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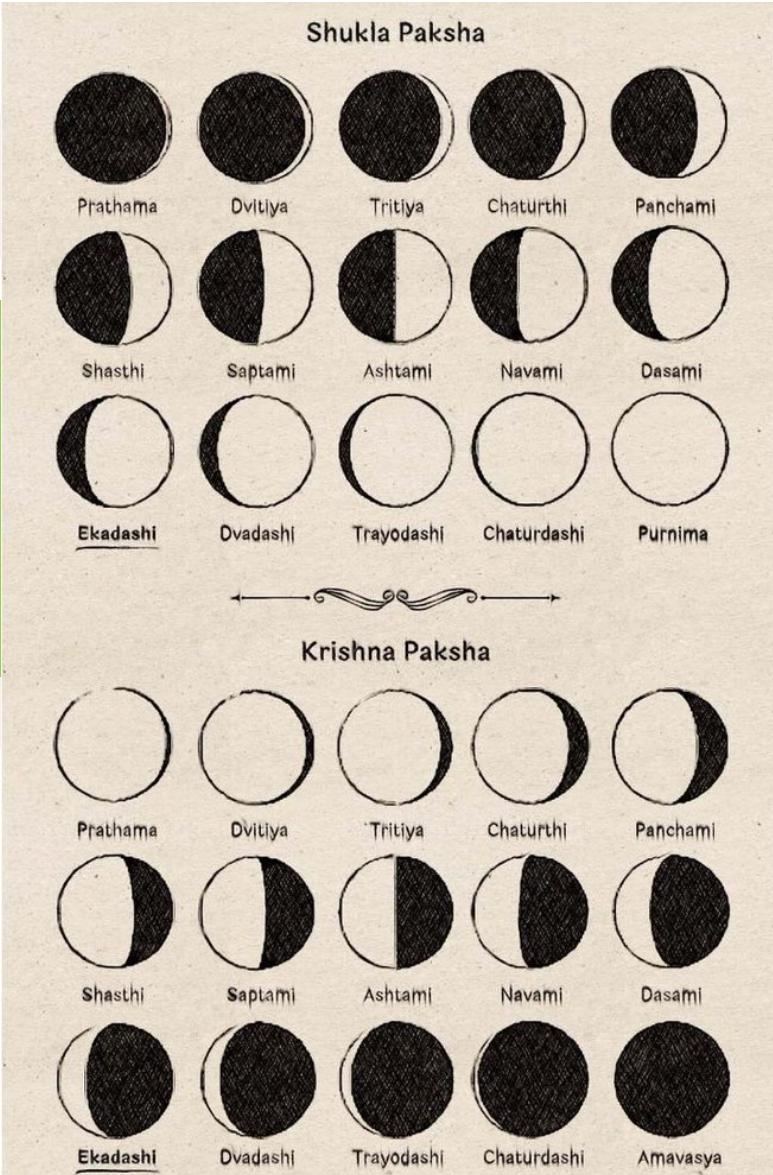
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QUESTION OF THE DAY

When is the Poson festival celebrated in Sri Lanka?

श्रीलंका में पोसोन त्योहार कब मनाया जाता है?

- a. Purnima (Full Moon)
- b. Amavasya (New Moon)
- c. Ekadashi (Eleventh day after Full Moon or New Moon)
- d. Pradosham

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- 📍 Ashadha is the 4th lunar month in Hindu calendar
- 📍 Maushumi Chakravarty assumed the charge as Director General of Akashvani
- 📍 World Refugee Day is an international day organised every year on 20 June by the United Nations.
- 📍 QOTD:- Option(A)
- 😊 TQSM Ma'am 😊

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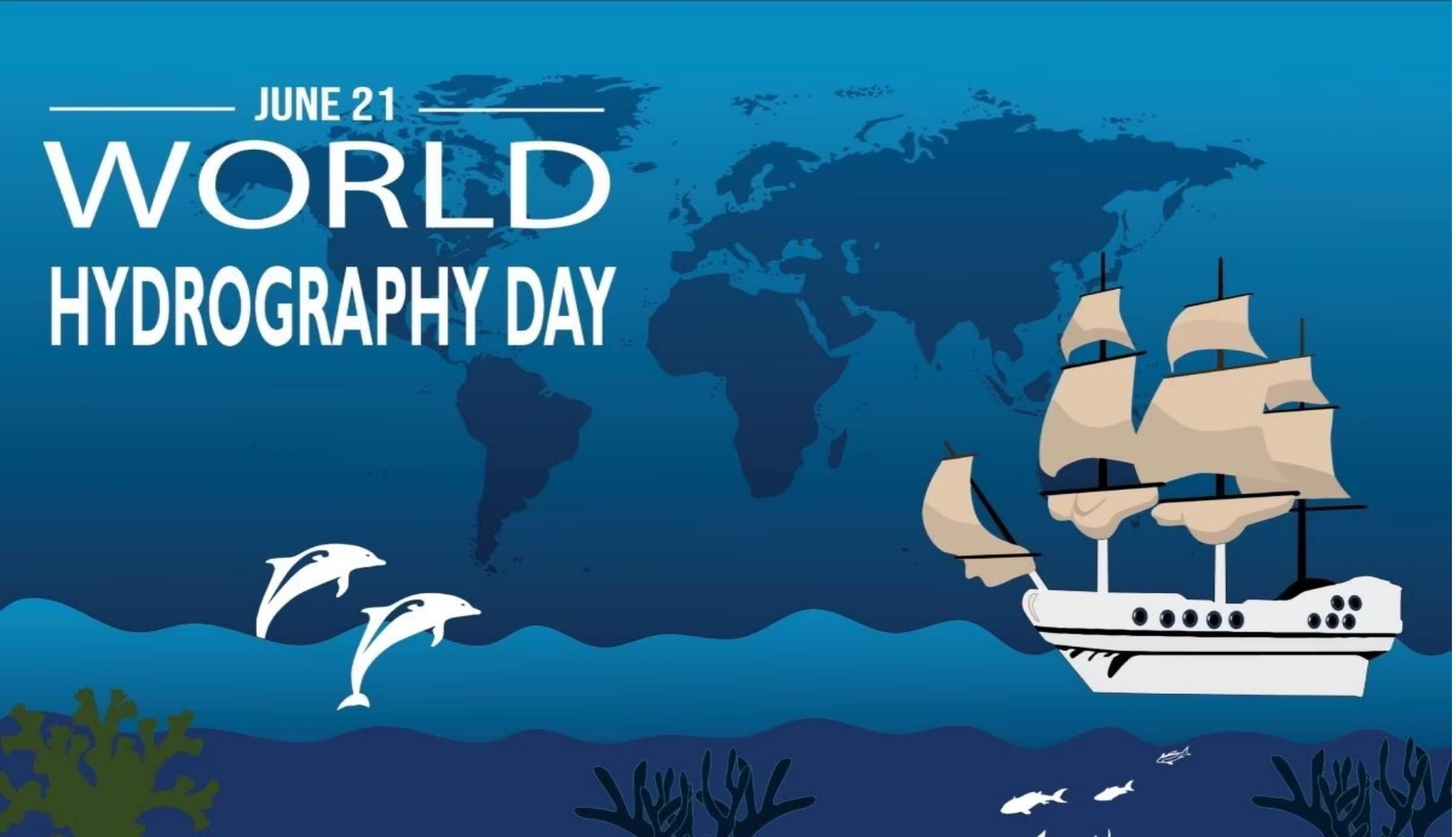


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WORLD HYDROGRAPHY DAY



21 June - World Hydrography Day

- To raise awareness about hydrography and how it plays a role in improved knowledge of the seas and oceans.
- The theme 2024 - "Hydrographic Information - Enhancing Safety, Efficiency and Sustainability in Marine Activities".
- Hydrography is the science that measures and describes the physical features of bodies of water.

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21 June - World Music Day

- The concept of World Music Day originated in France in 1981





DAY 21 June 2024

21 June – International Yoga Day

- PM Narendra Modi suggested celebrating the International Day of Yoga in September 2014 at his **69th session speech to the UN General Assembly (UNGA)**.
- **10th International Yoga Day theme - 'Yoga for Self and Society'.**
- The celebrations at the **Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre in Srinagar** this year led by **PM Narendra Modi**.
- United Nation observes the International Yoga Day on 21st June because it is the **longest day (Summer Solstice in Northern Hemisphere)** for the Sun's journey from east to west giving its maximum energy for life on the Earth



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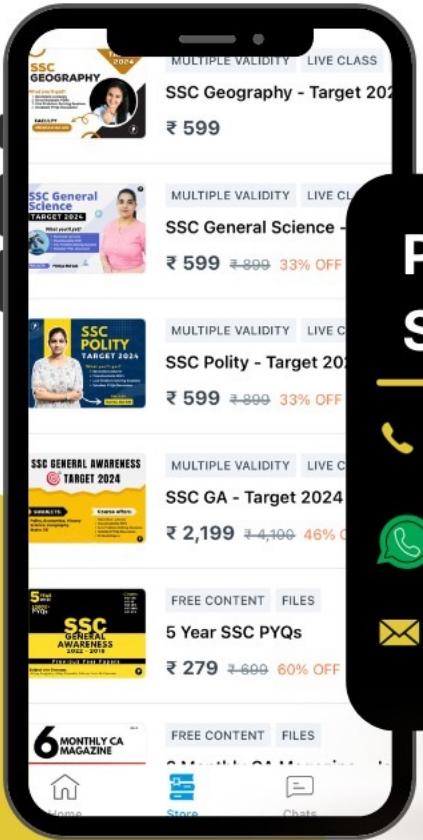
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**Cabinet approves ₹76,200-crore
greenfield port in Maharashtra's
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Union Cabinet approved the Rs 76,220 crore Vadhavan Port Project in Maharashtra /केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल ने महाराष्ट्र में 76,220 करोड़ रुपये की वर्धावन बंदरगाह परियोजना को मंजूरी दे दी

- A new major port is to come up **at Vadhavan**, situated in the **Dahanu taluka** of the **Palghar district of Maharashtra**.
- The development of a new port, Vadhavan, is in alignment with the **PM GatiShakti programme**.
- **The Vadhavan Port** will be developed as an **all-weather Greenfield deep draft** major port in **Vadhavan, Palghar District, Maharashtra**.
- **Nine container terminals**, each 1000 meters long, will be constructed.
- The Vadhvan port will have a **cumulative capacity** to handle annual cargoes of **298 million metric tons (MMT)**

19th June, 2024
CABINET DECISION

Major Port at Vadhavan, Maharashtra



- ▶ Cabinet approves 'Development of an all-Weather Greenfield deepdraft Major Port at Vadhavan in Maharashtra'
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- ▶ The total project cost, including the land acquisition component is **Rs.76,220 Crore**
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- ▶ Will create a cumulative capacity of **298 million metric tons (MMT) per annum**
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- ▶ Potential of **10 lakh direct and indirect employment opportunities**



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- The port will be **constructed by Vadhavan Port Project Limited (VPPL)**, a special purpose vehicle **formed by** the Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (**JNPA**) and Maharashtra Maritime Board (**MMB**) with a **shareholding of 74 per cent and 26 per cent resp.**
- The project's cost will include the development of core infrastructure, terminals, and other commercial infrastructure **in a public-private partnership (PPP) mode**
- This will be **one of the largest port projects in India** and is expected to serve as a **gateway port** for the upcoming India-Middle East-Europe Corridor (**IMEC**) and International North-South Transportation Corridor (**INSTC**).

- **Opposition** - The local population, especially the **fishermen** and the farmers are opposing the construction of Vadhavan port as they fear that it will **adversely affect their livelihood**.
- Also, the **Dahanu area is ecologically fragile** and the **environmentalists are opposing** the project as it will harm the sensitive ecology of the area.

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Cabinet approves Central Sector Scheme **“National Forensic Infrastructure Enhancement Scheme”**

- Establishment of Campuses of the National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU) and Central Forensic Science Laboratories (FSL)
- Enhancement of existing infrastructure of the Delhi Campus of the NFSU
- Financial outlay of ₹2254.43 crores for campuses, labs and enhancement of infrastructure during the period from 2024-25 to 2028-29
- Will lead to an efficient criminal justice system, based on scientific and timely forensic examination of evidence



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Cabinet approves Central Sector Scheme “National Forensic Infrastructure Enhancement Scheme” (N.F.I.E.S.)

- The Union Cabinet chaired by PM Narendra Modi approved the **proposal of Ministry of Home Affairs** for Central Sector Scheme “National Forensic Infrastructure Enhancement Scheme (NFIES)
- with a total financial outlay of **Rs. 2254.43 crore** during the period from **2024-25 to 2028-29.**
- Financial outlay of the **Central Sector Scheme** will be provisioned by the **Ministry of Home Affairs** from its **own budget.**

- The **three new criminal laws**, Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023, will come into **effect on 1 July 2024**.
- Under the new law, **forensic investigation is mandatory for criminal cases**, which provides for **imprisonment of seven years or more**.
- The enforcement of new criminal law is expected to **increase the workload** on the forensic establishment in the country.
- It will help in achieving the government of India's goal of securing a high **conviction rate of more than 90%**.

- The scheme has following components:
 - Establishment of **Campuses of the National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU)** in the country.
 - Establishment of **Central Forensic Science Laboratories in the country.**
 - Enhancement of existing **infrastructure of the Delhi Campus of the NFSU.**

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National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU)

- NFSU is the **world's first and only forensics university in the world.**
- It was set up **to train professionals in forensic science** and meet the demand in the country
- The NFSU was **established as Gujarat Forensic Sciences University** in **2009** by the then-Gujarat Chief Minister **Narendra Modi**.
- In **2020**, the National Forensic Science University Act changed its name to the present name and **made it a national university**
- The NFSU is **under the Union Ministry of Home Affairs**.
- Main Campus: **Gandhinagar, Gujarat**.

Cabinet approves development of **Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport, Varanasi**

Cabinet Decision: 19th June, 2024



- Construction of New Terminal Building, Apron Extension, Runway Extension, Parallel Taxi Track & Allied works.
- Airport is to be developed as a **Green Airport** ensuring environmental sustainability
- The estimated financial outgo will be ₹2869.65 crores

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Cabinet approves development of Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport, Varanasi

- The Union Cabinet has approved the **proposal of Airports Authority of India (AAI)** for **expansion of Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport** in **Uttar Pradesh's Varanasi**.
- The expansion, which will be funded by Airports Authority of India's (AAI) internal resources, will include construction of a **new terminal building**, apron extension, **runway extension**, parallel taxi track and allied works.
- It will enhance its **annual passenger handling capacity** from **3.9 million to 9.9 million**.
- The estimated **financial outgo** will be **₹2,869.65 crore**.

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- Varanasi airport will be developed as a green airport with the primary objective of ensuring environmental sustainability through energy optimization, waste recycling, carbon footprint reduction, solar energy utilization.
 - Varanasi is PM Modi's parliamentary constituency.
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19th June, 2024
CABINET DECISION

Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme for implementation of Offshore Wind Energy Projects



Installation and commissioning of **1 GW** offshore wind projects, **500 MW** each off the coast of Gujarat and Tamil Nadu



Will produce renewable electricity of about **3.72 billion units annually**



Will result in annual reduction of **2.98 million ton of CO₂**



Total outlay of the scheme is **Rs.7453 crore**



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Cabinet approves Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme for implementation of Offshore Wind Energy Projects

- Objective of VGF: **To set up first ever offshore wind energy projects in India**
- Nodal Ministry: **Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)**
- Total outlay: **Rs.7453 crore**
 - **Rs.6853 crore** for installation and commissioning of **1 GW** of offshore wind energy projects (**500 MW** each off the coast of **Gujarat and Tamil Nadu**)
 - **Rs.600 crore** Grant for upgradation of two ports to meet logistics requirements for offshore wind energy projects.



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- The VGF scheme is a major step towards implementation of the **National Offshore Wind Energy Policy notified in 2015** with an aim to exploit the vast offshore wind energy potential that exists within the exclusive economic zone of India.
- The commissioning of **1 GW** offshore wind projects will produce renewable electricity of about **3.72 billion units annually**, which will result in **annual reduction of 2.98 million tonnes of CO₂ equivalent emission for 25 years**
- While the **projects will be established by private developers, the power excavation infrastructure, including the offshore substations, will be constructed by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd (PGCIL)**.
- The Indian government has set itself the **target to achieve at least 500 GW of non-fossil fuel installed capacity**, which includes **280 GW of solar power and 140 GW of wind power projects, by 2030**.

Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Scheme

- The Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Scheme aims at supporting infrastructure projects that are **economically justified** but fall **marginally short of financial viability**.
- Support from the government under this scheme is available **only for infrastructure projects** where private sector sponsors are selected through a process of competitive bidding.
- The **total VGF under the scheme does not exceed 20% of the total project cost**, however, the Government may decide to provide additional grants up to a limit of a further 20%.

Govt Hikes MSP For 14 Kharif Crops

Including Paddy & Cotton/सरकार ने धान और कपास सहित 14 खरीफ फसलों के लिए एमएसपी बढ़ाया

- The Cabinet **approved MSP hikes for all 14 kharif season crops.**
- The **Union Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA)**, in a meeting held on 19 June 2024 and **chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi**, has approved the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Kharif crops for the marketing season 2024-25.



Cabinet approves **Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for Kharif Crops** for Marketing Season 2024-25

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- In the **Union Budget 2018-19** the government of India had announced that the **MSP of a crop shall be at least 1.5 times the All-India weighted average Cost of Production.**
- In the recently announced MSP for the **2024-25 Kharif season**, **Bajra has the highest margin over the cost of production (77 percent)**, followed by Tur (59 percent), maize (54 percent), and Urad (52 percent).
- For the rest of the crops, the margin over the cost of production is estimated to be 50 percent.

What is the Minimum Support Price (MSP)?

- In 1966-67, the government introduced the **Minimum Support Price** with the objective to :
- encourage farmers to adopt modern scientific farming to increase production,
- to raise productivity and crop production in the country to meet the emerging demand patterns in the country.

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Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP)

- CACP was **set up in 1965** as an expert committee **under the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare**.
- It **calculates the MSP** of mandated crops and **recommends** them to the government.
- The **government is not bound** to accept the CACP's recommendations, which are advisory in nature.

Mandated Crops under MSP

- The CACP recommends **MSPs for 22 mandated crops** and **fair and remunerative price (FRP)** for sugarcane.
- The **mandated crops include 14 crops of the kharif season, 6 rabi crops and 2 other commercial crops**.

Kharif Crop	Rabi Crop
Sowing Season	
Kharif crops are sown early-May – usually at the beginning of the first monsoon rains	Rabi crops are sown around mid-November – preferably after the monsoon rains
Also known as	
Monsoon crops/ Autumn Crops	Winter crops
Rainfall Pattern	
Crops are drastically affected – too little or too much rainfall can lay waste to the efforts	Generally not affected (however, rain in winter can potentially spoil rabi crops)
Essential Factors	
Requires hot weather and a large amount of water to grow.	Requires a warm climate for seed germination and a cold climate to grow.
Harvesting Months	
Usually between October and November (Please note – exact harvesting season varies according to the crops and region)	Generally between April and May (please note – exact harvesting season varies according to the crops and region)

Examples of Kharif crops:

Rice, Maize, Sorghum, Bajra, Soybean, Cotton

Examples of rabi crops:

Wheat, Barley, Oats, Pulses, Mustard, Linseed

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Uttar Pradesh is set to establish the world's first conservation and breeding centre for Asian king vultures or red-headed vultures in Maharajganj

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UP To Establish World's First Asian King Vulture Conservation & Breeding Centre In Maharajganj/उत्तर प्रदेश महाराजगंज में दुनिया का पहला एशियाई किंग वल्चर संरक्षण और प्रजनन केंद्र स्थापित करेगा

- Uttar Pradesh is set to establish the **world's first conservation and breeding centre for Asian king vultures or red-headed vultures in Maharajganj.**
- The centre is **named Jatayu Conservation and Breeding Centre.**
- The facility will improve the population of **critically endangered species listed in the International Union for Conservation of Nature's red list since 2007.**

- Asian king vultures are endangered due to the loss of their habitats and the excessive use of diclofenac, a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug, in domestic animals, which becomes poisonous for vultures.

This is one of the **9 species of Vulture which are found in India**

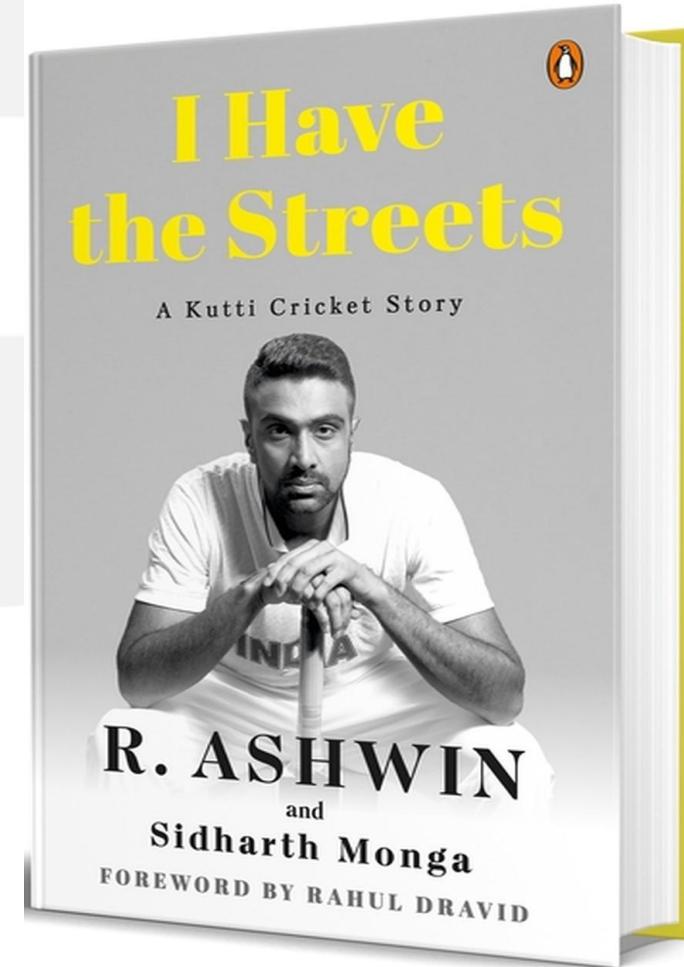
Conservation status

- IUCN Red List: Critically Endangered
- Wildlife Protection Act, 1972: Schedule 1

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Ravichandran Ashwin released autobiography 'I have the streets'/रविचंद्रन अश्विन ने जारी की आत्मकथा 'आई हैव द स्ट्रीट्स'

- Team India off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin released his autobiography titled '**I Have the Streets: A Kutti Cricket Story**'.
- It is written by Ashwin with **co- author Sidharth Monga**.
- Publisher: The Penguin Random House India (PRHI)

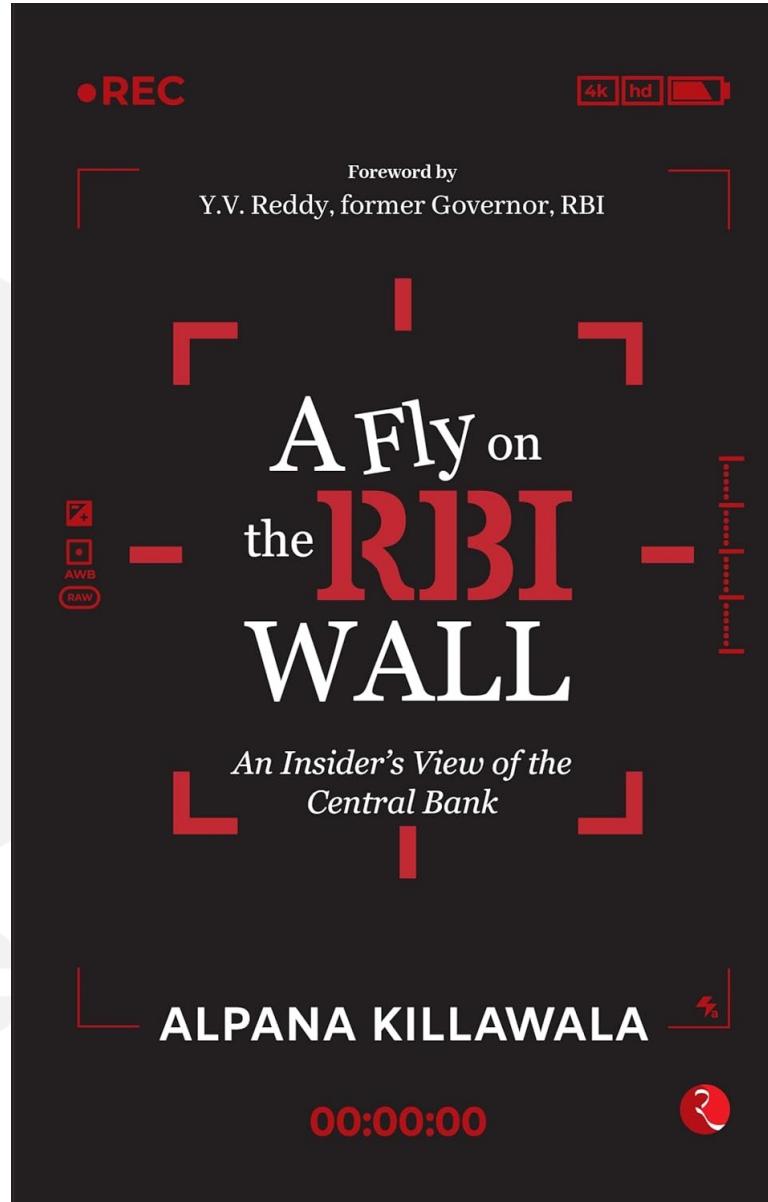


A Book titled “A Fly on the RBI Wall”

Authored by Alpana Killawala/अल्पना किलावाला द्वारा लिखित पुस्तक "ए फ्लाई ऑन द आरबीआई वॉल"

Harshad Mehta scam, liberalisation of the Indian economy — Alpana Killawala's more than 2 decades career with the communications department of the Reserve Bank of India coincided with a very vibrant phase of the central bank.

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Sustainable Development Report 2024

- Released by UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN)
- Published by SDSN since 2016
- It reviews progress made each year on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 193 UN Member States.
- SDSN was established in 2012 & works under the UN Secretary-General

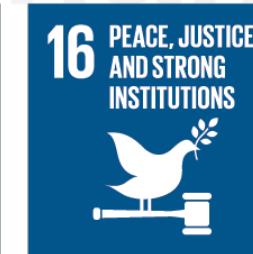
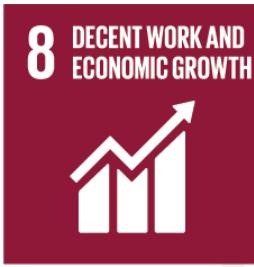


SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT REPORT 2024

The SDGs and the UN Summit of
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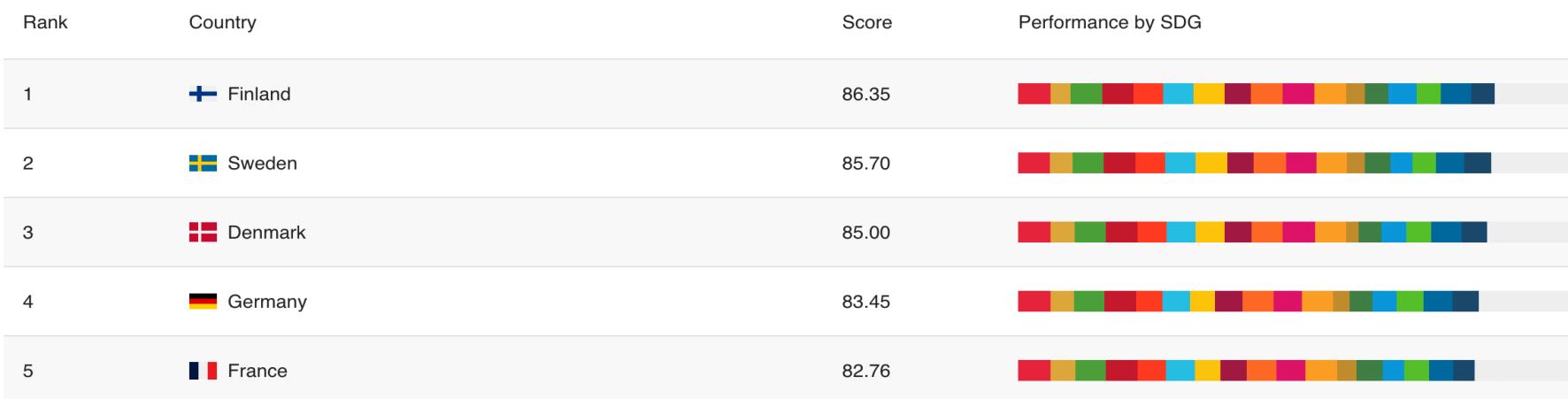
- Adoption: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted by the UN General Assembly **in 2015**.
- Focus: It identified **17 Sustainable Development Goals** with **169 specific targets** to be achieved **by 2030**.
- Mandate: The programme is **internationally non-binding**, but all countries have committed to work towards these goals



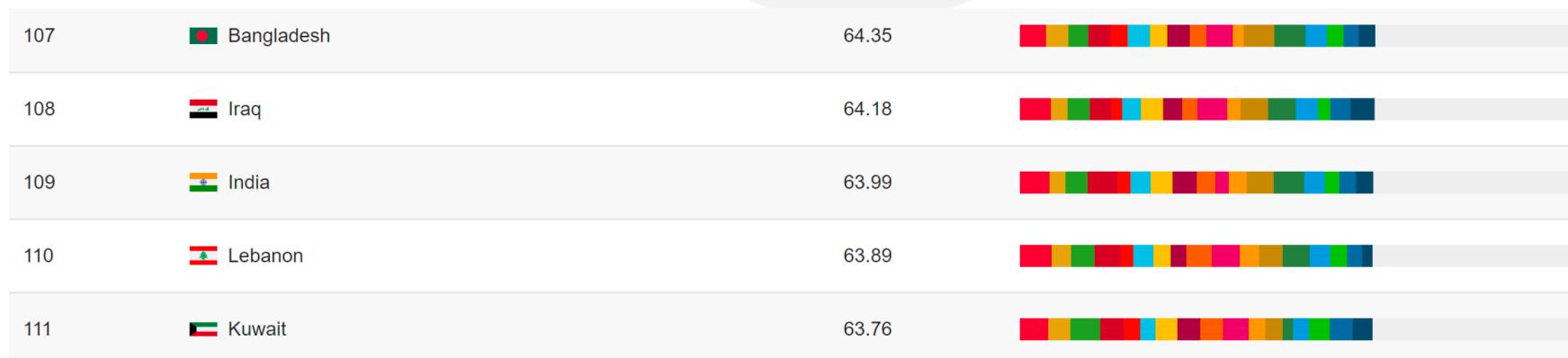
Key Highlights of Report

- On average, only **16% of the SDG targets are on track to be met globally by 2030**
- **84% show limited progress or regression.**
- **SDG2 (Zero Hunger), SDG11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), SDG 14 (Life Below Water), SDG 15 (Life on Land) and SDG 16 (Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions) are particularly off track.**
- SDG progress varies significantly across countries with **Nordic countries leading, BRICS countries making significant progress** and Poor & Vulnerable countries lagging far behind.

- Leading Regions: Finland ranked first, followed by Sweden (2nd), Denmark (3rd), Germany (4th), and France (5th)



India is ranked 109th, with on track performance in Poverty reduction and Quality Education targets while decreasing progress in Sustainable Cities and Climate Action targets

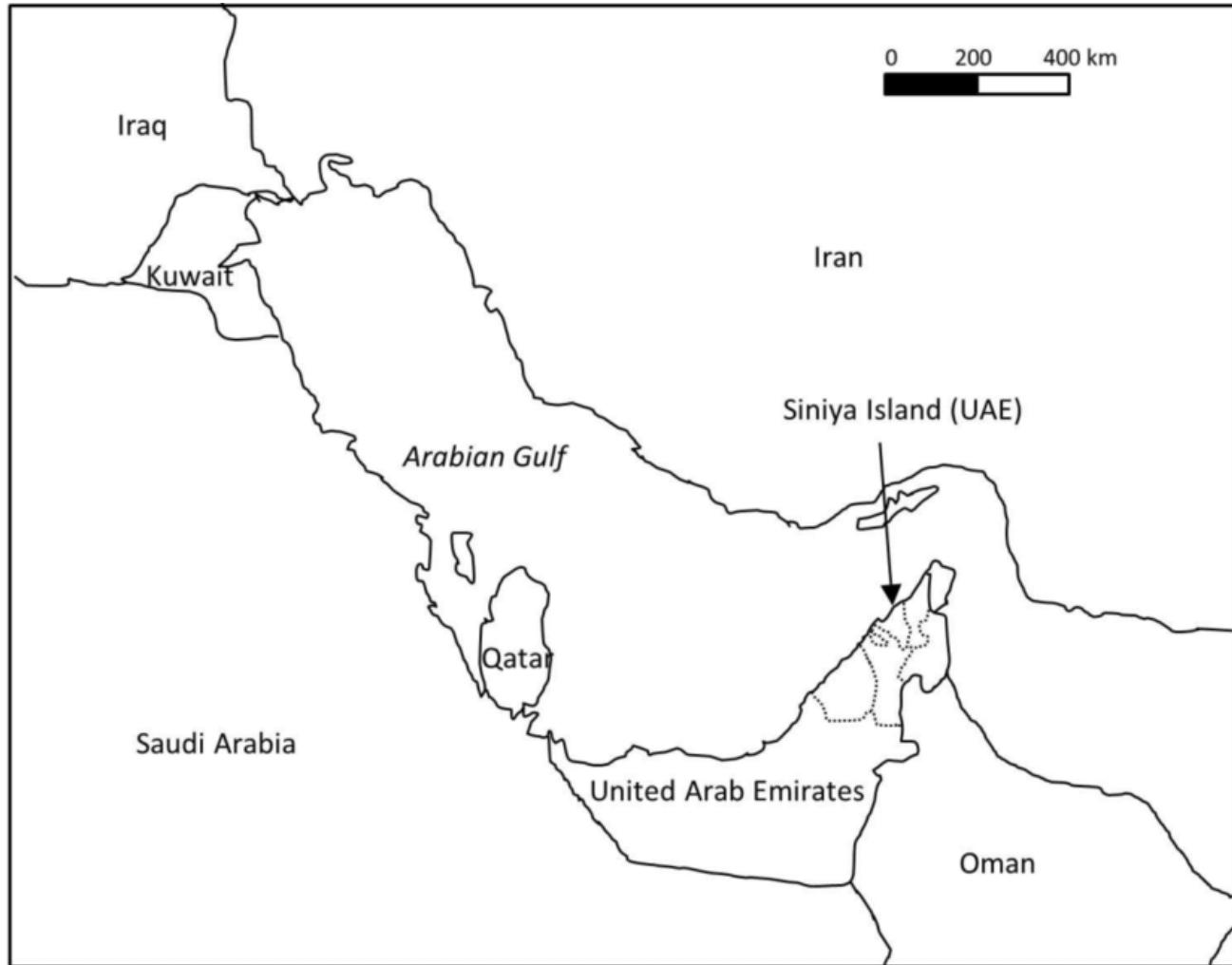


Ancient Pearl City Tu'am Discovered in UAE/संयुक्त अरब अमीरात में प्राचीन मोती शहर तुमाम की खोज की गई



- A long-lost ancient city famed for its **pearl industry** may have been **identified** by archaeologists **on Siniyah Island**, off the **coast of the United Arab Emirates (UAE)**.
- believed to be part of **the historical city of Tu'am** - documented in historical sources, its **precise location was never precisely known**

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History of Tu'am

- Tu'am is believed to date back to at least the 4th century, reaching its peak in the 6th century.
- The city is frequently referenced in ancient texts for its pearls, to have been the capital of a coastal territory famous for its pearl fishing industry.
- The city's decline is attributed to regional conflicts and a bubonic plague epidemic that swept through the Near East, the Mediterranean, and parts of Europe in the sixth century.

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- In recent years, archaeologists also uncovered a pearling village and a Christian monastery in the same area on the island.
- Tu'am was believed to be a Christian settlement for around 200 years before the spread of Islam in the region.

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Thailand to become 1st Southeast Asian nation to legalise same-sex marriage

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Thailand Legalizes Same-Sex Marriage – First in Southeast Asia/थाईलैंड ने समलैंगिक विवाह को वैध बनाया - दक्षिण-पूर्व एशिया में पहली बार

- Thailand will become **the third Asian jurisdiction after Nepal and Taiwan** to legalise gay marriage.
- In October 2023, a **five-judge Bench of the Supreme Court of India refused to alter the Special Marriage Act (SMA) of 1954** to give legal recognition to same-sex marriages, putting the onus **on Parliament to legislate marriage equality.**

- Capital: Bangkok
- Currency: Thai baht
- Monarch: Vajiralongkorn
- Prime Minister: Srettha Thavisin

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REVISION QUESTIONS



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Whose autobiography is titled 'I Have the Streets: A Kutti Cricket Story'?

किसकी आत्मकथा का शीर्षक 'आई हैव द स्ट्रीट्सः ए कुट्टी क्रिकेट स्टोरी' है?

- a) Ravichandran Ashwin
- b) Virat Kohli
- c) MS Dhoni
- d) Rohit Sharma

Ans: a

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What is the planned offshore wind energy capacity to be installed under the viability gap funding scheme for projects off the coast of Gujarat and Tamil Nadu?

गुजरात और तमिलनाडु के तट पर परियोजनाओं के लिए व्यवहार्यता अंतर वित्तपौष्ण योजना के अंतर्गत स्थापित की जाने वाली अपतटीय पवन ऊर्जा क्षमता कितनी है?

- A. 500 MW
- B. 1 GW
- C. 1.5 GW
- D. 2 GW

Answer: b

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What is the primary objective of the Central Sector "National Forensic Infrastructure Enhancement Scheme" (N.F.I.E.S.)?

केंद्रीय क्षेत्र "राष्ट्रीय फोरेंसिक अवसंरचना संवर्धन योजना" (एन.एफ.आई.ई.एस.)
का प्राथमिक उद्देश्य क्या है?

- a) To promote renewable energy sources in the country.
- b) To enhance forensic infrastructure by establishing off-campus labs of the National Forensic Sciences University
- c) To provide scholarships for students in forensic sciences.
- d) To establish new medical colleges in rural areas.

Ans: b

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Consider the following statements.

1. The Jatayu Conservation and Breeding Centre is the world's first facility dedicated to the conservation of Asian king vultures.
2. This species is listed critically endangered on the International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) Red List.

Which of the above given statement/s is/are NOT correct?

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

Ans: d

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Which country has become the first in Southeast Asia to recognize same-sex marriage?

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- a) Thailand
- b) Vietnam
- c) Philippines
- d) Malaysia
- e) Ans: a

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Consider the following statement/s regarding Vadhavan Port project
is/are NOT correct?

1. It will be developed as an Brownfield project.
2. It will serve as a gateway port for the upcoming India-Middle East-Europe Corridor (IMEC) and International North-South Transportation Corridor (INSTC).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

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