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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





Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- 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.
- 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.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has mandated the use of Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) and Unique Transaction Identifier (UTI) for financial market transactions.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI), in consultation with the Government of India, has set the WMA limit at ₹2,50,000 crore for the first half of FY 2026-27 (April–September 2026).
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has released the 'Payments Vision 2028', outlining a 3-year roadmap for strengthening the digital payments ecosystem.
- The Reserve Bank of India approved the budget for FY 2026–27. It also approved the Medium-Term Strategy Framework “Utkarsh 3.0” for 2026–2029.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the Scheme of Amalgamation of Lalbaug Co-operative Bank Ltd., Vadodara with Akhand Anand Cooperative Bank Ltd, Surat





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
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- 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.

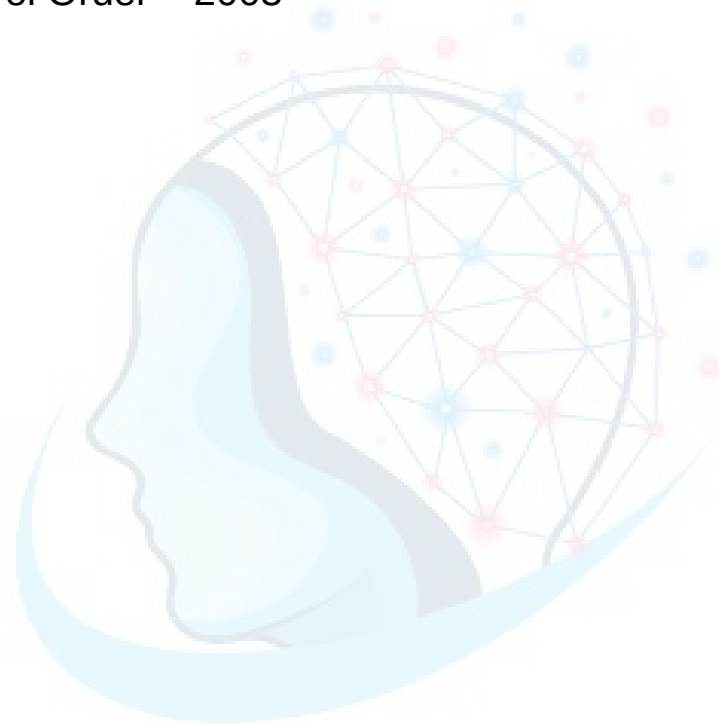
Static Part |:

- 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





Recent News Headlines Related to Awards & Winners :

- **Lifetime Achievement Award at the International Film Festival of Delhi 2026 : Veteran Telugu actor Nandamuri Balakrishna**
- **35th Saraswati Samman (2025) : Ramkumar Mukhopadhyay, an eminent Bengali writer**
- **France's prestigious Legion of Honour (Commandeur rank) : Jawed Ashraf, former Ambassador of India to France and Chairman of the India Trade Promotion Organisation**
- **Lifetime Achievement Award at IFFD 2026 : Nandamuri Balakrishna (Padma Bhushan (2025))**
- **"Women Empowerment Trailblazer Award" : Kalpana Soren**
- **2026 Stockholm Water Prize : Kaveh Madani, Director of the United Nations University Institute for Water Environment and Health**
- **KISS Humanitarian Award 2025 : Nita Ambani**
- **Mark Lynton History Prize 2026 : Historian William Dalrymple**





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





Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement:

- The National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCB) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with UltraTech Cement Limited.
- The Delhi Tourism and Transportation Development Corporation (DTTC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Prasar Bharati.
- The Government of India signed a working arrangement with the European Union to strengthen aviation manufacturing and safety standards.
- National Commission for Women partnered with Truecaller to launch a digital safety initiative for women.
- Digital India BHASHINI Division and Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority signed an MoU under the “BHASHINI for Seva-Sanchalan” initiative.
- The Indian Army signed an MoU with the Ladakh Forest Department. The agreement was signed on World Wildlife Day (3 March 2026). Its objective is to protect iconic species like the Snow Leopard and other Himalayan wildlife, promoting sustainable development in border regions.





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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Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

- PM SVANidhi Scheme was launched in June 2020 to provide collateral-free working capital loans to street vendors.
- The Centre plans to add battery energy storage in the revamped PM-KUSUM 2.0 scheme.
- The Ministry of Heavy Industries has extended the PM E-DRIVE scheme till March 31, 2028 to promote electric mobility in India.
- The Union Cabinet approved the modified UDAN scheme with an outlay of ₹28,850 crore for 10 years (2026–36).
- The Immigration Visa Foreigners Registration and Tracking Scheme has been extended for 5 years by the Union Cabinet of India.
- Directorate General of Foreign Trade under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry launched the RELIEF (Resilience and Logistics Intervention for Export Facilitation) scheme.
- K Ram Mohan Naidu announced the development of Arasavalli Sri Surya Narayana Swamy Temple under the PRASAD Scheme. The temple is located in Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh. A foundation stone was laid for modernization of the Indrapushkarini temple tank with ₹24 crore sanctioned





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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Newly Appointed Prime Minister & President :

- youngest Prime Minister of Nepal : Balendra Shah (Balen)
- Prime Minister of Nepal : Balendra Shah, popularly known as “Balen”
- Supreme Leader of Iran : Mojtaba Hosseini Khamenei
- President of Peru : Jose Maria Balcazar
- Prime Minister of the Netherlands : Rob Arnoldus Adrianus Jetten
- 8th Prime Minister of Barbados : Mia Mottley
- Prime Minister of Thailand : Anutin Charnvirakul
- Prime Minister of Bangladesh : Tarique Rahman, chairman of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP)
- Prime Minister of Yemen : Yemen’s Foreign Minister Shaya Mohsen Zindani (replaced Salem bin Breik)
- President of Uganda : Yoweri Museveni
- Interim President of Venezuela : Delcy Rodríguez





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





Important days :

- 7 March : Jan Aushadhi Diwas
- 8 March : International Women's Day (Theme "Rights. Justice. Action. For ALL Women and Girls.")
- 10 March : CISF Raising Day
- 10 March : 5th International Day of Women Judges (Theme 2026 Women Judges on the Bench and Beyond: Protecting Access to Justice)
- 11 March (second Wednesday of March) : No Smoking Day 2026
- 12 March (second Thursday of March) : World Kidney Day (theme for 2026 was "Kidney Health for All: Caring for People, Protecting the Planet.")
- 14 March : Pi Day & International Day of Mathematics (Theme 2026 Mathematics and Hope)
- 14 March : 29th International Day of Action for Rivers Theme 2026 Protect Rivers, Protect People
- 15 March : International Day to Combat Islamophobia
- 15 March : World Consumer Rights Day (theme focuses on "Safe Products, Confident Consumers.")
- 16 March : National Vaccination Day (commemorates the launch of the Pulse Polio Programme in 1995)
- 18 March : 9th Global Recycling Day 2026 (Theme 2026 Don't Think Waste – Think Opportunity)
- 20 March : International Day of Happiness (theme for 2026 is "Caring and Sharing".) (first observed in 2013)
- 20 March : World Sparrow Day
- 20 March : United Nations French Language Day
- 20 March : World Day of Theatre for Children and Young People 2026 (Started in 2001)
- 21 March : The International Day of Forests (IDF) (theme for 2026 is "Forests and Economies")
- 21 March : International Nowruz Day
- 21 March : World Day for Glaciers
- 21 March : World Down Syndrome Day (theme "Together Against Loneliness")





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The Indian Navy has launched Yard 1280 (Shachi), the first of eleven Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (NGOPVs), at Goa Shipyard Limited. The NGOPVS are being constructed indigenously at Goa Shipyard Limited and Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers.

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya. The aim of the MoU is to promote skill development in the aviation sector. Launch a 3-year Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Aviation Maintenance Engineering (AME) from August 2026 (2026–27)

Easy Trip Planners Limited announced a strategic collaboration with NSDC, Sanatan AI and Bhagva platform. The programme is titled “1 Panchayat – 1 Pandit – SANATANA Shop on Wheels by EMT”. It aims to deploy mobile EV-based service units across up to 2 lakh Panchayats over the next five years.

The total value of ₹2000 banknotes in circulation has declined sharply from ₹3.56 lakh crore in May 2023. As of March 31, 2026, it has reduced to ₹5,501 crore. This indicates that 98.45% of the ₹2000 notes have been returned to the banking system.

The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) mandated insurers to prepare financial statements as per Ind AS. The implementation will be effective from April 01, 2026. The decision was approved at the 135th Authority meeting held on March 30.

