Ques: The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) recently received a report from a committee formed to recommend reforms in simplifying documentation for which type of cases?

- A. High Value Claim Cases
- B. Low Value Claim Cases
- C. Corporate Merger Cases
- D. Taxation Disputes
- E. Insolvency Cases

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The IEPFA (Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority), under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), formed a Committee to review current procedures and suggest reforms to simplify documentation for low value claim cases.
- The Committee comprised representatives from the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA), the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI), the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI), the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), and the Registrar Association of India (RAIN).
- The Committee has submitted its report to IEPFA.
- The suggestions, once adopted by IEPFA, would have been applicable to claims valued up to ₹5 lakh (physical securities), ₹15 lakh (demat securities), and dividends up to ₹10,000, as suggested by the Committee

The IEPFA, established on September 7, 2016, manages the Investor Education and **Protection Fund, which:**

- Safeguards investor interests
- Facilitates refund of shares, unclaimed dividends, matured deposits/debentures
- Promotes financial literacy and transparency across India.

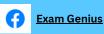
















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Ques: Which company's loan account was recently classified as fraudulent by the Bank of India, citing alleged fund diversion in 2016?

- A. Vodafone Idea
- B. Reliance Jio
- C. Airtel
- D. Reliance Communications (RCom)
- E. MTNL

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Bank of India has classified the loan account of Reliance Communications (RCom) as fraudulent, citing alleged fund diversion in 2016.
- The bank had sanctioned a ₹700 crore loan in August 2016 for Capital expenditure, Operations and Liability repayment
- SBI had earlier, in June 2025, also classified RCom's account as fraudulent for misappropriation of bank funds.
- RCom was declared a Non-Performing Asset (NPA) on June 30, 2017, with an outstanding of ₹724.78 crore to Bank of India.
- As of March 2025, RCom's total debt stood at ₹40,400 crore, reflecting the company's severe financial distress.

About Bank of India:

Established: 7 September 1906

• HQ: Mumbai

MD & CEO: Raineesh Karnatak

Tagline: Relationship beyond Banking

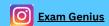


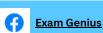
















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Ques: The Aapda Mitra programme, under MY Bharat, is a unique initiative that provides structured disaster response training to young volunteers. Who trains these volunteers?

- A. National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)
- B. National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)
- C. Indian Red Cross Society
- D. State Governments
- E. Indian Army

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Union Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya announced the mobilization of over 1,000 trained MY Bharat Aapda Mitras to assist in rescue operations in flood-affected areas of Punjab and Himachal Pradesh.
- MY Bharat is an autonomous body under the Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
- It provides digital platforms for youth (aged 15-29 years) to access mentorship, learning opportunities, networks, and industry connections to help build a Viksit Bharat.

Aapda Mitra programme:

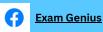
- A unique initiative under MY Bharat, designed to create trained volunteers for disaster response.
- Volunteers receive structured, NDMA-certified disaster response training.
- Training is provided by the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA).















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Ques: Which city will host the 28th ITTF-ATTU Asian Table Tennis Team Championships from October 11 to 15, 2025?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Pune
- C. Jaipur
- D. Bhubaneswar
- F. Lucknow

Answer: Option D

- India will host the 28th ITTF-ATTU Asian Table Tennis Team Championships in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, from October 11 to 15, 2025.
- The announcement was made by the Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI).
- The tournament will also act as a qualifier for the 2026 ITTF World Team Championships.
- This is the first time Odisha will host an Asian-level table tennis event, though the state previously hosted the 2019 Commonwealth Table Tennis Championships.



















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Ques: Lieutenant Parul Dhadwal, recently commissioned into the Indian Army Ordnance Corps, created history by becoming which generation of her family to serve in the armed forces?

- A. Third Generation
- B. Fourth Generation
- C. Fifth Generation
- D. Sixth Generation
- F. Seventh Generation

Answer: Option C

- Lieutenant Parul Dhadwal has been commissioned into the Indian Army Ordnance Corps, continuing her family's legacy of valour and service to the nation.
- She became the fifth generation of her family to join the armed forces.
- During her training at the Officers Training Academy (OTA), Chennai, she was awarded the President's Gold Medal for standing First in the Order of Merit in her course.
- She is also the first woman officer in her family, hailing from Village Janauri, Hoshiarpur District, Punjab.

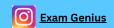


















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Ques: Operation Guddar was recently launched in which state/UT to neutralize active terrorists hiding in forested areas?

- A. Punjab
- B. Assam
- C. Jammu & Kashmir
- D. Manipur
- E. Chhattisgarh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Operation Guddar is a counter-terrorism operation launched in Kulgam district, Jammu & Kashmir, by J&K Police, Indian Army (Chinar Corps), and CRPF.
- It was initiated after terrorists opened fire on security forces during a search operation in the Guddar forest area.
- The operation was based on specific intelligence inputs about terrorist presence in the area.

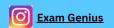
Key Objectives:

- To neutralize active terrorists in South Kashmir.
- To secure forested terrain and villages used as militant hideouts.
- To enhance intelligence-driven, coordinated operations between police and armed forces.















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Ques: What is the name of the mascot unveiled for the 11th Asian Aquatics Championship, which will be hosted in India for the first time?

- A. Jalrakshak
- B. Jalveer
- C. Jalshakti
- D. Jalbahadur
- E. Jalutsav

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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.
- Jalveer is an energetic aquatic superhero, representing the spirit of water and energy.
- The name 'Jalveer' combines 'Jal' (Water) + 'Veer' (Brave), symbolizing courage and vitality in aquatic sports.
- The event will take place for the first time in India at the Veer Savarkar Sports Complex, Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- Over 1,000 athletes from 30+ countries will compete in swimming, diving, water polo, artistic swimming, and open water swimming.
- This hosting aligns with Gujarat's long-term sports strategy, including bids for the 2030 Commonwealth Games and 2036 Olympic Games.

About Asian Aquatics Championship:

• Edition: 11th

• In India: First Time

Host City: Ahmedabad, Veer Savarkar Sports Complex

• 10th Edition: Tokyo, Japan (2016) held after 9 years.

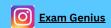
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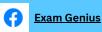
















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Ques: The Signal Star Naval Flare system, recently handed over to the Indian Navy, has been developed by which organization?

- A. Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)
- B. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- C. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
- D. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)
- E. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL)

Answer: Option D

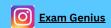
- The Signal Star Naval Flare System was developed by the High Energy Materials Research Laboratory (HEMRL), a lab under the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).
- It is specifically designed for Kalvari-class submarines of the Indian Navy.
- This system acts as a countermeasure against enemy torpedoes, thereby enhancing submarine survivability.
- It plays a crucial role in strengthening India's underwater warfare capabilities.

















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Ques: The Ministry of Earth Sciences has set up a 12-member panel to draft a national law to protect India's interests in the high seas, in alignment with which global agreement?

- A. MARPOL Agreement
- B. BBNJ Agreement
- C. CITES Treaty
- D. Ramsar Convention
- E. Montreal Protocol

Answer: Option B

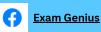
- The Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) has formed a 12-member panel, led by Senior Advocate Sanjay Upadhyay, to draft a national law to protect India's interests in international waters, also called high seas.
- This step is aligned with the BBNJ Agreement (Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction), which is the first legally binding global treaty to conserve biodiversity in waters beyond national boundaries.
- The BBNJ Agreement falls under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).
- It was adopted in 2023 to Curb pollution, Conserve marine biodiversity and Ensure sustainable use of ocean resources
- India signed the BBNJ Agreement in 2024, but as of August 2025, it has not ratified it yet.
- Globally, over 140 countries have signed the agreement, and 55 countries have ratified it so far.















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Ques: Ukraine recently unveiled the FP-5 "Flamingo" missile. What type of missile is it?

- A. Ballistic Missile
- B. Surface-to-Air Missile
- C. Hypersonic Missile
- D. Anti-Ship Missile
- E. Cruise Missile

Answer: Option E

- Ukraine has unveiled a new long-range cruise missile named FP-5 "Flamingo", developed by Fire Point Defense Company.
- It has a range of 3,000 km, a 1,150 kg warhead, and a maximum takeoff weight of 6,000 kg, making it one of the largest and longest-range ground-launched cruise missile systems globally.
- The missile has a wingspan of about six meters, a speed of up to 900 km/h, and uses inertial navigation and GPS for guidance.
- This is Ukraine's first indigenously produced heavy missile system.





















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Ques: Who won the Men's Singles title at the US Open 2025, reclaiming the ATP World No. 1 ranking?

- A. Novak Djokovic
- B. Rafael Nadal
- C. Jannik Sinner
- D. Carlos Alcaraz
- E. Daniil Medvedev

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- 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.
- He won the match 6-2, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4, securing his sixth career Grand Slam title, and his second US Open crown.
- With this victory, Alcaraz reclaimed the ATP World No. 1 ranking, ending Sinner's 65week reign at the top.
- In the women's singles final, Aryna Sabalenka defeated Amanda Anisimova 6-3, 7-6 (7-3) to claim her second consecutive US Open title, becoming the first woman since Serena Williams (2014) to successfully defend the title.
- US Open Started in 1881 and played on Hard Court.

List of winners:

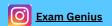
- Men's Singles : Carlos Alcaraz (Spain)
- Women's Singles: Aryna Sabalenka (Belarus)
- Men's Doubles: Marcel Granollers (Spain) / Horacio Zeballos (Argentina)
- Women's Doubles: Gabriela Dabrowski (Canada) / Erin Routliffe (New Zealand)
- Mixed Doubles: Sara Errani / Andrea Vavassori (Italy)

















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Ques: The Rajasthan Coaching Centres (Control and Regulation) Bill, 2025 was passed to regulate the coaching industry and protect students. Coaching centres with how many students are required to register mandatorily under this Bill?

- A. 50 Students
- B. 75 Students
- C. 200 Students
- D. 150 Students
- E. 100 Students

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Rajasthan Assembly passed the Rajasthan Coaching Centres (Control and Regulation) Bill, 2025 to regulate the state's coaching industry, especially due to rising cases of student suicides and commercialization.
- Coaching centres with more than 100 students must register and meet basic standards to continue operations.
- A special regulatory authority, including officials, doctors, parents, and police, will oversee the coaching centres to ensure student welfare and accountability.

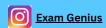
Key provisions of the Bill:

- Classes cannot exceed 5 hours a day and must include weekly holidays.
- Mandatory counselling support for students and teachers.
- False promises about exam ranks or marks are strictly prohibited.
- Minimum space requirement at least 1 sq. metre per student.
- Strict penalties ₹50,000 to ₹2 lakh for violations; repeat offenders risk losing their license















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Ques: Under which mission will the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) install four additional radars in Jammu & Kashmir to improve weather forecasting?

- A. Mission Meghdoot
- B. Mission Varsha
- C. Mission Mausam
- D. Mission Jal Vayu
- E. Mission Bhookamp

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) will install four additional radars in Jammu & Kashmir to provide more accurate, district-wise specific weather forecasts.
- These installations are part of Mission Mausam, launched by the Ministry of Earth Sciences in 2024.
- Mission Mausam is jointly implemented by IMD (India Meteorological Department), NCMRWF (National Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasting), and IITM (Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology)

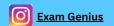
Objective of Mission Mausam:

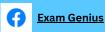
- Improve weather and climate services.
- Provide timely and precise observation, modeling, and forecasting information.
- Support sectors like agriculture, disaster management, and rural development.















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Ques: The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) recently launched "Angikaar 2025" campaign. What is its primary objective?

- A. To promote digital payments in urban areas
- B. To accelerate the implementation of PMAY-U 2.0 by creating awareness
- C. To improve public transportation facilities
- D. To provide health insurance to urban poor
- E. To develop smart cities across India

Answer: Option B

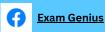
- Union Minister Manohar Lal launched "Angikaar 2025", an initiative of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) to boost the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban 2.0 (PMAY-U 2.0).
- The campaign will run from 4th September 2025 to 31st October 2025 across 5,000+ Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) in India.
- The main objective is to create widespread awareness about PMAY-U 2.0 and inform stakeholders about the Credit Risk Guarantee Fund Trust for Low Income Housing (CRGFTLIH) scheme.
- Under PMAY-U, 120 lakh houses have been sanctioned and 94.11 lakh houses have been completed and delivered to beneficiaries.
- MoHUA has extended the PMAY-U completion deadline to 31 December 2025.
- PMAY-U Awas Diwas will be celebrated on 17 September 2025, marking the first anniversary of PMAY-U 2.0 launch.
- Under PMAY-U 2.0, one crore urban families will receive financial support up to ₹2.50 lakh to build or purchase pucca houses in cities.















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Ques: The British Museum in London will return the 16th-century "Vrindavani Vastra" to which Indian state for exhibition in 2027?

- A. West Bengal
- B. Odisha
- C. Assam
- D. Manipur
- E. Tripura

Answer: Option C

- Assam is likely to receive the 16th-century Vrindavani Vastra from the British Museum, London, for exhibition in 2027.
- The Vrindavani Vastra is a silk textile woven in Assam.
- It depicts the childhood stories and divine pastimes of Lord Krishna in Vrindavan through intricate thread work.
- It was created under the guidance of Srimanta Sankardeva, at the request of Koch king Nara Narayan, who ruled parts of present-day Assam and West Bengal.





















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Ques: The 16th India-Singapore Defence Working Group meeting was co-chaired by officials from both countries. Who represented India in this meeting?

- A. Rajnath Singh
- B. Ajay Kumar
- C. Amitabh Prasad
- D. General Anil Chauhan
- E. Manoj Pande

Answer: Option C

- The 16th India-Singapore Defence Working Group (DWG) meeting was held on September 4, 2025, in Singapore.
- The meeting was co-chaired by Amitabh Prasad, Joint Secretary (International Cooperation), Ministry of Defence, India, and Colonel Daxson Yap, Director, Policy Office, Ministry of Defence, Singapore.
- The agenda included Reviewing progress on decisions taken during the last Defence Ministers' Dialogue and Discussing bilateral defence cooperation initiatives.
- Singapore has emerged as a leading source of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) into India, contributing a cumulative USD 160 billion since 2000.



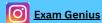


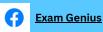
















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Ques: AURIC (Shendra-Bidkin Industrial Area), which recently celebrated its sixth anniversary, is developed under which program?

- A. Make in India
- B. National Industrial Corridor Development Programme (NICDP)
- C. Smart Cities Mission
- D. Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT)
- E. Startup India

Answer: Option B

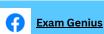
- Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, Maharashtra's AURIC (Shendra-Bidkin Industrial Area) is pleased to commemorate its sixth anniversary, marking a path of industrial advancement, international investments, and sustainable expansion.
- Developed under the National Industrial Corridor Development Program (NICDP), it is among the first Greenfield Industrial Smart Cities in India.
- 323 plots have been distributed across industrial and mixed-use categories in the last six years.
- As of right now, 78 units are in operation, 62 factories are being built, and 184 units are getting ready to start construction.
- The Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) is responsible for the development of AURIC, a Greenfield Industrial Smart City.
- The Maharashtra Industrial Township Limited (MITL), a Special Purpose Vehicle established as a joint venture between the Maharashtra and Indian governments, is in charge of its management.
- Shendra and Bidkin (AURIC) offers world-class infrastructure, large contiguous land parcels, plug-and-play facilities, and single-window clearances to attract domestic and global investors.













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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

External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar inaugurated the SAMHiTA Conference on South Asia's Manuscript Traditions and Mathematical Contributions in New Delhi.

Israel launched its latest spy satellite into space from an undisclosed site. The Ofek 19 satellite was built by staterun Israel Aerospace Industries.

Amazon India Acquires Axio (formerly Capital Float) for USD 200 million (Rs. 1,762 crore) to Expand Digital Lending Business in India. With this acquisition, Amazon India gains a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) license, enabling direct lending to consumers and small businesses in India

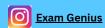


















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Ques: State Bank of India (SBI) recently hosted its first-ever start-up pitch fest named Dream2Demo. What was the main objective of this event?

- 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

- 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.



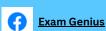
















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Ques: How much liquidity is expected to be infused into the Indian economy by RBI's phased 100 bps CRR cut by November 2025?

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:

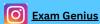
- 6 September 2025 → 3.75% → 3.50%
- 4 October 2025 → 3.50% → 3.25%
- 1 November 2025 → 3.25% → 3.00%
- 29 November 2025 → 3.00% → 2.75%

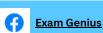
















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Ques: Which state had the highest outstanding small business credit portfolio growth rate as per the 'Small Business Spotlight' report by SIDBI and CRIF High Mark?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Karnataka
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Gujarat
- F. 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

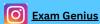
4 Uttar Pradesh: 361.7

5 Karnataka : 318.6















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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



















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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

- 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.

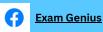
















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Ques: Former US President Barack Obama won his third Emmy in 2025 for narrating which Netflix documentary series?

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

Answer: Option A

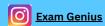
- Barack Obama became a three-time Emmy Award winner at the 76th Creative Arts Emmy Awards held on September 7, 2025.
- He won for his narration in Netflix's five-part documentary series "Our Oceans", which explores the wonders of Earth's oceans.
- Previous Emmy Wins Our Great National Parks (2022) and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

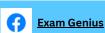
















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Ques: The DialogueNEXT 2025 event, focused on agricultural innovation, was recently held in which city?

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

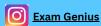
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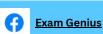
- DialogueNEXT 2025 was held in New Delhi, India, bringing together global agricultural leaders, policymakers, scientists, and farmers.
- It was a two-day high-level conference focused on exploring and accelerating breakthrough innovations to secure the world's food future.
- Organizers are World Food 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.















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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

- 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)

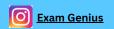
Continent: South America

















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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

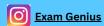
- The UN Security Council (UNSC) has unanimously extended the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) mandate for the final time until the end of 2026, after which a yearlong drawdown and withdrawal will begin.
- UNIFIL was established in 1978 to patrol Lebanon's southern border with Israel.
- The force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

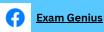
















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Ques: Niti Aayog recently released a strategy to make India self-sufficient in which crop by 2030 and double its production by 2047?

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

Answer: Option E

- 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.



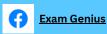
















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Ques: Recently, Adani Power signed an agreement to set up how many MW hydro project in Bhutan?

A. 450 MW

B. 500 MW

C. 570 MW

D. 600 MW

E. 750 MW

Answer: Option C

- 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

- 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.















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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. Venkajah Najdu
- 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.















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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 Dev
- 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:

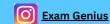
- Padma Shri (1977)
- Padma Bhushan (2001)















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

National Film Awards - Best Music Direction:

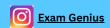
- 1969: Chakrahvyuh (Hindi)
- 1975: Chameli Memsaab (Assamese)
- 1977: Ek Pal (Hindi)

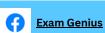
















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Ques: What new name has Donald Trump given to the U.S. Department of Defence?

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

Answer: Option B

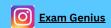
- U.S. President Donald Trump issued an executive order to rebrand the Department of Defence as the Department of War.
- According to the White House, this change is aimed at projecting a stronger and more powerful image of America's military establishment.
- The official legal name will remain Department 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
- F. Bahrain

Answer: Option B

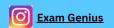
- The 28th Universal Postal Congress (UPC) was held at the Dubai World Trade Centre, UAE, marking the first time the event was hosted in the country.
- The event had participation from over 2,000 delegates representing 192 UPU member countries.
- India was represented by Union Communications Minister 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.

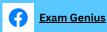
















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Ques: Recently, the Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) of Assam secured GI tags for how many unique Bodo products?

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:

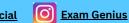
- Assam Orthodox Tea
- Muga Silk of Assam
- Karbi Anglong Ginger
- Tezpur Litchi
- Joha Rice
- Boka Chaul
- Kaji Nemu
- Chokuwa Rice
- Gamosa

















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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

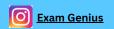
Answer: Option A

- 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.















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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.

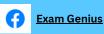
















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Ques: The International Finance Corporation (IFC) has provided a loan of Rs.498 crores to Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) for which project?

- A. Smart City Infrastructure Project
- B. Coastal Road Development Project
- C. Madhurawada Sewerage System Project
- D. Drinking Water Supply Project
- E. Urban Housing Development Project

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The International Finance Corporation (IFC) has provided a loan of Rs.498 crores (USD 60 million) to the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) for the development of the Madhurawada Sewerage System Project.
- The loan has been sanctioned for a 15-year tenure at an interest rate of 8.15%.
- The project aims to improve urban sanitation infrastructure and support sustainable city development in Visakhapatnam.

Total estimated project cost: Rs.553 crores, funded as follows:

- Rs.498 crores from IFC
- Rs.45.64 crores through Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation 2.0 (AMRUT 2.0)
- Rs.9.36 crores from GVMC's own resources.

About International Finance Corporation:

Established: 1956

• HQ: Washington, D.C., United States

• Members: 186 countries

• Managing Director: Makhtar Diop

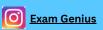


















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Ques: Which fintech company has received approval from NPCI as a Third-Party **Application Provider (TPAP) to offer UPI services?**

- A. PhonePe
- B. Paytm
- C. Viyona Fintech
- D. Razorpay
- F. BharatPe

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Viyona Fintech has been approved as a Third-Party Application Provider by the National Payments Corporation of India to work with partner institutions to provide Unified Payments Interface services.
- Viyona's two applications, GraamPay and Viyona Pay, are covered by the NPCI approval.
- To ensure fair prices, quicker payments, and greater UPI access, Viyona intends to introduce a GraamPay marketplace that will connect farmers and buyers directly.

About NPCI:

• Established : 2008

• HQ: Mumbai

• MD & CEO: Dilip Asbe

















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Ques: Ajay Kumar Srivastava's tenure as Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has been extended till which date?

- A. December 31, 2025
- B. January 1, 2026
- C. October 8, 2027
- D. March 31, 2026
- E. September 30, 2027

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Ajay Kumar Srivastava's tenure as MD & CEO of Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has been extended till October 8, 2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier.
- He succeeded Partha Pratim Sengupta in December 2022.
- His initial tenure was set to end on December 31, 2025, before this extension.

About Indian Overseas Bank (IOB):

• Founded: 1937

• Headquarters : Chennai

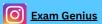
• MD & CEO: Ajay Kumar Srivastava Tagline: Good people to grow with

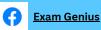
















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Ques: According to Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, what is India's literacy rate as of 2023-24?

A. 74%

B. 76.5%

C. 78%

D. 80.9%

E. 82%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- On International Literacy Day 2025, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan announced that India's literacy rate increased from 74% (2011) to 80.9% (2023-24).
- He credited this progress to the ULLAS-Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram, which currently includes 3 crore+ learners and 42 lakh volunteers
- 1.83 crore learners have appeared for foundational literacy and numeracy tests with a 90% success rate.
- The program provides study materials in 26 Indian languages, promoting inclusivity.
- States/UTs achieving 100% literacy are Ladakh, Mizoram, Goa, Tripura and Himachal Pradesh

About ULLAS Scheme:

• Full Form: Understanding of Lifelong Learning for All in Society

Launched: 2022

• Tenure: 2022-2027

- Aim: To empower adults (15 years and above) who missed formal schooling and integrate them into society to contribute to India's growth.
- Key Components: Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, Critical Life Skills, Basic Education, Vocational Skills and Continuing Education



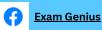
















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Ques: Which company has recently appointed Amitabh Kant as an Independent Director till 2030?

A. HCLTech

B. Wipro

C. Infosys

D. Tech Mahindra

E. TCS

Answer: Option A

- HCL Technologies (HCLTech), headquartered in Noida, has appointed Amitabh Kant as an Independent Director.
- His appointment is effective immediately and will continue till 7 September 2030.
- The Board of HCLTech approved the appointment based on the recommendation of the Nomination & Remuneration Committee.
- This move strengthens the company's leadership by bringing in Amitabh Kant's vast experience in policymaking and strategic planning.





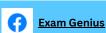
















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Ques: Which country is the partner country for the third edition of the Uttar Pradesh International Trade Show (UPITS) 2025?

- A. Japan
- B. Russia
- C. Germany
- D. France
- E. United Kingdom

Answer: Option B

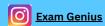
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the third edition of the Uttar Pradesh International Trade Show (UPITS) at the India Expo Mart, Greater Noida.
- Russia will participate as the partner country for this edition of the trade show.
- The event will feature knowledge sessions supported by APJ Abdul Kalam Technical University, IIT Kanpur and Other leading industry institutions
- First edition: 2023 and Second edition: 2024

















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Ques: The Supreme Court has directed the Election Commission to accept which document as the 12th proof of identity for inclusion in Bihar's revised voters' list?

- A. Passport
- B. Voter ID
- C. Aadhaar
- D. Ration Card
- E. PAN Card

Answer: Option C

- The Supreme Court has directed the Election Commission (EC) to accept Aadhaar as the 12th identity document for inclusion or correction in Bihar's electoral rolls.
- Aadhaar will be used only as proof of identity, not as evidence of citizenship.
- EC officials can verify the authenticity and genuineness of Aadhaar, similar to other identity documents.
- This move will help individuals seeking inclusion or correction of their names in the Bihar voters' list.
- The court clarified that this step will make the voter inclusion process easier and more accessible



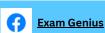
















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Ques: Which country has developed EnteroMix, a new vaccine that showed 100% efficacy in early clinical trials?

- A. Russia
- B. Japan
- C. United States
- D. Germany
- E. United Kingdom

Answer: Option A

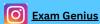
- Russia has launched EnteroMix, a vaccine with 100% effectiveness in early clinical studies.
- The Ministry of Health's National Medical Research Radiology Centre (NMRRC) collaborated with the Engelhardt Institute of Molecular Biology of the Russian Academy of Sciences to create the oncolytic vaccine.
- Developed using mRNA-based technology, similar to Covid-19 vaccinations, tailored to each patient's unique RNA.
- The Russian EnteroMix cancer vaccine is now available for clinical usage.
- EnteroMix combines four harmless viruses to target and destroy cancer cells while activating the body's immune system.
- EnteroMix, a personalized cancer vaccine, has the potential to revolutionize worldwide cancer treatment practices by tailoring immune responses to each patient.

















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Ques: Which state's proposal was approved to expand the Sundarbans Tiger Reserve, making it India's 2nd largest tiger reserve?

- A. Assam
- B. Odisha
- C. West Bengal
- D. Madhya Pradesh
- F. Kerala

Answer: Option C

- The Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) under the Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change approved the West Bengal government's proposal to integrate three forest ranges into the Sundarbans Tiger Reserve.
- The three forest ranges are Matla, Raidighi and Ramganga
- These ranges, covering 1,044.68 sq. km, are located in the South 24 Parganas district.
- After this integration, the total area of the reserve increased to 3,629.57 sq. km, making it India's 2nd largest tiger reserve, after Nagarjunasagar-Srisailam Tiger Reserve (Andhra Pradesh), which spans 3,727.82 sq. km.
- The Sundarbans Tiger Reserve was designated as a Tiger Reserve in 1973 under Project Tiger, and the most recent census estimates that it is home to 101 tigers: 80 in the present Tiger Reserve and 21 in the nearby South 24 Parganas forests.
- In 1987, it was named a World Heritage Site by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); in 1989, UNESCO recognized it as a Biosphere Reserve.















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Ques: What is the name of the first-ever Tri-service all-women circumnavigation sailing expedition flagged off by Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh?

- A. Samudra Pradakshina
- B. Navika Sagar Parikrama
- C. INSV Tarini
- D. Triveni Parikrama
- E. Viksit Bharat Mission

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh virtually flagged off Samudra Pradakshina, the world's first-ever Tri-service all-women circumnavigation sailing expedition, from the Gateway of India, Mumbai.
- They will sail on IASV Triveni, a 50-foot indigenous yacht built in Puducherry.
- The expedition will cover 26,000 nautical miles over nine months.

Crew Details:

- The team comprises 10 women officers from the Army, Navy, and Air Force.
- Expedition Leader: Lieutenant Colonel Anuja Varudkar
- Deputy Leader: Squadron Leader Shraddha P. Raju
- Other members include Major Karamjeet Kaur, Major Omita Dalvi, Captain Prajakta P. Nikam, Captain Dauli Butola, Lieutenant Commander Priyanka Gusain, Wing Commander Vibha Singh, Squadron Leader Aruvi Jayadev, and Squadron Leader Vaishali Bhandari.

Route & Highlights:

- Cross the Equator twice.
- Sail past three great capes: Cape Leeuwin, Cape Horn, and Cape of Good Hope.
- Port stops: Fremantle (Australia), Lyttelton (New Zealand), Port Stanley (Canada), Cape Town (South Africa).
- The rounding of Cape Horn in the Southern Ocean (Dec 2025 Feb 2026) will be the most challenging phase.

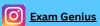


















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Ques: Which state was recently declared as a 'fully literate state' by CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu?

- A. Kerala
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Sikkim
- D. Haryana
- E. Goa

Answer: Option B

- On International Literacy Day, CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu declared Himachal Pradesh as a fully literate state. The state has reached a 99.3% literacy rate, higher than the national benchmark of 95%.
- The announcement was made at an event in Shimla, organized by the Directorate of School Education.
- The state achieved full literacy ahead of schedule, overcoming challenges from a past literacy rate of 7%.
- The CM emphasized the importance of quality education and continuous reforms aligned with modern requirements to achieve this milestone.





















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Ques: India recently signed a new Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT) with which country, making it the first OECD member to sign under India's new investment treaty framework?

- A. Israel
- B. Japan
- C. Germany
- D. France
- E. United Kingdom

Answer: Option A

- The Government of India (GoI) and the Government of the State of Israel signed a new Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT) to strengthen bilateral investments and expand economic relations between the two nations.
- With this agreement, Israel becomes the first OECD (Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development) member country to sign a BIT under India's new investment treaty framework.
- This new treaty replaces the earlier BIT signed in 1996, which was revoked in 2017 during India's policy overhaul on investment treaties.
- The agreement was signed by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and Israeli Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich.





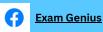
















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Ques: India's first bamboo-based bio-refinery has been set up in which state?

- A. Arunachal Pradesh
- B. Assam
- C. Nagaland
- D. Manipur
- E. Tripura

Answer: Option B

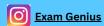
- Engineers India Limited completed the mechanical work for India's first bamboobased bio refinery at Numaligarh, Assam.
- The project is for Assam Bio Ethanol Private Limited.
- Finland's Chempolis Oy contributed innovative technology for the refinery.
- The project aims to create 49,000 tons of bioethanol, 11,000 tons of acetic acid, and 19,000 tons of furfural from raw bamboo feedstock annually.

















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Que: Who has been appointed as the ambassador for the "Namo Yuva Run" campaign launched by Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha?

- A. Virat Kohli
- B. Milind Soman
- C. Priyanka Chopra
- D. Sachin Tendulkar
- E. Deepika Padukone

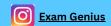
Answer: Option B

- Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) launched the "Namo Yuva Run" campaign with Milind Soman as its ambassador.
- The campaign is scheduled for 21 September 2025 across 75 cities in India.
- Objective: To attract participation from one million youths and promote the initiative's theme, 'Nasha Mukt Bharat', which focuses on preventing substance abuse and encouraging health and wellbeing among youth.















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Ques: The Shilp Samagam Mela 2025 was recently inaugurated in which city?

A. New Delhi

B. Jaipur

C. Lucknow

D. Mumbai

E. Bengaluru

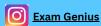
Answer: Option E

- The Shilp Samagam Mela 2025 officially opened at Freedom Park, Bengaluru.
- The event is organized by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, in collaboration with The Urban Learning Internship Programme (TULIP).
- The inauguration was done by Union Minister Dr. Virendra Kumar along with other government officials.
- The mela Features 75 artisan stalls
- It Showcases exquisite crafts from over 13 states across India.















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Ques: The Ministry of Labour & Employment recently signed MoUs with which organisations to enhance job access and career mentoring through the NCS portal?

- A. Amazon & Flipkart
- B. Mentor Together & Quikr
- C. Naukri.com & LinkedIn
- D. Swiggy & Zomato
- E. BYJU'S & Unacademy

Answer: Option B

- The Ministry of Labour & Employment signed MoUs with Mentor Together and Quikr to improve job access and provide personalised career guidance through the National Career Service (NCS) portal.
- The partnership with Mentor Together aims to reach 2 lakh youth in its first year, including NCS-registered job seekers and entrants from the PM Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana (PM-VBRY).
- The renewed MoU with Quikr will integrate 2,000+ daily job listings from 1,200+ cities into the NCS portal.
- 24,000+ trained professionals at city and district levels will support this initiative to ensure no job seeker is left behind.
- Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya stated that India's unemployment rate is just 2%, the lowest among G20 nations, as per the World Economic Forum's Future of Jobs Report 2025.















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Ques: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the Combined Commanders' Conference (CCC) 2025 in which city?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Pune
- C. Mumbai
- D. Kolkata
- E. Hyderabad

Answer: Option D

- On September 15, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will kick off the three-day Combined Commanders' Conference (CCC), 2025, in Kolkata, where they will talk about strategic reforms, national security, and the future of the military.
- This year's conference's main theme is "Year of Reforms Transforming for the Future."
- Three main topics will be covered at the conference: operational readiness, transformation & change, and reforms.



















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Ques: The MQ-28A Ghost Bat, recently developed by Australia, is a type of which defense equipment?

- A. Submarine
- B. Tank
- C. Combat Aircraft
- D. Military Drone
- E. Missile System

Answer: Option D

- Australia has recently made significant progress in developing the MQ-28A Ghost Bat, a next-generation military drone.
- This project marks Australia's first major domestically designed and manufactured combat aircraft in over 50 years.
- The Ghost Bat is named after a native Australian bat species, known for its agility and strength.
- The production is being led by Boeing, in partnership with the Australian government, to enhance the country's defense capabilities.



















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Ques: Digvijay Diwas, observed on 11 September, commemorates which event in Swami Vivekananda's life?

- A. Birth of Swami Vivekananda
- B. His speech at the World's Parliament of Religions, Chicago
- C. Establishment of Ramakrishna Mission
- D. Taking the name 'Vivekananda'
- E. First visit to Khetri State

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

• Digvijay Diwas is observed on 11 September to commemorate Swami Vivekananda's landmark speech at the World's Parliament of Religions in Chicago (1893), which began with the words "Sisters and Brothers of America."

About Swami Vivekananda:

- Born as Narendranath Datta on 12 January 1863.
- Took the name 'Vivekananda' in 1893 at the request of Maharaja Ajit Singh of Khetri State.
- Introduced the world to Vedanta and Yoga, preached neo-Vedanta, combining spirituality with material progress.
- Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose called him the "maker of modern India."
- Chief disciple of Ramakrishna Paramhansa and established the Ramakrishna Mission in 1897.

















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Ques: National Forest Martyrs Day is observed on which date in India?

A. 5 June

B. 11 September

C. 15 August

D. 2 October

E. 21 March

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- National Forest Martyrs Day is observed on 11 September each year in India.
- Started in 2013, it was declared by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.
- The day honors forest personnel and protectors who sacrificed their lives protecting forests and wildlife.

Historical significance:

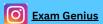
- Commemorates the 1730 Khejarli Massacre in Rajasthan.
- Led by Amrita Devi Bishnoi, where 363 Bishnoi community members sacrificed their lives to protect Khejri trees from being cut by Maharaja Abhay Singh of Jodhpur's soldiers.
- This event inspired the Chipko Movement and shaped India's modern environmental conservation ethos.

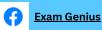














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Dassault Aviation Raises Additional 2% Stake in Dassault Reliance Aerospace Limited (DRAL) to 51% at a cost of Rs.176 crores (USD 20 million)

The Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC), New Delhi in collaboration with Amity University, Uttar Pradesh (Noida), organized the Purple Fest 2025

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of India signed a \$126.42 million loan agreement to promote rural development through sustainable and climate-resilient tourism in the Tehri Lake region of Uttarakhand.

Launch ceremony of 11th Ammunition CUM Torpedo CUM Missile (ACTCM) BARGE, LSAM 25 (Yard 135) was held on 08 Sep 25 at M/s Survadipta Projects Pvt Ltd, Thane.

Meghalaya State Skill Development Society has signed a MOU with Japan's Asean One Co. Limited For the initial phase, the initiative will support training and overseas placement of 500 candidates in the 1st year, and scaling up to 5,000 over the next 5 vears











