



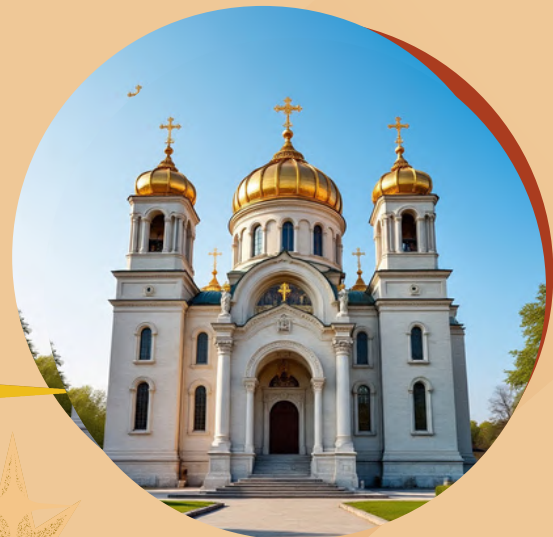
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Ques: The Union Finance Ministry has introduced a one-time switch facility allowing central government employees to move from which scheme to the National Pension System (NPS)?

- A. Employee Provident Fund (EPF)
- B. General Provident Fund (GPF)
- C. Unified Pension Scheme (UPS)
- D. Atal Pension Yojana (APY)
- E. Contributory Pension Scheme (CPS)

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Union Finance Ministry has introduced a one-time, one-way switch facility allowing central government employees to move from the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) to the National Pension System (NPS).
- Employees can switch anytime, but not later than one year before superannuation or three months before voluntary retirement.
- Employees facing disciplinary action, dismissal, or removal are not eligible.
- Once switched to NPS, employees will no longer receive assured UPS payouts, but the government's 4% differential contribution will be added to their individual NPS corpus.
- The last date to enroll in UPS is 30 September 2025.

About Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) :

- Upgraded from : Existing NPS, which was introduced on 1st January, 2004 by Atal Bihari Vajpayee government
- Contribution : The central government employees will be required to contribute 10% of their basic salary and Dearness Allowance (DA). The central government has increased its contribution from 14% (currently under NPS) to 18.5%.
- Adoption : Maharashtra was the 1st state, which has implemented UPS for its government employees with effective from March 2024





Ques: Which bank recorded the highest credit card spend in July 2025?

- A. State Bank of India (SBI)
- B. Punjab National Bank (PNB)
- C. ICICI Bank
- D. Yes Bank Limited
- E. HDFC Bank

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- In July 2025, HDFC Bank recorded the highest credit card spend at ₹53,904 crore, with a 21.1% YoY growth.
- Per-card spend stood at ₹17,399, the lowest in five months, with a 5.1% YoY growth.

Other top banks by spend:

- ICICI Bank → ₹36,197 Cr (+4.6% YoY)
- SBI → ₹32,609 Cr (+21.1% YoY)
- Axis Bank → ₹22,815 Cr (+11% YoY)
- IndusInd Bank → ₹8,930 Cr (+10.9% YoY)

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Ques: Which official reviewed the performance of India Post and India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) in New Delhi?

- A. Minister of Finance
- B. Minister of State for Communications
- C. Prime Minister of India
- D. Governor of RBI
- E. Minister of Electronics & IT

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Dr. Chandra Sekhar Pemmasani, Minister of State for Communications, reviewed the performance of India Post and India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) in New Delhi.
- IPPB achieved a net profit of ₹134 crore in the current financial year.
- It has a customer base exceeding 12 crore, annual revenues over ₹2,000 crore, and a CAGR of 60–70% over the past two years.
- IPPB is rapidly emerging as a key driver of financial inclusion and digital banking services across India.

About India Post Payments Bank Limited (IPPB) :

- Established : 2017
- HQ : New Delhi, Delhi
- CEO & MD : R. Viswesvaran
- Tagline : Your Bank at Your Doorstep

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Ques: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has launched the September 2025 round of which surveys to gauge consumer confidence?

- A. Both UCCS and RCCS
- B. Rural Consumer Confidence Survey (RCCS)
- C. Urban Consumer Confidence Survey (UCCS)
- D. Consumer Expenditure Survey
- E. Economic Outlook Survey

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The RBI has begun the September 2025 round of its Urban Consumer Confidence Survey (UCCS) and Rural Consumer Confidence Survey (RCCS), inviting households across the country.
- These surveys are conducted to gather public perceptions and expectations in both urban and rural areas.
- The urban survey will cover 19 cities, including Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Chandigarh, Chennai, Delhi, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Jammu, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mumbai, Nagpur, Patna, Raipur, Ranchi, and Thiruvananthapuram.
- The survey captures urban households' views on the general economic situation, employment scenario, price levels, and their own income and spending behaviour.
- The rural survey will cover 31 states and union territories.

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Ques: India will sign a pact with which UN-mandated body in September 2025 for exploration of critical minerals in the Indian Ocean?

- A. UNDP
- B. UNEP
- C. UNCTAD
- D. International Seabed Authority (ISA)
- E. UNESCO

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India will sign a contract with the International Seabed Authority (ISA) in September 2025 to explore critical minerals such as cobalt, nickel, copper, and manganese in the northwest Indian Ocean.
- The exploration will focus on polymetallic sulphides (PMS) at Carlsberg Ridge (between Yemen & Maldives).
- Four sites have been identified under the Deep Ocean Mission for critical mineral exploration.
- These critical minerals are vital for renewable energy, EV batteries, defence, and green technologies.

India already holds two ISA contracts:

- 2002–2027: Polymetallic nodules (PMN) in Central Indian Ocean (nickel, copper, cobalt, manganese)
- 2016–2031: Polymetallic sulphides (PMS) in Indian Ocean ridge





Ques: The Indian Army is conducting the “Terrier Cyber Quest 2025” in collaboration with which institute to address defence and cybersecurity threats?

- A. IIT Madras
- B. IIT Delhi
- C. IISc Bangalore
- D. DRDO
- E. NIT Warangal

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Indian Army’s Territorial Army, in collaboration with IIT Madras, Indian Army Research Cell (IARC), and CyberPeace, is conducting the Indian Army Terrier Cyber Quest 2025, a national-level challenge to tackle real defence and cybersecurity threats.
- The event will be held in New Delhi.
- The competition aims to foster innovation and collaboration in advanced domains such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML), Quantum Computing, and Drone Technology.
- It features two key challenges focused on building stronger systems for India using AI and ML.

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Ques: As per Capitaline data, which company reported the highest net profit among India's unlisted companies in FY25?

- A. Reliance Jio
- B. NSE
- C. Tata Sons
- D. Reliance Retail
- E. Mahanadi Coalfield

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Tata Sons reported the highest net profit among unlisted companies in FY25 at ₹27,304 crore, despite a 23.7% YoY decline.
- Reliance Jio came second with ₹24,666 crore, showing 22.1% growth.
- NSE stood third with ₹10,981 crore, recording a 67.8% YoY growth.

Other top unlisted companies by profit include:

- Mahanadi Coalfield – ₹10,706 cr (↓ 8.8%)
- Reliance Retail – ₹9,963 cr (↑ 12.4%)
- Northern Coalfield – ₹9,530 cr (↑ 15.3%)
- NABARD – ₹7,628 cr (↑ 25.0%)

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Ques: Rashtriya Raksha University (RRU) signed an MoU with which security force to enhance cooperation in training, research, and academic development related to national security?

- A. Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)
- B. Border Security Force (BSF)
- C. Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)
- D. Sahastra Seema Bal (SSB)
- E. Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Rashtriya Raksha University (RRU), a national university dedicated to national security and policing education under the Ministry of Home Affairs, signed an MoU with the Sahastra Seema Bal (SSB), Alwar (Rajasthan).
- The collaboration aims to foster cooperation in training, research, and academic development related to national security.
- RRU will provide academic inputs and advanced training to strengthen the operational capabilities of SSB.
- RRU, based in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, is dedicated to teaching, research, and training in policing, national security, law enforcement, correctional administration, and strategic studies.
- It offers diploma and degree certifications to personnel across various national security organizations.





Ques: What is the name of India's first indigenous Medium Altitude Long Endurance (MALE) Autonomous Combat Aircraft unveiled under the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative?

- A. DRDO Nishant
- B. HAL Tejas UAV
- C. FWD Kaal Bhairava
- D. Astra MALE
- E. Prahaar Drone

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India unveiled its first indigenous MALE Autonomous Combat Aircraft in Bengaluru under the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative.
- The AI-powered aircraft is named FWD Kaal Bhairava and has already secured a \$30 million maiden export order from a South Asian country.
- Developed by Flying Wedge Defence and Aerospace (FWDA), the system is inspired by Kaal Bhairava, the eternal guardian of time.
- The aircraft can fly up to 30 hours with an operational range of 3,000 kilometres.

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Ques: When was the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) launched?

- A. 15 August 2015
- B. 28 August 2014
- C. 2 October 2016
- D. 1 January 2015
- E. 28 August 2015

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- PMJDY was launched on 28 August 2014, becoming the world's largest financial inclusion initiative.
- As of mid-August 2025, 56.16 crore bank accounts have been opened with total deposits of ₹2.67 lakh crore.
- 56% of Jan Dhan accounts belong to women, promoting gender equality in financial access.
- Accounts grew from 14.72 crore (2015) to 56.16 crore (2025).
- PMJDY provides small accounts for those without legal documents, a free RuPay debit card with ₹2 lakh accident insurance, and overdraft facility up to ₹10,000.
- Accounts are linked to schemes like DBT, PMJJBY, PMSBY, APY, and MUDRA.
- Guinness World Record: Most bank accounts opened in one week = 18,096,130.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director (MD) of Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)?

- A. Ramesh Chand
- B. Akash Tripathi
- C. Alok Kumar
- D. Rajiv Gauba
- E. Ajay Mathur

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Akash Tripathi, a 1998-batch IAS officer, has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) of SECI.
- His appointment was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC).
- He will serve in the rank and pay of Additional Secretary.
- SECI is a state-owned company under the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE).

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Ques: Which ministry invites nominations for the National Youth Award (NYA) 2024?

- A. Ministry of Education
- B. Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
- C. Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
- D. Ministry of Culture
- E. Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, invited nominations for the National Youth Award (NYA) 2024.
- The award aims to motivate young persons aged 15–29 years to achieve excellence in national development or social service.
- It is awarded in two categories: Individual and Organisation.
- Typically, up to 20 awards are given in the Individual category and up to 5 awards in the Organisation category each year.

Prize money:

- Individuals: Medal, certificate, and ₹1,00,000
- Voluntary youth organisations: Medal, certificate, and ₹3,00,000





Ques: The Indian Armed Forces are participating in the multilateral exercise “BRIGHT STAR 2025” hosted by which country?

- A. Saudi Arabia
- B. Egypt
- C. United Arab Emirates
- D. United States
- E. Israel

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- More than 700 personnel from the Indian Armed Forces and Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff will participate in the Multilateral Exercise ‘BRIGHT STAR 2025’ from 28 August to 10 September 2025.
- The participation demonstrates India’s commitment to regional peace, stability, and security, while enhancing jointness, interoperability, and cooperation with friendly foreign countries.
- Exercise Bright Star is a multilateral exercise hosted by Egypt in conjunction with the US since 1980, and is among the largest Tri-Service multilateral exercises in the region.
- The exercise is conducted biennially, with the last edition held in 2023.

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Ques: Which team won the 134th edition of the Durand Cup 2025?

- A. Diamond Harbour FC
- B. North East United FC
- C. Mohun Bagan
- D. East Bengal
- E. Chennaiyin FC

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- North East United FC (NEUFC) retained the Durand Cup by defeating Diamond Harbour FC (DHFC) 6-1 in the final of the 134th edition, held at Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan (VYBK), Kolkata.
- NEUFC won the trophy and a monetary prize of ₹1.21 crore, the highest champion's purse in the history of Asia's oldest football tournament. The runner-up DHFC received ₹60 lakh.

Awards of Durand Cup 2025:

- Golden Player (Player of the Tournament): Alaaeddine Ajaraie (NEUFC)
- Golden Boot (Highest Scorer): Alaaeddine Ajaraie
- Golden Glove (Best Goalkeeper): Gurmeet Singh (NEUFC)

About Durand Cup :

- Started : 1888
- Number of teams : 24
- Organising body : Durand Football Tournament Society and AIFF
- Most successful team(s) : Mohun Bagan (17 titles)
- 2025 edition : 134th
- Venue : Imphal, Kokrajhar, Kolkata, Shillong and Jamshedpur
- Current champions : NorthEast United (2nd title)





Ques: From 27th August 2025, most Indian goods entering the US will attract what tariff rate under the Trump administration?

- A. 25%
- B. 30%
- C. 40%
- D. 50%
- E. 60%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- From 27th August 2025, most Indian goods entering the US will attract a 50% tariff.
- The 50% tariff includes the 25% tariff announced in late July and an additional 25% “penalty” tariff announced in early August, targeting India’s purchases of Russian oil and defence imports from Moscow.
- Trade experts estimate that India’s merchandise exports to the US could drop by 40–45% in 2025–26 compared to the previous year.
- About 30% of exports (valued at \$27.6 billion in FY25) such as pharmaceuticals, electronics, and petroleum products remain duty-free.
- 4% of exports, mainly auto parts, face a 25% tariff.
- Competitors like Vietnam, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, and Pakistan could benefit from India’s potential export losses.
- The US accounts for 20% of India’s merchandise exports and 2% of GDP.
- Specific sectors impacted include marine exports (48% revenue from US), home textiles (60% exports to US), and carpets (50% exports to US).





Ques: India's Akums Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited signed a framework agreement with which country's government to set up a new pharmaceutical manufacturing facility through a joint venture?

- A. Kenya
- B. South Africa
- C. Namibia
- D. Tanzania
- E. Zambia

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India's Akums Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited signed a framework agreement with the Government of Zambia (GRZ) to establish a pharmaceutical manufacturing facility and supply medicines for Zambia's national health programs.
- Akums will hold a 51% stake in the new joint venture company, while the Zambian state will hold the remaining 49% stake.
- The facility will manufacture general oral solids, liquids, injectables, and beta-lactam products.
- GRZ will procure medicines worth at least USD 50 million (₹425 crore) over 2026–27, supplied from Akums' facilities in India.
- Once established, the plant will also export medicines to neighboring African countries like Zimbabwe, Namibia, Botswana, Malawi, Tanzania, and Mozambique.





Ques: Recently, which two Indian space start-ups launched satellites onboard SpaceX's Falcon-9 rocket from California?

- A. Agnikul & Skyroot
- B. Pixxel & Dhruva Space
- C. Bellatrix & Astrogate
- D. ISRO & Skyroot
- E. Pixxel & Bellatrix

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Pixxel Space launched 3 Firefly satellites, completing Phase-1 of its 6-satellite hyperspectral constellation for high-resolution Earth observation.
- Dhruva Space (Hyderabad-based) launched its first commercial satellite – LEAP-01, carrying payloads from Australia's Akula Tech and Esper Satellites, marking India's first hosted payload mission.
- Earlier in January 2025, Pixxel had launched 3 Firefly satellites. With all 6 Fireflies in orbit, Earth becomes a "living laboratory" for continuous planetary observation.

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Ques: Veteran Communist Party of India (CPI) leader Suravaram Sudhakar Reddy, who passed away recently, held which key position in the CPI in 2012?

- A. President
- B. General Secretary
- C. Treasurer
- D. Vice President
- E. Organizing Secretary

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Suravaram Sudhakar Reddy, a veteran Communist Party of India (CPI) leader, actively engaged in student activism and was elected All India President of All India Students' Federation (AISF) in 1970.
- He was elected as Member of Parliament representing CPI from Nalgonda (Telangana) in 1998 and 2004.
- In 2012, he was elected as the General Secretary of the CPI.

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Ques: Who was awarded the 2025 Stockholm Water Prize during the 35th World Water Week held in Stockholm, Sweden?

- A. Prof. Veerabhadran Ramanathan
- B. Prof. Gunter Blochl
- C. Prof. Ashok Gadgil
- D. Prof. Claudia Tebaldi
- E. Prof. Upmanu Lall

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 35th World Water Week 2025 was held from August 24 to 28 in Stockholm, Sweden, organized by Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI).
- Theme 2025: “Water for Climate Action”.
- The 2025 Stockholm Water Prize was awarded to Professor Gunter Blochl, a distinguished hydrologist from the Vienna University of Technology.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in August 2025?

- A. Raghuram Rajan
- B. Shaktikanta Das
- C. Urjit Patel
- D. D. Subbarao
- E. Arvind Subramanian

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Urjit Patel, former RBI Governor (2016–2018), has been appointed as Executive Director at the IMF for a period of three years, as per the order dated 28 August 2025.
- He served as RBI Governor succeeding Raghuram Rajan and resigned in December 2018 citing personal reasons.
- Patel is notable as the first RBI Governor since 1990 to resign before completing his term.
- His appointment was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC).

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Ques: Which ministry launched an additional module on the UMEED portal to help widows, divorced women, and orphans apply for maintenance support from Waqf-alal-aulad properties?

- A. Ministry of Women & Child Development
- B. Ministry of Minority Affairs
- C. Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
- D. Ministry of Law & Justice
- E. Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Minority Affairs launched an additional module on the UMEED portal.
- This module allows widows, divorced women, and orphans to apply for maintenance support from Waqf-alal-aulad properties under Rule 8(2) of the Unified Waqf Management, Empowerment, Efficiency and Development Rules, 2025, framed under the UWMEED Act, 1995.
- UMEED portal aims to simplify Waqf property management, enable real-time data updates, and provide the public access to verified information.
- The portal was launched by Union Minister Kiren Rijiju, with the Ministry of Minority Affairs as the nodal ministry.

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Ques: Where was the 19th edition of the World Youth Archery Championships (WYAC) 2025 held?

- A. Lausanne, Switzerland
- B. New Delhi, India
- C. Winnipeg, Canada
- D. Tokyo, Japan
- E. Paris, France

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The 19th World Youth Archery Championships (WYAC) 2025 was held in Winnipeg, Canada.
- Organized by World Archery (WA), headquartered in Lausanne, Switzerland.
- 570 archers from 63 countries participated in Recurve and Compound events for Under-18 (Cadet) and Under-21 (Junior) categories.
- India excelled, winning 8 medals: 4 gold, 2 silver, and 2 bronze.

Ranking of Top three countries in medal tally :

- 1 South Korea : 7 gold, 6 silver, and 4 bronze
- 2 India : 4 gold, 2 silver, and 2 bronze
- 3 USA : 4 gold, 2 silver

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Ques: The Government of India has extended the import duty exemption on cotton till which date?

- A. 31st March 2025
- B. 30th June 2025
- C. 30th September 2025
- D. 31st December 2025
- E. 31st March 2026

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Government of India has extended the import duty exemption on cotton till 31st December 2025, as notified by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC).
- Aim: To stabilize input costs across the textile value chain (yarn, fabric, garments, made-ups) and support global competitiveness while safeguarding domestic cotton farmers.
- India's textile-apparel sector employs over 45 million people, making it the second-largest employment provider in the country.
- Farmers' interests are protected through the Minimum Support Price (MSP) by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI), ensuring at least 50% above the cost of production.
- Cotton textile exports accounted for 33% of total textile & apparel exports (USD 7.08 billion) during April–October 2024–25.

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Ques: What is the primary objective of the Rhisotope Project launched by the University of the Witwatersrand?

- A. To increase rhino population
- B. To make rhino horns traceable and deter illegal trafficking
- C. To study rhino behavior
- D. To provide medical care to rhinos
- E. To promote tourism in South Africa

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Rhisotope Project uses radioactive isotopes injected into rhino horns to make them traceable.
- The campaign is aimed at deterring illegal trafficking of rhino horns globally.
- It is supported by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).
- The project began by tagging five rhinos at the Waterberg Biosphere Reserve.
- The radioactive tagging is claimed to be harmless to the animals and detectable by global customs radiation monitors.

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Ques: Which Indian cricketer recently retired from the Indian Premier League (IPL) in 2025?

- A. Ravichandran Ashwin
- B. Virat Kohli
- C. Rohit Sharma
- D. Jasprit Bumrah
- E. MS Dhoni

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Ravichandran Ashwin, one of India's legendary off-spinners, officially retired from the IPL in 2025.
- He last played for Chennai Super Kings (CSK), marking the end of a decorated domestic T20 career.
- Ashwin made his IPL debut in 2009 and played 221 matches in total.
- He had already retired from international cricket in December 2024, following the Border-Gavaskar Trophy in Australia.

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Ques: Which ministry released the Revised National Action Plan on Glanders to strengthen surveillance, prevention, and control of the disease in India?

- A. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
- B. Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare
- C. Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
- D. Ministry of Science & Technology
- E. Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying (DAHD) under the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying issued the Revised National Action Plan on Glanders.
- The plan focuses on strengthening surveillance, prevention, control, and eradication of Glanders, a contagious and often fatal disease of equines.
- Major revisions include: reducing the infected zone from 5 km to 2 km, redefining the surveillance area as 2–10 km, and aligning restrictions accordingly.
- The DAHD collaborates with ICAR–National Research Centre on Equines (NRCE), Hissar for advanced diagnostics and epidemiological studies.
- Glanders, caused by *Burkholderia mallei*, primarily affects horses, mules, and donkeys and is notifiable under the PCICDA Act, 2009.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as India's new High Commissioner to Canada in August 2025?

- A. Sanjay Kumar Verma
- B. Harsh Vardhan Shringla
- C. Dinesh K Patnaik
- D. Taranjit Singh Sandhu
- E. Ruchira Kamboj

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Dinesh K Patnaik, a 1990-batch IFS officer, has been appointed as India's High Commissioner to Canada in August 2025.
- He is currently serving as India's Ambassador to Spain and has held postings in Geneva, Dhaka, Cambodia, Morocco, and the UK.
- Canada has appointed Christopher Cooter as its new High Commissioner to India.
- This appointment marks a reset in bilateral ties after tensions in 2023, when both nations expelled each other's envoys over the Hardeep Singh Nijjar controversy.
- The move follows the Modi–Mark Carney meeting in June 2024 (G7 Summit), where both sides agreed to restore diplomatic engagement, trade, and people-to-people connectivity

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Ques: Where was the Asian Short Track Speed Skating Trophy 2025 hosted in India?

- A. Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
- B. Manali, Himachal Pradesh
- C. Gangtok, Sikkim
- D. Leh, Ladakh
- E. Dehradun, Uttarakhand

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- India hosted the Asian Short Track Speed Skating Trophy 2025 at Himadri Ice Rink, Maharana Pratap Sports College, Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
- Skaters from 11 Asian nations participated, including India, China, Japan, Thailand, Chinese Taipei, Vietnam, Singapore, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Indonesia, and Malaysia.
- The event was organized by the Ice Skating Association of India.
- Thailand led the medal tally with 30 medals (15 Gold, 12 Silver, 3 Bronze), followed by India with 39 medals (9 Gold, 12 Silver, 18 Bronze), and Japan in third with 23 medals (8 Gold, 8 Silver, 7 Bronze).

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Ques: Which Indian state will host the FIDE World Cup 2025, marking the tournament's return to India after 23 years?

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Goa will host the FIDE World Cup 2025 from October 30 to November 27, 2025.
- This is the first time in 23 years that India is hosting the event, the last being Hyderabad (2002) when Viswanathan Anand won the trophy.
- The event, organized by FIDE, will feature 206 top players from 90+ countries.
- Prize pool: \$2 million.
- The tournament offers 3 spots in the 2026 Candidates Tournament.
- Format: 8-round knockout, with each match consisting of two classical games, plus Rapid & Blitz tie-breakers if needed.
- The top 50 seeds get byes into the second round, giving them a strategic edge.

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Ques: Which two states expressed willingness to resolve the Mahanadi water dispute amicably?

- A. Odisha and Chhattisgarh
- B. Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh
- C. Odisha and Maharashtra
- D. Odisha and West Bengal
- E. Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The Mahanadi River originates in Chhattisgarh and flows into Odisha, draining into the Bay of Bengal.
- About 53% of its catchment lies in Chhattisgarh and 47% in Odisha.
- The dispute arose because Odisha accused Chhattisgarh of constructing barrages and dams upstream without consultation, affecting water flow to Odisha, especially during lean months, impacting the Hirakud Dam.
- Odisha approached the Supreme Court in 2016, alleging violation of interstate water-sharing norms.
- The SC referred the matter to a Mahanadi Water Disputes Tribunal in 2018 under the Inter-State River Water Disputes Act, 1956.

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Ques : The Income Tax Department has recently raised the prosecution threshold under the Black Money Act (BMA), 2015 for undisclosed foreign assets (excluding immovable property) to what amount?

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

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The threshold increased from ₹5 lakh to ₹20 lakh, effective October 1, 2024.
- Aimed at reducing compliance burden, especially for employees working abroad.
- Applies under the Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015 (BMA).
- Earlier: penalty up to ₹10 lakh under Sections 42 & 43 and prosecution under Sections 49 & 50.
- Now: If undisclosed foreign assets (excluding immovable property) are valued up to ₹20 lakh, no penalty or prosecution will be initiated.

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Ques: What is the purpose of the 'NAKSHA' project recently launched in Puducherry?

- A. To provide employment in rural areas
- B. To improve public transportation
- C. To promote renewable energy in cities
- D. To develop smart cities
- E. To create highly accurate digital land records of urban areas

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- The NAKSHA (NAtional geospatial Knowledge-based land Survey of urban HAbitations) project is a pilot programme launched by the Department of Land Resources (DoLR) under DILRMP.
- It uses advanced technologies like aerial mapping and drones to create highly accurate digital land records, replacing traditional land survey methods.
- The programme was inaugurated by Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan in Raisen, Madhya Pradesh in February 2025 and has now been launched in Puducherry.

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Ques: Recently, India and Bhutan signed an MoU in Thimphu to strengthen cooperation in which sector?

- A. Defence sector
- B. Renewable energy sector
- C. Education & skill development
- D. Space research sector
- E. Agriculture & allied sectors

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The MoU was signed by India's Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare and Bhutan's Ministry of Agriculture & Livestock in Thimphu.
- It aims to strengthen cooperation in agriculture research, livestock health, post-harvest management, value chain development, and exchange of knowledge, skills, and expertise.
- The MoU reflects the shared commitment of India and Bhutan towards food security, sustainable farming, and rural prosperity.

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Ques: What is the name of the strategic roadmap unveiled by Tripura CM Dr. Manik Saha?

- A. Viksit Tripura 2047
- B. Tripura Vision 2030
- C. Unnati Tripura 2050
- D. Shrestha Tripura 2040
- E. Tripura Progressive Plan

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Tripura CM Dr. Manik Saha unveiled “Viksit Tripura 2047” at Pragya Bhavan, Agartala.
- The vision document carries the theme “Unnata Tripura, Shrestha Tripura” (Advanced Tripura, Best Tripura).
- Objectives include strengthening Tripura’s economy, increasing per capita income and GSDP, achieving 100% renewable energy usage, 100% literacy, promoting women empowerment, and expanding international trade.
- Tripura’s Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) has grown by 14.21%, targeting USD 124 billion by 2047.
- The roadmap follows guidelines of NITI Aayog.

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Ques: Who inaugurated India's first National Biofoundry Network in August 2025?

- A. Dr. Harsh Vardhan
- B. Dr. Jitendra Singh
- C. Dr. K. Vijay Raghavan
- D. Dr. Renu Swarup
- E. Dr. Ashwini Kumar Choubey

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- On 27 August 2025, Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh (Ministry of Science & Technology) inaugurated India's first National Biofoundry Network along with the BioE3 Challenge for Youth.
- Nodal Ministry: Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Ministry of Science & Technology.
- Both initiatives are under the BioE3 Policy, launched in August 2024, aimed at boosting Biotechnology for Economy, Environment, and Employment.
- Bioeconomy target: \$300 billion by 2030.
- Platform: National-level collaboration of six premier institutions to foster innovation, youth engagement, and start-up development.
- BioE3 Challenge for Youth: Theme "Design Microbes, Molecules & More", open to school & university students, researchers, startups, Indian nationals.
- Awards: ₹1 lakh for top 10 monthly winners; funding up to ₹25 lakh for 100 selected innovators.

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Ques: Which company's subsidiary, CG Semi, will roll out the first made-in-India semiconductor chip?

- A. Tata Electronics
- B. Vedanta Resources
- C. CG Power and Industrial Solutions
- D. Reliance Industries
- E. Bharat Electronics Limited

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- CG Semi, a subsidiary of CG Power and Industrial Solutions (Murugappa Group), will roll out India's first made-in-India semiconductor chip from its Sanand, Gujarat facility.
- The project involves an investment of ₹7,600 crore to develop two units – G1 & G2.
- G1 unit (commercial production 2026) has a peak capacity of 0.5 million units/day.
- G2 unit (to be completed by end of 2026) will have a peak capacity of 14.5 million units/day.
- Together, G1 & G2 are expected to create 5,000 direct and indirect jobs, boosting India's semiconductor ecosystem, supporting self-reliance, and enabling global market entry.

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Ques: Where was India's first phytosaur fossil discovered?

- A. Leh, Ladakh
- B. Thulus Spang, Suru Valley, Kargil, Ladakh
- C. Nubra Valley, Ladakh
- D. Pangong Lake, Ladakh
- E. Zaskar Valley, Ladakh

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Researchers discovered the fossilized remains of a rare crocodile-like species, known as a phytosaur, in Megha village, Jaisalmer, Rajasthan.
- The fossil measures 1.5 to 2 meters and is estimated to be over 200 million years old.
- Phytosaurs lived during the Late Triassic Period (~242–201 million years ago).
- These reptiles were freshwater-dwelling and abundant in the Late Triassic, with distinct groups evolving successively over time.
- The discovery was made by Dr. Narayandas Inkhiya, a senior hydrogeologist, and his team from Rajasthan's water department.

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Ques: Where was the Suru Summer Festival organized for the first time in 2025?

- A. Leh, Ladakh
- B. Thulus Spang, Suru Valley, Kargil, Ladakh
- C. Nubra Valley, Ladakh
- D. Pangong Lake, Ladakh
- E. Zaskar Valley, Ladakh

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Suru Summer Festival was organized for the first time on 26th August 2025 at Thulus Spang, Suru Valley, Kargil, Ladakh.
- It was conducted by the Department of Tourism, UT Ladakh, in collaboration with LAHDC Kargil and District Administration Kargil.
- The festival celebrates the natural beauty, adventure sports potential, and cultural richness of Suru Valley.
- National Geographic recognized Suru Valley as one of the 25 best places in the world to visit in 2025.

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Ques: With traditional destinations tightening immigration norms, which country is emerging as a major new job frontier for Indian workers, potentially employing up to 1 million Indians by 2025?

- A. Germany
- B. Russia
- C. Australia
- D. Japan
- E. France

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- With UK, US, and Canada tightening immigration, Russia is emerging as a key new destination for Indian workers.
- By the end of 2025, up to 1 million Indians could be employed in Russia.
- Major sectors: construction, machinery, textiles, electronics – all facing labour shortages.
- India's Ambassador to Russia Vinay Kumar confirmed a sharp rise in consular activity.
- To manage this, India will open a new Consulate General in Yekaterinburg (Sverdlovsk region, an industrial hub).
- Indian workers started moving in 2024, with Za Rodinu fish processing plant (Kaliningrad) being one of the first recruiters.
- Russia's Ministry of Labour projects a 3.1 million worker shortfall by 2030.





Ques: 29 August is observed internationally as which day?

- A. International Day of Peace
- B. International Day against Nuclear Tests
- C. International Day for Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons
- D. International Atomic Energy Day
- E. World Environment Day

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- In 2009, the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) declared 29 August as the International Day against Nuclear Tests.
- The first commemoration took place in 2010.
- UNGA also designated 26 September as the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons.
- India conducted two nuclear tests in 1998 under Pokhran-II.

India's nuclear program highlights:

- Smiling Buddha (1974): India's first successful nuclear test at Pokhran, Rajasthan, making India the sixth nuclear-capable nation after the US, USSR, UK, France, and China.
- Operation Shakti (1998 / Pokhran-II): Series of five nuclear tests, including a thermonuclear bomb.





Ques: National Sports Day in India marks the birth anniversary of which sports legend?

- A. Milkha Singh
- B. P.T. Usha
- C. Major Dhyan Chand
- D. Kapil Dev
- E. Saina Nehwal

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- National Sports Day in India is celebrated on 29 August to mark the birth anniversary of hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand.
- The day has been nationally recognized since 2012.
- In 2019, it also served as the launch platform for the Fit India Movement.
- Celebration Theme 2025: “Ek Ghanta, Khel ke Maidan Main”.
- India will celebrate National Sports Day 2025 from August 29 to 31, led by Sports Minister Mansukh Mandaviya through a three-day nationwide campaign under the Fit India Mission promoting sports and fitness.

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Ques: Which company launched the 'Health Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)' and the 'Health Buddy' App in India?

- A. LIC
- B. HDFC Life
- C. ICICI Prudential Life
- D. TATA AIA Life Insurance
- E. SBI Life

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

TATA AIA Life Insurance Company Limited launched two innovative offerings:

- Health Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) – a first-of-its-kind Non-Participating Unit-Linked Health Insurance Plan with zero premium allocation charges and a maturity booster for long-term fund value. It allows tax-free withdrawals from the 6th policy year for health-related expenses.
- Health Buddy App – India's first 24×7 virtual health and wellness companion by a life insurance provider, offering preventive health check-ups, women's healthcare support, dental consultations, and services across 24+ medical specialties.

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Ques: How much dividend did the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) pay to the Centre for FY 2024–25?

- A. ₹5,000 crore
- B. ₹6,250 crore
- C. ₹7,324.34 crore
- D. ₹8,100 crore
- E. ₹9,500 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- LIC paid a dividend of ₹7,324.34 crore to the Centre for FY 2024–25.
- The CEO & MD R. Doraiswamy presented the cheque to Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, representing the government's share approved by LIC shareholders at the AGM on 26 August 2025.
- LIC recommended a final dividend of ₹12 per equity share.
- The company posted a profit after tax of ₹48,151 crore, an 18.38% growth from ₹40,676 crore in FY24.

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Ques: Where did Punjab National Bank (PNB) open its first startup-focused branch in alignment with Startup India?

- A. Connaught Place, New Delhi
- B. Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi
- C. Nehru Place, New Delhi
- D. Gurgaon, Haryana
- E. Noida, Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Punjab National Bank (PNB) launched its first startup-focused branch at Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi, in alignment with the Startup India initiative.
- The initiative aims to support entrepreneurial growth, promote innovation, and foster startups across India.
- During the launch, PNB signed an MoU with the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) to connect startups with PNB's financial products and schemes, strengthening the support ecosystem for entrepreneurs.

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: Which initiative aims to provide investor education to passengers on Vande Bharat trains?

- A. Investment Ka Sahi Kadam
- B. Rail Investor Connect
- C. SEBI Women Investor Scheme
- D. Mutual Fund Mahotsav
- E. Bharat Nivesh Rail Yatra

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- SEBI Chairman Tuhin Kanta Pandey announced incentives for women who are first-time mutual fund investors.
- As of March 2024, women's AUM accounted for about 33% of total individual AUM.
- AMFI launched the 'Investment Ka Sahi Kadam' campaign, providing content in 13 languages and organizing over 30 on-ground camps.
- The 'Bharat Nivesh Rail Yatra' initiative was started to educate passengers on Vande Bharat trains about investing and financial literacy.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairman and CEO of the Indian Railway Board (IRB), becoming the first individual from the SC/Dalit community to hold this post?

- A. Vinod Kumar Yadav
- B. Suneet Sharma
- C. Satish Kumar
- D. Ashwani Lohani
- E. Rajesh Agrawal

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Satish Kumar, a retired officer of the Indian Railway Management Service (IRMS), was appointed Chairman and CEO of the Indian Railway Board (IRB).
- He was first appointed to this top post on 1 September 2024 and his tenure has been extended by one year.
- He is the first individual from the Scheduled Castes (SC)/Dalit community to hold this position in the history of the IRB.

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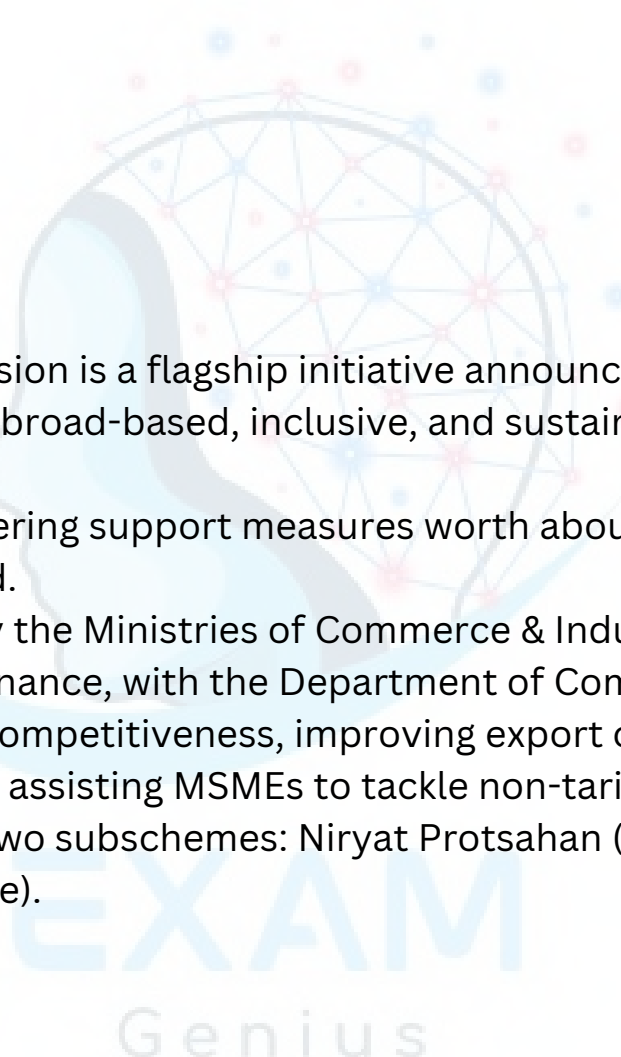
Ques: What is the total proposed financial support under India's Export Promotion Mission (2025–2031)?

- A. Rs 10,000 crore
- B. Rs 14,500 crore
- C. Rs 20,000 crore
- D. Rs 25,000 crore
- E. Rs 30,000 crore

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Export Promotion Mission is a flagship initiative announced in the Union Budget 2025-26, aimed at enabling broad-based, inclusive, and sustainable export growth over six years (FY 2025–31).
- The government is considering support measures worth about Rs 25,000 crore for exporters during this period.
- Mission is driven jointly by the Ministries of Commerce & Industry, Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, and Finance, with the Department of Commerce as the lead.
- Focus: Enhancing export competitiveness, improving export credit access, enabling cross-border factoring, and assisting MSMEs to tackle non-tariff barriers.
- Implementation through two subschemes: Niryat Protsahan (₹10,000+ crore) and Niryat Disha (₹14,500+ crore).





Ques: Where is the Punatsangchhu-II Hydroelectric Project, completed in 2025, located?

- A. Wangdue Phodrang District, Bhutan
- B. Thimphu District, Bhutan
- C. Paro District, Bhutan
- D. Bumthang District, Bhutan
- E. Chukha District, Bhutan

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The 1020 MW Punatsangchhu-II Hydroelectric Project is a run-of-the-river hydroelectric facility located on the right bank of the Punatsangchhu River in Wangdue Phodrang District, Western Bhutan.
- Developed under a 2010 India–Bhutan Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA).
- Funding: India provided 30% as grant and 70% as loan (10% interest, repayable over 30 half-yearly installments).
- Construction Timeline: Foundation laid in 2010; faced delays due to geology, floods, COVID; commissioned in phases between Dec 2024 – Aug 2025.
- Capacity: 1,020 MW with 6 × 170 MW Francis turbines, increasing Bhutan's hydro capacity by 40%.
- Implementing Agencies: India – BHEL (electro-mechanical equipment), WAPCOS, NIRM, Jaiprakash Associates; Bhutanese Authority oversaw execution.





Ques: Which youth football team achieved a historic European treble in 2025?

- A. Bengaluru Football Club
- B. Minerva Academy Football Club
- C. Kerala Blasters Youth
- D. Mohun Bagan Academy
- E. FC Pune City Youth

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya felicitated the young footballers of Minerva Academy Football Club (Mohali) in New Delhi.
- The team achieved a historic European treble, winning the Gothia Cup (Sweden), Dana Cup (Denmark), and Norway Cup (Norway) in a single season (Under 14 and 15 squad).
- In 26 unbeaten international matches, the team scored 295 goals while conceding very few.
- Individual honours went to Konthoujam Yohenba Singh (Best Player, Gothia Cup) and Huidrom Tony (Best Player, Dana Cup).

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Ques: What is the rank of Delhi in the Smart City Index 2025 published by IMD?

- A. 52
- B. 89
- C. 135
- D. 120
- E. 104

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Smart City Index 2025 was published by the International Institute for Management Development (IMD), covering 146 countries.
- The ranking is based on five parameters: Health & Safety, Mobility, Activities, Opportunities, and Governance.
- Swiss cities continue to dominate the list, while Middle Eastern cities have shown remarkable progress.
- Indian cities remain outside the global top 20, but are gradually improving.
- Among Indian cities, Delhi ranks the highest at 104 in the 2025 index.

Ranking of top 5 countries :

- 1 Zurich
- 2 Oslo
- 3 Geneva
- 4 Dubai
- 5 Abu Dhabi
- 146 Rio de Janeiro

Ranking of Indian cities :

- 104 Delhi
- 106 Mumbai
- 109 Hyderabad
- 110 Bengaluru

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Ques: Which company launched the 'ARISE FOR YOU' innovation and entrepreneurship challenge for students in India?

- A. Infosys
- B. Wipro
- C. HCL Technologies
- D. Tata Consultancy Services
- E. Tech Mahindra

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- HCL Technologies (HCLTech) launched 'ARISE (Aspire.Rise.Inspire.Skill.Excel) FOR YOU', an innovation and entrepreneurship challenge for students.
- The initiative is in collaboration with Pearson India and MeitY Startup Hub (MSH) to promote entrepreneurial spirit among India's youth.

About 'ARISE FOR YOU' :

- Participation of over 150,000 students across more than 3,000 campuses, will culminate in a national grand finale, scheduled for March 12-13, 2026.
- Pearson India will provide the Entrepreneurship & Small Business (ESB) Certification and the related learning content
- MSH contributes its innovation ecosystem and features around 62 hubs for mentorship and counselling
- Grants up to Rs.10 lakhs, incubation support, and national media coverage





Ques: Who among the following have recently been elevated as Supreme Court judges of India?

- A. Justice Alok Aradhe and Justice Vipul Pancholi
- B. Justice Surya Kant and Justice Vikram Nath
- C. Justice J K Maheshwari and Justice Bhushan R Gavai
- D. Justice N V Ramana and Justice D Y Chandrachud
- E. Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justice S A Bobde

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Justice Alok Aradhe (then Chief Justice of Bombay High Court) and Justice Vipul Pancholi (CJ of Patna High Court) have been appointed as Supreme Court judges.
- The appointment is notified by the President under clause (2) of Article 124 of the Constitution, after consultation with Supreme Court and High Court judges.
- Tenure: Judges serve until 65 years of age, but can resign earlier by submitting resignation to the President.
- Collegium system: Comprising the Chief Justice of India and four senior-most Supreme Court judges, decides appointments, elevations, and transfers.
- The term “collegium” is not in the Constitution but established via judicial pronouncements.

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Ques: What is Biochar, which is expected to play a crucial role in India's carbon market set to launch in 2026?

- A. A fossil fuel alternative derived from petroleum
- B. A type of charcoal rich in carbon, produced from agricultural residue
- C. A fertilizer made from chemical compounds
- D. A synthetic polymer used in construction
- E. A natural gas substitute from biomass

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Indian carbon market set to be launched in 2026, CO₂ removal technologies such as biochar are expected to play a crucial role.
- Biochar is a granular, carbon-rich material obtained by heating crop residue and organic municipal waste at 400°C to 600°C in the absence of oxygen.
- It acts as a long-term carbon sink, capable of holding carbon in soil for 100–1,000 years.

Applications of Biochar:

- Agriculture: Improves water retention in semi-dry soils, restores degraded soils, and reduces nitrous oxide emissions by 30–50%.
- Construction: Serves as a low-carbon alternative to conventional building materials, creating stable carbon sinks.
- Wastewater Treatment: Provides a low-cost, effective option to reduce pollution.





Ques: Who has been appointed as the interim President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)?

- A. Sourav Ganguly
- B. Roger Binny
- C. Rajeev Shukla
- D. Shashank Manohar
- E. N. Srinivasan

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Rajeev Shukla has been appointed as the interim President of BCCI, replacing Roger Binny, the 40th President.
- Roger Binny had taken over as BCCI President in October 2022, succeeding former India captain Sourav Ganguly.
- BCCI, established in 1928, has its headquarters in Mumbai and is responsible for governing cricket in India.

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Ques: Under which scheme did India achieve a record-low price of ₹55.75/kg for Green Ammonia in the first SECI auction?

- A. National Hydrogen Energy Mission
- B. Strategic Interventions for Green Hydrogen Transition (SIGHT)
- C. National Bio-Energy Mission
- D. Green Ammonia Development Scheme
- E. Renewable Energy Development Program

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The SIGHT Scheme (Strategic Interventions for Green Hydrogen Transition) is part of the National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM).
- Operational since 2023, the scheme has an implementation period from FY 2025–26 to 2029–30.
- Aim: Build and strengthen the green hydrogen ecosystem by providing market-enabling incentives across the value chain—from electrolyser manufacturing to green hydrogen production and its derivatives.
- Ministry: Implemented jointly by Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) and Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoPNG).

Scheme Components:

- Component I: Electrolyser Manufacturing Incentives (Budget ₹4,440 crore)
- Component II: Green Hydrogen Production Incentives (Budget ₹13,050 crore)





Ques: India and Japan signed the implementing arrangement for which joint lunar mission?

- A. Chandrayaan-4
- B. Gaganyaan Lunar Mission
- C. LUPEX-1
- D. Chandrayaan-5
- E. H3 Lunar Probe

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India and Japan signed the implementing arrangement for the Chandrayaan-5 mission, a joint lunar polar exploration mission.
- The agreement was signed between ISRO (India) and JAXA (Japan) during PM Narendra Modi's visit to Japan.
- The mission, also known as LUPEX (Lunar Polar Exploration), will be launched by JAXA's H3-24L launch vehicle, carrying an ISRO-made lunar lander and a Japan-made lunar rover.
- Objective: To study lunar volatile materials, including lunar water, near a Permanently Shadowed Region (PSR) at the lunar South Pole.

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Ques: A pioneering documentary on Kushok Bakula Rinpoche, who played a key role in modern Ladakh and reviving Buddhism in Mongolia, premiered at which venue?

- A. India International Centre, Delhi
- B. India Habitat Centre, Delhi
- C. National Museum, Delhi
- D. Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, Delhi
- E. Siri Fort Auditorium, Delhi

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The documentary on Kushok Bakula Rinpoche premiered at the India International Centre (IIC), New Delhi.
- Directed by Dr. Hindol Sengupta, Professor at O.P. Jindal Global University, it pays tribute to the Buddhist monk and diplomat who helped shape modern Ladakh and revive Buddhism in Mongolia.
- Kushok Bakula Rinpoche was the spiritual head of Pethup Gompa, Spituk, Ladakh and is revered as an incarnation of Buddha Amitabha.
- Followers believe he was among the original Sixteen Arhats, close disciples of Buddha, with 19 previous incarnations recorded in the Tibetan scripture Naytan Chagchot.

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Ques: Which irrigation project in Telangana has recently come under scrutiny for structural damage and design flaws?

- A. Nagarjuna Sagar Project
- B. Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project
- C. Polavaram Project
- D. Sriram Sagar Project
- E. Pranahita-Chevella Project

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project (KLIP), located on the Godavari River in Kaleshwaram, Bhupalpally district, Telangana, is a large-scale multi-stage irrigation project.
- It uses over 1,800 km of canal network to irrigate 16 lakh acres across 13 districts.
- The National Dam Safety Authority (NDSA) reported significant structural damage and design flaws, raising concerns about its foundation, planning, and governance.
- Initially estimated at ₹71,000 crore, costs have escalated beyond ₹1 lakh crore.
- CAG termed it economically unviable (benefit-cost ratio < 1) with high annual power and operational costs (~₹10,000 crore).

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Ques: Which scheme provides direct financial assistance to pregnant women and lactating mothers under Mission Shakti?

- A. Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana
- B. Mission Indradhanush
- C. Janani Suraksha Yojana
- D. Poshan Abhiyaan
- E. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Women and Child Development has extended the special registration drive for PMMVY till 15 August, 2025.
- It is a centrally sponsored scheme under Mission Shakti's sub-scheme Samarthya, providing assistance through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).
- Implemented from 1 January 2017 under Section 4 of the National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013.
- Benefits : For first child → ₹5,000 in two instalments.
- For second child (only if girl) → ₹6,000 in one instalment.
- Exclusion: Women employed in Central/State Govt. jobs, PSUs, or already receiving similar benefits.
- In case of miscarriage/stillbirth, the woman is treated as a fresh beneficiary in the next pregnancy.
- The scheme mainly targets socially and economically disadvantaged women to improve health, nutrition, and compensate wage loss.





Ques: Nuakhai festival is primarily celebrated in which region of India?

- A. Western Odisha, Southern Chhattisgarh & adjoining areas of Simdega
- B. Coastal Odisha
- C. Northern Bihar
- D. Western Maharashtra
- E. Eastern Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Nuakhai is an agricultural festival observed on panchami tithi (the fifth day) of the lunar fortnight of Bhadrapada (August–September), just after Ganesh Chaturthi.
- It celebrates the new crop of the season; 'nua' means new and 'khai' means eat.
- Primarily celebrated in Western Odisha, southern Chhattisgarh, and adjoining areas of Simdega (Jharkhand).
- Its coastal counterpart is Nabanna, observed in Coastal Odisha.
- Farmers offer the first produce to Goddess Samaleswari, the famous Mother Goddess of Sambalpur district, Odisha.

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Ques: Which podcast series was launched by the Startup Policy Forum in collaboration with the IndiaAI Mission to highlight AI-driven startup journeys?

- A. AI Startup Chronicles
- B. IndiaAI in Action
- C. AI Innovators India
- D. Startup AI Spotlight
- E. AI Success Stories

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Startup Policy Forum (SPF), in collaboration with the IndiaAI Mission under MeitY, launched the “IndiaAI in Action” podcast series in New Delhi.
- Objective: Showcase startup founders leveraging AI to scale innovation, competitiveness, and sector-specific solutions.
- The podcast series is powered by Vultr, a global cloud platform with 220,000+ customers across 32 data centres.

Featured founders include:

- Harshil Mathur – Razorpay (Fintech)
- Vivek Raghavan – Sarvam AI (AI Research)
- Sanket Shah & Anshul Khandelwal – Invideo (Content Creation)
- Alope Bajpai & Rajnish Kumar – ixigo (Travel)





Ques: During his visit to Japan, what traditional item was presented to Prime Minister Narendra Modi as a symbol of good luck?

- A. Maneki-neko
- B. Daruma doll
- C. Kokeshi doll
- D. Origami crane
- E. Furin wind chime

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi was presented with a Daruma doll during his two-day visit to Japan, which is seen as a symbol of good luck.
- The doll was presented by Rev Seishi Hirose, Chief Priest of the Shorinzan Daruma-Ji temple.
- Takasaki City, Gunma, is the birthplace of the famous Daruma dolls.
- The Daruma tradition in Japan is based on the legacy of Bodhidharma, an Indian monk from Kanchipuram, Tamil Nadu, known in Japan as Daruma Daishi, who is believed to have traveled to Japan over a thousand years ago.

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Ques: When was Karnataka Grameena Bank formed under the 'One State, One RRB' concept?

- A. January 1, 2024
- B. May 1, 2025
- C. April 1, 2023
- D. June 1, 2025
- E. March 1, 2024

Answer :Option B

Explanation :

- Under the 'One State, One RRB' initiative, the two RRBs of Karnataka were amalgamated to form Karnataka Grameena Bank, effective May 1, 2025.
- The bank has 1,750 branches and handles business of over ₹1,03,451 crore.
- The new common logo was unveiled as part of a rebranding exercise by Shreekanth M Bhandiwad, Chairman of KGB, in Ballari.
- The logo is designed for all 11 amalgamated Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) in India.

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Ques: India's fiscal deficit for April–July FY26 stood at what percent of the annual target?

- A. 17.2%
- B. 25%
- C. 29.9%
- D. 31%
- E. 33%

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- According to the Controller General of Accounts (CGA), India's fiscal deficit for April–July FY26 widened to ₹4.7 lakh crore, which is 29.9% of Budget Estimates (BE).
- In the same period of FY25, fiscal deficit was ₹2.8 lakh crore (17.2% of BE).
- Net tax revenues contracted 7.5% YoY to ₹6.62 lakh crore due to weak direct tax collections.
- Non-tax revenues rose 34% YoY, boosted by a higher-than-budgeted dividend transfer from RBI.
- Capital expenditure surged 33% YoY to ₹3.5 lakh crore, forming 31% of FY26 BE.
- Revenue expenditure increased 17% YoY, exceeding the required 9.5% growth to meet the annual target.
- Total expenditure of ₹15.63 lakh crore comprised ₹12.16 lakh crore revenue account and ₹3.46 lakh crore capital account.





Ques: What milestone did India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) achieve in August 2025?

- A. Crossed ₹25 lakh crore monthly transaction value
- B. Crossed 20 billion monthly transactions
- C. Crossed 700 million yearly transactions
- D. Crossed 721 million annual transactions
- E. Crossed 15 billion daily transactions

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Unified Payments Interface (UPI) crossed 20 billion monthly transactions in August 2025, recording 20.01 billion transactions compared to 19.47 billion in July.
- The total transaction value for August was Rs 24.85 lakh crore, slightly lower than July's Rs 25.08 lakh crore.
- Year-on-year, UPI transactions grew 33% from nearly 15 billion in August 2024.
- The daily UPI transaction crossed 700 million for the first time on August 2, with a peak of 721 million transactions a few days later.
- On average, UPI handled 645 million daily transactions worth Rs 80,177 crore in August 2025.

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Ques: What is the unique feature of Jio Payments Bank's upcoming 'Savings Pro' account?

- A. Free insurance coverage
- B. Auto-invest idle cash in overnight mutual funds
- C. Cashback on every transaction
- D. No minimum balance requirement
- E. International debit card facility

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- Jio Payments Bank's 'Savings Pro' account will automatically invest idle cash in customer accounts into overnight mutual funds to offer better returns.
- This feature is designed to maximize returns on idle balances without manual intervention by customers.
- The announcement was made by Hitesh Sethi, MD & CEO, Jio Financial Services, during the company's second AGM.
- As of June-end, Jio Payments Bank had 2.58 million depositors with deposits worth ₹358 crore and over 50,000 business correspondents across India.

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Ques: Outward remittances under RBI's LRS scheme stood at how much in Q1 FY26?

- A. \$5.7 billion
- B. \$6.92 billion
- C. \$7.8 billion
- D. \$8.5 billion
- E. \$9.26 billion

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Outward remittances under RBI's Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) remained broadly flat at \$6.92 billion in Q1 FY26 (April–June 2025).
- The LRS scheme, introduced in 2004, allows resident individuals to remit up to \$250,000 per year for any permissible transaction.
- In Q1 FY26, the largest contributor was the international travel segment at \$3.9 billion, while overseas education outflows declined 24.15% YoY to \$452.1 million.
- Remittances under deposits rose 15.9% YoY to \$190.92 million; purchase of immovable property surged 95.02% YoY to \$124.13 million.
- Investment in equity or debt rose 62% YoY to \$514.5 million, while gift remittances fell 12% YoY to \$714.7 million.

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Ques: Who said that India will soon become the world's third largest economy and credited the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana for boosting growth?

- A. Narendra Modi
- B. Nirmala Sitharaman
- C. Sanjay Malhotra
- D. Shaktikanta Das
- E. Raghuram Rajan

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra stated that India is set to become the world's third largest economy soon.
- He credited the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana for boosting the country's growth.
- His remarks came as India's GDP grew 7.8% in the April-June quarter, the highest in five quarters before the US imposed heavy tariffs.
- Addressing 'Santripati Shivar', a financial inclusion campaign in Rangwasa village, Indore, he noted that 55 crore accounts have been opened under the Jan Dhan Yojana launched 11 years ago.
- The financial inclusion campaign, in collaboration with banks, is running nationwide from July 1 to September 30.

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Ques: What was India's net FDI in Q1FY26 (Apr–Jun 2025)?

- A. \$6.22 billion
- B. \$25.17 billion
- C. \$4.91 billion
- D. \$7.87 billion
- E. \$12.38 billion

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- India's net FDI declined 21.1% YoY to \$4.91 billion in Q1FY26 (Apr–Jun 2025) from \$6.22 billion in Q1FY25.
- Gross FDI rose to \$25.17 billion, indicating India remains attractive for investors.
- Outward FDI (Indian entities' overseas investments) surged to \$7.87 billion from \$4.38 billion in Q1FY25.
- Repatriation/divestment stood at \$12.38 billion, slightly higher than last year's \$12.17 billion.
- In June 2025 alone, net FDI fell sharply to \$1.07 billion from \$2.24 billion in June 2024.

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Ques: Which company is developing one of the world's largest solar projects in Kutch, Gujarat, aiming to meet nearly 10% of India's electricity needs?

- A. Adani Group
- B. Tata Power
- C. NTPC Limited
- D. Reliance Industries
- E. ReNew Power

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Reliance Industries announced a transformative energy plan to make Jamnagar and Kutch in Gujarat global hubs for clean energy production.
- At the company's 48th Annual General Meeting, Anant Ambani revealed that the solar park being built in Kutch could meet nearly 10% of India's electricity demand within the next decade.
- Reliance is setting up a massive solar project spanning 550,000 acres, which is about three times the size of Singapore.
- The company is also constructing a battery gigafactory, starting in 2026 with an initial capacity of 40 GWh/year, scalable to 100 GWh/year.

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Ques: Which company has been awarded the contract to replace India Post Payments Bank's (IPPB) fleet of 1,000 ATMs and cash dispensers?

- A. CMS Info Systems
- B. AGS Transact Technologies
- C. HDFC Bank
- D. ICICI Bank
- E. National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) awarded CMS Info Systems the contract to replace its fleet of 1,000 ATMs and cash dispensers after the bankruptcy of its earlier service provider, AGS Transact Technologies.
- IPPB faced disruptions in ATM operations due to AGS's financial troubles.
- As of March 31, 2025, CMS managed 73,000 ATMs (about 47% of all outsourced ATMs in India) and 65,000 retail touchpoints.
- The collapse of AGS, which once operated nearly 40,000 ATMs, forced several banks to transition to CMS.
- RBI data shows that the total ATM network in India contracted by 4% to 208,063 by end-July 2025, compared to 216,352 a year earlier.

About India Post Payments Bank Limited (IPPB) :

- Established : 2017
- HQ : New Delhi, Delhi
- CEO & MD : R. Viswesvaran
- Tagline : Your Bank at Your Doorstep





Ques: Who has been elected as the new Chairman of Press Trust of India (PTI)?

- A. Aweek Sarkar
- B. N Ravi
- C. Viveck Goenka
- D. MV Shreyams Kumar
- E. Mahendra Mohan Gupta

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

- Mahendra Mohan Gupta, Chairman of Jagran Prakashan Ltd (publisher of Dainik Jagran), has been elected as the Chairman of PTI Board of Directors.
- MV Shreyams Kumar of Mathrubhumi Group has been elected as Vice-Chairman.
- The 15-member PTI board includes leaders from India's top media houses such as Aweek Sarkar, Vijay Kumar Chopra, Vineet Jain, N Ravi, Viveck Goenka, Riyad Mathew, Sameer Singh, L Adimoolam, Hormusji N Cama.
- Other eminent members include Prof. Deepak Nayyar, former Foreign Secretary & NSA Shivshankar Menon, and former Tata Sons Executive Director R. Gopalakrishnan.

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Ques: The Department of Posts signed an MoU with which company to develop and implement the DIGIPIN system?

- A. Google Maps
- B. HERE Technologies
- C. Microsoft India
- D. ESRI India
- E. MapmyIndia - Mappls

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Department of Posts signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with MapmyIndia - Mappls, a leading provider of location technology, IoT, and geospatial solutions.
- The collaboration focuses on developing and implementing DIGIPIN, a digital location identification system.
- MapmyIndia will provide base maps for integration into the Know Your DIGIPIN application, enabling accurate generation of DIGIPINs based on geographic location.
- The DIGIPIN functionality will also be integrated into the Mappls application, allowing users to search and navigate locations using DIGIPIN seamlessly.

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Ques: Where was India's first tempered glass manufacturing facility for mobile devices inaugurated?

- A. Gurugram
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Pune
- D. Noida
- E. Hyderabad

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India's first tempered glass manufacturing facility for mobile devices was inaugurated at Noida by Union Minister of Electronics and Information Technology, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw.
- The facility was set up by Optiemus Electronics in collaboration with Corning Incorporated, USA.
- Shri Vaishnaw highlighted that in the past 11 years, electronics manufacturing in India has grown six times, reaching a production value of ₹11.5 lakh crore, with exports exceeding ₹3 lakh crore.
- The sector has also generated direct and indirect employment for 2.5 million people.

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Ques: Which team won the 7th edition of the SAFF U17 Women's Championship?

- A. Bangladesh
- B. Nepal
- C. Bhutan
- D. India
- E. Sri Lanka

Answer : Option D

Explanation :

- India won the 7th edition of the SAFF U17 Women's Championship, defeating Nepal 5-0 at Changlimithang Stadium, Thimphu, Nepal.
- The championship featured four teams – India, Bangladesh, Nepal, and Bhutan – competing in a round-robin format.
- India is also the most successful team in the tournament's history, with 3 titles since the championship started in 2017.

Awards given are :

- Top scorer : Anushka Kumari (India) (8 goals)
- Best player : Abhista Basnett (india)
- Best goalkeeper : Meghla Rani Roy (Bangladesh)
- Fair play award : Bangladesh





Ques: Recently, Gangwal family sold how much stake in IndiGo for ₹2,933 crore?

- A. 0.8%
- B. 1.0%
- C. 1.3%
- D. 2.0%
- E. 3.0%

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

- Rakesh Gangwal's Chinkerpoo Family Trust sold a 1.3% stake in IndiGo (InterGlobe Aviation) for ₹2,933 crore through open market transactions.
- With this transaction, the Gangwal family's total holding in IndiGo reduced from 7.81% to 6.51%.
- Following the deal, IndiGo's share price fell 5.22% to ₹5,734 on NSE.
- So far in 2025, the Gangwals have sold shares worth ₹14,497 crore, and their cumulative divestment since 2022 is \$4.51 billion (₹39,532.79 crore).

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Ques: What position did Neeraj Chopra finish in the Diamond League Final 2025 held in Zurich, Switzerland?

- A. Winner
- B. Runner-up
- C. Third Place
- D. Fourth Place
- E. Did not place

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Neeraj Chopra, two-time Indian Olympic medallist, finished runner-up with a best throw of 85.01 meters at the Diamond League Final 2025 in Zurich, Switzerland.
- This marked his 26th consecutive top-two finish in the overall Diamond League standings.
- Julian Weber (Germany) won the event with a personal best throw of 91.57m, claiming his first Diamond League trophy.

Top 3 in Diamond League Final 2025 :

- 1 Julian Weber (Germany) - 91.51 m
- 2 Neeraj Chopra (India) - 85.01 m
- 3 Keshorn Walcott (Trinidad & Tobago) - 84.95 m

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Head of OpenAI's education initiatives across India and the broader Asia-Pacific (APAC) region?

- A. Sundar Pichai
- B. Raghav Gupta
- C. Satya Nadella
- D. Sam Altman
- E. Nandan Nilekani

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Raghav Gupta, former Coursera Asia-Pacific Managing Director, has been appointed as the Head of OpenAI's education initiatives across India and the broader APAC region.
- OpenAI launched an India-first initiative to empower educators with AI tools and training, alongside a research project with IIT Madras, backed by USD 500,000 funding.
- The initiative, named OpenAI Learning Accelerator, will distribute about 500,000 ChatGPT licenses and training to educators and students over the next six months.
- Partnerships will be made with the Ministry of Education (MoE), AICTE, and ARISE member schools.
- This move comes as OpenAI prepares to open its first India office in New Delhi later this year.

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Ques: Japan recently pledged how much investment in India over the next 10 years?

- A. \$57 billion
- B. \$60 billion
- C. \$65 billion
- D. \$67 billion
- E. \$70 billion

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- At the 15th India-Japan Annual Summit held in Tokyo (August 2025), Japan pledged \$67 billion (10 trillion yen) in private-sector investments in India over the next decade.
- The summit resulted in 21 key outcomes, including 13 agreements covering defence, critical minerals, semiconductors, high-speed rail, and skill development.
- Japan will also train 50,000 skilled and semi-skilled Indian workers in the next five years.
- This investment aims to strengthen industrial cooperation between Indian states and Japanese prefectures.
- The move is expected to boost economic and strategic ties between India and Japan significantly.

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Qus: What is the name of Google's new AI-powered photo editing tool in the Gemini app?

- A. Pixel Painter
- B. Gemini Editor
- C. Image Master
- D. Photo Genie
- E. Nano Banana

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Google has unveiled a new AI-powered photo editing tool “Nano Banana” in its Gemini app.
- Developed by Google DeepMind, it is considered one of the world's best image-editing tools.
- The tool has now been formally released as Gemini 2.5 Flash Image.
- Free users can make up to 100 edits daily, while paid users can enjoy 1,000 edits.

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Ques: Bihar Cabinet recently approved which scheme to provide financial aid to women for starting businesses?

- A. Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana
- B. Bihar Women Empowerment Yojana
- C. Mahila Udyam Sahayata Yojana
- D. Nitish Kumar Nari Shakti Yojana
- E. Mahila Aatmanirbhar Mission

Answer : Option A

Explanation :

- Bihar Cabinet approved the Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana in 2025 to empower women and promote entrepreneurship.
- Under this scheme, one woman from every family in Bihar will receive ₹10,000 as the first installment, starting September 2025.
- After six months, based on performance, an additional ₹2 lakh will be given, and later up to ₹12 lakh can also be provided as a grant.
- The amount given under this scheme will not need to be repaid by beneficiaries.
- The initiative aims to create better job opportunities and strengthen women-led businesses in the state.

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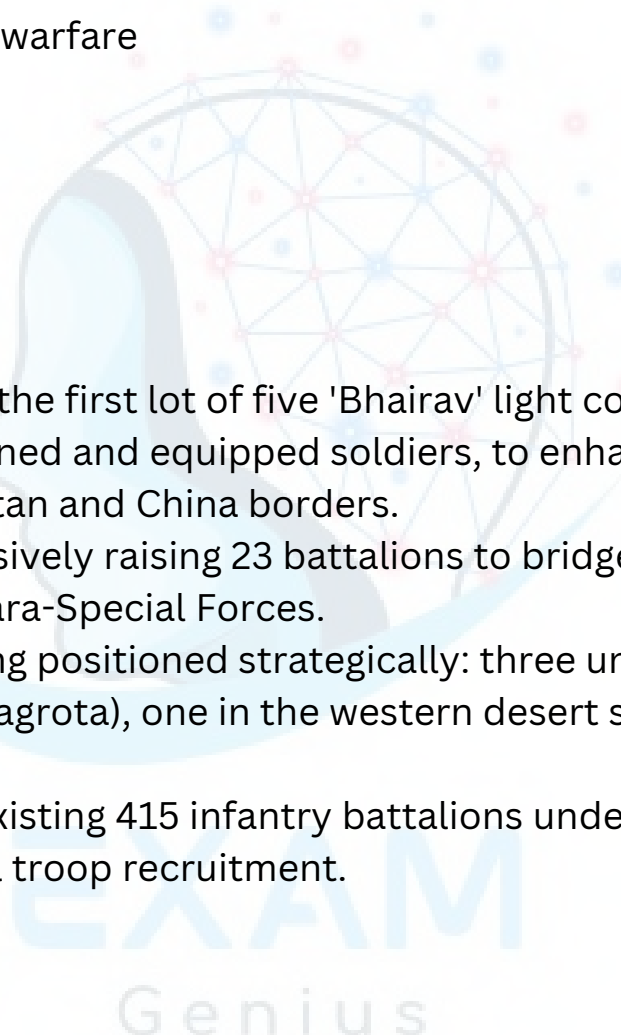
Ques: What is the purpose of raising the new 'Bhairav' light commando battalions by the Indian Army?

- A. To conduct peacekeeping missions abroad
- B. To enhance swift strike capabilities along borders with Pakistan and China
- C. To replace regular infantry units
- D. To provide disaster relief in remote areas
- E. To train soldiers in cyber warfare

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

- The Indian Army is raising the first lot of five 'Bhairav' light commando battalions, each with 250 specially trained and equipped soldiers, to enhance swift strike capabilities along the Pakistan and China borders.
- The plan includes progressively raising 23 battalions to bridge the gap between regular infantry and elite Para-Special Forces.
- The first five units are being positioned strategically: three under Northern Command (Leh, Srinagar, Nagrota), one in the western desert sector, and one in the eastern hilly sector.
- Soldiers are drawn from existing 415 infantry battalions under the "save and raise" concept, without additional troop recruitment.





Ques: By which year does the Indian government plan to start bullet train operations on the Gujarat section of the Mumbai-Ahmedabad High-Speed Rail project?

- A. 2026
- B. 2027
- C. 2028
- D. 2029
- E. 2030

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India and Japan agreed to immediately begin signalling work, including the Japanese system, to prepare for the introduction of the E5 series Shinkansen train for testing.
- The Mumbai-Ahmedabad High-Speed Rail (MAHSR) project was launched in September 2017, with the foundation stone laid by PM Narendra Modi and then Japan PM Shinzo Abe in Sabarmati, Gujarat.
- The first section of the bullet train corridor will open in Gujarat by December 2027, while the full route is expected to be operational by 2028, covering 508 km in 2 hours and 7 minutes.
- Japan also plans to debut the advanced E10 Shinkansen trains in both Japan and India around 2030, after initial trials with E5 trains in 2026-27.
- Designed by the East Japan Railway Company, the E10 has a maximum speed of 320 km per hour, which is the same as the E5 series





Ques: What was India's estimated real GDP growth in Q1FY26 (Apr–Jun 2025)?

- A. 6.5%
- B. 7.0%
- C. 7.8%
- D. 8.0%
- E. 8.8%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The National Statistics Office (NSO) released India's Q1FY26 GDP estimates, showing real GDP growth of 7.8%, marking a 5-quarter high.
- The Nominal GDP for Q1FY26 grew 8.8%, estimated at ₹86.05 lakh crore.
- Real Gross Value Added (GVA) registered 7.6% growth, while Nominal GVA grew 8.8%, estimated at ₹78.25 lakh crore.
- This surpasses RBI's projection of 6.5% growth for Q1FY26.

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Ques: SBI GIFT City signed a €100-million climate deal with which organization?

- A. World Bank
- B. AFD (Agence Française de Développement)
- C. IMF
- D. ADB
- E. NDB

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The State Bank of India (SBI) signed a €100-million line of credit with France's AFD at its GIFT City branch.
- The deal aims to promote green financing in India and support the transition to a low-carbon economy.
- Funds from this partnership will be utilized for climate mitigation (reducing greenhouse gas emissions) and adaptation measures to manage future climate risks.
- SBI targets a green portfolio of 7.5–10% of domestic gross advances by 2030.

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Ques: The Reserve Bank of India imposed a monetary penalty on Bandhan Bank for non-compliance with which regulatory requirement?

- A. Non-adherence to KYC/AML norms
- B. Violation of RBI directions on automation of income recognition and asset classification
- C. Non-submission of statutory returns
- D. Breach of Basel III capital requirements
- E. Non-compliance with priority sector lending norms

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- RBI imposed a penalty of Rs. 44.70 lakh on Bandhan Bank for non-compliance with statutory and regulatory directions, specifically regarding the automation of Income Recognition, Asset Classification, and Provisioning (IRAC) processes in banks.
- The penalty was imposed under Section 47A(1)(c) read with Section 46(4) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- Bandhan Bank had paid certain employees via commission, violating RBI norms, and manually intervened in backend data without maintaining proper audit trails or user logs, leading to the regulatory action.

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Ques: Which company has launched the 'Unity Bank BharatPe Credit Card' in partnership with Unity Small Finance Bank?

- A. Paytm
- B. BharatPe
- C. PhonePe
- D. Razorpay
- E. MobiKwik

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- BharatPe, India's leading financial services and UPI payments company, partnered with Unity Small Finance Bank to launch the Unity Bank BharatPe Credit Card.
- The card provides flexible EMI options up to 12 months for big-ticket purchases, helping customers manage expenses conveniently.
- This launch strengthens BharatPe's offerings in the credit and payment solutions space

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Ques: Japan provided a loan of Rs 3,500 crore to fund which biofuel project in Assam?

- A. Assam Bio Ethanol Private Limited (ABEPL)
- B. Assam Renewable Energy Corporation
- C. Assam Green Fuels Ltd
- D. Golaghat Bio Power Pvt Ltd
- E. North East Bioenergy Ltd

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) provided a Rs 3,500 crore (60 billion JPY) loan to Power Finance Corporation Limited (PFC).
- The loan aims to fund Assam Bio Ethanol Private Limited (ABEPL) to establish a biofuel production and power generation plant in Golaghat district, Assam.
- This project directly supports India's National Policy on Biofuels, which targets 20% ethanol blending in gasoline (E20) by 2025.
- India is the world's third-largest CO₂ emitter, after China and the USA, highlighting the importance of biofuel initiatives.

About Power Finance Corporation Limited :

- Established : 1986
- HQ : New Delhi
- CMD : Parminder Chopra





Ques: Which company has partnered with ICICI Bank to implement India's first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system?

- A. NHAI
- B. Indian Highways Management Company Limited (IHMCL)
- C. National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)
- D. Road Transport Corporation (RTC)
- E. FASTag Services Ltd

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Indian Highways Management Company Limited (IHMCL), promoted by NHAI, has signed an agreement with ICICI Bank to implement the country's first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system at Choryasi Fee Plaza, Gujarat on NH-48.
- MLFF is a barrier-less tolling system that uses FASTag and Vehicle Registration Number (VRN) recognition via high-performance RFID readers and ANPR cameras.
- It allows seamless toll collection without stopping vehicles, reducing congestion, travel time, fuel consumption, and emissions.
- IHMCL also plans to roll out MLFF at around 25 National Highway fee plazas in the current financial year.

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Ques: The Telangana Legislative Assembly passed bills to ensure what percentage of reservation for Backward Classes (BCs) in local body polls?

- A. 35%
- B. 40%
- C. 42%
- D. 45%
- E. 50%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Telangana Legislative Assembly unanimously passed the Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2025 and Telangana Municipalities (Amendment) Bill, 2025.
- These bills propose to lift the 50% ceiling on total reservations set by Supreme Court rulings such as Indra Sawhney (1992).
- The move enables 42% reservation for Backward Classes (BCs) in panchayats, municipalities, and urban local bodies.
- In Telangana's local body polls: SCs already have ~17% reservation, STs have ~10%.

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Ques: Who is the author of the book Operation SINDOOR?

- A. Arundhati Roy
- B. Lt Gen KJS 'Tiny' Dhillon
- C. Rajiv Malhotra
- D. Gen Bipin Rawat
- E. Vikram Sampath

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The book "Operation SINDOOR" is authored by Lt Gen KJS 'Tiny' Dhillon and published by Penguin Veer.
- It reveals previously unrevealed details about India's deep strikes inside Pakistan, highlighting the strategic capabilities of the Indian military.
- The book serves as a testament to the strength and strategic planning of the Indian Armed Forces.

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Ques: What is India's rank in the 2025 Global Peace Index (GPI) released by the Institute for Economics and Peace?

- A. 105
- B. 110
- C. 125
- D. 120
- E. 115

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The 2025 Global Peace Index (GPI) was released by the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP), headquartered in Sydney, Australia.
- The index covered 163 independent states and territories, representing 99.7% of the global population.
- India was ranked 115th out of 163 countries, showing a modest improvement from its previous position, with a GPI score of 2.229, marking a 0.58% improvement in peace levels compared to last year.
- Iceland has retained the top position since 2008 due to its high levels of safety, security, and low militarisation.
- In Asia, Singapore emerged as the safest country, ranked 6th globally in the 2025 report.

Ranking of top 5 countries :

- 1 Iceland
 - 2 Ireland
 - 3 New Zealand
 - 4 Austria
 - 5 Switzerland
- 163 Russia





Ranking of India & its neighboring countries :

- 76 Nepal
- 97 Sri Lanka
- 98 China
- 115 India
- 123 Bangladesh
- 144 Pakistan



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Ques: Where was the 16th Asian Shooting Championship held?

- A. Tokyo, Japan
- B. Shymkent, Kazakhstan
- C. Seoul, South Korea
- D. Bangkok, Thailand
- E. New Delhi, India

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 16th Asian Shooting Championship took place at the Shymkent Shooting Plaza in Shymkent, Kazakhstan.
- The event featured 748 athletes from 27 Asian countries competing in various shooting disciplines at both senior and junior levels.
- India's team of 35 senior shooters and 129 junior athletes topped the medal tally for the first time, winning a total of 99 medals, including 50 gold, 26 silver, and 23 bronze.
- The championship was organized by the Asian Shooting Confederation (ASC) in collaboration with the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) and the Kazakhstan Shooting Sport Federation

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Ques: Maharashtra launched which initiative to provide a uniform education curriculum for students with intellectual disabilities?

- A. Disha Shiksha
- B. Buddhi Vikas Yojana
- C. Samagra Shiksha Vikas
- D. Disha Abhiyan
- E. Inclusive Learning Mission

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Maharashtra launched 'Disha Abhiyan', becoming the first state in India to implement a state-wide uniform curriculum for students with intellectual disabilities.
- Developed by the Jai Vakil Foundation and certified by the National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID).
- The program focuses on improving teaching standards and learning outcomes through academics, life skills, and vocational training.
- Rolled out in 453 special schools across Maharashtra.

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Ques: What is the total length of the newly constructed Bairabi–Sairang rail line in Mizoram?

- A. 45.10 km
- B. 51.38 km
- C. 62.25 km
- D. 48.75 km
- E. 55.50 km

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Bairabi–Sairang broad-gauge rail line in Mizoram is 51.38 km long and was constructed at an estimated cost of ₹5,021 crore.
- It will connect Aizawl, Mizoram's capital, with Assam, Tripura, Arunachal Pradesh, and the rest of India.
- The line features 48 tunnels, 55 bridges, 87 minor bridges, 5 road overbridges, and 6 underbridges, significantly reducing travel time from about 10 hours to 3 hours.
- PM Modi laid the foundation stone in November 2014 and flagged off the first train on the Bairabi–Silchar section in 2016.

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Ques: Which country was accepted as a dialogue partner of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) at the 2025 summit?

- A. Vietnam
- B. Thailand
- C. Cambodia
- D. Myanmar
- E. Laos

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Laos was accepted as a dialogue partner of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) during the SCO summit held in Tianjin, China.
- The SCO merged the categories of dialogue partners and observers into a single status of SCO partners, with Laos being added to it.
- Following this, the grouping now comprises 10 members and 17 partners.
- The 2025 summit was the largest SCO gathering, with China, holding the Presidency, inviting 20 foreign leaders and 10 heads of international organisations, including UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, for the SCO Plus summit.

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Ques: Which states were the top performers in the State Energy Efficiency Index (SEEI) 2024 for fiscal year 2023-24?

- A. Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Tripura
- B. Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Telangana
- C. Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan, Odisha
- D. Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh
- E. West Bengal, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Sikkim

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The State Energy Efficiency Index (SEEI) 2024, prepared by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) in collaboration with AEEE and published by the Ministry of Power, evaluates energy efficiency performance of 36 States and UTs for FY 2023-24.
- Top performing states in their respective groups were Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh (AP), Assam, and Tripura.
- The Front Runner category now includes AP, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Telangana, and Tamil Nadu.
- Other states: Assam and Kerala are Achievers, while Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan, Odisha, and UP are Contenders.

Top Performing States by Energy Consumption Group :

Group 1 : Maharashtra

Group 2 : Andhra Pradesh (AP)

Group 3 : Assam

Group 4 : Tripura





Ques: On the occasion of the first Amma Samman Diwas, Sikkim CM launched which initiative for women?

- A. Nari Adalat
- B. Nari Shakti Vikas
- C. Mahila Nyaya Manch
- D. Stree Samman Sabha
- E. Women Justice Forum

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Sikkim CM Prem Singh Tamang launched 'Nari Adalat' on the occasion of the first Amma Samman Diwas at Rongpo.
- August 10 has been declared Amma Samman Diwas, a yearly tribute to mothers across the state.
- Nari Adalat is a community-based forum run by women, providing accessible and informal justice, especially in rural and semi-urban areas, without relying entirely on the formal court system.

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Ques: The annual three-day Mela Patt festival, dedicated to Lord Vasuki Nag, is celebrated in which Indian state/UT?

- A. Jammu and Kashmir
- B. Uttarakhand
- C. Himachal Pradesh
- D. Sikkim
- E. Assam

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Mela Patt is an annual three-day festival celebrated in Bhaderwah Valley, Doda district, Jammu and Kashmir.
- It is dedicated to Lord Vasuki Nag, the presiding deity of the valley, and is held at Khakhal Mohalla in Bhaderwah town.
- The festival has been celebrated since the 16th century and marks the historic meeting between Mughal Emperor Akbar and King Nag Pal of Bhaderwah.
- It begins every year on Nag Panchami, seven days after the conclusion of the Kailash Yatra.
- The Jhari procession, where a metallic “Jahari” is carried to the Vasuki Nag Temple.
- The iconic Patt display, a decorated conical arrangement of silk cloths and flowers.
- The traditional Dikko Dance, showcasing peace, pride, and communal harmony among people of all religions and backgrounds.





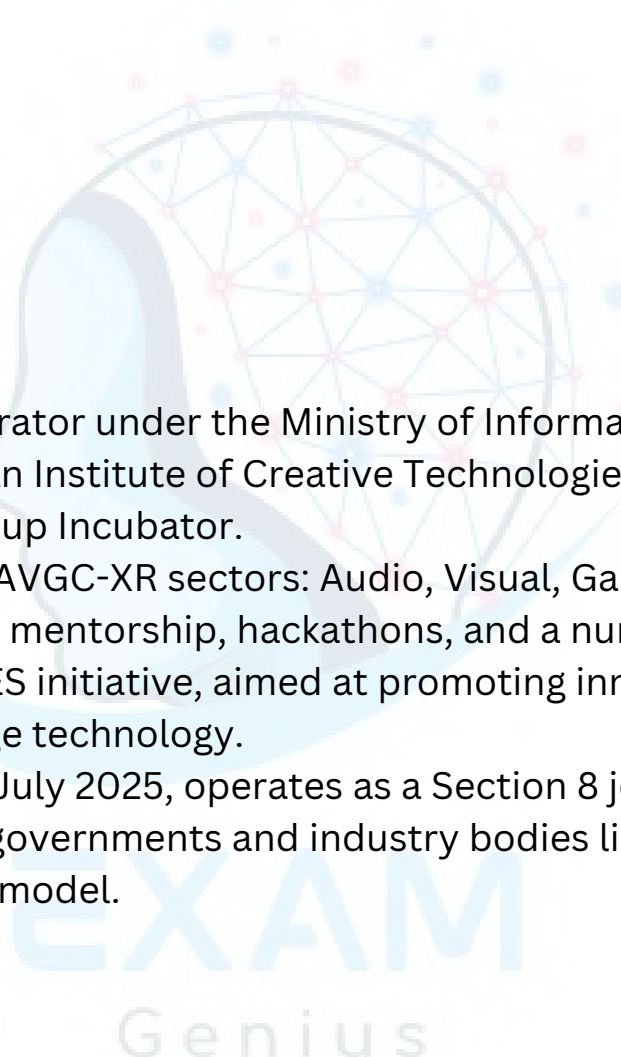
Ques: Which initiative recently launched a dedicated Media Tech Startup Incubator for the AVGC-XR sector?

- A. Startup India Accelerator
- B. WaveX by Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
- C. Atal Innovation Mission
- D. NITI Aayog Media Lab
- E. Make in India Media Hub

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- WaveX, the startup accelerator under the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICT), launched a dedicated Media Tech Startup Incubator.
- The incubator focuses on AVGC-XR sectors: Audio, Visual, Gaming, Comics, and Extended Reality, providing mentorship, hackathons, and a nurturing ecosystem.
- WaveX is part of the WAVES initiative, aimed at promoting innovation in media, entertainment, and language technology.
- IICT Mumbai, launched in July 2025, operates as a Section 8 joint venture, bringing together central and state governments and industry bodies like FICCI and CII in a public-private partnership model.





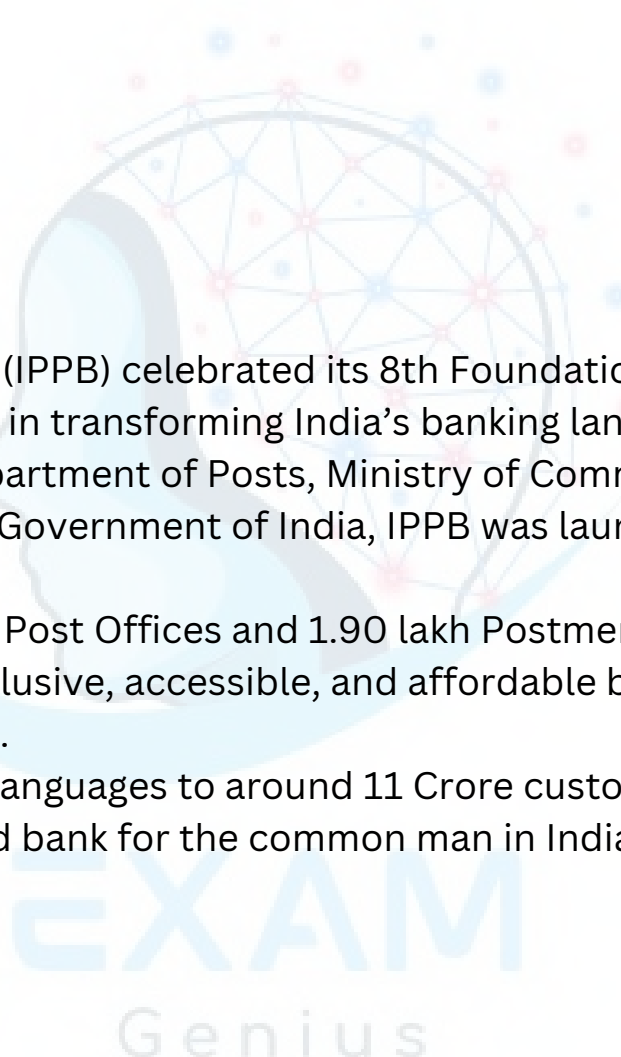
Ques: Which bank celebrated its 8th Foundation Day, leveraging India's postal network for financial inclusion?

- A. State Bank of India (SBI)
- B. India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)
- C. Punjab National Bank (PNB)
- D. HDFC Bank
- E. Bank of Baroda

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) celebrated its 8th Foundation Day, also called IPPB Day, marking progress in transforming India's banking landscape.
- Established under the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications, with 100% equity owned by the Government of India, IPPB was launched on 1st September 2018.
- It leverages over 1.64 lakh Post Offices and 1.90 lakh Postmen and Gramin Dak Sevaks (GDS) to provide inclusive, accessible, and affordable banking services across 5.57 lakh villages and towns.
- IPPB offers services in 13 languages to around 11 Crore customers, aiming to be the most accessible and trusted bank for the common man in India.





Ques: How many UPI transactions were recorded in August 2025, crossing a historic milestone?

- A. 19.47 billion
- B. 24.85 billion
- C. 25.08 billion
- D. 21.67 billion
- E. 20.01 billion

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- In August 2025, UPI transactions crossed a historic milestone of 20.01 billion, with a total transaction value of ₹24.85 lakh crore.
- The daily average of UPI transactions in August was 645 million.
- Year-on-year growth: transaction volume rose 34%, and transaction value increased 21%.
- Top usage categories included groceries, restaurants, mobile recharges, service stations, and gaming apps.
- Maharashtra led UPI usage, followed by Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh.

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Ques: What was India's GST collection in August 2025?

- A. ₹1.75 lakh crore
- B. ₹1.84 lakh crore
- C. ₹2.01 lakh crore
- D. ₹1.96 lakh crore
- E. ₹1.86 lakh crore

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India's GST collections for August 2025 rose by 6.5% year-on-year, reaching ₹1.86 lakh crore (₹1,86,315 crore), compared to ₹1.75 lakh crore in August 2024.
- Between April and August 2025, the gross GST collections totaled ₹10,04,414 crore, showing a 9.9% growth over the same period last year.

Recent month-wise GST collections :

March 2025 : ₹1,96,141 crore
April 2025 : ₹2,36,716 crore
May 2025 : ₹2,01,050 crore
June 2025 : ₹1,84,567 crore
July 2025 : ₹1,95,735 Crore

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Ques: BSE and NSE imposed a total fine of ₹10.72 lakh on Coal India Ltd for non-compliance with which SEBI regulation?

- A. Regulation 10
- B. Regulation 15
- C. Regulation 17
- D. Regulation 19
- E. Regulation 21

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Coal India Ltd was fined a total of ₹10.72 lakh (₹5.36 lakh each by BSE and NSE) for non-compliance with Regulation 17 of SEBI LODR.
- Regulation 17 deals with the appointment of independent directors on the board.
- The violation was observed for the quarter ending June 30, 2025, and the penalty was imposed due to the company not maintaining the required number of independent directors.
- This fine ensures compliance with SEBI norms to strengthen corporate governance in listed companies.

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Ques: Which two organisations signed an MoU to enhance insurance benefits for railway employees in India?

- A. Indian Railways & LIC
- B. Indian Railways & SBI
- C. Indian Railways & HDFC
- D. Indian Railways & ICICI Bank
- E. Indian Railways & PNB

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Indian Railways (IR) and the State Bank of India (SBI) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance insurance benefits for railway employees, especially frontline Group C workers.
- Under this MoU, insurance coverage for railway employees with SBI salary accounts has been raised to ₹1 crore, compared to earlier lower coverage under the Central Government Employees Group Insurance Scheme (CGEGIS).
- Employees holding SBI salary accounts are eligible for ₹10 lakh coverage without paying any premium or undergoing a medical examination.

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Ques: Who chaired the first-ever Sports Goods Manufacturing Conclave held in New Delhi?

- A. Union Minister of Commerce
- B. Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports and Labour & Employment
- C. Prime Minister of India
- D. Union Minister of MSME
- E. Union Minister of Industry

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The first-ever Sports Goods Manufacturing Conclave in New Delhi was chaired by Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports and Labour & Employment.
- Organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, the conclave brought together stakeholders from NITI Aayog, Commerce Ministry, DPIIT, FICCI, CII, MSMEs, and leading sports industry representatives.
- For the first time, Sports Goods Manufacturing has been formally included in the Allocation of Business Rules, 1961 under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, granting it official policy recognition like other national industries.
- During the Sports Goods Manufacturing Conclave, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports announced that two nutritional supplement testing labs received NABL accreditation and FSSAI referral lab approval. These labs are:
 1. Centre of Excellence for Research and Analysis of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances at NFSU, Gandhinagar, Gujarat, and
 2. Analytical Testing Laboratory at NIPER, Hyderabad.





Ques: How many medals did India win at the World Games 2025 in Chengdu, China?

- A. One
- B. Two
- C. Three
- D. Four
- E. Five

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India secured a record haul of three medals at the World Games 2025 held in Chengdu, China from 7–17 August.
- The medals included one silver (Namrata Batra in women's sanda 52kg) and two bronze (Rishabh Yadav in men's individual compound archery and Anandkumar Velkumar in men's 1000m sprint).
- This performance marked India's first-ever medal in wushu at the World Games.
- India finished 65th in the overall medal table

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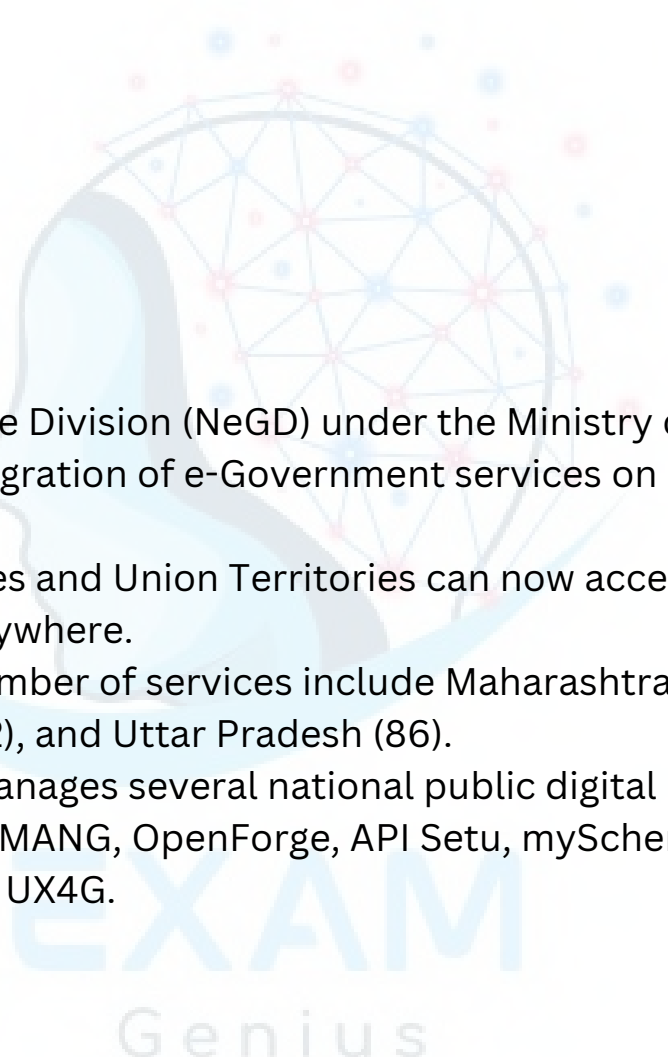
Ques: Which national initiative has enabled Pan-India integration of e-Government services on DigiLocker and e-District platforms?

- A. Digital India
- B. National e-Governance Division (NeGD)
- C. UMANG
- D. MyGov
- E. India Stack

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The National e-Governance Division (NeGD) under the Ministry of Electronics and IT has achieved Pan-India integration of e-Government services on DigiLocker and e-District platforms.
- Citizens across all 36 States and Union Territories can now access close to 2,000 digital services anytime, anywhere.
- States with the highest number of services include Maharashtra (254), Delhi (123), Karnataka (113), Assam (102), and Uttar Pradesh (86).
- NeGD, created in 2009, manages several national public digital platforms such as DigiLocker, Entity Locker, UMANG, OpenForge, API Setu, myScheme, India Stack Global, Meri Pehchaan, and UX4G.





Ques: The Matsya Shakti Project, launched in August 2025, aims to empower which community through skill development and sustainable livelihood training?

- A. Tribal communities
- B. Small-scale farmers
- C. Women entrepreneurs
- D. Minority fishing communities
- E. Artisans

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Matsya Shakti Project was launched in August 2025 by Union Minister George Kurian in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
- It is designed to empower minority fishing communities through skill development, sustainable livelihood training, and entrepreneurial support under the Pradhan Mantri Virasat Ka Samvardhan (PM VIKAS) scheme.
- Managed by ICAR–Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) through its Vizhinjam Regional Centre and in collaboration with the Ministry of Minority Affairs, the one-year program targets 690 beneficiaries, providing stipends during training and post-training support to start enterprises or work as consultants.

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Ques: Where was the BRICS Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) Healthcare Summit 2025 held?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Beijing
- C. Mumbai
- D. Moscow
- E. Johannesburg

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The BRICS Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) Healthcare Summit 2025 was held in New Delhi with the theme "Bridging Tradition and Innovation."
- It was presided over by Shri Prataprao Jadhav, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Ayush and Minister of State for Health & Family Welfare.
- During the summit, the minister highlighted that the Ministry of Ayush has signed MoUs with 25 countries, fostering international collaboration in traditional medicine and strengthening global healthcare partnerships.

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Ques: Where was the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDC3) held in 2025?

- A. Awaza, Turkmenistan
- B. Geneva, Switzerland
- C. New York, USA
- D. Vienna, Austria
- E. Nairobi, Kenya

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDC3) was held in Awaza, Turkmenistan from 5–8 August 2025.
- The theme of the conference was “Driving Progress through Partnerships.”
- LLDC3, held once every ten years, highlights the development challenges of 32 landlocked developing countries, home to over 600 million people.
- The conference aims to facilitate coordinated international efforts to bridge development gaps and implement the Awaza Programme of Action (APoA 2024–2034), adopted by the UN General Assembly on 24 December 2024.
- APoA provides a framework to address structural challenges, mobilize investment, and advance sustainable development in LLDCs.

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Ques: Which company has announced the acquisition of a majority stake in Pinkvilla India Pvt Ltd?

- A. Amazon
- B. Flipkart
- C. Reliance Retail
- D. Zomato
- E. Tata Digital

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Flipkart announced the acquisition of a majority stake in Pinkvilla India Pvt Ltd.
- This move is part of Flipkart's strategy to expand its content footprint and enhance engagement with Gen Z and millennial audiences.
- Flipkart aims to leverage Pinkvilla's strong brand, capabilities, and loyal audience base.
- The deal size was not disclosed by Flipkart.
- This acquisition will strengthen Flipkart's position in the digital content and lifestyle media space

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Ques: Which tech company has partnered with the ICC to enhance fan engagement in women's cricket?

- A. Microsoft
- B. Google
- C. Apple
- D. Amazon
- E. Facebook

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) partnered with Google to enhance fan engagement in women's cricket.
- Google became the second women's-only partner of ICC after Unilever.
- The partnership, announced ahead of the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 (India & Sri Lanka) and Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (England & Wales), will leverage Google's ecosystem—Android, Google Gemini, Google Pay, and Google Pixel—to provide fans smarter, interactive ways to follow matches and highlights.

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Ques: According to the National Annual Report and Index (NARI) 2025, which city is ranked among the safest for women in India?

- A. Patna
- B. Jaipur
- C. Kohima
- D. Delhi
- E. Kolkata

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The National Annual Report and Index (NARI) 2025, published by the National Commission for Women (NCW), surveyed 12,770 women across 31 major cities to assess women's safety.
- The report ranked Kohima, Visakhapatnam, Bhubaneswar, Aizawl, Gangtok, Itanagar, and Mumbai as the safest cities for women.
- The national safety score is 65%, with cities categorized as “much above,” “above,” “below,” or “much below” this benchmark.
- Public spaces such as neighbourhoods (38%) and public transport (29%) were reported as common hotspots for safety concerns.
- Overall, six in ten women surveyed felt safe in their city, while 40% considered themselves “not so safe” or “unsafe”, with the highest risk group being women under 24 years.

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Ques: Which Indian organization won the Ramon Magsaysay Award 2025?

- A. Pratham Education Foundation
- B. Foundation to Educate Girls Globally (Educate Girls)
- C. Smile Foundation
- D. Teach For India
- E. Akshaya Patra Foundation

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Foundation to Educate Girls Globally, popularly known as Educate Girls, won the Ramon Magsaysay Award 2025, often referred to as Asia's Nobel Prize.
- It was founded by Safeena Husain and has become the first Indian organization to receive this prestigious honor.
- The award is given by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund and the Philippine government, with winners announced every year on August 31, the birth anniversary of former Philippine President Ramon Magsaysay.
- Other 2025 awardees include Shaahina Ali from the Maldives and Flaviano Antonio L. Villanueva from the Philippines for their exceptional contributions to public service.

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Ques: NTPC shareholders approved a 1-year extension for CMD Gurdeep Singh. Until which year will he now serve?

- A. 2025
- B. 2026
- C. 2027
- D. 2028
- E. 2029

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- NTPC shareholders approved the reappointment of Gurdeep Singh as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) for an additional 1-year term, extending his tenure till 31st July 2026.
- The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) had earlier approved this extension beyond his superannuation date of 31st July 2025.
- Gurdeep Singh has been leading NTPC since 2016, contributing significantly to renewable energy expansion and power sector reforms.

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Ques: What is the Bharat Forecast System (BharatFS) recently informed to the Rajya Sabha by Union Minister Jitendra Singh?

- A. An advanced indigenous weather forecasting system
- B. A new satellite navigation system
- C. A high-speed rail network project
- D. A national disaster management platform
- E. A solar energy forecasting system

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Bharat Forecast System (BharatFS) is an indigenously developed advanced weather forecasting system recently highlighted in the Rajya Sabha by Union Minister Jitendra Singh.
- It uses the Triangular Cubic Octahedral (TCO) dynamical grid, enabling a 6 km horizontal resolution, which is higher than its predecessor (GFS T1534 ~12 km) and typical global models (9–14 km).
- Developed by Indian institutions including IITM-Pune, NCMRWF-Noida, and IMD, and supported by supercomputing facilities Arka and Arunika, it enables real-time, high-resolution weather prediction.
- The system aims to provide forecasts at the cluster of panchayats level and improve the prediction of extreme weather events.

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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

Explanation:

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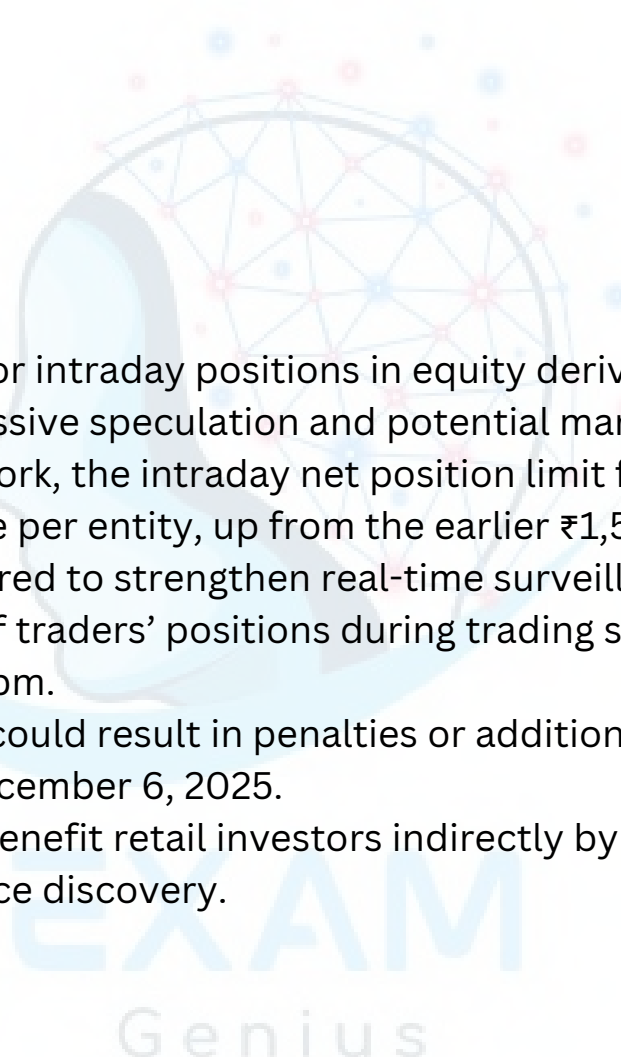
Ques: According to SEBI's revised framework, what is the new intraday net position limit for index options per entity?

- A. ₹1,000 crore
- B. ₹1,500 crore
- C. ₹3,000 crore
- D. ₹5,000 crore
- E. ₹10,000 crore

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- 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.





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





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

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- 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





Ques: Which bank has launched the ‘bob Digi Udyam’ platform to provide collateral-free 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

Explanation:

- 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 $41 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, exceeding the WHO recommended limit of $5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$.
- 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



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.





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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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)





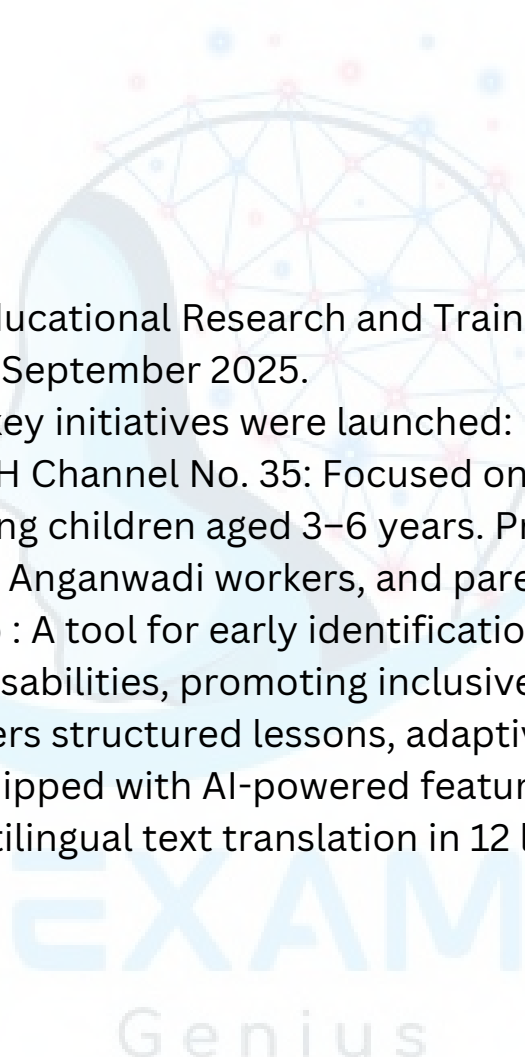
Ques: On which date did NCERT celebrate its 65th foundation day in 2025?

- A. 29 August
- B. 1 September
- C. 2 September
- D. 3 September
- E. 4 September

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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 audio-visual 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.





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.

Award details:

- 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.





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

Explanation:

- 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.





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 $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$, 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.





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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation :

- 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

Explanation:

- 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 cotton-producing 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

Explanation:

- 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
- E. 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.





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

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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: Suryoday 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, Suryoday 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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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





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

Explanation:

- 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.





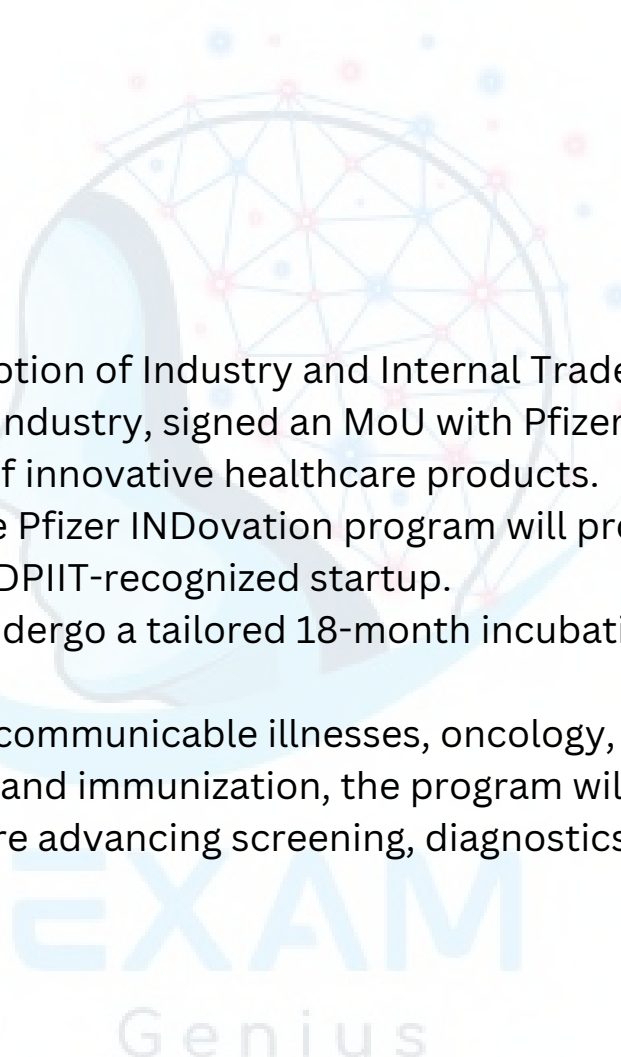
Ques: DPIIT recently signed an MoU with Pfizer Limited to support healthcare innovation. Under this initiative, how much grant will each selected startup receive?

- A. ₹25 lakhs
- B. ₹40 lakhs
- C. ₹50 lakhs
- D. ₹60 lakhs
- E. ₹75 lakhs

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- 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.





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

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- 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.





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) :

- Nepal – 23
- Bangladesh – 24
- India – 25
- 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
- E. Ravichandran Ashwin

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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
- E. K.S. Nisar Ahmed

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

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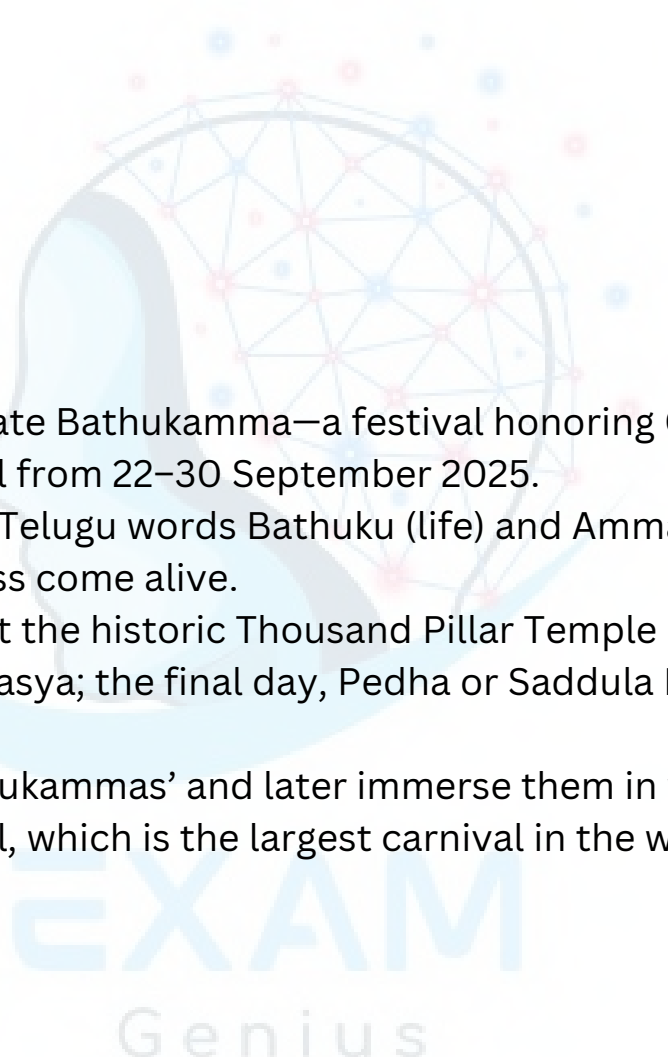
Ques: Which Indian state plans to celebrate the Bathukamma festival on the scale of the Rio Carnival in 2025?

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- 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.





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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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 surface-to-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

Explanation:

- 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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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

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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
- E. Ashish Chauhan

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- 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

EXAM
Genius





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

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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

Explanation:

- 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.

Genius





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

Explanation:

- 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

EXAM
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Ques: 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 anti-doping analysis?

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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 anti-doping analysis.





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
- E. Anushka Sharma

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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'

EXAM
Genius





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

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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Ques: 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
- E. Rima Das

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- 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. Rajnath Singh and Piyush Goyal
- D. Mansukh Mandaviya and Annpurna Devi
- E. Amit Shah and Dharmendra Pradhan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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.





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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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
- E. 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 under-construction 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.





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

Explanation:

- 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.





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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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

Explanation:

- 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.





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 : Rajneesh Karnatak
- Tagline : Relationship beyond Banking





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).





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
- E. Lucknow

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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
- E. Seventh Generation

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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.





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.
- Mascot : Jalveer





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

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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

Explanation:

- 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.





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

Explanation:

- 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.

EXAM
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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 65-week 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)





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





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.





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

Explanation:

- 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.





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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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.





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

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

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

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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%





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

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

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

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

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





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

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

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

About Punjab National Bank :

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





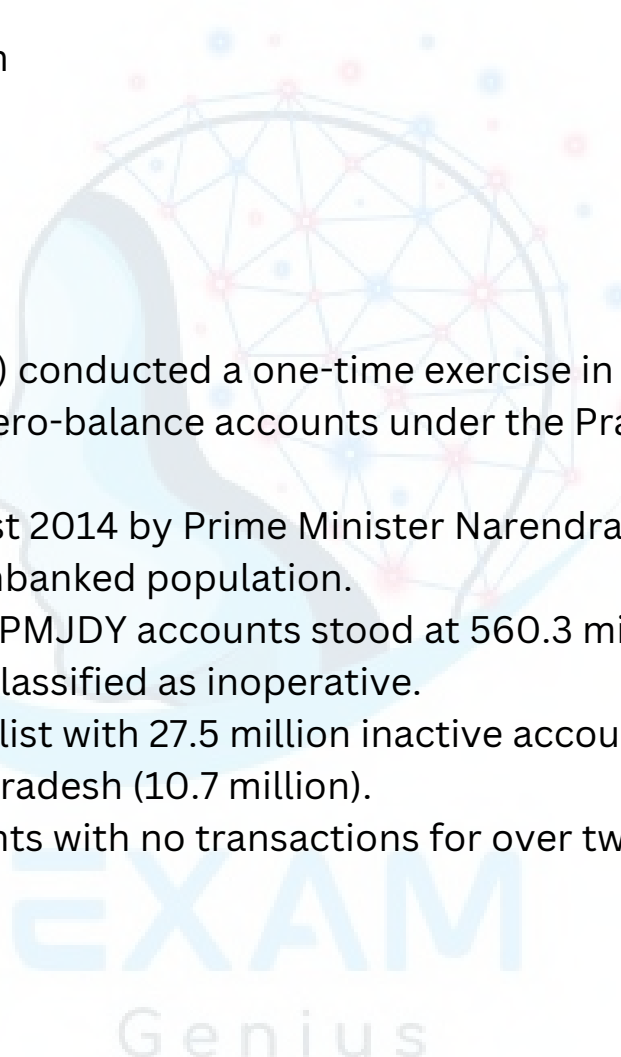
Ques: Public-sector banks recently closed nearly 1.5 million inactive zero-balance accounts under which financial inclusion scheme?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

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





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

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

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

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

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

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





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

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

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

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

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

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

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

About Guyana:

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

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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

Explanation :

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

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

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

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

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

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

Answer : Option C

Explanation :

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

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

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

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

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





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

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

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

About C.P. Radhakrishnan:

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

Vice President Election Process:

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





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

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

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

About Dr. Bhupen Hazarika (1926–2011):

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

Major Awards & Honors:

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





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

National Film Awards – Best Music Direction:

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





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

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

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

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

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

Answer : Option B

Explanation :

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

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

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

Answer : Option E

Explanation :

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

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

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

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

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

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





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

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

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

Key national initiatives:

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





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





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
- E. 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





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





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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- Russia has launched EnteroMix, a vaccine with 100% effectiveness in early clinical studies.
- The Ministry of Health's National Medical Research Radiology Centre (NMRRRC) 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.





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
- E. Kerala

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- 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-Srisailem 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.





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.





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

Explanation:

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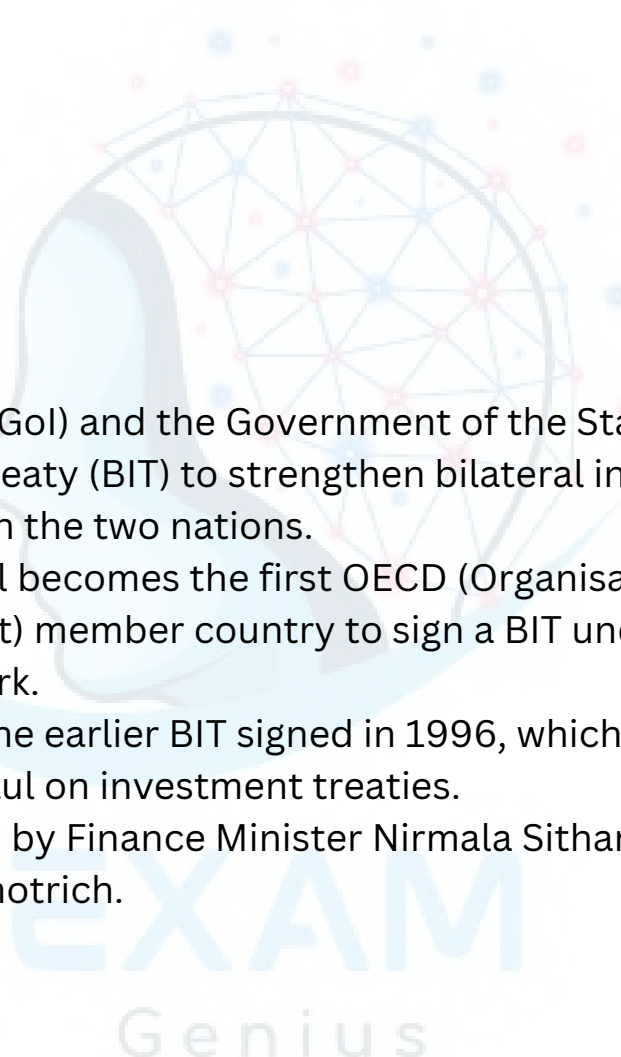
Ques: India recently signed a new Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT) with which country, making it the first OECD member to sign under India's new investment treaty framework?

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- 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 Co-operation 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 Bezael Smotrich.





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

Explanation:

- Engineers India Limited completed the mechanical work for India's first bamboo-based 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

Explanation:

- 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 Mukta 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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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.





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

Explanation:

- 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

Explanation:

- 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.





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.





Ques: Jio Financial Services Limited (JFSL) has partnered with which company to form a joint venture named Allianz Jio Reinsurance Limited (AJRL) in India?

- A. Prudential PLC
- B. Allianz Europe B.V.
- C. MetLife Inc.
- D. AIA Group
- E. Aviva PLC

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Jio Financial Services Limited (JFSL) executed a joint venture (JV) agreement with Allianz Europe B.V. to establish Allianz Jio Reinsurance Limited (AJRL) in India.
- The JV received regulatory approval from the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI).
- JFSL and Allianz Europe B.V. will hold 50% stake each in AJRL. JFSL has invested Rs.2.50 lakhs in the subscription of its 50% stake (25,000 equity shares) at a price of Rs.10 per share.
- The Certificate of Incorporation was received from the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) via email on September 8, 2025.

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Ques: The World Bank approved a \$212.64 million loan for which programme to support coastal communities in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka?

- A. Blue Economy Mission
- B. SHORE Programme
- C. SAGAR Mala Project
- D. Coastal Care Initiative
- E. Marine Eco Project

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The World Bank has approved a \$212.64 million loan to support coastal communities in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.
- The financing falls under the first phase of the Strengthening Coastal Resilience and the Economy (SHORE) Programme.
- The project aims to conserve ecosystems, reduce plastic waste, and create jobs for local communities.
- The loan is being provided by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD).
- The repayment period is 23 years, including a 6.5-year grace period.
- This initiative will strengthen resilience and promote sustainable economic growth in India's coastal regions.

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Ques: When was the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) established?

- A. 2016
- B. 2015
- C. 2014
- D. 2017
- E. 2018

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) celebrated its 9th Foundation Day on September 8, 2025, with a National Round Table Conference held in New Delhi.
- Theme: “Claiming the Unclaimed: Unlocking the Potential of Idle Financial Assets in India.”
- IEPFA was established on September 7, 2016, under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- It manages the Investor Education and Protection Fund, which safeguards investor interests by facilitating the refund of shares, unclaimed dividends, and matured deposits/debentures.

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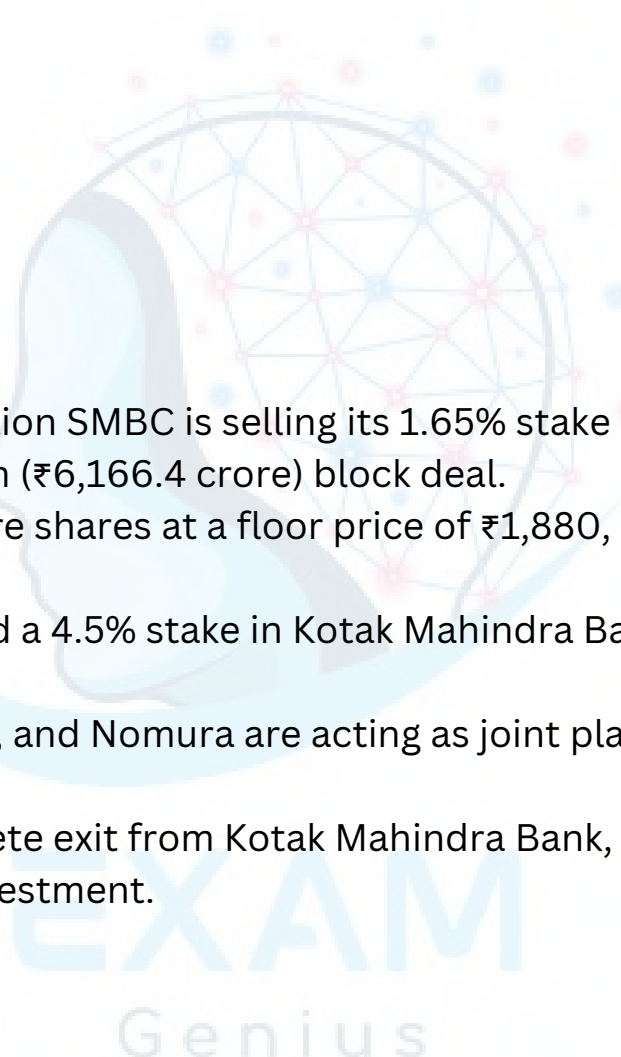
Ques: Sumitomo Banking Corporation (SMBC) is exiting its stake from which Indian private bank in a \$700 million block deal?

- A. HDFC Bank
- B. ICICI Bank
- C. Axis Bank
- D. Kotak Mahindra Bank
- E. Yes Bank

Answer : Option D

Explanation:

- Japanese financial institution SMBC is selling its 1.65% stake in Kotak Mahindra Bank through a \$700 million (₹6,166.4 crore) block deal.
- The sale includes 3.28 crore shares at a floor price of ₹1,880, which is 4.1% lower than NSE's closing price.
- SMBC originally purchased a 4.5% stake in Kotak Mahindra Bank in 2010 for ₹1,366 crore at ₹833 per share.
- Kotak Securities, Jefferies, and Nomura are acting as joint placement agents for this deal.
- This marks SMBC's complete exit from Kotak Mahindra Bank, realizing a significant profit on its 15-year-old investment.





Ques: Which organization, along with SIDBI, recently launched the Udyam Assist Platform (UAP) to promote digital-first Udyam generation?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- PhonePe Limited in collaboration with the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) launched the Udyam Assist Platform (UAP) to promote digital-first Udyam generation.
- This newly launched initiative enables IMES to avail wide range of benefits like: access to government schemes and tax benefits, the ability to open business bank accounts, and access to digital payment ecosystem and financial services

About PhonePe :

- Established : 2015
- HQ : Bengaluru, Karnataka
- CEO : Sameer Nigam

About SIDBI :

- Established : 1990
- HQ : Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
- Chairman & MD : Manoj Mittal





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Chairperson of the Governing Board of the National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE)?

- A. Ashishkumar Chauhan
- B. Girish Chandra Chaturvedi
- C. Subhash Chandra Khuntia
- D. Ajay Tyagi
- E. Injeti Srinivas

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Injeti Srinivas has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Governing Board of the National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE).
- He replaced Girish Chandra Chaturvedi.

About NSE:

- Established: 1992
- Headquarters: Mumbai
- MD & CEO: Ashishkumar Chauhan

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Ques: Which bank recently launched a Digital Loan Against Mutual Funds (LAMF) facility for its customers?

- A. HDFC Bank
- B. ICICI Bank
- C. Axis Bank
- D. South Indian Bank
- E. Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- South Indian Bank (SIB) launched a Digital Loan Against Mutual Funds (LAMF) facility.
- The loan is provided through the DhanLAP platform, in partnership with Ark Neo Financial Services Private Limited (Ark Neo).
- Loan-to-Value (LTV) ratio for equity mutual funds (MFs) can reach 50% of current value and for debt MFs, it can reach 70% of current value.
- Customers who have at least Rs. 1 lakh in mutual funds and are between the ages of 18 and 75 are eligible.

About South Indian Bank :

- Established : 1929
- HQ : Thrissur, Kerala
- MD & CEO : P R Seshadri
- Tagline : Experience Next Generation Banking

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Ques: Which country inaugurated the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD), Africa's largest hydroelectric project?

- A. Egypt
- B. Ethiopia
- C. Kenya
- D. Nigeria
- E. South Africa

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Ethiopia inaugurated the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD) in September 2025, marking the launch of Africa's largest hydroelectric project.
- The dam, built at a cost of \$4 billion, is 170 meters tall and 2 km long, situated on the Blue Nile near the Sudan border.
- It has the capacity to store 74 billion cubic meters of water and generate 5,150 MW of electricity, making it the most powerful dam on the continent.
- Ethiopian PM Abiy Ahmed described it as a "historic achievement for all black people."
- Egypt protested at the United Nations, claiming that the GERD poses an "existential threat" to its water security, as 97% of Egypt's water comes from the Nile River.
- Leaders from Kenya and Somalia attended the inauguration ceremony

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Ques: Coal India Limited recently signed an MoU with which organization to empower tribal students enrolled in Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS)?

- A. National Scheduled Tribe Finance and Development Corporation (NSTFDC)
- B. NABARD
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. NCERT
- E. Ministry of Education

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Coal India Limited and NSTFDC under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs signed an MoU to empower tribal students enrolled in Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS).
- The project is titled “Empowering Tribal Students in EMRS through Digital Access, Career Mentorship, Menstrual Hygiene, and Teacher Capacity Building.”

Key components of the project:

- Digital Education: Distribution of desktops, UPS, and tablets to improve digital access for students.
- Career Mentorship: Structured programs to guide students in making informed career decisions.
- Menstrual Hygiene: Installation of sanitary napkin vending machines and incinerators to promote health and dignity for girl students.





Ques: Until which date has the government allowed companies to revise the MRP of unsold FMCG stocks?

- A. September 30, 2025
- B. October 31, 2025
- C. December 31, 2025
- D. March 31, 2026
- E. June 30, 2026

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Central Government has allowed FMCG companies to revise the MRP of unsold packaged goods until December 31, 2025, following a reduction in GST rates from 12%/18% to 5% by the GST Council.
- The revised MRP can be displayed using stickers, stamping, or online printing, but the original MRP must remain visible.
- Companies are required to issue a public notice in newspapers and inform legal metrology authorities about the changes.
- The price revision should only reflect the actual tax change due to GST, without any additional price hike.
- Old packaging material with previous MRP can still be used till December 31, provided that the corrected price is displayed clearly.
- This move will reduce packaging waste, give operational flexibility, and help industries manage large inventories smoothly.





Ques: ESIC has recently launched which two initiatives to improve registration and resolve disputes under the ESI Act?

- A. SPREE-2025 and Amnesty Scheme-2025
- B. UDYAM-2025 and ESI Suraksha Scheme
- C. ESIC Care and Welfare Program
- D. ESI Plus and Labour Welfare Mission
- E. Samadhan and Suraksha Mission

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) has launched two major schemes – SPREE-2025 and Amnesty Scheme-2025.

SPREE-2025 (Scheme for Promoting Registration of Employers and Employees):

- Will remain active till 31st December 2025.
- Allows unregistered industries and employees to register via ESI Portal, Shram Suvidha Portal, or Company Affairs Portal without paying old dues.
- Registered employers will be covered from the date of registration or the date declared by them, and employees will receive ESI health and social security benefits from day one.

Amnesty Scheme-2025:

- Effective from 1st October 2025 to 30th September 2026.
- A one-time dispute resolution scheme to settle issues related to damages, interest, and coverage under the ESI Act.
- Aims to reduce lawsuits, strengthen compliance, and ensure smooth delivery of social security benefits to employees.





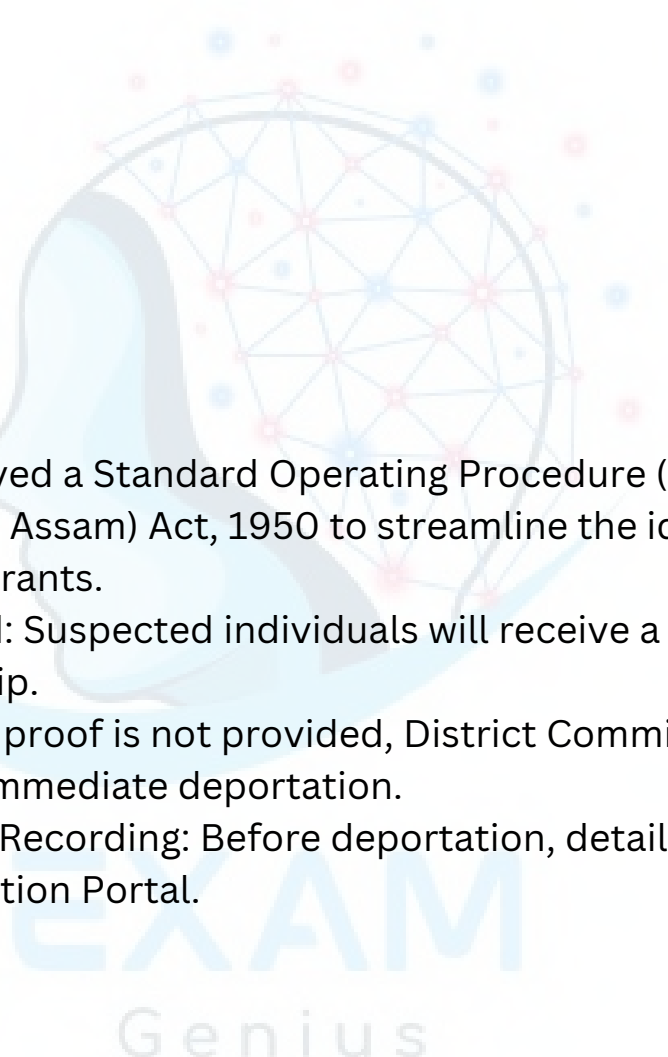
Ques: Which state cabinet recently approved an SOP under the Immigrants (Expulsion from Assam) Act, 1950 to speed up the deportation of illegal immigrants?

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Assam Cabinet approved a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) under the Immigrants (Expulsion from Assam) Act, 1950 to streamline the identification and deportation of illegal immigrants.
- 10-Day Verification Period: Suspected individuals will receive a 10-day notice to prove their Indian citizenship.
- Immediate Deportation: If proof is not provided, District Commissioners (DCs) can issue expulsion orders for immediate deportation.
- Biometric & Demographic Recording: Before deportation, details will be recorded on the Foreigners Identification Portal.





Ques: Which state assembly passed the Rajasthan Prohibition of Unlawful Religious Conversion Bill, 2025, introducing strict penalties for forced or fraudulent conversions?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- On September 9, 2025, the Rajasthan Assembly passed the Rajasthan Prohibition of Unlawful Religious Conversion Bill, 2025 to curb forced or fraudulent religious conversions.
- The bill provides life imprisonment, fines up to ₹1 crore, and confiscation and demolition of properties where mass conversions take place.
- Exemption: Returning to ancestral religion is not covered under this law.
- Additional measures: Mandatory prior notice for voluntary conversions, annulment of marriages done solely for conversion, and property confiscation.
- All offenses are cognizable and non-bailable, triable by a sessions court.

Key penalties under the bill:

- Forced/fraudulent conversion: 7–14 years imprisonment + fine up to ₹5 lakh.
- Conversion of minors, women, SC/ST, or PwD by fraud: 10–20 years imprisonment + fine $\geq$ ₹10 lakh.
- Mass conversions through fraud: 20 years–life imprisonment + fine between ₹25 lakh–₹1 crore.
- Using foreign/illegal funds for conversions: 10–20 years imprisonment + fine $\geq$ ₹20 lakh.





Ques: Which organization recently listed 102 new Indian fishery establishments for exports?

- (a) WTO
- (b) IMF
- (c) FAO
- (d) European Union (EU)
- (e) World Bank

Answer : Option D

Explanation:

- The European Union (EU) recently included 102 new Indian fishery establishments in its approved export list in 2025.
- This step reflects growing confidence in India's food safety standards, quality assurance, traceability, and compliance mechanisms, especially those monitored by the Export Inspection Council (EIC).
- The move will strengthen India's position as a reliable supplier of high-quality seafood, particularly aquaculture shrimps and cephalopods like squid, cuttlefish, and octopus.
- It is expected to boost export volumes, create employment, diversify coastal exporters' products, and increase foreign exchange earnings.
- This development followed discussions between Indian officials, including Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal, and EU counterparts, which helped build trust in India's regulatory systems.





Ques: Which two Indian cities received the Wetland City Accreditation under the Ramsar Convention?

- A. Jaipur and Bhopal
- B. Indore and Udaipur
- C. Varanasi and Kochi
- D. Surat and Mysuru
- E. Pune and Lucknow

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan Awards were conducted across 130 cities under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
- Indore and Udaipur received Wetland City Accreditation under the Ramsar Convention, recognizing their efforts in sustainable wetland management and conservation.

Cities were categorized based on population:

- Above 10 lakh
- 3–10 lakh
- Below 3 lakh

In Category-1 (population of over 10 lakh population):

1. Indore secured - cash award of Rs. 1.5 crore
2. Jabalpur - Cash award of Rs. 1 crore
3. Agra and Surat - Cash award of Rs. 25 lakh

In Category – 2 (population between 3 and 10 lakh) :

1. Amravati - Cash award of Rs. 75 lakh





2. Jhansi and Moradabad - Cash award of Rs. 25 lakh
3. Alwar - Cash award of Rs. 25 lakh

In Category- 3 (population under 3 lakh):

1. Dewas - Cash award of Rs. 37.50 lakh
2. Parwanoo - Cash award of Rs. 25 lakh
3. Angul - Cash award of Rs. 12.50 lakh





Ques: The 5th edition of Lok Samvardhan Parv was recently concluded at which location?

- A. Jaipur, Rajasthan
- B. Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir
- C. Kochi, Kerala
- D. Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
- E. Patna, Bihar

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Minority Affairs (MoMA) successfully concluded the 5th edition of Lok Samvardhan Parv at the Marine Drive Exhibition Area in Kochi, Kerala.
- The 10-day event was organized under the Pradhan Mantri Virasat ka Samvardhan (PM-VIKAS) scheme.
- The event aimed to provide minority community artisans, weavers, craftspersons, culinary experts, and entrepreneurs a platform for market linkages and national exposure.
- Union Minister of State George Kurian, MoMA & MoFAH&D, inaugurated the event.
- The last edition of Lok Samvardhan Parv was held at Convocation Ground, Kashmir University, in Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir (J&K), from April 05 to April 13, 2025.

Participation Highlights:

- 100 artisan stalls from 25 States/UTs.
- 14 food stalls from 6 States/UTs including Rajasthan, Bihar, Gujarat, and Kerala.
- 49 women artisans, 50 men artisans, and 1 transgender artisan participated.
- 8 women and 6 men culinary experts showcased traditional cuisines.
- also witnessed a footfall of more than 46,000 visitors.





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of France after François Bayrou's resignation?

- A. Emmanuel Macron
- B. Jean Castex
- C. Élisabeth Borne
- D. Sébastien Lecornu
- E. François Fillon

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Sébastien Lecornu has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of France, replacing François Bayrou, who resigned after losing a vote of confidence.
- The appointment has sparked nationwide protests, starting September 2025, against President Emmanuel Macron's austerity program.
- Protesters aim to paralyze the country by blocking roads, railways, fuel depots, schools, and workplaces, a movement known as "Block Everything."
- Macron's austerity program = €44B cuts + tax hikes + removing holidays → aimed at cutting debt, but triggered mass protests and political crisis

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Ques : IDBI Bank recently filed an insolvency plea against Zee Entertainment in NCLT, alleging a default of how much amount?

- A. ₹150 crore
- B. ₹200 crore
- C. ₹225 crore
- D. ₹275 crore
- E. ₹300 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- IDBI Bank filed a fresh insolvency plea in the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) against Zee Entertainment Enterprises Ltd (ZEEL), alleging a default of ₹225.23 crore.
- The default relates to a Debt Service Reserve Agreement (DSRA) connected to credit facilities availed by Siti Networks.
- Zee Entertainment rejected the claim, calling it malicious, fraudulent, and legally baseless, stating that it was an abuse of law.
- Previously, similar complaints made by IDBI Bank in 2022 and 2023 were dismissed, and the 2025 appeal is still pending before the Debts Recovery Appellate Tribunal (Delhi).
- Zee also stated that the bank's actions are intended to harass and damage the company's reputation, and it does not expect any financial impact from these proceedings.

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Ques : Which new scheme has Bank of Baroda launched in collaboration with SIDBI?

- A) bob Digi Udyam
- B) bob Earth Circular Economy Scheme (MSE Spice)
- C) bob Smart MSME Loan
- D) bob Green Growth Credit
- E) bob Sustainable Finance Yojana

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Bank of Baroda, in collaboration with the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), launched the bob Earth Circular Economy Scheme (MSE Spice) under its Green and Sustainable product category.
- To Encourage Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) to adopt sustainable practices.
- Promote resource efficiency, competitiveness, and support global sustainability goals.
- The scheme aligns with the bank's efforts to drive environmentally responsible growth among MSEs.

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Ques: According to RBI data, how has the performance of Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs) in rural India compared to other areas over the last 25 years in terms of deposits and lending?

- A. Slower growth than other areas
- B. Better growth than urban areas
- C. Equal growth across all areas
- D. No growth in rural areas
- E. Only deposits increased, not loans

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- RBI data shows that SCBs have struggled to mobilize deposits and expand lending in rural India compared to semi-urban, urban, and metropolitan areas over the last 25 years.
- Loan outstanding in rural India grew 30 times till March-end 2025, which is slower than the overall average growth of about 41 times across all population groups.
- Deposits in rural areas increased 20 times, lagging behind the average accretion of 28 times across all areas.
- The Credit-Deposit Ratio (CDR) in rural areas increased from 56% in 2000 to 80% in 2025, indicating banks are lending more compared to the deposits they mobilize.
- This trend reflects a slower pace of financial inclusion and banking expansion in rural regions relative to other areas.

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Ques : The recent RBI-approved changes in Yes Bank's board are linked to stake purchase by which bank?

- A) Axis Bank
- B) Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC)
- C) HDFC Bank
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) Federal Bank

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) approved changes to Yes Bank's Articles of Association (AoA), linked to Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) acquiring a 20% stake in the bank.
- 13.19% stake purchased from SBI and 6.81% stake purchased from seven other banks
- After this deal SBI's stake will drop from 24% to just over 10%.
- SMBC will gain the right to appoint two nominee directors to Yes Bank's board, while SBI will retain one nominee director.
- The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has also approved this acquisition.

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Ques : According to Fitch Ratings, what is India's revised GDP growth forecast for FY26?

- A. 6.3%
- B. 6.5%
- C. 6.7%
- D. 6.9%
- E. 7.1%

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Fitch Ratings upgraded India's FY26 GDP growth forecast from 6.5% to 6.9%.
- The revision is driven by strong Q1 FY26 growth of 7.8%, a boost from GST rate cuts on 375 items, and robust domestic demand.
- Inflation is expected to ease to 3.2% by the end of 2025 and 4.1% by the end of 2026.
- For the following years, FY27 growth is projected at 6.3%, which will slightly moderate to 6.2% in FY28.
- This indicates India's economy is set to remain strong and stable, supported by domestic consumption and real income growth.

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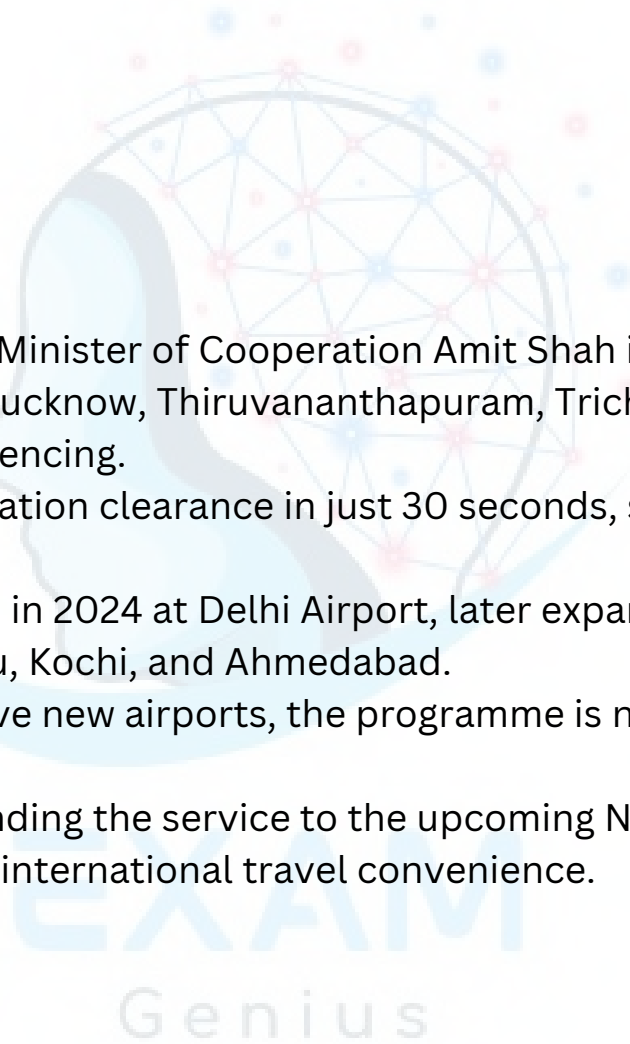
Ques: The Fast Track Immigration – Trusted Traveller Programme (FTI-TTP) has recently been expanded to how many total airports across India?

- A. 10
- B. 11
- C. 12
- D. 13
- E. 15

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Amit Shah inaugurated the FTI-TTP at five new airports – Lucknow, Thiruvananthapuram, Trichy, Kozhikode, and Amritsar – via video conferencing.
- This system allows immigration clearance in just 30 seconds, significantly reducing processing time.
- FTI-TTP was first launched in 2024 at Delhi Airport, later expanded to Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Bengaluru, Kochi, and Ahmedabad.
- With the addition of the five new airports, the programme is now operational at 13 airports across India.
- Future plans include extending the service to the upcoming Navi Mumbai and Jewar airports, further enhancing international travel convenience.





Ques: Which companies have partnered with the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) to raise awareness for the Sadak Suraksha Abhiyan 2025?

- A. Swiggy and Ola
- B. Amazon and Flipkart
- C. Paytm and Blinkit
- D. Zomato and Uber
- E. Ola and Rapido

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) has collaborated with Zomato and Uber to spread road safety awareness nationwide.
- This collaboration marks the third year of the Government of India's 'Sadak Suraksha Abhiyan', which was launched in 2023.
- Objective: To halve the number of road accidents and deaths in India by 2030.
- As part of the initiative, both companies will share road safety tips and announcements featuring Amitabh Bachchan on their mobile applications.
- The 2025 theme of the campaign is "Parwaah Kareng, Surakshit Rahenge" (Care for Others, Stay Safe).
- According to MoRTH's official data, in 2023, India reported over 4.8 lakh road accidents, a 4.2% increase, resulting in 20 deaths every hour.

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Ques: 16-year-old Abhimanyu Mishra recently created history by defeating which World Chess Champion in classical chess at the FIDE Grand Swiss 2025?

- A. D. Gukesh
- B. Magnus Carlsen
- C. Viswanathan Anand
- D. Ian Nepomniachtchi
- E. Hikaru Nakamura

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Abhimanyu Mishra, a 16-year-old American chess player, made history at the FIDE Grand Swiss 2025 held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan.
- In Round 5, Mishra defeated 19-year-old reigning World Champion D. Gukesh, becoming the youngest player ever to beat a World Champion in classical chess.
- With this victory, Mishra broke a 33-year-old record held by Gata Kamsky, who had defeated Garry Kasparov at the age of 17.
- This win is considered a major milestone in chess history, showcasing Mishra's extraordinary talent at a very young age.

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Ques : Union Cabinet approved the ₹7,600 crore infrastructure projects in Bihar for which two major developments?

- A. Highway (84.2 km Mokama–Munger section) and Railway line doubling (177 km Bhagalpur–Dumka–Rampurhat)
- B. Metro rail project and Airport expansion
- C. Industrial corridor and Freight terminal
- D. Bridge construction and Inland waterways
- E. Smart City and Digital Infrastructure

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The Union Cabinet approved ₹7,600 crore worth of infrastructure projects in Bihar, consisting of:

₹4,447 crore highway project:

- Four-laning of the 84.2 km Mokama–Munger section of the Buxar–Bhagalpur highway, under the Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM) with a closed tolling system.
- Average speed will increase to 80 kmph, cutting travel time by 1.5 hours.

₹3,169 crore railway project:

- Doubling of the 177 km Bhagalpur–Dumka–Rampurhat railway line, covering Bihar, Jharkhand, and West Bengal.
- This will boost freight traffic by 15 million tonnes annually, especially for fertilizers, coal, and cement, while improving passenger connectivity.





Ques: The 13th ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 will be co-hosted by which two countries?

- A. India and Bangladesh
- B. India and Sri Lanka
- C. India and Pakistan
- D. India and Nepal
- E. India and Australia

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has unveiled its flagship campaign 'Will to Win' ahead of the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025.
- The 13th edition of the tournament will be co-hosted by India and Sri Lanka.
- The tournament will begin on 30 September 2025, with the opening match between India and Sri Lanka in Guwahati.
- This will mark the return of the Women's Cricket World Cup to India after 12 years, as the last time India hosted was in 2013.
- India has hosted the Women's World Cup before (1978, 1997, 2013), but this is Sri Lanka's first time hosting.

About ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025

- Edition : 13
- In India : After 12 year
- Total Team : 8
- Defending Champion : Australia (2022)
- Total prize pool : ~USD 13.88 million.
- Winner : ~USD 4.48 million.
- Runner-up : ~USD 2.24 million





Ques: Which country will host the 5th Coast Guard Global Summit (CGGS) in 2027?

- A. Japan
- B. Italy
- C. France
- D. India
- E. Australia

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The 4th Coast Guard Global Summit (CGGS) was held in Rome, Italy, from September 11-12, 2025.
- A two-member Indian Coast Guard (ICG) delegation, led by Director General Paramesh Sivamani, participated and delivered a lecture at the summit.
- During the event, India announced its intent to bid for the presidency of the 5th CGGS, which is planned to be hosted in India in 2027.
- The CGGS was first convened in 2017 by the Japan Coast Guard and the Nippon Foundation.
- It has since become an important platform for international dialogue, cooperation, and confidence-building among coast guards worldwide.

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Ques: Where is the Saudi Arabia Jewellery Exposition (SAJEX) 2025 being held to strengthen India-Saudi trade ties?

- A. Jeddah
- B. New Delhi
- C. Riyadh
- D. Dubai
- E. Doha

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council of India (GJEPC), in collaboration with the Consulate General of India in Jeddah, the Embassy of India in Riyadh, and the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, announced the launch of SAJEX 2025.
- The event is being held at the Jeddah Superdome, Saudi Arabia, from September 11-13, 2025.
- Objective is to deepen India-Saudi trade relations and expand access to GCC and global markets for Indian gem and jewellery exporters.
- In FY 2024-25, India exported \$32 billion worth of gems and jewellery, highlighting the sector's importance to India's economy and trade.

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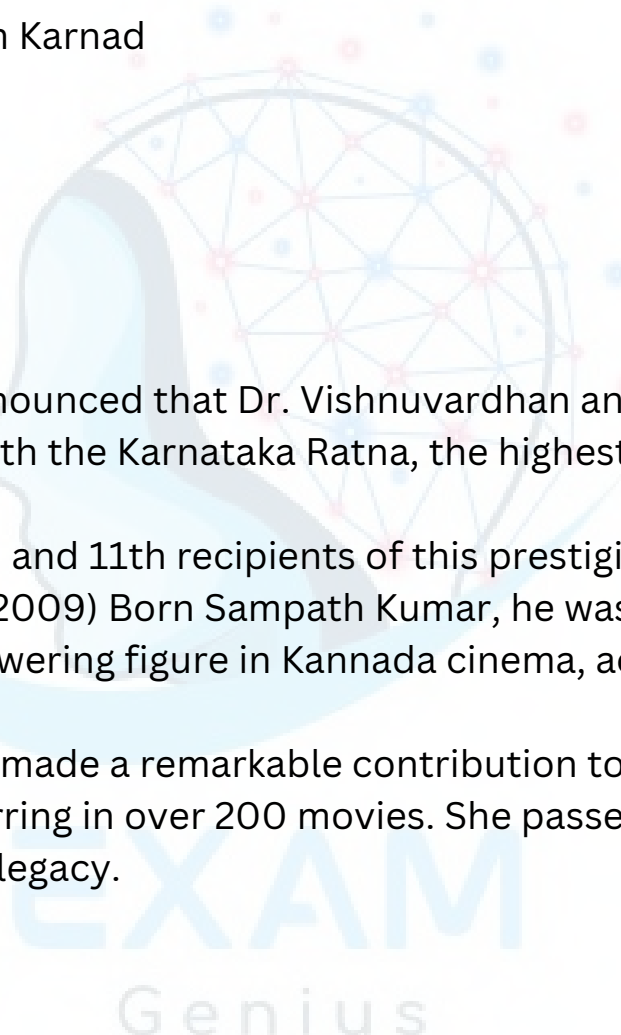
Ques: Which two legendary actors will be posthumously awarded the Karnataka Ratna, the state's highest civilian honor?

- A. Rajkumar and Vishnuvardhan
- B. Vishnuvardhan and B Saroja Devi
- C. B Saroja Devi and Anant Nag
- D. Rajkumar and B Saroja Devi
- E. Vishnuvardhan and Girish Karnad

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Karnataka Cabinet announced that Dr. Vishnuvardhan and B Saroja Devi will be posthumously conferred with the Karnataka Ratna, the highest civilian award of the state.
- They will become the 10th and 11th recipients of this prestigious honor.
- Dr. Vishnuvardhan (1950-2009) Born Sampath Kumar, he was affectionately called 'Sahasa Simha'. He was a towering figure in Kannada cinema, acting in over 220 films across five languages.
- B Saroja Devi (1938-2025) made a remarkable contribution to Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, and Hindi films, starring in over 200 movies. She passed away in July 2025, leaving behind a legendary legacy.





Ques: Which train has officially become India's fastest train, operating at a speed of 160 km/h?

- A. Gatimaan Express
- B. Vande Bharat Express
- C. Rajdhani Express
- D. Tejas Express
- E. Namo Bharat Train

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Namo Bharat Train has become India's fastest train, operating at a maximum speed of 160 km/h on the Delhi-Meerut Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS).
- The operational stretch currently covers 55 km from New Ashok Nagar (East Delhi) to Meerut South (Uttar Pradesh), out of a total 82.15 km corridor.
- Earlier, Gatimaan Express and Vande Bharat Express held the top spot at 160 km/h, but after a June 2024 directive, their speed was capped at 130 km/h for safety reasons.
- This milestone marks a significant step in India's high-speed rail network development

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Ques: NASA's Perseverance rover recently discovered rocks on Mars that may hold signs of ancient microscopic life. Where were these rocks found?

- A. Olympus Mons
- B. Valles Marineris
- C. Neretva Vallis
- D. Gale Crater
- E. Tharsis Plateau

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Tribal Affairs launched the Beta Version of Adi Sanskriti at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, during the National Conference on Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan.
- Adi Sanskriti is a pioneering digital learning platform aimed at preserving tribal heritage, enabling sustainable livelihoods, and connecting tribal communities with the world.
- First phase states: Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, and Uttar Pradesh.

Objective:

- To function as the world's first Digital University dedicated to preserving and promoting the culture and traditional knowledge of tribal communities.
- To serve as an online marketplace for tribal artisans to showcase and sell their products globally.

Three Major Components:





- Adi Vishwavidyalaya (Digital Tribal Art Academy) : Currently offers 45 immersive courses on tribal dance, painting, crafts, music, and folklore.
- Adi Sampada (Socio-Cultural Repository) : Contains 5,000+ curated documents on tribal culture, including paintings, dance, textiles, artefacts, and livelihood.
- Adi Haat (Online Marketplace) : Initially integrated with TRIFED, it will grow into a dedicated e-marketplace for tribal artisans.



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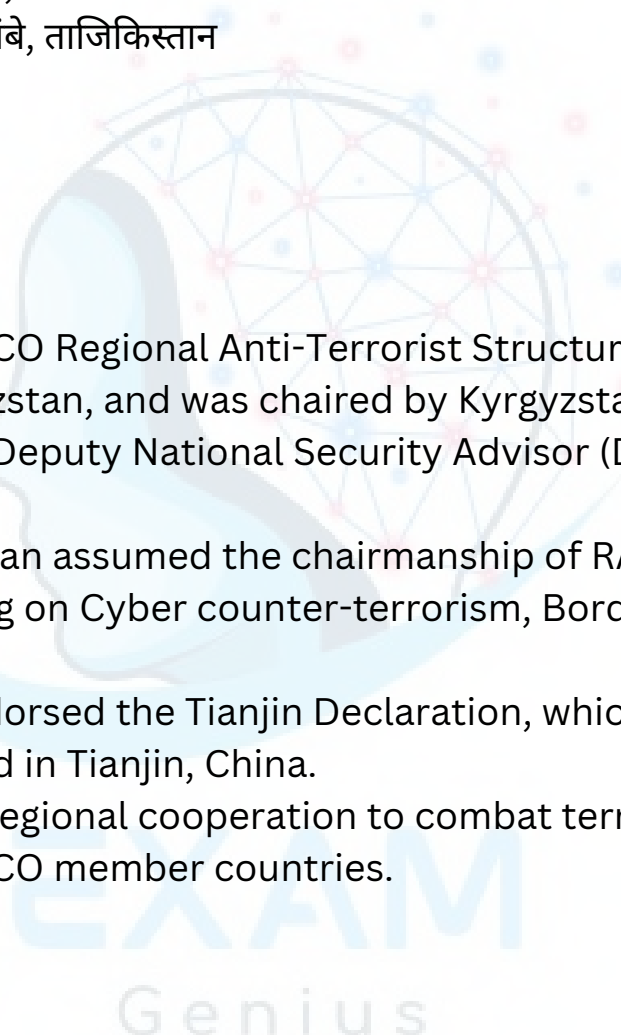
Ques: Where was the 44th meeting of the SCO Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS) Council held?

- A. Beijing, China / बीजिंग, चीन
- B. Islamabad, Pakistan / इस्लामाबाद, पाकिस्तान
- C. Cholpon-Ata, Kyrgyzstan / चोलपोन-अटा, किर्गिज़स्तान
- D. New Delhi, India / नई दिल्ली, भारत
- E. Dushanbe, Tajikistan / दुशांबे, ताजिकिस्तान

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 44th meeting of the SCO Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS) Council was held at Cholpon-Ata, Kyrgyzstan, and was chaired by Kyrgyzstan.
- India was represented by Deputy National Security Advisor (DNSA) T.V. Ravichandran.
- During the meeting, Pakistan assumed the chairmanship of RATS and will host expert-level events focusing on Cyber counter-terrorism, Border security and Terror financing
- The RATS Council also endorsed the Tianjin Declaration, which was adopted earlier during the SCO Summit held in Tianjin, China.
- The meeting emphasized regional cooperation to combat terrorism and cross-border threats within the SCO member countries.





Ques: RBI recently purchased a 4.16-acre land parcel at Nariman Point, Mumbai, from which organization for ₹3,472 crore?

- A. BMC
- B. MMRCL
- C. MHADA
- D. CIDCO
- E. NHAI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) purchased a 4.16-acre land parcel at Nariman Point, Mumbai from the Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation Ltd (MMRCL) for ₹3,472 crore.
- The transaction was registered on 5 September 2025, with a stamp duty of ₹208.3 crore.
- The land will be used by RBI for self-use and commercial purposes.
- Previously, the property housed government and political offices spread across 1,13,500 sq. ft.
- The deal was finalized after discussions between RBI, Maharashtra Government, and MMRCL, and the land was transferred on a freehold basis.

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Ques: Canara Robeco Asset Management Company, a subsidiary of which PSU bank, has received SEBI approval to launch its IPO?

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Canara Robeco Asset Management Company (AMC), a subsidiary of Canara Bank, has received approval from SEBI to launch its Initial Public Offering (IPO).
- It is India's second-oldest asset management company.
- The company had filed its preliminary papers with SEBI on April 24, 2025, to raise funds through an Offer-for-Sale (OFS) of 4.98 crore shares.
- The OFS includes Canara Bank selling 2.59 crore shares. ORIX Corporation Europe NV (foreign promoter) selling 2.39 crore shares
- Currently, Canara Bank holds 51% stake, and ORIX Corporation Europe NV holds 49% stake in the AMC.
- This approval clears the way for the IPO to be launched within the next one year.

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LQues: Which institution is planning to allow lenders to remotely lock mobile phones bought on credit if borrowers default?

- A. SEBI
- B. NABARD
- C. RBI
- D. IRDAI
- E. SIDBI

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) plans to allow lenders to remotely lock mobile phones purchased on credit if borrowers default on loans.
- This measure aims to curb bad assets while ensuring consumer data protection.
- Over one-third of consumer electronics in India, including phones, are purchased on small-ticket loans, highlighting the significance of this step.
- The new rules will require borrowers' consent and prohibit lenders from accessing personal data on locked phones.
- RBI will update its Fair Practices Code with guidelines on phone-locking mechanisms.

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Ques: Rajgir Sports Academy, which recently earned affiliation with the Asian Hockey Federation, is located in which district of Bihar?

- A. Patna
- B. Gaya
- C. Nalanda
- D. Muzaffarpur
- E. Bhagalpur

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Rajgir Sports Academy, part of the state-of-the-art Rajgir Sports Complex, has earned affiliation with the Asian Hockey Federation.
- It is the first full-fledged sports academy in Bihar, spread across 90 acres in Nalanda district.
- The academy provides training in 24+ sports and has world-class facilities developed alongside Bihar Sports University.
- It has already hosted major sporting events, including Women's Asian Champions Trophy (2024), Khelo India Youth Games (2025) and Men's Asia Cup (2025)
- This marks a significant milestone for sports infrastructure and athlete development in Bihar.

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Ques: India recently voted in favour of a UN General Assembly resolution related to which issue?

- A. Palestine Two-State Solution
- B. Russia-Ukraine Peace Process
- C. Climate Change Action Plan
- D. Iran Nuclear Deal
- E. Global Health Security

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India voted in favour of a resolution in the UN General Assembly that endorses the 'New York Declaration' on the peaceful settlement of the Palestine issue and the implementation of the two-state solution.
- The resolution was introduced by France and adopted with 142 nations voting in favour, 10 against, and 12 abstentions.
- Countries voting against included Argentina, Hungary, Israel, and the US.
- The declaration was first discussed at a high-level international conference in July, co-chaired by France and Saudi Arabia at the U.N. headquarters.
- By supporting this resolution, India reaffirmed its stance on peaceful negotiation and the two-state solution for resolving the Israel-Palestine conflict.

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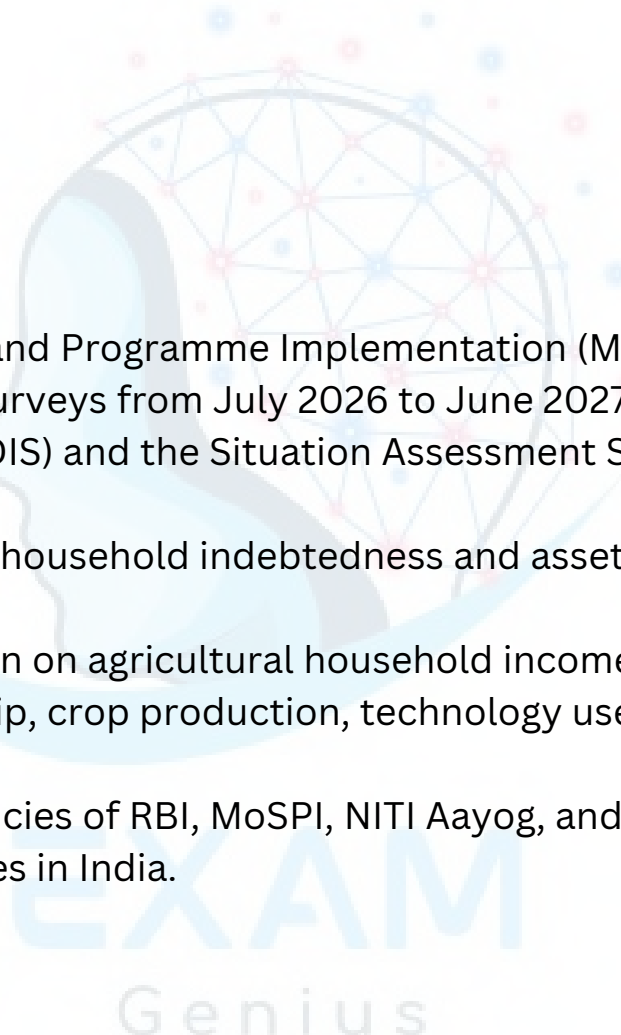
Ques: Which two key surveys will the Government of India conduct between July 2026 – June 2027 on household finances?

- A. NSSO & CSO Surveys
- B. AIDIS & SAS
- C. Economic Census & Population Census
- D. SECC & Agricultural Census
- E. NFHS & ASI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) will conduct two nationally representative surveys from July 2026 to June 2027: the All-India Debt and Investment Survey (AIDIS) and the Situation Assessment Survey (SAS) of Agricultural Households.
- AIDIS will provide data on household indebtedness and asset ownership in rural and urban areas.
- SAS will collect information on agricultural household income, expenditure, credit, land and livestock ownership, crop production, technology use, and access to government schemes.
- The findings will guide policies of RBI, MoSPI, NITI Aayog, and inform agriculture and rural development strategies in India.





Ques: What is the theme for the Emerging Science, Technology, and Innovation Conclave-2025 (ESTIC-2025) unveiled by the Department of Science and Technology?

- A. "Innovation for a Better Future"
- B. "Science for Sustainable Growth"
- C. "Viksit Bharat 2047 - Pioneering Sustainable Innovation, Technological Advancement and Empowerment"
- D. "Transforming India through Technology"
- E. "Global Science for Local Impact"

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Department of Science and Technology (DST) has announced the theme for the Emerging Science, Technology, and Innovation Conclave-2025 (ESTIC-2025).
- Theme: "Viksit Bharat 2047 - Pioneering Sustainable Innovation, Technological Advancement and Empowerment"
- The event will take place in New Delhi and is being organized by DST in collaboration with multiple ministries and science departments.
- This theme reflects India's vision to become a developed nation by 2047, emphasizing sustainability, innovation, and technological growth.

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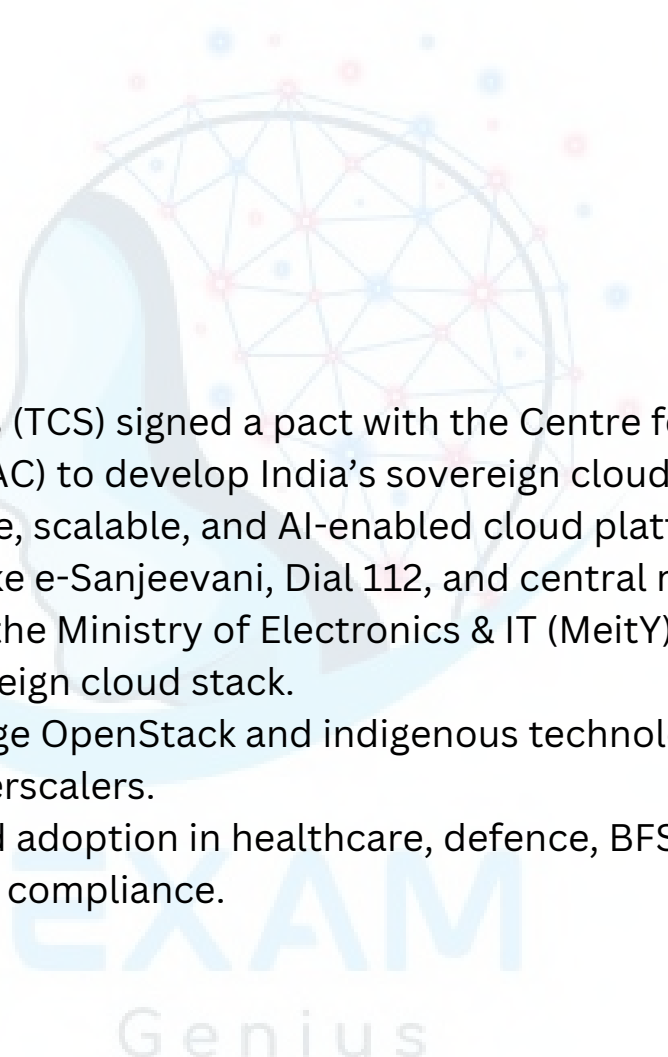
Ques: TCS has recently partnered with which organisation to build India's sovereign cloud ecosystem?

- A. ISRO
- B. C-DAC
- C. NIC
- D. IIT Madras
- E. NITI Aayog

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) signed a pact with the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) to develop India's sovereign cloud ecosystem.
- The aim is to build a secure, scalable, and AI-enabled cloud platform supporting government applications like e-Sanjeevani, Dial 112, and central ministry workloads.
- This collaboration, under the Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY), will integrate innovations into TCS' sovereign cloud stack.
- The ecosystem will leverage OpenStack and indigenous technologies, reducing dependence on global hyperscalers.
- Benefits include enhanced adoption in healthcare, defence, BFSI, and smart cities, with improved security and compliance.





Ques: The “Narendra Cup” tournament, recently inaugurated in Howrah, will conclude on which significant date?

- A. September 11
- B. September 14
- C. September 15
- D. September 17
- E. September 18

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The “Narendra Cup” was inaugurated by Bengal BJP state president Shamik Bhattacharya in Dasnagar, Howrah.
- The tournament began on September 11, marking the anniversary of Swami Vivekananda’s historic Chicago address.
- It will conclude on September 17, which is the birthday of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The event celebrates sportsmanship while paying tribute to two influential leaders — Swami Vivekananda and PM Narendra Modi.

Prize details:

- Winner: Trophy + ₹50,000 cash prize
- Second place: Trophy + ₹25,000 cash prize
- Third place: Trophy + ₹15,000 cash prize





Ques: India recently deployed SAMBHAV, its first fully indigenous secure mobile communication system. During which military operation was this system prominently showcased?

- A. Operation Shakti
- B. Operation Sindoor
- C. Operation Vijay
- D. Operation Suraksha
- E. Operation Trinetra

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- SAMBHAV is India's first fully indigenous secure mobile communication system, specifically designed for defence purposes.
- It was launched in 2023 and was showcased prominently during Operation Sindoor (2025).
- This system allows the Indian Army to use SAMBHAV-enabled smartphones instead of foreign apps, ensuring secure and encrypted communication, free from external surveillance.

Key Features of SAMBHAV:

- Operates independently of commercial networks.
- Supports real-time connectivity via 5G-enabled devices.
- Uses multi-layer encryption to prevent cyber-attacks and hostile surveillance.
- Core application M-Sigma offers encrypted messaging, file sharing, and multimedia exchange.
- Network-agnostic, meaning it works securely across different communication infrastructures without compromising data integrity.





Ques: By which year has the government targeted to establish a complete 'swadeshi' solar value chain including wafers, ingots, and polysilicon?

- A. 2025
- B. 2026
- C. 2027
- D. 2028
- E. 2030

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The government has prepared a comprehensive plan to develop a complete 'swadeshi' solar value chain, including wafers, ingots, and polysilicon.
- The target for indigenous solar cell manufacturing is set for 2028, while swadeshi cells already have a target for 2026.
- Currently, India has 100 GW solar PV module capacity, 27 GW solar cell capacity, and 2.2 GW wafer capacity.
- The initiative supports rooftop solar expansion under PM Suryaghar Yojana and contributes to achieving net-zero emissions by 2070 with a 1,800 GW renewable energy target by 2047.

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Ques: Which country will host the 89th General Meeting of the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) in September 2025?

- A. Japan
- B. Germany
- C. France
- D. India
- E. USA

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) announced that India will host the 89th General Meeting (GM) of the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) from 15 to 19 September 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi
- Theme: “Fostering a Sustainable World” (एक सतत् विश्व को बढ़ावा देना).
- The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) was established in 1906 and is the world’s leading body for setting international standards in Electrical technologies, Electronics, and Related fields.
- The IEC has a global network of over 30,000 experts contributing to international standardization.

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Ques: Which institute launched the AI-based mental health programme 'Never Alone' on World Suicide Prevention Day 2025?

- A. AIIMS, New Delhi
- B. NIMHANS, Bengaluru
- C. IIT Delhi
- D. IHBAS, Shahdara
- E. AIIMS, Bhubaneswar

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- AIIMS, New Delhi launched a new AI-based mental health programme called 'Never Alone' in 2025.
- It was unveiled on World Suicide Prevention Day to address India's growing mental health crisis.
- The programme provides 24/7 virtual and offline consultations through a web-based app accessible via WhatsApp.
- India recorded over 1.7 lakh suicides in 2022, the highest in over five decades.
- Young adults (18-30 years) accounted for 35% of these deaths.
- It offers personalised mental health screening at an affordable cost of 70 paise per student per day for institutions with 5,000+ students.
- Initially, the service is available at AIIMS Delhi, AIIMS Bhubaneswar, and IHBAS, Shahdara, with plans to expand further.

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Ques: What is the title of the new biography authored by Abhishek Choudhary that explores Atal Bihari Vajpayee's political journey from 1977 to 2018?

- A. Vajpayee: The Ascent of the Hindu Right (1924–1977)
- B. Believer's Dilemma: Vajpayee and the Hindu Right's Path to Power (1977–2018)
- C. The Political Life of Vajpayee
- D. Vajpayee and the Rise of BJP
- E. Leader of the Hindu Right: The Story of Vajpayee

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- A new book titled “Believer's Dilemma: Vajpayee and the Hindu Right's Path to Power (1977–2018)”, written by Abhishek Choudhary, was released.
- This is the second volume of a two-part biography of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.
- It covers Vajpayee's political and ideological journey from 1977 to 2018, highlighting his role in shaping the rise of the Hindu Right and the BJP.
- The first volume, titled “Vajpayee: The Ascent of the Hindu Right (1924–1977)”, was published in 2022.

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Ques: India signed an MoU with Sri Lanka to construct a new Accident & Emergency (A&E) Unit at which hospital?

- A. Jaffna Teaching Hospital
- B. Colombo National Hospital
- C. Batticaloa Teaching Hospital
- D. Galle District Hospital
- E. District General Hospital, Mannar

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India and Sri Lanka signed an MoU for the construction of a new Accident and Emergency (A&E) Unit at the District General Hospital, Mannar, Sri Lanka.
- The two-storey A&E unit will provide advanced emergency and trauma care services, including Critical care facilities, Quick medical response and Specialized treatment for accident and disaster victims
- The project is funded through a grant of 600 million Sri Lankan rupees (approx. ₹15.5 crore) from the Government of India, further strengthening bilateral cooperation in healthcare.

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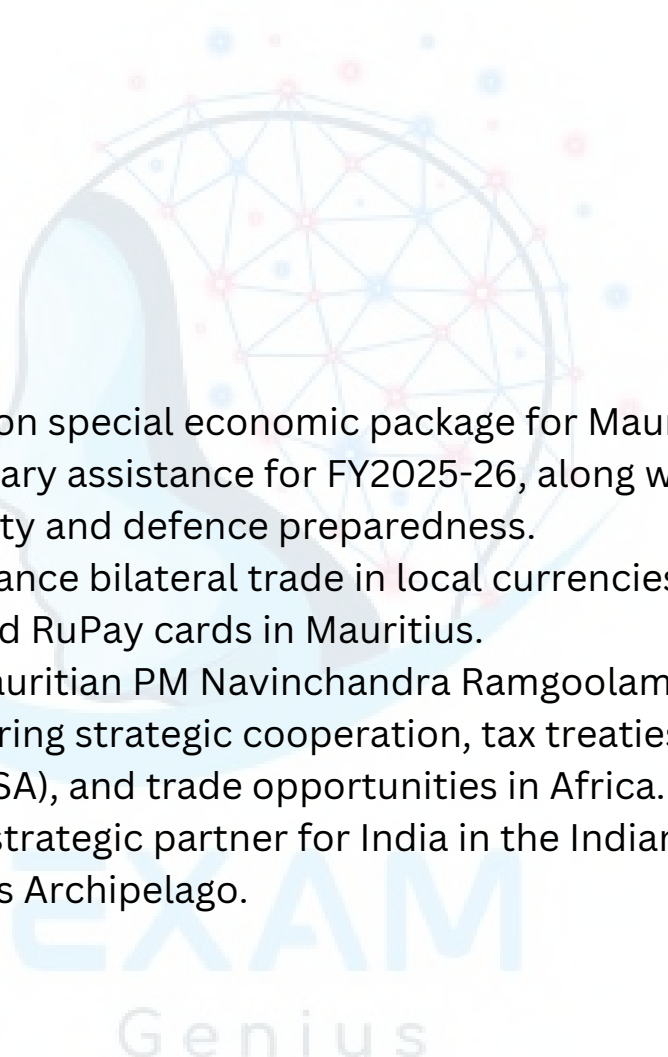
Ques: India recently announced a \$680 million special economic package for which country?

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Mauritius
- C. Maldives
- D. Seychelles
- E. Nepal

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India pledged a \$680 million special economic package for Mauritius, which includes \$25 million budgetary assistance for FY2025-26, along with grants and support for maritime security and defence preparedness.
- Both countries aim to enhance bilateral trade in local currencies, following the successful launch of UPI and RuPay cards in Mauritius.
- PM Narendra Modi and Mauritian PM Navinchandra Ramgoolam held delegation-level talks in Varanasi, covering strategic cooperation, tax treaties (DTAAs), regional partnerships (SADC, COMESA), and trade opportunities in Africa.
- Mauritius is considered a strategic partner for India in the Indian Ocean Region, particularly near the Chagos Archipelago.





Ques : Who has been appointed as the Interim Prime Minister of Nepal, becoming the country's first woman Prime Minister?

- A) Sabita Bhandari
- B) Bidya Devi Bhandari
- C) Pampha Bhusal
- D) Sushila Karki
- E) Sujata Koirala

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Nepal President Ram Chandra Poudel appointed former Chief Justice Sushila Karki as the country's Interim Prime Minister, replacing K.P. Sharma Oli.
- She has also become Nepal's first woman Prime Minister.
- The Parliament was dissolved, and fresh elections are scheduled for March 5, 2026.
- Sushila Karki, 73 years old, was the first woman Chief Justice of Nepal, appointed on July 11, 2016, and served until June 7, 2017.
- Her interim government will oversee the next elections and form a cabinet soon.
- Additionally, Sabita Bhandari has been appointed as Nepal's first woman Attorney General.

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Ques: As per Hurun Report 2025, which city remains India's top unicorn hub?

- A. Mumbai
- B. Delhi-NCR
- C. Bengaluru
- D. Hyderabad
- E. Pune

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- According to the Hurun India Unicorn Report 2025, India added 11 new unicorns in 2025, taking the total to 73.
- Bengaluru remains the top unicorn hub with 26 startups, followed by Delhi-NCR (12) and Mumbai (11).
- Other insights: Divyank Turakhia's Ai.tech became the fastest unicorn of 2025, reaching \$1.5 billion valuation in just 3 years.
- Sector-wise, fintech leads with 19 unicorns, followed by e-commerce (12), SaaS (11), edtech (4), and AI (3).
- Among top job-creating unicorns are Lenskart (17,607), OfBusiness (17,000), and PhysicsWallah (14,000).
- Four gaming firms – Dream11, Games24x7, Gameskraft, and Mobile Premier League – dropped from the unicorn list after the ban on real money games.

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Ques: Which country has become the first to formally induct an Artificial Intelligence (AI) entity as a government minister?

- A. Estonia
- B. Japan
- C. Singapore
- D. South Korea
- E. Albania

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Albania has become the first country in the world to formally appoint an Artificial Intelligence (AI) entity as a government minister.
- The AI minister is named Diella, a virtual official created entirely from code and pixels.
- Prime Minister Edi Rama unveiled Diella during the Socialist Party's assembly in Tirana, Albania's capital.
- Diella has been assigned to oversee public procurement and combat corruption in government spending, marking a historic step in the integration of AI into governance.

About Albania :

- Capital : Tirana
- Currency : Albanian Lek
- PM : Edi Rama

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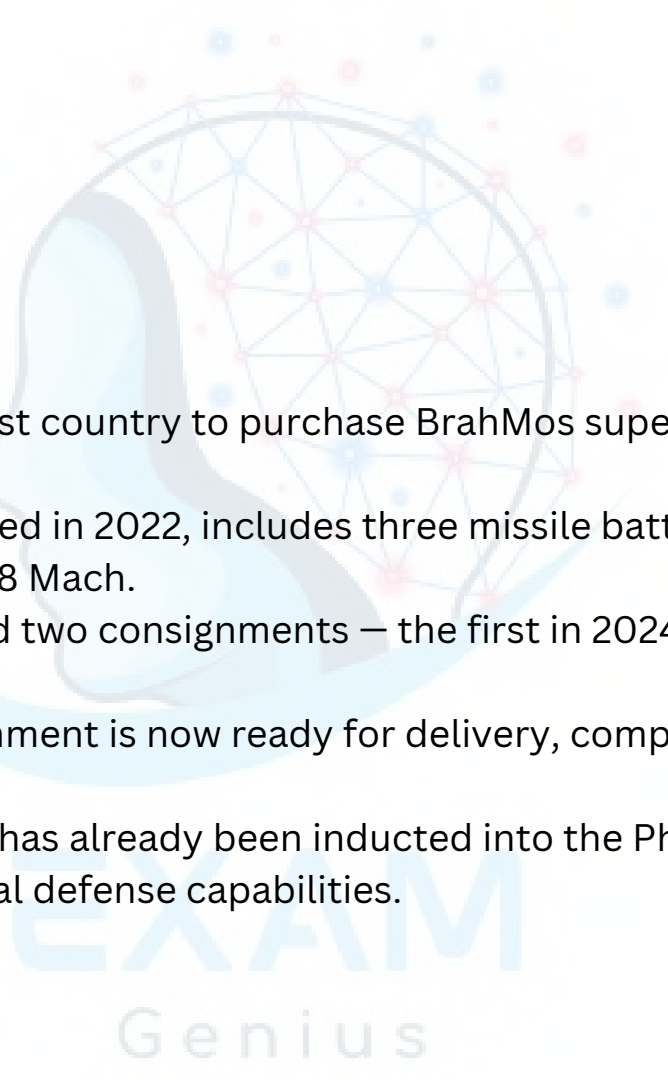
Ques: Which country became the first to purchase BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles from India under a \$375 million deal?

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Philippines became the first country to purchase BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles from India.
- The \$375 million deal, signed in 2022, includes three missile batteries with a range of 290 km and a speed of 2.8 Mach.
- India has already delivered two consignments – the first in 2024 and the second earlier in 2025.
- The third and final consignment is now ready for delivery, completing the agreement.
- The first batch of missiles has already been inducted into the Philippine Marine Corps, boosting their coastal defense capabilities.





Ques: Hindi Diwas is celebrated on which date to commemorate the adoption of Hindi in the Devanagari script as one of the official languages of India?

- A. 10 January
- B. 14 September
- C. 26 January
- D. 15 August
- E. 2 October

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Hindi Diwas is celebrated every year on 14 September to mark the day in 1949 when the Constituent Assembly adopted Hindi in the Devanagari script as one of the official languages of India.
- Article 343 of the Constitution designates Hindi (in Devanagari script) as the official language of the Union.
- Initially, a 15-year transitional period (1950–1965) was allowed, during which English was used alongside Hindi for official purposes.
- Due to protests, especially in South India, the Official Languages Act, 1963 was passed, allowing English to continue alongside Hindi even after 1965.
- Schedule 8 of the Constitution lists 22 languages, including Hindi.
- The first Hindi Diwas was celebrated in 1953, while World Hindi Day is observed on 10 January.

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Ques: Engineer's Day in India is celebrated on 15 September to commemorate the birth anniversary of which eminent personality?

- A. E. Sreedharan
- B. Vikram Sarabhai
- C. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- D. Verghese Kurien
- E. M. Visvesvaraya

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Engineer's Day is celebrated every year on 15 September in India to honor Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya (1861–1962), one of India's greatest engineers and a Bharat Ratna awardee.
- Born on 15 September 1861 in Muddenahalli, Karnataka, he is known as the "Father of Modern Mysore" for his contribution to the industrial, economic, and educational development of the state.
- The Government of India declared 15 September as Engineer's Day in 1968 to honor his legacy.
- World Engineering Day – Celebrated on 4 March (declared by UNESCO in 2019)

Key Contributions:

- Designed the Krishna Raja Sagara (KRS) Dam, one of India's largest dams at the time.
- Developed flood protection systems for Hyderabad after the 1908 floods.
- Promoted industries like Mysore Iron & Steel Works, Mysore Soap Factory, and Bhadravati Iron Works.
- Advocated for economic planning in India and presented the Visvesvaraya Plan in his book "Planned Economy in India".





Ques: Recently, how many NBFCs, including PhonePe Technology Services and Aditya Birla Finance, surrendered their Certificate of Registration (CoR) to RBI?

- A. 7
- B. 9
- C. 12
- D. 25
- E. 31

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced that nine NBFCs, including PhonePe Technology Services and Aditya Birla Finance, have surrendered their Certificate of Registration (CoR) due to various operational reasons.
- Apart from this, RBI cancelled the CoR of 31 other NBFCs for not meeting regulatory requirements.
- NBFCs (Non-Banking Financial Companies) provide bank-like financial services such as loans, credit, and investments, but cannot accept demand deposits like banks.

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Ques: What was India's retail inflation rate in August 2025 based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI)?

- A. 1.55%
- B. 2.07%
- C. 3.50%
- D. 4.00%
- E. 5.10%

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India's retail inflation rate, measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), increased slightly to 2.07% in August 2025 from 1.55% in July, which was an eight-year low.
- The rise was due to a low base effect and a reduction in deflation in food prices.
- This also marked the seventh consecutive month that inflation remained below the RBI's 4% medium-term target.

Month-wise list of retail inflation:

- April 2025 : 3.16%
- May 2025 : 2.82%
- June 2025 : 2.10%
- July 2025 : 1.55%

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Ques: RBI recently imposed a monetary penalty of ₹21 lakh on PhonePe Limited for non-compliance with directions related to which of the following?

- A. Digital Lending Guidelines
- B. Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs)
- C. UPI Transactions
- D. KYC Norms
- E. Credit Card Regulations

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a ₹21 lakh monetary penalty on PhonePe Limited (formerly PhonePe Private Limited).
- The penalty was levied for non-compliance with RBI directions related to Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs) under Section 30(1) read with Section 26(6) of the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007.
- RBI clarified that this penalty is purely for regulatory deficiencies and does not impact the validity of customer transactions or agreements.

RBI's inspection (Oct 2023 – Dec 2024) found that:

- PhonePe's escrow account balance on certain days was less than the value of outstanding PPIs and merchant payments.
- PhonePe failed to immediately report this shortfall to RBI.





Ques: SEBI introduced special relaxations for which type of companies to simplify the voluntary delisting process?

- A. Private Companies
- B. Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)
- C. Insurance Companies
- D. Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs)
- E. Cooperative Societies

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- SEBI introduced special relaxations for Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) where the government holds 90% or more equity.
- The framework simplifies the voluntary delisting process for state-owned companies, making market exit more practical and efficient.
- Relaxations include removal of the two-thirds approval requirement from public shareholders and changes in the floor price calculation method.
- The traditional reverse book-building process has been replaced with a fixed price mechanism, provided the price is at least 15% above the floor price.

The floor price (FP) will be the highest of:

1. Volume-weighted average price of trades over the past 52 weeks up to the reference date.
2. Maximum price paid over the 26 weeks before the reference date.

- Shareholders have a one-year exit window to submit shares.
- If shares are not submitted within this period, the company must deposit the pending amount in a designated stock exchange account within 30 days after the window closes.
- The deposited amount will be kept for 7 years, allowing investors sufficient time to claim their dues.





Ques: How much additional stake has RBI approved ICICI Bank to acquire in ICICI Prudential AMC?

- A. 1%
- B. 1.5%
- C. 2%
- D. 2.5%
- E. 3%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) approved ICICI Bank to acquire up to 2% additional stake in its subsidiary ICICI Prudential Asset Management Company (AMC).
- The stake will be purchased from Prudential Corporation Holdings Ltd (PCHL) in cash, and the pricing will be decided later.
- ICICI Bank entered into an agreement with PCHL on July 8 to acquire the stake before AMC's IPO.
- The transaction will not change AMC's classification status; it will remain a subsidiary of ICICI Bank.

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Ques: Which organization has invested USD 137 million to promote electric public transport in India through companies JBM Ecolife and GreenCell Mobility?

- A. Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- B. World Bank
- C. International Finance Corporation (IFC)
- D. NITI Aayog
- E. Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The International Finance Corporation (IFC) has invested USD 137 million (₹1,210 crore) to promote electric public transport in India. Out of this, USD 100 million (₹883 crore) will be invested in JBM Ecolife, while the remaining USD 37 million (₹327 crore) will go to GreenCell Mobility.
- This funding will be used to deploy 4,000 e-buses and charging stations across 39 municipalities in eight Indian states and Union Territories – Maharashtra, Assam, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Puducherry, and Delhi.
- India currently has over 2 million buses, and the government aims to achieve 40% e-bus penetration by FY 2029-30.

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Ques: In which three states has the Union Government announced licenses for opium poppy cultivation for the crop year 2025-26?

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Union Government has announced the annual licensing policy for the opium crop year 2025-26, which runs from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026.
- Licenses will be issued for farmers in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Uttar Pradesh.
- Nearly 1.21 lakh farmers are expected to be eligible, marking a 23.5% increase compared to the previous year.
- The Government Alkaloid Factory at Neemuch has received WHO-GMP certification, supporting Atmanirbhar Bharat and boosting Indian pharmaceutical production of alkaloid APIs and formulations.

Key features of the policy:

- Retention of opium gum cultivators with Morphine Yield (MQY-M) of 4.2 kg/ha or above.
- Cultivators with yields between 3.0 kg and 4.2 kg/ha can now grow unlanced poppy straw under the CPS (Concentrate of Poppy Straw) method with five-year license validity.
- Farmers producing 900 kg/ha or above of unlanced poppy straw will be incentivized and allowed to switch to traditional opium gum cultivation.
- Licenses will be suspended for farmers under CPS cultivation who failed to meet the minimum yield of 800 kg/ha in the previous crop year (2024-25).





Ques: By which year does the Government aim to have at least two PSBs in the list of top 20 global banks?

- A. 2030
- B. 2035
- C. 2040
- D. 2047
- E. 2050

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Government of India has set a target to ensure that at least two Public Sector Banks (PSBs) are included in the world's top 20 banks by 2047, aligning with the vision of Viksit Bharat.
- Currently, only the State Bank of India (SBI) is present in the top 50 global banks by asset size.
- Due to mergers, the number of PSBs has been reduced from 27 in 2017 to 12 as of now.
- The government is focusing on expanding the scale of PSBs, strengthening governance, and adopting digital banking and AI to achieve this target by 2047.

Major mergers on April 1, 2020:

- Oriental Bank of Commerce & United Bank of India → Punjab National Bank
- Syndicate Bank → Canara Bank
- Andhra Bank & Corporation Bank → Union Bank of India
- Allahabad Bank → Indian Bank



Ques: India recently secured its 2nd Polymetallic Sulphides (PMS) contract in 2025. This new contract is for which ocean ridge?

- A. Mid-Atlantic Ridge
- B. East Pacific Rise
- C. Central Indian Ridge
- D. Southwest Indian Ridge
- E. Carlsberg Ridge

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India has secured its second Polymetallic Sulphides (PMS) contract in 2025 with the International Seabed Authority (ISA) for the Carlsberg Ridge in the Indian Ocean.
- Earlier, India held its first PMS contract signed in 2016 for 10,000 sq. km in the Southwest Indian Ocean Ridge.
- The new contract also covers 10,000 sq. km, making India the first country in ISA's history to hold two active PMS contracts simultaneously.
- This agreement will give India exclusive rights for 15 years to explore polymetallic sulphides containing copper, nickel, cobalt, and rare metals.
- The official signing of the agreement took place on 15 September 2025 in New Delhi, in the presence of the ISA Secretary-General.

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Ques: India recently signed a Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA) with which organization?

- A. ASEAN
- B. SAARC
- C. European Free Trade Association (EFTA)
- D. BRICS
- E. G20

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India signed a Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA) with the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) to boost trade, investment, and strategic cooperation.
- This agreement aligns with India's vision of becoming a global economic powerhouse.
- EFTA members include: Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein.
- Under this agreement, EFTA has committed to invest \$100 billion in India over the next 15 years to strengthen economic ties and create new growth opportunities

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Ques: PM Modi recently launched the Gyan Bharatam Portal to boost manuscript digitisation. According to the announcement, approximately what percentage of India's manuscripts are in Sanskrit?

- A. 50%
- B. 60%
- C. 70%
- D. 75%
- E. 80%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- PM Modi launched the Gyan Bharatam Portal on 12 September 2025 at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi, during the International Conference on Gyan Bharatam.
- The Gyan Bharatam Mission, announced in the Union Budget 2025-26, aims to survey, document, and conserve India's manuscript heritage.
- India is home to around 10 million manuscripts, written in 80 ancient scripts such as Brahmi, Kushan, Gaudi, Lepcha, and Maithili.
- ~75% of these manuscripts are in Sanskrit, while 25% are in regional languages.
- A handwritten composition on paper, bark, cloth, metal, palm leaf, or other materials, at least 75 years old, with scientific, historical, or aesthetic value is known as Manuscript. It does not include Lithographs and printed volumes.

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Ques: Gandikota in Andhra Pradesh recently won the ‘Most Promising New Destination’ award at BLTM 2025. What is Gandikota popularly known as?

- A. India’s Niagara Falls
- B. India’s Grand Canyon
- C. India’s Valley of Flowers
- D. India’s Hidden Paradise
- E. India’s Mystic Valley

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Gandikota, located in Andhra Pradesh, received the ‘Most Promising New Destination’ award in the Responsible Tourism Awards category at BLTM 2025.
- The award ceremony was held at the India International Convention Centre (IICC), Yashobhoomi, New Delhi.
- Gandikota is famous for its dramatic gorge created by the Pennar River cutting through the Erramala Hills, which gives it the nickname “India’s Grand Canyon”.
- The Andhra Pradesh Tourism Department also showcased other attractions like heritage sites, pristine beaches, rural tourism, and eco-tourism initiatives during the event.

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Ques: Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently launched the ‘Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar Abhiyaan’ along with which initiative?

- A. Ayushman Bharat Abhiyaan
- B. Jan Aarogya Abhiyaan
- C. 8th Poshan Maah
- D. Nari Suraksha Abhiyaan
- E. Fit India Movement

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- On 17 September 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the ‘Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar Abhiyaan’ along with the 8th Poshan Maah.
- This initiative is jointly led by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) and the Ministry of Women & Child Development (MoWCD).
- Its Objective is to strengthen healthcare and nutrition services for women, adolescent girls, and children across India.
- Focus areas include Anaemia prevention, Maternal & child health, Menstrual hygiene, Non-communicable diseases screening (Cancer, TB, Sickle Cell Disease), Immunisation and Voluntary blood donation
- The campaign also promotes healthy lifestyle practices, with emphasis on obesity prevention, fitness, nutrition, and mental health awareness, supporting PM Modi’s vision of Viksit Bharat by 2047.

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Ques: The Indian Navy recently received the ASW SWC ship 'Androth', the second in its series. Which shipbuilding company constructed this vessel?

- A. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders
- B. Cochin Shipyard
- C. Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE)
- D. Hindustan Shipyard
- E. Goa Shipyard Limited

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- 'Androth' is the second of eight Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW SWCs) being built for the Indian Navy.
- It was delivered on 13 September 2025 at Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE), Kolkata.
- These ships are indigenously designed and constructed following the Indian Register of Shipping (IRS) classification rules.
- Named after Androth Island in Lakshadweep, symbolizing India's commitment to safeguarding its vast maritime territories.

Key features of ASW SWC ships:

- Approx 77 meters in length, the largest Indian Naval warships powered by a Diesel Engine-Waterjet combination.
- Equipped with state-of-the-art lightweight torpedoes, indigenous ASW rockets, and advanced shallow water SONAR.
- Designed for effective submarine detection and engagement in littoral (coastal) zones.





Ques: The National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) Patna signed an MoU with which company to train rural women in Bihar for the textile sector?

- A. Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail Limited (ABFRL)
- B. Tata Textiles
- C. Reliance Retail
- D. Raymond Group
- E. Arvind Mills

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) Patna, under the Ministry of Textiles, signed an MoU with Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail Limited (ABFRL).
- The partnership aims to empower rural women, especially members of self-help groups (Jeevika Didis), by providing industry-relevant training.
- Training will include garment manufacturing techniques, quality control, and machinery operation.
- The program is designed to prepare participants for employment at ABFRL's upcoming textile manufacturing unit in Begusarai district, Bihar.
- This initiative will boost Bihar's textile sector and create direct employment opportunities for rural women.





Ques: Which organization is implementing the ₹72,000 crore Great Nicobar Project?

- A. NITI Aayog
- B. Indian Navy
- C. Ministry of Defence
- D. Shipping Corporation of India
- E. Andaman and Nicobar Islands Integrated Development Corporation (ANIIDCO)

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Great Nicobar Project is a multi-development initiative aimed at the holistic development of Great Nicobar Island, strategically located near the Malacca Strait.
- It will be developed over 30 years in a phased manner, covering 16,610 hectares.
- The project is implemented by ANIIDCO (Andaman and Nicobar Islands Integrated Development Corporation).
- Total project value: ₹72,000 crore.
- The island is also home to the Shompen Tribe, a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG).
- Great Nicobar Island is 2,700 km from Hong Kong and 9 km from Indira Point, India's southernmost tip.

Key components include :

- International container trans-shipment terminal
- Greenfield international airport with dual military-civilian functions
- Township development
- 450 MVA power plant (gas and solar-based)



Ques: Who is the author of the book “Different, But Not Less”?

- A. Amitabh Bachchan
- B. Ruskin Bond
- C. Anupam Kher
- D. Chetan Bhagat
- E. Shashi Tharoor

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Veteran actor Anupam Kher has authored a new book titled “Different, But Not Less.”
- The book tells the unscripted story behind the making of “Tanvi the Great,” showcasing determination and hard work.
- It highlights themes of inspiration, resilience, and motivation in the face of challenges.
- This work adds to Anupam Kher’s previous successful contributions as an author.

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Ques: How many Indian properties are now on UNESCO's Tentative List after seven new additions in 2025?

- A. 65
- B. 66
- C. 67
- D. 68
- E. 69

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Seven new Indian sites have been added to UNESCO's Tentative List of World Heritage Sites in 2025.
- With these additions, the total count of Indian properties on the Tentative List has reached 69.
- 49 under Cultural category, three under Mixed category and 17 under Natural category

Newly added sites include:

1. Deccan Traps, Panchgani & Mahabaleshwar, Maharashtra – Famous volcanic basalt formations.
2. St. Mary's Island Cluster, Karnataka – Known for hexagonal basaltic rock formations.
3. Meghalayan Age Caves, East Khasi Hills, Meghalaya – Rich in cave ecosystems.
4. Naga Hill Ophiolite, Kiphire, Nagaland – Provides insights into Earth's crust history.
5. Erra Matti Dibbalu, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh – Unique red sand dunes.
6. Tirumala Hills, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh – A biodiversity hotspot with spiritual importance.
7. Varkala, Kerala – Known for coastal cliffs and distinct geological formations.





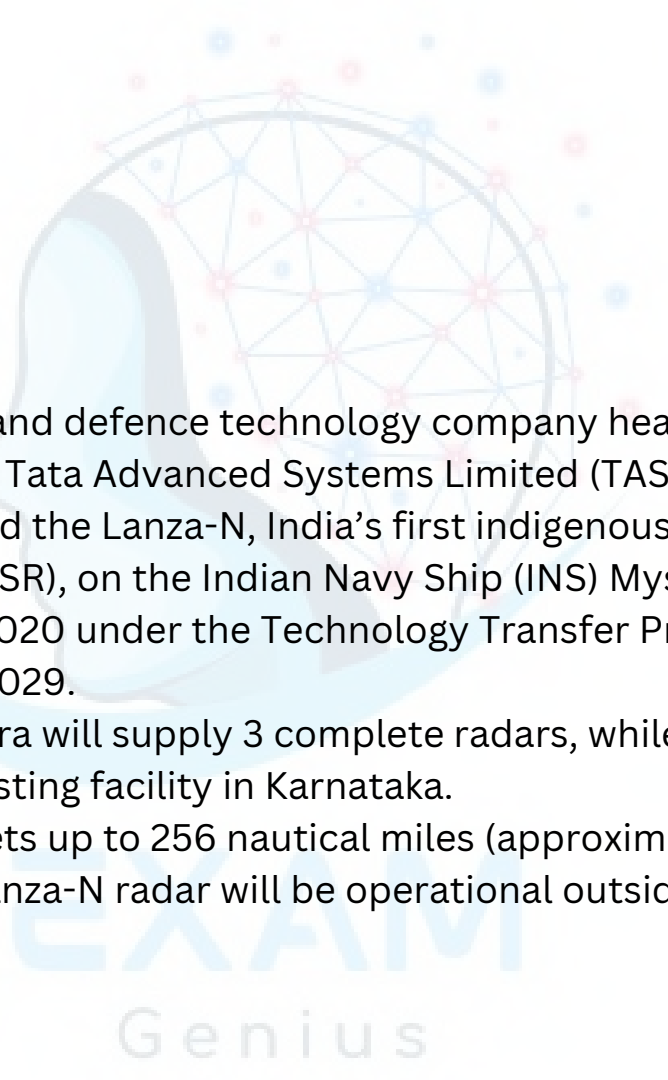
Ques: Which company in collaboration with Tata Advanced Systems Limited (TASL) delivered and commissioned India's first indigenous Three Dimension Air Surveillance Radar (3DASR) for the Indian Navy?

- A. Lockheed Martin
- B. Raytheon
- C. Boeing
- D. Thales Group
- E. Indra

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Indra, a global aerospace and defence technology company headquartered in Spain, in collaboration with Tata Advanced Systems Limited (TASL), successfully delivered and commissioned the Lanza-N, India's first indigenous Three Dimension Air Surveillance Radar (3DASR), on the Indian Navy Ship (INS) Mysore.
- A contract was signed in 2020 under the Technology Transfer Programme (TTP) to deliver 23 naval radars by 2029.
- Under this agreement, Indra will supply 3 complete radars, while TASL will build and integrate 20 radars at its testing facility in Karnataka.
- The radar can detect targets up to 256 nautical miles (approximately 474 km).
- This is the first time the Lanza-N radar will be operational outside Spain.





Ques: At the 2025 World Boxing Championships in Liverpool, which Indian boxer won the women's 57kg featherweight gold medal?

- A. Mary Kom
- B. Nikhat Zareen
- C. Lovlina Borgohain
- D. Jaismine Lamboria
- E. Nitu Ghanghas

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The 2025 World Boxing Championships were held in Liverpool, United Kingdom.
- Jaismine Lamboria of India won the gold medal in the women's 57kg featherweight category, defeating Julia Szeremeta of Poland, who was the Paris Olympics silver medallist.
- India fielded a 20-member contingent and secured 4 medals in women's categories, finishing 3rd in the overall medal table. Kazakhstan ranked 1st.

With this victory, Jaismine joined an elite list of Indian world champions like:

- Mary Kom – six-time winner (2002, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2018)
- Nikhat Zareen – two-time winner (2022, 2023)
- Sarita Devi, Jenny RL, Lekha KC (2006)
- Nitu Ghanghas, Lovlina Borgohain, Saweety Boora (2023)





Ques: The 10th Ayurveda Day will be celebrated on 23rd September 2025 in Goa with the theme “Ayurveda for People & Planet.” When was Ayurveda Day first observed in India?

- A. 2016
- B. 2015
- C. 2014
- D. 2017
- E. 2018

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The 10th Ayurveda Day will be celebrated on 23 September 2025 at the All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), Goa.
- The theme for 2025 is “Ayurveda for People & Planet”.
- For the first time, Ayurveda Day will be observed on a fixed calendar date – 23rd September, unlike earlier years when it was celebrated on Dhanvantari Jayanti.
- Ayurveda Day was first celebrated in 2016, after being declared by the Government of India (Ministry of AYUSH) to be observed annually on Lord Dhanvantari’s birth anniversary, who is considered the Hindu God of Medicine.

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Ques: Carlos Felipe Jaramillo has been appointed as Vice President for which region of the World Bank?

- A. South Asia
- B. East Asia and Pacific (EAP)
- C. Middle East and North Africa
- D. Latin America and the Caribbean
- E. Europe and Central Asia

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Carlos Felipe Jaramillo has been appointed as the Vice President for the East Asia and Pacific (EAP) Region of the World Bank.
- As EAP Vice President, he will oversee partnerships with 23 countries and manage an active portfolio exceeding US\$32 billion.

About World Bank:

- Established: 1944
- Headquarters: Washington DC, USA
- Members: 189 countries
- World Bank Group comprises: 5 organizations – IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA, and ICSID
- Current President: Ajay Banga



Ques: Which bank recently received government approval to facilitate trade payments for Nayara Energy Ltd., after the company was sanctioned by the EU?

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- UCO Bank has received government approval to facilitate trade payments for Nayara Energy Ltd., nearly two months after Nayara was sanctioned by the European Union (EU) and subsequently avoided by major financial institutions.
- In the past, UCO Bank has played a similar role by facilitating oil trade payments with Iran, making it a suitable candidate for this task.

About UCO Bank:

- Established: 1943
- Headquarters: Kolkata
- MD & CEO: Ashwani Kumar
- Tagline: "Honours your Trust"

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Ques: According to the RBI's new guidelines issued in 2025, payment aggregators are classified into how many categories based on the type of work they undertake?

- A. Two
- B. Three
- C. Four
- D. Five
- E. Six

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) issued new directions to regulate payment aggregators in 2025, which came into effect immediately.
- Under the RBI (Regulation of Payment Aggregators) Directions, 2025, payment aggregators have been divided into three categories:
 1. PA-P – Physical Payment Aggregators
 2. PA-CB – Cross-Border Payment Aggregators
 3. PA-O – Online Payment Aggregators
- Banks do not require RBI authorization to operate as a payment aggregator, but non-bank entities must meet minimum capital requirements.
- The net worth requirement is ₹15 crore at the time of application. ₹25 crore by the end of the third financial year after receiving authorization.
- If a company is already regulated by SEBI or IRDAI, it must first obtain a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from its regulator and submit it to the RBI within 45 days before commencing operations.
- Payment aggregators cannot set transaction limits on their own; only banks are allowed to set such limits.
- All payment aggregators are now required to create a Dispute Resolution Policy, approved by their board of directors, to address customer issues.





Ques: NABARD is developing a centralized digital lending platform for which type of banks to improve their competitiveness against NBFCs and MFIs?

- A. Commercial Banks
- B. Cooperative Banks
- C. Regional Rural Banks (RRBs)
- D. Small Finance Banks
- E. Payment Banks

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- NABARD is developing a Centralised Digital Credit Infrastructure (CDCI) to digitise, automate, and streamline credit processing for different loan products.
- This initiative is aimed at strengthening Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) so they can better compete with NBFCs (Non-Banking Financial Companies) and MFIs (Microfinance Institutions).
- It follows the One State-One RRB Policy, which came into effect on 1 May 2025, consolidating 43 RRBs into 28 banks.
- The CDCI will enhance efficiency, reduce turnaround time, and improve customer experience.

About NABARD:

- Established: 12 July 1982 (Based on B. Sivaraman Committee recommendations)
- Headquarters: Mumbai
- Chairman: K. V. Shaji





Ques : From which date will Aadhaar authentication become mandatory for booking general reserved tickets online via IRCTC during the first 15 minutes?

- A. 1 September 2025
- B. 15 September 2025
- C. 1 October 2025
- D. 15 October 2025
- E. 1 November 2025

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Railways has announced that starting from 1 October 2025, Aadhaar authentication will be mandatory for booking general reserved tickets online through the IRCTC website or app during the first 15 minutes after the reservation window opens.
- This step is aimed at benefiting regular users and preventing misuse by unauthorized elements.
- There will be no change in the booking timings at computerized PRS counters of Indian Railways.
- Similarly, the 10-minute restriction for authorized ticketing agents remains unchanged, meaning they still cannot book tickets in the first 10 minutes.

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Ques: The ‘National Agriculture Conference – Rabi Abhiyan 2025’ was inaugurated by Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan at which venue?

- A. Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi
- B. Bharat Ratna C. Subramaniam Auditorium, Pusa Campus, New Delhi
- C. Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
- D. Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi
- E. National Agricultural Science Complex, New Delhi

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers’ Welfare is organising the National Agriculture Conference – Rabi Abhiyan 2025 in New Delhi.
- The two-day conference is being held at Bharat Ratna C. Subramaniam Auditorium, Pusa Campus.
- It was inaugurated by Union Agriculture Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan.
- The event provides a common platform for agriculture experts, scientists, policymakers, and state representatives to discuss preparations, production targets, and strategies for the Rabi sowing season 2025–26.
- Theme of the conference: “One Nation – One Agriculture – One Team.”

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Ques: The Centre has reopened the application window for the PLI scheme for White Goods till which date in 2025?

- A. September 30
- B. October 14
- C. October 31
- D. November 15
- E. December 1

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Union Government reopened the PLI scheme application window for White Goods (Air Conditioners and LED Lights) from September 15 to October 14, 2025.
- The scheme aims to promote domestic manufacturing and reduce imports, particularly of AC and LED components that are not sufficiently produced in India.
- Both new applicants and existing beneficiaries who wish to invest more can apply.
- So far, 83 companies with a total committed investment of ₹10,406 crore have been selected.
- The scheme was first approved by the Union Cabinet in April 2021.

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Ques: Who won the 2025 FIDE Grand Swiss and FIDE Women's Grand Swiss tournaments held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan?

- A. Magnus Carlsen and Humpy Koneru
- B. Fabiano Caruana and Dronavalli Harika
- C. Anish Giri and Vaishali Rameshbabu
- D. Hans Niemann and Tan Zhongyi
- E. Levon Aronian and Divya Deshmukh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- GM Anish Giri won the 2025 FIDE Grand Swiss by defeating GM Hans Niemann with a slow, grinding style, earning the \$90,000 top prize and qualification for the 2026 FIDE Candidates Tournament.
- GM Vaishali Rameshbabu won the 2025 FIDE Women's Grand Swiss for the second consecutive time after drawing with GM Tan Zhongyi, receiving \$40,000 and qualifying for the 2026 Candidates Tournament.
- Vaishali became the third Indian woman to qualify for the 2026 Candidates Tournament, joining Koneru Humpy and Divya Deshmukh.

Top 3 in FIDE Grand Swiss 2025 :

1. Anish Giri : Netherlands (USD 90,000)
2. Matthias : Blübaum Germany (USD 75,000)
3. Alireza : Firouzja France (USD 62,000)





Ques: India will host the 89th General Meeting of the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) in 2025 at which venue?

- A. Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
- B. Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi
- C. Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi
- D. India Habitat Centre, New Delhi
- E. Hyderabad International Convention Centre

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) announced that India will host the 89th General Meeting of the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) from 15 to 19 September 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
- This will be the fourth time India is hosting this prestigious event, previously in 1960, 1997, and 2013.
- IEC has 170 member countries, representing 99% of the world's population and influencing nearly 20% of global trade.
- Over 2,000 experts from more than 100 countries will participate to discuss international electrotechnical standards.

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Ques: Which state's first railway line, the Bairabi–Sairang broad-gauge railway, was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2025?

- A. Tripura
- B. Mizoram
- C. Meghalaya
- D. Nagaland
- E. Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Bairabi–Sairang broad-gauge railway, spanning 51.38 km, was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2025, marking Mizoram's first railway line.
- The railway connects Bairabi on the Assam–Mizoram border to Sairang, 20 km from Aizawl, making Aizawl the fourth northeastern state capital with rail connectivity, after Guwahati, Agartala, and Itanagar.
- The project was sanctioned in 2008-09 and construction began in 2015, costing approximately Rs 8,070 crore.
- The alignment includes 45 tunnels, 55 major bridges, and 87 minor bridges, with 54% of the route running through tunnels and bridges due to difficult terrain.
- Bridge No. 144 near Sairang is the tallest pier railway bridge in India at 114 metres.

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Ques: Google is set to launch its Google for Startups (GfS) Hub in Hyderabad as part of an MoU with which state government?

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Google, in collaboration with the Government of Telangana, is set to launch the Google for Startups (GfS) Hub in Hyderabad.
- The hub will be located within T-Hub and is expected to be inaugurated by Telangana CM A. Revanth Reddy on December 9, 2025.
- This strategic initiative aims to accelerate AI-first startups, foster talent, and connect startups directly with global markets and capital.
- It is part of Telangana's broader economic vision to become a \$1 trillion economy by 2034 and a \$3 trillion economy by 2047.
- By next year, 200+ startups are expected to emerge, with 30% focusing on AI and deep-tech, attracting over ₹50 crore in funding through Google and T-Hub investor networks.

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Ques: Who has been elected as the Chair of the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR)?

- A. Syed Akbaruddin
- B. T.S. Tirumurti
- C. Preeti Saran
- D. Ruchira Kamboj
- E. Shashi Tharoor

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Former Indian diplomat Preeti Saran has been elected as the Chair of the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR).
- CESCR is a key UN body responsible for monitoring how member countries implement the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR).
- India is a signatory to ICESCR, which guarantees fundamental rights such as education, health, work, social security, and cultural participation.
- Preeti Saran's election reflects India's growing role and influence in international multilateral organizations due to her vast diplomatic experience in handling complex global issues.

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Ques: Madhya Pradesh recently started a cheetah mating programme at which wildlife sanctuary to create a second viable home for cheetahs?

- A. Kanha National Park
- B. Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary
- C. Bandhavgarh National Park
- D. Pench National Park
- E. Kuno National Park

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Under Project Cheetah, cheetahs were first reintroduced to India from Africa in September 2022 after their extinction in 1952.
- Madhya Pradesh has initiated a cheetah mating programme at Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary to establish a second viable habitat after Kuno National Park.
- In April 2025, two male cheetahs, Prabhas and Pavak, were relocated from Kuno to Gandhi Sagar.
- The sanctuary spans 368.62 sq. km, bisected by the Chambal River, with grasslands and dry forests ideal for cheetahs.
- It is located on the northern boundary of Mandsaur and Neemuch districts, adjoining Rajasthan, and was notified in 1974 with an expansion in 1983

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Ques: What was India's Wholesale Price Index (WPI)-based inflation rate in August 2025, marking its return to the positive zone after two months?

- A. 0.13%
- B. 0.52%
- C. 0.85%
- D. 1.25%
- E. 2.05%

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India's WPI-based inflation turned positive at 0.52% in August 2025 after being in the negative zone for two consecutive months.
- It was (-) 0.58% in July 2025 and (-) 0.13% in June 2025, indicating deflation in those months.
- In comparison, WPI-based inflation was 1.25% in August 2024.

Recent WPI inflation trends:

- March 2025 : 2.05%
- April 2025 : 0.85%
- May 2025 : 0.39%
- June 2025 : - 0.13%
- July 2025 : - 0.58%

EXAM
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Ques: PhonePe's Indus Appstore has recently crossed how many device installations?

- A. 5 Crore
- B. 7 Crore
- C. 10 Crore
- D. 12 Crore
- E. 15 Crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- PhonePe's Indus Appstore, positioned as India's domestic alternative to Google Play Store and Apple App Store, has reached 10 Crore installations.
- This milestone was achieved through partnerships with smartphone brands like Xiaomi and Alcatel, which allowed the app store to come pre-installed on handsets.
- Indus Appstore distributes apps via authorised aggregators, ensuring security and trust for developers and users.
- With this growth, it has become a strong competitor in India's rapidly growing digital app ecosystem.

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Ques: India1 Payments has launched Paysis Payments to provide digital solutions for which sector?

- A. Insurance sector
- B. Banks
- C. NBFCs
- D. Mutual Funds
- E. Fintech startups

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India1 Payments, India's largest white label ATM operator, launched Paysis Payments, a wholly owned subsidiary, to enter the fintech sector.
- Paysis will provide digital payments and transaction processing solutions, focusing on small and mid-sized banks.
- It aims to deliver advanced switching and payment solutions, helping banks improve their digital infrastructure and customer services.
- With this launch, India1 Payments is expanding its services beyond ATMs to become a comprehensive fintech solutions provider.

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Ques: The Central Government has extended the last date for eligible employees and past retirees under the National Pension System (NPS) to migrate to the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS). What is the deadline to exercise this option?

- A. 15 September 2025
- B. 31 December 2025
- C. 31 October 2025
- D. 15 November 2025
- E. 30 September 2025

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) for eligible Central Government employees was recently notified by the Ministry of Finance.
- The government has extended a one-time option for Central Government employees who joined services between 01 April 2025 and 31 August 2025 and are currently under National Pension System (NPS) to migrate to UPS.
- This option must be exercised on or before 30 September 2025, which is also the cut-off date for other eligible categories under UPS.
- After this date, no further migration requests will be entertained.

About PFRDA :

- Established : 2003
- HQ : New Delhi
- Chairman : Sivasubramanian Ramann

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Ques: ICICI Bank recently renewed its partnership with Amazon Pay for how many years for the co-branded “Amazon Pay ICICI Credit Card”?

- A. 3 years
- B. 5 years
- C. 6 years
- D. 7 years
- E. 10 years

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- ICICI Bank has renewed its partnership with Amazon Pay for the co-branded Amazon Pay ICICI Credit Card for another seven years.
- This card, launched in 2018, has become India’s largest co-branded credit card with over 5 million users.
- As per RBI data (July 2025), ICICI Bank has over 18 million credit cards in force.
- ICICI Bank ranks as the third-largest credit card issuer in India, following HDFC Bank and State Bank of India (SBI).

About ICICI Bank :

- Established : 1994
- HQ : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- CEO & MD : Sandeep Bakhshi
- Tagline : Hum Hai Na, Khayal Apka



Ques : As per the new NPCI guidelines, what is the revised daily UPI limit for Person-to-Merchant (P2M) transactions?

- A. ₹1 lakh
- B. ₹2 lakh
- C. ₹5 lakh
- D. ₹10 lakh
- E. ₹6 lakh

Answer : Option D

Explanation:

- Effective 15 September 2025, the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) increased the UPI daily limit for Person-to-Merchant (P2M) transactions to ₹10 lakh.
- Categories covered: capital markets, insurance, GeM (government e-Marketplace), credit card bill payments, loan collections, travel bookings, EMLs, and jewellery purchases.
- Capital markets & insurance: per transaction limit increased to ₹5 lakh (previously ₹2 lakh), daily cap ₹10 lakh.
- Credit card payments: per transaction limit now ₹5 lakh (earlier ₹2 lakh), daily cap ₹6 lakh.
- Jewellery purchases: per transaction limit remains ₹2 lakh, daily cap raised to ₹6 lakh.
- IPO bids: continue with a cap of ₹5 lakh.
- Person-to-Person (P2P) payments: unchanged at ₹1 lakh/day.
- This revision facilitates higher-value digital payments, especially in financial and retail sectors, while maintaining safety for individual P2P transfers.





Ques: India's non-fossil fuel electricity generation capacity recently crossed which milestone, according to the New & Renewable Energy Minister Pralhad Joshi?

- A. 150 GW
- B. 200 GW
- C. 500 GW
- D. 300 GW
- E. 250 GW

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- According to New & Renewable Energy Minister Pralhad Joshi, India's non-fossil fuel energy generation capacity has more than tripled, reaching the 250 GW level from 81 GW in 2014.
- By 2030, the nation wants to have 500 GW of renewable energy capacity.
- The minister went on to say that India is now a global leader in clean energy and that this accomplishment in solar, wind, hydro, bioenergy, and nuclear power solidifies our route to 500 GW by 2030.
- 123.13 GW of solar energy, 52.68 GW of wind energy, 55.22 GW of hydropower, 11.60 GW of biofuels, and 8.78 GW of nuclear energy make up the 250 GW of non-fossil fuel electricity generation capacity.

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Ques: India's largest and most technologically advanced sports complex, the Veer Savarkar Sports Complex, was inaugurated in which city?

- A. Mumbai
- B. New Delhi
- C. Bengaluru
- D. Pune
- E. Ahmedabad

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the Veer Savarkar Sports Complex at Naranpura, Ahmedabad.
- The sports complex was built at a cost of ₹825 crore and is spread over 1,19,000 square meters.
- Key features include seven entry gates, parking for 900 vehicles, a 275-kilowatt solar power plant, and a 60 KLD sewage treatment plant.
- India's sports budget has grown significantly from ₹1,643 crore in 2014 to ₹5,300 crore in 2025.
- The venue aims to make India a top sports nation by 2047.

Upcoming events:

- World Police and Fire Games in 2029
- 13 international tournaments by 2036.





Ques : What is the national food grain production target for India for the 2025-26 Rabi season?

- A. 350 million tonnes
- B. 355 million tonnes
- C. 362.5 million tonnes
- D. 370 million tonnes
- E. 375 million tonnes

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Union Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare Minister, Shivraj Singh Chouhan, announced that India's national food grain production target for the 2025-26 Rabi season is 362.5 million tonnes, which represents a 2.4% increase over the 2024-25 production level.
- The theme of the conference was "One Nation, One Agriculture, One Team", focusing on strengthening coordination and partnerships in agriculture.
- Special emphasis will be on pulses and oilseeds to enhance per-hectare productivity.
- The Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan will begin from 3rd October 2025, with over 2,000 teams of scientists visiting villages to guide farmers with timely knowledge and technology.





Ques: The National Award-winning film “Chalo Jeete Hain”, inspired by Swami Vivekananda’s philosophy, will have a special re-release in India during which dates?

- A. September 17 – October 2, 2025
- B. September 10 – September 25, 2025
- C. September 20 – October 10, 2025
- D. September 25 – October 5, 2025
- E. October 1 – October 15, 2025

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Chalo Jeete Hain is a National Award-winning short film inspired by Swami Vivekananda’s philosophy, “Bas wahi jeete hain, jo doosro ke liye jeete hain” (सिर्फ वही जीते हैं, जो दूसरों के लिए जीते हैं).
- The film will be re-released across India from September 17 to October 2, 2025.
- It is inspired by a childhood incident from the life of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and tells the story of a young boy named Naru.
- The film won the National Award for Best Non-Feature Film on Family Values.
- Directed by: Mangesh Hadawale
- Presented by: Aanand L. Rai and Mahaveer Jain
- Originally released in 2018, it is among the most viewed short films of that year.

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Ques : In Q1 FY26, which country emerged as the top source of FDI inflows into India?

- A. Singapore
- B. Mauritius
- C. United States (US)
- D. Cayman Islands
- E. Japan

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- In Q1 FY26, the United States (US) became the largest source of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) into India with ₹48,104 crore, showing a 282% increase compared to last year.
 - Singapore ranked second with ₹39,284 crore.
 - Mauritius slipped to third place with ₹17,791 crore.
 - The surge in US investments was primarily due to Microsoft's \$3 billion (₹25,587 crore) investment in AI and cloud infrastructure.
 - Apple's new manufacturing facilities in Tamil Nadu and Bengaluru.
 - Overall, India's total FDI inflows rose 18% to ₹1.59 lakh crore in Q1 FY26.
- Additionally, Cayman Islands (₹5,790 crore, ↑268%) and Cyprus (₹9,514 crore, 2x increase) also showed notable growth in investments.
- This reflects growing global confidence in India's economic and political stability.

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Ques: Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd (AHEL) recently announced plans to acquire what percentage stake in its subsidiary Apollo Health and Lifestyle Ltd (AHLL) from IFC and IFC EAF Apollo Investment Company?

- A. 30.5%
- B. 28%
- C. 25%
- D. 35%
- E. 40%

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd (AHEL) will acquire a 30.5% stake in its subsidiary Apollo Health and Lifestyle Ltd (AHLL) from the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and IFC EAF Apollo Investment Company.
- The deal is valued at ₹1,254 crore and involves the purchase of over 41.65 million equity shares.
- After the acquisition, AHEL's ownership in AHLL will increase to 99.42%, with the remaining 0.58% stake held under the Employee Stock Option Plan (ESOP) pool.

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Ques: Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently inaugurated a Sex Sorted Semen facility in Bihar. This facility has been established under which scheme?

- A. National Dairy Plan
- B. Dairy Development Scheme
- C. Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana
- D. Rashtriya Gokul Mission
- E. National Livestock Mission

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Sex Sorted Semen facility at Semen Station, Purnea, Bihar, under the Rashtriya Gokul Mission.
- The facility has been built with Central assistance of ₹10 crore and has the capacity to produce 5 lakh doses per year.
- It will use indigenously developed 'Gausort' technology, launched earlier on 5th October 2024, in line with the vision of 'Make in India' and 'Atmanirbhar Bharat'.
- The Purnea semen station, established with Central assistance of ₹84.27 crore, is one of the largest government-run semen stations and the first of its kind for Eastern and North-Eastern states.
- It currently produces 50 lakh doses per annum, playing a crucial role in dairy sector development in the region.

Purpose:

- To provide sex-sorted semen at reasonable rates to farmers in Eastern and North-Eastern India.
- Sex-sorting technology ensures about 90% accuracy in producing female calves, reducing the economic burden on dairy farmers.





Ques: Which state recently launched the ‘Anbu Karangal’ (Hands of Love) scheme to support orphaned children?

- A. Kerala
- B. Tamil Nadu
- C. Karnataka
- D. Andhra Pradesh
- E. Telangana

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin launched the ‘Anbu Karangal’ (Hands of Love) scheme.
- Under this scheme, a monthly aid of ₹2,000 per child will be provided until the child completes school education or turns 18 years old.
- Phase 1 beneficiaries: 6,082 children who lost both parents, or one parent with the surviving parent unable to take care of them.
- The initiative aims to ensure financial stability and proper care for orphaned and vulnerable children in the state.

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Ques : In August 2025, India's merchandise exports rose by how much?

- A. 5.5%
- B. 6.7%
- C. 7.2%
- D. 10.1%
- E. 2.5%

Answer : Option B

Explanation:

- In August 2025, India's merchandise exports rose 6.7% to \$35.1 billion.
- Imports fell 10.1% to \$61.59 billion, indicating a possible slowdown in domestic economic activity.
- The trade deficit stood at \$26.5 billion, which is higher than the April–July average of \$23.7 billion but lower than August 2024's \$35.64 billion.
- During April–August 2025, overall goods exports grew by 2.5%.
- Exports to the US, India's largest export market, increased 7.2%, which was a 9-month low but still higher than the overall export growth rate.

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Ques: ACME and Japan's IHI Corporation have signed an agreement to develop India's largest green ammonia project in which state?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Odisha
- E. Karnataka

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Cleantech business group ACME and Japan's heavy industry group IHI Corporation signed an agreement to develop India's largest green ammonia project.
- The project will be set up in Gopalpur, Odisha.
- An initial MoU was signed in 2023, and since then, major milestones have been achieved, including Formation of a joint venture partnership and IHI Corporation acquiring a 30% stake in ACME Clean Energy Private Limited.
- Once completed, the facility is expected to produce 0.4 million tonnes of green ammonia annually, supporting India's green energy transition.

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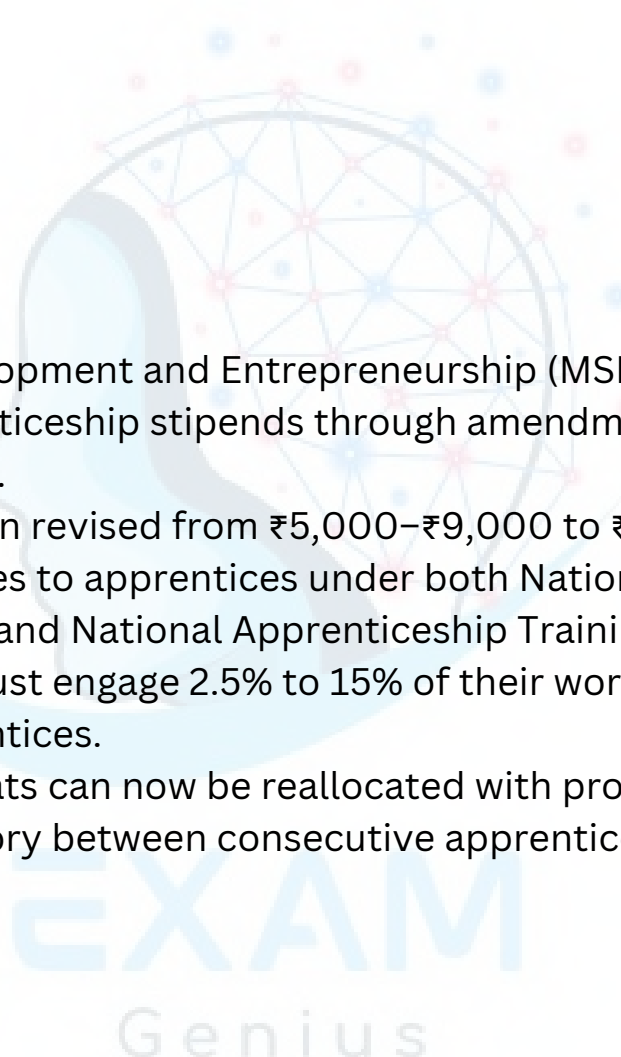
Ques: According to the recent amendments to the Apprenticeship Rules, 1992, what is the new monthly stipend range for apprentices in India?

- A. ₹5,000 – ₹9,000
- B. ₹6,000 – ₹10,000
- C. ₹6,800 – ₹12,300
- D. ₹7,000 – ₹11,500
- E. ₹6,500 – ₹12,000

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) notified an increase in monthly apprenticeship stipends through amendments to the Apprenticeship Rules, 1992.
- The stipend range has been revised from ₹5,000–₹9,000 to ₹6,800–₹12,300.
- This revised stipend applies to apprentices under both National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS)
- Eligible establishments must engage 2.5% to 15% of their workforce as apprentices, with a minimum of 5 apprentices.
- Vacant apprenticeship seats can now be reallocated with proper approvals.
- A one-year gap is mandatory between consecutive apprenticeship periods unless terminated early.





Ques: The flagship initiative Mega Tinkering Day 2025 of Atal Innovation Mission recently entered the India Book of Records and Asia Book of Records for what achievement?

- A. Launch of maximum number of startups in a single day
- B. Maximum number of students participating in a tinkering activity in a single day
- C. Largest innovation summit in India
- D. Maximum number of Atal Tinkering Labs inaugurated in one year
- E. First international collaboration under AIM

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) was launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister to promote innovation and entrepreneurship across India.
- On August 12, 2025, a historic event called Mega Tinkering Day 2025 was organized, where 4,73,350 students from 9,467 Atal Tinkering Lab schools participated.
- The students designed innovative solutions for Swachh Bharat and created DIY vacuum cleaners through a live online instructional session.
- This event set a new record for the maximum number of students participating in a tinkering activity in a single day.
- The achievement was officially recognized by both the India Book of Records and the Asia Book of Records on September 15, 2025.
- This milestone highlights AIM's role as one of the world's largest grassroots innovation movements.

About Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) :

- Launched : 2016
- AIM 2.0 : 2024
- Allocated budget : Rs.2,750 crores for a period till 31st March 2028





Ques: The joint air and naval exercise “Freedom Edge” was recently held at which location?

- A. Okinawa, Japan
- B. Jeju Island, South Korea
- C. Guam, USA
- D. Busan, South Korea
- E. Yokosuka, Japan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The joint air and naval exercise “Freedom Edge” was held at Jeju Island, South Korea.
- It was conducted between the United States, South Korea, and Japan to enhance trilateral defense cooperation.
- This is the third round of the trilateral drills, with previous rounds held in June and November 2024.
- The exercise focuses on regional security, maritime coordination, and operational readiness amid increasing challenges in the Indo-Pacific region.

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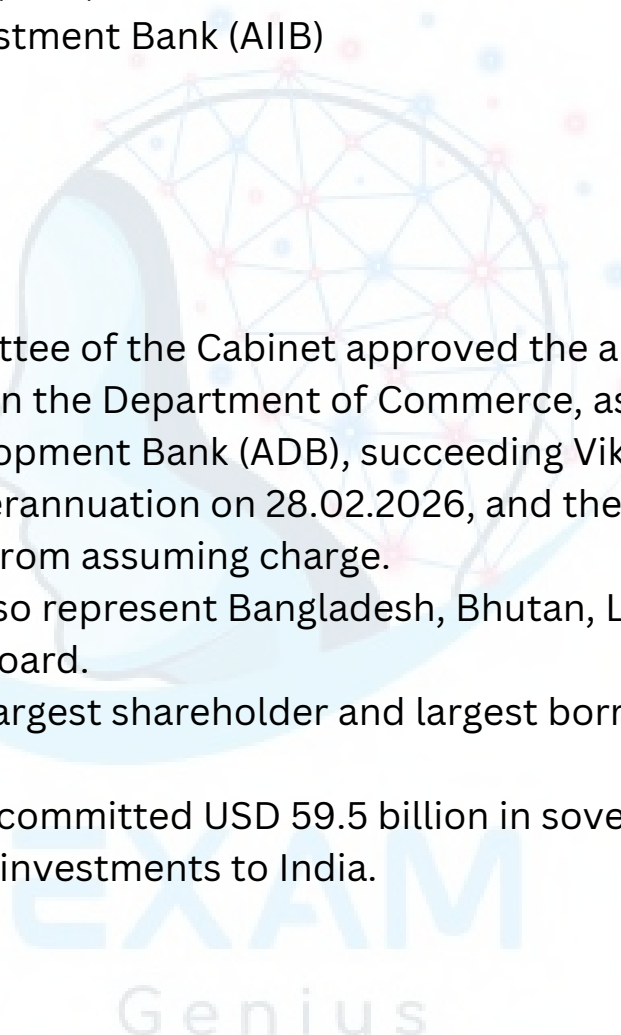
Ques: L Satya Srinivas has been appointed as India's Executive Director of which international financial institution?

- A. World Bank
- B. International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- C. Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- D. New Development Bank (NDB)
- E. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet approved the appointment of L Satya Srinivas, Special Secretary in the Department of Commerce, as India's Executive Director of the Asian Development Bank (ADB), succeeding Vikas Sheel.
- He will serve until his superannuation on 28.02.2026, and thereafter on a contract basis for up to three years from assuming charge.
- Along with India, he will also represent Bangladesh, Bhutan, Laos, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan on the ADB board.
- India is currently the 4th largest shareholder and largest borrower in ADB, after Japan, the USA, and China.
- As of April 2025, ADB had committed USD 59.5 billion in sovereign lending and USD 9.1 billion in non-sovereign investments to India.





Ques: Which bank has partnered with Paytm for launching the 'Paytm Postpaid' credit line on UPI?

- A. AU Small Finance Bank
- B. Equitas Small Finance Bank
- C. Suryoday Small Finance Bank
- D. Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- E. ESAF Small Finance Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- One 97 Communications, the parent company of Paytm, has launched Paytm Postpaid, a credit line on UPI.
- The facility has been rolled out in partnership with Suryoday Small Finance Bank.
- Paytm Postpaid allows customers to use this credit line for making digital payments via UPI, enhancing ease and convenience of transactions.

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Ques: The Reserve Bank of India has set up a Regulatory Review Cell (RRC) to strengthen which aspect of its functioning?

- A. Internal Review of Regulations
- B. Monetary Policy Implementation
- C. Banking Fraud Monitoring
- D. Currency Management
- E. Foreign Exchange Reserves Management

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The RBI has constituted a Regulatory Review Cell (RRC) to strengthen the institutional mechanism for reviewing regulations.
- The mandate of the RRC is to ensure that all regulations issued by the RBI are systematically reviewed every five to seven years.
- The RRC will be set up in the Department of Regulation effective 1 October 2025 and will conduct the review in a phased manner.
- Alongside, an independent Advisory Group on Regulation (AGR) has been formed to engage stakeholders and leverage industry expertise, with an initial tenure of three years, renewable by two more years subject to review.

Members of the committee :

- Rana Ashutosh Kumar Singh, Managing Director, State Bank of India - Chairman
- T. T. Srinivasaraghavan, Former Managing Director & NonExecutive Director, Sundaram Finance Ltd. - Member
- Gautam Thakur, Chairman, Saraswat Co-operative Bank Ltd. - Member
- Shyam Srinivasan, Former Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, Federal Bank Ltd. - Member
- Ravi Duvvuru, Former President & Chief Compliance Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd. - Member
- N. S. Kannan, Former Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Co. Ltd. - Member





Ques: Which bank's shares did SBI recently divest to receive ₹8,889 crore?

- A. ICICI Bank
- B. Axis Bank
- C. Yes Bank
- D. HDFC Bank
- E. Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The State Bank of India (SBI) sold about 413.44 crore equity shares of Yes Bank.
- This represented 13.19% stake, divested to Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) at ₹21.50 per share.
- The divestment generated an inflow of ₹8,889 crore, which will boost SBI's other income in Q2FY26.
- After the sale, SBI continues to hold 10.8% residual stake in Yes Bank.

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Ques: FermionIC Design Pvt Ltd collaborated with Tata Electronics to deliver India's first indigenously designed and fully owned which IC?

- A. 8-Channel S-Band Beamformer IC
- B. 4-Channel X-Band Beamformer IC
- C. 16-Channel Ku-Band Processor IC
- D. 2-Channel L-Band Mixer IC
- E. 4-Channel Ka-Band Transceiver IC

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- FermionIC Design Pvt Ltd partnered with Tata Electronics (a greenfield venture of the Tata Group) to deliver India's first indigenously designed and fully owned 4-Channel X-Band Beamformer IC, model FD3R4411.
- The chip is designed for Time Division Duplex (TDD) Phased Array Radar systems.
- Tata Electronics acts as the Outsourced Semiconductor Assembly and Test (OSAT) partner, providing flip-chip ball grid array, wafer-level testing, and post-silicon validation.
- The IC supports compact, high-performance phased array systems used in radar, satellite communication, and surveillance systems.

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Ques: Recently, how many new Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) accounts were opened during the financial inclusion campaign?

- A. 3.2 million
- B. 4.5 million
- C. 10 million
- D. 7.5 million
- E. 6.1 million

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- During the financial inclusion saturation campaign (July 1 – Sept 30, 2025), over 6.1 million new PMJDY accounts were opened across India.
- More than 2.3 lakh camps were organized nationwide to boost enrolment and awareness.
- 23.19 million inactive accounts were re-verified under KYC.
- 44,455 claims were settled under PMJJBY and PMSBY.
- The campaign also promoted digital fraud prevention, unclaimed deposits awareness, and grievance redressal mechanisms.

26 million fresh enrolments were recorded under three social security schemes:

- PMJJBY: 725.6 million
- PMSBY: 15.6 million
- APY: 3.132 million





Ques: In the first half of 2025, Kotak Mahindra Bank's Kotak811 app ranked at which position globally among banking apps by downloads?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Kotak Mahindra Bank's Kotak811 mobile app ranked 3rd globally and 1st in India in terms of banking app downloads in the first half of 2025, as per data from Sensor Tower.
- Kotak811 logged over 16 million downloads, surpassing SBI Yono, which ranked 4th globally with 14 million downloads.
- The top two positions were secured by NuBank (Brazil) and Revolut (UK).
- Kotak811, launched in 2017, offers zero-balance savings accounts with optional paid features like debit cards and cheque books.

About Kotak Mahindra Bank :

- Established : 2003
- HQ : Mumbai
- MD & CEO : Ashok Vaswani
- Tagline : Let's make money simple



Ques: Where was the 11th edition of the Women's Hockey Asia Cup 2025 held?

- A. Beijing, China
- B. Hangzhou, China
- C. New Delhi, India
- D. Tokyo, Japan
- E. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 11th Women's Hockey Asia Cup 2025 was held at Gongshu Canal Sports Park, Hangzhou, China.
- Eight top Asian teams competed for the title and direct qualification to the 2026 Hockey World Cup.
- China won their third Asia Cup title and qualified directly for the World Cup.
- India, with Navneet Kaur as the lone scorer in the final, finished as runner-up and will enter the qualifiers.
- With this victory, China became the seventh team to qualify for the FIH Women's World Cup 2026 in Belgium and the Netherlands. Other confirmed teams include the hosts, USA, Germany, Argentina, and Spain.

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Ques: Dr. Sima Sami Bahous has been reappointed for her second term as Executive Director of which UN organization?

- A. UNICEF
- B. UNDP
- C. UN Women
- D. WHO
- E. UNFPA

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Dr. Sima Sami Bahous has been reappointed for her second 4-year term as the Executive Director of UN Women.
- Her reappointment comes at a crucial time as the organization is preparing to implement its new Strategic Plan for 2026–2029.
- UN Women was established on 2 July 2010 and has its headquarters in New York City, United States.
- It is dedicated to gender equality and the empowerment of women, working globally to eliminate discrimination and promote women's rights.

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Ques: Baba Kalyani became the first Indian to win which prestigious engineering award in 2025?

- A. Padma Bhushan
- B. Holley Medal
- C. Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize
- D. IEEE Medal of Honor
- E. ASME Medal

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Baba Kalyani, Chairman and Managing Director of Bharat Forge, became the first Indian to win the Holley Medal in 2025.
- The award is conferred by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and was established in 1924 to recognize outstanding and unique acts of an engineering nature.
- The 2024 winner of the Holley Medal was Kenneth A. Warren.
- This recognition highlights Baba Kalyani's significant contributions to mechanical engineering and innovation.

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Ques: India recently signed an MoU with which organisation to standardise global job categories?

- A. World Bank
- B. International Labour Organisation (ILO)
- C. International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- D. World Trade Organization (WTO)
- E. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- India signed an MoU with the International Labour Organisation (ILO) in Geneva to advance the International Reference Classification of Occupations (IRCO).
- The initiative aims to help Indian youth access global job markets, enable mutual recognition of qualifications, and improve international labour mobility.
- IRCO classifies occupations globally by job functions, tasks, and duties, supporting migration, vocational training, and labour market analysis.
- Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya highlighted India's progress through schemes like Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana, National Career Service (NCS) Portal, and e-Shram Portal.

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Ques: The Indian Navy recently launched 'DSC A22 (Yard 327)'. This ship is part of which project?

- A. Scorpene-class Submarine Project
- B. Fast Attack Craft Project
- C. INS Vikrant Aircraft Carrier Project
- D. Diving Support Craft (DSC) Project
- E. Project 75I

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Indian Navy launched 'DSC A22 (Yard 327)', the third ship of the five-ship Diving Support Craft (DSC) project.
- The ships are built by Titagarh Rail Systems Ltd, Kolkata under a contract signed in February 2021 for 5 DSC vessels.
- The first DSC, 'DSC A20', was launched on 31 August 2023.
- These ships are designed for specialized diving operations in coastal waters and come equipped with state-of-the-art diving apparatus for advanced naval operations.

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Ques: Who became the first Indian high jumper to qualify for the men's high jump final at the 20th World Athletics Championships in Tokyo?

- A. Tejaswin Shankar
- B. Sarvesh Kushare
- C. Arpinder Singh
- D. M. Sreeshankar
- E. Tajinder Singh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Sarvesh Kushare made history as the first Indian high jumper to qualify for the men's high jump final at the 20th World Athletics Championships in Tokyo, Japan.
- He cleared 2.25 m in the qualification round, finishing 9th overall, securing a spot among the top 12 finalists.
- Sarvesh joined the Indian Army in 2016, which gave him access to professional training facilities.

Major achievements:

- 2019: Gold – South Asian Games, Kathmandu
- 2023: Silver – Asian Athletics Championships
- 2024: Represented India at the Paris Olympics.



Ques: What is the total financial outlay of the Promotion of Research and Innovation in Pharma MedTech (PRIP) scheme?

- A. ₹3,000 crore
- B. ₹4,000 crore
- C. ₹5,000 crore
- D. ₹6,000 crore
- E. ₹7,000 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The PRIP (Promotion of Research and Innovation in Pharma MedTech) scheme has a financial outlay of ₹5,000 crore and will run for five years.
- It focuses on six priority areas: generics, biosimilars, precision medicine, orphan drugs, drug development for antimicrobial resistance, and new chemical entities.
- The scheme aims to increase India's share in the global pharma market through research and innovation.
- Current pharma R&D spending comparison: India \$3 bn, US \$60 bn, China \$20 bn, highlighting the scope for growth in India.

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Ques: According to the Global Innovation Index (GII) 2025, what is India's rank globally?

- A. 36th
- B. 37th
- C. 38th
- D. 39th
- E. 40th

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 18th edition of the Global Innovation Index (GII) 2025, published by the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO), ranked India 38th globally out of 139 countries with an overall score of 38.1, improving from 39th place in 2024.
- India has shown remarkable progress, moving up from 81st position in 2015.
- Switzerland topped the index for the 15th consecutive year with an overall score of 66.0.
- India ranked 1st among the 37 Lower Middle-Income (LMI) group economies and also topped the 10 economies in the Central and Southern Asia region.

Four Indian cities featured in the World's Top 100 Innovation Clusters:

- Bengaluru, Karnataka – 21st
- Delhi – 26th
- Mumbai, Maharashtra – 46th
- Chennai, Tamil Nadu – 84th

Ranking of Top 5 & last Countries with Overall Score

- 1 Switzerland : 66
- 2 Sweden : 62.6
- 3 USA : 61.7
- 4 Republic of Korea : 60
- 5 Singapore : 59.9





10 China
38 India : 38.1
93 Sri Lanka
99 Pakistan
139 Niger : 11.9



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Ques: The Election Commission has revised guidelines for EVM Ballot Papers to improve what aspect of the voting process?

- A. Security features
- B. Electronic voting software
- C. Voter registration process
- D. Counting speed
- E. Clarity and readability

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Election Commission (EC) revised guidelines under the conduct of elections rules to enhance clarity and readability of EVM Ballot Papers.
- The upgraded EVM Ballot Papers will first be used in the upcoming Bihar elections.

Key updates include:

- Candidate photographs will be in colour, with the face occupying three-fourths of the photo space.
- Names of all candidates and NOTA will be in the same font type for uniformity.
- Serial numbers will use the international form of Indian numerals, font size 30, bold.
- Maximum fifteen candidates per sheet, with NOTA after the last candidate.
- Printed on 70 GSM paper; pink paper for Assembly elections.



Ques: The Ministry of Culture has initiated steps to nominate which Indian festival for inscription on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list?

- A. Durga Puja
- B. Onam
- C. Chhath Mahaparva
- D. Makar Sankranti
- E. Bihu

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Chhath Mahaparva is dedicated to Sun God and Goddess Chhathi Maiya, widely celebrated in Bihar, Jharkhand, UP, West Bengal, and among diaspora communities in Mauritius, Fiji, Suriname, UAE, and Netherlands.
- The festival is known for its ecological and egalitarian ethos, promoting sustainability, inclusivity, simplicity, devotion, and self-discipline.
- India has proposed Chhath Mahaparva for inscription on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list (2003 Convention) with diplomatic support from UAE, Suriname, Netherlands, Mauritius, and Fiji.
- The Ministry of Culture organized meetings with senior diplomats and Indian ambassadors to secure multinational cooperation for this nomination.

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Ques: Which company has been named the new New Jersey sponsor of the Indian Cricket team until March 2028?

- A. Dream11
- B. Puma
- C. Paytm
- D. BYJU'S
- E. Apollo Tyres

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Apollo Tyres Limited has been officially appointed as the New Jersey sponsor of the Indian Cricket team until March 2028.
- This followed the termination of Dream11's contract by the BCCI, due to the ban on online gaming and betting companies under the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Act, 2025.
- The sponsorship deal is valued at ₹579.06 crore, making it one of the most lucrative agreements in Indian cricket history.
- Under this arrangement, Apollo Tyres will pay ₹4.5 crore per match, higher than the ₹4 crore paid by Dream11.
- The agreement covers 121 bilateral matches and 21 ICC fixtures until 2027.

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- A. India – Global Cinema Hub
- B. India – Storytelling Beyond Borders
- C. Cinema for Change
- D. One India, One Film Industry
- E. India – Creative Economy for the World

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India will make a significant presence at the Busan International Film Festival (BIFF) 2025 and the Asian Contents & Film Market (ACFM) in South Korea.
- This will mark the first-ever ministerial delegation from India to BIFF, led by Dr. L. Murugan, Minister of State for Information & Broadcasting.
- A 'Bharat Pavilion' will be set up at both BIFF and ACFM under the theme: "India – Creative Economy for the World".
- The Ministry of I&B is going to conduct a cultural event called "Bharat Parv," which will showcase Indian music, art, and food.
- The Asian Contents & Film Market (ACFM) is a leading co-production and financing platform that links filmmakers with international partners and investors.
- The Busan International Film Festival (BIFF) is one of Asia's most prestigious film festivals, recognized by FIAPF alongside the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) and the Cannes Film Festival.

India's showcase in 2025 will feature over 10 films, reflecting the diversity of Indian storytelling, including:

- Spying Stars – competing in the Inaugural Competition Section.
- If on a Winter Night, Kok Kok Kokooook, and Shape of Momo – under the Vision Asia Section.
- Other projects: Bayaan, Don't Tell Mother, Full Plate, Karinji, and I, Poppy.



At the Asian Project Market (ACFM), five Indian projects are selected for the Co-Production Market:

- Difficult Daughters
- The Last of Them Plagues
- Lanka (The Fire)
- Moon
- The Magical Men



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Ques: Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail recently launched which new fashion brand?

- A. Zudio
- B. StyleUp
- C. OWND!
- D. Max
- E. Pantaloons

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail (ABFRL) launched “OWND!”, an affordable fashion brand specifically targeting Gen Z shoppers.
- The brand will compete directly with Trent’s Zudio, which has achieved over 35% annual growth in the past five years.
- ABFRL plans to convert its existing 49 StyleUp stores into OWND! stores to expand the brand presence.
- OWND! aims to capture the youth segment by offering trendy and budget-friendly fashion options.

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Ques: Who launched the official website of Bima Sugam India Federation (BSIF)?

- A. Prasun Sikdar
- B. Ajay Seth
- C. Tapan Singhel
- D. Rakesh Joshi
- E. Nirmala Sitharaman

Answer: Option B

Explanation

- The Chairman of IRDAI, Ajay Seth, launched the official website of Bima Sugam India Federation (BSIF) in Hyderabad.
- The platform aims to create India's digital public infrastructure for insurance, empowering policyholders, increasing insurance penetration, and ensuring transparency and fairness.
- It is a step towards achieving the vision of "Insurance for All by 2047" under the Viksit Bharat 2047 mission.
- Industry leaders hailed this as a historic step to make insurance simple, seamless, and accessible to every Indian.

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Ques: Which company has become the first Indian Payment Aggregator (PA) to enable Apple Pay for international transactions?

- A. Razorpay
- B. Paytm
- C. PayU
- D. PhonePe
- E. CCAvenue

Answer: Option A (Razorpay)

Explanation:

Razorpay has integrated Apple Pay, a mobile payment service by Apple Payments Inc, as a payment method to support international transactions and payments for Indian merchants.

This makes Razorpay the first Indian Payment Aggregator (PA) to enable Apple Pay for international transactions.

Customers can now complete purchases with a single click using biometric authentication (Face ID or Touch ID) without requiring CVV, OTP, or manual card entry.

About Razorpay:

Established: 2014

Headquarters: Bangalore

MD & CEO: Harshil Mathur

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Ques: VinFast India has signed an MoU with which bank for auto and inventory financing of its dealer network?

- A. HDFC Bank
- B. Axis Bank
- C. ICICI Bank
- D. Kotak Mahindra Bank
- E. Yes Bank

Answer: Option C (ICICI Bank)

Explanation:

VinFast Auto India, the EV arm of Vietnam-based VinFast, signed an MoU with ICICI Bank to provide auto and inventory financing for its exclusive dealer network.

The partnership supports the rollout of VF 6 and VF 7 EV models, enhancing VinFast's customer-focused footprint in India.

VinFast also recently inaugurated its EV assembly plant in Tamil Nadu, marking a major step in its India expansion.

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Ques: Which bank has been authorised by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) as the first and only wholly-owned subsidiary in India to collect Goods and Services Tax (GST) payments as an Agency Bank?

- A. HDFC Bank
- B. ICICI Bank
- C. DBS Bank India
- D. Axis Bank
- E. Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- DBS Bank India has been authorised by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) as the first and only wholly-owned subsidiary in India to collect GST payments as an Agency Bank.
- This approval allows DBS Bank India to offer seamless GST payment services to businesses through its digital banking platform for enterprises, DBS IDEAL.

About DBS Bank:

- Established: 1968
- Headquarters: Singapore
- MD & CEO (India): Tan Su Shan

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Ques: Who has been selected as the new Managing Director (MD) of India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd (IIFCL) by FSIB?

- A. P. R. Jaishankar
- B. Rohit Rishi
- C. Munish Gaur
- D. Pham Sanh Chau
- E. D. K. Boora

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Financial Services Institutions Bureau (FSIB) has selected Rohit Rishi, currently Executive Director of Bank of Maharashtra, as the new Managing Director (MD) of IIFCL.
- He will succeed P. R. Jaishankar, who stepped down in May 2025.
- FSIB conducted interviews of six candidates on 16–17 September 2025 for this appointment.

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Ques: Which team won the 62nd edition of the Duleep Trophy (2025-26), ending an 11-year wait and claiming their 7th title?

- A. South Zone
- B. North Zone
- C. Central Zone
- D. West Zone
- E. East Zone

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Central Zone, captained by Rajat Patidar, won the 62nd edition of the Duleep Trophy (2025-26), defeating South Zone by 6 wickets in the final held at the BCCI Centre of Excellence (CoE), Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- This victory ended Central Zone's 11-year wait and secured their 7th Duleep Trophy title, with the last win in 2014-15 under Piyush Chawla.

About Duleep Trophy:

- Started: 1961-62
- Tournament format: Round-robin or Knockouts
- 2025 edition: 62nd
- Teams: Central, East, North, North East, South, West
- Player of the Series: Saransh Jain (Central Zone)



Ques: Which Indian Army division conducted 'Exercise Jaal Shakti' to validate water obstacle crossing capabilities under operational conditions?

- A. 1st Infantry Division
- B. 1st Armoured Division
- C. 2nd Armoured Division
- D. 3rd Infantry Division
- E. 4th Armoured Division

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Indian Army's 1st Armoured Division conducted 'Exercise Jaal Shakti', a combat-readiness drill to validate water obstacle crossing capabilities under operational conditions.
- The exercise tested procedures for bridging, ferrying, and amphibious operations.
- It involved timed obstacle breaching, rapid bridge reinforcement, phased movement of tanks, Infantry Combat Vehicles, logistics columns, and commanders' decision-making drills.
- The 1st Armoured Division, based in Patiala (Punjab), is part of II Corps under Western Command.

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Ques: Where is India's first large private gold mine located?

- A. Bellary, Karnataka
- B. Jonnagiri, Andhra Pradesh
- C. Kolar, Karnataka
- D. Hutti, Karnataka
- E. Raichur, Karnataka

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- India's first large private gold mine is being developed at Jonnagiri, Andhra Pradesh by Geomysore Services India Ltd, with support from Deccan Gold Mines Ltd (DGML).
- India imports nearly 1,000 tonnes of gold annually, and this mine will help reduce import dependence.
- DGML, established in 2003, is India's first listed gold exploration company on BSE and has international mining assets in Kyrgyzstan, Finland, and Tanzania.

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Ques: Which two key initiatives were launched by Union Ministers Nirmala Sitharaman and Ashwini Vaishnaw at the Road to India Artificial Intelligence Impact Summit 2026?

- A. AI for Bharat Growth & Digital India Repository
- B. AI for Viksit Bharat Roadmap & Frontier Tech Repository
- C. Smart Governance AI & Tech Innovation Hub
- D. Digital Frontier AI & Tech Awards
- E. AI for Startups & Frontier Innovation Repository

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Union Ministers Nirmala Sitharaman (Finance & Corporate Affairs) and Ashwini Vaishnaw (Railways & Information & Broadcasting) launched two key initiatives of NITI Aayog at the Road to India AI Impact Summit 2026, New Delhi.
- The two initiatives are: 'AI for Viksit Bharat Roadmap' to accelerate economic growth, and the 'Frontier Tech Repository' to showcase impactful frontier technology use cases.
- Additional initiatives include the Frontier 50 Initiative, where NITI Aayog will support 50 Aspirational Districts/Blocks to pick use cases from the repository.
- Another initiative is the Frontier Tech Impact Awards for States, recognizing three states excelling in the use of technology to improve governance, education, healthcare, and livelihood.

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Ques: Which organization, in collaboration with the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation and Ministry of Panchayati Raj, organised the Sarpanch Samvaad National Quality Conclave?

- A. NITI Aayog
- B. Quality Council of India
- C. Ministry of Rural Development
- D. Central Vigilance Commission
- E. National Institute of Rural Development

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Quality Council of India (QCI), in collaboration with the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, and the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, organised the Sarpanch Samvaad National Quality Conclave in New Delhi.
- The event was held under the theme 'Viksit Gram se Viksit Bharat'.
- The Sarpanch Samvaad Mobile App successfully onboarded 60,000+ Sarpanchs from 22 states, creating India's first digital community of grassroots leaders.
- The initiative aims to expand to 2.5 lakh Sarpanchs by 2026 and 1 lakh by 25 December 2025 (Good Governance Day).
- It seeks to strengthen grassroots governance by empowering elected village leaders.
- The 100-Day Good Governance Challenge, from 17 September to 25 December 2025, promotes Swachhata (Cleanliness), Suraksha (Safety), and e-governance at village levels.



- The conclave focused on Localised Sustainable Development Goals (LSDGs) and was attended by 75 distinguished Sarpanchs.



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Ques: Which ministry announced the new category “National Energy Conservation Awards for Content Creators and Influencers” under the NECA 2025?

- A. Ministry of Power
- B. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- C. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- D. Ministry of Electronics & IT
- E. Ministry of Science & Technology

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), under the Ministry of Power (MoP), announced a new category – “National Energy Conservation Awards for Content Creators and Influencers” – under the National Energy Conservation Awards (NECA) 2025.
- The winners will be felicitated on December 14, 2025, in New Delhi by the President of India, Droupadi Murmu.

About the New Category:

- **Eligibility** : Open to digital creators with a minimum of 10,000 followers/subscribers on any major social media platform.
- **Mission Alignment** : Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment).
- **Format** : Participants must create original short videos of up to 90 seconds.



- **Language** : Videos can be in Hindi or any other Indian language, with a typed transcript in English or Hindi.
- **Themes** : Video themes include, Save Energy at Home, Set AC at 24°, Choose 5-Star Appliances, Energy-efficient lighting, Green and sustainable building and Celebrate Festivals with Responsibility



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Ques: Doordarshan (DD), India's premier public service broadcaster under Prasar Bharati, recently celebrated which foundation day with the event "Shabdanjali: DD@66"?

- A. 60th
- B. 62nd
- C. 64th
- D. 66th
- E. 68th

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Doordarshan (DD), India's premier public service broadcaster under Prasar Bharati (since 1997), celebrated its 66th foundation day with a cultural event "Shabdanjali: DD@66" at Rang Bhawan, Akashvani Bhawan, New Delhi.
- The event paid tribute to Doordarshan's history, founded on 15th September 1959 under All India Radio (AIR), and highlighted its role in nation-building and cultural preservation.
- DD has a 35-channel network consisting of 6 national, 28 regional, and 1 international channel.
- Under the Broadcasting Infrastructure and Network Development (BIND) Scheme (2021-26) with a budget of Rs. 2,539.61 crore, DD is modernising operations with digitisation and AI integration.
- Its PB-SHABD initiative (Prasar Bharati – Shared Audio Visuals for Broadcast and Dissemination) now delivers content in 15 languages through 1,200 reporters.



Ques: Who inaugurated the Centre of Excellence (CoE) for Artificial Intelligence, Skill Development, and Innovation at Graphic Era University, India's first Generative AI Ready Campus?

- A. Dr. Harsh Vardhan
- B. Dr. Jitendra Singh
- C. Ashwini Vaishnaw
- D. Raj Kumar Singh
- E. Piyush Goyal

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Dr. Jitendra Singh, Ministry of Science and Technology, inaugurated the Centre of Excellence (CoE) for Artificial Intelligence, Skill Development, and Innovation.
- The CoE is located at Graphic Era University, India's first Generative AI Ready Campus, powered by Amazon Web Services (AWS) in Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
- The facility has a cost over Rs. 10 crore and an area of 1.5 lakh square feet.

Key facilities include:

- Apple iOS (iPhone Operating System) Development Centre, in collaboration with Apple and Infosys.
- NVIDIA AI and High-Performance Computing facility, powered by an NVIDIA DGX B200 system with 8 Graphics Processing Units.



Ques: Which organization inaugurated a two-day National Symposium on “Pharmacovigilance – Shishu Suraksha: Rashtra Suraksha” to commemorate World Patient Safety Day 2025?

- A. All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA)
- B. National Pharmacovigilance Coordination Centre
- C. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
- D. Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)
- E. Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS)

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- The Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Ministry of Ayush, through its Regional Ayurveda Research Institute (RARI), Gwalior, inaugurated a two-day National Symposium on “Pharmacovigilance – Shishu Suraksha: Rashtra Suraksha”.
- The event was organized in collaboration with the National Pharmacovigilance Coordination Centre for ASU&H Drugs, All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi.
- The symposium focuses on safe care for every newborn and every child, aiming to strengthen pharmacovigilance in Ayurveda.

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Ques: India participated in which edition of Exercise Pacific Reach in 2025, held at Changi Naval Base, Singapore?

- A. 7th
- B. 8th
- C. 11th
- D. 10th
- E. 9th

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Exercise Pacific Reach 2025 (XPR 25) was the 9th edition of the exercise, held at Changi Naval Base, Singapore.
- The exercise involved over 40 nations, including active participants and observers.
- India participated with INS Nistar, an Indigenous Diving Support Vessel (DSV).
- The last edition was also held in Singapore in 2023, and the exercise started in 1996.

The exercise was conducted in two phases:

- Sea Phase – in the South China Sea
- Harbour Phase

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Ques: Where did PM Narendra Modi lay the foundation stone of India's first PM MITRA Park?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Dhar, Madhya Pradesh
- C. Surat, Gujarat
- D. Hyderabad, Telangana
- E. Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The first PM MITRA Park was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Dhar, Madhya Pradesh.
- The scheme aims to develop 7 large-scale textile hubs across India, inspired by the PM's 5F vision – Farm to Fibre to Factory to Fashion to Foreign.
- It has an outlay of ₹4,445 crore for the period 2021-22 to 2027-28, with minimum 1,000 acres per park.
- Greenfield projects will be developed under Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) with a 51:49 stake split between State and Central governments.

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Ques: Which minister inaugurated the 1st Annual Green Hydrogen Research and Development Conference and announced a Rs. 100 crore scheme to support startups in green hydrogen innovation?

- A. Raj Kumar Singh
- B. R.K. Singh
- C. Piyush Goyal
- D. Bhupender Yadav
- E. Pralhad Joshi

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Union Minister Pralhad Joshi, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, inaugurated the 1st Annual Green Hydrogen Research and Development Conference in New Delhi.
- He also announced a new Rs. 100 crore Call for Proposals scheme to support startups in green hydrogen innovation.
- The Government of India approved the National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM) in January 2023 with a financial outlay of Rs. 19,744 crore.
- NGHM targets producing 5 million metric tonnes of green hydrogen annually by 2030, along with adding 125 gigawatts of renewable energy capacity.
- Dedicated hydrogen hubs are being developed at Kandla (Gujarat), Paradip (Odisha), and Tuticorin (Tamil Nadu).

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The scheme is implemented in two parts:

- Part A: For biomass-based and other technology-based pilot projects, with total support of Rs. 100 crore, capped at Rs. 25 crore per project.
- Part B: For startups working on innovative hydrogen production, total support of Rs. 100 crore, capped at Rs. 5 crore per project.



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Ques: The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) recently commemorated the third anniversary of which policy, launched on 17th September 2022 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi?

- A. Make in India Policy
- B. National Logistics Policy
- C. Startup India Policy
- D. Export Promotion Policy
- E. Industrial Development Policy

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I), commemorated the third anniversary of the National Logistics Policy (NLP), launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 17th September 2022.
- The NLP is aligned with the Pradhan Mantri Gati Shakti National Master Plan (PMGS-NMP), which focuses on the integrated development of fixed infrastructure and network planning.
- The NLP is implemented by the DPIIT through the Comprehensive Logistics Action Plan (CLAP), which defines specific actions and timelines to achieve the policy's objectives.
- The main targets of NLP are to reduce logistics costs in India and to improve India's Logistics Performance Index ranking, with a goal to be among the top 25 countries by 2030.



- As of August 2025, 27 States and Union Territories (UTs) have formulated State Logistics Policies (SLP), and 14 States have prepared Logistics Action Plans (LAP).
- Currently, 19 States have granted industry status to logistics, which enables tax benefits and incentives for the sector.



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Ques: Which agreement, aimed at reducing over-fishing, formally came into force after ratification by Brazil, Kenya, Tonga, and Vietnam?

- A. Paris Climate Agreement
- B. WTO Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies
- C. United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
- D. FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries
- E. Global Ocean Treaty

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The WTO Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies, aimed at reducing over-fishing, formally came into force after ratification by Brazil, Kenya, Tonga, and Vietnam.
- With this, a total of 112 countries have accepted the agreement, achieving the minimum 2/3rd member acceptance condition of WTO.
- This is the first WTO agreement focusing on the environment, the first broad, binding, multilateral agreement, and the only second multilateral agreement to come into force since WTO's inception in 1995.
- India and Indonesia are among the countries that have not signed the agreement yet.
- As per the agreement, countries must limit some of the USD 22 billion in fish subsidies that encourage practices by fleets depleting fish stocks.

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- Countries are also required to establish a ‘fish fund’ to help developing countries implement the agreement.
- The agreement prohibits subsidies that contribute to illegal, unregulated, and unreported fishing, affect overfished stocks, or involve fishing in the high seas.



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Ques: Which institution has launched the Partial Credit Enhancement (PCE) Facility to strengthen the infrastructure bond market?

- A. NABARD
- B. NaBFID
- C. SIDBI
- D. NITI Aayog
- E. RBI

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- NaBFID (National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development) launched the Partial Credit Enhancement (PCE) Facility to strengthen the infrastructure bond market and attract long-term investors.
- The facility improves the credit ratings of low-rated infrastructure bonds, making them attractive to insurance companies, pension funds, and provident funds, and ensures sustainable capital for infrastructure projects.
- The initiative supports India's goal of a \$7 trillion economy by 2030 and \$30 trillion by 2047, emphasizing the role of robust infrastructure.

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Ques: Which organization launched the SBI Platinum Jubilee Asha Scholarship 2025 with a commitment of ₹90 crore for FY26?

- A. Ministry of Education
- B. SBI Foundation
- C. Reserve Bank of India
- D. NITI Aayog
- E. UGC

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- SBI Foundation, the CSR arm of the State Bank of India (SBI), launched the SBI Platinum Jubilee Asha Scholarship 2025 with a funding commitment of ₹90 crore for FY26.
- The scholarship aims to empower 23,230 meritorious students from humble and underprivileged backgrounds across India.
- It covers students from Class 9 to postgraduate programmes, providing financial assistance ranging from ₹15,000 to ₹20,00,000 annually until the completion of their course.
- The SBI Asha Scholarship was first instituted in 2022 and continues to nurture the aspirations of India's brightest young minds.

Further, the eligibility for the scholarship is as below:

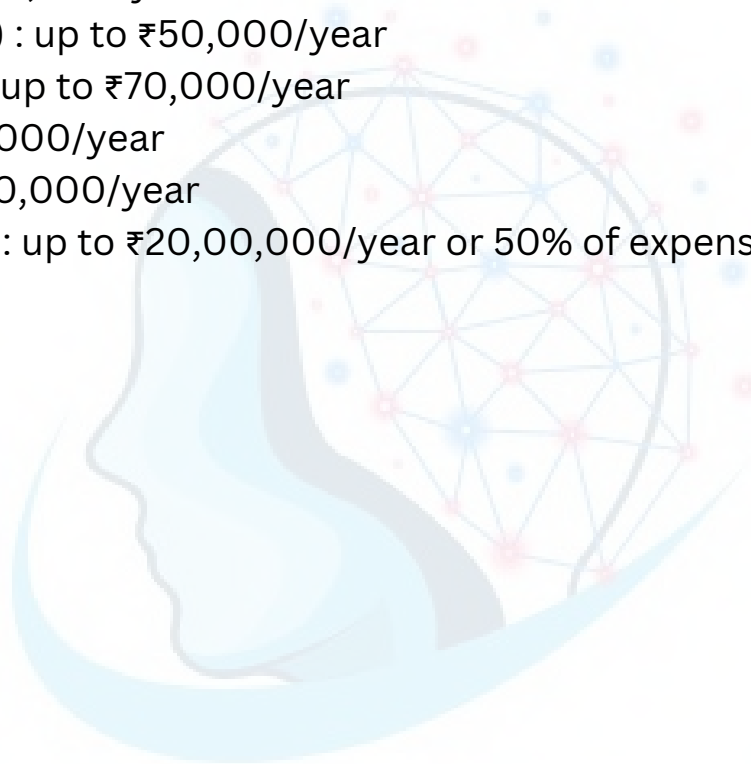
- **Applicants must be Indian nationals**
- **Applicants must have secured at least 75% marks or 7.0 CGPA in the previous academic year**



- Relaxations: SC/ST – 10% marks relaxation, 25% seats each; Girls – 50% seats reserved

Coverage & Levels

- Class 9–12 : up to ₹15,000/year
- Undergraduate (UG) : up to ₹50,000/year
- Postgraduate (PG) : up to ₹70,000/year
- IIT-UG: up to ₹2,00,000/year
- IIM-MBA: up to ₹7,50,000/year
- Overseas Education: up to ₹20,00,000/year or 50% of expenses (whichever lower).



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Ques: Which Japanese credit rating agency recently upgraded India's sovereign credit rating to BBB+ from BBB with a stable outlook?

- A. Moody's
- B. Fitch Ratings
- C. S&P Global Ratings
- D. Rating and Investment Information (R&I)
- E. Morningstar DBRS

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Rating and Investment Information (R&I), a Japanese credit rating agency, upgraded India's sovereign credit rating by a notch to BBB+ from BBB, with a stable outlook.
- The upgrade was supported by factors such as India's demographic dividend, robust domestic demand, and sound government policies.
- The Government of India has targeted a fiscal deficit of 4.4% of GDP for FY26.
- R&I has projected that India's GDP growth rate will remain in the mid-6% range from FY26 onwards.

This is India's third sovereign credit rating upgrade in 2025, after:

- S&P Global Ratings upgrade to BBB from BBB- (August 2025)
- Morningstar DBRS upgrade to BBB from BBB (low) (May 2025)

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Ques: Which organization has launched the Single Login Facility & Passbook Lite for PF members?

- A. RBI
- B. EPFO
- C. SEBI
- D. NABARD
- E. SBI

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) launched the Single Login Facility & Passbook Lite to integrate all PF services for over 7 crore subscribers into a single portal.
- The Passbook Lite feature allows members to access PF balance, contributions, withdrawals, and transfer certificates in a simplified manner.
- The reforms aim to reduce delays, enhance transparency, and make EPFO digitally advanced and user-friendly.

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Ques: Which bank launched the AU KOSMO Credit Card in partnership with Kiwi?

- A. HDFC Bank
- B. Axis Bank
- C. ICICI Bank
- D. AU Small Finance Bank
- E. SBI

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- AU Small Finance Bank (AU SFB), in collaboration with Kiwi, launched the AU KOSMO Credit Card.
- This credit card is powered by RuPay network and allows users to make credit payments via UPI at both online and offline merchants.

About AU Small Finance Bank :

- Established: 2017
- Headquarters: Jaipur, Rajasthan
- CEO & MD: Sanjay Agarwal
- Tagline: Badlaav Humse Hai

EXAM
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Ques: Who has been appointed as the First Deputy Managing Director (FDMD) of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), replacing Gita Gopinath?

- A. Daniel Katz
- B. Kristalina Georgieva
- C. Janet Yellen
- D. David Malpass
- E. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

Daniel Katz, a senior U.S. Treasury official, has been appointed as the First Deputy Managing Director (FDMD), the second-highest post at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

He was nominated by Kristalina Georgieva, the current Managing Director of IMF.

Daniel Katz replaces Gita Gopinath, who stepped down in August 2025 to return to academia.

About International Monetary Fund (IMF):

Established: 27 December 1945

Headquarters: Washington, D.C., U.S.

Members: 190 countries (189 UN members + Kosovo)

Managing Director: Kristalina Georgieva



Ques: Which mission aims to develop India's foundational Large Language Model (LLM)?

- A. Digital India Mission
- B. IndiaAI Mission
- C. Skill India Mission
- D. Make in India Mission
- E. Atmanirbhar Bharat Mission

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The IndiaAI Mission, with an initial budget of ₹10,371.92 crore, aims to develop AI infrastructure, foster startups, enhance AI skills, and build indigenous Large Language Models (LLMs) and Large Multimodal Models (LMMs).
- The Government selected 8 players—including Tech Mahindra, Fractal Analytics, BharatGen (IIT Bombay Consortium), Avataar AI, Shodh AI, Zeinteq Aitech Innovations, Genloop Intelligence, and NeuroDX (Intellihealth)—to develop the foundational LLM under this mission.

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Ques: Where is India's first overseas defence manufacturing facility, to be inaugurated by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, located?

- A. Casablanca, Morocco
- B. Rabat, Morocco
- C. Marrakech, Morocco
- D. Tangier, Morocco
- E. Fez, Morocco

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India's first overseas defence manufacturing facility will be inaugurated in Casablanca province, Morocco by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh during his maiden trip to the North African nation.
- The facility is a Tata-owned armoured vehicle production unit, under Tata Advanced Systems Maroc.
- A key highlight is the manufacturing of the Wheeled Armoured Platform 8x8 at Berrechid, Morocco.
- Tata Advanced Systems Maroc is a subsidiary of Tata Advanced Systems Limited, the first Indian private company to produce wheeled armoured combat-ready vehicles for the Indian Army in 2022.

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Ques: Which district topped the National Innovation Rankings in the INSPIRE Award-MANAK 2025 by submitting the highest number of innovative student ideas?

- A. Bengaluru Urban, Karnataka
- B. Bagalkot, Karnataka
- C. Mysuru, Karnataka
- D. Patna, Bihar
- E. Muzaffarpur, Bihar

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Muzaffarpur district of Bihar topped the National Innovation Rankings in the INSPIRE Award-MANAK 2025, submitting 7,403 innovative student ideas from both private and public schools.
- Bengaluru Urban, Karnataka ranked 2nd with 7,306 ideas, and Bagalkot, Karnataka was 3rd with 6,826 ideas.
- The scheme is part of INSPIRE (Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research), a flagship program of the Department of Science & Technology, implemented with the National Innovation Foundation (NIF).
- Eligible students are from Class VI to X, with selected ideas receiving ₹10,000 for model development and progressing from district to state to National Level Exhibition (NLEPC).
- The top 60 innovations are displayed at Rashtrapati Bhavan and awarded by the President of India.

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Ques: What recent announcement did Maharashtra's Minister of Ports Development, Nitesh Narayan Rane, make regarding Mumbai's Sassoon Dock?

- A. Complete closure of Sassoon Dock
- B. Privatization of Sassoon Dock
- C. Conversion into a tourist hub
- D. Construction of a new dock nearby
- E. Technology-driven modernisation in collaboration with Finland

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Maharashtra's Minister of Ports Development, Nitesh Narayan Rane, announced plans for technology-driven modernisation of Mumbai's Sassoon Dock in collaboration with Finland.
- Sassoon Dock, built in 1875 by Albert Abdullah David Sassoon, was Western India's first fully private wet dock, initially handling cotton and opium trade.
- Over time, it became a key hub for Mumbai's fishing community and fish exports.
- The modernisation aims to integrate advanced technologies to enhance efficiency and sustainability at the dock.

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Ques: When was the PM Vishwakarma Scheme launched?

- A. August 15, 2023
- B. October 2, 2023
- C. September 17, 2023
- D. January 26, 2024
- E. March 8, 2024

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The PM Vishwakarma Scheme was launched on September 17, 2023, on the occasion of Vishwakarma Day.
- Within two years, around 30 lakh artisans have been registered, and over 4.7 lakh loans worth ₹41,188 crore have been approved to support their business development.
- The scheme has a total financial outlay of ₹13,000 crore for FY 2023-24 to FY 2027-28 and aims to empower artisans through financial assistance, skill training, and business support.

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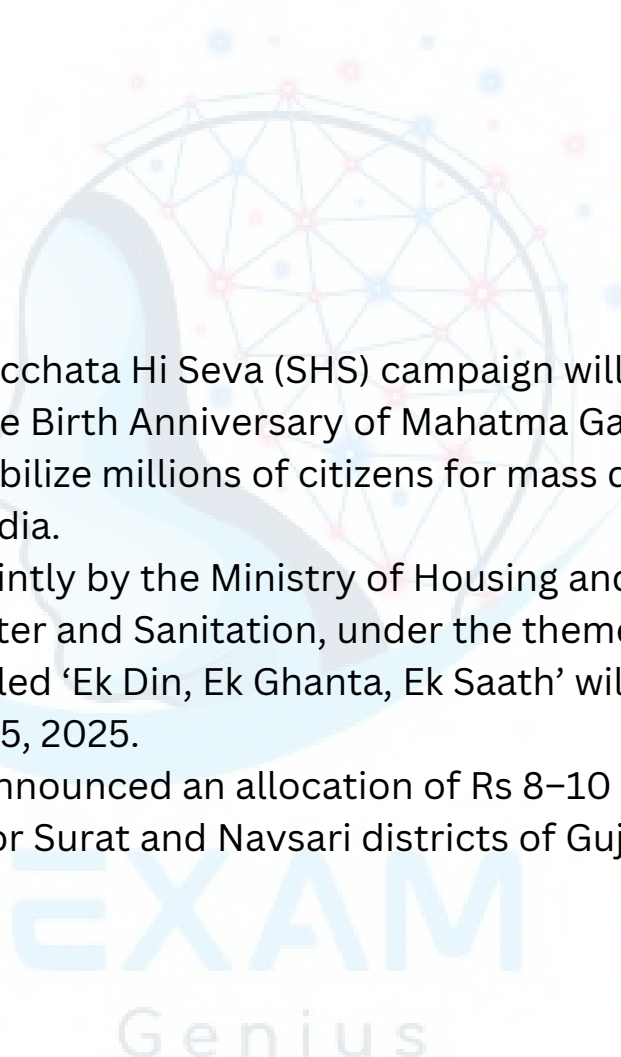
Ques: When will the 9th edition of the Swacchata Hi Seva (SHS) campaign conclude in 2025, and what is its main objective?

- A. September 25, 2025
- B. October 02, 2025
- C. October 15, 2025
- D. October 31, 2025
- E. November 01, 2025

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 9th edition of the Swacchata Hi Seva (SHS) campaign will conclude on October 02, 2025, coinciding with the Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.
- Its main objective is to mobilize millions of citizens for mass drives promoting public cleanliness across India.
- SHS 2025 was launched jointly by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, under the theme 'Swacchotsav'.
- A voluntary shramdaan titled 'Ek Din, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath' will be organized nationwide on September 25, 2025.
- Union Minister C.R. Patil announced an allocation of Rs 8–10 crore for the SafaiMitra Suraksha Fund for Surat and Navsari districts of Gujarat.





Ques: Which country has rolled over \$50 million government bonds of Maldives for one more year?

- A. China
- B. India
- C. USA
- D. UAE
- E. Japan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India has extended the repayment deadline of \$50 million Maldives' government bonds by one year as emergency financial assistance, at the request of the Maldives government.
- Since March 2019, India facilitates subscription of such Treasury Bills (T-Bills) via the State Bank of India (SBI), which are rolled over annually interest-free.
- This support reflects India's ongoing commitment to strengthening bilateral economic relations with the Maldives.

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Ques: Which policy did India notify in 2025 to promote clean energy through geothermal sources?

- A. National Solar Mission
- B. National Wind Energy Policy
- C. National Hydrogen Energy Policy
- D. National Bioenergy Policy
- E. National Policy on Geothermal Energy

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India notified the National Policy on Geothermal Energy in 2025 to promote clean and reliable energy.
- The policy aligns with India's commitment to achieve Net Zero emissions by 2070.
- It was issued by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) and focuses on applications like district heating, agriculture, aquaculture, and space cooling using Ground Source Heat Pumps (GSHPs).
- MNRE is the nodal agency for implementing geothermal projects; five pilot and resource assessment projects have been sanctioned in the first phase.
- The policy provides developers with exploration permits and 30-year leases, and encourages state governments to establish single-window clearance systems for faster approvals.
- India has 10 identified geothermal provinces with 381 hot springs, mapped in 16 states by the Geological Survey of India.
- The policy allows 100% FDI in the geothermal sector and encourages the establishment of Geothermal Centres of Excellence for R&D and pilot projects.
- Target: Generate 1,000 MW of geothermal power by 2030

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Ques: India will set up a Telemetry & Tracking Station in Mauritius as part of which package?

- A. \$480M package
- B. \$500M package
- C. \$620M package
- D. \$680M package
- E. \$750M package

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Under the \$680M India–Mauritius cooperation package, India will establish a Telemetry & Tracking Station in Mauritius.
- The station will enhance satellite communication, space cooperation, and maritime domain awareness, particularly near Diego Garcia, strengthening India’s strategic presence and countering growing Chinese influence.
- The project aligns with India’s Neighbourhood First Policy and its role as a security provider in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR).

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Ques: Who became the first Indian bowler to take 100 T20I wickets, achieving the milestone during India's 2025 Asia Cup match against Oman?

- A. Jasprit Bumrah
- B. Bhuvneshwar Kumar
- C. Arshdeep Singh
- D. Mohammed Shami
- E. Yuzvendra Chahal

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Arshdeep Singh became the first Indian bowler to claim 100 T20I wickets, achieving this during India's final group game of the 2025 Asia Cup against Oman.
- He dismissed Vinayak Shukla to reach the milestone in just 64 matches, making him one of the fastest globally.
- Arshdeep achieved 100 wickets in 3 years and 74 days, the second-fastest for a fast bowler after Bahrain's Rizwan Butt (2 years and 240 days).
- Comparatively, in Tests, Vinoo Mankad was the first Indian to reach 100 wickets in his 23rd Test.
- In ODIs, Kapil Dev was the first Indian to bag 100 wickets, achieving it in his 77th match in 1986.

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Ques: Which day is observed on 18 September to promote equal pay globally?

- A. International Women's Day
- B. Equal Pay Day
- C. Labour Day
- D. Human Rights Day
- E. International Workers' Day

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 6th International Equal Pay Day 2025 is observed on 18 September.
- The day was first started in 2020 to highlight the need to close the gender pay gap worldwide.
- For 2025, OECD, in collaboration with Luxembourg and Ireland, hosted a hybrid event to mark the occasion.

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Ques: What is the theme of World Patient Safety Day observed globally on September 17 by the World Health Organization?

- A. Safe surgery for all
- B. Patient safety from the start
- C. Safe care for every newborn and every child
- D. Healthcare without harm
- E. Quality care for all

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World Patient Safety Day is observed globally on 17 September by the World Health Organization (WHO) to raise awareness on patient safety and encourage actions to improve safety standards in healthcare.
- The theme for 2025 is: “Safe care for every newborn and every child”.
- The slogan of the day is: “Patient safety from the start!”

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Ques: According to NPCI data (Sept 2024 – Aug 2025), what percentage of UPI merchant payments went to debt collection agencies?

- A. 7%
- B. 9.6%
- C. 12.1%
- D. 4.6%
- E. 2.9%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Between September 2024 and August 2025, a total of ₹78.7 lakh crore was remitted via UPI to merchants across India.
- Of this, ₹9.5 lakh crore (12.1%) went to debt collection agencies, highlighting UPI's increasing role in loan repayments and investments.
- Other major UPI expenditures included groceries, petrol pumps, restaurants, utilities, and telecom, showing the versatility of UPI beyond P2P payments.

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Ques: SEBI has reintroduced incentives for mutual fund distributors to increase penetration in which regions?

- A. Top 30 cities
- B. Rural areas only
- C. Urban areas
- D. Metropolitan cities
- E. B-30 regions

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) announced the reintroduction of incentives for mutual fund (MF) distributors to increase mutual fund penetration in smaller towns and villages.
- Fund houses can now incentivize distributors for bringing in new investors from beyond the top 30 cities (B-30 regions).
- For lumpsum investments, the incentive will be 1% of the first investment made by the investor.
- For Systematic Investment Plans (SIP), the incentive will be 1% of total investments in the first year, subject to a ceiling of ₹2,000.
- This new framework replaces the earlier structure, which was valid until March 2023.
- Under the previous system, MFs could charge up to 30 basis points (bps) over and above the expense ratio for assets coming from B-30 regions.
- The B-30 programme, first introduced in 2012, was discontinued by SEBI in February 2023.





Ques: From which date will the Government route CSS funds via RBI's e-Kuber platform under the SNA SPARSH model?

- A. November 1, 2025
- B. July 1, 2025
- C. April 1, 2025
- D. January 1, 2026
- E. October 1, 2025

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Indian government will channel funds for all Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) through the Reserve Bank of India's e-Kuber platform starting from November 1, 2025.
- The reform replaces the existing system of releasing funds to state treasuries and will be implemented through the SNA SPARSH (Single Nodal Agency) model.
- Objectives include just-in-time release of funds, prevention of misuse, and reduction of interest costs by minimizing idle funds at the state level.
- The total annual budget for CSS is about ₹5 lakh crore, with 66 CSSs already notified under the SNA SPARSH model.

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Ques: According to the Mercedes-Benz Hurun India Wealth Report 2025, which state is India's richest in terms of millionaire households?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- As per the Mercedes-Benz Hurun India Wealth Report 2025, Maharashtra remains India's richest state with 1.78 lakh millionaire households, marking an increase of 194% since 2021.
- Maharashtra's growth has been driven by a 55% rise in its Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP), which reached Rs 40.50 lakh crore since 2020-21.
- Top 10 states cumulatively account for over 79% of millionaire families in India, driven by GSDP growth and business formalization in technology, finance, and industrial sectors.
- India is projected to have 871,700 millionaire families by 2025, each with a net worth of at least Rs 8.5 crore (USD 1 million), up 90% from 4.58 lakh millionaire families in 2021.
- In a survey of 150 Indian millionaires, HDFC Bank emerged as the most preferred Indian private bank, and Citibank as the top international private bank.

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Ques: Who has been chosen for the Dadasaheb Phalke Award 2023?

- A. Rajinikanth
- B. Mammootty
- C. Mohanlal
- D. Kamal Haasan
- E. Amitabh Bachchan

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Dadasaheb Phalke Award 2023 will be conferred upon Malayalam actor Mohanlal.
- The award will be presented at the 71st National Film Awards ceremony and includes a Swarna Kamal (Golden Lotus) medallion, a shawl, and a cash prize of ₹15 lakh.
- With a career spanning over four decades, Mohanlal has acted in 400+ films and was previously awarded Padma Shri (2001) and Padma Bhushan (2019).
- The Dadasaheb Phalke Award is the highest honour in Indian cinema, instituted in 1969, with the first recipient being Devika Rani.

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Ques: When and where will the inaugural season of the Archery Premier League (APL) be held?

- A. September 15-25, 2025
- B. January 10-20, 2026
- C. November 1-10, 2025
- D. December 5-15, 2025
- E. October 2-12, 2025

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Archery Association of India (AAI) launched the Archery Premier League (APL), with the inaugural season scheduled from October 2-12, 2025 at the Yamuna Sports Complex, New Delhi.
- During the event, AAI introduced the official anthem, a promotional video, and named Indian actor and filmmaker Ram Charan as the league's brand ambassador.
- The league will feature six franchise teams comprising 48 archers (36 Indians and 12 international players).
- Each team will have 8 members (4 men and 4 women), with a maximum of 2 foreign players.

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Ques: Which Indian state became the first to issue ID cards to Self-Help Group (SHG) women, and who launched the initiative?

- A. Kerala – Pinarayi Vijayan
- B. Tamil Nadu – Udhayanidhi Stalin
- C. Karnataka – Basavaraj Bommai
- D. Maharashtra – Eknath Shinde
- E. Andhra Pradesh – Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Tamil Nadu Deputy Chief Minister Udhayanidhi Stalin launched the distribution of ID cards and loans worth Rs 3,500 crore for Self-Help Group (SHG) women at Karuppur Engineering College, Salem.
- With this initiative, Tamil Nadu became the first state in India to issue ID cards to SHG women.
- SHG members can carry their products free of cost up to 100 km in government buses.
- The first women's SHGs were introduced in 1989 by former CM Kalam Karunanidhi in Dharmapuri, TN.

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Ques: Which two ministries have partnered to launch integrative rehabilitation initiatives for persons with disabilities, and what is the sanctioned fund amount?

- A. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and Ministry of AYUSH – ₹10 crore
- B. Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities and Ministry of AYUSH – ₹5.26 crore
- C. Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Ministry of AYUSH – ₹3 crore
- D. Ministry of Women & Child Development and Ministry of AYUSH – ₹7 crore
- E. Department of Disability Affairs and Ministry of Health – ₹4 crore

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities has partnered with the Ministry of AYUSH to launch integrative rehabilitation initiatives for persons with disabilities.
- A total of ₹5.26 crore has been sanctioned under the National Fund for PwDs.
- The projects will be implemented through national institutes such as:
 - National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities, Secunderabad
 - Swami Vivekanand National Institute of Rehabilitation Training and Research, Odisha
 - Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities, Mumbai
 - Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities, New Delhi

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Ques: Which new grievance category was launched by the Department of Consumer Affairs on the National Consumer Helpline (NCH) ahead of the Next-Gen GST Reforms 2025?

- A. Banking Complaints
- B. Goods and Services Tax (GST) Complaints
- C. E-commerce Complaints
- D. Consumer Durables Complaints
- E. Fast-Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) Complaints

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Department of Consumer Affairs launched a dedicated GST grievance category on the National Consumer Helpline (NCH) to address consumer complaints ahead of the Next-Gen GST Reforms 2025, effective from 22nd September 2025.
- The Integrated Grievance Redressal Mechanism (INGRAM) portal under NCH now includes this dedicated GST category.
- This category covers complaints from Automobiles, Banking, Consumer Durables, E-commerce, FMCG, and other sectors.
- Consumers can register complaints via toll-free number 1915, NCH app, web portal, WhatsApp, SMS, Email, and UMANG app.
- Complaints can be lodged in 17 Indian regional languages.

EXAM
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Ques: The Department of Fisheries signed a TCP agreement with which organization to strengthen Blue Port infrastructure in India?

- A. World Bank
- B. Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- C. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- D. International Maritime Organization (IMO)
- E. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Department of Fisheries (DoF) under MoFAHD signed a Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) agreement with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations.
- The agreement aims to strengthen Blue Port infrastructure in India, with FAO supporting strategic upgrades at Vanakbara (Diu) and Jakhau (Gujarat) ports.
- Under PMMSY, three Smart & Integrated Fishing Harbours are being developed in Gujarat, Daman & Diu, and Puducherry, with a total investment of ₹369.80 crore.

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Ques: India was elected as a member of which INTERPOL committee for the term 2025-29?

- A. Asian Committee
- B. African Committee
- C. European Committee
- D. Middle East Committee
- E. Global Security Committee

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India was elected as a member of the INTERPOL Asian Committee for the term 2025-29 during the 25th Asian Regional Conference held at the INTERPOL Global Complex for Innovation (IGCI) in Singapore.
- India was represented by a delegation from the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).
- The Committee will meet annually to review regional security issues and guide coordinated actions among 53 member countries.

About INTERPOL:

- Established: 1923
- HQ: Lyon, France
- Secretary General: Valdecy Urquiza (Brazil)

EXAM
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Ques: IIM Udaipur has signed strategic collaborations with MoSPI, NITI Aayog, and Bhashini to strengthen India's capabilities in which areas?

- A. Finance and Banking
- B. Data, Monitoring & AI Ecosystem
- C. Rural Development
- D. Health and Nutrition
- E. Infrastructure Development

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- IIM Udaipur signed strategic collaborations with the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI), National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog, and Bhashini to strengthen India's capabilities in data, monitoring & evaluation, and the Artificial Intelligence (AI) ecosystem.
- IIM Udaipur joined Bhashini under the "Anusandhan Mitra" program to develop regional hubs, strengthen datasets for under-represented languages, upskill students, and advance Indian language technologies.
- "Anusandhan Mitra" is a research partnership program under Bhashini, where top institutes like IIM Udaipur become partners to strengthen Indian language technologies and the digital ecosystem.

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Ques: Where was the Indian Coast Guard ship Adamya commissioned?

- A. Goa
- B. Mumbai
- C. Paradip, Odisha
- D. Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- E. Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Indian Coast Guard ship Adamya, the first in the Adamya-class fast patrol vessels, was commissioned at Paradip Port, Odisha.
- The 51-metre-long ship was designed and built by Goa Shipyard Limited with over 60% indigenous content, strengthening India's maritime power under the Make in India initiative.
- The ship will operate from Paradip under the Commander, Coast Guard Region (North East) through the Commander, Coast Guard District Headquarters . 7 (Odisha).

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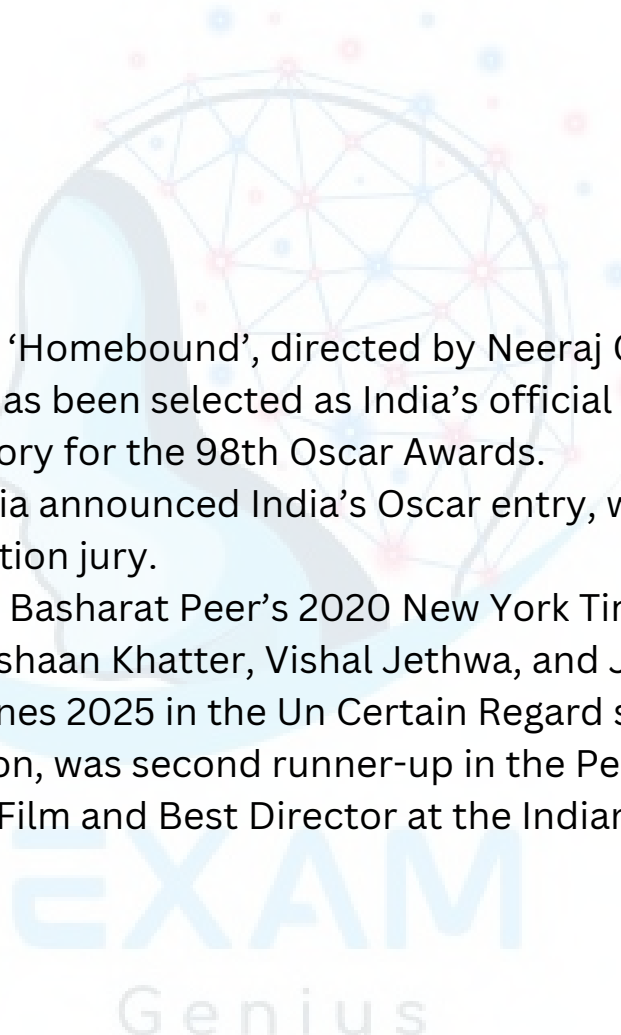
Ques: Which Hindi-language film has been selected as India's official entry for the Best International Feature category at the 98th Oscars?

- A. Ghoomer
- B. Raksha Bandhan
- C. Jawan
- D. Brahmastra
- E. Homebound

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Hindi-language drama 'Homebound', directed by Neeraj Ghaywan and produced by Karan Johar, has been selected as India's official entry in the Best International Feature category for the 98th Oscar Awards.
- The Film Federation of India announced India's Oscar entry, with N Chandra chairing a 14-member selection jury.
- Homebound is inspired by Basharat Peer's 2020 New York Times essay "Taking Amrit Home" and features Ishaan Khatter, Vishal Jethwa, and Janhvi Kapoor.
- The film premiered at Cannes 2025 in the Un Certain Regard section, receiving a nine-minute standing ovation, was second runner-up in the People's Choice category at TIFF 2025, and won Best Film and Best Director at the Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM 2025).





Ques: Which treaty, aimed at protecting marine biodiversity in the high seas, will come into force on 17 January 2026 after ratification by 60 countries?

- A. United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS)
- B. Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
- C. Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) Agreement
- D. Marine Protected Areas Treaty (MPAT)
- E. High Seas Environmental Protocol

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

The Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) Agreement, also called the High Seas Treaty, is the first legally binding international framework aimed at protecting marine biodiversity in the high seas, which covers two-thirds of the world's oceans.

The treaty focuses on:

- Establishing Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) in international waters
 - Conducting Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) for activities affecting the high seas
 - Ensuring equitable sharing of benefits from marine genetic resources
 - Facilitating scientific cooperation and capacity-building for all countries
- Sign & Ratification: Signed by 145 countries, ratified by 61 countries. Palau was the first to ratify on 22 Jan 2024, Morocco became the 60th. India signed on 25 Sep 2024 but has not ratified yet.
- The BBNJ agreement will come into force on 17 January 2026 and its implementation will be overseen by a Conference of the Parties (COP)



Ques: Who has been appointed as the Director General (DG) of the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) till 30 September 2030?

- A. Rahul Rasgotra
- B. Praveen Kumar
- C. Rajwinder Singh Bhatti
- D. Praveer Ranjan
- E. Sanjay Agarwal

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Praveen Kumar, Special Director of the Intelligence Bureau (IB), has been appointed as the Director General (DG) of ITBP.
- He replaces Rahul Rasgotra and will serve till 30 September 2030.
- Separately, Praveer Ranjan has been appointed as DG of CISF till 31 July 2029, replacing Rajwinder Singh Bhatti.

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Ques: Under the IndiaAI Mission, how many data labs will the government establish across the country?

- A. 300
- B. 400
- C. 500
- D. Over 500
- E. 1,000

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Information and Technology Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw announced that the government will establish over 500 data labs nationwide as part of the IndiaAI Mission.
- A consortium named BombayGen, led by IIT Bombay, is planning to create a suite of Indian language foundational Large Language Models (LLMs) with over 1 trillion parameters.
- The government has allocated ₹988.6 crore under the IndiaAI Mission for this project headed by IIT Bombay.

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Ques: How many Registered Unrecognised Political Parties (RUPPs) were de-listed by the Election Commission (ECI) in the second phase for not contesting elections in the last six years?

- A. 334
- B. 474
- C. 808
- D. 2,046
- E. 359

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Election Commission of India (ECI) is conducting a comprehensive and continuous strategy to clean up the electoral system.
- In the first phase, the EC de-listed 334 Registered Unrecognised Political Parties (RUPPs) on August 9.
- In the second phase, the EC de-listed 474 RUPPs on September 18 for not contesting elections continuously for six years.
- Total de-listed RUPPs in the last two months: 808 (334 + 474).
- After this de-listing, 2,046 RUPPs remain registered with the EC.
- Political parties are registered with the EC under Section 29A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951.
- The EC has also identified 359 RUPPs that failed to submit their Annual Audited Accounts for the last three financial years (2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24) and did not file Election Expenditure Reports despite contesting elections.





Ques: Who is the author of the book “The Monk Who Became Chief Minister”?

- A. Shashi Tharoor
- B. Shantanu Gupta
- C. Ramachandra Guha
- D. Vikram Sampath
- E. Ashutosh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The book “The Monk Who Became Chief Minister” is authored by Shantanu Gupta.
- It is a biography of Yogi Adityanath, the current Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, highlighting his journey from being a monk at Gorakhnath Math to becoming the CM.
- The book explains his political career, ideology, governance style, and rise in Indian politics, providing insights into his personality and leadership.

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Ques: Where will the sacred Relics of the Buddha from the National Museum, New Delhi be exhibited for the first time internationally in 2025?

- A. Bangkok, Thailand
- B. Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
- C. Hanoi, Vietnam
- D. Elista, Kalmykia Republic, Russia
- E. Lhasa, Tibet

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The sacred Relics of the Buddha from the National Museum, New Delhi will travel to Elista, the capital of Russia's Kalmykia Republic, for the First Exposition from 24-28 September 2025.
- The event is organised by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India in collaboration with the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC), National Museum, and IGNCA, during the 3rd International Buddhist Forum.
- The relics will be enshrined in the Geden Sheddup Choikorling Monastery, also called the "Golden Abode of Shakyamuni Buddha", in Elista.
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Ques: What is observed on 18th September every year, and when was it started?

- A. World Environment Day
- B. World Water Monitoring Day
- C. World Oceans Day
- D. International Youth Day
- E. World Habitat Day

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- World Water Monitoring Day (WWMD) is observed on 18th September every year to raise awareness about water quality and encourage citizen participation in monitoring water resources.
- The event was started in 2003.
- This year, 43 new Ambassadors have been selected, joined by 11 returning youth leaders continuing their impact for another year.

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Ques: When is Sign Language Day observed in India?

- A. 21 September
- B. 22 September
- C. 26 September
- D. 24 September
- E. 23 September

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC), under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MoSJE), is organizing a grand programme to celebrate Sign Language Day – 2025 on 23rd September 2025.
- The United Nations General Assembly has declared 23rd September as International Day of Sign Languages to raise awareness about the importance of sign language in realizing the human rights of people who are Deaf.
- The theme for 2025 is “No Human Rights Without Sign Language Rights”.

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Ques: What is the rate of interest on Government of India Floating Rate Bond 2033 for the period September 22, 2025 to March 21, 2026?

- A) 6.25%
- B) 6.50%
- C) 6.82%
- D) 7.10%
- E) 7.25%

Answer: Option C

Explanation

- The rate of interest on GOI Floating Rate Bond 2033 for the period 22 September 2025 to 21 March 2026 has been fixed at 6.82% per annum.
- The bond's coupon is based on the average Weighted Average Yield (WAY) of the last three 182-day T-Bill auctions, plus a fixed spread of 1.22%, ensuring the interest rate floats with market yields.

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Ques: Which bank has launched an industry-first eRUPI Person-to-Person (P2P) digital gifting feature on its UPI application?

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Bank of Baroda (BoB) launched an industry-first eRUPI P2P Digital Gifting feature on its bob i(e) Pay UPI app, using NPCI's eRUPI system.
- Vouchers can be issued for Rs. 1 to Rs. 10,000, with users allowed to send an unlimited number, subject to daily UPI transaction limits.
- Initially available for Food category, with plans to expand to other services in phases.
- Vouchers are non-transferable, and unredeemed amounts are automatically refunded to the sender.

About Bank of Baroda:

- Established: 1908
- HQ: Vadodara, Gujarat
- Tagline: India's International Bank
- MD & CEO: Debadatta Chand

EXAM
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Ques: Which company has partnered with JioBlackRock to launch India's first Systematic Active Equity fund for retail investors?

- A. Zerodha
- B. Paytm Money
- C. Groww
- D. ICICI Direct
- E. HDFC Securities

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Paytm Money partnered with JioBlackRock (a joint venture of Jio Financial Services and BlackRock) to launch JioBlackRock Flexi Cap Fund, India's first Systematic Active Equity Fund for retail investors.
- The fund's minimum investment is ₹500, which can be invested via Lumpsum or Systematic Investment Plan (SIP).
- The investment strategy combines BlackRock's AI-driven models with human expertise to identify patterns and trends in the stock market.
- It uses BlackRock's Aladdin platform for risk and portfolio management.

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Ques: Which Indian financial institutions are planning to raise funds through bond issuances this week?

- A. Power Finance Corporation (PFC)
- B. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)
- C. Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)
- D. State Bank of India (SBI)
- E. Only A, B and C

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Power Finance Corporation (PFC) plans to raise ₹3,500 crore through bonds maturing in 2 years and 20 days.
- NABARD plans to raise ₹7,000 crore via bonds maturing in 3 years 3 months and 25 days.
- SECI plans to raise ₹600 crore via bonds maturing in 10 years.
- In the first four months of the current financial year, Indian companies raised a record ₹4.07 trillion through debt issuances.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chair of the UNEP FI Principles for Sustainable Insurance (PSI) Board, becoming the first woman of Indian origin to lead the Global Sustainable Insurance Board?

- A. Amita Chaudhary
- B. Naina Lal Kidwai
- C. Shikha Sharma
- D. Arundhati Bhattacharya
- E. Chanda Kochhar

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Amita Chaudhary, Group Head of Sustainability at American International Assurance Company (one of Asia's largest life insurance companies), has been appointed as Chair of the UNEP FI Principles for Sustainable Insurance (PSI) Board.
- With this appointment, she became the first woman of Indian origin to lead the Global Sustainable Insurance Board.

About UNEP FI:

- Established in 1992, HQ in Geneva, Switzerland, headed by Eric Usher.
- PSI Board established in 2012 under UNEP FI, with up to 15 members, including a maximum of 14 senior-level officers from PSI signatory institutions.

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Ques: Flipkart India is planning to invest \$30 million in which of its fintech arms to expand into lending and stock broking?

- A. PhonePe
- B. Super.money
- C. Paytm
- D. BharatPe
- E. MobiKwik

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Walmart-backed Flipkart India is planning to invest \$30 million in its fintech arm, Super.money, to expand its operations in lending and stock broking.
- This comes after a \$20 million infusion last year, when Flipkart spun off the fintech unit into a separate entity.
- According to NPCI data, Super.money is now India's fifth-largest UPI app, handling 257 million transactions worth ₹9,290.21 crore.

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Ques: Which programme under the Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan aims to empower tribal youth through structured learning, mentorship, and career development?

- A. Adi SewaParv
- B. Adi Yuva Fellowship
- C. Adi Karmayogi Volunteers
- D. Tribal Village Vision 2030
- E. Janjatiya Gaurav Internship

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Adi Yuva Fellowship, supported by UN India, is a first-of-its-kind programme under the Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan aimed at empowering tribal youth through structured learning, mentorship, and career development.
- Selected tribal youth will undergo a 12-month paid Fellowship combining knowledge-building, on-the-job experience, and reflective practice.
- Fellows receive monthly allowances, health and life insurance, and access to high-quality UN and commercial learning platforms.
- The programme links Fellows to national skilling and employability schemes like PMKVY 4.0, NAPS, and PM Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana, ensuring pathways to long-term careers.
- The first batch of 16 Fellows will be selected competitively and placed with UN agencies at national, state, and district levels.

Genius





Ques: Which Gram Panchayat won the Gold Award at the National Awards for e-Governance 2025?

- A. West Majlishpur Gram Panchayat, Tripura
- B. Palsana Gram Panchayat, Gujarat
- C. Suakati Gram Panchayat, Odisha
- D. Rohini Gram Panchayat, Maharashtra
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Rohini Gram Panchayat from Dhule District, Maharashtra won the Gold Award at the National Awards for e-Governance 2025.
- It became the first Gram Panchayat in Maharashtra to implement a fully paperless e-Office system, offering 1,027 online services and ensuring 100% household digital literacy.

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Ques: Where did the Border Roads Organisation's Project Vijayak celebrate its 15th Raising Day on September 21, 2025?

- A. Leh, Ladakh
- B. Jammu
- C. Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir
- D. Himachal Pradesh
- E. Kargil, Ladakh

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Project Vijayak of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) celebrated its 15th Raising Day at Kargil, Ladakh on September 21, 2025, as it entered its 16th year, expanding infrastructure projects worth over ₹1,200 crore.
- Raised in 2010, Project Vijayak connects Ladakh's remote valleys and forward areas with the national mainstream while supporting operational requirements of the Armed Forces.

Over the last 15 years, the Project has:

- Built and maintained more than 1,400 km of roads and 80 major bridges across Ladakh.
- Achieved the reopening of the strategic Zojila Pass within 31 days of its winter closure in April 2025, an unprecedented feat in high-altitude connectivity.



Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of Coal India Limited (CIL), replacing Polavarapu Mallikharjuna Prasad?

- A. B Sairam
- B. Prashant Kumar
- C. Anil Kumar
- D. R.K. Sharma
- E. S.K. Singh

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- B Sairam has been appointed as the Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of Coal India Limited (CIL), replacing Polavarapu Mallikharjuna (P.M.) Prasad.
- He has been serving as the CMD of Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL) since March 2024.

EXAM
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Ques: Who released the Guidebook on Mapping of HSN Codes prepared by DPIIT?

- A) Nirmala Sitharaman
- B) Piyush Goyal
- C) Hardeep Singh Puri
- D) Rajnath Singh
- E) Amit Shah

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal, released the Guidebook on Mapping of HSN Codes prepared by DPIIT.
- The Guidebook allocates 12,167 HSN Codes to 31 Ministries and Departments of the Government of India.
- It aims to promote a data-driven approach for manufacturing growth, investment promotion, trade facilitation, and regulatory streamlining, supporting India's industrial development under Viksit Bharat @2047 vision.

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Ques: Who launched the upgraded Portal Logistics Data Bank (LDB) 2.0 to enhance real-time logistics tracking in India?

- A. Piyush Goyal
- B. Ashwini Vaishnaw
- C. Nirmala Sitharaman
- D. Sarbananda Sonowal
- E. Amit Shah

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Portal Logistics Data Bank (LDB) 2.0 was launched by Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Shri Piyush Goyal.
- It has been developed by NICDC Logistics Data Services (NLDSL) to provide real-time data tracking, multi-modal visibility, and high-seas container monitoring.
- The platform is aligned with Viksit Bharat 2047, supporting India's vision for a world-class logistics ecosystem.
- Earlier, LDB 1.0 was launched in 2016 at Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Mumbai, marking the first step toward digitalizing India's logistics sector.

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Ques: The Cabinet approved which CSIR/DSIR scheme with an outlay of Rs. 2277.39 crore for 2021-22 to 2025-26 to strengthen research capacity and human resource development in India?

- A. Innovation and Startups Promotion Scheme
- B. Capacity Building and Human Resource Development Scheme
- C. National Science and Technology Fellowship Scheme
- D. Research Infrastructure Development Scheme
- E. Technology Commercialization and Incubation Scheme

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Cabinet, chaired by PM Shri Narendra Modi, approved the DSIR/CSIR Scheme on Capacity Building and Human Resource Development with a total outlay of Rs. 2277.39 crore for the Fifteenth Finance Commission Cycle (2021-22 to 2025-26).
- The scheme will be implemented by CSIR and will cover all R&D institutions, national laboratories, Institutes of National Importance, Institutes of Eminence, and universities across India.
- It supports thousands of research scholars and scientists, enhancing outputs that contribute to India's Science & Technology achievements.
- Sub-schemes under CBHRD include Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellowships, Extramural Research Scheme, Emeritus Scientist Scheme, Bhatnagar Fellowship Programme, Promotion and Recognition of Excellence through the Award Scheme, and Knowledge sharing through Travel and Symposia Grant Scheme.

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Ques: Which state won the ‘Best State Award’ under the ‘Mera Resham-Mera Abhiman’ programme at the 76th Central Silk Board (CSB) Foundation Day?

- A. Karnataka
- B. Telangana
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Assam
- E. Andhra Pradesh

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Andhra Pradesh (AP) won the ‘Best State Award’ under the ‘Mera Resham-Mera Abhiman’ programme.
- The award was presented during the 76th Central Silk Board (CSB) Foundation Day celebration held on 20th September in Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- It was presented by Padmini Singla, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles (MoT).
- Earlier, the sericulture department of Andhra Pradesh also won the ‘Best Tableau Award’ during the Independence Day celebrations in August 2025.

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Ques: Who recently became India's second-highest wicket-taker in T20Is?

- A) Yuzvendra Chahal
- B) Arshdeep Singh
- C) Hardik Pandya
- D) Bhuvneshwar Kumar
- E) Jasprit Bumrah

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Hardik Pandya went past Yuzvendra Chahal's tally of 96 wickets during the Asia Cup Super Four match against Pakistan.
- Hardik now has 97 wickets in 118 matches, making him India's second-highest wicket-taker in T20Is, just three wickets behind Arshdeep Singh.

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Ques: Which initiative launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is envisaged as the world's largest Tribal Leadership Movement?

- A. Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan
- B. Van Dhan Yojana
- C. Tribal Health Initiative
- D. Eklavya Leadership Programme
- E. Janjatiya Gaurav Abhiyan

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan is launched as the world's largest Tribal Leadership Movement to empower tribal youth across India to become leaders, innovators, entrepreneurs, and agents of social transformation.
- This initiative is part of the ongoing Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh (15 Nov 2024 – 15 Nov 2025).
- Adi Karmayogi Student Chapters have been inaugurated at premier institutions like IITs, IIMs, AIIMS, NITs, and other top universities, with Bhagwan Birsa Munda Cell at IIT Delhi serving as the nodal hub.
- The programme aims to foster leadership, innovation, entrepreneurship, and social development among tribal students nationwide.

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Ques: Who launched the Industrial Park Rating System (IPRS) 3.0 to enhance India's industrial infrastructure and competitiveness?

- A. Nirmala Sitharaman
- B. Rajnath Singh
- C. Piyush Goyal
- D. Amit Shah
- E. Ashwini Vaishnaw

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal, launched the Industrial Park Rating System (IPRS) 3.0 in New Delhi.
- It has been developed by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) with support from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to strengthen India's industrial ecosystem and improve industrial infrastructure competitiveness.
- IPRS 3.0 builds on earlier phases – the pilot phase in 2018 and IPRS 2.0 in 2021 – and introduces new parameters like sustainability, green infrastructure, logistics connectivity, digitalization, skill linkages, and enhanced tenant feedback.
- Under IPRS 3.0, industrial parks will be categorized as Leaders, Challengers, and Aspirers based on performance across key indicators.

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Ques: The Ministry of Rural Development signed an MoU with NIRD&PR and SRLMs of which states for strengthening interventions under DAY-NRLM?

- A. Maharashtra, Gujarat, UP, MP
- B. Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Telangana
- C. Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Punjab, Haryana
- D. Rajasthan, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Assam
- E. West Bengal, Himachal Pradesh, Goa, Tripura

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- On 19th September 2025, the Ministry of Rural Development signed five MoUs with NIRD&PR, Hyderabad and the State Rural Livelihood Missions (SRLMs) of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, and Telangana.
- The MoUs aim to strengthen the implementation of DAY-NRLM by focusing on capacity building, leadership training, documenting best practices, promoting digital innovations, enhancing livelihood opportunities, and deepening social inclusion.
- The LokOS digital platform will be used to enhance SHG operations, ensure accountability, and promote financial integration for self-reliant rural communities.

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Ques: What is celebrated on the 3rd Saturday of September, which falls on 20th September 2025 this year?

- A. International Red Panda Day (IRPD)
- B. World Elephant Day
- C. World Tiger Day
- D. International Snow Leopard Day
- E. World Wildlife Day

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- International Red Panda Day (IRPD) is observed on the 3rd Saturday of September, which is 20th September 2025 this year.
- The day was started in 2010 by the Red Panda Network to raise awareness about the conservation of red pandas.
- The Red Panda is listed as 'Endangered' on the IUCN Red List.
- It is also the state animal of Sikkim and protected under Schedule I of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

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Ques: Hero Future Energies secured ₹1,024 crore funding from SBI for a hybrid project in which state?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Gujarat
- D. Tamil Nadu
- E. Karnataka

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Hero Future Energies (HFE), the renewable energy arm of Hero Group, secured ₹1,024 crore funding from SBI for a 60 MW Hybrid Peak Power Project in Kurnool district, Andhra Pradesh.
- The project combines solar, wind, and storage technologies and is contracted with Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI).
- Financing is structured through SPV – Clean Solar Power Barmer, with repayment spread over 21 years to ensure timely completion.
- HFE is backed by global investors like IFC and KKR, strengthening India's renewable energy infrastructure and supporting long-term energy security.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new CFO of IndusInd Bank?

- A. Viral Damania
- B. Santosh Kumar
- C. Gobind Jain
- D. Sunil Mehta
- E. Rakesh Sharma

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Viral Damania has been appointed as the new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of IndusInd Bank.
- He brings over 27 years of experience, having earlier served as the CFO of Bank of America India.
- With this appointment, the additional responsibilities of Santosh Kumar as Special Officer-Finance & Accounts cease immediately, though he will continue as Deputy CFO.
- The former CFO Gobind Jain had resigned earlier this year citing personal reasons.

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Ques: What is the objective of the BOI Trade Easy digital platform launched by Bank of India for MSMEs?

- A. To provide long-term loans to large corporations
- B. To disburse Rs.1,000 crore in working capital loans to MSMEs within 4–6 months
- C. To offer free financial advisory services to startups
- D. To provide grants for MSME infrastructure development
- E. To invest in foreign markets for MSME growth

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- BOI Trade Easy is a digital credit platform launched by Bank of India in partnership with Cashinvoice, aimed at providing instant working capital loans to Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) within 30 minutes of application.
- The objective is to disburse Rs.1,000 crore in working capital loans within the next four to six months, reaching over 200,000 MSMEs nationwide.

EXAM
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Ques: Who formally launched the Goods and Services Tax Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT) in New Delhi?

- A) Piyush Goyal
- B) Nirmala Sitharaman
- C) Amit Shah
- D) Rajnath Singh
- E) S. Jaishankar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, formally launched the Goods and Services Tax Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT) in New Delhi.
- President of GSTAT, Justice Shri Sanjaya Kumar Mishra, was also present during the launch event.
- A GSTAT e-Courts Portal was also unveiled, developed by GST Network (GSTN) in collaboration with National Informatics Centre (NIC).
- GSTAT is a statutory appellate body established under GST laws to hear appeals against GST Appellate Authority orders, providing taxpayers with an independent forum for justice.
- The Tribunal will function through a Principal Bench in New Delhi and 31 State Benches across 45 locations to ensure nationwide accessibility.



Ques: Which company recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Labour & Employment to enhance employment opportunities on the National Career Service (NCS) Portal?

- A) Amazon
- B) Swiggy
- C) Quikr Jobs
- D) Rapido
- E) Zepto

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Labour & Employment recently signed an MoU with Zepto to enhance employment opportunities and youth employability through the National Career Service (NCS) Portal.
- The NCS platform serves as a unique bridge between employers and job-seekers, with over 52 lakh registered employers and nearly 7.5 crore mobilized vacancies since inception.
- Over the past year, the Ministry has also signed MoUs with other organizations such as Amazon, Swiggy, Rapido, and Quikr Jobs.

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Ques: How many vessels are currently under construction for the Indian Navy?

- A. 25
- B. 40
- C. 54
- D. 100
- E. 60

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Indian Navy is undertaking its largest-ever shipbuilding programme with 54 vessels under construction in Indian shipyards.
- All 54 vessels are expected to join the fleet by 2030, strengthening India's naval capabilities.
- India aims to expand naval strength to 200+ warships and submarines by 2035 and 230 by 2037, supporting maritime security and the SAGAR vision.
- The Navy has transformed from a "Buyer's Navy" to a "Builder's Navy," highlighting significant domestic shipbuilding capabilities.

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Ques: After the sanction of 25 lakh additional LPG connections under PMUY in FY 2025–26, the total number of PMUY connections will reach how many?

- A. 9.85 crore
- B. 10.25 crore
- C. 10.58 crore
- D. 11.00 crore
- E. 10.75 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoPNG) sanctioned 25 lakh additional LPG connections under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) for FY 2025–26.
- With this addition, the total number of PMUY connections rises to 10.58 crore.
- The government approved ₹676 crore for the scheme, which includes:

₹512.5 crore for 25 lakh deposit-free connections @ ₹2,050 per connection.

₹160 crore for targeted subsidy of ₹300 per 14.2 kg LPG cylinder (up to 9 refills per year, proportionate for 5 kg cylinders).

₹3.5 crore for project management and administrative expenses.

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Ques: Which initiative marked its 10th anniversary with the release of India's first-ever coloured Rs.100 commemorative coin by Union Minister Piyush Goyal?

- A. Digital India
- B. Make in India
- C. Startup India
- D. Skill India
- E. Vocal for Local

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister Piyush Goyal, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, released India's first-ever coloured commemorative coin of ₹100 to mark the 10th anniversary of the Make in India initiative.
- The Rs.100 commemorative coin weighs 35 gram, measures 44 millimeter in diameter, and is made of a quaternary alloy (50% silver, 40% copper, 5% nickel, 5% zinc) with 200 serrations.
- Obverse: Lion Capital of Ashoka with "Satyamev Jayate" below; periphery shows "India" and the Rs.100 denomination with Rupee symbol.
- Reverse: 'Make in India' emblem, a lion made of industrial tools, symbolizing manufacturing and innovation.

About Make in India:

- Launched: 25th September, 2014
- Implemented by: Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I)
- Aims : to facilitate investment, foster innovation, build best in class infrastructure, and make India a hub for manufacturing, design, and innovation
- 4 foundational pillars : 1. New Processes 2. New Infrastructure 3. New Sectors 4. New Mindset
- Focuses on : 27 sectors under Make in India 2.0 (15 – manufacturing sectors and 12 – service sectors)
- Between 2014 and 2024, India received USD 667 billion (bn) in Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)





- India has also made significant progress in ease of doing business, rising from 142nd in 2014 to 63rd in the World Bank's Doing Business Report (WB-DBR) 2020



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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Deputy Prime Minister, Justice Secretary, and Lord Chancellor of the United Kingdom in 2025?

- A. Angela Rayner
- B. David Lammy
- C. Yvette Cooper
- D. Shabana Mahmood
- E. Rishi Sunak

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- David Lammy has been appointed as Deputy Prime Minister, Justice Secretary, and Lord Chancellor following the sudden resignation of Angela Rayner amid a tax scandal.
- He became the first black person to hold this role in the UK.

Other key cabinet shifts include:

- Yvette Cooper, previously Home Secretary, became Foreign Secretary.
- Shabana Mahmood was elevated to Home Secretary.

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Ques: Which summit, anchored by the Ministry of Jal Shakti and coordinated by NITI Aayog, focuses on water management?

- A. Swachh Bharat Summit
- B. Sujalam Bharat Summit
- C. Jal Jeevan Mission Summit
- D. National Water Innovation Summit
- E. Aqua India Summit

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Sujalam Bharat Summit has been conceptualized as one of a series of six Departmental Summits to gather feedback on national and state-level policy implementation.
- It is anchored by the Ministry of Jal Shakti and coordinated by NITI Aayog, with a primary focus on water management.
- As part of the summit, the Central Water Commission organized a virtual workshop on the theme "Technology for Efficient Water Management".

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Ques: Which academic institutions have recently been added as partners to the “Goldman Sachs 10,000 Women” Programme in India?

- A. IIM Bangalore & IIM Calcutta
- B. IIM Ahmedabad & IIM Lucknow
- C. IIM Kozhikode & IIM Indore
- D. IIM Shillong & IIM Udaipur
- E. IIM Rohtak & IIM Trichy

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Goldman Sachs added IIM Ahmedabad and IIM Lucknow Enterprise Incubation Centre (IIM-L EIC) as new academic partners for the “Goldman Sachs 10,000 Women” Programme.
- Nadathur S Raghavan Centre for Entrepreneurial Learning, IIM Bangalore has been a partner since 2008.
- The initiative aims to graduate 1,000 women entrepreneurs in 2026 and increase participants from 3,800 to 10,000 by 2033, supporting the Government of India’s “Viksit Bharat 2047” vision for women’s economic empowerment.

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Ques: Who was awarded the 'Living Bridge' honour in 2025 for his pivotal role in strengthening India-UK relations and concluding the India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA)?

- A. Keir Starmer
- B. Rishi Sunak
- C. GP Hinduja
- D. Bina Mehta
- E. Seema Malhotra

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- British Prime Minister Keir Starmer was awarded the 'Living Bridge' honour by the India Business Group (IBG).
- He was recognised for his key role in fostering deeper India-UK relations and successfully concluding the long-awaited India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA).
- The award was presented at a ceremony in the House of Lords, London, and received on his behalf by Seema Malhotra, Britain's Indian-origin Minister for the Indo-Pacific in the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO).

Other 2025 awardees included:

- GMR Group (India-based multinational conglomerate)
- GP Hinduja (British-Indian businessman)
- Bina Mehta (Chair, KPMG UK)
- University of Southampton



Ques: How many days' wages have been approved by the Union Cabinet as Productivity Linked Bonus (PLB) for railway employees in 2025?

- A) 60 days
- B) 70 days
- C) 75 days
- D) 78 days
- E) 80 days

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the payment of Productivity Linked Bonus (PLB) for railway employees.
- A total of 78 days' wages, amounting to ₹1,865.68 crore, will be given to 10,91,146 non-gazetted railway employees.
- The maximum payable amount per eligible employee is ₹17,951.
- This bonus is paid every year before the Durga Puja/Dussehra holidays as a festival gesture.

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Ques: Which country became the first to commit \$1 billion to the Tropical Forests Forever Facility?

- A. India
- B. Brazil
- C. Indonesia
- D. Norway
- E. Australia

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Brazil, under the leadership of President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, became the first country to contribute \$1 billion to the Tropical Forests Forever Facility.
- The facility is a multilateral funding mechanism to support the conservation of endangered tropical forests.
- The initiative aims at sustainable development, biodiversity protection, and climate action.

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Ques: Which core industry has the highest weight in the Index of Eight Core Industries (ICI)?

- A. Steel
- B. Petroleum Refinery Products
- C. Electricity
- D. Coal
- E. Cement

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Index of Eight Core Industries (ICI) measures the combined and individual performance of eight key sectors: Coal, Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Refinery Products, Fertilizers, Steel, Cement, and Electricity. These industries together account for 40.27% weight in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).
- Among these, Petroleum Refinery Products carry the highest weight of 28.04%, reflecting their critical role in India's industrial and energy sectors.
- Fertilizers have the lowest weight at 2.63%, as their contribution to overall industrial output is smaller.
- Hence, performance in petroleum refineries significantly influences the overall growth of the ICI.

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Ques: Which two flagship initiatives were launched by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment to promote community-based elderly care and senior citizens' well-being?

- A. Vriddha Mitra Toolkit & Shrinkhala Talk Series
- B. Senior Citizens Pension Scheme & Elder Care App
- C. Ayush Senior Wellness Program & Golden Age Fellowship
- D. Community Health Worker Training & Ageing Support Portal
- E. Elderly Digital Literacy & Social Inclusion Program

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Union Minister Dr. Virendra Kumar Khatik, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, launched the Vriddha Mitra Toolkit under the SAHAJ program and the 2nd edition of Shrinkhala Talk Series to strengthen elderly care and promote senior citizens' well-being.
- Vriddha Mitra Toolkit is a comprehensive, user-friendly resource developed by SCHOOL (Society of Community Health Oriented Operational Links) to support community-based elder-care, aligned with SDG 3 – Good Health and Wellbeing.
- SAHAJ Program (launched in 2024) encourages active participation of senior citizens in community-based elder care.

EXAM
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Ques: Which institute inaugurated the Analytical Skills Development Course (ASDC) in collaboration with OPCW, The Netherlands?

- A. Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
- B. Institute of Pesticide Formulation Technology (IPFT), Gurugram
- C. Central Drug Research Institute (CDRI), Lucknow
- D. National Institute of Plant Health Management (NIPHM), Hyderabad
- E. Central Institute of Chemical Technology (CICT), Mumbai

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Institute of Pesticide Formulation Technology (IPFT), Gurugram inaugurated the Analytical Skills Development Course (ASDC).
- The programme is organized from 22nd September to 3rd October 2025, in collaboration with OPCW, The Netherlands.
- The course brings together 16 international participants from 14 countries, including developing and transition economies like Burundi, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Philippines, Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Zambia, Lesotho, Morocco, Oman, Brazil, Malawi, and Barbados.

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Ques: Who became the fastest Indian to score an ODI century in both men's and women's cricket, achieving the milestone in just 50 balls against Australia?

- A. Smriti Mandhana
- B. Harmanpreet Kaur
- C. Meg Lanning
- D. Mithali Raj
- E. Virat Kohli

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- On 20th September 2025, during the third ODI against Australia at Arun Jaitley Stadium, New Delhi, Smriti Mandhana scored a century in just 50 balls, setting a new Indian record.
- She broke Virat Kohli's record of 52 balls against Australia in 2013.
- Mandhana became the fastest Indian to score an ODI century across both men's and women's cricket.
- Her century is now the second-fastest in women's ODI history, behind Meg Lanning's 45-ball century against New Zealand.

Top 3 fastest centuries in women's ODIs (by balls faced):

- 45 balls: Meg Lanning vs New Zealand, 2012
- 50 balls: Smriti Mandhana vs Australia, 2025
- 57 balls: Karen Rolton vs South Africa, 2000



Top 3 Most centuries in women's ODIs :

- Meg Lanning (Australia) : 15 centuries
- Suzie Bates (New Zealand)) : 13 centuries
- Smriti Mandhana : 13 centuries



EXAM
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Ques: As of September 2025, how many defence pensioners are onboarded on SPARSH?

- A. 20.17 lakh
- B. 31.54 lakh
- C. 48 lakh
- D. 15.76 lakh
- E. 6.43 lakh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- As of September 2025, 31.54 lakh defence pensioners across India and Nepal are onboarded on SPARSH, ensuring efficient and transparent pension administration.
- SPARSH has resolved 87% of legacy pension cases, reduced average disposal time from 56 days to 20 days, and disbursed pensions in real-time, including under OROP-III.
- With 202 DAD offices, 4.63 lakh CSCs, and 5,200+ bank branches acting as SPARSH Service Centers, it is the world's largest pension system.

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Ques: By which year is the government targeting to increase 5,000 PG seats and 5,023 MBBS seats in government medical institutions under the newly approved CSS scheme?

- A) 2028-2029
- B) 2027-2028
- C) 2026-2027
- D) 2029-2030
- E) 2030-2031

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet approved Phase-III of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) to upgrade state and central government medical colleges, standalone PG institutes, and government hospitals.
- The scheme aims to add 5,000 PG seats and 5,023 MBBS seats in government institutions by 2028-2029.
- The enhanced cost ceiling per seat has been set at ₹1.50 crore.
- Total financial outlay is ₹15,034.50 crore, with the central share at ₹10,303.20 crore and state share at ₹4,731.30 crore.
- India currently has 808 medical colleges, the highest globally, with a total intake of 1,23,700 MBBS seats.

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Ques: Which two institutions launched the Quick Response-based Unified Payments Interface (UPI) for Indian travelers in Qatar?

- A. NPCI International Payments Limited & Qatar National Bank
- B. Reserve Bank of India & State Bank of India
- C. Paytm & Qatar National Bank
- D. NPCI International Payments Limited & Emirates NBD
- E. Visa & Mastercard

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- On February 25, 2025, NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL) and Qatar National Bank (QNB) launched the Quick Response-based UPI for Indian travelers in Qatar.
- The UPI service was first made live for merchants at Qatar Duty Free, Hamad International Airport, Doha.
- Qatar became the 8th country to integrate UPI after Bhutan, France, Mauritius, Nepal, Singapore, Sri Lanka, and the UAE.
- QNB is the first bank in Qatar to enable UPI acceptance, with payments processed at POS terminals powered by Japanese payment aggregator NETSTARS.

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Ques: Recently, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) increased its stake in Yes Bank to what percentage?

- A. 20%
- B. 22%
- C. 24.22%
- D. 26%
- E. 23%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) of Japan acquired an additional 4.22% stake in Yes Bank, raising its shareholding from 20% to 24.22%.
- SMBC bought 132.39 crore shares through an off-market sale on 22nd September 2025.
- After this acquisition, SMBC's total holding in Yes Bank reached 759.51 crore shares.

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Ques: From when will the RBI's "Authentication Mechanisms for Digital Payment Transactions" Directions, 2025, come into force, mandating two-factor authentication for all digital payments in India?

- A. 1 April 2025
- B. 1 April 2026
- C. 1 October 2025
- D. 1 October 2026
- E. 1 January 2026

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The RBI has finalized the "Authentication Mechanisms for Digital Payment Transactions" Directions, 2025, which will come into force from 1 April 2026.
- Under these guidelines, all digital payments in India must satisfy two-factor authentication (2FA).
- At least one authentication factor must be dynamic, i.e., unique or changing for each transaction (e.g., OTP).
- For non-recurring, cross-border card-not-present transactions, issuers must validate the Additional Factor of Authentication (AFA) when requested by overseas merchants, to be implemented by 1 October 2026.

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Ques: What is the Government of India's projected gross market borrowing for FY26?

- A. ₹13.50 lakh crore
- B. ₹14.01 lakh crore
- C. ₹14.82 lakh crore
- D. ₹15.00 lakh crore
- E. ₹16.20 lakh crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Government of India announced gross bond issuance of ₹14.82 lakh crore for FY26, which will remain unchanged for the second half of the year.
- Of this, ₹8 lakh crore is planned for the first half (April–September 2025) and ₹6.82 lakh crore for the second half (October–March 2026).
- In comparison, gross borrowing in FY25 was ₹14.01 lakh crore.
- The fiscal deficit projection for FY26 has been set at 4.4% of GDP.

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Ques: Which institution reaffirmed its dedication to global best practices in the foreign exchange market by renewing its Statement of Commitment to the FX Global Code?

- A. Reserve Bank of India
- B. Securities and Exchange Board of India
- C. Ministry of Finance
- D. International Monetary Fund
- E. State Bank of India

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- On September 2025, the Reserve Bank of India renewed its Statement of Commitment (SoC) to the FX Global Code, reaffirming its adherence to global best practices in the foreign exchange market.
- As per the SoC, RBI acts as a Market Participant as defined by the Code and is committed to conducting its FX market activities according to the Code's principles.
- The FX Global Code is a set of international principles of good practice, first published in 2017 under a strategic partnership between central banks and market participants worldwide.
- The Global Foreign Exchange Committee (GFXC), responsible for promotion and maintenance of the Code, reviewed it for the first time in July 2021 and later in December 2024.

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Ques: According to OECD, what is India's FY26 growth forecast?

- A. 6.2%
- B. 6.3%
- C. 6.5%
- D. 6.7%
- E. 7.0%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The OECD revised India's FY26 GDP growth forecast upward from 6.3% to 6.7%, citing GST reforms, fiscal easing, and strong domestic demand.
- It also highlighted risks from higher tariffs and potential pressure on the export sector.
- Global agencies like S&P Global, IMF, and World Bank kept their FY26 growth forecasts largely unchanged at 6.5%, 6.2%, and 6.3%, respectively.

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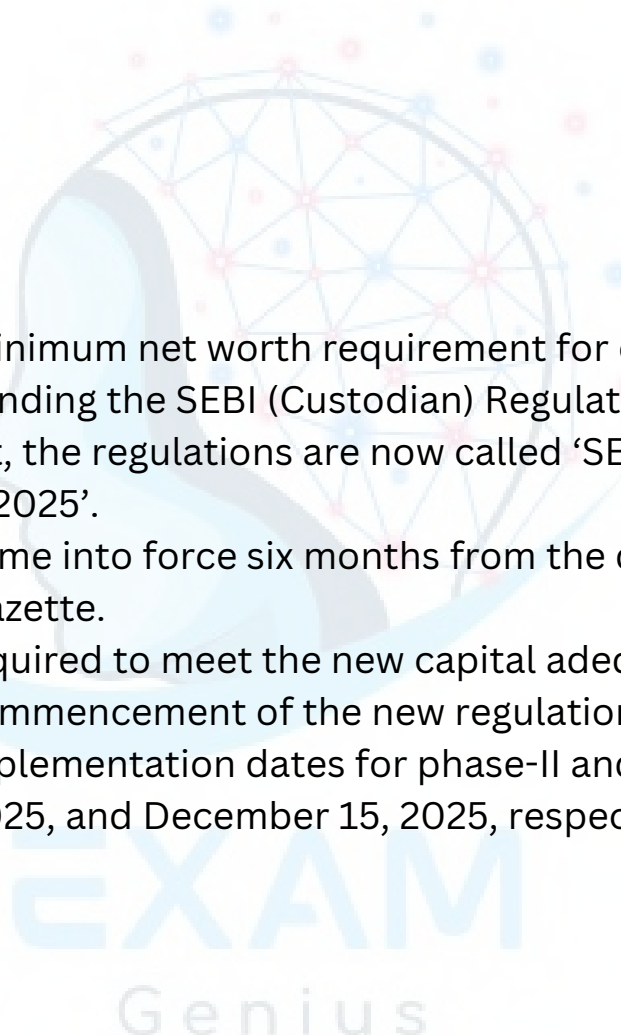
Ques: Which regulator increased the minimum net worth requirement for custodians from Rs 50 crore to Rs 75 crore in 2025?

- A. Reserve Bank of India
- B. Securities and Exchange Board of India
- C. Ministry of Finance
- D. National Stock Exchange
- E. State Bank of India

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- In 2025, SEBI raised the minimum net worth requirement for custodians from Rs 50 crore to Rs 75 crore by amending the SEBI (Custodian) Regulations, 1996.
- Following this amendment, the regulations are now called 'SEBI (Custodian) (Amendment) Regulations, 2025'.
- The new provisions will come into force six months from the date of their publication in the official gazette.
- Existing custodians are required to meet the new capital adequacy requirement within three years of the commencement of the new regulations.
- SEBI also extended the implementation dates for phase-II and phase-III of the framework to August 08, 2025, and December 15, 2025, respectively.





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairman of Piramal Finance following the recent merger of Piramal Enterprises?

- A. Anand Piramal
- B. Ajay Piramal
- C. Jairam Sridharan
- D. Shikha Sharma
- E. Uday Kotak

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Anand Piramal has been appointed as the Chairman of Piramal Finance, replacing his father, Ajay Piramal, following the recent merger of Piramal Enterprises.
- Jairam Sridharan has been appointed as the MD & CEO of Piramal Finance.
- Shikha Sharma, former MD & CEO of Axis Bank, has been appointed as a Non-Executive Director of Piramal Finance.

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Ques: Which ministry signed an agreement with the WHO to co-host the 2nd WHO Global Summit on Traditional Medicine in New Delhi?

- A. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- B. Ministry of AYUSH
- C. Ministry of Science and Technology
- D. Ministry of External Affairs
- E. Ministry of Education

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Ministry of AYUSH has signed an agreement with the World Health Organization (WHO) to co-host the 2nd WHO Global Summit on Traditional Medicine.
- The Summit will be held in New Delhi from December 17 to 19, 2025.
- The theme of the summit is “Restoring balance for people and planet: The science and practice of well-being”.

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Ques: Under the Mukhya Mantri Mahila Rozgar Yojana in Bihar, how much amount will each eligible woman receive initially?

- A. ₹5,000
- B. ₹10,000
- C. ₹25,000
- D. ₹2,00,000
- E. ₹1,00,000

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- PM Modi will transfer ₹7,500 crore as the first instalment under the Mukhya Mantri Mahila Rozgar Yojana, giving ₹10,000 each to 75 lakh women in Bihar through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).
- The scheme aims at employment generation for rural women, economic empowerment, and strengthening Bihar's economy.
- After a 6-month performance review, eligible women entrepreneurs will receive an additional ₹2 lakh grant.
- The initial ₹10,000 assistance will not have to be returned.

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Ques: Under the WAVES initiative, how many new incubation centres were launched by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to support AVGC and XR startups?

- A. 5
- B. 6
- C. 7
- D. 8
- E. 10

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (MIB) expanded its startup accelerator WaveX by launching seven new incubation centres under the WAVES (World Audio Visual & Entertainment Summit) initiative.
- These centres are focused on supporting startups in the AVGC (Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics) and XR (Extended Reality) sectors.
- In the first phase, each centre will select 15 startups for incubation, with a monthly fee of ₹8,500 + GST per startup.
- Preference will be given to startups in the Media-Entertainment and AVGC-XR domains.

Locations of the seven centres:

- Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC): Delhi, Jammu, Dhenkanal (Odisha), Kottayam (Kerala), Amravati (Maharashtra)
- Film and Television Institute of India (FTII): Pune, Maharashtra
- Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute (SRFTI): Kolkata



Ques: Which aerospace startup launched India's first large-format 3D printing facility for rocket systems at IIT-Madras Research Park?

- A. Agnikul Cosmos Private Limited
- B. Skyroot Aerospace
- C. ISRO
- D. Astrogate Labs
- E. TeamIndus

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Agnikul Cosmos Private Limited launched India's first large-format 3D printing facility for rocket systems at IIT-Madras Research Park in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- The facility enables printing rocket components in 3D up to one metre tall, a first in India.
- It enhances quality, reliability, and supply chain resilience while reducing manufacturing costs by 50%.

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Ques: Which company did the Ministry of Defence sign a ₹62,370 crore deal with for the procurement of 97 Tejas Mark-1A fighter jets for the Indian Air Force?

- A. Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd
- B. Bharat Electronics Limited
- C. DRDO
- D. Lockheed Martin
- E. Boeing

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Defence signed a ₹62,370 crore deal with Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd (HAL) for the procurement of 97 Tejas Mark-1A fighter jets for the Indian Air Force.
- This order includes 68 single-seat fighters and 29 twin-seat trainers along with associated equipment.
- It is the second procurement of indigenous LCA Mark-1A fighters, after a February 2021 order of 83 aircraft worth around ₹48,000 crore.
- The IAF has now placed orders for over 180 Tejas aircraft in total.
- “Tejas,” meaning “brilliance” in Hindi, was first inducted into the IAF in July 2016 as a single-engine, lightweight multi-role fighter designed to replace the MiG-21.

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Ques: The recently approved 2,200 MW Oju Hydroelectric Project is proposed on which river?

- A. Teesta River
- B. Dibang River
- C. Brahmaputra River
- D. Lohit River
- E. Subansiri River

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Oju Hydel Project (2,200 MW) is proposed on the Subansiri River in Arunachal Pradesh near the China border.
- It will be the largest hydel project in the Subansiri basin, comprising a 2,100 MW main plant and a 120 MW dam-toe plant.
- The project requires diversion of around 750 hectares of forest land, submergence of 43 hectares, and will displace 9 families.

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Ques: Which missile was successfully test-launched by DRDO from a rail-based mobile launcher off the coast of Odisha?

- A. Akash
- B. Agni-V
- C. Prithvi-II
- D. BrahMos
- E. Agni-P

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), in partnership with the Strategic Forces Command, successfully conducted the test launch of the next-generation Intermediate Range Agni-Prime (Agni-P) missile from a Rail-Based Mobile Launcher at Abdul Kalam Island, off the Odisha coast.
- Agni-P has a maximum strike range of 2,000 kilometers.
- It is the 6th variant of the Agni series missiles developed under the Integrated Guided Missile Development Program.
- The missile is 10.5 metres tall, 1.2 metres in diameter, and can carry warheads weighing up to 1.5 tonnes.

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Ques: Why did the International Cricket Council (ICC) suspend USA Cricket's membership with immediate effect?

- A. Financial irregularities
- B. Governance and compliance failures
- C. Poor on-field performance
- D. Match-fixing allegations
- E. Lack of players

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has suspended USA Cricket's membership with immediate effect due to governance and compliance failures.
- The decision came after prolonged concerns about USA Cricket's ability to function as a responsible ICC member, especially ahead of cricket's return to the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics.
- ICC had first warned USA Cricket in 2024, giving them 12 months to fix governance issues.
- Even after assurances in July 2025, the issues continued, forcing ICC to suspend the membership.
- ICC will now appoint a Normalization Committee to monitor progress and define steps for USA Cricket's reinstatement.





Ques: Swiggy sold its entire 12% stake in Rapido to which investors for ₹2,399 crore?

- A. SoftBank and Sequoia
- B. Prosus and Westbridge Capital
- C. Accel and Tiger Global
- D. Blackstone and KKR
- E. Temasek and Carlyle

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- On 23rd September 2025, Swiggy sold its 12% stake in Rapido for ₹2,399 crore to existing investors Prosus and Westbridge Capital.
- Prosus acquired shares worth ₹1,968 crore (\$223 million), while Westbridge Capital bought shares worth ₹431.5 crore (\$49 million).
- The proceeds raised Swiggy's liquidity from ₹5,354 crore at the end of Q1 FY26 to nearly ₹7,753 crore, strengthening its financial position and operational flexibility.

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Ques: Who won the gold medal in the women's 400 metres at the 2025 World Athletics Championships in Tokyo?

- A. Shauna Miller-Uibo
- B. Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone
- C. Marita Koch
- D. Allyson Felix
- E. Shericka Jackson

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- At the 2025 World Athletics Championships in Tokyo, Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone won the gold medal in the women's 400 metres, clocking 47.78 seconds.
- This is the fastest women's 400m time in the last 40 years, making it the best performance since the mid-1980s.
- The world record in women's 400m is 47.60 seconds, set by Marita Koch in 1985.
- McLaughlin's timing of 47.78 seconds is just 0.18 seconds slower than Koch's record.
- This was her first World Championship gold in the 400m flat, although she already holds the world record in the 400m hurdles.

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