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Question: RBI has set the WMA limit at ₹2,50,000 crore for which period?

- A) Full FY 2026–27
- B) April–September 2026
- C) October–March 2027
- D) Calendar Year 2026
- E) Only April 2026

Correct Answer: B) April–September 2026

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI), in consultation with the Government of India, has set the WMA (Ways and Means Advances) limit at ₹2,50,000 crore.
- This limit is applicable for the first half of FY 2026–27, i.e., April–September 2026.
- WMA is a short-term borrowing facility used by the government to manage temporary cash flow mismatches.
- When 75% of the WMA limit is utilized, RBI may trigger fresh market loan issuance.
- The interest rate on WMA is linked to the repo rate, while overdraft is charged at repo rate + 2%.
- RBI retains the flexibility to revise the WMA limit based on prevailing economic conditions.

About WMA (Ways and Means Advances):

- Purpose : Short-term borrowing facility for government
- Type : Temporary liquidity support
- Interest Link : Repo Rate
- Repayment Period : Within 90 days





Question: Who won the Balbir Singh Sr Award for Player of the Year (Men) at the Hockey India Annual Awards 2025?

- A) Manpreet Singh
- B) Harmanpreet Singh
- C) Mandeep Singh
- D) PR Sreejesh
- E) Hardik Singh

Correct Answer: E) Hardik Singh

Explanation:

- Hardik Singh won the Balbir Singh Sr Award for Player of the Year (Men) at the Hockey India Annual Awards 2025.
- He is a two-time Olympic medallist, and this was his third time winning this prestigious award.
- In the women's category, Navneet Kaur received the award.
- The ceremony was held in New Delhi.
- Zafar Iqbal was honored with the Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions to Indian hockey.

Hockey India Awards 2025 winners :

- Hockey India Baljit Singh Award for Goalkeeper of the Year : Bichu Devi Kharibam
- Hockey India Pargat Singh Award for Defender of the Year Winner : Sanjay
- Hockey India Ajit Pal Singh Award for Midfielder of the Year Winner : Sumit
- Hockey India Dhanraj Pillay Award for Forward of the Year Winner : Sukhjeet Singh
- Hockey India Asunta Lakra Award for Upcoming Player of the Year (Women-U21) Winner : Sakshi Rana
- Hockey India Jugraj Singh Award for Upcoming Player of the Year (Men-U21) Winner : Prince Deep Singh
- Hockey India Balbir Singh Sr. Award for Player of the Year (Women) Winner : Navneet Kaur





- Hockey India Balbir Singh Sr. Award for Player of the Year (Men) Winner : Hardik Singh
- Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award Winner: Zafar Iqbal



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Question: The Bharat Innovates Deep-Tech Pre Summit was held at which institution?

- A) IIT Bombay
- B) IIT Delhi
- C) IIT Madras
- D) IISc Bengaluru
- E) IIT Kanpur

Correct Answer: A) IIT Bombay

Explanation:

- The Bharat Innovates Deep-Tech Pre Summit was held at IIT Bombay.
- The event was inaugurated by Dharmendra Pradhan and Ajay Kumar Sood.
- The summit showcased 137 leading startups from 13 different industries.
- It focused on promoting deep-tech innovation and strengthening India's startup ecosystem.

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Question: Under the ECMS Programme, how many projects have been approved recently?

- A) 50
- B) 60
- C) 75
- D) 80
- E) 100

Correct Answer: C) 75

Explanation:

- Ashwini Vaishnaw announced the approval of 75 projects under the ECMS (Electronics Component Manufacturing Scheme).
- The total investment of these projects is around ₹61,000 crore.
- These initiatives are expected to generate approximately 65,000 direct jobs.
- The programme aims to strengthen India's electronics manufacturing ecosystem.
- It also focuses on moving up the value chain—from finished goods to components, modules, and sub-modules manufacturing.
- The broader goal is to promote self-reliance, build a semiconductor ecosystem, and integrate with global supply chains.
- Launched : April 2025 by Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY)
- Objective : Promote domestic manufacturing of electronic components and reduce imports
- Outlay : ₹40,000 crore (enhanced in Budget 2026; earlier ₹22,919 crore)
- Tenure : 6 years (FY 2025-26 to 2031-32)
- Target : Build \$500 billion electronics ecosystem by 2030-31
- Focus Areas : PCB, camera modules, sensors, semiconductors, display components





Question: What is the name of the space station being developed by ISRO as part of its future space exploration plans?

- A) Aryabhata Station
- B) Bharatiya Antriksh Station
- C) Vikram Space Hub
- D) Gaganyaan Station
- E) Shakti Orbital Station

Correct Answer: B) Bharatiya Antriksh Station

Explanation:

- Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is developing the Bharatiya Antriksh Station as part of its long-term space exploration plans.
- The project is closely linked with the Gaganyaan mission and has progressed beyond the conceptual stage.
- The space station will consist of five modules.
- The first module (BAS-01) is expected to be launched by 2028.
- Currently, approval has been granted only for the first module.
- The complete space station is targeted to be fully operational by 2035.
- The estimated cost for the first module (2025–2028) is around ₹1763 crore.





Question: Kimi Antonelli, who won the Japanese Grand Prix at Suzuka, is associated with which Formula One team?

- A) Mercedes
- B) Ferrari
- C) Red Bull Racing
- D) McLaren
- E) Aston Martin

Correct Answer: A) Mercedes

Explanation:

- Kimi Antonelli represents Mercedes in Formula One.
- He won the Japanese Grand Prix held at Suzuka Circuit.
- This victory marked his second consecutive win, following his triumph at the 2026 Chinese Grand Prix.
- At just 19 years old, he became the youngest driver in Formula One history to lead the world championship standings.

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Question: The International Olympic Committee (IOC) approved the policy 'Protection of the Female (Women's) Category in Olympic Sport' which will come into effect from which Olympic Games?

- A) Paris 2024 Olympics
- B) Brisbane 2032 Olympics
- C) Tokyo 2020 Olympics
- D) Los Angeles 2028 Olympics
- E) Rio 2016 Olympics

Correct Answer: D) Los Angeles 2028 Olympics

Explanation:

- The International Olympic Committee (IOC) has approved a new policy titled 'Protection of the Female (Women's) Category in Olympic Sport'.
- This policy will come into effect from the Los Angeles 2028 Olympics.
- It will replace the 2021 framework and will not be applied retroactively.
- The policy introduces SRY (Sex-determining Region Y) gene screening, requiring athletes to be SRY-negative to compete in female categories.
- It is based on concerns regarding biological advantages in strength, power, and endurance.
- The policy will apply to all IOC events, including the Olympic Games, Youth Olympics, and qualification events.

About International Olympic Committee (IOC):

- Established : 1894
- Headquarters : Lausanne, Switzerland
- Role : Governing body of the Olympic Movement
- President : Thomas Bach





Question: The 'Morung system', recently mentioned in news, is associated with which state?

- A) Assam
- B) Nagaland
- C) Manipur
- D) Mizoram
- E) Meghalaya

Correct Answer: B) Nagaland

Explanation:

- The Morung system is a traditional community-based education model from Nagaland.
- It was highlighted by Narendra Modi in the Mann Ki Baat.
- The system blends traditional knowledge with modern subjects like mathematics and science.
- It focuses on storytelling, folk songs, life skills, and cultural values for holistic development.
- The initiative reflects how the Naga community preserves its cultural heritage while embracing modern education.

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Question: In response to the escalating West Asia crisis, how many empowered committees were formed by the Government of India?

- A) Five
- B) Six
- C) Seven
- D) Eight
- E) Nine

Correct Answer: C) Seven

Explanation:

- The Government of India formed seven empowered committees to address challenges arising from the escalating West Asia crisis.
- Key committees and their leadership include:
 - Defence, External Affairs, and Public Order – led by Vikram Misri, with Govind Mohan and Rajesh Kumar Singh as key members.
 - Economy, Finance, and Supply Chains – headed by Anuradha Thakur.
 - Energy Security (Petroleum, LNG, Power) – led by Neeraj Mittal.
 - Fertilizers and Agriculture – led by Rajat Kumar Mishra.
- These committees aim to ensure coordination across key sectors to manage the crisis effectively.
- The Essential Commodities panel is headed by Consumer Affairs Secretary Nidhi Khare.
- The Transport, Logistics and Trade Routes panel is led by Ports, Shipping and Waterways Secretary Vijay Kumar.
- The Information, Communication and Public Engagement panel is headed by Information and Broadcasting Secretary Sanjay Jaju.





Question: Kaynes Semicon OSAT facility inaugurated by PM Modi is located in which state?

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

Correct Answer: C) Gujarat

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi inaugurated the Kaynes Semicon OSAT facility at Sanand, Gujarat on March 31, 2026.
- The facility has an investment of ₹3,300 crore and a production capacity of 60 lakh chips per day.
- It is India's second semiconductor unit after Micron Technology.
- The facility focuses on OSAT (Assembly, Testing, Marking & Packaging) of semiconductor chips.
- Production has started for Intelligent Power Modules (IPMs) used in automotive and industrial sectors, with each module containing 17 chips.
- The project is supported by ₹1,653.5 crore under the India Semiconductor Mission.
- Sanand is emerging as a semiconductor hub, with projects from Micron, Kaynes, and CG Power.
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Key Semiconductor Units Approved:

- Micron Technology – Location: Sanand – Type: ATMP
- Kaynes Semicon – Location: Sanand – Type: OSAT
- CG Power – Location: Sanand – Type: OSAT
- Tata Electronics – Location: Dholera – Type: Fab
- Tata Electronics – Location: Morigaon – Type: Unit





About India Semiconductor Mission:

- Launch Date: 21 December 2021
- Outlay: ₹76,000 crore
- Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- Target: Build a \$103 billion semiconductor market by 2030

Quick Understanding:

- ATMP → Assembly, Testing, Marking, Packaging
- OSAT → Outsourced Semiconductor Assembly and Testing
- Fab → Semiconductor fabrication plant (chip manufacturing unit)

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Question: What new feature is being planned under the revamped PM-KUSUM 2.0 scheme?

- A) Wind Energy Integration
- B) Battery Energy Storage
- C) Nuclear Power Support
- D) Hydro Power Expansion
- E) Biofuel Subsidy

Correct Answer: B) Battery Energy Storage

Explanation:

- The Government of India is planning to add Battery Energy Storage under the revamped PM-KUSUM scheme 2.0.
 - The existing PM-KUSUM scheme (launched in 2019) is nearing expiry and will be replaced by the updated version.
 - Battery storage will help store excess solar energy generated during the day and supply it after sunset, improving energy reliability.
 - There is ongoing discussion on storage duration:
 - Ministry of Power suggests 4 hours
 - Ministry of New and Renewable Energy suggests 2 hours
 - The project deadline has been extended to March 31, 2027 (for PPAs issued before December 31, 2025).
 - PM-KUSUM 2.0 will also introduce Agrivoltaics (10 GW), allowing solar panels and crops to coexist on the same land.
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- A new Component D (Feeder Level Solarisation) will enable a single solar plant to supply electricity to entire village farms.
 - A single national portal is proposed to replace multiple state-level portals.
 - The budget is expected to increase from ₹34,422 crore to around ₹50,000 crore.





About PM-KUSUM Scheme:

- Launch Year : 2019
- Objective : Promote solar energy use in agriculture and provide energy security to farmers
- Nodal Ministry : Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)
- Target : 34.8 GW solar capacity
- Budget (2.0) : ~₹50,000 crore (expected)

Components:

- A : Decentralised solar plants
- B : Standalone solar pumps
- C : Grid-connected pump solarisation
- D : Feeder Level Solarisation (new)

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Question: Aryna Sabalenka won her second consecutive Miami Open title by defeating which player in the final?

- A) Iga Świątek
- B) Naomi Osaka
- C) Elena Rybakina
- D) Coco Gauff
- E) Jessica Pegula

Correct Answer: D) Coco Gauff

Explanation:

- Aryna Sabalenka won her second consecutive Miami Open title by defeating Coco Gauff in the final.
- She is currently ranked World No. 1 in women's tennis.
- Sabalenka became the first woman since Iga Świątek (2022) to win both Indian Wells and Miami Open titles in the same year.

About Miami Open:

- It is an ATP & WTA 1000 tournament.
- Held in Miami, USA.
- Played on a hard court surface.





Question: PM SVANidhi Scheme was launched in which year?

- A) 2018
- B) 2019
- C) 2020
- D) 2021
- E) 2022

Correct Answer: C) 2020

Explanation:

- The PM SVANidhi Scheme was launched in June 2020.
- It aims to provide collateral-free working capital loans to street vendors.
- Under the scheme, over 1 crore loans worth ₹17,115 crore have been disbursed.
- **Loan structure:**
 - ₹15,000 (1st tranche)
 - ₹25,000 (2nd tranche)
 - ₹50,000 (3rd tranche)
- **The scheme also offers cashback incentives for digital transactions:**
 - Up to ₹100 per month for retail transactions (12 months)
 - ₹100 per quarter for wholesale transactions (4 quarters)
- It promotes digital payments and supports financial inclusion.

About PM SVANidhi Scheme:

- Full Form : Pradhan Mantri Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi
- Launch Year : 2020
- Ministry : Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- Extended Till : 31 March 2030
- Objective : Provide affordable working capital loans to street vendors
- Loan Type : Collateral-free loans with 7% interest subsidy
- Digital Incentive : Cashback on UPI/digital transactions





Question: The Akasha300, recently delivered to ISRO's Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre, is what type of technology?

- A) Satellite Communication System
- B) High-temperature 3D Printer
- C) Rocket Engine
- D) Space Telescope
- E) Cryogenic Fuel System\

Correct Answer: B) High-temperature 3D Printer

Explanation:

- Akasha300 is an industrial-grade high-temperature 3D printer delivered to the ISRO Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre.
- It has been developed by Spacetime 4D.
- The project is supported by the Space Technology Innovation and Incubation Centre and Kerala Startup Mission.
- It enables domestic production of complex, heat-resistant components for rockets and satellites, supporting Atmanirbhar Bharat.
- The printer can operate at very high temperatures, with nozzle temperatures up to 350°C (upgradeable to 550°C).
- It supports advanced materials like PEEK, PEKK, and carbon-fiber composites.





Question: International Day of Zero Waste is observed globally on which date?

- A) March 28
- B) March 29
- C) March 30
- D) March 31
- E) April 1

Correct Answer: C) March 30

Explanation:

- The International Day of Zero Waste is observed globally on March 30.
- It was established by the United Nations and first observed in 2023.
- The day promotes sustainable consumption and production patterns.
- The 2026 theme focuses on reducing food waste.
- Globally, nearly 1 billion tonnes of food is wasted every year, accounting for about one-fifth of the food available to consumers.

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Question: World Theatre Day is observed on which date every year?

- A) March 25
- B) March 26
- C) March 27
- D) March 28
- E) March 29

Correct Answer: C) March 27

Explanation:

- World Theatre Day is observed every year on March 27.
- It is organized by the International Theatre Institute (ITI).
- The day was first celebrated in 1962.
- In 2026, it marked the 64th World Theatre Day.
- Celebrations were held in Luxembourg City, Luxembourg.
- The day highlights the importance of theatre arts and promotes cultural exchange worldwide.

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Ques: The Reserve Bank of India imposed a penalty of ₹231.80 lakh on which bank for non-compliance with disclosure norms?

- A) Paytm Payments Bank
- B) Jio Payments Bank
- C) India Post Payments Bank
- D) Fino Payments Bank
- E) Airtel Payments Bank

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a penalty of ₹231.80 lakh on Airtel Payments Bank Limited.
- The penalty was due to non-compliance with guidelines related to disclosure in financial statements.
- RBI found that the bank failed to disclose certain customer complaints in its annual financial statements for FY 2024–25.

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Ques: For which period has the Government kept interest rates unchanged for small savings schemes like PPF and Sukanya Samriddhi?

- A) January–March 2026
- B) April–June 2026
- C) July–September 2026
- D) October–December 2026
- E) Full Year 2026

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Government has maintained interest rates for twelve small savings schemes for the April–June 2026 quarter.
- This marks the ninth consecutive quarter with no change in interest rates.
- The schemes include popular instruments like Public Provident Fund (PPF) and Sukanya Samriddhi Account.

Interest Rates of Small Savings Schemes (April–June 2026):

- Post Office Savings Deposit : 4.0%
- 1-Year Time Deposit : 6.9%
- 2-Year Time Deposit : 7.0%
- 3-Year Time Deposit : 7.1%
- 5-Year Time Deposit : 7.5%
- 5-Year Recurring Deposit : 6.7%
- Senior Citizen Savings Scheme : 8.2%
- Monthly Income Account Scheme : 7.4%
- National Savings Certificate : 7.7%
- Public Provident Fund (PPF) : 7.1%
- Kisan Vikas Patra : 7.5% (matures in 115 months)
- Sukanya Samriddhi Account : 8.2%





About Small Savings Schemes:

- Regulated by : Government of India (Ministry of Finance)
- Review Frequency : Quarterly
- Objective : Encourage savings and provide secure investment options



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Ques: Moody's Investors Service has applied to establish a branch in which location to strengthen India's offshore financial ecosystem?

- A) Mumbai
- B) GIFT City
- C) Bengaluru
- D) Hyderabad
- E) Chennai

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Moody's Investors Service has applied to establish a branch in GIFT City to strengthen India's position as a global offshore financial centre.
- The application has been filed under the IFSCA (Capital Market Intermediaries) Regulations, 2025.
- The proposed entity will undertake credit rating and related financial activities.
- S&P Global Ratings has already received registration from IFSCA to operate in the IFSC.
- Among domestic agencies, CARE Ratings (CareEdge) was the first to set up a base in GIFT IFSC through its subsidiary in October 2024.
- Moody's is one of the "Big Three" global credit rating agencies along with S&P Global Ratings and Fitch Ratings.

About GIFT City (IFSC):

- Full Form : Gujarat International Finance Tec-City
- Location : Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- Regulator : International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)
- Purpose : Develop India as a global financial services hub





Ques: According to ICRA, what is the projected GDP growth rate of India for FY 2026–27?

- A) 5.5%
- B) 6.0%
- C) 6.5%
- D) 7.0%
- E) 7.6%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- ICRA has projected that India's GDP growth will moderate to 6.5% in FY 2026–27.
- This is lower than the 7.6% growth estimated for the current financial year.
- The moderation indicates a gradual slowdown in economic growth.

About ICRA Limited:

- Founded: 1991
- Headquarters: Gurugram, Haryana
- Type: Credit Rating Agency
- Function: Provides credit ratings, research, and risk assessment services

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Ques: India's Index of Industrial Production (IIP) growth rate in February 2026 stood at what percentage?

- A) 4.5%
- B) 5.0%
- C) 5.8%
- D) 6.0%
- E) 5.2%

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India's industrial growth, measured by the Index of Industrial Production (IIP), rose to 5.2% in February 2026.
- This shows a slight increase from 5.1% recorded in January 2026.
- The growth was driven by strong performance in the manufacturing sector.
- Manufacturing sector output growth accelerated to 6% in February 2026.
- The data was released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.

About Index of Industrial Production (IIP):

- Measures: Industrial output in sectors like manufacturing, mining, and electricity
- Base Year: 2011–12
- Released by: NSO (Ministry of Statistics)
- Frequency: Monthly





Ques: India signed a working arrangement on aviation manufacturing and safety standards with which organization?

- A) NATO
- B) European Union
- C) ASEAN
- D) World Bank
- E) IMF

Answer: Option B

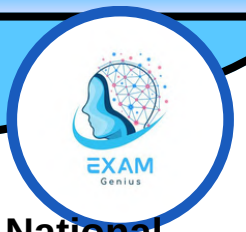
Explanation:

- The Government of India signed a working arrangement with the European Union to strengthen aviation manufacturing and safety standards.
- The agreement was signed ahead of the EU–South Asia Aviation Partnership workshop held in New Delhi.
- The pact was exchanged between the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).
- It will support projects such as the assembly of Airbus Helicopters H125/AS350 in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

About European Union (EU):

- Formed : 1993 (after Maastricht Treaty)
- Membership : 27 countries
- Headquarters : Brussels, Belgium
- President of European Council : Antonio Costa
- President of European Commission : Ursula von der Leyen





Ques: Who has recently assumed charge as the Chairperson of the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC)?

- A) Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti
- B) Hansraj Gangaram Ahir
- C) Smriti Irani
- D) Meenakshi Lekhi
- E) Anupriya Patel

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti has assumed charge as the Chairperson of the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC).
 - She succeeded Hansraj Gangaram Ahir.
 - The announcement was made by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
- About National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC):

- Type: Constitutional Body
- Ministry: Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- Established: 1993 (as a statutory body)
- Constitutional Status: Granted in 2018 through 102nd Constitutional Amendment (Article 338B)
- Headquarters: New Delhi

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Ques: The Delhi Tourism and Transportation Development Corporation (DTTC) signed an MoU with which organization to develop Delhi as a media hub?

- A) Doordarshan
- B) Prasar Bharati
- C) Press Trust of India
- D) Film Division of India
- E) NFDC

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Delhi Tourism and Transportation Development Corporation (DTTC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Prasar Bharati.
- The objective of the agreement is to develop Delhi as a major media and entertainment hub in India.

About Prasar Bharati:

- Formed: 23 November 1997
- Headquarters: New Delhi
- Ministry: Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- Role: Public Service Broadcaster (Doordarshan and All India Radio)





Ques: India's first hydrogen-powered train will operate on which route?

- A) Delhi–Agra
- B) Mumbai–Pune
- C) Jind–Sonipat
- D) Chennai–Bengaluru
- E) Jaipur–Udaipur

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India's first hydrogen-powered trainset successfully completed oscillation trials, marking a major step toward sustainable transportation.
- The milestone was confirmed by Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw.
- The trial was conducted by the Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO) for safety and performance validation.
- India will now join countries like Germany, Japan, and China that operate hydrogen-powered trains.
- The train will operate on the Jind–Sonipat route in Haryana.
- It has been developed by the Integral Coach Factory (ICF), Chennai, entirely within India.
- During trials, the train covered 20 km with a maximum speed of 70 km/h.

Key Features of India's Hydrogen Train

- World's longest hydrogen train with 10 coaches
- Power output: 2400 kW (two power cars of 1200 kW each)
- Zero carbon emissions — emits only water vapour





Ques: According to Morning Consult, what is the approval rating of Narendra Modi, making him the world's most popular global leader?

- A) 62%
- B) 65%
- C) 68%
- D) 70%
- E) 75%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi remains the world's most popular global leader with an approval rating of 68%, according to Morning Consult.
- He recorded a disapproval rating of 26%, while 6% respondents were undecided.
- The ratings are based on a trailing seven-day simple moving average of public opinion among adults in each country surveyed.
- Earlier in 2026, he became the first global leader to cross 100 million followers on Instagram.

Top 5 Leaders (Approval Ratings):

1. Narendra Modi – 68%
2. Guy Parmelin – 62%
3. Lee Jae-myung – 62%
4. Andrej Babiš – 57%
5. Javier Milei – 56%





Ques: Who won the Miami Open 2026 Men's Singles title?

- A) Novak Djokovic
- B) Jannik Sinner
- C) Roger Federer
- D) Carlos Alcaraz
- E) Daniil Medvedev

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Jannik Sinner won the Miami Open 2026 Men's Singles title by defeating Jiri Lehecka 6–4, 6–4 in the final.
- The Italian star completed the historic "Sunshine Double" by winning both Indian Wells and Miami Open in the same season.
- He achieved this feat without dropping a single set in both tournaments.
- Sinner became the first player since Roger Federer (2017) to win both tournaments back-to-back.
- He joined an elite group of players including Novak Djokovic, Andre Agassi, and Pete Sampras.

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Ques: The United Nations task force to address disruptions in the Strait of Hormuz will be led by whom?

- A) António Guterres
- B) Kristalina Georgieva
- C) Tedros Adhanom
- D) Jorge Moreira da Silva
- E) Ajay Banga

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- UN Secretary-General António Guterres announced the formation of a task force to address disruptions in the Strait of Hormuz amid the West Asia crisis.
- The task force will be led by Jorge Moreira da Silva.
- The initiative aims to ensure stability in global energy supply and maritime routes.

About United Nations (UN):

- Established: 24 October 1945
- Headquarters: New York, USA
- Membership: 193 member states
- Secretary-General: António Guterres (9th, Portugal)





Ques: Who received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the International Film Festival of Delhi 2026?

- A) Chiranjeevi
- B) Nagarjuna
- C) Mohanlal
- D) Nandamuri Balakrishna
- E) Kamal Haasan

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Veteran Telugu actor Nandamuri Balakrishna received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the International Film Festival of Delhi 2026.
- The award was presented by Rekha Gupta.
- During the festival, his film “Bhagavanth Kesari”, directed by Anil Ravipudi, was screened.
- The film had earlier won the Best Telugu Film award at the 71st National Film Awards.
- Nandamuri Balakrishna was also awarded the Padma Bhushan in 2025, India’s third-highest civilian honour.





Ques: Indonesia has banned social media use for children below which age?

- A) 14 years
- B) 15 years
- C) 17 years
- D) 16 years
- E) 21 years

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Indonesia has banned social media use for children under 16 years.
- Indonesia follows Australia, which became the first country in December to impose such a restriction for under-16 users.
- The move aims to protect children from online risks and promote safer digital environments.

About Indonesia:

- Capital: Jakarta
- Currency: Rupiah
- President: Prabowo Subianto

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Ques: The National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCB) signed an MoU with which company to boost skill development in the construction sector?

- A) ACC Limited
- B) Ambuja Cement
- C) UltraTech Cement
- D) Dalmia Bharat
- E) Shree Cement

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCB) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with UltraTech Cement Limited.
- The aim is to boost skill development in the construction sector.
- The initiative will provide training and certification programmes for civil engineers, contractors, workers, and masons over the next 3–5 years.
- The programme aligns with the Skill India Mission launched in 2015.

About Skill India Mission:

- Launched: 2015
- Launched by: Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- Objective: Provide skill training and enhance employability





Ques: The International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing Staff Members is observed on which date?

- A) 21 March
- B) 24 March
- C) 25 March
- D) 27 March
- E) 30 March

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing Staff Members is observed every year on 25 March.
- The day honours UN staff members who have been detained, abducted, or have gone missing while performing their duties.
- Since the establishment of the United Nations in 1945, many staff members have lost their lives in peacekeeping and humanitarian missions.

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Ques: The RBI has mandated the use of UTI for which type of financial transactions?

- A) Government Securities Market
- B) Foreign Exchange Spot Transactions
- C) All OTC Derivatives Transactions
- D) Equity Market Transactions
- E) Mutual Fund Transactions

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has mandated the use of Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) and Unique Transaction Identifier (UTI) for financial market transactions.
- LEI is effective immediately, while UTI will be applicable from January 1, 2027.
- The 20-character LEI is required for non-individual entities in OTC, government securities, and foreign exchange markets.
- The up-to-52-character UTI is mandated for all over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives transactions.
- These identifiers are global standards aimed at enhancing transparency in financial markets.
- LEI will also apply to users undertaking non-derivative foreign exchange transactions.

Static Part :

- **RBI Foundation Day – 1 April 1935**
- **Headquarters – Mumbai**
- **Governor – Sanjay Malhotra**





Ques: The RBI has capped banks' net open positions in the rupee at what amount per day?

- A) \$50 million
- B) \$75 million
- C) \$100 million
- D) \$150 million
- E) \$200 million

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has capped banks' net open positions in the rupee at \$100 million at the end of each business day.
- This move aims to tighten oversight in the foreign exchange market amid volatility in the rupee.
- RBI has directed authorised dealers of foreign currency to comply with the rule by April 10.

About Net Open Position (NOP):

- Meaning: Difference between foreign currency assets and liabilities held by banks
- Purpose: Manage exchange rate risk and ensure market stability
- Regulated by: RBI





Ques: In which year was the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) established?

- A) 1930
- B) 1932
- C) 1935
- D) 1947
- E) 1950

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) was established on April 1, 1935 under the RBI Act, 1934 based on the recommendations of the Hilton Young Commission.
- RBI regulates and supervises India's banking system and acts as the central bank of the country.
- The headquarters was permanently shifted to Mumbai in 1937 (initially in Calcutta).
- First Governor: Sir Osborne Smith | First Indian Governor: C.D. Deshmukh | Current Governor: Sanjay Malhotra.
- RBI is governed by a Central Board of Directors consisting of one Governor, up to four Deputy Governors and other directors (appointed for 4 years).
- RBI also served as the central bank for Burma (Myanmar) till 1947 and Pakistan till June 1948.
- Currency printing is handled by Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Pvt Ltd (BRBNMPL) at Mysore and Salboni.





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new CEO of IndiGo?

- A) Willie Walsh
- B) Pieter Elbers
- C) Tony Fernandes
- D) Alan Joyce
- E) Ajay Singh

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- IndiGo has appointed William Walsh (Willie Walsh) as its new Chief Executive Officer (CEO).
- He succeeds Pieter Elbers, who stepped down from the position.
- Willie Walsh is currently serving as the Director General of the International Air Transport Association (IATA).
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About IndiGo:

- Founded: 2005
- Headquarters: Gurugram, Haryana
- Type: Low-cost airline

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Ques: The Ministry of Defence signed a ₹1,950 crore contract with which company for procurement of mountain radars for the Indian Air Force?

- A) Bharat Electronics Limited
- B) HAL
- C) BHEL
- D) Larsen & Toubro
- E) Tata Advanced Systems

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Defence signed a ₹1,950 crore contract with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for the procurement of two mountain radars for the Indian Air Force.
- The mountain radar has been designed and developed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).
- BEL will be responsible for manufacturing the radars.
- These radars are specifically designed for deployment in mountainous terrains to enhance surveillance and defence capabilities.

About BEL:

- Established: 1954
- Headquarters: Bengaluru
- Chairman & MD: Bhanu Prakash Srivastava





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Director General of DGCA?

- A) Abhishek Singh
- B) Chanchal Kumar
- C) Vir Vikram Yadav
- D) Rohit Kansal
- E) Sanjay Jaju

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Vir Vikram Yadav has been appointed as Director General of the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA).
- Chanchal Kumar has been appointed as Secretary in the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting (I&B).
- Abhishek Singh has been appointed as Director General of the National Testing Agency (NTA).
- These appointments are part of a major bureaucratic reshuffle approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC).

Static Part:

- DGCA Established: 1978
- Headquarters: New Delhi
- Ministry: Ministry of Civil Aviation
- NTA Established – 2018
- Headquarters – New Delhi





Ques: INS Dunagiri, recently inducted into the Indian Navy, is built under which project?

- A) Project 15B
- B) Project 17
- C) Project 17A
- D) Project 75
- E) Project 28

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- INS Dunagiri is an indigenous stealth frigate built under Project 17A.
- It has been delivered to the Indian Navy by Garden Reach Shipbuilding and Engineers Ltd (GRSE).
- It is the fifth vessel of the Nilgiri-class frigates.
- It is the second ship of this class to be constructed at GRSE.
- Project 17A focuses on advanced stealth features, improved survivability, and modern weapon systems.

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Ques: Under the Telangana Employees' Responsibility and Parental Care Monitoring Bill, 2026, what penalty will an employee face if found neglecting their parents?

- A) 10% salary deduction or ₹5,000 whichever is less
- B) 15% salary deduction or ₹10,000 whichever is less
- C) 20% salary deduction or ₹15,000 whichever is less
- D) 25% salary deduction or ₹20,000 whichever is less
- E) Imprisonment up to 1 year

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Telangana Assembly passed the Telangana Employees' Responsibility and Parental Care Monitoring Bill, 2026.
- The Bill provides relief to elderly parents who are neglected or ill-treated by their children.
- If neglect is proven, up to 15% of gross salary or ₹10,000 (whichever is lower) will be deducted.
- The deducted amount will be directly transferred to the bank accounts of the aggrieved parents.
- The law applies to both government and private sector employees.
- A Senior Citizens Commission will be set up to handle complaints.
- The Act strengthens enforcement beyond the existing Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007.

Static Part :

- State – Telangana





- Capital – Hyderabad
- Chief Minister – A. Revanth Reddy
- Governor – Jishnu Dev Varma



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Ques: Exercise Dweep Shakti, recently conducted by India, was held in which region?

- A) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- B) Lakshadweep Islands
- C) Arabian Sea
- D) Bay of Bengal
- E) Gujarat Coast

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India conducted Exercise Dweep Shakti to strengthen coastal and island defence.
- It was a Tri-Service exercise involving the Army, Navy, and Air Force, showcasing joint operational capability.
- The exercise was held in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands region.
- The region is strategically important due to its proximity to the Malacca Strait, a key global shipping route.

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Ques: India Pharma 2026, to be held in New Delhi, is being organized by the Department of Pharmaceuticals in association with which organizations?

- A) CII & ASSOCHAM
- B) DRDO & ISRO
- C) NITI Aayog & WHO
- D) ICMR & AIIMS
- E) FICCI & Indian Pharmaceutical Alliance

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Department of Pharmaceuticals under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers will host India Pharma 2026 on 13–14 April in New Delhi.
- The event is being organized in association with FICCI and the Indian Pharmaceutical Alliance.
- The aim is to strengthen India's position as a global leader in pharmaceuticals and life sciences.
- Theme: "Discover in India: Leapfrogging Life-Sciences Innovation".

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Ques: INS Sanshodhak, recently inducted into the Indian Navy, belongs to which category of vessels?

- A) Destroyer
- B) Frigate
- C) Aircraft Carrier
- D) Survey Vessel (Large)
- E) Submarine

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- INS Sanshodhak is the fourth and final Survey Vessel (Large) inducted into the Indian Navy.
- It has been built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd (GRSE).
- The earlier ships in the series are INS Sandhayak, INS Nirdeshak, and INS Ikshak.
- These ships were commissioned between February 2024 and November 2025.
- INS Sanshodhak has been designed by the Indian Navy's Warship Design Bureau.
- Survey vessels are used for hydrographic surveys, navigation support, and mapping of sea routes.





Ques: The SIM-binding deadline for OTT messaging platforms has been extended till which date?

- A) June 30, 2026
- B) September 30, 2026
- C) December 31, 2026
- D) March 31, 2027
- E) January 1, 2027

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has extended the SIM-binding deadline for OTT messaging platforms to December 31, 2026.
- The rule applies to platforms like WhatsApp, Telegram, and Signal.
- Earlier, users had to log out from web versions every 6 hours and re-login using QR code.
- The government is now considering replacing fixed logout with a risk-based logout system.
- The move aims to improve user experience while ensuring security and compliance.

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Ques: The Samrat Samprati Museum, inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi, is located in which state?

- A) Rajasthan
- B) Gujarat
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Samrat Samprati Museum on the occasion of Mahavir Jayanti in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- The museum is located at Shri Mahavir Jain Aradhana Kendra in Koba village, Gandhinagar.
- It is named after Samrat Samprati, the grandson of Emperor Ashoka.
- Samrat Samprati is a revered figure in Jain tradition, known for promoting non-violence and spreading Jainism.

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Ques: Who was named “Para Archer of the Year 2025” by the World Archery Federation?

- A) Deepika Kumari
- B) Sheetal Devi
- C) Jyothi Surekha
- D) Aditi Swami
- E) Ankita Bhakat

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Sheetal Devi from Jammu and Kashmir was named “Para Archer of the Year 2025” by the World Archery Federation.
- She is India’s first female armless para-archer competing at the international level.
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Other Awards:

- Archer of the Year: Emircan Haney (Türkiye)
- Young Archer of the Year: Baptiste Addis (France)
- Best Team of the Year: Korea’s recurve men’s team

Additional News:

- Pankaj Advani won his maiden National 9-ball pool championship title in Ludhiana.
- He defeated Nitin Sharma of Chandigarh in the final.





Ques: Japan recently deployed long-range Type-12 missiles with a range of approximately how many kilometers?

- A) 200 km
- B) 500 km
- C) 800 km
- D) 1,000 km
- E) 1,500 km

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Japan has deployed its first long-range “standoff” missiles (upgraded Type-12) at military bases.
- The missiles are deployed at Camp Kengun (Kumamoto) and Camp Fuji (Shizuoka).
- These missiles are developed by Mitsubishi Heavy Industries.
- The upgraded Type-12 missile has a range of around 1,000 km, significantly higher than the earlier 200 km range.
- The deployment aims to strengthen Japan’s defensive and deterrence capabilities amid rising regional security concerns.

Static Part:

- Country – Japan
- Capital – Tokyo
- Prime Minister – Sanae Takaichi
- Currency – Japanese Yen





Ques: Which app is used to monitor banking infrastructure coverage in India through a GIS-based system?

- A) Jan Dhan Darshak (JDD) App
- B) BHIM App
- C) UMANG App
- D) DigiLocker
- E) Aadhaar App

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Government of India monitors banking infrastructure coverage using the Jan Dhan Darshak (JDD) App, a GIS-based application.
- The government aims to ensure availability of a banking outlet (bank branch, BC, or IPPB) within 5 km of all inhabited villages.
- As per JDD App data, about 99.92% of villages in India are covered with banking outlets within a 5 km radius as of 6 March 2026.
- In Dadra and Nagar Haveli, 100% villages have banking access within 5 km.
- The information was shared by Minister of State for Finance, Pankaj Chaudhary, in the Lok Sabha.





Ques: Where is the 18th BRICS Summit scheduled to be held in 2026?

- A) Beijing
- B) Moscow
- C) New Delhi
- D) Johannesburg
- E) Rio de Janeiro

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 18th BRICS Summit is scheduled to be held in New Delhi on September 9–10, 2026.
- India assumed the BRICS Presidency on January 1, 2026.
- India's theme is "Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability."
- BRICS grouping has expanded to include Iran and the United Arab Emirates (UAE).
- The summit is expected to bring together global leaders including Vladimir Putin and Xi Jinping.

Static Part (BRICS):

- Founded – 2009 (BRIC), 2010 (South Africa joined)
- Members – 10 countries
- India's Presidency – 2026
- 18th Summit Venue – New Delhi
- Date – 9–10 September 2026





Ques: Earth Hour is observed annually by switching off lights for one hour during which time?

- A) 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- B) 8:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- C) 8:30 PM – 9:30 PM
- D) 9:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- E) 10:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Earth Hour is observed by switching off lights from 8:30 PM to 9:30 PM to promote energy conservation and climate action.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), in collaboration with WWF-India, organized awareness activities in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh to mark 20 years of Earth Hour.
- The campaign carried the message “Give an Hour for Earth.”
- Awareness drives and exhibitions were held at The Scindia School and the Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management (IITTM), Madhya Pradesh.

About Earth Hour

- Started by: WWF (World Wide Fund for Nature)
- First Observed : 2007 (Sydney, Australia)
- Objective : Raise awareness about climate change and energy conservation





Ques: Dr. Vijaypat Singhania, who recently passed away, was awarded the Padma Bhushan in which field?

- A) Literature
- B) Science & Technology
- C) Trade & Industry
- D) Social Work
- E) Sports

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Padma Bhushan awardee and former Raymond chairman Dr. Vijaypat Singhania passed away at the age of 87 in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- He was awarded the Padma Bhushan in 2006 in the field of Sports.
- He authored an autobiography titled “An Angel in the Cockpit” (2005), highlighting his microlight aviation journey.
- He was also a recipient of the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award (2001).

About Padma Bhushan:

- Rank: 3rd highest civilian award in India
- Instituted: 1954
- Given for: Distinguished service of high order in any field





Ques: Chandrikapersad Santokhi, who recently passed away, was the former President of which country?

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

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Chandrikapersad Santokhi was the former President of Suriname and served from 2020 to 2025.
- He was also the leader of the Progressive Reform Party.
- Earlier, he served as the Justice Minister of Suriname.
- He was popularly known by the nickname “Sheriff.”
- He was a recipient of the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman and attended Pravasi Bharatiya Divas as Chief Guest.

About Suriname:

- Capital: Paramaribo
- Currency: Surinamese Dollar
- Location: South America





Ques: Odisha Day (Utkal Divas) is celebrated on which date?

- A) March 31
- B) April 1
- C) April 2
- D) May 1
- E) June 1

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Odisha Day, also known as Utkal Divas, is celebrated on April 1 every year.
- The day marks the formation of Odisha as a separate province in 1936 during British rule.
- Odisha was carved out from the Bihar and Orissa Province.
- It became the first state in India formed on a linguistic basis (Odia language).
- The day highlights the cultural identity and linguistic heritage of Odisha.

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Ques: As per RBI's directive, Two-Factor Authentication (2FA) for all digital transactions became effective from which date?

- A) January 1, 2026
- B) March 31, 2026
- C) April 1, 2026
- D) July 1, 2026
- E) April 1, 2027

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Two-Factor Authentication (2FA) for all digital transactions became effective from April 1, 2026.
- The directive was issued by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- It applies to all digital transactions, including UPI platforms.
- The ecosystem has primarily adopted SMS-based OTP as the second authentication factor.
- Users must now verify transactions through OTP, fingerprint, or facial recognition in addition to UPI PIN.
- Screenshots and screen recording are restricted in banking apps to prevent fraud.
- The initiative aims to reduce fraud and improve accountability in digital payments.

Static Part

- RBI Established – 1 April 1935
- RBI Nationalised – 1 January 1949
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Current RBI Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Deputy Governors – M. Rajeshwar Rao, T. Rabi Sankar, Swaminathan J., Poonam Gupta





Ques: India's gross GST collections in March 2026 crossed which milestone, showing an 8.8% growth compared to March 2025?

- A) ₹1.5 lakh crore
- B) ₹1.75 lakh crore
- C) ₹2 lakh crore
- D) ₹2.5 lakh crore
- E) ₹3 lakh crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India's gross GST collections recorded a growth of 8.8% in March 2026 compared to the same month last year.
- The collections crossed the ₹2 lakh crore mark, indicating strong economic activity and better compliance.
- For the financial year 2025–26, gross GST revenues reached ₹22 lakh crore.
- This marks an increase of 8.3% over ₹20 lakh crore recorded in the previous financial year.
- The data was released by the Ministry of Finance.

Static Part:

- GST Implemented – 1 July 2017
- Constitutional Amendment – 101st Constitutional Amendment Act, 2016
- GST Council Head – Union Finance Minister





Ques: As per RBI's revised capital market exposure norms, what is the cap on loans for subscribing to shares through IPOs or ESOPs per individual?

- A) ₹10 lakh
- B) ₹20 lakh
- C) ₹25 lakh
- D) ₹50 lakh
- E) ₹1 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- RBI has capped loans for purchase of shares and other eligible securities at ₹1 crore per borrower across the banking system.
- Earlier, this limit was ₹20 lakh, which has now been increased to ₹1 crore.
- However, for IPOs, Follow-on Public Offers (FPOs) and ESOPs, the borrowing limit is restricted to ₹25 lakh per individual.
- The revised capital market exposure rules have been deferred by 3 months—from April 1 to July 1, 2026.
- The deferral was due to operational and interpretational concerns raised by banks and market participants.
- The move aims to prevent excessive leverage, curb speculative borrowing and reduce risks in the banking system.
- RBI also clarified that acquisition finance now includes mergers and amalgamations.
- Banks must obtain a corporate guarantee from the acquiring company when financing subsidiaries or SPVs.

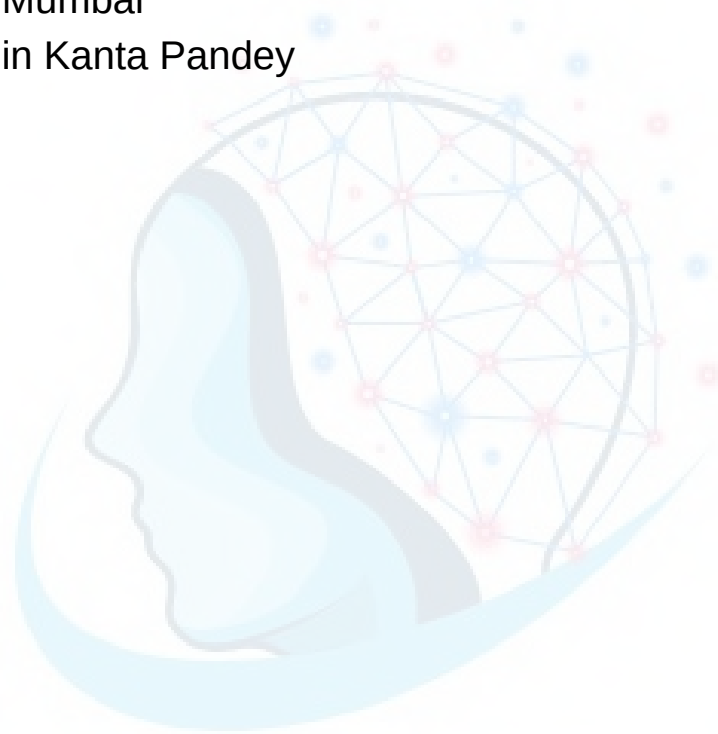
Static Part |:

- RBI Established – 1 April 1935
- RBI Nationalised – 1 January 1949
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra





- IPO Full Form – Initial Public Offering
- FPO Full Form – Follow-on Public Offer
- ESOP Full Form – Employee Stock Option Plan
- SPV Full Form – Special Purpose Vehicle
- Capital Market Regulator – SEBI
- SEBI Headquarters – Mumbai
- SEBI Chairman – Tuhin Kanta Pandey



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Ques: The 'Tea Mark' quality certification scheme has been introduced by which body under the Government of India?

- A) FSSAI
- B) APEDA
- C) Tea Board of India
- D) BIS
- E) Spices Board of India

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Tea Board of India, under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, has introduced the 'Tea Mark' quality certification scheme.
- The scheme will be rolled out in May 2026.
- 'Tea Mark' signifies that the tea has been tested and verified as per control orders and food safety standards.
- The scheme is voluntary and available to manufacturers registered under the Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003.
- It aims to curb adulteration, blending with inferior teas, and misrepresentation of origin.
- The Tea Board will design, select, register and popularise the 'Tea Mark' logo.
- The scheme ensures digital traceability and verification of supply chain integrity through empanelled testing laboratories.
- Tea Board may also develop an e-commerce platform to promote and facilitate the sale of 'Tea Mark' certified teas.

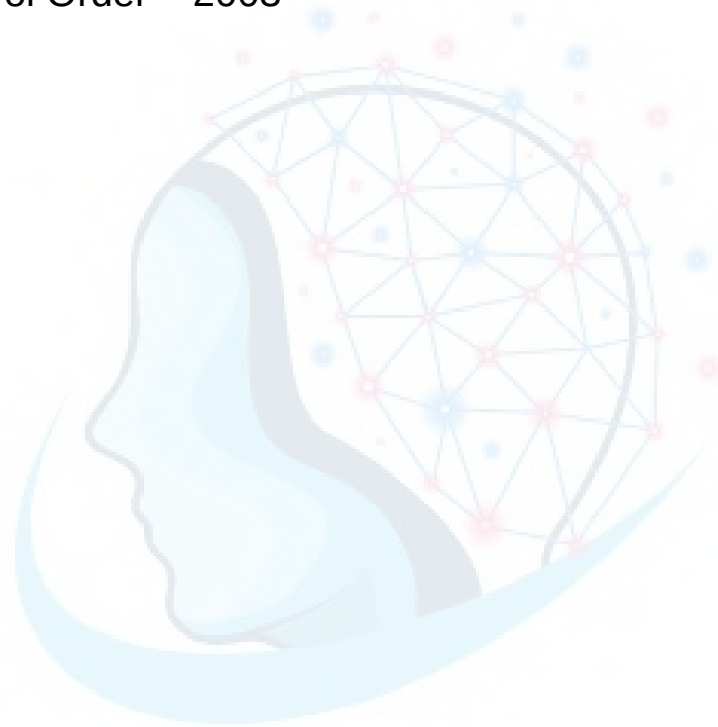
Static Part |:

- Tea Board of India Established – 1954
- Headquarters – Kolkata, West Bengal
- Ministry – Ministry of Commerce & Industry





- Chairman – P.K. Bezbaruah
- India's Rank in Tea Production – 2nd largest in world (after China)
- India's Rank in Tea Export – 4th largest exporter
- Major Tea Producing States – Assam, West Bengal (Darjeeling), Tamil Nadu, Kerala
- Famous Indian Teas – Darjeeling Tea, Assam Tea, Nilgiri Tea (GI Tagged)
- Tea (Marketing) Control Order – 2003



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Ques: Who has been named the Men's Player of the Year 2025 by the Asian Squash Federation (ASF)?

- A) Abhay Singh
- B) Saurav Ghosal
- C) Ramit Tandon
- D) Mahesh Mangaonkar
- E) Velavan Senthilkumar

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India's Abhay Singh has been named the Men's Player of the Year 2025 by the Asian Squash Federation (ASF).
- Japan's Satomi Watanabe won the ASF Women's Player of the Year award.
- In the junior category, India's Anahat Singh was awarded the Girls' Player of the Year.
- The Indian boys' squash team received the Men's Team Award.
- The team earned this recognition after winning a bronze medal at the 2025 World Junior Team Championships held in Egypt.

Static Part:

- Asian Squash Federation (ASF) Founded – 1980
- Headquarters – Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Governing Body in India – Squash Rackets Federation of India (SRFI)
- World Squash Federation (WSF) – Global governing body





Ques: As per the government's extended import policy, which of the following pulses will continue to attract an import duty of 30%?

- A) Tur / Pigeon Pea
- B) Urad / Black Matpe
- C) Moong / Green Gram
- D) Yellow Peas
- E) Masoor / Red Lentil

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Union government has extended the import policy for key pulses—tur, urad and yellow peas—till March 31, 2027.
- The previous import policy had expired on March 31, 2026.
- Imports of tur (pigeon pea) and urad (black matpe) will continue to remain duty-free.
- However, yellow peas will continue to attract an import duty of 30%.
- DGFT issued separate notifications extending the free import policy for tur and urad till March 31, 2027.
- Pulses imports are expected to exceed 5 million tonnes during 2026–27.
- The extension was due to El Niño concerns affecting kharif production and supply disruptions due to West Asia conflict.
- Yellow peas imports remain free without MIP condition and port restrictions, subject to online import monitoring registration.

Static Part:

- DGFT Full Form – Directorate General of Foreign Trade
- Under Ministry – Ministry of Commerce & Industry
- MIP Full Form – Minimum Import Price
- Tur (Pigeon Pea) – Arhar / Toor Dal
- Urad (Black Matpe) – Urad Dal





- Kharif Pulses – Tur, Urad, Moong
- Sowing Season – June–July | Harvest – October–November
- India Pulses and Grains Association Chairman – Bimal Kothari



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Ques: 'Malwan', recently received by the Indian Navy, belongs to which category of naval vessels?

- A) Aircraft Carrier
- B) Destroyer
- C) Frigate
- D) Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW SWC)
- E) Patrol Vessel

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Indian Navy has received 'Malwan', the second vessel in a series of eight ASW Shallow Water Crafts (ASW SWC).
- The ship has been built by Cochin Shipyard Limited, Kochi.
- It is part of an 8-ship programme aimed at strengthening coastal defence.
- ASW SWC are specially designed naval vessels used to detect and destroy enemy submarines in shallow coastal waters.
- These ships enhance India's anti-submarine warfare capabilities in coastal regions.

Static Part:

- Indian Navy Founded – 26 January 1950
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Chief of Naval Staff – Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi
- Cochin Shipyard Limited – Established in 1972
- Location – Kochi, Kerala





Ques: Meghalaya government has partnered with which company to pilot satellite-based internet services in remote hill regions?

- A) Starlink India
- B) OneWeb
- C) Jio Satellite
- D) Amazon Kuiper
- E) BSNL Satellite

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Government of Meghalaya has partnered with Starlink India to pilot satellite-based internet services in remote hill regions.
- The initiative aims to address connectivity challenges in difficult terrains.
- It will provide high-speed internet access to underserved and remote areas.
- Satellite-based internet helps overcome infrastructure limitations like lack of fiber networks.
- This move is expected to boost digital inclusion and connectivity in hilly regions.

Static Part:

- State – Meghalaya
- Capital – Shillong
- Chief Minister – Conrad K. Sangma
- Governor – Chandrashekhar H. Vijayashankar





Ques: The RoDTEP scheme, extended till September 30, 2026, provides refunds to exporters in which form?

- A) Direct Bank Transfer
- B) Cash Voucher
- C) Transferable Duty Credit Scrip
- D) Gold Bond
- E) Tax Exemption Certificate

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The government has extended the RoDTEP scheme for six months till September 30, 2026.
- The scheme had earlier expired on March 31, 2026.
- The extension aims to support exporters facing high freight costs and war-related trade risks in the Gulf and West Asia maritime corridor.
- RoDTEP reimburses taxes, duties and levies at central, state and local levels that are not refunded under any other mechanism.
- Refunds range from 0.3% to 3.9% of the export value.
- These refunds are provided as transferable duty credit scrips.
- The scheme covers 10,780 products from DTA units, EoU, AA holders and SEZ units.
- For FY 2026-27, the allocation for RoDTEP is ₹15,728 crore, including ₹5,346 crore for clearing past dues.
- Apparel, garments and made-ups are not covered under RoDTEP; they are covered under the RoSCTL scheme.
- RoDTEP replaced the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS), which was challenged by the USA at WTO.
- From April 1, 2021 to December 31, 2025, benefits worth ₹77,262.60 crore have been provided under the scheme.
- RoDTEP replaced MEIS, which was successfully challenged at the WTO by the United States as it violated global trade norms.





Static Part :

- RoDTEP Full Form – Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products
- Launched – January 1, 2021
- Replaced – MEIS (Merchandise Exports from India Scheme)
- Administered by – Ministry of Commerce & Industry
- Refund Form – Transferable Duty Credit Scrip
- RoSCTL Full Form – Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies
- Covers – Apparel, Garments & Made-ups
- WTO – World Trade Organization (HQ: Geneva, Switzerland)

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Ques: Under the 4th tranche of the Electronics Components Manufacturing Scheme (ECMS), how many proposals were approved by MeitY?

- A) 25
- B) 29
- C) 46
- D) 75
- E) 84

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) approved 29 proposals under the 4th tranche of ECMS.
- These proposals involve a projected investment of ₹7,104 crore and expected production of ₹84,515 crore.
- The initiative is expected to generate around 14,246 direct employment opportunities.
- Earlier, 46 applications worth ₹54,567 crore were approved.
- In total, 75 applications have now been approved under ECMS with expected investments of ₹61,671 crore.
- This exceeds the scheme's investment target of ₹59,350 crore.
- The government increased the ECMS budget allocation to ₹40,000 crore from ₹22,919 crore in the latest budget.

About Electronics Component Manufacturing Scheme (ECMS) Scheme:

- Outlay : Rs 22,919 crore
- Tenure : 6 year, with one year of gestation period
- Investment Target : To attract Investment of Rs.59,350 crore
- Result : It will result in the production of Rs 4,56,500 crore





Ques: The Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation (Amendment) Bill, 2026 recognises which city as the sole capital of Andhra Pradesh?

- A) Visakhapatnam
- B) Kurnool
- C) Tirupati
- D) Vijayawada
- E) Amaravati

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Lok Sabha has unanimously passed the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation (Amendment) Bill, 2026.
- The Bill recognises Amaravati as the sole capital of Andhra Pradesh.
- The provision has been given retrospective effect from June 2, 2024.
- The Bill will now be sent to the Rajya Sabha for approval.

Static Part:

- State – Andhra Pradesh
- Capital – Amaravati
- Formation Day – 1 November 1956





Ques: The Artemis II mission launched by NASA aims to achieve which of the following objectives?

- A) Establish a permanent Moon base
- B) Conduct a crewed Moon landing
- C) Test spacecraft systems and safety for future missions
- D) Launch a Mars exploration mission
- E) Deploy satellites in lunar orbit

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- NASA successfully launched the Artemis II mission, marking the first crewed lunar flyby in over 50 years since the Apollo era.
- The mission was launched using the Space Launch System (SLS) rocket from Kennedy Space Center.
- The crew includes four astronauts: Reid Wiseman, Victor Glover, Christina Koch, and Jeremy Hansen.
- The mission duration is about 10 days, during which the Orion spacecraft will travel around the Moon and return to Earth without landing.
- The journey will end with a splashdown in the Pacific Ocean.
- The primary objective is to test the safety, reliability, and performance of spacecraft systems and prepare for future human Moon landings.

Static Part |:

- Space Agency – National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
- Established – 1958
- Headquarters – Washington, D.C., USA
- Artemis Program – NASA's program to return humans to the Moon
- Apollo Missions – First human Moon landing in 1969 (Apollo 11)





Ques: NMDC became the first company in India's mining history to surpass which annual iron ore production milestone in FY26?

- A) 30 mt annual production mark
- B) 40 mt annual production mark
- C) 45 mt annual production mark
- D) 50 mt annual production mark
- E) 60 mt annual production mark

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- NMDC achieved a record production of 53 million tonnes (mt) of iron ore in FY26.
- With this, NMDC became the first company in India's mining history to cross the 50 mt annual production mark.
- In March 2026 alone, NMDC produced 5.35 mt of iron ore, showing a growth of 51% over last year.
- Iron ore sales in March stood at 5.90 mt, reflecting a 40% increase year-on-year.
- The strong performance highlights NMDC's key role in India's mining and steel sector.

Static Part:

- NMDC Full Form – National Mineral Development Corporation
- Founded – 1958
- Headquarters – Hyderabad, Telangana
- Type – Navratna PSU
- Ministry – Ministry of Steel





Ques: Uchral Nyam-Osor, recently in news, has been elected as the Prime Minister of which country?

- A) Kazakhstan
- B) Mongolia
- C) Uzbekistan
- D) Kyrgyzstan
- E) Turkmenistan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Uchral Nyam-Osor has been elected as the Prime Minister of Mongolia.
- He became the country's third Prime Minister in just nine months.
- The outgoing Prime Minister Zandanshatar Gombojav resigned amid pressure over corruption allegations.

Static Part:

- Country – Mongolia
- Capital – Ulaanbaatar
- Currency – Tögrög

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Ques: How many journalists were recognized at the Ramnath Goenka Excellence in Journalism Awards 2026?

- A) 19
- B) 20
- C) 22
- D) 24
- E) 26

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Ramnath Goenka Excellence in Journalism Awards 2026 recognized 24 journalists across 19 categories.
- These awards celebrate outstanding contributions to Indian journalism.
- The awards were presented in New Delhi by the Vice-President of India, C. P. Radhakrishnan.
- The jury panel included eminent personalities such as B. N. Srikrishna, C. Raj Kumar, Rohini Nilekani, and S. Y. Quraishi.

List of Major Award Winners 2026:

- Print (Hindi): Avadhesh Akodia – Dainik Bhaskar
- Broadcast/Digital (Hindi): Sarvapriya Sangwan – BBC News
- Hindi Print/Digital (Regional Languages): Muhammad Sabith & Akhil Sivanand – Mathrubhumi
- Broadcast/Digital (Regional Languages) : Fousiya Musthafa News - Malayalam 24*7
- Environment, Science & Technology Reporting : Jayashree Nandi & Tannu Jain - Hindustan Times
- Environment, Science & Technology Reporting (Broadcast/Digital) : Rohini Krishnamurthy & Dhruval Parekh - Down to Earth
- Uncovering India Invisible : Vijay Pal Dudi - Dainik Bhaskar
- Uncovering India Invisible (Broadcast/Digital) : Basant Kumar - NewsLaundry





- Business & Economic Journalism : Praveen Paramasivam, Munsif Vengattil & Aditya Kalra - Thomson Reuters
- Reporting on Politics and Government : Deeptiman Tiwary - The Indian Express
- Reporting on Politics and Government (Broadcast/Digital) : Rishika Kashyap - Deccan Herald
- Sports Journalism : Srikanth Dhasarathy - DT Next
- Investigative Reporting (Print/Digital) : Mridulika Jha - Aaj Tak
- Investigative Reporting (Broadcast) : Sreya Chatterjee - India Today
- Feature Writing : Vidheesha Kuntamalla - The Indian Express
- Civic Journalism : Sandip Dighe - The Times of India
- Civic Journalism : Sreya Chatterjee & Arvind Ojha - India Today
- Photojournalism : Praveen Jain - The Print
- Books (Non-Fiction) : Aparajith Ramnath : Penguin Random House

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Ques: World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD) is observed every year on which date?

- A) April 1
- B) April 2
- C) April 3
- D) April 5
- E) April 7

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The United Nations General Assembly observes World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD) every year on April 2.
- The day was designated in 2007 to promote awareness about autism.
- It also aims to ensure the rights and inclusion of autistic individuals worldwide.
- Theme for 2026 is “Autism and Humanity - Every Life Has Value”.

Static Part:

- Declared By – United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)
- First Observed – 2008





Ques: Which country will host the IMF–World Bank Annual Meetings in October 2026?

- A) India
- B) Thailand
- C) USA
- D) Japan
- E) Germany

Answer: B) Thailand

Explanation:

- Thailand will host the IMF–World Bank Annual Meetings in October 2026.
- The meetings will be held from 12–18 October 2026 in Bangkok.
- The venue will be Queen Sirikit National Convention Center.
- Thailand is hosting the meetings after a gap of 35 years.
- The country last hosted the Annual Meetings in 1991.
- Theme of the 2026 meetings is “Thailand's New Horizons: Empowering People, Building Resilience”.

Static Part:

- IMF Full Form – International Monetary Fund
- World Bank – International financial institution providing loans and grants
- IMF Headquarters – Washington, D.C., USA
- World Bank Headquarters – Washington, D.C., USA





Ques: What is the main objective of bank account portability proposed by RBI?

- A) Increase bank interest rates
- B) Allow multiple accounts in one bank
- C) Switch banks without changing account number
- D) Remove KYC requirements
- E) Stop digital payments

Answer: C) Switch banks without changing account number

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is developing a bank account portability system.
- It will allow customers to switch banks without changing their account number.
- The system is part of the Payments Vision 2028 initiative.
- It is similar to Mobile Number Portability (MNP).
- The service is also referred to as “Payments Switching Service”.
- It will enable seamless transfer of standing instructions like EMIs, SIPs and salary credits.
- The aim is to enhance customer convenience, competition and efficiency in banking.

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Ques: How many transactions were recorded by Unified Payments Interface (UPI) in March 2026?

- A) 22.64 billion
- B) 21.50 billion
- C) 20.39 billion
- D) 23.10 billion
- E) 24.00 billion

Answer: A) 22.64 billion

Explanation:

- Unified Payments Interface (UPI) recorded 22.64 billion transactions in March 2026.
- In February 2026, UPI transactions stood at 20.39 billion.
- The total transaction value in March 2026 was ₹29.53 lakh crore.
- In February 2026, the transaction value was ₹26.84 lakh crore.
- UPI is a real-time payment system that allows instant transfer of money between bank accounts using mobile phones.
- It was developed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and launched in 2016.

Static Part:

- UPI Launched – 2016
- Developed By – NPCI (National Payments Corporation of India)
- Regulator – Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- Type – Real-time Payment System





Ques: The RBI's Supervisory Data Quality Index (sDQI) covers how many Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs)?

- A) 72
- B) 79
- C) 83
- D) 87
- E) 92

Answer: D) 87

Explanation:

- The RBI's Supervisory Data Quality Index (sDQI) improved to 90.9 in the December 2025 quarter.
- It was 90.7 in the July–September 2025 quarter, showing steady improvement.
- The sDQI covers 87 Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs).
- The index evaluates data quality based on accuracy, timeliness, completeness and consistency.
- It includes key returns related to asset quality, risk-based supervision and liquidity.
- The index also assesses compliance with RBI's Master Direction on Filing of Supervisory Returns, 2024.

Static Part:

- sDQI Full Form – Supervisory Data Quality Index
- Launched by – Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- Number of SCBs Covered – 87





Ques: Which of the following insurers has been designated as a Domestic Systemically Important Insurer (D-SII) by IRDAI for FY 2025-26?

- A) LIC
- B) New India Assurance Company Ltd
- C) GIC Re
- D) All of the above
- E) None of the above

Answer: D) All of the above

Explanation:

- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has designated LIC, New India Assurance Company Ltd, and GIC Re as Domestic Systemically Important Insurers (D-SIIs) for FY 2025-26.
- The list remains unchanged from the previous financial year.
- D-SIIs are insurers whose size, market importance, and global interconnectedness make them critical to the financial system.
- Their failure could lead to significant disruption in the economy.
- Separately, IRDAI has directed insurers offering digital products to self-assess compliance with guidelines on prevention of dark patterns.
- These guidelines were issued by the Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA).
- Insurers must submit compliance status within 15 days.
- Dark patterns refer to misleading UI/UX designs that manipulate users into unintended actions.

Static Part | :

- IRDAI Established – 1999
- Headquarters – Hyderabad





- Regulator – Insurance sector in India
- LIC – Life Insurance Corporation of India
- GIC Re – General Insurance Corporation of India (Reinsurer)
- CCPA – Central Consumer Protection Authority



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Ques: Recently, Min Aung Hlaing has been elected as the President of which country?

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

Answer: C) Myanmar

Explanation:

- Min Aung Hlaing has been elected as the President of Myanmar.
- He secured 429 out of 584 votes in the Parliament.
- He is a former military chief.
- He led the 2021 military coup, overthrowing the elected government of Aung San Suu Kyi.
- The election was conducted by military-aligned lawmakers, raising concerns over democracy.
- He is expected to be sworn in next week.

Static Part:

- Country – Myanmar
- Capital – Naypyidaw
- Currency – Kyat
- Official Language – Burmese





Ques: Who has taken additional charge as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)?

- A) Amarendu Prakash
- B) Krishna Kumar Singh
- C) T.V. Narendran
- D) Soma Mondal
- E) Seshagiri Rao

Answer: B) Krishna Kumar Singh

Explanation:

- Krishna Kumar Singh has taken additional charge as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL).
- He succeeded Amarendu Prakash, who resigned effective from April 1, 2026.
- The additional charge will be held for 3 months or until a new CMD is appointed, whichever is earlier.
- SAIL is India's largest government-owned steel producer and a Maharatna PSU.

Static Part:

- Company – Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)
- Founded – 1954
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Type – Maharatna PSU





Ques: Bharti Airtel has become the world's ____ largest telecom operator by mobile subscriber base, according to GSMA Intelligence.

- A) 1st
- B) 2nd
- C) 3rd
- D) 4th
- E) 5th

Answer: B) 2nd

Explanation:

- Bharti Airtel has crossed 650 million customers globally.
- It has become the 2nd largest telecom operator in the world by mobile subscriber base, according to GSMA Intelligence.
- Globally, Airtel ranks just behind China Mobile.
- The company operates across India and Africa.
- Airtel has over 368 million mobile users in India.
- In Africa, it serves over 179 million users across 14 countries.
- Airtel has also announced its entry into the NBFC (Non-Banking Financial Company) space.
- The company has diversified into satellite communications through Eutelsat OneWeb.

Static Part | :

- Company – Bharti Airtel
- Founded – 1995
- Founder – Sunil Bharti Mittal
- Headquarters – New Delhi, India
- Sector – Telecommunications
- NBFC Full Form – Non-Banking Financial Company





Ques: Under the India–Australia ECTA, Australia has extended preferential market access across what percentage of its tariff lines for Indian goods?

- A) 70%
- B) 80%
- C) 90%
- D) 95%
- E) 100%

Answer: E) 100%

Explanation:

- The India–Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA) completed four years since its signing on April 2, 2022.
- Total bilateral trade reached USD 24.1 billion in 2024–25, with exports growing by 8% over the previous year.
- India's exports to Australia more than doubled from USD 4 billion (2020–21) to USD 8.5 billion (2024–25).
- Australia has extended access across 100% of its tariff lines for Indian goods.
- India has offered concessions on over 70% of tariff lines, covering more than 90% of trade value.
- Nearly all Indian exports to Australia will attract zero duty from January 1, 2026.
- Key export sectors include textiles, pharmaceuticals, chemicals and agricultural products.
- A Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) on organic products was signed in September 2025 to ease trade.
- On the import side, ECTA facilitates access to metals, raw cotton, fertilisers and pulses.

Static Part | :

- ECTA Full Form – Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement
- Signed – April 2, 2022
- Came into force – December 29, 2022





- Australia Capital – Canberra
- Prime Minister – Anthony Albanese
- Currency – Australian Dollar



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Ques: Who has become the most capped overseas player in the history of the Indian Premier League (IPL)?

- A) Kieron Pollard
- B) AB de Villiers
- C) Chris Gayle
- D) David Warner
- E) Sunil Narine

Answer: E) Sunil Narine

Explanation:

- West Indies player Sunil Narine became the most capped overseas player in IPL history.
 - He surpassed Kieron Pollard, who had played 189 matches.
 - Sunil Narine has played 190 IPL matches, all for Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR).
 - The milestone was achieved at Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai, against Mumbai Indians.
 - Sunil Narine began his IPL career in 2012 after being signed by KKR for ₹3.4 crore.
- Top Overseas Players with Most IPL Matches:
- Sunil Narine – 190 matches – Kolkata Knight Riders
 - Kieron Pollard – 189 matches – Mumbai Indians
 - AB de Villiers – 184 matches – Royal Challengers Bangalore & Delhi Capitals

Static Part:

- IPL Started – 2008
- Governing Body – BCCI
- Format – T20 Cricket
- Teams – Franchise-based teams





Ques: Project Chetak, recently seen in news, is associated with which organization?

- A) NHAI
- B) BRO
- C) DRDO
- D) Indian Railways
- E) CPWD

Answer: B) BRO

Explanation:

- Border Roads Organisation (BRO) celebrated the 47th Raising Day of Project Chetak at Bikaner, Rajasthan.
- The project was established in 1980 and has completed over four decades of service.
- It plays a vital role in infrastructure development in Rajasthan, Punjab, and northern Gujarat.
- Project Chetak has constructed over 4,000 km of roads and 214 km of Ditch-cum-Bund.
- It supports defence forces by maintaining key roads near international borders.
- Motto: "Chetak ka Prayas, Desh ka Vikas".

Static Part:

- Organization – Border Roads Organisation (BRO)**
- Founded – 1960
- Headquarters – New Delhi





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Tourism Secretary of India?

- A) Sanjay Jaju
- B) Bhuvnesh Kumar
- C) Srivatsa Krishna
- D) Rohit Kansal
- E) Rajesh Kumar Singh

Answer: B) Bhuvnesh Kumar

Explanation:

- Bhuvnesh Kumar has been appointed as the Tourism Secretary of India.
- The incumbent Sanjay Jaju has been shifted as Secretary in the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER).
- Srivatsa Krishna has been appointed as Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs.
- Rohit Kansal has been appointed as Secretary, Department of Rural Development.

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Ques: Under the Solid Waste Management Rules 2026, which color-coded bin is designated for hazardous and special care waste such as batteries, bulbs and medicines?

- A) Green
- B) Blue
- C) Red
- D) Yellow
- E) Black

Answer: E) Black

Explanation:

- India has mandated four-stream waste segregation at source under the Solid Waste Management Rules 2026 from April 1, 2026.
- The rule applies to households, offices and shops across the country.
- Waste must be segregated into four categories using color-coded bins — Green, Blue, Red and Black.
- Green bin is for wet and biodegradable waste like food scraps and vegetable peels.
- Blue bin is for dry waste such as plastic, paper, glass and metal.
- Red bin is for sanitary waste like diapers and napkins.
- Black bin is for hazardous/special care waste like batteries, bulbs, electronics and medicines.
- Penalties will be imposed for non-compliance under the “Polluter Pays” principle.

Static Part | :

- Solid Waste Management Rules first introduced – 2016
- New Rules effective from – April 1, 2026
- Administered by – Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)
- Minister of Environment – Bhupender Yadav





Ques: The Ministry of Home Affairs replaced the “most affected” category of LWE districts with which of the following new classifications?

- A) Core, Buffer, Peripheral
- B) LWE Affected, Districts of Concern, Legacy & Thrust Districts
- C) High Risk, Medium Risk, Low Risk
- D) Red, Yellow, Green Zones
- E) Priority, Non-Priority, Neutral

Answer: B) LWE Affected, Districts of Concern, Legacy & Thrust Districts

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Home Affairs has re-categorised Left-Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts.
- The earlier category of “most affected” has been replaced with three new categories.
- These include: LWE affected districts, districts of concern, and legacy & thrust districts.
- The total number of LWE-affected districts remains 38, but classification reflects reduced violence.
- The “Red Corridor” has shrunk significantly from over 200 districts in 2005 to very few in 2026.
- The new classification helps in better allocation of resources under security schemes like SRE.

Static Part:

- Ministry – Ministry of Home Affairs
- Home Minister – Amit Shah
- LWE Full Form – Left-Wing Extremism





Ques: Odisha Police has been awarded which prestigious honour, the highest for a police force in India?

- A) Police Medal
- B) President's Police Colour
- C) Shaurya Chakra
- D) Ashoka Chakra
- E) Gallantry Award

Answer: B) President's Police Colour

Explanation:

- Odisha Police has been awarded the President's Police Colour, the highest honour for a police force in India.
- The award recognises excellent service, discipline, bravery, and professionalism in maintaining law and order.
- It is awarded on the recommendation of the Ministry of Home Affairs and approved by the President of India.

Static Part:

- State – Odisha
- Formation Day – 1 April 1936 (Odisha Day / Utkal Dibasa)
- Capital – Bhubaneswar





Ques: Telangana aims to become the “Textile Capital of South Asia” by which year?

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

Answer: D) 2047

Explanation:

- A. Revanth Reddy announced a vision to make Telangana the “Textile Capital of South Asia” by 2047.
- The announcement was made during the Asian Textiles Conference.
- The state aims to achieve a \$3 trillion economy as part of this long-term vision.
- The government is focusing on infrastructure, land, power, water, incentives and fast execution to boost the textile sector.

Static Part:

- State – Telangana
- Capital – Hyderabad
- Chief Minister – A. Revanth Reddy
- Formation Day – 2 June 2014





Ques: Mission MITRA launched by ISRO is related to which of the following?

- A) Satellite Communication
- B) Space Tourism
- C) Crew Safety & Behaviour Study
- D) Missile Development
- E) Weather Forecasting

Answer: C) Crew Safety & Behaviour Study

Explanation:

- Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) launched Mission MITRA.
- MITRA stands for Mapping of Interoperable Traits and Response Assessment.
- The mission aims to enhance the safety and performance of Gaganyaan crew members.
- It is a first-of-its-kind behavioural study conducted in Leh, Ladakh.
- The study focuses on physiological, psychological, and operational aspects in high-altitude conditions.
- It evaluates coordination between crew members and ground staff under stress conditions.

Static Part:

- ISRO Founded – 1969
- Headquarters – Bengaluru
- Chairman – V. Narayanan
- Gaganyaan Launch Target – 2025–26





Ques: When will Phase 1 (House Listing and Housing Census) of India's Census 2027 begin?

- A) January 1, 2026
- B) March 1, 2026
- C) April 1, 2026
- D) July 1, 2026
- E) February 1, 2027

Answer: C) April 1, 2026

Explanation:

- India will begin Phase 1 of Census 2027 from April 1, 2026, marking the first fully digital Census in the country's history.
- Census 2027 will be the 16th Census since the beginning of Census operations and the 8th after Independence.
- The announcement was made by the Registrar General & Census Commissioner of India, Mritunjay Kumar Narayan.
- Phase 1 (House Listing and Housing Census) will be conducted from April to September 2026 across all States and UTs.
- Phase 2 (Population Enumeration) will be conducted in February 2027.
- The Union Cabinet approved a budget of ₹11,718.24 crore for the Census exercise.
- Phase 1 will include 33 specific questions related to housing and household data.

Key Features of Digital Census:

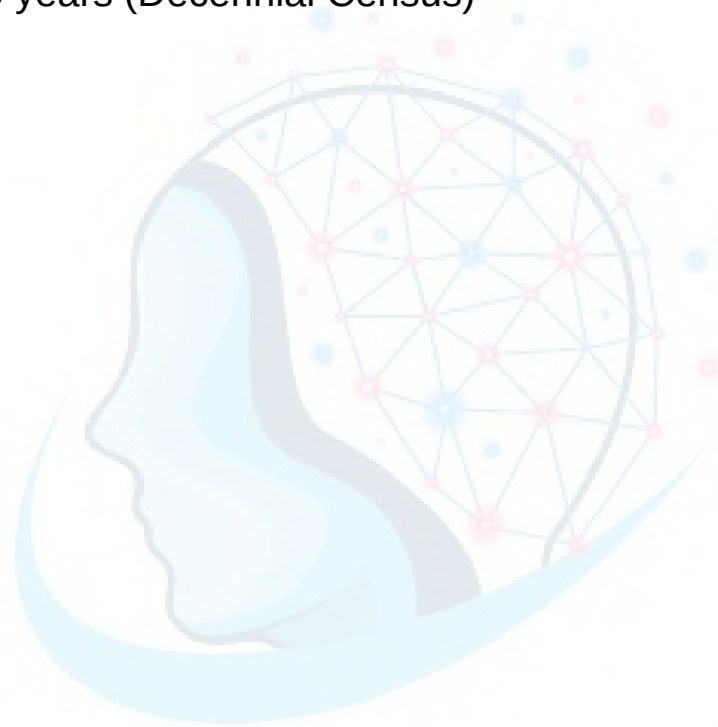
- Self-Enumeration: Citizens can fill their details online through a portal using mobile number.
- Mobile Apps: Data collection through 16-language mobile apps by around 30 lakh field staff.
- Geo-tagging: All buildings will be geo-tagged using Digital Layout Mapping (DLM).
- Mascots: Pragati (female) and Vikas (male) represent inclusivity.
- Live-in Couples: Stable live-in relationships will be counted as married.





Static Part:

- First Census in India – 1872 (non-synchronous), first complete census in 1881
- Conducted by – Office of Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India
- Ministry – Ministry of Home Affairs
- Frequency – Every 10 years (Decennial Census)



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Ques: Until which date has the RBI extended the enhanced export credit period of 450 days for pre- and post-shipment finance?

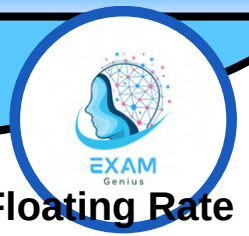
- A) March 31, 2026
- B) September 30, 2026
- C) June 30, 2026
- D) December 31, 2026
- E) March 31, 2027

Answer: C) June 30, 2026

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended the enhanced export credit window of up to 450 days till June 30, 2026.
- This applies to both pre-shipment and post-shipment finance for all disbursements made within this period.
- The facility was originally introduced in November 2025 amid global tariff uncertainties.
- Earlier, it was valid for disbursements up to March 31, 2026, which has now been extended.
- The extension was due to ongoing logistical disruptions caused by the West Asia conflict and supply chain bottlenecks.
- Exporters continue to get up to 15 months (earlier 9 months) to realise and repatriate export proceeds.





Ques: What is the interest rate set by RBI for Government of India Floating Rate Bond 2028 (FRB 2028) for April–October 2026?

- A) 5.75%
- B) 6.00%
- C) 6.17%
- D) 6.50%
- E) 7.00%

Answer: C) 6.17%

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has set the interest rate for Government of India Floating Rate Bond 2028 at 6.17% per annum.
- This rate is applicable for the period from April 04, 2026 to October 03, 2026.
- The interest rate is based on the Weighted Average Yield (WAY) of 182-day Treasury Bills plus a fixed spread of 0.64%.
- The interest rate is reset every six months.
- The announcement was made through an official RBI press release.

Static Part:

- Scheme – RBI Floating Rate Savings Bonds 2020 (Taxable)
- Issued by – RBI on behalf of Government of India
- Lock-in Period – 7 years
- Interest Link – Linked to National Savings Certificate (NSC) + 0.35%
- Interest Reset – Every 6 months (semi-annual payout)
- Minimum Investment – ₹1000 (No maximum limit)
- Eligibility – NRIs not allowed
- Premature Withdrawal – Allowed only for senior citizens with penalty

• Lock-in for Premature Withdrawal:

- 60–70 years – 6 years
- 70–80 years – 5 years
- 80+ years – 4 years





Ques: What is the total value of India's defence exports in Financial Year 2025–26 as per the Ministry of Defence?

- A) ₹23,622 crore
- B) ₹30,000 crore
- C) ₹38,424 crore
- D) ₹50,000 crore
- E) ₹71,735 crore

Answer: C) ₹38,424 crore

Explanation:

- India's defence exports reached an all-time high of ₹38,424 crore in FY 2025–26.
- This marks a growth of ₹14,802 crore (62.66%) compared to ₹23,622 crore in the previous fiscal.
- Defence exports have nearly tripled over the last five years.
- Contribution share: DPSUs – 54.84%, Private sector – 45.16%.
- In value terms, private sector exports stood at ₹17,353 crore, while DPSUs contributed ₹21,071 crore.
- In the previous year, private sector exports were ₹15,233 crore and DPSUs exports were ₹8,389 crore.





Ques: Which state has the highest number of women SHG members trained as drone pilots under the Namu Drone Didi Yojana (NDDY)?

- A) Uttar Pradesh
- B) Andhra Pradesh
- C) Karnataka
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Rajasthan

Answer: C) Karnataka

Explanation:

- Karnataka leads the country with 145 SHG members trained as drone pilots under the Namu Drone Didi Yojana.
- It is followed by Uttar Pradesh with 128 and Andhra Pradesh with 108 trained members.
- A total of 1,094 SHG members have been trained as drone pilots across India.
- The scheme aims to empower women and promote the use of drones in agriculture.
- Under the scheme, selected women SHGs are provided drones with 80% subsidy (up to ₹8 lakh).
- In Karnataka, Koppal district topped with 13 trained members, followed by Kalaburagi (12) and Mandya (11).

Static Part:

- Scheme Name – Namu Drone Didi Yojana (NDDY)
- Outlay – ₹1,261 crore
- Period – FY 2023–24 to FY 2025–26
- Target – 15,000 agricultural drones to women SHGs
- Subsidy – 80% (up to ₹8 lakh)
- Nodal Ministry – Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare





Ques: INS Sunayna, recently flagged off as Indian Ocean Ship (IOS) SAGAR, is associated with which organization?

- A) Indian Navy
- B) Indian Army
- C) Indian Coast Guard
- D) DRDO
- E) BSF

Answer: A) Indian Navy

Explanation:

- INS Sunayna was flagged off as the Indian Ocean Ship (IOS) SAGAR from Mumbai amid disruptions in the Strait of Hormuz due to the West Asia conflict.
- The ship was flagged off by Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth in the presence of Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi.
- INS Sunayna is an offshore patrol vessel of the Indian Navy.
- The mission includes participation of Indian Navy personnel along with representatives from 16 foreign countries.
- During deployment, IOS SAGAR will visit Colombo, Phuket, Jakarta, Singapore, Chittagong, Yangon and Male before concluding at Kochi.
- The deployment aims to strengthen maritime cooperation and regional presence in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR).





Ques: Which organizations launched the new AI and Computational Thinking curriculum for Classes 3 to 8 from the 2026–27 session?

- A) Ministry of Education only
- B) Central Board of Secondary Education only
- C) NITI Aayog only
- D) NCERT only
- E) Ministry of Education and Central Board of Secondary Education

Answer: E) Ministry of Education and Central Board of Secondary Education

Explanation:

- The new AI and Computational Thinking curriculum has been launched by the Ministry of Education and Central Board of Secondary Education.
- It will be implemented for Classes 3 to 8 from the 2026–27 academic session.
- The curriculum includes basic coding, AI concepts, logical thinking, and data handling skills.
- It aligns with National Education Policy 2020 and National Curriculum Framework for School Education 2023.

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Ques: According to the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, India's marine product exports increased to what amount in 2024–25?

- A) Over ₹45,000 crore
- B) Over ₹50,000 crore
- C) Over ₹55,000 crore
- D) Over ₹62,000 crore
- E) Over ₹70,000 crore

Answer: D) Over ₹62,000 crore

Explanation:

- India's seafood exports have grown at an average annual rate of 7% over the past eleven years.
- Marine product exports have more than doubled — from over ₹30,000 crore in 2013–14 to over ₹62,000 crore in 2024–25.
- India's seafood export basket includes over 350 varieties of products exported to nearly 130 global markets.
- The fisheries sector plays a crucial role in food security, employment generation, export earnings, and sustainable livelihoods.

Static Part:

- Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying was established in 2019.
- Current Minister – Rajiv Ranjan Singh (Lalan Singh)
- India is one of the leading exporters of seafood globally.
- Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) promotes seafood exports from India.





Ques: Where was the foundation stone of the Large Cavitation Tunnel (LCT) laid by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh?

- A) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- B) Kochi, Kerala
- C) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- D) Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- E) Goa

Answer: A) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh

Explanation:

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh laid the foundation stone of a Large Cavitation Tunnel (LCT) at Naval Science and Technological Laboratory (NSTL), Visakhapatnam.
- The facility is being developed under the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).
- LCT is a naval testing facility used for testing propellers, torpedoes, submarines, underwater vehicles, and ship hydrodynamics.
- It will enhance India's indigenous capabilities in naval research and defence technology.

Static Part:

- DRDO was established in 1958.
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Naval Science and Technological Laboratory (NSTL) is a premier DRDO lab specializing in naval systems.
- Cavitation refers to the formation of vapor bubbles in a liquid due to pressure changes.





Ques: Who won the women's 9-ball pool National Championship held in Ludhiana?

- A) Ishika Shah
- B) Geet Sethi
- C) Pankaj Advani
- D) Chitra Magimairaj
- E) Anuja Thakur

Answer: D) Chitra Magimairaj

Explanation:

- Chitra Magimairaj won the women's 9-ball pool National Championship in Ludhiana.
- She ended a nine-year title drought with this victory.
- She defeated Ishika Shah of Madhya Pradesh by 7–4 in the final.
- This was her third 9-ball National title and fourth overall National crown in pool.
- The victory marks a strong comeback in domestic cue sports.

About Cue Sports:

- Includes games like Billiards, Snooker, and Pool
- Governed in India by Billiards and Snooker Federation of India (BSFI)
- Popular formats – 8-ball, 9-ball, Snooker





Ques: Which Indian cricketer is set to become the first Indian international player to play in the USA-based Major League Cricket (MLC)?

- A) Virat Kohli
- B) Rohit Sharma
- C) KL Rahul
- D) Jasprit Bumrah
- E) Ravichandran Ashwin

Answer: E) Ravichandran Ashwin

Explanation:

- Ravichandran Ashwin is set to become the first Indian international player to play in USA-based Major League Cricket (MLC).
- He has signed with the San Francisco Unicorns for the 2026 season.
- Major League Cricket (MLC) was launched in July 2023 as the first major professional T20 league in the United States.

About Major League Cricket (MLC):

- Launched – 2023
- Format – Twenty20 (T20)
- Country – United States

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Ques: Who is the author of the book “Between Tehran and Tel Aviv: Gaza's Story of Unending War”?

- A) Shivshankar Menon
- B) C. Raja Mohan
- C) Col Rajeev Agarwal
- D) S. Jaishankar
- E) Brahma Chellaney

Answer: C) Col Rajeev Agarwal

Explanation:

- The book “Between Tehran and Tel Aviv: Gaza's Story of Unending War” has been authored by Col Rajeev Agarwal.
- The book focuses on the complex and ongoing conflict in West Asia, particularly the Gaza war.
- It explains the role of Iran, Israel, and global powers in shaping the conflict.
- The book highlights humanitarian issues, geopolitical tensions, and failed ceasefire attempts in the region.

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Ques: Till which date has the Indian government provided full customs duty exemption on critical petrochemical products amid the West Asia conflict?

- A) March 31, 2026
- B) September 30, 2026
- C) December 31, 2026
- D) June 30, 2026
- E) March 31, 2027

Answer: D) June 30, 2026

Explanation:

- The Government of India has granted full customs duty exemption on critical petrochemical products till June 30, 2026.
- This decision was taken due to the ongoing West Asia conflict and global supply chain disruptions.
- The measure aims to ensure continuous availability of key petrochemical inputs for domestic industries.
- It also helps reduce cost pressures on downstream sectors like plastics, textiles, pharmaceuticals, and automotive industries.
- Key products covered include methanol, toluene, styrene, monoethylene glycol (MEG), purified terephthalic acid (PTA), and others.

Static Part:

- Ministry – Ministry of Finance
- Type – Full Customs Duty Exemption
- Valid Till – June 30, 2026
- Reason – West Asia conflict & global supply chain disruptions
- RoDTEP – Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products





Ques: Who has been appointed as the 43rd National President of the FICCI Ladies Organisation?

- A) Poonam Sharma
- B) Puja Garg
- C) Nita Ambani
- D) Indra Nooyi
- E) Kiran Mazumdar Shaw

Answer: B) Puja Garg

Explanation:

- Puja Garg has been appointed as the 43rd National President of the FICCI Ladies Organisation.
- She succeeded Poonam Sharma in this role.

About FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO):

- Established: 1983
- Parent Body – Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Objective – Women empowerment and promoting entrepreneurship





Ques: Which university has organised the 'AgriMaitri' roundtable initiative to strengthen agribusiness cooperation between India and Australia?

- A) University of Melbourne
- B) Western Sydney University
- C) Australian National University
- D) University of Delhi
- E) Monash University

Answer: B) Western Sydney University

Explanation:

- Western Sydney University organised the 'AgriMaitri' roundtable initiative.
- The inaugural meeting was held in New Delhi.
- The initiative aims to strengthen agribusiness cooperation between India and Australia.
- It brings together policymakers, industry leaders, farmers, and researchers from both countries to co-develop solutions.

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Ques: Which state emerged as the overall champion in the inaugural Khelo India Tribal Games 2026?

- A) Odisha
- B) Jharkhand
- C) Chhattisgarh
- D) Karnataka
- E) Maharashtra

Answer: D) Karnataka

Explanation:

- The maiden Khelo India Tribal Games 2026 were hosted by Chhattisgarh.
- Karnataka emerged as the overall champion with 23 Gold, 8 Silver, and 7 Bronze medals.
- Odisha secured second position with 21 Gold, 15 Silver, and 21 Bronze medals.
- Jharkhand finished third with 16 Gold, 8 Silver, and 11 Bronze medals.
- “Morveer” was the official mascot of the Games.
- The event was held in three cities of Chhattisgarh – Raipur, Jagdalpur, and Sarguja.
- The Games included seven medal sports: athletics, football, hockey, weightlifting, archery, swimming, and wrestling.
- Mallakhamb and kabaddi were included as demonstration sports.

Static Part:

- Khelo India Programme was launched in 2018 by the Government of India.
- It aims to promote sports culture and identify young talent across the country.
- Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is the nodal ministry for Khelo India.
- Khelo India events include Youth Games, University Games, Winter Games, and now Tribal Games.





Ques: How many states are included in the pilot launch of RBI's Benchmark Issuance Strategy (BIS) for market borrowings starting FY27?

- A) 5 States
- B) 7 States
- C) 12 States
- D) 9 States
- E) 11 States

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- RBI has decided to introduce Benchmark Issuance Strategy (BIS) for market borrowings on a pilot basis for 9 states starting FY27 (2026-27).
- The nine states included are Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Telangana and Uttar Pradesh.
- BIS involves issuing securities in specific benchmark tenor buckets as per a pre-announced calendar to enhance transparency and provide clarity to investors.
- The nine BIS-adopted states are expected to collectively borrow ₹1,53,900 crore in Q1 FY27 (April–June 2026), while remaining states will borrow ₹1,00,609 crore.
- Total market borrowings by all States/UTs for Q1 FY27 is estimated at ₹2,54,509 crore, which is lower than last year's ₹2,73,255 crore.
- BIS aims to create larger and more liquid benchmark bonds under State Development Loans (SDLs) and improve transparency in state borrowing.

Static Part | :

- Strategy Name – Benchmark Issuance Strategy (BIS)
- Introduced By – Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- RBI Role – Cash and Debt Manager of States
- Applicable From – FY27 (2026-27)





- Basis – Pilot Basis
- Number of Pilot States – 9
- Pilot States – AP, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, MP, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Telangana, UP
- BIS States Q1 FY27 Borrowing – ₹1,53,900 crore
- Non-BIS States Q1 FY27 Borrowing – ₹1,00,609 crore
- Total Q1 FY27 Borrowing – ₹2,54,509 crore
- Previous Year Q1 Borrowing – ₹2,73,255 crore
- Instrument – State Development Loans (SDLs)



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Ques: Bank of Baroda's total global business crossed which milestone for the first time by March 2026?

- A) ₹150 lakh crore
- B) ₹180 lakh crore
- C) ₹200 lakh crore
- D) ₹230 lakh crore
- E) ₹250 lakh crore

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Bank of Baroda crossed ₹230 lakh crore in total global business (deposits + advances) for the first time.
- The total global business reached ₹230.78 lakh crore as of March end 2026.
- The bank recorded a Year-on-Year growth of 13.93% in Q4 of FY 2025-26.
- Global deposits grew by 12%, while advances increased by 16.23%.
- Deposits stood at ₹216.48 lakh crore and advances at ₹214.30 lakh crore.

Static Part:

- Bank of Baroda founded: 20 July 1908
- Headquarters: Vadodara, Gujarat
- MD & CEO: Debadatta Chand





Ques: Razorpay has partnered with which organization to enable in-app payment integration for developers?

- A) Google
- B) Microsoft
- C) OpenAI
- D) Amazon
- E) IBM

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Razorpay has partnered with OpenAI to enable seamless payment integration in applications.
- Developers can now embed payments directly into applications within minutes.
- The initiative aims to simplify monetisation for AI-built products.
- It will help startups and developers launch paid features quickly without complex setup.
- The collaboration promotes the growth of AI-driven applications and digital payments ecosystem.

Static Part:

- Razorpay Founded – 2014
- Headquarters – Bengaluru
- Founders – Harshil Mathur & Shashank Kumar
- OpenAI Founded – 2015
- Headquarters – San Francisco, USA





Ques: What maximum distance from Earth did the Artemis II crew reach, breaking the record set by Apollo 13?

- A) 350,000 km
- B) 400,171 km
- C) 406,773 km
- D) 420,000 km
- E) 380,500 km

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The four astronauts of NASA's Artemis II mission became the humans to travel farthest from Earth, surpassing the 54-year-old record set by Apollo 13 in 1970.
- Artemis II reached a maximum distance of 406,773 km (252,757 miles) from Earth, surpassing Apollo 13's previous record of 400,171 km (248,655 miles).
- The crew performed a lunar flyby, viewing areas of the Moon never before seen by the naked human eye.
- Apollo 13's record was set during an emergency free-return trajectory around the Moon after an oxygen tank explosion in 1970.
- Artemis II is the first crewed mission under NASA's Artemis program aimed at returning humans to the Moon and eventually sending them to Mars.
- The mission used the Orion spacecraft launched atop the Space Launch System (SLS).

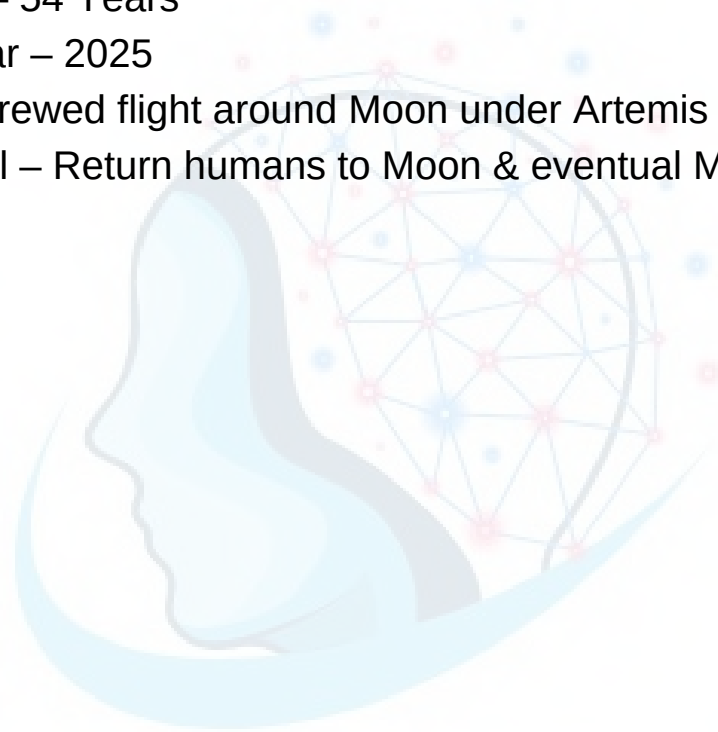
Static Part :

- Mission Name – Artemis II
- Space Agency – NASA
- Headquarters – Washington D.C., USA
- Mission Type – Crewed Lunar Flyby (No Moon Landing)
- Launch Vehicle – Space Launch System (SLS)
- Spacecraft – Orion Capsule





- Number of Crew – 4 Astronauts
- Crew Members – Reid Wiseman (Commander), Victor Glover (Pilot), Christina Koch, Jeremy Hansen (CSA)
- New Distance Record – 406,773 km (252,757 miles) from Earth
- Previous Record – 400,171 km (248,655 miles) — Apollo 13 (1970)
- Record Broken After – 54 Years
- Artemis II Launch Year – 2025
- Mission Goal – First crewed flight around Moon under Artemis program
- Artemis Program Goal – Return humans to Moon & eventual Mars mission



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Ques: Which city from India has been included in the global initiative '20 Cities Towards Zero Waste'?

- A) Kochi
- B) Varkala
- C) Thiruvananthapuram
- D) Kozhikode
- E) Kollam

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Kerala's Varkala city has been included in the global initiative '20 Cities Towards Zero Waste'.
- The initiative is led by the UN Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Zero Waste.
- It is supported by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
- Varkala is among 20 cities worldwide recognized for innovative and ambitious approaches to waste reduction and sustainable urban development.
- These cities were recognized on the occasion of the International Day of Zero Waste (30 March).
- UNEP was established in 1972 and is headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya.





Ques: Which cricket stadium unveiled stands named “Rahul Dravid End” and “Anil Kumble End”?

- A) M. Chinnaswamy Stadium
- B) Eden Gardens
- C) Wankhede Stadium
- D) Arun Jaitley Stadium
- E) Narendra Modi Stadium

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Stands named after former Indian cricket legends Rahul Dravid and Anil Kumble were unveiled at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru.
- The Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) officially unveiled the “Rahul Dravid End” and “Anil Kumble End”.
- The move honors the contributions of both legends to Indian cricket.
- Rahul Dravid is known as “The Wall” of Indian cricket.
- Anil Kumble is one of India’s highest wicket-taking bowlers in Tests.
- M. Chinnaswamy Stadium is located in Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- KSCA governs cricket activities in Karnataka.





Ques: Where was the world's second Vikramaditya Vedic Clock installed?

- A) Ujjain
- B) Varanasi
- C) Prayagraj
- D) Haridwar
- E) Nashik

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The world's second Vikramaditya Vedic Clock was installed in Kashi Vishwanath Temple, Varanasi.
- It was installed by the Madhya Pradesh Government.
- The clock was inaugurated by UP CM Yogi Adityanath and MP CM Mohan Yadav.
- It showcases Indian time calculation including sunrise, Muhurtas, and Panchang (lunar calendar).
- The clock is installed in the courtyard of Kashi Vishwanath Temple, blending ancient timekeeping with Vedic astronomy.
- The first Vedic clock was installed in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh.
- This initiative aims to install such clocks at major Jyotirlingas across India.

Static Part | :

- Kashi Vishwanath Temple Location – Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- Total Jyotirlingas – 12
- Ujjain Famous Temple – Mahakaleshwar Jyotirlinga
- Madhya Pradesh Capital – Bhopal





Ques: Microsoft signed an MoU with which university to establish an AI Skill Center in Punjab?

- A) Chandigarh University
- B) Lovely Professional University
- C) Punjab University
- D) Guru Nanak Dev University
- E) Thapar University

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Microsoft signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Chandigarh University to establish an AI Skill Center at its Mohali campus.
- The centre aims to enhance digital skills and improve employability of students.
- It will offer global certifications in AI, Machine Learning, Cloud Computing, Data Science, and Cybersecurity.
- Students will have access to 4,400+ learning modules, hands-on labs, and real-world projects using Microsoft Azure.
- The initiative is supported by byteXL for advanced AI and GenAI training.
- It aligns with Microsoft's "AI for All" initiative.

Static Part:

- Microsoft Corporation was founded on April 4, 1975.
- Headquarters – Washington, USA
- Chairman & CEO – Satya Nadella





Ques: What is the name of the 24×7 WhatsApp chatbot launched by Puri Police for citizen services?

- A) Puri Police Mitra
- B) Puri Police Connect
- C) Smart Police Bot
- D) Odisha Police Seva
- E) Puri Police Sahayak

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Puri Police has launched a 24×7 WhatsApp chatbot named “Puri Police Sahayak”.
- The initiative aims to provide faster, more accessible, and user-friendly police services.
- It enhances transparency and accessibility for both residents and tourists visiting Puri.
- The chatbot has been developed with technological support from Rezler Systems and backed by Punjab National Bank (PNB ONE platform).
- Citizens can access the service by sending “Hi” on WhatsApp or by scanning a QR code.

Static Part:

- Odisha Formation Day – April 1, 1936 (Utkal Dibasa)
- Capital of Odisha – Bhubaneswar
- Chief Minister – Mohan Charan Majhi
- Governor – Kambhampati Hari Babu





Ques: Rongali Bihu, also known as Bohag Bihu, is primarily celebrated in which state of India?

- A) Assam
- B) West Bengal
- C) Odisha
- D) Tripura
- E) Manipur

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Rongali Bihu, also known as Bohag Bihu, is celebrated across Assam.
- It marks the Assamese New Year and the onset of the spring season.
- The festival is observed in mid-April and signifies the beginning of the agricultural cycle.
- It is the most important and vibrant among the three Bihu festivals.
- There are three types of Bihu festivals: Rongali (April), Kati (October), and Magh (January).
- Rongali Bihu is associated with sowing season, Kati Bihu with crop protection, and Magh Bihu with harvest celebration.
- Traditional Bihu dance and songs are an integral part of the celebration.





Ques: Which South African cricketer has announced his retirement from international cricket in 2026?

- A) Quinton de Kock
- B) Temba Bavuma
- C) Rassie van der Dussen
- D) David Miller
- E) Kagiso Rabada

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- South African top-order batter Rassie van der Dussen has announced his retirement from international cricket.
- He will continue to play domestic cricket for the Lions and mentor young players.
- He made his T20I debut in 2018 against Zimbabwe and ODI debut in 2018 against England at the age of 29.
- He played his first Test match in 2019 against England.
- Van der Dussen played 18 Tests, 71 ODIs, and 57 T20Is between 2018 and 2025.
- He finished with the second-highest ODI average for South Africa, behind AB de Villiers.
- Rassie van der Dussen is known for his consistency in ODI cricket.





Ques: Bhuvneshwar Kumar became the first fast bowler to reach how many wickets in IPL history?

- A) 150
- B) 180
- C) 200
- D) 220
- E) 250

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Bhuvneshwar Kumar became the first fast bowler to take 200 wickets in IPL history.
- He achieved this milestone on April 5, 2026 while playing for RCB against CSK.
- He dismissed Ayush Mhatre to reach the 200-wicket mark.
- He is the second overall bowler to reach this milestone in IPL.
- Leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal was the first to achieve this feat with 224+ wickets.
- Bhuvneshwar was representing Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) during this achievement.

Static Part:

- IPL Started – 2008
- Governing Body – BCCI





Ques: What is the main objective of 'Karmayogi Saptah 2026' launched by the Prime Minister of India?

- A) Promoting digital payments
- B) Enhancing capacity and efficiency of civil servants
- C) Boosting agricultural production
- D) Improving export performance
- E) Strengthening defence forces

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched 'Karmayogi Saptah 2026' (Sadhana Saptah: April 2–8, 2026).
- The initiative aims to enhance the capacity, efficiency, and performance of civil servants.
- It is conducted under Mission Karmayogi by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT), Capacity Building Commission, and Karmayogi Bharat.
- The programme also marks the Foundation Day of the Capacity Building Commission and five years of Mission Karmayogi.
- The initiative carries the tagline "Ham Bane Karmayogi".
- Sadhana Saptah is based on three Sutras: Technology, Tradition, and Tangible Outcomes.





Ques: What is the theme of International Children's Book Day 2026?

- A) Books for Future Generations
- B) Read and Grow Together
- C) Books Build Bridges
- D) Plant stories and the world will bloom
- E) Stories for Sustainable World

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- International Children's Book Day is observed every year on April 2.
- The theme for 2026 is "Plant stories and the world will bloom."
- The host country for 2026 is Cyprus.
- The day promotes reading habits among children and highlights the importance of children's literature.
- International Children's Book Day is organized by the International Board on Books for Young People (IBBY).
- It is celebrated on the birthday of Hans Christian Andersen.

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Ques: What is the theme of the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace 2026?

- A) Sport for All
- B) Building Peace Through Sports
- C) Play for Unity
- D) Sport: Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers
- E) Sports for Sustainable Future

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The International Day of Sport for Development and Peace is observed every year on April 6.
- The theme for 2026 is “Sport: Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers.”
- The day highlights the role of sports in promoting peace, development, and social inclusion.
- It encourages participation in sports to foster unity and mutual understanding.
- The day was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 2013.
- It commemorates the inauguration of the first modern Olympic Games in Athens in 1896.





Ques: When is the International Day of Conscience observed every year?

- A) April 2
- B) April 5
- C) April 7
- D) April 10
- E) April 15

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The International Day of Conscience is observed every year on April 5.
- It was established by the United Nations.
- The day promotes peace, tolerance, and moral values across the world.
- It encourages individuals to reflect on their actions and act with a sense of responsibility and humanity.
- International Day of Conscience was proclaimed by the UN General Assembly in 2019.
- First observed in 2020.

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Ques: What is the name of the AI-powered multilingual conversational platform launched by Bank of Baroda?

- A) bob CONNECT
- B) bob SAMVAD
- C) bob AI Assist
- D) bob ChatServe
- E) bob SmartTalk

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Bank of Baroda unveiled 'bob SAMVAD', an AI-powered multilingual conversational platform.
- The platform aims to transform customer interactions at bank branches.
- It is an industry-first initiative in banking for multilingual communication.
- Developed entirely in-house using AI-driven speech and language technologies.
- It enables real-time, low-latency, two-way communication across 22 languages.
- The platform helps eliminate language barriers between customers and bank staff.
- It promotes inclusive and customer-friendly banking services.

Static Part:

- Bank of Baroda Founded – 20 July 1908
- Headquarters – Vadodara, Gujarat
- MD & CEO – Debadatta Chand





Ques: Why did the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) cancel the licence of The Shirpur Merchants' Co-operative Bank in 2026?

- A) Fraudulent activities
- B) Merger with another bank
- C) Inadequate capital and poor earning prospects
- D) Regulatory restructuring
- E) Voluntary closure

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- RBI has cancelled the licence of The Shirpur Merchants' Co-operative Bank due to inadequate capital and lack of earning prospects.
- The bank ceased to carry on banking business from the close of business on April 6, 2026.
- Upon liquidation, depositors are entitled to receive deposit insurance up to ₹5 lakh.
- The insurance is provided by the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC).

Static Part:

- DICGC Insurance Limit – ₹5 lakh per depositor
- DICGC Established – 1978
- RBI Headquarters – Mumbai





Ques: KreditBee, recently seen in news, became a unicorn after raising how much funding?

- A) \$150 Million
- B) \$200 Million
- C) \$250 Million
- D) \$280 Million
- E) \$300 Million

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- KreditBee raised \$280 million (₹2,595 crore approx.) in its Series E funding round.
- The company is now valued at \$1.5 billion, entering the unicorn club.
- It became the second unicorn startup of 2026 after Juspay.
- The funding round was co-led by Hornbill Capital and Motilal Oswal, with participation from Advent International, Premji Invest, and MUFG.
- CEO Madhusudan Ekambaram stated that the funds will strengthen the lending book and balance sheet.
- The company is preparing for an IPO by early 2027.

Static Part:

- Company – KreditBee
- Sector – Fintech / Digital Lending
- Headquarters – Bengaluru
- CEO – Madhusudan Ekambaram





Ques: Which group has received R1 approval from the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) to set up a new general insurance company?

- A) Tata Group
- B) Aditya Birla Group
- C) Mahindra Group
- D) Reliance Group
- E) M Pallonji Group

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has granted R1 approval to the M Pallonji Group.
- The approval is for setting up a new general insurance company.
- The venture will be launched in partnership with Divya Sehgal and Federal Bank.
- As per the proposed structure, the M Pallonji Group will hold a 51% majority stake.
- IRDAI approval process includes three stages: R1 (business plan check), R2 (capital readiness), and R3 (final licence to start business).
- Kiwi General Insurance, backed by WestBridge Capital and led by former Tata AIG CEO Nilesh Garg, recently received its licence.

Static Part:

- IRDAI Headquarters – Hyderabad
- Established – 1999
- Chairman of IRDAI – Ajay Seth
- Federal Bank Headquarters – Aluva, Kerala





Ques: SEBI extended the validity of IPO observation letters up to which date under its one-time relaxation?

- A) June 30, 2026
- B) July 31, 2026
- C) August 31, 2026
- D) September 30, 2026
- E) December 31, 2026

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) announced one-time relaxations for IPO timelines and minimum public shareholding norms.
- SEBI has extended the validity of observation letters expiring till September 30, 2026.
- This move provides relief to more than two dozen companies planning to launch IPOs.
- Under existing rules, observation letters are valid for 12 months, after which firms must refile draft documents.
- For confidential filings, companies are given an extended window of 18 months to launch IPOs.
- The move aims to support companies amid market conditions and ease fundraising.

Static Part:

- SEBI Established – 1988 (Statutory status in 1992)
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Chairperson – Tuhin Kanta Pandey





Ques: Which state government has launched the 'Safe Mobility Program' to train women from SHGs as e-rickshaw drivers?

- A) Bihar
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Haryana
- D) Rajasthan
- E) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Uttar Pradesh government has launched the 'Safe Mobility Program' to promote women empowerment and employment generation.
- The programme focuses on training women from Self-Help Groups (SHGs) to become e-rickshaw drivers.
- Around 1,000 e-rickshaws will be provided to women under this scheme.
- Only female drivers will operate these vehicles to ensure safety.
- The main aim is to ensure safe and accessible transport for school-going girls and working women

Static Part:

- Capital of Uttar Pradesh – Lucknow
- Chief Minister – Yogi Adityanath
- Governor – Anandiben Patel
- Largest state (by population) – Uttar Pradesh





Ques: What is the highest-ever annual wind energy capacity addition achieved by India in FY 2025-26?

- A) 4.5 GW
- B) 5.0 GW
- C) 5.5 GW
- D) 6.05 GW
- E) 7.0 GW

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India achieved its highest-ever annual wind capacity addition of 6.05 GW in FY 2025-26.
- This surpasses the previous record of 5.5 GW added in FY 2016-17.
- India's cumulative installed wind power capacity has crossed 56 GW.
- The wind sector recorded a 46% growth over FY 2024-25.
- Key contributing states include Gujarat, Karnataka, and Maharashtra.
- The growth is supported by improved policy framework, transmission readiness, and competitive bidding.
- The achievement supports India's target of 500 GW non-fossil fuel energy capacity by 2030.





Ques: The Tri-Service seminar 'Ran Samwad', to be held in Bengaluru, was conceptualised by whom?

- A) General Bipin Rawat
- B) General Manoj Pande
- C) General Anil Chauhan
- D) Admiral R. Hari Kumar
- E) Air Chief Marshal V.R. Chaudhari

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Tri-Service seminar 'Ran Samwad' will be held at the Air Force Training Command in Bengaluru.
- The theme of the seminar is "Multi Domain Operations: An Imperative for Addressing Conventional and Irregular Threats".
- 'Ran Samwad' was conceptualised by the Chief of Defence Staff, General Anil Chauhan.
- The first edition of the seminar was held at the Army War College, Mhow.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the International Event Ambassador for the World 10K Bengaluru 2026?

- A) Sandra Perković
- B) Allyson Felix
- C) Dina Asher-Smith
- D) Blanka Vlašić
- E) Sifan Hassan

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Double Olympic medallist Blanka Vlašić has been appointed as the International Event Ambassador for the World 10K Bengaluru 2026.
- The World 10K Bengaluru is a World Athletics Gold Label Race.
- Blanka Vlašić is a renowned Croatian high jumper known for her outstanding achievements in athletics.
- She has won two Olympic medals, highlighting her excellence at the global level.

Static Part:

- Capital of Croatia – Zagreb
- Currency of Croatia – Euro
- World Athletics Headquarters – Monaco





Ques: Which state government has launched the 'Mukhyamantri Annapurna Yojana (MAPY)' to provide additional free food grains to poor families?

- A) Bihar
- B) Odisha
- C) Jharkhand
- D) Chhattisgarh
- E) West Bengal

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Odisha government has approved the 'Mukhyamantri Annapurna Yojana (MAPY)' to enhance food security.
- Under this scheme, beneficiaries will receive an additional 5 kg of rice per person per month free of cost.
- This is over and above their existing entitlement under current food security schemes.
- With this addition, the total monthly allocation will increase to 10 kg per person.
- The scheme aims to strengthen food security and support economically weaker sections.

Static Part:

- Capital of Odisha – Bhubaneswar
- Chief Minister – Mohan Charan Majhi
- Governor – Kambhampati Hari Babu
- Major Classical Dance – Odissi





Ques: India and New Zealand are expected to sign a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) on which date?

- A) April 10
- B) April 15
- C) April 20
- D) April 24
- E) April 30

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India and New Zealand are expected to sign a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) on April 24 in New Delhi.
- The agreement aims to boost trade and investment between both countries.
- It may provide tariff-free access for Indian goods in the New Zealand market.
- New Zealand has proposed an investment of up to \$20 billion in India over the next 15 years.
- The FTA includes tariff liberalisation and improved market access for multiple sectors.
- It will strengthen cooperation in goods, services, and agriculture sectors.

Static Part:

- New Zealand Capital – Wellington
- Currency – New Zealand Dollar





Ques: Who launched the 'Gen Z Vote' awareness song in Kochi to encourage young voters to participate in elections?

- A) Rajiv Kumar
- B) Om Prakash Rawat
- C) Sushil Chandra
- D) Sunil Arora
- E) Gyanesh Kumar

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar launched the 'Gen Z Vote' awareness song in Kochi.
- The song aims to encourage young voters, especially first-time voters, to actively participate in the electoral process.
- The song has been released in Malayalam language.
- The initiative focuses on increasing voter awareness among youth.

Static Part:

- Election Commission of India Established – 25 January 1950
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Article – 324 (Constitution of India)
- National Voters' Day – 25 January





Ques: Who has been crowned Mrs International World Classic 2026 at the grand finale held in Kuala Lumpur?

- A) Aditi Govitrikar
- B) Dia Mirza
- C) Sushmita Sen
- D) Lara Dutta
- E) Geetanjali Om Parkash

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Geetanjali Om Parkash has been crowned Mrs International World Classic 2026.
- The grand finale of the event was held in Kuala Lumpur.
- This is the first time India has won this prestigious global title.
- She also won special titles like “Mrs Empowerment” and “Most Exotic National Costume”.

Static Part:

- Capital of Malaysia – Kuala Lumpur
- Currency of Malaysia – Malaysian Ringgit
- Prime Minister of Malaysia – Anwar Ibrahim





Ques: The BIRAC-BioNEST Incubation Centre, recently inaugurated in Mysuru, is associated with which sector?

- A) Food and Biotechnology
- B) Space Research
- C) Defence Technology
- D) Textile Industry
- E) Renewable Energy

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Union Minister Jitendra Singh inaugurated the BIRAC-BioNEST Incubation Centre at Central Food Technology & Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysuru.
- The centre aims to support startups in the food and biotechnology sectors.
- It will provide advanced research facilities, infrastructure for scaling up products, and regulatory support.
- BIRAC-BioNEST stands for Bioincubators Nurturing Entrepreneurship for Scaling Technologies.
- It is a programme of Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) under the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Government of India.
- On the occasion of the 75th anniversary of CFTRI, a commemorative postal cover and postcard were also unveiled.

Static Part:

- CFTRI Established – 1950
- Located in – Mysuru, Karnataka
- Department of Biotechnology (DBT) Established – 1986
- Minister of Science & Technology – Jitendra Singh





Ques: In which wildlife sanctuary has Chhattisgarh begun blackbuck reintroduction in the Rampur grassland?

- A) Achanakmar Wildlife Sanctuary
- B) Indravati National Park
- C) Udanti-Sitanadi Wildlife Sanctuary
- D) Barnawapara Wildlife Sanctuary
- E) Kanger Valley National Park

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Blackbuck reintroduction has been started in Rampur grassland of Barnawapara Wildlife Sanctuary in Mahasamund district, Chhattisgarh.
- The sanctuary covers an area of about 245 sq. km.
- It is named after Bar and Nawapara villages.
- The sanctuary is supported by the Balamdehi River (west) and Jonk River (northeast), both tributaries of the Mahanadi River.
- The initiative aims to restore the population of blackbucks in their natural habitat.

Static Part:

- Chhattisgarh Formation Day – 1 November 2000
- Capital – Raipur
- Chief Minister – Vishnu Deo Sai
- Governor – Ramen Deka





Ques: CCI approved the acquisition of 14.286% equity stake in Aditya Birla Housing Finance Ltd. by which company?

- A) Reliance Industries
- B) Tata Capital
- C) Indriya Limited
- D) HDFC Ltd
- E) Bajaj Finance

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Competition Commission of India (CCI) approved the acquisition of 14.286% equity stake in Aditya Birla Housing Finance Ltd.
- The stake is being acquired by Indriya Limited.
- The acquisition is through preferential issue on a private placement basis.
- Indriya Limited is an investment holding company.
- Aditya Birla Housing Finance Ltd. is a housing finance company registered with National Housing Bank (NHB).
- The company provides home loans, loans against property, construction finance, and lease rental discounting.

Static Part:

- CCI Established – 2003
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Chairperson – Ravneet Kaur





Ques: Who has become India's first openly queer Member of Parliament after taking oath as a Rajya Sabha MP in 2026?

- A) Menaka Guruswamy
- B) Karuna Nundy
- C) Indira Jaising
- D) Arundhati Katju
- E) Vrinda Grover

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Senior Advocate Menaka Guruswamy has taken oath as a Member of Parliament in the Rajya Sabha for the first time.
- She has become India's first openly queer Member of Parliament.
- Menaka Guruswamy is a well-known constitutional law expert.
- She was elected in March 2026 from West Bengal as a candidate of the All India Trinamool Congress (AITC).
- LGBTQ+ stands for: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer.
- Lesbian – women attracted to women; Gay – men attracted to men; Bisexual – attracted to both men and women; Transgender – gender identity different from birth gender; Queer – not fixed or exploring identity

Static Part:

- Rajya Sabha – Upper House of Parliament
- Total Members – 245 (Maximum Strength)
- Chairman of Rajya Sabha – Vice President of India





Ques: The 262nd Raising Day of the Army Medical Corps in 2026 was celebrated on which date?

- A) April 1
- B) April 2
- C) April 3
- D) March 29
- E) April 5

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The 262nd Raising Day of the Army Medical Corps was observed on April 3, 2026.
- As part of the nationwide celebrations, a walkathon themed “One Health, One Force, 262 Years Strong” was organized.
- The event took place on March 29, 2026, at Cariappa Parade Ground, New Delhi.
- The Army Medical Corps plays a vital role in providing medical services to the Indian Armed Forces.

Static Part:

- Army Medical Corps Raising Day – April 3
- Founded in – 1764
- Motto – “Sarve Santu Niramaya” (Let all be free from disease)
- Headquarters – New Delhi





Ques: What is the repo rate decided by RBI's MPC in its April 2026 monetary policy meeting?

- A) 5.00%
- B) 5.10%
- C) 5.50%
- D) 5.75%
- E) 5.25%

Answer: E) 5.25%

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) kept the repo rate unchanged at 5.25%.
- The decision was announced on April 8, 2026.
- The policy stance remained 'Neutral'.
- SDF rate stayed at 5.00%.
- MSF rate and Bank Rate remained at 5.50%.
- FY 2026–27 GDP growth projected at 6.9%.
- CPI inflation projected at 4.6%.
- The announcement was made by RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra.

Static Part:

- Repo Rate – 5.25%
- SDF Rate – 5.00%
- MSF Rate & Bank Rate – 5.50%
- Policy Stance – Neutral
- GDP Growth (FY 2026–27) – 6.9%
- CPI Inflation (FY 2026–27) – 4.6%





Ques: What new structure has been proposed by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in its draft guidelines for Business Correspondents (BCs)?

- A) Three-tier structure
- B) Two-tier structure (BC-BO & BC-BT)
- C) Single-tier structure
- D) Digital-only BC model
- E) Cooperative BC structure

Answer: B) Two-tier structure (BC-BO & BC-BT)

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India proposed a two-tier delivery structure for BCs.
- **The two tiers are:**
 - BC-Banking Outlets (BC-BO)
 - BC-Banking Touchpoints (BC-BT)
- **BC-BO:**
 - Fixed service units
 - Must operate at least 4 hours/day, 5 days/week
 - Provide services like account opening, deposits/withdrawals, debit card issuance/blocking
- **BC-BT:**
 - No fixed working hours
 - Handle smaller transactions only
- Both BC-BO and BC-BT will work exclusively for a single bank.
- **For remuneration:**
 - BC-BO operators will receive both fixed and variable pay
 - BC-BT operators will receive only variable pay





- The Indian Banks' Association will decide the fixed monthly pay for eligible BC-BO agents.
- The Reserve Bank of India has proposed discontinuing the Business Facilitator (BF) category, with existing entities required to shift to the BC framework by September 30, 2026.
- The new framework will be implemented from July 1 (post finalisation).
- RBI has invited public comments till May 5.



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Ques: What is the revised GDP growth forecast for India for FY27 by the World Bank?

- A) 6.0%
- B) 6.3%
- C) 6.6%
- D) 7.0%
- E) 7.5%

Answer: C) 6.6%

Explanation:

- The World Bank revised India's GDP growth forecast for FY27 to 6.6%, an increase of 30 basis points.
- Growth is supported by free trade agreements and strong domestic demand.
- India's growth is projected to rise from 7.1% (FY25) to 7.6% (FY26).
- Private consumption remains strong due to low inflation and GST rationalisation.
- Growth may moderate to 6.6% in FY27 due to global headwinds like West Asia/Middle East tensions.

Static Part:

- Organization – World Bank
- Established – 1944
- Headquarters – Washington, D.C., USA
- President – Ajay Banga





Ques: PhonePe has launched a co-branded credit card in partnership with which bank?

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

Answer: D) State Bank of India

Explanation:

- PhonePe launched a co-branded credit card with State Bank of India.
- The PhonePe SBI Card is offered with zero joining fee for the first year (limited-period offer).
- The card is available on both RuPay and Visa platforms.
- The initiative aims to boost digital payments adoption and offer added benefits to users.

Static Part:

- PhonePe Founded – 2015
- Headquarters – Bengaluru
- SBI Established – 1955
- SBI Chairman – Challa Sreenivasulu Setty





Ques: As per International Renewable Energy Agency Renewable Energy Statistics 2026, what is India's rank in global Renewable Energy Installed Capacity?

- A) 1st
- B) 2nd
- C) 3rd
- D) 4th
- E) 5th

Answer: C) 3rd

Explanation:

- India ranks 3rd globally in Renewable Energy Installed Capacity as per International Renewable Energy Agency.
- India has surpassed Brazil in global rankings.
- Total Renewable Energy Installed Capacity: 250.52 GW.
- Record 55.3 GW non-fossil capacity added in FY 2025–26.
- In July 2025, renewables met 51.5% of electricity demand (203 GW).
- Total non-fossil fuel capacity (as on 31.03.2026): 283.46 GW.
- India achieved 50% cumulative electric power from non-fossil sources in June 2025 (ahead of 2030 target).
- Total power generation (2025–26): 1,845.921 BU.
- Share of non-fossil fuels in total generation reached 29.2% (538.97 BU) in 2025–26.
- Wind energy capacity addition: 6.05 GW in 2025–26 — highest ever in a single year (previous: 4.15 GW).
- India is targeting 500 GW non-fossil energy capacity by 2030 under COP26.

Static Part:

- Global Ranking (IRENA 2026):
1st China (2258.02 GW)





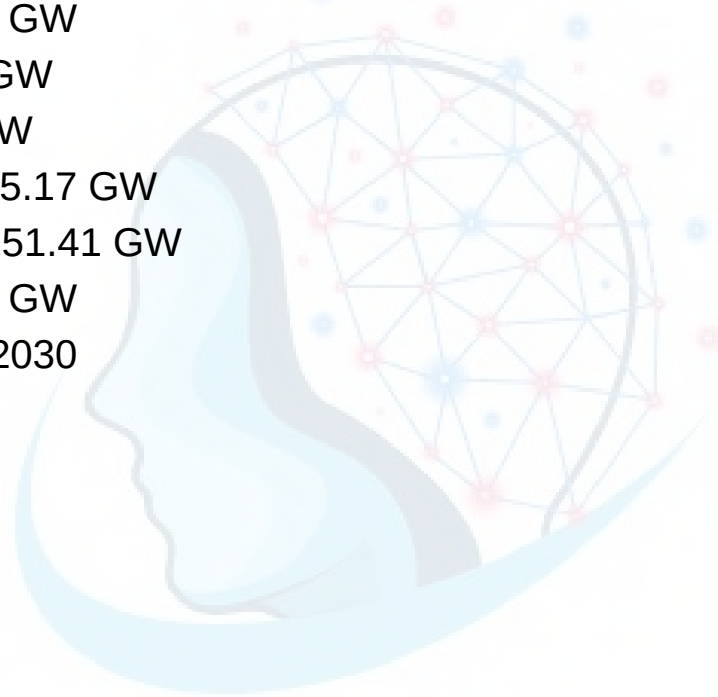
2nd USA (467.92 GW)

3rd India (250.52 GW)

4th Brazil (228.20 GW)

5th Germany (199.92 GW)

- World Total Renewable Capacity – 5149.28 GW
- India Non-Fossil Capacity (31.03.2026) – 283.46 GW
- Solar Power – 150.26 GW
- Wind Power – 56.09 GW
- Bio Energy – 11.75 GW
- Small Hydro Power – 5.17 GW
- Large Hydro Power – 51.41 GW
- Nuclear Power – 8.78 GW
- 500 GW Target – By 2030



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Ques: Which film won the Best Film award at the Chetak Screen Awards 2026?

- A) Dhurandhar
- B) Homebound
- C) Animal
- D) Pathaan
- E) Jawan

Answer: B) Homebound

Explanation:

- The Chetak Screen Awards 2026 were held in New Delhi.
- The film Homebound (Oscar-nominated) won the Best Film award.
- Dhurandhar was the biggest winner with 14 awards.

Winners List:

- Best Film: Homebound
- Best Director: Aditya Dhar (Dhurandhar)
- Best Actor (Male): Ranveer Singh (Dhurandhar)
- Best Actor (Female): Yami Gautam (Haq)
- Best Supporting Actor (Male): Akshaye Khanna (Dhurandhar)
- Best Supporting Actor (Female): Shalini Vatsa (Homebound)
- Breakthrough Actor (Male): Ahaan Panday (Saiyaara)
- Breakthrough Actor (Female): Aneet Padda (Saiyaara)
- Breakthrough Director : Shazia Iqbal (Dhadak 2)
- Best Cinematography : Dhurandhar – Vikash Nowlakha
- Best Editing : Dhurandhar – Shivkumar V. Panicker
- Best Production Design : Dhurandhar – Saini S. Johray
- Best Sound Design : Dhurandhar – Bishwadeep Chatterjee
- Best VFX : Dhurandhar





- Best Story & Screenplay : Homebound
- Best Dialogue : Dhurandhar – Aditya Dhar
- Best Song : Saiyaara (Title Track)
- Best Lyrics : Gulzar (Gustaakh Ishq)
- Best Playback Singer (Male) : Faheem Abdullah (Saiyaara)
- Best Playback Singer (Female) : Shreya Ghoshal (Saiyaara)
- Best Background Score : Dhurandhar – Shashwat Sachdev
- Best Choreography : Dhurandhar – Shararat
- Best Costume Design : Chhaava & Dhurandhar (Joint)
- Best Makeup & Hairstyling : Dhurandhar
- Best Action : Dhurandhar
- Best Film for Gender Sensitivity : Haq
- Best OTT Film : Stolen
- Best OTT Actor (Male) : Abhishek Banerjee (Stolen)
- Best OTT Actor (Female) : Sanya Malhotra (Mrs)
- Best OTT Director : Karan Tejpal (Stolen)
- Best OTT Script : Stolen

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Ques: What is the objective of the 'Arogya Van' initiative launched by National Highways Authority of India?

- A) Industrial development
- B) Defence infrastructure
- C) Medicinal plantation & ecological sustainability
- D) Urban housing
- E) Digital infrastructure

Answer: C) Medicinal plantation & ecological sustainability

Explanation:

- National Highways Authority of India launched the 'Arogya Van' initiative along National Highways.
- It focuses on planting medicinal trees on vacant land parcels.
- The aim is to enhance biodiversity and promote ecological sustainability.
- It will help create green corridors and improve roadside ecology.
- The initiative also spreads awareness about India's medicinal plant heritage.

Static Part:

- Organization – National Highways Authority of India
- Established – 1988
- Ministry – Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- Headquarters – New Delhi





Ques: Who is the author of the autobiography “A Road Well Travelled”?

- A) R.K. Raghavan
- B) R.T. Chari
- C) N. Gopaldaswami
- D) Ajit Doval
- E) Alok Verma

Answer: A) R.K. Raghavan

Explanation:

- The autobiography A Road Well Travelled is written by R.K. Raghavan.
- He served as the Director of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).
- The book was released by R.T. Chari.
- It highlights his professional journey and experiences in public service.

Static Part:

- CBI Established – 1963
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Parent Ministry – Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
- Motto – “Industry, Impartiality, Integrity”





Ques: The Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC), recently completed by Indian Railways, connects which two locations?

- A) JNPT to Dadri
- B) Mumbai to Delhi
- C) Ludhiana to Sonnagar
- D) Surat to Dankuni
- E) Chennai to Kolkata

Answer: A) JNPT to Dadri

Explanation:

- The Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC) connects JNPT (Maharashtra) to Dadri (Uttar Pradesh).
- It spans approximately 1,506 km.
- It is one of India's most ambitious railway infrastructure projects.
- The project was executed by Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited.
- The Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) runs from Ludhiana to Sonnagar (~1,337 km).
- In Union Budget 2026–27, a new freight corridor from Dankuni to Surat was announced.





Ques: Who has been appointed as the chairperson of the reconstituted National Syllabus and Teaching Learning Material Committee (NSTC) by National Council of Educational Research and Training?

- A) M.C. Pant
- B) Ramesh Pokhriyal
- C) Manjul Bhargava
- D) K. Kasturirangan
- E) Anil Sahasrabudhe

Answer: A) M.C. Pant

Explanation:

- National Council of Educational Research and Training reconstituted the NSTC following observations by the Supreme Court.
- A new 20-member committee has been formed.
- M.C. Pant has been appointed as the Chairperson.
- Manjul Bhargava will serve as the Co-chairperson.

Static Part:

- NCERT Established – 1961
- Headquarters – New Delhi

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Ques: Where is India's first commercial Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor (PFBR) located?

- A) Tarapur, Maharashtra
- B) Kudankulam, Tamil Nadu
- C) Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu
- D) Narora, Uttar Pradesh
- E) Rawatbhata, Rajasthan

Answer: C) Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu

Explanation:

- India's first commercial Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor (PFBR) is located at Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu.
- The 500 MWe PFBR achieved criticality on April 6, 2026.
- "Going critical" means a self-sustained nuclear chain reaction has begun.
- The project is operated by BHAVINI.
- It is a sodium-cooled reactor using Plutonium-239 and Uranium-238 as fuel.
- A breeder reactor produces more fuel than it consumes.
- It is a key milestone in India's Three-Stage Nuclear Programme.

Static Part:

- Reactor Name – Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor (PFBR)
- Capacity – 500 MWe
- Location – Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu
- Criticality Date – April 6, 2026
- Construction Started – October 2004
- Original Cost – ₹3,482 Crore
- Final Cost – ₹8,181 Crore





Ques: Who became the first Indian woman to reach Everest Base Camp by bicycle?

- A) Divya Singh
- B) Santosh Yadav
- C) Arunima Sinha
- D) Premlata Agarwal
- E) Bachendri Pal

Answer: A) Divya Singh

Explanation:

- Divya Singh from Uttar Pradesh completed the Everest Base Camp expedition in just 14 days.
- She started her journey from Kathmandu, Nepal and cycled through challenging mountainous terrain.
- She became the first Indian woman to reach Everest Base Camp by bicycle.
- Everest Base Camp is located at an altitude of about 5,364 metres.

Static Part:

- Mount Everest Height – 8,848.86 metres
- Location – Nepal–China (Tibet) border
- Capital of Nepal – Kathmandu
- Currency – Nepalese Rupee





Ques: What decision has India taken regarding COP33 (2028)?

- A) Approved hosting
- B) Postponed hosting
- C) Withdrawn bid
- D) Co-hosting proposal
- E) No decision yet

Answer: C) Withdrawn bid

Explanation:

- India has withdrawn its bid to host COP33 (2028) under United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.
- COP (Conference of Parties) is a global climate summit held under the UNFCCC.
- Hosting rotates among five UN regional groups.
- India belongs to the Asia-Pacific group in this system.
- The decision reflects strategic and diplomatic considerations.

Static Part:

- Organization – United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
- Established – 1992 (Rio Earth Summit)
- Headquarters – Bonn, Germany
- COP – Conference of Parties (Annual Climate Summit)





Ques: Which Indian shooting duo won the gold medal in the 10m air pistol mixed team event at the ISSF World Cup in Granada, Spain?

- A) Manu Bhaker & Saurabh Chaudhary
- B) Anjali Bhagwat & Gagan Narang
- C) Rhythm Sangwan & Abhishek Verma
- D) Esha Singh & Varun Tomar
- E) Palak & Mukesh Nelavalli

Answer: E) Palak & Mukesh Nelavalli

Explanation:

- The Indian duo Palak and Mukesh Nelavalli won gold at the ISSF World Cup Granada.
- They competed in the 10m air pistol mixed team event.
- The pair set a new world record with 487.7 points.
- This score is also a junior world record.
- Silver: China (Qianxun Yao & Kai Hu) – 484.8 points
- Bronze: Hungary (Veronika Major & Akos Karoly Nagy)

Static Part:

- International Shooting Sport Federation Founded – 1907
- Headquarters – Munich, Germany
- Shooting Events in Olympics – Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun





Ques: Who won the men's long jump event at the Indian Athletics Series 2026 with a jump of 8.15m?

- A) Tajinderpal Singh Toor
- B) Jeswin Aldrin
- C) Avinash Sable
- D) Neeraj Chopra
- E) Murali Sreeshankar

Answer: E) Murali Sreeshankar

Explanation:

- Murali Sreeshankar won the men's long jump with a jump of 8.15m.
- The event was held at Sree Kanteerava Stadium.
- He was the only athlete to cross 8.00m in the event.
- He also surpassed the Asian Games qualifying mark of 7.91m.

Static Part:

- Long Jump – Track and Field event
- Asian Games 2026 Host – Japan (Aichi-Nagoya)
- Governing Body – World Athletics
- Capital of Karnataka – Bengaluru





Ques: Who has acquired Raja Ravi Varma's painting "Yashoda and Krishna" for ₹167.2 crore, setting a new record for Indian art?

- A) Ratan Tata
- B) Mukesh Ambani
- C) Cyrus S. Poonawalla
- D) Gautam Adani
- E) Kiran Nadar

Answer: C) Cyrus S. Poonawalla

Explanation:

- Industrialist Cyrus S. Poonawalla acquired Yashoda and Krishna for ₹167.2 crore at a Saffronart auction.
- This sets a new record for Indian art.
- The painting was created by Raja Ravi Varma in the 1890s.
- Earlier record: Gram Yatra (1954), sold for over ₹118 crore.
- It was bought by Kiran Nadar.
- Raja Ravi Varma was born in 1848 in Kilimanoor, Kerala and established a printing press in 1894.
- Raja Ravi Varma established a printing press in Maharashtra in 1894 (Ghatkopar, later shifted to Lonavala).
- He was awarded the Kaiser-i-Hind Medal in 1904 for his contributions.

Static Part:

- Raja Ravi Varma – Renowned Indian painter known for mythological themes
- Birth – 1848
- Birthplace – Kilimanoor, Kerala
- Famous for – Fusion of Indian themes with European techniques





Ques: Which of the following is the highest loan category under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana?

- A) Shishu
- B) Kishor
- C) Tarun
- D) TarunPlus
- E) Udyam

Answer: D) TarunPlus

Explanation:

- Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana was launched on April 8, 2015 by Narendra Modi.
- It provides collateral-free loans to small and micro enterprises.

• Loan categories under PMMY:

- Shishu
- Kishor
- Tarun
- TarunPlus

- TarunPlus is the highest category, offering loans above ₹10 lakh up to ₹20 lakh.
- Loans are available for manufacturing, trading, services, and allied agriculture activities.

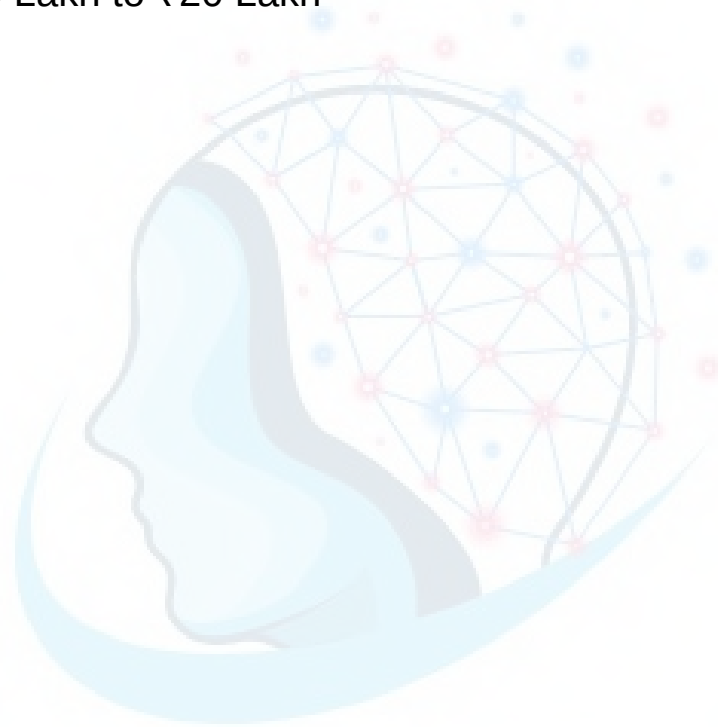
Static Part:

- Scheme – Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana
- Launch Date – April 8, 2015
- Launched By – Narendra Modi
- Scheme Age – 11 Years (2026)





- Full Form of MUDRA – Micro Units Development and Refinance Agency
- Loan Type – Collateral-Free
- Shishu Limit – Up to ₹50,000
- Kishor Limit – ₹50,001 to ₹5 Lakh
- Tarun Limit – ₹5 Lakh to ₹10 Lakh
- TarunPlus Limit – ₹10 Lakh to ₹20 Lakh



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Ques: Where will the second edition of the Rugby Premier League (RPL) 2026 be held?

- A) Hyderabad
- B) Delhi
- C) Mumbai
- D) Bengaluru
- E) Chennai

Answer: A) Hyderabad

Explanation:

- The second edition of the Rugby Premier League 2026 will be held in Hyderabad.
- The tournament is scheduled from June 16 to June 28, 2026.
- Matches will be played at Gachibowli Stadium.
- The inaugural edition was held in Mumbai.

• Participating teams:

- Bengaluru Bravehearts
- Chennai Bulls
- Delhi Redz
- Hyderabad Heroes
- Kalinga Black Tigers
- Mumbai Dreamers

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Ques: When is World Health Day celebrated every year?

- A) April 5
- B) April 6
- C) April 7
- D) April 8
- E) April 9

Answer: C) April 7

Explanation:

- World Health Day is celebrated every year on April 7.
- It marks the founding of the World Health Organization in 1948.
- Theme for 2026: “Together for health. Stand with science.”
- The day aims to raise awareness about global health issues and promote well-being.

Static Part:

- World Health Organization Headquarters – Geneva, Switzerland
- Established – 7 April 1948
- Parent Organization – United Nations
- Director-General – Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus





Ques: Why is National Maritime Day celebrated every year on April 5 in India?

- A) To mark the establishment of Indian Navy
- B) To commemorate the voyage of SS Loyalty in 1919
- C) To celebrate port development
- D) To honor fishermen
- E) To mark independence of maritime sector

Answer: B) To commemorate the voyage of SS Loyalty in 1919

Explanation:

- National Maritime Day is observed every year on April 5.
- It commemorates the historic voyage of the ship SS Loyalty on April 5, 1919 from Mumbai to London.
- SS Loyalty was the first Indian-owned merchant ship.
- The day was first celebrated in 1964 (63rd observance in 2026).
- Theme for 2026: “Maritime India – Empowering Progress”.

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Ques: How much total borrowing is planned by states and Union Territories in Q1 FY27 as per RBI's indicative borrowing calendar?

- A) ₹1,53,900 crore
- B) ₹1,00,609 crore
- C) ₹2,54,509 crore
- D) ₹3,00,000 crore
- E) ₹2,00,000 crore

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India released the indicative borrowing calendar for Q1 FY27 (April–June 2026).
- States and Union Territories are expected to collectively raise ₹2,54,509 crore.
- RBI introduced the Benchmark Issuance Strategy (BIS) on a pilot basis to enhance transparency and provide clarity to investors.
- Nine states are part of the BIS pilot: Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Telangana, and Uttar Pradesh.
- These nine states are expected to borrow ₹1,53,900 crore under BIS.
- The remaining states and UTs will raise ₹1,00,609 crore through traditional borrowing methods.





Ques: What is the total outlay of the PLI Scheme for the Food Processing Industry launched by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries?

- A) ₹8,000 crore
- B) ₹9,500 crore
- C) ₹10,900 crore
- D) ₹12,000 crore
- E) ₹15,000 crore

Answer: C

Explanation:

- PLI stands for Production Linked Incentive.
- The PLI Scheme for the Food Processing Industry was launched by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.
- The scheme runs from FY 2021–22 to FY 2026–27 for a duration of 6 years.
- The total outlay of the scheme is ₹10,900 crore.
- Objectives include increasing value addition, expanding processing capacity, promoting Indian brands globally, and generating employment in rural areas.
- Key components include food product segments like Ready-to-Cook/Ready-to-Eat foods, processed fruits & vegetables, marine products, and mozzarella cheese.
- It also supports SMEs focusing on innovative and organic products.

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Ques: Which country has announced a ban on social media access for children under 15 years, effective from 1 January 2027?

- A) France
- B) Australia
- C) Canada
- D) Germany
- E) Greece

Answer: E

Explanation:

- Greece has announced a ban on social media access for children under 15 years, effective from 1 January 2027.
- The decision was announced by Kyriakos Mitsotakis.
- The move aims to protect children from the negative impacts of excessive social media usage.
- Australia was the first country in the world to ban social media for minors.
- Australia imposed a ban on social media for children under 16 years.

Static Part:

- Capital of Greece – Athens
- Currency – Euro
- Prime Minister – Kyriakos Mitsotakis
- Greece is part of the European Union (EU)





Ques: Who chaired the NHRC Core Group meeting on Right to Food & Nutrition on the theme “Tackling Food Adulteration in India”?

- A) Justice V. Ramasubramanian
- B) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud
- C) Justice N.V. Ramana
- D) Justice U.U. Lalit
- E) Justice Ranjan Gogoi

Answer: A

Explanation:

- The National Human Rights Commission organised a Core Group meeting on Right to Food & Nutrition in New Delhi.
- The theme of the meeting was “Tackling Food Adulteration in India”.
- The meeting was chaired by Justice V. Ramasubramanian.
- The discussion focused on the scale of food adulteration, challenges, and required reforms.
- It emphasized ensuring safe food for citizens and protecting the Right to Food.
- The meeting also aimed at policy improvement and better enforcement mechanisms.

Static Part:

- National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) – Independent statutory body
- National Human Rights Commission – Independent statutory body
- Established – 12 October 1993
- Law – Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993
- Headquarters – New Delhi





Ques: Who has resigned as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of Air India before completing his five-year term?

- A) Alan Joyce
- B) Campbell Wilson
- C) Ilker Ayci
- D) Natarajan Chandrasekaran
- E) Ajay Singh

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Campbell Wilson has resigned as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of Air India.
- He stepped down before completing his five-year term.
- He had been serving as CEO and MD since July 2022.
- His tenure saw significant efforts toward restructuring and modernization of the airline.

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Ques: The Kalai-II Hydro Electric Project (HEP), recently approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), will be constructed on which river?

- A) Siang River
- B) Subansiri River
- C) Lohit River
- D) Dibang River
- E) Kameng River

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by Narendra Modi, has approved a ₹14,105.83 crore hydropower project.
- The project is named Kalai-II Hydro Electric Project (HEP).
- It will be constructed on the Lohit River in Anjaw district of Arunachal Pradesh.
- The project will have an installed capacity of 1,200 MW.
- It will comprise six units of 190 MW each and one unit of 60 MW.
- The project will be implemented through a joint venture between THDC India Limited and the Government of Arunachal Pradesh.

Static Part:

- Arunachal Pradesh Capital – Itanagar
- Chief Minister – Pema Khandu
- Governor – K.T. Parnaik
- Lohit River – Tributary of Brahmaputra





Ques: Two new airports announced in Telangana will be developed at which locations?

- A) Hyderabad and Nizamabad
- B) Warangal and Adilabad
- C) Karimnagar and Khammam
- D) Nalgonda and Mahbubnagar
- E) Medak and Siddipet

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Civil Aviation has announced the development of two new airports in Telangana.
- These airports will be developed at Warangal and Adilabad.
- The Adilabad airport will be developed by the Ministry of Defence.
- The Warangal airport will be developed to enhance regional air connectivity.

Static Part:

- Capital of Telangana – Hyderabad
- Chief Minister – A. Revanth Reddy
- Governor – Shiv Pratap Shukla
- Rajiv Gandhi International Airport – Hyderabad





Ques: The One Health Summit 2026, hosted by France under its G7 Presidency, was held in which city?

- A) Paris
- B) Lyon
- C) Marseille
- D) Nice
- E) Bordeaux

Answer: B

Explanation:

- France hosted the One Health Summit 2026 from 5–7 April in Lyon.
- The summit was organised under France's G7 Presidency and coincided with World Health Day.
- The One Health approach integrates human, animal, plant, and environmental health.
- Key focus areas include zoonotic diseases, antimicrobial resistance (AMR), sustainable food systems, and pollution exposure.
- Objectives include promoting global cooperation, strengthening surveillance systems, and encouraging public-private partnerships.
- The Quadripartite global partnership includes World Health Organization, Food and Agriculture Organization, United Nations Environment Programme, and World Organisation for Animal Health.
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- The Group of Seven is an informal group of advanced economies established in 1975.
- Member countries include Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, United Kingdom, and United States.





Static Part:

- G7 Established – 1975
- Type – Informal group of advanced economies
- World Health Organization Headquarters – Geneva, Switzerland
- Food and Agriculture Organization Headquarters – Rome, Italy



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Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Chairperson of Nasscom Foundation?

- A) UB Pravin Rao
- B) Rostow Ravanan
- C) Nandan Nilekani
- D) Salil Parekh
- E) Kris Gopalakrishnan

Answer: A

Explanation:

- Nasscom Foundation has appointed UB Pravin Rao as its new Chairperson.
- He succeeds Rostow Ravanan in this role.
- UB Pravin Rao has previously served in leadership roles within NASSCOM, including Vice-Chairperson and Chairman.
- He was also the Chief Operating Officer (COO) of Infosys.
- Nasscom Foundation is the only non-profit organisation representing the Indian IT industry within the NASSCOM ecosystem.

Static Part:

- Nasscom Foundation Founded – 2001
- NASSCOM – National Association of Software and Service Companies
- Role – Promotes IT industry and digital inclusion





Ques: Where is the 25th All India Police Water Sports Cluster Championship being held?

- A) Dal Lake
- B) Tehri Lake
- C) Chilika Lake
- D) Vembanad Lake
- E) Loktak Lake

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The 25th All India Police Water Sports Cluster Championship is being held at Tehri Lake.
- The event is being organised under the Indo-Tibetan Border Police.
- The championship includes a total of 52 events.
- Sports include canoeing, rowing, and kayaking.
- The event is being conducted till 12 April 2026.

Static Part:

- Indo-Tibetan Border Police – Central Armed Police Force (CAPF)
- Established – 24 October 1962
- Motto – “Valour, Steadfastness, Commitment”
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Ministry – Ministry of Home Affairs
- Home Minister – Amit Shah





Ques: The Kamala Hydro Electric Project (1720 MW), recently approved by CCEA, will be constructed on which river?

- A) Lohit River
- B) Kamala River
- C) Subansiri River
- D) Siang River
- E) Dibang River

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved ₹26,069.50 crore for the Kamala Hydro Electric Project in Arunachal Pradesh.
- The project will have a total installed capacity of 1720 MW.
- It will be constructed across Kamle, Kra Daadi, and Kurung Kumey districts.
- The project will be developed by NHPC Limited in partnership with the Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
- It will be built on the Kamala River, which is a major tributary of the Subansiri River.
- The project will have nine generating units – eight units of 210 MW each and one unit of 40 MW.

STATIC PART:

- NHPC Limited Established – 1975
- Headquarters – Faridabad, Haryana
- Arunachal Pradesh Capital – Itanagar
- Subansiri River – Tributary of Brahmaputra





Ques: The India-Egypt Joint Special Forces Exercise 'Cyclone' will be conducted at which place?

- A) Cairo
- B) Alexandria
- C) Anshas
- D) Giza
- E) Sinai

Answer: C

Explanation:

- An Indian Army contingent has departed for Egypt to participate in the fourth edition of the India-Egypt Joint Special Forces Exercise 'Cyclone'.
- The exercise will be conducted at Anshas.
- The exercise aims to enhance interoperability, coordination, and tactical skills between the special forces of both countries.
- It also focuses on sharing best practices in counter-terrorism operations.

Static Part:

- Capital of Egypt – Cairo
- Currency – Egyptian Pound
- President of Egypt – Abdel Fattah el-Sisi
- India-Egypt Relations – Strengthening defence and strategic cooperation





Ques: Payal Nag, who recently made history, is associated with which sport?

- A) Para Athletics
- B) Para Shooting
- C) Para Archery
- D) Para Swimming
- E) Para Badminton

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Payal Nag from Odisha became the world's first quadruple amputee archer to win an international gold medal.
- She won gold at the 2026 World Para Archery Series Final held in Bangkok.
- Para archery is governed globally by the World Archery Federation.
- The achievement marks a significant milestone in para sports and inclusivity.
- Khelo India Para Games promote grassroots para sports in India.

Static Part:

- Para Sports – Sports for athletes with disabilities
- World Archery Federation Headquarters – Lausanne, Switzerland
- Khelo India Programme – Launched in 2018





Ques: The 'Ghatak' programme, recently approved for induction by India, is related to which type of defence system?

- A) Ballistic Missile System
- B) Stealth Unmanned Combat Aerial Vehicles (UCAVs)
- C) Naval Submarines
- D) Air Defence Radar System
- E) Armoured Tanks

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

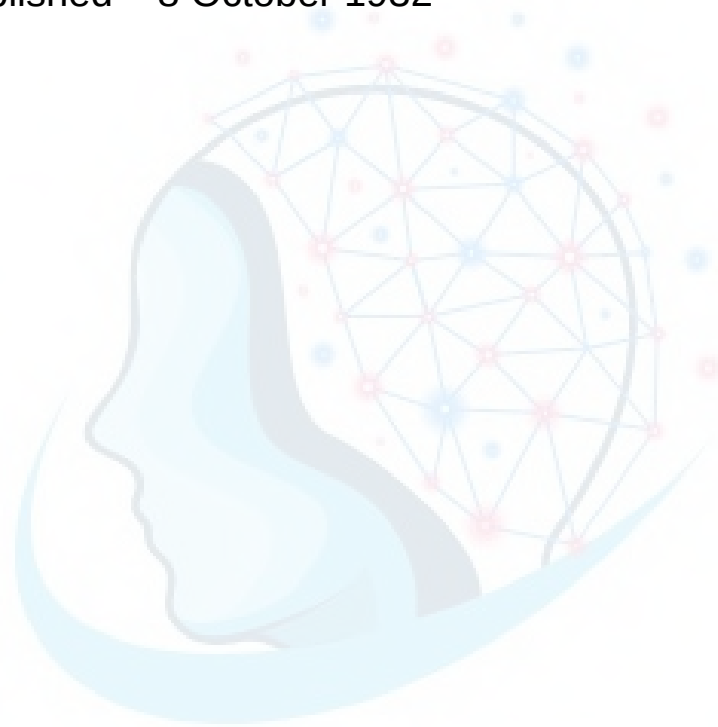
- India is planning to induct indigenous stealth unmanned combat aerial vehicles (UCAVs) under the 'Ghatak' programme.
- The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) cleared the procurement of remotely piloted strike aircraft for the Indian Air Force (IAF).
- Around 60 Ghatak drones are planned to be acquired following recommendations of the Defence Procurement Board.
- The programme is expected to create a ₹39,000 crore opportunity for the domestic defence industry.
- The government will invite bids to build six prototypes at an estimated cost of ₹10,000 crore.
- The Ghatak UCAV, earlier known as Autonomous Unmanned Research Aircraft (AURA), is being developed by DRDO.
- 'Ghatak' UCAV, earlier known as AURA, is being developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation.
- It is a 13-tonne class, jet-powered unmanned aircraft with a tailless flying-wing configuration.
- It is powered by the indigenous Kaveri engine.
- The UCAV can carry up to 1.5 tonnes of weapons in internal bays, ensuring stealth during operations.





Static Part:

- Defence Research and Development Organisation Established – 1958
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Defence Acquisition Council – Headed by Defence Minister
- Indian Air Force Established – 8 October 1932



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Ques: Mohsina Kidwai, who recently passed away, was associated with which political party?

- A) Bharatiya Janata Party
- B) Janata Dal (United)
- C) Samajwadi Party
- D) Bahujan Samaj Party
- E) Indian National Congress

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Senior leader of the Indian National Congress, Mohsina Kidwai has passed away.
- She served as a Union Minister under Prime Ministers Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi.
- She held key portfolios such as Health, Rural Development, Urban Development, and Transport.
- She was known for her significant contribution to Indian politics and public service.

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Ques: When is the International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda observed?

- A) April 5
- B) April 6
- C) April 7
- D) April 8
- E) April 9

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda is observed annually on April 7.
- The memorial ceremony is organised by the United Nations.
- The day commemorates the victims of the Rwandan Genocide.
- It also raises awareness about preventing genocide and promoting peace.

Static Part:

- United Nations Established – 1945
- Headquarters – New York, USA
- Secretary-General – António Guterres
- Kigali – Capital of Rwanda





Ques: Under RBI's proposed new framework, what is the asset size threshold for classifying an NBFC in the Upper Layer?

- A) ₹50,000 crore
- B) ₹75,000 crore
- C) ₹1 lakh crore
- D) ₹1.5 lakh crore
- E) ₹2 lakh crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India has proposed that NBFCs with assets of ₹1 lakh crore or more will be classified as Upper Layer (NBFC-UL).
- This new asset-size based method replaces the earlier parametric scoring system based on size, leverage, and complexity.
- The new system makes classification transparent, objective, and non-discretionary.
- The top 50 NBFCs based on total exposure will also be automatically considered for Upper Layer classification.
- Government-owned NBFCs such as PFC, REC, and IRFC will also be included if they meet the threshold.
- The ₹1 lakh crore threshold will be reviewed every five years under the Scale-Based Regulation (SBR) framework.

Static Part :-

- **Proposed Threshold — ₹1 lakh crore (asset size)**
- **Classification — NBFC Upper Layer (NBFC-UL)**
- **Old Method — Parametric Scoring (Quantitative + Qualitative + Supervisory Judgment)**
- **New Method — Asset Size Based (Simple & Transparent)**
- **Auto-inclusion — Top 50 NBFCs by Total Exposure**





- Govt NBFCs Included — PFC, REC, IRFC (if threshold met)
- NBFCs in UL (2024-25) — 15 entities
- Review Period — Every 5 Years
- Framework — Scale-Based Regulation (SBR) of NBFCs
- 4 Layers of SBR — Base Layer, Middle Layer, Upper Layer, Top Layer



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Ques: According to the Worldline report, by what percentage did UPI QR codes grow in India in 2025?

- A) 10%
- B) 12%
- C) 15%
- D) 20%
- E) 25%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India's digital payments ecosystem is expanding rapidly with UPI QR codes growing by 15% in 2025.
- According to the report released by Worldline, the total number of QR codes reached 731.38 million.
- This reflects widespread merchant adoption across the country.
- Transaction volumes also increased by 33%.
- It indicates a growing preference for fast, seamless, and cashless payments.

Static Part:

- UPI – Unified Payments Interface
- Launched by – National Payments Corporation of India





Ques: Which bank became India's second-largest lender by market capitalization in April 2026?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- State Bank of India overtook ICICI Bank to become India's second-largest lender by market capitalization in April 2026.
- The bank's market capitalization crossed ₹9 lakh crore.
- This marks SBI's return to the second position for the first time since August 2019.
- The growth was driven by strong quarterly earnings and high investor confidence.
- SBI was founded on 1 July 1955 and is headquartered in Mumbai.

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Ques: What is an Insurance Surety Bond (ISB) recently recognised by the Ministry of Coal as an alternative to Bank Guarantee?

- A) A loan given by banks
- B) A financial guarantee by an insurance company
- C) A subsidy provided by the government
- D) A tax exemption certificate
- E) A type of insurance claim

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Coal has recognised Insurance Surety Bonds (ISBs) as an alternative to Bank Guarantees (BGs) for bid and performance security.
- This move aligns with amendments made in the General Financial Rules 2017 by the Ministry of Finance.
- An Insurance Surety Bond is a financial guarantee provided by an insurance company.
- It ensures that a contractor or company will complete a project or obligation.
- If the contractor fails, the insurance company compensates the loss.
- Unlike a Bank Guarantee, ISB does not require blocking of funds or collateral by the company.
- This improves ease of doing business by reducing financial burden on companies.

Static Part:

- Ministry of Coal – Central Ministry
- General Financial Rules 2017 – 2017
- Bank Guarantee – Issued by banks with collateral requirement
- ISB – Promotes liquidity and reduces capital blockage





Ques: Which of the following is an AI-enabled platform launched by SEBI to strengthen cybersecurity supervision of regulated entities?

- A) SUPCOMS
- B) e-Adjudication Portal
- C) C-SAC (Cyber-Sec Audit Compliance)
- D) SCORES
- E) SMART ODR

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Securities and Exchange Board of India launched three IT platforms — SUPCOMS, e-Adjudication Portal and C-SAC — on March 24 to enhance ease of doing business and strengthen cybersecurity oversight.
- SUPCOMS is a unified communication platform that replaces traditional email-based interactions and ensures centralized access with full audit trail.
- The e-Adjudication Portal digitally enables quasi-judicial proceedings, allowing entities to access notices, submit replies and attend hearings online.
- C-SAC is an AI-enabled platform that strengthens cybersecurity supervision by analysing cyber audit reports and identifying compliance gaps and risk areas.
- It generates actionable insights for data-driven supervisory decisions.

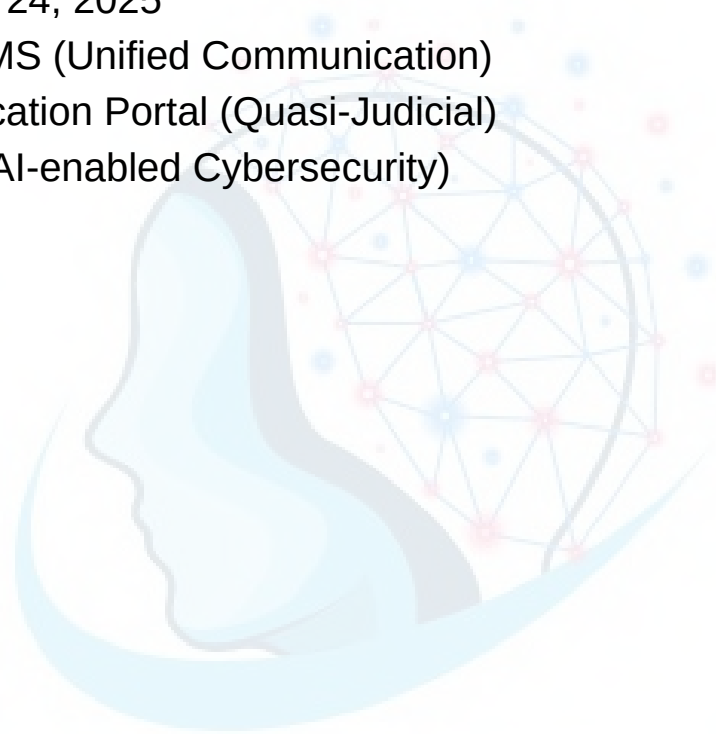
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Static Part:

- Regulator – Securities and Exchange Board of India
- SEBI Established – April 12, 1988 (Statutory: January 30, 1992)
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Chairman – Tuhin Kanta Pandey
- Launch Date – March 24, 2025
- Platform 1 – SUPCOMS (Unified Communication)
- Platform 2 – e-Adjudication Portal (Quasi-Judicial)
- Platform 3 – C-SAC (AI-enabled Cybersecurity)



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Ques: Punjab National Bank (PNB) signed an MoU with which platform to provide collateral-free loans to sellers?

- A) Government e-Marketplace (GeM)
- B) eNAM
- C) Amazon India
- D) Flipkart
- E) ONDC

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Punjab National Bank has signed an MoU with Government e-Marketplace.
- The partnership aims to enhance financial support for sellers on the platform.
- It will provide collateral-free loans, especially to MSMEs and small businesses.
- Loans will be offered through the GeM Sahay portal to meet working capital requirements.
- The initiative will improve ease of doing business and support digital procurement.
- Under the MoU, PNB will act as a lending partner.

Static Part:

- Punjab National Bank Established – 1894
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Government e-Marketplace – Launched in 2016
- Purpose – Online procurement of goods and services for government
- Ministry – Ministry of Commerce and Industry





Ques: Which company became the first in India's FMCG sector to achieve an annual turnover of over ₹1 lakh crore in FY26?

- A) Hindustan Unilever
- B) ITC Limited
- C) Nestlé India
- D) Amul
- E) Dabur India

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Amul (Anand Milk Union Limited) became the first FMCG company in India to cross ₹1 lakh crore turnover in FY26.
- The federation reported a total group turnover of ₹1,00,000 crore, registering around 11% growth over the previous year.
- With this achievement, Amul became the largest FMCG organisation in India.
- It reflects the strong growth of India's dairy and cooperative sector.
- Additionally, Saraswat Cooperative Bank crossed the ₹1 lakh crore total business mark in April 2026.

Static Part:

- Founded – 1946
- Headquarters – Anand, Gujarat
- Type – Cooperative Organisation
- Amul Founded – 1946
- Headquarters – Anand, Gujarat
- Parent Organisation – Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation
- Slogan – “The Taste of India”





Ques: In the IUCN Red List April 2026 update, which species has been classified as Endangered due to climate change?

- A) Polar Bear
- B) Emperor Penguin
- C) Blue Whale
- D) Snow Leopard
- E) Giant Panda

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The International Union for Conservation of Nature Red List (April 2026 update) highlights a severe climate-driven biodiversity crisis.
- Emperor Penguin and Antarctic fur seals have been classified as Endangered.
- The decline is mainly due to melting ice, shortage of krill (food source), and disease outbreaks.
- Arctic seal species are also facing increasing extinction risks due to global warming.
- Southern elephant seals are additionally threatened by bird flu along with environmental changes.
- The Red List now includes 169,420 species, with over 47,000 species under threat.
- The report emphasizes the urgent need for climate action and conservation measures worldwide.

Static Part :-

- IUCN Founded – 5 October 1948
- Headquarters – Gland, Switzerland
- IUCN Red List Established – 1964
- India joined IUCN – 1969





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (C&MD) of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)?

- A) Sanjay Khanna
- B) Arun Kumar Singh
- C) Sandeep Gupta
- D) Alka Mittal
- E) Raj Kumar Dubey

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Sanjay Khanna has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (C&MD) of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited.
- The appointment has been approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.
- He will hold the position till May 31, 2029.
- BPCL is one of India's leading public sector oil and gas companies.

Static Part:

- BPCL Established – 1952 (as Burmah Shell, later nationalised)
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Parent Ministry – Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas
- Category – Maharatna PSU





Ques: In which language was the latest edition of the Constitution released in both Devanagari and Persian scripts?

- A) Hindi
- B) Urdu
- C) Sindhi
- D) Punjabi
- E) Gujarati

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- C. P. Radhakrishnan released the latest edition of the Constitution of India in Sindhi language.
- The Constitution has been published in both Devanagari and Persian scripts.
- This is the first time since Independence that the Sindhi version in Devanagari script has been released.
- The initiative aims to make the Constitution accessible in multiple languages.
- It promotes linguistic diversity and inclusivity in governance.
- It helps citizens better understand their rights and duties in their own language.

Static Part:

- Vice President of India – C. P. Radhakrishnan
- Constitution Adopted – 26 November 1949
- Came into Force – 26 January 1950





Ques: FIU-IND signed an MoU with which organisation to tackle cyber frauds and financial crimes?

- A) CERT-In
- B) Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C)
- C) NITI Aayog
- D) National Informatics Centre (NIC)
- E) RBI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Financial Intelligence Unit India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre.
- The objective is to enhance cooperation in tackling cyber frauds and financial crimes.
- FIU-IND will share data related to suspicious financial transactions.
- I4C will provide inputs on cybercrime patterns and digital frauds.
- This collaboration will strengthen monitoring, investigation, and prevention of financial cyber crimes.

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Ques: What is the name of the humanoid robot deployed at a polling station in Puducherry?

- A) RoboSeva
- B) Nila
- C) Mitra
- D) Shakti
- E) AI Voter

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- A humanoid robot named “Nila” greeted voters at a polling station in Puducherry.
- The robot was deployed at VOC Government School polling station.
- Nila was dressed in a traditional saree, adding a cultural touch.
- It aimed to enhance voter experience and engagement using technology.
- The initiative added technological innovation to the Assembly elections in the Union Territory.
- It reflects the growing use of AI and robotics in public services.

Static Part:

- Puducherry Capital – Puducherry
- Lieutenant Governor – Tamilisai Soundararajan
- Status – Union Territory





Ques: What is the name of the new Artificial Intelligence model launched by Meta Platforms?

- A) LLaMA 3
- B) Muse Spark
- C) Gemini AI
- D) Claude AI
- E) Bard AI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Meta Platforms has launched a new Artificial Intelligence model called “Muse Spark”.
- It is the first model developed by Meta Superintelligence Labs, the company’s dedicated AI division.
- The model is designed to power the Meta AI assistant across its platforms.
- It is part of Meta’s strategy to build advanced AI and superintelligence systems.

Static Part:

- Meta Founded – February 4, 2004
- Headquarters – California, USA
- Chairman & CEO – Mark Zuckerberg
- Former Name – Facebook Inc.





Ques: Which state has declared cancer as a notifiable disease to strengthen monitoring of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs)?

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

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Telangana government has declared cancer as a notifiable disease across the state.
- The initiative aims to establish a centralized cancer registry for better tracking of incidence and prevalence.
- It will support evidence-based policymaking and improve resource allocation for treatment, palliative, and rehabilitative care.
- All public and private hospitals, labs, and healthcare facilities must report cancer cases within one month of diagnosis.
- Mehdi Nawaz Jung Institute of Oncology and Regional Cancer Centre has been designated as the Centre of Excellence (CoE) for data validation.

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Ques: Mahatma Jyotirao Phule is best known for his contributions in which field?

- A) Science
- B) Social Reform
- C) Politics
- D) Sports
- E) Literature

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi paid tribute to Jyotirao Phule on his 200th birth anniversary.
- Jyotirao Phule was a visionary social reformer who worked for equality, justice, and education.
- He was a pioneer in fighting caste discrimination and untouchability.
- He strongly promoted women's education and social empowerment.
- Along with Savitribai Phule, he established India's first girls' school in Pune in 1848.
- He was honored with the title "Mahatma" in 1888 for his contributions.

Static Part:

- Jyotirao Phule Born – 11 April 1827
- Place – Maharashtra
- Known for – Social Reform, Anti-caste Movement





Ques: Laura Cardoso, who created history by taking 9 wickets in a T20I match, belongs to which country?

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

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Laura Cardoso is a fast bowler from Brazil.
- She became the first player in T20 International cricket history to take 9 wickets in a single match.
- She achieved this feat against Lesotho in the Kalahari Women's T20I Tournament.
- Her remarkable bowling figures were 9 wickets for just 4 runs in 3 overs.
- This is one of the best bowling performances in T20I history.

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Ques: Which Indian vessel became the first to cross the Strait of Hormuz after the US-Iran ceasefire?

- A) Jag Vasant
- B) Shivalik
- C) Jag Vikram
- D) Pine Gas
- E) INS Chennai

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Indian-flagged LPG tanker Jag Vikram became the first Indian vessel to cross the Strait of Hormuz after the US-Iran ceasefire.
- The vessel successfully navigated the strategic waterway after geopolitical tensions eased in West Asia.
- It was carrying around 20,000+ metric tonnes of LPG cargo.
- The transit marks a gradual restoration of maritime trade routes in the region.
- The Strait of Hormuz is a critical global energy chokepoint for oil and gas transport.
- The successful passage ensures continuity of energy supplies to India.





Ques: India has been elected to which UN body for the term 2027–2029?

- A) Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD)
- B) Committee on NGOs
- C) Human Rights Council
- D) Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC)
- E) Security Council

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India has been elected to several subsidiary bodies of the United Nations Economic and Social Council.
- India was elected to the Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC) for the term 2027–2029.
- It was also elected to:
 - Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD) (2027–2030)
 - Committee on Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) (2027–2030)
- Preeti Saran has been re-elected to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for the term 2027–2030.
- UN ECOSOC is one of the si

Static Part :

- United Nations Established – 1945
- Headquarters – New York, USA
- United Nations Economic and Social Council Role – Coordinates economic and social work of UN
- Total Principal Organs of UN – 6
- x principal organs of the United Nations.





Ques: Abu Hasem Khan Chowdhury, who recently passed away, was associated with which political party?

- A) Bharatiya Janata Party
- B) Samajwadi Party
- C) Trinamool Congress
- D) Communist Party of India
- E) Indian National Congress

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Abu Hasem Khan Chowdhury, popularly known as “Dalu Babu,” was a veteran leader of the Indian National Congress.
- He passed away recently.
- He served as the Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare.
- He represented the Maldaha Dakshin Lok Sabha constituency since 2009.
- He was known for his contribution to public service and politics in West Bengal.

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Ques: Champaran Satyagraha of 1917 was launched to protest against which oppressive system imposed on indigo farmers?

- A) Ryotwari System
- B) Mahalwari System
- C) Zamindari System
- D) Tinkathia System
- E) Dastak System

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The nation marked the anniversary of the Champaran Satyagraha launched by Mahatma Gandhi in 1917 in Champaran, Bihar.
- The movement was launched to address the grievances of indigo farmers forced to cultivate indigo under the oppressive Tinkathia system.
- Under the Tinkathia system, farmers had to cultivate indigo on 3/20th (about 15%) of their land without proper compensation.
- It was Gandhi's first civil disobedience movement in India after returning from South Africa.
- The movement established Satyagraha as a powerful tool of non-violent resistance.
- Its success led to the abolition of the Tinkathia system and the enactment of the Champaran Agrarian Act, 1918.

Static Part:

- Movement – Champaran Satyagraha
- Year – 1917 (April 10, 1917)
- Location – Champaran, Bihar
- Leader – Mahatma Gandhi
- 2025 Anniversary – 108th
- Against – Tinkathia System





- Tinkathia System – Indigo cultivation on 3/20th land
- Result – Abolition of Tinkathia System
- Act – Champaran Agrarian Act, 1918
- Significance – First Satyagraha in India
- Gandhi's Title – 'Mahatma' (given by Rabindranath Tagore)



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Ques: Shaurya Diwas, observed on April 9, commemorates the valour of which force during the 1965 India-Pakistan conflict?

- A) Indian Army
- B) Border Security Force
- C) Central Reserve Police Force
- D) Indo-Tibetan Border Police
- E) Assam Rifles

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Shaurya Diwas is observed on April 9 at Sardar Post in Kutch, Gujarat.
- It commemorates the bravery and supreme sacrifice of the Central Reserve Police Force.
- The day marks the heroic action of CRPF personnel during the 1965 India-Pakistan conflict.
- CRPF personnel defended Indian positions in the Rann of Kutch against a large-scale attack by Pakistani forces under Operation Desert Hawk.
- The day highlights courage, dedication, and sacrifice of security forces.

Static Part:

- Central Reserve Police Force Established – 1939 (as Crown Representative Police)
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Motto – “Service and Loyalty”
- Ministry – Ministry of Home Affairs





Ques: What GDP growth rate has the Asian Development Bank (ADB) projected for India in FY27 (2026–27)?

- A) 6.5%
- B) 7.6%
- C) 7.3%
- D) 6.6%
- E) 6.9%

Answer: E

Explanation:

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has projected India's GDP growth at 6.9% for FY27 (2026–27) in its Asian Development Outlook (ADO) report. This is lower than FY26 growth of 7.6%, indicating slight moderation. The forecast is higher than the World Bank's estimate (6.6%) and equal to the RBI's estimate (6.9%). India's growth is expected to rise to 7.3% in FY28, supported by clean energy investment, power sector reforms, and manufacturing competitiveness.

- Inflation is projected to rise to 4.5% in FY27 and moderate to 4% in FY28.
- Central government capital expenditure is budgeted to increase by 11.5% in FY27, supporting investment-led growth.

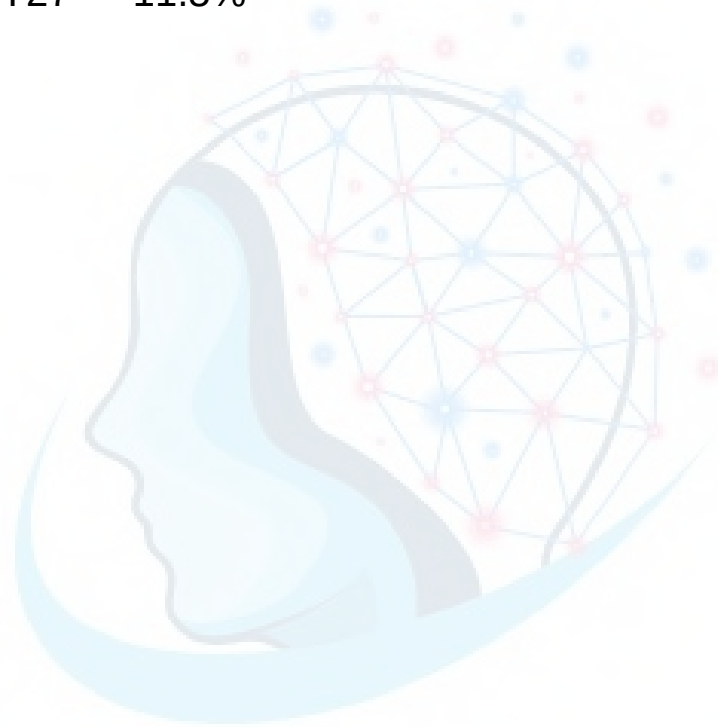
Static Facts:

- Organisation — Asian Development Bank
- Established — 1966
- Headquarters — Manila, Philippines
- President — Masato Kanda
- India GDP Forecast FY27 — 6.9%
- India GDP FY26 — 7.6%





- India GDP Forecast FY28 — 7.3%
- World Bank Forecast FY27 — 6.6%
- RBI Forecast FY27 — 6.9%
- Inflation FY27 — 4.5%
- Inflation FY28 — 4%
- Govt Capex Growth FY27 — 11.5%



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Ques: What is the minimum net worth requirement proposed by RBI for entities to set up and operate a TReDS platform under the draft TReDS Directions, 2026?

- A) ₹10 crore
- B) ₹15 crore
- C) ₹20 crore
- D) ₹25 crore
- E) ₹50 crore

Answer: D

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India issued draft TReDS Directions, 2026 to consolidate guidelines into a unified Master Direction.
- Under the draft, entities must have a minimum net worth of ₹25 crore to set up and operate a TReDS platform.
- Existing authorised TReDS entities have time till March 31, 2027 to meet this requirement.
- RBI has proposed removing due diligence requirements for MSMEs to simplify onboarding.
- Public comments on the draft have been invited till May 1.
- TReDS (Trade Receivables Discounting System) is a digital platform that enables MSMEs to auction their trade receivables to financiers for quick liquidity. sellers (MSMEs), buyers (corporates), and financiers (banks/financial institutions).
- Examples of TReDS platforms include Receivables Exchange of India Ltd, M1xchange, Invoicemart, C2treds, and DTX.





Ques: Which organization has launched the Annual Survey of Incorporated Services Sector Enterprises (ASISSE)?

- A) RBI
- B) NITI Aayog
- C) NSO
- D) SEBI
- E) NABARD

Answer: C

Explanation:

- National Statistics Office has launched the Annual Survey of Incorporated Services Sector Enterprises (ASISSE).
- It operates under the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
- This is the first-ever annual survey of incorporated services sector enterprises in India.
- The survey covers all States and Union Territories with FY 2024–25 as the reference period.
- It aims to create a comprehensive database of sectors like trade, transport, IT, education, and health.
- The survey will support evidence-based policymaking and economic analysis.
- Data will be collected through a secure web-based portal.





Ques: How many strategic pillars and deliverables form the basis of RBI's 'Utkarsh 2029' medium-term strategy framework?

- A) 5 Pillars and 40 Deliverables
- B) 6 Pillars and 49 Deliverables
- C) 7 Pillars and 55 Deliverables
- D) 6 Pillars and 42 Deliverables
- E) 8 Pillars and 49 Deliverables

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India has unveiled 'Utkarsh 2029', a medium-term strategy framework for April 2026 to March 2029.
- The framework aims to transform RBI into a world-class central bank.
- It is based on 6 strategic pillars and includes 49 deliverables.
- The six pillars are — Robust Regulations, Customer Centricity & Inclusive Finance, Competitive Markets, Effective Technology, Future-Ready Organisation, and Global India.
- Under Project Sa-Mudra, RBI plans to modernise banknote logistics using automation and digital tracking.
- RBI also aims to expand the use of Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) for efficient cross-border payments.
- RBI will promote UPI stack globally, enhance international trade settlement in INR, and expand asset tokenisation and AI-based sandboxes.

Static Facts:

- Framework Name — Utkarsh 2029
- Launched By — Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- RBI Governor — Sanjay Malhotra
- Headquarters — Mumbai
- Period — April 2026 to March 2029





- Total Deliverables — 49
- Number of Pillars — 6
- Previous Framework — Utkarsh 2022 (2019–2022)



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Ques: What is the FPI investment limit in Government Securities (G-Secs) for FY 2026–27 as kept unchanged by RBI?

- A) 4%
- B) 5%
- C) 6%
- D) 8%
- E) 10%

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India has kept FPI investment limits unchanged for FY 2026–27.
- The limit for Government Securities (G-Secs) remains at 6%.
- The limits for State Government Securities (SGSs) and corporate bonds are 2% and 15% respectively.
- The allocation of incremental G-Sec limits between General and Long-term categories remains in a 50:50 ratio.
- The total permissible FPI debt investment is ₹15,51,646 crore for April–September 2026 and ₹16,32,640 crore for October 2026–March 2027.





Ques: What is the Minimum Export Price (MEP) set by India on natural honey till December 2026?

- A) \$1,000 per metric ton
- B) \$1,200 per metric ton
- C) \$1,400 per metric ton
- D) \$1,600 per metric ton
- E) \$1,800 per metric ton

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The Government of India has extended the Minimum Export Price (MEP) on natural honey till December 31, 2026.
- The MEP is fixed at \$1,400 per metric ton.
- The decision was notified by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade.
- The measure aims to regulate export pricing and discourage low-priced honey exports.
- The MEP policy for honey was first introduced in March 2024.
- Major export destinations include United States, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, and Qatar.
- MEP — Minimum Export Price
- Purpose — Regulate export pricing & prevent dumping
- DGFT — Directorate General of Foreign Trade
- ITC HS Code (Honey) — 04090000





Ques: Which institute became the first under CCRAS to receive ISO 15189:2022 accreditation?

- A) All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA)
- B) Central Ayurveda Research Institute, Bengaluru (CARI)
- C) National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur
- D) AIIMS Delhi
- E) Banaras Hindu University (BHU)

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The Clinical Laboratory of Central Ayurveda Research Institute, Bengaluru has received ISO 15189:2022 accreditation.
- It is the first institute under Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences to achieve this recognition.
- The accreditation is in Biochemistry and Haematology.
- It ensures global standards of accuracy, reliability, and safety in diagnostics.
- The lab has also received accreditation from National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories for 50 test parameters.
- This milestone supports evidence-based integration of AYUSH systems under the Ministry of Ayush.

Static Facts:

- CCRAS — Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences
- Ministry — Ministry of Ayush
- ISO 15189 — Standard for medical laboratories
- NABL — National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories





Ques: Deakin University signed an MoU with which state government to promote Applied AI?

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

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Deakin University signed an MoU with the Telangana Government.
- The MoU was signed via Aikam (AI Innovation Hub) in Hyderabad.
- The aim is to promote Applied Artificial Intelligence (AI).
- A new initiative — Aikam–Deakin Hub for Research in Intelligent Technology & Innovation (Aikam-DHRITI) has been launched.
- Key focus areas include mass upskilling, joint research, and startup support.
- This initiative will strengthen the AI and innovation ecosystem in the region.

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Ques: Where has the India chapter of the Indian Danish Chamber of Commerce (IDCC) been launched?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Bengaluru
- C) New Delhi
- D) Chennai
- E) Hyderabad

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The Indian Danish Chamber of Commerce has launched its India chapter in New Delhi.
- This marks the first dedicated Danish Chamber of Commerce established in India.
- The initiative aims to support Danish companies operating in India and promote business opportunities.
- It will strengthen trade relations and economic cooperation between India and Denmark.
- The chamber has been set up in collaboration with the Royal Danish Embassy and Danish industry bodies.





Ques: What was India's overall rank at the Asian Boxing Championships 2026?

- A) 1st
- B) 2nd
- C) 3rd
- D) 4th
- E) 5th

Answer: B

Explanation:

- India finished 2nd at the Asian Boxing Championships 2026 held in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.
- India won a total of 16 medals – 5 Gold, 3 Silver, and 8 Bronze.
- Despite finishing second, India had the highest overall medal count.
- Kazakhstan topped the medal tally with 6 gold medals.
- Vishvanath Suresh won gold in the 50 kg category by defeating Daichi Iwai 5–0.
- It was India's first Asian title in men's boxing in 5 years.
- Women boxers delivered a historic performance with 10 medals, including 4 gold.

Static Fact:

- Asian Boxing Championships – Continental boxing to
- Organized by – Asian Boxing Confederation
- Mongolia Capital – Ulaanbaatar
- Boxing Categories – Weight-based divisions tournament.





Ques: With the delivery of INS Dunagiri, INS Sanshodhak and INS Agray, what is GRSE's total number of warships built to date?

- A) 100
- B) 108
- C) 112
- D) 115
- E) 118

Answer: E

Explanation:

- Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd. has delivered INS Dunagiri, INS Sanshodhak, and INS Agray to the Indian Navy.
- With this, GRSE's total number of warships built has reached 118, out of which 80 have been delivered to the Indian Navy.
- INS Dunagiri is a Project 17A stealth frigate (Nilgiri class), INS Sanshodhak is a Survey Vessel (Large), and INS Agray is a Fast Attack Craft.
- GRSE is headquartered in Kolkata and is a Mini Ratna Category-I Defence PSU.
- This achievement highlights India's push for defence indigenisation under the Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative.

Static Facts:

- Shipyard — Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd. (GRSE)
- Location — Kolkata, West Bengal
- Classification — Defence PSU (Mini Ratna Category-I)
- Total Warships Built — 118
- Delivered to Indian Navy — 80
- Chief of Naval Staff — Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi





Ques: Which country has become the world's first "10 giga" nation by launching U6GHz internet network?

- A) USA
- B) China
- C) Japan
- D) UAE
- E) South Korea

Answer: D

Explanation:

- The United Arab Emirates has become the world's first "10 giga" nation.
- It achieved this by launching the first commercial Upper 6GHz (U6GHz) internet network.
- The network provides ultra-high-speed connectivity of up to 10 Gbps.
- It supports advanced technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI), smart cities, Internet of Things (IoT), and immersive digital experiences.
- This initiative strengthens UAE's position as a global leader in digital infrastructure.

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Ques: Exercise DUSTLIK is conducted between which two countries?

- A) India & Kazakhstan
- B) India & Uzbekistan
- C) India & Russia
- D) India & USA
- E) India & France

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Exercise DUSTLIK is a bilateral military exercise between India and Uzbekistan.
- The 7th edition is being held in Uzbekistan.
- An Indian contingent of around 60 personnel participated, including troops from the MAHAR Regiment and the Indian Air Force.
- The aim is to enhance military cooperation, interoperability, and joint operational capabilities in semi-mountainous terrain.
- The exercise is conducted annually on an alternate basis in both countries.

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Ques: The maiden conference of CPA India Region Zone–VII was held at which place?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Panaji
- C) Ahmedabad
- D) Bengaluru
- E) Hyderabad

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The maiden conference of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association India Region Zone–VII was held at the Goa Legislative Assembly in Panaji.
- The conference took place from April 8 to April 10, 2026.
- Core states in Zone–VII include Goa, Maharashtra, and Gujarat.
- Special invitee states included Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, and Haryana.
- CPA promotes democracy, good governance, and cooperation among legislatures.
- It serves as a platform for dialogue and exchange of best practices.

Static Facts:

- CPA Established — 1911
- Headquarters — London, United Kingdom
- Objective — Strengthen parliamentary democracy
- Members — Legislatures of Commonwealth countries





Ques: The Border Security Force (BSF) is exploring the use of snakes and crocodiles for security along which international border?

- A) India–Pakistan Border
- B) India–China Border
- C) India–Nepal Border
- D) India–Bangladesh Border
- E) India–Myanmar Border

Answer: D

Explanation:

- The Border Security Force is exploring the use of snakes and crocodiles along the India–Bangladesh Border.
- The plan aims to secure around 175 km of unfenced riverine areas.
- These regions are flood-prone and have difficult terrain, making fencing challenging.
- The initiative is considered an eco-friendly and innovative security measure.
- The border touches states like West Bengal, Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, and Mizoram.

Additional Fact:

- The India–Bangladesh border is known as the Radcliffe Line, established on 17 August 1947 during the partition.





Ques: The 'Womaniya Initiative', which benefited over 2 lakh women-led MSMEs, is associated with which platform?

- A) eNAM
- B) Government e-Marketplace (GeM)
- C) Startup India Portal
- D) Udyam Portal
- E) ONDC

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The 'Womaniya Initiative' is implemented on the Government e-Marketplace platform.
- Over 2 lakh women-led MSMEs have benefited from this initiative.
- In FY 2025–26, it achieved an order volume of 13.7 lakh.
- The initiative was launched in 2019 to promote women entrepreneurs.
- It aims to increase women's participation in government procurement.
- It ensures inclusion by providing equal access to government markets.
- GeM is an online platform used by ministries, departments, PSUs, and panchayats for procurement of goods and services.

Static Part :

- GeM Launched – 2016
- Ministry – Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- MSME – Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises





Ques: Which Regional Passport Office became the first in India to introduce Braille services and sign language guides?

- A) Bhopal
- B) Mumbai
- C) Delhi
- D) Chennai
- E) Kolkata

Answer: A

Explanation:

- The Regional Passport Office in Bhopal has become the first in India to introduce Braille services and sign language guides.
- This initiative is aimed at assisting specially-abled passport applicants.
- It enhances accessibility and inclusivity in public services.
- Braille support helps visually impaired individuals, while sign language guides assist hearing-impaired persons.
- The initiative aligns with the Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan.

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Ques: Bisket Jatra festival is primarily celebrated in which country?

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

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Bisket Jatra is a major traditional festival celebrated in Nepal.
- The celebrations mainly take place in Bhaktapur in the Kathmandu Valley.
- It marks the Nepali New Year based on the Bikram Sambat calendar (2083 in 2026).
- The Nepali New Year falls on April 14 (Baisakh 1).
- The festival is celebrated for about 9 days.
- It is observed to welcome the New Year and preserve cultural traditions.

Static Facts:

- Capital — Kathmandu
- Currency — Nepalese Rupee
- Bikram Sambat — Official calendar of Nepal





Ques: In which year did Asha Bhosle receive the Guinness World Record as the most recorded artist in music history?

- A) 2000
- B) 2005
- C) 2008
- D) 2011
- E) 2015

Answer: D

Explanation:

- In 2011, Guinness World Records recognised Asha Bhosle as the most recorded artist in music history.
- She recorded around 11,000 songs in more than 20 Indian languages since 1947.
- She received the Dadasaheb Phalke Award in 2000 for lifetime contribution.
- She was also honoured with the Padma Vibhushan in 2008.
- She won the National Film Award for Best Female Playback Singer twice (1981 and 1987).

Static Facts:

- Full Name — Asha Bhosle
- Born — 8 September 1933, Sangli, Maharashtra
- Sister — Lata Mangeshkar
- Career Start — 1943
- Dadasaheb Phalke Award — 2000
- Padma Vibhushan — 2008
- Guinness World Record — 2011
- Total Songs — ~11,000 (20+ languages)
- National Awards — 1981 & 1987
- Grammy Nominations — 1997 & 2006
- Maharashtra Bhushan — 2021





- Lata Deenanath Mangeshkar Puraskar — 2023
- Maharashtra State Film Awards — 18 Times



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Ques: C. D. Gopinath, who recently passed away, was associated with which sport?

- A) Hockey
- B) Football
- C) Cricket
- D) Tennis
- E) Badminton

Answer: C

Explanation:

- C. D. Gopinath was a former Indian cricketer.
- He was the last surviving member of India's first-ever Test victory against England in 1952.
- This historic win marked a major milestone in Indian cricket history.
- He was also part of the Madras team that won the Ranji Trophy in 1954–55.
- He made significant contributions to both domestic and international cricket.

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Ques: The Jallianwala Bagh Massacre took place in which year?

- A) 1917
- B) 1918
- C) 1919
- D) 1920
- E) 1921

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The Jallianwala Bagh Massacre took place in 1919 at Jallianwala Bagh.
- The massacre was carried out under the command of Reginald Dyer, where British troops opened fire on a peaceful gathering.
- Hundreds of unarmed civilians were killed, making it one of the most tragic events in Indian history.
- The incident became a major turning point in India's freedom struggle and intensified the movement against British rule.

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Ques: World Homoeopathy Day is observed on which date every year?

- A) April 7
- B) April 9
- C) April 10
- D) April 11
- E) April 12

Answer: C

Explanation:

- World Homoeopathy Day is observed every year on April 10.
- It commemorates the birth anniversary of Samuel Hahnemann.
- Samuel Hahnemann (1755–1843) was a German physician who founded homoeopathy.
- Theme for 2026: “Homoeopathy for Sustainable Health”.
- The day promotes awareness about the role and benefits of homoeopathy in healthcare.

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Ques: What is the key change introduced by IRDAI in its revised cyber security guidelines?

- A) Reduction in security audits
- B) ISRMC meetings once a year
- C) Quarterly ISRMC meetings & stronger board accountability
- D) Removal of cyber rules
- E) No role of board

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- IRDAI has issued revised cyber security guidelines to strengthen the cybersecurity framework.
- ISRMC is now required to meet at least once every quarter instead of twice a year earlier.
- This ensures continuous monitoring and better cyber risk management.
- Boards must allocate budgets for cybersecurity.
- They must review audit findings and ensure closure of gaps within 12 months.
- These changes increase accountability and strengthen cybersecurity in the insurance sector.





Ques: What is the minimum transaction amount above which RBI has proposed a 1-hour delay (lag) for account-to-account digital transfers in its discussion paper?

- A) ₹5,000
- B) ₹10,000
- C) ₹20,000
- D) ₹50,000
- E) ₹1,00,000

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) proposed additional safeguards for digital transactions in its discussion paper.
- A key proposal is a 1-hour delay for account-to-account transfers above ₹10,000.
- The delay will be applied at the payer's end before processing the transaction.
- Exemptions include merchant payments, recurring payments, and cheque-based payments.
- The aim is to reduce rising digital frauds.
- Transactions above ₹10,000 contribute significantly to fraud cases in both volume and value.
- Another proposal includes a "trusted person" mechanism for transactions above ₹50,000 for senior citizens and persons with disabilities.
- For individuals aged 70+ and persons with disabilities, RBI proposes a "trusted person" approval for transactions above ₹50,000.
- Reserve Bank of India suggested capping annual credits at ₹25 lakh for certain accounts to prevent misuse (mule accounts).
- Transfers beyond ₹25 lakh may undergo additional checks before being processed.
- A "kill switch" feature is proposed to instantly disable all digital payment channels in case of suspected fraud.





Ques: The 'bob World Lite' mobile banking app has been launched by which bank in partnership with Jio?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Bank of Baroda partnered with Reliance Jio to launch "bob World Lite".
- The app is designed for feature phone users, especially on JioPhone Prima 4G.
- It aims to expand digital banking access in rural and semi-urban areas.
- Users can access services like balance check, fund transfer, and mini statement.
- This initiative promotes financial inclusion by enabling banking without smartphones.

Static:

- Bank: Bank of Baroda
- Headquarters: Vadodara, Gujarat
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- Founded – 1908
- Tagline – India's International Bank





Ques: Which institution has been designated as the implementing agency for Startup India Fund of Funds 2.0 (FoF 2.0)?

- A) RBI
- B) SEBI
- C) NITI Aayog
- D) NABARD
- E) SIDBI

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The Government of India launched Startup India Fund of Funds 2.0 (FoF 2.0) to boost the startup ecosystem.
- The corpus of the fund is ₹10,000 crore.
- Small Industries Development Bank of India has been designated as the implementing agency.
- The scheme builds on the earlier Fund of Funds for Startups (FFS 1.0) launched in 2016.
- Investments will be routed through Securities and Exchange Board of India-registered Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs).
- These AIFs will further invest in startups.
- The scheme focuses on deep-tech, early-stage startups, and technology-driven manufacturing.
- Focus: Deep-tech, early-stage startups, and technology-driven manufacturing

Static:

- Small Industries Development Bank of India Established – 1990
- Headquarters – Lucknow
- Startup India Initiative – Launched in 2016





Ques: The World Bank approved a \$225 million loan for which state's highway modernisation project?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World Bank approved a \$225 million loan for Rajasthan.
- The loan is for the Rajasthan Highway Modernisation Project.
- The project aims to improve road connectivity and infrastructure.
- It is expected to benefit more than 3 million people.
- The initiative will boost economic activities and generate employment.
- Key sectors like mining, tourism, and logistics will benefit.

Static:

- Organisation – World Bank
- Established – 1944
- Headquarters – Washington, D.C., USA
- Members – 189 countries
- Purpose – Provides loans and financial assistance for development projects





Ques: What is the key directive of RBI's new guidelines on cross-border inward remittances?

- A) Delay payments for verification
- B) Credit payments next week
- C) Same-day credit during forex market hours
- D) Stop inward remittances
- E) Limit foreign transactions

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India issued new guidelines to speed up cross-border inward remittances.
- Banks must credit remittances received during forex market hours on the same business day.
- Nostro accounts must be reconciled in near real-time (within 30 minutes).
- Customers must be informed immediately upon receiving payment messages.
- Payments received after business hours will be credited on the next working day.
- Banks have been given 6 months to implement these guidelines.

Static:

- Reserve Bank of India – Established: 1935
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Sanjay Malhotra – Governor
- Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 – Act





Ques: The Cyber Security Capacity Building Programme launched by NCC is in collaboration with which organisation?

- A) NIC
- B) CDAC
- C) NIELIT
- D) ISRO
- E) DRDO

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- National Cadet Corps launched the Cyber Security Capacity Building Programme.
- It is implemented in collaboration with National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology.
- The aim is to strengthen cyber awareness and digital preparedness among youth.
- NIELIT is an autonomous scientific society under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- The initiative will help build a skilled and cyber-aware youth population.

Static:

- NCC Established – 1948
- NCC Motto – Unity and Discipline
- NIELIT – Focus on IT education and training





Ques: Vibhor Jain has been appointed as MD & CEO of which organisation?

- A) NITI Aayog
- B) ONDC
- C) NPCI
- D) SEBI
- E) RBI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Vibhor Jain has been appointed as MD & CEO of Open Network for Digital Commerce.
- He replaced Thampy Koshy.
- He had been serving as the acting CEO over the past year.
- He will now take full charge as MD & CEO.
- ONDC aims to democratise digital commerce and promote open networks in India.

Static:

- ONDC Launched – 2021
- Ministry – Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- Objective – Open network for digital commerce





Ques: Vantara University, recently in news, is related to which field?

- A) Space Research
- B) Wildlife Conservation
- C) Artificial Intelligence
- D) Agriculture
- E) Banking

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Vantara, founded by Anant Ambani, has announced a global university in Gujarat.
- The university will be located in Jamnagar.
- It will focus on wildlife conservation and veterinary sciences.
- It is claimed to be the world's first integrated global university in this field.
- Courses will include wildlife medicine, surgery, genetics, epidemiology, conservation policy, and animal care.
- It will offer UG, PG, fellowship, and specialised programmes.
- The aim is to develop future leaders in wildlife conservation and veterinary sciences.

Static:

- Location – Jamnagar, Gujarat
- Founded by – Anant Ambani
- Founder – Anant Ambani
- First in World – Integrated Wildlife University
- Focus Areas – Wildlife Conservation & Veterinary Sciences
- Courses – UG, PG, Fellowship





Ques: According to the WTO, what was India's rank in global exports in 2025?

- A) 15th
- B) 17th
- C) 19th
- D) 21st
- E) 25th

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- According to the World Trade Organization, global exports reached \$26.3 trillion in 2025.
- This marked a 7% increase compared to the previous year.
- The top 10 countries contributed around 49.6% of global exports.
- India ranked 19th among global exporters.
- India's export value stood at \$445,278 million with a 1.7% global share.
- The data reflects increasing global competition in international trade.

Top 5 Exporters (2025):

1. China – \$3,771,842 million
2. United States – \$2,185,220 million
3. Germany – \$1,764,188 million
4. Netherlands – \$989,237 million
5. Hong Kong – \$753,582 million
6. India - \$445,278 million

Static Part | :

- WTO Established – 1995
- Headquarters – Geneva, Switzerland
- Function – Regulates international trade rules





Ques: Under the proposed Delimitation Bill cleared by the Union Cabinet, the Lok Sabha seat strength will increase from 543 to how many seats?

- A) 650
- B) 700
- C) 750
- D) 816
- E) 900

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet of India cleared amendments along with the Delimitation Bill.
- The proposal increases Lok Sabha seats from 543 to 816 (about 50% increase).
- Around 273 seats will be reserved for women under the plan.
- The reservation will be implemented using 2011 Census data.
- This enables faster implementation, likely from the 2029 general elections.
- A Delimitation Commission will redraw constituencies based on the 2011 Census.
- Constitutional amendments will be needed in Article 81 and Article 170.
- The Bills will be introduced in a special Parliament session scheduled from April 16–18.

Static Part | :

- Act – Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam (Women’s Reservation Act)
- Originally Passed – September 2023
- Reservation – 33% (One-Third) for Women
- Current Lok Sabha Seats – 543
- Proposed Lok Sabha Seats – 816
- Seats Reserved for Women – 273
- Seats Increase – 50%
- Census Data Used – 2011 Census





- Effective From – 2029 General Elections
- Constitutional Articles – Article 81 & Article 170
- Delimitation Commission – To be set up by June
- Special Session – April 16–18
- UP Assembly Seats – 403 → 600+



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Ques: Where was the first edition of the Indian Navy's biannual Commanders' Conference 2026 held?

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

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The first edition of the Commanders' Conference 2026 was held at Nausena Bhawan in New Delhi.
- It is an apex-level conference of the Indian Navy.
- The conference reviews operational preparedness and maritime security.
- It focuses on protecting national maritime interests and enhancing capabilities.
- It also aligns strategies with national security objectives.

Static:

- Indian Navy – Maritime arm of Indian Armed Forces
- Dinesh K. Tripathi – Chief of Naval Staff
- Headquarters – New Delhi





Ques: India's first Quantum Reference Facility will be launched in which state?

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India's first Quantum Reference Facility will be launched in Andhra Pradesh.
- It will be dedicated by N. Chandrababu Naidu on 14 April (World Quantum Day).
- The facility is being developed under the Amaravati Quantum Valley Programme.
- It is being built in collaboration with SRM University AP and Qubit Force.
- It will act as a testing platform for quantum computing technologies.
- Around 50 researchers, students, and scientists are involved.
- This makes Andhra Pradesh the first state to initiate quantum testing infrastructure.

Static:

- State – Andhra Pradesh
- Programme – Amaravati Quantum Valley Programme
- Launch Date – 14 April (World Quantum Day)
- First in India – Quantum Reference Facility
- Purpose – Testing & development of quantum ecosystem





Ques: Mundra Port, recently in news for becoming India's largest automobile export hub, is operated by which company?

- A) Adani Ports and SEZ
- B) Larsen & Toubro
- C) Tata Ports Ltd
- D) Essar Ports
- E) Reliance Infrastructure

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Mundra Port has become India's largest automobile export hub.
- It is operated by Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone.
- The port set a record by shipping 6,008 cars in a single vessel.
- This was enabled by advanced Roll-on/Roll-off (RoRo) terminal technology.
- RoRo allows vehicles to be driven directly onto ships.
- The port has crossed 500 million tonnes cargo handling capacity.
- It aims to reach 1 billion tonnes capacity by 2030.

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Ques: The Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) approved for Kharif 2026 applies to which type of fertilizers?

- A) Nitrogenous only
- B) Organic fertilizers
- C) Phosphatic & Potassic
- D) Bio-fertilizers
- E) Mixed fertilizers

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet of India approved NBS rates for Kharif 2026.
- The subsidy applies specifically to Phosphatic & Potassic (P&K) fertilizers.
- The total budgetary outlay is ₹41,533.81 crore.
- This is about ₹4,317 crore higher than the Kharif 2025 allocation.
- The subsidy is applicable from 1 April 2026 to 30 September 2026.
- The aim is to protect farmers from global price volatility and ensure affordable fertilizer availability.

Static:

- Scheme – Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS)
- Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers – Ministry
- Total Subsidy – ₹41,533.81 crore
- Increase – ~₹4,317 crore
- Season – Kharif 2026
- Fertilizer Type – P&K (Phosphatic & Potassic)





Ques: Agilitas Sports has signed an endorsement partnership with which cricketer for its premium sportswear brand One8?

- A) Harmanpreet Kaur
- B) Mithali Raj
- C) Smriti Mandhana
- D) Shafali Verma
- E) Jemimah Rodrigues

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Agilitas Sports signed an endorsement deal with Smriti Mandhana.
- The partnership is for the premium sportswear brand One8.
- Virat Kohli had earlier invested in Agilitas Sports.
- Agilitas Sports also acquired Kohli's One8 brand as part of the deal.
- This move strengthens the brand's presence in the premium sportswear segment.

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Ques: Why did the Reserve Bank of India return the application of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank to become a universal bank?

- A) Insufficient capital
- B) Regulatory violations
- C) Lack of diversified loan portfolio
- D) Merger issues
- E) Low profitability

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India returned the application of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank to convert into a Universal Bank.
- The main reason was the lack of sufficient diversification in its loan portfolio.
- RBI acknowledged that the bank has made progress in diversification but needs further improvement.
- The bank has been advised to strengthen its portfolio and reapply later.
- Ujjivan SFB had applied for conversion into a universal bank in February 2025.

Static Part:

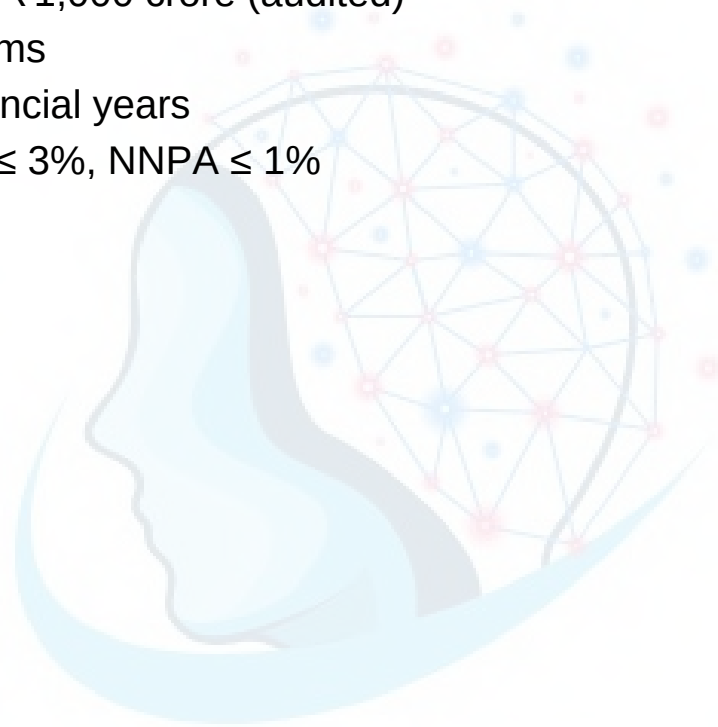
- Regulator – Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- Bank – Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- Application – Universal Bank Conversion
- Reason for Return – Lack of loan diversification
- Application Year – February 2025





Eligibility Criteria (SFB → Universal Bank) :

- Minimum 5 years of satisfactory performance with scheduled status
- Shares must be listed on a recognised stock exchange
- Minimum Net Worth – ₹1,000 crore (audited)
- Must meet CRAR norms
- Net profit in last 2 financial years
- Asset Quality: GNPA \leq 3%, NNPA \leq 1%



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Ques: K. Satyanarayana Raju has been appointed as the MD & CEO of which organisation?

- A) NPCI
- B) IDPIC
- C) RBI
- D) SIDBI
- E) NABARD

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- K Satyanarayana Raju has been appointed as the Managing Director and CEO of Indian Digital Payment Intelligence Corporation.
- He previously served as the MD & CEO of Canara Bank.
- IDPIC is an AI-driven platform aimed at detecting and preventing real-time digital payment fraud.
- It was incorporated in October 2025 as a Section 8 (not-for-profit) company.
- The platform has been approved by the Reserve Bank of India.
- It is promoted by State Bank of India (50% stake with ₹100 crore investment) and Bank of Baroda.

Static Part:

- Full Form – Indian Digital Payment Intelligence Corporation (IDPIC)
- Type – Section 8 (Not-for-profit) Company
- Approved by – Reserve Bank of India (RBI)





Ques: How many transactions were processed by UPI in 2025?

- A) 150 billion
- B) 180 billion
- C) 200 billion
- D) 228.5 billion
- E) 250 billion

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Unified Payments Interface processed 228.5 billion transactions in 2025.
- This marks a 33% year-on-year growth compared to 2024.
- The data was reported by Worldline.
- UPI continues to be the backbone of India's digital payment ecosystem.
- The growth reflects increasing adoption of digital payments across urban and rural areas.

Static Part:

- UPI Launched by – National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)
- Regulator – Reserve Bank of India (RBI)





Ques: LIC has announced a bonus issue in which ratio?

- A) 1:2
- B) 2:1
- C) 1:1
- D) 3:1
- E) 1:3

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has approved its first-ever 1:1 bonus issue since listing.
- Shareholders will receive one free share for every one share held.
- After the bonus issue, LIC's paid-up equity share capital will double to ₹12,649.99 crore.
- LIC's authorised share capital is ₹25,000 crore, while current paid-up capital is ₹6,324.99 crore.
- The move aims to reward investors and improve liquidity and market participation.
- LIC reported reserves & surplus of ₹146,440.58 crore and PAT of ₹33,998 crore (Dec 2025 period).

Static Part:

- Founded – 1956
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Chairman – Siddhartha Mohanty





Ques: India is expected to become the world's 2nd largest solar market by which year?

- A) 2024
- B) 2025
- C) 2026
- D) 2027
- E) 2030

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India is set to become the world's second-largest solar market by 2026 in terms of annual installations.
- The projection was made by the National Solar Energy Federation of India.
- India achieved its fastest-ever solar capacity addition of 50 GW in just 14 months.
- This reflects rapid growth in India's renewable energy sector.
- The growth supports India's clean energy and climate goals.

Static Part:

- Nodal Ministry – Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)
- Target – 500 GW non-fossil fuel capacity by 2030





Ques: Jannik Sinner won the Monte Carlo Masters 2026 by defeating which player in the final?

- A) Novak Djokovic
- B) Rafael Nadal
- C) Daniil Medvedev
- D) Carlos Alcaraz
- E) Stefanos Tsitsipas

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Jannik Sinner defeated Carlos Alcaraz in straight sets to win the Monte Carlo Masters title for the first time.
- With this victory, Sinner regained the World No. 1 ranking.
- He secured his third ATP 1000 title of the year.
- Earlier, he won titles at Indian Wells and Miami, completing the “Sunshine Double.”
- With this achievement, Sinner joined Novak Djokovic and Rafael Nadal as the third player to win four consecutive ATP 1000 titles.

Static Part:

- Tournament – Monte Carlo Masters
- Category – ATP Masters 1000
- Surface – Clay Court





Ques: Aarit Kapil, who recently made headlines, is associated with which sport?

- A) Cricket
- B) Chess
- C) Badminton
- D) Tennis
- E) Athletics

Answer: B) Chess

Explanation:

Aarit Kapil is a young chess prodigy from Delhi.

He became the youngest Indian to achieve an International Master (IM) norm.

He achieved this feat at the age of 10 years and 7 months.

The milestone was achieved at an international tournament in Menorca, Spain.

He secured the norm after drawing his final-round game against Samuel Asaka.

This achievement highlights India's rising talent in chess at a young age.

Static Part:

International Master (IM) is a title awarded by FIDE (World Chess Federation).

IM title is below Grandmaster (GM) in ranking.

FIDE was established in 1924 and is headquartered in Lausanne, Switzerland.

India's first Grandmaster: Viswanathan Anand.





Ques: Navi Mumbai Airport recently became which busiest airport in India?

- A) 5th
- B) 7th
- C) 9th
- D) 10th
- E) 12th

Answer: C) 9th

Explanation:

Navi Mumbai International Airport has become the 9th busiest domestic airport in India within four months of operations.

It recorded around 393,819 departing seats in April, according to OAG data.

The airport is operated by the Adani Group and began commercial operations on December 25.

Phase 1 capacity is 20 million passengers annually, expected to reach 90 million by 2032.

It was developed to reduce congestion at Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport.

Indira Gandhi International Airport remains the busiest airport, followed by Kempegowda International Airport and Mumbai.

Static Part:

Busiest airport in India: Indira Gandhi International Airport (Delhi).

Second busiest: Kempegowda International Airport (Bengaluru).

Mumbai airport: Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport.

Airports in India are regulated by the Airports Authority of India (AAI).





Ques: Who will become the first BJP Chief Minister of Bihar?

- A) Nitish Kumar
- B) Tejashwi Yadav
- C) Samrat Choudhary
- D) Sushil Modi
- E) Chirag Paswan

Answer: C) Samrat Choudhary

Explanation:

Nitish Kumar has stepped down from the post of Chief Minister of Bihar. Samrat Choudhary will take oath as the 24th Chief Minister of Bihar. This marks the first time that the Bharatiya Janata Party will have its own Chief Minister in Bihar. He was earlier serving as Deputy Chief Minister and has been elected leader of the NDA legislature party. He belongs to the Kushwaha (OBC) community and is a three-time MLA. His political career began in 1999 with the Rashtriya Janata Dal. Nitish Kumar served as Bihar CM for nearly two decades across multiple terms.

Static Part:

Capital of Bihar: Patna
Governor of Bihar: Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar
Bihar Legislative Assembly seats: 243

Major political alliances in Bihar: NDA and Mahagathbandhan





Ques: Sawan Barwal broke the long-standing national record in which event?

- A) 5000m Race
- B) 10000m Race
- C) Half Marathon
- D) Marathon
- E) 3000m Steeplechase

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Sawan Barwal created history by breaking the 48-year-old national record in marathon.
- He achieved this feat at the NN Marathon held in Rotterdam, Netherlands.
- He completed the race in 2 hours 11 minutes 58 seconds (2:11:58).
- He surpassed the previous record of 2:12:00 set by Shivnath Singh in 1978.
- He finished 20th in the elite category.
- This achievement marks a major milestone in Indian long-distance running.

Static Part:

- Event – Marathon
- Previous Record Holder – Shivnath Singh
- Previous Record Year – 1978





Ques: 'Sikkim Sundari (88.4 FM Radio)', recently launched by the Indian Army, is what kind of initiative?

- A) Television Channel
- B) Community Radio Station
- C) Satellite Communication System
- D) Mobile App
- E) Newspaper Service

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Indian Army launched 'Sikkim Sundari (88.4 FM Radio)'.
- It is the first community radio station in a border village of Sikkim.
- The initiative is led by the Trishakti Corps.
- It aims to improve communication in remote high-altitude border areas.
- The radio station will help connect local communities and spread awareness.

Static Part:

- Community Radio – Localised broadcasting for community welfare
- Indian Army – Established in 1947 (post-independence structure)
- Role – National security and border protection





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Ques: What is the maximum proposed cap on Lok Sabha seats under the Constitution (131st Amendment) Bill 2026 to implement 33% women's reservation?

- A) 650
- B) 750
- C) 800
- D) 816
- E) 850

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The government has proposed increasing Lok Sabha strength from the current 543 to a maximum of 850 seats to implement 33% women's reservation from the 2029 elections.
- Out of 850 seats, 815 will be for states and 35 for Union Territories.
- A legislative package includes three bills — Constitution (131st Amendment) Bill 2026, Delimitation Bill 2026, and Union Territories Laws (Amendment) Bill 2026.
- Seven Constitutional Articles — 55, 81, 82, 170, 330, 332, and 334A — will be amended. Article 81 is key for expanding Lok Sabha seats.
- The expansion allows around 273–283 seats (33%) to be reserved for women.
- Seat share will increase significantly in states like Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and Maharashtra, while southern states may see a relative decline.
- Women's reservation will be valid for 15 years (extendable), and delimitation will not be mandatory after every census.
- The bill requires a two-thirds majority in Parliament and ratification by at least 50% of states.

Static Part:

- Bill – Constitution (131st Amendment) Bill, 2026
- Other Bills – Delimitation Bill 2026, UT Laws (Amendment) Bill 2026





- Current Lok Sabha Seats – 543
- Proposed Maximum Cap – 850
- State Seats – 815 | UT Seats – 35
- Women's Seats – 273–283 (33%)
- Articles Amended – 55, 81, 82, 170, 330, 332, 334A
- Key Article – Article 81
- Delimitation Basis – 2011 Census
- Women's Quota Tenure – 15 Years (Extendable)
- Special Session – April 16–18, 2026
- Implementation Target – 2029 General Elections
- Majority Required – 2/3rd + 50% State Ratification
- North India Share – 22.1% → 25.1%
- South India Share – 20.1% → 18.0%

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Ques: What is the theme of the 8th Poshan Pakhwada 2026?

- A) Nutrition for All
- B) Healthy India Mission
- C) Maximizing Brain Development in the First Six Years of Life
- D) Child Health First
- E) Women Nutrition Drive

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Women and Child Development launched the 8th Poshan Pakhwada.
- It was launched by Annapurna Devi at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi.
- The campaign will run from 9 April to 23 April 2026 across India.
- Theme: “Maximizing Brain Development in the First Six Years of Life.”
- It highlights the importance of the first 1,000 days and early childhood (0–6 years), when over 85% brain development occurs.
- The initiative is part of Poshan Abhiyaan launched in 2018.

Static Part:

- Poshan Abhiyaan Launched – 2018
- Objective – Improve nutritional outcomes





Ques: Who won the WWF 'Machchli National Award' for wildlife conservation?

- A) Roshni Sharma
- B) Anita Chaudhary
- C) Meena Devi
- D) Sunita Verma
- E) Kavita Singh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Anita Chaudhary, a forest guard at Shergarh Wildlife Sanctuary, won the WWF 'Machchli National Award'.
- The award carries a cash prize of ₹50,000.
- She was honoured for her fearless wildlife conservation efforts.
- Since 2021, she has rescued 500+ wild animals, including crocodiles.
- She also took strict action against poaching and illegal mining.
- The award recognises individuals working courageously to protect wildlife.

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Ques: 'Unnat Krishi Mela', recently held in Madhya Pradesh, was inaugurated by whom?

- A) Rajnath Singh
- B) Shivraj Singh Chouhan
- C) Narendra Modi
- D) Nitin Gadkari
- E) Amit Shah

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- 'Unnat Krishi Mela' (Advanced Agriculture Festival) was held in Raisen district, Madhya Pradesh.
- The event was inaugurated by Rajnath Singh.
- It is a Central Government initiative aimed at promoting technology-driven farming.
- The mela focuses on agricultural development and modern farming practices.
- It helps farmers adopt innovative technologies to increase productivity.

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Ques: Who was named Leading Men's Cricketer in the World by Wisden 2025?

- A) Joe Root
- B) Kane Williamson
- C) Steve Smith
- D) Mitchell Starc
- E) Ben Stokes

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Mitchell Starc was named the Leading Men's Cricketer in the World by Wisden Cricketers' Almanack.
- He had an outstanding 2025 season, playing a crucial role in The Ashes series.
- Deepti Sharma was named the Leading Women's Cricketer in the World.
- She played a key role in India's historic World Cup victory on home soil in November

Static Part:

- Award – Wisden Cricketers' Almanack Awards
- Founded – 1864
- Country – United Kingdom
- Known as – “Bible of Cricket”





Ques: 'NARIT AI', recently launched by Gujarat Police, is related to which field?

- A) Traffic Management
- B) Cyber Security
- C) Narcotics Investigation
- D) Financial Fraud Detection
- E) Disaster Management

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Gujarat Police launched an AI-based tool named 'NARIT AI'.
- NARIT stands for Narcotics Analysis and Retrieval Augmented Generation-based Investigation Tool.
- It is the first-of-its-kind AI system in India for narcotics investigations.
- The tool will assist in investigations under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.
- It will enhance data analysis, case tracking, and intelligence gathering in drug-related crimes.

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Ques: Who was the first American to summit Mount Everest?

- A) Edmund Hillary
- B) Reinhold Messner
- C) Nawang Gombu
- D) Tenzing Norgay
- E) Jim Whittaker

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Jim Whittaker (James Warren Whittaker) was the first American to summit Mount Everest.
- He achieved this feat on 1 May 1963.
- He climbed along with Nawang Gombu under extreme conditions.
- He became the 10th climber ever to reach the summit.
- His achievement marked a major milestone in American mountaineering history.

Static Part:

- Mount Everest Height – 8,848.86 meters
- First Summit – 1953 (Edmund Hillary & Tenzing Norgay)
- Location – Nepal–China (Tibet) border
- Known as – Highest peak in the world





Ques: International Day of Human Space Flight is observed annually on which date?

- A) 10 April
- B) 11 April
- C) 12 April
- D) 14 April
- E) 15 April

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- International Day of Human Space Flight is observed every year on 12 April.
- The day commemorates the historic spaceflight of Yuri Gagarin.
- On 12 April 1961, he became the first human to orbit Earth.
- He flew aboard the spacecraft Vostok 1.
- The day celebrates humanity's journey and achievements in space exploration.

Static Part:

- Declared by – United Nations (UN)
- Year of First Observation – 2011





Ques: World Chagas Disease Day is observed annually on which date?

- A) 7 April
- B) 10 April
- C) 12 April
- D) 14 April
- E) 18 April

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- World Chagas Disease Day is observed every year on 14 April.
- The day aims to raise awareness about Chagas disease.
- Chagas disease is often called a “silent or silenced disease.”
- It progresses slowly and may not show symptoms in the early stages.
- Early detection and treatment are crucial to prevent severe complications.

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Ques: The World Bank, along with the Asian Development Bank, has committed how much total amount for Amaravati Capital Phase-I development?

- A) USD 800 million
- B) USD 1,200 million
- C) USD 1,600 million
- D) USD 2,000 million
- E) USD 3,000 million

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World Bank and Asian Development Bank have jointly committed USD 1,600 million for Amaravati Capital Phase-I.
- Each institution has committed USD 800 million.
- So far, the World Bank has released USD 340 million.
- Andhra Pradesh is expected to receive another USD 150 million soon.
- The loan carries an interest rate of about 8–8.5% with a 6-year grace period and 29-year maturity.
- Repayment will begin from 15 June 2031.
- The Government of India has also committed ₹15,000 crore, with ₹1,400 crore to be funded by the Centre.

Static Part | :

- World Bank – Established in 1944, HQ: Washington, D.C.
- ADB – Established in 1966, HQ: Manila, Philippines
- Amaravati – Planned capital of Andhra Pradesh





Ques: The Reserve Bank of India imposed a penalty on Himachal Pradesh State Co-operative Bank Ltd for non-compliance with which norms?

- A) Basel Norms
- B) KYC Norms
- C) CRR Requirements
- D) Priority Sector Lending
- E) NPA Guidelines

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India imposed a monetary penalty of ₹7.5 lakh on Himachal Pradesh State Co-operative Bank Ltd.
- The penalty was for non-compliance with Know Your Customer (KYC) norms.
- RBI found that the bank failed to conduct periodic review of customer risk categorisation.
- As per KYC guidelines, such reviews must be done at least once every six months.
- KYC norms help prevent money laundering and financial fraud.

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Ques: K.V.R. Murty has been appointed as Whole-Time Member of which organization?

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- K. V. R. Murty has been appointed as Whole-Time Member of the Securities and Exchange Board of India.
- With this appointment, SEBI now has four whole-time members, filling all sanctioned positions.
- Earlier, he served as Additional Controller General of Defence Accounts in the Ministry of Defence.
- He has held key roles like Financial Advisor to DRDO and Indian Air Force.
- He also served as Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- He contributed significantly to policy formulation, e-governance initiatives, and corporate law administration.

Static Part:

- SEBI was established in 1988 and became a statutory body in 1992.
- Headquarters: Mumbai
- Chairman (current): Madhabi Puri Buch
- Established – 1988 (Statutory powers in 1992)
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Chairperson – Tuhin Kanta Pandey





Ques: The 'Pocket Money' feature introduced by Google Pay operates on which system?

- A) IMPS
- B) NEFT
- C) Wallet System
- D) RTGS
- E) UPI Circle

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Google Pay introduced a new feature called 'Pocket Money'.
- This feature works on the UPI Circle system.
- It allows children or family members to make UPI payments without having their own bank accounts.

- **There are two types of users:**
 - Primary User (e.g., parents) with a linked bank account
 - Secondary User (e.g., children, family members, staff)
- Secondary users can make payments using the primary user's bank account.
- This feature improves financial inclusion and ease of digital payments.





Ques: The FIFA World Cup 2026 Pixel Credit Card launched by Visa and HDFC Bank is a variant of which existing card?

- A) Regalia Credit Card
- B) Millennia Credit Card
- C) Pixel Play Credit Card
- D) Diners Club Card
- E) Freedom Credit Card

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Visa and HDFC Bank launched a limited-edition FIFA World Cup 2026 Pixel Credit Card.
- The card is a special variant of HDFC Bank's Pixel Play digital credit card.
- It features a FIFA-themed design to attract football fans.
- The launch is accompanied by a nationwide 'Spend & Win' campaign.
- The card is available to both existing and new customers via the PayZapp app and the bank's website.

Static Part:

- HDFC Bank – Founded in 1994, Headquarters: Mumbai
- Visa – Global payments technology company
- Credit Card – Allows borrowing within a pre-approved limit





Ques: What growth rate has the International Monetary Fund projected for India for FY27?

- A) 5.5%
- B) 6.0%
- C) 6.5%
- D) 6.9%
- E) 7.2%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- International Monetary Fund (IMF) has projected India's GDP growth for FY27 at 6.5%.
- The revision reflects India's economic resilience despite global challenges.
- IMF has projected inflation at 4.7%, slightly higher than Reserve Bank of India estimate of 4.6%.
- India's current account deficit is expected to remain around 2% of GDP.

- **Other institutions' projections:**
 - World Bank: 6.6%
 - Asian Development Bank: 6.9%
 - RBI: 6.9%
- Growth is expected to remain steady at 6.5% in 2027–28 as well.





Ques: CSB Bank Limited launched which retail product to strengthen its retail banking portfolio?

- A) Smart Loan Scheme
- B) Smart Invest Plan
- C) Digital Gold Account
- D) Smart Save Account
- E) Easy Credit Card

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- CSB Bank Limited launched its first dedicated retail product 'SMART SAVE ACCOUNT'.
- The initiative aims to strengthen its retail banking portfolio.
- The account is available in three variants: Savings, Current, and Non-Resident Ordinary (NRO).
- It caters to a wide range of customers including individuals and NRIs.
- The account features an auto-sweep facility, transferring surplus funds into Fixed Deposits (FDs).
- It offers up to 7% interest on 'Sweep-in FDs' for a 13-month tenure.

Static Part | :

- CSB Bank Founded – 26 November 1920
- Headquarters – Thrissur, Kerala





Ques: What was India's retail inflation (CPI) rate in March 2026 as per National Statistics Office data?

- A) 2.75%
- B) 3.2%
- C) 3.4%
- D) 3.8%
- E) 4.0%

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India's retail inflation (CPI) rose marginally to 3.4% in March 2026.
- It was 3.21% in February 2026.
- The data is released by the National Statistics Office (NSO).
- The inflation figures are based on a new base year 2023–24.

Recent CPI Inflation:

- January 2026 – 2.75%
- February 2026 – 3.2%
- March 2026 – 3.4%

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Ques: Which country became India's largest trading partner in 2025–26?

- A) USA
- B) China
- C) UAE
- D) Russia
- E) Japan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- China has overtaken the United States to become India's largest trading partner in 2025–26.
- Total bilateral trade between India and China reached \$151.1 billion.
- Trade with the United States stood at \$140.2 billion.
- India's trade deficit with China widened to \$112.16 billion.
- India's exports to China increased by 36.66% to \$19.47 billion.
- Imports from China rose by 16% to \$131.63 billion.
- The United States had been India's largest trading partner for four consecutive years till 2024–25.

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Ques: Who is the author of the book “Tides of Time: Bharat’s History through Murals in Parliament”?

- A) Shashi Tharoor
- B) Sudha Murty
- C) Amish Tripathi
- D) Chetan Bhagat
- E) Ruskin Bond

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The book “Tides of Time: Bharat’s History through Murals in Parliament” is authored by Sudha Murty.
- It was released by the Vice President of India.
- The book presents India’s history through murals displayed in Parliament.

Other Books by Sudha Murty:

- The Circle of Life
- How to Be Happy with Who You Are
- The Magic of the Lost Earrings
- Three Thousand Stitches: Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives
- Wise and Otherwise: A Salute to Life
- Dollar Bahu
- How I Taught My Grandmother to Read





Ques: Where was the first-ever life-size statue of Swami Vivekananda unveiled in the United States?

- A) New York
- B) Chicago
- C) San Francisco
- D) Washington D.C.
- E) Seattle

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- The first-ever life-size statue of Swami Vivekananda in the United States was unveiled in Seattle.
- It is installed at Westlake Square in downtown Seattle.
- The statue was sculpted by Naresh Kumar Kumawat.
- It was jointly unveiled by Katie Wilson and Prakash Gupta.
- The statue was gifted by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations.
- This initiative strengthens cultural ties between India and the United States.
- Swami Vivekananda is known for his historic speech at the World's Parliament of Religions 1893 in Chicago.

Static Part:

- Swami Vivekananda – Born in 1863, a key figure in introducing Indian philosophies of Vedanta and Yoga to the Western world.
- Known for – Vedanta & Yoga philosophy
- ICCR – Promotes Indian culture globally
- USA Capital – Washington, D.C.





Ques: The Delhi–Dehradun Economic Corridor inaugurated by Narendra Modi will reduce travel time to approximately?

- A) 1 hour
- B) 2–2.5 hours
- C) 3–4 hours
- D) 5 hours
- E) 6 hours

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Delhi–Dehradun Economic Corridor.
- The project is a 213 km-long six-lane access-controlled expressway.
- It has been built at a cost of over ₹12,000 crore.
- The corridor will reduce travel time from 5–6 hours to about 2–2.5 hours.
- It will improve regional connectivity linking cities like Baghpat, Baraut, Shamli, and Saharanpur.
- The expressway will integrate with major corridors like Delhi–Mumbai, Delhi–Katra, and Delhi–Meerut Expressways.

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Ques: 'Achappa's Album', recently in news, is associated with which organization?

- A) Prasar Bharati
- B) Films Division
- C) NFDC
- D) Doordarshan
- E) CBFC

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Malayalam feature film "Achappa's Album" will be released by the National Film Development Corporation.
- NFDC functions under the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.
- The film is a family fantasy, comedy, and emotional drama with a time-travel theme.
- It is scheduled to release on 24 April 2026.
- The film is directed by Deepti Pillay Sivan.
- The story revolves around a father and son experiencing role reversal through time-travel.
- It features actors like Mohan Agashe and Anjana Appukuttan.

Static Part:

- NFDC – Established in 1975
- Headquarters: Mumbai
- Parent Ministry: Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
- Established – 1975
- Ministry – Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
- Role – Promotion & development of Indian cinema





Ques: The committee formed by Chhattisgarh government to draft Uniform Civil Code (UCC) will be headed by whom?

- A) Vishnu Deo Sai
- B) Ranjana Prakash Desai
- C) D. Y. Chandrachud
- D) Amit Shah
- E) N. V. Ramana

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Chhattisgarh cabinet approved forming a high-level committee to draft the Uniform Civil Code (UCC).
- The decision was taken under the leadership of Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai.
- The committee will be chaired by retired Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai.
- The aim is to simplify personal laws and promote gender and religious equality.
- The initiative is guided by Article 44 of the Indian Constitution.
- Chhattisgarh joins states like Uttarakhand and Gujarat in moving towards UCC.
- The committee will consult stakeholders and prepare a draft before implementation.





Ques: What is the proposed name approved for NSE's coal exchange initiative by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA)?

- A) Indian Coal Trading Exchange Ltd
- B) National Energy Exchange Ltd
- C) Coal India Trading Platform Ltd
- D) Bharat Coal Market Ltd
- E) National Coal Exchange of India Limited

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- National Stock Exchange of India received approval from the Ministry of Corporate Affairs to reserve the name "National Coal Exchange of India Limited".
- The proposed coal exchange will function like a stock market for coal trading.
- Buyers and sellers will trade coal, with prices determined through bidding (market-based price discovery).
- The initial capital for the exchange is ₹100 crore.
- NSE plans to hold a 60% stake, while 40% will be offered to other investors.

Static Part:

- NSE – India's largest stock exchange
- Established: 1992
- Function: Facilitates trading of securities





Ques: SARAL AI platform is being developed by which organisation?

- A) ISRO
- B) DRDO
- C) ANRF
- D) NITI Aayog
- E) CSIR

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Jitendra Singh announced that the Anusandhan National Research Foundation is developing the SARAL AI platform.
- SARAL AI will convert complex research papers into simplified social media content in 18 Indian languages.
- The aim is to connect science with society and make research more accessible and understandable.

Static Part:

- Organisation: ANRF (Anusandhan National Research Foundation)
- Minister: Dr. Jitendra Singh
- Languages Covered: 18 Indian languages





Ques: India is currently ranked at which position globally in patent filings as per recent data?

- A) 4th
- B) 5th
- C) 6th
- D) 7th
- E) 8th

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India has become the 6th largest patent filer in the world.
- According to Piyush Goyal, patent applications surged by 30.2% to 1,43,729 in FY 2025–26.
- Over 69% of filings are from domestic applicants.
- Leading contributing states include Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and Maharashtra.
- Patent applications in India are governed by the Patents Act, 1970.
- This growth reflects rapid progress in innovation and technology.

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Ques: What is the main objective of National Highways Authority of India directive regarding FASTag VRN validation?

- A) Increase toll rates
- B) Improve data accuracy in ETC system
- C) Promote electric vehicles
- D) Reduce highway length
- E) Launch new toll plazas

Answer: Option B

Explanation: ,

- NHAH has directed all FASTag issuer banks to validate Vehicle Registration Numbers (VRNs).
- The move aims to improve accuracy and reliability of data in the Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system.
- The decision follows complaints about mismatch between FASTag data and actual vehicle number plates.
- Banks have been asked to verify and correct VRN details linked with FASTags.
- FASTags with incorrect or invalid VRNs may be blacklisted as per guidelines.
- Accurate VRN mapping is crucial for upcoming Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system.

Static Part:

- NHAH – Established in 1988
- Ministry – Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
- FASTag – Launched in 2016





Ques: World Parkinson's Day is observed annually on which date?

- A) 7 April
- B) 10 April
- C) 11 April
- D) 12 April
- E) 14 April

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World Parkinson's Day is observed every year on 11 April.
- It raises awareness about Parkinson's disease.
- Parkinson's disease is a neurodegenerative disorder affecting the nervous system.
- Theme for the year: "Bridge the Care Gap."

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Ques: Ambedkar Jayanti, celebrated on 14 April, marks the birth anniversary of which personality?

- A) Mahatma Gandhi
- B) Jawaharlal Nehru
- C) B. R. Ambedkar
- D) Sardar Patel
- E) Subhas Chandra Bose

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- B. R. Ambedkar is commemorated on 14 April as Ambedkar Jayanti.
- In 2026, it marks his 135th birth anniversary.
- He was born on 14 April 1891 in Mhow.
- He is known as the Chief Architect of the Constitution of India.
- He served as the first Law and Justice Minister of independent India.
- He was awarded the Bharat Ratna in 1990.

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Ques: SEBI signed MoU with which department to curb fraud?

- A) Ministry of Finance
- B) RBI
- C) Department of Telecommunications
- D) NITI Aayog
- E) Ministry of IT

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) signed an MoU with the Department of Telecommunications (DoT).
- The aim is to curb securities market fraud and telecom-linked financial crimes.
- It enables regular data sharing via Digital Intelligence Platform (DIP) for real-time monitoring.
- This collaboration strengthens cybersecurity, fraud detection, and regulatory oversight.
- It helps in better protection of investors and financial systems.

Static Part:

- SEBI – Established: 1988 (Statutory: 1992), HQ: Mumbai
- DoT – Under Ministry of Communications
- DIP – Digital Intelligence Platform
- Purpose – Fraud Prevention & Cybersecurity





Ques: What was India's Wholesale Price Index (WPI)-based inflation rate in March 2026?

- A) 2.5%
- B) 3.2%
- C) 3.5%
- D) 3.9%
- E) 4.2%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India's wholesale inflation rose to 3.9% in March 2026.
- It is a three-month peak as per data released by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- WPI measures price changes in the wholesale market.
- The WPI-based inflation data is compiled by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).
- Rising WPI indicates increasing cost pressures at the producer level.

Static Part:

- WPI – Tracks wholesale price movements in goods
- DPIIT – Works under Ministry of Commerce and Industry





Ques: As per RBI's Master Direction on Counterfeit Notes, what action must a bank take if 5 or more counterfeit notes are detected in a single transaction?

- A) Send monthly report to RBI
- B) Return notes to tenderer
- C) Destroy the notes immediately
- D) File FIR and forward notes immediately to police
- E) Send consolidated report at month end

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) issued a Master Direction on Counterfeit Notes under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- If 5 or more counterfeit notes are detected in a single transaction, banks must file an FIR and immediately forward the notes to the police.
- The objective is to ensure strict action and prevent circulation of fake currency.
- All ₹100 and above banknotes must be machine-verified before re-circulation.
- Detected counterfeit notes must be stamped "COUNTERFEIT BANKNOTE", impounded, and a receipt issued.
- These notes cannot be returned to the tenderer or destroyed under any circumstances.
- For 1–4 counterfeit notes in a transaction: a consolidated monthly report is sent to police at month end.
- For 5 or more counterfeit notes: banks must immediately inform police and file an FIR.
- Banks must also establish a Forged Note Vigilance Cell at Head Office for monitoring.





Static Part :

- Direction – RBI Master Direction on Counterfeit Notes
- Issued By – Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Legal Basis – Section 35A & 56, Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- Issued In – April 2026
- Machine Verification – Mandatory for ₹100+ notes
- Action on Detection – Stamp + Impound + Receipt
- Stamp Used – “COUNTERFEIT BANKNOTE”

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Ques: Under Part A of PM Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana (PMVBRY), what is the maximum incentive amount provided to a first-time employee and after how many months is it payable?

- A) ₹10,000 — after 3 and 6 months
- B) ₹15,000 — after 6 and 12 months
- C) ₹20,000 — after 6 and 12 months
- D) ₹15,000 — after 12 and 24 months
- E) ₹3,000 per month — for 2 years

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- PM Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana (PMVBRY) was launched in August 2025 with an outlay of ₹99,446 crore.
- The scheme aims to generate 35 million formal jobs between August 2025 and July 2027.
- In the first 6 months, only 4.41 lakh employees benefited, about 10% of the required pace.
- The government disbursed ₹465 crore to around 4.41 lakh employees across 18,000 establishments.
- Under Part A (Employee Benefit), employees earning up to ₹1 lakh per month are eligible.
- It provides up to ₹15,000 (one-month EPF wage) in two instalments after 6 and 12 months of continuous service.
- Part B (Employer Incentive) provides up to ₹3,000 per month per additional employee for 2 years (4 years for manufacturing sector).
- The scheme is administered by the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO).
- Slow progress is partly due to geopolitical tensions like the West Asia conflict affecting hiring.





Static Part:

- Scheme – PM Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana (PMVBRY)
- Type – Employment Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme
- Launch Date – August 1, 2025
- Duration – August 2025 to July 2027
- Target – 35 million jobs
- First-time Beneficiary Target – 19.2 million
- Administered By – EPFO
- Amount Disbursed (6 months) – ₹465 crore
- Beneficiaries – 4.41 lakh employees
- Establishments Covered – 18,000

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Ques: As per RBI's Master Direction on Exchange of Notes, within how many days must a bank credit the value of soiled notes presented in bulk (more than 20 pieces)?

- A) 3 days
- B) 7 days
- C) 15 days
- D) 30 days
- E) 45 days

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) issued the Master Direction on Exchange of Notes & Coins in April 2026.
- The objective is to unify all instructions related to currency exchange and improve public convenience.
- All bank branches must provide exchange facilities to everyone, including non-customers.
- Banks cannot refuse coins or small denomination notes as they are legal tender.
- Soiled Notes:
 - Up to 20 notes or ₹5,000/day → exchanged over the counter free of charge
 - More than 20 notes or above ₹5,000 → accepted with receipt and credited within 7 days

• Mutilated Notes:

- Up to 10 notes → adjudicated and paid at counter
- Above 10 notes or ₹5,000 → credited within 30 days
- Key Rule: Soiled notes (bulk) → 7 days | Mutilated notes (bulk) → 30 days

Static Part:

- Direction – RBI Master Direction on Exchange of Notes & Coins
- Issued By – RBI





- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Effective – April 2026
- Legal Authority – Section 35A & 56, Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- Soiled Note – Dirty or worn note
- Mutilated Note – Torn or missing portion
- Coins Legal Tender – 50 paise, ₹1, ₹2, ₹5, ₹10, ₹20



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Ques: Guru Bhairavaikya Mandira, inaugurated by the Prime Minister, is located in which state?

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

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi inaugurated Guru Bhairavaikya Mandira.
- The temple is located at Sri Kshetra Adichunchanagiri in Mandya district of Karnataka.
- It is dedicated to Balagangadharanatha Mahaswamiji.
- The inauguration highlights the cultural and spiritual significance of the region.

Static Part:

- Adichunchanagiri Math – Prominent religious institution in Karnataka
- Mandya – District known for agriculture and cultural heritage
- Pontiff – Head of a religious institution
- Karnataka Capital – Bengaluru





Ques: Which team won the 16th Hockey India Sub-Junior Women's National Championship 2026?

- A) Haryana
- B) Punjab
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Jharkhand
- E) Odisha

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Jharkhand Women's Hockey Team won the 16th Hockey India Sub-Junior Women's National Championship 2026.
- Jharkhand defeated Madhya Pradesh Women's Hockey Team by 2–1 in the final.
- The match was held at Marang Gomke Jaipal Singh Munda International Hockey Stadium.
- With this victory, Jharkhand secured its third consecutive title.
- The team also achieved a medal finish for the eighth consecutive time in the tournament.

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Ques: Who won the ICC Men's Player of the Month award for March 2026?

- A) Rohit Sharma
- B) Virat Kohli
- C) Sanju Samson
- D) Kane Williamson
- E) Babar Azam

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Sanju Samson was named the ICC Men's Player of the Month for March 2026.
- He received the award for his outstanding performance in the T20 format.
- In the women's category, Amelia Kerr won the ICC Women's Player of the Month award for March.
- Amelia Kerr is a key player for New Zealand women's cricket team.

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Ques: Who is set to be elected as Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman for the third term?

- A) Nirmala Sitharaman
- B) J. P. Nadda
- C) Harivansh
- D) Jagdeep Dhankhar
- E) Amit Shah

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Harivansh Narayan Singh is set to be elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Rajya Sabha for the third consecutive term.
- He is a nominated member of the Rajya Sabha.
- The motion for his election will be moved by Jagat Prakash Nadda and supported by multiple MPs.
- Leaders like Nirmala Sitharaman and Jayant Chaudhary are also backing the motion.
- The Deputy Chairman presides over the House in the absence of the Chairman.

Static Part:

- Rajya Sabha – Upper House of Parliament
- Deputy Chairman – Elected by members of Rajya Sabha
- Current Chairman – Jagdeep Dhankhar





Ques: Project Sanjeevani, launched by Telangana, is related to which sector?

- A) Trauma Care and Highway Rescue
- B) Education
- C) Agriculture
- D) Digital Payments
- E) Tourism

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Telangana launched Project Sanjeevani.
- The project aims to create an integrated trauma care and highway rescue system.
- It is implemented on a 251 km stretch of NH-44 between Hyderabad and Adilabad.
- The project was launched during the 'Arrive Alive' Road Safety Week (April 13–17).
- It is part of the 99-Day Action Plan (Praja Palana Pragati Pranalika).
- It is a joint initiative of the state government, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), SaveLIFE Foundation, with support from Vertis Foundation.

Static Part:

- Capital of Telangana – Hyderabad
- Chief Minister – Revanth Reddy
- Governor – Shiv Pratap Shukla
- NH-44 – Longest National Highway in India





Ques: India is set to sign an FTA with which country on April 27, 2026?

- A) Australia
- B) UK
- C) New Zealand
- D) Japan
- E) Canada

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India and New Zealand are set to sign a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) on April 27, 2026, in New Delhi.
- The FTA aims to provide tariff-free market access and boost exports between the two countries.
- It targets bilateral trade of \$5 billion.
- It also aims to attract \$20 billion investment over the next 15 years.
- The agreement will strengthen economic cooperation and trade relations between both nations.

Static Part:

- FTA – Free Trade Agreement (Tariff reduction/elimination)
- Signing Date – 27 April 2026
- Trade Target – \$5 Billion
- Investment Target – \$20 Billion (15 years)





Ques: Infosys has partnered with Carlos Alcaraz as its Global Brand Ambassador to support which technology platform?

- A) Infosys Finacle
- B) Infosys Topaz
- C) Infosys Edge
- D) Infosys Nia
- E) Infosys Wingspan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Infosys announced a multi-year partnership with Carlos Alcaraz.
- He has been appointed as the Global Brand Ambassador of Infosys.
- Infosys will use its AI-first platform Infosys Topaz.
- The platform will develop AI-powered match analytics tools.
- It will also create a personalised performance application for Alcaraz.

Static Part:

- Infosys – Founded in 1981, HQ: Bengaluru
- Carlos Alcaraz – World No. 1 tennis player





Ques: R. Vaishali won the Women's Candidates Chess Tournament 2026 held in which country?

- A) Russia
- B) Spain
- C) USA
- D) Germany
- E) Cyprus

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- R. Vaishali won the Women's Candidates Chess Tournament 2026.
- The tournament was held in Cyprus.
- With this victory, she earned the right to play the Women's World Chess Championship 2026.
- She will face the reigning champion Ju Wenjun.
- This is a major achievement for Indian chess on the global stage.

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Ques: Who is the author of the book Why We Can't Wait?

- A) Nelson Mandela
- B) Martin Luther King Jr.
- C) Barack Obama
- D) Malcolm X
- E) Abraham Lincoln

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Why We Can't Wait is authored by Martin Luther King Jr..
- The book highlights the Civil Rights Movement and the urgency of ending racial injustice.
- It focuses particularly on events like the Birmingham Campaign in the United States.
- Martin Luther King Jr. advocated non-violence and civil disobedience for social change.
- He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964 at the age of 35.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the Secretary General of FICCI recently?

- A) Jyoti Vij
- B) Anant Swarup
- C) Rakesh Makhija
- D) Rajat Verma
- E) Amitabh Chaudhary

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry has appointed Anant Swarup as its Secretary General.
- Jyoti Vij will continue as Director General.
- This ensures continuity in leadership within the organization.

Static Part:

- FICCI Formation – 1927
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Role – Industry body representing business and industry interests





Ques: Gujarat government signed an MoU to set up an Indo-Taiwan Industrial Park in which region?

- A) Surat–Vapi
- B) Ahmedabad–Gandhinagar
- C) Sanand–Dholera
- D) Rajkot–Jamnagar
- E) Kutch–Bhuj

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Gujarat government signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).
- The MoU is for setting up an Indo-Taiwan Industrial Park in the Sanand–Dholera region.
- The agreement was signed with Allegiance International Company Limited.
- The initiative aims to boost industrial collaboration between India and Taiwan.
- It will strengthen semiconductor and electronics manufacturing ecosystem in India.

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Ques: Sonam Wangchuk, who passed away recently, was awarded which gallantry award for his bravery during the Kargil War?

- A) Maha Vir Chakra
- B) Param Vir Chakra
- C) Vir Chakra
- D) Ashok Chakra
- E) Kirti Chakra

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Sonam Wangchuk was a decorated Indian Army officer and a recipient of the Maha Vir Chakra.
- He was popularly known as the “Lion of Ladakh.”
- He displayed exceptional bravery during the Kargil War.
- Then Major Wangchuk led troops of the Ladakh Scouts in the strategically important Chorbat La (Batalik sector).
- The operation was conducted at an altitude of around 18,000 feet under extreme conditions.

Static Part:

- Maha Vir Chakra – Second highest wartime gallantry award in India
- Kargil War – Fought between India and Pakistan in 1999
- Ladakh Scouts – Specialized infantry regiment for high-altitude warfare





Ques: International Wellness Day is observed annually on which date?

- A) 7 April
- B) 10 April
- C) 12 April
- D) 15 April
- E) 18 April

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- International Wellness Day is observed every year on 15 April.
- It is proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly.
- The day promotes holistic well-being.
- It focuses on physical, mental, and emotional health.
- It encourages awareness, education, and action for a healthy lifestyle.

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Ques: What was the year-on-year growth rate of bank credit in India as of March 31, 2026?

- A) 10%
- B) 12%
- C) 13.4%
- D) 15%
- E) 16%

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Bank credit in India grew by 16% year-on-year as of March 31, 2026.
- Deposits increased by 13.4% during the same period.
- The data was released by the Reserve Bank of India.
- Total deposits stood at ₹267.8 lakh crore, while bank credit reached ₹219 lakh crore.
- Investments grew by 4.7% to ₹71.4 lakh crore.
- In absolute terms, deposits increased by ₹31.7 lakh crore and credit by ₹30.1 lakh crore.

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Ques: What was India's unemployment rate (UR) in March 2026 as per PLFS data?

- A) 4.5%
- B) 4.9%
- C) 5.0%
- D) 5.1%
- E) 5.5%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India's unemployment rate rose to 5.1% in March 2026.
- It increased from 4.9% in February 2026, marking a five-month high.
- The data is based on the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) released by the National Statistics Office.
- Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) stood at 55.4% in March.
- Worker Population Ratio (WPR) declined to 52.6%.
- LFPR represents the percentage of people working or seeking work.
- WPR indicates the proportion of employed persons in the population.





Ques: As per IMF projections, India is expected to become the world's third-largest economy by which year?

- A) 2027
- B) 2028
- C) 2030
- D) 2031
- E) 2035

Answer: D

Explanation:

- According to International Monetary Fund (IMF) April 2026 data, India slipped to the 6th largest economy in 2025 with GDP around \$3.92 trillion.
- This decline is temporary due to rupee depreciation and GDP base year revision, not due to slowdown in growth.
- India is projected to become the 4th largest economy by 2027, overtaking Japan.
- By 2031, India is expected to become the 3rd largest economy, surpassing Germany.
- Despite temporary ranking changes, India remains one of the fastest-growing major economies globally.





Ques: The 'Super Sales Saathi' mobile app launched by LIC is primarily designed for whom?

- A) Policyholders
- B) Bank officials
- C) LIC agents
- D) Government employees
- E) Investors

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Life Insurance Corporation of India launched two mobile apps — MyLIC and Super Sales Saathi.
- The apps were launched by M. Nagaraju in Mumbai.
- Both apps are powered by LIC's DIVE platform (Digital Innovation & Value Enhancement).
- The MyLIC app is a one-stop platform for policyholders to manage policies, pay premiums, and access benefits.
- Super Sales Saathi is specifically designed for LIC agents with features like customer management and real-time updates.
- The initiative aims to enhance digital services, improve security, and provide a user-friendly experience.

Static Part:

- Life Insurance Corporation of India – Largest life insurance company in India
- Established – 1956
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- DIVE Platform – Focuses on digital innovation and faster services





Ques: How many banks have been authorised by the Indian government to import bullion for 3 years starting April 1, 2026, and which two banks are authorised to import only gold?

- A) 15 Banks — SBI and HDFC
- B) 17 Banks — PNB and Bank of India
- C) 17 Banks — Union Bank of India and Sberbank
- D) 15 Banks — Union Bank of India and Sberbank
- E) 20 Banks — Deutsche Bank and ICBC

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Government of India, through Directorate General of Foreign Trade, has authorised 17 banks to import bullion for three years (April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2029).
- Out of these, 15 banks — including State Bank of India, HDFC Bank, Deutsche Bank and Industrial and Commercial Bank of China — can import both gold and silver.
- Only Union Bank of India and Sberbank are authorised to import only gold.
- Delay in issuing the authorisation list had halted imports, leaving over 5 tonnes of gold and around 8 tonnes of silver stuck without customs clearance.
- India is the second-largest gold importer globally, importing \$72 billion worth of gold in 2025–26 (24% increase), while silver imports rose to \$12 billion.
- DGFT also changed the classification of gold, silver and platinum from 'free' to 'restricted', making licences mandatory for certain importers.





Ques: The 'Water Forward' initiative launched by the World Bank Group aims to ensure water security for how many people globally by 2030?

- A) 200 million
- B) 400 million
- C) 600 million
- D) 800 million
- E) 1 billion

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- World Bank Group launched the global initiative 'Water Forward'.
- The initiative aims to ensure water security for over 1 billion people by 2030.
- A key feature is the introduction of country-led "Water Compacts".
- Under these compacts, governments will define reforms, strengthen institutions, and create investment pathways.
- The World Bank Group itself targets to provide water security to 400 million people.
- The initiative is supported by institutions like Asian Development Bank, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, European Investment Bank, and New Development Bank.
- The initiative focuses on improving financing and accelerating water-related projects globally.

Static Part:

- World Bank Group – Provides financial and technical assistance to developing countries
- Headquarters – Washington, D.C.
- United Nations SDG 6 – Clean Water and Sanitation





Ques: 'Ghost-Eye: A Novel' is written by which author?

- A) Chetan Bhagat
- B) Arundhati Roy
- C) Amitav Ghosh
- D) Amish Tripathi
- E) Ruskin Bond

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The book Ghost-Eye: A Novel is authored by Amitav Ghosh.
- It is a novel that explores themes of history, identity, and human experience.
- The book is published by HarperCollins.
- It consists of 336 pages and is priced at ₹799.
- Amitav Ghosh is known for his works on history, environment, and global narratives.

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Ques: Viktor Axelsen, who recently announced his retirement, belongs to which country?

- A) China
- B) Japan
- C) Denmark
- D) Indonesia
- E) Malaysia

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Viktor Axelsen has announced his retirement from professional badminton.
- He is from Denmark.
- He won back-to-back Olympic gold medals at Tokyo 2020 Olympics and Paris 2024 Olympics.
- He also won a bronze medal at Rio 2016 Olympics.
- Axelsen is regarded as one of the most successful men's singles players in Olympic history.
- He held the World No. 1 ranking for 183 weeks (third longest), behind Lee Chong Wei (398 weeks) and Lin Dan (211 weeks).

Static Part:

- Badminton – Governed globally by Badminton World Federation
- Olympics – Held every 4 years
- Denmark Capital – Copenhagen





Ques: Who recently became Asia's richest person surpassing Mukesh Ambani?

- A) Ratan Tata
- B) Gautam Adani
- C) Mukesh Ambani
- D) Azim Premji
- E) Shiv Nadar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Gautam Adani has overtaken Mukesh Ambani to become Asia's richest person.
- Gautam Adani's net worth stands at \$92.6 billion.
- Mukesh Ambani's net worth is \$90.8 billion.
- The rise in Adani's wealth is driven by a strong rally in Adani Group stocks.
- Adani's business spans ports, energy, and infrastructure sectors.
- The rankings are based on global indices like Bloomberg Billionaires Index.

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Ques: With the creation of Polavaram and Markapuram, what is the total number of districts in Andhra Pradesh?

- A) 26
- B) 27
- C) 28
- D) 29
- E) 30

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Andhra Pradesh government created two new districts – Polavaram and Markapuram.
- With this, the total number of districts increased from 26 to 28.
- Polavaram district is carved out of parts of Alluri Sitharama Raju district (Rampachodavaram and Chinturu divisions).
- Markapuram district is formed by merging Markapuram and Kanigiri divisions of Prakasam district region.
- The reorganisation aims to improve administrative efficiency and governance.

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Ques: Indian refiners are settling payments for Iranian oil in which currency?

- A) US Dollar
- B) Euro
- C) Yuan
- D) Yen
- E) Rupee

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Indian refiners like Indian Oil Corporation and Reliance Industries are settling payments for Iranian oil in Chinese yuan.
- Payments are being routed through ICICI Bank's Shanghai branch.
- The arrangement is enabled under a temporary U.S. sanctions waiver.
- The move helps Indian refiners continue oil imports despite sanctions on Iran.
- Earlier, Indian Oil Corporation purchased 2 million barrels of Iranian oil, marking the first such deal in years.
- Use of yuan reduces dependence on US dollar-based global transactions.

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Ques: Jay Shah has been selected for the Young Global Leaders Class of 2026 by which organization?

- A) United Nations
- B) World Bank
- C) World Economic Forum
- D) International Monetary Fund
- E) Asian Development Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Jay Shah, Chairman of the International Cricket Council, has been selected for the Young Global Leaders Class of 2026.
- The recognition is given by the World Economic Forum.
- The Young Global Leaders (YGL) programme recognises leaders under the age of 40 for their contributions.
- It includes leaders from fields like public service, business, science, and culture.
- The YGL Class of 2026 includes 118 leaders from 55 countries.

Static Part:

- World Economic Forum Founded – 24 January 1971
- Headquarters – Geneva
- Chairman – Larry Fink





Ques: Which country hosted the 1st BRICS Health Working Group (HWG) Meeting 2026?

- A) India
- B) Brazil
- C) China
- D) Russia
- E) South Africa

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Ministry of Health and Family Welfare hosted the 1st BRICS Health Working Group (HWG) Meeting 2026.
- The meeting was held in New Delhi.
- Participants included BRICS countries — Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa — along with Egypt, Ethiopia, UAE, and Indonesia.
- India proposed two new priority areas:
 - BRICS Mission for Healthy Lifestyles (diet, physical activity, tobacco and alcohol risk reduction)
 - Promotion of Mental Health and Wellness (reduce stigma, improve services, integrate into public health)





Ques: What was India's overall rank at the 22nd Senior Asian Wrestling Championships held in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan?

- A) 2nd
- B) 3rd
- C) 4th
- D) 5th
- E) 6th

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Indian wrestling team finished 5th at the Senior Asian Wrestling Championships 2026.
- The event was held in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.
- India won a total of 17 medals: 2 Gold, 6 Silver, and 9 Bronze.
- Gold medal winners included Sujeet Kalkal (65 kg) and Abhimanyu Mandwal (70 kg).
- India fielded a 30-member contingent across freestyle, women's wrestling, and Greco-Roman categories.

Medal Tally (Top 4):

1. Iran – 6 Gold, 6 Silver, 6 Bronze (18 Total)
2. Japan – 6 Gold, 5 Silver, 4 Bronze (15 Total)
3. China – 5 Gold, 1 Silver, 8 Bronze (14 Total)
4. Kyrgyzstan – 5 Gold, 1 Silver, 6 Bronze (12 Total)
5. India – 2 Gold, 6 Silver, 9 Bronze (17 Total)

Static Part:

- Asian Wrestling Championships – Organized by United World Wrestling
- Categories – Freestyle, Greco-Roman, Women's Wrestling
- Wrestling – One of the oldest Olympic sports
- Kyrgyzstan Capital – Bishkek





Ques: What was the objective of 'Sarthak Naam Abhiyan' launched in Rajasthan?

- A) To provide free education
- B) To change inappropriate student names
- C) To increase school infrastructure
- D) To provide scholarships
- E) To improve digital education

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 'Sarthak Naam Abhiyan' was launched by the Rajasthan Education Department.
- Its objective was to replace inappropriate, negative, or derogatory names with meaningful names.
- Names like "Shaitan", "Kalu", "Tinku", and "Gheesa" were considered for change.
- The campaign targeted government school students from Classes 1 to 9.
- It aimed to improve self-esteem and avoid social embarrassment among students.
- However, due to controversy and criticism, the campaign was later rolled back.

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Ques: The first passenger train in India, which ran on 16 April 1853, operated between which two places?

- A) Mumbai – Pune
- B) Bori Bunder – Thane
- C) Kolkata – Howrah
- D) Chennai – Arakkonam
- E) Delhi – Meerut

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India celebrated the 173rd anniversary of its first passenger train.
- The first passenger train ran on 16 April 1853.
- It operated between Bori Bunder (now Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus) and Thane.
- The train covered a distance of about 34 km.
- This event marked the beginning of railway transportation in India.

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Ques: World Hemophilia Day is observed every year on which date?

- A) April 15
- B) April 16
- C) April 17
- D) April 18
- E) April 19,

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World Hemophilia Day is observed on April 17 every year.
- It aims to raise awareness about hemophilia and other inherited bleeding disorders.
- Theme: “Diagnosis: First step to care”.
- Hemophilia is a genetic disorder in which blood does not clot properly.
- It occurs due to deficiency of clotting factors (proteins) required to stop bleeding.
- This leads to excessive or prolonged bleeding even from minor injuries.

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Ques: What was India's trade deficit in FY 2025–26 as per official data?

- A) \$94.6 billion
- B) \$100.5 billion
- C) \$110.2 billion
- D) \$119.3 billion
- E) \$125.0 billion

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India's trade deficit widened to \$119.3 billion in FY 2025–26.
- It increased from \$94.6 billion in the previous financial year.
- The rise was mainly due to higher imports, which grew by 6.4% to \$979.4 billion.
- Exports also grew by 4.22% to \$860 billion.
- Merchandise exports increased by 1% to \$441.78 billion.
- Services exports rose by nearly 8% to \$418.31 billion.
- Exports to China increased by \$5 billion.
- Trade surplus with the United States narrowed to \$34.4 billion from \$43 billion.

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Ques: What is the proposed FDI limit in India's pension sector as per recent news?

- A) 49%
- B) 74%
- C) 80%
- D) 100%
- E) 26%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Government of India is considering increasing the FDI limit in the pension sector from 49% to 100%.
- The move aims to align the pension sector with the insurance sector, where 100% FDI is already allowed.
- A Bill to amend the PFRDA Act, 2013 is expected in an upcoming Parliament session.
- The amendment may be introduced in the Monsoon or Winter Session 2026.
- Currently, the FDI limit in the pension sector is capped at 49%.
- Earlier, Parliament increased the FDI limit in the insurance sector from 74% to 100%.
- The amendment may also include separation of NPS Trust from PFRDA.
- NPS Trust functions may be brought under a charitable trust or Companies Act framework.





Ques: As per the RBI's new NBFC Branch Authorisation Directions, 2025, which NBFCs are allowed to expand their branches across India?

- A) NBFCs with NOF up to ₹50 crore
- B) NBFCs with low credit rating
- C) NBFCs with NOF above ₹50 crore and AA or above rating
- D) All NBFCs without restrictions
- E) Only deposit-taking NBFCs

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India issued the NBFC Branch Authorisation Directions, 2025.
- NBFCs with net owned funds (NOF) above ₹50 crore and a credit rating of AA or above can expand branches across India.
- NBFCs with NOF up to ₹50 crore or lower ratings can open branches only within their home state.
- NBFCs must notify RBI for branch expansion; if no objection is raised within 30 days, they can proceed.
- Applications must be submitted via the PRAVAAH portal.
- National Housing Bank regulates Housing Finance Companies, which must inform NHB before opening branches and cannot open branches abroad.
- NBFC-ICCs lending against gold must take prior RBI approval for opening more than 1,000 branches.
- For branch closure, NBFCs must give at least 3 months' public notice and inform RBI/NHB.





Ques: The Kochi–Kanyakumari–Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline (KTPL) will originate from which location?

- A) Kochi LNG Terminal
- B) Chennai LNG Terminal
- C) Ennore LNG Terminal
- D) Mangalore LNG Terminal
- E) Vizag LNG Terminal

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board authorised Indian Oil Corporation Limited to develop the pipeline.
- The Kochi–Kanyakumari–Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline (KTPL) will originate from the Kochi LNG Terminal.
- It will extend up to Thoothukudi in Tamil Nadu.
- The pipeline length will be around 425 km.
- It will have a capacity of 6.84 MMSCMD (Million Metric Standard Cubic Metres per Day).
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Ques: 'Vishwa Sutra' initiative, recently in news, is related to which sector?

- A) Agriculture
- B) Textile & Handloom
- C) Banking
- D) Defence
- E) Education

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- 'Vishwa Sutra – Weaves of India for the World' has been launched by the Ministry of Textiles.
- A designer collection under this initiative was showcased at the Femina Miss India 2024 in Bhubaneswar.
- The initiative is developed by the Development Commissioner (Handlooms) in collaboration with National Institute of Fashion Technology.
- It aims to present Indian handlooms in a modern global design framework.
- Around 30 distinct handloom weaves from different states have been included.
- These weaves are inspired by designs from 30 countries, reflecting global culture and fashion.
- The initiative supports the "Vocal for Local to Global" vision and the PM's 5F framework.
- It promotes cultural heritage, sustainable livelihoods, and global textile presence.





Ques: Under the Urban Challenge Fund (UCF), what percentage of the project cost is covered as Central Assistance (CA)?

- A) 20%
- B) 25%
- C) 30%
- D) 40%
- E) 50%

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Manohar Lal Khattar launched the Operational Guidelines for the Urban Challenge Fund (UCF) in New Delhi.
- UCF has a total Central Assistance (CA) of ₹1 lakh crore.
- The Central Assistance covers 25% of the project cost.
- At least 50% of project financing must be raised from market sources such as municipal bonds, bank loans, and PPPs.
- The fund will operate from FY 2025–26 to 2030–31 (extendable till 2033–34).
- It aims to generate ₹4 lakh crore investment in urban infrastructure over 5 years.
- Along with UCF, the Credit Repayment Guarantee Sub-Scheme (CRGSS) was also launched.
- The scheme provides guarantee support up to ₹7 crore or 70% of the loan (whichever is lower) for smaller cities and ULBs.





Ques: The Indian Army's sailing expedition 'Samudra Sahas' was flagged off from which location?

- A) Kochi
- B) Chennai
- C) Visakhapatnam
- D) Marve, Mumbai
- E) Goa

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Indian Army's Regiment of Artillery flagged off its first blue water sailing expedition 'Samudra Sahas'.
- The expedition was flagged off from Marve in Mumbai.
- It marks the bicentenary (200 years) of the Regiment of Artillery.
- The expedition pays tribute to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's maritime legacy.
- The voyage will cover around 520 nautical miles along the Konkan Coast.
- It will be conducted using 21-foot Seabird class boats in four legs: Mumbai–Vijaydurg–Goa–Vijaydurg–Mumbai.
- The expedition is led by Kshitij Nair and Prakash Funde.





Ques: The humanoid robot that broke the human 21 km world record was developed by which company?

- A) Tesla
- B) Boston Dynamics
- C) Honor
- D) Xiaomi
- E) Huawei

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- A humanoid robot developed by Honor completed a 21 km half-marathon in 50 minutes and 26 seconds.
- The event was held in Beijing on April 19, 2026.
- The robot outperformed the human world record of around 57 minutes.
- The race was organized at the Beijing Economic-Technological Development Area.
- This achievement highlights rapid advancements in robotics and AI technology in China.
- The robot significantly improved from last year's performance of 2 hours 40 minutes.
- Some minor issues were reported during the race, including a robot falling at the start line.





Ques: The 'Bharat Maritime Insurance Pool' (BMI Pool) approved by the Government of India will be operational for how many years initially?

- A) 5 years
- B) 7 years
- C) 10 years
- D) 12 years
- E) 15 years

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Government of India approved the 'Bharat Maritime Insurance Pool' (BMI Pool).
- The announcement was made by Ashwini Vaishnaw.
- The pool will be operational for 10 years, with a possible extension of 5 more years.
- The total size of the pool is ₹129.8 billion (about \$1.4 billion).
- It aims to ensure uninterrupted maritime trade amid geopolitical tensions and sanctions.
- Policies will be issued by insurers using a combined underwriting capacity of around ₹950 crore.

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Ques: Who has been crowned Femina Miss India World 2026?

- A) Rajnandini Pawar
- B) Sree Advaita
- C) Sadhvi Sail
- D) Manasa Varanasi
- E) Aditi Govitrikar

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Sadhvi Sail from Goa was crowned Femina Miss India World 2026.
- The grand finale was held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- Rajnandini Pawar from Maharashtra became the 1st Runner-Up.
- Sree Advaita from Jammu and Kashmir secured the 2nd Runner-Up position.
- The winner will represent India at the Miss World competition.

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Ques: N. Ramachandran, who recently passed away, served as the President of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) during which period?

- A) 2010–2013
- B) 2011–2014
- C) 2012–2015
- D) 2014–2017
- E) 2015–2018

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- N. Ramachandran, former President of the Indian Olympic Association, passed away.
- He served as IOA President from 2014 to 2017.
- He was also the Secretary General of the Squash Rackets Federation of India.
- He received the Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar in 2011 for promoting sports infrastructure.
- In 2016, he was awarded the Olympic Order (Silver) by the International Olympic Committee.

Static Part:

- IOA – Apex body for Olympic movement in India
- IOC Headquarters – Lausanne, Switzerland
- Olympic Order – Highest award of IOC





Ques: World Heritage Day is also known as which of the following?

- A) International Day of Culture
- B) International Day for Monuments and Sites
- C) Global Heritage Conservation Day
- D) World Culture Protection Day
- E) Heritage Awareness Day

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- World Heritage Day is celebrated every year on April 18.
- It is also known as the International Day for Monuments and Sites.
- The 2026 theme is “Emergency Response for Living Heritage in Contexts of Conflicts and Disasters”.
- The day was established by UNESCO following a proposal by International Council on Monuments and Sites.
- India has 44 UNESCO World Heritage Sites (35 cultural, 7 natural, 2 mixed).

Static Part:

- UNESCO – United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- Headquarters – Paris, France
- ICOMOS – International advisory body on heritage conservation
- First observed – 1983





Ques: Siachen Day, observed on April 13, commemorates which operation?

- A) Operation Vijay
- B) Operation Meghdoot
- C) Operation Blue Star
- D) Operation Cactus
- E) Operation Rakshak

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Siachen Day is observed every year on April 13.
- It commemorates the success of Operation Meghdoot conducted in 1984.
- During this operation, the Indian Army secured key positions at Bilafond La on the Siachen Glacier.
- The operation was led by Manohar Lal Chibber, Prem Nath Hoon, and Shiv Sharma.
- It highlights the bravery and strategic importance of Indian forces in high-altitude warfare.

Static Part:

- Siachen Glacier – World's highest battlefield
- Location – Karakoram Range (Eastern Karakoram)
- Year of Operation Meghdoot – 1984
- Controlled by – Indian Army





Ques: SEBI has approved which exchange's plan to set up a coal exchange in India?

- A) National Stock Exchange (NSE)
- B) Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)
- C) Multi Commodity Exchange of India (MCX)
- D) India International Exchange (India INX)
- E) National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange (NCDEX)

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India has approved the plan of Multi Commodity Exchange of India to set up a coal exchange.
- MCX will create a new subsidiary named MCX Coal Exchange.
- Initially, MCX will hold 100% stake in this subsidiary.
- The investment for setting up the exchange will be up to ₹100 crore.
- Approval will also be required from the Coal Controller Organisation.
- This initiative aims to bring transparency and efficiency in coal trading in India.

Static Part:

- MCX Established – 10 November 2003
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Regulator – SEBI (since 2015)
- FMC merged with SEBI – 28 September 2015
- Key Indices: MCX iCOMDEX, BULLDEX, METLDEX
- Clearing Body – MCXCCL (Multi Commodity Exchange Clearing Corporation Limited)





Ques: The Union Cabinet has approved the extension of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana-III (PMGSY-III) till which year?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet, chaired by Narendra Modi, approved the extension of PMGSY-III till March 2028.
- The total outlay of the scheme has been significantly increased from ₹280,250 crore to ₹783,977 crore.
- Timeline for completion of roads and bridges in plain areas and roads in hilly areas has been extended till March 2028.
- Timeline for completion of bridges in hilly areas has been extended till March 2029.
- Projects sanctioned before 31 March 2025 but not yet awarded can now be taken up for tender and execution.
- Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana was launched in phases: Phase I (2000), Phase II (2013), and Phase III (2019).

Static Part:

- PMGSY Launch Date – 25 December 2000
- Ministry – Ministry of Rural Development
- Objective – To provide all-weather road connectivity to rural areas
- Type of Scheme – Centrally Sponsored Scheme



Ques: Which railway depot has become India's first "water-neutral" railway depot?

- A) Shakur Basti Depot
- B) Kankaria Coaching Depot
- C) Itarsi Coaching Depot
- D) Mughalsarai Depot
- E) Perambur Depot

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Kankaria Coaching Depot in Ahmedabad has become India's first "water-neutral" railway depot.
- The initiative aligns railway operations with sustainability and environmental conservation goals.
- The depot achieves water neutrality by treating and reusing as much water as it consumes.
- It saves around 1.60 lakh litres of water daily, reducing dependence on fresh water sources.
- This model promotes efficient water management in Indian Railways.

Static Part:

- Ahmedabad Located in – Gujarat
- Gujarat Capital – Gandhinagar
- Railway Ministry – Ministry of Railways



Ques: Under which policy has the United States announced plans to deploy nuclear reactors in space and on the Moon?

- A) Artemis Initiative
- B) Space Power Mission
- C) National Initiative for American Space Nuclear Power
- D) Lunar Energy Program
- E) Space Exploration Strategy

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The United States announced plans to deploy nuclear reactors in space orbit by 2028 and on the Moon by 2030.
- This initiative is part of the policy called “National Initiative for American Space Nuclear Power.”
- The objective is to strengthen US leadership in space exploration, commerce, and defence.
- The move follows advancements under the Artemis program.
- Nuclear power in space can support long-duration missions and lunar infrastructure.

Static Part:

- USA Capital – Washington, D.C.
- ⇒ • NASA Established – 1958
- Artemis Programme – Human return mission to the Moon
- First Moon Landing – 1969 (Apollo 11)





Ques: India and Germany launched a commemorative logo to celebrate how many years of diplomatic relations?

- A) 50 years
- B) 60 years
- C) 70 years
- D) 75 years
- E) 100 years

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India and Germany launched a commemorative logo to celebrate 75 years of diplomatic relations.
- The logo was unveiled during the India-Germany Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) held in Berlin.
- The FOC was co-chaired by Vikram Misri and Géza Andreas von Geyr.
- Both countries also mark 25 years of their Strategic Partnership.
- The logo was selected through a joint competition hosted on the MyGov platform.
- Participants from both countries contributed designs symbolizing deep-rooted friendship.

Static Part:

- Germany Capital – Berlin
- Currency – Euro
- India-Germany Diplomatic Relations Established – 1951





Ques: Yana Caves in Karnataka have been declared a geo-heritage site of national importance by which organization?

- A) Archaeological Survey of India
- B) Geological Survey of India
- C) Indian Space Research Organisation
- D) Ministry of Environment
- E) National Biodiversity Authority

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Yana Caves have been declared a geo-heritage site of national importance.
- The declaration was made by the Geological Survey of India.
- The announcement was made on the occasion of GSI's 176th Foundation Day on 4 March 2026.
- The caves are located in Uttara Kannada district in the Western Ghats.
- These caves are formed from dolomitic limestone, rich in magnesium.
- The rock formations are around 2,700 million years old, belonging to the Precambrian era.
- They were formed due to plate tectonic forces and natural weathering over millions of years.

Static Part:

- Geological Survey of India Established – 1851
- Headquarters – Kolkata
- Karnataka Capital – Bengaluru
- Western Ghats – UNESCO World Heritage Site





Ques: Which organization has launched the third edition of the AICTE-VAANI scheme to promote Indian languages in technical education?

- A) UGC
- B) AICTE
- C) NCERT
- D) NITI Aayog
- E) Ministry of Education

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The All India Council for Technical Education has launched the third edition of the AICTE-VAANI scheme.
- VAANI stands for Vibrant Advocacy for Advancement and Nurturing of Indian Languages.
- The scheme aims to bridge the language gap and help students learn technical subjects in their mother tongue.
- An annual budget of ₹4 crore has been allocated to support around 200 conferences, seminars, and workshops.
- Each selected institution will receive ₹2 lakh to organise 2–3 day events in 22 regional languages.
- The scheme covers 16 emerging areas including Artificial Intelligence, Quantum Technology, Cybersecurity, Hydrogen Energy, Space & Defence, and Agrotech.

Static Part:

- AICTE Established – 1945
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Ministry – Ministry of Education





Ques: Which state cricket association has introduced a player contract system for the first time in India from the 2026–27 domestic season?

- A) Delhi & District Cricket Association
- B) Karnataka State Cricket Association
- C) Mumbai Cricket Association
- D) Tamil Nadu Cricket Association
- E) Cricket Association of Bengal

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

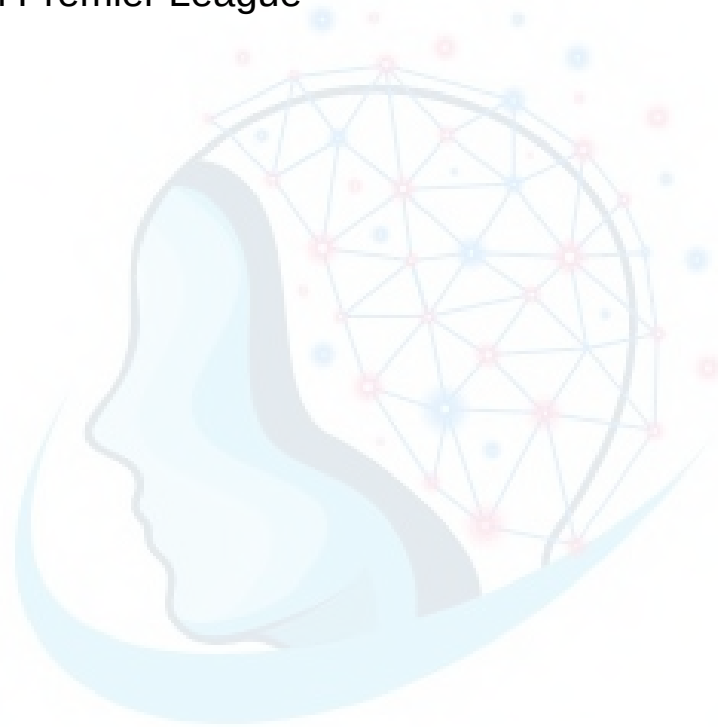
- Mumbai Cricket Association has introduced a player contract system starting from the 2026–27 domestic season.
- MCA becomes the first state cricket association in India to implement this structured remuneration model.
- The decision was approved in the Apex Council meeting.
- **Players will be categorized into three grades based on performance:**
 - Grade A: ₹12 lakh to ₹20 lakh per annum
 - Grade B: ₹8 lakh to ₹12 lakh per annum
 - Grade C: ₹8 lakh per annum
- **Eligibility criteria include :**
 - that the player must be registered with MCA.
 - Must meet minimum fitness standards
 - Should not have represented India in last two seasons
 - Should not have been part of any IPL team in last two seasons
 - Must be recommended by the selection committee





Static Part:

- Mumbai Cricket Association Established – 1930
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governing Body of Cricket in India – Board of Control for Cricket in India
- IPL Full Form – Indian Premier League



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Ques: Which rocket has been selected by NASA to launch the Rosalind Franklin Mars rover mission?

- A) Delta IV Heavy
- B) Falcon Heavy
- C) Atlas V
- D) Ariane 5
- E) SLS

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- NASA has selected SpaceX's Falcon Heavy rocket to launch the Rosalind Franklin Mars rover mission.
- The mission is a collaboration between NASA and the European Space Agency.
- NASA has approved the ROSA (Rosalind Franklin Support and Augmentation) project to support this mission.
- The mission is scheduled for launch in 2028.
- The rover aims to search for signs of past or present life beneath the surface of Mars.
- Falcon Heavy is one of the most powerful operational rockets developed by SpaceX.

Static Part:

- NASA Established – 1958
- Headquarters – Washington, D.C.
- SpaceX Established – 2002
- CEO – Elon Musk
- NASA Established – 1958





Ques: Who has been awarded the WWF National Award for developing the AI-powered mobile application “Neophyte ID”?

- A) Ramesh Pokhriyal
- B) N. Alim Yusuf
- C) Sundar Pichai
- D) K. Sivan
- E) Ajay Kumar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- N. Alim Yusuf has been awarded the WWF National Award.
- He developed an AI-powered mobile application named “Neophyte ID”.
- The application can identify nearly 100 invasive plant species using Artificial Intelligence.
- He works at the Malabar Botanical Garden and Institute for Plant Sciences.
- The award was presented at the ECHO Youth Innovation Summit 2026.
- He also received a seed grant of ₹1.5 lakh to further develop the project.

Static Part:

- WWF Full Form – World Wide Fund for Nature
- WWF Founded – 1961
- Headquarters – Gland, Switzerland
- Kerala Capital – Thiruvananthapuram





Ques: Which languages have been given full official language status in Meghalaya under the Meghalaya Official Languages Ordinance, 2026?

- A) Khasi and Garo
- B) Khasi and English
- C) Garo and Hindi
- D) Assamese and Garo
- E) Bengali and Khasi

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Meghalaya Government approved the Meghalaya Official Languages Ordinance, 2026.
- Under this ordinance, Khasi and Garo have been granted full official language status along with English.
- The ordinance repeals the Meghalaya State Language Act, 2005.
- Earlier, Khasi and Garo were recognized only as associate official languages.
- This move promotes regional languages and preserves cultural identity in the state.

Static Part:

- State – Meghalaya
- Capital – Shillong
- Chief Minister – Conrad Sangma
- Governor – C. H. Vijayashankar





Ques: Who has been appointed as the first female Chief of Army of Australia?

- A) Linda Reynolds
- B) Susan Coyle
- C) Angus Campbell
- D) David Hurley
- E) Mark Milley

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Susan Coyle has been appointed as the first female Chief of Army of Australia.
- She becomes the first woman to lead any service branch in Australia's military history.
- Her appointment marks a historic step towards gender equality in the armed forces.
- The Chief of Army is responsible for commanding the Australian Army and advising the government on military matters.

Static Part:

- Australia Capital – Canberra
- Currency – Australian Dollar
- Prime Minister – Anthony Albanese
- Defence Force Name – Australian Defence Force





Ques: Who has been named the Harvard South Asian 'Person of the Year' 2026?

- A) Alia Bhatt
- B) Sayani Gupta
- C) Deepika Padukone
- D) Priyanka Chopra
- E) Vidya Balan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Sayani Gupta has been named the Harvard South Asian 'Person of the Year' 2026.
- The award is presented by the Harvard South Asian Association.
- It recognises individuals who have contributed significantly to South Asian culture, identity, and representation.
- The award highlights excellence in fields like arts, culture, and public influence.
- Vikas Khanna was the recipient of this award in 2025.

Static Part:

- Harvard University Founded – 1636
- Location – Cambridge, Massachusetts, United States
- Harvard South Asian Association – Student organization promoting South Asian culture culture
- USA Capital – Washington, D.C.





Ques: Where will India's first Petroglyph Conservation Park be established?

- A) Leh
- B) Sindhu Ghat, Ladakh
- C) Spiti Valley
- D) Kargil
- E) Zaskar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India's first Petroglyph Conservation Park will be established at Sindhu Ghat in Ladakh.
- The foundation stone was laid on April 18, 2026, on the occasion of World Heritage Day.
- The objective is to protect ancient rock carvings (petroglyphs) from environmental damage and human activities.
- The park will provide a dedicated space to conserve and display prehistoric carvings.
- It will include relocation of vulnerable artefacts and creation of an educational environment.
- Petroglyphs are images or symbols carved on rocks, representing early human communication.
- Ladakh petroglyphs depict hunting scenes, animals like ibex and snow leopard, and later Buddhist symbols.
- Inscriptions in languages like Chinese, Arabic, and Sanskrit indicate cultural exchange over time.

Static Part | :

- Ladakh Capital – Leh
- World Heritage Day – 18 April
- Sindhu River – Also known as Indus River
- Union Territory of Ladakh formed – 31 October 2019





Ques: The Space Applications Centre (ISRO) has signed an MoU with which organization for sustainable land management in India?

- A) TERI
- B) ATREE
- C) WWF India
- D) NITI Aayog
- E) UNEP

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Space Applications Centre of Indian Space Research Organisation has signed an MoU with Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment.
- The collaboration aims to enhance research, data sharing, and knowledge exchange for sustainable land management.
- It combines ISRO's satellite-based geospatial technology with ATREE's field-level ecological research.
- The partnership supports India's goal of achieving Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) by 2030.

Static Part:

- ISRO Established – 1969
- Headquarters – Bengaluru
- SAC Location – Ahmedabad
- ATREE Established – 1996
- LDN Target Year – 2030





Ques: Who will continue as the chairman of the senior selection committee after BCCI renewed his contract?

- A) Rahul Dravid
- B) Ajit Agarkar
- C) VVS Laxman
- D) Sourav Ganguly
- E) Anil Kumble

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Ajit Agarkar will continue as the chairman of the senior selection committee.
- The Board of Control for Cricket in India has renewed his contract for one more year.
- The extension ensures continuity in team selection ahead of the 2027 ODI World Cup.
- He plays a key role in shaping the Indian team's strategy and squad.

Static Part:

- BCCI Established – 1928
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- ODI World Cup Organised by – International Cricket Council





Ques: Chinese Language Day is celebrated every year on which date?

- A) April 15
- B) April 18
- C) April 20
- D) April 22
- E) April 25

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Chinese Language Day is celebrated annually on April 20.
- The date honors Cangjie, believed to have created Chinese characters.
- It is one of the six official language days observed by the United Nations.
- The observance promotes multilingualism and cultural diversity.
- The UN has six official languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, and Spanish.

Static Part:

- United Nations Founded – 24 October 1945
- Headquarters – New York City, United States
- UN Official Languages – 6
- International Mother Language Day – 21 February





Ques: PayPoint India became the first private fintech to join which RBI system?

- A. UPI
- B. NPCI Network
- C. Centralised Payment System (CPS)
- D. IMPS
- E. Bharat BillPay

A

Answer: C

Explanation:

- PayPoint India became the first private fintech to join RBI's Centralised Payment System (CPS).
- It now has direct access to RTGS and NEFT, reducing reliance on intermediary banks.
- It received its own IFSC code and can directly settle with RBI.
- CPS is a unified RBI platform for processing both large-value and retail transactions.

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Ques: As per SBI Research, what is India's projected GDP growth rate for FY27?

- A) 5.5–6.0%
- B) 6.0–6.5%
- C) 6.8–7.1%
- D) 7.5–8.0%
- E) 8.0–8.5%

Answer: C

Explanation:

- SBI Research projects India's GDP growth at 6.8–7.1% for FY27.
- Despite global challenges like oil price shocks and geopolitical tensions, strong domestic fundamentals support growth.
- This reflects resilience and stability in India's economy.

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Ques: CheQ has partnered with which bank to launch India's first LED-powered co-branded credit card?

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

Answer: E

Explanation:

- CheQ partnered with AU Small Finance Bank to launch India's first LED-powered co-branded credit card, "CheQ AU Credit Card".
- The card lights up during transactions using energy from the NFC field of POS terminals.
- It does not require a battery, making it innovative and efficient.
- It supports dual networks – Visa (global transactions) and RuPay (UPI payments).
- This enhances user experience and promotes digital payments in India.

Static Part :

- AU Small Finance Bank Established – 1996 (as NBFC), Bank status in 2017
- Headquarters – Jaipur, Rajasthan
- Visa – Global payment network
- RuPay – Indian domestic card payment network by NPCI





Ques: India has extended OCI card eligibility in Sri Lanka up to which generation?

- A) 4th
- B) 5th
- C) 6th
- D) 7th
- E) 8th

Answer: C

Explanation:

- India has extended OCI (Overseas Citizen of India) card eligibility in Sri Lanka up to the sixth generation.
- The announcement was made by C. P. Radhakrishnan during his visit.
- Earlier, eligibility was limited to the fourth generation.
- OCI provides a lifelong, multiple-entry visa to persons of Indian origin.
- It allows them to live, work, and travel in India without a separate visa.
- This move strengthens ties with the Indian-origin community in Sri Lanka.

Static Part | :

- OCI – Overseas Citizen of India
- Type – Lifelong Visa Facility
- Eligibility – Persons of Indian Origin
- Benefit – Multiple entry, no separate visa required





Ques: How many industries are included in India's core infrastructure sector (Core Industries)?

- A) 6
- B) 7
- C) 8
- D) 9
- E) 10

Answer: C

Explanation:

- India's eight core infrastructure industries recorded a contraction of 0.4% in March.
- This marks the first decline in the last five months as per data released by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry.
- The eight core industries are: Coal, Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Refinery Products, Fertilizers, Steel, Cement, and Electricity.
- These industries together have a weight of 40.27% in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).
- Performance of core industries is a key indicator of overall industrial growth.

Static Part:

- IIP – Index of Industrial Production
- Base Year of IIP – 2011–12
- Released By – National Statistical Office (NSO)
- Ministry – Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
- IIP Measures – Industrial growth in manufacturing, mining, and electricity sectors





Ques: By how much has the Dearness Allowance (DA) been increased from January 2026?

- A) 1%
- B) 2%
- C) 3%
- D) 4%
- E) 5%

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The Union Cabinet chaired by Narendra Modi approved an additional instalment of DA and DR.
- The hike is effective from 1 January 2026.
- DA/DR has been increased by 2%, from 58% to 60% of Basic Pay/Pension.
- The increase aims to offset inflation and rising prices.
- Around 50.46 lakh employees and 68.27 lakh pensioners will benefit.
- The total financial burden on the government is about ₹6,791.24 crore per annum.
- The revision is based on the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission.

Static Part:

- Dearness Allowance (DA) – Allowance given to employees to offset inflation
- Dearness Relief (DR) – Similar benefit for pensioners
- 7th Pay Commission – Implemented in 2016
- Purpose – Adjust salary/pension with inflation





Ques: What is the name of the AI-powered chatbot launched by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) to verify official notices and prevent digital scams?

- A) Abhay
- B) Rakshak
- C) Suraksha
- D) Satark
- E) Jagruk

Answer: A

Explanation:

- The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) launched an AI-powered chatbot named “Abhay”.
- The chatbot helps citizens verify whether official notices are genuine or fake.
- It aims to reduce panic and protect people from digital scams and financial fraud.
- The initiative enhances cyber awareness and public safety.
- The chatbot was unveiled by Justice Surya Kant.

Static Part:

- CBI Established – 1963
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Parent Ministry – Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
- Motto – Industry, Impartiality, Integrity





Ques: When is the G20 satellite expected to be launched?

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

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The Indian Space Research Organisation Chairman V. Narayanan announced that the G20 satellite is expected to be launched in 2027.
- The satellite will study climate change, air pollution, and weather monitoring.
- India is leading this initiative for G20 countries.
- ISRO is also working on sending a human to the Moon by 2040.
- The mission highlights India's growing role in space technology and global cooperation.

Static Part:

- Organisation – Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
- Founded – 1969





Ques: The RELIEF scheme, recently expanded by the Government of India, is implemented through which organization?

- A) EXIM Bank
- B) ECGC
- C) NABARD
- D) SIDBI
- E) RBI

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The RELIEF (Resilience and Logistics Intervention for Export Facilitation) scheme is implemented through the Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India (ECGC).
- ECGC acts as the nodal agency for the scheme.
- The Government has expanded the scheme by including Egypt and Jordan among eligible countries.
- The scheme was launched on 19 March 2026 to support exporters affected by disruptions in the Gulf and West Asia maritime corridor.
- It covers consignments destined for or trans-shipped through countries like UAE, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Oman, Bahrain, Iraq, Iran, Israel, and Yemen.
- The scheme has a financial outlay of ₹497 crore under the Export Promotion Mission (EPM).

Static Part:

- ECGC Established – 1957
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Ministry – Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- Objective – Provide export credit insurance support





Ques: INS Nireekshak is primarily associated with which type of operations?

- A) Missile testing
- B) Diving & submarine rescue
- C) Air surveillance
- D) Cyber warfare
- E) Space missions

Answer: B

Explanation:

- INS Nireekshak is a Diving Support and Submarine Rescue Vessel of the Indian Navy.
- It arrived in Colombo, Sri Lanka to participate in the 4th India–Sri Lanka Joint Diving Exercise (IN-SLN DIVEX 2026).
- The exercise is conducted between the Indian Navy and Sri Lanka Navy.
- It focuses on specialised underwater operations and diving missions.
- The aim is to enhance interoperability, coordination, and exchange of best practices.
- The exercise is conducted for about one week.

Static Part:

- Indian Navy – Maritime arm of Indian Armed Forces
- Established – 1950





Ques: Who has been appointed as India's High Commissioner to Bangladesh, replacing Pranay Verma?

- A) Vinay Mohan Kwatra
- B) Ajay Bisaria
- C) Harsh Vardhan Shringla
- D) Taranjit Singh Sandhu
- E) Dinesh Trivedi

Answer: E

Explanation:

- Dinesh Trivedi has been appointed as India's High Commissioner to Bangladesh.
- He replaces Pranay Verma in this position.
- Pranay Verma has been appointed as India's Ambassador to Belgium and the European Union.
- Dinesh Trivedi is a former Union Railway Minister.
- He has also served as Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare.
- He was elected as a Member of Parliament from Barrackpore constituency.

Static Part:

- Bangladesh Capital – Dhaka
- Currency – Taka

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Ques: India's first 3D chip packaging plant is being set up in which city?

- A) Bengaluru
- B) Hyderabad
- C) Bhubaneswar
- D) Chennai
- E) Pune

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Mohan Charan Majhi and Ashwini Vaishnaw laid the foundation stone in Bhubaneswar.
- It is India's first advanced 3D chip packaging unit.
- The project is implemented by 3D Glass Solutions Inc.
- It will be executed through its Indian subsidiary Heterogeneous Integration Packaging Solutions Pvt Ltd.
- The plant will boost India's semiconductor manufacturing ecosystem.
- It is a major step towards high-tech manufacturing and electronics hub development.

Static Part:

- **State – Odisha**

- Capital – Bhubaneswar

Static Part:

- Capital – Bhubaneswar
- CM – Mohan Charan Majhi
- Governor – Hari Babu Kambhampati
- Mission – India Semiconductor Mission
- Sector – Electronics & Chip Manufacturing
- Importance – Reduces import dependency, boosts tech ecosystem





Ques: India's first greenfield integrated refinery-cum-petrochemical complex at Pachpadra is located in which state?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Andhra Pradesh
- D) Odisha
- E) Rajasthan

Answer: E

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi will dedicate India's first greenfield integrated refinery-cum-petrochemical complex at Pachpadra to the nation in Rajasthan.
- The project is a joint venture between Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) and the Government of Rajasthan.
- The total cost of the project is over ₹79,450 crore.
- The refinery has a capacity of 9 million metric tonnes per annum (MMTPA).
- It also includes a petrochemical production capacity of 2.4 MMTPA.
- The project will boost industrial development and employment in the region.

Static Part:

- Location – Pachpadra, Rajasthan
- Capacity – 9 MMTPA (Refinery)
- Petrochemical Capacity – 2.4 MMTPA
- Type – Greenfield Integrated Refinery-cum-Petrochemical Complex
- Rajasthan Capital – Jaipur
- Chief Minister – Bhajan Lal Sharma
- Governor – Haribhau Kisanrao Bagade
- HPCL Established – 1974





Ques: India and South Korea have set a target to increase bilateral trade to what amount by 2030?

- A) \$40 billion
- B) \$45 billion
- C) \$50 billion
- D) \$54 billion
- E) \$60 billion

Answer: D

Explanation:

- Lee Jae Myung visited New Delhi on a three-day visit to India.
- During the India-Korea Business Forum, both countries set a target to double bilateral trade.
- The target is to reach \$54 billion in bilateral trade by 2030.
- This initiative aims to strengthen economic ties between India and South Korea.

Static Part:

- South Korea Capital – Seoul
- Currency – South Korean Won





Ques: Four cheetahs brought to Bannerghatta Biological Park were imported from which country?

- A) Kenya
- B) Namibia
- C) South Africa
- D) Australia
- E) Brazil

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Four cheetahs (two males and two females) arrived at Bannerghatta Biological Park.
- The cheetahs were brought from Induna Primate and Parrot Park in South Africa.
- They arrived at Kempegowda International Airport under an approved animal exchange programme.
- The programme follows the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- The initiative aims to strengthen conservation efforts and improve genetic diversity.
- It also promotes visitor awareness and scientific research.
- The cheetahs were received by Eshwar Khandre.

Static Part:

- Location – Bannerghatta Biological Park, Karnataka
- Established – 2002
- Location – Bengaluru
- Wild Life Protection Act – 1972





Ques: The 'Surya Devbhoomi Challenge 2.0' expedition was flagged off from which place?

- A) Kedarnath Temple
- B) Badrinath Temple
- C) Tungnath Temple
- D) Rudranath Temple
- E) Kalpeshwar Temple

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Anil Chauhan flagged off the 'Surya Devbhoomi Challenge 2.0'.
- The expedition was inaugurated from Badrinath Temple.
- The event is organized by the Indian Army.
- The 113-kilometre expedition covers three sacred Kedars – Kalpeshwar, Rudranath, and Tungnath.
- The initiative promotes adventure, spirituality, and awareness of the Himalayan region.

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Ques: POSCO Group of South Korea has partnered with which Indian company to set up a steel plant in India?

- A) Tata Steel
- B) JSW Steel
- C) SAIL
- D) Jindal Steel
- E) Essar Steel

Answer: B

Explanation:

- POSCO Group has partnered with JSW Steel to set up a large steel plant in India.
- Both companies will form a 50:50 joint venture for this project.
- The total investment is about \$7.3 billion (approximately ₹60,000 crore).
- The integrated steel plant will be set up in Odisha with a capacity of 6 million tonnes per year.
- The project is expected to be completed by 2031.

Static Part:

- POSCO Established – 1968
- Headquarters – Pohang, South Korea
- JSW Steel Headquarters – Mumbai
- Odisha Capital – Bhubaneswar





Ques: Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary has been declared which Ramsar site of India?

- A) 95th
- B) 97th
- C) 98th
- D) 99th
- E) 100th

Answer: D

Explanation:

- Bhupender Yadav announced Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary as a Ramsar site.
- The sanctuary is located in Aligarh.
- This designation takes India's total Ramsar sites to 99.
- Uttar Pradesh now has a total of 12 Ramsar sites.
- The Ramsar tag helps in wetland conservation, biodiversity protection, and sustainable use.
- It also promotes local livelihoods, eco-tourism, and climate security.

Static Part:

- Ramsar Convention – International treaty for wetland conservation
- Year – 1971
- Place – Ramsar
- India Ramsar Sites – 99
- Uttar Pradesh Ramsar Sites – 12





Ques: Oscar Schmidt, who recently passed away, was associated with which sport?

- A) Basketball
- B) Football
- C) Tennis
- D) Volleyball
- E) Hockey

Answer: A

Explanation:

- Oscar Schmidt was a legendary basketball player from Brazil.
- He is regarded as one of the greatest scorers in the history of basketball.
- He represented Brazil in five Olympic Games and four World Cups.
- He was inducted into the FIBA Hall of Fame in 2010.
- His contribution made him an iconic figure in the sport.

Static Part:

- FIBA Full Form – International Basketball Federation
- FIBA Founded – 1932
- Headquarters – Mies, Switzerland
- Olympic Games First Held – 1896





Ques: World Creativity and Innovation Day is observed annually on which date?

- A) 18 April
- B) 20 April
- C) 21 April
- D) 22 April
- E) 23 April

Answer: C

Explanation:

- World Creativity and Innovation Day is observed every year on 21 April.
- It is designated by the United Nations.
- The day aims to raise awareness about the importance of creativity and innovation.
- It highlights their role in problem-solving and economic development.
- It encourages individuals and organizations to adopt innovative approaches.

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Ques: What is the theme of the RBI's 4th Global Hackathon "HaRBinger – Innovation for Transformation"?

- A) Digital Payments for All
- B) Secure Banking: Powered by Identity, Integrity, and Inclusivity
- C) Future of FinTech Innovation
- D) Inclusive Growth through Banking
- E) Smart Financial Ecosystem

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India launched the 4th edition of its Global Hackathon "HaRBinger – Innovation for Transformation".
- The theme of the hackathon is "Secure Banking: Powered by Identity, Integrity, and Inclusivity".
- The hackathon focuses on three key problem statements: Tokenised KYC, Offline CBDC, and Enhancing Trust.
- The initiative aims to promote innovation and strengthen the digital banking ecosystem.

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Ques: Who has been appointed as the part-time chairman of Bandhan Bank with approval from the Reserve Bank of India?

- A) Shaktikanta Das
- B) Debasish Panda
- C) Rajnish Kumar
- D) Atanu Chakraborty
- E) Amitabh Chaudhry

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Bandhan Bank received approval from Reserve Bank of India to appoint Debasish Panda as its part-time chairman.
- The appointment is for a tenure of 3 years, approved via an RBI letter dated April 22.
- In another development, Punjab National Bank partnered with fintech firm Kiwi.
- The partnership aims to introduce credit-enabled UPI payments.
- PNB will launch “PNB Kiwi Credit Card” on the RuPay network operated by National Payments Corporation of India.
- This initiative will benefit around 180 million customers and allow UPI payments through credit cards.
- It strengthens India’s digital payment ecosystem and expands credit usage via UPI.

Static Part:

- Bandhan Bank – Private Sector Bank
- Founded – 2015
- Headquarters – Kolkata
- Punjab National Bank – Public Sector Bank
- Founded – 1894
- Headquarters – New Delhi





Ques: Vibha Padalkar, whose tenure was recently extended, is the MD & CEO of which company?

- A) ICICI Prudential Life Insurance
- B) SBI Life Insurance
- C) Max Life Insurance
- D) HDFC Life Insurance
- E) LIC

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Vibha Padalkar's tenure as MD & CEO of HDFC Life Insurance has been extended for five more years.
- She was first appointed to this position in 2018.
- HDFC Life Insurance is one of India's leading private life insurance companies.
- The extension reflects the company's confidence in her leadership.

Static Part:

- HDFC Life Insurance
- Founded – 2000
- Headquarters – Mumbai, Maharashtra
- Sector – Life Insurance
- Regulator – Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India





Ques: Which AI company's model 'Mythos' is being reviewed by the Reserve Bank of India and global regulators for potential cybersecurity risks to the banking sector?

- A) OpenAI
- B) Google DeepMind
- C) Anthropic
- D) Meta AI
- E) Microsoft Copilot

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

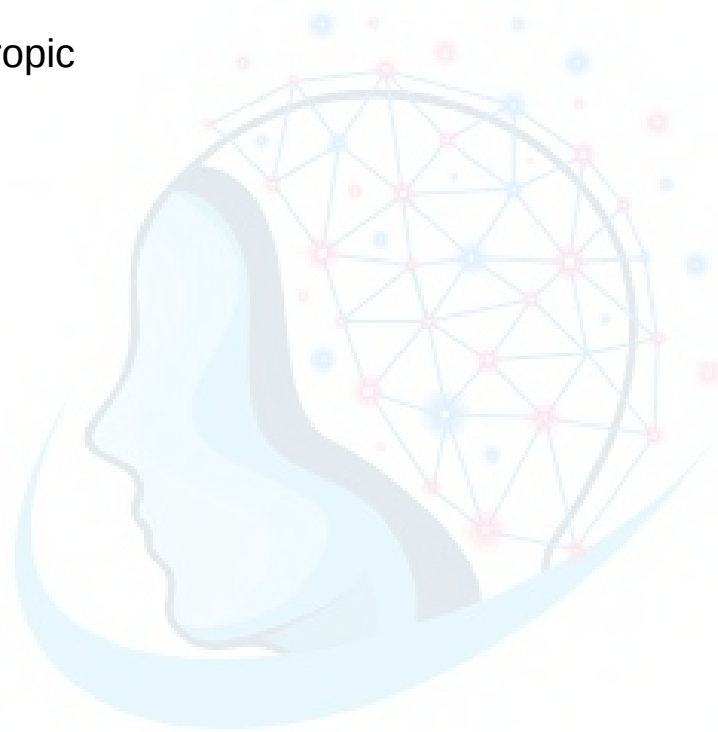
- Reserve Bank of India is in talks with global regulators, Indian banks, and government officials to assess risks from Anthropic's AI model 'Mythos'.
- Preliminary assessment suggests Mythos could increase cybersecurity risks by accelerating the discovery and exploitation of software vulnerabilities in financial systems.
- Regulators across Asia, Europe, and the US have warned banks to strengthen cyber defences and preparedness in response to Mythos developments.
- Japan's financial regulator plans discussions with banks, while Australia's central bank is closely monitoring developments.
- RBI may directly engage with Anthropic to better understand the model's capabilities and associated risks to India's financial ecosystem.
- Reserve Bank of India may directly engage with Anthropic to better understand the model's capabilities and associated risks to India's financial ecosystem.
- Anthropic is a US-based AI safety company founded in 2021 by former OpenAI researchers including Dario Amodei and Daniela Amodei.





Static Part:

- Regulator – Reserve Bank of India
- RBI Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- AI Model – Mythos
- Developed By – Anthropic



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Ques: SEBI has reduced the minimum investment in Social Impact Funds to what amount to promote accessibility through the Social Stock Exchange (SSE)?

- A) ₹10,000
- B) ₹5,000
- C) ₹2,000
- D) ₹1,000
- E) ₹500

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Securities and Exchange Board of India has reduced the minimum investment in Social Impact Funds from ₹2 lakh to ₹1,000.
- This step aims to make social investing accessible to common investors.
- The initiative is implemented through the Social Stock Exchange (SSE).
- SEBI has also enabled the use of Zero Coupon Zero Principal (ZCZP) instruments on SSE.
- ZCZP instruments help in transparent funding for social causes.
- SSE is a platform where NGOs and social enterprises can raise funds from the public.
- It is a separate segment of stock exchanges like Bombay Stock Exchange and National Stock Exchange of India and is regulated by SEBI.

Static Part:

- Securities and Exchange Board of India
- Established – 1988 (Statutory status in 1992)
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- SSE Purpose – Fundraising for social causes
- ZCZP Full Form – Zero Coupon Zero Principal





Ques: As per the Draft PPI Master Directions 2026 issued by Reserve Bank of India, what is the minimum net worth required for a non-bank PPI issuer at the time of seeking authorisation, and how much must it be scaled up to within three years?

- A) ₹2 crore → ₹10 crore
- B) ₹5 crore → ₹15 crore
- C) ₹10 crore → ₹25 crore
- D) ₹5 crore → ₹25 crore
- E) ₹15 crore → ₹25 crore

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India released Draft Master Directions on PPIs proposing stricter capital requirements for non-bank issuers and tighter norms for low-KYC wallets.
- Non-bank PPI issuers must have a minimum net worth of ₹5 crore at authorisation, to be increased to ₹15 crore by the end of the third financial year and maintained thereafter.
- Small PPIs (Minimum KYC): Only one wallet per customer, validity up to 2 years, no reissue after expiry, usable only for goods and services (no cash withdrawal or P2P transfer), and cash loading capped at ₹10,000 per month.
- Full-KYC PPIs: Balance limit of ₹2 lakh retained, P2P transfers capped at ₹25,000 per month, minimum validity of 1 year, and only one full-KYC PPI per holder.
- Issuers must keep PPI funds in a separate escrow account with a Scheduled Commercial Bank, used only for authorised PPI business.
- On inactivity or closure, remaining balance must be transferred back to the source or a verified bank account.

Static Part:

- Directions – Draft Master Directions on PPIs, 2026
- Issued By – Reserve Bank of India
- RBI Governor – Sanjay Malhotra





- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Announced – April 22, 2026
- PPI Full Form – Prepaid Payment Instrument
- Net Worth (At Authorisation) – ₹5 crore
- Net Worth (Within 3 Years) – ₹15 crore
- Small PPI – Max validity 2 years, only for goods/services, one per customer
- Small PPI Cash Loading – ₹10,000/month
- Small PPI Cash Loading – ₹10,000/month
- Small PPI Balance Cap – ₹10,000
- Full-KYC PPI Balance – ₹2 lakh
- Full-KYC P2P Transfer Cap – ₹25,000/month

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Ques: Who won the Laureus World Sportsman of the Year Award 2026?

- A) Novak Djokovic
- B) Carlos Alcaraz
- C) Lionel Messi
- D) Max Verstappen
- E) Rafael Nadal

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Carlos Alcaraz won the Laureus World Sportsman of the Year Award 2026 for his outstanding performance in tennis.
- Aryna Sabalenka won the World Sportswoman of the Year Award.
- Paris Saint-Germain was named World Team of the Year.
- Lando Norris won Breakthrough of the Year Award.
- Rory McIlroy received Comeback of the Year Award.
- Gabriel Araujo won Sportsperson of the Year with a Disability Award.
- Chloe Kim won Action Sportsperson of the Year Award.
- Lamine Yamal won Young Sportsperson of the Year Award.
- Toni Kroos received Sporting Inspiration Award.
- Nadia Comaneci received Lifetime Achievement Award.
- Futbol Mas won the Sport for Good Award.

Static Part:

- Event – Laureus World Sports Awards
- Started In – 2000
- Nature – Annual global sports awards





Ques: India's first dedicated alkaline battery manufacturing facility has been set up by Eveready Industries India Ltd. in which location?

- A) Chennai
- B) Mumbai
- C) Jammu
- D) Hyderabad
- E) Pune

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Eveready Industries India Ltd. has commissioned India's first dedicated alkaline battery manufacturing facility.
- The plant is located in Jammu.
- The project has been set up with an investment of around ₹200 crore.
- The facility has an annual peak production capacity of 360 million alkaline batteries.
- The company aims to capture around 25% market share in the alkaline battery segment within the next three years.
- The plant will reduce import dependence and strengthen domestic manufacturing capacity.

Static Part:

- Eveready Established – 1905
- Headquarters – Kolkata
- Alkaline Battery – Long-lasting battery used in electronic devices





Ques: The female black panther was recently released at which zoological park?

- A) Indira Gandhi Zoological Park
- B) Nehru Zoological Park
- C) Mysuru Zoo
- D) Alipore Zoo
- E) Nandankanan Zoo

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- A female black panther has been released at Indira Gandhi Zoological Park.
- This event took place after a gap of nearly four decades.
- The animal was brought under the Animal Exchange Programme from Assam State Zoo-cum-Botanical Garden.
- IGZP is the third largest zoo in India.
- The initiative helps in conservation, awareness, and biodiversity management.

Static Part:

- Andhra Pradesh Capital – Amaravati
- Chief Minister – N. Chandrababu Naidu
- Governor – Syed Abdul Nazeer





Ques: The book 'Sah-Saa' is authored by whom?

- A) Arundhati Roy
- B) Geetanjali Shree
- C) Sudha Murty
- D) Amish Tripathi
- E) Chetan Bhagat

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Geetanjali Shree is the author of the book Sah-Saa.
- She is a renowned Hindi writer and the first Indian author to win the International Booker Prize.
- Her writing is known for experimental narrative techniques and strong contemporary themes.
- Her famous work Tomb of Sand (Ret Samadhi) won the International Booker Prize in 2022.
- The new book reflects her unique literary voice and contribution to modern Hindi literature.

Static Part:

- Book – Sah-Saa
- Author – Geetanjali Shree
- Tomb of Sand – International Booker Prize Winner (2022)





Ques: Where is the Inaugural Women's T20I Challenge Trophy 2026 being held?

- A) Rwanda
- B) Italy
- C) Nepal
- D) USA
- E) Vanuatu

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- International Cricket Council has launched the Inaugural Women's T20I Challenge Trophy 2026 in Rwanda.
- It is a five-nation tournament aimed at promoting women's cricket among emerging nations.
- The participating teams are Rwanda, Italy, Nepal, USA, and Vanuatu.
- The matches are being played at Gahanga Cricket Stadium.
- The tournament follows a double round-robin format where each team plays every other team twice.
- Vanuatu started their campaign against host nation Rwanda on April 19.

Static Part:

- International Cricket Council
- Established – 1909
- Headquarters – Dubai, UAE
- Rwanda Capital – Kigali
- T20 Format – 20 overs per side





Ques: The Sugarcane (Control) Order, 2026 aims to replace which year's regulation?

- A) 1956
- B) 1966
- C) 1976
- D) 1986
- E) 1991

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Government of India has released a draft Sugarcane (Control) Order, 2026 to replace the existing 1966 regulation.
- Ethanol has been formally included, where 600 litres of ethanol is treated as equivalent to 1 tonne of sugar.
- The minimum distance between sugar mills is fixed at 25 km with stricter regulatory provisions.
- The draft introduces API-based digital reporting to enhance transparency, compliance, and monitoring.
- Khandsari units are brought under regulation and must comply with Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) norms.
- The reform aims to modernize the sugar sector, improve efficiency, and promote ethanol production.





Ques: Who will become the next Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Apple from September 1, 2026?

- A) Tim Cook
- B) Sundar Pichai
- C) Craig Federighi
- D) Satya Nadella
- E) John Ternus

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- Apple Inc. announced that John Ternus will become the next CEO effective from September 1, 2026.
- He will become the eighth CEO of Apple.
- Tim Cook will transition to the role of Executive Chairman of Apple's Board of Directors.
- This leadership change marks a significant transition in Apple's management.
- Apple is a leading multinational technology company known for products like iPhone, iPad, and Mac.

Static Part:

- Apple Inc.
- Founded – April 1, 1976
- Headquarters – California, USA
- Co-founders – Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak, Ronald Wayne





Ques: The Goldman Environmental Prize is popularly known by which nickname?

- A) Blue Planet Award
- B) Earth Hero Award
- C) Green Nobel Prize
- D) Global Climate Award
- E) Eco Leadership Award

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Goldman Environmental Prize is popularly known as the “Green Nobel Prize” for its prestige in environmental activism.
- In 2026, the award made history as all six winners were women for the first time.
- Africa (Nigeria): Iroro Tanshi protected Afi Mountain Wildlife Sanctuary and saved endangered bats.
- Asia (South Korea): Borim Kim secured a landmark youth-led constitutional climate victory.
- Europe (UK): Sarah Finch won a Supreme Court ruling on the climate impact of fossil fuel projects.
- Islands (Papua New Guinea): Theonila Roka Matbob led action against environmental damage from the Panguna mine.
- North America (USA): Alannah Acaq Hurley led efforts to stop a major mining project in Alaska.
- South & Central America (Colombia): Yuvelis Morales Blanco campaigned against fracking in the Magdalena River region.
- The award highlights grassroots environmental leadership and growing participation of women in climate activism.

Static Part:

- Goldman Environmental Prize





- Established – 1989
- Awarded By – Goldman Environmental Foundation
- Known As – Green Nobel Prize
- Categories – 6 Regions (Africa, Asia, Europe, Islands, North America, South & Central America)



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Ques: India's "Samriddh Gram Initiative" has been nominated for WSIS Prizes 2026 under which category?

- A) Enabling Environment
- B) ICT Applications
- C) Digital Innovation
- D) E-Governance
- E) Capacity Building

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- India's "Samriddh Gram Initiative" has been nominated for the WSIS Prizes 2026 under the "Enabling Environment" category.
- The initiative has been launched by the Department of Telecommunications under the BharatNet Project.
- It aims to promote rural digital development across India.
- The WSIS Forum 2026 will be held from 6–10 July 2026 in Geneva.
- The initiative follows a "phygital" model (physical + digital).
- It operates through Samriddhi Kendras, which act as one-stop service centres in villages.
- These Kendras provide services like telemedicine, digital education, agricultural advisory, e-governance services, financial inclusion, and e-commerce access.
- Jyotiraditya Scindia inaugurated the first Samriddhi Kendra in Umri village, Guna district, Madhya Pradesh.
- The initiative is being implemented in selected villages across India including Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Andhra Pradesh.

Static Part:

- WSIS Full Form – World Summit on the Information Society
- Organized By – International Telecommunication Union
- Established – 1865
- Headquarters – Geneva, Switzerland





Ques: Under the Tobacco and Vapes Bill, which group is banned from buying tobacco products?

- A) Born after 2005
- B) Born after 2007
- C) Born on or after 1 Jan 2009
- D) Born after 2010
- E) All adults

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The UK Parliament has passed the Tobacco and Vapes Bill to curb smoking and nicotine use.
- The law bans the sale of tobacco products to individuals born on or after January 1, 2009.
- The legal age for buying tobacco will increase by one year every year, creating a smoke-free generation.
- The law also tightens regulations on vaping products, especially for individuals under 18 years.
- It restricts advertising, display, free distribution, and discounting of tobacco and nicotine products.
- The aim is to reduce smoking rates and prevent addiction among youth.
- Smoking causes around 64,000 deaths annually in the UK and leads to about 4 lakh hospital admissions.
- It also costs around £3 billion annually to the National Health Service.

Static Part:

- Country – United Kingdom
- Parliament – UK Parliament
- Capital – London
- Currency – Pound Sterling (£)
- NHS – National Health Service





Ques: Who won the men's title at the HCL Squash PSA Challenger Tour held in Chennai?

- A) Suraj Kumar Chand
- B) Jeongmin Ryu
- C) Saurav Ghosal
- D) Harinder Pal Sandhu
- E) Abhay Singh

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Suraj Kumar Chand won the men's title at the HCL Squash PSA Challenger Tour held in Chennai.
- He defeated Jeongmin Ryu in the final.
- The match was played at the Indian Squash Academy.
- This is Suraj Kumar Chand's fourth PSA Tour title.
- In the women's final, Ruqaiya Othman defeated Harleen Tan.
- Squash is set to make its Olympic debut at the Los Angeles 2028 Olympics.

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Ques: World Earth Day is observed annually on which date?

- A) 21 April
- B) 22 April
- C) 23 April
- D) 24 April
- E) 25 April

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Earth Day is celebrated every year on 22 April to promote environmental awareness.
- The theme for 2026 is “Our Power, Our Planet,” emphasizing collective responsibility to protect the Earth.
- In New Delhi, the National Science Centre organized lectures and quiz competitions.
- A special lecture on Antarctic exploration was delivered by Amitava Sen Gupta.
- The initiative aims to spread awareness about environmental protection and sustainability.

Static Part:

- Earth Day
- First Celebrated – 1970
- Founder – Gaylord Nelson
- Purpose – Environmental protection awareness





Ques: World Art Day (WAD) is observed annually on which date?

- A) April 10
- B) April 12
- C) April 15
- D) April 18
- E) April 21

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World Art Day is observed every year on April 15.
- The 2026 theme is “A Garden of Expression: Cultivating Community through Art.”
- The day promotes awareness about the importance of art in society and cultural development.
- It encourages creativity, diversity, and artistic expression across the world.
- World Art Day was officially recognized in 2019 by UNESCO.

Static Part:

- UNESCO
- Established – 1945
- Headquarters – Paris, France
- World Heritage Day – 18 April
- International Museum Day – 18 May





Ques: The tenure of MD & CEO of which banks has been extended by 3 years recently?

- A) SBI & PNB
- B) BoB & BoI
- C) Canara Bank & UCO Bank
- D) ICICI & HDFC
- E) Axis & IDBI

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Central Government has extended the tenure of MD & CEOs of Bank of Baroda and Bank of India by 3 years.
- Debadatta Chand (BoB) and Rajneesh Karnatak (BoI) will continue in their respective roles.
- The extension for Rajneesh Karnatak is effective from April 29, 2026.
- The extension for Debadatta Chand is effective from July 1, 2026.
- The decision aims to ensure leadership continuity and stability in public sector banks.

Static Part:

- Bank of Baroda HQ – Vadodara
- Bank of India HQ – Mumbai
- Tenure Extension – 3 years
- BoB MD & CEO – Debadatta Chand
- BoI MD & CEO – Rajneesh Karnatak





Ques: As per RBI's "Digital Payments – E-mandate Framework, 2026", recurring transactions above what amount require additional authentication?

- A) ₹15,000
- B) ₹10,000
- C) ₹5,000
- D) ₹50,000
- E) ₹1,00,000

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India issued consolidated guidelines titled "Digital Payments – E-mandate Framework, 2026".
- These norms apply to all payment system providers handling recurring payments through cards, prepaid payment instruments, and UPI.
- Customers must complete a one-time registration process with Additional Factor of Authentication (AFA).
- Recurring transactions exceeding ₹15,000 require additional authentication.
- However, transactions up to ₹1 lakh are allowed without additional authentication in specific categories like insurance premiums, mutual funds, and credit card bill payments.
- Issuers must specify validity period and allow users to modify or withdraw mandates anytime.
- Advance alerts are mandatory at least 24 hours before debit, except for FASTag and NCMC auto-replenishment.
- No charges can be levied for availing e-mandate services.





Ques: Who has been appointed as Executive Director (ED) of AU Small Finance Bank?

- A) Sanjay Malhotra
- B) Vivek Tripathi
- C) Amitabh Chaudhry
- D) Shyam Srinivasan
- E) Rajnish Kumar

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India approved the appointment of Vivek Tripathi as Executive Director (ED) of AU Small Finance Bank.
- The appointment is for a period of three years.
- He will also serve as a Whole-time Director (WTD) of the bank.
- He is currently serving as Chief Credit Officer (CCO) and has been associated with the bank since 2014.
- The appointment will be effective from April 24, 2026, subject to shareholder approval.

Static Part:

- RBI Established – 1935
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- AU Small Finance Bank HQ – Jaipur





Ques: Export-Import Bank of India has extended a \$100 million loan to which organization?

- A) African Development Bank
- B) World Bank
- C) Africa Finance Corporation
- D) International Monetary Fund
- E) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Export-Import Bank of India has extended a \$100 million (approx ₹830 crore) loan to Africa Finance Corporation.
- The loan will support AFC's mandate to accelerate development of critical infrastructure and industrial assets across Africa.
- Africa Finance Corporation (AFC) is a leading infrastructure solutions provider in Africa.

Static Part:

- Africa Finance Corporation Founded – 2007
- Headquarters – Lagos, Nigeria
- EXIM Bank of India Established – 1982
- Headquarters – Mumbai





Ques: What was the value of India's seafood exports in FY 2025–26?

- A) ₹60,000 crore
- B) ₹65,000 crore
- C) ₹70,000 crore
- D) ₹72,325 crore
- E) ₹75,000 crore

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India's seafood exports reached an all-time high of ₹72,325.82 crore (US\$ 8.28 billion) in FY 2025–26, as per Marine Products Export Development Authority data.
- The total export volume stood at 19.32 lakh metric tonnes.
- Frozen shrimp was the largest contributor with exports worth ₹47,973 crore, accounting for over two-thirds of total exports.
- The United States remained the largest export destination, though exports declined due to tariffs.
- Strong growth was observed in China, European Union, and Southeast Asian markets, indicating diversification.
- This reflects India's growing strength and competitiveness in the global seafood export sector.





Ques: The advanced satellite imaging system 'Prajna' has been developed by which organization?

- A) ISRO
- B) DRDO
- C) BEL
- D) HAL
- E) BARC

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The advanced satellite imaging system 'Prajna' has been developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation.
- The system has been handed over to the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- It has been developed by DRDO's specialised lab, Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics.
- The system enables efficient monitoring of critical and sensitive areas.
- It helps in tracking suspicious movements and supports counter-terrorism operations.
- It will also strengthen border management by enabling faster decision-making.

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Ques: The Salween River (Thanlwin), recently in news due to arsenic contamination, flows through which countries?

- A) India, China, Nepal
- B) China, Myanmar, Thailand
- C) Bangladesh, Myanmar, Thailand
- D) India, Myanmar, Laos
- E) China, Vietnam, Cambodia

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Salween River flows through China, Myanmar, and Thailand.
- It is one of Asia's longest free-flowing rivers with a length of about 3,300 km.
- Independent tests since September 2025 found arsenic contamination, especially in Myanmar and Thailand, exceeding safety limits.
- The contamination levels were reported up to five times higher than standards set by the World Health Organization.
- The main cause is suspected to be unregulated mining activities in Shan State of Myanmar.
- The issue poses serious risks to over one million people dependent on the river for drinking water and livelihood.





Ques: OmegaBall, recently introduced in India by IIT Madras, is related to which sport format?

- A) Football
- B) Basketball
- C) Cricket
- D) Hockey
- E) Volleyball

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Indian Institute of Technology Madras has introduced a new sport called OmegaBall.
- It is an innovative three-team Football format.
- The game is played on a circular field with three goals.
- All three teams play simultaneously, creating continuous action.
- Each team attacks two goals while defending one.
- Total players are 15, with 5 players in each team.

Static Part:

- IIT Madras Established – 1959
- Location – Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- Football Governing Body – FIFA





Ques: What is India's wind energy capacity target by 2030?

- A) 50 GW
- B) 75 GW
- C) 100 GW
- D) 150 GW
- E) 200 GW

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- According to Suzlon Energy, India is on track to achieve 100 GW wind energy capacity by 2030.
- Wind power demand is expected to reach around 107 GW in the next five years.
- India added a record 6.3 GW of wind capacity in 2025, showing strong growth momentum.
- The growth is driven by demand from state utilities and industrial consumers.
- India also aims to achieve a broader target of 500 GW clean energy capacity by 2030.
- This progress supports India's transition toward sustainable and renewable energy sources.





Ques: Aronyak Ghosh, who recently became India's 95th Grandmaster, is associated with which sport?

- A) Badminton
- B) Chess
- C) Table Tennis
- D) Shooting
- E) Boxing

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Aronyak Ghosh achieved the prestigious Grandmaster (GM) title, becoming India's 95th Grandmaster.
- He achieved this milestone at the Bangkok Chess Club Open 2026.
- He belongs to West Bengal.
- Grandmaster (GM) is the highest title awarded by FIDE.
- To become a GM, a player must achieve a FIDE rating of 2500 or above.
- A player must also earn 3 GM norms through strong performances in international tournaments.

Static Part:

- FIDE Established – 1924
- Headquarters – Lausanne, Switzerland





Ques: What is the historic milestone achieved by the Atal Pension Yojana on April 21, 2026, and what were the gross enrolments recorded in FY 2025–26?

- A) 7 crore total; 1.10 crore in FY26
- B) 8 crore total; 1.25 crore in FY26
- C) 9 crore total; 1.35 crore in FY26
- D) 10 crore total; 1.50 crore in FY26
- E) 9 crore total; 1.10 crore in FY26

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Atal Pension Yojana crossed 9 crore total gross enrolments on April 21, 2026, marking a historic milestone.
- During FY 2025–26, enrolments exceeded 1.35 crore — the highest ever recorded in a single financial year.
- The scheme provides a 'Sampurna Suraksha Kavach' with triple benefits: guaranteed pension (₹1,000–₹5,000 after 60), spouse pension, and corpus return to nominee.
- It is administered by Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority.
- The scheme is open to Indian citizens aged 18–40 years (excluding income taxpayers) and is implemented via banks and the Department of Posts.

Static Part:

- Scheme – Atal Pension Yojana (APY)
- Launch Date – May 9, 2015
- Administered By – Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)
- Ministry – Ministry of Finance
- Historic Milestone – 9 crore+ enrolments (April 21, 2026)
- FY 2025–26 Enrolments – 1.35 crore
- Pension Range – ₹1,000–₹5,000/month
- Eligibility – 18–40 years
- PFRDA Chairman – Sivasubramanian Ramann





Ques: 'In Which Annie Gives It Those Ones' screenplay was written by whom?

- A) Arundhati Roy
- B) Shashi Tharoor
- C) Vikram Seth
- D) Ruskin Bond
- E) Chetan Bhagat

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The screenplay of In Which Annie Gives It Those Ones was written by Arundhati Roy.
- The film was released in 1989 and directed by Pradip Krishen.
- It is based on the lives of architecture students at the School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), Delhi.
- The screenplay won the National Film Award for Best Screenplay.
- The film is known for its satirical and realistic portrayal of student life.

Static Part:

- Author – Arundhati Roy
- Release Year – 1989
- Director – Pradip Krishen
- Award – National Film Award (Best Screenplay)





Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Andhra Pradesh High Court?

- A) Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur
- B) Justice Lisa Gill
- C) Justice Sanjiv Khanna
- D) Justice Hima Kohli
- E) Justice B. R. Gavai

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The President of India has appointed Justice Lisa Gill as the Chief Justice of the Andhra Pradesh High Court.
- She succeeds Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur.
- Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur retired on April 24, 2026.
- The appointment is made under constitutional provisions related to the judiciary.

Static Part:

- Andhra Pradesh High Court Location – Amaravati
- Chief Justice of India – Sanjiv Khanna
- Appointment Authority – President of India
- Article 217 – Appointment of High Court Judges





Ques: What is the monthly stipend provided to interns under the PM Internship Scheme (PMIS) in its third round, and what percentage is funded by the government?

- A) ₹5,000 — 80% by Govt
- B) ₹6,000 — 90% by Govt
- C) ₹9,000 — 90% by Govt
- D) ₹9,000 — 100% by Govt
- E) ₹12,000 — 75% by Govt

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Under the PM Internship Scheme, the monthly stipend in the third round has been increased to ₹9,000.
- Out of this, 90% is funded by the government and 10% is contributed by the company.
- Additionally, interns receive a one-time financial assistance of ₹6,000.
- The scheme is implemented under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- Eligibility has been expanded to include final-year UG and PG students with a No Objection Certificate (NOC).
- The scheme targets 1 crore internship opportunities in top 500 companies over five years for youth aged 18–25 years.
- Internship duration has been reduced to 6–9 months from earlier 1 year.
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- Interns are covered under Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana for insurance protection.

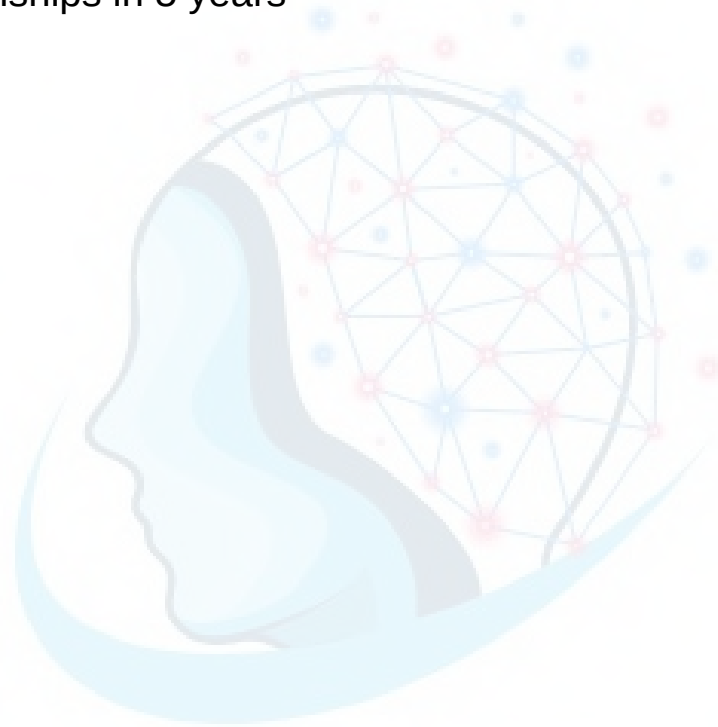
Static Part:

- Scheme – PM Internship Scheme (PMIS)
- Ministry – Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- Current Round – 3rd (Pilot)





- Monthly Stipend – ₹9,000
- One-Time Assistance – ₹6,000
- Govt Share – 90%
- Company Share – 10%
- Eligibility – 18–25 years + Final-year UG/PG (with NOC)
- Duration – 6–9 months
- Target – 1 crore internships in 5 years



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Ques: Who has been awarded the 9th Prof. M.S. Swaminathan Award?

- A) Dr. Ramesh Chand
- B) Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao
- C) Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra
- D) Dr. Himanshu Pathak
- E) Dr. S. Ayyappan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The 9th Prof. M.S. Swaminathan Award has been conferred on Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao.
- He is the Director and Vice-Chancellor of the Indian Agricultural Research Institute.
- The award carries a cash prize of ₹2 lakh.
- The award ceremony was held in Hyderabad.
- The award is significant as it marks the 100th birth anniversary of M. S. Swaminathan.

Static Part:

- M. S. Swaminathan – Father of Green Revolution in India
- IARI Established – 1905
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Green Revolution Period – 1960s





Ques: When was the last India-Africa Forum Summit held before IAFS-IV (2026)?

- A) 2010
- B) 2012
- C) 2015
- D) 2018
- E) 2020

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India-Africa Forum Summit IV will be hosted by India in New Delhi from May 28–31, 2026.
- The previous India-Africa Forum Summit III was held in 2015, creating a gap of 10 years before the 2026 edition.
- The theme of IAFS-IV is “IA SPIRIT: India-Africa Strategic Partnership for Innovation, Resilience, and Inclusive Transformation.”
- The summit aims to strengthen ties with the African Union and enhance cooperation.
- Focus areas include capacity building, development partnership, and strategic engagement.

Static Part:

- Last Summit – 2015
- Edition – 4th IAFS





Ques: Nadenla Bhaskara Rao, who recently passed away, was associated with which position?

- A) Governor of Andhra Pradesh
- B) Chief Minister of united Andhra Pradesh
- C) Speaker of Lok Sabha
- D) Chief Justice of India
- E) Union Home Minister

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Nadendla Bhaskara Rao was the former Chief Minister of united Andhra Pradesh.
- He served as the 11th Chief Minister in 1984.
- He was a lawyer by profession.
- He played an important role in the political history of Andhra Pradesh.

Static Part:

- Andhra Pradesh Capital – Amaravati
- Formation of Andhra Pradesh – 1956
- Governor (Andhra Pradesh) – S. Abdul Nazeer
- High Court Location – Amaravati





Ques: When will the 9th edition of India International Water Week (IIWW-2026) be held?

- A) 10–15 September 2026
- B) 15–20 September 2026
- C) 20–25 September 2026
- D) 22–26 September 2026
- E) 25–30 September 2026

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Ministry of Jal Shakti will organize the 9th edition of India International Water Week 2026.
- It will be held from 22nd to 26th September 2026 at Bharat Mandapam.
- The theme is “Climate Resilient Water Management.”
- C. R. Patil, Union Minister of Jal Shakti, launched IIWW-2026 in New Delhi.
- The Second International Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Conference-2026 will also be held from 22nd to 24th September 2026 as part of the event.

Static Part:

- Ministry of Jal Shakti Formed – 2019
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Key Focus – Water resource management and sanitation





Ques: RBI imposed a ₹41.8 lakh penalty on which bank for KYC-related violations?

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

Answer: A) Bandhan Bank

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India imposed a ₹41.8 lakh penalty on Bandhan Bank for non-compliance with KYC norms.
- Violations included failure to follow Know Your Customer (KYC) guidelines.
- The bank did not conduct periodic reviews of risk categorisation of accounts and sanctioned director-related loans.
- RBI also imposed a ₹80,000 penalty on Muthoot Housing Finance Company for violating Fair Practice Code norms.
- These actions highlight the importance of strict compliance with banking regulations.

Static:

- RBI Established – 1935
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Function – Regulator of Banking System





Ques: For how many years has B Ramesh Babu been re-appointed as MD & CEO of Karur Vysya Bank?

- A) 1 year
- B) 2 years
- C) 3 years
- D) 4 years
- E) 5 years

Answer: B) 2 years

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Reserve Bank of India approved the re-appointment of B Ramesh Babu.

- He will continue as MD & CEO of Karur Vysya Bank.
- This is his third term in the position.
- The tenure is for 2 years.
- The new term will be effective from July 29, 2026.
- RBI approved the re-appointment on April 24, 2026.
- The announcement was made to stock exchanges by the bank.

Static:

- RBI Established – 1935
- Established – 1 April 1935
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Karur Vysya Bank – Founded 1916
- Headquarters – Karur, Tamil Nadu





Ques: RBI cancelled the licence of Paytm Payments Bank under which Act?

- A) RBI Act, 1934
- B) Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- C) Companies Act, 2013
- D) FEMA, 1999
- E) Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007

Answer: B) Banking Regulation Act, 1949

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India cancelled the banking licence of Paytm Payments Bank Limited on April 24, 2026.
- The action was taken under Section 22(4) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- The bank was found non-compliant with licensing conditions and regulatory norms.
- PPBL is now prohibited from conducting banking business.
- RBI will initiate the process for winding up of the bank.

Static:

- RBI Established – 1935
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Banking Regulation Act – 1949





Ques: What initiative was launched by FM Nirmala Sitharaman on SEBI's 38th Foundation Day?

- A) Mission Suraksha
- B) Mission Vikas
- C) Mission Jagrook
- D) Mission Nivesh
- E) Mission Digital

Answer: C) Mission Jagrook

Explanation:

- Nirmala Sitharaman addressed the 38th Foundation Day of Securities and Exchange Board of India in Mumbai.
- She launched SEBI's nationwide investor awareness initiative "Mission Jagrook".
- She highlighted cybersecurity as the most pressing challenge for financial markets.
- A single major cyberattack can disrupt markets, erode wealth, and reduce public trust.
- AI-driven tools are making cyberattacks more adaptive, scalable, and autonomous.
- Threats include system vulnerabilities, supply chain attacks, and coordinated real-time intrusions.
- SEBI's Cybersecurity & Cyber Resilience Framework (April 2025) provides a strong base.
- SEBI's Data Analytics & Digital Forensics Lab uses AI/ML models to detect frauds.
- She praised "SEBI Check", which helps investors verify payment details of intermediaries.
- She raised concern over fake investment apps/videos using deepfake AI on social media.
- Emphasised need for public awareness campaigns and rapid takedown mechanisms.
- Advocated soft-touch regulation and public consultation for better governance.
- Public consultation was proposed in Union Budget 2023 for regulatory improvement.





Ques: What is the projected size of India's bio-economy by 2047?

- A) \$300 billion
- B) \$500 billion
- C) \$750 billion
- D) \$1 trillion
- E) \$2 trillion

Answer: D) \$1 trillion

Explanation:

- Jitendra Singh stated that India's bio-economy will reach \$1 trillion by 2047.
- He addressed an international conference at IIT Roorkee.
- India is moving towards full-spectrum technological capability (gene to qubit, ocean to space).
- The BioE3 Policy (2024) focuses on Biotechnology for Economy, Environment, and Employment.
- India's bio-economy has grown from \$10 billion (2014) to over \$165 billion today.
- Target: \$300 billion by 2030.
- This aligns with Vision 2047 – Developed India (Viksit Bharat).

Static:

- Bio-Economy – Economy based on biological resources & biotechnology
- BioE3 Policy – Biotechnology for Economy, Environment & Employment
- Vision 2047 – India's long-term development goal
- IIT Roorkee – One of India's premier engineering institutes





Ques: The Government of India has set a target of what percentage blending of Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) in Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) by 2030?

- A) 2%
- B) 3%
- C) 5%
- D) 7%
- E) 10%

Answer: C) 5%

Explanation:

- The Government of India has allowed blending of ethanol and synthetic hydrocarbons in Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF).
- **The SAF blending targets are:**
 - 1% by 2027
 - 2% by 2028
 - 5% by 2030
- These targets are currently applicable only for international flights.
- No blending targets have been set for domestic flights yet.
- Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) is made from non-petroleum sources such as ethanol.
- SAF is similar to conventional jet fuel but produces lower carbon emissions.

Static:

- ATF Full Form – Aviation Turbine Fuel
- SAF Full Form – Sustainable Aviation Fuel





- SAF Objective – Reduce carbon emissions in aviation sector
- Ethanol – Biofuel produced from biomass
- India's Net Zero Target – 2070



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Ques: What is the toll-free helpline number launched for Census 2027?

- A) 1800
- B) 1855
- C) 1950
- D) 112
- E) 1075

Answer: B) 1855

Explanation:

- Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India launched the toll-free helpline number 1855 for Census 2027.
- The helpline is operational across all States and Union Territories.
- It provides guidance on house listing and housing census in regional languages as well as English.
- The initiative aims to simplify participation and assist citizens in the census process.

Static:

- Registrar General of India Established – 1949
- Conducts – Census of India





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Chairperson of NASSCOM?

- A) Srikanth Velamakanni
- B) Rajesh Nambiar
- C) Sindhu Gangadharan
- D) Kishor Patil
- E) Nandan Nilekani

Answer: A) Srikanth Velamakanni

Explanation:

- Srikanth Velamakanni has been appointed as the new Chairperson of NASSCOM.
- He is the Co-founder and Group CEO of Fractal Analytics.
- He succeeds Sindhu Gangadharan, whose tenure ended in April.
- Kishor Patil has been appointed as the Vice Chairperson of NASSCOM.
- NASSCOM stands for National Association of Software and Service Companies.

Static:

- NASSCOM Formation – 1 March 1988
- Headquarters – Noida, Uttar Pradesh
- President – Rajesh Nambiar
- Role – Apex body of India's IT and BPM industry





Ques: Who has been appointed as the new Vice Chairman of NITI Aayog?

- A) Rajiv Gauba
- B) Ashok Kumar Lahiri
- C) Suman K. Bery
- D) Abhay Karandikar
- E) K. V. Raju

Answer: B) Ashok Kumar Lahiri

Explanation:

- The Government of India reconstituted NITI Aayog.
- Ashok Kumar Lahiri has been appointed as the new Vice Chairman.
- He replaces Suman K. Bery.
- New full-time members include Rajiv Gauba, K. V. Raju, Gobardhan Das, M. Srinivas, and Abhay Karandikar.
- Narendra Modi highlighted NITI Aayog's role in policy-making and reforms.
- It promotes cooperative federalism, innovation, and long-term strategy.

Static:

- NITI Aayog – National Institution for Transforming India
- Established – 1 January 2015
- Head – Prime Minister of India





Ques: Akashvani @90 Signature Tune Contest is launched with which theme?

- A) Digital India Music
- B) Voice of Culture
- C) Akashvani @90 – The New Rhythm of Bharat
- D) Music for Nation
- E) Cultural Harmony

Answer: C) Akashvani @90 – The New Rhythm of Bharat

Explanation:

- Akashvani (under Prasar Bharati) in collaboration with MyGov launched the Signature Tune-Making Contest.
- The theme is “Akashvani @90 – The New Rhythm of Bharat”.
- Objective: Create instrumental signature tunes for various Akashvani programmes.
- Duration: 20–40 seconds; instrumental only (no vocals).
- Format: Studio-quality MP3 or WAV (minimum 128 kbps, 44.1 kHz).
- Judging criteria: Atmospheric suitability, instrumental excellence, and versatility.
- Prize Money: ₹30,000 (1st), ₹20,000 (2nd), ₹10,000 (3rd) + consolation prizes.

Static:

- Prasar Bharati Established – 1997
- Akashvani (All India Radio) Established – 1936
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- MyGov Launch Year – 2014





Ques: Pakistan is set to become the first country to send its astronaut to which space station under China's programme?

- A) International Space Station
- B) Mir Space Station
- C) Lunar Gateway
- D) Skylab
- E) Tiangong Space Station

Answer: E) Tiangong Space Station

Explanation:

- China selected Muhammad Zeeshan Ali and Khurram Daud as its first batch of foreign astronauts.
- The selection was announced by the China Manned Space Agency.
- They will undergo training in China as reserve astronauts.
- One of them will participate in a mission to the Tiangong Space Station as a payload specialist.
- Pakistan will become the first country to send a citizen onboard Tiangong as a crew participant.

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Static:

- Shanghai Cooperation Organisation Headquarters – Beijing
- Members – India, China, Russia, Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Iran, Belarus
- Capital of Kyrgyzstan – Bishkek





Ques: Which city will host the 13th World Para Athletics Championships in 2027?

- A) Doha
- B) Dubai
- C) Kobe
- D) Tashkent
- E) New Delhi

Answer: D) Tashkent

Explanation:

- The 13th World Para Athletics Championships will be held in Tashkent in June 2027.
- The event will take place at the Olympic City Main Stadium.
- This will be the first time the championships are hosted in Central Asia.
- It highlights the growing role of Uzbekistan in international sports.
- Previous Asian hosts include Doha (2015), Dubai (2019), Kobe (2024), and New Delhi (2025).

Static:

- World Para Athletics – Governing body under IPC
- International Paralympic Committee Founded – 1989
- Headquarters – Bonn





Ques: India's first fully integrated Agricultural Intelligence System has been launched by which institute?

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

Answer: C) IIT Ropar

Explanation:

- Indian Institute of Technology Ropar has launched India's first fully integrated Agricultural Intelligence Ecosystem.
- The system integrates AI, IoT, climate data, and multilingual advisory services into a single platform.
- It includes advanced weather stations, Krishi intelligence call centres, and AI-based chat engine (ACE).
- The platform provides real-time insights for irrigation, pest control, crop planning, and risk management.
- It aims to improve farm productivity, reduce risks, and enable data-driven decision-making for farmers.





Ques: General Upendra Dwivedi was inducted into the International Hall of Fame at which institution?

- A) US Army War College
- B) National Defence Academy
- C) Pentagon
- D) West Point Academy
- E) Naval War College

Answer: A) US Army War College

Explanation:

- Upendra Dwivedi, Chief of Army Staff, was inducted into the International Hall of Fame.
- The honour was conferred at the US Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, USA.
- He is the third Indian Army Chief to receive this honour.
- Earlier recipients include V. K. Singh and Bikram Singh.
- He addressed faculty and international officers on leadership and security dynamics.
- He also participated in academic discussions and military engagements.
- The visit highlights strong India–US defence cooperation.





Ques: Which district ranked first in the National Nutrition Fortnight (Poshan Pakhwada) 2026 awareness campaign?

- A) Pune
- B) Nagpur
- C) Ahilyanagar
- D) Nashik
- E) Mumbai

Answer: C) Ahilyanagar

Explanation:

- Ahilyanagar secured 1st rank in the National Nutrition Fortnight (Poshan Pakhwada) 2026 awareness campaign.
- Pune ranked 2nd.
- The campaign is implemented by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.
- It was part of the 8th National Nutrition Fortnight (Poshan Pakhwada).
- Focus: Awareness on nutrition and child development.
- Theme 2026: “Brain Development in the First Six Years of a Child’s Life.”

Static:

- Poshan Pakhwada – Annual nutrition awareness campaign
- Ministry of Women and Child Development – Established in 2006
- POSHAN Abhiyaan – Launched in 2018





Ques: Shiv Ratan Agarwal, who recently passed away, was the founder of which company?

- A) Haldiram's
- B) ITC Limited
- C) Britannia Industries
- D) Nestlé India
- E) Bikaji Foods International

Answer: E) Bikaji Foods International

Explanation:

- Shiv Ratan Agarwal was the founder and Chairman of Bikaji Foods International.
- He played a key role in building the Bikaji brand into a major Indian snack company.
- The brand was officially introduced in 1993.
- The name 'Bikaji' is derived from Bika Rao.
- The company is known for traditional snacks like bhujia and sweets.

Static:

- Bikaji Foods International Founded – 1993
- Headquarters – Bikaner
- Industry – Food Processing (Snacks & Sweets)
- Famous Product – Bikaneri Bhujia





Ques: Bhagwandas Raikwar, who recently passed away, was associated with which field?

- A) Martial Arts
- B) Literature
- C) Classical Music
- D) Politics
- E) Cinema

Answer: A) Martial Arts

Explanation:

- Bhagwandas Raikwar was a renowned martial arts expert and Padma Shri awardee.
- He was popularly known as “Dau.”
- He was known for preserving Bundeli Martial Arts.
- He promoted the traditional ‘Akhada’ style of training.
- His contribution helped preserve traditional Indian martial arts.

Static:

- Padma Shri – Fourth highest civilian award in India
- Traditional Martial Arts – Includes Kalaripayattu, Thang-Ta, Silambam
- Akhada – Traditional training arena for wrestling and martial arts
- Bundelkhand Region – Covers parts of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh





Ques: World Book and Copyright Day is celebrated every year on which date?

- A) April 21
- B) April 22
- C) April 23
- D) April 24
- E) April 25

Answer: C) April 23

Explanation:

- UNESCO celebrates World Book and Copyright Day every year on April 23.
- The day promotes reading, publishing, and protection of intellectual property rights.
- UNESCO also selects a World Book Capital every year.
- From 2001 to 2026, a total of 26 cities have been designated as World Book Capitals.
- The first was Madrid in 2001, and the 2026 World Book Capital is Rabat.

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Ques: National Panchayati Raj Day in India is observed every year on which date?

- A) April 22
- B) April 23
- C) April 24
- D) April 25
- E) April 26

Answer: C) April 24

Explanation:

- India observes National Panchayati Raj Day every year on April 24.
- The day marks the implementation of the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992.
- It came into force on April 24, 1993, giving constitutional status to Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs).
- It was first officially observed in 2010.
- The day is observed by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
- PRIs represent rural local self-government in India.

Structure:

- Three-tier system:
 - Gram Panchayat (Village level)
 - Panchayat Samiti (Block level)
 - Zila Parishad (District level)
- Panchayat Samiti (Block level)
- Zila Parishad (District level)





Ques: International Girls in ICT Day is celebrated every year on which date?

- A) April 21
- B) April 22
- C) April 23
- D) April 24
- E) April 25

Answer: C) April 23

Explanation:

- International Girls in ICT Day is observed every year on April 23.
- The 2026 theme is “AI for Development: Girls shaping the digital future.”
- The day promotes gender equality in the field of Information and Communication Technology (ICT).
- It encourages girls and young women to pursue careers in technology.
- The initiative is supported by International Telecommunication Union.

Static:

- ICT – Information and Communication Technology





Ques: India extended a ₹3,000 crore currency swap facility to which country under the SAARC Currency Swap Framework 2024–27?

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

Answer: D) Maldives

Explanation:

- India has approved a ₹3,000 crore currency swap facility for Maldives under the SAARC Currency Swap Framework 2024–27.
- The facility has been extended through the INR Swap Window of the framework.
- The agreement was signed between Reserve Bank of India and Maldives Monetary Authority.
- Maldives also repaid a \$400 million swap facility availed in October 2024.
- The framework (2024–27) includes a separate INR Swap Window with a total corpus of ₹250 billion.
- RBI also provides swap arrangements in US Dollar and Euro with a corpus of \$2 billion.

Static Part:

- SAARC Established – 8 December 1985
- Headquarters – Kathmandu
- SAARC Members: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka
- Currency Swap – Arrangement between central banks to exchange currencies





Ques: The BSE Housing Finance Index is derived from which broader index?

- A) BSE Sensex
- B) Nifty 50
- C) BSE 500
- D) BSE 1000
- E) Nifty Bank

Answer: D) BSE 1000

Explanation:

- The BSE Housing Finance Index has been launched by BSE Index Services.
- It is derived from the BSE 1000 Index.
- It tracks the performance of companies engaged in housing finance and home loans.
- The index consists of 11 stocks from the housing finance sector.
- Base Date – 22 June 2015 | Base Value – 1000
- It is reconstituted semi-annually (June and December).
- Top constituent: LIC Housing Finance (~17.16% weight).
- PNB Housing Finance Ltd.: 16.56%
- Sammaan Capital Ltd.: 14.16%
- Home First Finance Company: 9.55%
- Bajaj Housing Finance Ltd.: 9.24%
- Aptus Value Housing Finance: 8.65%
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Ques: Where will the SAFF Women's Championship 2026 be held?

- A) Kolkata
- B) Siliguri
- C) Goa
- D) Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium
- E) Mumbai

Answer: D) Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium

Explanation:

- The SAFF Women's Championship 2026 will be held at Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium.
- The tournament is scheduled from 25 May to 6 June 2026.
- The number of participating teams has been reduced to 6 after Pakistan's withdrawal.
- India is the most successful team in the tournament.
- India has won titles in 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016, and 2019.
- The current champion is Bangladesh (2022 & 2024).
- SAFF stands for South Asian Football Federation.

Static Part:

- SAFF – Governing body for football in South Asia
- Members – India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Pakistan
- First SAFF Championship – 1993





Ques: India recently achieved 'criticality' in its Fast Breeder Reactor. Where is this reactor located and what does 'criticality' mean?

- A) Tarapur, Maharashtra — First nuclear fuel loading
- B) Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu — First self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction
- C) Kudankulam, Tamil Nadu — First electricity generation
- D) Narora, Uttar Pradesh — First reactor shutdown
- E) Rawatbhata, Rajasthan — Reactor going critical

Answer: B) Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu — First self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi during the 133rd episode of Mann Ki Baat hailed the achievement of 'criticality' in the Fast Breeder Reactor at Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu, calling it a "historic milestone in India's nuclear energy journey."
- 'Criticality' is the stage at which a reactor successfully executes a self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction for the first time, marking entry into the operational phase.
- The reactor is built entirely with indigenous technology.
- India has now ranked 4th globally in wind energy capacity, with wind energy generation exceeding 56 GW.
- About 6 GW of new wind energy capacity was added in the past one year.
- States like Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Rajasthan are leading India's wind energy sector.
- PM specifically mentioned Kutch, Patan and Banaskantha in Gujarat where large renewable energy parks are being developed in former desert areas.

Static Part:

- Programme — Mann Ki Baat
- Episode — 133rd
- PM — Narendra Modi
- Fast Breeder Reactor Location — Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu





- Criticality — Stage of first self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction
- Reactor Technology — 100% Indigenous
- India's Wind Energy Rank — 4th Globally
- Wind Energy Capacity — 56+ GW
- New Capacity Added (1 year) — 6 GW
- Top Wind Energy States — Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Rajasthan



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Ques: Skyroot Aerospace's Vikram-1 rocket is associated with which type of mission?

- A) Submarine Mission
- B) Orbital Space Launch
- C) Missile Defence System
- D) Weather Forecasting
- E) Navigation Satellite

Answer: B) Orbital Space Launch

Explanation:

- Skyroot Aerospace's Vikram-1 is set to become India's first privately developed orbital-class rocket.
- The rocket has been flagged off to Satish Dhawan Space Centre for its planned 2026 launch.
- Vikram-1 is a multi-stage launch vehicle designed to carry small satellites into orbit.
- It can deploy payloads of up to around 300–350 kg in Low Earth Orbit (LEO).
- The mission marks a major milestone for India's private space sector.
- It follows Skyroot's successful sub-orbital launch of Vikram-S in 2022.
- The initiative supports India's growing participation of private players in space missions.

Static Part:

- ISRO Established – 1969
- Headquarters – Bengaluru





Ques: Indian Railway Finance Corporation (IRFC) has extended a ₹13,615 crore loan to which state government for the takeover of Hyderabad Metro Rail?

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

Answer: A) Telangana

Explanation:

- Indian Railway Finance Corporation (IRFC) has agreed to extend a ₹13,615 crore loan to the Telangana Government.
- The loan will be used for the takeover of Hyderabad Metro Rail (HMR) from L&T Metro Rail Hyderabad.
- The Telangana government will acquire 100% equity stake in Phase I of the project.
- IRFC is a public sector undertaking under the Ministry of Railways.
- It was granted Navaratna status by the Government of India in March 2025.

Static Part:

- IRFC Founded – 12 December 1986
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Ministry – Ministry of Railways
- Navratna Status – Given to high-performing PSUs





Ques: Vaibhav Suryavanshi became the youngest player to score 1,000 runs in T20 cricket at what age?

- A) 16 years 10 days
- B) 15 years 29 days
- C) 17 years 5 days
- D) 18 years 20 days
- E) 14 years 200 days

Answer: B) 15 years 29 days

Explanation:

- Vaibhav Suryavanshi of Rajasthan Royals became the youngest player to score 1,000 runs in T20 cricket.
- He achieved this milestone at the age of just 15 years and 29 days.
- He reached the landmark on April 26, 2026.
- He scored a 36-ball century against Sunrisers Hyderabad.
- He also became the fastest player to reach 1,000 T20 runs in terms of balls faced (473 balls).
- He broke the previous record held by Mitchell Owen (533 balls).

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Ques: India's first intra-city drone delivery trials were conducted in which city?

- A) Hyderabad
- B) Chennai
- C) Mumbai
- D) Bengaluru
- E) Delhi

Answer: D) Bengaluru

Explanation:

- India's first intra-city drone delivery trials were conducted in Bengaluru.
 - The trials were conducted by FedEx in collaboration with Indian Institute of Technology Madras.
 - The project is part of the FedEx SMART Centre at IIT Madras.
 - It aims to develop safe and scalable drone-based logistics systems.
 - The trials were conducted under the supervision of Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and the Ministry of Civil Aviation.
 - The implementing partner was Amber Wings.
 - The trial route was from Electronic City Phase II to near Bangalore International Airport.
- **Time efficiency:**
- Road: 53 km → ~60 minutes
 - Drone: 39–42 km → ~21 minutes





Ques: The 5-year biodiversity governance project launched by MoEFCC and NBA will be implemented in which states?

- A) Kerala & Karnataka
- B) Tamil Nadu & Meghalaya
- C) Assam & Odisha
- D) Gujarat & Rajasthan
- E) Bihar & Jharkhand

Answer: B) Tamil Nadu & Meghalaya

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) and National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) launched a new biodiversity project.
- It is a 5-year project (2025–2030) aimed at strengthening grassroots biodiversity governance.
- The project will be implemented in Tamil Nadu and Meghalaya.
- It has a grant of over 4.88 million US dollars.
- The initiative focuses on integrating biodiversity into Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs).
- It aims to empower local communities and institutions and promote innovative financing mechanisms.





Ques: Project DANTAK, which recently celebrated its 66th Raising Day, operates in which country?

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

Answer: E) Bhutan

Explanation:

- Project DANTAK is an initiative of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO).
- It operates in Bhutan and plays a key role in infrastructure development there.
- It celebrated its 66th Raising Day on April 24, 2026, marking 65 years of service since its establishment in 1961.
- BRO works in Bhutan due to strong India-Bhutan strategic partnership and mutual cooperation.

Static Part:

- Border Roads Organisation Formation – 7 May 1960
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Ministry – Ministry of Defence
- Role – Development of road infrastructure in border and friendly countries





Ques: What is the full form of 'Abhilekh Patal' — the digital archive portal of the National Archives of India highlighted by PM Modi in Mann Ki Baat?

- A) Portal for Archival Texts and Literary Sources
- B) Portal for Access to Archives and Learning
- C) Platform for Ancient Text and Legacy Resources
- D) Portal for All Traditional and Legacy Archives
- E) Platform for Accessing Texts and Linguistic Archives

Answer: B) Portal for Access to Archives and Learning

Explanation:

- Narendra Modi during the 133rd episode of Mann Ki Baat urged citizens to explore the 'Abhilekh Patal' portal created by the National Archives of India with over 200 million digitised documents.
- 'Abhilekh' means records and 'Patal' denotes a platform, forming the acronym "Portal for Access to Archives and Learning."
- PM highlighted the 7th-century Gilgit Manuscripts written on Bhoj Patra and the 8th-century text Siribhoovalay known for its numerical grid format.
- The portal contains letters related to Rani Lakshmibai from the 1857 revolt, material on Subhas Chandra Bose including Azad Hind Fauj documents, and records of Madan Mohan Malaviya.
- Users can also access archival material related to the Constituent Assembly of India.
- PM also paid tribute to Rabindranath Tagore ahead of his birth anniversary, Pochchishe Boishakh (May 9).

Static Part:

- Portal — Abhilekh Patal
- Full Form — Portal for Access to Archives and Learning
- Created By — National Archives of India (NAI)
- Highlighted In — 133rd Mann Ki Baat
- Total Documents — 200 million+ (digitised)





- Key Manuscripts — Gilgit Manuscripts & Siribhoovalay
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- Tagore Birth Anniversary — Pochchishe Boishakh (May 9)



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Ques: National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC) works under which ministry?

- A) Ministry of Labour and Employment
- B) Ministry of Rural Development
- C) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- D) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- E) Ministry of Finance

Answer: C) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

Explanation:

- National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC) works under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
- It was established in October 1997.
- Its main objective is the upliftment of safai karamcharis, waste pickers, and manual scavengers.
- NSKFDC has disbursed loans worth ₹223.47 crore.
- Under the Swachhata Udyami Yojana, ₹2.89 crore has been provided for sanitation equipment in Puducherry.
- A subsidy of ₹14.84 crore was provided to 320 “Sanipreneurs.”
- ₹90 lakh education loans were provided for study abroad.
- NSKFDC is also implementing the NAMASTE Scheme and has achieved full fund utilization.





Ques: DRDO's Advanced Armoured Platforms were unveiled in which state?

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

Answer: C) Maharashtra

Explanation:

- Defence Research and Development Organisation Chairman Samir V Kamat unveiled Advanced Armoured Platforms (Tracked & Wheeled).
- The unveiling took place at DRDO laboratory in Ahilyanagar, Maharashtra.
- The platforms are designed to meet mobility, firepower, and protection needs of the armed forces.
- Both tracked and wheeled variants include indigenously developed advanced features.
- Manufacturing was carried out by Tata Advanced Systems Limited and Bharat Forge Limited.

Static Part:

- DRDO Established – 1958
- Headquarters – New Delhi





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- A) April 1, 2026
- B) April 15, 2026
- C) May 1, 2026
- D) June 1, 2026
- E) July 1, 2026

Answer: C) May 1, 2026

Explanation:

- The PROG Rules, 2026 have been finalized by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- These rules will come into effect from May 1, 2026.
- They provide the operational framework for the PROG Act, 2025.
- The rules aim to distinguish legitimate gaming from illegal gambling.
- A new regulator, the Online Gaming Authority of India, has been constituted.
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- **It includes representatives from:**
 - Ministry of Home Affairs
 - Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
 - Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
 - Department of Financial Services
 - Department of Legal Affairs
- The Authority will classify games based on factors like stakes, monetary rewards, and convertibility of in-game assets.
- The determination process must generally be completed within 90 days.
- Registration is mandatory for e-sports and certain notified social games, valid up to 10 years.
- Games classified as “online money games” cannot be registered as e-sports.





Ques: KL Rahul became the first Indian to score 150+ runs in an IPL innings while playing for which team?

- A) Mumbai Indians
- B) Royal Challengers Bangalore
- C) Delhi Capitals
- D) Lucknow Super Giants
- E) Punjab Kings

Answer: C) Delhi Capitals

Explanation:

- KL Rahul created history by becoming the first Indian batter to score more than 150 runs in a single IPL innings.
- He scored an unbeaten 152 runs off just 67 balls.
- Rahul achieved this feat while playing for Delhi Capitals against Punjab Kings.
- The match was played at Arun Jaitley Stadium, Delhi.
- He became only the third player overall to cross 150 in IPL history.
- Only Chris Gayle (175*) and Brendon McCullum (158*) are ahead of him.

Static Part:

- IPL Started – 2008
- Governing Body – Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)
- Highest IPL Score – Chris Gayle (175*)





Ques: World Immunization Week is observed every year during which period?

प्रश्न: विश्व टीकाकरण सप्ताह हर वर्ष किस अवधि में मनाया जाता है?

- A) April 20–25 / 20–25 अप्रैल
- B) April 22–28 / 22–28 अप्रैल
- C) April 24–30 / 24–30 अप्रैल
- D) April 25–30 / 25–30 अप्रैल
- E) April 23–29 / 23–29 अप्रैल

Answer: Option C

Explanation | व्याख्या:

- World Immunization Week is observed every year from April 24 to April 30.
- विश्व टीकाकरण सप्ताह हर वर्ष 24 अप्रैल से 30 अप्रैल तक मनाया जाता है।
- It aims to promote the importance of vaccines in protecting people of all ages from diseases.
- इसका उद्देश्य सभी आयु वर्ग के लोगों को बीमारियों से बचाने में टीकों के महत्व को बढ़ावा देना है।
- The campaign is led by the World Health Organization.
- यह अभियान World Health Organization द्वारा संचालित किया जाता है।
- The theme is “For every generation, vaccines work.”
- इसका थीम है “For every generation, vaccines work.”

Static Part | स्थैतिक जानकारी:

- Vaccines – Biological preparations that provide immunity against diseases
- टीके – जैविक पदार्थ जो रोगों के विरुद्ध प्रतिरक्षा प्रदान करते हैं
- WHO Established – 7 April 1948
- WHO की स्थापना – 7 अप्रैल 1948
- Headquarters – Geneva, Switzerland
- मुख्यालय – जिनेवा, स्विट्जरलैंड
- World Health Day – April 7
- विश्व स्वास्थ्य दिवस – 7 अप्रैल





Ques: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a total penalty of ₹2.60 lakh on banks and a payment firm in 2026 due to which reason?

- A) Fraud and cyber attack
- B) Non-compliance with regulatory directions
- C) Tax evasion
- D) Money laundering
- E) Loan default

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India imposed a total penalty of ₹2.60 lakh.
- The reason was non-compliance with regulatory directions.
- Entities penalised include Hardoi Jilla Sahkari Bank Ltd (₹1 lakh).
- Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar Nagari Sahakari Bank Ltd (₹80,000) was also penalised.
- Ebix Payment Services Pvt Ltd (₹80,000) was the third entity penalised.
- Hardoi Jilla Sahkari Bank violated KYC guidelines and failed to review risk categorisation of accounts.
- Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar Nagari Sahakari Bank violated exposure norms, UCB restrictions, and SAF rules.
- Ebix Payment Services failed to properly categorise customer risk.





Ques: GIFT City has granted its first family office permit to which company?

- A) Aditya Birla Capital
- B) Poornam Asset Management IFSC Pvt Ltd
- C) HDFC Asset Management
- D) ICICI Prudential AMC
- E) SBI Capital Markets

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Gujarat International Finance Tec-City has issued its first license for a family investment fund.
- The permit was granted to Poornam Asset Management IFSC Pvt Ltd.
- It marks a major step in managing private wealth within India's financial hub.
- The move aims to build a globally competitive ecosystem for family offices.
- GIFT City offers a flexible regulatory environment to attract global investors.
- It is expected to position India as an alternative to global financial hubs like Dubai.

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Ques: NPCI Bharat Bill Pay Limited (NBBL) onboarded which insurance service as a biller on the Bharat Connect platform?

- A) LIC
- B) Postal Life Insurance (PLI)
- C) HDFC Life
- D) ICICI Prudential
- E) SBI Life

Answer: B

Explanation:

- NPCI Bharat Bill Pay Limited (NBBL), a subsidiary of National Payments Corporation of India, onboarded Postal Life Insurance as a biller under the insurance category on Bharat Connect.
- With this addition, the number of insurance billers increased to 65.
- The platform now supports over 22,640 billers across 29 categories.
- Policyholders of Postal Life Insurance and Rural Postal Life Insurance can pay premiums through digital platforms and offline agents.
- State Bank of India acted as the Biller Operating Unit (BOU).
- Postal Life Insurance is operated by India Post under the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications.

About NBBL:

- Established: 2021
- HQ: Mumbai
- MD & CEO: Noopur Chaturvedi





Ques: SBI aims to expand its balance sheet to what percentage of India's GDP by 2030?

- A) 15%
- B) 20%
- C) 25%
- D) 30%
- E) 35%

Answer: C

Explanation:

- State Bank of India aims to expand its balance sheet to 25% of India's GDP by 2030.
- The target is part of its long-term SBS 2030 (Sustain, Build, Scale) strategy.
- Currently, SBI's balance sheet is around 20% of India's GDP.
- The bank follows a bottom-up approach, focusing on growth in 800 districts.
- It aims to increase market share by 1% in each district.
- SBI plans to double its balance sheet every 6 years.
- Focus areas include RAM sector (Retail, Agriculture, MSME) and corporate lending.
- The bank is pushing digital transformation via YONO 2.0 and service expansion.
- SBI aims to improve its global ranking among top banks.

Static Part:

- SBI Foundation Day – 1 July 1955
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Chairman – Challa Sreenivasulu Setty
- Tagline – Pure Banking Nothing Else





Ques: The “Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses”, recently seen in news, aims to achieve what by 2030–31?

- A) Increase pulse exports globally
- B) Achieve self-sufficiency in pulses
- C) Promote organic farming only
- D) Reduce cereal production
- E) Eliminate MSP system

Answer: B

Explanation:

- The “Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses” aims to achieve self-sufficiency in pulses by 2030–31.
- It focuses on increasing domestic production, reducing import dependence, and improving farmers’ income.
- The target is to scale up pulses production to 350 lakh tonnes by 2030–31.
- It also aims to expand cultivation area to 310 lakh hectares.
- The mission was announced in the Union Budget 2025–26 and approved on 1 October 2025.
- The duration of the mission is 6 years (2025–26 to 2030–31).
- It is implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare.





Ques: India has been placed in which category by the Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU) for doping risk?

- A) Category B
- B) Category C
- C) Category A
- D) Category D
- E) Category E

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Athletics Integrity Unit classified India as an “extremely high” doping risk nation.
- India has been placed in Category A (highest risk category) for athletics.
- Athletics Federation of India was moved from Category B to Category A.
- India ranked among the top nations in anti-doping violations between 2022–2025.
- India has topped the global list of doping violations for 3 consecutive years.
- Category A nations face stricter anti-doping rules and higher testing requirements.
- Data from World Anti-Doping Agency highlights repeated violations.
- Authorities are working with National Anti-Doping Agency to improve compliance.

Static Part:

- AIU Headquarters – Monaco
- WADA Headquarters – Montreal, Canada
- NADA India Established – 2009





Ques: The 'Taimoor' missile, recently tested by Pakistan Navy, is which type of missile?

- A) Air-Launched Anti-Ship Cruise Missile (ALCM)
- B) Ballistic Missile
- C) Surface-to-Air Missile
- D) Submarine-Launched Ballistic Missile
- E) Intercontinental Ballistic Missile

Answer: A

Explanation:

- Pakistan Navy successfully conducted a live test-firing of the 'Taimoor' missile.
- It is an indigenously developed Air-Launched Anti-Ship Cruise Missile (ALCM).
- The missile has both anti-ship and secondary land-attack capabilities.
- It can carry out precision strikes up to approximately 600 km.
- It provides stand-off engagement capability, allowing launch from a safe distance.
- The missile has been developed by Global Industrial and Defence Solutions (GIDS).

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Ques: By 2100, India's forests are projected to increase carbon storage by approximately what extent?

- A) 1.5 times
- B) Double
- C) Triple
- D) Four times
- E) No change

Answer: B

Explanation:

- A study published in Environmental Research: Climate suggests India's forests may nearly double carbon storage by 2100.
- Indian forests currently act as a major carbon sink, absorbing about 150 million tonnes of CO₂ annually (2021–25).
- India ranks 5th globally in carbon sequestration through forests.
- India's forest and tree cover reached about 827,000 sq km (~25% of geographical area) by 2023.
- Maximum increase in vegetation carbon is expected in semi-arid and desert regions like Rajasthan, Gujarat, and Madhya Pradesh.
- India aims to create an additional 2.5–3 billion tonnes CO₂ equivalent carbon sink by 2030 under its climate commitments.
- Climate change, rainfall patterns, and CO₂ levels are key drivers of forest carbon growth.

Static Part:

- Forest Survey of India – Established in 1981
- India's NDC Target Year – 2030
- Global Rank (Carbon Sink) – 5th





Ques: Who is the author of the book "The Curious and the Classified: Unearthing Military Myths and Mysteries"?

- A) Bipin Rawat
- B) Anil Chauhan
- C) Dalbir Singh Suhag
- D) V. K. Singh
- E) Manoj Mukund Naravane

Answer: E

Explanation:

- The book is authored by Manoj Mukund Naravane.
- He is a former Chief of Army Staff (COAS) of India (2019–2022).
- The book explores various military myths and mysteries.
- Earlier, his unpublished memoir Four Stars of Destiny had sparked controversy.

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Ques: PV Sindhu has been given a full voting position in which organization's council?

- A) ICC
- B) FIFA
- C) BWF
- D) IOC
- E) FIH

Answer: C

Explanation:

- P. V. Sindhu has assumed a full voting position on the Badminton World Federation Council.
- She got this role after being elected as Chair of the BWF Athletes' Commission.
- Sindhu succeeded Greysia Polii in this position.
- As a voting member, she will participate in key decisions shaping global badminton.
- This strengthens athlete representation in top-level sports governance.
- P.V. Sindhu is a two-time Olympic medallist (Silver – 2016 Rio, Bronze – 2020 Tokyo).
- She is the first Indian woman to win two Olympic medals.

Static Part:

- BWF – Badminton World Federation
- Headquarters – Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Founded – 1934





Ques: The proposed Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ) of 408.7 sq km around Barasingha Wildlife Sanctuary is located in which state?

- A) Madhya Pradesh
- B) Rajasthan
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Bihar
- E) Uttarakhand

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has issued a draft notification to declare an Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ).
- The proposed ESZ covers 408.7 sq km around Barasingha Wildlife Sanctuary.
- The sanctuary is located in Uttar Pradesh.
- It spreads across five districts: Muzaffarnagar, Meerut, Hapur, Bijnor, and Amroha.
- ESZ acts as a buffer zone to protect wildlife areas from harmful human activities.
- Eco-Sensitive Zones (ESZs) are notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

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Ques: Which country has become the largest exporter of corn to Bangladesh, overtaking India?

- A) USA
- B) Argentina
- C) Brazil
- D) Vietnam
- E) China

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Brazil has overtaken India as the largest exporter of corn (maize) to Bangladesh.
- Earlier, India dominated this trade due to price competitiveness and proximity.
- Rising domestic use of maize for ethanol production reduced India's export capacity.
- Higher domestic prices made Indian corn less competitive globally.
- Brazil captured around 78% share of Bangladesh's corn imports in 2025–26 (till February).
- Bangladesh's demand is rising due to growth in poultry, dairy, and aquaculture sectors.
- India's exports to Bangladesh have declined sharply since 2023.
- Brazil has increased shipments, reshaping the South Asian feed grain market.

Static Part:

- Brasília – Capital of Brazil
- New Delhi – Capital of India
- Dhaka – Capital of Bangladesh
- Maize (Corn) – Major feed grain used in poultry & ethanol production





Ques: The CMINSPIRE Scheme, recently launched to support UPSC aspirants, has been introduced by which state?

- A) Meghalaya
- B) Assam
- C) Sikkim
- D) Manipur
- E) Tripura

Answer: A

Explanation:

- Conrad K. Sangma, Chief Minister of Meghalaya, launched the CMINSPIRE Scheme.
- CMINSPIRE stands for Chief Minister's Incentive for Success in Prelims and Innovative Rewards for Excellence.
- The scheme aims to reduce preparation costs and improve the state's representation in civil services.
- Financial support includes ₹50,000 for clearing the Preliminary Examination.
- ₹1 lakh is provided for clearing the Mains and qualifying for the Interview/Personality Test stage.
- Benefits are provided through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).
- Beneficiaries include permanent residents and tribal candidates of Meghalaya.
- Applications can be made through the Meghalaya Administrative Training Institute portal.

Static Part:

- Shillong – Capital of Meghalaya
- Chief Minister – Conrad K. Sangma
- Governor – C. H. Vijayashankar
- Meghalaya is known as the "Abode of Clouds".





Ques: Which country became the 63rd nation to sign the Artemis Accords?

- A) UAE
- B) Jordan
- C) Egypt
- D) Israel
- E) Qatar

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Jordan (Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan) has officially signed the Artemis Accords.
- Jordan became the 63rd country to join this international initiative.
- The Artemis Accords are led by the United States through NASA.
- The initiative focuses on safe, sustainable, and peaceful exploration of the Moon and Mars.
- It promotes international cooperation in deep space exploration.
- Member countries agree to principles like transparency, interoperability, and peaceful use of space.

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Ques: What is mandatory for PwDs to travel in unreserved Divyangjan coaches of trains?

- A) Aadhaar Card
- B) Voter ID
- C) UDID Card
- D) PAN Card
- E) Passport

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Indian Railways has allowed Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) to travel in unreserved Divyangjan coaches.
- This facility is available only if they hold a valid UDID (Unique Disability ID) card.
- The UDID card is issued by the Government of India.
- The card contains a unique identification number.
- PwDs with valid UDID cards will be treated as valid passengers in designated coaches.
- Railways will take strict action against unauthorized passengers in these coaches.
- The move ensures better accessibility and facilities for genuine beneficiaries.





Ques: Gopalrao Patil, who recently passed away, was associated with which political party?

- A) Indian National Congress
- B) Bharatiya Janata Party
- C) Nationalist Congress Party
- D) Shiv Sena
- E) Janata Dal (United)

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Gopalrao Patil was associated with the Bharatiya Janata Party.
- He was a former member of the Rajya Sabha (1994–2000).
- He was also a noted paediatrician and contributed significantly to the medical field.

Static Part:

- Rajya Sabha – Upper House of Parliament of India
- Maximum Strength – 250 members
- Current Strength – ~245 members
- Term – 6 years
- One-third members retire every two years





Ques: World Malaria Day is observed every year on which date?

- A) April 25
- B) April 22
- C) April 21
- D) May 1
- E) June 5

Answer: A

Explanation:

- World Malaria Day is observed every year on April 25.
- The day aims to raise awareness about malaria and strengthen efforts for its prevention, diagnosis, and treatment.
- Malaria is a serious disease spread by infected female Anopheles mosquitoes.
- The campaign theme is: "Driven to End Malaria: Now We Can. Now We Must".

Static Part:

- Malaria is caused by Plasmodium parasites
- It is transmitted through the bite of infected female Anopheles mosquito





Ques: According to NSSO data (April 2026), which area in India has higher health insurance coverage as of 2025?

- A) Urban areas
- B) Rural areas
- C) Both equal
- D) Only metropolitan cities
- E) None of the above

Answer: B) Rural areas

Explanation:

- Health insurance coverage has increased significantly in India over the past eight years.
- As of 2025, rural coverage (47.4%) is higher than urban coverage (44.3%).
- Growth is mainly driven by government-sponsored schemes.
- Government scheme coverage in rural areas rose to 45.5% (from 12.9% in 2017–18).
- In urban areas, it increased to 31.8% (from 8.9%).
- Average out-of-pocket expenditure per hospitalisation: ₹34,064 (2025).
- India is the 10th largest insurance market globally by premium volume.
- FDI limit in insurance has been increased to 100% under the Insurance Laws (Amendment) Act, 2025.
- Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana has recorded 26.88 crore enrolments and 10.45 lakh claims disbursed (as of Feb 2026).
- Removal of 18% GST on premiums helps reduce cost and increase insurance penetration.





Ques: Why did the National Stock Exchange (NSE) sell around 1% stake in the Indian Gas Exchange (IGX)?

- A) To raise capital
- B) To comply with regulatory requirements
- C) Due to financial losses
- D) To exit the gas market
- E) Due to merger with another exchange

Answer: B) To comply with regulatory requirements

Explanation:

- NSE sold ~1% stake in IGX to meet norms set by the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB).
- PNGRB rules cap ownership at 25% for any single entity in IGX.
- NSE earlier held 26% stake (acquired in 2021), exceeding the limit.
- Hence, it reduced its stake to comply with regulations.
- IGX is India's first online natural gas trading platform enabling transparent gas trading.

Static Fact:

- NSE is one of India's leading stock exchanges.
- Founded – 27 November 1992
- Headquarters – Mumbai, Maharashtra
- PNGRB – Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board regulates downstream oil and gas sector.





Ques: DeepSeek's new AI model V4, developed in collaboration with Huawei, has been adapted to run on which type of chips?

- A) Nvidia GPUs
- B) Intel processors
- C) Huawei Ascend chips
- D) AMD GPUs
- E) Qualcomm chips

Answer: C) Huawei Ascend chips

Explanation:

- DeepSeek launched a preview of its new AI model V4.
- It was developed in collaboration with Huawei.
- The model is optimized to run on Huawei's Ascend chips.
- This reduces dependence on Nvidia hardware.
- The V4 Pro version outperforms most open-source AI models but is behind Google's Gemini-Pro-3.1.
- It highlights China's push toward AI self-reliance using domestic hardware.

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Ques: Who won the 4th edition of the Gender Equality Mobilisation (GEM) Award in 2026?

- A) Pune Municipal Corporation
- B) Chennai Corporation
- C) Hyderabad Municipal Corporation
- D) Guntur Municipal Corporation
- E) Indore Municipal Corporation

Answer: D) Guntur Municipal Corporation

Explanation:

- Guntur Municipal Corporation won the 4th edition of the GEM Award.
- The award was presented by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.
- It was received by Olga Rataj.
- The award ceremony was held on April 21, 2026, during the International Day of Women in Industry in Vienna.
- GEM Award was launched in 2018.
- GMC was recognized for training 200 women as electric auto drivers for door-to-door garbage collection, promoting women empowerment and clean mobility.

Static Part:

- United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
- Established – 1966
- Headquarters – Vienna, Austria
- GEM Award promotes gender equality and inclusive industrial development.





Ques: Rajasthan has recently secured which position in electronic trading on the e-NAM platform?

- A) 2nd
- B) 3rd
- C) 1st
- D) 4th
- E) 5th

Answer: C) 1st

Explanation:

- Rajasthan ranked 1st in electronic trading on the e-NAM platform.
- It also secured 2nd position in total arrivals during 2016–2026.
- This shows strong adoption of digital agricultural marketing in the state.
- e-NAM (National Agriculture Market) was launched in April 2016 as an initiative of Narendra Modi.
- Objective: Integrate agricultural mandis across India and ensure transparent online trading.
- Key features: Online auction, real-time price discovery, direct digital payments, and single trading licence per state.





Ques: India recently signed a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with which country, granting 100% duty-free access for Indian exports?

- A) Australia
- B) United Kingdom
- C) New Zealand
- D) Canada
- E) Japan

Answer: C) New Zealand

Explanation:

- India and New Zealand signed a historic FTA.
- The agreement was signed at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
- It was signed in the presence of Piyush Goyal and Todd McClay.
- India gets 100% duty-free access for exports to New Zealand under this deal.
- New Zealand committed an investment of \$20 billion in India.
- The agreement strengthens bilateral economic relations.

Static Part:

- FTA (Free Trade Agreement) reduces or eliminates tariffs between countries.
- India has FTAs with countries like UAE, Australia, and ASEAN nations.
- Capital of New Zealand – Wellington
- Currency – New Zealand Dollar





Ques: Under the Vibrant Villages Programme Phase II (VVP-II), six border villages recently included are located in which region?

- A) Ladakh
- B) Arunachal Pradesh
- C) Kathua, Jammu and Kashmir
- D) Punjab Border
- E) Rajasthan Border

Answer: C) Kathua, Jammu and Kashmir

Explanation:

- In April 2026, the Government of India included six border villages under VVP-II.
- These villages are located in Kathua, Jammu and Kashmir.
- Villages: Bobiya, Kadyala, Gajnal, Karol Krishna, Rathua, Gujjar Chak.
- All lie along the International Border (IB).
- Aim: Boost development, improve infrastructure, and enhance living conditions in border areas.
- Focus: Reduce migration and promote livelihoods.
- Programme launched by the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- VVP-II approved in April 2025 with ₹6,839 crore outlay.





Ques: Under the Anti-Defection Law (10th Schedule), what is the minimum proportion of members required to avoid disqualification in case of a party merger?

- A) One-third
- B) Half
- C) Two-thirds
- D) Three-fourths
- E) Unanimous consent

Answer: C) Two-thirds

Explanation:

- The Anti-Defection Law is contained in the Tenth Schedule of the Constitution of India.
- In case of a party merger, at least two-thirds of the members must agree to the merger to avoid disqualification.
- If this condition is met, it is treated as a valid merger, not defection.
- The law was introduced by the 52nd Constitutional Amendment Act and strengthened by the 91st Constitutional Amendment Act.
- Disqualification decisions are made by the Speaker (Lok Sabha) or Chairman (Rajya Sabha).





Ques: The ₹5,000 crore incentive scheme by the Ministry of Mines has been introduced under which scheme?

- A) PM Gati Shakti Yojana
- B) Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI)
- C) National Mineral Exploration Policy
- D) Make in India Scheme
- E) Atal Innovation Mission

Answer: B) Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI)

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Mines launched a ₹5,000 crore incentive scheme.
- It has been introduced under the Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI).
- Duration: FY 2026–27.
- Objective: Speed up mine operationalization and increase mineral production.
- It also aims to enhance state revenue and improve governance in the mining sector.
- Incentives focus on mining reforms, operationalization, and SMRI-based reforms.

Static Part:

- SASCI is a Central Sector Scheme administered by the Ministry of Finance.
- It provides 50-year interest-free loans to states for capital expenditure.





Ques: The International Chess Federation has recently joined which organization, increasing its membership to 40 federations?

- A) International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- B) World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)
- C) Asian Games Federation
- D) Commonwealth Games Federation
- E) International World Games Association (IWGA)

Answer: E) International World Games Association (IWGA)

Explanation:

- FIDE has joined the International World Games Association.
- The decision was taken during the AGM held in Lausanne, Switzerland.
- With this, IWGA membership increased to 40 federations.
- IWGA manages and organizes the World Games.

Static Part:

- IWGA was established in 1980.
- Headquarters – Lausanne, Switzerland.
- FIDE is the global governing body for chess.





Ques: India's first integrated lithium-ion battery and rare earth recycling facility has been inaugurated in which location?

- A) Noida, Uttar Pradesh
- B) Sikandrabad, Uttar Pradesh
- C) Pune, Maharashtra
- D) Ahmedabad, Gujarat
- E) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Answer: B) Sikandrabad, Uttar Pradesh

Explanation:

- Rocklink India Private Limited inaugurated India's first integrated lithium-ion battery and rare earth recycling facility.
- The plant is located in Sikandrabad, Uttar Pradesh.
- It is the first integrated facility of its kind in India.
- Supports EVs, renewable energy, electronics, and defence sectors.
- Capacity: 10,000 TPA lithium-ion batteries processing.
- Output: 5,000–6,000 tonnes of black mass.
- Also processes 60 TPM of rare earth magnets.
- A 1,500 TPA rare earth chloride unit is planned by 2026.





Ques: The X-Band Dual-Polarization Doppler Weather Radar (DWR), commissioned in April 2026 under Mission Mausam, has been installed at which location?

- A) Ooty, Tamil Nadu
- B) Mahabaleshwar, Maharashtra
- C) Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
- D) Darjeeling, West Bengal
- E) Munnar, Kerala

Answer: B) Mahabaleshwar, Maharashtra

Explanation:

- The Doppler Weather Radar was commissioned by the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology under the Ministry of Earth Sciences.
- It is installed at Mahabaleshwar, Maharashtra.
- Located at the High Altitude Cloud Physics Laboratory (HACPL) in the Western Ghats (~1,400 m altitude).
- It is an X-Band Dual-Polarization Doppler Weather Radar under Mission Mausam.
- Functions as a “weather eye in the sky” tracking rainfall, clouds, and storms.
- Supports nowcasting (short-term forecasts up to 3 hours).
- Helps study monsoon dynamics and orographic rainfall.
- Coverage: Satara, Pune, Konkan region, and Mumbai.
- Features: 9.45 GHz frequency, solid-state amplifier, dual-polarization for accurate precipitation analysis.





Ques: Raghu Rai, who recently passed away, was famous in which field?

- A) Photography
- B) Literature
- C) Music
- D) Painting
- E) Cinema

Answer: A) Photography

Explanation:

- Raghu Rai was a renowned Indian photographer known for documenting modern India.
- He captured iconic images of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy.
- He also covered major events like the Bangladesh Liberation War.
- He was awarded the Padma Shri in 1972.
- Named “Photographer of the Year” in the USA (1992).
- Received the Académie des Beaux-Arts Photography Award (2019).
- Honoured with Lifetime Achievement Award (2017) by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

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Ques: World Tapir Day is celebrated every year on which date?

- A) April 22
- B) April 25
- C) April 27
- D) May 1
- E) June 5

Answer: C) April 27

Explanation:

- World Tapir Day is observed every year on April 27.
- The day promotes conservation of Tapir species.
- It raises awareness about threats like habitat loss and human encroachment.
- Tapirs are large herbivorous mammals found in forests and grasslands.

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Ques: International Design Day is celebrated every year on which date?

- A) April 21
- B) April 25
- C) April 27
- D) May 1
- E) May 5

Answer: C) April 27

Explanation:

- International Design Day is celebrated every year on April 27.
- It marks the founding of the International Council of Design in 1963.
- Earlier known as World Design Day until 2020.
- It highlights the role of design in solving problems and driving positive change.
- Theme for 2026: “The Spaces in Between”.

Static Part:

- International Council of Design (ico-D) – Established in 1963.
- A global body promoting design for social, cultural, and economic development.

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