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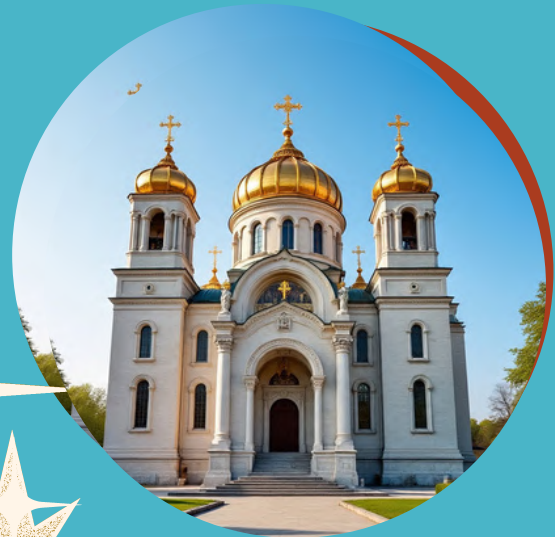


## WEEKLY CURRENT AFFAIRS

30 NOV - 6 DEC 2025

1ST WEEK OF NOVEMBER

150+ MCQ  
with detailed  
explanation



- Banking & finance
- National
- International
- Sports





**Ques: Which committee proposed the elevation of seven Chief General Managers to Executive Director positions in various Public Sector Banks?**

- A) Reserve Bank of India Committee
- B) Finance Ministry Advisory Committee
- C) Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC)
- D) Public Sector Bank Board
- E) Banking Regulatory Committee

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) proposed elevating seven Chief General Managers (CGMs) to the position of Executive Director (ED) in various Public Sector Banks.

**Key appointments include:**

- Amit Kumar Srivastava → ED of PNB
- Sunil Kumar Chugh → ED of Canara Bank
- Amresh Prasad → ED of UBI
- Prabhat Kiran → ED of BoM
- Mini T M → ED of Indian Bank
- E. Ratan Kumar → ED of CBI
- Pramod Kumar Dwivedi → ED of Bol





**Ques: What is the total deposit under PMJDY as of November 19, 2025?**

- A) ₹1.95 lakh crore
- B) ₹2.50 lakh crore
- C) ₹2.75 lakh crore
- D) ₹3.10 lakh crore
- E) ₹4.00 lakh crore

**Answer: Option C**

Explanation:

- As of 19 November 2025, deposits in PMJDY accounts have increased to ₹2.75 lakh crore.
- This reflects steady growth from ₹2.61 lakh crore on March 31, 2025.
- The scheme remains one of the world's largest financial inclusion programmes with over 57 crore beneficiaries.

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**Ques: As of September 2025, what share of new home loans by value is held by Public Sector Banks (PSBs) in India?**

- A) 30%
- B) 40%
- C) 50%
- D) 60%
- E) 70%

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- As of September 2025, public sector banks hold 50% of total new home loan originations by value.
- Nearly 40% of these new home loans are above ₹75 lakh, indicating a trend toward high-value lending.

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**Ques: What grade has the IMF given to India's national accounts statistics in its annual review?**

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D
- E) None of the above

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

- The International Monetary Fund (IMF), in its annual Article IV review, assigned a 'C' grade to India's national accounts statistics, which include GDP, GVA, and related macroeconomic indicators.
- 'C' is the second-lowest grade in IMF's rating system, indicating methodological weaknesses and data limitations.
- IMF cited outdated base year (2011–12) and the use of wholesale price indices for deflators as major issues.
- It also highlighted discrepancies between production and expenditure method GDP estimates.
- Despite these issues, India received an overall 'B' grade across all data categories.

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**Ques: What new feature did the BHIM app introduce for UPI Circle?**

- A) QR Code Payments
- B) Full Delegation for Payments
- C) Contactless NFC Payments
- D) Bill Splitting
- E) Cross-Bank Transfers

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The BHIM app introduced a full delegation feature for UPI Circle, allowing a primary user to authorize trusted secondary contacts to make UPI payments from their account under a monthly limit of ₹15,000.
- Each primary account can delegate payments to up to five secondary users; each secondary user can be linked to only one primary account.
- UPI Circle (launched in 2024) supports both partial and full delegation of payments.

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**Ques: Which SBI-promoted entity plans to raise ₹2,000 crore for its third climate-focused fund to invest in startups?**

- A) SBI Capital Markets
- B) SBI Mutual Fund
- C) SBI Ventures
- D) SBI Life Insurance
- E) SBI Holdings

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- SBI Ventures, promoted by State Bank of India, plans to raise ₹2,000 crore for its third climate-focused fund to invest in startups.
- The fund will target early and growth-stage climate startups, especially those working on frontier climate technologies and AI-enabled climate innovations.

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**Ques: Who launched the Cyber Security Innovation Challenge (CSIC) 1.0 under the Information Security Education and Awareness Project?**

- A) Ashwini Vaishnaw
- B) S Krishnan
- C) Rajeev Chandrasekhar
- D) Ajay Prakash Sawhney
- E) Abhishek Singh

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- S Krishnan — Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology — launched CSIC 1.0 under the Information Security Education and Awareness Project.
- The initiative aims to involve students and researchers in real-world cybersecurity challenges, foster indigenous innovation, and strengthen national cyber resilience.

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**Ques: India–UAE bilateral trade in FY 2024–25 crossed which milestone during the 3rd CEPA Joint Committee meeting?**

- A) USD 50 billion
- B) USD 75 billion
- C) USD 90 billion
- D) USD 100 billion
- E) USD 120 billion

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- India and the UAE held the 3rd CEPA Joint Committee meeting in New Delhi, co-chaired by Ajay Bhadoo (India) and Juma Al Kait (UAE).
- During FY 2024–25, bilateral trade crossed USD 100.06 billion, registering a 19.6% growth.
- Discussions reviewed CEPA progress including market access, data sharing, Gold TRQ allocation, services, anti-dumping, Rules of Origin, and BIS licensing.
- Both sides reaffirmed commitment to expand non-oil/non-precious metal trade to USD 100 billion by 2030 and agreed to strengthen trade facilitation, regulatory cooperation, and data sharing.

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**Ques: Which Indian military operation is being officially commemorated after 38 years?**

38 साल बाद किस भारतीय सैन्य अभियान को आधिकारिक रूप से स्मरण किया जा रहा है?

- A) Operation Meghdoot / ऑपरेशन मेघदूत
- B) Operation Vijay / ऑपरेशन विजय
- C) Operation Cactus / ऑपरेशन कैक्टस
- D) Operation Shakti / ऑपरेशन शक्ति
- E) Operation Pawan / ऑपरेशन पवन

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation / व्याख्या:**

- For the first time in 38 years, the Indian Army will officially commemorate the soldiers martyred during Operation Pawan, one of India's most challenging external military missions.
- 38 वर्षों में पहली बार, भारतीय सेना ऑपरेशन पवन में शहीद हुए सैनिकों को आधिकारिक रूप से श्रद्धांजलि देगी, जो भारत के सबसे चुनौतीपूर्ण बाह्य सैन्य अभियानों में से एक था।
- The operation was conducted in Sri Lanka from 1987 to 1990 and resulted in heavy casualties.
- यह अभियान 1987 से 1990 के बीच श्रीलंका में संचालित किया गया था और इसमें भारी हताहत हुए थे।
- A total of 1,171 Indian soldiers were martyred during the mission.
- मिशन के दौरान कुल 1,171 भारतीय सैनिक शहीद हुए।
- Major Ramaswamy Parameswaran was posthumously awarded the Param Vir Chakra in 1987 for his bravery during this operation.
- मेजर रामास्वामी परमेश्वरन को इस अभियान में दिखाए गए साहस के लिए 1987 में परम वीर चक्र मरणोपरांत प्रदान किया गया।
- The year 2024 marks the first official Army tribute to the martyrs of Operation Pawan.
- वर्ष 2024 ऑपरेशन पवन के शहीदों को पहली आधिकारिक सेना श्रद्धांजलि का वर्ष है।
- The mission is regarded as one of India's largest overseas deployments.
- यह मिशन भारत के सबसे बड़े विदेशी सैन्य तैनाती अभियानों में से एक माना जाता है।





**Ques: Which country proposed the name 'Ditwah' for the cyclonic storm that developed in the southwest Bay of Bengal?**

- A) Thailand
- B) UAE
- C) Yemen
- D) Bangladesh
- E) India

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- 'Ditwah' is a cyclone name given by Yemen under the WMO/ESCAP cyclone naming guidelines.
- It is the third cyclonic storm in the post-monsoon season of 2024, after Montha and Senyar.
- The cyclone is heading towards the Tamil Nadu–Puducherry coast, with IMD issuing heavy rainfall and wind warnings for the region.

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**Ques: Which type of plant did Union Minister Pralhad Joshi inaugurate in Rewari, Haryana?**

- A) Pellet & Bio-Ethanol Plant
- B) Solar Power Plant
- C) Nuclear Power Plant
- D) Wind Energy Plant
- E) Steel Manufacturing Plant

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- Union Minister Pralhad Joshi inaugurated a pellet plant with a capacity of 240 tonnes/day and laid the foundation for the K2 Bio-Ethanol plant in Rewari, Haryana.
- The pellet plant converts crop residue such as paddy straw, mustard straw, and cotton stalks into ethanol, biomass pellets, and rural jobs.
- Supports the E20 Mission and India's Net Zero 2070 target, reduces pollution, lowers carbon emissions, and provides extra income for farmers.
- Crop waste is now profitably used as pellets instead of being burnt.

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**Ques: C-DOT and IIT Roorkee have signed an MoU to establish a Centre of Excellence in which field?**

- A) Renewable Energy
- B) Advanced Communication Technologies
- C) Robotics & Automation
- D) Biotechnology
- E) Defence Systems

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:**

- C-DOT, the premier R&D centre of the Department of Telecommunications, signed an MoU with IIT Roorkee to create a Centre of Excellence (CoE) to boost innovation in advanced communication technologies.
- The CoE will focus on cutting-edge domains such as 5G/6G, quantum technologies, cybersecurity, RF–Sub-THz circuits, sensors, V2X communication, and AI-based telecom applications.
- The centre aims to accelerate indigenous research, innovation, and capacity building, supporting students, researchers, and start-ups, thereby enhancing India's self-reliance in telecom innovation.

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**Ques: Who has been selected for the Lok Nayak Foundation Literary Award (LNF) 2025?**

- A) Velamala Simmanna
- B) K. Siva Reddy
- C) Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad
- D) Varaprasad Reddy
- E) J. Ramachandra Murthy

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- Velamala Simmanna has been selected for the Lok Nayak Foundation Literary Award (LNF) for the year 2025.
- The award carries a cash prize of ₹2 lakh.
- The award ceremony will be held on January 18, 2026, in Visakhapatnam.
- Four individuals will also receive Life-Time Achievement Awards, each carrying ₹1 lakh.
- The awards recognise contributions to the promotion of Telugu language, literature, and culture.

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**Ques: What was India's total foodgrain production in the 2024-25 crop year?**

- A) 332.29 million tonnes
- B) 345.00 million tonnes
- C) 357.73 million tonnes
- D) 360.50 million tonnes
- E) 370.00 million tonnes

**Answer:** Option C

**Explanation:**

- India's foodgrain production rose 8% to a record 357.73 million tonnes in the 2024-25 crop year, up from 332.29 million tonnes in 2023-24.
- From 251.54 million tonnes in 2015-16, production has increased by 106 million tonnes to reach 357.73 million tonnes.
- Rice production reached a record 150.18 million tonnes, up from 137.82 million tonnes last year.
- Wheat output rose to a record 117.94 million tonnes from 113.29 million tonnes in the preceding year.
- Pulse production increased to 25.68 million tonnes compared to 24.24 million tonnes last year.

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**Ques: Which country may become the second foreign buyer of India's BrahMos missile system?**

- A) Vietnam
- B) Indonesia
- C) UAE
- D) Malaysia
- E) Thailand

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- India and Indonesia are in advanced negotiations for the sale of the BrahMos supersonic cruise missile, with both sides reaching a broad agreement on pricing around USD 450 million.
- If finalized, Indonesia will become the second foreign buyer after the Philippines, which signed a USD 375 million BrahMos deal in January 2022.
- Talks took place during the 3rd India–Indonesia Defence Ministers' Dialogue in New Delhi, and cooperation also includes defence medicine, joint R&D, and military resilience.

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**Ques: Which major military systems has the United States approved for sale to India in 2025?**

- A) FGM-148 Javelin & M982A1 Excalibur
- B) Patriot Missile System & AH-64 Apache
- C) F-35 Fighter Jets & Tomahawk Missiles
- D) T-90 Tanks & BrahMos Missiles
- E) S-400 Air Defence System & M777 Howitzer

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- The United States approved the sale of FGM-148 Javelin anti-tank missile systems and M982A1 Excalibur precision-guided artillery projectiles to India, with a total estimated value of USD 93 million.
- The package includes Excalibur projectiles and related equipment valued at USD 47.1 million, and Javelin missile systems and associated hardware estimated at USD 45.7 million.
- India has requested up to 216 Excalibur projectiles, 100 Javelin rounds, one fly-to-buy Javelin missile, and 25 Lightweight Command Launch Units (LwCLU) or Block-1 Command Launch Units.

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**Ques: Which two states received their first Doppler Weather Radars recently?**

- A) Odisha & Kerala
- B) Karnataka & Chhattisgarh
- C) Gujarat & Maharashtra
- D) Bihar & Jharkhand
- E) Tamil Nadu & Rajasthan

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The India Meteorological Department (IMD) inaugurated two state-of-the-art C-band Doppler Weather Radars — one in Mangaluru (Karnataka) and one in Raipur (Chhattisgarh). These are the first Doppler Weather Radars for both states.
- Both radars have a 250 km range and can track thunderstorms, heavy rain, lightning, squalls, and hailstorms.
- The Mangaluru radar will cover regions along the Arabian Sea, Goa, South Konkan, Maharashtra, Lakshadweep, and Kerala.
- The Raipur radar at Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya will cover Chhattisgarh, interior Odisha, east MP, southwest Jharkhand, and parts of east UP.
- Dr. Jitendra Singh also inaugurated a Solar Power System at Mausam Bhawan and a Meteorological Museum for students to promote scientific learning.

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**Ques: What is the name of India's first indigenous CRISPR-based gene therapy launched to treat Sickle Cell Disease?**

- A) GEN-Heal 1
- B) BIRSA 101
- C) CRISPR-Cure
- D) IGIB-Thera
- E) SCD-Free India Gene

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- India's first indigenous CRISPR-based gene therapy, developed for treating Sickle Cell Disease, has been named BIRSA 101.
- It was launched by Union Minister of State Dr. Jitendra Singh.
- The therapy is dedicated to Bhagwan Birsa Munda on the occasion of his 150th birth anniversary on 15 November 2025, and aligns with the goal of a Sickle Cell-Free India by 2047.
- It has been developed by CSIR-IGIB (Council of Scientific & Industrial Research – Institute of Genomics & Integrative Biology) using the enFnCas9 CRISPR platform.

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**Ques: What is the total outlay approved for the Tex-RAMPS Scheme?**

- A) ₹150 crore
- B) ₹250 crore
- C) ₹305 crore
- D) ₹500 crore
- E) ₹1000 crore

**Answer: Option C**

Explanation:

- The Government of India has approved the Tex-RAMPS Scheme with a total outlay of ₹305 crore for FY 2025-26 to FY 2030-31.
- Tex-RAMPS stands for 'Textiles Focused Research, Assessment, Monitoring, Planning & Start-up Scheme'.
- The scheme will be implemented as a Central Sector Scheme, fully funded by the Ministry of Textiles.
- The objective of the scheme is to strengthen research, data systems, innovation support, and capacity development in India's textile sector.
- Tex-RAMPS will also develop Integrated Textiles Statistical System (ITSS) and robust data systems, including employment assessments and supply chain mapping.
- The scheme will support incubators, hackathons, academia–industry collaborations, and high-value textile start-ups.
- The ultimate goal is to position India as a global leader in textile sustainability, technology, and competitiveness.





**Ques: Which plant did Union Minister Pralhad Joshi inaugurate in Rewari, Haryana?**

- A) K2 Bio Ethanol Plant
- B) Pellet Plant
- C) Both Pellet Plant & K2 Bio Ethanol Plant
- D) Solar Energy Plant
- E) Wind Energy Plant

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Union Minister of New and Renewable Energy, Pralhad Joshi, inaugurated a pellet plant and laid the foundation stone of the K2 Bio Ethanol Plant at Rewari, Haryana.
- The pellet plant will produce 240 tonnes of pellets per day from crop stubble, contributing to a clean environment.
- The plants aim to convert crop residue into ethanol, biomass pellets, and rural jobs, supporting India's E20 Mission and Net Zero 2070 goals.

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**Ques: What is the key update in Bharat NCAP 2.0 draft released by the government?**

- A) Relaxed vehicle safety standards
- B) Optional safety features
- C) Focus only on fuel efficiency
- D) Reduced crash tests
- E) Stricter vehicle safety standards

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- The government released the draft for Bharat NCAP 2.0, introducing stricter vehicle safety standards with five new assessment areas: Safe Driving (10%), Accident Avoidance (10%), Crash Protection (55%), Vulnerable Road User Protection (20%), and Post-Crash Safety (5%).
- Final rating will be out of 100 points; a 5-star rating requires 80+ points (earlier 70), and mandatory features include Electronic Stability Control (ESC) and curtain airbags.
- Cars with side-facing seats will not be eligible for star rating, and the number of crash tests has increased to five with various impact scenarios.

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**Ques: Assam Cabinet has approved ST status for how many communities?**

- A) 4
- B) 5
- C) 6
- D) 7
- E) 8

**Answer:** Option C

**Explanation:**

- The Assam Cabinet approved a Group of Ministers (GoM) report recommending Scheduled Tribe status for six major communities — Chutia, Koch-Rajbongshi, Matak, Moran, Tai Ahom, and Tea Tribes (Adivasis). This decision addresses long-pending demands.
- The report will be placed before the Assam Assembly and then forwarded to the Centre for final approval.
- Several tribal organisations protested, fearing the move may affect the rights of existing ST communities.
- Students at Bodoland University also staged protests, alleging socio-political risks to indigenous tribal groups.

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**Ques: When is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women observed?**

- A) 8 March
- B) 15 October
- C) 25 November
- D) 10 December
- E) 1 January

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women is observed annually on 25 November. It was established by the UN General Assembly in 2000 and marks the start of the 16 Days of Activism (25 Nov–10 Dec).
- The 2025 theme is “UNiTE to End Digital Violence against All Women and Girls.”
- India’s legal and institutional framework includes NCW, Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita 2023, Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act 2005, Mission Shakti, Swadhar Greh, One Stop Centres, Digital Shakti Campaign, and SHe-Box portal.

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**Ques: India's Q2 GDP growth (July–September 2025-26) reached what level, marking the highest in six quarters?**

- A) 6.4%
- B) 7.8%
- C) 8.2%
- D) 7.0%
- E) 8.8%

**Answer: C) 8.2%**

**Explanation:** • India's GDP growth in Q2 2025-26 surged to 8.2%, led by strong manufacturing and services performance along with low inflation.

- With two consecutive strong quarters, the full-year GDP estimate was raised to 7% or more.
- India remained the fastest-growing major economy during this period.

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**Ques: According to the Aventus Capital report, what is the projected total NBFC borrowings by FY27?**

- A) USD 500 billion
- B) USD 620 billion
- C) USD 700 billion
- D) USD 750 billion
- E) USD 800 billion

**Answer: D) USD 750 billion**

**Explanation:** • NBFC borrowings are projected to grow at a 13% CAGR through FY27.

- Total borrowings are expected to reach USD 750 billion by FY27.
- Market-linked borrowings share may rise to 64% by FY27 (from 43% in FY24).
- Share of bank credit is expected to shrink from current levels.

**Major funding instruments seeing rapid growth include NCDs, ECBs, and Commercial Papers.**

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**Ques: Which bank signed an MoU with Financial Planning Standards Board India to promote financial planning excellence?**

- A) IDFC FIRST Bank
- B) ICICI Bank
- C) HDFC Bank
- D) Axis Bank
- E) SBI

**Answer:** Option A

**Explanation:**

- IDFC FIRST Bank signed an MoU with Financial Planning Standards Board (FPSB) India to promote financial planning excellence.
- The bank joined as an Approved Corporate Partner, with signatories Rahul Singh (Country Head, Private Banking, IDFC FIRST Bank) and Chandrakant Sureka (Interim CEO, FPSB India).
- The MoU aims to upskill Wealth Management Regional Managers through certification, strengthen hiring and career pathways for CFP professionals, and conduct joint programs to build a stronger financial planning ecosystem.

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**Ques: Which FPI received post-facto RBI approval to increase its stake in Suryoday Small Finance Bank in 2025?**

- A) 1729 Capital
- B) BlackRock
- C) Vanguard Group
- D) Fidelity International
- E) T. Rowe Price

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- RBI granted post-facto approval to SEBI-registered FPI 1729 Capital to increase its stake in Suryoday Small Finance Bank (SSFB) from 3.81% to 7.14%.
- The approval is subject to compliance with the Banking Regulation Act, FEMA 1999, and applicable SEBI rules.
- RBI removed the earlier restriction capping voting rights below 5%, but any future increase to 5% or above will need prior approval if the stake drops below 5% later.

**About Suryoday Small Finance Bank:**

- Established: 2017
- Headquarters: Navi Mumbai
- Tagline: A Bank of Smiles
- MD & CEO: Baskar Babu Ramachandran

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**Ques: How much penalty has RBI imposed on HDFC Bank for regulatory violations?**

- A) ₹50 lakh
- B) ₹75 lakh
- C) ₹91 lakh
- D) ₹1.5 crore
- E) ₹2 crore

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- RBI imposed a penalty of ₹91 lakh on HDFC Bank for violations related to the Banking Regulation Act and deficiencies in statutory and regulatory compliance, including KYC-related lapses.
- The penalty stems from findings in a Statutory Inspection for Supervisory Evaluation based on the bank's financial position as of 31 March 2024.

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**Ques: What is India Ratings & Research's revised GDP growth forecast for FY26?**

- A) 6.0%
- B) 6.3%
- C) 6.8%
- D) 7.0%
- E) 7.5%

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- India Ratings & Research (Ind-Ra) has revised India's FY26 GDP growth estimate to 7.0%, up from its earlier forecast of 6.3% in July 2025.
- The upward revision reflects stronger-than-expected first-quarter growth in FY26 and a softer-than-anticipated impact from U.S. tariff hikes.
- Meanwhile, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) projects FY26 GDP growth at 6.8%, slightly lower than Ind-Ra's revised forecast.

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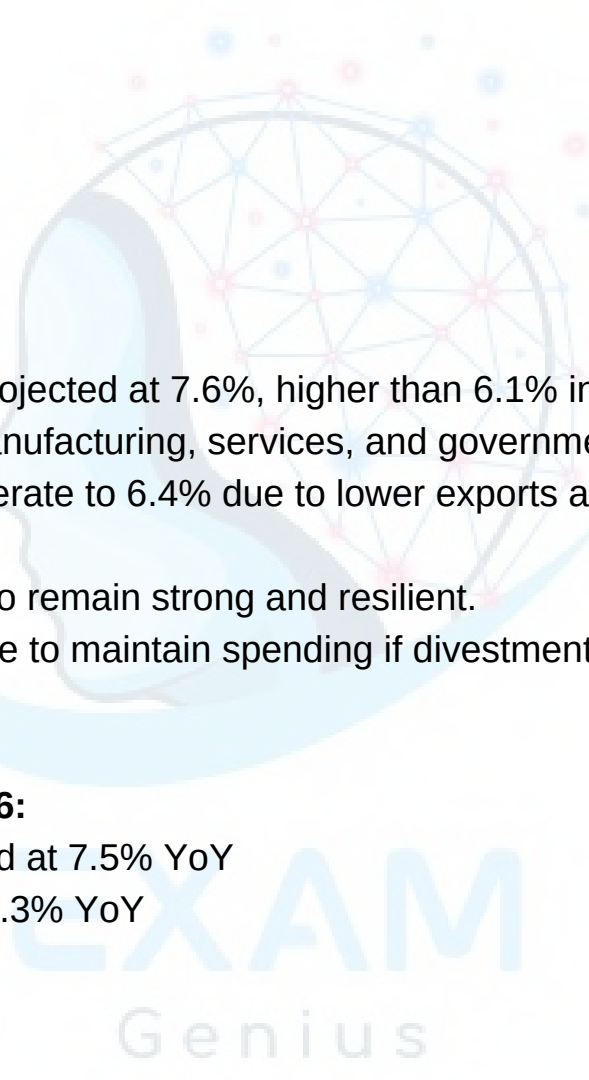
**Ques: As per the ICICI report, what is the projected GDP growth for India in FY26?**

- A) 6.0%
- B) 6.5%
- C) 7.0%
- D) 7.6%
- E) 8.0%

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- H1 FY26 GDP growth is projected at 7.6%, higher than 6.1% in H1 FY25.
  - Growth is supported by manufacturing, services, and government spending.
  - H2 FY26 growth may moderate to 6.4% due to lower exports and slower government capital expenditure.
  - Consumption is expected to remain strong and resilient.
  - The Centre has fiscal space to maintain spending if divestment and resource mobilisation improve.
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- **For July–September FY26:**
    - Real GDP growth expected at 7.5% YoY
    - GVA growth expected at 7.3% YoY
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- **Full-year forecasts:**
    - FY26 GDP growth: 7.0%
    - FY27 GDP growth: 6.5%





**Ques: How many consolidated Master Directions were issued by the RBI after reviewing past regulatory instructions?**

- A) 122
- B) 200
- C) 244
- D) 350
- E) 500

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) reviewed around 3,500 directions, circulars, and guidelines issued over several decades and consolidated them into 244 Master Directions.
- These Master Directions replace 9,446 old circulars, aiming to reduce the compliance burden on regulated entities.
- The instructions are organized based on regulatory areas and types of regulated entities, covering 11 types including commercial banks, NBFCs, cooperative banks, AIFs, and credit information companies.

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**Ques: Where was the 10th Session of APDIM held in 2025?**

- A) Tehran, Iran
- B) Bangkok, Thailand
- C) New Delhi, India
- D) Jakarta, Indonesia
- E) Manila, Philippines

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The 10th Session of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Development of Disaster Information Management (APDIM) was held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- The session focused on the theme “Inclusive Disaster Risk Data Governance” and aimed to strengthen regional cooperation, disaster risk information systems, and analytical capacities.
- The Indian delegation was led by Nityanand Rai, MoS Home Affairs & Disaster Management.

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**Ques: Which initiative is being organised by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry in Bhopal to enhance digital public procurement?**

- A) Startup India Samvad
- B) GeM Kreta Samvad
- C) Make in India Mela
- D) Digital India Utsav
- E) Public Procurement Mela

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry is organising the Government eMarketplace (GeM) Kreta Samvad in Bhopal.
- The initiative aims to strengthen digital public procurement capabilities across State departments.
- It will enable buyer organisations to make more effective use of GeM's ecosystem, features, and workflows.

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**Ques: Which festival launched India's first AI Film Festival and Cinema AI Hackathon during IFFI 2025?**

- A) Mumbai Film Festival
- B) WAVES Film Bazaar + IFFI
- C) Kolkata International Film Festival
- D) Bengaluru International Film Festival
- E) Goa Short Film Festival

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- WAVES Film Bazaar in collaboration with IFFI and LTIMindtree launched India's first AI Film Festival and Cinema AI Hackathon during the 56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) held in Goa.
- Aim: Promote AI in filmmaking, build a global creative community, and position India as a hub of innovation in film technology.
- Participation: 68 entries from 18 countries, including films from 5 international AI festivals and 14 independent filmmakers. 27 films were selected for competition and 4 for non-competition showcase.

**Award Winners included:**

- Craft Master Award for Best AI Short Film: "Nagori" (France) – ₹3,00,000
- Craft Vanguard Award for Innovative Use of AI: "The Cinema That Never Was" (Germany) – ₹2,00,000
- Craft Spectra Award for Best AI Animation/Visual Design: "Kyra" (USA) – ₹1,00,000
- "The Cinema That Never Was" (Germany) – ₹2,00,000
- Craft Spectra Award for Best AI Animation/Visual Design: "Kyra" (USA) – ₹1,00,000
- Jury Special Mentions: "The Last Backup Final Part" and "Miracle on Kachua Beach"





**Ques: Who is set to assume the Chairship of the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA) in 2026?**

- A) Shri Sushil Chandra
- B) Shri Ashok Lavasa
- C) Shri Rajiv Kumar
- D) Shri Sunil Arora
- E) Shri Gyanesh Kumar

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- The Chief Election Commissioner, Shri Gyanesh Kumar, is set to assume the Chairship of International IDEA for the year 2026.
- He will take over the Chairship on December 03, 2025, during the meeting of the Council of Member States of International IDEA in Stockholm, Sweden.
- International IDEA, established in 1995, is an inter-governmental organisation promoting inclusive, resilient, and accountable democracies with a current membership of 35 countries.

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**Ques: What is the name of the Indian operation launched to provide relief supplies to cyclone-hit Sri Lanka?**

- A) Operation Samudra Setu
- B) Operation Sagar Bandhu
- C) Operation Maitri
- D) Operation Neer
- E) Operation Karuna

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- India launched 'Operation Sagar Bandhu' to support Sri Lanka after Cyclone Ditwah, delivering essential relief supplies via INS Vikrant and INS Udaygiri.
- The initiative aligns with India's 'Neighbourhood First' policy and Vision MAHASAGAR, emphasizing regional support and partnership.
- The operation began alongside the International Fleet Review (IFR) in which both Indian naval ships are participating.

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**Ques: Which country hosted the ISSF World Championship Rifle/Pistol 2025?**

- A) Egypt
- B) Germany
- C) India
- D) Italy
- E) France

**Answer:** Option A

**Explanation:**

- The International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) conducted the World Championship Rifle/Pistol 2025 in Cairo, Egypt.
- Indian shooters excelled with Samrat Rana winning gold in Men's 10 m Air Pistol, Ravinder Singh in Men's 50 m Standard Pistol, and India also claiming gold in the Men's 10 m Air Pistol Team event.

**Ranking of different countries in World Championship Rifle/Pistol 2025:**

1. China: Gold (12), Silver (7), Bronze (2) – Total (21)
2. South Korea: Gold (7), Silver (3), Bronze (4) – Total (14)
3. India: Gold (3), Silver (6), Bronze (4) – Total (13)
4. Switzerland: Gold (3), Silver (5), Bronze (4) – Total (12)
5. Norway: Gold (3), Silver (4), Bronze (3) – Total (10)





**Ques: When was Mahatma Gandhi's autobiography "The Story of My Experiments with Truth" first published?**

- A) 1915
- B) 1920
- C) 1925
- D) 1930
- E) 1940

**Answer:** Option C

**Explanation:**

- Gandhi's autobiography "The Story of My Experiments with Truth" was first published on November 29, 1925, in serialized form in the Gujarati weekly journal 'Navajivan'.
- Over 1 crore copies of the book have been sold to date, making it the best-selling publication of the Navajivan Trust.
- The autobiography has been translated into nearly 50 languages worldwide and remains highly popular due to its honesty and simplicity.

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**Ques: Which city's metro Phase-2 Line 4 and Line 4A were recently approved by the Cabinet?**

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

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister, approved Phase-2 Metro Lines 4 (Kharadi–Hadapsar–Swargate–Khadakwasla) and 4A (Nal Stop–Warje–Manik Baug) for Pune.
- Earlier Phase-2 approvals included Line 2A (Vanaz–Chandani Chowk) and Line 2B (Ramwadi–Wagholi/Vitthalwadi).
- Project details: Total length 31.636 km with 28 elevated stations, cost ₹9,857.85 crore, and completion targeted in 5 years with funding from GoI, GoM, and external agencies.
- The project is part of Pune's Comprehensive Mobility Plan, with interchange connectivity at Kharadi Bypass & Nal Stop (Line 2), Swargate (Line 1), and Hadapsar Railway Station. Future extensions planned towards Loni Kalbhor & Saswad Road.

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**Ques: What is the focus of SIDDHI 2.0 launched by CCRAS under the Ministry of Ayush?**

- A) Promoting traditional yoga practices
- B) Scientific innovation in drug development, healthcare & integration
- C) Export promotion of Ayush products
- D) Digitalisation of health records
- E) Organising international health summits

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- SIDDHI 2.0 (Scientific Innovation in Drug Development, Healthcare & Integration) was launched by Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) under the Ministry of Ayush, during a two-day national conclave in Vijayawada.
- The event aims to strengthen industry–research collaboration, promote research-led product development, and foster faster translational pathways for Ayush products and innovations.
- Highlight: Showcased research outcomes, technologies, formulations, and facilities of CCRAS.

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**Ques: Which film won the Best Feature Film (Golden Peacock) award at the 56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI)?**

- A) Little Trouble Girls
- B) Poet
- C) Skin of Youth
- D) Safe House
- E) Kesari Chapter 2

**Answer:** Option C

**Explanation:**

- The Vietnamese film *Skin of Youth*, directed by Ash Mayfair, won the Best Feature Film (Golden Peacock) award at the 56th IFFI held in Goa.
- The film is a transgender drama set in 1990s Saigon, exploring the relationship between a transgender sex reassignment worker and an underground cage fighter.
- Actress Tran Quan accepted the award along with the director at the closing ceremony.
- The film was praised for its strong performances, cinematography, and emotional depth.

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**Ques: Where was the 10th Session of the India–Slovenia Joint Committee on Trade and Economic Cooperation held?**

- A) Ljubljana, Slovenia
- B) New Delhi, India
- C) Mumbai, India
- D) Vienna, Austria
- E) Brussels, Belgium

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:**

- The 10th Session of the India–Slovenia Joint Committee on Trade and Economic Cooperation (JCTEC) was held in New Delhi.
- The session provided a platform to review bilateral economic engagement, strengthen cooperation across key sectors, and chart a roadmap for trade and investment between the two nations.

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**Ques: Where did PM Narendra Modi unveil the 77-foot-tall statue of Lord Ram?**

- A) Gujarat
- B) Ayodhya
- C) Goa
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Rajasthan

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- PM Narendra Modi unveiled a 77-foot-tall bronze statue of Lord Ram in Partagali, South Goa, during the 550th-year celebrations of Shree Samsthan Gokarn Jeevottam Math.
- The Math, located in Partagali, South Goa, is one of India's oldest monastic institutions, known for its spiritual, cultural, and social contributions, especially within the Saraswat community.
- The statue was sculpted by Ram Sutar, the same artist who designed the Statue of Unity in Gujarat.
- Goa Governor Ashok Gajapathi Raju and Chief Minister Pramod Sawant were present at the ceremony.

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**Ques: Which Union Territory is proposed to be brought under Article 240 through the 131st Constitution Amendment Bill, 2025?**

- A) Andaman & Nicobar Islands
- B) Lakshadweep
- C) Puducherry
- D) Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu
- E) Chandigarh

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- The Government of India has proposed to include Chandigarh under Article 240 through the Constitution (131st Amendment) Bill, 2025, which will be introduced in the Winter Session.
- The aim is to bring Chandigarh at par with other Union Territories without legislatures, such as Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, and Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu.
- Effect: The move will allow appointment of an independent Administrator for Chandigarh. Currently, the Governor of Punjab acts as the UT Administrator.
- Article 240 empowers the President to make regulations for peace, progress, and good governance in specified Union Territories.





**Ques: When was World Philosophy Day 2025 observed?**

- A) 19 November
- B) 20 November
- C) 21 November
- D) 22 November
- E) 23 November

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- World Philosophy Day 2025 was observed on 20 November at UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France.
- It was a UNESCO event promoting philosophical dialogue and global understanding.
- The theme for 2025 was “The Values of Societies of the Future” and the ethics of inequality.
- Prof. Ingrid Robeyns received the Stevin Prize, the highest academic distinction in the Netherlands.

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**Ques: When is the 78th National Cadet Corps (NCC) Raising Day 2025 observed?**

- A) November 20
- B) November 21
- C) November 22
- D) November 23
- E) November 24

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- The 78th National Cadet Corps (NCC) Raising Day 2025 is observed on the 4th Sunday of November, which falls on November 23 this year.
- NCC Day commemorates the establishment of the first NCC units in Delhi in 1948.

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**Ques: Which state is receiving a USD 400 million loan from ADB for road connectivity upgrades?**

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

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has provided a USD 400 million loan to Maharashtra to upgrade state highways and rural roads across 34 districts.
- The project will support the upgradation of around 350 km of state highways and 2,577 km of rural roads.

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**Ques: Which two Indian states received a USD 776 million loan from the World Bank for education and climate-resilient agriculture projects?**

- A) Haryana and West Bengal
- B) Gujarat and Rajasthan
- C) Karnataka and Tamil Nadu
- D) Uttar Pradesh and Bihar
- E) Punjab and Maharashtra

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- The World Bank approved a loan of USD 776 million for two projects in India: improving education in Punjab and advancing climate-resilient agriculture in Maharashtra.
- Punjab Projects: Punjab Outcomes-Acceleration in School Education Operation (POISE) – USD 286 million with a final maturity of 19 years plus a 5-year grace period.
- Maharashtra Projects: Project on Climate Resilient Agriculture (POCRA) Phase II – USD 490 million with a final maturity of 24 years plus a 6-year grace period.

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**Ques: Which new loan product has South Indian Bank launched to help customers consolidate multiple loans?**

- A) SIB Flexi Loan
- B) SIB Power CONSOL
- C) SIB Quick Credit
- D) SIB Home Advantage
- E) SIB Personal Plus

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- **South** Indian Bank launched the SIB Power CONSOL loan scheme, which allows customers to consolidate multiple loans into a single Equated Monthly Instalment (EMI).
- The product targets salaried individuals, self-employed professionals, and self-employed non-professionals aged 30–55, and covers loans like home, car, education, personal, and consumer durable loans.
- Key benefits include lower interest rates, single unified EMI, minimal documentation, zero processing fee, and simplified debt management as the bank acts as a debt counsellor.

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**Ques: Which bank was awarded the Best Profit-Making Bank in Belagavi District in 2025?**

- A) Rani Channamma Mahila Sahakari Bank
- B) Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank
- C) Belagavi Urban Co-op Bank
- D) State Bank of India
- E) Canara Bank

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- Rani Channamma Mahila Sahakari Bank (RCMS Bank), headquartered in Belgaum, Karnataka, was awarded the Best Profit-Making Bank in Belagavi District for 2025.
- The award was presented during the 72nd All India Cooperative Week held at Haveri, Karnataka.
- The event was organized by the Karnataka State Urban Cooperative Banks Federation and chaired by Preeti Kore Daddwad.

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**Ques: Which Indian company recently received the Certificate of Authorisation from RBI to operate as a Payment Aggregator?**

- A) PayU India
- B) PhonePe
- C) Google Pay India
- D) Razorpay
- E) Paytm Payments Services Limited

Answer: Option E

**Explanation:**

- Paytm Payments Services Limited (PPSL), a subsidiary of One97 Communications, received the Certificate of Authorisation (COA) from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to operate as a Payment Aggregator under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act (PSSA), 2007.
- The RBI also lifted restrictions that had been imposed on PPSL on 25th November 2022, allowing the company to onboard new merchants.

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**Ques: What is mandatory for banks under RBI's final norms for digital banking channels?**

- A) Forcing customers to opt for digital channels
- B) Displaying third-party products without approval
- C) Obtaining explicit consent from customers for digital banking services
- D) Making mobile apps compulsory for banking
- E) Removing transaction alerts

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- RBI mandates that banks must obtain explicit consent from customers before providing any digital banking service.
- Banks cannot force customers to adopt digital channels to access basic facilities like debit cards.
- Mobile banking must work across all networks, and banks must implement risk mitigation measures such as transaction limits, velocity checks, and fraud monitoring.
- Banks cannot display third-party products or services unless permitted by RBI.

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**Ques: Google and which venture capital firm announced a joint initiative to fund early-stage Indian AI startups?**

- A) Accel
- B) Sequoia Capital
- C) Tiger Global
- D) SoftBank
- E) Lightspeed India

**Answer: Option A**

Explanation:

- Google and VC firm Accel will jointly fund early-stage Indian AI startups, supporting at least 10 startups.
- Each startup may receive up to USD 2 million via Google's AI Futures Fund along with Accel's co-investment.
- Focus areas include entertainment, creativity, work productivity, and coding.
- India's large internet user base (~1 billion) makes it a major AI growth market.
- In October 2025, Google announced a USD 15 billion investment over five years to build an AI data center in Andhra Pradesh, its largest investment in India to date.

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**Ques: Who is the author of the book “The Life and Legacy of Arun Jaitley”?**

- A) Shashi Tharoor
- B) Sumant Batra
- C) Prasoos Joshi
- D) Bibek Debroy
- E) Ramachandra Guha

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- “The Life and Legacy of Arun Jaitley” is authored by Sumant Batra, a renowned writer and policy expert.
- The book highlights Arun Jaitley’s political journey, contributions, and personal life.
- Arun Jaitley served as India’s Finance Minister and was a highly influential leader in modern Indian politics.
- The book honours his legacy, leadership style, and impact on India’s economic reforms.

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**Ques: What is the name of the national march launched to commemorate the 150th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel?**

- A) Sardar@150 National Unity March
- B) Ek Bharat Aatmanirbhar Bharat Yatra
- C) Rashtriya Ekta Yatra
- D) Patel Smriti Padyatra
- E) National Pravah Yatra

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- The Sardar@150 National Unity March was launched in Anand, Gujarat by Mera Yuva (MY) Bharat, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, to commemorate Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's 150th birth anniversary.
- The 11-day march covers nearly 180 km to the Statue of Unity in Kevadia, promoting national unity and the 'Ek Bharat, Aatmanirbhar Bharat' message.
- Dignitaries paid tribute at Sardar Patel's ancestral home in Karamsad, while four national Pravah Road Yatras—Ganga, Yamuna, Narmada, and Godavari—progress along designated routes to join the National Padyatra.

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**Ques: What was India's rank in its debut participation at the WorldSkills Asia Competition (WSAC) 2025?**

- A) 5th
- B) 8th
- C) 10th
- D) 12th
- E) 15th

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- India made its debut at WSAC 2025 and secured 8th position among 29 participating nations.
- The Indian team excelled in both traditional and tech-driven skills across high-demand sectors.
- The contingent included 23 competitors in 21 skill categories, supported by 21 experts.
- India won 1 Silver, 2 Bronze medals, and 3 Medallions for Excellence, with women participants performing exceptionally in non-traditional skills.
- Participation was led by the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and NSDC, highlighting India's growing global-standard skills capabilities.

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**Ques: What is the name of the campaign focused on gender equality and women empowerment in rural India?**

- A) Saheli Empowerment Mission
- B) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
- C) Mahila Shakti Abhiyan
- D) Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana
- E) Nayi Chetna – Initiative for Change

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- The 4th edition of “Nayi Chetna – Initiative for Change” was launched by Union Ministers Shivraj Singh Chouhan (MoAFW & MoRD) and Annapurna Devi (MoWCD) under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM).
- The campaign runs across all 36 States and Union Territories till December 23, 2025, led by village Self Help Groups (SHGs).
- Aim: Promotes gender equality and women empowerment, particularly in rural areas.
- Previous editions: Nayi Chetna 1.0 (2022), 2.0 (2023), 3.0 (2024).

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**Ques: Who inaugurated the NITI Aayog's Water and Sanitation Summit 2025?**

- A) Union Minister of Environment
- B) NITI Aayog CEO
- C) Prime Minister of India
- D) Union Minister of Urban Development
- E) Union Minister of Jal Shakti

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- The summit was inaugurated by Union Jal Shakti Minister C.R. Paatil at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi on 28–29 November 2025.
- Organised under the Ministry of Jal Shakti as part of NITI Aayog's six thematic departmental summits, it focused on evidence-based policy, cooperative federalism, and water sector reforms.
- Core areas included water source sustainability, drinking water & sanitation security, groundwater management, irrigation efficiency, and integrated rural–urban water governance.

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**Ques: Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli broke which pair's record for most international matches played together for India?**

- A) Virender Sehwag – Gautam Gambhir
- B) MS Dhoni – Suresh Raina
- C) Sachin Tendulkar – Rahul Dravid
- D) Yuvraj Singh – Harbhajan Singh
- E) Sourav Ganguly – Rahul Dravid

**Answer:** Option C

**Explanation:**

- The Rohit–Kohli pair played their 392nd international match together, surpassing Sachin Tendulkar and Rahul Dravid's record of 391 matches.
- Rohit (57) and Kohli (135) marked the milestone with a 136-run partnership for the second wicket.
- This achievement reflects their long-standing consistency and significant contribution to Indian cricket.

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**Ques: Which initiative under IIT Delhi focuses on textile recycling and sustainability supported by the National Technical Textiles Mission?**

- A) Arvind Textile Innovation Hub
- B) National Institute of Fashion Technology
- C) Sustainable Textiles India
- D) Atal Centre of Textile Recycling and Sustainability
- E) Indian Textile Recycling Program

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- IIT Delhi, Panipat, established the Atal Centre of Textile Recycling and Sustainability with support from the National Technical Textiles Mission (NTTM), integrating technology, innovation, and national purpose.
- Key initiatives include the National Flag Recycling Initiative, introducing India's first structured process for dignified recycling of retired national flags.
- The Aramid Fibre Recycling Programme offers innovative solutions for recycling high-performance aramid waste used in defence, aerospace, and protective textiles.

EXAM  
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**Ques: Which company became the new official partner of the BCCI?**

- A) Campa
- B) Atomberg
- C) SBI Life
- D) Asian Paints
- E) Apollo Tyres

**Answer:** Option D

**Explanation:**

- Asian Paints has been announced as the new official partner of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).
- It joins existing partners Campa, Atomberg, and SBI Life.
- The partnership deal is valued at approximately ₹45 crore, contributing to BCCI's total official partnership revenue of around ₹180 crore.
- Apollo Tyres continues as the jersey sponsor till 2028, contributing ₹579 crore.

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**Ques: What is 'OncoMark', recently unveiled by Indian scientists?**

- A) A solar-powered energy storage system
- B) An AI-powered diagnostic model for cancer
- C) A satellite for climate monitoring
- D) A new high-speed train prototype
- E) A vaccine for multiple cancer types

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- 'OncoMark' is an AI-powered diagnostic model developed by Indian scientists to analyse cancer at the molecular level.
- It was created by the S N Bose National Centre for Basic Sciences in collaboration with Ashoka University.
- The model was trained on 3.1 million single cells from 14 different cancer types, aiming to transform cancer classification and treatment.

EXAM  
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**Ques: Virat Kohli broke whose record to become the batter with the most centuries in a single format?**

- A) Ricky Ponting
- B) David Warner
- C) Sachin Tendulkar
- D) Kumar Sangakkara
- E) None of the Above

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Virat Kohli scored 135 off 120 balls against South Africa in the 1st ODI at JSCA, Ranchi, becoming the batter with the most centuries in a single format (52 ODI centuries).
- He surpassed Sachin Tendulkar, who had 51 centuries in ODIs.
- Kohli also notched his 6th ODI century against South Africa, overtaking Tendulkar and David Warner (both with 5 centuries vs SA).
- This milestone reinforces Kohli's status as one of the greatest ODI batters of all time.

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**Ques: What is the name of the Indian scheme providing free electricity through rooftop solar panels?**

- A) PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana
- B) Ujjwala Yojana
- C) Saubhagya Yojana
- D) Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha
- E) Atal Jyoti Yojana

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana (PMSGMBY) was launched on 13th February 2024 by PM Narendra Modi as the world's largest domestic rooftop solar initiative, aiming to make 1 crore homes solar-powered.
- As of 10th March 2025, 10 lakh homes have been powered through solar installations, with 47.3 lakh applications received and ₹4,770 crore subsidies disbursed to 6.13 lakh beneficiaries.
- The scheme offers collateral-free loans up to ₹2 lakh at 6.75% interest via 12 Public Sector Banks; 3.10 lakh loan applications received, 1.58 lakh sanctioned, and 1.28 lakh disbursed.
- It supports India's renewable energy expansion, reduces household energy expenses, lowers government electricity costs (~₹75,000 crore annually), and advances climate commitments.

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**Ques: What is the purpose of India's newly launched Hansa-3NG aircraft?**

- A) Cargo transportation
- B) Pilot training for PPL & CPL
- C) Border surveillance
- D) Long-haul passenger transport
- E) Disaster relief operations

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Hansa-3NG is India's first all-composite two-seater trainer aircraft, specifically designed for PPL (Private Pilot License) and CPL (Commercial Pilot License) training.
- It addresses India's growing pilot demand, projected to reach around 30,000 in the next two decades.
- The aircraft supports India's goal of developing indigenous aviation technology and reducing reliance on foreign trainer aircraft.
- CSIR-NAL is also developing larger aircraft like the 19-seater SARAS Mk-2, further strengthening India's aerospace ecosystem.

EXAM  
Genius





**Ques: Where was the earliest thorny bamboo fossil in Asia discovered, offering new insights into botanical history?**

- A) Imphal Valley, Manipur
- B) Brahmaputra Valley, Assam
- C) Doon Valley, Uttarakhand
- D) Nilgiri Hills, Tamil Nadu
- E) Sundarbans, West Bengal

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- Researchers discovered an intact thorny bamboo stem in silt-rich deposits of the Chirang River, Imphal Valley, Manipur, marking the earliest such fossil in Asia.
- Bamboo fossils are extremely rare due to hollow stems and fibrous tissues decaying rapidly, leaving minimal geological traces.
- This fossil provides direct evidence of thorny bamboo in the past, enhancing understanding of bamboo defences and botanical history.
- The discovery was made by scientists from the Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeosciences (BSIP), under the Department of Science and Technology (DST).

EXAM  
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**Ques: Who was Kumari Kamala, who recently passed away at the age of 91?**

- A) A renowned Bharatanatyam dancer
- B) A classical Hindustani singer
- C) A famous Kathak dancer
- D) A noted Odissi dancer
- E) A prominent theatre director

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- Kumari Kamala, also known as Kamala Laxmi Narayanan, was a renowned Bharatanatyam dancer who passed away at 91 in California, USA.
- She was awarded the Padma Bhushan in 1970 for her contributions to the arts.
- She also received the Kalaimamani award in 1967 (Tamil Nadu government) and the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award in 1968.

EXAM  
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**Ques: What digital solution did Punjab National Bank (PNB) recently launch?**

- A) Digital loan application portal
- B) PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar NIDHI (PM SVANidhi) scheme solution
- C) Online savings account opening platform
- D) Mobile payment wallet
- E) Digital insurance service

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Punjab National Bank (PNB) launched a digital solution specifically for the PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar NIDHI (PM SVANidhi) scheme, helping street vendors access benefits digitally.
- Alongside this, PNB introduced end-to-end digitisation of its staff accountability portal and rolled out a conduct risk framework for employees.
- The occasion also marked the release of the 5th Edition of 'PNB's Vigilance Manual 2025' and the September 2025 issue of 'PNB Vigil' magazine, while recognizing ethical employees as "Vigilance Warriors."

**PM SVANidhi Scheme:**

- Started: 1st June 2020
- Funded by: Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- For providing affordable working capital loans to street vendors to resume their livelihoods that have been adversely affected due to Covid-19
- Target : 42 lakh street vendors are to be provided benefits under PM SVANidhi Scheme by December, 2024.





**Ques: India's Current Account Deficit (CAD) in Q2FY26 stood at what percentage of GDP?**

- A) 0.2%
- B) 0.8%
- C) 1.3%
- D) 1.8%
- E) 2.2%

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- India's CAD widened sequentially to 1.3% of GDP in Q2FY26, up from 0.2% in Q1FY26.
- It remained lower than the 2.2% recorded in Q2FY25.
- Causes: weaker capital inflows, decline in NRI deposits & ECB inflows, higher primary income outflows.
- Merchandise trade deficit reduced to \$87.4 billion from \$88.5 billion YoY.
- Net services receipts rose to \$50.9 billion from \$44.5 billion.

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**Ques: What recent relaxation did SEBI introduce for Investment Advisers (IAs) and Research Analysts (RAs)?**

- A) Only finance graduates can register
- B) Educational norms relaxed to include graduates from any discipline
- C) Certification from foreign universities mandatory
- D) IAs cannot continue client onboarding during corporatisation
- E) Registration limited to CFA charter holders only

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- SEBI relaxed educational eligibility, allowing graduates from any discipline (India or abroad) or CFA charter holders to register.
- NISM or NISM-accredited certification remains mandatory.
- Corporatisation transition (for IAs with >300 clients or >₹3 crore fees) can continue without stopping onboarding and fee collection.

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**Ques: The Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved a loan of \$846 million to India for which major initiative?**

- A) Green Energy Corridor Development
- B) Rural Road Connectivity Improvement
- C) Upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs)
- D) Smart City Mission Expansion
- E) National Digital Literacy Campaign

**Answer:** Option C

**Explanation:**

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a loan of \$846 million to India.
- The funding supports the Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability Transformation through Upgraded ITIs Program.
- The programme aims to upgrade 650 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) across 12 states.
- The initiative will enhance skill development, employability, and modern vocational training across the country.

**About Asian Development Bank (ADB):**

- Established: 19 December 1966
- Headquarters: Manila, Philippines
- Members: 69
- Chief Economist: Albert Park
- President: Masato Kanda





**Ques: Usha Janakiraman has been appointed to which position in RBI?**

- A) Deputy Governor
- B) Executive Director
- C) Director of Currency
- D) Chief Economist
- E) Chief General Manager

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- RBI has appointed Usha Janakiraman as Executive Director (ED) effective from 1 December.
- Prior to this role, she served as Chief General Manager in the Department of Regulation.
- As ED, she will oversee the Department of Supervision including risk, analytics, and vulnerability assessment.
- She has over three decades of RBI experience across regulation, external investment, banking supervision, public debt management, and currency management.

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**Ques: What is featured on the new NPR 100 note released by Nepal Rastra Bank?**

- A) Mount Everest and national animals
- B) Nepal's revised political map including Kalapani, Lipulekh, and Limpiyadhura
- C) Famous Nepalese temples
- D) Cultural festivals of Nepal
- E) Traditional Nepalese art forms

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Nepal Rastra Bank released a new NPR 100 note featuring Nepal's revised political map, which includes disputed territories such as Kalapani, Lipulekh, and Limpiyadhura.
- The printing contract was awarded to China Banknote Printing and Minting Corporation.
- These territories are currently under India's control but claimed by Nepal.
- The revised map was adopted through a constitutional amendment on May 20, 2020, and the NPR 100 design was approved by the Nepalese Cabinet in May 2024.

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**Ques: What is the main purpose of the 3-in-1 account launched by Utkarsh Small Finance Bank in partnership with Axis Securities?**

- A) To provide only a savings account
- B) To offer a unified platform for banking and investing by integrating Savings, Demat, and Trading accounts
- C) To provide only a Demat account for investments
- D) To provide only trading services
- E) To offer fixed deposit schemes with high interest

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Utkarsh Small Finance Bank, in partnership with Axis Securities, launched a 3-in-1 account that integrates a Savings Account, Demat Account, and Trading Account.
- It enables customers to manage banking and investment needs on a single unified platform.
- Key features include seamless fund transfers, one-stop access to investment and account services, and availability through multiple digital and branch channels.

About Utkarsh Small Finance Bank:

- Established: 2016
- Headquarters: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- CEO: Govind Singh
- Tagline: Aapki Umeed Ka Khata





**Ques: What is the purpose of YES BANK's "Score Kya Hua" initiative?**

- A) To provide home loans at discounted rates
- B) To promote digital banking adoption
- C) To improve credit literacy and help individuals manage their credit score
- D) To offer insurance products to young entrepreneurs
- E) To provide investment advisory services

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- "Score Kya Hua" is a nationwide CSR initiative by YES BANK focused on improving credit literacy across India.
- It helps individuals understand credit scores, manage them wisely, and make informed borrowing decisions.
- The campaign targets young entrepreneurs, new credit users, and homebuyers.
- It provides free credit score checks and simple learning modules via a dedicated microsite.
- CRIF High Mark, a credit bureau, is the knowledge partner for this initiative.

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**Ques: By November 2025, what was LIC's total holding in Cipla after increasing its stake?**

- A) 5.02%
- B) 6.50%
- C) 7.05%
- D) 8.10%
- E) 9.00%

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- LIC acquired over 1.64 crore shares of Cipla within a little over four months starting July 2025.
- LIC's stake increased from 5.025% in mid-July to 7.055% by the end of November 2025.
- The additional ~2% stake was purchased through open-market transactions.
- Cipla is one of India's leading pharmaceutical companies.
- Cipla shares closed slightly (<1%) lower at ₹1,523.80 on BSE.

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**Ques:** What was the main objective of the National Level GI-Tagged Tribal Art Workshop & Exhibition conducted by NESTS?

- A) To promote modern art among tribal students
- B) To provide tribal students exposure to India's GI-tagged tribal and traditional art forms
- C) To train students for national sports competitions
- D) To conduct a music competition for tribal schools
- E) To develop digital literacy among tribal students

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:**

- The event aimed to provide tribal students hands-on exposure to India's GI-tagged tribal and traditional art forms.
- It brought together 139 EMRS students, 34 Art & Music teachers, and 10 nationally recognised master artisans from across India.
- Master artisans conducted live demonstrations and hands-on sessions to guide students in various traditional and GI-tagged art forms.

- Gond Art : Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh
- Warli Painting : Maharashtra
- Madhubani (Mithila) Painting : Bihar
- Kalamkari (Machilipatnam) : Andhra Pradesh
- Kalamkari (Srikalahasti) : Andhra Pradesh
- Pithora Painting : Gujarat & Rajasthan (Bhil Tribe)
- Cheriyal Scroll Painting : Telangana
- Rogan Painting : Gujarat (Kutch)
- Bastar Dhokra / Dhokra Craft : Chhattisgarh
- Kachchhi (Kutch) Embroidery : Gujarat
- Pichwai Painting : Rajasthan (Nathdwara)
- Aipan Art : Uttarakhand
- Rangwali Pichhora : Uttarakhand
- Kangra Painting : Himachal Pradesh
- Basohli (Basholi) Painting : Jammu & Kashmir (Kathua district)
- Mysore Painting : Karnataka



**Ques: Which Indian institute developed the country's first Indigenous Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS) for ports?**

- A) Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
- B) Indian Institute of Technology Madras
- C) National Institute of Technology, Trichy
- D) CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography
- E) IIT Kharagpur

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- IIT Madras developed and deployed India's first Indigenous Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS) for ports.
- It is operational at Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited (VISL) in Kerala since its inauguration by PM Narendra Modi in May 2025.
- The system was developed through the R&D centre, the National Technology Centre for Ports, Waterways and Coasts (NTCPWC).

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**Ques: What is the Oxford Word of the Year 2025?**

- A) Brain Rot
- B) Click Trap
- C) Rage Bait
- D) Viral Hook
- E) None of the Above

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Oxford Dictionary selected “Rage bait” as the Word of the Year 2025.
- “Rage bait” refers to online content intentionally created to provoke anger or outrage.
- The term highlights the rising trend of provocative and emotionally triggering content on the internet.
- It is often linked to monetization — more reactions and views lead to higher earnings on platforms like X (formerly Twitter).
- Rage bait includes fabricated stories, political posts, conspiracy theories, and offensive content designed to spark public reaction.
- The selection was based on over 30,000 public votes and expert linguistic analysis.
- The choice reflects how online culture is increasingly driven by hostility and reaction-based engagement.

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**Ques: What is the purpose of the CBDT's second NUDGE campaign launched for FY 2024-25?**

- A) To detect domestic tax evasion only
- B) To encourage taxpayers to invest in government schemes
- C) To facilitate accurate reporting of foreign assets and income in ITRs
- D) To introduce new tax slabs for high-income taxpayers
- E) To simplify GST compliance for small businesses

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The CBDT's second NUDGE campaign focuses on taxpayers whose foreign assets may be unreported in their Income Tax Returns for AY 2025-26.
- SMS and email alerts are sent advising taxpayers to review and correct their returns by 31 December 2025 to avoid penalties.
- The campaign ensures proper disclosure of Schedule Foreign Assets (FA) and Foreign Source Income (FSI), as required under the Income-tax Act, 1961, and the Black Money Act, 2015.
- CBDT aims to improve voluntary compliance using a PRUDENT approach — Professionalism, Responsibility, Understanding, Dedication, Effective enforcement, Non-intrusive administration, and Technology.

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**Ques: Who has been named the World Athletes of the Year?**

- A) Neeraj Chopra & Sha'Carri Richardson
- B) Armand Duplantis & Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone
- C) Jakob Ingebrigtsen & Faith Kipyegon
- D) Fred Kerley & Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce
- E) All of the Above

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:** • Armand 'Mondo' Duplantis (Sweden) was named the Male World Athlete of the Year.

- He retained his World Championship gold and broke his own world record four times.
- Duplantis remained undefeated in 16 competitions in the season.
- Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone (USA) was named the Female World Athlete of the Year.
- She has remained undefeated for two years in both the 400m and the 400m hurdles events.
- Both athletes were honored for their exceptional performances and dominance in their respective events.

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**Ques: Which Indian rum was awarded the 'Rum Brand of the Year' at The Spirits Business Awards 2025?**

- A) Old Monk
- B) Camikara
- C) McDowell's No.1
- D) Hercules
- E) Radico Rum

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:** • Camikara was awarded the 'Rum Brand of the Year' at The Spirits Business Awards 2025 in London, becoming the first Indian rum to win a global title.  
• It is produced by Piccadily Agro Industries Ltd and is India's first pure cane juice-aged rum.

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**Ques: What is the main purpose of the Sanchar Saathi app, which the DoT has made mandatory on all new phones?**

- A) Entertainment & streaming services
- B) Cybersecurity, IMEI verification & fraud prevention
- C) Online banking
- D) Social media connectivity
- E) Mobile gaming

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has mandated that all smartphone makers pre-install the Sanchar Saathi app on devices sold from March 2026.
- The directive must be implemented within 90 days, with compliance reports submitted within 120 days.
- The app aims to strengthen cyber security, prevent IMEI tampering/spoofing, and curb frauds.
- IMEI is a unique 15–17 digit code that identifies every phone, acting like a device fingerprint.
- Sanchar Saathi is a mobile app and portal launched by DoT to protect users from fraud, identity misuse, and mobile theft.
- Mobile app launched on 17 January 2025; portal launched in May 2023.
- Available in Hindi and 21 regional languages for wider accessibility.
- Key features include: verifying IMEI to check phone authenticity, reporting and blocking lost/stolen phones, checking all mobile numbers linked to a user, reporting scam calls/messages, and viewing trusted customer-care numbers.
- Includes Chakshu platform to report suspicious calls/messages and fake customer-care numbers.
- CEIR (Central Equipment Identity Register) maintains a national IMEI database to block lost/stolen phones, prevent fake IMEIs, assist police/security agencies, and allow users to unblock recovered devices.
- As of now, over 2.48 lakh complaints have been registered on the Sanchar Saathi platform, and more than 50,000 lost/stolen phones were recovered in October 2



**Ques: Which city has been approved to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games?**

- A) New Delhi
- B) Birmingham
- C) Glasgow
- D) Ahmedabad
- E) Abuja

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- The Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) General Assembly approved Ahmedabad, Gujarat, to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games, defeating Abuja, Nigeria, in the bid held in Glasgow, Scotland.
- The decision was supported by delegates from 74 Commonwealth nations.
- India earlier hosted the Commonwealth Games in 2010 in New Delhi.
- The 2030 Games will mark the 100th anniversary of the Commonwealth Games, which began in 1930 in Hamilton, Canada.
- The event is expected to feature an expanded program of 15–17 sports.

**Recent Commonwealth Games Venues:**

- 2022 – Birmingham
- 2026 – Glasgow
- 2030 – Ahmedabad

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**Ques: Who became the world's second richest person according to Forbes' Real-Time Billionaires List, surpassing Larry Ellison?**

- A) Sergey Brin
- B) Elon Musk
- C) Jeff Bezos
- D) Warren Buffett
- E) Larry Page

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- Larry Page, Co-Founder of Google, became the world's second richest person with a net worth of around USD 255 billion, surpassing Oracle co-founder Larry Ellison (USD 247.4 billion).
- He co-founded Google in 1998 with Sergey Brin and later served as CEO of Alphabet.
- In 2019, he stepped down from daily operations and currently holds around 3.2% shareholding in Alphabet.

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**Ques: Which Indian production received nominations at the 53rd International Emmy Awards 2025?**

- A) The Family Man
- B) Amar Singh Chamkila
- C) Sacred Games
- D) Ludwig
- E) Delhi Crime

**Answer: Option B**

Explanation:

- The 53rd International Emmy Awards, held in New York City, USA, celebrate excellence in television produced outside the United States, presented by the International Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (IATAS).
- India received two nominations for Amar Singh Chamkila, with Diljit Dosanjh nominated for Best Actor and Best TV Movie/Mini-Series.
- British drama Ludwig and Indian film Amar Singh Chamkila received the most nominations, two each.

Other notable winners at International Emmy Awards 2025:

- Best Arts Programming: Ryuichi Sakamoto (Japan)
- Best Performance by an Actress: Anna Maxwell Martin (UK)
- Best Performance by an Actor: Oriol Pla (Spain)
- TV Movie/ Mini-Series : Lost Boys and Fairies
- Comedy : Ludwig
- Telenovela : The Good and The Bad
- Documentary : Hell Jumper
- Short Form Series : La Mediatrice (The Mediator)
- Non- Scripted Entertainment : Shaolin in Heroes (Denmark)
- Sports Documentary : It's all over: The Kiss That Changed the Spanish Football
- Current Affairs : Dispatches: Kill Zone: Inside Gaza
- Best News : Gaza, Search for Life

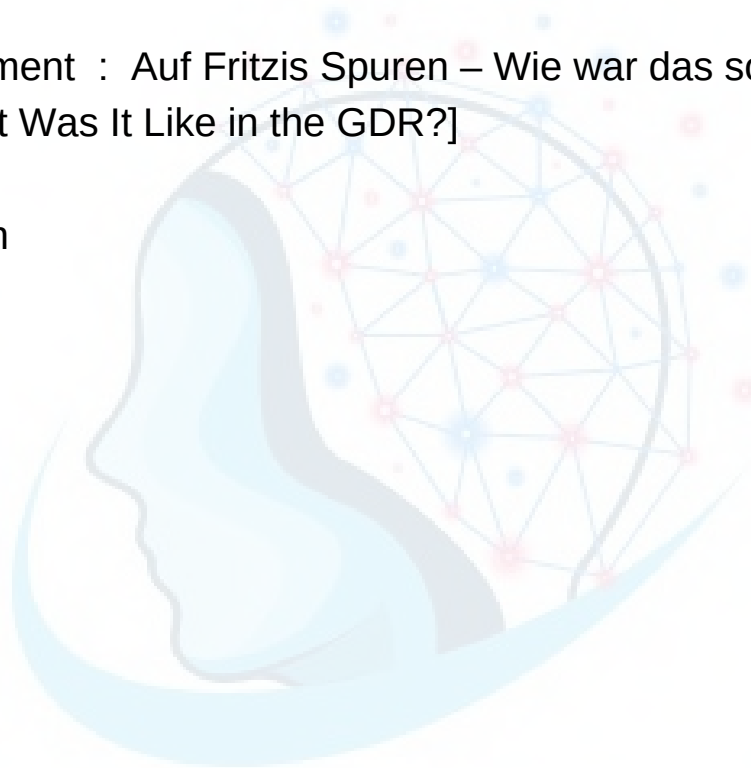




- Drama Series : Rivals
- **International Emmy Directorate Award Gaumont : João Roberto Marinho**
- **International Emmy Founder's Award : Dana Walden**

### Winners in Kids Category :

- Factual & Entertainment : Auf Fritzis Spuren – Wie war das so in der DDR? [On Fritz's Traces – What Was It Like in the GDR?]
- Animation : Bluey
- Live-Action : Fallen



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**Ques: What is the main objective of the Central Excise (Amendment) Bill, 2025?**

- A) Electronics
- B) Tobacco & related products
- C) Packaged food items
- D) Luxury goods
- E) Handicrafts

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Central Excise (Amendment) Bill, 2025 was introduced to restructure levies on sin goods like tobacco and pan masala.
- The Bill proposes excise duty on tobacco and related products such as cigars, cheroots, and cigarettes.
- Proposed excise duty ranges from ₹5,000–₹11,000 per 1,000 sticks depending on the length of cigars, cheroots, and cigarettes.
- Additionally, the Bill proposes 60–70% levy on unmanufactured tobacco and 100% on nicotine and inhalation products.
- These duties will be over and above the existing 40% GST on sin goods. Currently, tobacco and pan masala attract 28% GST plus compensation cess.

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**Ques: What rank has India secured in the 7th edition of the Asia Power Index published by Australia's Lowy Institute?**

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

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The 7th edition of the Asia Power Index, released by the Lowy Institute of Australia, assessed 27 countries based on 131 indicators.
- India secured the 3rd rank, earning the status of a 'major power' in the region.
- The United States and China retained the top two positions as 'superpowers'.
- India improved its performance from last year—scoring 40 out of 100, compared to 38.1 previously, when it was ranked among 'middle powers'.

Ranking of top 5 Countries with score:

1. USA – 80.5
2. China – 73.7
3. India – 40
4. Japan – 38.8
5. Russia– 32.1
6. Pakistan – 14.5

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**Ques: On the 350th martyrdom anniversary of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur, what initiatives did PM Narendra Modi unveil as a national tribute?**

- A) Commemorative postage stamp
- B) Special coin
- C) Coffee table book
- D) Memorial statue
- E) All of the Above

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- On the 350th martyrdom anniversary of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur, PM Narendra Modi unveiled a commemorative postage stamp, a special coin, and a coffee table book dedicated to the Ninth Sikh Guru.
- The event was held at Jyotisar, Kurukshetra, Haryana, organised by the Haryana Government.
- A special interfaith Gurbani recitation was conducted by 350 school students from Patiala, representing Hindu, Muslim, Sikh, and Christian communities, highlighting Guru Tegh Bahadur's message of religious harmony and unity.

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**Ques: What does the Ministry of Finance's Monthly Economic Review (October) highlight about India's economy?**

- A) Domestic economy showing stability and resilience
- B) Sharp decline in automobile and tractor sales
- C) Record low services exports
- D) Manufacturing and services PMI indicate contraction
- E) Inflation rising sharply

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- The Ministry of Finance noted that India's domestic economy remains stable and resilient, supported by lower inflation, strong consumer demand, and early policy impacts.
- Retail inflation fell to 0.25 percent.
- Festive season boosted consumption: petrol sales highest in 5 months, automobile sales up 40.5% YoY, and tractor sales highest in 11 years.
- Services exports reached a record USD 38.5 billion, covering nearly 50% of the merchandise trade deficit.
- Manufacturing PMI stood at 59.2 and Services PMI at 58.9, indicating strong expansion and robust growth.





**Ques: RBI launched NSFI 2025-30 at the meeting of which body?**

- A) Monetary Policy Committee
- B) FSDC Sub-Committee
- C) Financial Inclusion Advisory Board
- D) SEBI Board
- E) DFS Review Committee

**Answer: Option B**

Explanation:

- RBI unveiled the National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI) 2025-30 during the 32nd meeting of the FSDC Sub-Committee, chaired by the RBI Governor.
- The strategy aims to boost financial access across India and aligns with the UN's 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.
- NSFI is structured around five pillars called 'Panch-Jyoti' with 47 action points for implementation across regulators.

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**Ques: Punjab National Bank recently appointed which sportsperson as its first-ever female brand ambassador?**

- A) Smriti Mandhana
- B) PV Sindhu
- C) Harmanpreet Kaur
- D) Sakshi Malik
- E) Mithali Raj

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Punjab National Bank appointed Harmanpreet Kaur as its first-ever female brand ambassador.
- She is the captain of the Indian Women's Cricket Team.
- The partnership aims to strengthen brand visibility, trust, and youth engagement.
- PNB is the second-largest public sector bank in India by business volume.

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**Ques: Tata Realty & Infrastructure recently partnered with which bank for a green loan facility?**

- A) HDFC Bank
- B) ICICI Bank
- C) DBS Bank India
- D) SBI
- E) Axis Bank

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Tata Realty & Infrastructure partnered with DBS Bank India to secure a Rs 1,280 crore green loan facility.
- The loan was taken by a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for the Intellion Park project in Gurugram.
- Intellion Park is a Grade-A commercial campus spanning 2.1 million sq. ft. with four towers.
- The project aims to support sustainable real estate development.

About DBS Bank India: • Established: 1994

- Headquarters: Mumbai
- CEO: Rajat Verma

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**Ques: Which bank appointed Ranbir Kapoor and Rashmika Mandanna as brand ambassadors?**

- A) Equitas SFB
- B) Ujjivan SFB
- C) AU Small Finance Bank
- D) ESAF SFB
- E) Jana SFB

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- AU Small Finance Bank appointed Ranbir Kapoor and Rashmika Mandanna as brand ambassadors after receiving RBI's in-principle approval to transition into a universal bank.
- They will promote new campaigns and digital banking initiatives to enhance brand visibility and customer outreach.
- AU SFB is India's largest Small Finance Bank in terms of assets and branch network.

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Ques: ADB recently approved a \$650 million loan for India. What is the main purpose of this loan?

- A) Highways Development
- B) Rooftop Solar Adoption
- C) Agriculture Financing
- D) Smart Cities Mission
- E) Defence Modernisation

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved a \$650 million policy-based loan to support India's rooftop solar programme.
- The loan aims to accelerate rooftop solar adoption across residential households by enabling clean and affordable energy.
- Target beneficiaries: 1 crore households by 2027.
- The programme supports India's clean energy transition and reduces dependence on fossil fuels.

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**Ques: What is the current Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) limit in Public Sector Banks (PSBs)?**

- A) 49%
- B) 74%
- C) 20%
- D) 26%
- E) 35%

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The government clarified that there is no proposal to increase the FDI limit in PSBs from 20% to 49%.
- Current FDI caps: 20% for PSBs and 74% for private banks (up to 49% under the automatic route for private banks).
- Any investment of 5% or more in a bank requires prior RBI approval.
- Banks must maintain at least 25% minimum public shareholding.

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**Ques: What is the purpose of Axis Bank's 'Flashback' programme?**

- A) To provide financial planning workshops for senior citizens
- B) To offer nostalgic film screenings and strengthen cultural connection with elderly customers
- C) To promote digital banking adoption among senior citizens
- D) To provide health check-up camps for elderly customers
- E) To offer discounted loans to senior citizens

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Flashback is a special initiative by Axis Bank aimed at its senior-citizen customers — under this programme the bank hosts exclusive screenings of classic films (from the 1960s-70s and regional classics) for its elderly customers.
- The objective of Flashback is to evoke nostalgia, bring joy, and strengthen emotional and cultural bonds with senior customers — thereby enhancing customer engagement beyond usual banking services.
- The screenings are held across multiple cities in India and include regional-language films to suit local audiences.

If you want, I can list all of Axis Bank's senior-citizen oriented programmes (including Flashback) with their goals.





**Ques: How many UPI transactions were recorded in November 2025?**

- A) 18.5 billion
- B) 19.7 billion
- C) 20.47 billion
- D) 21.8 billion
- E) 22.5 billion

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- According to the latest data from National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), November 2025 saw 20.47 billion UPI transactions.
- The total value of those transactions was ₹ 26.32 lakh crore.
- Despite a slight dip compared to October 2025, the number represents a 32% year-on-year growth in transaction volume.

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**Ques: Which two new plans were recently launched by LIC?**

- A) Jeevan Shanti & Jeevan Labh
- B) Bima Kavach & Protection Plus
- C) Saral Suraksha & Jeevan Umang
- D) Dhan Rekha & New Endowment Plan
- E) Jeevan Anand & Jeevan Labh Plus

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:**

- The LIC launched two new plans — Bima Kavach and Protection Plus.
- Bima Kavach is a non-participating, non-linked pure-risk life insurance plan, offering a guaranteed death benefit to provide financial protection to the family in case of the insured's death.
- Protection Plus is a linked savings-cum-life-cover plan (non-par, linked), providing both insurance coverage and long-term savings/investment benefits.

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**Ques: What did RBI Deputy Governor Poonam Gupta state about inflation forecasting and BoP data?**

- A) RBI intentionally overestimates inflation
- B) RBI inflation forecasts have systematic bias
- C) RBI forecasts may have errors but no bias; BoP data to be released monthly
- D) RBI will discontinue Balance of Payments data
- E) RBI uses only historical data for forecasting

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Deputy Governor Poonam Gupta said that while inflation forecasts sometimes go wrong, there is no systematic bias in the RBI's forecasting.
- She noted that forecast errors are a "global phenomenon" — not unique to RBI or India.
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**Ques: Which bank falls under Bucket 4 in RBI's 2025 D-SIB list?**

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

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- State Bank of India (SBI) is placed in Bucket 4 in the 2025 Reserve Bank of India (RBI) D-SIB list.
- As a result, SBI must maintain an additional CET-1 capital buffer of 0.80% of Risk-Weighted Assets (RWA).
- The other D-SIB banks — HDFC Bank and ICICI Bank — are placed in Buckets 2 and 1 respectively.

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**Ques: For what achievement did ICAI earn a Guinness World Record recently?**

- A) Largest audit conducted in a day
- B) Largest career advice session in a single day
- C) Most students enrolled in accounting courses
- D) Longest continuous online lecture
- E) Largest donation by an educational institute

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) achieved a Guinness World Record for organizing the largest career advice session in a single day.
- The event in Mumbai saw participation from over 7,400+ students, teachers, and principals, with 6,166 students officially counted as per Guinness World Records criteria.
- The initiative was conducted under CAFY 4.0 (Career in Accounting and Finance for Youth) and the Super Mega Career Counselling Programme to promote career awareness in accounting and finance.

**About ICAI:**

- Established: 1949
- Headquarters: New Delhi
- President: CA Charanjot Singh Nanda





**Ques: What is the purpose of the four-member committee formed by EPFO?**

- A) To reduce EPF contribution rates
- B) To investigate financial frauds in EPFO
- C) To restructure workforce and enhance subscriber services
- D) To privatize EPFO operations
- E) To launch new pension schemes

Answer: Option C

**Explanation:**

- EPFO has constituted a four-member committee headed by B P Sharma to review the existing staffing structure and identify inefficiencies. (business-standard.com)
- The committee's objective is to streamline workflows, reduce bureaucratic delays, and recommend measures to improve subscriber services across India.
- It will also propose structural changes to support digital transformation and align workforce capability with AI-based systems for gig and unorganised sector workers.
- The final report of the committee is expected by 31 March 2026.

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**Ques: What is the main objective of the Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY) and the 'Aapki Poonji Aapka Adhikar' campaign?**

- A) To provide education loans to students
- B) To fund small & micro entrepreneurs and raise awareness on unclaimed financial assets
- C) To build new banking infrastructure in rural areas
- D) To offer insurance to all citizens
- E) To increase government tax revenue

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY), launched in April 2015 by PM Narendra Modi, provides collateral-free loans to small and micro entrepreneurs to promote self-employment and entrepreneurship. ([pmmmy.gov.in](http://pmmmy.gov.in))
- Under PMMY, loans sanctioned have reached ₹34 lakh crore, benefiting 55 crore people, with the loan limit increased from ₹10 lakh to ₹20 lakh in Budget 2024-25.
- The 'Aapki Poonji Aapka Adhikar' campaign, launched by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in October 2025, raises awareness about unclaimed financial assets such as insurance claims, bank deposits, dividends, shares, and mutual fund proceeds. ([pib.gov.in](http://pib.gov.in))
- The campaign guides citizens on how to search for, update records, and claim these unclaimed assets using digital tools, ensuring people can access their rightful financial resources.
- Together, PMMY and this campaign aim to support entrepreneurship and improve financial literacy and asset recovery, empowering individuals economically.





**Ques: What is the new name of the PMO complex earlier known as the 'Executive Enclave'?**

- A) Rajya Sadan
- B) Seva Teerth
- C) Kartavya Path Bhavan
- D) Lok Kalyan Sadan
- E) Rashtriya Prashasan Kendra

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:**

- The new complex housing the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) has been named 'Seva Teerth'. ([pib.gov.in](http://pib.gov.in))
- The complex, previously called the 'Executive Enclave' under the Central Vista Redevelopment Project, is in its final stages of completion.
- Apart from the PMO, it will accommodate the Cabinet Secretariat, National Security Council Secretariat, and India House (used for meetings with dignitaries).
- The name 'Seva Teerth' reflects the spirit of service, marking a symbolic shift in governance focus from 'power' to 'service'.
- The design and purpose aim to align with national priorities and enhance administrative efficiency.

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**Ques: Which product was recently awarded the Geographical Indication (GI) tag?**

- A) Coorg Coffee
- B) Darjeeling Mandarin Orange
- C) Assam Kaji Nemu
- D) Nagpur Orange
- E) Sikkim Large Cardamom

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Darjeeling Mandarin Orange has been officially granted the Geographical Indication (GI) tag. ([pib.gov.in](http://pib.gov.in))
- The GI tag protects the unique quality, reputation, and geographical origin of the product.
- It helps boost local farmers' income and promotes regional branding.
- Darjeeling's climate and altitude make it ideal for producing premium mandarin oranges, ensuring its distinct taste and quality.

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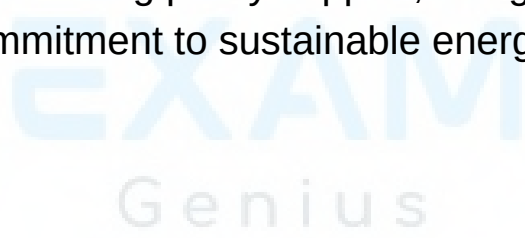
Ques: As of October 2025, what is India's installed electricity capacity from non-fossil fuel sources?

- A) 200 GW
- B) 220 GW
- C) 259 GW
- D) 275 GW
- E) 300 GW

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

- India has achieved 50% of its installed electricity capacity from non-fossil fuel sources, reaching this milestone five years ahead of its NDC target under the Paris Agreement. ([pib.gov.in](http://pib.gov.in))
- As of 31 October 2025, India's installed non-fossil fuel capacity stands at 259 GW.
- In the current financial year up to October 2025, 31.2 GW of non-fossil capacity has been added.
- Major capacity additions include solar, wind, hydro, and nuclear power sources.
- The rapid expansion reflects strong policy support, rising renewable energy investments, and India's commitment to sustainable energy transition.





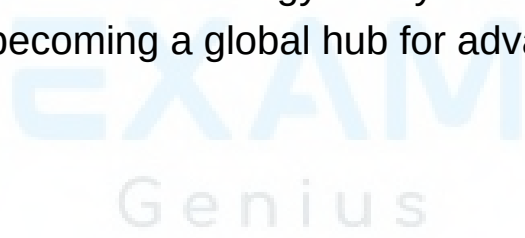
**Ques: What is '1 Bio', recently launched by the Government of Telangana?**

- A) India's first AI semiconductor fabrication unit
- B) India's first single-use bioprocess design and scale-up facility
- C) India's first vaccine storage hub
- D) India's first genomics research university
- E) India's first nano-materials testing centre

**Answer: Option B**

Explanation:

- '1 Bio', launched by the Government of Telangana, is India's first single-use bioprocess design and scale-up facility, located at Genome Valley, Hyderabad. ([pib.gov.in](http://pib.gov.in))
- The Telangana government invested ₹150 crore for developing the core infrastructure.
- Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. contributed ₹90 crore to establish the Bioprocess Design Centre (BDC) and Customer Experience Centre (CEC).
- The facility is designed to accelerate R&D, manufacturing capabilities, and bioprocess innovation in India's biotechnology ecosystem.
- It supports India's goal of becoming a global hub for advanced bioprocessing and biotech manufacturing.





**Ques: Which region is known for the traditional practice of cliff-honey hunting?**

- A) Assam
- B) Nagaland
- C) Meghalaya
- D) Mizoram
- E) Arunachal Pradesh

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Cliff-honey hunting is a centuries-old tradition practiced by the Khamniungan tribe in Choklangan village, Nagaland. ([pib.gov.in](http://pib.gov.in))
- Bees build their hives on high vertical rock cliffs rather than trees, making honey collection extremely risky.
- Villagers perform rituals seeking permission from the bees before collecting honey, following traditional customs.
- The practice reflects the unique cultural and ecological knowledge of the Khamniungan tribe and contributes to sustainable harvesting methods.

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**Ques: Which organisation will operate the upcoming 'Bharat Taxi' ride-hailing app?**

- A) ONDC
- B) Sahakar Taxi Co-operative Ltd
- C) NITI Aayog
- D) Ministry of Road Transport
- E) NRSC

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Government will launch a ride-hailing app named Bharat Taxi to reduce commercial drivers' dependence on private taxi companies. (pib.gov.in)
- The app will be operated by Sahakar Taxi Co-operative Ltd, a multi-state co-operative society registered under the MSCS Act, 2002.
- The initiative was announced by Cooperation Minister Amit Shah in the Lok Sabha.
- The scheme aims to provide better earnings and independence for taxi drivers while promoting cooperative ownership.

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**Ques: What was the impact of the recent marine heatwave on Ningaloo Reef?**

- A) Minimal coral bleaching
- B) ~70% coral mortality
- C) Complete destruction of marine life
- D) No significant impact
- E) Only affects fish species

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- A severe marine heatwave in Western Australia caused around 70% coral mortality at the UNESCO-listed Ningaloo Reef, marking one of the worst climate-linked coral impacts at the site.
- Ningaloo Reef is located on the northwest coast of Western Australia along the East Indian Ocean, about 1,200 km north of Perth, and is part of the Ningaloo Coast World Heritage Area.
- The reef supports rich biodiversity, including approximately 250 coral species, 500+ fish species, and large marine fauna such as whale sharks, manta rays, humpback whales, dugongs, reef sharks, and six species of sea turtles.
- The heatwave's impact underscores the vulnerability of coral ecosystems to rising sea temperatures and climate change.

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**Ques: Indian Railways promoted three women cricketers to which officer-grade post?**

- A) Group 'C' Officer
- B) Group 'A' Officer
- C) Group 'B' Officer (OSD – Sports)
- D) Junior Engineer
- E) Assistant Coach

Answer: Option C

**Explanation:**

- The three cricketers—Pratika Rawal, Sneha Rana, and Renuka Singh Thakur—were promoted to the Group 'B' Officer post as Officer on Special Duty (Sports).
- The promotion was through Out-of-Turn Promotion, recognizing their exceptional performance in India's victorious 2025 ICC Women's World Cup campaign.
- All three players will receive the pay and benefits of a Group 'B' Gazetted Officer under Level-8 of the 7th CPC Pay Matrix.
- The initiative provides both financial security and administrative responsibilities to the athletes.
- In November 2025, all three cricketers were felicitated by Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw at Rail Bhawan.

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**Ques: What was the main purpose of the 2025 UN review on peacebuilding?**

- A) To expand UN military interventions worldwide
- B) To improve implementation and impact of UN peacebuilding activities at the field level
- C) To increase UN funding for cultural programmes
- D) To establish a new UN headquarters
- E) To replace existing UN member states with new ones

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The 2025 UN review aimed to enhance the effectiveness of UN peacebuilding activities at the field level and strengthen the integration of development, peace, security, and human rights.
- The review reaffirmed that development, peace, security, and human rights are interlinked, and investing in conflict prevention is cost-effective and life-saving.
- Responsibility for peacebuilding primarily lies with UN member states, which must address the root causes of conflict and violence within their borders.
- The review also emphasized improving coordination, monitoring, and impact assessment of UN field-level peacebuilding programmes.

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**Ques: Which deal has the Ministry of Defence recently signed with the USA for the Indian Navy?**

- A) Sale of aircraft carriers
- B) Follow-on support for MH-60R Seahawk helicopters
- C) Supply of submarines
- D) Joint missile development program
- E) Naval base infrastructure development

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Ministry of Defence signed a five-year deal with the USA for follow-on support of 24 MH-60R Seahawk helicopters of the Indian Navy.
- The agreement aims to enhance operational readiness and promote Aatmanirbhar Bharat.
- India had previously procured these helicopters in February 2020 for ₹15,157 crore.
- The MH-60R Seahawk is a versatile naval helicopter developed by Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation, part of Lockheed Martin, capable of anti-submarine warfare, search and rescue, and other naval operations.
- The deal ensures maintenance, spares, and upgrades for these helicopters over the next five years, supporting India's naval capabilities.

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**Ques: Who was named Global Indian of the Year at CNN-News18's Indian of the Year Awards 2025?**

- A) Sundar Pichai
- B) Chef Vijay Kumar
- C) Ratan Tata
- D) Priyanka Chopra
- E) Arvind Krishna

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Chef Vijay Kumar was awarded Global Indian of the Year at the 15th edition of CNN-News18's Indian of the Year Awards 2025.
- This recognition came after his major win at the James Beard Foundation Awards, where he was named Best Chef in New York State.
- Vijay Kumar hails from Natham, a small farming village in Tamil Nadu, highlighting his journey from humble beginnings to global acclaim.
- The award acknowledges his contribution to Indian cuisine on the global stage and his role in bringing international recognition to Indian culinary talent.

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**Ques: Which new districts have been proposed in Andhra Pradesh as part of administrative reorganisation?**

- A) Vijayawada, Guntur, Nellore
- B) Polavaram, Markapuram, Madanapalle
- C) Tirupati, Chittoor, Anantapur
- D) Kurnool, Kadapa, Srikakulam
- E) Visakhapatnam, Rajahmundry, Eluru

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:**

- Andhra Pradesh has proposed three new districts: Polavaram, Markapuram, and Madanapalle, which will increase the total number of districts to 29.
- The reorganisation also includes five new revenue divisions and one new mandal, Pedda Harivanam, aiming to improve governance, accessibility, and regional equity.
- These administrative changes are pending State Cabinet approval and formal notification.
- The move is intended to enhance administrative efficiency and ensure better delivery of services across the state.

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**Ques: India's ethanol blending percentage for the 2024-25 supply year stood at what level?**

- A) 15%
- B) 17.5%
- C) 19.2%
- D) 20%
- E) 22%

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- India achieved 19.2% ethanol blending in petrol for the 2024-25 ethanol supply year (Nov–Oct), peaking at 19.97% in October 2025.
- To reach this level, OMCs consumed a total of 1,022 crore litres of ethanol.
- The government has advanced the target to 20% ethanol blending by 2026, earlier planned for 2030 under the amended National Biofuel Policy (2022).
- The ethanol procurement price for 2024-25 averaged ₹71.55 per litre, higher than petrol cost, while surplus FCI rice ethanol was priced at ₹60.32 per litre.
- This achievement supports India's energy security, renewable fuel adoption, and reduction of crude oil dependence.

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**Ques: Where was the Skill India Centre, inaugurated by Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, established?**

- A) Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
- B) Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- C) Noida, Uttar Pradesh
- D) Meerut, Uttar Pradesh
- E) Ch. Kehar Singh Divya Public School, Baraut, Baghpat

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated a Skill India Centre at Ch. Kehar Singh Divya Public School, Baraut, Baghpat, Uttar Pradesh.
- The centre was established by the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) in collaboration with the Redington Foundation to enhance skill development in rural areas.
- The initiative targets training for around 600 candidates, primarily underprivileged youth and women from Baraut and Chhaprauli blocks.
- Training programs will focus on electronics, Information Technology (IT), and IT-enabled services (ITeS).
- The centre aims to provide employment-oriented skills to boost rural workforce participation and economic opportunities.

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**Ques: INS Aridhaman belongs to which category of Indian Navy submarines?**

- A) Conventional Attack Submarine
- B) Diesel-Electric Submarine
- C) Nuclear-Powered Ballistic Missile Submarine (SSBN)
- D) Nuclear Attack Submarine (SSN)
- E) Midget Submarine

**Answer:** Option C

Explanation:

- INS Aridhaman is India's third nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine (SSBN), developed for strategic nuclear deterrence.
- Once commissioned, India will have three operational SSBNs at sea simultaneously, strengthening its nuclear triad capability.
- Advanced trials indicate INS Aridhaman can carry more long-range nuclear missiles than its predecessors, INS Arihant and INS Arighaat.
- A fourth SSBN, codenamed S-4, is planned for commissioning in 2027.
- The SSBN category ensures second-strike capability, forming a crucial part of India's nuclear deterrence strategy.

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**Ques: What is India's target for green hydrogen cost by 2030?**

- A) \$0.5/kg
- B) \$1/kg
- C) \$2.5/kg
- D) \$3/kg
- E) \$4.5/kg

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- India aims to reduce the cost of green hydrogen from \$4.5/kg currently to \$1/kg by 2030.
- Achieving this target could make India the world's lowest-cost green hydrogen producer, transforming sectors like steel, fertilizers, mobility, and heavy transport.
- Key drivers include the National Green Hydrogen Mission, rapid solar capacity growth, and declining renewable energy prices.
- Green hydrogen is considered a core pillar for deep decarbonisation, clean manufacturing, and fostering startups in circular economy and recycling technologies, supported by AI and geospatial tools.
- Projected benefits include 48 million jobs, potential investments up to \$4 trillion, and a \$1.4 trillion market by 2047 (CEEW estimates).

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**Ques: What significant phenomenon did NASA's Perseverance rover detect on Mars?**

- A) Presence of liquid water
- B) Electrical discharges in the atmosphere
- C) Active volcanic eruptions
- D) Formation of polar ice caps
- E) Methane gas emissions

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- NASA's Perseverance rover recorded electrical discharges in Mars' atmosphere, providing the first documented evidence of an electrically active Martian atmosphere.
- These discharges, called "mini-lightning," are tiny sparks a few millimeters long, often linked to dust devils and dust storm fronts.
- Detection was made using the SuperCam remote-sensing instrument, analyzing 28 hours of microphone recordings over two Martian years, revealing a total of 55 electrical discharges.
- This finding helps scientists understand Martian atmospheric dynamics and the potential risks for future missions.

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**Ques: 'EKUVERIN' joint military exercise is conducted between which two countries?**

- A) India – Sri Lanka
- B) India – Bangladesh
- C) India – Maldives
- D) India – Nepal
- E) India – Bhutan

**Answer: Option C**

Explanation:

- The 14th edition of the India–Maldives joint military exercise 'EKUVERIN' took place in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, from 2 to 15 December 2025.
- 45 soldiers from the Indian Army (Garhwal Rifles Battalion) and an equal number from the Maldives National Defence Force (MNDF) participated.
- EKUVERIN means "Friends" in Dhivehi, symbolizing deep friendship, trust, and military cooperation between India and Maldives.
- Conducted alternately in both nations since 2009, the exercise focuses on interoperability in jungle, semi-urban, and coastal terrains for Counter-Insurgency and Counter-Terrorism operations.
- Troops share best practices, tactical drills, and joint planning to strengthen regional peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific region.
- The exercise reinforces India's Neighbourhood First Policy.

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**Ques: How much investment has the Government of India planned to modernise Semi-Conductor Laboratory (SCL)?**

- A) Rs 1,500 crore
- B) Rs 3,000 crore
- C) Rs 6,000 crore
- D) Rs 5,500 crore
- E) Rs 4,500 crore

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- The government will invest ₹4,500 crore over the next three years to modernise the state-owned Semi-Conductor Laboratory (SCL).
- SCL operates as an autonomous body under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
- The Centre has requested the Punjab government for a 25-acre land parcel to facilitate SCL's expansion.
- Established in 1976, SCL is headquartered at Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar, Punjab, and is currently headed by Dr. Kamaljeet Singh.

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**Ques: What is observed on November 30 as per the UN calendar?**

- A) World AIDS Day
- B) Day of Remembrance for All Victims of Chemical Warfare
- C) International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- D) Human Rights Day
- E) International Day of Peace

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- November 30 is observed as the Day of Remembrance for All Victims of Chemical Warfare, established in 2016.
- The day coincides with the 30th Session of the Conference of the States Parties (CSP) held in The Hague.
- It honors victims of chemical warfare and promotes efforts to eliminate chemical weapons globally.

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