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Ques: Which bank has launched an EPF remittance service in collaboration with EPFO?

- A) Karur Vysya Bank
- B) City Union Bank
- C) South Indian Bank
- D) Federal Bank
- E) None of the Above

Answer: B) City Union Bank

Explanation:

City Union Bank (CUB) has partnered with the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) to launch an EPF remittance service.

This service allows corporate customers to directly remit provident fund contributions through CUB's net banking portal.

The launch event took place in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

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Ques: SBI and France's Amundi will jointly divest how much stake in SBI Funds Management via IPO?

- A) 5%
- B) 7%
- C) 8%
- D) 10%
- E) 12%

Answer: D) 10%

Explanation:

State Bank of India (SBI) and France's Amundi have decided to jointly sell 10% stake in SBI Funds Management Ltd (SBIFML) through an IPO.

Out of this total stake:

- SBI will divest 6.3%
- Amundi will divest 3.7%

SBIFML is currently the largest mutual fund in India with:

Market Share: 15.55%

AUM: ₹16.32 lakh crore (as of September 2025)





Recently signed banking agreements

- NPCI International Payments Limited (NPIL) partnered with Razorpay Curlec, a wholly owned subsidiary of Razorpay, to enable Unified Payments Interface (UPI) transactions in Malaysia.
- Scapia, in collaboration with Federal Bank Limited, introduced the Family Add-on Credit Card feature and launched the Scapia Store, India's first travel-focused shopping platform.
- India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) to provide doorstep Digital Life Certificate (DLC) services to pensioners under the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995.
- PayPal partnered with OpenAI to enable a digital wallet in ChatGPT, allowing users to purchase goods and services directly through the AI chatbot.
- The Bank of Maharashtra has joined three other lenders—State Bank of India, Bank of Baroda, and Bank of India—in labeling Reliance Communications' ₹488 crore loan as fraudulent, adding to the telecom company's financial troubles.
- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, signed an MoU with Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd. to enhance financial and non-financial support for startups across India.
- ICICI Bank has partnered with the Tata Memorial Centre (TMC) to build a new cancer care building named 'ICICI Foundation Block for Radiation Oncology' at ACTREC, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Axis Bank, one of India's largest private sector banks, has partnered with Hitachi Payment Services to launch "Express Banking", the country's first Digital Banking Point.





Ques: Which companies have introduced a dual loan financing program to make electric vehicles more affordable in India?

- A) Tata Motors and HDFC Bank
- B) JSW MG Motor India and Axis Bank
- C) Mahindra Electric and ICICI Bank
- D) Hyundai Motor India and SBI
- E) Maruti Suzuki and Punjab National Bank

Answer: B) JSW MG Motor India and Axis Bank

Explanation:

JSW MG Motor India has collaborated with Axis Bank to launch a dual loan financing program aimed at reducing the overall cost of owning an electric vehicle.

Under this scheme, customers can take separate loans for:

1. The electric vehicle, and
2. Its battery, under the Battery-as-a-Service (BaaS) model.

The scheme offers:

Up to 100% on-road financing
Battery loan tenure extending up to 8 years

The BaaS model helps reduce the upfront cost of purchasing EVs, making them more affordable for Indian consumers.





Ques: What is the name of Paytm's new AI-powered travel app?

- A) Paytm Travel+
- B) Paytm Check-in
- C) Paytm Journey
- D) Paytm Trip Planner
- E) None of the Above

Answer: B) Paytm Check-in

Explanation:

Paytm has introduced a new AI-powered travel app called 'Paytm Check-in'.

This app allows users to manage and book flights, trains, buses, and metro tickets on a single platform.

It includes an AI travel assistant that:

Helps users browse and book travel through a conversational interface.

Suggests destinations.

Creates personalized travel itineraries.

The app is currently in the early beta stage, and features are being refined for improved user experience.





Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector:

- Paytm has enabled Unified Payments Interface (UPI) payments for Non-Resident Individuals (NRIs) through their international mobile numbers.
- Japanese fintech firm JPYC Inc. launched “JPYC,” the world’s first Yen-pegged stablecoin, which is pegged equal in value to the Japanese Yen.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) launched ‘UPI Help’, an AI-powered digital assistant designed to simplify grievance redressal and transaction tracking on the Unified Payments Interface (UPI).
- ICICI Bank in collaboration with Visa launched the Corporate Sapphire Forex Card, Asia’s first Visa Infinite-powered prepaid forex card designed for entrepreneurs and business travellers.
- RBL Bank launched the ‘Humsafar’ RuPay prepaid card in collaboration with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).
- Lxmepay is India’s first UPI platform exclusively designed for women, launched by Lxme, a leading financial platform for women.
- CotoPay, a brand of Cotodel Technologies Private Limited, has launched the first business-specific e-RUPI (Digital e-Rupee) voucher issuance platform to help businesses manage their expenses using the existing Unified Payments Interface (UPI) ecosystem.
- The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has launched the Scheme for Innovation and Technology Association with Aadhaar (SITAA) to foster innovation and collaboration in the digital identity domain.
- The Flipkart Bharat Yatra Card is a prepaid transit card that enables seamless cashless travel across metros, buses, and other public transport networks supporting the National Common Mobility Card (NCMC) standard.





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Ques: Which two regulators are collaborating to introduce bond derivatives in India?

- A) RBI and IRDAI
- B) SEBI and RBI
- C) NABARD and SEBI
- D) SIDBI and RBI
- E) PFRDA and SEBI

Answer: B) SEBI and RBI

Explanation:

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) are working together to introduce bond derivatives in India.

The goal is to expand and strengthen the bond market, making it more accessible and attractive.

The initiative may also:

Allow banks to trade in commodity derivatives.

Enable Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) to participate in certain non-cash-settled, non-agricultural commodity derivative contracts.

SEBI Chairman Tuhin Kanta Pandey highlighted that this move will help increase retail participation, as India's corporate bond market is still relatively smaller than its loan market.





Ques: What was the cumulative profit of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) in Q2 FY26?

- A) ₹45,547 crore
- B) ₹49,456 crore
- C) ₹50,000 crore
- D) ₹93,674 crore
- E) ₹85,520 crore

Answer: B) ₹49,456 crore

Explanation:

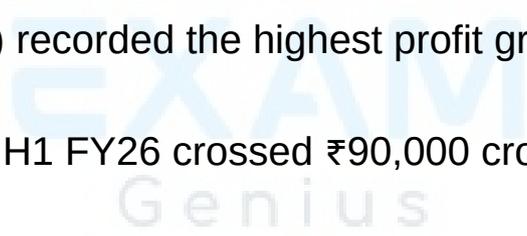
Public Sector Banks (PSBs), led by State Bank of India (SBI), reported a record cumulative profit of ₹49,456 crore in Q2 FY26.

This reflects a 9% year-on-year growth.

SBI alone contributed 40% of the total profit, with ₹20,160 crore net profit — a 10% increase from last year.

Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) recorded the highest profit growth at 58%.

The combined PSB profit in H1 FY26 crossed ₹90,000 crore for the first time.





Ques: What is the total balance in Jan Dhan accounts as of October 22, 2025?

- A) ₹1.85 lakh crore
- B) ₹2.15 lakh crore
- C) ₹2.75 lakh crore
- D) ₹3.00 lakh crore
- E) ₹2.50 lakh crore

Answer: C) ₹2.75 lakh crore

Explanation:

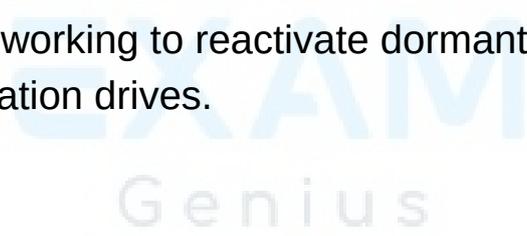
As of 22 October 2025, the total deposits under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) crossed ₹2.75 lakh crore, with 56.85 crore accounts opened.

Public Sector Banks hold the largest share: ₹2.15 lakh crore.

Regional Rural Banks (RRBs): ₹51,489 crore

Private Banks: ₹8,149 crore

Government and banks are working to reactivate dormant accounts through financial inclusion and KYC re-verification drives.





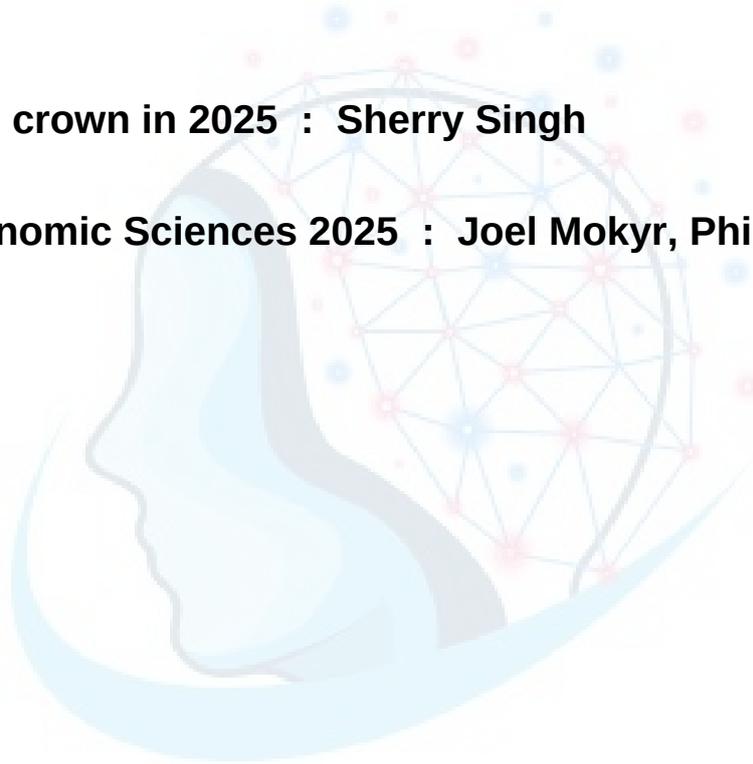
Recent News Headlines Related to Awards & Winners :

- **Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award 2025** : Dr. Sai Gautam Gopalakrishnan
- **Jyotiraditya Scindia** : Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika National Awards
- **Knighthood Award** : Former England fast bowler Sir James Michael Anderson
- **Grand Order of Mugunghwa, South Korea's highest civilian honour** : Donald Trump, President of the United States
- **Rajyotsava Award 2025** : Renowned archaeologist Prof. Ravindra Korisettar from Dharwad, Karnataka
- **'Creative City of Gastronomy' title under the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN)** : Lucknow, the city of nawabs in Uttar Pradesh
- **"Top Agri-Food Pioneers" by the World Food Prize Foundation** : Chef Sanjeev Kapoor
- **2025 Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought** : Andrzej Poczobut of Belarus and Mzia Amaghloebli of Georgia
- **2025 British Academy Book Prize** : Sunil Amrith for the book "The Burning Earth: An Environmental History of the Last 500 Years".
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- **BRICS International Award 2025** : Abusupyan Kharkharov, former Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Dagestan
- **Fortune Leadership Awards 2025** : Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (TCIL), a Miniratna Schedule 'A' PSU





- ICC Men's player of the month for September 2025 : Abhishek Sharma (India)
- ICC Women's player of the month for September 2025 : Smriti Mandhana (India)
- 48th Mrs. Universe crown in 2025 : Sherry Singh
- Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences 2025 : Joel Mokyr, Philippe Aghion and Peter Howitt



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Ques: Who was awarded the Chevalier de l'Ordre national du Mérite (Knight of the National Order of Merit) in New Delhi?

- A) Mukesh Ambani
- B) Sunil Kant Munjal
- C) Ratan Tata
- D) Anand Mahindra
- E) Aditya Puri

Answer: B) Sunil Kant Munjal

Explanation:

Sunil Kant Munjal, Chairman of Hero Enterprise and Founder of the Serendipity Arts Foundation, received the Chevalier de l'Ordre national du Mérite in New Delhi.

This is one of France's highest civilian honors, established in 1963 by General Charles de Gaulle.

The award was presented by the Ambassador of France to India, H.E. Thierry Mathou.

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Ques: Which government received the People First Integration Award at the National Workshop and Conference on DigiLocker 2025?

- A) Government of Kerala
- B) Government of Himachal Pradesh
- C) Government of Maharashtra
- D) Government of Tamil Nadu
- E) Government of Gujarat

Answer: B) Government of Himachal Pradesh

Explanation:

The Government of Himachal Pradesh received the People First Integration Award at the National Workshop and Conference on DigiLocker 2025, held in New Delhi.

The award was presented to the Department of Digital Technologies and Governance (DDT&G).

Himachal Pradesh integrated:

51 HIMSeva (e-district) services

HimParivar services

HimAccess Card services into the DigiLocker platform, improving citizen service accessibility and digital governance.





Ques: What are India's blending targets for Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF)?

- A) 1% by 2025, 2% by 2026, 5% by 2030
- B) 1% by 2027, 2% by 2028, 5% by 2030
- C) 1% by 2028, 3% by 2029, 6% by 2031
- D) 2% by 2026, 4% by 2028, 6% by 2030
- E) None of the above

Answer: B) 1% by 2027, 2% by 2028, 5% by 2030

Explanation:

India will soon implement a National Policy on Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF).

The SAF blending targets are:

- 1% by 2027
- 2% by 2028
- 5% by 2030

Goals of the policy include:

- Reducing crude oil imports
 - Increasing farmers' income
 - Creating green jobs
 - Making India a global hub for SAF production
- The targets align with CORSIA (Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation) to cut aviation emissions.





Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Indian Oil Mumbai won the 42nd edition of the Indian Oil Servo Surjit Hockey Trophy for the 3rd consecutive year and 7th time overall by defeating Indian Railways Delhi 2-1 in the final held at Olympian Surjit Hockey Stadium, Jalandhar.
- India's Smriti Mandhana, Jemimah Rodrigues, and Deepti Sharma were selected in the ICC Women's ODI World Cup Team of the Tournament based on their consistent and match-winning performances.
- The first-ever Sekhon Indian Air Force Marathon 2025 (SIM-25) was held in Delhi, bringing together over 12,000 runners from all age groups and genders.
- The centenary celebration of Indian Hockey (1925–2025) will be held on 7th November 2025 at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi.
- Dabang Delhi Kabaddi Club clinched their second Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) title by defeating Puneri Paltan 31–28 in the Season 12 Final held at the Thyagaraj Indoor Stadium, New Delhi.
- The FIDE World Chess Cup trophy has been officially named the “Viswanathan Anand Trophy” in honour of India's first Grandmaster (1988) and five-time World Chess Champion.
- Lando Norris of the United Kingdom representing McLaren Racing Limited, won the Mexican Grand Prix 2025
- Ilamparthi Avalpoondurai Ravikumar from Chennai became India's 90th Chess Grandmaster by achieving his final GM norm and attaining a FIDE rating of 2518 at the Bijeljina Tournament in Bosnia and Herzegovina.





Ques: Which will be Madhya Pradesh's third cheetah site, where cheetahs from Namibia are planned to be released?

- A) Kuno National Park
- B) Gandhi Sagar Sanctuary
- C) Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary
- D) Kanha National Park
- E) Bandhavgarh National Park

Answer: C) Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary

Explanation:

Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary will become Madhya Pradesh's third cheetah habitat, after Kuno National Park and Gandhi Sagar Sanctuary.

Chief Minister Mohan Yadav announced that cheetahs from Namibia will be released here to expand Project Cheetah and diversify habitats across central India.

Increasing the number of sites helps reduce ecological risk and supports long-term cheetah conservation.

Additionally, as part of aquatic species recovery efforts, six crocodiles (4 females, 2 males) were released in Indira Sagar Dam backwaters, sourced from Van Vihar, Bhopal.





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new head coach of the Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) women's team for WPL 2026?

- A) Luke Williams
- B) Malolan Rangarajan
- C) Mithali Raj
- D) Smriti Mandhana
- E) Jhulan Goswami

Answer: B) Malolan Rangarajan

Explanation:

Malolan Rangarajan, former Tamil Nadu all-rounder and long-serving RCB support staff member, has been appointed as the Head Coach of RCB Women for WPL 2026.

He replaces Luke Williams, who previously led RCB Women to their first WPL title in 2024.

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Recent Appointment in different departments :

- **S. Sankarasubramaniam** : Chairman of the Fertilizer Association of India (FAI) (Replaced Sailesh C. Mehta)
- **Shri Sanjay Garg** : Director General of the Bureau of Indian Standards (Replaced Pramod Kumar Tiwari)
- **Jane Fraser** : Chair of the Board of Directors (BoD) of Citigroup Inc (replaced John Dugan)
- **Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai** : Chairperson of the 8th Pay Commission
- **IIM Bangalore Professor Pulak Ghosh** : Member (part time) of the 8th Pay Commission
- **Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas Secretary Pankaj Jain** : Member-secretary of the 8th Pay Commission
- **Justice Surya Kant** : 53rd Chief Justice of India (CJI) (Replacing Chief Justice Bhushan R. Gavai)
- **Shri Tarun Kumar Pithode** : full-time Member Secretary of the Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM)
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- **Sonia Raman** : Head Coach of Seattle Storm, Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA), USA
- **Abhinav Bindra** : torchbearer for the Milano Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics
- **Neeraj Chopra** : Honorary Lieutenant Colonel in the Territorial Army
- **Justice Surya Kant** : 53rd Chief Justice of India (CJI) (Replacing Chief Justice Bhushan R. Gavai)

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Ques: Where will the 4th National Spice Conference (NSC) 2025 be held?

- A) Kochi
- B) Mumbai
- C) Guntur
- D) Jaipur
- E) None of the Above

Answer: Option C — Guntur

Explanation:

The World Spice Organization (WSO) will organize the 4th National Spice Conference (NSC) 2025 in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, on November 14–15, 2025.

The theme of the event is “The Spice Route Ahead: Safe, Sustainable and Scalable”, focusing on food safety, environmental responsibility, and inclusive growth in the spice industry.

The two-day conference will feature business sessions, exhibitions of new technologies and agri-products, and a buyer-seller interface to strengthen India's leadership in the global spice trade.

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Ques: Which crewed spacecraft did China launch from Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center in November 2025?

- A) Tianzhou-3
- B) Shenzhou-21
- C) Chang'e-6
- D) Long March-5
- E) Tiangong-2

Answer: Option B — Shenzhou-21

Explanation:

The China Manned Space Agency (CMSA) launched the Shenzhou-21 crewed spacecraft aboard the Long March-2F rocket from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center located in the Gobi Desert.

The crew includes:

Commander Zhang Lu (Space Pilot)

Astronaut Wu Fei (Flight Engineer) — became the youngest Chinese astronaut to travel to space at age 32

Astronaut Zhang Hongzhang (Payload Specialist)

The mission duration is approximately six months, and the crew is expected to return around April 2026.

This mission features China's first in-orbit experiments on rodents, involving four laboratory mice.





Ques: What is “IndQA”, recently launched by OpenAI?

- A) An AI tool for real-time translation
- B) An AI benchmark to evaluate understanding of Indian culture and life
- C) A chatbot for Indian government services
- D) A platform for developing Indian language datasets
- E) A multilingual voice assistant

Answer: Option B — An AI benchmark to evaluate understanding of Indian culture and life

Explanation:

IndQA (Indian Question Answering) is an AI benchmark launched by OpenAI to measure how well AI models understand and reason about Indian culture and day-to-day life.

It includes 12 languages: Bengali, Hindi, Hinglish, Kannada, Marathi, Odia, Telugu, Gujarati, Malayalam, Punjabi, Tamil, and English.

It spans 10 cultural domains, including:

- Architecture & Design
- Arts & Culture
- Everyday Life
- Food & Cuisine
- History
- Law & Ethics
- Literature & Linguistics
- Media & Entertainment
- Religion & Spirituality
- Sports & Recreation

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Ques: Which term has been named the “Word of the Year 2025” by Collins Dictionary?

- A) AI Fusion
- B) Vibe Coding
- C) Quantum Leap
- D) Neural Networking
- E) Digital Detox

Answer: Option B — Vibe Coding

Explanation:

Collins Dictionary selected “Vibe Coding” as the Word of the Year 2025, highlighting the growing influence of AI on how humans interact with technology.

Vibe Coding refers to creating software by giving natural language instructions to AI, instead of manually writing code.

The term was coined by Andrej Karpathy in February 2025.

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Ques: Which company's proposed Greenfield steel plant at Nakkapalli, Andhra Pradesh, has been approved by the Union Environment Ministry?

- A) Tata Steel
- B) JSW Steel
- C) ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel (AMNS)
- D) Steel Authority of India (SAIL)
- E) Essar Steel

Answer: Option C — ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel (AMNS)

Explanation:

The Union Environment Ministry has approved ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel's (AMNS) proposed Greenfield steel plant at Nakkapalli in Anakapalli district, Andhra Pradesh.

The project, worth ₹1.5 lakh crore, is considered India's largest steel manufacturing investment.

The plant will have an initial capacity of 8.2 MTPA, with the potential to expand to 24 MTPA in future phases.

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Recent News Headlines Related to launched Apps/portals :

- The initiative also highlighted PRASHAST 2.0, a mobile app-based screening tool developed by NCERT, which helps schools identify children with disabilities, including Dyslexia, at an early stage.
- India has launched the Online National Drug Licensing System (ONDLS), a digital oversight platform designed to track high-risk pharmaceutical solvents in real time.
- The 'Pratibha Setu Portal' launched by PM Modi will link UPSC candidates who reached the final stage but didn't qualify with employment avenues in both public and private institutions.
- The NIELIT Digital University (NDU) platform was inaugurated by Union Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw in New Delhi to offer industry-oriented programs in technologies such as AI, Cyber Security, Data Science, Semiconductors, and allied fields.
- The homegrown messaging app 'Arattai', developed by Zoho Corporation, has topped India's app store charts, surpassing WhatsApp and Telegram.
- MY Bharat app was launched by Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) and Ministry of Labour & Employment (MoL&E), as part of the online youth leadership and social engagement initiative of the Department of Youth Affairs.

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Ques: Which two mobile applications were launched for the trial phase of India's first digital Census 2027?

- A) Digital Census & Smart Map
- B) Population Tracker & GeoCensus
- C) Digital Layout Map (DLM) & Census 2027–Houselist
- D) Census Tracker & Geo Map
- E) House Mapper & Population App

Answer: Option C — Digital Layout Map (DLM) & Census 2027–Houselist

Explanation:

The Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India launched two mobile applications for the trial phase of India's first digital Census 2027:

Digital Layout Map (DLM) — used for mapping and layout creation.

Census 2027–Houselist — used for collecting and recording household data.

The pre-test for House Listing & Housing Operations is scheduled from November 10–30, 2025.

A Self-Enumeration Portal was also made available from November 1–7, 2025 in selected regions.

The apps aim to digitize data collection, improve accuracy, reduce manual work, and train enumerators to collect data efficiently.





Ques: Which country has officially become the world's first cashless nation?

- A) Norway
- B) Sweden
- C) Denmark
- D) Finland
- E) Netherlands

Answer: Option B — Sweden

Explanation:

Sweden has officially become the world's first cashless country, where everyday transactions are almost entirely done through mobile payment apps, digital wallets, and cards.

The shift gained momentum after the launch of the “Swish” mobile payment app in 2012, which became widely adopted.

The Swedish central bank (Riksbank) has supported digital financial innovation while ensuring security and reliability in payments.

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Recent News Headlines Related to First in india and world :

- Google's Willow Quantum Chip achieved the world's first verifiable quantum advantage, performing a scientifically meaningful algorithm 13,000 times faster than the best classical supercomputer.
- VEER, developed by Bengaluru-based Pravaig Dynamics, is India's first electric vehicle specifically designed for defence use.
- Bajrang Setu is India's first cable suspension glass bridge, located in Rishikesh, Uttarakhand.
- India's first 7-nanometer computer processor 'Shakti' is being developed by a team at IIT Madras and is expected to be ready by 2028.
- Chennai became the first city in India to fully operationalize a Real Time Flood Forecasting and Spatial Decision Support System, enhancing its flood preparedness and response capabilities.
- India has developed its first indigenously discovered antibiotic, 'Nafithromycin', which is effective against resistant respiratory infections, particularly benefiting cancer patients and those with poorly controlled diabetes.
- Google LLC, Adani Enterprises Limited (AEL), and Bharti Airtel Limited plan to establish India's largest Artificial Intelligence (AI) hub and Data Center campus in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- NMDC Steel Limited has achieved a historic milestone by becoming the first company in the country to receive an Indian Standards (IS) license for "Hot Rolled Steel Strip, Sheet, and Plates for Welded Steel Pipe for Pipeline Transportation Systems - General Requirements (IS 18384:2023)."
- China inaugurated the world's first solar thermal power station, developed by China Three Gorges Corporation, in the Gobi Desert, Gansu Province.





- India's first Dugong Conservation Reserve, located in Palk Bay, Tamil Nadu, was officially recognized by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) during the 2025 IUCN World Conservation Congress in Abu Dhabi.



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Ques: Charles Coste, who recently passed away, was a legendary athlete in which sport?

- A) Athletics
- B) Cycling
- C) Swimming
- D) Gymnastics
- E) Rowing

Answer: Option B — Cycling

Explanation:

Charles Coste was a legendary French cyclist and a 1948 Olympic gold medalist.

He won the gold medal in the team pursuit track cycling event at the 1948 London Olympics.

After the passing of Ágnes Keleti in January 2024, he became the world's oldest living Olympic gold medalist.

In 1949, he won the Grand Prix des Nations, defeating cycling great Fausto Coppi.

He retired in 1959 and served as a torchbearer in the 2024 Paris Olympics opening ceremony at the age of 100.





Ques: Gopichand Parmanand Hinduja, who recently passed away, was the Chairman of which business group?

- A) Tata Group
- B) Adani Group
- C) Hinduja Group
- D) Mahindra Group
- E) Reliance Industries

Answer: Option C — Hinduja Group

Explanation:

Gopichand Parmanand Hinduja was the Chairman of the Hinduja Group.

He joined the family business in Mumbai in 1959 and led major acquisitions such as Gulf Oil (1984) and Ashok Leyland (1987).

He became Group Chairman in May 2023 after the passing of his elder brother, Srichand Hinduja.

Under his leadership, the Hinduja family topped The Sunday Times Rich List 2025 for the fourth consecutive year with a net worth of £35.3 billion (≈ ₹2.53 lakh crore).

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