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Ques: As per the February 2026 draft guidelines, what Credit-Deposit (CD) ratio target has been set for rural and semi-urban branches under the Lead Bank Scheme (LBS)?

- A) 40%
- B) 50%
- C) 60%
- D) 70%
- E) 80%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India issued draft guidelines in February 2026 to streamline the Lead Bank Scheme (LBS) with a focus on improving credit flow in rural and semi-urban areas.
- As per the draft, rural and semi-urban branches must achieve a minimum CD ratio of 60%.
- The Credit-Deposit (CD) ratio indicates how much of the deposits mobilised by banks are converted into loans; a higher ratio reflects better local credit deployment.
- District Consultative Committees (DCCs) will closely monitor districts where the CD ratio lies between 40% and 60% to improve performance.
- Districts with a CD ratio below 20% will be classified as 'Special Category' districts, indicating very low credit absorption.
- The guidelines also mandate that at least 25% of total banking outlets be opened in Tier-V and Tier-VI Under-Served Rural Centres (URCs) to strengthen financial inclusion.
- Overall, the objective is to deepen financial inclusion and improve credit flow to priority sectors such as agriculture and MSMEs.





Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has been publishing the RBI-Digital Payments Index (RBI-DPI) since 1 January 2021, with March 2018 as the base year (Index = 100).
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued comprehensive draft directions on advertising, marketing, and sales of financial products and services by banks.
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has proposed to double the aggregate ceiling of unsecured advances for Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs) to 20% of total assets, from the earlier limit of 10%.
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has proposed to enhance individual and aggregate unsecured loan limits for Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs).
- Transcorp International Limited received in-principle approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to participate in Centralized Payment Systems (CPS).
- On February 6, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) revised the GDP growth forecast for the ongoing financial year to 7.4%, up from the earlier estimate of 7.3%.





Ques: Who has received a three-year extension as the Managing Director & CEO of AU Small Finance Bank?

- A) Uday Kotak
- B) Sanjay Agarwal
- C) Hasmukh Adhia
- D) Shaktikanta Das
- E) Chandra Shekhar Ghosh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- AU Small Finance Bank announced that the Reserve Bank of India has approved the reappointment of Sanjay Agarwal as its Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer.
- The extension is for a further period of three years, effective from April 19.
- The reappointment had earlier been approved by the Board (October 17, 2025) and shareholders (December 26, 2025), subject to RBI confirmation.
- Recently, AU Small Finance Bank also received in-principle approval from RBI to transition into a universal bank.

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Ques: As per the revised norms, what is the maximum aggregate exposure banks can extend towards acquisition (M&A) financing?

- A) 10% of capital base
- B) 15% of capital base
- C) 20% of capital base
- D) 25% of capital base
- E) 30% of capital base

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India has allowed banks to extend aggregate exposure up to 20% of their eligible capital base for acquisition (M&A) financing, increased from the earlier proposed 10%.
- Banks are now permitted to finance acquisitions of unlisted companies, subject to prescribed conditions.
- The target unlisted company must have a minimum net worth of ₹500 crore, be profit-making for the last three years, and possess an investment-grade credit rating (BBB– or above).
- The permissible portion of bank financing has been increased to 75% of the acquisition value, up from the earlier proposed 70%.
- The remaining 25% of the acquisition cost must be funded by the acquirer through internal accruals or fresh equity issuance.





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairman of GIFT City by the Government of Gujarat?

- A) Hasmukh Adhia
- B) Uday Kotak
- C) Shaktikanta Das
- D) Rajeev Jain
- E) Ajay Seth

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Government of Gujarat appointed Uday Kotak as the Chairman of Gujarat International Finance Tec-City Company Ltd (GIFT City).
- Uday Kotak is the Founder and Director of Kotak Mahindra Bank.
- He replaced Hasmukh Adhia in this position.
- As per the resolution of the Urban Development Department of Gujarat, he will assume charge with immediate effect.

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Ques: Which bank was fined ₹63.60 lakh by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for non-compliance with regulatory norms?

- A) Bank of Maharashtra
- B) DCB Bank
- C) CSB Bank
- D) Punjab & Sind Bank
- E) Indian Overseas Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India imposed monetary penalties on three banks for non-compliance with its regulatory guidelines.
- A fine of ₹32.50 lakh was imposed on Bank of Maharashtra.
- A penalty of ₹29.60 lakh was imposed on DCB Bank.
- The highest penalty of ₹63.60 lakh was imposed on CSB Bank.
- The penalties were related to non-compliance with RBI's regulatory norms.

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Ques: With reference to the Bird Atlas of Goa, consider the following statements:

1. It was released during the 9th Bird Festival of Goa held at Valpoi.
2. Goa became the second state in India, after Kerala, to publish a comprehensive state-level bird atlas.
3. The atlas covers about 370 sq km area and nearly 1,400 km of transect distance.
4. The theme of the Bird Festival was “Majestic Mhadei”, highlighting the ecological importance of the Mhadei river basin.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A) 1 and 2 only
- B) 1, 2 and 3 only
- C) 2, 3 and 4 only
- D) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- E) 1 and 4 only

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Bird Atlas of Goa was published by the Government of Goa during the 9th Bird Festival of Goa held at Valpoi.
- Goa became the second Indian state after Kerala (2022) to publish a comprehensive state-level bird atlas.
- The atlas covers about 370 sq km area and nearly 1,400 km of transect distance, reflecting extensive field documentation.
- The theme of the festival was “Majestic Mhadei”, highlighting the ecological significance of the Mhadei river basin.
- The atlas documents bird diversity across 370 sq km and nearly 1,400 km of transect distance.
- The theme of the festival was “Majestic Mhadei”, emphasising the ecological significance of the Mhadei River basin.





- During the festival, an MoU was also signed between the Goa Forest Department and ResQ Charitable Trust to strengthen wildlife rescue and rehabilitation efforts across the state.



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Ques: Which state government signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with Starlink to enhance satellite-based internet connectivity in remote and underserved areas?

- A) Government of Rajasthan
- B) Government of Maharashtra
- C) Government of Madhya Pradesh
- D) Government of Goa
- E) Government of Gujarat

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Government of Gujarat signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with Starlink Satellite Communications Private Limited in Gandhinagar to enhance high-speed satellite-based internet connectivity in remote, border, and underserved areas.
- The pilot implementation will prioritise Aspirational Districts such as Narmada and Dahod to reduce regional digital disparities.
- The initiative will connect Common Service Centres (CSCs) and e-Governance facilities to strengthen access to government digital services.

About Gujarat:

- Capital: Gandhinagar
- Governor: Acharya Devvrat
- Chief Minister: Bhupendra Patel

About Starlink :

- Established : 2015
- CMO : Elon Musk
- HQ : California,U.S.
- Indian Subsidiary : NewDelhi





Ques: Where was the first Emergency Landing Facility (ELF) of the Northeast inaugurated?

- A) Guwahati, Assam
- B) Imphal, Manipur
- C) Dibrugarh, Assam
- D) Agartala, Tripura
- E) Shillong, Meghalaya

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi inaugurated the first Emergency Landing Facility (ELF) of the Northeast in Dibrugarh, Assam.
- The facility holds significant strategic importance for national security and disaster management.
- It enables emergency landing of aircraft, including fighter jets, during natural disasters or strategic operations.
- The ELF strengthens infrastructure development and improves overall connectivity in the Northeast region.

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Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- **R. Vijay Anandh** : Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of City Union Bank Limited (CUB). (replaced Dr. N. Kamakodi)
- **Vinay Muralidhar Tonse** : Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of YES Bank
- **Mr. Rishi Gupta** : Managing Director & CEO of Fino Payments Bank
- **Arijit Basu** : part-time Chairman of IndusInd Bank (succeeded Sunil Mehta)
- **Mr. Raghavendra Srinivas Bhat** : Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Karnataka Bank Limited (replaced Srikrishnan Hari Hara Sarma)
- **re-appointment of Kaizad Bharucha** : Whole-Time Director (Deputy Managing Director) of HDFC Bank
- **Sandeep Bakshi** : MD and CEO of ICICI Bank Limited for a two-year term.
- **S Prakash** : Chief Executive Officer for the Health Insurance Ecosystem and Strategic Partnerships General Insurance Council (replaced Praveen Kumar)





Ques: The 'India–Netherlands Hydrogen Fellowship Programme' was launched to support which key objective of India?

- A) Expansion of nuclear energy capacity
- B) Development of fossil fuel infrastructure
- C) Capacity building in hydrogen technologies under National Green Hydrogen Mission
- D) Promotion of electric vehicle manufacturing only
- E) Space-based renewable energy research

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The India–Netherlands Hydrogen Fellowship Programme was launched in New Delhi by the Department of Science and Technology under the Ministry of Science and Technology.
- The initiative aims to build national capacity in hydrogen technologies by providing Indian fellows exposure to the advanced hydrogen ecosystem of the Netherlands.
- The fellowship is open to Indian PhD scholars, postdoctoral researchers, and faculty members from Indian institutions.
- The programme aligns with the Government of India's vision of the National Green Hydrogen Mission, Energy Independence by 2047, and Net-Zero emissions by 2070.

About National Green Hydrogen Mission :

- The mission was launched in January 2023 by the Government of India under the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.
- It aims to scale up green hydrogen (H₂) production, utilisation, and exports, and establish India as a global leader in the clean hydrogen economy.
- The mission has an initial outlay of ₹19,744 crore up to FY 2029–30 (FY30).





Ques: Which Indian institution demonstrated a gentler method for recovering lab-grown T-cells, potentially making CAR T-cell cancer therapy more affordable in India?

- A) AIIMS Delhi
- B) IISc Bengaluru
- C) NIMHANS
- D) PGIMER Chandigarh
- E) IIT Bombay

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- IIT Bombay, in a study published in Biomaterials Science, demonstrated a gentler method for recovering lab-grown T-cells.
- This advancement is significant for cancer immunotherapy, especially CAR T-cell therapy, as it improves efficiency and reduces wastage of costly cells.
- Globally, CAR T-cell therapies can cost ₹3–4 crore. By cutting waste and improving recovery, Indian initiatives like ImmunoACT aim to reduce costs substantially.
- In 2023, NexCAR19 became India's first approved indigenous CAR-T cell therapy, developed through collaboration between IIT Bombay, Tata Memorial Centre, and ImmunoACT.
- T-cells are a type of white blood cell that act as the body's frontline soldiers, constantly patrolling to detect infections or abnormal cells like cancer.
- CAR T-cell therapy is currently approved for certain blood cancers such as leukemia and lymphoma.

Indian Institute of Technology :

- Established : Powai, Mumbai, Maharashtra
- Founding Year : 1958 (Supported by UNESCO & Soviet Union)
- Current Director : Shireesh Kedare (since 2024)





Ques: Kumar Bhaskar Varma Setu, inaugurated in 2026, has been constructed across which river?

- A) Ganga
- B) Yamuna
- C) Brahmaputra
- D) Godavari
- E) Narmada

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi inaugurated the Kumar Bhaskar Varma Setu in Guwahati, Assam.
- The bridge has been constructed across the Brahmaputra River.
- It is a vital infrastructure project expected to enhance connectivity, travel comfort, and commercial activities in the region.
- The bridge will also provide easier access to the Kamakhya Temple, a major religious site in Assam.

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Ques: Which authority has urged telecom consumers to actively use the DND app to report spam calls and SMS?

- A) Department of Telecommunications
- B) Telecom Regulatory Authority of India
- C) Ministry of Electronics & IT
- D) BSNL
- E) NITI Aayog

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has urged telecom consumers to actively use the DND (Do Not Disturb) app to report spam calls and SMS instead of merely blocking numbers.
- TRAI Chairman Anil Kumar Lahoti emphasized that consumer reporting is essential for effective action against spam and Unsolicited Commercial Communications (UCC).
- TRAI will also roll out a revamped “My Call” app to enable users to file complaints related to call quality.
- Enhanced consumer participation will strengthen monitoring and enforcement against spam communications.

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Ques: ISRO has identified which location as the prospective landing site for the Chandrayaan-4 mission near the Moon's south pole?

- A) Shackleton Crater
- B) Malapert Massif
- C) Aristarchus Plateau
- D) Tycho Crater
- E) Mons Mouton-4

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has identified Mons Mouton-4 as the prospective landing site for the Chandrayaan-4 mission near the Moon's south pole.
- The site offers minimal surface obstacles, nearly 11–12 days of continuous sunlight, stable Earth communication, and high scientific potential for studying water-ice deposits.
- Chandrayaan-4 is India's most complex lunar mission, comprising five modules: Propulsion, Descender, Ascender, Transfer, and Re-entry modules.
- The mission aims to collect lunar samples and safely return them to Earth, with a targeted launch in 2028.

All Previous Chandrayaan Missions

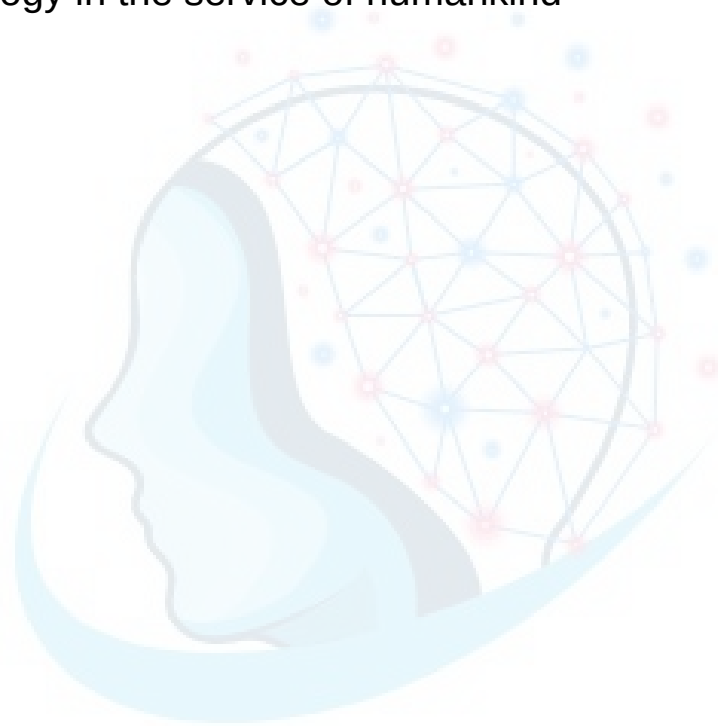
- Chandrayaan-1 (2008): Discovery of water molecules on the Moon.
- Chandrayaan-2 (2019): Orbiter successful; lander crash-landed.
- Chandrayaan-3 (2023): Successful soft landing near the Moon's south pole.





Indian Space Research Organisation:

- Established : 1969
- HQ : Bengaluru
- Chairperson : Dr. V. Narayanan
- Motto : Space technology in the service of humankind



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Recent Penalties imposed on Banks:

- The Competition Commission of India imposed a penalty of ₹27.38 crore on Intel Corporation.
- The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) imposed a ₹22.20 crore fine on IndiGo Airlines due to large-scale flight delays and cancellations in early December.
- In FY25 / CY25, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed monetary penalties totalling about ₹16.28 crore on private sector banks for various regulatory and compliance violations.
- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) imposed a penalty of ₹1 crore on Care Health Insurance following a remote inspection.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed regulatory restrictions on two Urban Cooperative Banks—The Gauhati Cooperative Urban Bank Limited in Assam and The Valsad Mahila Nagrik Sahakari Bank Limited in Gujarat.
- The Reserve Bank of India imposed a monetary penalty of ₹99.30 lakh on Jammu and Kashmir Bank Limited.





Ques: Who won Thailand's general election for the 500-member House of Representatives?

- A) Prayut Chan-o-cha
- B) Srettha Thavisin
- C) Anutin Charnvirakul
- D) Paetongtarn Shinawatra
- E) Abhisit Vejjajiva

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Anutin Charnvirakul won Thailand's general election for the 500-member House of Representatives.
- He became Prime Minister of Thailand in September 2025 following political unrest and was serving as the caretaker Prime Minister during the election.
- Before entering top-level politics, he was a senior executive and head of Sino-Thai Engineering.

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Ques: Airports Authority of India (AAI) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which organisation to improve last-mile connectivity at select airports?

- A) Bharat Taxi
- B) Uber India
- C) Ola Mobility
- D) IRCTC
- E) Yulu Bikes

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Airports Authority of India (AAI) has signed an MoU with Bharat Taxi to improve last-mile connectivity at select airports.
- Bharat Taxi is India's first driver-owned cooperative taxi service, operated by Sahakar Taxi Cooperative Ltd.
- The platform is promoted by the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC).
- Services will be introduced at airports in cities including Rajkot, Vadodara, Surat, Bhuj, Pune, Aurangabad, Varanasi, Kanpur, Prayagraj, and Agra.





Ques: The Indian Tsunami Early Warning System (ITEWS) has been established at which organisation and functions under which ministry?

- A) National Institute of Ocean Technology under Ministry of Science & Technology
- B) Survey of India under Ministry of Home Affairs
- C) Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services under Ministry of Earth Sciences
- D) CSIR-NGRI under Ministry of Education
- E) ISRO under Department of Space

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Indian Tsunami Early Warning System (ITEWS) has been established at Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS), Hyderabad, in 2007.
- INCOIS functions under the Ministry of Earth Sciences.
- ITEWS is an integrated effort involving multiple agencies, including the Department of Space, Department of Science and Technology, CSIR, Survey of India, and NIOT.
- The system includes a real-time network of seismic stations, Bottom Pressure Recorder (BPR) buoys, tide gauges, and a 24×7 operational tsunami warning centre to issue timely advisories.
- The system can detect tsunamigenic earthquakes in the Indian Ocean within 10 minutes.
- It provides a lead time of 10–20 minutes for near-source regions like Andaman & Nicobar Islands and a few hours for the Indian mainland.
- ITEWS is recognised by UNESCO as a Tsunami Service Provider (TSP), issuing advisories to 28 Indian Ocean Rim countries.
- In 2004, India had no tsunami warning capability and minimal public awareness of tsunamis in the Indian Ocean.
- INCOIS is establishing a network of 35 stations to measure tectonic plate movements and vertical seabed displacement in real time.
- INCOIS has partnered with Indian Space Research Organisation and Airports Authority of India to develop satellite-based message broadcasting through the indigenous navigation system NavIC.





- Two villages of Odisha — Venkatraipur (Ganjam) and Noliasahi (Jagatsinghpur) — have been certified as 'Tsunami Ready'.

ITEWS Infrastructure :

- Seismic Network – Detects undersea earthquakes and estimates magnitude.
- BPRs (Buoys) – Confirms tsunami wave triggering in the open ocean.
- Tide Gauges – Monitor wave progress and validate coastal arrival times.



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Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement:

- The Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), in collaboration with All India Society for Electronics and Computer Technology (AISECT), flagged off Kaushal Rath, an AI awareness initiative.
- The Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications, and the National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to deepen financial inclusion.
- Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) signed three major MoUs to enhance drug safety, pharmacovigilance, and healthcare quality standards across India.
- The Government of Himachal Pradesh signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Geotropy India Private Limited to explore and harness the state's geothermal energy potential.
- Raksha Rajya Mantri Sanjay Seth will lead Indian delegation to Saudi Arabia for the 3rd World Defence Show at Saudi Arabia. Mr. Sanjay Seth will inaugurate the first-ever India Pavilion at WDS, spread over an area of 400 square meters will showcase India's capabilities in defence.





Ques: Which two public sector shipyards signed an MoU to form a strategic consortium for executing a large-scale National Shipbuilding Programme?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd. (GRSE) and Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in Kolkata to form a strategic consortium.
- The collaboration aims to execute a large-scale National Shipbuilding Programme.
- Under the MoU, both shipyards will jointly work on the design, construction, and delivery of ships for national requirements.
- The programme is a strategic initiative to transform India into a top global shipbuilding hub by 2047 through indigenous construction of commercial and defence vessels.

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Ques: The Offshore Areas Mineral Rules, 2026 were introduced by the Government of India primarily to achieve which objective?

- A) Promote offshore oil and gas exploration
- B) Regulate and prevent illegal offshore mining of minerals
- C) Privatise offshore mineral resources
- D) Support only scientific oceanographic research
- E) Reduce export of coastal minerals

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Offshore Areas Mineral Rules, 2026 were notified by the Ministry of Mines and came into immediate effect.
- The rules aim to regulate offshore mining activities and prevent illegal mining, storage, transportation, and export of offshore minerals, excluding hydrocarbons.
- These rules have been issued under the Offshore Areas Mineral (Development and Regulation) Act, 2002.
- The provisions apply to all entities engaged in offshore mineral activities, while non-commercial scientific or research activities are exempted.

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- The rules have been issued under the Offshore Areas Mineral (Development and Regulation) Act, 2002.
- Illegal mining is defined as operations conducted without valid rights or beyond approved limits.
- Operators are required to install real-time electronic monitoring systems, ensure registration of machinery and carriers, obtain digital transit permits for mineral movement, and secure prior export clearance from the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs.
- Violations may attract imprisonment up to 5 years and penalties ranging from ₹50 lakh to ₹1 crore, with additional fines for continuing offences.





Ques: What is iLive Connect, recently launched in India?

- A) A government health insurance scheme
- B) A hospital management software
- C) The world's first doctor-led, AI-powered home healthcare ecosystem
- D) A fitness tracking mobile application
- E) A telemedicine chatbot service

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India launched iLive Connect, the world's first doctor-led, Artificial Intelligence (AI)-powered home healthcare ecosystem aimed at providing 24×7 medical monitoring from patients' homes.
- It is specially designed for senior citizens and high-risk patients, functioning like a personalized Intensive Care Unit (ICU) at home.
- The platform was developed by cardiothoracic surgeon Rahul Chandola and interventional cardiologist Viveka Kumar.
- The system uses FDA and European Conformity (CE) certified wearable devices, including a chest-mounted biosensor patch and a wristband, for continuous real-time monitoring.
- It continuously tracks vital parameters such as two-lead ECG, heart rate, respiratory rate, oxygen saturation, body temperature, blood pressure trends, and physical activity levels.





Ques: World Unani Day is observed on which date?

- A) February 5
- B) February 8
- C) February 10
- D) February 11
- E) February 13

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- World Unani Day is observed on February 11 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Hakim Ajmal Khan.
- He was a renowned Unani physician, freedom fighter, educationist, and social reformer in India.
- The theme of World Unani Day 2026 is “Innovation and Evidence in Unani Practice.”
- The day highlights the significance of the Unani system of medicine and promotes awareness about evidence-based Unani practices.

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Ques: International Day of Women and Girls in Science is observed on which date?

- A) February 8
- B) February 10
- C) February 15
- D) February 18
- E) February 11

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The International Day of Women and Girls in Science is observed annually on February 11.
- The day was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 2015 and has been observed since 2016 to promote gender equality in science.
- The theme for 2026 is “Synergizing AI, Social Science, STEM and Finance: Building Inclusive Futures for Women and Girls.”
- The observance aims to ensure full and equal access and participation of women and girls in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields worldwide.

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Important days :

- 25 January : National Tourism Day (Started in 1982)
- 25 January : National Voters' Day (Theme : "My India, My Vote")
- 25 January (last Sunday of January): World Leprosy Day (Theme : "Leprosy is curable, the real challenge is stigma".)
- 26 January : International Customs Day (ICD) (Theme 2026 : Customs protecting society through vigilance and commitment)
- 26 January : 3rd International Day of Clean Energy (Theme : "Clean Energy for People and Planet.")
- 27 to 30 January 2026 : 4th edition of India Energy Week (IEW) 2026
- 27 January : National Geographic Day
- 27 January : International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust, also known as International Holocaust Remembrance Day (theme for 2026 is "Holocaust Remembrance for Dignity and Human Rights.")
- 30 January : Martyrs' Day, also known as Sarvodaya Day or Shaheed Diwas (commemorates the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi on 30 January 1948)
- 30 January : National Leprosy Day
- 31 January : International Zebra Day
- 1 February : Raising Day of the Indian Coast Guard (ICG)
- 2 February : 50th World Wetlands Day (Theme 2026 Wetlands and Traditional Knowledge: Celebrating Cultural Heritage)
- 4 February : World Cancer Day (theme : "United by Unique")
- 9 February : International Epilepsy Day (Theme 2026 #EpilepsyPledge campaign)
- 10 February : 8th World Pulses Day (WPD) (theme for 2026 is "Pulses of the World: From Modesty to Excellence.")
- 13 February : World Radio Day (theme of World Radio Day 2026 is "Radio and Artificial Intelligence: AI is a tool, not a voice.")





IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs

- Delhi has become the first state in India to formally partner with Bharat Taxi's cooperative mobility platform, marking a major shift in the organisation of urban taxi services
- India's semiconductor market has grown from \$38 billion in 2023 to \$45–50 billion in 2024–25 and is projected to reach \$100–110 billion by 2030.
- The new base year for Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and Index of Industrial Production (IIP) will be 2022-23. The updated series is scheduled for release on 12 February 2026 (CPI), 27 February 2026 (GDP), and May 2026 (IIP)
- Indian Institute of Technology ,Madras Research Park, in partnership with Unicorn India Ventures, launched a 'IITM-Unicorn Frontier Fund I' , a venture capital fund, worth Rs.600 crores to support deeptechnology startups in India. It plans to invest in over 25 startups and will allocate about 60% for initial investments and 40% for follow-on funding.

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