



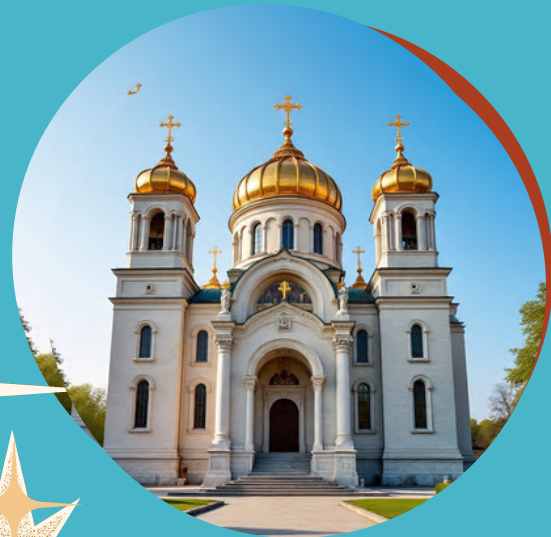
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Ques: Which Kolkata-based microfinance institution withdrew its application under the RBI's 'on tap' licensing guidelines for small finance banks?

- A) VFS Capital Ltd
- B) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- C) Bandhan Bank
- D) Equitas Small Finance Bank
- E) ESAF Small Finance Bank

Answer: Option A

Explanation: • The Reserve Bank of India stated that VFS Capital Ltd, a Kolkata-based microfinance institution, has withdrawn its application submitted under the guidelines for 'on tap' licensing of small finance banks.

- VFS Capital was among the 72 applicants who had applied for a small finance bank license a decade ago, when RBI first proposed the concept of differentiated banks.
- The RBI had earlier announced receipt of VFS Capital's application in its press release dated January 1, 2025.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the part-time chairman of Kotak Mahindra Bank starting January 1, 2026?

- A) Uday Kotak
- B) Chandra Shekhar (C S) Rajan
- C) Ashok Vaswani
- D) Rakesh Jhunjhunwala
- E) Aditya Puri

Answer: Option B

Explanation: • Chandra Shekhar (C S) Rajan, a veteran bureaucrat, has been appointed as the part-time chairman of Kotak Mahindra Bank.

- His term will begin on January 1, 2026 and end on October 21, 2027.
- He has already been serving in the same role since January 1, 2024.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank was established on November 21, 1985, is headquartered in Mumbai, and its current CEO is Ashok Vaswani.

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Ques: The World Bank approved a loan of how much amount to Kerala under the Kerala Health System Improvement Programme to enhance the state's healthcare system?

- A) USD 150 million
- B) USD 200 million
- C) USD 250 million
- D) USD 280 million
- E) USD 300 million

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The World Bank approved a USD 280 million loan to strengthen Kerala's healthcare infrastructure under the Kerala Health System Improvement Programme.
- The loan is provided through IBRD with a 25-year maturity and a 5-year grace period.
- It follows the Programme for Results (PforR) model, where funds are released only after achieving measurable outcomes.
- The programme focuses on improving care for hypertension, diabetes, and providing support to bedridden and elderly individuals through digital tracking and home-based healthcare services.
- The programme targets a 40% improvement in hypertension control and a 60% rise in cervical and breast cancer screenings to reduce preventable deaths.

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Ques: Under which scheme did Union Minister Amit Shah inaugurate the 'Deep Sea Fishing Vessels' in Mumbai?

- A) Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana
- B) Sagarmala Project
- C) Blue Economy Mission
- D) Coastal Empowerment Scheme
- E) Aatmanirbhar Fisheries Mission

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Amit Shah inaugurated the 'Deep Sea Fishing Vessels' in Mumbai under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).
- The initiative aims to modernize India's marine fisheries sector and strengthen the blue economy.
- Two deep sea trawlers were launched, each capable of staying at sea for up to 25 days and carrying up to 20 tons of fish.

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Ques: When are the recommendations of the 8th Central Pay Commission expected to take effect?

- A) 01 January 2025
- B) 01 July 2025
- C) 01 January 2027
- D) 01 April 2026
- E) 01 January 2026

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet approved the Terms of Reference for the 8th Central Pay Commission.
- The Commission will present its recommendations within 18 months of its formation.
- Pay Commissions are generally formed every 10 years to review pay structure and benefits of Central Government employees.
- Based on this pattern, the recommendations are expected to come into effect from 01 January 2026.

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Ques: Which team did India defeat in the KogniVera International Polo Cup 2025?

- A) Argentina
- B) Brazil
- C) England
- D) Australia
- E) South Africa

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India defeated Argentina in the KogniVera International Polo Cup 2025 held at the Jaipur Polo Ground, New Delhi.
- The Indian team included Simran Shergill, Shamsheer Ali, Padmanabh Singh, and Siddhant Sharma.
- The event was organized by KogniVera IT Solutions in collaboration with the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.

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Ques: Who is the author of the book 'Modi Mission'?

- A) Sanjaya Baru
- B) Berjis Desai
- C) Rajdeep Sardesai
- D) Pradeep Gupta
- E) None of the Above

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The book 'Modi Mission' is authored by Berjis Desai.
- It provides insights into Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership and political ideology.
- Berjis Desai is also known for works like Oh! Those Parsis and The Bawaji.

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Ques: Which country recently became the 11th member of ASEAN in 2025?

- A) Brunei
- B) East Timor
- C) Myanmar
- D) Laos
- E) Cambodia

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (East Timor) was granted full membership of ASEAN in 2025, after holding observer status since 2022.
- East Timor had applied for ASEAN membership in 2011 and completed the required economic, administrative, and political criteria by 2025.
- With East Timor's inclusion, ASEAN now consists of 11 member countries.

About ASEAN:

- Established: 8 August 1967
- Headquarters: Jakarta, Indonesia
- Current Members: Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, and East Timor
- Current ASEAN Chair: Malaysia (Rotational)

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Ques: What is the name of the Smart Coal Analytics Dashboard launched for real-time monitoring of coal sector operations?

- A) Coal Vision
- B) Coal Connect
- C) Smart Mine
- D) Digital Coal
- E) Koyla Shakti

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Coal launched “Koyla Shakti”, a Smart Coal Analytics Dashboard for real-time monitoring and analytics of coal sector operations.
- It aims to increase transparency, efficiency, and digital integration across the coal value chain.
- The dashboard supports real-time reporting, performance tracking, and logistics optimization.

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Ques: Which newly established facility of the National Seeds Corporation was inaugurated at Pusa Complex, New Delhi?

- A) Pulses Processing Unit
- B) Vegetable and Flower Seed Processing & Packaging Unit
- C) Hybrid Seed Research Lab
- D) Organic Seed Production Unit
- E) Seed Storage and Distribution Center

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurated the Vegetable and Flower Seed Processing & Packaging Unit of the National Seeds Corporation at Pusa Complex, New Delhi.
- The facility is equipped with modern technology for processing and packaging high-quality seeds.
- Along with this, the 'Seed Management 2.0' system and an online seed booking platform for farmers were also launched to enhance transparency and ease of access.

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Ques: What is significant about the Indian Navy's indigenously built Survey Vessel Ikshak?

- A) Built by Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders
- B) First SVL with dedicated accommodation for women
- C) Commissioned at Naval Base Mumbai
- D) Powered by nuclear propulsion
- E) Named after a famous Indian Admiral

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Ikshak is an indigenously built Survey Vessel (Large) constructed by Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE), Kolkata.
- It will be commissioned at Naval Base Kochi.
- The key significance is that Ikshak is the first SVL equipped with dedicated accommodation for women, reflecting progress towards inclusive naval deployment.
- The name 'Ikshak' means "The Guide".

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Ques: Where was the 22nd ASEAN–India Summit, addressed by PM Narendra Modi, held?

- A) Jakarta, Indonesia
- B) Manila, Philippines
- C) Bangkok, Thailand
- D) Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- E) Hanoi, Vietnam

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The 22nd ASEAN–India Summit was held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, and PM Narendra Modi addressed the summit virtually.
- The summit took place under the ASEAN theme “Inclusivity and Sustainability” for the year 2025.
- PM Modi highlighted the steady progress of the India–ASEAN Comprehensive Strategic Partnership even amid global uncertainties.
- He also announced plans to deepen maritime security cooperation in 2026.

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Ques: Which two institutes were recently recognized as Centres of Excellence (CoE) under India's National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM)?

- A) IIT Bombay
- B) IISc Bangalore
- C) C-MET Hyderabad
- D) Only B and C
- E) None of these

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Mines recognized the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, and the Centre for Materials for Electronics Technology (C-MET), Hyderabad, as Centres of Excellence (CoE) under the National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM).
- These CoEs will operate under a Hub-and-Spoke model to enhance R&D in critical minerals and integrate core scientific and industrial expertise.

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Ques: Who won the Women's Singles title at the Yonex French Open Badminton 2025?

- A) Akane Yamaguchi
- B) An Se-young
- C) Tai Tzu-ying
- D) P. V. Sindhu
- E) Carolina Marin

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- An Se-young from South Korea won the Women's Singles title at the 92nd edition of the Yonex French Open Badminton 2025.
- The tournament also saw Anders Antonsen (Denmark) win Men's Singles, Kim Won Ho & Seo Seung Jae (South Korea) win Men's Doubles, Yuki Fukushima & Mayu Matsumoto (Japan) win Women's Doubles, and Feng Yan Zhe & Huang Dong Ping (China) win Mixed Doubles.

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Ques: India will host which major aviation safety meeting for the first time in October 2025?

- A) ICAO Global Aviation Safety Summit
- B) Asia-Pacific Accident Investigation Group (APAC-AIG) Meeting
- C) International Air Safety Forum
- D) SAARC Aviation Cooperation Conference
- E) ASEAN Air Safety Dialogue

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India will host the Asia-Pacific Accident Investigation Group (APAC-AIG) meeting for the first time in New Delhi from October 28–31, 2025.
- The meeting will involve around 90 aircraft accident investigators sharing best practices to enhance aviation safety cooperation in the Asia-Pacific region.

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Ques: Who represented India at the 22nd ASEAN-India Summit held virtually in 2025?

- A) President Droupadi Murmu
- B) Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar
- C) External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar
- D) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- E) Defence Minister Rajnath Singh

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi represented India at the 22nd ASEAN-India Summit held virtually in 2025.
- This was PM Modi's 12th participation in an ASEAN-India Summit.
- The Summit was chaired by Malaysia, with the Philippines acting as the country coordinator.
- Timor Leste was welcomed as a new ASEAN member.
- The theme of the Summit was "Inclusivity and Sustainability."
- PM Modi announced that 2026 will be celebrated as the "ASEAN-India Year of Maritime Cooperation."

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Ques: What is the meaning of the name of Cyclone Montha, which formed in the Southeastern Bay of Bengal?

- A) Strength
- B) Moonlight
- C) Wind
- D) Rain
- E) Beautiful Flower

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Cyclone Montha formed in the Southeastern Bay of Bengal and was named by Thailand.
- The name “Montha” means “beautiful flower.”
- The India Meteorological Department (IMD) is responsible for monitoring this cyclone.
- Previously, Cyclone Shakti formed in the Arabian Sea, and Sri Lanka suggested that name.

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Ques: Who was Thailand's Queen Mother Sirikit Kitiyakara, who recently passed away?

- A) Queen Sirikit Kitiyakara
- B) Queen Suthida
- C) Queen Mother Mohra
- D) Princess Bajrakitiyabha
- E) Queen Sirivannavari

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Queen Mother Sirikit Kitiyakara was known for her public service and cultural preservation efforts.
- She married King Bhumibol Adulyadej in 1950 and became the Queen Consort of Thailand.
- She was often referred to as “Asia’s Jackie Kennedy” due to her elegance, style, and social contributions.

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Ques: What is commemorated on 27th October as Infantry Day?

- A) Landing of 1st Battalion of Sikh Regiment at Srinagar Airport in 1947
- B) First battle of Kargil
- C) Establishment of Indian Armored Corps
- D) Formation of Mechanized Infantry
- E) Indian Army Day

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Infantry Day commemorates the landing of the 1st Battalion of the Sikh Regiment at Srinagar Airport on 27 October 1947, led by Lt Colonel Dewan Ranjit Rai, following Maharaja Hari Singh's request for assistance against Pakistani tribal intruders.
- Infantry is referred to as the "Queen of the Battle" and is one of the core combat arms of the Indian Army.
- Infantry Day 2025 celebrations were held at Mhow, Madhya Pradesh, featuring the Runveer 7.0 Marathon with the theme "Saluting Op Sindoor."

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Ques: What is the rate of interest on Government of India Floating Rate Bond 2034 (GOI FRB 2034) for the half-year October 30, 2025, to April 29, 2026?

- A) 6.25% per annum
- B) 6.54% per annum
- C) 6.75% per annum
- D) 6.99% per annum
- E) 7.25% per annum

Answer: B) 6.54% per annum

Explanation:

- The interest rate on GOI FRB 2034 for the half-year from October 30, 2025, to April 29, 2026, is 6.54% per annum.
- The coupon is calculated as the average Weighted Average Yield (WAY) of the last three 182-day T-Bill auctions plus a fixed spread of 0.98%.
- For the previous half-year (April 30, 2025, to October 29, 2025), the interest rate was 6.99% per annum.

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Ques: Which company partnered with OpenAI to enable a digital wallet in ChatGPT, allowing users to purchase goods and services directly through the AI chatbot?

- A) Google Pay
- B) PhonePe
- C) Apple Pay
- D) Amazon Pay
- E) PayPal

Answer: E) PayPal

Explanation:

- PayPal partnered with OpenAI to enable a digital wallet in ChatGPT, allowing users to purchase goods and services directly through the AI chatbot.
- पेपैल ने OpenAI के साथ साझेदारी की है ताकि ChatGPT में डिजिटल वॉलेट सक्षम हो सके, जिससे उपयोगकर्ता सीधे AI चैटबॉट के माध्यम से वस्तुएं और सेवाएं खरीद सकें।
- With this partnership, PayPal became the first digital wallet to be integrated into the AI chatbot.
- इस साझेदारी के साथ, पेपैल पहला डिजिटल वॉलेट बन गया जो AI चैटबॉट में एकीकृत किया गया।
- This move supports OpenAI's "Agent Mode," enabling ChatGPT to perform tasks like purchasing or booking automatically.
- यह कदम OpenAI के "एजेंट मोड" का हिस्सा है, जिसमें ChatGPT उपयोगकर्ता के आदेश पर स्वचालित कार्य कर सकता है।

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Ques: Which Small Finance Bank's application was returned by RBI for conversion into a Universal Bank?

- A) AU Small Finance Bank
- B) Fino Payments Bank
- C) Jana Small Finance Bank
- D) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- E) Equitas Small Finance Bank

Answer: C) Jana Small Finance Bank

Explanation / व्याख्या:

• RBI returned the application of Jana Small Finance Bank for conversion into a Universal Bank because it did not meet the required eligibility criteria.

• **Eligibility criteria for SFBs include:**

- Minimum 5 years of operations
- Listing on a recognized stock exchange
- Net worth \geq ₹1,000 crore
- Net profit in the last 2 financial years
- GNPA \leq 3% and NNPA \leq 1%
- GNPA \leq 3% और NNPA \leq 1%

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Ques: Which bank won the “BFSI Brand of the Year” at the FINIXX Summit & Awards 2025?

- A) HDFC Bank
- B) ICICI Bank
- C) State Bank of India (SBI)
- D) Axis Bank
- E) Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer: C) State Bank of India (SBI)

Explanation:

- State Bank of India (SBI) won the “BFSI Brand of the Year” at the FINIXX Summit & Awards 2025.
- SBI also won awards for “Best Use of AI/ML in Marketing (Banking Sector)” and “Best Use of Video Marketing (Banking Sector).”
- The awards were organized in Mumbai by Adgully Network Pvt. Ltd. under the theme “Reimagining BFSI: Powering Digital Bharat Goals.”

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Ques: Which company has enabled Unified Payments Interface (UPI) payments for Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) through their international mobile numbers?

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

Answer: E) Paytm

Explanation:

- Paytm has enabled UPI payments for Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) using their international mobile numbers.
- The feature is currently available in beta mode and will be rolled out gradually to eligible users.
- The service is powered by NPCI and is available to Indians in 12 countries including Singapore, Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Oman, Qatar, USA, Saudi Arabia, UAE, UK, France, and Malaysia.

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Ques: Which Japanese fintech firm launched “JPYC,” the world’s first Yen-pegged stablecoin?

- A) JPYC Inc.
- B) Mitsubishi UFJ Financial
- C) Sony Financial
- D) SoftBank Vision Fund
- E) Rakuten Pay

Answer: A) JPYC Inc.

Explanation:

- JPYC Inc. launched “JPYC,” the world’s first Yen-pegged stablecoin, pegged equal in value to the Japanese Yen.
- The coin operates on multiple blockchains including Ethereum, Avalanche, and Polygon, allowing integration across wallets, exchanges, and DeFi platforms.
- Users or partner institutions send JPY to the official account (on-ramp), and JPYC issues the equivalent amount of JPYC tokens on the blockchain.

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Ques: How much gold has the Reserve Bank of India repatriated in the half-year ending September 2025?

- A) 54 tonnes
- B) 64 tonnes
- C) 74 tonnes
- D) 84 tonnes
- E) 94 tonnes

Answer: B) 64 tonnes

Explanation:

- RBI repatriated nearly 64 tonnes of gold in the half-year ending September 2025 due to concerns regarding safety of sovereign assets held abroad.
- **As of September 2025, RBI held 880.8 tonnes of gold in total:**
 - 575.8 tonnes in India
 - 290.3 tonnes with the Bank of England and BIS
 - 14 tonnes as deposits
- Since March 2023, a total of 274 tonnes of gold have been repatriated due to global geopolitical risks.

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Ques: As of October 2025, how many Indian languages have been granted the status of Classical Language?

- A) 9
- B) 10
- C) 11
- D) 12
- E) 13

Answer: C) 11

Explanation:

- On October 3, 2024, the Government of India granted Classical Language status to Marathi, Pali, Prakrit, Assamese, and Bengali.
- With these additions, the total number of Classical Languages in India became 11, including the already recognized six languages: Tamil, Sanskrit, Kannada, Telugu, Malayalam, and Odia.
- The recognition supports the preservation and promotion of India's ancient linguistic and cultural heritage.

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Ques: Which country topped the medal tally at the 4th Edition of the South Asian Athletics (SAAF) Championships 2025 held in Ranchi, Jharkhand?

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

Answer: C) India

Explanation:

- The 4th Edition of the South Asian Athletics (SAAF) Championships 2025 was held at Birsa Munda Athletics Stadium, Ranchi, Jharkhand, with participation from six South Asian countries.
- The event was organized under the South Asian Athletics Federation (SAAF) and hosted by the Athletics Federation of India (AFI).
- India topped the medal tally with a total of 58 medals: 20 Gold, 20 Silver, and 18 Bronze.
- Sri Lanka finished second with 40 medals (including 16 Gold), and Nepal finished third with 6 medals.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chair of the Board of Directors (BoD) of Citigroup Inc.?

- A) Mary Callahan Erdoes
- B) Jane Fraser
- C) Marianne Lake
- D) John Dugan
- E) Brian Moynihan

Answer: B) Jane Fraser

Explanation:

- Jane Fraser, the CEO of Citigroup Inc., has been appointed as the Chair of the Board of Directors.
- She replaced John Dugan as the Chair.
- Jane Fraser became CEO of Citigroup in March 2021, becoming the first woman to lead a major U.S. bank.

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Ques: Which milestone did Virat Kohli achieve on 25 October 2025 during the third ODI against Australia at Sydney Cricket Ground?

- A) Became the highest run-scorer in Test cricket
- B) Became the second-highest run-scorer in One Day Internationals
- C) Scored his 100th ODI century
- D) Became the fastest batsman to 10,000 ODI runs
- E) Achieved most sixes in ODI cricket

Answer: B) Became the second-highest run-scorer in One Day Internationals

Explanation:

- On 25 October 2025, Virat Kohli surpassed Kumar Sangakkara to become the second-highest run-scorer in One Day Internationals.
- In the match at Sydney Cricket Ground, Kohli scored an unbeaten 54* during the third ODI against Australia.
- With this innings, he moved past Sangakkara's tally of 14,234 runs and reached 14,255 runs in 305 matches.

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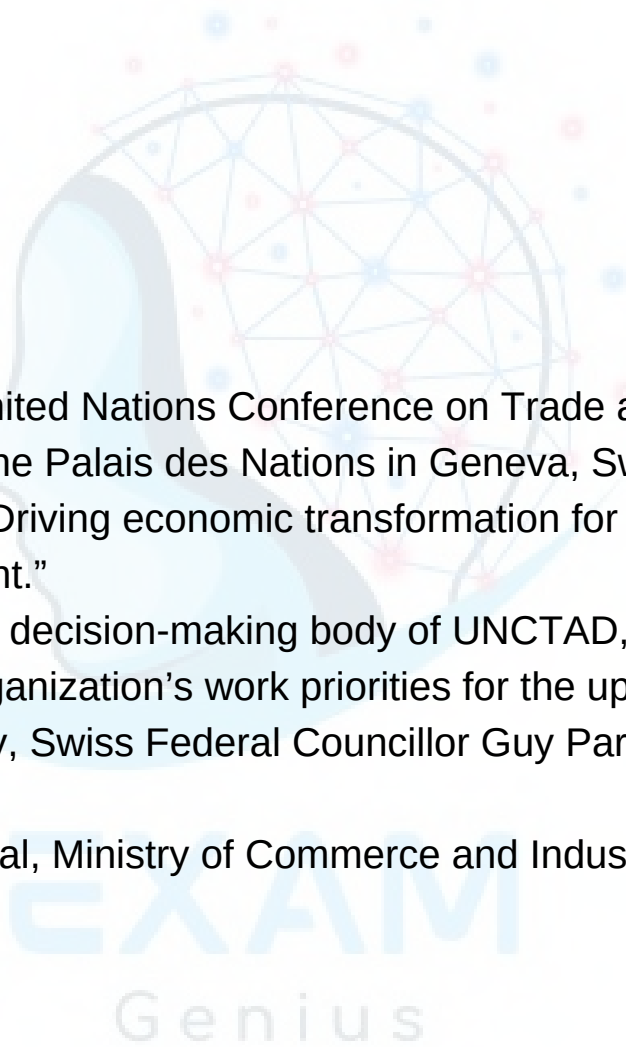
Ques: Who led the Indian delegation at the 16th session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD-16) held in Geneva, Switzerland?

- A) Nirmala Sitharaman
- B) Piyush Goyal
- C) S. Jaishankar
- D) Rajeev Chandrasekhar
- E) Narendra Modi

Answer: B) Piyush Goyal

Explanation:

- The 16th session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD-16) was held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, with the theme “Shaping the future: Driving economic transformation for equitable, inclusive and sustainable development.”
- UNCTAD-16 is the highest decision-making body of UNCTAD, held every four years since 1964, and sets the organization’s work priorities for the upcoming four years.
- During the opening plenary, Swiss Federal Councillor Guy Parmelin was elected President of UNCTAD-16.
- Union Minister Piyush Goyal, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, led the Indian delegation at UNCTAD-16.





Ques: By which year is India's elderly population projected to reach around 230 million?

- A) 2030
- B) 2032
- C) 2036
- D) 2040
- E) 2050

Answer: C) 2036

Explanation:

- As per the Technical Group on Population Projections (TGPP), India's population aged 60 years and above is projected to reach around 230 million by 2036, accounting for about 15% of the total population.
- Southern states such as Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh, and Punjab already have relatively higher elderly populations, and regional disparities are expected to increase by 2036.
- The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment is implementing policies and welfare programs to ensure pension access, healthcare, digital literacy, and emotional wellbeing for senior citizens, strengthening India's "Silver Economy."

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Ques: Who led the Indian delegation at the 19th Mid-Term Ministerial Meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) in Kampala, Uganda?

- A) S. Jaishankar
- B) Kirti Vardhan Singh
- C) Piyush Goyal
- D) Nirmala Sitharaman
- E) Rajnath Singh

Answer: B) Kirti Vardhan Singh

Explanation:

- Union Minister of State Kirti Vardhan Singh led the Indian delegation for the 19th Mid-Term Ministerial Meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) held in Kampala, Uganda.
- The event was held under the theme “Deepening Cooperation for Shared Global Affluence.”
- NAM was established in 1961 in Belgrade, Yugoslavia (present-day Serbia).
- It is a forum of 120 developing countries, with 17 observer countries and 10 international organizations as observers.
- Founding leaders included India, Yugoslavia, Egypt, Ghana, and Indonesia (Sukarno).

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Ques: What is the total fertilizer subsidy approved by the Union Cabinet for the Rabi season 2025–26?

- A) ₹24,000 crore
- B) ₹25,736 crore
- C) ₹37,952 crore
- D) ₹43,600 crore
- E) ₹14,000 crore

Answer: C) ₹37,952 crore

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet approved ₹37,952 crore as the fertilizer subsidy for the Rabi season 2025–26.
- This is ₹14,000 crore higher than the subsidy for the previous Rabi season (₹24,000 crore).
- Subsidy rates have been increased for Phosphate and Sulphur fertilizers, while Nitrogen and Potash rates remain unchanged.
- The subsidy applies to P&K fertilizers, including DAP and NPKS grades, ensuring adequate availability and cost support for farmers.

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Ques: Which lending arm of the World Bank provided a loan of ₹875 crore to Signature Global?

- A) Asian Development Bank
- B) IFC (International Finance Corporation)
- C) IMF Lending Arm
- D) World Bank IBRD
- E) ADB & IFC Joint

Answer: B) IFC (International Finance Corporation)

Explanation:

- The International Finance Corporation (IFC), the private-sector lending arm of the World Bank Group, provided ₹875 crore to Signature Global through a private placement of non-convertible debentures (NCDs).
- The NCDs are rated A+ (Stable), carry an 11% coupon rate, and mature on 15 January 2029.
- Around 55% (~₹470 crore) will be used to repay existing debt, and the rest will support mid-income housing and ESG-aligned projects.

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Ques: Where was the Trishul 2025 tri-Service combat exercise held?

- A) Eastern border with China
- B) Northern border with Nepal
- C) Western border with Pakistan
- D) Southern coast
- E) Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Answer: C) Western border with Pakistan

Explanation:

- Trishul 2025 is a tri-Service combat exercise involving the Indian Army, Navy, and Air Force, held at India's western border with Pakistan.
- The exercise includes IAF's "Mahagujraj" operations with Rafale and Sukhoi-30MKI fighters, aerial refuellers, AWACS systems, and UAVs.
- The Southern Command of the Indian Army, led by Lieutenant General Dhiraj Seth, is leading the joint exercise.
- Airspace over Rajasthan and Gujarat was restricted via NOTAM from 30 October to 10 November 2025 to support the exercise.

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Ques: Which ministry unveiled the official logo of the National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) during the India Maritime Week 2025 celebrations in Mumbai?

- A) Ministry of Culture
- B) Ministry of External Affairs
- C) Ministry of Tourism
- D) Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways
- E) Ministry of Commerce and Industry

Answer: D) Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways unveiled the official logo of the National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) during the India Maritime Week 2025 celebrations in Mumbai.
- The NMHC is being developed at Lothal in Gujarat as a world-class facility to showcase India's ancient maritime heritage and support innovation in the maritime sector.
- During the event, Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal and Dutch Minister Robert Tieman signed an MoU on maritime collaboration.
- A Letter of Intent (LoI) was also signed to establish a Green and Digital Sea Corridor between India and the Netherlands.

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Ques: What is the name of the tourism initiative launched by the Government of India to transform 50 domestic destinations into world-class attractions by 2029?

- A) Incredible India 2.0
- B) Tourism Boost Vision 2029
- C) Explore India Initiative
- D) India Heritage Trail
- E) Destination India 2029

Answer: B) Tourism Boost Vision 2029

Explanation:

- The Government of India has launched “Tourism Boost Vision 2029” to develop 50 domestic tourist destinations into world-class attractions by 2029.
- The initiative will be implemented during 2025–2029 across all States and Union Territories, with at least one flagship destination per region.
- The Ministry of Tourism is the nodal agency, working with central and state governments, local communities, private investors, artisans, and the hospitality sector.
- Focus sectors include winter & adventure tourism in Kashmir, eco & wellness tourism in Kerala, coastal & heritage tourism in Gujarat, and eco & cultural tourism in Assam.
- Tagline: “50 New Reasons to Explore India.”

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Ques: Which renowned plastic and reconstructive surgeon and Padma Shri awardee, known for pioneering burn care in South India, recently passed away?

- A) Prof. Mathangi Ramakrishnan
- B) Dr. B.C Roy
- C) Dr. Devi Shetty
- D) Prof. Karimpat Ram
- E) Dr. G. Whitaker

Answer: A) Prof. Mathangi Ramakrishnan

Explanation:

- Padma Shri awardee Prof. Karimpat Mathangi Ramakrishnan, a renowned plastic and reconstructive surgeon and pioneer of burn care in South India, passed away.
- She was awarded the Padma Shri in 2002 and the Dr. B.C. Roy National Award in clinical medicine.
- She collaborated with the Central Leather Research Institute to develop a special collagen membrane used for burn wound treatment.
- She was also honored with the G. Whitaker International Burns Prize in 2009 in Palermo, Italy.

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Ques: Which financial institution provided a USD 460 million loan along with a USD 40 million concessional loan from the Clean Technology Fund (CTF) for the Maharashtra Power Distribution Enhancement Program for Agricultural Solarization?

- A) World Bank
- B) International Finance Corporation (IFC)
- C) Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- D) New Development Bank (NDB)
- E) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)

Answer: C) Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Explanation:

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) provided a USD 460 million loan along with a USD 40 million concessional loan from the Clean Technology Fund (CTF).
- The funding supports the Maharashtra Power Distribution Enhancement Program, aimed at improving agricultural electricity infrastructure and promoting solarization in farming across the state.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who is the chairperson of the UIDAI expert panel formed to develop the 'Aadhaar Vision 2032'?

- A) Ajay Bhushan Pandey
- B) Neelkanth Mishra
- C) Saurabh Garg
- D) Rajeev Chandrasekhar
- E) Girish Chandra Murmu

Answer: B) Neelkanth Mishra

Explanation:

- UIDAI has formed a high-level expert committee to develop the 'Aadhaar Vision 2032' to strengthen India's digital identity ecosystem.
- Neelkanth Mishra is the chairperson of this expert panel.
- The panel aims to enhance Aadhaar's future architecture in line with the DPDP Act and global cybersecurity standards.
- Its focus is on improving scalability, resilience, and protection against evolving cyber threats.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: As of June 30, 2025, how many Prepaid Payment Instrument (PPI) cards were in circulation according to the Reserve Bank of India?

- A) 436 million
- B) 483 million
- C) 338 million
- D) 868 million
- E) 890 million

Answer: B) 483 million

Explanation:

- As per RBI data, the total number of PPI cards increased by 10.7% to 483 million as of June 30, 2025, up from 436 million.
- The number of active PPI cards rose to 338 million, indicating increased usage and reactivation.
- PPI wallets declined to 868 million from 890 million, indicating a shift from wallets to cards.

EXAM
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Ques: According to RBI, which two countries together accounted for one-third of India's FDI during FY25?

- A) Japan and UAE
- B) US and Singapore
- C) UK and Mauritius
- D) France and Germany
- E) China and South Korea

Answer: B) US and Singapore

Explanation:

- According to RBI, the United States and Singapore together contributed over one-third of India's total Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) during FY2024–25.
- The data is based on RBI's census on foreign liabilities and assets of Indian direct investment entities, covering 41,517 entities reporting FDI and/or ODI as of March 2025.
- The report highlights that the US and Singapore remain major sources of FDI inflows into India.

EXAM
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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Deputy Managing Director (DMD) of HDFC Bank for a term starting from 13 October 2025?

- A) Sashidhar Jagdishan
- B) Kaizad Bharucha
- C) Aditya Puri
- D) Uday Kotak
- E) Rajnish Kumar

Answer: B) Kaizad Bharucha

Explanation:

- Kaizad Bharucha has been appointed as the Deputy Managing Director (DMD) of HDFC Bank for a 3-year term from 13 October 2025 to 12 October 2028.
- He was earlier reappointed as DMD in 2022, with his previous term ending in October 2025.
- HDFC Bank was established in 1994, headquartered in Mumbai.
- MD & CEO: Sashidhar Jagdishan.
- Tagline: We Understand Your World.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which Union Minister inaugurated key digital and welfare initiatives during the Army Commanders' Conference held at Jaisalmer, Rajasthan?

- A) Narendra Modi
- B) Rajnath Singh
- C) Amit Shah
- D) Nirmala Sitharaman
- E) Manohar Lal Khattar

Answer: B) Rajnath Singh

Explanation:

- Union Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated major digital and welfare initiatives during the Army Commanders' Conference (ACC) in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan.
- Key initiatives included Edge Data Centres for Konark and Fire & Fury Corps, the Equipment Help Line (EHL) Portal with AI-enabled maintenance support, and the Sainik Yatri Mitra App for managing Defence Duty Quota seats on over 1,200 trains.
- He also inaugurated 'Chandpuri Hall' in memory of Major Kuldeep Singh Chandpuri.
- Additionally, he witnessed the Capability Demonstration Exercise during the Thar Shakti Exercise, showcasing new integrated formations such as the Bhairov Battalion and Ashni Platoon.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which company has become the world's first \$5 trillion company due to the AI boom?

- A) Apple
- B) Microsoft
- C) Nvidia
- D) Alphabet
- E) Amazon

Answer: Option C) Nvidia

Explanation:

- Nvidia Corp became the world's first company to reach a \$5 trillion market capitalization on 29 October 2025, driven by its dominance in the AI chip industry.
- CEO Jensen Huang's AI-focused strategies and partnerships accelerated Nvidia's growth to unprecedented levels.
- Nvidia's market value now surpasses Apple, Microsoft, Alphabet, and Amazon, reflecting the massive global demand for AI-driven chips used in data centers, robotics, and high-performance computing.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which Indian chess players won gold medals at the European Chess Club Cup 2025 held in Rhodes, Greece?

- A) D Gukesh and Abhimanyu Puranik
- B) Nihal Sarin and Aravindh Chithambaram
- C) D Gukesh and Divya Deshmukh
- D) Abhimanyu Puranik and Divya Deshmukh
- E) Nihal Sarin and D Gukesh

Answer: Option C) D Gukesh and Divya Deshmukh

Explanation:

- Indian Grandmasters D Gukesh and Divya Deshmukh won gold medals at the European Chess Club Cup 2025 in Rhodes, Greece.
- Additionally, Nihal Sarin won gold on Board 4, Abhimanyu Puranik won gold on Board 7, and Aravindh Chithambaram won bronze on Board 4.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who became the first-ever cricketer (male or female) to score 200+ runs and take 20+ wickets in a single World Cup edition?

- A) Smriti Mandhana
- B) Deepti Sharma
- C) Harmanpreet Kaur
- D) Mithali Raj
- E) Shafali Verma

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Deepti Sharma became the first cricketer (male or female) to score more than 200 runs and take over 20 wickets in a single World Cup edition during the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025.
- Smriti Mandhana also set a new record by scoring 434 runs, the most by an Indian women's batter in a single World Cup tournament.
- Deepti's achievement highlights her exceptional all-round performance and India's strong dominance in the tournament.

EXAM
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Ques: Where was the 2nd edition of the Indian Navy Commanders' Conference 2025 held?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Kochi
- C) Goa
- D) Visakhapatnam
- E) New Delhi

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The 2nd edition of the Indian Navy biannual Commanders' Conference 2025 was held at Nausena Bhawan in New Delhi.
- Key initiatives launched included the Regulations for Naval Armament Service, Government e-Marketplace Handbook, and the Foreign Cooperation Roadmap.
- The NIPUN Portal (Naval Intellectual Portal for Unified Knowledge) was introduced as a unified digital platform to aggregate intellectual and strategic content from the naval community.
- A dedicated session titled Sagar Manthan 2025 was held on October 22, 2025, focusing on contemporary maritime strategic issues.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who is the head of the panel formed to review the rates under RoDTEP and RoSCTL export schemes?

- A) Ajay Seth
- B) Neeraj Kumar Gupta
- C) T. V. Somanathan
- D) Sanjay Malhotra
- E) Ramesh Abhishek

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Government of India has constituted a panel headed by former secretary Neeraj Kumar Gupta to review the rates under the RoDTEP (Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products) and RoSCTL export incentive schemes.
- RoDTEP refunds taxes, duties, and levies incurred during manufacturing and distribution that are not reimbursed through any other mechanism.
- The current RoDTEP rates range from 0.3% to 4.3%, and the scheme has been extended till March 2026 to ensure continued support to exporters.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who has been recognised as a "Top Agri-Food Pioneer" by the World Food Prize Foundation?

- A) Vikas Khanna
- B) Ranveer Brar
- C) Sanjeev Kapoor
- D) Garima Arora
- E) Atul Kochhar

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Chef Sanjeev Kapoor has been recognised as one of the “Top Agri-Food Pioneers” by the World Food Prize Foundation at a ceremony held in Iowa, USA.
- He was honoured for promoting Indian cuisine globally and supporting sustainable and healthy food practices.

EXAM
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Ques: Which fighter aircraft did President Droupadi Murmu fly in during her historic 30-minute sortie from Ambala Air Force Station?

- A) Sukhoi-30 MKI
- B) Mirage-2000
- C) Rafale
- D) Tejas
- E) Jaguar

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- President Droupadi Murmu took a historic 30-minute sortie in a Rafale fighter jet at Ambala Air Force Station, Haryana.
- The sortie was piloted by Group Captain Amit Gehani, Commanding Officer of the 17 Squadron.
- The flight covered around 200 km at an altitude of 15,000 ft and a speed of approximately 700 km/h.
- This was her second fighter jet sortie since assuming office; earlier, she flew in a Sukhoi-30 MKI from Tezpur Air Base in April 2023.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: The CMS-03 (GSAT-7R) satellite launched by ISRO's LVM3-M5 'Bahubali' rocket is primarily intended to provide which service?

- A) Weather forecasting
- B) Navigation support
- C) Communication services
- D) Earth observation
- E) Disaster management support

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The CMS-03 (GSAT-7R) satellite is designed to strengthen communication and connectivity across the Indian landmass and surrounding oceanic regions.
- Weighing 4,410 kg, it is one of India's heaviest satellites launched into Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO) using the LVM3-M5 launch vehicle.
- The mission enhances strategic communication capabilities for both civilian and defense applications.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which department of the Government of India is promoting Artificial Intelligence and Computational Thinking from Grade 3 as part of future-ready education?

- A) Department of Higher Education
- B) Department of School Education & Literacy
- C) Ministry of Electronics & IT
- D) National Council of Educational Research and Training
- E) Central Board of Secondary Education

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Department of School Education & Literacy (DoSE&L), Ministry of Education, has committed to introducing Artificial Intelligence and Computational Thinking from Grade 3.
- The aim is to prepare students with future-ready skills and strengthen problem-solving and logical reasoning abilities from an early stage.

EXAM
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Ques: Which two GI-tagged lime varieties from India were recently exported by air for the first time to the United Kingdom?

- A) Malda Lemon & Coorg Lime
- B) Dindigul Lime & Kargil Lime
- C) Nagpur Lime & Kachai Lemon
- D) Assam Lemon & Coorg Lime
- E) Indi Lime & Puliyanakudi Lime

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India exported two GI-tagged lime varieties — Indi Lime (Karnataka) and Puliyanakudi Lime (Tamil Nadu) — to the United Kingdom for the first time by air.
- The export was facilitated by APEDA (Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority).
- Indi Lime comes from Vijayapura district in Karnataka, and it had previously been exported to the UAE.
- Puliyanakudi Lime is from Tenkasi district in Tamil Nadu.
- India is diversifying its agri exports, with new markets opening for products like Gharwali apples and Kargil apricots in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Qatar.

EXAM
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Ques: What is the name of the open-source online encyclopedia launched by Elon Musk's AI company xAI?

- A) Grokbook
- B) Grokdata
- C) xKnowledge
- D) Alpedia
- E) Grokipedia

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Elon Musk's AI company xAI has launched Grokipedia (v 0.1), an open-source online encyclopedia.
- The platform aims to provide truthful, independent, and AI-driven information.
- Grokipedia initially offered over 8 lakh articles.
- It is integrated with xAI's Grok chatbot, which helps create, verify, and update information using AI.

EXAM
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Ques: India achieved the milestone of crossing 500 GW total power capacity in which year?

- A) 2023
- B) 2024
- C) 2025
- D) 2030
- E) 2027

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India's total installed power capacity reached 500.89 GW as of 30 September 2025.
- Non-fossil fuel sources (renewables, hydro, nuclear) contributed 256.09 GW (~51% of total capacity).
- This achievement met one of India's COP26 targets — reaching 50% non-fossil fuel-based capacity — five years ahead of the 2030 deadline.

EXAM
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Ques: How many new 'Ratna' categories is the government planning to introduce in addition to Maharatna, Navratna, and Miniratna?

- A) One
- B) Two
- C) Three
- D) Four
- E) None

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Government of India is planning to introduce two new 'Ratna' categories for Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs).
- A 10-member committee headed by Cabinet Secretary T. V. Somanathan has been formed to study and finalize the framework.
- The committee's recommendations are expected before the Union Budget 2026–27.
- Current classification includes: 14 Maharatna, 26 Navratna, 53 Miniratna-I, and 10 Miniratna-II CPSEs.

EXAM
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Ques: Who was elected as Chair of the IUCN Species Survival Commission for the 2025–2029 term?

- A) Vivek Menon
- B) Razan Khalifa Al Mubarak
- C) Dr Madhu Rao
- D) Lima Rosalind
- E) T.V. Somanathan

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Vivek Menon, an Indian wildlife conservationist and author, has been elected Chair of the IUCN Species Survival Commission (SSC) for the 2025–2029 term.
- He is the first Asian to lead the SSC in its 75-year history.
- He is also the Founder and Executive Director of the Wildlife Trust of India.
- The election took place during the IUCN World Conservation Congress held in Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- Razan Khalifa Al Mubarak was re-elected as President of IUCN for the 2026–2029 term.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Where was the 31st edition of the Kolkata International Film Festival (KIFF) held?

- A) Dhono Dhanyo Auditorium
- B) Netaji Indoor Stadium
- C) Rabindra Sadan
- D) Nandan Film Centre
- E) Science City Auditorium

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The 31st Kolkata International Film Festival (KIFF) was held at Dhono Dhanyo Auditorium.
- The theme of the festival was “Where Cinema Connects The World.”
- Poland was the focus country, featuring 19 films.
- A centenary tribute was given to filmmaker Ritwik Ghatak.
- The festival saw participation from 39+ countries, with 215 films screened across 21 venues.

EXAM
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Q: Which bank won the WSBI–ESBG Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Award 2025 in the Climate Finance category?

- A) HDFC Bank
- B) ICICI Bank
- C) State Bank of India
- D) Axis Bank
- E) Punjab National Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

The State Bank of India (SBI) won the first edition of the WSBI–ESBG Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Award 2025 in the Climate Finance category.

The award was presented by the World Savings and Retail Banking Institute (WSBI) and the European Savings and Retail Banking Group (ESBG) at an event held in Washington, USA.

EXAM
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Q: Which insurance company has been fined ₹1 crore by IRDAI for violating regulatory norms?

- A) HDFC ERGO General Insurance
- B) ICICI Lombard General Insurance
- C) Liberty General Insurance
- D) Tata AIG General Insurance
- E) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

IRDAI imposed a ₹1 crore penalty on Liberty General Insurance for violating rules related to outsourcing, commission payments, and intermediary remuneration.

This action was taken after an internal review found several procedural irregularities by the company.

IRDAI also instructed the insurer to strictly follow guidelines to ensure transparency and consumer protection.

The move is part of IRDAI's larger effort to strengthen compliance and fairness in the insurance sector.

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Q: What is the SMART-CROP project and its objective?

- A) Crop insurance for farmers
- B) Sustainable Monitoring and Real-time Tracking for Crop Resilience and Optimal Practices supporting smallholder farmers
- C) Organic farming promotion
- D) Irrigation infrastructure development
- E) Market linkage for crops

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

The SMART-CROP project stands for Sustainable Monitoring and Real-time Tracking for Crop Resilience and Optimal Practices.

It is a three-year initiative designed to support over 8,000 smallholder farmers in Karnataka and Telangana.

The project uses satellite imaging, remote sensing, and AI/ML analytics to monitor crop stress in real time and help farmers adopt better agricultural practices.

Key partners include SBI Foundation, University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), ICRISAT, and Agribridge.

EXAM
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Q: LIC recently increased its stake in which two FMCG companies?

- A) HUL and Britannia
- B) Nestlé and ITC
- C) Tata Consumer Products and Dabur India
- D) Marico and Godrej Consumer
- E) Patanjali and Emami

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

LIC increased its stake in Tata Consumer Products from 6.633% to 8.645% (an increase of 2.012%).

LIC also increased its stake in Dabur India from 4.918% to 6.985% (an increase of 2.067%, representing over 3.66 crore shares).

This indicates LIC's ongoing investment interest in the FMCG sector, which remains stable and growth-oriented in India.

EXAM
Genius





Q: What changes has NHAI introduced in the Know Your Vehicle (KYV) process for FASTag users?

- A) FASTag services will be discontinued for non-compliant vehicles
- B) Only the front photograph of the vehicle is required for KYV
- C) Users must visit the RTO to complete KYV
- D) KYV process will now require both front and side vehicle images
- E) FASTag will be deactivated immediately for vehicles with multiple registrations

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

NHAI has simplified the KYV process for FASTag users to make verification easier.

Now, only one photograph is required — the front image of the vehicle showing the number plate and FASTag.

Side-view images are no longer required.

Vehicle details (like RC) can be automatically fetched from VAHAN using:

Vehicle Number

Chassis Number

or Mobile Number

FASTags issued before this policy will remain active, and banks will simply remind users via SMS to complete KYV if needed.

For help, users can contact the National Highway Helpline 1033.



Q: Which organization developed the Indian Army's first indigenously designed Software Defined Radios (SDRs)?

- A) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- B) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)
- C) Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)
- D) Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL)
- E) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

The Indian Army has signed a contract to procure its first indigenously designed Software Defined Radios (SDRs).

These SDRs were developed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).

The production of these radios will be carried out by Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL).

DRDO also recently launched the Indian Radio Software Architecture Standard (IRSAS) 1.0 along with the Integrated Defence Staff and Tri-Services to standardize military communication systems across the armed forces.

Genius





Q: What plan has Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw approved for railway stations across India?

- A) Development of 76 passenger holding areas
- B) Construction of new platforms
- C) Introduction of high-speed trains
- D) Installation of Wi-Fi at all stations
- E) Expansion of parking facilities

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has approved the plan to develop 76 passenger holding areas at railway stations across India.

These holding areas will help improve passenger comfort and manage crowd movement before boarding trains.

The Yatri Suvidha Kendra at New Delhi Railway Station is one such model facility, capable of accommodating around 7,000 passengers at once.

All the proposed holding areas are targeted to be completed before the 2026 festival season, ensuring better crowd management during peak travel periods.

EXAM
Genius





Q: How did India commemorate Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on his 150th birth anniversary in 2025?

- A) Issuing a commemorative coin and stamp only
- B) Launching development projects only
- C) Organising a parade only
- D) Issuing a coin and stamp, launching development projects, flagging off e-buses, administering Ekta Diwas pledge, and organising a parade
- E) Renaming a city in his honour

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

On 30 October 2025, the 150th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was commemorated in Gujarat.

PM Narendra Modi released a ₹150 commemorative coin and a special postage stamp.

He inaugurated development projects worth over ₹1,140 crore and flagged off a fleet of e-buses.

The Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) pledge was administered, and a grand unity parade was organized.

The parade theme was "Unity in Diversity", featuring state tableaux, security contingents, camel and dog squads, and cultural performances by 900 artists.





Q: Which word has been named the 2025 Word of the Year by Dictionary.com?

- A) Memeify
- B) Streamcore
- C) 67 (Six-Seven)
- D) Riz
- E) AI

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Dictionary.com selected “67 (six-seven)” as the Word of the Year 2025.

The term became a viral internet expression, blending song lyric + meme culture + youth slang.

The trend originated from the track “Doot Doot (6 7)” by Skrilka, which popularized forms like 67 / 6-7 / six-seven.

For Gen Alpha, “67” functions like a playful inside joke or informal code.

In usage, it often conveys meanings like “maybe”, “so-so”, or is used humorously with gestures — reflecting how digital culture continually reshapes language.

EXAM
Genius



Q: By how much has NHAI reduced the cost of toll collection in Public Funded Toll Plazas in FY 2024-25?

- A) ₹1,500 Crores
- B) ₹2,000 Crores
- C) ₹2,500 Crores
- D) ₹3,000 Crores
- E) ₹2,062 Crores

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

NHAI reduced the toll collection cost in Public Funded Toll Plazas from ₹4,736 Crores (FY 2023-24) to ₹2,674 Crores (FY 2024-25).

This resulted in savings of ₹2,062 Crores.

Cost as a percentage of toll collection dropped from 17.27% to 9.27%, showing greater efficiency.

Total toll collected increased from ₹27,417 Crores to ₹28,823 Crores, and remittance to NHAI rose from ₹22,681 Crores to ₹26,149 Crores.

Genius





Q: Which company has partnered with Google to offer the free Gemini AI Pro plan to Jio users for 18 months?

- A) Bharti Airtel
- B) Vodafone Idea
- C) Reliance Industries Limited
- D) Microsoft India
- E) Tata Communications

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) has partnered with Google to provide Jio users free access to the Gemini AI Pro plan for 18 months.

The plan includes:

Gemini AI tools (latest large language model access)

2 TB cloud storage

AI capabilities for learning, productivity, and image generation

Initially, it is being offered to users aged 18–25.

The collaboration also involves:

Developing AI data centers in Gujarat

Training AI talent in India through Google Cloud.



Ques: Which country has become the 26th in the world to eliminate trachoma as a public health problem?

- A) Cambodia
- B) Fiji
- C) China
- D) Nepal
- E) Indonesia

Answer: Option B – Fiji

Explanation:

WHO has officially recognized Fiji as the 26th country to eliminate trachoma as a public health problem.

This success came through mass drug administration, improved sanitation, and community health awareness.

Trachoma is caused by Chlamydia trachomatis and is the world's leading infectious cause of blindness.

The achievement supports WHO's Global Elimination of Trachoma by 2030 (GET 2030) strategy.

In the Western Pacific region, Cambodia, Lao PDR, China, and Fiji have eliminated trachoma.



Ques: Who launched the Anusandhan National Research Fund (Anusandhan Fund) worth ₹1 lakh crore, and what is its objective?

- A) Dr. Jitendra Singh
- B) Nirmala Sitharaman
- C) Piyush Goyal
- D) Rajeev Chandrasekhar
- E) Dharmendra Pradhan

Answer: Option C – Piyush Goyal

Explanation:

Union Minister Piyush Goyal launched the Anusandhan National Research Fund worth ₹1 lakh crore during The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE) Conference in New Delhi.

The fund aims to provide long-term financial support for transformative research and innovation to boost India's technological and industrial growth.

It will focus on key sectors such as advanced manufacturing, deep tech, green technologies, Artificial Intelligence, semiconductors, and biotechnology.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What facilities has the Election Commission of India (ECI) provided to address voter queries and grievances?

- A) Only State-level helplines
- B) National Voter Helpline, 36 State & District helplines, and Book-a-Call with BLO
- C) Online chat support only
- D) Helpline through political party offices
- E) Voter assistance via post only

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

The Election Commission of India has activated the National Voter Helpline along with 36 State and District-level helplines to address voter queries.

The National Contact Centre (NCC) functions as the central helpline for all States and Union Territories, operating daily from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM via toll-free number 1800-11-1950.

ECI has also introduced the “Book-a-Call with BLO” facility on the ECINET platform, enabling voters to directly connect with their Booth Level Officer (BLO) for assistance.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What is the name of Russia's nuclear-powered unmanned underwater vehicle (UUV) recently tested and termed a 'super weapon'?

- A) Sarmat
- B) Kanyon
- C) Borei
- D) Status-6
- E) Poseidon

Answer: Option E – Poseidon

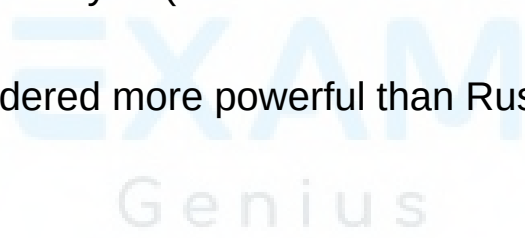
Explanation:

Russia has tested its nuclear-powered unmanned underwater vehicle (UUV) named Poseidon, described by President Vladimir Putin as a 'super weapon' due to its near-impossible interception capability.

Poseidon is approximately 20 meters long, 1.8 meters in diameter, weighs around 100 tonnes, has a range of 10,000 km, and can reach speeds up to 185 km/h underwater.

NATO refers to Poseidon as Kanyon (earlier known as Status-6).

Its nuclear warhead is considered more powerful than Russia's advanced Sarmat (Satan II) ICBM.





Ques: Who won Cameroon's 2025 Presidential Election and became the world's longest-serving President?

- A) Ahmadou Ahidjo
- B) Paul Biya
- C) Samuel Eto'o
- D) Maurice Kamto
- E) John Fru Ndi

Answer: Option B – Paul Biya

Explanation:

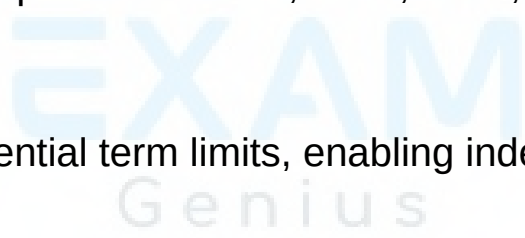
Incumbent President Paul Biya won the 2025 Presidential Election, securing his eighth consecutive term.

At 92 years of age, he became the world's oldest and longest-serving President.

He first became Prime Minister in 1975 and assumed the Presidency in 1982.

He has been re-elected multiple times: 1984, 1988, 1992, 1997, 2004, 2011, 2018, and 2025.

In 2008, he removed presidential term limits, enabling indefinite re-election.





Ques: What import duty has India imposed on yellow peas effective from 1 November 2025?

- A) 10%
- B) 20%
- C) 25%
- D) 30%
- E) 35%

Answer: Option D – 30%

Explanation:

India has reimposed a 30% import duty on yellow peas effective 1 November 2025 to restrict cheap imports that were pushing down domestic pulse prices before the rabi sowing season.

Shipments with bills of lading dated on or before 31 October 2025 are exempt from this duty.

After the announcement, wholesale chana prices increased by ₹50–100 per quintal, and yellow-pea landed prices are expected to rise by around ₹9 per kg, affecting prices of other pulses.

In FY25, India imported around 7.2 million tonnes of pulses, of which ~30% (~2.2 million tonnes) were yellow peas—prompting the decision to protect farmers and stabilize domestic markets.





Ques: What is the objective of the 'District Collectors' Peyjal Samvad' organised by DDWS under Jal Jeevan Mission?

- A) Promote rural tourism
- B) Strengthen local governance and accountability in water services
- C) Launch new water supply infrastructure
- D) Train school teachers in water conservation
- E) Conduct river cleaning drives

Answer: Option B – Strengthen local governance and accountability in water services

Explanation:

The Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS) organised the 'District Collectors' Peyjal Samvad' to empower district leadership, ensure source sustainability, and enhance accountability in rural water service delivery under the Jal Jeevan Mission.

The initiative acts as a national knowledge-sharing and peer-learning platform for District Collectors and field officials implementing the Mission.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which authority organised the “Niveshak Shivir” in Amritsar on 1st November 2025, and what was its objective?

- A) Reserve Bank of India
- B) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- C) Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority
- D) Ministry of Finance
- E) National Stock Exchange

Answer: Option C – Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA)

Explanation:

The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, in collaboration with SEBI, organised the “Niveshak Shivir” in Amritsar on 1st November 2025.

Its objective was to address issues related to unclaimed dividends, shares, and to provide a grievance redressal platform for investors.

The event helped resolve 223 investor complaints and aimed to strengthen an investor-centric financial ecosystem across India.

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Ques: Which international institution has provided a USD 50 million loan to City Union Bank (CUB) to support MSMEs in adopting energy-efficient solutions?

- A) Asian Development Bank
- B) International Monetary Fund
- C) World Bank
- D) International Finance Corporation
- E) New Development Bank

Answer: Option D – International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Explanation:

The International Finance Corporation (IFC), a member of the World Bank Group, has provided a USD 50 million loan to City Union Bank (CUB) for a period of 3 years.

The loan aims to support MSMEs in adopting energy-efficient and cost-effective technologies, contributing to India's Net Zero 2070 target.

About City Union Bank:

Established: 1904

Headquarters: Kumbakonam, Tamil Nadu

MD & CEO: Dr. N. Kamakodi

Tagline: "Trust and Excellence since 1904"





- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has provided a loan of USD 125 million for the Assam Urban Sector Development Project (AUSDP) to transform urban infrastructure and strengthen climate resilience in Assam.



EXAM
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Ques: Who from Dharwad, Karnataka, has been chosen for the Rajyotsava Award 2025 for contributions to archaeology?

- A) H.M. Pujar
- B) S.V. Hittalmani
- C) R.V. Nadagouda
- D) Prof. Ravindra Korisettar
- E) Somanna Dhanagonda

Answer: Option D – Prof. Ravindra Korisettar

Explanation:

Prof. Ravindra Korisettar, a renowned archaeologist from Dharwad, Karnataka, has been selected for the Rajyotsava Award 2025 for his exceptional contributions to archaeology, research, and education spanning several decades.

He is a UGC Emeritus Fellow in the Department of History and Archaeology at Karnatak University, Dharwad.

Other awardees from the Mumbai–Karnataka region include:

Writer H.M. Pujar

Folk artists Sannaningappa Mushennagol and Somanna Dhanagonda

Agriculture expert S.V. Hittalmani

Scientist R.V. Nadagouda



- The 2025 Nobel Prize in Chemistry : Susumu Kitagawa (Japan), Richard Robson (Australia), and Omar Mwannes Yaghi (Jordanian-American) for their development of Metal–Organic Frameworks (MOFs).



EXAM
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Ques: Which two countries signed agreements to develop new high-voltage cross-border power transmission lines, and what is the target completion year?

- A) India and Bhutan
- B) India and Nepal
- C) India and Bangladesh
- D) India and Sri Lanka
- E) India and Myanmar

Answer: Option B – India and Nepal

Explanation:

India and Nepal signed Joint Venture and Shareholders' Agreements between POWERGRID (India) and Nepal Electricity Authority to develop two new 400 kV cross-border power transmission lines.

The transmission lines are:

1. Inaruwa (Nepal) – New Purnea (India) 400 kV
2. Lamki (Dodhara, Nepal) – Bareilly (India) 400 kV

These projects are targeted to be completed by 2030.

This initiative aligns with India's plan to import 10,000 MW of power from Nepal over the next decade.



Ques: Which initiative under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has crossed over 2 crore registrations?

- A) Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan
- B) Fit India Movement
- C) Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)
- D) Khelo India Youth Games
- E) National Service Scheme (NSS)

Answer: Option C – Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)

Explanation:

Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat) is an autonomous youth engagement platform under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

It was launched on 31 October 2023 on the occasion of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas.

The platform has recently crossed 2 crore registrations, empowering youth aged 15–29 years and involving adolescents aged 10–19 years to encourage early civic participation and leadership development.

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Ques: Which Indian tennis player, a two-time Grand Slam champion, announced his retirement from professional tennis in 2025?

- A) Leander Paes
- B) Yuki Bhambri
- C) Mahesh Bhupathi
- D) Somdev Devvarman
- E) Rohan Bopanna

Answer: Option E – Rohan Bopanna

Explanation:

Rohan Machanda Bopanna, one of India's most celebrated tennis players, announced his retirement from professional tennis in 2025.

He is a two-time Grand Slam champion and a three-time Olympian, with a career lasting over 20 years on the ATP Tour.

Awards received:

Padma Shri (2024)
Arjuna Award (2019)
Ekalavya Award (2005)

Grand Slam Titles:

2017 French Open (Mixed Doubles) with Gabriela Dabrowski
2024 Australian Open (Men's Doubles) with Matthew Ebden

In January 2024, he became World No. 1 in men's doubles, becoming the oldest player in history to achieve this ranking.





Ques: What was India's fiscal deficit as a percentage of the full-year target during the first half (H1) of FY26?

- A) 29.4%
- B) 36.5%
- C) 43.7%
- D) 45.5%
- E) 49.0%

Answer: Option B – 36.5%

Explanation:

According to data released by the Controller General of Accounts (CGA), India's fiscal deficit in H1 FY26 (April–September 2025) amounted to ₹5.73 lakh crore.

This represents 36.5% of the full-year fiscal deficit target.

The fiscal performance was supported by:

Strong capital expenditure (51.8% of the annual target achieved)

Steady revenue growth

Thus, India remains on track to meet the FY26 fiscal deficit target of 4.4% of GDP.





Ques: Which Indian city was awarded the title 'Creative City of Gastronomy' under the UNESCO Creative Cities Network in 2025?

- A) Hyderabad
- B) Varanasi
- C) Jaipur
- D) Lucknow
- E) Chennai

Answer: Option D – Lucknow

Explanation:

Lucknow, the historic city of Nawabs in Uttar Pradesh, was awarded the title 'Creative City of Gastronomy' under the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN).

The announcement was made during the 43rd UNESCO General Conference held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan.

With this recognition, Lucknow became the second Indian city after Hyderabad to be listed in the global network of gastronomy cities.

In 2025, UNESCO added 58 new cities to the UCCN, bringing total membership to 408 cities from over 100+ countries.

The UCCN now includes 9 Indian cities:

- Jaipur
- Varanasi
- Chennai
- Hyderabad
- Mumbai
- Srinagar
- Gwalior
- Kozhikode
- Lucknow





Ques: Which two Indian business schools recently received AACSB International accreditation, placing them among the top 6% of business schools worldwide?

- A) Indian School of Business and IIM Ahmedabad
- B) Jindal Global Business School and Goa Institute of Management
- C) IIM Bangalore and XLRI Jamshedpur
- D) SP Jain Institute of Management and NMIMS Mumbai
- E) Symbiosis Institute of Business Management and MDI Gurgaon

Answer: Option B – Jindal Global Business School and Goa Institute of Management

Explanation:

Jindal Global Business School (JGBS) and the Goa Institute of Management (GIM) have been awarded AACSB International accreditation. This achievement places them among the top 6% business schools globally. AACSB International is a highly prestigious global body that accredits institutions that meet world-class standards in:

Teaching Quality

- Research Output and Impact
- Societal Contribution
- Student Learning and Development
- The accreditation is granted after a rigorous multi-year, peer-reviewed evaluation process, indicating excellence in management education.





Ques: When was the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana launched and what is its main objective?

- A) January 2023 – to promote green hydrogen use
- B) February 2024 – to provide free electricity to households
- C) March 2025 – to develop solar parks
- D) December 2023 – to reduce industrial power cost
- E) April 2024 – to provide subsidy for EV charging

Answer: Option B – February 2024, to provide free electricity to households

Explanation:

PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana was launched in February 2024 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

The scheme aims to provide up to 300 units of free electricity per month to households through the installation of rooftop solar systems.

The government offers:

- Up to 40% subsidy on installation costs
- Low-interest, collateral-free loans
- The scheme involves a planned investment of over ₹75,000 crore and is designed to benefit 1 crore households across India, promoting clean energy and reducing electricity bills.



Ques: Which company secured contracts from the Ministry of Defence to upgrade India's anti-drone systems, and what is the contract value?

- A) Zen Technologies Limited
- B) Bharat Electronics Limited
- C) Larsen & Toubro
- D) Tata Advanced Systems
- E) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited

Answer: A) Zen Technologies Limited

Explanation:

Zen Technologies Limited, based in Hyderabad, secured two contracts worth around ₹289 crore from the Ministry of Defence.

These contracts are for upgrading and modernizing India's anti-drone (C-UAS) systems.

The project is expected to be completed within one year.

The upgrade includes integrating AI-enabled radar systems, RF sensors, and electronic jamming modules to enhance detection and response capability against drone threats.

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Ques: Which states were recognized as top-performing under the Atal Pension Yojana (APY) for FY 2024–25?

- A) Maharashtra, Gujarat, and Rajasthan
- B) Jharkhand, Bihar, and Tripura
- C) Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and Odisha
- D) Punjab, Haryana, and Assam
- E) Kerala, West Bengal, and Sikkim

Answer: B) Jharkhand, Bihar, and Tripura

Explanation:

Atal Pension Yojana (APY) is a pension scheme for workers in the unorganized sector, providing a guaranteed monthly pension between ₹1,000 to ₹5,000 after age 60.

It is administered by the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA).

As of October 2025, APY has around 8.27 crore subscribers.

Jharkhand, Bihar, and Tripura were recognized as the top-performing states for FY 2024–25 based on subscription and outreach performance.

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Ques: Which company was upgraded from Schedule 'B' to Schedule 'A' Central Public Sector Enterprise by the Government of India effective October 28, 2025?

- A) NTPC Limited
- B) NTPC Green Energy Limited
- C) Power Grid Corporation of India
- D) NHPC Limited
- E) SJVN Limited

Answer: B) NTPC Green Energy Limited

Explanation:

NTPC Green Energy Limited was upgraded from Schedule 'B' to Schedule 'A' CPSE effective October 28, 2025.

The classification of CPSEs is done by the Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) under the Ministry of Finance.

CPSEs are categorized into Schedule A, B, C, and D based on performance metrics such as:

Investment & capital employed

- Net sales and profit
- Capacity expansion & technology
- National importance and strategic role
- MoU ratings and certifications

The upgrade reflects NTPC Green Energy Limited's strong growth, strategic relevance, and increasing role in India's renewable energy transition.



Ques: Which US President was conferred with South Korea's highest civilian honour, the Grand Order of Mugunghwa, and presented with a replica of a Silla-Dynasty gold crown?

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- B) Barack Obama
- C) Donald Trump
- D) George W. Bush
- E) Bill Clinton

Answer: Option C) Donald Trump

Explanation:

- Former US President Donald Trump received South Korea's highest civilian honour, the Grand Order of Mugunghwa.
- He was also presented with a replica of a Silla-Dynasty gold crown.
- He is the first US President to receive this honour.
- The crown design is inspired by a 1,000-year-old royal crown found in Gyeongju, the ancient capital of the Silla Kingdom.

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Ques: Who launched the first fully digitised National Marine Fisheries Census 2025?

- A) Parshottam Rupala
- B) Rajeev Chandrasekhar
- C) George Kurian
- D) Jitendra Singh
- E) Dharmendra Pradhan

Answer: Option C) George Kurian

Explanation:

- Union Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying George Kurian officially launched the National Marine Fisheries Census (MFC) 2025 at ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI), Kochi.
- The census is India's first fully digitised fisheries enumeration, featuring live data collection using VyAS Bharat and VyAS Sutra mobile applications.
- The 45-day nationwide enumeration (3 November – 18 December 2025) will cover over 1.2 million fisher households across 4,000 marine fishing villages in 9 coastal states and 4 union territories.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Former England cricketer Sir James Michael Anderson was awarded the Knighthood for which contribution?

- A) Services to cricket
- B) Services to charity
- C) Services to education
- D) Services to sports medicine
- E) Services to youth development

Answer: Option A) Services to cricket

Explanation:

- Former England fast bowler Sir James Michael Anderson received the Knighthood Award for his outstanding services to cricket.
- The award was presented by Princess Anne during a ceremony held at Windsor Castle in Berkshire, United Kingdom.
- With this honour, Anderson joins the elite club of English cricket legends such as Sir Ian Botham, Sir Geoffrey Boycott, Sir Alastair Cook, and Sir Andrew Strauss.

EXAM
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Ques: Which initiative is Telecom Centres of Excellence India implementing in collaboration with partners across Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Andhra Pradesh to provide integrated digital and physical services in villages?

- A) Digital India Mission
- B) Samriddh Gram Phygital Services Pilot
- C) e-Village Project
- D) BharatNet Connect
- E) Rural Digital Hubs

Answer: Option B) Samriddh Gram Phygital Services Pilot

Explanation:

- Telecom Centres of Excellence India has partnered with Digital Empowerment Foundation, I-Novate Infotech, and Corpus Enterprises to roll out the Samriddh Gram Phygital Services Pilot in selected villages of Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Andhra Pradesh.
- The pilot aims to establish a phygital (physical + digital) service delivery model using BharatNet infrastructure to enhance rural service access.
- Under this initiative, each village will have a Samriddhi Kendra for 2 years, serving as an integrated hub for education & skilling, agriculture, healthcare, e-governance, e-commerce, and financial inclusion services.

EXAM
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Ques: When is the International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists observed in 2025, and what is its theme?

- A) November 1
- B) November 2
- C) November 5
- D) November 10
- E) November 15

Answer: Option B) November 2

Explanation:

- The International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists is observed on 2nd November 2025.
- The 2025 theme is: "Chat GBV: Raising Awareness on AI-facilitated Gender-Based Violence against Women Journalists."
- UNESCO held an International Congress in Paris to discuss journalist protection and accountability.

EXAM
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Q: In which month did UPI record its highest-ever transaction volume and value since its launch in 2016?

- A) August 2025
- B) May 2025
- C) October 2025
- D) September 2025
- E) July 2025

Answer: C) October 2025

Explanation:

In October 2025, UPI recorded 20.7 billion transactions worth ₹27.28 trillion, the highest since its launch in 2016.

Compared to September 2025, transaction volume increased by 5% and value by 10%.

The month saw an average of 668 million daily transactions worth ₹87,993 crore per day.

EXAM
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Q: Which two organizations signed an MoU to provide doorstep Digital Life Certificate services to pensioners under the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995?

- A) India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) and Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO)
- B) State Bank of India and Life Insurance Corporation of India
- C) HDFC Bank and Pension Fund Regulatory Authority
- D) ICICI Bank and Employees' Provident Fund Organisation
- E) Punjab National Bank and Ministry of Finance

Answer: A) India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) and Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO)

Explanation:

IPPB signed an MoU with EPFO to provide doorstep Digital Life Certificate (DLC) services for pensioners under the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995.

The agreement was signed during EPFO's 73rd Foundation Day between the MD & CEO of IPPB and the Central Provident Fund Commissioner of EPFO.

About India Post Payments Bank Limited (IPPB) :

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



Q: As of October 31, 2025, what is the value of Rs 2,000 banknotes still in circulation in India, and what percentage has been returned since their withdrawal was announced?

- A) Rs 10,000 crore / 75% returned
- B) Rs 3.56 lakh crore / 50% returned
- C) Rs 1,000 crore / 90% returned
- D) Rs 5,817 crore / 98.37% returned
- E) Rs 50,000 crore / 80% returned

Answer: D) Rs 5,817 crore / 98.37% returned

Explanation:

The RBI announced the withdrawal of Rs 2,000 banknotes from circulation on May 19, 2023.

The value of Rs 2,000 notes in circulation reduced from Rs 3.56 lakh crore (on May 19, 2023) to Rs 5,817 crore as of October 31, 2025.

This means 98.37% of the Rs 2,000 notes have been returned.

Exchange facility for Rs 2,000 notes continues at RBI's 19 issue offices.

EXAM
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Q: Who were felicitated as Fit India Icons during the 'National Fitness & Wellness Conclave 2025' held in Mumbai?

- A) R Madhavan, Mary Kom, Sunil Chhetri
- B) Karan Tacker, Vishwas Patil, Krishna Prakash
- C) Virat Kohli, Deepika Padukone, PV Sindhu
- D) Rohit Shetty, Harbhajan Singh, Saina Nehwal
- E) Rohit Sharma, Hima Das, Saina Nehwal

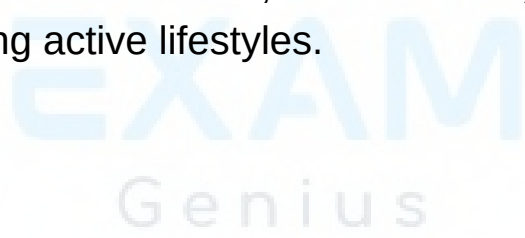
Answer: D) Rohit Shetty, Harbhajan Singh, Saina Nehwal

Explanation:

Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya felicitated Rohit Shetty, Harbhajan Singh, and Saina Nehwal as Fit India Icons during the National Fitness & Wellness Conclave 2025 in Mumbai.

The event highlighted India's growing fitness and wellness movement under the Fit India Mission.

Fit India Champions such as Karan Tacker, Vishwas Patil, and Krishna Prakash were also recognized for promoting active lifestyles.





Q: What is the name of India's first defence electric vehicle developed by Pravaig Dynamics?

- A) Rakshak
- B) Shaurya
- C) VEER
- D) Suraksha
- E) Vijay

Answer: C) VEER

Explanation:

VEER, developed by Bengaluru-based Pravaig Dynamics, is India's first electric vehicle designed specifically for defence use.

It has successfully completed military field trials, demonstrating high performance in rugged defence conditions.

The Ministry of Defence is in discussions for its procurement under Atmanirbhar Bharat and Defence Green Mobility initiatives.

EXAM
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Q: Which organization released the Hindi translation of the Lithuanian novel “The Last Day” titled “Antim Din”?

- A) National Book Trust
- B) Indian Council for Cultural Relations
- C) Ministry of External Affairs
- D) Sahitya Akademi
- E) Indian Council of Historical Research

Answer: D) Sahitya Akademi

Explanation:

Sahitya Akademi, under the Ministry of Culture, released the Hindi translation of the Lithuanian novel “The Last Day” titled “Antim Din” in collaboration with the Embassy of Lithuania.

The original novel was written by Lithuanian-Ukrainian author Jaroslavas Melnikas, and the Hindi translation was done by Dr. Poonam Tiwari.

EXAM
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Q: Which company's "Willow" quantum chip achieved the world's first verifiable quantum advantage?

- A) IBM
- B) Microsoft
- C) Google
- D) Intel
- E) Nvidia

Answer: C) Google

Explanation:

Google's Willow Quantum Chip achieved the world's first verifiable quantum advantage.

It performed a scientifically meaningful algorithm 13,000 times faster than the world's fastest classical supercomputer.

This marks a major step toward real-world, practical applications of quantum computing.

EXAM
Genius





Q: Which New Zealand cricketer recently retired from Twenty20 internationals, and what were his major achievements in T20Is?

- A) Kane Williamson
- B) Ross Taylor
- C) Martin Gupthill
- D) Trent Boult
- E) Tim Southee

Answer: A) Kane Williamson

Explanation:

Kane Williamson has retired from T20 internationals to support New Zealand's planning for the upcoming T20 World Cup.

He retired as the second-highest run-scorer for New Zealand in T20Is.

He played 93 T20I matches, scoring 2,575 runs at an average of 33.44, including 18 fifties.

Williamson also led New Zealand to the 2021 T20 World Cup final, scoring a superb 85 runs in the final match.

EXAM
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Q: What events were inaugurated in Hyderabad by Sanjay Jaju, and what key announcements were made?

- A) WAVES Animation Bazaar and IndiaJoy 8th edition
- B) International Film Festival of India
- C) Delhi International Arts Summit
- D) Kolkata Literature Festival
- E) Mumbai Animation Expo

Answer: A) WAVES Animation Bazaar and IndiaJoy 8th edition

Explanation:

Sanjay Jaju, Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, inaugurated the WAVES (World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit) Animation Bazaar and the 8th edition of IndiaJoy in Hyderabad.

He announced the establishment of a Regional Centre of the Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICT) in Hyderabad.

WAVES Bazaar aims to connect animation creators with buyers and OTT platforms to monetize content and support industry growth.

An MoU was signed between IICT and T-Hub to promote startup incubation and innovation in the media and entertainment sector.

A new multilingual film certification system was introduced to simplify and streamline the certification approval process.



Q: Where was the multi-ethnic trilingual secondary school funded by India inaugurated, and under which initiative was it implemented?

- A) Colombo, Sri Lanka – High Impact Community Development Projects
- B) Kandy, Sri Lanka – Skill India Initiative
- C) Polonnaruwa, Sri Lanka – High Impact Community Development Projects
- D) Jaffna, Sri Lanka – Digital India Initiative
- E) Galle, Sri Lanka – National Education Mission

Answer: C) Polonnaruwa, Sri Lanka – High Impact Community Development Projects

Explanation:

A multi-ethnic trilingual secondary school funded by the Government of India was inaugurated in Polonnaruwa District, Sri Lanka.

The project was implemented under India's High Impact Community Development Projects (HICDP) initiative.

The school was built with a grant of over Sri Lankan Rupees 320 million.

It provides education in Sinhala, Tamil, and English.

EXAM
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Q: Who has assumed charge as the new Director General of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)?

- A) T. V. Somanathan
- B) Sanjay Garg
- C) Ajay Kumar Bhalla
- D) Rajesh Kumar Singh
- E) Manoj Ahuja

Answer: B) Sanjay Garg

Explanation:

Sanjay Garg, an IAS officer of the 1994 Kerala cadre, assumed charge as the Director General of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on 1 November 2025.

He has over 30 years of experience in administration, policy planning, and strategic development across multiple sectors.

He previously served as Additional Secretary, DARE, and Secretary, ICAR, where he led digital initiatives such as the Kisan Sarathi Portal.

As DG of BIS, he will also act as President of India's National Committee in the IEC.

EXAM
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Q: Which lake in Bihar was recently designated as a Ramsar Site, and how many Ramsar Sites does India now have?

- A) Gokul Jalashay – 92
- B) Udaipur Jheel – 93
- C) Gogabeel Lake – 94
- D) Chilika Lake – 95
- E) Vembanad Lake – 96

Answer: C) Gogabeel Lake – 94

Explanation:

Gogabeel Lake in Katihar district of Bihar has been officially designated as a Ramsar Site of International Importance.

With this addition, India now has 94 Ramsar Sites.

Gogabeel Lake is one of the largest wetlands in Bihar, covering about 217 acres, and is an oxbow-shaped lake formed by the rivers Mahananda, Kankahar, and Ganga.

India now ranks third globally in the number of Ramsar Sites, after the United Kingdom (176) and Mexico (144).

EXAM
Genius





Q: The FIDE World Chess Cup Trophy has been named after which Indian chess legend?

- A) Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa
- B) Viswanathan Anand
- C) Pentala Harikrishna
- D) Vidit Gujrathi
- E) D. Gukesh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The FIDE World Chess Cup trophy has been officially named the “Viswanathan Anand Trophy” in honour of India’s first Grandmaster (1988) and five-time World Chess Champion.
- Anand, also known as the “Tiger of Madras,” played a crucial role in popularizing chess in India and inspiring new generations of players.
- He currently serves as the Deputy President of FIDE.

EXAM
Genius





Q: Which memorial and museum was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Chhattisgarh on the state's 25th foundation day, and what are its key features?

- A) Shaheed Veer Narayan Singh Memorial and Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum
- B) Bhimbetka Rock Shelters Museum
- C) Tribal Heritage Museum, Odisha
- D) Kanha Tribal Museum, Madhya Pradesh
- E) Bastar Tribal Culture Museum

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Shaheed Veer Narayan Singh Memorial and Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Chhattisgarh on the state's 25th foundation day (1st November).
- The project cost is ₹50 crore and it spans 10 acres.
- The museum includes 16 thematic galleries showcasing centuries of tribal resistance against colonial rule.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which agency is implementing the National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)?

- A) NAFED
- B) National Bee Board (NBB)
- C) APEDA
- D) NABARD
- E) FSSAI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) is implemented by the National Bee Board (NBB) under the Ministry of Agriculture.
- The mission promotes scientific beekeeping, improves honey quality, and supports the goal of achieving a 'Sweet Revolution' in India.
- The mission has a budget allocation of ₹500 crore for 2020–21 to 2025–26.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What is the purpose of Delhi Government's 'Pink Saheli Smart Card' initiative?

- A) To provide free bicycles to students
- B) To offer discounted fares for senior citizens
- C) To promote electric buses in Delhi
- D) To digitalize the metro ticketing system
- E) To provide free and convenient travel for women and transgender commuters

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The 'Pink Saheli Smart Card' initiative provides free and convenient travel for women and transgender commuters on Delhi Transport Corporation and cluster buses to promote safer, inclusive, and accessible public transport in Delhi.
- It replaces the older pink paper ticket system and is issued under the National Common Mobility Card (NCMC) framework.
- Applicants must be residents of Delhi and women, girls, or transgender individuals aged 12 years and above.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: By how much is India planning to expand its rare earth magnet manufacturing incentive scheme?

- A) Over ₹7,000 crore / \$788 million
- B) ₹1,000 crore / \$120 million
- C) ₹5,000 crore / \$600 million
- D) ₹3,500 crore / \$400 million
- E) ₹10,000 crore / \$1,200 million

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India plans to expand its rare earth magnet manufacturing incentive scheme to over ₹7,000 crore (\$788 million), nearly tripling the earlier allocation of \$290 million.
- The revised proposal will support around five domestic firms through a mix of production-linked and capital subsidies.
- China currently processes about 90% of the global rare earth output.
- India's annual demand for rare earth oxides is around 2,000 tonnes, attracting interest from international suppliers.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Former Indian hockey goalkeeper Manuel Frederick, who passed away recently, was the first sportsperson from which state to win an Olympic medal?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Karnataka
- C) Kerala
- D) Andhra Pradesh
- E) Goa

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Manuel Frederick played a key role in India's bronze medal win at the 1972 Munich Olympics.
- He was the first sportsperson from Kerala to win an Olympic medal.
- He made his international debut for India in 1971 and was the first-choice goalkeeper in the 1972 Olympics.
- He also represented India in two Hockey World Cups, winning silver at the 1973 World Cup (Netherlands) and participating again in 1978 (Argentina).
- He was honored with the Major Dhyan Chand Award for Lifetime Achievement in 2019.

EXAM
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Q: Which bank executed its first gold trade as a Special Category Client (SCC) on the India International Bullion Exchange?

- A) HDFC Bank
- B) Punjab National Bank
- C) Bank of Baroda
- D) State Bank of India
- E) ICICI Bank

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- State Bank of India (SBI) executed its first gold trade on the India International Bullion Exchange (IIBX) as a Special Category Client (SCC).
- This step is significant in advancing the digitization of bullion transactions in India.
- It improves transparency, efficiency, and accessibility, especially benefiting MSME jewellers.
- SBI also became the first Trading-cum-Clearing (TCM) Member at IIBX in 2024.

EXAM
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Ques: Which bank launched the annual employee excellence award titled 'SBI STAR'?

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- State Bank of India (SBI) launched an annual employee excellence award named 'SBI STAR' (Staff Talent Acknowledgement & Recognition).
- The award acknowledges employees' achievements beyond professional performance.
- It recognises excellence in Arts, Literature, Sports, Culture, Social Work, and Environmental initiatives, promoting holistic employee engagement and well-being.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which company partnered with Razorpay Curlec to enable UPI transactions in Malaysia?

- A) National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)
- B) Paytm
- C) Google Pay
- D) PhonePe
- E) SBI Pay

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- **NPCI** International Payments Limited (NPIL) partnered with Razorpay Curlec, a wholly owned subsidiary of Razorpay, to enable Unified Payments Interface (UPI) transactions in Malaysia.
- This partnership allows Indian tourists and travelers in Malaysia to make real-time UPI payments at local merchants using their existing UPI apps, removing the need for foreign currency or international cards.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which team won the 42nd edition of the Indian Oil Servo Surjit Hockey Trophy by defeating Indian Railways Delhi?

- A) Indian Oil Mumbai
- B) Indian Railways Delhi
- C) Punjab Warriors
- D) Hockey India Academy
- E) Bharat Petroleum

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Indian Oil Mumbai won the 42nd Indian Oil Servo Surjit Hockey Trophy for the 3rd consecutive year and the 7th time overall by defeating Indian Railways Delhi 2-1 in the final held at Olympian Surjit Hockey Stadium, Jalandhar.
- Punjab Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema announced that the state government will provide Rs 25 lakh to Surjit Hockey Society.
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EXAM
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Ques: Which authority imposed penalties on Dikshant IAS and Abhimanu IAS for misleading advertisements and unfair trade practices?

- A) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
- B) Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA)
- C) Competition Commission of India (CCI)
- D) Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA)
- E) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) imposed a penalty of ₹8,00,000 each on Dikshant IAS and Abhimanu IAS for misleading advertisements, unfair trade practices, and violation of consumer rights under the Consumer Protection Act, 2019.
- The CCPA has also advised successful candidates of competitive exams to report cases where coaching institutes misuse their names or photographs for promotional purposes.
- So far, penalties totaling more than ₹98.6 lakh have been imposed on 27 coaching institutes, and 57 notices have been issued for misleading advertisements.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: The ₹1 Lakh Crore RDI Scheme launched by the Prime Minister focuses on strengthening which sector?

- A) Agriculture Sector
- B) Research & Innovation Ecosystem
- C) Banking & Finance Sector
- D) Tourism & Culture Sector
- E) Education Sector

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) Scheme has been launched to promote private sector-driven research and innovation, support high-risk, high-impact research projects, and expand innovation infrastructure across India.
- The government also announced the establishment of 25,000 additional Atal Tinkering Labs and 10,000 new Prime Minister's Research Fellowships (PMRF) over the next five years.
- The initiative aims to strengthen India's R&D capacity and promote innovation-driven growth.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who has been appointed as the 111th Mayor of New York City?

- A) Eric Adams
- B) Zohran Mamdani
- C) Bill de Blasio
- D) Andrew Cuomo
- E) Ritchie Torres

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Zohran Mamdani has been appointed as the 111th Mayor of New York City for a 4-year term.
- He is the city's first Muslim mayor, the first person of South Asian origin to hold the office, and the youngest individual (34) to become mayor.
- Born in Uganda and of Indian origin, Mamdani grew up in New York City and later served as a member of the New York State Assembly before becoming mayor.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which event witnessed the first-ever Sekhon Indian Air Force Marathon in 2025?

- A) SIM-20
- B) SIM-22
- C) SIM-25
- D) IAF Run-2025
- E) Air Force Marathon 2025

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The first-ever Sekhon Indian Air Force Marathon 2025 (SIM-25) was held in Delhi, with participation from over 12,000 runners.
- Over 45,000 participants from 46 Air Force Stations across India joined in 21 km, 10 km, and 5 km running categories.
- The marathon was organized to honour Param Vir Chakra awardee Flying Officer Nirmal Jit Singh Sekhon.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: India will celebrate 100 years of Indian Hockey in 2025. Where will the centenary celebration be held?

- A) Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneswar
- B) Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi
- C) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Stadium, Gujarat
- D) Chhatrasal Stadium, Delhi
- E) Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium, Delhi

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The centenary celebration of Indian Hockey (1925–2025) will take place on 7th November 2025 at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi.
- The event will be held in association with Hockey India, with parallel activities conducted across over 550 districts in the country.
- Hockey is promoted under schemes like TOPS (Target Olympic Podium Scheme) and TAGG (Target Asian Games Group), and the ASMITA Hockey League is organized for junior and sub-junior girls.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which organisation hosted the Young Leaders Forum (YLF)-VEER YUVA in collaboration with the Indian Army?

- A) Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS)
- B) Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (IDSA)
- C) National Defence College (NDC)
- D) Vivekananda International Foundation (VIF)
- E) United Service Institution of India (USI)

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Indian Army, in collaboration with the Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS), hosted the Young Leaders Forum (YLF)-VEER YUVA at the Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi, to commemorate National Unity Day and encourage youth participation in nation-building.
- The forum served as a precursor to the third edition of the Chanakya Defence Dialogue 2025 (CDD 2025), scheduled for November 27–28, 2025, under the theme “Reform to Transform: Sashakt, Surakshit aur Viksit Bharat.”

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which authority facilitated the first export consignment of fortified rice kernel from Chhattisgarh to Costa Rica?

- A) Food Corporation of India (FCI)
- B) Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)
- C) Ministry of Agriculture
- D) FSSAI
- E) NABARD

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- APEDA, under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, facilitated the first export shipment of 12 metric tonnes of Fortified Rice Kernel from Chhattisgarh to Costa Rica.
- This initiative supports the national effort to promote fortified rice distribution across the country.
- Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) is produced by blending rice flour with micronutrients such as iron, folic acid, and vitamin B12.

About APEDA :

- Established : 1986
- HQ : New Delhi
- Chairman : Abhishek Dev

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which Indian players were included in the ICC Women's ODI World Cup Team of the Tournament?

- A) Smriti Mandhana, Harmanpreet Kaur & Jhulan Goswami
- B) Jemimah Rodrigues, Pooja Vastrakar & Radha Yadav
- C) Smriti Mandhana, Jemimah Rodrigues & Deepti Sharma
- D) Deepti Sharma, Harmanpreet Kaur & Shafali Verma
- E) Smriti Mandhana, Shafali Verma & Renuka Singh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Smriti Mandhana, Jemimah Rodrigues, and Deepti Sharma were selected in the ICC Women's ODI World Cup Team of the Tournament.
- Smriti Mandhana was among the top run-scorers, Jemimah Rodrigues played crucial knocks in the middle order, and Deepti Sharma made vital contributions as a leading all-rounder.
- Their inclusion reflects India's strong performance in women's cricket.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who conferred the Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika National Awards in Guwahati?

- A) Amit Shah
- B) Jyotiraditya Scindia
- C) Nitin Gadkari
- D) Rajnath Singh
- E) Piyush Goyal

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia conferred the Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika National Awards in Guwahati.
- Six distinguished personalities were honored for their contributions in literature, music, cinema, scholarship, and cultural preservation.
- The awardees were:
 - Yeshe Dorjee Thongchi (Arunachal Pradesh)
 - Laishram Mema (Manipur)
 - Rajni Basumatary (Assam)
 - L. R. Sailo (Mizoram)
 - Dr. Surjya Kanta Hazarika (Assam)
 - Prof. David R. Syiemlieh (Meghalaya)

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who unveiled the pilot version of the India–United Kingdom Science and Technology Partnership (IN-UK-STP) Dashboard?

- A) Prof. Ajay Kumar Sood and Dr. David Warren Smith
- B) Ramesh Pokhriyal and Boris Johnson
- C) Dr. K. VijayRaghavan and Dominic Raab
- D) Prof. Ashutosh Sharma and Jeremy Hunt
- E) Nirmala Sitharaman and Liz Truss

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The pilot version of the IN-UK-STP Dashboard was unveiled by Prof. Ajay Kumar Sood, Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India, and Dr. David Warren Smith, National Technology Adviser to the United Kingdom.
- The dashboard has been jointly developed by the Office of the PSA (India) and the British High Commission in India.
- It covers 143 bilateral science and technology projects supported and implemented by stakeholders from India and the UK since 2018.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which group signed an MoU with the Government of Andhra Pradesh to invest Rs. 20,000 crore and expand a thermal power plant in Visakhapatnam?

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

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Hinduja Group signed an MoU with the Government of Andhra Pradesh to invest Rs. 20,000 crore in the state.
- The investment involves expanding the thermal power plant in Visakhapatnam operated by Hinduja National Power Corporation Limited (HNPCL).
- The expansion will add two new units of 800 MW each, increasing the total capacity by 1,600 MW.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who has been re-elected as the President of Tanzania for a second term?

- A) John Magufuli
- B) Samia Suluhu Hassan
- C) Jakaya Kikwete
- D) Edward Lowassa
- E) Ali Hassan Mwinyi

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Samia Suluhu Hassan has been re-elected as the President of Tanzania for her second 5-year term.
- She is the first woman to serve as President of Tanzania and is the 6th President of the country.

About Tanzania:

- Capital: Dodoma
- Currency: Tanzanian Shilling

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which celebrated Indian poet and writer, awarded the Padma Shri in 2025, recently passed away?

- A) Ramdarash Mishra
- B) Raghuvir Sahay
- C) Kedarnath Singh
- D) Kunwar Narayan
- E) Namvar Singh

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Ramdarash Mishra, a renowned poet, writer, and academic, passed away recently.
- He was awarded the Padma Shri in 2025 for his contribution to Literature and Education.
- He authored more than 150 books, including poetry collections, novels, short stories, essays, and memoirs.
- He was also a recipient of the Saraswati Samman (2021), Sahitya Akademi Award (2015), and Vyas Samman (2011).

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which institute signed an MoU with the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation to develop a comprehensive SDG alignment framework?

- A) Indian Institute of Management (IIM)
- B) Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA)
- C) NITI Aayog
- D) Indian Statistical Institute (ISI)
- E) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

Answer: Option B

Explanation: • The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) signed an MoU with the Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) to develop a Comprehensive SDG Alignment Framework.

- The framework aims to integrate National, State, ESG, and CSR indicators to support the vision of Viksit Bharat.
- The National Indicator Framework (NIF), which monitors India's progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), will serve as the base for this collaboration.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What is observed on November 3 as per international environmental observances?

- A) World Wildlife Day
- B) International Day for Biosphere Reserves
- C) World Environment Day
- D) International Biodiversity Day
- E) Global Green Day

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- November 3 is observed as the International Day for Biosphere Reserves.
- The World Network of Biosphere Reserves (WNBR) currently includes 759 sites across 136 countries, including 25 transboundary sites.
- India has 18 designated Biosphere Reserves covering around 91,425 sq. km, of which 13 are included in UNESCO's WNBR.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What is the purpose of the Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada observed from 1st–15th November 2025?

- A) To celebrate India's Independence Day
- B) To commemorate tribal freedom fighters and mark the 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda
- C) To promote agricultural achievements
- D) To honor industrial leaders
- E) To mark National Education Day

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada (1st–15th November 2025) is observed to honor the contribution of tribal freedom fighters.
- It specifically commemorates the 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda, a prominent tribal leader and freedom fighter.
- The Government of India has declared 15th November as Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas to celebrate and remember the cultural heritage and sacrifices of tribal communities.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: The Government of India is planning to re-position which institution, established in 2021, as a global financial institution with a proposed new name Infrastructure Development Bank (IDB)?

- A) SIDBI
- B) EXIM Bank
- C) NaBFID
- D) NABARD
- E) IFCI

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The Government of India plans to re-position the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID), established in 2021, as a global financial institution.
- The institution is expected to be renamed Infrastructure Development Bank (IDB).
- NaBFID is 100% government-owned and classified as an All-India Financial Institution (AIFI) under the RBI Act, 1934.

About NaBFID:

Established: 2021

Headquarters: Mumbai

Chairman: K. V. Kamath

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which fintech company, in collaboration with Federal Bank, has introduced the Family Add-on Credit Card feature and launched India's first travel-focused shopping platform, Scapia Store?

- A) Slice
- B) Scapia
- C) OneCard
- D) Fi Money
- E) Cred

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Scapia, in collaboration with Federal Bank Limited, introduced the Family Add-on Credit Card feature and launched the Scapia Store, India's first travel-focused shopping platform.
- The initiative aims to strengthen Scapia's integrated ecosystem for travel enthusiasts in India.
- Primary cardholders can issue up to three add-on cards for family members aged 18 and above, with the option to set individual spending limits.

About Federal Bank:

- Established: 1931
- Headquarters: Kochi, Kerala
- MD & CEO: KVS Manian
- Tagline: Your Perfect Banking Partner

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Mahindra & Mahindra (M&M) is likely to sell its entire 3.45% stake in which bank for ₹682 crore through a block deal?

- A) Axis Bank
- B) ICICI Bank
- C) RBL Bank
- D) Yes Bank
- E) IDFC First Bank

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Mahindra & Mahindra (M&M) is set to offload its entire 3.45% stake in RBL Bank through a block deal valued at ₹682 crore.
- The floor price for the transaction is fixed at ₹317 per share, slightly below the market price.
- Kotak Securities is acting as the broker for this deal.
- Emirates NBD, which is in the process of acquiring a 60% stake in RBL Bank through a primary infusion of ₹26,850 crore, is expected to be the major buyer.
- M&M had previously bought a 3.53% stake in RBL Bank in 2023 for ₹417 crore, resulting in about a 64% return upon exit.
- Emirates NBD will also launch an open offer on December 12, 2025, at ₹280 per share, open till December 26.
- As per RBI norms, foreign investors can buy up to 74% stake in Indian private banks, but promoters' voting rights are capped at 26%.
- In Q2FY26, RBL Bank's net profit stood at ₹179 crore, showing a 20% year-on-year decline due to lower net interest income.





Ques: Which bank has paused its plan to divest a majority stake in its subsidiary Nainital Bank Limited (NBL) and decided to focus on strengthening it instead?

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

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Bank of Baroda (BoB) has paused its plan to divest a majority stake in its subsidiary Nainital Bank Limited (NBL) and will instead focus on strengthening the bank.
- In Q2 FY26, BoB infused ₹169 crore into NBL, increasing its subscribed capital to ₹165.72 crore and share premium to ₹258.12 crore, thereby strengthening the bank's capital base.
- Bank of Baroda currently holds a 98.57% stake in Nainital Bank Limited.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What was the net profit of the State Bank of India (SBI) in Q2 FY26?

- A) ₹17,800 crore
- B) ₹19,200 crore
- C) ₹20,160 crore
- D) ₹22,500 crore
- E) ₹25,000 crore

Answer: C

Explanation:

- State Bank of India (SBI) reported a net profit of ₹20,160 crore in Q2 FY26, marking a 10% year-on-year growth.
- The rise in profit was driven by the sale of a 13.18% stake in Yes Bank, which generated a profit of ₹4,593 crore.
- Net Interest Income (NII) grew 3.28% YoY, while the Net Interest Margin (NIM) for Q2 FY26 stood at 3.09%, slightly lower than 3.27% last year.
- Advances grew 12.73% YoY, and deposits rose 9.27% YoY.

Asset Quality Improved:

- Gross NPA: 1.73% (improved by 40 bps YoY)
- Net NPA: 0.42% (improved by 11 bps YoY)

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What is India's rank in the WJP Rule of Law Index 2025?

- A) 76th
- B) 80th
- C) 86th
- D) 90th
- E) 70th

Answer: C

Explanation:

- In the WJP Rule of Law Index 2025, India fell six places to the 86th position, with an overall score of 0.49 (a decline of -1.7% from the previous year).
- Denmark ranked 1st, followed by Norway in 2nd place.
- The report highlighted that in 2025, 68% of countries experienced a decline in the rule of law, compared to 57% in the previous year.
- The index covers 143 countries and is published by the World Justice Project (WJP).

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who has been conferred with the Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award 2025 for outstanding contributions to computational materials science?

- A) Dr. Sai Gautam Gopalakrishnan
- B) Dr. Anil Kakodkar
- C) Dr. Tessy Thomas
- D) Dr. G. Satheesh Reddy
- E) Dr. S. Somanath

Answer: A

Explanation:

- Dr. Sai Gautam Gopalakrishnan, Associate Professor of Materials Engineering at IISc Bengaluru, has been awarded the Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award 2025.
- He is recognized for his contributions to computational materials science, particularly in advancing the design and understanding of new materials using computational methods.
- The award includes a citation and a cash prize of ₹5 lakh.
- The selection committee was chaired by Dr. Anil Kakodkar.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Typhoon Kalmaegi, locally known as Typhoon Tino, recently affected which island in the Philippines?

- A) Luzon
- B) Cebu
- C) Palawan
- D) Mindanao
- E) Boracay

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Typhoon Kalmaegi (Tino) is an active tropical cyclone currently affecting the Palawan island of the Philippines.
- It is the 25th named storm and 12th typhoon of the 2025 Pacific Typhoon Season.
- The system originated on 30 October 2025 over the western Pacific Ocean.
- It has brought heavy rainfall, strong winds, and flooding risks to coastal and low-lying areas of Palawan.
- PAGASA has issued warnings and urged residents to take precautions.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: India will celebrate 150 years of the National Song Vande Mataram starting from which date?

- A) 26 January 2026
- B) 15 August 2025
- C) 7 November 2025
- D) 2 October 2025
- E) 7 September 2025

Answer: C

Explanation:

- India will mark 150 years of the National Song 'Vande Mataram' starting from 7 November 2025, the day it was originally composed in 1875 by Bankimchandra Chatterji.
- The celebration will be organized by the Ministry of Culture at the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium, New Delhi.
- The National Implementation Committee has approved a year-long commemoration from 7 November 2025 to 7 November 2026.
- Vande Mataram was composed on the occasion of Akshaya Navami.

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EXAM
Genius





Ques: In the World Cooperative Monitor Global Rankings 2025, which Indian cooperative secured the 1st rank?

- A) IFFCO
- B) Amul
- C) KRIBHCO
- D) NAFED
- E) Mother Dairy

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Amul (GCMMF) has been ranked Number 1 in the World Cooperative Monitor Global Rankings 2025.
- IFFCO secured the 2nd position globally, giving India both top spots.
- The ranking is released by the World Cooperative Monitor, jointly developed by the International Cooperative Alliance (ICA) and EURICSE.
- The 2025 rankings are based on GDP per capita, showcasing economic strength and cooperative contribution.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated Amul and IFFCO, calling them a symbol of India's cooperative strength under the 'Sahkar Se Samriddhi' vision.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: Which country has officially inaugurated the Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM), said to be the world's largest archaeological museum with nearly 100,000 artifacts?

- A) Jordan
- B) Saudi Arabia
- C) Egypt
- D) Turkey
- E) Iran

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Egypt has officially inaugurated the Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM), considered the world's largest archaeological museum, housing nearly 100,000 ancient artifacts.
- The museum is located near the Great Pyramid of Khufu at Giza, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, and is viewed as a modern-era cultural attraction.
- The proposal for GEM was first made in 1992 during the rule of President Hosni Mubarak, and construction began in 2005.
- The project endured several delays due to financial crises, the 2011 Arab Spring, the COVID-19 pandemic, and regional conflicts.

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Ques: During which meeting did India and Israel sign a defence cooperation pact aimed at promoting co-development and co-production of advanced military systems?

- A) 15th India-Israel JWG Meeting
- B) 16th India-Israel JWG Meeting
- C) 17th India-Israel JWG Meeting
- D) 18th India-Israel JWG Meeting
- E) 14th India-Israel JWG Meeting

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India and Israel signed a defence cooperation pact during the 17th meeting of the India-Israel Joint Working Group (JWG) on defence cooperation, held in New Delhi.
- The agreement was signed between Israeli Foreign Minister Gideon Saar and India's External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar.
- The objective of the pact is to facilitate sharing of advanced defence technologies and promote co-development and co-production of key weapon systems and military hardware.
- This move aims to further strengthen the already robust strategic ties between India and Israel.

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Ques: President Droupadi Murmu recently extended greetings on the occasion of which famous Odisha festival?

- A) Rath Yatra
- B) Konark Dance Festival
- C) Baliyatra Festival
- D) Nuakhai Festival
- E) Raja Parba

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- President Droupadi Murmu extended greetings to citizens, especially the people of Odisha, on the occasion of the historic Baliyatra Festival and Boita Bandana.
- She described Baliyatra as a symbol of Odisha's glorious maritime trade tradition and cultural heritage.
- The festival commemorates the ancient sea voyages (Boita Bandana) of Odia traders to Southeast Asian countries.
- The President expressed confidence that remembering this heritage will inspire citizens to work together for a developed India.

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Ques: Which organization will provide Tata Capital with a \$15.85 million revolving facility and a \$3 million grant?

- A) World Bank
- B) Asian Development Bank
- C) Green Climate Fund (GCF)
- D) International Finance Corporation
- E) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Green Climate Fund (GCF) will provide Tata Capital with a \$15.85 million revolving facility to promote climate-focused financing and sustainability initiatives.
- Additionally, GCF will extend a \$3 million grant to make funding more affordable for climate-focused start-ups in India.
- This initiative aims to promote green finance and sustainable entrepreneurship in India, supporting the nation's transition toward a low-carbon economy.
- The collaboration reflects India's commitment to climate action and sustainable development goals (SDGs) through innovative financial mechanisms.

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Ques: Which organizations signed the tripartite MoU to monitor surface coal fires and land subsidence in Jharia Coalfield, Jharkhand (2025–27)?

- A) ISRO, NTPC, and Coal India
- B) NRSC/ISRO, BCCL, and CMPDI
- C) ONGC, BCCL, and NALCO
- D) NLC India, CMPDI, and GAIL
- E) CSIR, Coal India, and NTPC

Answer: Option B

Explanation

- A tripartite MoU was signed among NRSC/ISRO, BCCL (Bharat Coking Coal Limited), and CMPDI (Central Mine Planning & Design Institute) to monitor surface coal fires and land subsidence in the Jharia Coalfield, Jharkhand.
- The study is titled “Delineation of Surface Coal Fire and Associated Land Subsidence in Jharia Coalfield (2025–27)”, and will run from 2025 to 2027.
- The project will use satellite-based remote sensing technology to map and assess underground coal fires and ground movement.
- This initiative supports environmental protection, mining safety, and sustainable natural resource management in the region.





Ques: India is set to welcome another batch of eight cheetahs from which country under Project Cheetah by December 2025?

- A) Namibia
- B) South Africa
- C) Kenya
- D) Botswana
- E) Tanzania

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India will bring eight more cheetahs from Botswana by the third week of December 2025 under Project Cheetah.
- The cheetahs are currently in quarantine in Botswana and will be relocated to Kuno National Park, Madhya Pradesh.
- India currently has 27 cheetahs, including those born in the country under the reintroduction programme.
- Previously, India brought 8 cheetahs from Namibia in 2022 and 12 from South Africa in 2023.
- The Botswana batch will arrive in two phases to ensure smooth adaptation.

About Project Cheetah:

- India's cheetah extinction year : 1952
- Project launch date :
17 September 2022
- First batch arrived : from
Namibia – 8 cheetahs (Sept 2022)
- Second batch arrived : from South Africa – 12 cheetahs (Feb 2023)
- New upcoming batch :
Botswana – 8 cheetahs (2025)
- Main release site : Kuno NP, MP



Ques: Which Indian state has inaugurated the country's first end-to-end Silicon Carbide (SiC) semiconductor facility under the India Semiconductor Mission?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Tamil Nadu
- C) Odisha
- D) Gujarat
- E) Telangana

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Odisha has inaugurated India's first end-to-end Silicon Carbide (SiC) semiconductor facility at Info Valley, Bhubaneswar.
- The project is part of the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) to strengthen India's semiconductor manufacturing ecosystem.
- The facility is being set up by SiCSem Private Limited in collaboration with UK-based Clas-SiC Wafer Fab Ltd.
- The total investment in the project is ₹2,067 crore, marking a major step towards semiconductor self-reliance in India.

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Ques: Who inaugurated the North Eastern Science & Technology (NEST) Cluster at IIT Guwahati, which focuses on semiconductors, AI, and bamboo-based technologies?

- A) Dr. Jitendra Singh
- B) Jyotiraditya Madhavrao Scindia
- C) Ashwini Vaishnaw
- D) Dharmendra Pradhan
- E) Kiren Rijiju

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister Jyotiraditya Madhavrao Scindia inaugurated the North Eastern Science & Technology (NEST) Cluster at IIT Guwahati.
- He also laid the foundation stone for development projects worth ₹635 crore in Assam.
- The NEST Cluster has been established with an investment of ₹22.98 crore to promote research, innovation, and industrial development in the North East.
- The cluster focuses on key sectors including semiconductors, artificial intelligence, and bamboo-based technologies.

- 1. Grassroots Innovation**
- 2. Semiconductors & Artificial Intelligence**
- 3. Bamboo-Based Technologies**
- 4. Biodegradable Plastics**

- The initiative aims to make the North Eastern Region a hub for sustainable technological advancement in India.



Ques: According to the NITI Aayog report, India's bioeconomy sector is expected to reach what value by 2030?

- A) USD 150 billion
- B) USD 200 billion
- C) USD 300 billion
- D) USD 400 billion
- E) USD 500 billion

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- According to NITI Aayog, India's bioeconomy sector is projected to reach USD 300 billion by 2030.
- The report highlights agricultural transformation as key to achieving India's developed nation vision by 2047.
- Climate-resilient seeds and AI technologies will enhance productivity and sustainability.
- Customized solutions will be developed for different farmer groups to support inclusive and sustainable growth.

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Ques: Which country has become the first in the world to implement a generational smoking ban prohibiting anyone born after January 1, 2007, from buying, using, or selling tobacco products?

- A) New Zealand
- B) United Kingdom
- C) Maldives
- D) Australia
- E) Singapore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Maldives has implemented a generational smoking ban, under which any person born after January 1, 2007, is prohibited from purchasing, using, or selling any tobacco products.
- The law came into effect on November 1, 2025, making Maldives the first and only country in the world to implement such a policy.
- Retailers must verify buyers' ages before selling tobacco; failure to comply can result in a fine of 50,000 Maldivian Rufiyaa (\approx \$3,200).
- The ban also applies to tourists, and vaping and e-cigarette products are completely banned for all age groups; violations can lead to a fine of 5,000 Rufiyaa (\approx \$320).

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Ques: Which Indian state became the first to introduce both Air Ambulance and Helicopter Tourism Services under its intra-state air connectivity initiative?

- A) Maharashtra
- B) Uttarakhand
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Himachal Pradesh
- E) Rajasthan

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Dr. Mohan Yadav, inaugurated the Pradhan Mantri Shri Aerial Tourism Helicopter Service as part of the state's 70th Foundation Day celebrations.
- With this launch, Madhya Pradesh became the first state in India to introduce both Air Ambulance and Helicopter Tourism Services under its intra-state air connectivity initiative.
- This marks the first intra-state helicopter tourism service in the state, designed to connect key pilgrimage, wildlife, and heritage destinations across Madhya Pradesh.
- The service operates under a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model, involving aviation companies like Trans Bharat Aviation and Jet Serve Aviation Private Limited.

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

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

Answer: B) City Union Bank

Explanation:

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

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

The launch event took place in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

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

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

Answer: D) 10%

Explanation:

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

Out of this total stake:

SBI will divest 6.3%

Amundi will divest 3.7%

SBIFML is currently the largest mutual fund in India with:

Market Share: 15.55%

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





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

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

Answer: B) JSW MG Motor India and Axis Bank

Explanation:

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

Under this scheme, customers can take separate loans for:

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

The scheme offers:

Up to 100% on-road financing

Battery loan tenure extending up to 8 years

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



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

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

Answer: B) Paytm Check-in

Explanation:

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

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

It includes an AI travel assistant that:

Helps users browse and book travel through a conversational interface.

Suggests destinations.

Creates personalized travel itineraries.

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





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

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

Answer: B) SEBI and RBI

Explanation:

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

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

The initiative may also:

Allow banks to trade in commodity derivatives.

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

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



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

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

Answer: B) ₹49,456 crore

Explanation:

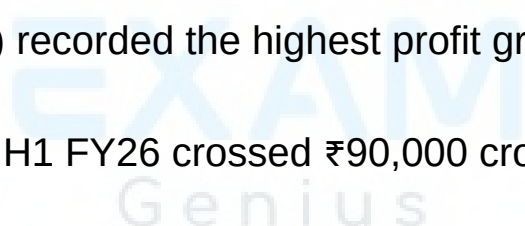
Public Sector Banks (PSBs), led by State Bank of India (SBI), reported a record cumulative profit of ₹49,456 crore in Q2 FY26.

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

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

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

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





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

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

Answer: C) ₹2.75 lakh crore

Explanation:

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

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

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

Private Banks: ₹8,149 crore

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

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

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

Answer: B) Sunil Kant Munjal

Explanation:

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

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

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

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

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

Answer: B) Government of Himachal Pradesh

Explanation:

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

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

Himachal Pradesh integrated:

51 HIMSeva (e-district) services

HimParivar services

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





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

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

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

Explanation:

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

The SAF blending targets are:

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

Goals of the policy include:

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





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

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

Answer: C) Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary

Explanation:

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

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

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

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





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

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

Answer: B) Malolan Rangarajan

Explanation:

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

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

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

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

Answer: Option C — Guntur

Explanation:

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

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

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





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

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

Answer: Option B — Shenzhou-21

Explanation:

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

The crew includes:

Commander Zhang Lu (Space Pilot)

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

Astronaut Zhang Hongzhang (Payload Specialist)

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

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





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

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

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

Explanation:

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

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

It spans 10 cultural domains, including:

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

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

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

Answer: Option B — Vibe Coding

Explanation:

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

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

The term was coined by Andrej Karpathy in February 2025.

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

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

Answer: Option C — ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel (AMNS)

Explanation:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

Answer: Option B — Sweden

Explanation:

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

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

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

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

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

Answer: Option B — Cycling

Explanation:

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

Answer: Option C — Hinduja Group

Explanation:

Gopichand Parmanand Hinduja was the Chairman of the Hinduja Group.

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

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

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

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Ques: Which Indian company recently became the sixth to cross the \$100 billion market capitalisation mark?

- A) HDFC Bank
- B) Bharti Airtel
- C) ICICI Bank
- D) State Bank of India
- E) Tata Consultancy Services

Answer: Option D – State Bank of India (SBI)

Explanation:

- State Bank of India (SBI) became the sixth Indian company to cross the \$100 billion market capitalisation mark, with its market value reaching \$100 billion (₹8.86 trillion).
- SBI's share price gained over 1% to hit a record high, reflecting strong investor confidence.
- The companies ahead of SBI in the \$100 billion club are Reliance Industries (\$228 bn), HDFC Bank (\$171 bn), Bharti Airtel (\$135 bn), TCS (\$123 bn), and ICICI Bank (\$106 bn).
- SBI aims to enter the top 10 global banks by market capitalisation, according to SBI Chairman C.S. Setty.

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Ques: Which bank declared Reliance Communications' loan account as "fraud"?

- A) SBI
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) IDBI Bank
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) Axis Bank

Answer: Option C – IDBI Bank

Explanation:

- IDBI Bank declared Reliance Communications' (RCom) loan account of about ₹750 crore as "fraud" due to alleged diversion or misuse of funds.
- Reliance Communications has been under insolvency proceedings since June 2019 after defaulting on its debt obligations.
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Ques: When did India officially conclude its presence at the Ayni Airbase in Tajikistan?

- A) 2008
- B) 2010
- C) 2020
- D) 2022
- E) 2024

Answer: Option D – 2022

Explanation:

- India officially concluded its nearly two-decade-long presence at the Ayni Airbase in Tajikistan by late 2022.
- The Ayni Airbase is located about 15 kilometers west of Dushanbe, the capital of Tajikistan.
- India had earlier established its first base at Farkhor in 1998, which operated till 2008.
- In 2002, India signed a bilateral agreement with Tajikistan to jointly operate Ayni Airbase, India's first and only overseas military installation.
- The Indian Air Force and Border Roads Organisation invested USD 70–100 million to rebuild the airfield and extend its runway to 3,200 meters.

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Ques: Which new annual award has FIFA created to recognize efforts in uniting people through football?

- A) FIFA Fair Play Award
- B) FIFA Peace Prize
- C) FIFA Unity Trophy
- D) FIFA Global Harmony Award
- E) FIFA Champions Medal

Answer: Option B – FIFA Peace Prize

Explanation:

- FIFA has created a new annual award called the FIFA Peace Prize, which will be presented for the first time during the 2026 World Cup draw in Washington.
- The award, subtitled “Football Unites the World,” aims to recognize individuals who unite people and inspire hope for future generations.
- The inaugural recipient has not been officially announced, though speculation suggests it might go to Donald Trump, an ally of FIFA President Gianni Infantino, who is expected to attend the December 5 draw at the Kennedy Center in the US.

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Answer: Option B – FIFA Peace Prize

Explanation:

- FIFA has created a new annual award called the FIFA Peace Prize, which will be presented for the first time during the 2026 World Cup draw in Washington.
- The award, subtitled “Football Unites the World,” aims to recognize individuals who unite people and inspire hope for future generations.
- The inaugural recipient has not been officially announced, though speculation suggests it might go to Donald Trump, an ally of FIFA President Gianni Infantino, who is expected to attend the December 5 draw at the Kennedy Center in the US.

About NHPC Limited :

- Established : 1975
- HQ : Faridabad (Haryana)
- CMD : Bhupender Gupta

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Ques: Which company announced India's largest Geothermal Energy Technology pilot project in Andhra Pradesh?

- A) NTPC
- B) Energy Efficiency Services Limited
- C) Power Grid Corporation
- D) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
- E) Indian Oil Corporation

Answer: Option B – Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL)

Explanation:

- Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) announced plans to establish India's largest Geothermal Energy Technology (GET) pilot project in Andhra Pradesh, to be implemented at Araku Valley and Visakhapatnam.
- The project will utilize Earth Air Tunnel (EAT) Systems and Ground Source Heat Pumps (GSHP), offering a payback period of 3–4 years, suitable for hotels and tourism infrastructure.
- EESL is headquartered in New Delhi and is led by CEO Akhilesh Kumar Dixit.

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Ques: Which two organizations signed an MoU to advance digital design skills in India's vocational training institutes?

- A) MSDE & TCS
- B) DGT & Autodesk
- C) NSDC & Infosys
- D) AICTE & Siemens
- E) DGT & IBM

Answer: Option B – DGT & Autodesk

Explanation:

- The Directorate General of Training (DGT), under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), and Autodesk signed a formal Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen digital design skills among faculty and trainers in National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) and Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) across India.
- The initiative aims to enhance employability skills, build digital capabilities of trainers, and prepare India's workforce for evolving industrial needs in architecture, engineering, manufacturing, and construction sectors.

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Ques: Which state became the first in India to sign a Letter of Intent with Elon Musk's Starlink Satellite Communications Pvt. Ltd.?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Karnataka
- D) Telangana
- E) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option B – Maharashtra

Explanation:

- The Government of Maharashtra became the first state in India to sign a Letter of Intent (LoI) with Elon Musk's Starlink Satellite Communications Pvt. Ltd., a subsidiary of SpaceX, to provide satellite-based internet connectivity.
- Under this partnership, Starlink will deploy high-speed satellite internet across government institutions, rural areas, and critical public infrastructure in remote and underserved districts such as Gadchiroli, Nandurbar, Washim, and Dharashiv in Maharashtra.

EXAM
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Ques: Which international event is the Ministry of Tourism, India, participating in to showcase India's tourism?

- A) ITB Berlin
- B) World Travel Market (WTM) London
- C) Arabian Travel Market
- D) FITUR Madrid
- E) International Tourism Expo Tokyo

Answer: Option B – World Travel Market (WTM) London

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, is participating in the World Travel Market (WTM) London, held at Excel London, with a delegation of around 30 stakeholders including state governments, UT administrations, inbound tour operators, and IRCTC, to showcase India's rich cultural diversity and tourism offerings.
- India received 20.57 million international tourist arrivals in 2024, and as per the World Economic Forum's Travel & Tourism Competitiveness Index 2024, India is ranked 39th among 119 countries.

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Ques: Which Indian heritage site was rated 'Good' by IUCN in the 4th edition of its World Heritage Outlook?

- A) Jim Corbett National Park
- B) Sundarbans National Park
- C) Khangchendzonga National Park
- D) Kaziranga National Park
- E) Valley of Flowers

Answer: Option C – Khangchendzonga National Park

Explanation:

- Khangchendzonga National Park in Sikkim was rated 'Good' by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) in the 4th edition of its World Heritage Outlook, making it the only Indian heritage site to receive this rating.
- The report assessed 271 natural and mixed World Heritage sites across 115 countries, categorizing them as "Good," "Good with Some Concerns," "Significant Concern," or "Critical" based on their conservation status.
- Khangchendzonga National Park was recognized in 2016 as India's first mixed heritage site by UNESCO, highlighting both its natural beauty and cultural significance.
- The latest edition revealed that Asia has 63 natural and mixed heritage sites across 19 countries, covering an area of over 27 million hectares.

About International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN):

- Established : 1948
- HQ : Gland, Switzerland
- Director General : Grethel Aguilar





Ques: Who topped the EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2025?

- A) Ratan Tata
- B) Shiv Nadar & Family
- C) Mukesh Ambani
- D) Nikhil Kamath
- E) Rohini Nilekani

Answer: Option B – Shiv Nadar & Family

Explanation:

- The 12th edition of the EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2025 was released by the EdelGive Foundation in partnership with Hurun India, measuring donations made between 1st April 2024 and 31st March 2025.
- Shiv Nadar & Family topped the list as India's most generous philanthropists, donating ₹2,537 crore.
- The 2025 list features 191 philanthropists who collectively donated ₹10,380 crore, marking an 85% increase compared to three years ago.
- Reliance Industries Limited led in CSR contributions with ₹1,309 crore, followed by Rungta Sons with ₹181 crore.
- Education received the highest donations (₹4,166 crore), followed by healthcare (₹971 crore).

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Ques: When and where will the fourth edition of the Kashi Tamil Sangamam (KTS 4.0) be held?

- A) December 2–15, 2025 in Chennai
- B) December 2–15, 2025 in Varanasi
- C) November 25–December 5, 2025 in Varanasi
- D) December 10–20, 2025 in Kashi
- E) January 1–15, 2026 in Varanasi

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Varanasi will host the fourth edition of the Kashi Tamil Sangamam (KTS 4.0) from December 2 to 15, 2025, bringing together over 1,400 delegates from Tamil Nadu to celebrate cultural and linguistic ties between Kashi and Tamil Nadu.
- The event, themed “Let us Learn Tamil – Karpom Tamil,” promotes linguistic unity under the “Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat” initiative.
- KTS 4.0 will include seven delegate groups — students, teachers, writers/media professionals, artisans, women, agricultural experts, and spiritual scholars, along with the symbolic Agasthya Expedition from Tenkasi to Kashi.
- The event is organized by the Ministry of Education in collaboration with IIT Madras and Banaras Hindu University (BHU).

EXAM
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Ques: Who was awarded the INTERPOL Medal of the Highest Order at the Middle East International Border Management and Technology Conference?

- A) General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa
- B) Major General Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi
- C) Sheikh Salman bin Hamad
- D) Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan
- E) Abdullah bin Abdulaziz

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, Minister of Interior of the Kingdom of Bahrain, was awarded the INTERPOL Medal of the Highest Order.
- The award was presented at the Middle East International Border Management and Technology Conference held in Manama, Bahrain.
- The medal was awarded by Major General Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi, President of the International Criminal Police Organisation (INTERPOL).

EXAM
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Ques: Which former Karnataka Minister and MP recently passed away?

- A) H.D. Kumaraswamy
- B) H.Y. Meti
- C) Siddaramaiah
- D) B.S. Yediyurappa
- E) D.K. Shivakumar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- H.Y. Meti, former Karnataka Minister and Member of Parliament, passed away.
- He was a prominent leader from the Kuruba community in northern Karnataka.
- Meti entered Karnataka state politics in the late 1980s with Janata Dal.
- He served as Forest Minister from 1994–1998 and as Excise Minister in 2016.
- In 2024, he was appointed Chairman of the Bagalkot Urban Development Authority.

EXAM
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Ques: What is observed on November 7 as a health awareness day in India?

- A) World Diabetes Day
- B) National Cancer Awareness Day
- C) World Heart Day
- D) National Mental Health Day
- E) None of the Above

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- November 7 is observed as National Cancer Awareness Day in India, marking the birth anniversary of Marie Curie, the Nobel laureate in Physics (1903) and Chemistry (1911).
- The day was started in 2014 by former Union Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- The lavender ribbon is used as a symbol to represent all types of cancers.

EXAM
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Ques: Which company received in-principle approval from the Reserve Bank of India to issue Prepaid Payment Instruments?

- A) Paytm Payments Bank
- B) Junio Payments Private Limited
- C) PhonePe
- D) MobiKwik
- E) Razorpay

Answer: Option B – Junio Payments Private Limited

Explanation:

- Junio Payments Private Limited (JPPL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of FirstPay Technologies Private Limited, received in-principle authorisation from the Reserve Bank of India to issue Prepaid Payment Instruments.
- The approval, granted under Section 18 read with Section 10(2) of the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007, allows JPPL to launch a digital wallet linked to the Unified Payments Interface (UPI).

EXAM
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Ques: Which regulatory body has urged social media platforms and search engines to implement stronger safeguards against fraudulent investment activities?

- A) RBI
- B) SEBI
- C) IRDAI
- D) Ministry of Finance
- E) FSSAI

Answer: Option B – SEBI

Explanation:

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has urged major social media platforms and search engines to implement stronger safeguards to curb fraudulent investment activities.
- This move aligns with the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO)'s global initiative to protect investors from online financial fraud.
- SEBI has also advised investors to verify the registration status of entities and use only validated UPI handles and authentic trading applications for transactions.

EXAM
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Ques: What is the total corpus of the AgriSURE Fund launched by NABARD and the Union Agriculture Ministry?

- A) ₹500 crore
- B) ₹600 crore
- C) ₹750 crore
- D) ₹800 crore
- E) ₹1000 crore

Answer: Option C – ₹750 crore

Explanation:

- The AgriSURE Fund (Agri Fund for Start-ups & Rural Enterprises) is a ₹750 crore fund jointly launched by the Union Agriculture Ministry and NABARD to support agri start-ups and rural enterprises.
- Of the total corpus, ₹250 crore each is contributed by the Government of India and NABARD, while the remaining ₹250 crore will be mobilised from private investors and institutions.
- The fund is registered with SEBI as a Category-II Alternative Investment Fund (AIF), with NABVENTURES Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of NABARD, acting as the Investment Manager.

EXAM
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Ques: Which bank has partnered with NPST to deploy UPI 123Pay, a voice-based UPI payment system for users without internet access?

- A) Indian Bank
- B) Indian Overseas Bank
- C) Bank of Baroda
- D) Punjab National Bank
- E) Union Bank of India

Answer: Option B – Indian Overseas Bank

Explanation:

- Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has partnered with Network People Services Technologies Limited (NPST) to deploy UPI 123Pay, a voice-based UPI payment system designed for users without internet access.
- The solution targets around 850 million Indians who do not use traditional UPI apps.
- NPST is implementing this system in collaboration with MissCallPay.
- Users can make transactions by giving a missed call, receiving an IVR callback, and following voice or keypad prompts — all without internet or mobile data.
- The IVR platform supports 12 Indian languages and enables balance checks, viewing the last five transactions, raising disputes, and managing UPI PINs.

EXAM
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Ques: Which bank launched 'M' Circle, a women-focused banking proposition offering discounts on locker rentals and preferential loan rates?

- A) AU Small Finance Bank
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) ICICI Bank
- D) Axis Bank
- E) Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer: Option A – AU Small Finance Bank

Explanation:

- AU Small Finance Bank (AU SFB) launched 'M' Circle, a specialized banking proposition designed exclusively for women.
- Under 'M' Circle, customers get 25% additional discount on locker rentals, 0.2% lower interest rates on loans, and exclusive offers from brands like Nykaa, Ajio Luxe, Kalyan Jewellers, BookMyShow, Zepto, and Swiggy.

About AU Small Finance Bank:

- Established: 2017
- Headquarters: Jaipur, Rajasthan
- MD & CEO: Sanjay Agarwal
- Tagline: Badlaav Humse Hai

EXAM
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Ques: Which company received a USD 331 million loan from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to support its hybrid renewable energy project in Andhra Pradesh?

- A) Adani Green Energy Ltd
- B) ReNew Energy Global Plc
- C) Tata Power Renewable Energy Ltd
- D) NTPC Green Energy Ltd
- E) JSW Energy Ltd

Answer: Option B – ReNew Energy Global Plc

Explanation:

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has sanctioned a USD 331 million loan to ReNew Energy Global Plc.
- The financing will support its 837 MWp hybrid renewable energy project in Andhra Pradesh, integrating wind, solar, and battery storage systems.
- This loan is part of a USD 477 million total funding package, with the remaining USD 146 million raised through co-financing from other lenders.
- The project also includes a 415 MWh Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) to ensure efficient energy supply and grid stability.

EXAM
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Ques: The “Aadi Chitra” National Tribal Painting Exhibition was inaugurated in which city under Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Mumbai
- C) Bhopal
- D) Bhubaneswar
- E) Ahmedabad

Answer: Option B – Mumbai

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Tribal Affairs and TRIFED inaugurated the “Aadi Chitra” National Tribal Painting Exhibition in Mumbai on 10th November 2025, marking the 150th Birth Anniversary of Dharti Aaba Bhagwan Birsa Munda under Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada.
- The exhibition, held at P. L. Deshpande Kala Academy, was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Ashok Uike, Minister of Tribal Development, Maharashtra.
- It showcased over 100 tribal artworks, including Warli (Maharashtra), Gond and Bhil (Madhya Pradesh), Pithora (Gujarat), and Saura & Pattachitra (Odisha) art forms.
- The event aimed to promote India’s tribal art heritage and create livelihood opportunities for tribal artists.

EXAM
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Ques: As per the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) report, which state has the highest elephant population in India?

- A) Assam
- B) Kerala
- C) Karnataka
- D) Tamil Nadu
- E) Odisha

Answer: Option C – Karnataka

Explanation:

- According to the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) report titled “Status of Elephants in India: DNA-based Synchronous All-India Population Estimation of Elephants,” India has an estimated 22,466 elephants, with Karnataka having the highest population at 6,013.
- Assam ranks second with 4,159 elephants, followed by Tamil Nadu with 3,136. Together, these three states account for nearly 59.29% of India’s total elephant population.
- Other major elephant regions include the Western Ghats, Northeast Hills & Brahmaputra floodplains, Shivalik Hills & Gangetic Plains, and Central India & Eastern Ghats.

EXAM
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Ques: Who launched NexCAR19, India's first indigenously developed CAR T-cell therapy?

- A) Rajnath Singh
- B) Narendra Modi
- C) Mansukh Mandaviya
- D) Piyush Goyal
- E) Amit Shah

Answer: Option B – Narendra Modi

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched NexCAR19, India's first indigenously developed CAR T-cell therapy, marking a significant milestone in cancer treatment and self-reliant healthcare innovation.
- CAR (Chimeric Antigen Receptor) therapy involves genetically modifying a patient's T-cells in a lab to recognize and destroy cancer cells before reinfusing them into the patient.
- The therapy was jointly developed by ImmunoACT, IIT Bombay, and Tata Memorial Hospital, with support from the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) and Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC).

EXAM
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Ques: Where is the 30th edition of the UN Climate Change Conference (COP30) being held?

- A) Paris, France
- B) Dubai, UAE
- C) Belem, Brazil
- D) New York, USA
- E) Glasgow, UK

Answer: Option C – Belem, Brazil

Explanation:

- The 30th edition of the UN Climate Change Conference (COP30) under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is being held in Belem, Brazil.
- The conference focuses on implementing global climate action plans, restoring trust in climate negotiations, and ensuring financial and technological support for developing nations.
- Despite decades of efforts, global emissions and temperatures continue to rise, making the 2030 emission reduction goals increasingly difficult to achieve.
- COP30 aims to strengthen global cooperation and accountability to achieve sustainable climate objectives.

EXAM
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Ques: Which institute signed an MoU with iDG10 Solutions Private Limited to establish India's first industry-anchored long-term collaboration in subsea pipeline design technology?

- A) IIT Madras
- B) IIT Delhi
- C) IIT Ropar
- D) IIT Kharagpur
- E) IIT Bombay

Answer: Option C – IIT Ropar

Explanation:

- IIT Ropar has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with iDG10 Solutions Private Limited to establish India's first industry-anchored long-term collaboration in subsea pipeline design technology.
- The partnership aims to build indigenous expertise in subsea pipeline design and reduce dependence on foreign technologies.
- This collaboration marks a major step toward advancing offshore engineering and energy infrastructure innovation in India.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who became the fastest Indian to reach 1,000 T20I runs, surpassing Suryakumar Yadav's record?

- A) Shubman Gill
- B) Ruturaj Gaikwad
- C) Abhishek Sharma
- D) Ishan Kishan
- E) Sanju Samson

Answer: Option C – Abhishek Sharma

Explanation:

- Abhishek Sharma became the fastest Indian to reach 1,000 T20I runs, achieving the milestone in just 528 balls, breaking Suryakumar Yadav's record of 573 balls.
- He has amassed 1,012 runs from 28 innings in 29 T20Is at an impressive strike rate of 189.51.
- This feat highlights his explosive batting and strengthens India's dominance in power-hitting in T20 cricket.

EXAM
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Ques: Who has been reappointed as the Chairman of the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT)?

- A) Justice Bansi Lal Bhat
- B) Justice Ashok Bhushan
- C) Justice Ranjan Gogoi
- D) Justice A.K. Sikri
- E) Justice Hemant Gupta

Answer: Option B – Justice Ashok Bhushan

Explanation:

- Justice Ashok Bhushan, former Supreme Court Judge, has been reappointed as the Chairman of the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT).
- His tenure will continue until he turns 70 on 4th July 2026.
- He was first appointed on 8 November 2021, succeeding Justice Bansi Lal Bhat.
- The NCLAT, formed under Section 410 of the Companies Act, 2013, hears appeals against orders of the NCLT, CCI, and NFRA.

EXAM
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Ques: What is Google's 'Project Suncatcher' aimed at developing?

- A) Solar-powered AI system in space
- B) Quantum computing for cloud data centers
- C) Autonomous electric vehicles
- D) Blockchain-based secure satellites
- E) Deep-sea AI research platform

Answer: Option A – Solar-powered AI system in space

Explanation:

- Google LLC has announced 'Project Suncatcher', a research moonshot focused on creating a space-based, solar-powered AI infrastructure using Tensor Processing Units (TPUs) aboard satellites.
- Two prototype satellites, developed with Planet Labs, are set to launch in early 2027 to test AI performance and optical communication systems in low-Earth orbit.
- The project aims to reduce Earth-based energy demands for AI computation and leverage solar energy in space for sustainable processing.

EXAM
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Ques: Which country has announced it will adopt India's DAY-NRLM scheme to combat rural poverty?

- A) Kenya
- B) Nepal
- C) Bangladesh
- D) Sri Lanka
- E) Ethiopia

Answer: Option E – Ethiopia

Explanation:

- Ethiopia has announced it will adopt India's Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) model to fight rural poverty and strengthen women-led Self Help Groups (SHGs).
- The initiative was discussed between India's Ministry of Rural Development and Ethiopia's Ministry of Women and Social Affairs to replicate India's SHG-based livelihood model for income generation and rural entrepreneurship.
- DAY-NRLM is one of India's most impactful poverty alleviation missions, focusing on financial inclusion, skill development, and self-employment.
- This step will further enhance India–Ethiopia cooperation in social and rural development.

EXAM
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Ques: Who addressed a special session of the Uttarakhand Assembly to mark the state's Silver Jubilee?

- A) Narendra Modi
- B) Yogi Adityanath
- C) Droupadi Murmu
- D) Ram Nath Kovind
- E) Rajnath Singh

Answer: Option C – Droupadi Murmu

Explanation:

- President Droupadi Murmu addressed a special session of the Uttarakhand Assembly in Dehradun to commemorate the state's Silver Jubilee.
- She also attended the 125th anniversary celebration of the Raj Bhavan in Nainital.
- Uttarakhand, formed on 9 November 2000, became India's 27th state, carved out of Uttar Pradesh to meet the region's unique geographical, cultural, and developmental needs.

EXAM
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Ques: Which country is set to join the Abraham Accords with Israel, as announced by Donald Trump?

- A) Oman
- B) Saudi Arabia
- C) Kazakhstan
- D) Egypt
- E) Jordan

Answer: Option C – Kazakhstan

Explanation:

- Former U.S. President Donald Trump announced that Kazakhstan will join the Abraham Accords with Israel, becoming the first country of his second term to do so.
- The move is largely symbolic, as Kazakhstan has maintained diplomatic relations with Israel since 1992.
- The Abraham Accords currently include Bahrain, Morocco, Sudan, and the United Arab Emirates (UAE).
- A formal signing ceremony will soon make Kazakhstan's inclusion official.

EXAM
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Ques: Which institute has signed an MoU with C-DOT to establish a Centre of Excellence (CoE) in telecom and cybersecurity?

- A) IIT Gandhinagar
- B) IIT Delhi
- C) IIT Madras
- D) IIT Kanpur
- E) IISc Bengaluru

Answer: Option A – IIT Gandhinagar

Explanation:

- The Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT), under the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), signed an MoU with IIT Gandhinagar on 8th November 2025.
- The partnership aims to set up a Centre of Excellence (CoE) for research, innovation, and development of indigenous telecom and cybersecurity products.
- The CoE will focus on Mobile Communications, Cybersecurity, Quantum Communication, Advanced AI, and Telecom Applications.
- The collaboration will bring together IIT Gandhinagar's researchers, students, and C-DOT scientists to create innovative ICT and telecom solutions.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who became India's 91st Chess Grandmaster after winning the 6th ASEAN Individual Chess Championship?

- A) Ilamparathi AR
- B) Raahul VS
- C) Viswanathan Anand
- D) Pentala Harikrishna
- E) B. Adhiban

Answer: Option B – Raahul VS

Explanation:

- Raahul VS, a 21-year-old chess player from Chennai, Tamil Nadu, became India's 91st Grandmaster after winning the 6th ASEAN Individual Chess Championship held in the Philippines.
- He achieved the required 2500 FIDE rating, completing his final Grandmaster norm.
- With this, Raahul became Tamil Nadu's 36th Grandmaster and India's second GM within a week, following Ilamparathi AR.

EXAM
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Ques: The historic cultural festival 'Kartik Naach' is celebrated in which country?

- A) India
- B) Nepal
- C) Sri Lanka
- D) Bhutan
- E) Myanmar

Answer: Option B – Nepal

Explanation:

- 'Kartik Naach' is a 10-day traditional dance-drama festival celebrated at Patan Durbar Square, Lalitpur, Nepal, during Kartik Purnima.
- It was initiated in the 17th century by King Siddhinarasingh Malla and has been performed continuously for over 300 years.
- The festival includes classical dance, drama, and music performed by local artists and attracts devotees, residents, and tourists alike.
- During the festival, art exhibitions by international tattoo artists from China, Japan, and Germany were also held, with proceeds supporting children's welfare initiatives.

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Ques: Which former Vice President of the United States of America recently passed away?

- A) Joe Biden
- B) Dick Cheney
- C) Al Gore
- D) Mike Pence
- E) Dan Quayle

Answer: Option B – Dick Cheney

Explanation:

- Richard Bruce “Dick” Cheney, former Vice President of the United States, has passed away.
- He served as the 46th Vice President under President George W. Bush from 2001 to 2009.
- Cheney was a key architect of the U.S. counter-terrorism strategy after the 9/11 attacks, known as the “Cheney Doctrine,” emphasizing pre-emptive strikes and expanded executive powers.
- He also played a central role in the 2003 Iraq War, a decision later criticized due to the absence of weapons of mass destruction.

EXAM
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Ques: IN-SPACE and SIDBI have launched a ₹1,000 crore Venture Capital Fund for which sector?

- A) Defence Sector
- B) Agriculture Sector
- C) Space Sector
- D) Manufacturing Sector
- E) Renewable Energy Sector

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The ₹1,000 crore fund jointly launched by IN-SPACE and SIDBI Venture Capital (SVCL) aims to provide early-stage and growth capital to startups in the Indian space sector, covering launch technologies, satellites, payload systems, and communication platforms.
- Approved by the Union Cabinet in October 2024, with SVCL as Fund Manager, the fund is expected to boost India's private space ecosystem by helping startups innovate, test indigenous technologies, and scale confidently.

EXAM
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Ques: Which company won the 'Digital Insurer of the Year' award for the third time at the 29th Asia Insurance Industry Awards (AIIA) 2025?

- A) ICICI Lombard
- B) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance
- C) Tata AIG General Insurance
- D) HDFC ERGO General Insurance
- E) Go Digit General Insurance Limited

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Go Digit General Insurance Limited (Digit Insurance) won the 'Digital Insurer of the Year' award for the third time at the 29th Asia Insurance Industry Awards (AIIA) 2025.
- Jasleen Kohli, MD and CEO of Digit Insurance, also won the 'Woman Leader of the Award' at the same event.
- This recognition marks Digit Insurance's 7th overall win at the AIIA awards, including previous awards for "General Insurance Company of the Year" (2019, 2020, 2024) and "Digital Insurer of the Year" (2021, 2023, 2025).

Other winners at the 29th Asia Insurance Industry Awards (AIIA) 2025:

- General Insurance Company of the Year: Alliance General Insurance Company (Malaysia) Berhad
- Health Insurance Company of the Year: Nan Shan Life Insurance Co., Limited
- Life Insurance Company of the Year: HSBC Life (International) Limited
- Technology Initiative of the Year : Agriculture Insurance Company of India Ltd. (AIC) for SEWANxt platform



Ques: What measure has the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) proposed to boost long-term lending by NBFCs for high-quality infrastructure projects?

- A) Increasing interest rates on NBFC loans
- B) Lowering risk weights on high-quality infrastructure projects
- C) Mandating higher collateral for project loans
- D) Limiting NBFC exposure to infrastructure sector
- E) Introducing tax incentives for NBFCs

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The RBI has proposed reducing risk weights on high-quality infrastructure projects financed by NBFCs to encourage long-term project lending.
- Projects with at least 10% repayment of the sanctioned amount will now attract a 50% risk weight, and those with 5–10% repayment will attract 75% risk weight, instead of the earlier uniform 100%.
- If a project later fails to meet repayment or quality standards, a 100% risk weight will apply again.
- To qualify as a high-quality project, it must complete one year of satisfactory operations after the Date of Commencement of Commercial Operations (DCCO).
- Feedback on the draft is open till 21st November 2025, with implementation effective from 1st April 2026.

Genius





Ques: Who became the first Indian para-athlete selected for an able-bodied national archery team?

- A) Sheetal Devi
- B) Vaidehi Hirachandra Jadhav
- C) Tejal Rajendra Salve
- D) Deepika Kumari
- E) Bombayla Devi Laishram

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- 18-year-old para-archer Sheetal Devi from Jammu & Kashmir became the first Indian para-athlete selected for an able-bodied national archery team at an event held at the National Centre of Excellence, Sonipat (Haryana).
- She will represent India in the compound women's team (Junior category) at the Asia Cup Archery 2025 – Stage 3 in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.
- She is the first Indian female armless world champion in para-archery and the youngest Indian Paralympic medallist at age 17 (2024).
- She won Gold at the World Archery Para Championships (Individual, Gwangju, South Korea).

Top 3 Archers Selected:

1. Tejal Rajendra Salve (Maharashtra)
2. Vaidehi Hirachandra Jadhav (Maharashtra)
3. Sheetal Devi (Jammu & Kashmir)



Ques: Where did the 29th edition of Exercise Malabar 2025 begin?

- A) Japan
- B) India
- C) Guam
- D) Australia
- E) USA

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 29th edition of the multilateral Exercise Malabar 2025 began at Guam in the Northern Pacific Ocean, hosted by the United States of America.
- The nine-day Quad naval exercise involves the navies of India, USA, Japan, and Australia.
- Exercise Malabar was initiated in 1992 as a bilateral naval exercise between India and the USA.
- Japan became a permanent member in 2015, and Australia joined permanently in 2020.
- India was represented by the INS Sahyadri, an indigenously built Shivalik-class Guided Missile Stealth Frigate.

EXAM
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Ques: Which organisation has begun flight trials of the advanced Electronic Warfare (EW) suite 'Swayam Raksha Kavach' on the TEJAS Mk-1A Light Combat Aircraft?

- A) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- B) Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)
- C) Indian Air Force (IAF)
- D) Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA)
- E) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has begun flight trials of the advanced Electronic Warfare suite 'Swayam Raksha Kavach' on the TEJAS Mk-1A, making the aircraft stealth-capable through indigenous upgrades.
- The upgrade provides interim functional stealth capability to frontline IAF fighters years before the fifth-generation AMCA enters service.
- The system has two key components:
 - Radar Warning Receiver (RWR) for instant detection and pilot alerts.
 - Advanced Self-Protection Jammer (ASPJ) based on DRFM technology to generate deceptive signals and jam hostile radars or missile systems.

Genius





Ques: India recently signed an MoU on Cultural Cooperation with which country?

- A) United Arab Emirates
- B) Saudi Arabia
- C) Oman
- D) Egypt
- E) Qatar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia signed a bilateral MoU on Cultural Cooperation in Riyadh on 9th November 2025 to promote cultural exchanges, knowledge sharing, and heritage preservation.
- The MoU covers arts, heritage, music, and literature, and enables participation in festivals and cultural events while strengthening communication between cultural institutions.
- Both ministers reaffirmed their commitment to advancing cultural cooperation and co-chairing the Ministerial Committee of Tourism and Cultural Cooperation under the India–Saudi Arabia Strategic Partnership Council.

EXAM
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Ques: Which Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs) were recently granted Miniratna Category-I status by the Government of India?

- A) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Bharat Dynamics Limited, BEML, Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited
- B) Hindustan Shipyard Ltd, Armoured Vehicles Nigam Limited, Munitions India Limited, India Optel Limited
- C) Bharat Electronics Limited, Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited, Goa Shipyard Limited, HAL
- D) Cochin Shipyard Limited, BEML Limited, Bharat Dynamics Limited, BEL
- E) Bharat Earth Movers Limited, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, GRSE, GSL

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Government of India has granted Miniratna Category-I status to four DPSUs under the Ministry of Defence:
Hindustan Shipyard Ltd (HSL)
Armoured Vehicles Nigam Limited (AVNL)
Munitions India Limited (MIL)
India Optel Limited (IOL)
- Miniratna Category-I status allows these PSUs to make capital expenditure decisions up to ₹500 crore or up to their net worth, without needing prior government approval.
- This enhances operational autonomy and strengthens indigenous defence manufacturing capabilities.

Defence PSUs Granted Miniratna Category-I Status:

- Hindustan Shipyard Ltd - Visakhapatnam
- Armoured Vehicles Nigam Limited (AVNL) - Avadi, Chennai
- Munitions India Limited (MIL) - Pune
- India Optel Limited (IOL) - Dehradun
- This recognition strengthens their operational and financial autonomy, enabling faster decision-making and improved efficiency in defence production.



Ques: Which Indian state became the first to approve one day of paid menstrual leave per month for all women employees?

- A) Kerala
- B) Odisha
- C) Karnataka
- D) Bihar
- E) Tamil Nadu

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Karnataka has become the first state in India to approve one day of paid menstrual leave per month for all women employees, covering both government and private sectors.
- Odisha and Bihar have similar policies only for government employees, while Kerala has implemented it in universities.
- The leave amounts to 12 days a year and applies to women in government offices, educational institutions, factories, and private organisations.
- Dr. Sapna, who chaired the 18-member committee that drafted the policy, stated that it resulted from extensive consultations and comparative studies.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: India recently signed an MoA on Mutual Submarine Search and Rescue Support with which country?

- A) Japan
- B) Indonesia
- C) Vietnam
- D) Thailand
- E) Philippines

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 15th India–Vietnam Defence Policy Dialogue was held in Hanoi, co-chaired by Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh and Vietnam's Deputy Minister of National Defence Sr Lt Gen Hoang Xuan Chien.
- During the dialogue, both sides signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) on Mutual Submarine Search and Rescue Support, along with a Letter of Intent (LoI) to strengthen defence industry collaboration.
- The Defence Ministry reaffirmed that this partnership is a key pillar of the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership between India and Vietnam.

EXAM
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Ques: Which state government launched India's first "Women's Wellness on Wheels" (WWW) initiative to enhance women's health through mobile medical units?

- A) Kerala
- B) Andhra Pradesh
- C) Karnataka
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Tamil Nadu

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Tamil Nadu government launched the "Women's Wellness on Wheels" (WWW) initiative, a Rs.41 crore program to provide mobile cancer screening for women, particularly in rural and semi-urban areas.
- The state plans to deploy 38 mobile units, one in each district, offering early detection and accessible breast and cervical cancer tests.
- Girls aged 14 and below will receive free HPV vaccination to prevent cervical cancer.
- Rs.50,000 maturity funds will be given to 118 girls from South Chennai and Puducherry at age 18, with annual income eligibility expanded from Rs.72,000 to Rs.1,20,000, promoting girl child education and preventing child marriage and female infanticide.

Genius





Ques: Which country has announced plans to ban social media use for children under the age of 15?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Denmark has announced plans to ban social media for children under 15, allowing limited use for ages 13–14 with parental approval. The policy aims to safeguard children's mental health and digital well-being, following similar restrictions earlier implemented by Australia.
- Popular platforms among Danish children include TikTok, Instagram, YouTube, and Snapchat, with children spending an average of 2 hours 40 minutes daily.
- The proposal has gained broad political support and is expected to pass in the Danish Parliament soon.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which organization partnered with Google India to provide real-time highway information through the API Setu platform?

- A) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
- B) Indian Railways
- C) Border Roads Organisation (BRO)
- D) Ministry of Electronics & IT
- E) National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) partnered with Google India to provide near real-time, authoritative information on highways via the API Setu platform.
- The collaboration enables access to live updates on public roads, roadside amenities, travel disruptions, temporary closures, deviations, and accident-prone zones.
- India becomes the second country after the USA to receive advanced AI-powered navigation features like Gemini integration and proactive traffic alerts.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which countries participated in Exercise MITRA SHAKTI-2025?

- A) India – Bangladesh
- B) India – Sri Lanka
- C) India – Nepal
- D) India – Maldives
- E) India – Bhutan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Exercise MITRA SHAKTI-2025, the 11th edition, was held at the Foreign Training Node, Belagavi, Karnataka, between India and Sri Lanka (Army).
- India was represented by 170 personnel, mainly troops from the RAJPUT Regiment.
- The previous edition of the exercise was held at Maduru Oya, Sri Lanka in 2024.
- Exercise MITRA SHAKTI was initiated in 2013.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which country was recently hit by a very strong tropical storm named Typhoon Fung-wong?

- A) Vietnam
- B) Japan
- C) Indonesia
- D) Philippines
- E) Thailand

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- A very strong tropical storm called Typhoon Fung-wong made landfall in the Philippines, bringing extremely powerful winds (around 185 km/h or more) and heavy rainfall.
- The name “Fung-wong” means “Phoenix”, a mythical bird symbolizing rebirth, strength, and prosperity in Chinese culture.
- The name was given by Hong Kong (China).
- It was the 21st storm of the year, affecting a country still recovering from Typhoon Kalmaegi, which had earlier caused 224 deaths in the Philippines and 5 in Vietnam.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: The Finance Ministry has allocated an additional ₹7,000 crore to which organization for grain management expenses?

- A) NABARD
- B) NAFED
- C) FCI
- D) Food Ministry
- E) State Warehousing Corporation

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Finance Ministry approved an additional ₹7,000 crore to the Food Corporation of India (FCI) to cover rising grain management costs such as procurement, storage, and distribution under the National Food Security Act (NFSA) and other welfare schemes.
- With this allocation, the total food subsidy budget for FY26 has reached ₹2.1 lakh crore, ensuring timely subsidy payments and uninterrupted food supply to beneficiaries.

EXAM
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Ques: What is commemorated on November 9 as National Legal Services Day?

- A) Adoption of Right to Information Act
- B) Enforcement of Legal Services Authorities Act
- C) Foundation of Supreme Court of India
- D) Commencement of National Law University
- E) Enactment of Indian Penal Code

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- November 9 is observed as National Legal Services Day to commemorate the enforcement of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 on 9th November 1995.
- The Act was enacted in October 1987 under Article 39A of the Constitution, and the National Legal Services Day was started in 1995.

EXAM
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Ques: UIDAI partnered with which organization to improve the reliability of India's digital identity system for minors?

- A) World Bank
- B) Behavioural Insights Limited (BIL)
- C) NITI Aayog
- D) UNICEF
- E) CSIR

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- UIDAI has partnered with Behavioural Insights Limited (BIL), a global research consultancy, to enhance the adoption of the Mandatory Biometric Update (MBU) for children aged 5 to 15, ensuring their Aadhaar credentials remain current and fully functional.
- UIDAI has announced a one-year fee waiver for MBU services for children aged 7 to 15, effective from October 1, 2025.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: RBI recently recognised SRPA as the SRO for which sector?

- A) Microfinance Sector
- B) NBFC Sector
- C) Fintech Sector
- D) Payment System Operators Sector
- E) Banking Sector

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recognised the Self-Regulated PSO Association (SRPA) as the Self-Regulatory Organisation (SRO) for the Payment System Operators (PSO) sector.
- The recognition follows RBI's Framework for Recognition of SRO for PSOs (October 2020) and aligns with the Omnibus Framework for Recognition of SROs for Regulated Entities (March 2024).
- With SRPA's recognition, the financial sector now has multiple officially recognised SROs, including MFIN (Microfinance), Sa-Dhan (Microfinance), FACE (Fintech), and FIDC (NBFC).

EXAM
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Ques: NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL) recently partnered with which company to enable real-time cross-border remittances between India and Bahrain?

- A) PayPal
- B) Ripple
- C) Western Union
- D) TransferWise
- E) BENEFIT

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL) has entered into a strategic partnership with BENEFIT, a leading fintech and electronic financial transactions company in Bahrain, to facilitate real-time cross-border remittances between India and Bahrain.
- Under this collaboration, India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) will be connected with Bahrain's Electronic Fund Transfer System (EFTS), specifically the Fawri+ service, allowing users to send and receive money instantly and securely.
- The partnership is guided by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the Central Bank of Bahrain (CBB).

EXAM
Genius





Ques: RBI's new rules allowing loans against silver will come into effect from which date?

- A) April 1, 2025
- B) April 1, 2026
- C) January 1, 2026
- D) March 31, 2026
- E) None of the above

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced that loans against silver will be permitted from April 1, 2026, in addition to existing loans against gold.
- Individuals can pledge silver jewellery or coins to avail loans from banks, NBFCs, urban and rural co-operative banks, and housing finance companies.
- The Loan-to-Value (LTV) ratio will be up to 85% for loans up to ₹2.5 lakh, 80% for ₹2.5–5 lakh, and 75% for loans above ₹5 lakh.

EXAM
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Ques: As per SEBI's latest reforms, what is the new minimum number of constituents required in the Nifty Bank index (BANKNIFTY)?

- A) 10
- B) 11
- C) 12
- D) 13
- E) 14

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has introduced major reforms for the Nifty Bank index and other Non-Benchmark Indices (NBI) such as BANKNIFTY (NSE), BANKEX (BSE), and FINNIFTY (NSE).
- As per the revised norms, the minimum number of constituents has been increased from 12 to 14.
- The weight of the top constituent is now capped at 20%, reduced from 33%, and the combined weight of the top three constituents has been lowered to 45% from 62%.
- The index must follow a descending weight structure, meaning each stock's weight should be lower than the one above it.
- BANKEX and FINNIFTY must comply in a single phase by 31 December 2025, while BANKNIFTY has been given phased implementation until 31 March 2026.

EXAM
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Ques: Which insurance company partnered with the International Finance Corporation (IFC) to promote inclusive life insurance services in India?

- A) LIC
- B) HDFC Life Insurance
- C) Axis Max Life Insurance
- D) ICICI Prudential Life Insurance
- E) SBI Life Insurance

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Axis Max Life Insurance Limited partnered with the International Finance Corporation (IFC), the lending arm of the World Bank, to promote inclusive life insurance services in India.
- As part of the partnership, IFC invested Rs. 285 crores (approx. USD 33 million) in Axis Max Life Insurance through long-dated subordinated debt instruments to strengthen the insurer's solvency ratio.
- This initiative aligns with India's vision of "Insurance for All by 2047".

About Axis Max Life Insurance:

- Established: 2001
- HQ: New Delhi
- MD & CEO: Sumit Madan

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which minister launched the mobile applications Sahakar Digi Pay and Sahakar Digi Loan to modernize urban cooperative banks in India?

- A) Finance Minister
- B) Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs
- C) Minister of Electronics & IT
- D) Minister of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises
- E) Union Cooperation Minister

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Union Cooperation Minister Amit Shah launched two mobile applications — Sahakar Digi Pay and Sahakar Digi Loan — to modernize urban cooperative banks (UCBs) in India.
- Sahakar Digi Pay is a digital payment platform for seamless transactions, while Sahakar Digi Loan is a digital lending platform facilitating easier credit access for individuals and small businesses.
- The initiative aims to onboard 1,500 banks within two years and establish at least one additional UCB in every town with a population over 2 lakh within five years.
- NAFCUB (National Federation of Urban Cooperative Banks and Credit Societies Ltd.) will manage the rollout with technical support from NABARD.

Genius



Ques: Which state has become the first in India to implement the amended Bharat Net Scheme statewide?

- A) Haryana
- B) Punjab
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Gujarat
- E) None of the Above

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Punjab has become the first state in India to fully implement the amended Bharat Net Scheme across the state, ensuring broadband connectivity in almost all shadow areas and villages.
- The scheme enables real-time monitoring of the border state and supports e-health and e-governance services in rural areas.
- By the end of November, every village in Punjab will be covered under the Bharat Net Scheme.
- CGM, BSNL Punjab Circle, Ajay Kumar Kararha, presented the award for the scheme's implementation.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Where was the 2nd World Summit for Social Development (WSSD-2025) hosted?

- A) Copenhagen, Denmark
- B) New York, USA
- C) Doha, Qatar
- D) Geneva, Switzerland
- E) London, UK

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 2nd World Summit for Social Development (WSSD-2025) was hosted in Doha, Qatar, while the 1st summit took place in Copenhagen, Denmark in 1995.
- Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya attended the inaugural plenary session along with more than 180 dignitaries.
- On the sidelines, India participated in an event hosted by NITI Aayog on 'Pathways Out of Poverty: India's Experience in Empowering the Last Mile', featuring contributions from Brazil, Maldives, and the International Labour Organisation.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: President Droupadi Murmu recently attended the 50th Independence Day celebrations of which country?

- A) Kenya
- B) Angola
- C) Botswana
- D) Namibia
- E) South Africa

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- President Droupadi Murmu attended the 50th Independence Day celebrations of Angola at the invitation of President João Manuel Gonçalves Lourenço.
- The ceremony was held at Praça da República, Luanda, showcasing Angola's military and cultural traditions.
- The visit was part of her two-nation Africa tour, which also included Botswana.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: According to the City Life Index 2025, which Asian city ranked highest in the happiness chart?

- A) Beijing
- B) Shanghai
- C) Chiang Mai
- D) Mumbai
- E) Hanoi

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The City Life Index 2025, published by Time Out, surveyed around 18,000 people from 143 cities to rate their hometowns across culture, nightlife, food, affordability, and overall quality of life.
- Mumbai ranked highest in Asia, with 94% of residents saying the city makes them happy.
- Beijing (93%) and Shanghai (92%) ranked second and third among Asian cities.
- Chiang Mai (Thailand) and Hanoi (Vietnam) secured the fourth and fifth positions with 88% happy residents.

Top 5 cities in the world:

1. Abu Dhabi, UAE
2. Medellin, Colombia
3. Cape Town, South Africa
4. Mexico City, Mexico
5. Mumbai, India

Top 5 cities in Asia :

- 1 Mumbai, India
- 2 Beijing, China
- 3 Shanghai, China
- 4 Chiang Mai, Thailand
- 5 Hanoi, Vietnam

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which country will host the 2026 Asian Youth Archery Championship?

- A) India
- B) Bangladesh
- C) Thailand
- D) United Arab Emirates
- E) South Korea

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The United Arab Emirates (UAE) Archery Foundation won the bid to host the 2026 Asian Youth Archery Championship in Khorfakkan, UAE.
- The announcement was made during the Asian Archery Federation Congress held in Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- Virendra Sachdeva, President of Archery Association of India, was elected as an Executive Member of World Archery Asia with the highest number of votes.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Digital Labour Chowk mobile application was launched by which ministry?

- A) Ministry of Rural Development
- B) Ministry of Labour & Employment
- C) Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs
- D) Ministry of Skill Development
- E) Ministry of Finance

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Digital Labour Chowk app was launched by the Union Ministry of Labour & Employment, led by Mansukh Mandaviya, to digitally connect workers with employers and ensure transparent job matching.
- The platform is multilingual, reducing dependence on middlemen and unsafe waiting on streets.
- The government also launched a BOCW (Building and Other Construction Workers) portal for automatic cess calculation, online payment, and real-time monitoring.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which organization signed an MoU with the Indian Army Purchase Organization to enable real-time verification of UDINs?

- A) Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI)
- B) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- C) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
- D) Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI)
- E) Ministry of Finance

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Army Purchase Organization, Directorate General of Supply and Transport, to enable real-time verification of Unique Document Identification Numbers (UDINs) through an API.
- The API-based integration ensures that audit reports, financial certifications, and declarations are issued only by registered Chartered Accountants, reducing fraud and malpractice.
- UDIN is a 16-character alphanumeric code issued by ICAI, uniquely identifying each document certified by a Chartered Accountant.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: According to the WHO Global TB Report 2025, India's TB incidence declined by what percentage between 2015 and 2024?

- A) 12%
- B) 15%
- C) 21%
- D) 28%
- E) 35%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- According to the WHO Global TB Report 2025, India's TB incidence declined by 21% between 2015 and 2024, which is almost double the global average of 12%.
- TB mortality also reduced from 28 per lakh in 2015 to 21 per lakh in 2024.
- Major initiatives like TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyan, Ayushman Arogya Mandirs, and Nikshay Poshan Yojana improved treatment coverage from 53% to 92% and reduced missing TB cases from 15 lakh to less than 1 lakh.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who won the Ambassador Richard C. Holbrooke Distinguished Achievement Award (Lifetime Achievement Award) at the 30th Dayton Literary Peace Prize 2025?

- A) Kaveh Akbar
- B) Sunil Amrith
- C) Salman Rushdie
- D) Arundhati Roy
- E) Vikram Seth

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Salman Rushdie received the Ambassador Richard C. Holbrooke Distinguished Achievement Award (Lifetime Achievement) at the 2025 Dayton Literary Peace Prize.

- Fiction: *Martyr!* by Kaveh Akbar (USD 10,000) — explores identity, faith, and cultural conflict.
- Nonfiction: *The Burning Earth* by Sunil Amrith (USD 10,000) — analyzes historical impacts on the global environment.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: In which area of Egypt was a new natural gas discovery announced by the Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources?

- A) Western Desert
- B) Nile Delta
- C) Eastern Desert
- D) Sinai Peninsula
- E) Red Sea Coast

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Egyptian Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources announced a new natural gas discovery in the Badr-15 area of the Western Desert, tapping the Lower Bahariya reservoir.
- Production started immediately at an estimated 16 million cubic feet per day, with an expected addition of about 15 billion cubic feet to Egypt's gas reserves.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which country became the 1st South Asian nation to join the UN Water Convention in June 2025?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Bangladesh became the 1st South Asian country and 56th globally to join the UN Water Convention on 20 June 2025.
- The convention is officially called the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes.
- The move will help Bangladesh improve water governance, data sharing, and prevent conflicts with neighboring countries.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which Indian state has become the first to launch a large-scale tribal-focused genome sequencing project?

- A) Madhya Pradesh
- B) Chhattisgarh
- C) Jharkhand
- D) Gujarat
- E) Odisha

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Gujarat has become the first state in India to launch a large-scale tribal-focused genome sequencing project, led by the Gujarat Biotechnology Research Centre.
- The project aims to study the rising prevalence of genetic disorders among tribal communities, linked to endogamous marriages and low genetic diversity.
- The Government of Gujarat will designate 2025 as 'Tribal Pride Year' to mark the 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who inaugurated the 18th edition of the Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference & Exhibition in Gurugram?

- A) Nitin Gadkari
- B) Hardeep Singh Puri
- C) Rajesh Bhushan
- D) Manohar Lal Khattar
- E) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar inaugurated the 18th Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference & Exhibition in Gurugram, a three-day event organized under the theme “Urban Development and Mobility Nexus.”
- The event was jointly organized by MoHUA, Government of Haryana, in collaboration with the Institute of Urban Transport and Gurugram Metro Rail Limited.
- During the event, the logo and website of the Pradhan Mantri e-Bus Sewa Scheme were launched, and UMI Awards 2025 were presented in 8 categories for “Excellence in Urban Transport.”

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Where was the 1st edition of the BIMSTEC-India Marine Research Network (BIMReN) conference held?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Kochi
- C) Colombo
- D) Dhaka
- E) Yangon

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 1st edition of the BIMSTEC-India Marine Research Network (BIMReN) conference was held in Kochi, Kerala. During its pilot phase, it connected 25 institutions and over 50 researchers from BIMSTEC countries.
- The BIMReN initiative was announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Colombo BIMSTEC Summit in 2022 and officially launched in 2024 by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Retail inflation in India fell to what historic low in October 2025?

- A) 0.50%
- B) 0.40%
- C) 0.25%
- D) 0.75%
- E) None of the Above

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Retail inflation dropped to a record low of 0.25% in October 2025.
- The fall was driven by GST rate cuts, favourable base effect, and reduced food inflation, especially in vegetables and fruits.
- This is the lowest retail inflation rate recorded in the current CPI series.
- It is also the lowest inflation rate since January 2012.
- The decline was mainly due to the statistical impact of the base effect on food inflation.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which two NBFCs had their Certificate of Registration cancelled by the RBI under Section 45-IA (6) of the RBI Act, 1934?

- A) Jumbo Finvest (India) Limited & Champion Agro Finance Limited
- B) Parichay Commotrade Pvt Ltd & Renuka Investments and Finance Limited
- C) Muthoot Finance & Manappuram Finance
- D) SBI Cards & HDFC Credila
- E) Bajaj Finance & L&T Finance

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- RBI cancelled the Certificate of Registration of Jumbo Finvest (India) Limited (Jaipur, Rajasthan) and Champion Agro Finance Limited (Rajkot, Gujarat) under Section 45-IA (6) of the RBI Act, 1934.
- Additionally, some NBFCs such as Parichay Commotrade Pvt Ltd (Mumbai) and Renuka Investments and Finance Limited (UP) surrendered their CoR voluntarily.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who chaired the review meeting with Managing Directors and CEOs of Public Sector Banks to assess H1 FY 2025–26 performance?

- A) Union Finance Minister
- B) RBI Governor
- C) Chairman, SBI
- D) Secretary, Department of Financial Services
- E) Secretary, Ministry of Finance

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Shri M. Nagaraju, Secretary, Department of Financial Services (DFS), chaired the review meeting in New Delhi with MDs and CEOs of Public Sector Banks to assess their H1 FY 2025–26 performance.
- During H1 FY 2025–26, PSBs recorded:
 - Net profit: ₹93,675 crore
 - Advances growth: 12.3%
 - Deposit growth: 9.6%
 - Gross NPA ratio: 2.30%
 - Net NPA ratio: 0.45%
- The meeting also saw the launch of the Startup Loans module on the JanSamarth Portal and the release of the PSB Manthan 2025 report.

Genius



Ques: India reaffirmed its support to the 13th Five-Year Plan of which country?

- A) Nepal
- B) Sri Lanka
- C) Bhutan
- D) Bangladesh
- E) Myanmar

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India reaffirmed its unwavering support to Bhutan's 13th Five-Year Plan during PM Narendra Modi's visit to Thimphu.
- PM Modi met former King Jigme Singye Wangchuck and other Bhutanese leaders to strengthen bilateral cooperation.
- Key focus areas included energy, trade, technology, and connectivity.
- Modi appreciated the progress of the Gelephu Mindfulness City Project, aligned with India's Act East Policy.
- He also took part in the Kalachakra initiation ceremony, part of the Global Peace Prayer Festival.
- The visit is expected to boost cooperation in energy, healthcare, and connectivity.

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Ques: What is the total outlay approved for the new Export Promotion Mission (EPM) and Credit Guarantee Scheme for Exporters (CGSE)?

- A) ₹25,060 crore
- B) ₹20,000 crore
- C) ₹40,000 crore
- D) ₹50,000 crore
- E) ₹45,060 crore

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- A total outlay of ₹45,060 crore has been approved.
- Of this, ₹25,060 crore is allocated for the Export Promotion Mission (EPM) over six years, and ₹20,000 crore for expanding the Credit Guarantee Scheme for Exporters (CGSE).
- The scheme supports Indian exporters, especially in labour-intensive sectors like textiles, leather, gems & jewellery, and marine products, who face US tariffs and non-tariff barriers.
- EPM will operate through two sub-schemes:
 - Niryat Protsahan: export finance, interest subvention, collateral support
 - Niryat Disha: tackling non-tariff barriers, market access, logistics, compliance, and testing support

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Ques: India reaffirmed its support to the 13th Five-Year Plan of which country?

- A) Nepal
- B) Sri Lanka
- C) Bhutan
- D) Bangladesh
- E) Myanmar

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India reaffirmed its unwavering support to Bhutan's 13th Five-Year Plan during PM Narendra Modi's visit to Thimphu.
- PM Modi met former King Jigme Singye Wangchuck and other Bhutanese leaders to strengthen bilateral cooperation.
- Key focus areas included energy, trade, technology, and connectivity.
- Modi appreciated the progress of the Gelephu Mindfulness City Project, aligned with India's Act East Policy.
- He also took part in the Kalachakra initiation ceremony, part of the Global Peace Prayer Festival.
- The visit is expected to boost cooperation in energy, healthcare, and connectivity.

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Ques: Where has the Singapore Business Federation opened its fourth Singapore Enterprise Centre in India?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Chennai
- C) Hyderabad
- D) Bengaluru
- E) New Delhi

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Singapore Business Federation (SBF) has opened its fourth Singapore Enterprise Centre (SEC) in Bengaluru.
- The centre will help Singapore's small enterprises enter and expand in the Indian market.
- It will offer advisory, networking, and business-matching support to aid international expansion.
- The SEC aims to support over 470 enterprises in the next two years through trade missions, seminars, and market programmes.

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Ques: Under the newly approved rationalised royalty structure, which mineral has been assigned a 1% royalty rate?

- A) Graphite
- B) Caesium
- C) Rubidium
- D) Zirconium
- E) Lithium

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet approved the rationalisation of royalty rates for four critical minerals: graphite, caesium, rubidium, and zirconium.
- Under this structure, zirconium has been assigned the lowest royalty rate of 1%.
- Graphite with 80%+ fixed carbon will attract 2% of ASP, while graphite with less than 80% fixed carbon will have a 4% royalty.
- Caesium and rubidium will be charged 2% of ASP based on metal content.
- These minerals are vital for high-tech applications and energy transition.
- Currently, nine graphite mines are operational in India, and both graphite and zirconium are listed among the 24 critical minerals under the MMDR Act, 1957.

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Ques: During his visit to Bhutan, Prime Minister Modi inaugurated which India-funded hydroelectric project and announced a \$455 million line of credit?

- A) Tala Hydroelectric Project
- B) Punatsangchhu-I Hydroelectric Project
- C) Chukha Hydroelectric Project
- D) Punatsangchhu-II Hydroelectric Project
- E) Mangdechhu Hydroelectric Project

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the India-funded Punatsangchhu-II Hydroelectric Project during his visit to Bhutan.
- He also announced a \$455 million (₹4000 crore) line of credit.
- The 1,020 MW Punatsangchhu-II project marks a major milestone in India–Bhutan renewable energy cooperation.
- It aligns with India's Neighbourhood First policy and is expected to enhance Bhutan's hydropower capacity by nearly 40%.

EXAM
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Ques: ICAI has signed an MoU with which organisation for real-time verification of UDIN?

- A) CAG
- B) Army Purchase Organisation (APO), DGST, Indian Army
- C) Ministry of Finance
- D) RBI
- E) MCA

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) signed an MoU with the Army Purchase Organisation (APO), DGST, Indian Army for real-time API-based verification of UDIN (Unique Document Identification Number).
- UDIN is an 18-digit unique number issued by practicing Chartered Accountants for every certified or attested document.
- This initiative will help prevent forgery, improve transparency, and enable instant document verification.

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Ques: Which ministry released the Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) to strengthen mechanisms for removing and preventing Non-Consensual Intimate Imagery (NCII) online?

- A) Ministry of Home Affairs
- B) Ministry of Women & Child Development
- C) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)
- D) Ministry of Law & Justice
- E) Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) released a Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) to strengthen the mechanisms for removing and preventing Non-Consensual Intimate Imagery (NCII) online.
- The SoP was issued in line with directions of the Madras High Court and Rule 3(2)(b) of the IT Rules, 2021.
- It provides clear instructions for victims, intermediaries, and law enforcement agencies to ensure swift and uniform action against NCII, including intimate or morphed images shared without consent.
- Intermediaries are required to remove or disable access to flagged NCII content within 24 hours of receiving a complaint.
- The Indian Cybercrime Coordination Centre (I4C) acts as the central aggregator for NCII complaints and maintains a secure NCII hash bank.
- Significant social media intermediaries must also implement hash-matching and crawler technologies.
- If such content is hosted on external websites, intermediaries must alert I4C through the Sahyog Portal for quick follow-up and inform the affected individuals.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the first woman to lead the United Nations Tourism in its 50-year history?

- A) Sheikha Nasser Al Nowais
- B) Taleb Rifai
- C) Zurab Pololikashvili
- D) Gloria Guevara
- E) Katherine Bennett

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Sheikha Nasser Al Nowais of the UAE has been appointed as the first woman to lead the United Nations Tourism Organization in its 50-year history since its establishment in 1975.
- She was appointed during the 123rd session of the United Nations Tourism Executive Council held in Segovia, Spain, for a four-year term.

About UN Tourism:

- Established: 1 November 1975
- HQ: Madrid, Spain
- Members: 160

EXAM
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Ques: According to the Global Carbon Project, India's carbon emissions are expected to rise by how much in 2025?

- A) 0.8%
- B) 1.1%
- C) 1.4%
- D) 2.2%
- E) 4%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India's carbon emissions are projected to rise by 1.4% in 2025, much lower than the 4% increase in 2024.
- The slower rise is due to a favourable monsoon reducing cooling demand and strong renewable energy growth reducing coal use.
- India remains the third-largest CO₂ emitter, with 3.2 billion tonnes annually (2024).

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Ques: Where was the 6th edition of the Vietnam-India Bilateral Army Exercise (VINBAX) held?

- A) Ambala, Haryana
- B) Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh
- C) Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- D) New Delhi, India
- E) Hanoi, Vietnam

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The 6th edition of the Vietnam-India Bilateral Army Exercise (VINBAX) was held at National Military Training Centre 4 in Hanoi, Vietnam with troops from an Engineer Regiment and a Medical Corps detachment of India's Southwestern Command.
- The exercise began in 2018 in Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh; the 5th edition was held in Ambala, Haryana in 2024.

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Ques: Where will the U.K. build its first mini nuclear power station?

- A) Scotland
- B) North Wales
- C) Manchester
- D) London
- E) Birmingham

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The U.K. government has selected North Wales (Wylfa) as the site for its first mini/small modular nuclear power station.
- British PM Keir Starmer's spokesperson stated that Wylfa is the best location for Small Modular Reactors (SMRs).
- Reports noted that the U.S. wanted a large U.S.-led nuclear project at the same site, causing some disagreement.

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Ques: Which organization released the Global Climate Risk Index (CRI) at COP30 in Belem, Brazil?

- A) UNEP
- B) IPCC
- C) UNFCCC
- D) World Bank
- E) Germanwatch

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Global Climate Risk Index (CRI) was released by Germanwatch at COP30 in Belem, Brazil.
- India ranks 9th in the long-term index (1995–2024) and 15th in the 2024 annual index, improving from last year's 8th and 10th positions.
- As per the CRI 2025 report, India has recorded 80,000+ fatalities and nearly USD 170 billion in economic losses from 430 extreme weather events over the past three decades.

Top 5 countries in 2024:

1. St Vincent and the Grenadines
2. Grenada
3. Chad
4. Papua New Guinea
5. Niger
6. India

EXAM
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Ques: India and Nepal amended the Treaty of Transit to allow rail-based freight movement between which two locations?

- A) Raxaul – Kathmandu
- B) Jogbani – Biratnagar
- C) Siliguri – Pokhara
- D) Gorakhpur – Janakpur
- E) Nautanwa – Birgunj

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The amended Transit Treaty enables rail-based freight movement, including bulk cargo, between Jogbani (India) and Biratnagar (Nepal).
- Liberalisation has also been extended to major corridors such as Kolkata–Jogbani, Kolkata–Nautanwa (Sunauli), and Visakhapatnam–Nautanwa (Sunauli).
- The agreement was exchanged in New Delhi between Piyush Goyal (India) and Anil Kumar Sinha (Nepal).

EXAM
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Ques: The application fee for obtaining a GI tag in India has recently been reduced to what amount?

- A) ₹2,500
- B) ₹1,500
- C) ₹1,000
- D) ₹500
- E) None of the Above

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The government has reduced the GI tag application fee from ₹5,000 to ₹1,000, an 80% reduction.
- The move aims to encourage tribal artisans to register traditional crafts and products.
- GI tags are issued under the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999.
- The GI Registry under DPIIT issues GI tags with 10-year validity, after which renewal is needed.
- In the EU, GI is classified into PGI and PDO, whereas India follows only the PGI category.

EXAM
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Ques: Which film has been selected as Palestine's official entry for the 98th Academy Awards (Best International Feature Film)?

- A) Songe (Passing Dreams)
- B) Gaza Mon Amour
- C) Palestine 36
- D) Omar
- E) 200 Meters

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Palestine 36, directed by Annemarie Jacir, has been selected as Palestine's official entry for the 98th Academy Awards in the Best International Feature Film category.
- The film is a historical drama portraying the 1936–1939 uprising against British colonial rule in Palestine.
- It highlights the struggles, culture, resilience, and aspirations of the Palestinian people.
- The film was screened three times at the 31st Kolkata International Film Festival.

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Ques: What is commemorated on November 11 as National Education Day in India?

- A) Jawaharlal Nehru
- B) Maulana Abul Kalam Azad
- C) Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- D) Mahatma Gandhi
- E) B.R. Ambedkar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- November 11 is celebrated as National Education Day to mark the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, India's first Education Minister after independence.
- The day was officially declared in 2008 by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (now Ministry of Education).
- Maulana Azad, a freedom fighter, scholar, and visionary educationist, was awarded the Bharat Ratna in 1992 for his immense contributions.

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Ques: Which bank launched the cultural initiative 'Bharat Surotsav' in Chennai?

- A) State Bank of India
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) Federal Bank
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) Axis Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Federal Bank Limited launched 'Bharat Surotsav' in Chennai, marking the beginning of its festival series celebrating India's artistic heritage.
- Bharat Surotsav is an immersive dance and music fusion festival and a signature cultural Intellectual Property (IP) of Federal Bank, featuring artists like Shobana Chandrakumar Pillai, Agam Band, Charumathi Raghuraman, and Ravi Chari.

About Federal Bank:

- Established: 1931
- HQ: Kochi, Kerala
- MD & CEO: KVS Manian
- Tagline: Your Perfect Banking Partner





Ques: RBI increased the maximum credit period for pre- and post-shipment export credit to how many days?

- A) 270 days
- B) 300 days
- C) 360 days
- D) 450 days
- E) 500 days

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- **RBI** announced an export relief package to support exporters impacted by the 50% US tariff on Indian exports.
- Under this package, the maximum credit period for pre- and post-shipment export credit has been increased from 270 days to 450 days for loans disbursed till 31 March 2026.
- Lenders can liquidate packing credit through any legitimate source for exporters who could not dispatch goods by 31 August 2025.
- RBI allowed moratorium or deferment on term-loan repayments and interest recovery on working capital loans due between 1 September–31 December 2025.
- Banks can recalculate drawing power in working capital loans by reducing margins or reassessment.

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Ques: According to the PLFS Quarterly Bulletin (July–September 2025), what was India's unemployment rate for persons aged 15 years and above in Q2 FY26?

- A) 4.4%
- B) 5.2%
- C) 5.4%
- D) 6.8%
- E) 8.9%

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- NSO released the PLFS Quarterly Bulletin for July–September 2025.
- India's unemployment rate for persons aged 15 years and above declined to 5.2% in Q2 FY26, from 5.4% in Q1 FY26.
- Rural unemployment fell from 4.8% to 4.4%, while urban unemployment rose slightly from 6.8% to 6.9%.
- Uttarakhand recorded the highest unemployment rate at 8.9%, followed by Andhra Pradesh (8.2%) and Kerala (8%).
- Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) for persons aged 15+ increased from 55% to 55.1%.

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Ques: Which three key surveys were launched by the Reserve Bank of India in November 2025?

- A) Industrial Outlook Survey, Udyog Survey, Banking Trend Survey
- B) Inflation Expectations Survey of Households, Rural Consumer Confidence Survey, Urban Consumer Confidence Survey
- C) Household Debt Survey, Labour Force Survey, Urban Market Survey
- D) Price Stability Survey, Rural Income Survey, City Demand Survey
- E) Monetary Outlook Survey, Employment Sentiment Survey, Household Spending Survey

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- RBI launched three key surveys for November 2025:
 - Inflation Expectations Survey of Households (IESH)
 - Rural Consumer Confidence Survey (RCCS)
 - Urban Consumer Confidence Survey (UCCS)
- These surveys provide essential inputs for monetary policy formulation.
- IESH collects households' perceptions on price movements and inflation across 19 major cities.
- RCCS is a bi-monthly survey capturing rural and semi-urban household views on economy, employment, prices, income and spending across 31 States/UTs.
- UCCS is also bi-monthly and gathers urban consumer sentiments on economy, employment, income, spending and price trends across 19 cities.



Ques: Which scheme was launched by Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya in November 2025 to encourage voluntary enrollment of eligible employees under the Employees' Provident Fund?

- A) Employee Pension Scheme 2025
- B) Employee Enrollment Scheme 2025
- C) Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-dhan 2025
- D) Atal Pension Yojana 2025
- E) EPF Digital Initiative 2025

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya launched the Employee Enrollment Scheme 2025 to encourage employers to voluntarily declare and enroll eligible employees under EPF.
- Effective from 1 November 2025, the scheme exempts employers from paying the employee's share of contributions if it was not deducted earlier and imposes only a nominal penalty of ₹100 per establishment.
- The revamped EPFO homepage was also launched, and PDUNASS received the Bhavishya Nidhi Awards 2025 for capacity building and governance initiatives.

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Ques: Which Union Minister inaugurated India's first modern river ferry terminal at Guwahati Gateway on the banks of the Brahmaputra River?

- A) Union Minister for Ports, Shipping & Waterways
- B) Union Minister of Finance
- C) Union Minister of Road Transport & Highways
- D) Union Minister of Tourism
- E) Union Minister of Urban Development

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated the Guwahati Gateway Terminal and Jetty, India's first modern river ferry terminal on the banks of the Brahmaputra River.
- The terminal was constructed by the Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society at a cost of ₹304.95 crore and will serve as a central hub for ferry and vessel operations under Assam's Inland Water Transport Department.
- The inauguration also included the Brahmaputra Riverfront Development Project – Sati Radhika Shaanti Udyan, a 1.2 km riverfront built under the Smart City Mission at a cost of over ₹327 crore.

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Ques: Which forest area has been directed by the Supreme Court to be declared a wildlife sanctuary?

- A) Saranda Forest
- B) Palamu Forest
- C) Betla Forest
- D) Dalma Forest
- E) Gumla Forest

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Supreme Court has directed the Jharkhand government to declare 31,468.25 hectares of Saranda Forest as a wildlife sanctuary within three months.
- Saranda Forest, located in West Singhbhum, Jharkhand, is Asia's largest Sal forest and home to critically endangered species such as the sal forest tortoise, four-horned antelope, Asian palm civet, and wild elephants.
- The decision highlights the need to protect biodiversity while balancing sustainable iron ore mining, as the region holds 26% of India's iron ore reserves.

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Ques: Which countries participated in the Strategic Cyber Exercise organized by India?

- A) BRICS nations
- B) ASEAN nations
- C) Five Central Asian countries
- D) SAARC countries
- E) G20 countries

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India organized a 3-day Strategic Cyber Exercise in New Delhi from 12–14 November 2025, in collaboration with MEA and NCIIPC.
- Participating countries were Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.
- The exercise focused on cyber threat hunting, incident response, and strengthening joint cyber-security capabilities.
- It marks an important step in enhancing cyber-security cooperation between India and the Central Asian nations.

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Ques: When was the Mudh-Nyoma (Nyoma) Airbase in Ladakh operationalised?

- A) 1 November 2025
- B) 13 November 2025
- C) 20 December 2025
- D) 5 October 2025
- E) 25 November 2025

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Mudh-Nyoma (Nyoma) Airbase in Ladakh was operationalised on 13 November 2025, with Air Chief Marshal A.P. Singh landing in a C-130J Super Hercules aircraft.
- Located about 25 km from the LAC with China at an altitude of ~13,700 ft, the base was developed by BRO at a cost of ~₹218 crore.
- It includes a 2.7-km runway, hardened shelters, high-altitude fuel storage, and advanced ATC facilities.
- Nyoma is now the fourth IAF base in Ladakh after Leh, Kargil, and Thoise, and its upgradation was planned after the 2020 India-China standoff to strengthen forward airpower.

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Ques: Which DRDO laboratory has developed the new generation of Man-portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (MP-AUVs)?

- A) NPOL, Kochi
- B) LRDE, Bengaluru
- C) NSTL, Visakhapatnam
- D) DEAL, Dehradun
- E) DRDL, Hyderabad

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- DRDO's Naval Science & Technological Laboratory (NSTL), Visakhapatnam has developed a new generation of Man-portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (MP-AUVs) for mine countermeasure missions.
- These MP-AUVs feature Side Scan Sonar, underwater cameras, and deep learning-based target recognition algorithms to autonomously detect and classify mines.
- They include a robust underwater acoustic communication system for data exchange between AUVs, improving situational awareness.
- Field trials at NSTL Harbour validated their performance, and the system is expected to be production-ready soon.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the President of the Organization Internationale des Constructeurs d'Automobiles (OICA)?

- A) John Bozzella
- B) Kenichi Ayukawa
- C) Guenter Butschek
- D) Shailesh Chandra
- E) R.C. Bhargava

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Shailesh Chandra, President of SIAM and MD & CEO of Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles Limited, has been appointed as the President of OICA.
- He replaced John Bozzella, President & CEO of the Alliance for Automotive Innovation (USA).
- He became the first Indian to lead OICA.

About OICA:

- Established: 1919
- HQ: Paris
- Members: 39

EXAM
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Ques: In the Bihar Assembly Election 2025, how many seats did the NDA win in the 243-member Assembly?

- A) 150
- B) 175
- C) 202
- D) 189
- E) 120

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- In the 2025 Bihar Assembly Election, the NDA led by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar won 202 out of 243 seats, securing a massive majority.
- The Opposition Mahagathbandhan won only 35 seats, while BJP emerged as the single largest party with 89 seats, followed by JD(U) with 101 seats.
- NDA's welfare schemes, especially the Mahila Rojgar Yojana providing ₹10,000 to 1.25 crore women, significantly contributed to its victory.
- The NDA's vote share stood at 46.7%, compared to the opposition INDIA bloc's 37.5%.

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Ques: Which countries will co-host the 2026 FIH Hockey World Cup for both men's and women's tournaments?

- A) Belgium & Germany
- B) Netherlands & France
- C) Belgium & Netherlands
- D) Germany & Netherlands
- E) Belgium & Spain

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 2026 FIH Hockey World Cup will be hosted jointly by Belgium and the Netherlands, with both men's and women's tournaments held simultaneously.
- The men's final will be hosted in Wavre (Belgium), while the women's final will be held in Amsterdam (Netherlands).
- Each tournament will feature 16 teams divided into four groups.

EXAM
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Ques: Who secured the Year-End World No. 1 ATP ranking in 2025?

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

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Carlos Alcaraz won all his group-stage matches at the ATP Finals 2025, earning enough points to finish the season as the Year-End World No. 1.
- This is his second time finishing as year-end No. 1; he first achieved it in 2022 at age 19, becoming the youngest ever to do so.
- Jannik Sinner also remained unbeaten in the group stage but still couldn't surpass Alcaraz in ranking points.

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Ques: Which initiative was launched by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj to educate students about Panchayati Raj Institutions through participatory learning?

- A) National Youth Parliament
- B) Rural Leadership Program
- C) Student Panchayat Program
- D) Gram Shakti Initiative
- E) Model Youth Gram Sabha (MYGS)

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Panchayati Raj, along with the Department of School Education & Literacy and the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, launched the Model Youth Gram Sabha (MYGS) initiative in New Delhi.
- The MYGS educates students about the structure and functioning of Panchayati Raj Institutions through participatory and experiential learning.
- It will be implemented in phases across 1,000+ schools, including Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas, Eklavya Model Residential Schools, and state government schools, with ₹20,000 per school provided as one-time financial assistance for each mock Gram Sabha.

EXAM
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Ques: Which university launched 'Campus Tank', India's biggest university-led launchpad for young innovators?

- A) IIT Delhi
- B) Chandigarh University, Uttar Pradesh
- C) BITS Pilani
- D) University of Mumbai
- E) Amity University

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Chandigarh University–Uttar Pradesh, India's first AI-augmented multidisciplinary university, launched 'Campus Tank', the largest university-led launchpad for young innovators in India.
- The event also included the launch of 'CU AI Space', featuring advanced technology and AI-powered tools to help young innovators build real-world solutions.
- Chandigarh University has allocated USD 6 million for this initiative.

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Ques: India's rank in the Global Innovation Index has improved from 81 to what position?

- A) 45
- B) 50
- C) 38
- D) 30
- E) 28

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India has become the world's 6th largest patent filer with over 64,000 patent filings, 55% of which are by resident Indian innovators.
- India's rank in the Global Innovation Index has improved from 81 to 38 due to strong policy support and major scientific achievements.
- Key milestones include Chandrayaan-3, indigenous antibiotics, the world's first DNA vaccine developed in India, and successful gene-therapy trials.
- Initiatives like INNOTECH'25 and schemes such as Mudra, PM-Svanidhi, and PM-Vishwakarma are supporting deep-tech entrepreneurship and youth skill development.

EXAM
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Ques: Which minister launched the 5th Marine Fisheries Census (MFC 2025) along with the digital apps VyAS–BHARAT and VyAS–SUTRA?

- A) Union Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying
- B) Union Minister of Agriculture
- C) Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- D) Union Minister of Rural Development
- E) Union Minister of Science & Technology

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Union Minister of State George Kurian (Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying) launched the 5th Marine Fisheries Census (MFC 2025) along with the digital apps VyAS–BHARAT and VyAS–SUTRA.
- MFC is a five-year national survey under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana that records data on fisher households, fishing assets, and marine infrastructure, with previous editions conducted since 2005.
- The digital apps assist in household enumeration, village/jetty validation, and real-time supervision under the theme “Smart Census, Smarter Fisheries.”

EXAM
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Ques: How much sugar export quota has the Centre allowed for the 2025-26 season?

- A) 5 LMT
- B) 10 LMT
- C) 12 LMT
- D) 15 LMT
- E) 20 LMT

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Government of India has approved the export of 15 lakh metric tonnes (LMT) of sugar for the 2025-26 season (October–September).
- The export order was issued by the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution.
- Export quota will be allocated to sugar mills based on their average production over the last three years (2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25), with each mill receiving 5.286% of its 3-year average production.
- Last year (2024-25), the export quota was 10 LMT, so this year's quota is higher, though lower than the industry demand of 20 LMT.

EXAM
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Ques: Which company has commissioned India's largest green hydrogen manufacturing plant at Vijayanagar, Karnataka?

- A) Reliance Industries Limited
- B) JSW Energy Limited
- C) NTPC Limited
- D) Tata Power
- E) Adani Green Energy

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- JSW Energy Limited has commissioned its first and India's largest green hydrogen manufacturing plant at Vijayanagar, Karnataka under the National Green Hydrogen Mission and Production Linked Incentive Scheme.
- The plant will supply 3,800 TPA of green hydrogen and 30,000 TPA of green oxygen to JSW Steel's Direct Reduced Iron unit for low-carbon steel production under a 7-year offtake agreement.
- JSW Energy aims to achieve 30 GW of generation capacity and 40 GWh of energy storage capacity by FY29-30 and has signed an MoU with JSW Steel to increase supply to 85,000–90,000 TPA of green hydrogen and 7.2 lakh TPA of green oxygen by 2030.

EXAM
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Ques: What is the name of the new U.S. military operation launched in Latin America?

- A) Operation Desert Shield
- B) Operation Southern Spear
- C) Operation New Dawn
- D) Operation Pacific Guard
- E) Operation Caribbean Storm

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The U.S. announced Operation Southern Spear, a new military campaign aimed at removing narco-terrorists and protecting American homeland security.
- The operation includes naval and air missions across the Caribbean and eastern Pacific regions.
- The announcement comes amid rising U.S. naval presence in Latin American waters, which could escalate tensions.
- U.S. forces have already targeted about 20 vessels in international waters since early September, resulting in at least 76 deaths.
- Venezuela has responded by deploying military forces nationwide, including near its coast to counter the U.S. aircraft carrier group.





Ques: Who inaugurated “Co-op Kumbh 2025”, an International Conference on the Urban Cooperative Credit Sector, in New Delhi?

- A) Nirmala Sitharaman
- B) Piyush Goyal
- C) Amit Shah
- D) Rajnath Singh
- E) Narendra Modi

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Union Minister Amit Shah inaugurated “Co-op Kumbh 2025”, an International Conference on the Urban Cooperative Credit Sector held in New Delhi.
- During the event, he launched two digital applications, Sahakar Digi Pay and Sahakar Digi Loan, to modernize urban cooperative banking in India.
- The conference adopted the “Delhi Declaration 2025” roadmap to 2030 and set a target to establish at least one urban cooperative bank in every Indian city with a population over two lakhs.

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Ques: What was the annual credit growth of banks at the end of October 31, 2025?

- A) 9.7%
- B) 10.5%
- C) 11.3%
- D) 12.0%
- E) 13.5%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- According to Reserve Bank of India data, banks' annual credit growth at the end of October 31, 2025, stood at 11.3%, while deposits grew 9.7%.
- The gap between credit and deposit growth narrowed to 160 basis points from 200 basis points observed on October 17.
- Demand deposits rose 21% year-on-year to Rs 31 lakh crore, reflecting faster growth in low-cost current and savings deposits.
- Time deposits (fixed deposits) grew 8.3% to Rs 211 lakh crore.

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Ques: Which bank celebrated its 107th foundation day and inaugurated 51 new branches virtually?

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Union Bank of India celebrated its 107th foundation day at the Jio World Convention Centre, BKC, Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- The bank inaugurated 51 new branches virtually across key regions and a Rural Self-Employment Training Institute (RSETI) in Mancherla, Telangana.
- Union Bank employees contributed Rs 21.68 crore to the National Defence Fund (NDF), supporting India's armed forces.
- The bank also launched two new digital products: Union eBiz, a business mobile application for MSMEs and business customers with 20+ journeys and 300+ features, and Union Ease, a retail app to be available soon.

About Union Bank of India :

- Established : 1919
- HQ : Mumbai
- MD & CEO : Shri Asheesh Pandey
- Tagline : Good people to bank with





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Part-Time Chairman of Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) Bank Limited?

- A) Amitava Chatterjee
- B) S Krishnan
- C) Rajesh Kumar
- D) Sunil Mehta
- E) P K Gupta

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- S Krishnan has been appointed as the Part-Time Chairman of Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) Bank Limited for the tenure November 13, 2025, to March 26, 2028.
- He previously served as Managing Director & CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank (2020–2022) and Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (2022–2024).
- J&K Bank was established in 1938 and is headquartered in Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir.
- The current MD & CEO of J&K Bank is Amitava Chatterjee.

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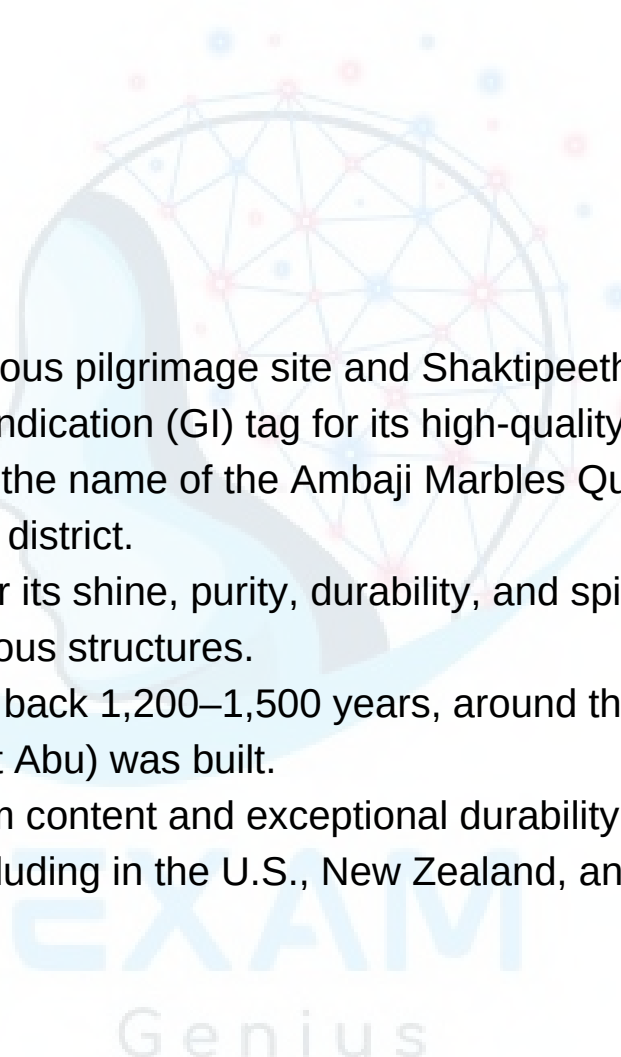
Ques: Marble from which place in Gujarat has received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag for its high-quality white stone?

- A) Palitana
- B) Dwarka
- C) Ambaji
- D) Somnath
- E) Girnar

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Marble from Ambaji, a famous pilgrimage site and Shaktipeeth in Gujarat, has received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag for its high-quality white stone.
- The GI tag was granted in the name of the Ambaji Marbles Quarry and Factory Association in Banaskantha district.
- Ambaji marble is known for its shine, purity, durability, and spiritual significance, and has long been used in religious structures.
- Ambaji marble mines date back 1,200–1,500 years, around the period when the Dilwara Jain Temple (Mount Abu) was built.
- Because of its high calcium content and exceptional durability, Ambaji marble is also used in temples abroad, including in the U.S., New Zealand, and England.





Ques: Which Indian company has joined the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) as an “Adopter”?

- A) Reliance Industries
- B) Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Limited
- C) Tata Steel
- D) Larsen & Toubro
- E) Mahindra & Mahindra

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Limited (APSEZ) has joined the TNFD as an “Adopter”, committing to start nature-related reporting from Financial Year 2025–26 in line with global standards.
- APSEZ is India’s first integrated transport utility to endorse the TNFD framework.
- By adopting TNFD, APSEZ will identify and report its nature-related dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities as part of its ESG strategy.
- TNFD is a global science-based initiative launched by organisations including UNEP-FI, UNDP, and WWF to guide companies on nature-related risks, dependencies, and opportunities.

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Ques: How many AMRIT pharmacies are currently operational across India as the initiative completes 10 years?

- A) 150
- B) 200
- C) 255
- D) 350
- E) 500

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Affordable Medicines and Reliable Implants for Treatment (AMRIT) initiative has completed 10 years since its launch in 2015.
- AMRIT pharmacies provide essential and life-saving medicines at 50% to 90% discount, reducing treatment costs significantly.
- Currently, 255 AMRIT pharmacies are operational across India, with a target to expand to 500 outlets.
- Union Health Minister Shri J. P. Nadda inaugurated 10 new AMRIT outlets across India.
- He also launched AMRIT ITes – Eco Green Version 2.0, a modern digital platform to enhance transparency, efficiency, and sustainability.
- The initiative continues to expand, with plans to increase the network to 500 pharmacies nationwide.

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Ques: Exercise Garuda 25 is being conducted between the Indian Air Force and which country's Air and Space Force?

- A) USA
- B) Russia
- C) Australia
- D) Japan
- E) France

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Exercise Garuda 25 is a bilateral air exercise between the Indian Air Force (IAF) and the French Air and Space Force (FASF), held at Mont-de-Marsan, France, from 16–27 November 2025.
- The IAF contingent arrived in France on 10 November 2025 with Su-30MKI fighter aircraft.
- Airlift support for induction/de-induction is being provided by C-17 Globemaster III, and IL-78 tankers are being used for air-to-air refuelling.
- The Su-30MKI will operate alongside French multirole fighters in simulated air combat, air defence, and joint strike operations.
- The aim is to refine tactics and improve interoperability between the IAF and FASF.





Ques: What is the name of the Border Security Force's first all-women drone operations unit?

- A) Shakti Drone Squadron
- B) Durga Drone Squadron
- C) Saraswati Drone Squadron
- D) Bhavani Drone Squadron
- E) Kali Drone Squadron

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Border Security Force has commissioned its first all-women drone operations unit named 'Durga Drone Squadron' at the School of Drone Warfare in the BSF Academy, Gwalior.
- Named after goddess Durga, the unit symbolizes the power, precision, and resilience of BSF's women personnel.
- The initiative aims to integrate women personnel into drone-based surveillance and reconnaissance roles along India's western and eastern borders.
- The specialized training programme is conducted under the leadership of Daljit Singh Chaudhary, Director General of BSF.

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Ques: Which company is building a 55-storey tower in Dubai named after Shah Rukh Khan?

- A) Emaar Properties
- B) Aldar Properties
- C) Danube Properties
- D) Nakheel
- E) Dubai Holding

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Danube Properties will develop a 55-storey premium commercial tower in Dubai named 'SHAHRUKHZ by Danube'.
- The tower covers 1 million sq ft of built-up area, with prices starting at \$460,000, scheduled for completion in Q2 2029.
- It will feature 40+ luxury amenities, including an infinity pool on the 33rd floor, helipad, king clubhouse, and an outdoor lounge on the 55th floor.
- The design includes a "hanging tower concept" with four floors of amenities from the 32nd to the 36th floor.
- The tower will also feature a statue of Shah Rukh Khan and a 'Shah Rukh's Boulevard' at the podium level.
- Danube will offer a 1% monthly payment plan; around 30% of Dubai property buyers are Indians.

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Ques: Which traditional musical instruments of Sikkim received Geographical Indication (GI) registration?

- A) Tungbuk and Pumontong Pulit
- B) Ektara and Sitar
- C) Tabla and Harmonium
- D) Flute and Veena
- E) Mridangam and Dhol

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Government of India granted GI registration for Sikkim's traditional Lepcha instruments, Tungbuk and Pumontong Pulit, under the "Musical Instrument" category.
- GI certificates were presented during the 1st Tribal Business Conclave in New Delhi.
- NABARD, Gangtok supported the application process for nearly two years with financial and technical assistance.
- Tungbuk is a three-string instrument made of softwood and parchment, 36 inches long.
- Pumontong Pulit is a four-hole bamboo flute used to replicate natural sounds; "Pulit" refers to a traditional Lepcha wind instrument.
- GI registration in India is valid for 10 years and can be renewed for another 10-year period.

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Ques: Where was the 3rd edition of the International Conference on Green Hydrogen (ICGH 2025) held?

- A) India Expo Centre, Greater Noida
- B) Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi
- C) Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi
- D) Hyderabad International Convention Centre
- E) Kolkata International Exhibition Centre

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 3rd edition of the International Conference on Green Hydrogen (ICGH 2025) was held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, hosted by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE).
- It was organized in collaboration with the Principal Scientific Advisor (PSA), Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoPNG), Department of Science and Technology (DST), Ministry of Science and Technology (MoS&T), and the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR).
- Key announcements included the establishment of four hydrogen valleys with a total investment of ₹485 crore to demonstrate the full hydrogen value chain.
- Out of this, the Government of India allocated ₹169.89 crore under the National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM), while ₹315.43 crore will come from industry and consortium partners.
- The hydrogen valleys will be set up in Pune (Maharashtra), Jodhpur (Rajasthan), Bhubaneswar (Odisha), and Kerala, aiming to capture about 10% of global green hydrogen demand by 2030.



Ques: Which ministry withdrew Quality Control Orders on 14 petrochemical raw materials?

- A) Ministry of Commerce & Industry
- B) Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
- C) Ministry of Textiles
- D) Ministry of Heavy Industries
- E) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers withdrew the Quality Control Orders (QCOs) issued under the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on 14 petrochemical products with immediate effect.
- Earlier, these QCOs had made BIS certification mandatory for major raw materials such as chemicals, polymers, plastic resins, and fibres.
- The 14 affected materials include Terephthalic Acid (PTA), Ethylene Glycol (EG), various Polyester Yarn types, Polyethylene, Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene (ABS), Polypropylene, Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Homopolymers, Ethylene-Vinyl Acetate (EVA) Copolymers, Polyurethanes, and Polycarbonate (PC).
- These raw materials are used widely across textile and apparel, packaging and plastics, chemical processing, automotive components, home appliances, and electronics manufacturing.

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Ques: Under which scheme is the Integrated Development of the Sohra (Cherrapunji) Tourism Circuit being funded?

- A) PM Gati Shakti
- B) NEC Special Development Scheme
- C) PRASAD Scheme
- D) Swadesh Darshan 2.0
- E) PM-DevINE Scheme

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The project for the Integrated Development of the Sohra (Cherrapunji) Tourism Circuit in Meghalaya is being funded under the Prime Minister's Development Initiative for North East Region (PM-DevINE) scheme.
- Total investment exceeds Rs. 650 crore, including Rs. 221 crore contributed by the Ministry of DoNER.
- PM-DevINE is a Central Sector Scheme launched in the Union Budget 2022–23 to support infrastructure and social development in the Northeastern region.
- Total scheme outlay: Rs. 6,600 crore for 2022–23 to 2025–26.

About PM-DevINE Scheme :

- Launched : 2022
- Outlay : Rs. 6,600 crore (for 2022–23 to 2025–26)
- Implementing Ministry : Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER)
- Coverage Area : All eight North Eastern States — Arunachal Pradesh (AP), Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, and Tripura
- Aim : To fund infrastructure and social development projects in the North Eastern Region (NER) of India



Ques: Vrindavani Vastra was originally woven under the guidance of which saint-reformer?

- A) Sankardev
- B) Madhavdev
- C) Chaitanya Mahaprabhu
- D) Ramanujacharya
- E) Vallabhacharya

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Vrindavani Vastra is a historic silk textile woven under Srimanta Sankaradeva in the 15th–16th century.
- Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma travelled to London to initiate the process of bringing back the revered Vrindavani Vastra from the British Museum.
- He is expected to sign an agreement for the “homecoming” of the silk textile.
- Pieces of Vrindavani Vastra likely reached Tibet in the 17th–18th century and were later collected by British explorers.
- The Assam government states that the Vastra is an important part of Assam’s cultural and civilizational heritage.
- The British Museum has agreed to lend the artifact for 18 months, provided Assam builds a museum that meets international standards.

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Ques: Where will the Global Energy Leaders' Summit (GELS) 2025 be held?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Mumbai
- C) Hyderabad
- D) Bengaluru
- E) Puri, Odisha

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Union Minister of State Shripad Yesso Naik launched the logo and official website of the Global Energy Leaders' Summit (GELS) 2025 in New Delhi.
- GELS 2025 will be held in Puri, Odisha, focusing on the theme "Powering India: Sufficiency, Balance, Innovation."
- The theme aligns with the Prime Minister's vision built on four pillars: Energy Access, Efficiency, Sustainability, and Security.
- The summit will bring together Union and State Energy Ministers, global energy leaders, policymakers, innovators, researchers, and industry experts.

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Ques: Which battalion's valour was honoured with a special commemorative "My Stamp" unveiled by Union Minister Rajnath Singh?

- A) 11th Gorkha Rifles
- B) 12th Maratha Light Infantry
- C) 13th Kumaon Regiment
- D) 14th Sikh Regiment
- E) 15th Rajput Regiment

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Union Minister Rajnath Singh unveiled a special commemorative "My Stamp" to honour the valour of the 13th Battalion of the Kumaon Regiment, which fought under Major Shaitan Singh Bhati (PVC) during the 1962 India–China War at Rezang La, Ladakh.
- The stamp is based on the Rezang La War Memorial in Ladakh and was issued by the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communication.
- The initiative celebrates the bravery and sacrifice of the soldiers who fought at Rezang La ahead of the 63rd anniversary of the historic battle.

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Ques: Which company has received the licence to explore and mine tungsten in Andhra Pradesh?

- A) NMDC
- B) Hindustan Zinc Ltd
- C) Vedanta Aluminium
- D) Coal India
- E) NALCO

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Hindustan Zinc Ltd (HZL) has received a composite licence from the Andhra Pradesh government to explore and mine a tungsten block.
- This milestone allows HZL, part of the Vedanta Group, to expand beyond zinc, lead, and silver into high-value critical minerals.
- The licence permits both exploration and, if successful, mining of tungsten.
- Tungsten is considered a strategic mineral due to its industrial and defence applications.

EXAM
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Ques: National Press Day is observed every year on which date?

- A) 10 November
- B) 12 November
- C) 14 November
- D) 16 November
- E) 18 November

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- National Press Day is observed every year on 16 November in India.
- The day marks the establishment of the Press Council of India, which started functioning on 16 November 1966.
- The Press Council acts as an independent moral watchdog to protect press freedom and maintain journalistic standards.
- This year's theme highlights the importance of press credibility and ethical reporting amid rising misinformation.
- The day reminds us of the press's role in strengthening democracy.

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Ques: How many Tribal Freedom Fighters Museums are being established by the Government of India under the Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh initiative?

- A) 5
- B) 8
- C) 11
- D) 15
- E) 20

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Government of India is establishing 11 Tribal Freedom Fighters Museums across the country to honour the contributions of tribal freedom fighters.
- India celebrates Janjatiya Gaurav Divas every year on November 15 to commemorate the birth anniversary of tribal freedom fighter Birsa Munda (born 1874).
- The year 2024-25 is being observed as Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh to mark 150 years of his birth.
- The Ministry of Tribal Affairs runs various schemes promoting tribal history, culture, art, and traditions.
- Out of the 11 museums, four have already been inaugurated in Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, and Madhya Pradesh.
- The Shaheed Veer Narayan Singh Memorial & Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum, Raipur (Chhattisgarh), was inaugurated on 1st November 2025 by PM Narendra Modi.



Ques: What GDP growth projection has India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) made for India in Q2 FY26?

- A) 5.6%
- B) 6.4%
- C) 7.2%
- D) 7.8%
- E) 8.0%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) has projected India's GDP growth at 7.2% for the second quarter of FY26, which is higher than Q2 FY25's 5.6% but lower than Q1 FY26's 7.8%.
- Ind-Ra also noted that India's nominal GDP growth may have slipped below 8% year-on-year in Q2 FY26.

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Ques: Which bank organised the 10th edition of EVOLVE, a knowledge series for MSMEs, in Kozhikode, Kerala?

- A) State Bank of India
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) ICICI Bank
- D) Axis Bank
- E) Punjab National Bank

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Axis Bank Limited organised the 10th edition of EVOLVE, its flagship multi-city knowledge series for MSMEs, in Kozhikode, Kerala.
- The theme was “MSMEs Powering the USD 10 Trillion Economy”, with participation from 100+ entrepreneurs and experts.
- EVOLVE aims to empower MSMEs with tools to enhance operational efficiency, adopt digital solutions, and expand market reach.

About Axis Bank:

- **Established: 1993**
- Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra
- Chairman: Rakesh Makhija
- MD & CEO: Amitabh Chaudhary
- Tagline: Badhti Ka Naam Zindagi





Ques: Which bank became the first lender to put its ₹511 crore exposure to Lavasa Corp up for sale?

- A) Axis Bank
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) State Bank of India
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) Punjab National Bank

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Axis Bank became the first lender to put its ₹511 crore exposure to Lavasa Corp up for sale at a reserve price of ₹80 crore.
- The bank invited Expressions of Interest (EOIs) from Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs), NBFCs, and financial institutions, with submissions due by November 18, 2025, and an e-auction scheduled for November 21, 2025.
- Lavasa Corp's bankruptcy case has been ongoing since 2018, with creditors led by Union Bank of India facing challenges due to environmental clearances and unresolved legal issues.
- Lavasa owes creditors a total of ₹6,642 crore.

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Ques: When will the mCASH sending and claiming facility on OnlineSBI and YONO Lite be discontinued by SBI?

- A) 15 November 2025
- B) 30 November 2025
- C) 1 December 2025
- D) 31 December 2025
- E) 1 January 2026

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- **State** Bank of India (SBI) announced that the mCASH sending and claiming facility on OnlineSBI and YONO Lite will be discontinued on 30 November 2025, and the service will be unavailable from 1 December 2025.
- The discontinuation aligns with SBI's shift toward more secure and modern digital payment systems.
- mCASH allowed instant transfers using only the recipient's mobile number or email ID without beneficiary registration.
- SBI has advised customers to use UPI, IMPS, NEFT, and RTGS for third-party transfers.

EXAM
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Ques: The Ministry of Defence signed a contract with Bharat Dynamics Limited for the procurement of which missile system for the Indian Army?

- A) Nag Anti-Tank Missile
- B) HELINA Missile
- C) MPATGM
- D) Konkurs-M Missile
- E) INVAR Anti-Tank Guided Missile

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Defence signed a contract worth ₹2,095.70 crore with Bharat Dynamics Limited for the procurement of INVAR Anti-Tank Guided Missiles.
- The INVAR ATGM is a laser-guided weapon system designed to enhance the firepower of the Indian Army's T-90 main battle tanks.
- The missile can destroy both stationary and moving targets travelling at speeds up to 70 km/h.
- It has an effective range of around 5 km and reaches maximum distance in about 17.6 seconds.
- The T-90 main battle tank is equipped with a 125 mm smoothbore gun, advanced fire-control systems, and reactive armour.

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Ques: How much investment has the Central Government announced for the modernization of New Mangalore Port?

- A) ₹1,000 crore
- B) ₹1,200 crore
- C) ₹1,500 crore
- D) ₹1,800 crore
- E) ₹2,000 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Central Government has announced an investment of ₹1,500 crore for the modernization of New Mangalore Port in Karnataka to upgrade infrastructure, increase capacity, and integrate advanced digital technologies.
- The announcement was made by Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal during the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the New Mangalore Port Authority in Mangaluru.
- The port has grown significantly—from handling 90,000 tonnes of cargo earlier to 46 million tonnes today—highlighting its strategic importance.

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Ques: Who won the National Gopal Ratna Award (NGRA) this year?

- A) Sunil Patkar
- B) Aravind Yashavant Patil
- C) Prakash Rathod
- D) Anand Deshmukh
- E) Ramesh Sawant

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Aravind Yashavant Patil, a farmer from Kolhapur, Maharashtra, has been selected for the National Gopal Ratna Award (NGRA) by the Union Animal Husbandry Ministry for being the best dairy farmer rearing indigenous cattle and buffalo breeds.
- A total of 2,081 applications were received for this year's NGRA.
- Various dairy sector awards will be presented on November 26.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as UNICEF India's Celebrity Advocate to promote awareness on children's rights, mental health, education, and gender equality?

- A) Alia Bhatt
- B) Keerthy Suresh
- C) Taapsee Pannu
- D) Deepika Padukone
- E) Priyanka Chopra

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- UNICEF India appointed National Award-winning actress Keerthy Suresh as its Celebrity Advocate to raise awareness on children's rights, mental health, education, and gender equality.
- In this role, she will promote child and adolescent mental health, gender equality, empowerment of girls, inclusive education, and child protection.
- Keerthy Suresh began her acting career as a child artist and won the National Award in 2018 for "Mahanati," a Telugu biopic on actress Savitri.

EXAM
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Ques: India's trade deficit in October 2025 widened to how much?

- A) \$28.5 billion
- B) \$34.38 billion
- C) \$41.68 billion
- D) \$45.12 billion
- E) \$51.90 billion

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- **India's** trade deficit widened to a record \$41.68 billion in October 2025 due to a sharp fall in exports and a surge in imports, especially gold.
- Exports fell 11.8% year-on-year to \$34.38 billion, mainly due to US tariffs and global economic pressure.
- Imports rose 16.63% to \$76.06 billion.
- Major export destinations such as the EU, UK, Netherlands, Germany, and Bangladesh saw declines, while exports to China grew 42.35%.
- Silver imports surged to \$2.72 billion, up from \$0.43 billion last year.
- During April–October 2025: Exports rose 0.63% to \$254.25 billion, imports increased 6.37% to \$451.08 billion, and the trade deficit stood at \$196.82 billion.

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Ques: Who has been selected as an Astronaut Candidate (ASCAN) for the 2025–2029 Astronaut Training Programme of Titans Space Industries (TSI)?

- A) Riya Ramesh
- B) Kunchala Kaivalya Reddy
- C) Meera Sanjeev
- D) Tanisha Rao
- E) Anika Varma

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 17-year-old Kunchala Kaivalya Reddy from Nidadavole, East Godavari district, Andhra Pradesh, has been selected as an Astronaut Candidate (ASCAN) for the 2025–2029 Astronaut Training Programme of Titans Space Industries (TSI).
- She is among the 150 candidates shortlisted from applicants representing 36 countries.
- The four-year astronaut training programme will be conducted in Florida, USA, from 2025 to 2029, with physical training scheduled from 2026 to 2029.
- She earlier became the youngest Indian to complete the International Air and Space Programme in 2023.

Training Phases:

- Phase 1 (2026–2027): Theoretical learning, zero-gravity flights, neutral-buoyancy drills, skydiving, mountain expeditions, and zero-gravity experience.
- Phase 2 (2027–2029): Focuses on space station operations, lunar-surface simulations, and mission-readiness training.
- After completing the programme, she will qualify for a 2029 space mission, where astronauts will orbit Earth twice at an altitude of nearly 300 km, including around three



Ques: How many new projects were approved by MeitY under the ECMS scheme?

- A) 10
- B) 12
- C) 17
- D) 20
- E) 7

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY) approved 17 new projects under the Electronics Component Manufacturing Scheme (ECMS) with a total proposed value of ₹7,172 crore.
- Firms will receive incentive payouts linked to their turnover.
- ECMS aims to deepen India's electronics value chain and boost domestic electronics component manufacturing.
- IT Secretary S. Krishnan highlighted that a stronger value chain ensures long-term global competitiveness.
- IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw noted that this approval strengthens India's electronics manufacturing push.

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Ques: Who has been granted a second consecutive extension as Chairperson of the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB)?

- A) Mallika Srinivasan
- B) Arundhati Bhattacharya
- C) Chanda Kochhar
- D) Naina Lal Kidwai
- E) Shikha Sharma

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Mallika Srinivasan has been granted a second consecutive one-year extension as Chairperson of the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB), with tenure from 19 November 2025 to 18 November 2026.
- She assumed charge of the PESB in April 2021, becoming the first private-sector professional to lead this government body.
- Her first one-year extension was granted in November 2024, valid until 18 November 2025.

EXAM
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Ques: Which state police force in India became the first to achieve a 100% response rate for cyber fraud complaints?

- A) Kerala Police
- B) Maharashtra Police
- C) Goa Police
- D) Karnataka Police
- E) Delhi Police

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Goa Police became the first state police force in India to achieve a 100% response rate in cyber fraud-related complaints.
- Every cyber fraud complaint registered on any platform is immediately acknowledged, assigned to an officer, acted upon without delay, and followed up until resolution or escalation.
- Goa Police uses the Citizen Financial Cyber Fraud Reporting & Management System (CFCFRMS), which tracks fraudulent digital transactions in real time, sends alerts to banks/payment platforms, freezes suspicious accounts, and prevents withdrawal of defrauded money.
- Complaints received via the Cyber Fraud Helpline 1930 and the National Cybercrime Reporting Portal are instantly forwarded to the Goa Police cyber unit.

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Ques: Where has the 8th edition of the India-UK Joint Military Exercise “AJEYA WARRIOR-25” commenced?

- A. Pune, Maharashtra
- B. Belgaum, Karnataka
- C. Mahajan Field Firing Ranges, Rajasthan
- D. Wellington, Tamil Nadu
- E. Chandigarh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 8th edition of the India–UK Joint Military Exercise “AJEYA WARRIOR-25” began at the Foreign Training Node, Mahajan Field Firing Ranges, Rajasthan, with participation from 240 personnel of both armies.
- The exercise is conducted under a UN mandate and focuses on counter-terrorism operations in semi-urban environments.
- It aims to share best practices, enhance tactical proficiency, and improve coordinated responses between the two forces.
- Held biennially since 2011, the exercise strengthens defence cooperation between India and the UK.

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Ques: Where was the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Incubation Centre inaugurated by Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan?

- A) Delhi Public School, RK Puram
- B) Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
- C) Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Delhi
- D) Kendriya Vidyalaya, RK Puram
- E) Delhi University, Delhi

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

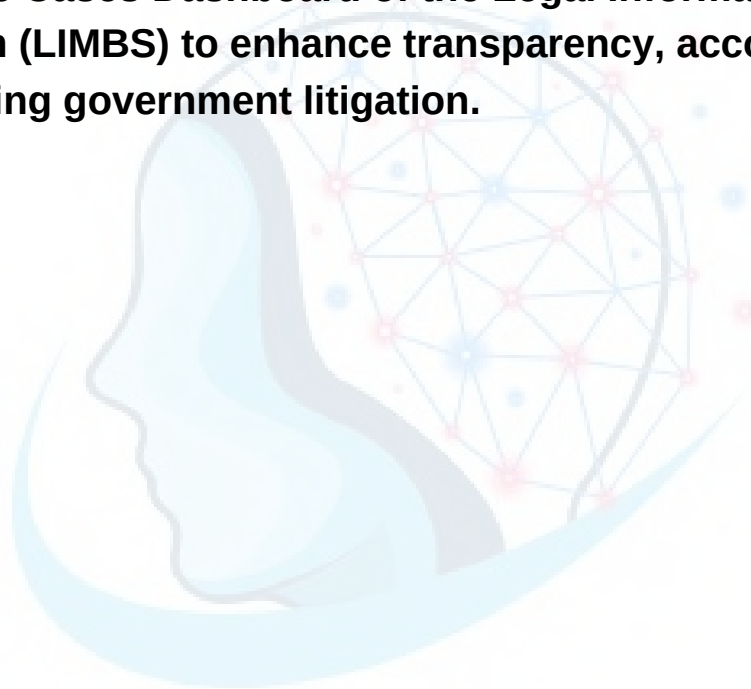
- The Artificial Intelligence (AI) Incubation Centre was inaugurated at Delhi Public School (DPS), RK Puram, New Delhi, by Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan.
- Developed by VVDN Technologies in collaboration with Google Cloud, the centre aims to support students from Class 6 onward, including those from neighboring government schools.

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- Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated 'Deep Sea Fishing Vessels' under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) at Mazgaon Dock, Mumbai.
- Union Minister of State Arjun Ram Meghwal, Ministry of Law and Justice, inaugurated the Live Cases Dashboard of the Legal Information Management and Briefing System (LIMBS) to enhance transparency, accountability, and efficiency in managing government litigation.



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Ques: Which organisation has collaborated with IndiaAI Mission to launch the 'YUVAi for ALL' programme?

- A) Intellipaat
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- C) Udemy
- D) NASSCOM
- E) Microsoft

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Explanation:

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Ques: Which country completed its first government transaction using the Digital Dirham in under two minutes?

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The United Arab Emirates (UAE) completed its first government transaction using the Digital Dirham, its central bank digital currency (CBDC), in less than two minutes.
- The Digital Dirham is issued by the Central Bank of the UAE under the Financial Infrastructure Transformation (FIT) Programme to improve transparency, efficiency, and financial inclusion.
- The transaction was executed through the mBridge platform, a multi-CBDC cross-border settlement system developed with central banks across Asia and the Middle East.

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Ques: What real GDP growth has SBI projected for India in Q2 FY26?

- A) 6.5%
- B) 7.0%
- C) 8.0%
- D) 7.8%
- E) 7.5%

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- SBI's Economic Research Department (ERD) has projected India's real GDP growth at 7.5% in Q2 FY26, with potential for an upside.
- Growth is supported by higher investment activities, rural demand recovery, buoyancy in services and manufacturing, and GST rationalisation.
- India's Q1 FY26 GDP grew 7.8%, a five-quarter high, compared to 6.5% in Q1 FY25.
- Leading indicators for consumption, agriculture, industry, and services demand rose to 83% in Q2 from 70% in Q1.
- Credit card spending reached ₹6,400 crore on Sept 23 and ₹7,328 crore on Diwali, reflecting strong festival demand.
- Debit card spends rose highest in Haryana (20%), Telangana (19%), and Andhra Pradesh (19%).

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Ques: Which bank partnered with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to implement salary accounts and an integrated salary portal for KVS employees?

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation: • Union Bank of India has entered into a strategic partnership with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to implement salary accounts and an integrated salary portal for KVS employees across India.

- This collaboration will cover all 1,290 Kendriya Vidyalayas and support the salary management needs of nearly 56,000 employees.

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Ques: Who is the Chairman of the Sixteenth Finance Commission (XVIFC) for the period 2026–27 to 2030–31?

- A) Dr. Manoj Panda
- B) Dr. Arvind Panagariya
- C) T. Rabi Sankar
- D) Dr. Soumyakanti Ghosh
- E) None

Answer: Option B

Explanation: • The Sixteenth Finance Commission (XVIFC) submitted its report to the President of India for the period 2026–27 to 2030–31.

- XVIFC was constituted under Article 280(1) of the Constitution.
- Chairman: Dr. Arvind Panagariya; Members include Annie George Mathew, Dr. Manoj Panda, T. Rabi Sankar, Dr. Soumyakanti Ghosh, and Secretary Ritvik Pandey.
- The Commission was mandated to give recommendations for a 5-year award period from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031.
- Mandate includes distribution of tax proceeds between Union & States, inter-state allocation, grants-in-aid, and financing arrangements for disaster management.
- Report consists of two volumes — Volume I (Recommendations), Volume II (Annexures).
- The report will be made public after it is tabled in Parliament under Article 281.

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Ques: Which company has received RBI's final authorisation to operate as an offline payment aggregator?

- A) Razorpay
- B) Paytm
- C) Infibeam Avenues
- D) PhonePe
- E) CCAvenue

Answer: Option C

Explanation: • Infibeam Avenues has received final regulatory authorisation from the Reserve Bank of India to operate as an offline payment aggregator, enabling it to handle in-store card and QR-based transactions via POS devices.

• The company already holds licences for online payment aggregation, prepaid payment instruments (PPI), and Bharat Bill Pay.

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Ques: Why has Bangladesh entered a critical phase of political unrest recently?

- A) Due to economic crisis
- B) Following natural disasters
- C) Due to border tensions with India
- D) Because of a military coup
- E) After the International Crimes Tribunal sentenced former PM Sheikh Hasina to death

Answer: Option E

Explanation: • Bangladesh has entered a critical phase of political unrest after the International Crimes Tribunal in Dhaka sentenced former prime minister Sheikh Hasina to death for crimes against humanity linked to last year's deadly student-led protests.

- The tribunal ruled that Hasina ordered and failed to prevent lethal action during the protests that toppled her government in August 2024.
- UN estimates suggest up to 1,400 people were killed during the uprising, mostly by security forces, and prosecutors described Hasina as the mastermind behind the violence.
- The tribunal also sentenced former home minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal to death and handed a prison term to former police chief Chowdhury Abdullah Al-Mamun, who later became an approver.

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Ques: Who has been honoured with the Chevalier de L'Ordre Arts et des Lettres (Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters)?

- A) Sabu Cyril
- B) Thota Tharani
- C) Ilaiyaraaja
- D) Mani Ratnam
- E) Resul Pookutty

Answer: Option B

Explanation: • Renowned Indian Art Director and Padma Shri awardee Thota Tharani has been honoured with the Chevalier de L'Ordre Arts et des Lettres.

- The award was presented at the Alliance Française of Madras in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- It was conferred by Thierry Mathieu, the French Ambassador to India.
- Thota Tharani has previously received awards including the Padma Shri (2001), two National Film Awards (1987, 1996), and the Kerala State Film Award (1992).

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Ques: Where was the 10th edition of the International Gita Festival held?

- A) Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- B) Rishikesh, Uttarakhand
- C) Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh
- D) Kurukshetra, Haryana
- E) Mathura, Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option D

Explanation: • The 10th edition of the International Gita Festival was held at Kurukshetra, with Madhya Pradesh as the partner state.

- This edition witnessed participation from 51 countries, with priests from Fiji and Trinidad and Tobago attending ceremonies, and artisans from seven countries presenting their crafts.
- The International Gita Festival was started in 2016 to promote global cultural exchange and awareness of the Bhagavad Gita.

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Ques: Which ministry notified the “Sustainable Harnessing of Fisheries in the Exclusive Economic Zone” Rules to boost India’s marine potential?

- A) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- B) Ministry of Shipping
- C) Ministry of Agriculture
- D) Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- E) Ministry of Science and Technology

Answer: Option D

Explanation: • The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying notified the “Sustainable Harnessing of Fisheries in the Exclusive Economic Zone” Rules to fulfill the Union Budget 2025-26 commitment and create a framework for sustainable fisheries.

- The rules aim to boost seafood exports, empower local fishing communities, and focus on the Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep Islands, which together account for 49% of India’s EEZ.
- Mechanized vessels of 24 meters or more require an Access Pass via Registration And Licensing of Fishing Craft (ReALCRaft), valid for three years, for deep-sea fishing in the EEZ.
- Harmful fishing methods like LED light fishing, pair trawling, and bull trawling are prohibited; minimum legal sizes and Fisheries Management Plans aim to restore declining stocks, and mariculture is promoted as an alternative livelihood.
- Fish caught in India’s EEZ will be recognized as ‘Indian origin’, and vessel safety is ensured through mandatory transponders and Quick Response coded Aadhaar/Fishers identification cards, with Nabhmitra App supporting coastal security.
- India has 11,099 km coastline and an EEZ of 23 lakh sq km, supporting 50 lakh fishers; it is the world’s 2nd largest fish producer with seafood exports worth Rs. 60,000 crore



Ques: What is the target set by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) for awarding national highway projects in FY 2026?

- A) 6,000 km
- B) 7,500 km
- C) 10,000 km
- D) 12,000 km
- E) 15,000 km

Answer: Option C

Explanation: • The Union government, through MoRTH, has set a target to award 10,000 km of national highway projects in FY 2026.

- The volume of fresh NH project awards has declined over the years: roughly 12,000 km in FY 2023, about 7,500 km in FY 2024, and approximately 6,000 km in FY 2025.
- Out of 4,500 km of pending projects, 3,500 km have now been awarded.
- The focus of MoRTH is on quality, speed of award, and smoother execution of awarded contracts.

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Ques: What is the name of the AI platform launched to collect beneficiary feedback on ration distribution?

- A) Anna Darpan
- B) Bhashini AI
- C) ASHA – Anna Sahayata Holistic AI
- D) Smart EXIM AI
- E) Bhandaran 360°

Answer: Option C

Explanation: • The Ministry of Food & Public Distribution launched ASHA, an AI-based platform to gather feedback from PDS beneficiaries through AI-enabled calls.

- The platform uses multilingual translation, sentiment analysis, automated grievance categorization, and real-time dashboards.
- It reaches 20 lakh beneficiaries monthly and was developed with support from the Wadhvani Foundation and IndiaAI Mission (Bhashini platform).
- The platform is cost-effective at ₹5 per call, significantly cheaper than traditional call centres.

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Ques: Which Indian space agency is planning seven more launches this financial year and targeting Chandrayaan-4 in 2028?

- A) ISRO
- B) DRDO
- C) HAL
- D) SpaceX India
- E) NSIL

Answer: Option A

Explanation: • ISRO is preparing for seven more launches this financial year, while India's first human spaceflight is scheduled for 2027.

- The agency aims to triple annual spacecraft production in the next three years and will launch the first PSLV fully manufactured by Indian industry.
- Chandrayaan-4, approved for 2028, will be India's most complex lunar mission and aims for a sample-return — a feat achieved only by the US, Russia, and China.
- Other major projects include LUPEX with JAXA and the Indian Space Station targeted for 2035, with its first module planned for launch in 2028.
- India aims to raise its share in the global space economy from 2% to 8% by 2030, with the domestic space sector expected to grow from USD 8.2 billion to USD 44 billion by 2033.

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Ques: Which statement is correct regarding India's performance in the QS Sustainability Rankings 2026?

- A) India has two institutions in the top 200
- B) IIT Delhi improved its ranking
- C) No Indian institute made it to the top 200
- D) IIT Bombay entered the top 100
- E) India topped the global list

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India failed to secure a position in the top 200 of QS Sustainability Rankings 2026.
- IIT Delhi slipped from rank 171 to 205, while IIT Bombay moved from 234 to 235.
- Several other leading Indian institutions, such as IIT Kharagpur (202 → 236) and IIT Madras (277 → 305), also saw significant declines.
- Globally, Lund University (Sweden) topped the rankings, and the US had the highest number of universities (240) in the rankings.
- QS evaluates universities based on environmental impact (45%), social impact (45%), and governance (10%).

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Ques: India's first bullet train's inaugural run in August 2027 will cover how many kilometers?

- A) 50 km
- B) 80 km
- C) 100 km
- D) 150 km
- E) None

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India's first bullet train will cover 100 km between Surat and Vapi during its inaugural run in August 2027.
- Earlier, the inaugural run was planned for only 50 km (Surat–Billimora).
- The full 508-km corridor between Mumbai and Ahmedabad will allow trains to run at 320 kmph.
- The total journey between Mumbai and Ahmedabad will take 2 hours 17 minutes with limited stops.
- Foundation stone was laid in 2017; land issues delayed the project.
- Project expected to be fully operational by end of 2029.

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Ques: Which Union Minister launched the 'Watershed Mahotsav' in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh to promote community-led water rejuvenation?

- A) Narendra Singh Tomar
- B) Shivraj Singh Chouhan
- C) Nitin Gadkari
- D) Bhupender Yadav
- E) Prahlad Singh Patel

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched the 'Watershed Mahotsav' in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, marking a national celebration of community-led water rejuvenation, soil health enhancement, and sustainable rural transformation.
- During the event, the Vengalayapalem Tank Rejuvenation Project was inaugurated as a model for participatory water management.
- The project aims to restore ecology, boost livelihoods, and promote community participation in sustainable resource management, reviving a 150-year-old, 21-acre water tank in Vengalayapalem village, Guntur.

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Ques: What is the total outlay proposed by the Ministry of Civil Aviation for the modified UDAN scheme?

- A) ₹10,000 crore
- B) ₹18,000 crore
- C) ₹25,000 crore
- D) ₹30,000 crore
- E) ₹40,000 crore

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has proposed a ₹30,000-crore outlay for the modified UDAN scheme to enhance regional air connectivity beyond April 2027.
- Out of the total, ₹18,000 crore is intended for new airport development and ₹12,000 crore for Viability Gap Funding (VGF).
- The modified UDAN version aims to connect 120 additional destinations across India.
- The expansion is expected to add 40 million new passengers over the next decade.
- Plan includes upgrading existing airports, building heliports, water aerodromes, and strengthening connectivity in underserved and hilly regions.
- 649 routes have already been operationalised under UDAN, connecting 92 underserved airports, 15 heliports, and 2 water aerodromes.

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Ques: How long did the longest government shutdown in US history last?

- A) 30 days
- B) 43 days
- C) 50 days
- D) 60 days
- E) 35 days

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The United States concluded the longest government shutdown in its history after six weeks of political gridlock.
- The shutdown lasted for a total of 43 days.
- It was triggered by a standoff over public health subsidies linked to the Affordable Care Act.
- The Congressional Budget Office estimated an economic loss of approximately \$11 billion.

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Ques: Which two countries are collaborating to establish the first cross-border rail link connecting Kokrajhar-Gephu and Banarhat-Samtse?

- A) India and Nepal
- B) India and Myanmar
- C) India and Bangladesh
- D) India and Bhutan
- E) India and Sri Lanka

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India and Bhutan are collaborating to establish the first cross-border rail link connecting Kokrajhar in Assam with Gelephu, and Banarhat in West Bengal with Samtse.
- The total length of the project is 89 km, with an estimated cost of ₹4,033 crore and a construction period of four years.
- The Kokrajhar–Gelephu section is 69 km long (₹3,456 crore), while the Banarhat–Samtse section is 20 km long (₹577 crore).

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Ques: Which institute developed India's first Indigenous Quantum Diamond Microscope?

- A) IIT Delhi
- B) IIT Bombay
- C) IISc Bangalore
- D) TIFR Mumbai
- E) BARC Mumbai

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Researchers from the Photonics and Quantum Engineering (P-Quest) Lab at IIT Bombay developed India's first Indigenous Quantum Diamond Microscope, marking a milestone in quantum sensing and earning India its first patent in this domain.
- Developed under the National Quantum Mission of the Department of Science and Technology, it is a quantum sensor-based imaging device that uses Nitrogen Vacancy centres inside a diamond crystal to detect and visualize magnetic fields.

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Ques: Which ministry launched the Trade Intelligence and Analytics (TIA) portal?

- A) Ministry of Finance
- B) Ministry of External Affairs
- C) Ministry of Commerce & Industry
- D) Ministry of Electronics & IT

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Trade Intelligence and Analytics (TIA) portal was launched by Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal to improve data-driven trade policymaking.
- The portal aims to enhance trade analytics and promote evidence-based policymaking.
- It provides a comprehensive, integrated platform covering India's trade, global trade, and bilateral trade.
- The portal integrates multiple databases covering trade and macro-economic indicators.

EXAM
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Ques: Who was the renowned environmentalist, known as the “tree woman of India,” who recently passed away?

- A) Medha Patkar
- B) Saalumarada Thimmakka
- C) Vandana Shiva
- D) Sunita Narain
- E) Chandi Prasad Bhatt

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Saalumarada Thimmakka, known as the “tree woman of India,” passed away.
- She was awarded the Padma Shri in 2019.
- Fondly called “Vriksha Mata” and the “Mother of Trees.”
- She earned the title ‘Saalumarada’ (“row of trees”) after planting 385 banyan trees along a 4.5 km stretch between Hulikal and Kudur, Karnataka.
- She and her husband planted and nurtured over 8,000 trees along Karnataka highways.
- An American environmental organisation, TREE (Thimmakka’s Resources for Environmental Education), was named in her honour.

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Ques: Bank of Baroda (BoB) and which institution have signed an MoU to enhance credit flow and support for MSMEs and startups?

- A) NABARD
- B) SIDBI
- C) EXIM Bank
- D) RBI
- E) IFCI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Bank of Baroda (BoB) and the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) signed an MoU to enhance credit flow and working capital support for MSMEs and startups.
- Both institutions will jointly finance MSMEs, enable SIDBI-sanctioned borrowers to use BoB's working capital platform, and provide customised solutions for export-oriented businesses.
- The collaboration will strengthen startup support through SIDBI's Venture Debt Programme and BoB's specialised Startup Banking services.

About Bank of Baroda :

- Established : 1908
- HQ : Vadodara, Gujarat
- Tagline : India's International Bank
- MD & CEO : Debadatta Chand

About SIDBI :

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

EXAM
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Ques: Which bank launched the premium credit cards LUMIERE and NOVA to enter the high-end credit card segment?

- A) HDFC Bank
- B) RBL Bank
- C) ICICI Bank
- D) Axis Bank
- E) Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- RBL Bank launched two premium credit cards — LUMIERE and NOVA — to enter the high-end credit card segment.
- These cards are designed to cater to high-net-worth and affluent consumers looking for luxury-focused financial offerings.
- LUMIERE is an 18-gram metal card with an annual fee of ₹50,000, while NOVA is also a metal card offering lifestyle and reward-focused benefits with an annual fee of ₹12,500.

About RBL Bank:

- Established: 1943
- Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra
- MD & CEO: R. Subramaniakumar
- Tagline: Apno Ka Bank

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Ques: Which bank was penalized ₹39.60 lakh by RBI for violating provisions of the PSS Act and BR Act?

- A) Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) State Bank of India
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) Punjab National Bank

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- RBI imposed a monetary penalty of ₹39.60 lakh on Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited.
- The bank was penalized for violations related to:
 - Section 10A of the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007 (PSS Act)
 - Section 26A of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (BR Act)
- The action is based on non-compliance and does not question the validity of transactions or customers' interests.

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Ques: What global ethical framework did UNESCO adopt during its 43rd General Conference?

- A) Recommendation on the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence
- B) Recommendation on the Ethics of Neurotechnology
- C) Recommendation on the Ethics of Biotechnology
- D) Recommendation on the Ethics of Digital Education
- E) Recommendation on the Ethics of Robotics

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- UNESCO adopted the “Recommendation on the Ethics of Neurotechnology” during its 43rd General Conference in Paris, France, creating the world’s first global ethical framework for neurotechnology.
- It ensures safeguards so that neurotechnology is used for societal benefit while protecting human rights.
- Neurotechnology includes tools like Brain-Computer Interfaces, neural implants, simulators, wearable brain-monitoring devices, and AI-based neurodata analysis systems.

About UNESCO:

- Established: 1945
- Headquarters: Paris, France
- Director-General: Khaled al-Anani

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Ques: Which companies signed a Memorandum to integrate drone technology into rural enterprises in India?

- A) ISRO and DRDO
- B) Mahindra & Mahindra and Reliance
- C) Tata Consultancy Services and Infosys
- D) AVPL International and CSC e-Governance Services India Limited
- E) Bharat Electronics Limited and Wipro

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- AVPL International and CSC e-Governance Services India Limited signed an MoU to integrate drone technology into rural enterprises and empower rural entrepreneurs across India.
- The initiative will support Drone-as-a-Service and precision agriculture applications such as spraying, crop monitoring, and yield optimization.
- AVPL International will supply agri drones, spare parts, and training through CSC's network, which connects more than 5 lakh Village Level Entrepreneurs across the country.

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- A) Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh
- B) Babina Field Firing Range, Jhansi
- C) Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
- D) Jodhpur Air Base, Rajasthan
- E) Bengaluru, Karnataka

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- ISRO successfully conducted a critical Main Parachute test for the Gaganyaan Crew Module at the Babina Field Firing Range in Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh, as part of Integrated Main Parachute Airdrop Tests.
- The test ensured validation of the parachute system crucial for astronaut safety during re-entry and landing.
- A simulated payload mass equivalent to the Crew Module was dropped from an altitude of 2.5 km using the IAF IL-76 aircraft.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO)?

- A) Harsh Vardhan Shringla
- B) Jawed Ashraf
- C) Pradeep Singh Kharola
- D) Vinay Mohan Kwatra
- E) T.S. Tirumurti

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

Former IFS officer Jawed Ashraf has been appointed as Chairman of India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO).

His appointment is on a contract basis for a period of two years (or until further orders).

He succeeds Pradeep Singh Kharola, who previously held the position.

EXAM
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Ques: Which company did the Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) sign an agreement with for joint development of a Mission Critical Communication System?

- A) Bharat Electronics Limited
- B) Infosys
- C) Tata Consultancy Services
- D) Reliance Jio
- E) NAM InfoCom Private Limited

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) signed an agreement with NAM InfoCom Private Limited for the joint development of a Mission Critical Communication System (MCX) solution.
- Under this partnership, C-DOT will provide telecom R&D and system design expertise, while NAM InfoCom will handle system integration, deployment, and customization.
- The collaboration aims to build a fully indigenous MCX ecosystem for secure, real-time communications to support public safety, disaster response, and emergency services across India.

EXAM
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Ques: Which beaches in Odisha received the Blue Flag certification for 2025–26?

- A) Chandrabhaga and Gopalpur
- B) Sunapur and Puri
- C) Konark and Puri
- D) Rushikulya and Chandrabhaga
- E) Gopalpur and Konark

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Sunapur and Puri beaches in Odisha received the Blue Flag certification for the year 2025–26.
- Blue Flag is a globally recognised eco-label awarded by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE), based in Denmark.
- Sunapur beach in Ganjam district received the award for the third consecutive year, while Puri's Golden Beach received it for the seventh consecutive year.
- India has a total of 18 Blue Flag certified beaches.

About Odisha:

- Capital: Bhubaneswar
- CM: Mohan Charan Majhi
- Governor: Hari Babu Kambhampat

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Ques: Which airline did IndiGo sign a Memorandum of Understanding with to establish a codeshare partnership?

- A) China Southern Airlines
- B) Air China
- C) Cathay Pacific
- D) Singapore Airlines
- E) Japan Airlines

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- IndiGo signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with China Southern Airlines to establish a codeshare partnership and mutual cooperation agreement.
- IndiGo currently maintains codeshare agreements with 12 airlines. A codeshare is a marketing arrangement where two airlines sell tickets on each other's flights, sharing network access.
- Direct air travel between India and China, which was suspended in early 2020 due to the pandemic and geopolitical tensions, has resumed with IndiGo operating daily Delhi–Guangzhou flights and having earlier restarted its Kolkata–Guangzhou service in October 2025.

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Ques: Which organization launched a “one-stop” travel system to simplify regional travel in the Gulf?

- A) Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC)
- B) Arab League
- C) United Nations
- D) Organization of Islamic Cooperation
- E) World Tourism Organization

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) launched an ambitious project to simplify regional travel, starting with the UAE and Bahrain, by introducing a “one-stop” travel system.
- The new system allows citizens of member states to complete all travel formalities at a single checkpoint, eliminating repeated inspections upon arrival.
- If successful, the model will extend to all six GCC nations — Saudi Arabia, Oman, Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, and the UAE.
- The new travel framework was announced during the 42nd meeting of GCC Interior Ministers held in Kuwait City.

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Ques: What is the purpose of the “Startup Common Application Journey” launched on the Jan Samarth portal?

- A) To provide subsidies for new startups
- B) To offer a unified digital platform for startups to access credit across all Indian PSBs
- C) To promote export-related services
- D) To provide tax benefits for startups
- E) To support startup incubation centres

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Department of Financial Services launched the “Startup Common Application Journey” on the Jan Samarth portal to provide a unified digital platform for startups to access credit across all Indian Public Sector Banks.
- The initiative, supported by a Model Loan Scheme, offers loans up to Rs 20 crore under the Credit Guarantee Scheme for Startups (CGSS) operated by the National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company under DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce & Industry.
- The Jan Samarth portal, launched in June 2022, serves as a single digital platform linking eligible beneficiaries to 14 credit-linked government schemes.

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Ques: Which beach in Tamil Nadu retained the International Blue Flag Certification for the 5th consecutive year for 2025–26?

- A) Marina Beach
- B) Rameswaram Beach
- C) Kovalam Beach
- D) Silver Beach
- E) Elliot's Beach

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Kovalam Beach, located in Chengalpattu district of Tamil Nadu, retained the International Blue Flag Certification for the 5th consecutive year for 2025–26.
- Kovalam Beach first received the Blue Flag Certification in September 2021, becoming the first beach from Tamil Nadu to gain this global recognition.
- The Blue Flag is a globally recognised eco-label awarded by Denmark's Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) across beaches, marinas, and sustainable tourism operators.
- In October 2025, 5 beaches from Maharashtra received the International Blue Flag Certification, taking the total number of Blue Flag-certified beaches in India to 18.

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Ques: Which renowned Indian computer scientist, known as the “Pitamaha of Computer Science education in India,” recently passed away?

- A) Prof. C. R. Rao
- B) Prof. V. Rajaraman
- C) Prof. Vijay Bhatkar
- D) Prof. Raj Reddy
- E) Prof. P. V. Indiresan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Professor Vaidyeswaran Rajaraman, known as the “Pitamaha of Computer Science education in India,” passed away.
- He was awarded the Padma Bhushan in 1998.
- From 1982 to 1994, he served as Chairman of the Supercomputer Education and Research Centre (SERC) at IISc Bengaluru.
- He received the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize in 1976, one of India’s highest science awards instituted by CSIR in 1958.

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Ques: How many new names did RBI add to its alert list of unauthorised forex trading platforms?

- A) 5
- B) 6
- C) 11
- D) 8
- E) 7

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- RBI added 7 new names to its alert list of unauthorised forex trading platforms, taking the total to 95.
- The alert list includes entities not authorised under FEMA, 1999, and not authorised to operate electronic trading platforms (ETP) for forex transactions.
- Newly added platforms: Starnet FX, CapPlace, Mirrox, Fusion Markets, Trive, NXG Markets, and Nord FX.

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Ques: Bima Gram API, recently tested by IRDAI, is primarily designed to improve which of the following?

- A) Urban insurance marketing
- B) Rural insurance penetration
- C) International reinsurance operations
- D) Motor claim settlement
- E) Agriculture subsidy distribution

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Bima Gram API is designed to increase insurance penetration in rural markets.
- It has completed pilot testing with integration by five insurers (2 life, 2 general, 1 health).
- It enables accurate mapping of rural insurance policies with gram panchayats, reduces manual paperwork, and improves speed and accuracy in rural reporting.
- It also helps insurers create stronger rural datasets for better planning and resource allocation.

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Ques: Which country did the UAE make its first central bank digital currency (CBDC) payment to?

- A) India
- B) China
- C) United States
- D) Saudi Arabia
- E) Japan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The UAE completed its first central bank digital currency (CBDC) payment to China, marking a major milestone in global financial connectivity.
- The transaction was executed via the newly launched Jisr platform, highlighting growing strategic cooperation in digital finance and payment modernisation.
- The Jisr platform enables instant CBDC-based cross-border settlements.
- More central banks are expected to join the network as it expands in 2026.

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Ques: How much dividend did state-owned GIC Re pay to the Government of India for FY24-25?

- A) Rs 750 crore
- B) Rs 1,445 crore
- C) Rs 2,100 crore
- D) Rs 6,701 crore
- E) Rs 10 crore

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- State-owned GIC Re paid Rs 1,445 crore as dividend to the Government of India for FY24-25.
- The government holds an 85.50% stake in the listed reinsurance company.
- GIC Re recorded a profit of Rs 6,701.36 crore in FY25 and declared a final dividend of Rs 10 per equity share.
- GIC Re employees have the highest per capita profit in India, with a workforce of fewer than 500 employees.

About GIC Re:

- Established: 1972
- HQ: Mumbai
- CMD: Ramaswamy Narayanan

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Ques: Which company received in-principle approval from SEBI to set up a Mutual Fund business?

- A) HDFC Asset Management
- B) Master Capital Services Limited
- C) SBI Mutual Fund
- D) ICICI Prudential AMC
- E) Nippon India Mutual Fund

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Master Capital Services Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Master Trust, received in-principle approval from SEBI to set up a Mutual Fund (MF) business.
- After this approval, the company can proceed with regulatory processes to establish an Asset Management Company (AMC) and launch mutual fund schemes, subject to SEBI's final approval.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Whole-Time Member (WTM) of SEBI?

- A) Ashwani Bhatia
- B) Sandhip Pradhan
- C) Amarjeet Singh
- D) Kamlesh Chandra Varshney
- E) Rajesh Kumar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Sandhip Pradhan has been appointed as the Whole-Time Member (WTM) of SEBI for a term of three years.
- He replaces Ashwani Bhatia in the role.
- Currently, SEBI has two other Whole-Time Members — Amarjeet Singh and Kamlesh Chandra Varshney.

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Ques: HAL has partnered with which German company for acquiring OAS and DVE helicopter technologies?

- A) Airbus Defence
- B) Thales Group
- C) HENSOLDT Sensors GmbH
- D) Rheinmetall AG
- E) Diehl Defence

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- HAL has signed a strategic partnership with Germany's HENSOLDT Sensors GmbH.
- HAL will acquire design transfer, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), and manufacturing & repair rights for advanced Obstacle Avoidance System (OAS) and Degraded Visual Environment (DVE) technology.
- The system will first be integrated into the Light Combat Helicopter (LCH), followed by the Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH) and other rotary-wing platforms.
- The project is based on a build-to-spec model, allowing technology transfer, Indian-led production, and future export rights for this helicopter-safety solution.

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Ques: Which ministry launched the 'YUVA AI for ALL' free Artificial Intelligence course under the IndiaAI Mission?

- A) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- B) Ministry of Education
- C) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- D) Ministry of Science and Technology
- E) Ministry of Labour and Employment

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) launched 'YUVA AI for ALL', a first-of-its-kind free AI course under the IndiaAI Mission.
- The initiative aims to empower 1 crore citizens with foundational AI skills, bridge the digital divide, promote ethical AI adoption, and prepare India's future workforce.
- This self-paced 4.5-hour course is available for free on platforms like FutureSkills Prime, iGOT Karmayogi, and other major ed-tech portals.
- The course was developed by AI expert and author Jaspreet Bindra, Founder of AI & Beyond and Tech Whisperer Limited.

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Ques: As per TRAI, by which date must all commercial banks adopt the '1600' numbering series?

- A) March 1, 2026
- B) January 1, 2026
- C) February 15, 2026
- D) March 15, 2026
- E) December 31, 2025

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) requires all commercial banks — including PSU, private, and foreign banks — to adopt the '1600' numbering series by January 1, 2026.
- This numbering series helps citizens easily identify legitimate service and transaction calls, reducing fraud.

EXAM
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Ques: Which word has been declared the Cambridge Dictionary Word of the Year 2025?

- A) Delulu
- B) Skibidi
- C) Parasocial
- D) Tradwife
- E) Slop

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Cambridge Dictionary has selected 'parasocial' as its Word of the Year 2025, reflecting the rise of one-sided emotional bonds people form with celebrities, influencers, fictional characters, and AI chatbots.
- The announcement also includes the addition of 6,000 new words, such as 'delulu', 'slop', 'skibidi', and 'tradwife'.
- 'Parasocial' is an adjective describing a one-sided connection someone feels with a public figure or fictional/AI character they do not personally know.

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Ques: As per the Jal Shakti Ministry data (2025), how many villages in India have achieved the ODF Plus Model stage?

- A) 1.00 lakh
- B) 3.50 lakh
- C) 4.86 lakh
- D) 5.67 lakh
- E) 6.10 lakh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- As of 2025, a total of 5.67 lakh villages across India have been declared ODF Plus, marking a 467% increase from just 1 lakh villages in 2022.
- Data was released by the Jal Shakti Ministry on World Toilet Day (19 November).
- Out of the total ODF Plus villages, 4.86 lakh villages have achieved ODF Plus Model status.
- ODF Plus Model villages maintain open-defecation-free status while managing solid and liquid waste and ensuring visual cleanliness.
- Over 95% of villages in India are now ODF Plus as per official data.

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Ques: How many cheetah cubs were born to Mukhi under India's reintroduction initiative?

- A) Three
- B) Four
- C) Five
- D) Six
- E) Seven

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Five cubs were born to Mukhi, the first female cheetah born in India under the reintroduction initiative, marking a key milestone in India's cheetah conservation efforts.
- This event at Kuno National Park confirms that the second generation of cheetahs is successfully adapting to Indian ecological conditions.
- Mukhi, nearly three years old, is the offspring of a Namibian female brought to India during the first phase of the cheetah translocation project.
- The first cheetahs under the project arrived from Namibia in September 2022.
- With this new litter, India's cheetah population has reached 32, with 29 in Kuno and 3 at Gandhi Sagar.

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About Project Cheetah :

- Project launch date : 17 September 2022
- India's cheetah extinction year : 1952
- First batch arrived from : Namibia – 8 cheetahs (Sept 2022)
- Second batch arrived from : South Africa – 12 cheetahs (Feb 2023)
- New upcoming batch : Botswana – 8 cheetahs (2025)
- Main release site : Kuno NP, MP



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Ques: How much amount was released by the Prime Minister under the 21st instalment of PM-KISAN?

- A) ₹10,000 crore
- B) ₹12,500 crore
- C) ₹15,000 crore
- D) ₹18,000 crore
- E) ₹20,000 crore

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi released the 21st instalment of PM-KISAN in Coimbatore.
- Over ₹18,000 crore was transferred directly to 9 crore farmers across India.
- The release took place during the South India Natural Farming Summit in Tamil Nadu.
- Under PM-KISAN, each eligible farmer gets ₹6,000 annually in three equal instalments.
- Launched in 2019, PM-KISAN provides income support for crop expenses and household needs.

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Ques: Which brand topped the Kantar BrandZ's Top 100 Most Valuable Indian Brands 2025 list?

- A) Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)
- B) Airtel
- C) Zomato
- D) HDFC Bank
- E) Reliance Jio

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- As per the Kantar BrandZ report, HDFC Bank became India's most valuable brand in 2025 with an 18% year-on-year growth, reaching a valuation of USD 44.99 billion.
- TCS slipped to the 2nd position with a valuation of USD 44.23 billion.
- The combined value of India's top 100 brands reached USD 523.5 billion, nearly 13% of India's GDP.
- The top 100 brands recorded 6% year-on-year growth, and the top 10 brands alone contributed 47% of the total brand value.
- A total of 18 new brands debuted in the 2025 list.
- Airtel emerged as the fastest-growing brand among the top 10 with a 38% increase in brand value since 2024.
- Zomato rose 10 places to rank 21st, becoming the fastest-growing brand overall for the second consecutive year with 69% Y-o-Y growth, reaching USD 6 billion.

Ranking of India's Top 5 Most Valuable Brands:

- 1 HDFC Bank Limited, Financial Services - 44.99 USD Billion
- 2 Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Business Technology and Services Platforms - 44.23 USD Billion
- 3 Airtel, Telecom Providers - 41.06 USD Billion
- 4 Infosys, Business Technology and Services Platforms - 25.54 USD Billion
- 5 ICICI Bank Limited, Financial Services - 20.63 USD Billion



Ques: In which wildlife sanctuary of Gujarat was a tiger spotted after decades?

- A) Gir National Park
- B) Vansda National Park
- C) Shoolpaneshwar Wildlife Sanctuary
- D) Banni Grasslands Reserve
- E) Ratanmahal Wildlife Sanctuary

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- A tiger, declared extinct in Gujarat since the 1980s, has been sighted in Ratanmahal Wildlife Sanctuary in Dahod district.
- This sanctuary borders Jhabua and Kathiwada of Madhya Pradesh, regions known for high tiger populations.
- Gujarat now becomes the only state in India to host three big cats — lion, tiger, and leopard — with plans to add the fourth, cheetah, in Banni Grasslands (Kutch).
- Forest officials confirmed that the tiger has permanently marked territory in Gujarat for the first time since the 1980s.

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Ques: Roger Federer will be inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in which year?

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Roger Federer has been elected to the International Tennis Hall of Fame (ITHF), Class of 2026.
- The induction ceremony will take place in August 2026 in Newport, Rhode Island, USA.
- Federer is a 20-time Grand Slam champion and winner of 103 career titles, and he is also an Olympic gold and silver medallist.

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Ques: India was re-elected to the Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CCEXEC) for which region?

- A) Asia Region
- B) Europe Region
- C) Africa Region
- D) Latin America Region
- E) Oceania Region

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India has been unanimously re-elected to the Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CCEXEC) for the Asia Region during the 48th Session of CAC held at the FAO Headquarters in Rome, Italy.
- With this re-election, India's term for representing the Asia Region is extended until the conclusion of CAC50 in 2027.
- The Indian delegation was led by Rajit Punhani, CEO of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).

About Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC):

- Established: 1963
- Members: 189 (including 188 member countries and The European Union)
- An international intergovernmental body that develops food standards, guidelines, and codes of practice.



Ques: As per the revised MoRTH norms, what is the new fitness test fee for Light Motor Vehicles (LMVs) older than 20 years?

- A) ₹10,000
- B) ₹12,000
- C) ₹15,000
- D) ₹20,000
- E) ₹25,000

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) has significantly increased fitness test fees to discourage keeping vehicles beyond 20 years.
- MoRTH has created three age groups for fitness testing: 10–15 years, 15–20 years, and above 20 years.
- Commercial vehicles will now enter higher fee slabs from 10 years instead of 15 years.
- For Light Motor Vehicles (LMVs) older than 20 years, the fitness fee has increased from ₹10,000 to ₹15,000.
- Heavy trucks & buses above 20 years now face the highest hike: ₹3,500 → ₹25,000.
- Medium commercial vehicles above 20 years will now pay ₹20,000, and light commercial vehicles will match the ₹15,000 slab.
- Two-wheelers older than 20 years: ₹600 → ₹2,000.



Ques: TIPS, with which RBI is linking UPI, is an instant payment system operated by which region?

- A) ASEAN
- B) Eurozone
- C) SAARC
- D) BIMSTEC
- E) BRICS

Answer: Option B

Explanation: • TIPS (TARGET Instant Payment Settlement) is operated by the Eurosystem, which includes the European Central Bank (ECB) and central banks of Eurozone countries.

- RBI is linking India's UPI with TIPS to enable faster, seamless, and low-cost cross-border payments.
- NIPL (NPCI International Payments Ltd) will support the operational implementation of this integration.

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Ques: From which month will AMFI start publishing separate data on Choti SIPs (₹250 SIPs)?

- A) December 2025
- B) January 2026
- C) February 2026
- D) March 2026
- E) April 2026

Answer: Option B

Explanation: • AMFI will begin publishing separate data on Choti SIPs (₹250 SIPs) from January 2026 after RTAs complete necessary system updates.

- SEBI reduced the minimum SIP amount to ₹250 to encourage retail participation, except in debt, high-risk sectoral/thematic, small-cap, and mid-cap schemes.
- Payments for these Choti SIPs are allowed only via NACH or UPI AutoPay due to high transaction costs.
- RTAs will track only the first three eligible Choti SIPs per investor (based on PAN) for subsidised transaction costs; subsidies won't apply to additional SIPs.

About Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI)

- Established : 1995
- HQ : Mumbai
- CEO : Chalasani Venkat Nageswar

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Ques: Which financial entity plans to request RBI to allow smaller urban cooperative banks to offer digital banking services?

- A) NABARD
- B) National Urban Co-operative Financial and Development Corporation (NUCFDC)
- C) SIDBI
- D) RBI
- E) PFRDA

Answer: Option B

Explanation: • NUCFDC plans to approach RBI to allow smaller UCBs (with net worth below ₹50 crore) to provide digital banking services such as internet banking, mobile banking, and UPI.

- Currently, only UCBs with net worth above ₹50 crore can offer digital banking, restricting over half of the 1,462 UCBs from providing these services.
- NUCFDC is developing a central digital stack for UCBs, covering IT infrastructure, applications, cybersecurity, manpower, and maintenance.
- It was inaugurated in March 2024 as an umbrella organisation for urban cooperative banks.

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Ques: Who has been awarded the honorary Doctor of Science (Economics) degree by the University of London?

- A) Ratan Tata
- B) Narayana Murthy
- C) Kumar Mangalam Birla
- D) Anand Mahindra
- E) Gautam Adani

Answer: Option C

Explanation: • The University of London awarded Kumar Mangalam Birla the honorary Doctor of Science (Economics) degree during its Foundation Day celebration.

- The honour was conferred by Princess Anne, Chancellor of the University.
- This is considered one of the highest and most prestigious academic recognitions in the UK.

EXAM
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Ques: Which country will host the COP31 climate summit under the emerging compromise arrangement?

- A) Brazil
- B) India
- C) Australia
- D) Turkey
- E) United Kingdom

Answer: Option D

Explanation / व्याख्या:

- Under the emerging compromise arrangement, Türkiye (Turkey) will host COP31.
- The summit is expected to be held in Antalya, Turkey.
- Meanwhile, Australia will lead the intergovernmental negotiations — a novel “split-role” arrangement under this deal.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What is the proposed tenure for the Cotton Productivity Mission as per recent reports?

- A) 3 years
- B) 5 years
- C) 7 years
- D) 10 years
- E) 12 years

Answer: Option D

Explanation / व्याख्या:

- The government has decided to extend the proposed Cotton Productivity Mission's tenure to 10 years, up from the initially proposed five years.
- The mission was announced in the 2025–26 budget as a five-year plan, but the Prime Minister's Office suggested that a five-year period would not be sufficient — prompting the move to a decade-long mission.

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Ques: Afghanistan's Commerce and Industry Minister Alhaj Nooruddin Azizi is on a visit to which country to strengthen bilateral trade and investment ties?

- A) Pakistan
- B) China
- C) UAE
- D) Iran
- E) India

Answer: Option E

Explanation / व्याख्या:

- Azizi is visiting India, along with a high-level delegation, to boost bilateral trade, investment and connectivity.
- The visit (19–25 November 2025) includes meetings with India's ministers, discussions on trade facilitation, market access, and launching an air-freight corridor between Kabul and Delhi/Amritsar.

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Ques: Where did the recent volcanic eruption of Mount Semeru occur?

- A) Japan
- B) Indonesia
- C) Philippines
- D) Italy
- E) Mexico

Answer: Option B

Explanation: • Mount Semeru is one of the most active volcanoes in Indonesia and recently erupted.
• Volcanic eruptions happen when magma rises and escapes through cracks on the Earth's surface.
• The explosiveness of an eruption depends on the composition of magma — thicker magma causes more violent eruptions.

EXAM
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Ques: What is “Gemini 3.0” recently unveiled by Google?

- A) A new quantum computing platform
- B) A next-generation multimodal Large Language Model
- C) A cloud storage service
- D) A new Android operating system version
- E) A virtual reality gaming platform

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Gemini 3.0 (also referred to as Gemini 3) is the latest generation of a multimodal Large Language Model (LLM) from Google / Google DeepMind — not a quantum-computing platform, OS, cloud storage service or a gaming platform.
- Gemini 3.0 is designed for “multimodal” understanding — it can process and generate across text, images, audio, video (and code), with advanced reasoning, agentic coding capabilities, and a large 1 million-token context window.

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Ques: Tata Power has signed a pact with which Bhutanese company for the 1,125 MW Dorjilung Hydropower Project?

- A) Bhutan Hydro Corp
- B) Druk Green Power Corporation
- C) Bhutan Energy Ltd
- D) Druk Hydro Systems
- E) Bhutan River Power Authority

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Tata Power has signed commercial agreements with Druk Green Power Corporation (DGPC) of Bhutan for the 1,125 MW Dorjilung Hydropower Project.
- The project will be executed through an SPV, with DGPC holding 60% and Tata Power 40% equity.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Telecom Secretary of India?

- A) Neeraj Mittal
- B) Amit Agrawal
- C) Manoj Joshi
- D) Atis Chandra
- E) S. Krishna

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Amit Agrawal has been appointed as the new Telecom Secretary, replacing Neeraj Mittal.
- The change was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.





Ques: Which country received India's first-ever export of LNG from IndianOil?

- A) Bangladesh
- B) Sri Lanka
- C) Bhutan
- D) Nepal
- E) Myanmar

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- IndianOil commenced India's first-ever export of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) to Nepal under a five-year supply agreement with Nepal's Yogya Holding.
- The agreement includes delivery of 1,000 metric tonnes of LNG over the contract period.
- LNG is sourced from the Dhamra LNG Terminal in Odisha and transported via cryogenic road tankers through the Raxaul border in Bihar.
- This strengthens India–Nepal energy cooperation.

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Ques: Where will the 16th edition of the ICC U-19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2026 be held?

- A) India & Sri Lanka
- B) South Africa & Zimbabwe
- C) Australia & New Zealand
- D) England & Ireland
- E) Zimbabwe & Namibia

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The 16th edition of the ICC U-19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2026 will be jointly hosted by Zimbabwe and Namibia from January 15 to February 6.
- The tournament will feature 16 teams across four groups, competing in 41 matches over 23 days at five venues—three in Zimbabwe and two in Namibia.
- India's Under-19 team will start their campaign against the USA on January 15 in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe.
- Tanzania will make its ICC debut, while Japan returns after last appearing in 2020.

About U-19 Cricket World Cup:

- Started: 1988
- Number of teams: 16
- Current champion: Australia (4th title)
- Most successful team: India (5 titles)
- India won in: 2000, 2008, 2012, 2018, 2022



Ques: Which country has recently become the newest member of the Colombo Security Conclave?

- A) Seychelles
- B) Mauritius
- C) Maldives
- D) Bangladesh
- E) Malaysia

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Seychelles has formally joined the Colombo Security Conclave (CSC) during the 7th National Security Adviser–level meeting held in New Delhi.
- The meeting was chaired by India's NSA and attended by delegations from Maldives, Mauritius, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh.
- Seychelles earlier participated as an Observer State, while Malaysia joined as a Guest State for the first time.
- The CSC originated as a Trilateral for Maritime Security Cooperation among India, Maldives, and Sri Lanka in 2011, was revived in 2020, with Mauritius joining in 2022 and Bangladesh in 2024.
- With Seychelles, the CSC now has six members.

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Ques: Which state launched the KEO low-cost, AI-ready personal computer priced at Rs 18,999?

- A) Kerala
- B) Tamil Nadu
- C) Telangana
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Karnataka

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Karnataka government launched KEO (Knowledge-driven, Economical, Open-source), a low-cost, AI-ready personal computer priced at Rs 18,999.
- It was unveiled by Karnataka Chief Minister K. Siddaramaiah during the 28th Bengaluru Tech Summit (BTS) 2025.
- KEO runs on a 5th-generation RISC-V processor and a Linux-based operating system.
- Developed by Karnataka's Department of Electronics, IT & Biotechnology in collaboration with KEONICS.
- It comes preloaded with BUDDH, an AI tool trained on Karnataka's DSERT syllabus to support students in low-connectivity regions.

EXAM
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Ques: Into how many Labour Codes has the Government consolidated the earlier 29 labour laws?

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) 4
- D) 5
- E) 6

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Government has merged 29 central labour laws into four major Labour Codes.
- The four Labour Codes are:
 1. Code on Wages (2019)
 2. Industrial Relations Code (2020)
 3. Code on Social Security (2020)
 4. Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (OSHWC) Code (2020)
- Objective: Simplify compliance and strengthen worker protection.
- Gig & platform workers receive legal recognition and social security for the first time.
- Women workers are allowed night shifts with safety measures and ensured equal pay.
- Fixed-term employees get benefits equivalent to permanent employees after one year.
- Youth workers are entitled to minimum wage, appointment letters, and stronger social security.



Ques: India's first privately built PSLV rocket will carry which satellite?

- A) EOS-5
- B) EOS-10
- C) GSAT-12
- D) Cartosat-4
- E) RISAT-3

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India will launch its first privately built PSLV rocket, PSLV-N1, in early 2026.
- The rocket will carry the EOS-10 earth-observation satellite.
- The launch was initially planned for early 2025 but delayed due to satellite readiness issues.
- PSLV-N1 is being developed by a private consortium led by HAL and L&T under ISRO's initiative to boost capacity and commercialization.
- In the future, private companies may build, market, and schedule their own PSLV launches.

EXAM
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Ques: National Epilepsy Day in India is observed on which date?

- A) 10 February
- B) 17 November
- C) Second Monday of February
- D) 1 December
- E) 5 January

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- National Epilepsy Day in India is observed on 17 November every year to spread awareness about epilepsy.
- International Epilepsy Day is observed globally on the second Monday of February each year.
- In 2025, International Epilepsy Day was observed on 10 February.

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Ques: When and where was the 8th National Naturopathy Day celebrated in 2025?

- A) Nisarg Gram, Yewalewadi, Pune
- B) AIIMS, New Delhi
- C) Pune University Campus
- D) National Health Academy, Bengaluru
- E) Patanjali Yogpeeth, Haridwar

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The 8th National Naturopathy Day was celebrated on 18 November 2025.
- The celebrations were held at Nisarg Gram, Yewalewadi, Pune.
- Union Minister of State (MoS) (Independent Charge) Prataprao Jadhav, Ministry of AYUSH attended as Guest of Honour.

EXAM
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Ques: According to IRDAI, by what percentage did health insurance claims rise in FY25?

- A) 12.88%
- B) 18.5%
- C) 21.18%
- D) 25.40%
- E) 30.12%

Answer: Option C

Explanation

- * IRDAI reported that health insurance claims surged by 21.18% in FY25, even as the settlement of claims lagged.
- * Insurers settled 3.26 crore health claims and paid ₹94,247 crore in FY25.
- * The total amount settled increased by only 12.88%, showing a clear mismatch between claims filed and claims paid.
- * Rising healthcare costs, increased hospitalisation, and inefficiencies in systems are contributing factors.
- * ICR (Incurred Claims Ratio) was lowest for standalone health insurers — signalling pressure on profitability.
- * FY25 premium collected: ₹1.18 lakh crore, up from ₹1.08 lakh crore in FY24.
- * Public sector insurers showed 103% ICR, private sector at 88.71%.
- * The rise in claims is due to higher medical inflation, increased healthcare costs, and greater use of insurance.





Ques: PayGlocal has received RBI's final approval to operate as which category of Payment Aggregator?

- A) PA – Domestic
- B) PA – Cards Only
- C) PA – Cross Border – Inward & Outward
- D) PA – Wallet Based
- E) PA – UPI Only

Answer: Option C

Explanation

- * PayGlocal has received final approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to operate as a Payment Aggregator – Cross Border – Inward & Outward (PA-CB-I&O).
- * This approval allows PayGlocal to process cross-border digital transactions in both directions — money coming into India and payments going out of India.
- * It strengthens India's fintech ecosystem by enabling secure, compliant, and faster global payments.
- * PayGlocal works with banks and regulated entities to support global merchant payments.
- * India is rapidly expanding its cross-border digital payments footprint, and this approval adds another strong player to the ecosystem.

EXAM
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Ques: NCDEX is preparing to acquire a stake in the upcoming CSEDEX exchange of which country?

- A) Bangladesh
- B) Sri Lanka
- C) Nepal
- D) Myanmar
- E) Thailand

Answer: B

Explanation:

- NCDEX (National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange, India) is preparing to acquire a 20% stake in CSEDEX, a new commodities and financial derivatives exchange being set up in Sri Lanka.
- The investment value is 70 million Sri Lankan rupees (~₹24 crore).
- The move aims to expand NCDEX's regional presence and strengthen international commodity market cooperation.
- The collaboration is based on an MoU signed earlier in 2025, with NCDEX supporting the project under a build–operate–transfer (BOT) model.
- NCDEX will assist Sri Lanka in technical architecture, product design, training, and regulatory frameworks.
- Sri Lanka currently has no commodity or financial derivatives exchange.
- NCDEX Background: Established in 2003; regulated by SEBI; India's major agricultural derivatives exchange.

Genius



Ques: As per the proposed Insurance Laws (Amendment) Bill, what will be the new FDI limit in India's insurance sector?

- A) 74%
- B) 90%
- C) 100%
- D) 49%
- E) 85%

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The government plans to introduce the Insurance Laws (Amendment) Bill in the Winter Session of Parliament to raise the FDI limit from 74% to 100% in the insurance sector.
- The move aims to boost insurance penetration, attract foreign investment, and improve ease of doing business.
- The Bill may also empower IRDAI to fix lower entry capital (minimum ₹50 crore) for insurers serving under-developed segments.
- Requirement of Net Owned Funds (NOF) for foreign re-insurers may be reduced from ₹5,000 crore to ₹1,000 crore.
- The Bill also includes provisions for composite licences, allowing insurers to sell life + health + general insurance under a single licence.
- India's insurance sector is projected to grow at 7.1% annually over the next five years.

EXAM
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Ques: Where is the Sixth International Agronomy Congress (IAC-2025) being held?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Mumbai
- C) Bengaluru
- D) Hyderabad
- E) Chennai

Answer: A

Explanation:

- The Sixth International Agronomy Congress (IAC-2025) is being held in New Delhi from 24 November over three days.
- The event includes plenary sessions, thematic symposia, lead lectures, poster presentations, an exhibition, and a Young Scientists & Students' Conference.
- Theme: "Re-envisioning Agronomy for Smart Agri-Food Systems and Environmental Stewardship."
- Focus areas include sustainable farming, climate adaptation, water-soil-biodiversity conservation, and a value-chain approach from production to consumption.
- India's food grain production reached a record 357 million tonnes, up 8% YoY, with stubble burning reduced by 95% due to effective agronomy management.
- Strong growth was observed in pulses, oilseeds, millets, and agricultural exports.

EXAM
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Ques: Which state unveiled India's first-ever Quantum City concept at the Bengaluru Tech Summit 2025?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Kerala
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Telangana
- E) Karnataka

Answer: E

Explanation:

- Karnataka unveiled the country's first-ever Quantum City concept during the Bengaluru Tech Summit (BTS 2025), aiming to position the state as a global hub for quantum technologies.
- The Quantum City project is proposed at Hesaraghatta on Bengaluru's outskirts and is part of the Karnataka Quantum Mission with a ₹1,000-crore investment.
- Karnataka will also establish a ₹1,136-crore Quantum Supremacy Centre in Bengaluru to focus on quantum chip fabrication.

About Karnataka:

- Capital: Bangalore
- CM: Siddaramaiah
- Governor: Thawar Chand Gehlot

EXAM
Genius



Ques: What is the current interest rate offered under the Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana?

- A) 7.6%
- B) 8.0%
- C) 8.2%
- D) 8.5%
- E) 9.1%

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Over ₹3.25 lakh crore has been deposited under Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (SSY), a government-backed savings scheme for securing education and marriage expenses of a girl child.
- Launched in 2015 under the Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao campaign, the scheme allows partial withdrawal of 50% for higher education after age 18 and provides tax benefits under Section 80C.
- The account is eligible for girls below 10 years, with one account per girl and a maximum of 2 daughters (3 if second birth is twins).
- Current interest rate: 8.2%, making it one of the highest-yield small savings schemes for girl child welfare.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: Who inaugurated the 2nd edition of the Bharatiya Kala Mahotsav?

- A) Droupadi Murmu
- B) Amit Shah
- C) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- D) G. Kishan Reddy
- E) Rajnath Singh

Answer: A

Explanation:

- President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the 2nd edition of Bharatiya Kala Mahotsav.
- The event is being held at Rashtrapati Nilayam, Secunderabad, Telangana.
- It is a nine-day festival, open to the public till the 30th of this month, with free entry.
- The festival is organised by Rashtrapati Nilayam in collaboration with the Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Textiles and Ministry of Tourism.
- This edition showcases the cultural heritage of Western India, including Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Goa, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, and Daman & Diu.
- The first edition of the festival had highlighted the cultural richness of Northeast India.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Where has India Post inaugurated its first revamped Gen Z–themed Post Office?

- A) IIT Bombay
- B) IIT Delhi
- C) IIT Madras
- D) Delhi University
- E) JNU

Answer: B

Explanation:

- India Post has inaugurated its first revamped Gen Z–themed Post Office on the IIT Delhi campus.
- Aim: To modernise postal spaces across educational institutions and connect with the younger generation.
- The Post Office offers a modern layout, digital services, and youth-friendly features.
- This initiative is part of India Post's broader push to rebrand and upgrade postal infrastructure.
- IIT Delhi students will get access to faster postal, speed post, philately, and digital services.
- The inauguration marks a major step in modernising postal spaces and increasing engagement with youth.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which organization is partnering with IFFI 2025 to celebrate childhood through cinema?

- A) WHO
- B) UNICEF
- C) UNESCO
- D) Save the Children
- E) Red Cross

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The International Film Festival of India (IFFI) is partnering again with UNICEF in 2025 to celebrate childhood through cinema.
- Featured films include:
 - Happy Birthday – Egypt (Egyptian Arabic)
 - Kadal Kanni – India (Tamil)
 - Putul – India (Hindi)
 - The Beetle Project – South Korea (Korean)
 - The Odyssey of Joy – France & Kosovo (Albanian / English / French / Romany)
- The objective is to showcase powerful child-centric stories that promote empathy and social dialogue.

EXAM
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Ques: Which traditional craft from Arunachal Pradesh recently received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag?

- A) UNESCO Cultural Heritage Status
- B) National Award for Handicrafts
- C) Geographical Indication (GI) Tag
- D) Heritage Craft Certification
- E) Tribal Art Excellence Mark

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The traditional handcrafted 'dao' blade of Arunachal Pradesh has been officially granted the GI tag for its cultural uniqueness and craftsmanship.
- The blade is crafted by several tribal communities and is an integral part of their cultural heritage.
- Arunachal Pradesh now has 20 GI-tagged products, with a target of reaching 50 by 2030.
- The GI tag helps protect traditional knowledge and supports economic opportunities for local artisans.

EXAM
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Ques: What is the aim of the “Humara Shauchalaya, Hamara Bhavishya” campaign?

- A) Promote digital literacy
- B) Encourage tree plantation
- C) Highlight the importance of toilets and proper sanitation
- D) Support rural employment
- E) Reduce water pollution

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The campaign was launched by the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti on World Toilet Day 2025.
- Its aim is to highlight the importance of toilets and the need to maintain them for safe and proper sanitation.
- The campaign runs from 19th November to Human Rights Day on 10th December 2025.

EXAM
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Ques: INS Sahyadri recently took part in which bilateral naval exercise?

- A) MILAN
- B) MALABAR
- C) AUSINDEX 2025
- D) SLINEX
- E) IND-INDO CORPAT

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- INS Sahyadri, an indigenously designed and built stealth frigate, participated in AUSINDEX 2025.
- The exercise was conducted with the Royal Australian Navy's HMAS Ballarat in the Northern Pacific region.
- AUSINDEX strengthens maritime cooperation and interoperability between the two navies.

EXAM
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Ques: What is the main objective of the PM-USHA scheme launched by the Ministry of Education?

- A) Promote vocational training
- B) Improve quality & accessibility of higher education
- C) Provide scholarships for school students
- D) Digital literacy for rural areas
- E) Infrastructure development for primary schools

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- PM-USHA (Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme launched in June 2023 to improve the quality and accessibility of higher education in State institutions, aligned with NEP 2020 pillars – Access, Equity, Quality, Affordability, and Accountability.
- The scheme has a total outlay of ₹12,926.10 crore for 2023-24 to 2025-26, with ₹1,815 crore allocated for FY 2025-26.
- 33 States/UTs have signed MoUs; 440 units approved so far with ₹5,613.12 crore sanctioned.
- Funding pattern: 90:10 for NE States, J&K, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand; 60:40 for other States & UTs with Legislature; 100% Central funding for UTs without Legislature.
- MMER (Management Monitoring Evaluation & Research) grants constitute 2% of total approved funds; 1% to States/UTs and 1% to Centre.

Genius



Ques: Whom did Lakshya Sen defeat to win the 2025 Australian Open men's singles title?

- A) Kento Momota
- B) Lee Zii Jia
- C) Yushi Tanaka
- D) Loh Kean Yew
- E) Shi Yuqi

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Lakshya Sen won the 2025 Australian Open men's singles title by defeating Japan's Yushi Tanaka.
- This is his first title of the 2025 season and a major comeback after finishing 4th at the Paris Olympics.
- He won the final 21–15, 21–11 in a 38-minute match.
- He became the second Indian to win a BWF World Tour Super 100 title this season.
- His last major title was the Syed Modi Super 300 in 2024.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: Who won the 74th Miss Universe 2025 title?

- A) Manika Vishwakarma
- B) Praveenar Singh
- C) Stephany Abasali
- D) Fátima Bosch
- E) Harnaaz Sandhu

Answer: D

Explanation:

- Fátima Bosch from Mexico won the 74th Miss Universe 2025, becoming the fourth winner from her country.
- She was crowned by Victoria Kjaer Theilvig of Denmark at the event held in Nonthaburi town, Bangkok, Thailand.
- Praveenar Singh of Thailand was the 1st Runner-up, and Stephany Abasali of Venezuela was the 2nd Runner-up.
- India's Manika Vishwakarma made it to the Top 30 but exited after the Top 12 round; the last Indian winner was Harnaaz Sandhu (70th Miss Universe, 2021).

EXAM
Genius



Ques: Who inaugurated the National One Health Mission Assembly 2025?

- A) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- B) Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya
- C) Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda
- D) Union Minister of Science & Technology
- E) Dr. Randeep Guleria

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare and Chairperson of the Executive Steering Committee on One Health, inaugurated the National One Health Mission Assembly 2025 via video address.
- The event was held at Bharat Mandapam Convention Hall, New Delhi.
- Theme: “Translating Knowledge to Practice – One Earth, One Health, One Future”.
- India reaffirmed its commitment to holistic health security and pandemic preparedness.
- Key achievements highlighted include indigenous COVID-19 vaccines Covaxin, Covishield, Corbevax, and the first intranasal COVID-19 vaccine.
- India supplied vaccines to over 100 countries and advanced mRNA, DNA, viral vector, and biosimilar vaccine platforms.
- Diagnostics innovations such as TrueNat, PathoDetect, CRISPR-based tests, and INSACOG for genomic surveillance were emphasized.
- CoWIN digital health infrastructure was also highlighted as a key enabler



Ques: As per Statista, which country is projected to be the fastest-growing Quick Commerce (Q-Com) market among the global top 3 during 2025-2030?

- A) China
- B) United States
- C) India
- D) Japan
- E) South Korea

Answer: C

Explanation:

- India is the 3rd-largest Q-Commerce market globally based on revenue, after China and the US.
- India's Q-Com revenue is expected to grow from USD 5.38 billion in CY25 to USD 11.08 billion in CY30.
- India is projected to be the fastest-growing among the top 3 markets, with a CAGR of 15.5% during 2025–2030.
- By 2030, India is expected to have 65 million Q-Com users, representing 17% of global users.
- Major Q-Com players in India include Blinkit, Zepto, Instamart, Flipkart Minutes, and BigBasket.
- India's Q-Com market growth at 15.5% CAGR makes it the fastest-growing among the top 3 global markets.

EXAM
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Ques: Which agency has been designated as the new safety regulator for around 250 maritime facilities in India?

- A) Indian Coast Guard
- B) BSF
- C) Indian Navy
- D) MoPSW
- E) CISF

Answer: E

Explanation:

- The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) has been designated as the new safety regulator for around 250 maritime facilities by the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW).
- CISF is now a Recognized Security Organisation (RSO) for seaports, acting as the regulator for seaport security.
- Currently, CISF provides security to all 13 major seaports in India, ensuring standardized security compliance and strengthening maritime safety and national security.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who became India's 26th Woman Grandmaster (WGM) in 2025?

- A) Koneru Humpy
- B) Harika Dronavalli
- C) Sarayu Velpula
- D) Tania Sachdev
- E) Bhakti Kulkarni

Answer: C

Explanation:

- 19-year-old Sarayu Velpula from Warangal, Telangana, became India's 26th Woman Grandmaster after securing her final WGM norm at the First League of Central Serbia 2025 held in Novi Pazar, Serbia.
- She previously won the National Under-13 Girls Championship (2019) and finished as runner-up at the National Under-17 Girls Championship (2023) and National Junior Girls Championship (2024).
- To earn the WGM title, a player must secure three WGM norms over at least 27 rated games and achieve a FIDE rating of 2300 at least once in their career.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which country's poliovirus type-2 outbreak was officially declared over by the WHO in November 2025?

- A) India
- B) Pakistan
- C) Afghanistan
- D) Indonesia
- E) Philippines

Answer: D

Explanation:

- WHO officially declared the end of Indonesia's poliovirus type-2 outbreak on 19 November 2025.
- No poliovirus was detected in children or the environment since June 2024.
- The outbreak began in October 2022 in Aceh, and the last case was reported on 27 June 2024.
- The virus had spread to multiple provinces including Banten, West Java, Central Java, East Java, North Maluku, Central Papua, Highland Papua, and South Papua.
- Indonesia administered more than 60 million additional polio vaccine doses as part of its outbreak response.
- Multiple rounds of the novel OPV-2 (nOPV2) vaccine were used across the country.
- IPV second-dose coverage increased from 63% in 2023 to 73% in 2024.
- Indonesia introduced a hexavalent vaccine (DPT-HB-Hib-IPV) in October 2025 in selected provinces including Yogyakarta, West Nusa Tenggara, Bali and Greater Papua.





Ques: What is observed on November 21 every year to highlight the impact of television?

- A) World Radio Day
- B) World Television Day
- C) World Media Day
- D) International Broadcasting Day
- E) Television Awareness Day

Answer: B

Explanation:

- World Television Day is observed on November 21 each year, established in 1996, to recognize the role of television in informing, educating, and inspiring people.
- India's Media & Entertainment sector contributed ₹2.5 trillion to the economy in 2024 and is projected to exceed ₹3 trillion by 2027.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which Indian fintech firm recently received RBI approval to operate as a full-service Payment Aggregator?

- A) Razorpay
- B) PayGlocal
- C) Paytm
- D) PhonePe
- E) Easebuzz

Answer: E) Easebuzz

Explanation:

- Easebuzz, an Indian fintech company, received RBI approval under the Payment and Settlement Systems (PSS) Act, 2007 to operate as a full-service Payment Aggregator (PA).
- With this, Easebuzz became the third payment fintech in India to hold all three PA licences.
- The approval allows Easebuzz to support digital payments across online, offline, and cross-border platforms.
- Easebuzz offers a full-stack payment suite, including online payments, Point of Sale (PoS) in-person transactions, UPI sandbox acceptance, and cross-border inward & outward transactions.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: To which fiscal year will India switch its GDP national accounts base year as announced by MoSPI?

- A) FY 2011-12
- B) FY 2015-16
- C) FY 2022-23
- D) FY 2023-24
- E) FY 2004-05

Answer: C) FY 2022-23

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) will switch the base year for India's GDP national accounts from FY 2011-12 to FY 2022-23.
- The new series is scheduled to be released on 27 February 2026.
- A base year acts as a reference year for calculating growth, prices, and national income.
- The last major revision of the base year was in 2015, when it changed from FY 2004-05 to FY 2011-12.
- A high-level Advisory Committee on National Account Statistics (ACNAS) chaired by Prof. B.N. Goldar has been formed to oversee this revision.

EXAM
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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Part-Time Chairperson of Jana Small Finance Bank (Jana SFB)?

- A) R. Ramaseshan
- B) Shikha Sharma
- C) Chitra Talwar
- D) Usha Anand Subramanian
- E) Anil Kumar Singh

Answer: C) Chitra Talwar

Explanation:

- Chitra Talwar has been appointed as the Part-Time Chairperson of Jana Small Finance Bank Limited for a term of 2 years, till 30 January 2028.
- She replaces R. Ramaseshan in this role.
- She has been serving as an Independent Director on the bank's board since January 2020.

About Jana Small Finance Bank:

- Established: 2018
- HQ: Bangalore, Karnataka
- CEO & MD: Ajay Kanwal
- Tagline: Paise Ki Kadar

EXAM
Genius



Ques: What is the total approved borrowing limit for India's first maritime NBFC, Sagarmala Finance Corporation Limited (SMFCL)?

- A) Rs 5,000 crore
- B) Rs 10,000 crore
- C) Rs 15,000 crore
- D) Rs 25,000 crore
- E) Rs 30,000 crore

Answer: D) Rs 25,000 crore

Explanation:

- Sagarmala Finance Corporation Limited (SMFCL), India's first maritime NBFC, has approved an overall borrowing limit of Rs 25,000 crore, with Rs 8,000 crore earmarked for FY25 to start operations.
- To raise these funds, SMFCL will mobilise resources through banks, financial institutions, and bond issuances as per its resource mobilisation plan.
- SMFCL, formerly Sagarmala Development Company Limited, is the first maritime sector-specific NBFC in India.
- The corporation was formally registered with the Reserve Bank of India on 19, 2025 and functions under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Quantum fabrication & central facilities worth ₹720 crore were inaugurated at which institute under the National Quantum Mission?

- A) IISc Bengaluru
- B) IIT Delhi
- C) IIT Bombay
- D) IIT Kanpur
- E) IIT Madras

Answer: C) IIT Bombay

Explanation:

- Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh inaugurated ₹720 crore quantum fabrication & central facilities at IIT Bombay.
- These facilities are developed under the National Quantum Mission (NQM).
- Four thematic hubs under NQM will drive breakthrough innovations in quantum technology.
- National Quantum Mission – Total Outlay: ₹6,003.65 crore; Duration: 8 years (2023–24 to 2030–31).
- Dr. Singh praised young start-ups and emphasized democratising science and technology.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: During which event did an Indian Air Force Tejas aircraft crash, resulting in the pilot's death?

- A) Aero India 2025
- B) Dubai Air Show 2025
- C) Paris Air Show 2025
- D) IAF Solo Display 2025
- E) Singapore Airshow 2025

Answer: B) Dubai Air Show 2025

Explanation:

- An Indian Air Force Tejas Light Combat Aircraft crashed during an aerial display at the Dubai Air Show, resulting in the death of Wing Commander Namansh Syal.
- The crash occurred around 2.15 pm local time while performing aerobatic manoeuvres at low altitude.
- This is only the second recorded accident in the 24-year history of the Tejas fighter, the first being in March 2024 near Jaisalmer during a training sortie.
- The crash took place near Al Maktoum International Airport.

EXAM
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Ques: Which three countries launched the ACITI Partnership to enhance cooperation in critical and emerging technologies?

- A) India, USA & Australia
- B) India, Canada & Australia
- C) India, Japan & Canada
- D) India, UK & Australia
- E) India, Germany & Canada

Answer: B) India, Canada & Australia

Explanation:

- India, Australia, and Canada launched the ACITI Partnership (Australia-Canada-India Technology and Innovation Partnership) to strengthen cooperation in critical and emerging technologies.
- The announcement followed a meeting between Prime Ministers Narendra Modi, Anthony Albanese, and Mark Carney on the sidelines of the G20 Summit in Johannesburg.
- The partnership focuses on clean energy, critical minerals and resilient supply chains, AI development and adoption, net-zero emissions pathways, and creating a secure and sustainable technology ecosystem.
- ACITI will leverage the technological and industrial strengths of the three countries, supporting global supply chain diversification and sustainability.
- The first official meeting of the partnership is planned for Q1 2026.
- The initiative supports India's push for global technology partnerships through multilateral platforms like G20.



Ques: Which country plans to ban social media access for users below 16 years from 2026?

- A) Australia
- B) Malaysia
- C) France
- D) Indonesia
- E) Spain

Answer: B) Malaysia

Explanation:

- Malaysia will ban social media access for users below 16 years starting from 2026.
- The move aims to protect children from cyberbullying, financial scams, child sexual abuse, and mental health harms.
- Malaysia is reviewing models used in Australia and other countries for age restrictions.
- Australia plans to deactivate under-16 social media accounts next month, while France, Spain, Italy, Denmark, and Greece are testing age verification app templates.
- Indonesia is considering stronger age verification and harmful content filtering measures.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: What is the upcoming deep-sea submersible trial India is conducting off the Chennai coast?

- A) Samudrayaan-1000
- B) Matsya-6000
- C) Ocean Explorer-500
- D) DeepSea-2025
- E) Aquanaut-3000

Answer: B) Matsya-6000

Explanation:

- India is advancing its deep-sea exploration capability with the Matsya-6000 submersible, which will undergo a 500-metre sea trial off the Chennai coast.
- The 500-metre trial is the first step toward the final mission of reaching 6,000 metres under the Deep Ocean Mission by 2027.
- The submersible will be piloted by Ramesh Raju and Jatinder Pal Singh from the National Institute of Ocean Technology, forming the core crew of Samudrayaan.
- Matsya-6000 travels at 30 metres per minute and is equipped with robotic arms, cameras, portholes, and lighting systems for scientific sampling and observation.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Hayli Gubbi volcano, which erupted after nearly 10,000 years, is located in which country?

- A) Kenya
- B) Ethiopia
- C) Tanzania
- D) Uganda
- E) Oman

Answer: B) Ethiopia

Explanation:

- Ethiopia's Hayli Gubbi volcano erupted for the first time in nearly 10,000 years.
- Volcanic ash rose up to 14 km into the sky, covering nearby regions with dust.
- Ash plumes drifted across the Red Sea, Yemen, and Oman, eventually reaching India.
- DGCA advised Indian airlines to avoid ash-affected areas for safety.
- Several flights were diverted or cancelled as volcanic ash can damage aircraft engines and sensors.
- The Hayli Gubbi volcano is located in Ethiopia's Afar region.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What is the aim of Project Gaja-Lok launched by INTACH?

- A) Promote modern art in India
- B) Document and celebrate the cultural, historical, and ecological relationship between Asian elephants and human societies
- C) Wildlife conservation only
- D) Develop elephant sanctuaries
- E) Promote tourism in Asia

Answer: B) Document and celebrate the cultural, historical, and ecological relationship between Asian elephants and human societies

Explanation:

- Project Gaja-Lok was launched by the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH), under the Ministry of Culture.
- Its aim is to document and celebrate the deep cultural, historical, and ecological relationship between Asian elephants and human societies in India.
- Project Gaja-Lok officially commenced with a public exhibition from 19 to 25 November 2025 at INTACH, New Delhi, organized by the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) Division of INTACH.

EXAM
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Ques: Which malaria vaccine is expected to become more accessible and affordable under the new Gavi–UNICEF agreement?

- A) RTS,S/AS01
- B) Covovax
- C) R21/Matrix-M
- D) Mosquirix-Plus
- E) AS02-Vaccine

Answer: C) R21/Matrix-M

Explanation:

- Gavi and UNICEF have signed an agreement to make the R21/Matrix-M malaria vaccine more affordable and widely accessible.
- The deal is expected to generate up to \$90 million in savings and provide 30 million additional doses.
- This enables full vaccination of nearly 7 million more children over the next five years.
- The R21/Matrix-M vaccine was co-developed by the University of Oxford and Serum Institute of India.
- The deal is financed via Gavi through an advance payment enabled by the International Finance Facility for Immunisation (IFFIm).
- The vaccine is expected to cost \$2.99 per dose within a year.
- Over 40 million doses of malaria vaccines have been delivered across 24 African countries, representing 70% of the global malaria burden.
- WHO has prequalified two malaria vaccines so far: R21/Matrix-M and RTS,S/AS01.
- The agreement will integrate R21/Matrix-M into Gavi's routine immunisation programs, reaching children across high-burden African countries.





Ques: Under NMP 2.0, what is the monetisation target set for the Indian Railways over FY26–FY30?

- A) ₹1.52 lakh crore
- B) ₹2.5 lakh crore
- C) ₹3.0 lakh crore
- D) ₹5.0 lakh crore
- E) ₹10 lakh crore

Answer: B) ₹2.5 lakh crore

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Railways plans to monetise assets worth ₹2.5 trillion (~₹2.5 lakh crore) over FY26–FY30 under the second phase of the National Monetisation Pipeline (NMP 2.0).
- NMP 2.0 (2024–30) has a total pipeline target of ₹10 trillion for unlocking value from brownfield public assets.
- In the first phase (2021–25), Railways had a monetisation target of ₹1.52 lakh crore but raised only ~₹28,717 crore.
- NMP aims to enable ministries to efficiently monetise under-utilised assets while retaining operational control.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: India is jointly producing HAMMER air-to-ground weapons with which country?

- A) USA
- B) Israel
- C) France
- D) Russia
- E) UK

Answer: C) France

Explanation:

- BEL and France's Safran Electronics & Defence (SED) have signed a Joint Venture Cooperation Agreement to manufacture HAMMER precision air-to-ground weapons in India.
- The JV will produce HAMMER (Highly Agile Modular Muniton Extended Range) smart precision weapons with up to 60% indigenisation.
- India initially ordered HAMMER in 2020 for Rafale jets during the Ladakh standoff.
- The weapon has a range of up to 70 km, works in all weather conditions, is jam-resistant, and can penetrate fortified structures.

EXAM
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Ques: How many new global initiatives did PM Narendra Modi propose at the G20 Leaders' Summit in Johannesburg?

- A) 4
- B) 8
- C) 3
- D) 7
- E) 6

Answer: E) 6

Explanation:

• At the G20 Leaders' Summit in Johannesburg, PM Narendra Modi proposed six new global initiatives aimed at inclusive, sustainable development and resilient global growth.

The six initiatives are:

1. Global Traditional Knowledge Repository to preserve and share traditional knowledge.
2. Africa Skills Multiplier Program to train 1 million certified trainers for African youth.
3. G20 Global Healthcare Response Team for global health emergencies.
4. G20 Initiative on Countering Drug-Terror Nexus to combat drug trafficking and terror financing.
5. Open Satellite Data Partnership to share G20 space agencies' satellite data with developing nations.
6. Critical Minerals Circularity Initiative to promote recycling, urban mining, second-life batteries, and secure supply chains.

• These initiatives focus on inclusive and sustainable economic growth, clean energy, supply chain security, climate action, food security, and disaster resilience, supporting programs like the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI).



Ques: Which country won the 2024 Davis Cup title?

- A) Spain
- B) France
- C) Italy
- D) USA
- E) Germany

Answer: C) Italy

Explanation:

- Italy defeated Spain 2–0 in the final to win its 4th Davis Cup title.
- This victory marks Italy's third consecutive Davis Cup win.
- Players Matteo Berrettini and Flavio Cobolli won their singles matches in the final.
- Italy becomes the first team after the USA to win three consecutive Davis Cup titles.

EXAM
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Ques: Who won the 2024 Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development?

- A) Sonia Gandhi
- B) Jacinda Ardern
- C) Ban Ki-moon
- D) Kofi Annan
- E) Michelle Bachelet

Answer: E) Michelle Bachelet

Explanation:

- Michelle Bachelet, former President of Chile, won the 2024 Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development.
- The award was presented by Sonia Gandhi, Chairperson of the Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust (IGMT), and included a citation, Rs. 25 lakh cash prize, and a plaque.
- Bachelet was the first woman President of Chile, serving two terms (2006–2010 and 2014–2018), and served as the first Executive Director of UN Women from 2010 to 2013.

EXAM
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Ques: India defeated which country to win the Women's Kabaddi World Cup 2025?

- A) Japan
- B) Iran
- C) Chinese Taipei
- D) South Korea
- E) Thailand

Answer: C) Chinese Taipei

Explanation:

- India won the Women's Kabaddi World Cup 2025 by defeating Chinese Taipei 35–28.
- This is India's second consecutive Women's Kabaddi World Cup title.
- The final was held in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which country won the first-ever Blind Women's T20 World Cup in 2025?

- A) Nepal
- B) Pakistan
- C) Australia
- D) India
- E) Sri Lanka

Answer: D) India

Explanation:

- India won the inaugural Blind Women's T20 World Cup by defeating Nepal by seven wickets in the final held at Colombo's P. Saravanamuttu Stadium.
- The victory marked India's unbeaten run in the tournament, co-hosted across New Delhi, Bengaluru, and Colombo.
- The six-team tournament featured India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Australia, and the USA.
- In the semifinals, India defeated Australia by 9 wickets to reach the final.

EXAM
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Ques: What is the main objective of the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) & UN Women partnership?

- A) Promote digital literacy among women
- B) Enhance empowerment and integration of women entrepreneurs in public procurement
- C) Provide scholarships for women students
- D) Support urban women entrepreneurship
- E) Develop rural infrastructure

Answer: B) Enhance empowerment and integration of women entrepreneurs in public procurement

Explanation:

- The GeM & UN Women partnership aims to empower and integrate women entrepreneurs from the informal sector into India's public procurement ecosystem.
- UN Women will promote the Womaniya – #VocalForLocal initiative, support onboarding of UN programme participants, encourage MSME Udyam registration, and mobilise women trainers.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Dharmendra, Bollywood's iconic "He-Man", who recently passed away, was originally born in which year?

- A) 1932
- B) 1935
- C) 1938
- D) 1940
- E) 1942

Answer: B) 1935

Explanation:

- Dharmendra was born on 8 December 1935 in Ludhiana, Punjab.
- Known as the "He-Man of Indian Cinema", he appeared in over 300 films spanning six decades.
- He debuted in 1960 with Dil Bhi Tera Hum Bhi Tere and became a superstar for his versatility.
- He also served as a Lok Sabha MP from Bikaner (2004–2009) representing the BJP.
- Recipient of the Padma Bhushan (2012), Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Award (1997), National Film Award for Ghayal (1990), IIFA Lifetime Achievement Award (2007), and Zee Cine Lifetime Award (2005).

EXAM
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Ques: Which country recently unveiled an official currency symbol for its national currency, the Rial?

- A) Qatar
- B) Bahrain
- C) Oman
- D) Kuwait
- E) Saudi Arabia

Answer: C) Oman

Explanation:

- The Central Bank of Oman has officially introduced a new currency symbol for the Omani Rial to standardize its representation across financial, commercial, and digital platforms.
- The design signifies Oman's cultural heritage and economic progress, placing Oman among nations with distinct currency symbols like India (₹), the UK (£), and Japan (¥).

EXAM
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Ques: What is the Blue NDC Challenge introduced at COP30?

- A) A global initiative to reduce air pollution
- B) A program for renewable energy in cities
- C) A global initiative encouraging ocean-based climate solutions in NDCs
- D) A trade agreement between coastal nations
- E) A marine biodiversity conservation treaty

Answer: C) A global initiative encouraging ocean-based climate solutions in NDCs

Explanation:

- The Blue NDC Challenge is a global initiative urging countries to integrate ocean-based climate solutions into their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Agreement.
- It aims to close the “ocean opportunity gap” by increasing climate investments and actions linked to oceans.
- Key components include:
 - Expanded membership to 17 countries including France, Brazil, Belgium, Canada, Singapore, and Indonesia
 - An Ocean Taskforce (supported by France & Brazil) to strengthen 2030 climate plans
 - A “Blue Package” covering five ocean breakthrough sectors: marine conservation, ocean food systems, offshore renewable energy, decarbonising shipping, and resilient coastal tourism
- Focus is on mitigation and adaptation, as oceans can enable up to 35% of emission reductions needed for the 1.5°C target.
- Currently <1% of global climate finance goes to ocean climate solutions; the initiative aims to boost funding.
- Supports Blue Carbon pathways such as mangroves , seagrasses, and salt marshes.





Ques: What is the main objective of the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY)?

- A) Provide free electricity to poor households
- B) Provide deposit-free LPG connections to adult women from poor households
- C) Promote solar cooking
- D) Offer subsidized kerosene
- E) Distribute free firewood

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

Launched in May 2016, PMUY provides deposit-free LPG connections to adult women from poor households. The aim is to replace traditional cooking fuels like firewood and cow-dung with clean LPG to improve health, environment, and women empowerment. Total PMUY connections have crossed 10.33 crore (as of 1 March 2025).

- Ujjwala 2.0 launched in August 2021 aims to cover remaining poor households not covered under the original PMUY, targeting 1 crore additional connections (achieved January 2022).
- Special provision for migrant families: new LPG connection via self-declaration, no need for Proof of Address or Ration Card.
- As of 1 March 2025, total active domestic LPG consumers in India: 32.94 crore, including 10.33 crore PMUY beneficiaries.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: According to 2025 data, which currency became Asia's worst performing currency?

- A) Chinese Yuan
- B) Indonesian Rupiah
- C) Philippine Peso
- D) Indian Rupee
- E) South Korean Won

Answer: D) Indian Rupee

Explanation:

- The Indian Rupee (INR) depreciated by 4.3% against the US Dollar in 2025, making it the worst-performing currency in Asia this year.
- Its depreciation has outpaced other Asian currencies, driven by factors such as global dollar strength, capital outflows, rising import costs, and a large trade deficit.

EXAM
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Ques: In which Indian city is Tesla set to open its first full-fledged centre in 2025?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Bengaluru
- C) Chennai
- D) Hyderabad
- E) Gurugram

Answer: E) Gurugram

Explanation:

- Tesla has opened its first full-scale “all-in-one” centre in India at Orchid Business Park, Sector 48, Gurugram.
- The Gurugram facility combines sales, delivery, after-sales service, and charging infrastructure — services beyond what the earlier showrooms in Mumbai and Delhi offered.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which country was formally designated as a Major Non-NATO Ally (MNNA) by the US in 2025?

- A) Israel
- B) Sweden
- C) Taiwan
- D) Finland
- E) Saudi Arabia

Answer: E) Saudi Arabia

Explanation:

- On November 18, 2025, US President Donald Trump officially designated Saudi Arabia as a “Major Non-NATO Ally (MNNA).”
- This status boosts defence- and security-cooperation privileges: easier access to US arms, joint military research and training, and faster export clearance for defence articles.
- Finland joined NATO as the 31st member, and Sweden joined as the 32nd member on March 7, 2024, marking shifts in European security.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: What recent measures did India's Ministry of Steel announce to simplify steel imports in 2025?

- A) Introduced higher import duties
- B) Scrapped NOC for non-QCO grades and simplified SIMS registration
- C) Banned imports of stainless steel
- D) Fixed price limits on imported steel
- E) Restricted imports to government-approved suppliers

Answer: B) Scrapped NOC for non-QCO grades and simplified SIMS registration

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Steel announced that the No-Objection Certificate (NOC) requirement has been removed for non-QCO (Quality Control Order) steel grades; those grades have been mapped on the Steel Import Monitoring System (SIMS) portal so importers can directly generate a SIMS number instead of getting separate NOC.
- Additionally, certain prior exemptions have been extended: exemptions from QCO compliance for "Chapter 73" steel products, and exemptions from Indian Standards (IS 6911, IS 5522 & IS 15997) for 200- and 300-series stainless-steel flat products — making the import process easier through March 2026.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: During the G20 Summit 2025, India and Italy adopted a joint initiative to counter what?

- A) Climate Change
- B) Trade Barriers
- C) Cybercrime
- D) Terrorism Financing
- E) Migration Issues

Answer: D) Terrorism Financing

Explanation:

- At the G20 Summit in Johannesburg, India and Italy adopted the “India–Italy Joint Initiative to Counter Financing of Terrorism.”
- The initiative aims to strengthen cooperation against terrorism financing and coordinate efforts within frameworks like FATF (Financial Action Task Force) and GCTF (Global Counter Terrorism Forum).
- SARAL SIMS – New simplified registration system for MSMEs, consignments up to 10 MT, and export-linked imports.
- Only annual import quantity declaration required; one SIMS number valid for multiple consignments. Usage cap: 500 MT in FY 2025–26; 1,000 MT from FY 2026–27. Regular SIMS fields reduced from 56 to 20

Genius



Ques: A bust of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was unveiled at the headquarters of which international organisation on Constitution Day?

- A) United Nations (UN)
- B) UNESCO
- C) OECD
- D) World Bank
- E) IMF

Answer: B) UNESCO

Explanation:

- On Constitution Day, a bust of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was unveiled at the headquarters of UNESCO in Paris.
- This tribute highlights global acknowledgement of his contribution to drafting India's Constitution and underscores his legacy worldwide.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What is the aim of the 19th edition of Exercise Suryakiran between India and Nepal?

- A) Promote tourism in border areas
- B) Strengthen operational synergy in jungle warfare and counter-terrorism in mountainous terrain
- C) Conduct joint trade exercises
- D) Develop border infrastructure
- E) Conduct naval exercises

Answer: B) Strengthen operational synergy in jungle warfare and counter-terrorism in mountainous terrain

Explanation:

- The 19th edition of the bilateral military Exercise Suryakiran between India and Nepal is scheduled from 25 November – 8 December 2025 at Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand, India.
- Its objective is to enhance cooperation in jungle warfare and counter-terrorism operations in mountainous terrain, integrate niche technologies, improve interoperability, and share best practices.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who has been appointed the Brand Ambassador for the 2026 ICC Men's T20 World Cup?

- A) Virat Kohli
- B) Joe Root
- C) Rohit Sharma
- D) Kane Williamson
- E) Jasprit Bumrah

Answer: C) Rohit Sharma

Explanation:

- Rohit Sharma has been named the Brand Ambassador for the 2026 ICC Men's T20 World Cup, which will be jointly hosted by India and Sri Lanka.
- He is the only player to have featured in all nine editions of the Men's T20 World Cup and was part of India's T20-World Cup victories in 2007 and 2024.
- With this appointment, Rohit becomes the first active international cricketer to serve as an official ICC tournament brand ambassador.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which country has become the smallest by population to qualify for the FIFA World Cup?

- A) Iceland
- B) Malta
- C) Curaçao
- D) Qatar
- E) Trinidad & Tobago

Answer: C) Curaçao

Explanation:

- Curaçao has become the smallest country by population ever to qualify for the FIFA World Cup — overtaking Iceland, which held that record in 2018.
- This qualifies Curaçao as the least-populous nation to reach the World Cup, a landmark achievement for a small island nation.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: Which tropical cyclone hit Northern Territory, Australia in November 2025?

- A) Cyclone Fina
- B) Cyclone Debbie
- C) Cyclone Yasi
- D) Cyclone Larry
- E) Cyclone Marcus

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Tropical Cyclone Fina hit Northern Territory, Australia overnight.
- Impact included uprooted trees, damaged traffic lights, and power outages affecting thousands.
- Affected areas include Darwin, the capital of Northern Territory.
- Fina remained offshore for days before strengthening into a Category 3 cyclone.
- Wind speeds:
 - 110 km/h while passing Darwin & Tiwi Islands (Saturday night)
 - Up to 205 km/h on Sunday as it moved away
- Australia's Bureau of Meteorology classified it as a severe tropical cyclone.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Under the Assam Prohibition of Polygamy Bill, 2025, what is the maximum jail term for hiding an existing marriage?

- A) 5 years
- B) 7 years
- C) 10 years
- D) 12 years
- E) 3 years

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Assam Prohibition of Polygamy Bill, 2025 treats polygamy as a criminal offence and mandates up to 10 years' imprisonment if a person hides an existing valid marriage before entering another.
- Repeat offenders face double punishment.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: India's first commercially built PSLV rocket for its maiden mission will launch which satellite?

- A) Oceansat
- B) Cartosat
- C) RISAT
- D) INSAT
- E) Microsat

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India's first commercially manufactured PSLV is preparing for its maiden launch early next year.
- The mission will place the Oceansat satellite into orbit.
- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Larsen & Toubro (L&T) consortium independently manufactured the entire PSLV rocket for the first time.
- The consortium is supplying hardware and preparing for upcoming missions under its contract to build five PSLV-XL rockets.
- ISRO had signed the contract for five PSLV-XL rockets in 2022.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: In November 2025, India strengthened cooperation with Georgia in which sectors?

- A) Defence & Aerospace
- B) Textiles, Sericulture & Trade
- C) IT & Startups
- D) Agriculture & Fisheries
- E) Tourism & Culture

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India strengthened cooperation with Georgia in textiles, sericulture, and trade.
- A high-level delegation from the Ministry of Textiles led by P. Sivakumar, Member Secretary – Central Silk Board (CSB) & Secretary General – International Sericultural Commission (ISC), visited Georgia from 17–21 November 2025.
- The delegation participated in the 11th BACSA International Conference – CULTUSERI 2025.
- Major highlight: Launch of India's "5-in-1 Silk Stole" combining Mulberry, Oak Tasar, Tropical Tasar, Muga & Eri silks.
- Focus areas included strengthening bilateral textile trade, market access & joint ventures in apparel & carpets, and collaborative research & institutional partnerships.

Genius





Ques: How many all-women Border Out Posts (BOPs) is ITBP planning to establish along the India-China LAC?

- A) 5
- B) 8
- C) 15
- D) 12
- E) 10

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) guards the 3,488 km India-China Line of Actual Control (LAC).
 - ITBP is establishing 10 all-women Border Out Posts (BOPs) along the LAC.
 - Announced by ITBP Director General Praveen Kumar during the 64th Raising Day in Jammu.
 - Locations being set up include Lukung (Ladakh) and Thangi (Himachal Pradesh).
- Total planned all-women BOPs: 10 (2 in process + 8 upcoming).
- ITBP was raised in 1962 and functions under the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which site has been recognized as India's 44th UNESCO World Heritage Site (WHS) in 2025?

- A) Santiniketan
- B) Sacred Ensembles of Hoysala
- C) Dholavira
- D) Maratha Military Landscapes
- E) Kakatiya Rudreshwara Temple

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- As of November 2025, India has 44 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Out of these, 35 are cultural, 7 are natural, and 2 are mixed heritage sites.
- The Maratha Military Landscapes of India has been inscribed as India's 44th UNESCO World Heritage Site.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: What was the sales growth of listed private non-financial companies in Q2 FY2025-26?

- A) 5.4%
- B) 5.5%
- C) 7%
- D) 8%
- E) 10%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Sales growth of listed private non-financial companies rose to 8% in Q2 FY2025-26, up from 5.5% in the previous quarter.
- 1,775 listed private manufacturing companies saw 8.5% year-on-year growth in Q2, driven by automobiles, food products, electrical machinery, and chemicals sectors.
- IT companies' sales grew 7.8% (y-o-y) in Q2, up from 6.0% in the previous quarter.
- Non-IT services companies recorded 10.6% sales growth in Q2, up from 7.5% in the previous quarter.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Executive Director of Canara Bank for a tenure of 3 years?

- A) Shri. Rajesh Kumar
- B) Shri. Sunil Kumar Chugh
- C) Shri. Anil Kumar
- D) Shri. Pankaj Singh
- E) Shri. Ramesh Gupta

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Shri. Sunil Kumar Chugh has been appointed as the Executive Director of Canara Bank for a tenure of 3 years.
- Prior to this appointment, he was serving as the Chief General Manager at Punjab National Bank.
- Canara Bank: Established in 1906, HQ in Bangalore, Karnataka, MD & CEO: K. Satyanarayana Raju, Tagline: Together we can.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: According to an SBI report, implementing four labour codes in India may create how many jobs and boost consumption by how much?

- A) 50 lakh jobs & ₹50,000 crore
- B) 77 lakh jobs & ₹75,000 crore
- C) 1 crore jobs & ₹1 lakh crore
- D) 25 lakh jobs & ₹30,000 crore
- E) 60 lakh jobs & ₹60,000 crore

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Implementing the four labour codes—Code on Wages (2019), Industrial Relations Code (2020), Code on Social Security (2020), and Occupational Safety, Health & Working Conditions Code (2020)—may create 77 lakh jobs and boost consumption by ₹75,000 crore.
- Expected to reduce unemployment from 3.2% to 1.9%–2.9% depending on scenario.
- All workers become eligible for minimum wages under the Code on Wages, potentially increasing daily income by ₹95, leading to higher consumption.
- Formalisation of workforce expected to rise by 15.1%, reaching 75.5% in the formal sector.
- 44 crore workers are in the unorganised sector; 31 crore registered on e-Shram portal.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: What factors drove India's economic growth in October 2025 despite global challenges?

- A) GST rate rationalisation & festival spending**
- B) High exports & low imports**
- C) Increased foreign direct investment**
- D) Decline in credit growth**
- E) Reduction in government spending**

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India's economic growth in October 2025 was driven by GST rate rationalisation and higher consumer spending during festivals.
- RBI noted improvement in manufacturing and services sectors, with strong macroeconomic frameworks supporting the economy.
- GST collections increased compared to the previous month, indicating a rise in consumer demand.
- Fiscal, monetary, and regulatory measures are expected to create a virtuous cycle of higher private investment, productivity, and growth.
- Merchandise trade deficit reached an all-time high due to surging imports (gold & silver) despite export contraction.

EXAM
Genius



Ques: Which securities did SEBI propose to exclude from BSDA portfolio value calculation?

- A) Zero Coupon Zero Principal (ZCZP) bonds
- B) Delisted securities
- C) Suspended securities
- D) Both A & B
- E) Government securities

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- SEBI proposed excluding Zero Coupon Zero Principal (ZCZP) bonds and delisted securities from Basic Services Demat Account (BSDA) portfolio value calculation.
- ZCZP bonds are non-transferable, non-tradable, and provide no monetary return, hence treated like social contribution, not investment.
- Delisted securities are proposed to be excluded similar to already-excluded suspended securities due to lack of price discovery and liquidity.
- Illiquid securities will still be valued at last closing price. Reassessment of BSDA eligibility is proposed quarterly instead of varying billing cycles.
- SEBI suggests easier consent methods for investors preferring normal demat accounts.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Who became the youngest-ever FIDE World Cup 2025 champion?

- A) GM Wei Yi
- B) GM Nodirbek Abdusattorov
- C) GM Magnus Carlsen
- D) GM Javokhir Sindarov
- E) GM Fabiano Caruana

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- GM Javokhir Sindarov of Uzbekistan won the FIDE World Cup 2025 in Goa by defeating China's GM Wei Yi in the rapid tiebreak.
- At 19 years old, he became the youngest-ever FIDE World Cup champion and the first chess player from Uzbekistan to win the event.
- Prize awarded: \$120,000 and the newly named Viswanathan Anand Cup.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: Which new 24×7 short helpline number was launched by the National Commission for Women (NCW) for faster support to women across India?

- A) 1098
- B) 1291
- C) 181
- D) 112
- E) 14490

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The National Commission for Women (NCW) launched a new 24×7 short helpline – 14490, which is toll-free, easy to remember, and linked to the existing NCW helpline.
- The helpline provides immediate assistance to women facing violence, harassment, or distress anywhere in India.
- NCW was established in 1992 and is headquartered in New Delhi, with Vijaya Kishore Rahatkar as the current Chairperson.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: A 3.5-billion-year-old crater on Mars was recently named after which pioneering Indian geologist?

- A) K.S. Krishnan
- B) M.S. Krishnan
- C) R. Venkataraman
- D) C.V. Raman
- E) V. Sirsikar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The International Astronomical Union (IAU) has officially named a 3.5-billion-year-old Martian crater after M.S. Krishnan, a pioneering Indian geologist and the first Indian Director of the Geological Survey of India.
- The naming proposal was submitted by researchers from IIST and Government College, Kasaragod, and several Kerala-based place names have also been approved for Martian craters and valleys for the first time.
- The plain inside the crater has been named Krishnan Palus, and a channel cutting across it is named Periyar Vallis.

EXAM
Genius





Ques: In FY 2025–26, Indian Railways crossed which milestone in freight transportation?

- A) 500 Million Tonnes
- B) 750 Million Tonnes
- C) 2 Billion Tonnes
- D) 1.5 Billion Tonnes
- E) 1 Billion Tonnes

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Indian Railways crossed the 1-billion-tonne mark in cumulative freight loading for FY 2025–26, reaching 1,020 Million Tonnes (MT).
- Coal was the largest contributor at 505 MT, followed by iron ore (115 MT) and cement (92 MT).
- Daily freight loading maintained a robust average of 4.4 MT, higher than last year's 4.2 MT, showing improved operational efficiency and sustained demand.
- Between April and October, cumulative freight loading reached 935.1 MT, compared to 906.9 MT during the same period last year.

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Ques: What is the total financial outlay of the 'Scheme to Promote Manufacturing of Sintered Rare Earth Permanent Magnets (REPM)' approved by the Union Cabinet?

- A) ₹5,000 crore
- B) ₹6,450 crore
- C) ₹7,280 crore
- D) ₹8,000 crore
- E) ₹10,200 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet approved the REPM manufacturing promotion scheme with a total outlay of ₹7,280 crore.
- The outlay includes ₹6,450 crore as sales-linked incentives over 5 years and ₹750 crore as capital subsidy for setting up 6,000 MTPA manufacturing capacity.
- The scheme aims to strengthen domestic REPM manufacturing, reduce import dependence, and support EV, renewable energy, and defence sectors.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA)?

- A) Justice Vikram Nath
- B) Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul
- C) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud
- D) Justice B.R. Gavai
- E) Justice Bela M. Trivedi

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Justice Vikram Nath has been appointed as the new Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority.
- NALSA was established under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
- The Chief Justice of India serves as the Patron-in-Chief of NALSA.

About NALSA:

- Formed: 1995
- HQ: New Delhi
- Act: Legal Services Authorities Act 1987

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Ques: In November 2025, which agreements were signed by Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) in Assam to boost inland water transport?

- A) IWAI & Assam Petro-Chemicals Ltd. (APL)
- B) IWAI & Government of Assam
- C) IWAI & Indian Railways
- D) Both A & B
- E) IWAI & Ministry of Shipping

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Two major agreements were signed by IWAI in Assam:
 - IWAI & Assam Petro-Chemicals Ltd. (APL) – to strengthen Assam's inland water transport network with a total cost of ₹400 crore.
 - IWAI & Government of Assam – to enhance cargo and passenger movement through the state's river systems with a total cost of ₹2,600 crore.

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Ques: Which company has become the 2nd largest exporter of pulses to India?

- A) Cargill
- B) ADM
- C) Louis Dreyfus Company (LDC)
- D) Olam
- E) Glencore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- LDC (Louis Dreyfus Company), a 170-year-old French agri-trading giant, has rapidly expanded its pulses business and emerged as the second-largest exporter of pulses to India.
- India is the largest producer, consumer, and importer of pulses, which has driven LDC's expansion.
- LDC trades major pulses globally, procures pulses domestically in India, and is exploring setting up processing mills to become part of a larger value chain.
- Rising global demand for plant-based protein is boosting LDC's pulse trade.

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Ques: Which country recently launched its first communication satellite, OmanSat-1?

- A) Qatar
- B) Bahrain
- C) Oman
- D) Kuwait
- E) Saudi Arabia

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Oman launched its first communication satellite – OmanSat-1, marking a major step towards digital independence and Oman Vision 2040 goals.
- The satellite was developed under an agreement between the Ministry of Transport, Communications & Information Technology (Oman) and Airbus Defence and Space.
- Built on the OneSat platform, it can be reconfigured in orbit and operates in Ka-band.
- Coverage includes Oman's territory, economic waters, and regions in the Middle East, East Africa & Asia.

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Ques: What is India's estimated Kharif foodgrain production for 2025-26 as per first advance estimates?

- A) 165 million tonnes
- B) 169.4 million tonnes
- C) 173.33 million tonnes
- D) 178.50 million tonnes
- E) 160.75 million tonnes

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Agriculture's first advance estimates pegged Kharif foodgrain output at a record 173.33 million tonnes.
- The rise was mainly driven by higher rice (124.504 mt) and maize (28.303 mt) production due to abundant and widespread monsoon rainfall.
- Coarse cereals output estimated at 41.414 mt; pulses slightly lower at 7.41 mt; oilseeds at 27.563 mt.
- Groundnut output rose to 11.09 mt (better yields in Gujarat); soybean lower at 14.26 mt; sugarcane up to 475.614 mt; cotton down to 29.215 million bales.

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Ques: Where did PM Modi inaugurate Safran's largest global CFM LEAP engine MRO facility?

- A) Bengaluru
- B) Chennai
- C) Hyderabad
- D) Mumbai
- E) Nagpur

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The world's largest Safran CFM LEAP Engine MRO facility was inaugurated by PM Modi in Hyderabad.
- The 45,000 sq. m facility, built with an investment of ₹1,300 crore at GMR Aerospace & Industrial Park, will service LEAP engines that power major narrow-body aircraft globally.
- PM Modi highlighted opportunities under 'Design in India' and emphasized India's MSME network and young talent supporting aerospace innovation.
- Reforms enabling 100% FDI via automatic routes and PLI schemes have attracted global manufacturers towards 'Make in India'.

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Ques: The 2025 Antarctic ozone hole was notable for being one of the smallest since 1992. What contributed to this improvement?

- A) Increased industrial emissions
- B) Reduced ozone-depleting substances under the Montreal Protocol
- C) Stronger polar vortex
- D) Increased use of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)
- E) Decrease in global temperatures

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 2025 Antarctic ozone hole was the 5th smallest since 1992, closing weeks earlier than usual, with an average size of 18.71 million sq km.
- Improvement is credited to the Montreal Protocol, which reduced ozone-depleting chemicals like CFCs, chlorine, and bromine compounds.
- Ozone-depleting substances have fallen by about one-third since the 2000 peak.
- Weather factors such as a weaker polar vortex and warmer stratosphere also limited ozone loss.
- Balloon soundings at the South Pole recorded a minimum of 147 Dobson Units in early October, better than 92 DU in 2006.

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Ques: Where were the World Boxing Cup Finals 2025 held?

- A) Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium, Delhi
- B) K. D. Jadhav Wrestling Stadium, Delhi
- C) Shaheed Vijay Singh Pathik Sports Complex, Greater Noida
- D) Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Chennai
- E) SAI Sports Complex, Bengaluru

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The World Boxing Cup Finals 2025 were held at the Shaheed Vijay Singh Pathik Sports Complex in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh.
- The five-day event was the season finale of the 2025 World Boxing Cup series, organised by World Boxing (WB) in partnership with the Boxing Federation of India (BFI).
- More than 130 boxers from 18 countries competed across 10 men's and 10 women's weight categories.
- Stages:
 - First stage: 31 March to 5 April in Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil
 - Second stage: 30 June to 7 July in Astana, Kazakhstan
 - Finals: 16 to 20 November in UP, India

Ranking of Top 5 Nations by Gold Medals :

- 1 India - 13
- 2 Kazakhstan - 12
- 3 Uzbekistan - 9
- 4 Brazil - 7
- 5 Poland - 3

Overall Medal Tally of India at 2025 World Boxing Cup Series:

- First Stage : Gold (1), Silver (1), Bronze (4), - Total (6)
- Second Stage : Gold (3), Silver (5), Bronze (3), - Total (11)
- Finals : Gold (9), Silver (6), Bronze (5), - Total (20)
- Total : Gold (13), Silver (12), Bronze (12), - Total (37)



Ques: Which committee recommended the phased creation of a Tiger Reserve in Goa?

- A) NTCA
- B) Central Empowered Committee (CEC)
- C) Wildlife Institute of India
- D) Project Tiger Committee
- E) MoEFCC Expert Panel

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Central Empowered Committee (CEC), appointed by the Supreme Court, reviewed the Goa government's challenge to the Bombay High Court order and recommended creating the tiger reserve in phases.
- Phase 1 proposes a 468.6 sq. km core area with 102 households, with a 208 sq. km buffer containing 612 households to be added later.
- The total proposed Goa Tiger Reserve, including core and buffer areas, could cover approximately 1,814 sq. km, adjacent to Karnataka's Kali Tiger Reserve to ensure ecological continuity.

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Ques: What is BharatGen, recently announced at IIT Bombay?

- A) India's first autonomous vehicle project
- B) India's first sovereign multilingual & multimodal Large Language Model
- C) India's space communication satellite
- D) India's first quantum computer
- E) India's national cloud computing platform

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- BharatGen is India's first sovereign multilingual and multimodal Large Language Model (LLM), supporting 22+ Indian languages with text, speech, and document vision capabilities.
- Announced at IIT Bombay by Dr. Jitendra Singh, it is developed under the National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NM-ICPS) with funding from DST and MeitY under the India AI Mission.
- Key BharatGen AI models include Param-1 (Text LLM, 2.9B parameters), Shrutam (Speech-to-text), Sooktam (Text-to-speech), and Patram (India's first document-vision model).

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