

# EXAM GENIUS

Presents

# ***GENIUS CURRENT AFFAIRS***

**In English**

**19 February 2026**



**Achieve Success with Exam Genius - Your Ultimate Guide to Reasoning Mastery !**



**Ques: What was the year-on-year (YoY) growth in Currency in Circulation (CiC) in January 2026?**

- A) 5.3%
- B) 8.5%
- C) 9.7%
- D) 11.1%
- E) 14.4%

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- Currency in Circulation (CiC) touched a record high of ₹40 lakh crore for the month ending January 2026.
- CiC registered a year-on-year growth of 11.1%, significantly higher than 5.3% recorded in January last year.
- On a year-to-date (YTD) basis, CiC increased by ₹2.76 lakh crore, about 3.11 times higher than the increase during the same period last year.
- Despite the rise in cash usage, the cash-to-GDP ratio declined to 11% in FY26 (so far), compared to 14.4% in FY21, indicating deeper financialisation and digital payments penetration.
- These findings were reported by SBI Research.





**Ques: Who released the latest edition of “Trade Watch Quarterly” for Q2 FY 2025–26 (July–September 2025)?**

- A) Amitabh Kant
- B) Rajiv Kumar
- C) Suman Bery
- D) Sanjeev Sanyal
- E) Arvind Panagariya

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The latest edition of “Trade Watch Quarterly” for Q2 FY 2025–26 was released by Suman Bery, Vice-Chairman of NITI Aayog.
- The report notes that global trade growth has moderated but remains positive, with services trade outperforming goods trade.
- India’s trade expansion in Q2 FY26 was driven by export-led momentum, with services and merchandise exports growing by around 8.5%, faster than imports.
- The report highlights India’s increasing alignment with regional value chains and new trade corridors.
- E-commerce exports, though currently modest, are projected to contribute 20–30% of India’s merchandise exports by 2030.





**Ques: NPCI extended the 'UPI One World' wallet service for international visitors attending which event?**

- A) G20 Summit 2026
- B) India AI Impact Summit 2026
- C) Digital India Conference 2026
- D) Vibrant Gujarat Summit 2026
- E) World Economic Forum 2026

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) extended the 'UPI One World' wallet service for international visitors from 40+ countries.
- This facility is specifically available for attendees of the India AI Impact Summit 2026, held from 16–20 February 2026 in New Delhi.
- Under this pilot initiative, foreign travellers can make seamless, secure, real-time Person-to-Merchant (P2M) payments using UPI while staying in India.
- The initiative aims to promote digital payments, showcase India's fintech leadership, and enhance convenience for inbound tourists and global delegates.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: Which company received full WHO approval for the polio vaccine nOPV2?**

- A) Serum Institute of India
- B) Bharat Biotech
- C) Biological E Ltd
- D) Zydus Lifesciences
- E) Panacea Biotec

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Biological E Ltd, a Hyderabad-based company, received full approval from the World Health Organization (WHO) for its novel oral polio vaccine type-2 (nOPV2).
- This approval upgrades the Phase-I clearance granted in June 2024, enabling complete regulatory authorization.
- With this approval, the company can now manufacture both the drug substance and the final drug product in-house, completing the entire manufacturing chain at a single site.
- Biological E has already supplied over 700 million doses of nOPV2 globally, supporting polio outbreak response worldwide.
- nOPV2 is specifically designed for outbreak control of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus, offering improved genetic stability compared to earlier vaccines.





**Ques: Why is the Ministry of Defence drafting a standardized framework for book-writing by serving and retired Armed Forces personnel?**

- A) To promote military literature
- B) To provide financial incentives for veterans
- C) To address regulatory gaps and national security concerns
- D) To ban all memoirs by retired officers
- E) To align with international military publishing norms

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The Ministry of Defence is drafting a standardized framework for serving and retired Armed Forces personnel to bridge existing regulatory gaps related to writing and publishing books.
- The move aims to address national security concerns and ensure sensitive information is not disclosed without proper clearance.
- The issue gained attention following controversy around the unpublished memoir *Four Stars of Destiny* by former Army Chief M. M. Naravane.
- Unlike serving officers, retired personnel are not governed by a single consolidated legal framework for literary works, creating a regulatory grey area.





**Ques: Why is the Ministry of Defence drafting a standardized framework for book-writing by serving and retired Armed Forces personnel?**

- A) To promote military literature
- B) To provide financial incentives for veterans
- C) To address regulatory gaps and national security concerns
- D) To ban all memoirs by retired officers
- E) To align with international military publishing norms

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The Ministry of Defence is drafting a standardized framework to bridge existing regulatory gaps related to writing and publishing books by serving and retired Armed Forces personnel.
- After retirement, personnel are not strictly bound by the Army Act, 1950 and Army Rules, 1954 for publications.
- However, the Official Secrets Act, 1923 (OSA) applies for life, making disclosure of classified or security-sensitive information a criminal offence.
- Serving officers require mandatory prior written permission for any literary or remunerative work.
- Manuscripts undergo a vetting process through the chain of command up to Army Headquarters or the Ministry of Defence.
- The proposal is inspired by the Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules Amendment, 2021.
- Under this amendment, retired officials from intelligence or security agencies like RAW or IB must obtain prior government clearance before publishing sensitive material.
- Unauthorized disclosure can lead to withholding or withdrawal of pension as a penalty.





**Ques: Which two institutions signed an MoU to promote science communication and evidence-based science policy research in India?**

- A) CSIR & NITI Aayog
- B) DST & ICMR
- C) Indian National Science Academy & National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research
- D) DBT & AIIMS
- E) UGC & NCERT

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The Indian National Science Academy (INSA) and the National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research (NIScPR) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to promote collaborative activities in science communication and evidence-based science policy research.
- The partnership aims to strengthen evidence-based policymaking in India by connecting scientific research with policy formulation.
- The Union Budget (February 2026) allocated approximately ₹6,710.61 crore to the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), supporting operational costs for institutes like NIScPR to undertake such collaborations.

**About Indian National Science Academy (INSA) :**

- Established : 1935
- HQ : New Delhi
- President : Prof. Shekhar C. Mande

**About CSIR-National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research (NIScPR) :**

- Established : 2021
- HQ : New Delhi
- Director : Dr. Geetha Vani Rayasam





**Ques: What was a key outcome of the recent India–France bilateral meeting?**

- A) Signing of a new climate treaty
- B) Amendment of the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement and launch of ‘Year of Innovation’
- C) Launch of a joint space mission
- D) Establishment of a common currency
- E) Withdrawal from defence cooperation

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- India and France amended the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) to boost bilateral trade and investments.
- Narendra Modi and Emmanuel Macron launched the ‘India–France Year of Innovation’.
- The initiative will focus on Artificial Intelligence (AI), digital technologies, and start-ups.
- Both leaders virtually inaugurated the Tata–Airbus H125 helicopter final assembly line in Karnataka.
- Multiple agreements were signed covering defence, civil nuclear cooperation, critical minerals, health, and counter-terrorism.
- A joint venture between Bharat Electronics Limited and Safran for HAMMER missile production was announced.
- New initiatives include an Indo-French Centre for AI (Health), a Centre of Digital Science & Technology, and a National Centre of Excellence for Skilling in Aeronautics.
- France reiterated support for technology transfer to India and for strengthening people-to-people ties.





**Ques:** According to the report analysing India's electricity transition under the Current Policy Scenario (CPS) and Net Zero Scenario (NZS), what share of final energy consumption is projected to come from electricity under the NZS by 2070?

- A) 30%
- B) 40%
- C) 50%
- D) 60%
- E) 75%

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- The report analyses India's electricity transition under two scenarios: the Current Policy Scenario (CPS) and the Net Zero Scenario (NZS), aligned with India's 2070 Net Zero commitment.
- The power sector accounted for 39.4% of India's total greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in 2020, making it the single largest source of emissions.
- Under electrification-led demand growth, electricity is expected to become the dominant energy carrier.
- The share of electricity in final energy consumption is projected at 40% under CPS and 60% under NZS by 2070.
- Total installed power capacity is expected to multiply 9–14 times by 2070, with renewables contributing 90–93% of total capacity, led mainly by solar PV and wind energy.
- To support a renewables-heavy grid, strong storage and flexibility measures will be required, including up to 3,000 GW of battery storage and around 160 GW of pumped hydro storage by 2070.
- Nuclear energy is expected to play a key role as firm power, with nuclear capacity projected to rise from 8.8 GW to over 300 GW by 2070.





**Ques: Who was named BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year (ISWOTY) 2025?**

- A) Harmanpreet Kaur
- B) PV Sindhu
- C) Smriti Mandhana
- D) Mirabai Chanu
- E) Nikhat Zareen

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Smriti Mandhana, Vice-Captain of the Indian Women's Cricket Team, was named BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year (ISWOTY) 2025.
- The award recognizes outstanding achievements of Indian women athletes across various sports.
- The award ceremony was organized by the BBC to celebrate excellence in Indian women's sports.
- Smriti Mandhana is widely known for her consistent performances and significant contributions to Indian women's cricket at the international level.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: The first national call for the BIRAC–RDI Fund was announced under which broader Government of India initiative?**

- A) National Biotechnology Development Programme
- B) Startup India Mission
- C) Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) Initiative
- D) Digital India Programme
- E) Make in India Initiative

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Union Minister Jitendra Singh announced the first national call for the BIRAC–RDI Fund under the Government of India’s ₹1 lakh crore Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) Initiative.
- The BIRAC–RDI Fund operates under the institutional framework of the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) and the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF).
- The fund is anchored by the Department of Science and Technology (DST).
- Out of the total ₹1 lakh crore RDI corpus, BIRAC has been allocated ₹2,000 crore initially for up to five years.
- The fund provides support through equity, convertible instruments, and long-term debt.
- It supports innovations from Technology Readiness Level (TRL)-4 (validation stage) to TRL-9 (commercial deployment stage).
- India’s bioeconomy has grown from \$28 billion in 2012 to \$165.7 billion in 2024, with a target of \$300 billion by 2030 and \$1 trillion by 2047.
- The number of biotech startups has increased from around 50 in 2014 to over 11,000 today, indicating rapid ecosystem expansion.





**Ques: What is the primary purpose of Bharat-VISTAAR launched by the Government of India?**

- A) Direct financial subsidies
- B) AI-based multilingual agricultural information
- C) Free farm equipment
- D) Crop insurance compensation
- E) Online market trading platform

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Government of India has launched Bharat-VISTAAR (Virtually Integrated System to Access Agricultural Resources), an AI-powered multilingual digital tool designed especially for farmers.
- The platform provides farmers with agricultural and scheme-related information in their own language through mobile phones or even a simple voice call, ensuring inclusivity.
- Farmers can access details of major Central Government schemes such as PM-KISAN, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, and Kisan Credit Card (KCC).
- The interface and audio content will be available in more than 22 Indian regional languages to bridge the digital and language divide.
- The initiative was announced in the Union Budget 2026–27 with a dedicated allocation of ₹150 crore, highlighting the government's focus on technology-driven agricultural support.





**Ques: Which Indian company received a general licence from the United States government to import Venezuelan crude oil without violating US sanctions?**

- A) Indian Oil Corporation
- B) ONGC Videsh Limited
- C) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited
- D) Reliance Industries Limited
- E) Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- Reliance Industries Limited received a general licence from the United States government allowing it to directly purchase crude oil from Venezuela without violating U.S. sanctions. ([Reuters](#))
- This licence enables Reliance to diversify its crude oil sources and import Venezuelan heavy crude suited to its Jamnagar refinery configuration while complying with international regulations. ([timesofindia.indiatimes.com](http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com))
- The move comes amid eased U.S. sanctions on Venezuelan oil and efforts by Indian refiners to secure alternative supplies. ([Reuters](#))

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: Where did six-year-old environmental advocate Roohi Mohazzab deliver her keynote address during GCE 2026?**

- A) New York, USA
- B) Geneva, Switzerland
- C) Bangkok, Thailand
- D) Paris, France
- E) Nairobi, Kenya

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Roohi Mohazzab, a six-year-old environmental advocate from Kerala, delivered her keynote address at the UN Asia-Pacific Headquarters in Bangkok, Thailand.
- She spoke during the Global Conference on Education for a Sustainable Future (GCE 2026).
- Roohi was honoured with the prestigious SDG Impact Award at the UN Asia-Pacific Headquarters.
- Her recognition highlights the importance of young voices in sustainability, climate action, and global awareness.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: Which Indian Major Port became the first to receive the IGBC Platinum Rating for its Administration Building?**

- A) Jawaharlal Nehru Port
- B) Chennai Port
- C) Paradip Port
- D) V.O. Chidambaranar Port
- E) Cochin Port

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- The V.O. Chidambaranar Port Authority became India's first Major Port to receive the prestigious IGBC Platinum Rating, the highest certification awarded by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC).
- The Administration Building follows the Port Authority's Green Policy and waste management plan, reinforcing its commitment to sustainability.
- The building is equipped with rooftop solar panels and a high Solar Reflectance Index (SRI) reflective roof coating, helping reduce the Urban Heat Island effect and improve overall energy efficiency.
- The port has also received Shunya and Shunya Plus certifications from the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) under the Ministry of Power, Government of India.

**Top 3 Green Award Recipients (2025–2026) | शीर्ष ग्रीन अवॉर्ड प्राप्तकर्ता**

- V.O. Chidambaranar Port – IGBC Platinum | Shunya Plus  
– First Major Port in India to run its administration building on 100% renewable energy.
- Bank of Baroda (Apex Academy) – IGBC Platinum | Shunya  
– Awarded for its state-of-the-art sustainable campus in Ahmedabad (Dec 2025).
- The Oterra Hotel, Bengaluru – IGBC Platinum | Shunya  
– Recognized as the highest-rated green existing building in India (Jan 2026).





**Ques: Who has been sworn in as the new Prime Minister of Bangladesh?**

- A) Sheikh Hasina
- B) Khaleda Zia
- C) Tarique Rahman
- D) Muhammad Yunus
- E) Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

Tarique Rahman has been sworn in as the Prime Minister of Bangladesh following a decisive victory by his party in the recent parliamentary elections. (Al Jazeera)

Corrected Facts:

- The swearing-in ceremony took place in Dhaka, with President Mohammed Shahabuddin administering the oath. (dhakatribune.com)
- Rahman leads the government after the Bangladesh Nationalist Party won a strong majority. (timesofindia.indiatimes.com)

Thus, the correct answer is Option C: Tarique Rahman.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: What is 'EKAM' showcased by the Indian Army?**

- A) A cyber weapon system
- B) A secure indigenous AI cloud platform (AI-as-a-Service)
- C) A drone surveillance system
- D) A satellite communication network
- E) A blockchain-based defence payment system

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Indian Army showcased 'EKAM', an indigenous AI-as-a-Service (AlaaS) cloud platform.
- EKAM is a secure and air-gapped platform, specifically designed to protect sensitive military data.
- The platform focuses on data sovereignty and secure processing of critical information.
- The initiative reflects the Army's push towards technological self-reliance and AI-enabled defence capabilities.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: The high-level CSR Conclave on “Leveraging PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (DDKY) for Farmer Prosperity” was organised by which department under the Government of India?**

- A) Department of Rural Development
- B) Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
- C) Ministry of Panchayati Raj
- D) Department of Food & Public Distribution
- E) Ministry of Cooperation

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The high-level CSR Conclave was organised by the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
- The conclave was held in New Delhi in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.
- The theme was “Leveraging PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (DDKY) for Farmer Prosperity.”
- PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (DDKY) was launched on 11 October 2025 for a duration of six years.
- The scheme covers 100 districts and is India’s first agriculture-exclusive programme.
- The programme is inspired by the Aspirational Districts Programme of NITI Aayog.





**Ques: Which flagship scheme primarily funds marine conservation initiatives in India, including artificial reefs and financial support to fishers?**

- A) National Mission for Clean Ganga
- B) Blue Economy Policy
- C) Sagarmala Programme
- D) Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana
- E) Coastal Regulation Zone Scheme

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- The flagship scheme that primarily funds marine conservation initiatives, including artificial reefs and financial assistance to fishers, is Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).
- To ensure oceans remain rich in biodiversity for future generations, the Government of India along with research bodies like the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) is implementing targeted marine conservation strategies, especially for species such as Silver Pomfret.
- To prevent overfishing, mesh-size regulations are enforced so that juvenile fish can escape through sufficiently large net holes.
- Certain harmful fishing methods are banned, such as bull/pair trawling (to protect the ocean floor) and the use of LED lights (which unnaturally attract fish).
- As per the Marine Fish Stock Status Report 2022, 91.1% of India's marine fish stocks are reported to be in healthy condition.
- Funding for conservation initiatives such as artificial reefs and financial aid to fishers is mainly driven by the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana, a flagship scheme aimed at transforming India's fisheries sector.
- The Silver Pomfret (*Pampus argenteus*), often called the "King of Fish" in South and Southeast Asia, is nutritionally rich and a key focus of conservation efforts.





## Marine Conservation Measures

- Minimum Legal Size (MLS): Prevents juvenile fishing; fish below a specified size (e.g., 140 mm for Pomfret) cannot be caught.
- State Fish Status: Silver Pomfret is the State Fish of Maharashtra to promote conservation and breeding.
- Zonal Restrictions: Near-shore areas reserved for traditional fishers; large vessels are restricted.
- Fishing Ban: A 61-day annual ban on both East and West coasts to allow breeding.
- Financial Aid: Fishers receive ₹4,500 (₹1,500 contribution + ₹3,000 government subsidy) during ban periods.
- Artificial Reefs: Man-made structures placed on the sea floor to restore habitats and boost fish populations.

## Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana :

- Launched : September 10, 2020
- Nodal Ministry : Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying
- Chairperson (Union Minister) : Shri Rajiv Ranjan Singh
- Global Rank : India is the 2nd largest fish producer in the world.
- Agri-GVA Contribution : Fisheries contribute 7.43% to Agriculture GVA.
- Budget FY 2026-27 : ₹2,500 Crore (highest ever allocation for PMMSY).
- Key Sub-Scheme : PM-MKSSY (Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana) - ₹6,000 Crore outlay.
- Goal : Integrated development of 500 reservoirs & Amrit Sarovars





**Ques:** According to India's tech services roadmap aligned with Viksit Bharat@2047, what is the targeted annual revenue size of India's technology services industry by 2035?

- A) \$400–500 billion
- B) \$550–650 billion
- C) \$650–700 billion
- D) \$750–850 billion
- E) Above \$1 trillion

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- India's tech services industry includes companies that design, build, implement, manage, and support technology solutions for global and domestic clients.
- Core segments include IT services, software development, digital transformation, business process & operations management, and engineering & R&D services.
- The sector contributes nearly 7% to India's GDP and generates around \$265 billion in annual revenue.
- India accounts for nearly 20% of the global tech services market.
- Under the Viksit Bharat@2047 vision, India aims to scale the tech services industry to \$750–850 billion in annual revenue by 2035 and increase its global market share beyond 25%.
- However, current projections indicate a potential revenue shortfall of \$250–300 billion if growth momentum is not accelerated.
- The roadmap identifies five priority growth levers: Agentic AI, Software & Products (SaaS), Digital Infrastructure, Innovation-led Engineering, and India-for-India solutions.





**Ques: APEDA was established under which Act?**

- A) Foreign Trade Act, 1992
- B) APEDA Act, 1985
- C) Food Safety Act, 2006
- D) Export Promotion Act, 1980
- E) Agricultural Trade Act, 1991

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) was established under the APEDA Act, 1985.
- The Act was passed in December 1985 and came into force on 13 February 1986.
- APEDA replaced the earlier Processed Food Export Promotion Council (PFEPCC) to strengthen the institutional framework for agricultural exports.
- It functions under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.
- In FY 2024–25, APEDA contributed USD 28.59 billion out of India's total USD 51.91 billion agricultural exports.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: Why is the rapid thinning and retreat of the Thwaites Glacier considered a major global concern?**

- A) Because it is the coldest glacier in the world
- B) Because it supports marine biodiversity only
- C) Because its collapse could trigger massive global sea-level rise
- D) Because it lies entirely on land and has no ocean connection
- E) Because it is shrinking slower than other Antarctic glaciers

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Recent studies show rapid thinning and retreat of the Thwaites Glacier located in West Antarctica.
- It is one of the world's widest glaciers, about 120 km across.
- The glacier covers nearly 1.9 lakh sq km, comparable to United Kingdom or the Indian state of Gujarat.
- It is a fast-moving glacier, meaning large volumes of ice flow quickly into the ocean.
- If it collapses, it alone has enough ice to raise global sea levels by about 0.5 meters, posing a serious threat to coastal regions worldwide.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: The Raksha Mantri approved the expansion of the definition of 'family' for which purpose?**

- A) Pension eligibility of Armed Forces personnel
- B) Allotment of Government Accommodation to Service Officers
- C) Promotion policy reforms
- D) Medical benefits under ECHS
- E) Leave and travel concessions

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Raksha Mantri approved the expansion of the definition of 'family' for the allotment of Government Accommodation to Service Officers of the Armed Forces.
- The reform aligns with the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007, reinforcing the legal responsibility of children to care for their parents.
- The move especially benefits Single Women Officers living with and caring for elderly parents.
- Existing members included spouse, dependent children, and step-children.
- Added members now include parents, dependent siblings, and legally adopted children.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: Which institute has successfully achieved induced breeding of the Mangrove Clam (*Geloina erosa*)?**

- A) ICAR–CIFT, Kochi
- B) ICAR–CMFRI, Kochi
- C) CIFRI, Barrackpore
- D) National Institute of Oceanography, Goa
- E) Zoological Survey of India, Kolkata

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The induced breeding of Mangrove Clam (*Geloina erosa*) has been achieved by ICAR–Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute.
- Mangrove clam is commonly known as mud clam.
- Its scientific name is *Geloina erosa*, and it belongs to the bivalve group under the phylum Mollusca.
- The species is found in mangrove and estuarine ecosystems.
- It is distributed across South and Southeast Asia and is commonly found along India's western coast.
- In parts of Kerala, it is locally known as “Kandal Kakka”.

EXAM  
Genius

