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— NATIONAL —

Raging Monsoons Drown 45% of India – Floods Claim 1,500 Lives!

Image 1 (Real):

 Original Image

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Summary:

The Southwest Monsoon of 2025 has left an indelible mark on India, with 45% of the country drenched in extreme rainfall, triggering devastating floods, landslides, and over 1,500 lives lost.

Detailed analysis:

The unprecedented rainfall underscores the growing threat of climate change on India's agriculture, infrastructure and disaster management—key topics for UPSC and State Service exams. Candidates should note the government's relief measures and the impact on food security and migration patterns.

Source: <https://www.ndtv.com/india-news/monsoon-2025-climate-change-fuels-extreme-rainfall-across-nearly-half-of-india-9474773#publisher=newsstand>

Ladakh Tragedy: Delhi Sends Supreme Court Veteran to Unravel Police Firing Mystery!

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Summary:

The central government today ordered a judicial probe into the killing of four protesters in police firing in Ladakh last month.

Detailed analysis:

The probe highlights issues of civil unrest, human rights and federal-state relations in a strategically sensitive region—areas frequently examined in Indian Polity and Security sections of competitive exams.

Source: <https://www.ndtv.com/india-news/centre-orders-judicial-inquiry-into-ladakh-killings-ex-top-court-judge-to-lead-probe-9474804#publisher=newsstand>

Shocking Baby Trafficking: Infant Sold for One Lakh Rupees in Maharashtra!

Image 1 (Real):

Original Image

Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

A case has been registered against four persons for allegedly selling and purchasing a 17-day-old baby boy for Rs 1 lakh in Maharashtra's Thane district, police said on Friday.

Detailed analysis:

The incident draws attention to child trafficking, a grave violation of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act and the Juvenile Justice Act—critical legal provisions for law-related exam papers.

Source: <https://www.ndtv.com/india-news/newborn-baby-sold-for-rs-1-lakh-in-maharashtra-4-charged-cops-v-9474730#publisher=newsstand>

Modi Declares 'Unstoppable Bharat' – India Won't Hit Pause!

Image 1 (Real):

Original Image

Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is addressing NDTV World Summit and will speak about "Unstoppable Bharat: The Force of Now" at the Bharat Mandapam in Delhi.

Detailed analysis:

Modi's rhetoric reflects the government's development agenda and geopolitical assertiveness, topics that appear in the Economy and International Relations sections of civil services exams.

Source: <https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/india-in-no-mood-to-stop-says-pm-modi-at-ndtv-world-summit-9475012#publisher=newsstand>

Live: Modi Claims India Has Conquered Every Post-2014 Challenge!

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Summary:

NDTV Global World Summit 2025 LIVE Updates: The 2025 edition of the NDTV World Summit - NDTV's flagship event - began today, featuring a host of leaders, including Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Detailed analysis:

The live event showcases India's diplomatic outreach and policy milestones, providing aspirants with material on recent government initiatives and international engagements.

Source: <https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/ndtv-world-summit-2025-live-updates-narendra-modi-rishi-sunak-harini-amarasuriya-india-us-pakistan-china-tony-abott-9466279#publisher=newsstand>

Meta's 'Flirty' AI Chatbots Banned for Teens – Parents Gain Control!

Image 1 (Real):

Original Image

Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Meta said on Friday it will let parents disable their teens' private chats with AI characters, adding another measure to make its social media platforms safe for minors after fierce criticisms over the behaviour of its flirty chatbots.

Detailed analysis:

The move signals stricter regulation of digital platforms and AI ethics—a growing focus in the Technology & Governance syllabus for competitive exams.

Source: <https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/parents-can-now-block-metas-flirty-bots-from-talking-to-teens-9474774#publisher=newsstand>

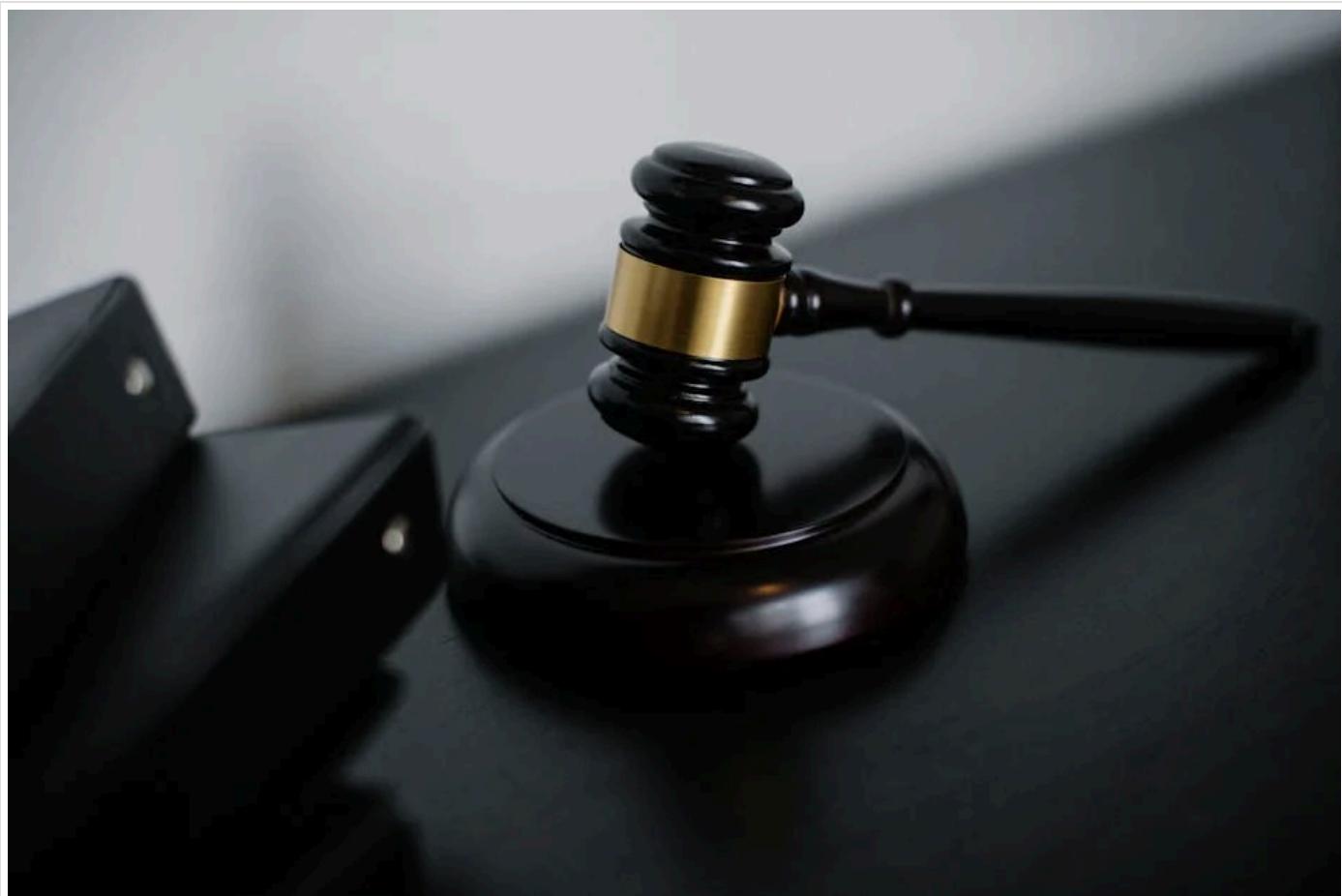
— WORLD —

Former White House Weapon of Mass Disclosure Turns Himself In!

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Summary:

The indictment alleges that Mr. Bolton shared sensitive information with two of his relatives for possible use in a book he was writing, including notes on intelligence briefings and meetings with senior government officials and foreign leaders.

Detailed analysis:

Highlights the legal risks of mishandling classified data, a key topic for civil service exams on governance and ethics. It also underscores U.S. political accountability mechanisms relevant to comparative politics studies.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/ex-trump-adviser-john-bolton-surrenders-following-charges-of-mishandling-classified-information/article70176296.ece>

Planet's Poorest on the Brink: 900 Million Faces Climate Catastrophe!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

With Earth's surface rapidly getting warmer, the situation is likely to worsen further and experts warn that today's poorest countries will be hardest hit by rising temperatures.

Detailed analysis:

Essential for UPSC and state exams covering environment, sustainable development, and international climate policy. Illustrates the scale of vulnerability that shapes global negotiations and domestic adaptation strategies.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/energy-and-environment/nearly-900-million-poor-people-exposed-to-climate-shocks-un-warns/article70175769.ece>

Hostage Crisis Explodes: Hamas Vows Ceasefire Amid Deadly Deadlock!

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

This statement follows a warning by U.S. President Donald Trump that he would green-light Israel to resume the war if Hamas doesn't live up to its end of the deal and return all of the hostages' bodies.

Detailed analysis:

Critical for understanding the dynamics of the Israel-Palestine conflict, ceasefire negotiations, and the role of external powers—core subjects in geopolitics and international relations papers.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/hamas-reaffirms-commitment-to-ceasefire-as-delays-in-returning-hostages-bodies-fray-nerves/article70174891.ece>

War Prisoners Tried as Terrorists: Russia's Bold Legal Move!

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Both Aidar and Azov battalions have been criticised over their origins as volunteer battalions that included fighters from far-right circles, although current members reject accusations of extremism and any ties to ultra-nationalist movements.

Detailed analysis:

Sheds light on the legal framing of the Ukraine war, pertinent to questions on international humanitarian law, war crimes, and state narratives—topics frequently examined in security studies.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/russia-convicts-captured-ukrainian-soldiers-on-terrorism-charges/article70175168.ece>

Iran Blasts Israel: “Ceasefire Broken!” Sparks Regional Firestorm

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Israel had killed one person and wounded seven in an airstrike in southern Lebanon, while the Israeli military said it had targeted Hezbollah and allied groups.

Detailed analysis:

Illustrates the fragile ceasefire dynamics in the Levant, a staple of contemporary South Asian and world affairs curricula, highlighting proxy conflicts and diplomatic fallout.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/iran-slams-israeli-strikes-in-lebanon-as-ceasefire-violation/article70174777.ece>

Military Coup 2.0: Madagascar's New President Takes Oath Amid Chaos!

Image 1 (Real):

Original Image

Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

The military takeover — which came after three weeks of anti-government protests by mainly young people — has been condemned by the United Nations and led to Madagascar being suspended from the African Union.

Detailed analysis:

Offers a case study on unconstitutional regime change, international response, and regional bodies' roles—key for comparative politics and African studies sections of competitive exams.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/madagascar-coup-colonel-michael-randrianirina-swearing-in-president-october-17-2025/article70174584.ece>

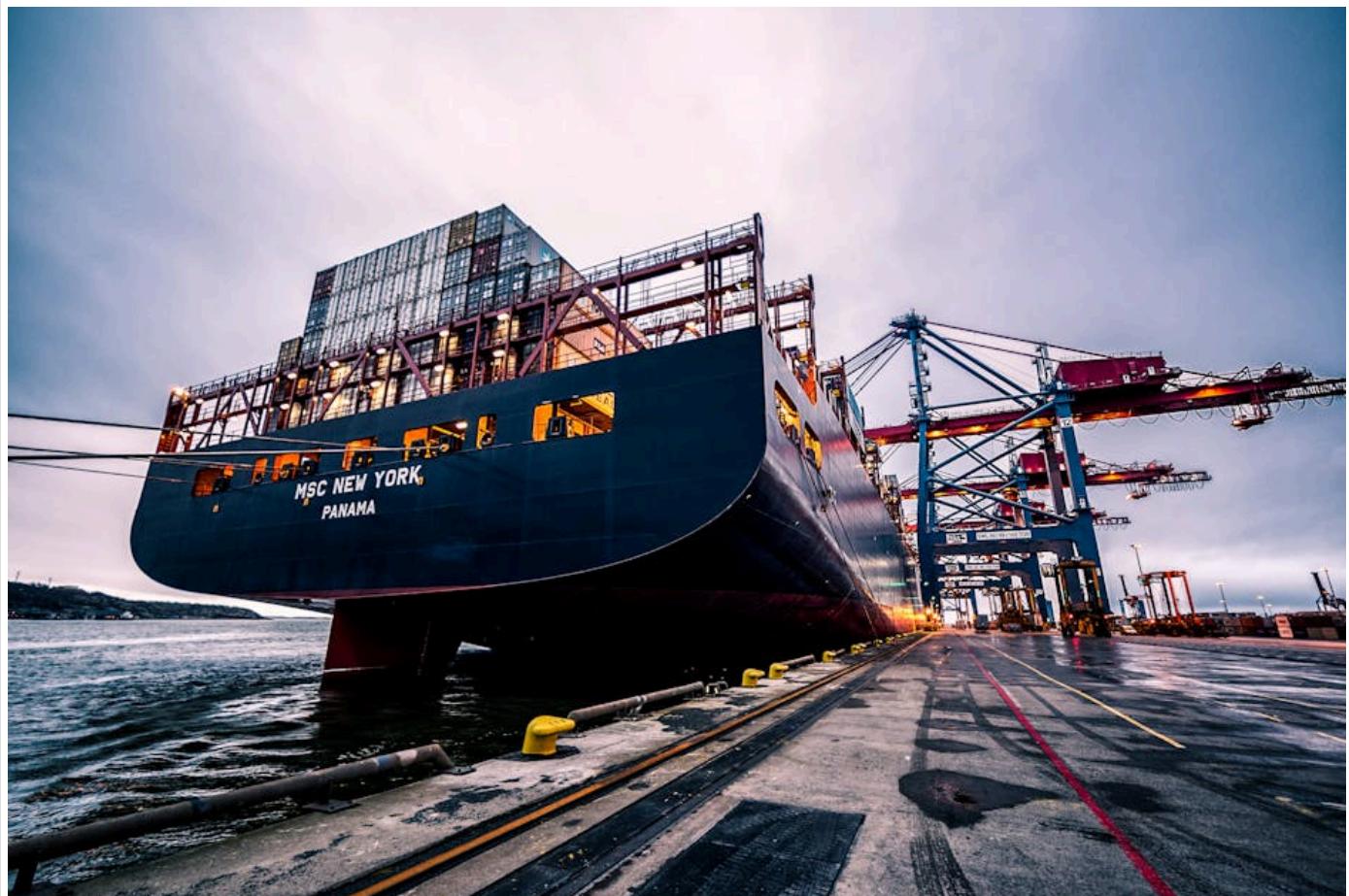
— BUSINESS —

Logistics Revolution: India to Slash Transport Costs Below 10%!

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister of Road Transport & Highways, announced that India's logistics costs will fall to 9% by December. This shift has the potential to improve export competitiveness, as logistics costs will become lower in India compared to the US and European nations.

Detailed analysis:

A reduction in logistics cost will boost India's global trade competitiveness and attract foreign investment. Aspirants should note the target of sub-10% cost as a benchmark for future policy questions on economic reforms.

Source: <https://www.livemint.com/news/india/nitin-gadkari-says-india-s-logistics-cost-to-fall-to-single-digits-by-december-will-help-us-become-more-competitive-11760693474095.html>

₹58 Crore Cyber Heist Unmasked: Six Arrested in Massive Digital Scam!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Mumbai police arrested six members of an interstate cyber fraud gang in Gujarat, linked to a ₹58 crore scam. The gang impersonated law enforcement officials to intimidate victims into paying money. The main accused, Yuvraj, coordinated with fraudsters in China and Cambodia.

Detailed analysis:

The case highlights the growing threat of digital financial fraud and the need for robust cyber-law enforcement. For exams, focus on how such scams affect public trust in digital payments and the role of agencies like the ED and cyber cells.

Source: <https://www.livemint.com/news/india/indias-biggest-digital-arrest-scam-worth-58-crore-mumbai-police-bust-cyber-fraud-ring-6-arrested-11760701952646.html>

Zero-Emission Bus Push: Payment Security Becomes the New Battleground!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

The Payment Security Mechanism, established to prevent payment defaults by state transport agencies, is vital for meeting the goal of deploying over 38,000 zero-emission buses, raising concerns about the pace of e-bus adoption.

Detailed analysis:

Payment security is critical for scaling e-bus fleets; delays can hinder India's green transport targets. Candidates should link this to fiscal federalism and the central government's push for sustainable mobility.

Source: <https://www.livemint.com/news/only-12-states-uts-bat-for-payment-security-to-boost-e-bus-operations-11760689954014.html>

Crypto Crackdown: ₹2,385 Cr Frozen as Ponzi King Nabbed in Spain!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

The ED has progressed in the OctaFX Ponzi scam and has attached assets worth ₹2,385 crore in connection with the case. Mastermind Pavel Prozorov was arrested in Spain by local authorities.

Detailed analysis:

The seizure underscores the Enforcement Directorate's expanding remit over crypto-linked frauds. For examinations, note the intersection of international law enforcement and India's anti-money-laundering framework.

Source: <https://www.livemint.com/news/india/octafx-ponzi-scam-mastermind-pavel-prozorov-arrested-in-spain-ed-attaches-crypto-assets-worth-rs-2-385-crore-11760695722020.html>

Trump's Tariff U-Turn: 100% China Duties 'Impossible' After Xi Meet!

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

When asked if such high tariffs on Chinese imports were sustainable, Donald Trump said they were not, as he mentioned that the ties between the two would be fine.

Detailed analysis:

The statement signals potential easing of trade barriers, affecting global supply chains and Indian export outlook. Aspirants should gauge how US-China tariff policies ripple through Indian manufacturing sectors.

Source: <https://www.livemint.com/news/us-news/100-tariffs-on-china-not-sustainable-trump-says-ties-with-beijing-would-be-fine-after-meeting-xi-11760706893593.html>

Diamond Fugitive Cornered: Belgium Orders Choksi's Return to India!

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Summary:

To date, the fugitive diamantaire's repeated attempts to secure bail from different courts in Belgium have failed.

Detailed analysis:

The extradition order strengthens India's fight against financial crimes and reinforces international cooperation. Exam takers should understand extradition treaties and their relevance to high-profile white-collar cases.

Source: <https://www.livemint.com/news/india/big-setback-for-mehul-choksi-belgian-court-orders-fugitive-diamond-traders-extradition-to-india-11760711193287.html>

— TECH —

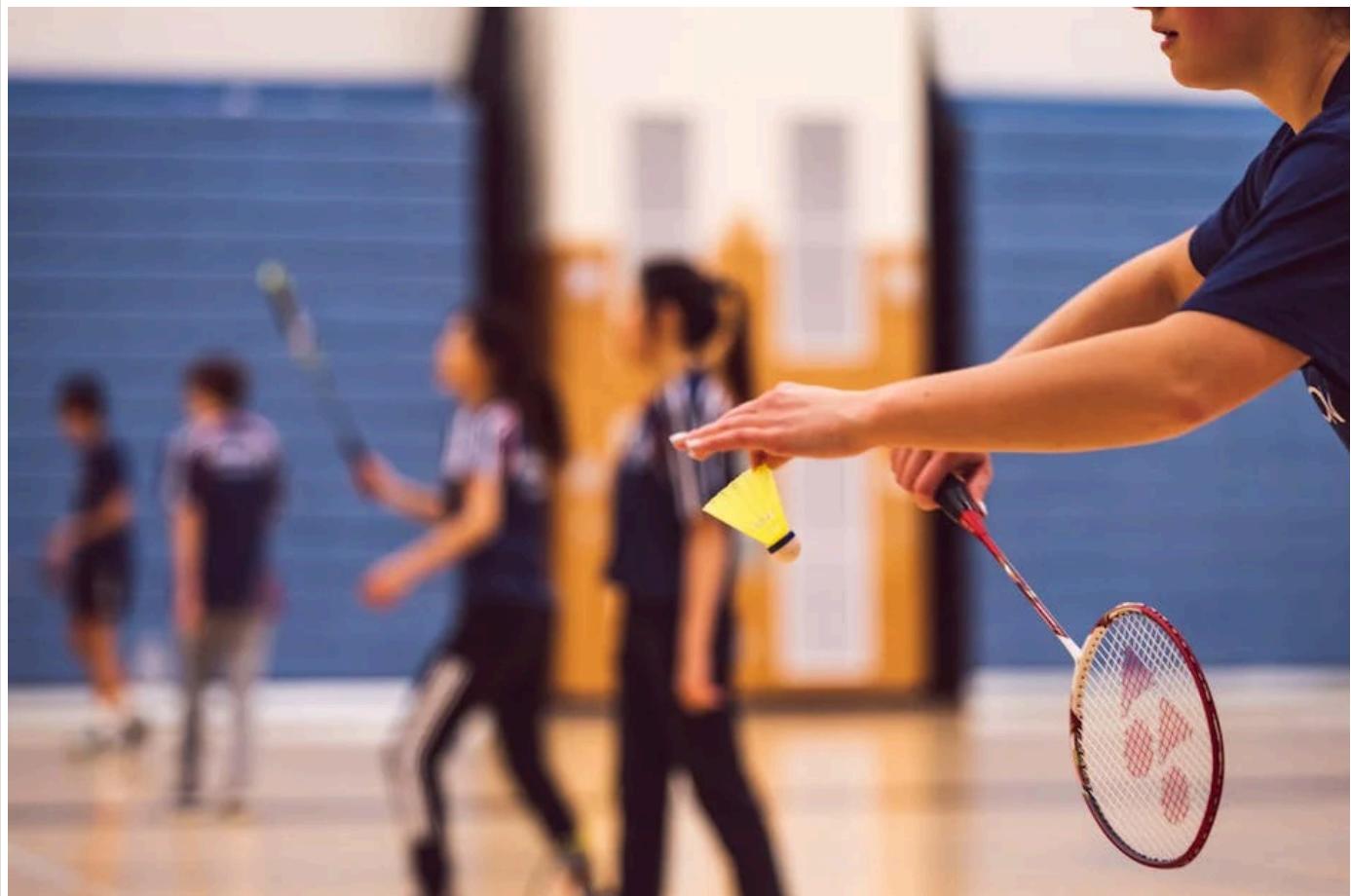
— SPORTS —

Historic Breakthrough! Tanvi Guarantees India's First Junior Badminton Medal in 17 Years!

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

She became the first Indian female player to be assured of a BWF World Junior Championships medal in 17 years

Detailed analysis:

Tanvi's semi-final qualification signals a resurgence in Indian women's badminton at the junior level, a key indicator for future senior world champions. Aspirants should note the impact of early international exposure and the role of national training centres in talent grooming.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/sports/badminton/tanvi-enters-semis-ensures-medal-101760713827735.html>

Shooting Superstars Manu Bhaker & Swapnil Kusale Gear Up to Dominate the World Stage!

Image 1 (Real):

Original Image

Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

India's shooting stars, Manu Bhaker and Swapnil Kusale, prepare for the World Championships in Cairo after a challenging season post-Olympics.

Detailed analysis:

Both athletes have demonstrated consistency after the Olympics, highlighting India's growing depth in shooting disciplines. Their preparation for Cairo underscores the importance of adaptability and mental resilience—traits frequently examined in sports management and physiology papers.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/sports/others/olympics-medallists-manu-swapnil-set-sights-on-world-championships-101760713467988.html>

Legendary Lothar Matthäus Joins Bengal Super League – A Giant Leap for Indian Football!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Lothar Matthäus has been appointed as brand ambassador for the Bengal Super League, aiming to enhance professionalism and player development.

Detailed analysis:

Matthäus' involvement brings global expertise to a regional league, potentially raising standards of coaching, infrastructure, and talent scouting. This aligns with the government's push for sports promotion under the 'Khelo India' mission, a frequent topic in sports policy exams.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/sports/football/bengal-football-takes-huge-leap-world-cup-winning-captain-joins-bengal-super-league-as-brand-ambassador-101760709676521.html>

Djokovic Shuts Down Retirement Rumors – Announces Bold New Vision for His Career!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Novak Djokovic finally breaks his silence on the retirement speculation as he lays down a clear roadmap.

Detailed analysis:

Djokovic's clarification removes uncertainty for sponsors and tournament organizers, illustrating how elite athletes manage public relations. The statement also highlights the strategic planning required for career longevity—an essential case study for sports management curricula.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/sports/tennis/novak-djokovic-addresses-elephant-in-the-room-ends-retirement-speculation-once-and-for-all-really-want-to-see-101760661608870.html>

Miller Dominates Australian MotoGP Practice – Can He Top Marquez?

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Miller tops opening practice at Australian MotoGP ahead of Marquez

Detailed analysis:

Miller's pace in practice showcases the competitive edge of Australian riders on home soil. For example, this underscores the significance of track familiarity and bike setup—key topics in motor sport engineering and performance analysis.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/sports/others/miller-tops-opening-practice-at-australian-motogp-ahead-of-marquez-101760663390874.html>

Yamal's Miraculous Return! Barcelona Gets a Star Boost Ahead of El Clásico!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Yamal is back from injury a week before Barcelona faces Madrid in season's first clasico

Detailed analysis:

Yamal's quick recovery injects youthful vigor into Barça's attack, potentially altering tactical setups against Real Madrid. The scenario highlights injury management and squad depth—critical concepts in sports physiology and team strategy.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/sports/football/lamine-yamal-is-back-from-injury-a-week-before-barcelona-faces-madrid-in-seasons-first-clasico-101760710565426.html>

— SCIENCE —

Climate Catastrophe: 9 Crore Lives on the Brink!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

With Earth's surface rapidly getting warmer, the situation is likely to worsen further and experts warn that today's poorest countries will be hardest hit by rising temperatures.

Detailed analysis:

Highlights the scale of climate vulnerability, essential for geography and environment sections of UPSC, IAS, and other government exams; underscores the link between climate change and socio-economic challenges.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/energy-and-environment/nearly-900-million-poor-people-exposed-to-climate-shocks-un-warns/article70175769.ece>

Dark Matter Mystery Nears Revelation!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Scientists are confident that dark matter exists because of its gravitational effects on a grand scale in the universe.

Detailed analysis:

Core topic for astrophysics and modern physics; frequently asked in physics papers of UPSC and other competitive exams. Understanding dark matter aids in answering questions on cosmic composition and gravitational phenomena.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/science/scientists-move-closer-to-confirming-existence-of-dark-matter/article70172946.ece>

Sky Spectacle: Comet SWAN's Close Encounter!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

A newly discovered comet will pass near Earth on Oct 21, offering a rare viewing opportunity for sky-watchers.

Detailed analysis:

Current astronomical event; useful for astronomy questions, observational techniques, and recent discoveries sections in science papers of competitive exams.

Source: <https://indianexpress.com/article/technology/science/c-2025-r2-swan-comet-how-to-spot-october-21-10312578/>

Magnetic Blind Spots: Earth's Invisible Vulnerabilities!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

An investigation into the irregularities of Earth's geomagnetic field and their implications.

Detailed analysis:

Pertinent to geophysics and environmental science; questions on magnetic anomalies, navigation, and space weather appear in UPSC and other science exams.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/science/why-does-the-earths-magnetic-field-have-weak-spots/article70165661.ece>

Jupiter's Gravitational Grip: A Cosmic Tug-of-War!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

A storytelling piece exploring Jupiter's massive gravity and its effects on the solar system.

Detailed analysis:

Provides insight into planetary physics; useful for astronomy and space science sections of exams, especially questions on planetary mass, gravity, and orbital dynamics.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/children/a-guardians-tale-just-how-strong-is-jupiters-gravity/article69999585.ece>

Kid Genius Builds Tech to Change the World!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

12-year-old tech prodigy Manishka Dubey, founder of Tinker Techie, uses innovations to solve real-world problems.

Detailed analysis:

Showcases youth entrepreneurship and STEM innovation; inspirational for sections on science & technology, entrepreneurship, and innovation in exam syllabi.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/children/tinkering-towards-a-brighter-future/article70105028.ece>

— HEALTH —

Polio on the Brink: World's Last Fight Against the Deadly Virus!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Rotary District 3234 and The Hindu hosted a webinar on polio eradication, highlighting the progress made and the critical challenges remaining to eliminate the disease globally.

Detailed analysis:

Polio eradication remains a top public-health priority for India and the world. Aspirants should note the importance of last-mile strategies—surveillance, vaccine-derived cases, and community engagement—as they feature in UPSC health-policy questions and WHO reports.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/experts-emphasise-continued-and-urgent-efforts-to-tackle-last-mile-challenges-in-global-polio-eradication/article70174619.ece>

Youth Mortality Crisis: Global Numbers Stagnate While Adults Thrive!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Though observing significant progress in combating infectious diseases globally, researchers said that diabetes, mental disorders, and obesity remain growing challenges for young people.

Detailed analysis:

The Lancet data signals a looming health-security issue for India's large youth population. Exam takers should focus on non-communicable disease trends, mental health burden, and policy gaps in preventive care.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/death-rates-among-youth-not-declining-despite-overall-drop-globally-lancet-study/article70174784.ece>

Metabolic Syndrome: The Silent Cancer Trigger for Indian Women!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Metabolic syndrome is a complex cluster of metabolic disorders that includes obesity and hypertension; the analysis found that the odds doubled for women with metabolic syndrome regarding certain cancers.

Detailed analysis:

Linking metabolic syndrome to gynecological cancers underscores the need for integrated screening programs. This is pertinent to public-health policy, NCD action plans, and preventive health modules in competitive exams.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/women-with-metabolic-syndrome-face-higher-risk-of-gynaecological-cancers-finds-study/article70171562.ece>

Inferno Alert: 15 Million Indians Caught in Wildfire Smoke Crisis!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Within India, Uttar Pradesh was estimated to have the highest population exposure, with over 4.6 million people affected. Punjab also had a significant number, with over 3.5 million estimated to be exposed.

Detailed analysis:

Wildfire-related air-pollution has direct respiratory health implications and stresses emergency response systems. Candidates should connect this to climate-health policy, disaster management frameworks, and the National Action Plan on Climate Change.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/global-analysis-finds-15-million-in-india-affected-by-2024-25-wildfires-up-most-impacted/article70174782.ece>

Heat Wave Tsunami: 57 Extra Scorching Days Loom Over the Planet!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

A new study finds the world is on track to add nearly two months of dangerously hot days each year by the end of the century.

Detailed analysis:

Rising extreme heat days elevate heat-stroke, cardiovascular, and renal disease risks. Understanding this trend is vital for exam sections on climate-change health impacts and India's heat-action plans.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/the-world-is-heading-to-add-57-superhot-days-a-year-but-study-indicates-it-could-have-been-worse/article70174792.ece>

RNA Secrets Unveiled: Genetic Code Behind Schizophrenia and Autism Exposed!

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

The results could also explain why schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, ADHD, and autism often appear together in individuals, the team said.

Detailed analysis:

Genomic insights into psychiatric disorders shape future diagnostics and therapeutic strategies. Aspirants should note the relevance to mental-health policy, research funding, and the integration of genomics in public-health planning.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/study-links-patterns-in-rna-sequences-with-genes-contributing-to-psychiatric-disorders/article70174786.ece>

— EDUCATION —

🔥 IBPS SO 2025 PRELIMS RESULT OUT – Check Your Score Instantly! 🔥

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Summary:

IBPS SO Prelims Result 2025 has been declared. The direct link to check result is given here.

Detailed analysis:

A fresh result means you can immediately gauge your standing for the next recruitment phase. Aspirants should verify their scores, note the qualifying cutoff, and start preparing for the mains if eligible.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/education/exam-results/ibps-so-prelims-result-2025-declared-at-ibps-in-direct-link-to-check-here-101760701745160.html>

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Summary:

NEET PG Counselling 2025 Round 1 registration process started. The direct link to apply is given here.

Detailed analysis:

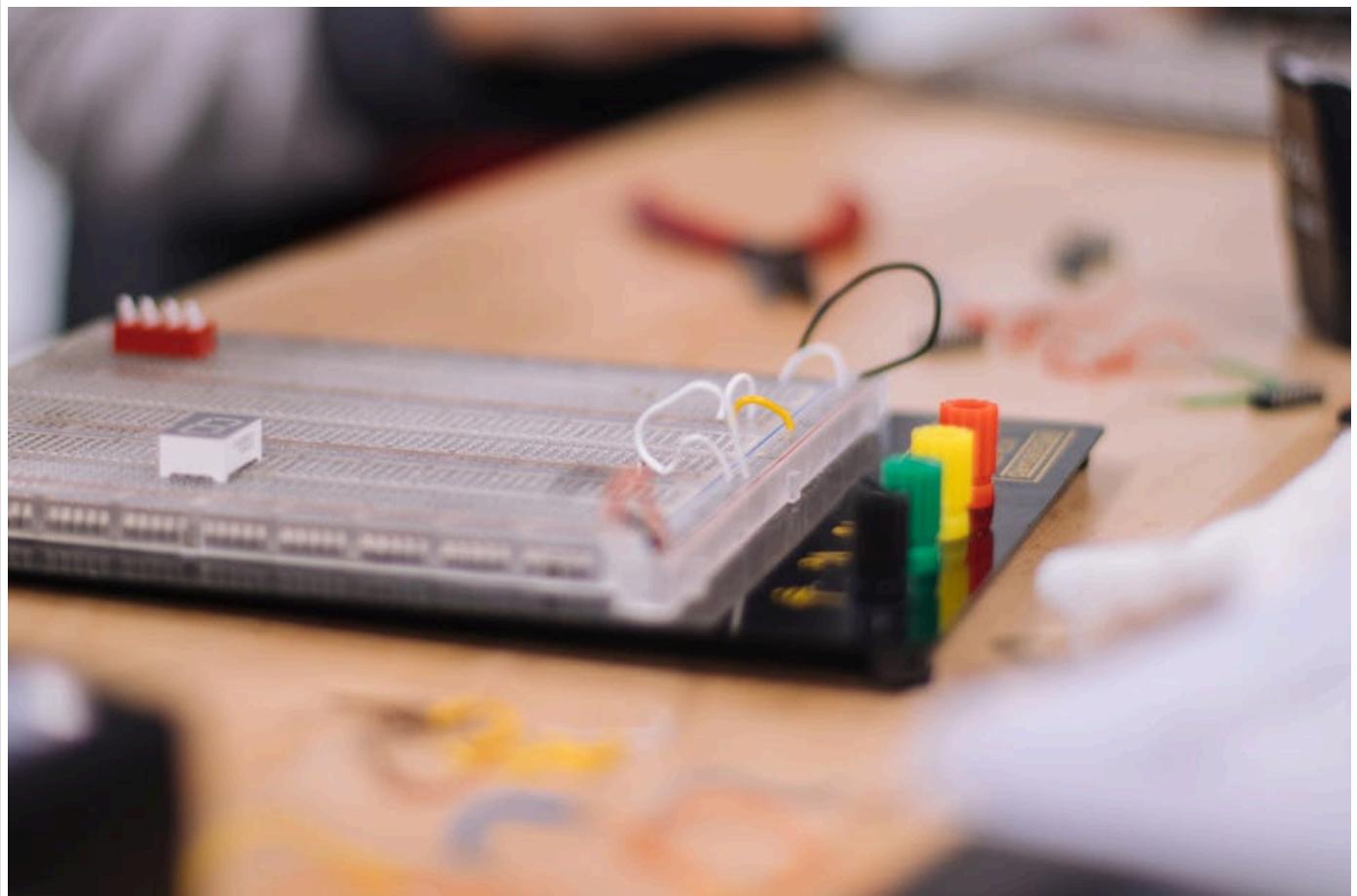
Round-1 registration is critical for securing preferred PG seats. Candidates should complete the form, upload documents, and keep track of allotment dates to avoid missing the window.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/education/admissions/neet-pg-counselling-2025-mcc-begins-round-1-registration-process-on-mcc-nic-in-direct-link-here-101760690031889.html>

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Summary:

CBSE has released practical exam dates for winter bound schools. The Board has released SOPs and guidelines for the practical exams.

Detailed analysis:

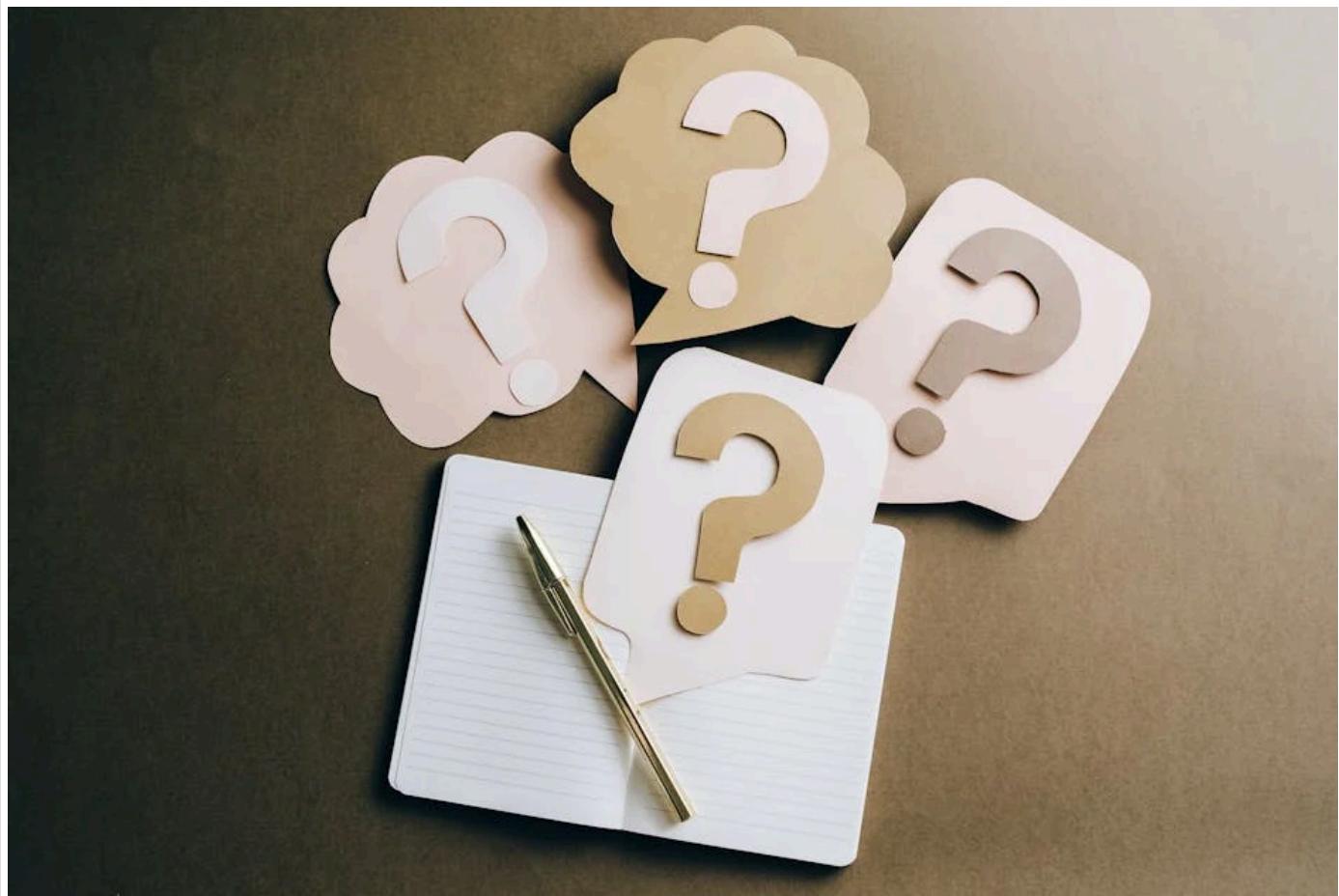
Mark these dates on your calendar immediately. Follow the SOPs to avoid any last-minute hassles and plan your revision schedule around the practical sessions.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/education/board-exams/cbse-releases-practical-exam-dates-for-winter-bound-schools-check-sops-guidelines-101760675888236.html>

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Summary:

Keep up with the day's important developments through this quiz tailored for UPSC aspirants.

Detailed analysis:

Daily quizzes reinforce current affairs retention. Attempting them boosts quick recall—a vital skill for prelims and mains answer writing.

Source: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/education/raila-odinga-madagascar-aravalli-hills-world-trade-organisation-section-354-5-andhra-karnataka-google-mor-101760669119033.html>

 **BIG SCHOLARSHIP ALERT – 4.8 Lakh OBC STUDENTS TO GET FINANCIAL HELP FROM UTTAR PRADESH!** 

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Detailed analysis:

The scheme significantly reduces financial barriers for OBC candidates. Eligible students should check the official portal for application dates and required documents to secure the aid.

Source: <https://indianexpress.com/article/education/cm-adityanath-to-provide-scholarships-to-over-4-8-lakh-abc-students-10311924/>

 SPACE CAREER CALL – ISRO RECRUITS SCIENTISTS & TECHNICIANS – APPLY THIS OCTOBER! 

Image 1 (Real):

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Image 2 (Pexels):



Summary:

Detailed analysis:

ISRO jobs are coveted for their prestige and growth prospects. Candidates must meet the eligibility criteria, prepare for the written test, and align their applications with the specific vacancy notices.

Source: <https://indianexpress.com/article/education/isro-recruitment-october-2025-apply-for-various-scientific-technical-administrative-positions-10311973/>

— ECONOMY —

JSW Energy's Profit Plummets While Revenue Rockets 60% – A Power Play Twist!

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Summary:

JSW Energy reported a 17% year-on-year fall in consolidated net profit to Rs 705 crore for Q2, despite a 60% revenue surge to Rs 5,177 crore. EBITDA rose 67% YoY to Rs 3,180 crore, driven by renewable capacity additions. The firm affirmed a strong balance sheet and credit ratings, with total installed capacity now at 13.2 GW.

Detailed analysis:

For UPSC/SSC exams, note the contrast between profit dip and revenue boom – a classic case of high-capex sectors where earnings lag behind top-line growth. Renewable expansion is a policy priority; examine its impact on balance-sheet health and future cash flows.

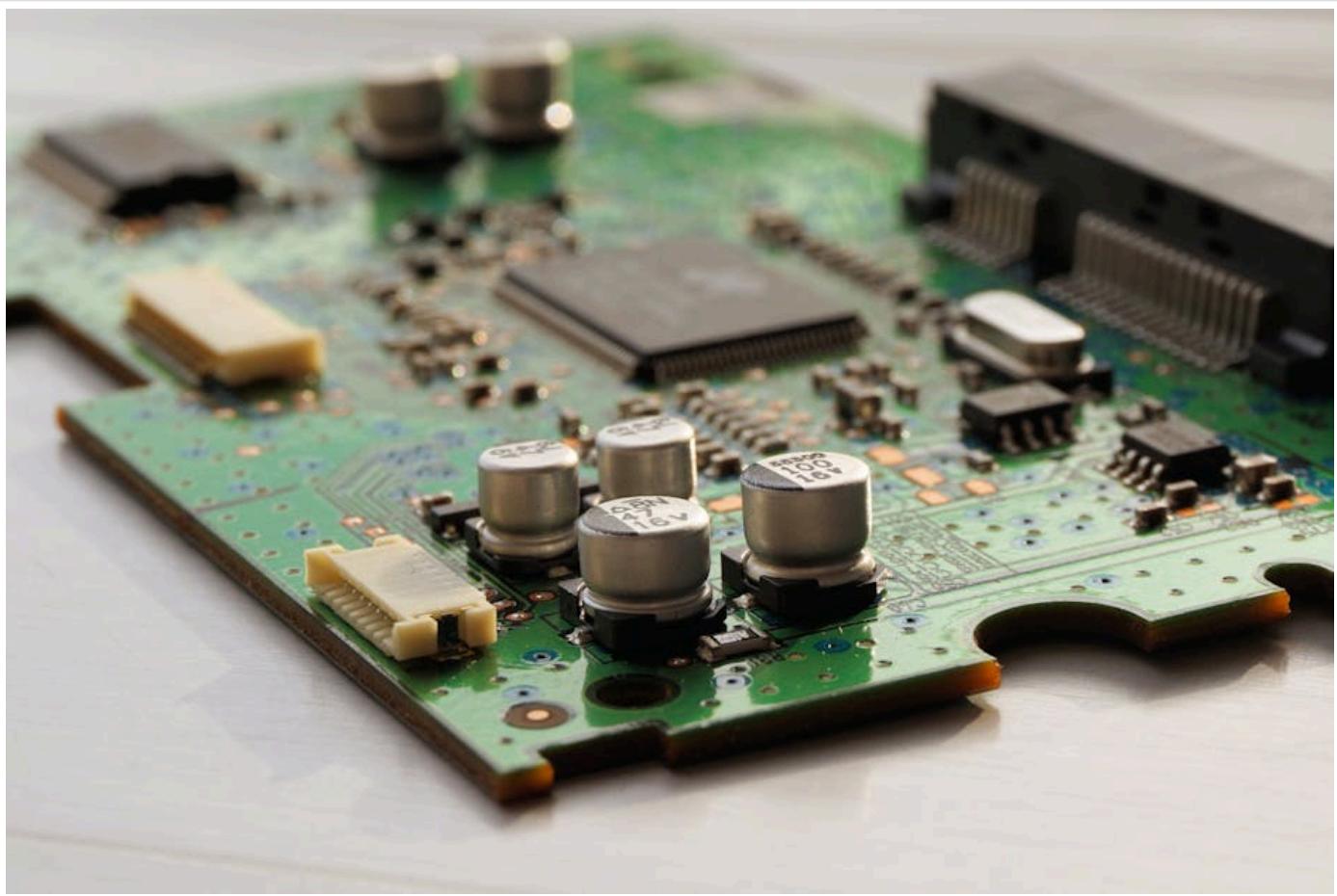
Source: <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/markets/stocks/earnings/jsw-energy-q2-results-cons-pat-falls-17-yoy-to-rs-705-crore-but-revenue-climbs-60/articleshow/124631534.cms>

Dixon's Q2 Profit Rocketed 72% – The Electronics Giant's Golden Quarter!

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Summary:

Dixon Technologies posted a 72% YoY rise in Q2 net profit to Rs 670 crore on robust operational growth. Revenue increased 29% to Rs 14,855 crore, while EBITDA surged 152% YoY to Rs 1,057 crore.

Detailed analysis:

Highlights the rapid scaling of Indian EMS (Electronics Manufacturing Services) firms. For exam takers, link this growth to Make in India initiatives and export-driven demand, and consider how EBITDA margins reflect operational efficiency.

Source: <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/markets/stocks/earnings/dixon-technologies-q2-results-cons-pat-soars-72-yoy-to-rs-670-crore-revenue-up-29/articleshow/124629402.cms>

Gold Rush! SGB Holders Pocket 338% Gains Over Eight Years – Massive Returns Unveiled

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Summary:

Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB) 2017-18 Series III investors are set to receive a 338% return as its eight-year tenure ends on 16 Oct 2025. The RBI fixed the final redemption price at Rs 12,567 per gram, far above the issue price of Rs 2,866 per gram.

Detailed analysis:

Demonstrates the efficacy of government-backed gold schemes as low-risk investment alternatives. Important for banking and finance sections of exams – compare SGB returns with traditional fixed deposits and equity market performance.

Source: <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/markets/bonds/sovereign-gold-bond-investors-make-338-return-in-8-years-did-you-miss/articleshow/124628322.cms>

Dollar Dips! Global Trade Tussles and US Shutdown Threats Push Greenback Downward

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Summary:

The US dollar is on a downward trend, fueled by escalating global trade disputes and signs of a sluggish US economy. This shift supports arguments for the Federal Reserve to consider lowering interest rates, prompting investors to shift toward safe-haven assets like gold and cryptocurrencies.

Detailed analysis:

Key for macro-economics: understand how trade tensions and domestic fiscal gridlock affect currency valuation and monetary policy. Relate to RBI's response in foreign exchange markets and potential impact on Indian import-export dynamics.

Source: <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/markets/forex/dollar-set-for-weekly-slide-as-trade-shutdown-concerns-weigh/articleshow/124618393.cms>

China Slams US: Accuses Washington of Crippling Global Trade Rules!

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Summary:

China's Commerce Ministry said the United States is undermining the global trade system, citing discriminatory policies and sanctions. Beijing plans to escalate actions at the WTO, including filing cases and scrutinising US measures.

Detailed analysis:

Illustrates geopolitical trade friction affecting global supply chains. For competitive exams, focus on WTO dispute mechanisms, the impact of unilateral tariffs on Indian trade, and how India can navigate such bilateral tensions.

Source: <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/international/world-news/china-accuses-us-of-undermining-wto-with-tariffs-sanctions/articleshow/124632193.cms>

EPFO Gets a Makeover – Three-Quarters of Your PF Now Accessible Instantly!

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Summary:

Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya explained relaxations in EPFO rules, allowing employees to withdraw 75% of their EPF upon job loss. The remaining 25% can be withdrawn after one year.

Detailed analysis:

Important for banking and social security sections. Shows policy shift to improve liquidity for workers, a point to discuss in questions on labour welfare schemes and their fiscal implications.

Source: <https://www.livemint.com/money/personal-finance/epfo-rules-eased-75-of-epf-amount-can-be-withdrawn-immediately-clarifies-mansukh-mandaviya-11760624578343.html>

— ENVIRONMENT —

UN Sounds Alarm: 900 Million Impoverished on the Brink of Climate Catastrophe!

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Summary:

With Earth's surface rapidly getting warmer, the situation is likely to worsen further and experts warn that today's poorest countries will be hardest hit by rising temperatures.

Detailed analysis:

Highlights the scale of climate risk to the global poor—a key topic for UPSC and state exams under Sustainable Development and Climate Change. Emphasises the urgency for robust adaptation policies and international financing.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/energy-and-environment/nearly-900-million-poor-people-exposed-to-climate-shocks-un-warns/article70175769.ece>

UK Says 'No' to Ocean Rescue: Bottom Trawling Gets Green-Humour Green Light!

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Summary:

Detailed analysis:

Reflects the tension between marine conservation and fishing interests. Relevant for environmental policy questions, especially regarding sustainable fisheries and international maritime law.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/energy-and-environment/bottom-trawling-to-continue-in-uk-green-humour-by-rohan-chakravarty/article70161966.ece>

India Demands Climate Cash: ‘Duty, Not Empty Promise’ to Rich Nations!

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Summary:

Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav spoke on climate financing at the G20 Environment Ministers' Meeting in Cape Town, South Africa

Detailed analysis:

Shows India's stance in global climate negotiations—crucial for questions on international environmental agreements, G20 outcomes, and climate finance mechanisms.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/energy-and-environment/climate-finance-must-be-duty-not-promise-india-to-developed-countries/article70174325.ece>

Monsoon Madness: Torrential Rains Slam Tamil Nadu Ahead of Schedule!

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Summary:

It marks an early onset, ahead of its usual date of October 20. The RMC has issued an orange alert for five districts today; Chennai will continue to experience light to moderate rainfall till October 18

Detailed analysis:

Important for disaster management and climate pattern studies. Exam takers should note early monsoon trends, alert systems, and implications for agriculture and urban planning.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/energy-and-environment/northeast-monsoon-sets-in-intense-rain-forecast-across-tamil-nadu-till-october-22/article70171571.ece>

India's Carbon Market: Guarding Farmers or Riding the Green Wave?

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Summary:

As India builds its carbon market, the lessons from global failures show why protecting farmers and communities must come first

Detailed analysis:

Key for understanding India's emerging carbon trading scheme, policy safeguards, and the balance between economic incentives and social equity—frequent UPSC essay topic.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/opinion/op-ed/ensure-safeguards-for-indias-carbon-market/article70171739.ece>

Court Backs Coal Giant: Villagers Lose Forest Rights in Hasdeo Showdown!

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Summary:

A Single Bench of Justice Rakesh Mohan Pandey stated that granting the community forest rights in itself was a “mistake” that was “rectified” through the cancellation, concluding that this made the order granting the rights “void ab initio”

Detailed analysis:

Illustrates legal battles over forest rights, mining, and environmental justice—pertinent to constitutional law, tribal rights, and sustainable development sections of exams.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/energy-and-environment/chhattisgarh-hc-upholds-cancellation-of-forest-rights-of-ghatbarra-villagers-in-hasdeo/article70171979.ece>