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**Ques: After the 4th phase of consolidation, how many Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) are operational in India?**

- A) 43
- B) 35
- C) 28
- D) 30
- E) 25

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The Finance Ministry held its first high-level meeting with heads of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) and Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) after the 4th phase of RRB consolidation, effective from May 1.
- After the latest consolidation, the number of RRBs reduced from 43 to 28.
- On May 1, 15 RRBs across 11 states were merged to form state-owned RRBs to improve efficiency and reduce operational costs.

Phase-wise RRB consolidation:

- Phase 1 (FY 2006–10): 196 → 82
- Phase 2 (FY 2013–15): 82 → 56
- Phase 3: 56 → 43
- Phase 4: 43 → 28 v

- RRBs were established under the RRB Act, 1976 to provide credit to small farmers, agricultural labourers, and artisans.
- The Act was amended in 2015, allowing RRBs to raise capital from sources other than the Centre, States, and sponsor banks.
- Authorised capital was increased from ₹5 crore to ₹2,000 crore, with minimum authorised capital raised to ₹1 crore.
- Even after dilution, the combined stake of the Centre and sponsor banks cannot fall below 51%.
- Current shareholding pattern: Centre (50%), Sponsor Banks (35%), State Governments (15%).





## Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) granted in-principle approval to Payoneer India Private Limited, a subsidiary of United States of America (USA)- based Payoneer Global, to operate as a Payment Aggregator – Cross Border (PA-CB)
- Razorpay's offline payments arm, Razorpay POS (Point of Sale), has received the Payment Aggregator – Physical (PA-P) licence from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has notified the Foreign Exchange Management (Export and Import of Goods and Services) Regulations, 2026.
- The Reserve Bank of India issued draft amendment directions to clarify the calculation of Owned Fund / Tier-1 Capital for NBFCs and Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs).
- The RBI has proposed reopening the licensing window for new Urban Co-operative Banks after 22 years.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued the Reserve Bank–Integrated Ombudsman Scheme (RB-IOS) 2026, a revised grievance redressal framework aimed at simplifying complaint resolution for customers of banks and other financial institutions.

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- A) 25%
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- C) 55%
- D) 73%
- E) 90%

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

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- The growth was driven mainly by investments in manufacturing, services, digital infrastructure, IT, and R&D.
- In contrast, FDI inflows into China declined for the third consecutive year, falling 8% to USD 107.5 billion.
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## Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

- Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced the 'Atal Vichal Agrabami Assam' scheme to support research scholars through monthly financial assistance.
- Indian Railways' One Station One Product (OSOP) scheme has emerged as a powerful platform for promoting local craftsmanship and grassroots entrepreneurship across the country.
- The Swadesh Darshan Scheme was launched in January 2015 by the Ministry of Tourism.
- As announced in the Union Budget, the government plans to increase the short-term loan limit for KCC holders from ₹3 lakh to ₹5 lakh, likely to be implemented from FY27.
- The Design Linked Incentive (DLI) Scheme aims to build a strong fabless semiconductor ecosystem in India by encouraging indigenous semiconductor design capabilities.
- The Assam government launched a new financial assistance scheme for Udasin Bhakats.
- Tamil Nadu Assured Pension Scheme (TAPS) was announced by Chief Minister M. K. Stalin for state government employees and teachers.

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- A) Payoneer India Private Limited
- B) Razorpay
- C) Paytm Payments Services
- D) Stripe India
- E) Worldline India

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- The Reserve Bank of India granted in-principle approval to Payoneer India Private Limited, a subsidiary of US-based Payoneer Global, to operate as a Payment Aggregator – Cross Border (PA-CB).
- Non-bank payment aggregators are required to maintain minimum net worth norms.
- They must adhere to a per-transaction limit of ₹25 lakh.
- Separate import and export accounts must be maintained without netting of transactions.

**NABARD**

- All Group "A," "B," and "C" employees at NABARD will have a wage and benefit increase of roughly 20% starting on November 1, 2022.
- NABARD retirees who were initially hired by the organization and retired prior to November 1st, 2017, now get a basic pension or family pension that is comparable to that of former RBI NABARD retirees.

**RBI**

- With effect from November 1st, 2022, the authorized revision will increase pensions and family pensions by 10% on base pension plus dearness relief.
- The anticipated overall financial impact is ₹2,696.82 crore, comprising a recurrent annual cost of ₹211.80 crore and a one-time expenditure of ₹2,485.02 crore towards arrears.





**Ques: What is the percentage hike approved in the wage bill for employees of Public Sector General Insurance Companies (PSGICs)?**

- A) 8%
- B) 10%
- C) 12.41%
- D) 14%
- E) 18%

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The Central Government has approved wage revision for employees of Public Sector General Insurance Companies (PSGICs) and NABARD, along with pension revision for retirees of RBI and NABARD.
- The wage revision for PSGIC employees is effective from 01.08.2022.
- The overall increase in the wage bill is 12.41%, which includes a 14% hike in Basic Pay and Dearness Allowance.
- The NPS contribution for employees who joined after 01.04.2010 has been increased from 10% to 14%.
- Family pension has been revised to a uniform rate of 30% from the date of official gazette notification.
- The total financial outgo for PSGIC-related revisions is estimated at ₹8,170.30 crore.

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**Ques : The 'Healthy Border Campaign (Swasth Seema Abhiyan)' was launched through an agreement between which two entities?**

'हेल्दी बॉर्डर कैंपेन (स्वस्थ सीमा अभियान)' किन दो संस्थाओं के बीच हुए समझौते के माध्यम से शुरू किया गया है?

- A) Government of Uttarakhand & ITBP / उत्तराखंड सरकार और आईटीबीपी
- B) Government of Uttarakhand & BSF / उत्तराखंड सरकार और बीएसएफ
- C) Ministry of Home Affairs & ITBP / गृह मंत्रालय और आईटीबीपी
- D) Ministry of Health & ITBP / स्वास्थ्य मंत्रालय और आईटीबीपी
- E) NITI Aayog & ITBP / नीति आयोग और आईटीबीपी

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation | व्याख्या:**

- The campaign was signed between the Government of Uttarakhand and the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP).
- यह अभियान उत्तराखंड सरकार और भारत-तिब्बत सीमा पुलिस (ITBP) के बीच हस्ताक्षरित हुआ।
- The objective is to launch the 'Healthy Border Campaign (Swasth Seema Abhiyan)' to provide integrated primary healthcare services.
- इसका उद्देश्य एकीकृत प्राथमिक स्वास्थ्य सेवाएं प्रदान करने हेतु 'स्वस्थ सीमा अभियान' शुरू करना है।
- The initiative targets residents of 108 border villages.
- यह पहल 108 सीमावर्ती गांवों के निवासियों को लक्षित करती है।
- The first phase will be implemented in Pithoragarh, Chamoli and Uttarkashi districts of Uttarakhand.
- पहला चरण उत्तराखंड के पिथौरागढ़, चमोली और उत्तरकाशी जिलों में लागू किया जाएगा।





**Ques: According to the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), which diamonds can legally be called “diamond”?**

- A) All diamonds including lab-grown
- B) Only synthetic diamonds
- C) Only polished diamonds
- D) Only imported diamonds
- E) Only natural diamonds

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has clarified that the term “diamond” can be used only for natural diamonds.
- BIS adopted IS 19469:2025, a modified version of ISO 18323:2015, to enhance consumer confidence in the diamond industry.
- Descriptors such as natural, real, genuine, and precious are permitted only for natural diamonds.
- Lab-grown diamonds must be clearly disclosed as “laboratory-grown diamond” or “laboratory-created diamond”.
- Abbreviations like LGD, lab-grown, lab-diamond, and misleading terms such as nature’s, pure, earth-friendly, and cultured are not allowed.
- The Natural Diamond Council welcomed the move, citing improved transparency and consumer clarity.

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## Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Vidarbha achieved a historic milestone in Indian domestic cricket by winning its maiden Vijay Hazare Trophy title.
- India has submitted a bid to host the 2028 World Indoor Athletics Championships in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- The Sixth Edition of Khelo India Winter Games 2026 began at NDS Stadium in Leh, Ladakh.
- American chess player Carissa Yip won the women's blitz title at Tata Steel Chess India 2026.
- ICC Men's player of the month for December 2025 is Mitchell Starc (Australia) and ICC Women's player of the month for December 2025 Laura Wolvaardt (South Africa)
- Indian chess player Aaryan Varshney became India's 92nd Chess Grandmaster. He is from Delhi.
- The 2nd Khelo India Beach Games are set to begin at Ghoghla Beach, Diu, from 5th to 10th January.
- Venus Williams (45) has been awarded a wildcard entry to the Australian Open.
- Hockey India has appointed Sjoerd Marijne as the chief coach of the Indian women's hockey team.





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- A) Tezpur, Assam
- B) Pathankot, Punjab
- C) Jorhat, Assam
- D) Nagpur, Maharashtra
- E) Missamari, Assam

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- P.B. Rangarao, CEO of Helicopter Complex, HAL, along with the General Officer Commanding of Gajraj Corps, laid the foundation stone of the MRO hub.
- The MRO facility will be established at Missamari in Assam.
- The hub will reduce repair turnaround time and streamline logistics support.
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- A) Larsen & Toubro
- B) Bharat Electronics Limited
- C) Adani Defence
- D) Tata Advanced Systems
- E) Bharat Forge Limited

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- Bharat Forge Limited (BFL)'s aerospace division secured contracts worth nearly Rs 300 crore under the EP-VI framework.
- Under EP-VI, the value of each contract is capped at Rs 300 crore.
- Omega One unmanned system was showcased during Army Day on 15 January 2026 in Jaipur, mounted on an upgraded BMP-2 vehicle for short to medium-range surveillance.
- Omega Nine is a high-endurance variant developed for long-duration missions to detect enemies and identify targets.
- Loitering munitions such as Bayonet and Cleaver are kamikaze drones capable of hovering, identifying targets, and striking with precision.

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**Ques: Which city became Uttar Pradesh's first 'Zero Fresh Waste Dump City'?**

- A) Kanpur
- B) Varanasi
- C) Ghaziabad
- D) Prayagraj
- E) Lucknow

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- Lucknow became Uttar Pradesh's first 'Zero Fresh Waste Dump City' after achieving 100% scientific processing of municipal solid waste under the Swachh Bharat Mission–Urban.
- This milestone was achieved with the inauguration of the Shivari Solid Waste Management Plant.
- The Lucknow Municipal Corporation (LMC) is implementing a multi-pronged waste management strategy focusing on scientific disposal and resource recovery.
- The initiative enhances urban sustainability, public health, and environmental quality.
- With nearly 40 lakh residents and 7.5 lakh establishments, efficient waste management is crucial for Lucknow.

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## Recent News Headlines Related to First in india and world :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged off India's first Vande Bharat Sleeper Train between Howrah and Guwahati (Kamakhya) from Malda Town Railway Station.
- Tamil Nadu has unveiled India's first Deep Tech Startup Policy 2025–26 to promote cutting-edge research and innovation. The policy earmarks an investment of ₹100 crore to support 100 deeptech start-ups across the state.
- Indian Institute of Information Technology, Dharwad (IIIT-D) will deploy India's first commercial quantum computer at its Centre for Excellence in Quantum AI and Computing. The deployment will be carried out in collaboration with Bengaluru-based deeptech startup QpiAI.
- Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Dr. Jitendra Singh launched India's first open-sea Marine Fish Farming Project (MFFP).
- India's postal network has taken a major digital leap by delivering its first ONDC order.
- India marked a major milestone in judicial reform with the virtual inauguration of the country's first fully paperless district judiciary at Kalpetta in Wayanad district, Kerala.

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- E) 700 MHz band

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

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- The move was notified under the Low Power and Very Low Power Wireless Access System Rules, 2026.
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**Ques: Who inaugurated 'Granth Kutir' at Rashtrapati Bhavan?**

- A) Narendra Modi
- B) Amit Shah
- C) Droupadi Murmu
- D) Rajnath Singh
- E) Jagdeep Dhankhar

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- President of India Smt Droupadi Murmu inaugurated Granth Kutir at Rashtrapati Bhavan.
- Granth Kutir is a library and archival space showcasing India's cultural and intellectual heritage.
- It houses books and manuscripts in 11 classical languages of India.
- Classical languages include Tamil, Sanskrit, Kannada, Telugu, Malayalam, Odia, Marathi, Pali, Prakrit, Assamese and Bengali.
- The collection includes around 2,300 books and 50 manuscripts.
- Granth Kutir reflects India's philosophical, literary and intellectual diversity.

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## Recent Headlines Related to Inauguration :

- The Centre of Excellence (CoE) for Regulatory Affairs in the Power Sector was inaugurated at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi.
- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu laid the foundation stone for the world's largest green hydrogen and green ammonia plants at Kakinada.
- Union Minister Rajnath Singh, Ministry of Defence, inaugurated a Medium Calibre Ammunition Manufacturing Facility at Solar Defence and Aerospace Limited (SDAL).
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah laid the foundation stone of a BSL-4 (Bio-Safety Level-4) containment facility in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- Galgotias University inaugurated the IIT-Mandi Catalyst Satellite Centre at its campus in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh.
- Union Minister of Home Affairs Amit Shah inaugurated a high-tech Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC) in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the National Improvised Explosive Device Data Management System (NIDMS) of the National Security Guard (NSG).

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**Ques: Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (SSY) was launched under which national campaign to secure the future of the girl child?**

- A) Digital India
- B) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
- C) Make in India
- D) Jan Dhan Yojana
- E) Skill India

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (SSY) is a Government of India–backed small savings scheme launched under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) campaign.
- As of December 2025, over 4.53 crore SSY accounts have been opened with total deposits exceeding ₹3.33 lakh crore.
- SSY was launched on 22 January 2015 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The scheme is administered by the Ministry of Finance.
- The objective of SSY is to promote savings for the education and marriage of the girl child.
- The account is known as the Sukanya Samriddhi Account (SSA).
- A parent or legal guardian can open the account at India Post Offices, Public Sector Banks, and authorised private sector banks.
- The account can be opened from the birth of the girl child till she attains 10 years of age.
- Only one account is allowed per girl child and a maximum of two accounts per family, with special provision for twins or triplets.
- The account is operated by the parent or guardian till the girl child attains 18 years, after which she can operate it herself.
- The minimum deposit is ₹250 per financial year and the maximum annual deposit is ₹1.5 lakh.
- Deposits are allowed for 15 years, while the maturity period is 21 years from the date of account opening.
- The interest rate under SSY is 8.2% per annum. Partial withdrawal up to 50% of the balance is allowed after attaining 18 years or passing Class 10.
- Premature closure is allowed only after 18 years in case of marriage or death of the account holder, but not within the first 5 years.



**Ques: Where is India's first dedicated 'Glass Museum' being developed?**

- A) Jaipur
- B) Varanasi
- C) Firozabad
- D) Agra
- E) Prayagraj

Answer: Option C

**Explanation:**

- India's first dedicated Glass Museum is being developed in Firozabad, Uttar Pradesh, popularly known as the "Glass City of India."
- The museum is being constructed on over 25,700 square metres of land with a project cost of around ₹47 crore.
- The entire façade of the building will be made of glass, symbolising the city's glass heritage.
- The museum will showcase the evolution of glass from ancient civilizations like Harappa to modern-day glass industries of Firozabad.
- It will feature digital storytelling, AR-VR experiences, immersive galleries, and live glass-blowing demonstrations.
- Dedicated galleries will highlight glass products, craft processes, and design innovation.
- The museum is part of an integrated cultural tourism campus aimed at boosting tourism in the Braj Circuit region.





**Ques: Where was India's first integrated private-sector satellite manufacturing plant 'Palmnaro' inaugurated?**

- A) Sanand, Gujarat
- B) Hyderabad, Telangana
- C) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- D) Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh
- E) Pune, Maharashtra

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

Arjunbhai Modhwadia, Gujarat's Minister of Science and Technology, laid the foundation stone of India's first integrated private-sector satellite plant 'Palmnaro'. The plant is being set up at Khoraaj Industrial Estate in Sanand, Gujarat. Azista Space Limited signed MoUs with the Gujarat government worth over ₹500 crore for establishing the facility. This will be India's first private-sector satellite manufacturing plant.

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## Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement:

- Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Viasat, Inc., an American satellite communications firm, announced a partnership to support the next phase of the Indian Navy's Satellite Communications (SatCom) upgrade programme.
- Governments of Odisha and Meghalaya Signed MOU at Bhubaneswar, Odisha to enhance cooperation in Early Childhood Care, Education and Development (ECCED) through inter-state collaboration, focusing on mutual learning and best practice exchange
- Wikimedia Foundation, parent company of Wikipedia signed strategic partnerships with Amazon, Meta, Microsoft, Mistral AI, and Perplexity to provide structured, paid access to Wikipedia content for Artificial Intelligence training
- Air India and Singapore Airlines signed a commercial cooperation framework agreement to deepen their long-standing partnership and explore joint business opportunities.
- India and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) have signed a long-term Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) supply agreement.
- India and Germany are close to finalising a submarine manufacturing deal worth around \$8 billion, which could become India's largest-ever defence agreement.

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**Ques: Under the Greenhouse Gases Emission Intensity (GEI) Target framework, how many total entities are now obligated to comply after the second round of targets notified in 2025?**

- A) 208
- B) 282
- C) 350
- D) 490
- E) 500

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

The Union Government notified the second round of legally binding Gases Emission Intensity (GEI) targets under the GEI Target (Amendment) Rules, 2025.

The new targets include four additional high-emission sectors—petroleum refineries, petrochemicals, textiles, and secondary aluminium—covering 208 entities.

With this addition, the total number of obligated entities has increased from 282 to 490.

The first set of GEI targets was issued in October 2025 for aluminium, cement, chlor-alkali, and pulp & paper sectors.





**Ques: Where was the humanoid robot 'ASC ARJUN' deployed by Indian Railways?**

- A) New Delhi
- B) Chennai
- C) Visakhapatnam
- D) Mumbai
- E) Kolkata

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

Indian Railways deployed a humanoid robot named ASC ARJUN at Visakhapatnam Railway Station to enhance passenger safety, security and service delivery.

This is the first-of-its-kind initiative across the Indian Railways network.

The robot works alongside Railway Protection Force (RPF) personnel during peak passenger movement.

ASC ARJUN is equipped with Face Recognition System (FRS) and AI-based crowd monitoring.

It can send real-time alerts to RPF control rooms.

The robot supports automated public announcements in English, Hindi and Telugu.

It features semi-autonomous navigation, obstacle avoidance and 24x7 platform patrolling.

It is also equipped with fire and smoke detection systems for emergencies.





**Ques: Which two organisations signed an MoU to digitise and standardise geographical place names across India using AI?**

- A) MeitY and BIS
- B) Survey of India and ISRO
- C) UIDAI and NIC
- D) DST and NITI Aayog
- E) Digital India BHASHINI Division and Survey of India

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

Digital India BHASHINI (BHASHa INterface for India) Division under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) signed an MoU with the Survey of India (SoI) under the Department of Science & Technology.

The objective is to digitise, transcribe and standardise geographical place names (toponyms) across India using AI-based speech and language technologies.

Survey of India, as the national nodal agency, conducts large-scale toponymic field surveys in local vernacular languages for standardisation and maintenance of geographical names.

The initiative will create a validated database of over 16 lakh Indian place names in local scripts, Devanagari and Roman formats.

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**Ques: How many Padma Vibhushan awards have been approved for 2026?**

- A) 3
- B) 5
- C) 7
- D) 10
- E) 12

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

A provisional list of Padma Awards 2026 recipients has been released ahead of Republic Day.

Instituted in 1954, the awards are given in three categories: Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan, and Padma Shri.

This year, five Padma Vibhushan awards have been approved.

The Padma Bhushan category features 13 awardees.

The largest group, 113 Padma Shri awards, showcases diversity and inclusion.

19 of the awardees are women, the list includes 6 foreigners/NRI/PIO/OCI, and 16 posthumous awardees.

**The highest number of awardees this year came from:**

- Maharashtra - 15
- Tamil Nadu - 13
- Uttar Pradesh - 11
- West Bengal - 11
- Kerala - 8

**Padma Vibhushan 2026 :**

- Shri Dharmendra Singh Deol (Posthumous) : Art - Maharashtra
- Shri K T Thomas : Public Affairs - Kerala





- Ms. N Rajam : Art - Uttar Pradesh
- Shri P Narayanan : Literature & Education - Kerala
- Shri V S Achuthanandhan (Posthumous) : Public Affairs - Kerala

### **Padma Bhushan 2026 :**

- Ms. Alka Yagnik : Art - Maharashtra
- Shri Bhagat Singh Koshyari : Public Affairs - Uttarakhand
- Shri Kallipatti Ramasamy Palaniswamy : Medicine - Tamil Nadu
- Shri Mammooty : Art - Kerala
- Dr. Nori Dattatreya : Medicine - USA
- Shri Piyush Pandey : Art - Maharashtra
- Shri S K M Maeilanandhan : Social Work - Tamil Nadu
- Shri Shatavadhani R Ganesh : Art - Karnataka
- Shri Shibu Soren : Public Affairs - Jharkhand
- Shri Uday Kotak : Trade & Industry - Maharashtra
- Shri V K Malhotra : Public Affairs - Delhi
- Shri Vellappally Natesan : Public Affairs - Kerala
- Shri Vijay Amritraj : Sports - USA

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## IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs

- The Election Commission of India (ECI) is organizing an international conference titled “Global Election Year 2024: Reiteration of Democratic Spaces; Takeaway for EMBs” in New Delhi.
- Government e-Marketplace and MVIRDC (M. Visvesvaraya Industrial Research and Development Centre) World Trade Centre Mumbai (WTC Mumbai) signed a Memorandum of Understanding to promote domestic and international collaboration and enhance Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises participation in public procurement.
- Government of Goa & Starlink Satellite Communications Private Limited (SSCPL) signed MOU to strengthen the digital infrastructure, connectivity, and disaster resilience of the state by leveraging satellite-based broadband solutions
- Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship & World Economic Forum signed Mou to deepen cooperation in vocational education, training, and skill development through the launch of the India Skills Accelerator

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