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Ques: Where has India's first Cyber-Security Operation Centre "Sahakar Suraksha" been launched by the Maharashtra State Cooperative Bank?

- A. Pune
- B. Aurangabad
- C. Nashik
- D. Vashi, Navi Mumbai
- E. Nagpur

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- India's first Cyber-Security Operation Centre (C-SOC) named "Sahakar Suraksha" has been launched by the Maharashtra State Cooperative Bank (MSC Bank) in Vashi, Navi Mumbai.
- The initiative was executed in collaboration with Sequaretek IT Solutions Pvt. Ltd, a cybersecurity firm.
- This state-of-the-art facility is built at a cost of Rs.50 crore and is operated 24/7 by 35 trained cybersecurity professionals.
- It is powered by an AI-driven platform capable of real-time threat detection and early fraud prevention.
- The system sends instant alerts to member banks, enabling a rapid response to potential cyber threats.
- The C-SOC will serve 31 District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs) across Maharashtra.

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Ques: As per Swiss National Bank (SNB) data, how much Indian money was parked in Swiss banks in 2024?

- A. 1.04 billion Swiss francs
- B. 2.5 billion Swiss francs
- C. 3.5 billion Swiss francs
- D. 4.2 billion Swiss francs
- E. 346 million Swiss francs

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- According to official data released by the Swiss National Bank (SNB), Indian money in Swiss banks rose to CHF 3.5 billion (approximately Rs.37,600 crore) in 2024, more than three times the amount recorded in 2023.
- This amount includes funds held via local branches of Indian banks, other financial institutions, fiduciaries, and trusts—not just customer deposits.
- Customer deposits alone stood at CHF 346 million, showing only an 11% increase.
- The major rise in 2024 came from CHF 3.02 billion parked via other banks and entities, not individual clients.
- Notably, in 2023, Indian funds in Swiss banks had dropped by 70% to CHF 1.04 billion.
- These figures do not represent unreported or black money, as clarified by SNB.

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Ques: Which organization partnered with the SBI Foundation to expand the experiential Kriya programme in Raichur district?

- A. NCERT
- B. Azim Premji Foundation
- C. Prayoga Institute of Education Research
- D. NITI Aayog
- E. Vidya Bharati

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Prayoga Institute of Education Research has partnered with SBI Foundation and SBI Funds Management Pvt. Ltd. to expand its Kriya programme in 12 government schools in Raichur district, Karnataka.
- The programme is part of SBI Foundation's Integrated Learning Mission (ILM) under the initiative "Reimagining Science Education."
- It aligns with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, focusing on curiosity, critical thinking, and scientific skills for students from Classes 6 to 10.
- Initially, it will be implemented in 77 schools, impacting 11,000+ students across Karnataka.

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Ques: What is the name of the centralized payment system promoted by SEBI for secure fee payments to investment advisers and research analysts?

- A. FinTrack
- B. CeFCoM
- C. PaySecure
- D. SEBI PayNet
- E. TrustPay

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has introduced a secure platform called CeFCoM (Centralized Fee Collection Mechanism).
- To ensure that investors make payments only to SEBI-registered investment advisers and research analysts, reducing the risk of financial fraud and unauthorized collections.
- Operational Since October 1, 2024
- The system is operated by BSE Ltd in partnership with MF Utilities India Pvt. Ltd.
- CeFCoM is designed to bring transparency and trust into the advisory fee payment process.

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Ques: Which digital financial platform recently joined the ONDC network as a buyer-side participant?

- A. Paytm
- B. PhonePe
- C. Bajaj Markets
- D. Google Pay
- E. MobiKwik

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Bajaj Markets, a subsidiary of Bajaj Finserv, has joined the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) as a buyer-side participant.
- With this integration, customers of Bajaj Markets will now be able to access ONDC services via its mobile app and website.
- Bajaj Markets offers a wide range of financial products and services and its participation in ONDC will help enhance digital commerce reach and adoption.
- This development is in line with ONDC's mission to democratize e-commerce in India by connecting buyers and sellers through an open and interoperable network.

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Ques : Myntra's M-Now delivery service, recently launched in Delhi-NCR and Mumbai, delivers products in how much time?

- A. 2 hours
- B. 1 hour
- C. 45 minutes
- D. 30 minutes
- E. Same day

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Myntra has rolled out its M-Now service in Delhi-NCR and Mumbai, offering ultra-fast delivery of fashion and beauty products within 30 minutes.
- This is made possible through a network of over 40 dark stores, each capable of storing 25,000 items.
- The service caters to the rising demand for speed-led fashion commerce, which is expected to grow significantly in the coming years.

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Ques: What is the objective of the nationwide survey launched jointly by ICMR and WHO in India?

- A. To monitor vaccine distribution
- B. To develop India-specific Child Growth Standards
- C. To update the maternal mortality index
- D. To study regional malnutrition levels
- E. To assess pediatric vaccination impact

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) has initiated a nationwide survey.
- Its aim is to develop India-specific Child Growth Standards by replacing the outdated 2006 WHO benchmarks.
- The survey spans six climatically diverse zones : Shillong (North East), Delhi (North), Pune (West), Bengaluru (South), Purulia (East), and one more location to account for regional growth differences.
- Focus Group are Children up to 2 years of age; their height, weight, and BMI will be recorded to create a standardized national growth index.

About ICMR:

- Established: 1911
- HQ: New Delhi
- CEO: Rajiv Bahl

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Ques: Which Indian animated film won the Jury Award for Best Commissioned Film at the Annecy International Animation Festival 2025?

- A. Bombay Rose
- B. Gully Boy Animation
- C. The Mango Tree
- D. India Ink
- E. Desi Oon

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- "Desi Oon", created by renowned Indian animation filmmaker Shri Suresh Eriyat, won the Jury Award for Best Commissioned Film at the Annecy International Animation Festival 2025 held in France.
- It was part of the Create in India Challenge under WAVES 2025, an initiative by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting to spotlight Indian creative talent globally.
- The film also won Best Film at the WAVES Awards of Excellence 2025 and has been shortlisted at Cannes Lions 2025 in the Film Craft Lions category.
- The WAVES Awards of Excellence, in collaboration with ASIFA India, celebrates the best in Animation, VFX, Design, and Emerging Media.

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Ques: Which European country did the Indian Prime Minister visit in 2025, marking the first-ever visit by an Indian PM to that nation?

- A. Hungary
- B. Serbia
- C. Croatia
- D. Slovenia
- E. Montenegro

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- In 2025, the Prime Minister of India visited Croatia, becoming the first Indian PM to officially visit the country.
- The visit occurred after attending the G7 Summit in Canada as part of a 3-nation tour.
- Former President Ram Nath Kovind had earlier visited Croatia in March 2019 and was conferred the country's highest civilian honor, "Grand Order of the King of Tomislav."
- Croatia lies along the Adriatic Sea in Southeast Europe and shares borders with Slovenia, Hungary, Serbia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Montenegro, and Italy.
- Diplomatic relations between India and Croatia were established in 1992, and ties have expanded to include trade in pharmaceuticals, engineering goods, and cooperation in IT, shipbuilding, and renewable energy.





Ques: Which Indian publication was named ‘The Champion of Digital Media Awards South Asia 2025’ at the WAN-IFRA Digital Media Awards?

- A. Times of India
- B. The Indian Express
- C. Hindustan Times
- D. The Hindu
- E. Deccan Chronicle

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Hindu was honored as ‘The Champion of Digital Media Awards South Asia 2025’ at the WAN-IFRA Digital Media Awards South Asia, conducted by the World Association of News Publishers.
- It won 10 awards across various categories, including 4 Gold, 3 Silver, and 3 Bronze.

Gold Awards:

- Best Use of Video and Best Native Advertising Campaign (both for the ‘Made of Chennai’ initiative)
- Best Use of AI in Revenue Strategy
- Best Podcast (Topic: In Focus – Why does the Election Commission need seven phases to conduct the General Election?)

Silver Awards:

- Best Data Visualisation (How India voted: A retrospective from 1952 - 2024)
- Best Use of AI in Revenue Strategy
- Best Digital Subscription

Bronze Awards:

- Best in Audience Engagement
- Best Data Visualisation (on Kallakurichi hooch tragedy)
- Best Digital Subscription





Ques: Where was the “Yoga Connect 2025” global summit organized ahead of the 11th International Day of Yoga?

- A. Visakhapatnam
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Rishikesh
- D. Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi
- E. Ahmedabad

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy (CCRYN) hosted a hybrid global summit called “Yoga Connect 2025” at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- This event was held ahead of the 11th International Day of Yoga (IDY), celebrated annually on 21 June.
- The summit was themed “Yoga for One Earth, One Health”, emphasizing the global and holistic benefits of yoga.
- While the summit took place in New Delhi, the main celebration of IDY 2025 will be held in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

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Ques: Where did Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman lay the foundation stone for a Mini Planetarium and Astro Globe in June 2025?

- A. Leh
- B. Kargil
- C. Hanle
- D. Srinagar
- E. Tawang

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman laid the foundation stone for a Mini Planetarium and Astro Globe at the Hanle Dark Sky Reserve in Hanle, Ladakh.
- The project, costing approximately ₹276.65 lakh, was sanctioned under the Special Development Package (SDP).
- Its goals include promoting scientific education, astro-tourism, stargazing, and creating local employment opportunities.
- Hanle Dark Sky Reserve is one of the first such reserves in India recognized for minimal light pollution, making it ideal for astronomical observations.
- Dark Sky Reserves are designated by the International Dark Sky Association (IDA) to ensure the preservation of night skies with minimal artificial light.

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Ques: Who is the author of the debut novel "The Stars Light the Way" released in 2025?

- A. Jacinda Ardern
- B. Sucheta Raj Khanna
- C. Parvati Tirkey
- D. Advait Kottary
- E. Sushil Shukla

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- "The Stars Light the Way" is the debut novel of Sucheta Raj Khanna, a Singapore-based life coach.
- The book was published by Penguin Random House India.
- The novel delves into themes of faith, identity, family legacy, and inner guidance, making it a compelling story about self-discovery and destiny.

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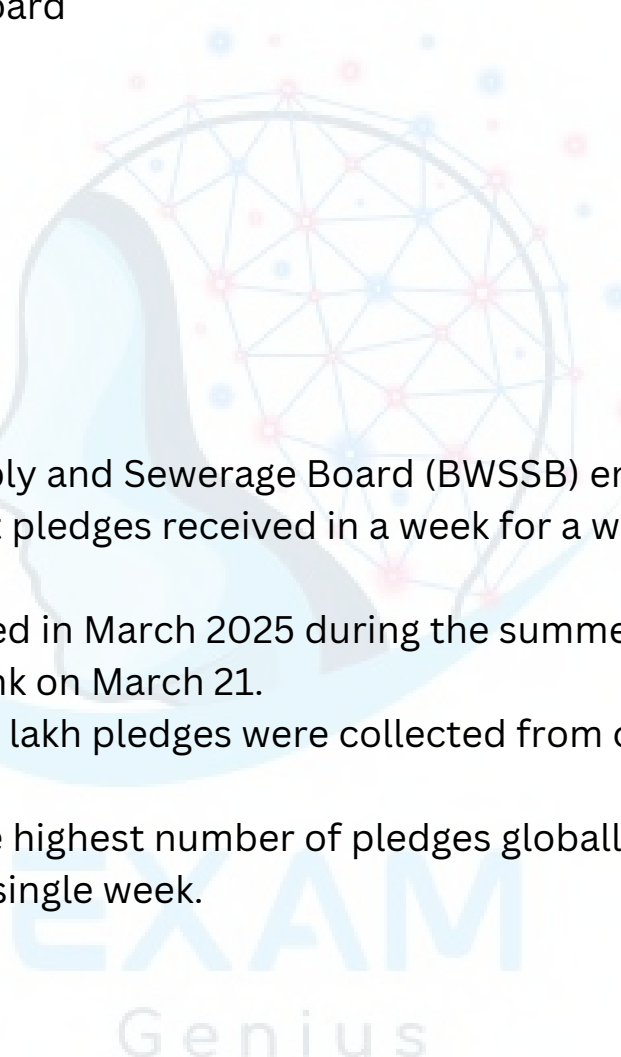
Ques: Which organization entered the Guinness Book of World Records for receiving the most water conservation pledges in a week?

- A. Delhi Jal Board
- B. Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB)
- C. Chennai Metro Water
- D. Central Ground Water Board
- E. National Water Mission

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) entered the Guinness World Records for the most pledges received in a week for a water conservation campaign.
- The campaign was launched in March 2025 during the summer, starting with a Cauvery Aarti at Sankey Tank on March 21.
- In just one week, over 5.33 lakh pledges were collected from citizens across Bengaluru.
- This was recognized as the highest number of pledges globally for a water conservation initiative in a single week.





Ques: Which airline was named the World's Best Airline for 2025 by Skytrax at the World Airline Awards?

- A. Singapore Airlines
- B. Cathay Pacific
- C. Emirates
- D. Qatar Airways
- E. IndiGo

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Skytrax's World Airline Awards 2025, often regarded as the "Oscars of the Aviation Industry," were held at the Paris Air Show.
- Qatar Airways was named the World's Best Airline for 2025, marking its 9th win of the prestigious title.
- Singapore Airlines secured the 2nd position, while Cathay Pacific Airways (Hong Kong SAR, China) ranked 3rd.
- Air India improved its ranking from 90th in 2024 to 84th in 2025 in the Top 100 list.

Ranking of World's Top 5 Airlines in 2025 :

- 1 Qatar Airways (9th Time) - Doha, Qatar
- 2 Singapore Airlines - Singapore City, Singapore
- 3 Cathay Pacific Airways - Hong Kong, Special Administrative Region (SAR) of China
- 4 Emirates - Dubai, the United Arab Emirates
- 5 ANA All Nippon Airways - Tokyo, Japan
- 39 Indigo Airline - Gurugram, India

Ranking of Top 5 Best Airlines in India/South Asia 2025 :

- 1 IndiGo - Gurugram, Haryana (India)
- 2 Air India - Gurugram, Haryana (India)
- 3 SriLankan Airlines - Katunayake (Sri Lanka)





4 Akasa Air - Mumbai, Maharashtra (India)

5 SpiceJet - Gurugram, Haryana (India)

List top airlines in other categories :

- The World's Best Cabin Crew 2025 : Singapore Airlines
- The World's Best Low-Cost Airlines 2025 : AirAsia
- The World's Best Regional Airlines 2025 : Bangkok Airways
- The World's Most Family Friendly Airlines 2025 : Lufthansa (Germany)
- The World's Cleanest Airlines 2025 : EVA Air (Taiwan)
- The World's Best Leisure Airlines 2025 : Air Transat (Canada)
- The World's Best Airport Services 2025 : ANA All Nippon Airways (Japan)



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Ques: Who won the 2025 Canadian Grand Prix held at Circuit Gilles Villeneuve, Montreal?

- A. Max Verstappen
- B. Lewis Hamilton
- C. Oscar Piastri
- D. George Russell
- E. Lando Norris

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- George Russell, representing Germany-based Mercedes, clinched his first Formula One (F1) Grand Prix victory of the 2025 season by winning the 63rd edition of the Canadian Grand Prix.
- The event took place at the Circuit Gilles Villeneuve in Montreal, Canada.
- This win marks Russell's 4th career F1 win and his 20th podium finish.

Recent Grand Prix Winner :

- 2025 Australian Grand Prix : Lando Norris
- 2025 Chinese Grand Prix : Oscar Piastri
- 2025 Japanese Grand Prix : Max Verstappen Red Bull
- 2025 Bahrain Grand Prix : Oscar Piastri
- 2025 Saudi Arabian Grand Prix : Oscar Piastri
- 2025 Miami Grand Prix : Oscar Piastri
- 2025 Emilia Romagna Grand Prix : Max Verstappen
- 2025 F1 Monaco Grand Prix : Lando Norris
- 2025 Spanish Grand Prix : Oscar Piastri





Ques: Who won the Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2025 for English and Hindi respectively?

- A. Arundhati Roy and Kumar Vishwas
- B. Advait Kottary and Parvati Tirkey
- C. Jhumpa Lahiri and Uday Prakash
- D. Salman Rushdie and Dinesh Kushwaha
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Sahitya Akademi announced the Yuva Puraskar 2025 for 23 young writers across various Indian languages.
- Advait Kottary was awarded for his English novel “Siddhartha: The Boy Who Became the Buddha”.
- Parvati Tirkey received the Hindi Yuva Puraskar for her poetry collection “Phir Uzna”.
- The Yuva Puraskar honors Indian authors under the age of 35.
- No Yuva Puraskar was awarded in the Dogri language this year.
- The award includes a copper-plaque and a cash prize of ₹50,000, presented at a special ceremony.
- Sahitya Akademi, established in 1954, operates under the Ministry of Culture and is India’s second-highest literary honor after the Jnanpith Award.





Ques: What is the name of the scheme launched by Delhi University to support tribal students from remote areas with CUET preparation?

- A. JAGRITI
- B. JAIHIND
- C. VANBANDHU
- D. SHRESHTA
- E. EKLAVYA

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The scheme is named Janajati Immersive Holistic Intervention for Novel Development (JAIHIND).
- It was launched by Delhi University to provide tribal students of classes 9 to 12 from remote areas with practical skills and CUET orientation.
- The first batch includes 25 meritorious students (13 boys, 12 girls) from the Tangkhul Naga tribe in Ukhrul district, Manipur.
- The inaugural programme runs from June 17 to June 29, 2025.
- The launch event was attended by Vineet Joshi, Secretary, Ministry of Education, as the chief guest.

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Ques: Which Indian state has become the first to introduce an Android-based mobile e-voting system?

- A. Bihar
- B. Kerala
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Gujarat
- E. Telangana

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- The Bihar State Election Commission has announced the launch of an Android-based mobile e-voting system, making Bihar the first state in India to adopt such a technology-driven approach to voting.
- The system will use two mobile apps – “e-Voting SECBHR” developed by C-DAC and another by the State Election Commission of Bihar.
- The initiative targets migrant labourers, divyang voters, pregnant women, senior citizens, and the seriously ill, aiming to increase voter turnout and ensure inclusivity.
- The system is equipped with advanced security features such as blockchain technology, liveness detection, face recognition, and live face scans, ensuring tamper-proof voting.
- An audit trail feature similar to VVPAT has also been integrated.
- So far, only Estonia in Europe has implemented a full-fledged e-voting system like this.





Ques: Which institution recently demonstrated free-space quantum secure communication using entanglement, marking India's entry into a new quantum era?

- A. ISRO
- B. DRDO-IIT Delhi
- C. IISc Bengaluru
- D. BARC Mumbai
- E. CSIR

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- India achieved a major milestone in quantum technology by demonstrating free-space quantum secure communication using quantum entanglement.
- This experimental success was carried out by the DRDO-Industry-Academia Centre of Excellence (DIA-CoE) at IIT Delhi.
- The demonstration involved a free-space optical link over a distance of more than 1 km on the IIT Delhi campus.
- The experiment achieved a secure key rate of nearly 240 bits per second with a quantum bit error rate below 7%.
- This builds upon earlier achievements like India's first intercity quantum communication link between Vindhyachal and Prayagraj (2022) and Quantum key distribution over 100 km of telecom-grade optical fiber in 2024.
- These advancements are part of DRDO's DIA-CoE initiative, which supports 15 Centres of Excellence at premier institutions including IITs, IISc, and other top universities to advance cutting-edge defence technologies.





Ques: Who is the author of the book "A Different Kind of Power"?

- A. Angela Merkel
- B. Jacinda Ardern
- C. Sanna Marin
- D. Kamala Harris
- E. Helen Clark

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- A Different Kind of Power is authored by Jacinda Kate Laurell Ardern, the former Prime Minister of New Zealand.
- She served as the 40th Prime Minister from 2017 to 2023.
- At age 37, Ardern became the youngest Prime Minister of New Zealand in over 150 years, known globally for her empathetic leadership style.

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Ques: Who has become the first Indian-American to be appointed as Provost of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)?

- A. Anantha Chandrakasan
- B. Parag Agrawal
- C. Satya Nadella
- D. Arvind Krishna
- E. Sundar Pichai

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- Anantha Chandrakasan has been appointed as the Provost of MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), making him the first Indian-American to hold this prestigious academic position.
- He will succeed Cynthia Barnhart, who stepped down from the post in February.
- Chandrakasan is a celebrated academic and engineer, known for his contributions to semiconductor and solid-state circuit research.
- He has received prestigious honors such as 2009 SIA University Researcher Award, 013 IEEE Donald O. Pederson Award and 2017 UC Berkeley EE Distinguished Alumni Award

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Ques: Who won the gold medal for India in the Women's 10-meter Air Pistol event at the ISSF World Cup 2025 in Munich?

- A. Manu Bhaker
- B. Esha Singh
- C. Suruchi Inder Singh
- D. Rahi Sarnobat
- E. Divya Thadigol

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) organized the Munich leg of the Rifle/Pistol and Shotgun World Cup 2025 in Munich, Germany.
- Suruchi Inder Singh won gold for India in the Women's 10m Air Pistol event.
- Another gold was won by Arya Borse and Arjun Babuta in the Mixed 10m Air Rifle event.
- India ranked 3rd overall with 2 Gold and 2 Bronze (Total: 4 medals), behind China (7 medals) and Norway (4 medals).
- Earlier, India finished 2nd in Buenos Aires, Argentina and 3rd in Lima, Peru.
- The next leg will be held in Ningbo, China, from 7–15 September 2025.

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Ques: Where is the Bonn Climate Change Conference 2025 being held?

- A. Geneva, Switzerland
- B. Berlin, Germany
- C. Bonn, Germany
- D. Paris, France
- E. Dubai, UAE

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Bonn Climate Change Conference 2025 began on June 16 in Bonn, Germany, the headquarters of the UNFCCC (United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change).
- This mid-year technical conference hosts over 5,000 delegates and focuses on scientific, implementation, and negotiation elements ahead of the main COP29 summit.
- The theme for 2025 is "Operationalising the Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA)," which seeks to define measurable, equitable adaptation targets, especially for climate-vulnerable countries.
- Though GGA was established in the Paris Agreement (2015), it gained real traction at COP28 (Dubai) and is now a major focus.





Ques: Which Indian state is the only one to host wild populations of all three native crocodilian species?

- A. Madhya Pradesh
- B. Assam
- C. Odisha
- D. West Bengal
- E. Tamil Nadu

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- On World Crocodile Day (17th June 2025), India marked 50 years of its Crocodile Conservation Project (1975–2025).
- Odisha is the only state in India that hosts wild populations of all three native crocodilian species:
 1. Gharial (*Gavialis gangeticus*)
 2. Mugger crocodile (*Crocodylus palustris*)
 3. Saltwater crocodile (*Crocodylus porosus*)
- The Crocodile Conservation Project was first launched in Bhitarkanika National Park, Odisha, with support from the UNDP and FAO.
- Odisha's successful conservation efforts have made it a critical hub for crocodile biodiversity in India.

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Ques: What is the theme of World Refugee Day 2025 observed on 20 June?

- A. Solidarity with Refugees
- B. Standing with the Displaced
- C. Together for Peace
- D. Hope Away from Home
- E. Protecting the Vulnerable

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- World Refugee Day is observed every year on 20 June, designated by the United Nations to honor refugees worldwide.
- The 2025 theme is "Solidarity with Refugees", emphasizing global unity and support for displaced populations.
- The day was first observed globally on 20 June 2001, marking the 50th anniversary of the 1951 Refugee Convention.
- Initially called Africa Refugee Day, it was formally recognized as World Refugee Day by the UN General Assembly in December 2000.

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At the 113th International Labor Conference, which took place in Geneva from June 2–13, 2025, ILO Convention C 192—Convention addressing prevention and protection against biological hazards in the working environment—was adopted.

The Competition Commission of India has approved the acquisition of at least 99.44% of the equity and preference shareholding (on a fully diluted basis) of Ecom Express Limited by Delhivery Limited.

ISRO and the Department of Space's Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) collaborated with the Astronautical Society of India to successfully test a model rocket launcher system with a payload in Kushinagar, Uttar Pradesh.

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Government of India, hosted a one-day national workshop at the Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education – Arid Forest Research Institute (ICFRE-AFRI), Jodhpur. The workshop's theme was "Strategies for Combating Desertification and Drought,"

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) & Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB) signed MOU to transform the bank's transaction reconciliation processes. TCS will deploy its AI-powered solution TCS BaNCS™ for Reconciliations

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Ques : What is the minimum loan amount under NABARD's Green Lending Facility for FY26?

- A. Rs.10 crore
- B. Rs.25 crore
- C. Rs.50 crore
- D. Rs.100 crore
- E. Rs.500 crore

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- NABARD (National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development) will provide Rs.10,000 crore in loans during FY 2025–26 under its Green Lending Facility.
- This funding will be directed towards projects aligned with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), covering Ethanol plants and Electric vehicles (EVs)
- Other eco-friendly and sustainable infrastructure initiatives is the minimum loan amount per project under this scheme is Rs.100 crore.
- Eligible borrowers include Central and State governments, government agencies, and private sector entities.
- As per Deputy MD Ajay Kumar Sood, this facility was initially launched in FY25 and is being scaled up in FY26.

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Ques : What is India's rank in global FDI inflows in 2024 as per UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2025?

- A. 12
- B. 14
- C. 15
- D. 16
- E. 18

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- As per UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2025, India ranked 15th in the world in terms of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows for the year 2024, improving one spot from the previous year.
- FDI inflows remained stable at \$27.6 billion, almost the same as in 2023.
- India retained its 4th position globally in greenfield project announcements, showing continued investor interest in new projects.
- However, India dropped to 5th place in international project finance deals (97 deals in 2024 vs. 123 in 2023).
- India is also among the few developing nations receiving over 30% of its FDI in renewable energy and infrastructure, signaling a green investment shift.

Top 5 FDI recipient countries in 2024:

- USA – \$279 billion
- Singapore – \$68 billion
- Hong Kong – \$62 billion
- China – \$61 billion
- Netherlands – \$54 billion





Ques: What is the new priority sector lending (PSL) requirement for Small Finance Banks (SFBs) as per RBI's updated guidelines for FY 2025–26 onward?

- A. 40% of Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC)
- B. 75% of total lending
- C. 60% of ANBC or CEOBE, whichever is higher
- D. 50% of total advances
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has revised the priority sector lending (PSL) norms for Small Finance Banks (SFBs) effective from FY 2025–26.
- Earlier, SFBs were mandated to lend 75% of their Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC) or Credit Equivalent of Off-Balance Sheet Exposures (CEOBE) to priority sectors.
- Out of the revised 60% , 40% remains fixed for core PSL categories (like agriculture, MSMEs, etc.) and The remaining 20% can be allocated to one or more sub-sectors where the bank has a competitive advantage.
- Under the revised norms:
 - The additional 35% PSL component has been reduced to 20%.
 - Thus, the overall PSL target now stands at 60% of ANBC or CEOBE, whichever is higher.

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Ques : What is the new asset provisioning requirement mandated by RBI for under-construction project finance loans, effective from Oct 1, 2025?

- A. 5%
- B. 0.4%
- C. 2.5%
- D. 1%
- E. 1.5%

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has eased project funding norms, especially for under-construction loans, to support infrastructure financing and reduce liquidity stress on banks.
- Effective from October 1, 2025, the standard asset provisioning requirement has been reduced to 1% from the earlier proposed 5% for general under-construction project finance loans.
- For under-construction commercial real estate (CRE), the provisioning will be 1.25%. Once the project becomes operational, provisioning rates will be 1% for CRE, 0.75% for CRE-RH (Residential Housing) and 0.40% for other projects.
- This phased approach is aimed at encouraging project finance by making capital requirements more flexible as risk reduces post-completion.
- The reform is expected to boost infrastructure lending and ease cash flow pressure on financial institutions.

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Ques : According to RBI's latest circular, what is the maximum amount allowed for advance remittance for importing shipping vessels without a bank guarantee or LC?

- A. USD 10 million
- B. USD 25 million
- C. USD 50 million
- D. USD 100 million
- E. USD 5 million

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has amended the Master Direction – Import of Goods and Services, originally issued on January 1, 2016.
- Under the new circular, Authorised Dealer Category-I (AD Cat-I) banks are now allowed to permit advance remittances for shipping vessel imports.
- The major relaxation is Importers can send advance remittance up to USD 50 million. No requirement for bank guarantee or an unconditional, irrevocable standby Letter of Credit (LC).
- This move aims to ease international trade and boost the shipping industry.
- The circular is issued under Section 10(4) and Section 11(1) of the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA), 1999.

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Ques: Which Indian universities were ranked in the global top 100 of the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings 2025 for sustainability?

- A. Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, LPU, JSS Academy, and Shoolini University
- B. IIT Delhi, IISc Bangalore, Amity University, and BITS Pilani
- C. Delhi University, Anna University, Shiv Nadar University, and Ashoka University
- D. JNU, BHU, SRM University, and Christ University
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

- In the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings 2025, four Indian universities were placed in the global top 100 for their contribution to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham was ranked 41st, and Lovely Professional University (LPU) was placed at 48th.
- JSS Academy of Higher Education and Shoolini University were jointly ranked 96th.
- A total of 135 Indian institutions participated, but only these four made it to the top 100.
- The rankings evaluate universities based on performance indicators such as research, outreach, and campus operations related to SDGs like SDG 4: Quality Education, SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy and SDG 6 & Lifelong Learning: Water sustainability and education access
- Notably, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham scored 100/100 in lifelong learning and water sustainability metrics.
- Western Sydney University (Australia) retained its top global rank for the fourth consecutive year.





Ques : What is the name of the mascot unveiled for the 2025 World Para Athletics Championships?

- A. Veeraj
- B. Viraaj
- C. Vijay
- D. Ankur
- E. Gajraj

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The 12th edition of the World Para Athletics Championships will be held in New Delhi from September 27 to October 5, 2025 – for the first time in India.
- The event will feature 186 medal events with athletes from over 100 countries.
- The official mascot "Viraaj" is a young elephant with a blade prosthesis, symbolizing strength, inclusion, and determination.
- The championship is being organized by the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI).
- The venue, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, is being relaid and upgraded in preparation for the tournament.

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Ques: Which country will host the 10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup in 2026?

- A. India
- B. Australia
- C. South Africa
- D. England
- E. New Zealand

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The 10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup will be held in 2026 and will be hosted by England.
- This edition will be the biggest ever, with 12 teams participating (set to expand to 16 teams from 2030).
- The ICC Women's T20 World Cup was first held in 2009.
- New Zealand is the current champion, having won their first title.

About ICC Women's T20 World Cup :

- Most successful : Australia (6 titles)
- India hosted in : 2016
- 2026 edition : 10th 2026 host England (Semi-finals- The Oval Cricket Stadium. , Final - Lords Cricket Stadium, London)
- Seven Venues : Headingley, Edgbaston, Old Trafford, The Oval, Bristol County Ground, and Lord's





Ques: Which US-made bomb is designed to destroy deeply buried nuclear sites and can only be deployed by the B-2 Spirit stealth bomber?

- A. GBU-43/B MOAB
- B. GBU-12 Paveway II
- C. GBU-57A/B Massive Ordnance Penetrator
- D. AGM-114 Hellfire
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The GBU-57A/B Massive Ordnance Penetrator (MOP), also known as a "bunker buster", is a 30,000-pound (13,600 kg) precision-guided bomb developed by the United States.
- It is designed to penetrate up to 200 feet (61 meters) of reinforced concrete or rock before detonation, making it effective against deeply buried nuclear sites or military bunkers.
- The bomb is 6.6 meters long and features a hardened steel casing and a specialised delayed-fuse system for deep penetration.
- The only aircraft capable of deploying the GBU-57 is the B-2 Spirit stealth bomber, developed by Northrop Grumman.
- The B-2 has a range of up to 11,500 miles (18,500 km) with aerial refueling and can carry two GBU-57 bombs.
- As tensions rise in the Middle East, this bomb has come into focus as one of the few capable of striking Iran's fortified nuclear facilities.





Ques: According to the Global Liveability Index 2025 published by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU), which city was ranked as the most liveable in the world?

- A. Vienna, Austria
- B. Zurich, Switzerland
- C. Copenhagen, Denmark
- D. Melbourne, Australia
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Global Liveability Index 2025 is published by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU).
- It ranks 173 cities across the world based on factors like stability, healthcare, culture, environment, education, and infrastructure.
- In the 2025 edition, Copenhagen (Denmark) was ranked as the most liveable city, ending Vienna's three-year reign at the top.
- No Indian city featured in the top 10 liveable cities of the world in this year's rankings.
- The average global liveability score remained unchanged from the previous year at 76.1 out of 100.

Ranking of top 5 cities in Global Liveability Index 2025 :

- 1 Copenhagen (Denmark) : 98.0
- 2 Vienna (Austria) : 97.1
- 3 Zurich (Switzerland) : 97.1
- 4 Melbourne (Australia) : 97.0
- 5 Geneva (Switzerland) : 96.8
- 173 Damascus (Syria) : 30.7





Ques : Who is likely to be appointed as India's next High Commissioner to Canada?

- A. Vinay Mohan Kwatra
- B. Dinesh K Patnaik
- C. Taranjit Singh Sandhu
- D. Harsh Vardhan Shringla
- E. Sanjay Verma

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Dinesh K Patnaik is a senior Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer from the 1990 batch.
- He is currently serving as India's Ambassador to Spain.
- He is likely to be appointed as India's High Commissioner to Canada, amid diplomatic efforts to rebuild relations between the two nations.
- India-Canada ties had been strained following the killing of a Sikh separatist in 2023.
- As part of normalization efforts, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Canadian PM Mark Carney have agreed to take constructive steps toward restoring diplomatic stability.

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Ques: According to the OECD's Global Drought Outlook Report, what percentage of the world's land is facing increasingly frequent and severe droughts?

- A. 20%
- B. 30%
- C. 40%
- D. 50%
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) recently released the Global Drought Outlook Report, highlighting the growing threat of droughts worldwide.

Key findings of the report include:

- 40% of the world's land area is increasingly experiencing frequent and severe droughts.
- The economic cost of an average drought is projected to rise by 3% to 7.5% annually.
- By 2035, there is a minimum 35% projected increase in drought-related economic losses.
- Since 1980, 37% of global land has seen significant soil moisture loss, and groundwater levels are declining in many regions.
- Although droughts make up only 6% of natural disasters globally, they are responsible for 34% of disaster-related deaths, disproportionately affecting regions like Sub-Saharan Africa.
- The report not only highlights impacts but also offers policy solutions to Improve drought risk management, Enhance resilience in ecosystems and agriculture and Adapt to a drier climate future





Ques: What is the name of India's new hypersonic missile developed under DRDO's Project Vishnu?

- A. Agni Prime
- B. Shaurya II
- C. BrahMos II
- D. Nirbhay-X
- E. ETLDHCM

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- India is developing the Extended Trajectory-Long Duration Hypersonic Cruise Missile (ETLDHCM) under DRDO's Project Vishnu, marking a significant leap in defence technology.
- The missile can fly at hypersonic speeds of up to Mach 8 (approximately 11,000 km/h), allowing rapid response and deep strike capability.
- It has a range of 1,500 km and is capable of carrying conventional or nuclear warheads weighing between 1,000 and 2,000 kg.
- This next-gen missile strengthens India's strategic deterrence and long-range precision strike capabilities.

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Ques : Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) signed a Rs.511 crore deal with which organization to build Small Satellite Launch Vehicles (SSLVs)?

- A. DRDO
- B. BARC
- C. ISRO
- D. BEL
- E. IN-SPACe

Answer: C

Explanation :

- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has signed a Rs.511 crore Transfer of Technology (ToT) deal with ISRO to manufacture and operate Small Satellite Launch Vehicles (SSLVs).
- The SSLV is a three-stage launch vehicle developed by ISRO to carry satellites under 500 kg to Low Earth Orbit (LEO).
- The deal was announced by IN-SPACe, after HAL emerged as the highest bidder among three shortlisted companies.
- Under this deal HAL will receive ISRO's assistance for the first two years to build at least two SSLV rockets. After that, HAL will independently operate SSLV missions.
- The Government of India will bear liability for SSLVs manufactured by HAL, in accordance with international norms.

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Ques: Which British football icon was formally awarded a Knighthood by King Charles III?

- A. Gary Lineker
- B. Wayne Rooney
- C. Steven Gerrard
- D. David Beckham
- E. Harry Kane

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- David Robert Joseph Beckham, the legendary British footballer, was formally conferred a Knighthood by King Charles III.
- Other notable recipients of knighthood in the same honours list include actor Gary Oldman and musician Roger Daltrey.
- The UK government's honours list is officially approved by the monarch.
- Upon receiving a knighthood, a man is granted the title "Sir", and his wife may use the courtesy title "Lady" before her surname, provided she adopts his surname.

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Ques: Where was the first Indian epigraphical reference to Halley's Comet discovered?

- A. Brihadeeswarar Temple, Tamil Nadu
- B. Mallikarjunaswamy Temple, Srisailam
- C. Konark Sun Temple, Odisha
- D. Virupaksha Temple, Hampi
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The first Indian epigraphical reference to Halley's Comet was found in a 1456 CE copper plate inscription at the Mallikarjunaswamy Temple in Srisailam, Andhra Pradesh.
- The inscription, from the Vijayanagara period, is written in Sanskrit using the Nagari script.
- It mentions the appearance of a comet and meteor shower, matching the historical record of Halley's Comet in 1456 CE.
- The grant was made by Vijayanagara ruler Mallikarjuna on June 28, 1456 CE (Śaka 1378, Āshāḍha ba. 11) to a Vedic scholar named Limgaṇarya.
- The grant was given to mitigate the calamity believed to be caused by the comet.
- The donated village was named Simgapura, located in Kelajhasima of Hastinavati Vemṭhe.
- Although comets (dhūmaketus) are mentioned in ancient texts, this is the first known inscriptional evidence of Halley's Comet in Indian history.





Ques: Which Indian institution ranked highest in the QS World University Rankings 2026?

- A. IIT Bombay
- B. IISc Bangalore
- C. IIT Kanpur
- D. IIT Delhi
- E. IIT Kharagpur

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- In the QS World University Rankings 2026, IIT Delhi ranked 123rd, making it the highest-ranked Indian institution for the first time in eight years.
- It made a significant leap, improving its rank by 27 positions from 150 in 2025.
- In contrast, IIT Bombay, which usually held the top Indian spot, fell to 129th from 118th last year.
- Globally, MIT secured the 1st rank for the 14th consecutive year, followed by Imperial College London, Stanford, Oxford, and Harvard.
- Other Indian institutions in the top national 10 include IIT Kharagpur (215), IIT Kanpur (222), IIT Guwahati (334), and IIT Roorkee (339).

Ranking of QS World University Rankings 2026 :

- 1 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
- 2 Imperial College London
- 3 Stanford University
- 4 University of Oxford
- 5 Harvard University
- 6 University of Cambridge





Ques : Who is heading the newly formed panel to reduce dependency on coaching centres and review competitive exams?

- A. Subhas Sarkar
- B. Vineet Joshi
- C. Dharmendra Pradhan
- D. Sanjay Kumar
- E. Rajesh Verma

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Union Education Ministry has set up a high-level committee to address the rising dependency on coaching centres and improve the fairness and effectiveness of competitive exams.
- The panel is headed by Vineet Joshi, the Higher Education Secretary.
- The panel includes members from CBSE, NCERT, IITs, NITs, and principals from Kendriya Vidyalayas, Navodaya Vidyalayas, and a private school.

Its objectives include:

- Reviewing competitive entrance tests.
- Addressing issues related to dummy schools.
- Evaluating the impact of misleading advertisements by coaching centres.
- Studying gaps in school education like critical thinking, analytical skills, and creativity.
- Recommending reforms to enhance career counselling and promote multiple career pathways.





Ques: Who was the Padma Shri awardee known as ‘Aranya Rishi’ who passed away at the age of 93 in 2025?

- A. Salim Ali
- B. Valmik Thapar
- C. M. K. Ranjitsinh
- D. Maruti Chitampalli
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Maruti Chitampalli, renowned environmentalist and wildlife expert, passed away at the age of 93 in Solapur, Maharashtra.
- Fondly known as ‘Aranya Rishi’, he dedicated his life to forests, wildlife, and conservation literature.
- He was awarded the Padma Shri on April 30, 2025, for his contributions.
- Chitampalli served in the Forest Department for 36 years and authored several important works.
- His personal diaries inspired scientific publications such as : ‘Pakshikosha’ – Encyclopedia of Birds, ‘Pashukosha’ – Encyclopedia of Animals and ‘Matsyakosha’ – Encyclopedia of Fish

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Ques: What is the International Day of the Celebration of the Solstice and what does it signify?

- A. Day marking lunar eclipses in both hemispheres
- B. Longest night in Northern Hemisphere
- C. Day when Earth is closest to the Moon
- D. Longest day and shortest night in Northern Hemisphere
- E. None of the above

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- 21st June is observed as the International Day of the Celebration of the Solstice.
- The word Solstice comes from Latin, meaning "stalled sun".
- It is a natural astronomical event that occurs twice every year, once in summer and once in winter, in each hemisphere.
- On 21st June, the Northern Hemisphere experiences the longest day and shortest night of the year.
- This is because the Sun shines directly overhead on the Tropic of Cancer (23.5° North), and the North Pole is tilted towards the Sun, while the South Pole is tilted away.
- The Earth's axis, which is always tilted at 23.5 degrees, is responsible for this phenomenon.
- In contrast, Equinoxes occur twice a year when the Earth's axis is perpendicular to the Sun's rays, resulting in nearly equal day and night across the globe.
- The Vernal (Spring) Equinox occurs around March 20 or 21, and the Autumnal Equinox around September 22 or 23 in the Northern Hemisphere.





Ques: RBI imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.29.60 lakh on which payments bank in June 2025?

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

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a Rs.29.60 lakh penalty on Fino Payments Bank.
- The penalty was for non-compliance with RBI's licensing directions for Payments Banks.
- The action was taken under Section 47A(1)(c) read with Section 46(4)(i) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- The violation was discovered during the Supervisory Evaluation (ISE 2024) held on March 31, 2024.
- The bank was found to have exceeded the end-of-day balance ceiling in certain accounts on multiple occasions.
- The penalty is regulatory in nature and does not affect customer services or transactions

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Ques: At which temple has the South Indian Bank installed E-Kiosk and E-Kanika facilities?

- A. Lotus Temple
- B. Akshardham Temple
- C. ISKCON Temple
- D. Birla Mandir
- E. Uttara Guruvayurappan Temple

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- South Indian Bank has launched E-Kiosk and E-Kanika facilities at Uttara Guruvayurappan Temple in New Delhi.
- The E-Kiosk allows devotees to book poojas, scan UPI QR codes, receive instant receipts, and make voluntary donations.
- The E-Kanika feature enables easy digital donations, promoting digital convenience at places of worship.
- This digital initiative was inaugurated on a Saturday, aiming to enhance the spiritual experience using technology.

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Ques: Which state has the Calcutta High Court ordered the Centre to resume MGNREGA from August 1, 2025?

- A. Jharkhand
- B. Odisha
- C. Assam
- D. West Bengal
- E. Bihar

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Calcutta High Court has ordered the Union Government to resume MGNREGA (Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act) in West Bengal starting August 1, 2025.
- The scheme had been suspended in the state since March 2022, after the Centre invoked Section 27 of the Act citing alleged widespread irregularities found during audits.
- The division bench, headed by Chief Justice T S Sivagnanam and Justice Chaitali Chatterjee, ruled that no central scheme can be kept in “cold storage” indefinitely.
- MGNREGA guarantees 100 days of rural employment annually to registered households and is a crucial livelihood support mechanism in rural India.

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Ques: In which state are the new Election Commission initiatives during bye-polls set to be fully introduced in the upcoming Assembly elections?

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Rajasthan
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Bihar
- E. Chhattisgarh

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- The Election Commission of India (ECI) successfully implemented several new initiatives during bye-polls in five Assembly constituencies.

These include:

- Mobile deposit facility for electors at polling stations.
- Real-time Voter Turnout Reporting (VTR) updates by Presiding Officers.
- 100% webcasting at polling stations.
- Mock poll training for all Presiding Officers.
- A Special Summary Revision (SSR) of electoral rolls was also carried out before the bye-polls – for the first time in nearly two decades.
- The ECI confirmed that these reforms will be fully implemented in the upcoming Bihar Assembly Elections, setting a new standard in electoral transparency and efficiency.





Ques : INS Teg, which recently arrived in Mauritius for joint surveillance, is part of which class of Indian Navy ships?

- A. Shivalik-class
- B. Talwar-class
- C. Nilgiri-class
- D. Kolkata-class
- E. Kamorta-class

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- INS Teg is a stealth Talwar-class guided missile frigate of the Indian Navy, deployed in the South West Indian Ocean Region.
- It is part of a trio (along with INS Tarkash and INS Trikand) built at the Yantar Shipyard in Russia under Project 17A.
- The vessel weighs 3,970 tonnes, is 125 meters long, and can reach speeds of 30 knots (56 km/h).
- It carries eight BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles and has an operational range of 4,500 nautical miles (8,334 km).
- INS Teg visited Port Louis, Mauritius (19–22 June 2025) for joint surveillance of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), strengthening maritime cooperation.





Ques: What is the name of the web portal launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development to support gender budgeting initiatives?

- A. Gender Insight Portal
- B. Budget for Women Hub
- C. Gender Budgeting Knowledge Hub
- D. Women Empowerment Gateway
- E. Bharat Gender Dashboard

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD) organized a National Consultation on Gender Budgeting at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- The event focused on strengthening gender-responsive governance and deliberating on improvements across all sectors.
- As part of the initiative, a dedicated web portal titled 'Gender Budgeting Knowledge Hub' was launched to provide centralized access to data, tools, case studies, and resources related to gender budgeting.
- For FY 2025–26, the Government of India has allocated Rs.4.49 lakh crore under the Gender Budget, reaffirming its commitment to inclusive development under Viksit Bharat@2047.

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Ques: From which factory was the first 'Make in India' diesel locomotive for export flagged off by Prime Minister Narendra Modi?

- A. Chittaranjan Locomotive Works
- B. Marhowrah Diesel Locomotive Factory
- C. Varanasi Diesel Engine Factory
- D. Dankuni Electric Engine Unit
- E. Patiala Rail Coach Factory

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged off the first 'Make in India' diesel locomotive meant for export from the Marhowrah Diesel Locomotive Factory in Bihar.
- The locomotives were developed in partnership with Wabtec under the 'Make in India' initiative.
- A total of 150 Evolution Series ES43ACmi locomotives will be exported to Guinea, supporting the Simandou iron ore project in West Africa.
- The deal, valued at over Rs.3,000 crore (\$345.9 million), was secured through global competitive bidding.
- These 4,500 HP locomotives include modern features like AC propulsion, regenerative braking, and microprocessor-based controls for efficient freight transport.
- Deliveries are scheduled over three years: 37 units in FY 2024–25, 82 in FY 2025–26, and 31 in FY 2026–27.





Ques : Which three nuclear sites in Iran were targeted by the U.S. airstrikes?

- A. Tehran, Qom, Esfahan
- B. Fordow, Natanz, Isfahan
- C. Bushehr, Yazd, Kerman
- D. Shiraz, Mashhad, Tabriz
- E. Bandar Abbas, Gachin, Qom

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- On 22 June 2025, the U.S. military conducted Operation Midnight Hammer, executing airstrikes on three key Iranian nuclear sites—Fordow, Natanz, and Isfahan using B-2 stealth bombers and long-range missiles
- The strikes involved 30,000-pound bunker-buster bombs aimed at deeply buried enrichment facilities
- President Trump declared the operation a "spectacular military success," stating the sites were "completely and totally obliterated"
- Satellite imagery confirmed significant damage at the sites, particularly to entrances and surface structures
- However, an intelligence assessment from the U.S. Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) later revealed that while the sites sustained severe damage, Iran's nuclear program was only set back by several months, with core infrastructure largely intact
- Both the IAEA and Iran reported no signs of radioactive contamination related to the strikes





Ques: Which payment bank received the ‘Special Mention Award’ at the Digital Payments Award 2024–25?

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

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) received the ‘Special Mention Award’ at the Digital Payments Award 2024–25.
- The award was presented by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and Minister of State Pankaj Chaudhary.
- The award was received by R. Visweswaran, the Managing Director and CEO of IPPB.
- It was awarded by the Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Government of India.
- The India Post Payments Bank was also ranked first among all Payment Banks in the Performance Index for FY 2024–25.

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Ques: Which Indian athlete won the Paris Diamond League 2025 javelin event with a throw of 88.16 metres?

- A. Neeraj Chopra
- B. DP Manu
- C. Kishore Jena
- D. Rohit Yadav
- E. Shivpal Singh

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Neeraj Chopra, India's star javelin thrower, won the Paris Diamond League 2025 with a top throw of 88.16 metres in his very first attempt.
- He defeated Germany's Julian Weber, who had earlier beaten Neeraj at the Doha Diamond League in May and the Janusz Kusocinski Memorial event.
- Weber's best on the night was 87.88 metres.
- This victory marks Neeraj's first Diamond League win since June 2023, bringing him back to the top form ahead of key global athletics events.

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Ques: Where was India's largest Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal inaugurated by Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw?

- A. Gurugram, Haryana
- B. Manesar, Haryana
- C. Sanand, Gujarat
- D. Chakan, Maharashtra
- E. Faridabad, Haryana

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated India's largest Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal at Maruti Suzuki India Limited's Manesar plant in Haryana.
- The terminal is capable of handling up to 4.5 lakh automobiles annually, making it one of the highest-capacity automobile rail hubs in India.
- A 10 km dedicated rail link connects the Manesar facility to Patli railway station.
- The terminal was developed under the Prime Minister Gati Shakti National Master Plan with an investment of Rs.800 crore.
- On the occasion, the minister also announced 100 new MEMU trains and 50 Namo Bharat trains to enhance regional rail services.

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Ques: What is the name of the new app launched by Swiggy to offer premium lifestyle and travel concierge services?

- A. Swift
- B. Swiggy Elite
- C. Crew
- D. Prime Life
- E. Voyage

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Swiggy has launched a new app called Crew to enter the premium lifestyle and travel concierge services segment.
- The app offers personalized services such as securing international driving permits, custom travel planning, and curated gifts within a defined budget.
- Crew is currently in beta and available to select users only on both Apple App Store and Google Play Store.
- It is developed by Bundl Technologies Pvt Ltd, Swiggy's parent company.

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Ques: Which French company partnered with Reliance Aerostructure Limited to manufacture Falcon 2000 business jets in India?

- A. Airbus
- B. Dassault Aviation
- C. Safran
- D. Thales Group
- E. ATR

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Reliance Aerostructure Limited (RAL) has entered into a strategic partnership with Dassault Aviation of France to manufacture Falcon 2000 business jets in Nagpur, Maharashtra.
- This partnership was announced at the Paris Air Show 2025.
- It marks the first time Dassault will manufacture these jets outside of France.
- The first Indian-assembled Falcon 2000 jet is expected to be delivered by 2028.
- With this development, India will become the 5th country globally with the capability to manufacture executive business jets, after France, Canada, Brazil, and the USA.

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Ques: Which initiative was introduced to provide digitally verifiable identity credentials to farmers under the Agri Stack platform?

- A. Kisan Sahayata Patra
- B. Digital Kisan Card
- C. Kisan Pehchan Patra
- D. Agro Identity Token
- E. Bharat Farm ID

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- At the National Conference on Agri Stack in New Delhi, the Kisan Pehchan Patra was introduced as a Digitally Verifiable Credential.
- It allows farmers to generate verified digital identities linked to their land holdings and crop details.
- An MoU was signed by the State Governments of Maharashtra, Kerala, Bihar, and Odisha, along with the PSB Alliance, and the National Farmers Welfare Program Implementation Society under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
- The Agri Stack is an open-source Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) containing comprehensive data on farmers such as identity, land records, crop history, income, loans, insurance, and more.
- The Government of India has allocated Rs.6,000 crore to support digital agriculture initiatives—Rs.4,000 crore for farmer registry systems and Rs.2,000 crore for digital crop surveys.





Ques : Where did President Droupadi Murmu inaugurate Rashtrapati Tapovan and Rashtrapati Niketan?

- A. Shimla
- B. Nainital
- C. Mussoorie
- D. Dehradun
- E. Ranikhet

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated Rashtrapati Tapovan and Rashtrapati Niketan in Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
- She also laid the foundation stone for Rashtrapati Udyan, a 132-acre public park designed to be fully accessible to specially abled people.
- Rashtrapati Niketan, earlier known as the Presidential Retreat, has heritage roots dating back to 1838, originally serving as a summer camp for the Governor General's bodyguard.
- Rashtrapati Tapovan is a 19-acre Presidential Estate in the foothills of the Himalayas.
- The overall initiative aims to enhance community engagement, wellness, and civic pride.

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Ques: What initiative has the Delhi government launched to mitigate pollution through artificial rain?

- A. Rainwater Harvesting Drive
- B. Cloud Observatory Establishment
- C. Cloud Seeding Pilot Project
- D. Urban Fog Dispersal Program
- E. Monsoon Extension Experiment

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Delhi government is set to implement its first-ever artificial rain pilot project to tackle pollution.
- Titled "Technology Demonstration and Evaluation of Cloud Seeding as an Alternative for Delhi NCR Pollution Mitigation," the project is being carried out in collaboration with IIT Kanpur.
- The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has confirmed the meteorological feasibility of cloud seeding over the NCR.
- A total of five cloud seeding flights (sorties) are planned, each covering 100 sq. km and lasting at least 1 hour 30 minutes over non-sensitive zones of northwest and outer Delhi.
- Nimbostratus clouds, ranging between 500 to 6,000 meters above ground, will be targeted for the experiment.
- The project has a total estimated cost of Rs.3.21 crore, fully funded by the Department of Environment, Government of NCT of Delhi.





Ques: Amazon India has launched its diagnostics service in collaboration with which company?

- A. Healthians
- B. Orange Health Labs
- C. Metropolis
- D. Dr. Lal PathLabs
- E. Thyrocare

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- Amazon India launched its at-home diagnostic service, Amazon Diagnostics, in partnership with Orange Health Labs.
- The service enables customers to book lab tests, schedule and track appointments, and access digital reports through the Amazon app.
- It covers over 450 PIN codes across six major cities: Bengaluru, Delhi, Gurgaon, Noida, Mumbai, and Hyderabad.
- This initiative strengthens Amazon's presence in India's growing healthcare and diagnostics sector.

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Ques : PM Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of development projects worth how much in Odisha in June 2025?

- A. Rs.8,600 crore
- B. Rs.12,000 crore
- C. Rs.18,600 crore
- D. Rs.20,000 crore
- E. Rs.25,000 crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation for development projects worth over Rs.18,600 crore in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, marking one year of the state's first BJP-led government.
- These projects cover key sectors like drinking water, irrigation, health, agriculture, infrastructure, and rail connectivity.
- He launched new train services connecting Boudh district to the national railway network and flagged off 100 electric buses under the CRUT urban transport system.
- The Odisha Vision Document and Baraputra Aitihya Gram Yojana were also launched to honor iconic Odia personalities.
- Schemes like Ayushman Bharat, Gopabandhu Jan Arogya Yojana, and Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana will now provide free treatment up to Rs.5 lakh for over 23 lakh senior citizens.

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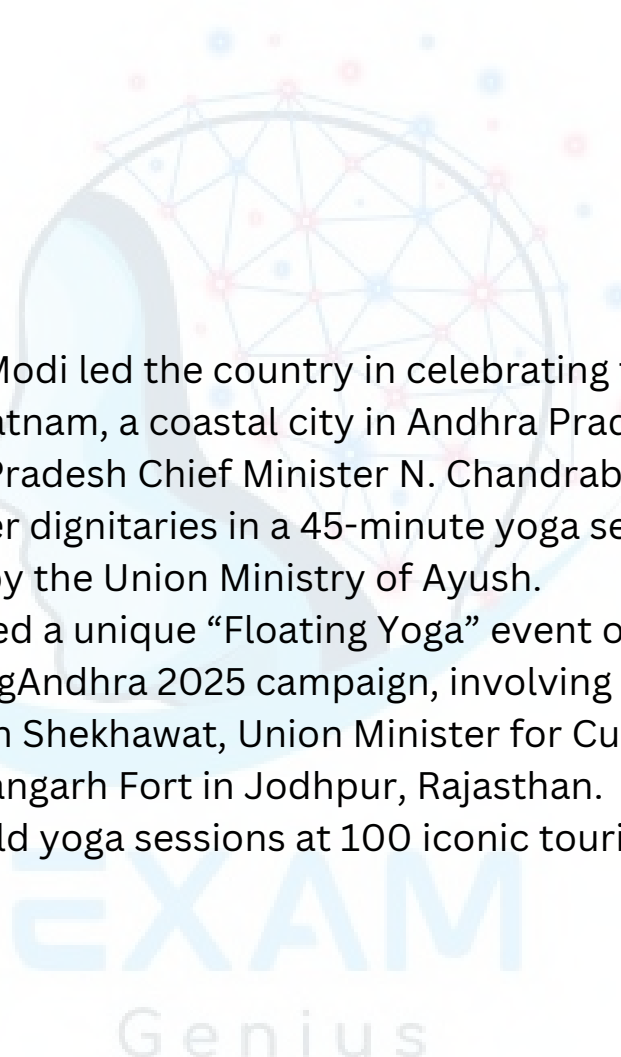
Ques: Where did Prime Minister Narendra Modi lead the 11th International Day of Yoga celebrations in 2025?

- A. Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh
- B. Rishikesh, Uttarakhand
- C. Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- D. Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- E. Bengaluru, Karnataka

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi led the country in celebrating the 11th International Day of Yoga from Visakhapatnam, a coastal city in Andhra Pradesh.
- He was joined by Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, MoS Ayush Prataprao Jadhav, and other dignitaries in a 45-minute yoga session.
- The event was organised by the Union Ministry of Ayush.
- Andhra Pradesh also hosted a unique “Floating Yoga” event on the Krishna River in Vijayawada as part of its YogAndhra 2025 campaign, involving 200+ watercraft.
- Meanwhile, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Union Minister for Culture and Tourism, led a yoga celebration at Mehrangarh Fort in Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
- The Ministry of Culture held yoga sessions at 100 iconic tourist destinations and 50 cultural sites across India.





Ques: When is United Nations Public Service Day observed each year to recognize the value of public service?

- A. 20 June
- B. 23 June
- C. 25 June
- D. 30 June
- E. 1 July

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The United Nations General Assembly designated 23 June as Public Service Day in 2002 to acknowledge the role of public service in development and improving lives.
- The UN Public Service Awards (UNPSA) were launched in 2003 to recognize excellence and innovation in public administration.
- In 2016, the awards were aligned with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
- The 2025 UN Public Service Forum will be held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan from 23–25 June, under the theme “Five Years to 2030: Accelerating Public Service Delivery for a Sustainable Future.”

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Ques: When is World Rainforest Day observed every year to raise awareness about rainforest conservation?

- A. June 5
- B. June 21
- C. June 22
- D. July 1
- E. May 31

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- World Rainforest Day is observed every year on June 22 to highlight the critical importance of rainforests and the urgent need to preserve them.
- The observance was initiated in 2017 by the Rainforest Partnership, a non-profit organization.
- Rainforests are dense, evergreen forests that receive high rainfall and are located across all continents except Antarctica.
- The two largest rainforests are the Amazon Rainforest in South America and the Congo Rainforest in Africa.
- The day encourages global action to protect these ecosystems, which are vital for climate balance, biodiversity, and sustaining life on Earth.

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IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

The Maharashtra government issued a new order stating that Hindi will “generally” be the third language in Marathi and English medium schools from Classes 1 to 5.

Tech major Google opened Google Safety Engineering Centre, India (GSEC India) in Hyderabad. A first such facility in the Asia-Pacific region and fourth globally of Google

Department of Forest and Wildlife, Uttar Pradesh approved Rs 1.5 crore for the establishment of two new Rhino Rehabilitation Areas in Dudhwa National Park situated in Lakhimpur Kheri, Uttar Pradesh

The Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) is a global agreement aimed at preventing the spread of nuclear weapons and related technology. It was signed in 1968 and came into force in 1970. Amid rising tensions with Israel, Iran’s Parliament is considering a bill to withdraw from the NPT

Jio Financial Services Limited (JFSL) acquire Jio Payments Bank Limited (JPBL)’s 17.83% Stake at a Cost of Rs.104.54 crores from State Bank of India (SBI)

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade has issued Notification to restrict import of alloys of Palladium, Rhodium, and Iridium containing more than 1% gold by weight.

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Ques : What is the name of the upgraded system that NPCI will launch in July 2025 to enhance recurring transactions like salaries, pensions, and EMIs?

- A. UPI 3.0
- B. RTGS 2.0
- C. IMPS Pro
- D. NACH 3.0
- E. BHIM Advanced

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- NACH 3.0 (National Automated Clearing House) is being launched by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) in the first week of July 2025.
- It will enhance processing of recurring payments like salaries, pensions, EMIs, and SIPs.
- NACH 3.0 will impact recurring payment ecosystems throughout India with improvements like encrypted data transfer, better file management, and real-time warnings.

About National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) :

- Established : 2008
- HQ : Mumbai, Maharashtra
- CEO & MD : Dilip Asbe
- Non Executive Chairman : Ajay Kumar Choudhary





Ques: What is the name of the platform being developed by RBI and banks to combat digital payment frauds?

- A. UPI Secure Platform
- B. Bharat Fraud Shield
- C. DPIP (Digital Payment Intelligence Platform)
- D. DigiRaksha Portal
- E. PaySafe India

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- To address the rising issue of digital payment frauds, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is collaborating with major public and private sector banks to build a new platform named DPIP (Digital Payment Intelligence Platform).
- DPIP will function as a Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) under RBI's supervision and will enable real-time intelligence sharing and advanced data analytics to detect and prevent digital frauds.
- This initiative is a direct response to the growing fraud volumes, which reached Rs.36,014 crore in FY25, with a large chunk of these being digital in nature.
- The platform is expected to become operational within a few months and will significantly enhance fraud risk management across the Indian banking ecosystem.





Ques: What is the revised base year for the new CPI series as per the latest government update?

- A. 2011-12
- B. 2022-23
- C. 2023-24
- D. 2024
- E. 2015

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has announced that the base year for the Consumer Price Index (CPI) will be updated to 2024.
- The current CPI base year is 2012, which was revised in 2015.
- The new base will reflect updated consumption patterns based on the Household Consumer Expenditure Survey (HCES) 2023-24.
- Over 407 items are expected to be included in the expanded CPI basket.
- This update aims to improve the accuracy of retail inflation measurement and serve as a more effective macroeconomic indicator.

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Ques : Under which scheme did Punjab National Bank (PNB) provide Rs.17.02 crore support to the families of deceased defence and paramilitary personnel?

- A. Rakshak Suraksha Yojana
- B. Rakshak Plus Scheme
- C. Veer Nari Scheme
- D. Sena Saathi Scheme
- E. Raksha Bandhan Scheme

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Punjab National Bank (PNB) extended Rs.17.02 crore under its Rakshak Plus Scheme to the families of 26 deceased defence and paramilitary personnel.
- The scheme offers Rs.1 crore personal accidental insurance for death or permanent total disability and Rs.1.5 crore air accidental coverage.
- This initiative reinforces PNB's commitment to supporting the armed forces and their families through strong financial protection.

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Ques : Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of Sa-Dhan during its 27th AGM?

- A. K. Paul Thomas
- B. P. Satish
- C. M.S. Sriram
- D. Harsh Kumar Bhanwala
- E. Ajay Kumar Srivastava

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- K. Paul Thomas, MD & CEO of ESAF Small Finance Bank (based in Thrissur, Kerala), has been appointed as the Chairperson of Sa-Dhan.
- The appointment took place during Sa-Dhan's 27th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) held in Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- Sa-Dhan, established in 1999 and headquartered in New Delhi, is a recognized self-regulatory organization (SRO) and a national-level association of community development finance institutions.

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Ques: Which state government has barred HDFC, ICICI, and Axis Bank from handling government business and deposits?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Odisha
- C. West Bengal
- D. Andhra Pradesh
- E. Karnataka

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Odisha Government has barred HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, and Axis Bank from managing its business and deposits due to poor performance in government schemes over the past two years.
- This directive includes transferring all current and savings accounts from these banks to others, while fixed deposits will be closed only upon maturity to avoid interest losses.
- The move is intended to safeguard government funds and ensure higher standards of banking service in the implementation of public welfare schemes.

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Ques: Under which section has the I-T Department granted 10-year TDS exemption for IFSC units?

- A. Section 10AA
- B. Section 80LA
- C. Section 54EC
- D. Section 115BAB
- E. Section 44AD

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Income Tax Department has granted a 10-year TDS exemption under Section 80LA for specified businesses operating in the International Financial Services Centre (IFSC).
- The exemption covers 17 types of payments including professional fees, interest income, rent, technical services, and brokerage commissions.
- It applies to entities like Recognised Stock Exchanges, Finance Companies, Fund Managers, and Depositories, among others.
- Effective from July 1, the exemption can be availed for any 10 consecutive assessment years as selected by the payee.
- To avail the exemption, beneficiaries must submit Form No. 1, and the payer shall not deduct TDS during those years.
- The move aims to promote export-oriented financial services in the IFSC by reducing the tax burden and boosting business.





Ques : What is the name of the new rules being notified to make Indian Standard Time (IST) mandatory across India?

- A. Indian Time Standardization Act, 2025
- B. National Time Synchronization Rules, 2025
- C. Legal Metrology (Indian Standard Time) Rules, 2025
- D. National Time Uniformity Policy, 2025
- E. IST Enforcement Regulation, 2025

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Government of India is set to notify the Legal Metrology (Indian Standard Time) Rules, 2025 to make the use of Indian Standard Time (IST) mandatory for legal, commercial, digital, and administrative purposes.
- IST (UTC+5:30) is calculated from the 82°30'E meridian which passes through Mirzapur, Uttar Pradesh and is maintained by CSIR-NPL.
- Historically, regions like Assam use an informal time called 'Chaibagan Time', which is one hour ahead of IST, introduced by British tea companies for productivity.
- The move towards 'One Nation, One Time' seeks to eliminate multiple time practices and standardize official timing across the country.

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Ques: Which stealth frigate of the Indian Navy will be commissioned on July 1, 2025?

- A. INS Vikrant
- B. INS Tushil
- C. INS Kalvari
- D. INS Tamal
- E. INS Shivalik

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Indian Navy will commission INS Tamal, a stealth multi-role frigate, on July 1, 2025, in Kaliningrad, Russia.
- It is the last warship of the Indian Navy to be constructed outside India, marking a milestone in the Atmanirbhar Bharat and Make in India initiatives.
- Part of the Krivak-class (Tushil class), INS Tamal will be the eighth such frigate to be inducted from Russia.
- The vessel includes 26% indigenous components, including the BrahMos missile system, advanced sensors, and weapons.
- Weighing 3,900 tonnes, it features enhanced stealth and stability, and will join the Western Fleet post-commissioning.

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Ques : Which Indian state set two Guinness World Records during the International Yoga Day 2025 celebrations under the Yogandhra initiative?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Uttarakhand
- D. Andhra Pradesh
- E. Karnataka

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Under the Yogandhra initiative, Andhra Pradesh set two Guinness World Records and a total of 23 global records during International Yoga Day 2025 celebrations held in Visakhapatnam.
- Record 1: 22,122 tribal students performed 108 Surya Namaskars over 108 minutes in a single session.
- Record 2: On June 21, more than 3 lakh people participated in a synchronized yoga session along a 28-km stretch of RK Beach in Visakhapatnam, led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu described IYD 2025 as a historic event for the state.

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Ques : What major change is the ICC considering for smaller nations in the 2027-29 World Test Championship cycle?

- A. Using pink balls in all matches
- B. Allowing two innings per day
- C. Replacing Tests with T20s
- D. Sanctioning four-day Test matches
- E. Introducing day-night Tests only

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) is considering allowing four-day Test matches for smaller nations during the 2027-29 World Test Championship cycle.
- However, traditional cricketing powerhouses like India, Australia, and England will still be allowed to play five-day Tests.
- The aim is to enable smaller nations to play more Test matches and longer series.
- The 2025–27 cycle will continue with the five-day format, starting with Sri Lanka vs Bangladesh.
- In four-day Tests, a minimum of 98 overs per day will be mandated instead of 90 to compensate for lost time.

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Ques: Where is IFFCO setting up its first overseas nano-fertiliser manufacturing plant?

- A. USA
- B. Argentina
- C. Brazil
- D. Sri Lanka
- E. Nepal

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- IFFCO (Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative) is establishing its first international nano-fertiliser manufacturing plant in Paraná province, Brazil.
- The facility is part of a 7:3 joint venture between IFFCO's subsidiary IFFCO Nanoventions and Brazilian company NANO FERT.
- The plant will have a production capacity of 4.5 million litres per year, with trial production expected to begin by the end of 2025.
- The move aims to meet rising global demand for nano-fertilisers, which have shown effectiveness in increasing crop yields and reducing traditional fertiliser use by over 20% in crops like corn, soybean, sugarcane, and coffee.

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Ques : Which Indian state has launched the country's first Yoga Policy to become a global wellness capital?

- A. Kerala
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Sikkim
- D. Uttarakhand
- E. Goa

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Uttarakhand has become the first state in India to launch a Yoga Policy, announced by Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami on the 11th International Yoga Day.
- The policy includes up to Rs.20 lakh subsidy for establishing yoga and wellness centres and up to Rs.10 lakh in grants for research in yoga, meditation, and naturopathy.
- The state aims to establish five new yoga hubs by 2030 and ensure yoga services in all AYUSH Health and Wellness Centers by March 2026.
- A booklet on the Yoga Policy was released and a sapling was planted under the initiative "Ek Vriksha, Yoga Ke Naam".
- Uttarakhand will also set up one Spiritual Economic Zone each in Garhwal and Kumaon, and two new cities focused on yoga, ayurveda, and spirituality in mountainous areas.

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Ques : Which organization has launched India's first national rare blood donor registry?

- A. AIIMS
- B. ICMR-NIIH
- C. CDSCO
- D. NACO
- E. DGHS

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The National Institute of Immunohaematology (NIIH), under the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), launched India's first national rare blood donor registry in Mumbai.
- This registry will help patients with rare blood groups (such as those with thalassemia or sickle cell disease) who require frequent blood transfusions.
- Rare blood groups are defined by absence of high-frequency antigens, negative for common antigen combinations, or null phenotypes.
- The registry will be integrated with the e-Raktkosh portal – a centralized blood bank management system launched on 7th April 2016.
- Most Indian blood banks currently test only for ABO and RhD, while the International Society of Blood Transfusion (ISBT) recognizes 360+ antigens in 47 blood group systems, many of which are not routinely tested.

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Ques : What is the name of the UPSC's new platform launched to help top non-recommended candidates connect with employers?

- A. UPSC Gateway
- B. Talent Connect
- C. Pratibha Setu
- D. Career Link
- E. UPSC Merit Pool

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) has launched 'Pratibha Setu', a strategic platform to connect non-recommended but meritorious candidates with verified employers like ministries, PSUs, autonomous bodies, and private firms.
- PRATIBHA stands for Professional Resource And Talent Integration – Bridge for Hiring Aspirants.
- It replaces the older Public Disclosure Scheme (PDS).
- It includes candidates from major UPSC exams such as Civil Services, Engineering Services, Indian Forest Service, etc., who cleared all stages but did not make the final merit list.
- Exams like NDA & NA, CBI LDCE, CISF AC(EXE) LDCE, etc., are not included in this scheme.

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Ques: Under which scheme did Bihar CM Nitish Kumar increase the welfare pension from Rs.400 to Rs.1,100?

- A. Jeevika Scheme
- B. Mukhyamantri Vridhjan Pension Yojna
- C. Social Security Pension Scheme
- D. Mai-Baap Samman Yojna
- E. Garib Kalyan Pension Yojna

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Ahead of Assembly elections, Bihar CM Nitish Kumar increased the monthly pension under the Social Security Pension Scheme from Rs.400 to Rs.1,100.
- The hike will benefit over 1.09 crore people, including senior citizens, persons with disabilities, and widowed women.
- The revised amount will be credited to beneficiaries' accounts by the 10th of every month, starting from July 2025.
- This move counters RJD's earlier promise under the Mai-Baap Samman Yojna to raise pensions to Rs.1,500.
- The CM also highlighted the Jeevika Project, which has empowered 1.4 crore women through self-help groups.

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Ques : What is the name of the global initiative launched by the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY) ahead of International Day of Yoga 2025?

- A. Yoga Maitri
- B. Yoga Bandhan
- C. Yoga Samvad
- D. Yog Setu
- E. Global Yoga Connect

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Yoga Bandhan is a global initiative launched by the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY) under the Ministry of Ayush.
- It brought together yoga ambassadors from 17 countries, including academicians and wellness experts.
- Held in New Delhi, it aims to promote institution-to-institution partnerships and strengthen India's leadership in yoga diplomacy globally.
- It is one of the 10 Signature Events in the run-up to International Day of Yoga 2025.

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Ques : What is the name of the new prize announced by the Indian government to promote drug research for Sickle Cell Disease?

- A. Rani Durgavati Award
- B. Tribal Innovation Prize
- C. Bhagwan Birsa Munda Prize
- D. Sickle Cure Excellence Award
- E. AIIMS Research Fellowship

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Government of India has announced the Bhagwan Birsa Munda Prize to promote research and development of drugs for Sickle Cell Disease.
- The announcement was made by Union Minister of State for Tribal Affairs Durgadas Uikey at AIIMS, New Delhi, on World Sickle Cell Day – 19 June 2025.
- The prize will offer funding up to Rs.10 crore for approved drug research proposals.
- The government aims to eliminate genetic transmission of sickle cell disease by 2047.
- The National Mission to Eliminate Sickle Cell Anaemia was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 1st July 2023 in Shahdol, Madhya Pradesh.

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Ques : Where was the Gharial Species Conservation Programme launched by the Union Environment Minister in June 2025?

- A. National Chambal Sanctuary
- B. Gir Forest National Park
- C. Katarniaghat Wildlife Sanctuary
- D. Dudhwa National Park
- E. Bhitarkanika Wildlife Sanctuary

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Union Minister Bhupendra Yadav launched the Gharial Species Conservation Programme on 20 June 2025 at Katarniaghat Wildlife Sanctuary, Uttar Pradesh, by releasing seven one-year-old gharial hatchlings into the Gerua River.
- The Indian Gharial (*Gavialis gangeticus*) is critically endangered, as per the IUCN Red List.
- The species is found in three tributaries of the Ganga: Chambal, Gerua (also called Girwa) in India, and Rapti-Narayani in Nepal.
- The National Chambal Sanctuary, spanning MP, Rajasthan, and UP, hosts about 77% of the global gharial population.
- The Project Crocodile was launched in 1975 with UNDP and FAO support to protect species like the gharial.

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IMPORTANT ONE – LINER Current Affairs

Nellai Su. Muthu, a renowned Tamil science writer and former scientist of Indian Space Research Organisation passed away. He served as a Senior Scientist at the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.

Professor Suman Chakraborty Appointed as Director of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur for Five years. He Replaced Professor Amit Patra

BSNL has soft-launched Quantum 5G Fixed Wireless Access (FWA) in Hyderabad, India's first fully indigenous, SIM-less 5G FWA service, delivering fibre-like speeds via 5G radio

In order to introduce co-branded credit cards, Bank of Maharashtra (BoM) partnered strategically with SBI Cards and Payment Services Limited (SBI Card), a State Bank of India (SBI) subsidiary and one of India's top credit card issuers.

UGRO Capital Limited announced the acquisition of Profectus Capital Private Limited from Actis' companies Actis PC (Mauritius) and Actis Investment (Mauritius) in an all-cash deal worth Rs 1,400 crore.

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Ques: What amount has the RBI announced for the VRRR auction to absorb surplus liquidity on June 27, 2025?

- A. Rs.50,000 crore
- B. Rs.75,000 crore
- C. Rs.1 lakh crore
- D. Rs.1.5 lakh crore
- E. Rs.2 lakh crore

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has scheduled a 7-day Variable Rate Reverse Repo (VRRR) auction of Rs.1 lakh crore on June 27, 2025 to absorb surplus liquidity in the banking system.
- This decision follows a rise in surplus liquidity to Rs.2.43 lakh crore as of June 23, 2025.
- RBI aims to keep liquidity surplus around 1% of total deposits to maintain monetary stability and prevent economic overheating.
- This move is part of RBI's active liquidity management strategy, especially as experts anticipate the surplus could rise to Rs.4.5 lakh crore by month-end due to increased government spending.
- RBI had earlier skipped its 14-day VRRR auction on June 13, indicating a shift toward shorter-term tools for liquidity adjustment.

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Ques : Where was the Sarhad Shauryathon 2025 held?

- A. Leh
- B. Dras, Ladakh
- C. Kargil City
- D. Srinagar
- E. Nubra Valley

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Sarhad Shauryathon 2025 was held at the Kargil War Memorial in Dras, which is one of the coldest inhabited places in the world and a symbol of India's military valor.
- It was organized by the Indian Army, in collaboration with Sarhad Foundation, Pune, and the local civil administration of Kargil.
- Over 25,000 athletes participated in race categories of 3 km, 5 km, 10 km, and 21 km, making it a major event that combined patriotism, fitness, and national unity.

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Ques: What is the name of the day being commemorated on 25th June 2025 to mark 50 years since the Emergency in India?

- A. Constitution Day
- B. National Democracy Day
- C. Samvidhan Hatya Diwas
- D. Emergency Remembrance Day
- E. Bharat Swatantrata Diwas

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Union Ministry of Culture, in collaboration with the Government of Delhi, will observe Samvidhan Hatya Diwas on 25th June 2025 at Thyagaraj Stadium, New Delhi, to mark 50 years since the imposition of Emergency in 1975.
- In 2024, the Government of India officially designated June 25 as Samvidhan Hatya Diwas.
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah will flag off the "Long Live Democracy Yatra" by MYBharat volunteers to promote democratic values and constitutional awareness.
- The Ministry is also organizing exhibitions at 50 key locations in each State and UT, titled "Long Live Democracy", to educate the public about lessons from the Emergency.

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Ques: Who has become the first female and first African president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC)?

- A. Fatma Samoura
- B. Kirsty Coventry
- C. Tegla Loroupe
- D. Hassiba Boulmerka
- E. Nawal El Moutawakel

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Kirsty Coventry, a former Olympic swimmer from Zimbabwe, has been appointed as the first female and first African president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC).
- She was appointed at Olympic House in Lausanne, Switzerland.
- Her tenure is eight years, and she replaces Thomas Bach, a German lawyer and 1976 Olympic fencing champion, who completed his 12-year term.
- Kirsty won two Olympic gold medals in the 200m backstroke at the 2004 Athens and 2008 Beijing Games.
- Thomas Bach now becomes the Honorary President of the IOC and has offered to advise Coventry if needed.

About International Olympic Committee :

- Established : 23 June 1894
- HQ : Lausanne, Switzerland
- Members : 110 active members, 39 honorary members, 206 individual National Olympic Committees





Ques : Which traditional Goan percussion instrument, declared the State Heritage Instrument in 2019, is crafted from clay and animal skin?

- A. Mridangam
- B. Ghumot
- C. Dholak
- D. Pakhawaj
- E. Maddalam

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Ghumot is a traditional mud-based membranophone percussion instrument of Goa, declared the State Heritage Instrument in 2019.
- It is crafted from clay and covered with animal skin – traditionally monitor lizard skin, but now replaced with goat, buffalo skin, or synthetic materials due to wildlife protection regulations.
- The instrument is linked to tribal and caste-based potter communities and is used across Hindu and Christian communities in Goa, symbolizing the region's syncretic culture.
- Ghumots come in different sizes and forms for children, women, amateurs, and professionals.
- The process includes shaping clay, firing, membrane preparation, and coir rope tuning to achieve the desired sound

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Ques: India is developing a conventional variant of which intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) with a 7.5-tonne warhead?

- A. Prithvi-II
- B. Agni-V
- C. Shaurya
- D. K-4
- E. Agni-IV

Answer: B

Explanation :

- India has initiated preliminary development of a conventional variant of its Agni-V ICBM, equipped with a 7.5-tonne warhead.
- While the nuclear version of Agni-V has a range of over 5,000 km, the new conventional variant will have a reduced range of 2,000–2,500 km due to the heavier payload.
- Developed by DRDO, Agni-V is a three-stage solid-fuel missile known for high precision.
- The missile will carry two types of warheads — Airburst (for destroying surface military infrastructure) and Bunker Buster (for hitting deep underground facilities up to 100 meters).

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Ques: As per the new government order, which pension benefits will central government employees under UPS be entitled to in case of death in service or invalidation?

- A. NPS Benefits
- B. CPF Benefits
- C. GRAT Benefits
- D. PFRDA Benefits
- E. OPS Benefits

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- The Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare under MoPPG&P has clarified that central government employees who opted for UPS (Unified Pension Scheme) will be entitled to OPS (Old Pension Scheme) benefits if they die in service or are discharged due to invalidation or disablement.
- These benefits are under the CCS (Payment of Gratuity under NPS) Pension Rules, 2021 or the CCS (Extraordinary Pension) Rules, 2023.
- Employees with 25+ years of service are guaranteed a pension of 50% of the average basic salary of the last 12 months before retirement.
- A minimum pension of Rs.10,000/month is applicable for those with 10+ years of service, and 60% of last pension is provided to the family upon the pensioner's death.
- Employees contribute 10% of basic + DA, and the government contributes 18.5%, which is higher than the 14% under NPS.
- In case of in-service death, the last option exercised by the employee will be final and irrevocable.





Ques: Which institute has partnered with the Ministry of Panchayati Raj to train Panchayats on Own Source Revenue generation?

- A. IIM Bangalore
- B. IIM Ahmedabad
- C. NIRDPR Hyderabad
- D. IGNOU
- E. IRMA Anand

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) has partnered with IIM Ahmedabad to launch a Training of Trainers (ToT) program focused on the generation of Own Source Revenue (OSR) by Gram Panchayats.
- The program was inaugurated by Shri Vivek Bharadwaj, Secretary, MoPR, at IIPA, New Delhi.
- It is conducted under the Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) to help Panchayats become financially self-reliant and development-ready.
- Faculty from IIM Ahmedabad and master trainers from 16 States/UTs are participating in the initiative.
- IIM Ahmedabad was praised for developing a research-based, field-aligned module that will be promoted at the state and district levels.
- The initiative aims to build a network of well-trained, financially aware Panchayat officials across India to promote local governance and fiscal autonomy.





Ques : What is the title of the second volume of speeches by President Droupadi Murmu, covering August 2023 – July 2024?

- A. Voice of the Nation – Volume 2
- B. Wings to Our Hopes – Volume 2
- C. Rashtrapati Speaks – Volume 2
- D. President's Vision – Volume 2
- E. Echoes of Rashtrapati Bhavan – Volume 2

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- "Wings to Our Hopes – Volume 2" is a collection of 51 speeches by President Droupadi Murmu during her second year in office (Aug 2023–Jul 2024).
- It reflects her vision, philosophy, and priorities.
- The book is compiled by Rashtrapati Bhavan and published by the Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
- It will be released in both Hindi and English, including an e-version, by Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh on 23rd June at Rashtrapati Bhavan.

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Ques: Where was India's first-ever commercial deployment of hydrogen-powered buses flagged off?

- A. Shimla
- B. Gangtok
- C. Leh
- D. Manali
- E. Srinagar

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- NTPC Limited flagged off five hydrogen fuel cell-based buses for India's first commercial hydrogen bus operations in Leh.
- These green hydrogen-powered buses were handed over to the State Industrial Development Corporation.
- Notably, the world's highest hydrogen fueling station (at 11,562 feet) was launched in Leh by NTPC in November 2024, supporting the green hydrogen initiative.

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Ques: Who is the first Asian bowler to take 150 Test wickets in SENA countries (South Africa, England, New Zealand, and Australia)?

- A. Wasim Akram
- B. Lasith Malinga
- C. Anil Kumble
- D. Pat Cummins
- E. Jasprit Bumrah

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Jasprit Bumrah became the first Asian bowler to claim 150 Test wickets in SENA countries (South Africa, England, New Zealand, and Australia).
- He reached this milestone during a Test against England at Headingley, where he took a five-wicket haul (5/83).
- This was Bumrah's 11th five-wicket haul in WTC history, surpassing Pat Cummins (10).
- He is now the third Asian bowler after Wasim Akram and Lasith Malinga to register 10 five-wicket hauls in SENA countries.

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Ques: What is the aim of the NAVYA pilot initiative launched by MWCD and MSDE?

- A. Promote health care for girls
- B. Provide free education for girls
- C. Promote sports in rural areas
- D. Launch scholarship scheme
- E. Vocational skill training for adolescent girls

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

- NAVYA (Nurturing Aspirations through Vocational Training for Young Adolescent Girls) is a pilot initiative jointly launched by Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) and Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) on 24th June 2025 in Sonbhadra, Uttar Pradesh.
- It targets girls aged 16–18 years (minimum qualification: Class 10) and provides vocational training in non-traditional job roles.
- The programme will be implemented in 27 districts across 19 states, focusing on aspirational districts and the North-East.
- It is supported by key schemes like PMKVY and PM Vishwakarma to create a robust ecosystem for skill development.
- The initiative aims to enhance confidence, skills, and self-reliance among adolescent girls, making them future-ready.

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Ques : What is the name of the high-performance computing facility recently introduced by ICMR at NIV Pune?

- A. NAKSHATRA
- B. SAHASRA
- C. ASTRA
- D. PRATYUSH
- E. VIGYAN

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has launched NAKSHATRA, a high-performance computing (HPC) cluster at its National Institute of Virology (NIV), Pune.
- It comprises 12 compute nodes, 700 cores, and 1 petabyte of storage capacity.
- NAKSHATRA will enable faster and more efficient analysis of complex genomic data using NGS, transcriptomics, metagenomics, phylogenetics, and AI-based vaccine development.
- It was developed under the Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PMABHIM).
- The facility also serves as a central sequencing data repository and supports five ICMR institutes and Viral Research and Diagnostic Laboratories (VRDLs) nationwide.

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Ques: Which Gulf country has become the first to impose a personal income tax, starting 2028?

- A. UAE
- B. Saudi Arabia
- C. Bahrain
- D. Oman
- E. Qatar

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

- Oman has issued a royal decree to become the first Gulf country to impose personal income tax starting in 2028.
- The tax rate will be 5% and will apply only to individuals earning more than 42,000 Omani Rials annually (approx. \$109,000).
- This move will impact the top 1% of income earners and aims to diversify Oman's economy and increase non-oil revenue.
- The tax implementation aligns with the country's Vision 2040 reform strategy focused on long-term economic sustainability.

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Ques: Who chaired the 47th Annual General Meeting of the Prime Ministers Museum and Library (PMML) Society in New Delhi?

- A. Shri Rajnath Singh
- B. Shri Amit Shah
- C. Shri G. Kishan Reddy
- D. Shri Dharmendra Pradhan
- E. Shri Narendra Modi

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi chaired the 47th Annual General Meeting of the Prime Ministers Museum and Library (PMML) Society at Teen Murti Bhawan, New Delhi.
- He proposed the idea of a “Museum Map of India” to offer a unified cultural perspective of museums nationwide.
- He also suggested the formation of five-member committees from each State under 35 years of age to generate innovative inputs on museum development.

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Ques: What is the revised auto-settlement limit for EPFO advance claims as of FY 2024-25?

- A. Rs.1 lakh
- B. Rs.2 lakhs
- C. Rs.3 lakhs
- D. Rs.5 lakhs
- E. Rs.10 lakhs

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has increased the auto-settlement limit for advance claims from Rs.1 lakh to Rs.5 lakhs to improve service delivery and provide quicker financial assistance.
- This system, initially introduced during the COVID-19 pandemic, allows for advance claims related to illness, education, marriage, and housing to be settled automatically without human intervention.
- In FY 2024-25, EPFO settled a record 2.34 crore advance claims through auto-mode, a 161% increase from the previous year.
- 59% of all advance claims in the year were processed via the auto-settlement system, ensuring faster disbursements and greater transparency.

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Ques: What was the main objective of the 'Beej Utsav' held in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and Gujarat?

- A. Promote hybrid seed usage
- B. Train farmers for export markets
- C. Promote indigenous seeds and seed sovereignty
- D. Introduce new GM crops
- E. Launch crop insurance scheme

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- A 4-day 'Beej Utsav' (Seed Festival) was held in the tribal regions at the tri-junction of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and Gujarat, aimed at promoting indigenous seeds and seed sovereignty.
- Over 9,400 tribal participants, including women and children, engaged in learning about seed preservation, biodiversity, and environmental awareness.
- Activities included Beej Samvad (seed dialogues), biodiversity fairs, seed ball making, and plantation drives across more than 60 panchayats.
- Awards like 'Beej Mitra' and 'Beej Mata' were given to farmers who preserved traditional seeds.
- The festival aimed to reduce dependency on hybrid seeds and promote community-led sustainable agriculture and traditional farming systems.

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Ques : In which state is the Periyar Tiger Reserve, recently noted for new herpetofauna discoveries, located?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Karnataka
- C. Kerala
- D. Andhra Pradesh
- E. Maharashtra

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Periyar Tiger Reserve (PTR) is located in Idukki district of Kerala, nestled in the Cardamom and Pandalam Hills of the Western Ghats, near the Tamil Nadu border.
- A recent herpetofauna survey there discovered five new amphibian species and three new reptile species, highlighting its rich biodiversity.
- Established in 1982, the reserve covers an area of 777 sq. km and surrounds the Periyar Lake, created by the Mullaperiyar Dam in 1895.
- PTR includes Kerala's two major river watersheds: the Periyar and the Pamba.
- The highest peak in PTR is Kottamala at 2016 meters.

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Ques: What is the name of the scheme under which the Ministry of Heavy Industries launched a portal for promoting electric passenger car manufacturing in India?

- A. FAME India Scheme
- B. e-Mobility Incentive Programme
- C. EV Manufacturing India Scheme
- D. SPMEPCI Scheme
- E. National e-Vehicle Mission

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- The Ministry of Heavy Industries launched a portal under the Scheme to Promote Manufacturing of Electric Passenger Cars in India (SPMEPCI).
- The scheme was notified on 15th March 2024, and the application portal is now live at spmepci.heavyindustries.gov.in.
- Under the scheme, approved applicants can import Completely Built Units (CBUs) of electric 4-wheelers with a minimum CIF value of USD 35,000 at a reduced customs duty of 15% for five years.
- Applicants must invest a minimum of Rs.4,150 crores to qualify under the scheme.

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Ques: Where has India's first off-grid 5 MW green hydrogen pilot plant been commissioned by the Adani Group?

- A. Jamnagar, Gujarat
- B. Bikaner, Rajasthan
- C. Kutch, Gujarat
- D. Rewa, Madhya Pradesh
- E. Leh, Ladakh

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- Adani New Industries Limited (ANIL) has commissioned India's first off-grid 5 MW green hydrogen pilot plant in Kutch, Gujarat, officially announced on 23rd June 2025.
- The plant is fully powered by solar energy and integrated with a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).
- It uses a fully automated, closed-loop electrolyzer system that works on real-time renewable inputs, ensuring high efficiency.
- This initiative supports India's national mission for green hydrogen and marks a significant step in the country's clean energy transition.

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Through its business unit Intellect Global Consumer Banking (iGCB), First Abu Dhabi Bank (FAB), the biggest bank in the United Arab Emirates, successfully deployed the eMACH.ai Lending platform created by Chennai-based Intellect Design Arena Limited.

The Karnataka Cabinet, led by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, approved an increase in the housing scheme quota for religious minorities from 10% to 15%

Tripura was declared fully literate today under the ULLAS – Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram (New India Literacy Programme), a centrally sponsored scheme implemented from 2022 to 2027

PM Modi was presented with two special gifts by Croatian PM Andrej Plenković. One was a reprint of Vezdin's Sanskrit Grammar, the first printed Sanskrit grammar in Latin and second gift was a book titled 'Croatia & India: Bilateral Navigator for Diplomats and Business,'

Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL) welcomed a delegation from CODELCO (Corporación Nacional del Cobre), the State-owned Copper mining company of Chile, in New Delhi





Ques: Which insurance company has launched state-specific health insurance plans tailored to local medical and infrastructure needs across India?

- A. ICICI Lombard
- B. HDFC ERGO
- C. Star Health Insurance
- D. SBI General Insurance
- E. Bajaj Allianz General Insurance

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- Bajaj Allianz General Insurance has launched a State-wise Health Insurance Policy, which is customized based on regional treatment costs, local medical infrastructure, and common diseases.
- The plan is available in 25 states and 5 Union Territories, with region-specific branding like 'AapKe Liye' in Hindi-speaking states and 'Mee Kosam' in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.
- It covers hospitalization, daycare procedures, organ donor expenses, robotic surgery, and stem cell therapy, with no age limit and lifetime renewability.
- These policies are offered in individual and floater formats, with sum insured ranging from ₹5 lakh to Rs.20 lakh.

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Ques: Which bank has partnered with Edelweiss Life Insurance for a bancassurance agreement?

- A. AU Small Finance Bank
- B. Ujjivan SFB
- C. Equitas SFB
- D. Jana SFB
- E. Fincare SFB

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Equitas Small Finance Bank has entered into a bancassurance partnership with Edelweiss Life Insurance.
- This collaboration allows Equitas SFB customers to access a wide range of life insurance products.
- The partnership will expand insurance coverage through the bank's network and help promote financial protection.
- Bancassurance enables banks to sell insurance policies directly through their branches, offering convenience to customers.

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Ques: Which organization has partnered with FPSB India to integrate the Certified Financial Planner (CFP) certification into its employee training framework?

- A. Punjab National Bank
- B. ICICI Bank
- C. Reserve Bank of India
- D. State Bank of India
- E. HDFC Bank

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- State Bank of India (SBI) has signed a strategic partnership with Financial Planning Standards Board (FPSB) India to include the globally recognized Certified Financial Planner (CFP) certification in its employee development programs.
- This initiative will cover approximately 2.36 lakh SBI employees, aiming to enhance the quality of financial planning services.
- It is especially focused on improving service delivery for High Net-Worth Individuals (HNIs), Ultra HNIs (UHNIs), and Non-Resident Indians (NRIs).

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Ques: As per Brand Finance 2025 report, which is India's most valuable brand?

- A. Infosys
- B. Reliance Group
- C. LIC Group
- D. HDFC Group
- E. Tata Group

Answer: Option E

Explanation :

- According to the Brand Finance 2025 report, Tata Group has retained its title as India's most valuable brand, with a brand value of \$31.6 billion.
- It also became the first Indian brand to cross the \$30 billion mark in brand valuation.
- The Tata brand's growth is driven by strategic investments in sectors like electronics, electric vehicles (EVs), semiconductors, AI, and renewable energy.
- Despite global economic challenges, India's top 10 brands have shown strong double-digit growth.
- The concept of brand value refers to the net economic benefit a company derives from licensing its brand in the open market.
- Tata Group is followed by Infosys, HDFC Group, LIC Group, and Reliance in the top 5 rankings for brand value.

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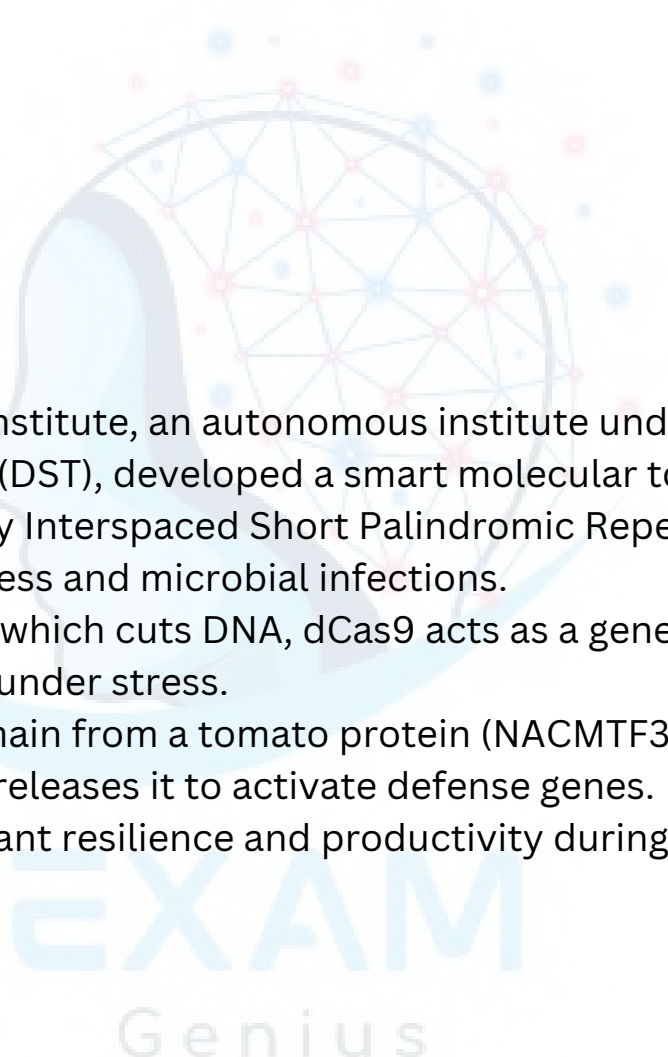
Ques: Which institute developed a smart molecular CRISPR-based tool to help plants respond to heat and infections?

- A. Indian Institute of Science (IISc)
- B. CSIR-NBRI
- C. Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI)
- D. Bose Institute
- E. NCBS, Bengaluru

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Scientists from the Bose Institute, an autonomous institute under the Department of Science and Technology (DST), developed a smart molecular tool using a modified CRISPR (Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats) system (dCas9) to help plants fight heat stress and microbial infections.
- Unlike traditional CRISPR, which cuts DNA, dCas9 acts as a gene switch that only activates when the plant is under stress.
- The system uses a TM domain from a tomato protein (NACMTF3), which keeps the switch inactive until stress releases it to activate defense genes.
- This tool helps improve plant resilience and productivity during adverse environmental conditions.





Ques: What is the name of the newly launched weight-loss drug by Novo Nordisk in India?

- A. Wegovy
- B. Mounjaro
- C. Ozempic
- D. Saxenda
- E. Rybelsus

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- Novo Nordisk has launched its weight-loss drug Wegovy in India.
- The drug is based on semaglutide, a GLP-1 receptor agonist, and is delivered via pen devices in five doses: 0.25 mg to 2.4 mg.
- It is proven to reduce body weight by 15–20%, comparable to bariatric surgery, and also lowers cardiac risks and improves metabolic health.
- Priced between Rs.17,345 and Rs.26,015 per month, it targets India's growing obesity crisis.
- The launch follows the introduction of Mounjaro by Eli Lilly in India and adds to Novo's lineup that includes Ozempic, also based on semaglutide.

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Ques: Who inaugurated the National Conference of Estimates Committees of Parliament and State/UT Legislative Bodies in Mumbai?

- A. Narendra Modi
- B. Jagdeep Dhankhar
- C. Om Birla
- D. Rajnath Singh
- E. Piyush Goyal

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla inaugurated the National Conference of Estimates Committees of Parliament and State/UT Legislative Bodies in Mumbai.
- He also released the 75th Anniversary Souvenir of the Estimates Committee of Parliament.
- Theme of the conference: "Role of Estimates Committee in effective Monitoring and Review of Budget Estimates for ensuring Efficiency and Economy in Administration."

About the Estimates Committee:

- It is a key financial oversight committee of the Indian Parliament, ensuring efficiency, economy, and accountability in public spending.
- Established: In 1950, post-Constitution, under the Rules of Procedure of Lok Sabha.
- Members: Comprises 30 Lok Sabha MPs (excluding Ministers).
- Selection: Elected annually by Lok Sabha through proportional representation by single transferable vote.
- Chairperson: Appointed by the Speaker of Lok Sabha.
- Term: One year, renewable.



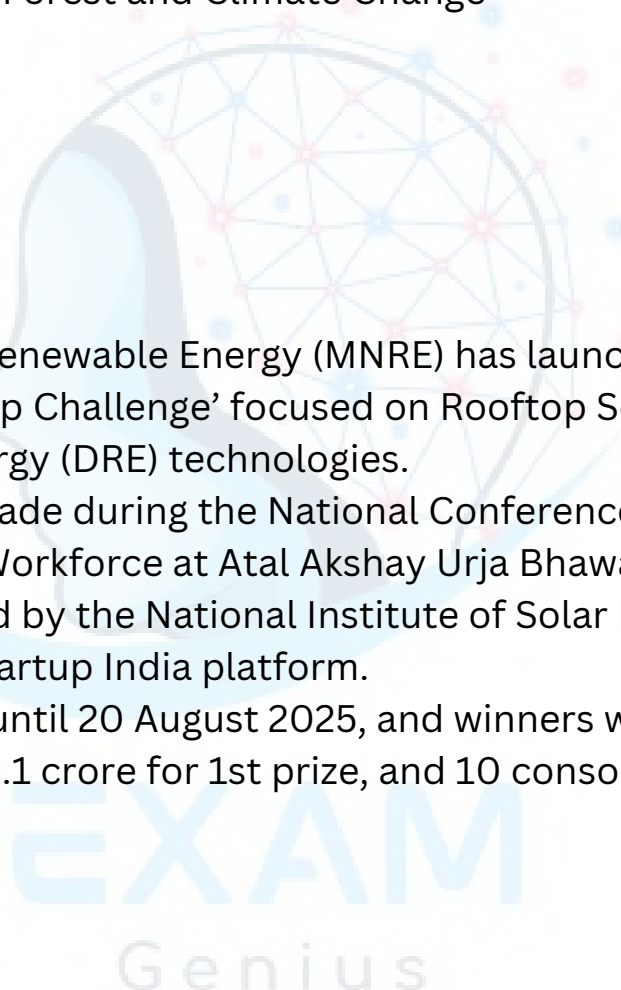
Ques: Which ministry has launched the Rs.2.3 crore 'Innovative Projects Start-up Challenge' on Rooftop Solar and Distributed Renewable Energy technologies?

- A. Ministry of Science and Technology
- B. Ministry of Power
- C. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- D. Ministry of Skill Development
- E. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) has launched the Rs.2.3 crore 'Innovative Projects Start-up Challenge' focused on Rooftop Solar (RTS) and Distributed Renewable Energy (DRE) technologies.
- The announcement was made during the National Conference on Skill Development for the Renewable Energy Workforce at Atal Akshay Urja Bhawan, New Delhi.
- The challenge is supported by the National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE) and coordinated through the Startup India platform.
- Entries can be submitted until 20 August 2025, and winners will share a total prize pool of Rs.2.3 crore, with Rs.1 crore for 1st prize, and 10 consolation prizes of Rs.5 lakh each.





Ques: What is India's rank on the 2025 SDG Index according to the UN Sustainable Development Report?

- A. 112th
- B. 109th
- C. 99th
- D. 74th
- E. 121st

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- India has ranked 99th out of 167 countries in the 2025 SDG Index with a score of 67, marking its first entry into the top 100 in the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) rankings.
- The index is published by the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (UNSDSN).
- India's past rankings: 121st (2022), 112th (2023), 109th (2024), and now 99th (2025).
- Neighbouring countries' ranks: Bhutan (74th), Nepal (85th), Sri Lanka (93rd), Bangladesh (114th), Pakistan (140th).
- The top 3 countries are Finland, Sweden, and Denmark.
- The report assesses progress towards 17 SDGs adopted in 2015, with a score of 100 representing full achievement.
- Only 17% of SDG targets are currently on track globally due to challenges such as conflicts, climate issues, and financial constraints.





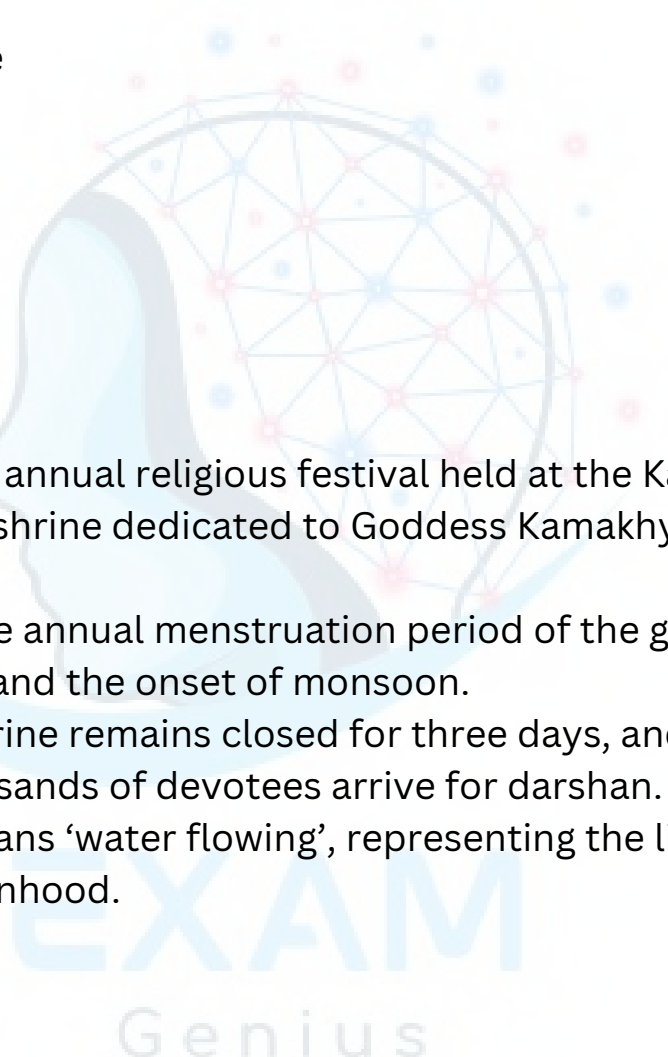
Ques: Which temple hosts the annual Ambubachi Mela, symbolizing the menstruation period of the Goddess and associated with fertility?

- A. Vaishno Devi Temple
- B. Kamakhya Temple
- C. Meenakshi Temple
- D. Jwalamukhi Temple
- E. Kashi Vishwanath Temple

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Ambubachi Mela is an annual religious festival held at the Kamakhya Temple in Guwahati, Assam, a sacred shrine dedicated to Goddess Kamakhya, an important deity in Tantrik Shaktism.
- The festival symbolizes the annual menstruation period of the goddess and is closely linked with fertility and the onset of monsoon.
- During the festival, the shrine remains closed for three days, and is ceremonially reopened, after which thousands of devotees arrive for darshan.
- The word 'Ambubachi' means 'water flowing', representing the life-giving and fertile aspect of nature and womanhood.





Ques: How many metres did Neeraj Chopra throw to win the Ostrava Golden Spike meet?

- A. 88.10 m
- B. 86.52 m
- C. 85.29 m
- D. 84.75 m
- E. 87.50 m

Answer: Option C

Explanation :

- Neeraj Chopra won the Ostrava Golden Spike meet with a throw of 85.29 metres.
- This was his first appearance at this prestigious event, which is part of the World Athletics Continental Tour Gold series.
- Neeraj defeated 8 other competitors in a 9-man field and continued his winning streak in international events ahead of the Olympics.

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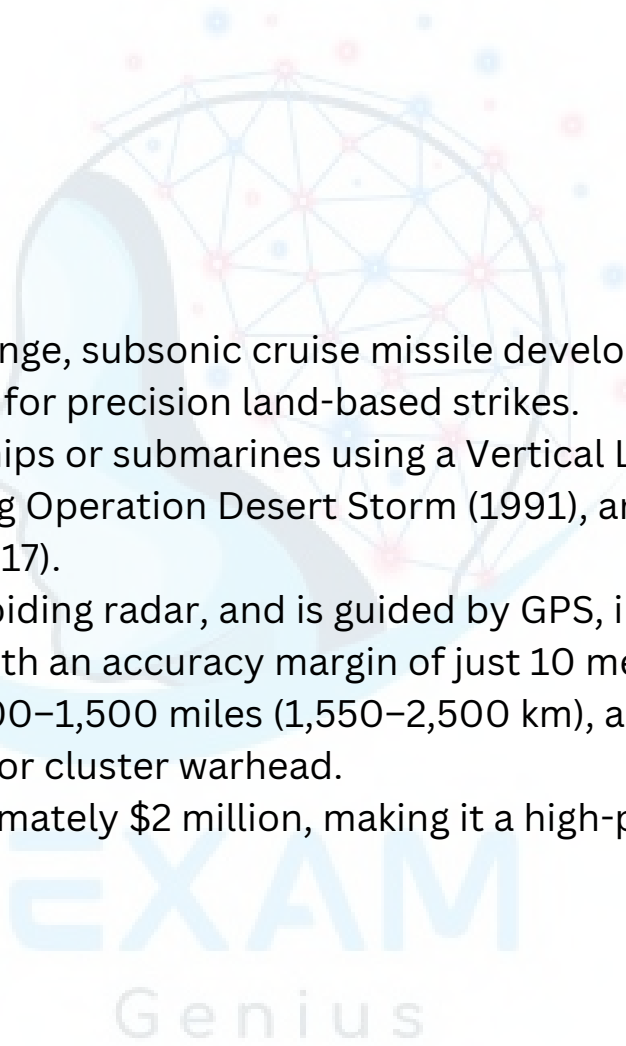
Ques: What is the Tomahawk missile primarily used for?

- A. Air-to-air combat
- B. Precision land strikes
- C. Naval ship defense
- D. Anti-submarine warfare
- E. Satellite destruction

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Tomahawk is a long-range, subsonic cruise missile developed by the United States Navy, used primarily for precision land-based strikes.
- It can be launched from ships or submarines using a Vertical Launch System.
- First used in combat during Operation Desert Storm (1991), and later in major conflicts including Syria (2017).
- It flies at low altitudes, avoiding radar, and is guided by GPS, inertial navigation, and terrain contour mapping, with an accuracy margin of just 10 meters.
- Its range lies between 1,000–1,500 miles (1,550–2,500 km), and it can carry a 1,000-pound conventional or cluster warhead.
- Each missile costs approximately \$2 million, making it a high-precision and strategic weapon in modern warfare.





Ques: Where will the SCO Defence Ministers' Meeting 2025 be held?

- A. Qingdao
- B. Samarkand
- C. Beijing
- D. Dushanbe
- E. Astana

Answer: Option A

Explanation :

- The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers' Meeting 2025 will be held in Qingdao, China, from June 25 to 26, under the chairmanship of China.
- Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh will lead the Indian delegation and push for joint anti-terrorism efforts, especially after Operation Sindoor, where India targeted 9 terror camps in Pakistan following the Pahalgam massacre.
- The focus will be on peace, security, and defence cooperation among SCO member states, which include India, China, Russia, Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and Iran.
- The theme for China's SCO Chairmanship in 2025 is "Upholding the Shanghai Spirit: SCO on the Move."

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Ques: What level of travel advisory has the US issued for India due to rising violent crime and terrorism threats?

- A. Level 1 – Exercise Normal Precautions
- B. Level 2 – Exercise Increased Caution
- C. Level 3 – Reconsider Travel
- D. Level 4 – Do Not Travel
- E. No advisory issued

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The US Department of State has issued a Level 2 Travel Advisory for India, urging travelers to exercise increased caution due to threats of violent crime and terrorism.
- The Level 2 advisory is part of the US's 4-level travel alert system issued by the Bureau of Consular Affairs.
- This system helps inform US citizens about potential risks while traveling abroad and guides their safety decisions.

The advisory levels are:

- Level 1: Exercise Normal Precautions
- Level 2: Exercise Increased Caution
- Level 3: Reconsider Travel
- Level 4: Do Not Travel

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Ques: During which meeting did India and South Africa sign submarine cooperation agreements?

- A. 10th Defence Technology Meet
- B. Indo-SA Naval Dialogue
- C. 7th Defence Export Summit
- D. 9th Joint Defence Committee Meet
- E. South-South Maritime Dialogue

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- India and South Africa signed two submarine cooperation agreements during the 9th Joint Defence Committee (JDC) meeting, held in Johannesburg, South Africa.
- The Indian delegation was led by Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh, who emphasized India's capabilities in defence manufacturing and exports.
- Key discussions included mutual defence interests, a future roadmap for cooperation, and presentations from two sub-committees on defence policy and defence acquisition & R&D.
- The meeting further strengthened the historic bilateral defence ties between the two nations.

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Ques: Who is the 23-year-old Analog Astronaut from Andhra Pradesh selected as an Astronaut Candidate (ASCAN) for the Titan Space Industries mission?

- A. Ritu Karidhal
- B. Sunita Williams
- C. Sirisha Bandla
- D. Jahn timer Dangeti
- E. Kalpana Chawla

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- Jahn timer Dangeti, a 23-year-old from Palakollu, Andhra Pradesh, has been selected as an Astronaut Candidate (ASCAN) for the 2029 space mission of Titan Space Industries (TSI), a U.S.-based private space research agency.
- The mission will be led by Colonel (Retd.) William McArthur Jr., a former NASA astronaut and Chief Astronaut of TSI.
- In 2022, Jahn timer became the youngest Analog Astronaut trained at the Analog Astronaut Training Centre (AATC) in Poland.
- The mission involves Titan, Saturn's second-largest moon, which is larger than Mercury and features methane lakes, nitrogen-rich atmosphere, and organic compound potential, offering insights into prebiotic Earth-like conditions.

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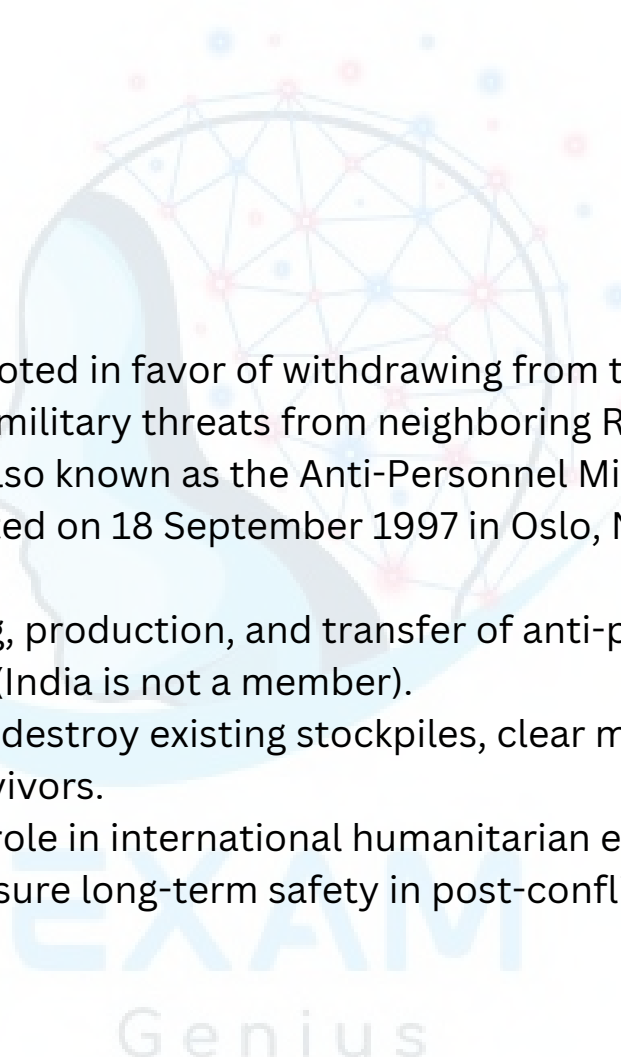
Ques: Which country recently voted to withdraw from the Ottawa Convention that bans anti-personnel landmines?

- A. Sweden
- B. Finland
- C. Germany
- D. Canada
- E. Norway

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Finland's parliament has voted in favor of withdrawing from the Ottawa Convention, citing growing military threats from neighboring Russia.
- The Ottawa Convention, also known as the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention or Mine Ban Treaty, was adopted on 18 September 1997 in Oslo, Norway, and came into force in 1999.
- It bans the use, stockpiling, production, and transfer of anti-personnel mines and has 165 member countries (India is not a member).
- Member states commit to destroy existing stockpiles, clear mined areas, educate populations, and assist survivors.
- The treaty plays a crucial role in international humanitarian efforts to prevent landmine casualties and ensure long-term safety in post-conflict zones.





Ques: Which Indian hockey player, a two-time Olympic bronze medallist, recently announced his retirement from international hockey?

- A. Manpreet Singh
- B. Lalit Kumar Upadhyay
- C. PR Sreejesh
- D. Harmanpreet Singh
- E. Birendra Lakra

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- Lalit Kumar Upadhyay, a seasoned Indian hockey player from Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, announced his retirement from international hockey after playing 183 matches and scoring 67 goals for India.
- He made his senior debut in 2014 at the Hockey World Cup and went on to represent India in major tournaments.
- He was part of the historic Tokyo 2020 Olympics bronze-winning team, which ended a 41-year Olympic medal drought for Indian hockey.
- Lalit was also part of the Paris 2024 bronze medal team, making him a two-time Olympic medallist.
- He received the Arjuna Award in 2021 for his outstanding contributions to Indian hockey.

EXAM
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Ques: What is the total financial outlay approved under the Revised Jharia Master Plan (JMP) for addressing fire, land subsidence, and rehabilitation?

- A. Rs.4,800 crore
- B. Rs.5,940.47 crore
- C. Rs.6,500 crore
- D. Rs.7,200 crore
- E. Rs.8,000 crore

Answer: Option B

Explanation :

- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved the Revised Jharia Master Plan (JMP) with a financial outlay of Rs.5,940.47 crore.
- The plan aims to address critical issues like mine fires, land subsidence, and rehabilitation of families affected in the Jharia Coalfield region.
- Both Legal Title Holder (LTH) and Non-Legal Title Holder (Non-LTH) families will receive a livelihood grant of Rs.1 lakh and access to credit support up to Rs.3 lakh.
- A Jharia Alternative Livelihoods Rehabilitation Fund will be set up, along with skill development programmes in collaboration with Multi Skill Development Institutes in the region.

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Ques: Which indigenously built stealth frigate has joined the Eastern Naval Command in Visakhapatnam under Project 17A?

- A. INS Shivalik
- B. INS Udaygiri
- C. INS Taragiri
- D. INS Nilgiri
- E. INS Vindhyagiri

Answer: Option D

Explanation :

- INS Nilgiri, the first stealth frigate under Project 17A, has officially joined the Eastern Naval Command at Visakhapatnam and is now part of the Eastern Sword – Sunrise Fleet.
- Built indigenously by Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL), Mumbai, it is the lead ship of a series of seven advanced stealth frigates designed to enhance India's maritime strength.
- INS Nilgiri follows the Shivalik-class (Project 17) and features modern technologies like MRSAM, supersonic missiles, 76mm gun, and close-in weapon systems.
- Its motto is "Adrish Yabalam, Ajeya Shauryam", reflecting its stealth and unmatched bravery.

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The establishment of a Rs.417 crore Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC 2.0) in Gautam Buddha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh, was authorized by the Indian government. The Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA) will develop the authorized EMC 2.0 project.

Indian shuttlers won 27 medals at the Asian ParaBadminton Championship 2025 in Thailand. India's haul included four gold medals, 10 silver medals, and 13 bronze medals.

Anuj Pandey Appointed as Chief Executive Officer of UGRO Capital Limited

Indian Railways has launched a policy that provides ₹1 crore in compensation to the families of its employees in the event of an accident, with no premium payment needed. This is a significant welfare measure.

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved a proposal from the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare to establish International Potato Centre (CIP)'s South Asia Regional Centre (CSARC) at Agra, Uttar Pradesh.

Former India spinner Dilip Doshi, who played 33 Tests for India in a four-year span between 1979- 1983 passed away , aged 77

