

Monthly Mock Test

October – 2025

Q1. Which Indian state's tourism department won the Global Tourism Award 2025?

- A) Kerala
- B) Andhra Pradesh
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Karnataka

Answer: B) Andhra Pradesh

Explanation:

The Andhra Pradesh Tourism Department received the Global Tourism Award 2025 in recognition of its outstanding efforts to promote the state as a leading tourist destination. The award highlighted initiatives in sustainable tourism, heritage conservation, and cultural promotion. Andhra Pradesh offers diverse attractions, including spiritual sites like Tirupati, heritage locations such as Lepakshi temple, coastal tourism along Visakhapatnam, and eco-adventure destinations like Araku Valley. The department's work in infrastructure development, community-based tourism, and smart technology integration has strengthened its global visibility, boosted international tourist arrivals, and supported local economic development while preserving the state's cultural and natural heritage.

Category : State

Q2. In which Indian state was Exercise 'Drone Kavach' conducted by the Indian Army in September 2025?

- A) Arunachal Pradesh
- B) Sikkim
- C) Nagaland
- D) Mizoram

Answer: A) Arunachal Pradesh

Explanation:

Exercise 'Drone Kavach' was conducted by the Spear Corps of the Indian Army in the forward areas of Eastern Arunachal Pradesh from September 25 to 28, 2025. The four-day exercise focused on next-generation drone warfare and counter-drone technologies, involving the Indian Army and Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP). It tested tactical maneuvers, target acquisition, and neutralization techniques, enhancing operational readiness in sensitive border regions. The exercise underscores the Army's commitment to modernization, technology integration, and preparedness for multi-domain battlefield scenarios, while also reflecting the strategic importance of Arunachal Pradesh in national defence and security.

Category : Defence

Q3. What is the revised GDP growth forecast for India in FY26 according to the Asian Development Bank (ADB)?



- A) 6.7%
- B) 6.5%
- C) 6.8%
- D) 6.3%

Answer: B) 6.5%

Explanation:

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has lowered India's GDP growth forecast for FY26 to 6.5%, down from its earlier estimate of 6.7%. This revision reflects the impact of elevated U.S. tariffs, which are expected to affect around 60% of India's exports to the U.S., slowing growth momentum in the second half of 2025-26. Despite strong domestic demand, infrastructure investment, and ongoing structural reforms, global trade challenges are likely to dampen India's expansion. The ADB also projected a similar 6.5% growth rate for FY27, highlighting continued caution amid external headwinds for the Indian economy.

Category : Economy

Q4. In which city did the 11th World Green Economy Summit (WGES) take place?

- A) Dubai
- B) Abu Dhabi
- C) Riyadh
- D) Doha

Answer: A) Dubai

Explanation:

The 11th World Green Economy Summit (WGES) was held in Dubai at the World Trade Centre, bringing together 3,300 participants from over 30 countries. The summit focused on the theme "Innovating for Impact: Accelerating the Future of the Green Economy" and ran alongside the Water, Energy, Technology, and Environment Exhibition (WETEX). Additionally, the Global Alliance on Green Economy (GAGE) unveiled its 2024-2025 portfolio during the event. Dubai's hosting of this summit highlights its growing role as a hub for sustainable development discussions, innovation in green technologies, and international collaboration on environmental initiatives.

Category : International

Q5. Which agricultural sector is the focus of India's newly launched Mission for Aatmanirbharta?

- A) Wheat
- B) Pulses
- C) Rice
- D) Maize

Answer: B) Pulses

Explanation:

The Union Cabinet approved the Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses, aiming to strengthen India's self-reliance in this vital agricultural sector. With an outlay of ₹11,440 crore for 2025-26 to 2030-31, the mission targets a production of 350 lakh tonnes of pulses, reducing dependency on imports and ensuring stable incomes for 2 crore farmers. The initiative includes assured procurement of key pulses like Tur, Urad, and Masoor under the Price Support Scheme (PSS) for the next four



years. This program is a strategic effort to boost domestic production, enhance food security, and support the livelihoods of pulse farmers across India.

Category : Agriculture

Q6. Who won the 62nd National Chess Championship held in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh?

- A) H. Goutham Krishna
- B) P Iniyan
- C) R. Praggnanandhaa
- D) Arjun Erigaisi

Answer: B) P Iniyan

Explanation:

Grandmaster P Iniyan from Tamil Nadu emerged as the champion of the 62nd National Chess Championship held in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh. He remained unbeaten across 11 rounds, securing 7 victories and 4 draws. Although he finished with the same score as 15-year-old International Master H. Goutham Krishna from Kerala, Iniyan claimed the title based on a superior Buchholz score. His consistent performance and strategic brilliance throughout the tournament earned him the prestigious national title along with a prize of ₹6 lakh, further strengthening his reputation as one of India's top chess players.

Category : Persons

Q7. Who won the gold medal in the Women's Compound Open category at the 2025 World Para Archery

Championships in Gwangju, South Korea?

- A) Sheetal Devi
- B) Oznur Cure Girdi
- C) Sarita
- D) Jodie Grinham

Answer: A) Sheetal Devi

Explanation:

Sheetal Devi, the remarkable para archer from Jammu & Kashmir, clinched her maiden gold medal in the Women's Compound Open event at the 2025 World Para Archery Championships held in Gwangju, South Korea. She defeated Türkiye's Oznur Cure Girdi, a three-time world champion, with a score of 146–143. Born without arms due to phocomelia, Sheetal uses her legs and chin to shoot, showcasing extraordinary determination and precision. Her achievement, along with silver and bronze in team events, marks a historic milestone for Indian para archery and highlights her exceptional talent and resilience on the global stage.

Category : Persons

Q8. According to the Forbes Real-Time Billionaires tracker in October 2025, who became the first person in history to achieve a net worth of \$500.1 billion?

- A) Larry Ellison
- B) Elon Musk
- C) Robyn Denholm
- D) Donald Trump

Answer: B) Elon Musk



Explanation:

Elon Musk, the CEO of Tesla, has become the first individual in history to reach a net worth of \$500.1 billion as of October 2025, according to Forbes. His massive fortune is primarily attributed to the growth and valuation of his companies—Tesla, SpaceX, and xAI. Tesla's strong stock performance, combined with SpaceX's \$400 billion valuation and xAI's rising worth, have propelled Musk far ahead of other billionaires. With a proposed \$1 trillion compensation plan from Tesla, analysts project he could become the world's first trillionaire by 2033.

Category : International

Q9. The MY Bharat Mobile App launched by Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya is primarily aimed at which purpose?

- A) For Rural Development
- B) For Digital Inclusion
- C) For Youth Empowerment
- D) For Women Entrepreneurship

Answer: C) For Youth Empowerment

Explanation:

The MY Bharat Mobile App, launched by Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya on 1 October 2025, is designed for Youth Empowerment. It brings the MY Bharat platform to mobile devices, enabling young citizens to access volunteering, internships, AI-based career tools, and national campaigns conveniently. The app integrates with Common Services Centres (CSCs) to extend digital access to rural areas, bridging the digital divide and

fostering inclusion. With over 1.81 crore youth registered, it enhances opportunities for skill development, leadership, and civic engagement—helping India's youth actively participate in nation-building and social transformation.

Category : National

Q10. Who won the silver medal in the women's 48kg category at the World Weightlifting Championships 2025 held in Førde, Norway?

- A) Punam Yadav
- B) Karnam Malleswari
- C) Mirabai Chanu
- D) Saikhom Devi

Answer: C) Mirabai Chanu

Explanation:

Mirabai Chanu secured the silver medal in the women's 48kg category at the World Weightlifting Championships 2025 in Førde, Norway. She achieved a total lift of 199kg, with 84kg in the snatch and 115kg in the clean and jerk. This competition marked her return to the world stage after her last World Championship appearance in 2022 and her second outing since finishing fourth at the Paris 2024 Olympics. Her consistent performance reinforces her status as one of India's most successful and determined weightlifters on the global platform.

Category : Persons

Q11. What was the total GST collection recorded in India for September 2025?

- A) ₹1.73 Lakh Crore
- B) ₹1.89 Lakh Crore
- C) ₹1.60 Lakh Crore
- D) ₹1.86 Lakh Crore

Answer: B) ₹1.89 Lakh Crore

Explanation:

India's Goods and Services Tax (GST) collections for September 2025 reached ₹1.89 lakh crore, marking a 9.1% year-on-year growth and 1.5% increase over August 2025. This strong performance came despite recent tax rate reductions under the GST 2.0 reforms, which lowered GST on 375 items to boost consumption. The robust collection reflects healthy consumer demand, improved compliance, and the positive impact of rate rationalisation. It also highlights India's fiscal resilience and economic stability as the government continues implementing reforms to strengthen revenue growth amid evolving market conditions and festive demand.

Category : Economy

Q12. Which country was re-elected to Part II of the ICAO Council, recognizing its major role in global air navigation infrastructure and aviation safety?

- A) Canada
- B) India
- C) France
- D) Japan

Answer: B) India

Explanation:

India was re-elected to Part II of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Council during the 42nd ICAO Assembly held in Montreal, Canada, on September 27, 2025. This re-election underscores India's vital contribution to international air navigation services, aviation safety, and global air transport development. As a member in Part II, India continues to play a crucial role in shaping aviation policies, promoting international cooperation, and advancing sustainable aviation practices. The recognition highlights India's technical expertise, expanding aviation infrastructure, and its leadership within the global civil aviation community under the United Nations framework.

Category : International

Q13. Which organization launched the IMAP mission to study the heliosphere, solar wind, and energetic particles from the Earth-Sun Lagrange Point 1 (L1)?

- A) European Space Agency (ESA)
- B) NASA
- C) ISRO
- D) SpaceX

Answer: B) NASA

Explanation:

NASA launched the Interstellar Mapping and Acceleration Probe (IMAP) mission to explore the heliosphere and space weather. The mission aims to map the boundary of the heliosphere, study solar wind, energetic particles, and magnetic fields, and understand how solar particles are energised. Additionally, IMAP helps study



the heliosphere's role in shielding Earth from harmful galactic radiation. Positioned at the Earth-Sun Lagrange Point 1 (L1), it provides a stable vantage point for continuous observations, enabling researchers to better understand space weather and its impact on Earth and the solar system.

Category : Technology

Q14. Who is set to become Japan's first female Prime Minister after winning the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) leadership election?

- A) Shinjiro Koizumi
- B) Sanae Takaichi
- C) Shigeru Ishiba
- D) Yoshihide Suga

Answer: B) Sanae Takaichi

Explanation:

Sanae Takaichi has been elected as the leader of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP), making her set to become Japan's first-ever female Prime Minister. She secured victory in a runoff election against Agriculture Minister Shinjiro Koizumi, following the resignation of outgoing Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba. Takaichi's election marks a historic moment in Japanese politics, as she breaks a long-standing gender barrier in the country's top political office. Her leadership is expected to shape Japan's domestic policies and international relations, while also inspiring greater representation of women in political and administrative leadership roles.

Category : International

Q15. Which Indian state has introduced the E-Bond system for import and export businesses?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Karnataka
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Tamil Nadu

Answer: C) Maharashtra

Explanation:

The Maharashtra government has implemented the E-Bond system to modernise and digitise the process of bond execution for import and export businesses. By introducing this system, Maharashtra has become the 16th state in India to adopt digital bonds, marking a shift from traditional stamp paper bonds to an online, paperless format. This initiative aims to enhance efficiency, minimise manual paperwork, and reduce processing time in trade-related operations. It also supports the state's broader goal of promoting digital governance and ease of doing business, especially in key sectors like logistics, trade, and export management.

Category : State

Q16. Who has reclaimed the top spot in the Hurun India Rich List 2025?

- A) Gautam Adani
- B) Roshni Nadar
- C) Mukesh Ambani
- D) Cyrus Poonawalla

Answer: C) Mukesh Ambani

Explanation:

Mukesh Ambani, Chairman of Reliance Industries, has reclaimed the title of India's richest person in the Hurun India Rich List 2025, with a net worth of ₹9.55 lakh crore. He surpassed Gautam Adani, who ranks second with ₹8.15 lakh crore, while Roshni Nadar Malhotra became India's richest woman and entered the top three for the first time. The list highlights India's growing billionaire count, now exceeding 350, and showcases trends like rising young entrepreneurs, significant wealth gains, and the prominence of self-made individuals. Ambani's leadership in the list underscores his enduring influence in India's corporate and economic landscape.

Category : Persons

Q17. In which country is the 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference, attended by India's delegation, being held?

- A) Canada
- B) United Kingdom
- C) Barbados
- D) Australia

Answer: C) Barbados

Explanation:

The 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference is being held in Bridgetown, Barbados, with the theme "The Commonwealth – A Global Partner." India's parliamentary delegation is led by Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla. Organised annually by the Commonwealth

Parliamentary Association (CPA), the conference brings together legislators from member countries to discuss governance, democracy, and collaborative initiatives. India's participation underscores its engagement with Commonwealth nations, allowing for exchange of best practices, strengthening diplomatic ties, and contributing to discussions on global parliamentary cooperation and development strategies across member states.

Category : International

Q18. In which Indian state was the first Namo Biodiversity Park, also called 'Namo Van,' inaugurated?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Rajasthan
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Haryana

Answer: B) Rajasthan

Explanation:

Rajasthan's first Namo Biodiversity Park was inaugurated on 5 October 2025 at Pratap Bandh, Alwar, by Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav. The park, designed as a "green lung" for the region, aims to enhance urban greenery, improve air quality, and preserve the native flora and fauna of the Aravalli ecosystem. It integrates sustainable practices such as native tree plantation, eco-trails, educational zones, and rainwater harvesting. The initiative supports biodiversity conservation, climate resilience, and community participation, contributing to India's environmental goals and the Lifestyle for Environment



(LiFE) movement, promoting eco-friendly lifestyles and climate adaptation measures.

Category : State

Q19. When is World Habitat Day 2025 observed?

- A) October 1
- B) October 6
- C) October 12
- D) October 31

Answer: B) October 6

Explanation:

World Habitat Day is observed annually on the first Monday of October to highlight the state of human settlements and the right to adequate shelter. In 2025, it falls on October 6. The day draws attention to urgent urban challenges such as climate change, conflict, and inequality, under the theme “Urban Crisis Response.” It also marks the start of Urban October, a month-long campaign promoting sustainable urban development and resilience. The observance includes global discussions, community programs, and initiatives to advance inclusive, safe, and resilient cities, aligning with Sustainable Development Goal 11.

Category : Important Days

Q20. Who were awarded the 2025 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for their discoveries on peripheral immune tolerance?

- A) Mary E. Brunkow, Fred Ramsdell, and Shimon Sakaguchi

B) James Allison and Tasuku Honjo

C) Emmanuelle Charpentier and Jennifer Doudna

D) Michael Rosbash, Michael Young, and Jeffrey Hall

Answer: A) Mary E. Brunkow, Fred Ramsdell, and Shimon Sakaguchi

Explanation:

The 2025 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine was awarded to Mary E. Brunkow, Fred Ramsdell, and Shimon Sakaguchi for their pioneering research on peripheral immune tolerance. Their work identified regulatory T cells (Tregs) and the Foxp3 gene, which are critical in preventing the immune system from attacking the body’s own tissues. These discoveries have transformed immunology and provided new strategies for treating autoimmune diseases, cancer, and transplant rejection. Sakaguchi discovered Tregs, while Brunkow and Ramsdell identified the Foxp3 gene, linking their findings to a deeper understanding of immune system regulation.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q21. Where did the 69th National School Games (NSG) commence?

- A) Jammu & Kashmir
- B) New Delhi
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Punjab

Answer: A) Jammu & Kashmir

Explanation:

The 69th National School Games began in Jammu & Kashmir, organised by the Directorate of Youth Services & Sports of the region. The event brought together 30 teams representing different States and Union Territories, competing across six venues in various sports such as Football, Wushu, Taekwondo, and Table Tennis. The inauguration was carried out by Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, highlighting Jammu & Kashmir's commitment to promoting youth sports and fostering national-level athletic talent.

Category : Sports

Q22. Which country has launched Southeast Asia's first coral larvae cryobank to preserve coral genetic diversity?

- A) Philippines
- B) Indonesia
- C) Thailand
- D) Malaysia

Answer: A) Philippines

Explanation:

The Philippines has established Southeast Asia's first coral larvae cryobank, marking a major step toward marine biodiversity conservation. This initiative, developed in collaboration with research institutions from Taiwan, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand, aims to freeze and preserve coral larvae to protect genetic diversity. The cryobank serves as a safeguard against coral loss caused by climate change, pollution, and ocean acidification. By preserving coral species for future restoration, the Philippines is demonstrating regional leadership in reef

conservation and sustainable marine ecosystem management.

Category : International

Q23. Which country approved a plan to remove four zeros from its national currency, the rial, to combat inflation?

- A) Turkey
- B) Argentina
- C) Venezuela
- D) Iran

Answer: D) Iran

Explanation:

Iran has approved a monetary reform plan to remove four zeros from its national currency, the rial, in an effort to simplify financial transactions and address severe inflation. With inflation rates exceeding 35% over a prolonged period, the rial's value has significantly declined, prompting the need for this reform. The Central Bank of Iran has been given two years to make preparations, followed by a three-year transition phase. This decision reflects Iran's attempt to stabilise its economy and restore confidence in its currency amid ongoing financial challenges.

Category : International

Q24. Who won the Nobel Prize in Physics 2025 for their work on quantum tunnelling and energy quantisation in electric circuits?

- A) Roger Penrose, Reinhard Genzel, Andrea Ghez

B) Alain Aspect, John F. Clauser, Anton Zeilinger

C) David J. Wineland, Serge Haroche, Shuji Nakamura

D) John Clarke, Michel H. Devoret, John M. Martinis

Answer: D) John Clarke, Michel H. Devoret, and John M. Martinis

Explanation:

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2025 was awarded to John Clarke, Michel H. Devoret, and John M. Martinis for their groundbreaking contributions to the discovery of macroscopic quantum mechanical tunnelling and energy quantisation in electric circuits. Their research has played a crucial role in advancing the understanding of quantum mechanics at a macroscopic scale, leading to major innovations in superconducting circuits and quantum computing technologies. This achievement highlights the profound connection between theoretical physics and practical applications in next-generation computing systems.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q25. Who became the first Indian to win a medal at the Judo Junior World Championships?

A) Garima Chaudhary

B) Linthoi Chanambam

C) Avtar Singh

D) Tulika Maan

Answer: B) Linthoi Chanambam

Explanation:

Linthoi Chanambam, a 19-year-old judoka, created history by becoming the first Indian to win a medal at the Judo Junior World Championships held in Lima, Peru. She earned a bronze medal in the women's 63 kg category after defeating Joni Geilen of the Netherlands. Her achievement marks a significant milestone for Indian judo, showcasing the country's growing presence in international martial arts competitions and inspiring young athletes to pursue excellence in the sport through determination and discipline.

Category : Persons

Q26. Which state became the first in India to abolish its Madrasa Board?

A) Uttar Pradesh

B) Uttarakhand

C) Bihar

D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: B) Uttarakhand

Explanation:

Uttarakhand became the first state in India to abolish its Madrasa Board after the Governor approved the Uttarakhand Minority Education Bill, 2025. The new legislation requires all Madrasas to register with the Uttarakhand Minority Education Authority and affiliate with the Uttarakhand School Education Board. This move aims to integrate minority educational institutions into the mainstream education system, ensuring uniform standards, improved quality of education, and better administrative oversight while promoting inclusivity and

modernization of the educational framework across the state.

Category : State

Q27. Which country will unveil its first national Red List of Endangered Species at the IUCN World Congress 2025?

- A) China
- B) Brazil
- C) India
- D) South Africa

Answer: C) India

Explanation:

India will launch its first national Red List of Endangered Species at the IUCN World Conservation Congress 2025 in Abu Dhabi. This initiative highlights species at risk within India and strengthens national conservation priorities. As one of the 17 mega-diverse countries, India hosts over 45,000 plant species and nearly 100,000 animal species across unique ecosystems like the Himalayas, Western Ghats, and Sundarbans. The Red List will provide critical scientific data to guide conservation decisions, address habitat loss, and support global biodiversity targets under the Convention on Biological Diversity, reinforcing India's commitment to preserving its rich natural heritage.

Category : International

Q28. Who has been appointed as the next Director-General of UNESCO?

- A) Audrey Azoulay

- B) Irina Bokova

- C) Khaled el-Enany

- D) Ahmed Zaki

Answer: C) Khaled el-Enany

Explanation:

Khaled el-Enany, Egypt's former minister of antiquities and tourism, has been appointed as the next Director-General of UNESCO. With a background in archaeology and heritage preservation, El-Enany brings extensive experience in managing cultural and historical assets to the role. UNESCO, founded in 1945 and headquartered in Paris, focuses on fostering global peace and security through cooperation in education, science, culture, and communication. India, a founding member since 1948, continues to collaborate actively with UNESCO and hosts two of its offices. El-Enany's appointment signifies a renewed emphasis on global cultural preservation and cooperation.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q29. Who were awarded the Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2025 for their work on molecular constructions with large spaces for gases and chemicals?

- A) Ahmed Zewail, Roald Hoffmann, and Frances Arnold

- B) Jean-Pierre Sauvage, Fraser Stoddart, and Ben Feringa

- C) Carolyn Bertozzi, Morten Meldal, and K. Barry Sharpless

- D) Susumu Kitagawa, Richard Robson, and Omar M Yaghi

Answer: D) Susumu Kitagawa, Richard Robson, and Omar M Yaghi

Explanation:

The 2025 Nobel Prize in Chemistry was awarded to Susumu Kitagawa, Richard Robson, and Omar M Yaghi for pioneering the design of molecular structures that create large, porous spaces allowing gases and chemicals to flow efficiently. Their groundbreaking work has practical applications in harvesting water, capturing carbon dioxide, storing toxic gases, and catalyzing chemical reactions. The three scientists will share the prize money of 11 million Swedish crowns (around Rs 10 crore). This recognition highlights their transformative contribution to chemistry, particularly in materials science and sustainable technologies with significant global impact.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q30. What is the World Bank's revised GDP growth forecast for India for FY26?

- A) 5.8%
- B) 6.0%
- C) 6.3%
- D) 6.5%

Answer: D) 6.5%

Explanation:

The World Bank has upgraded India's GDP growth forecast for FY26 to 6.5%, up from the earlier estimate of 6.3%. This upward revision is driven by strong domestic demand, a resilient rural economy, and the positive impact of Goods and Services Tax (GST) reforms

that have enhanced revenue collection and formalization. India is expected to remain the fastest-growing major economy globally, supported by rising consumption, improved agricultural output, and infrastructure spending. Despite these optimistic projections, the World Bank has cautioned about potential risks from global economic uncertainty and external shocks, such as the U.S. tariff on Indian exports.

Category : Economy

Q31. On which date is Indian Air Force Day celebrated each year?

- A) October 5
- B) October 8
- C) October 12
- D) October 15

Answer: B) October 8

Explanation:

Indian Air Force Day is celebrated annually on October 8, commemorating the founding of the IAF in 1932. The day honours the courage and dedication of IAF personnel while showcasing India's air power through air shows, parades, and exhibitions. The 2025 celebrations focus on modernization and operational readiness, highlighting advanced aircraft and technologies such as Rafale, Tejas, and C-17. IAF Day reflects both the historical legacy of the force and its evolution into a modern, capable air force, serving as a symbol of national strength, agility, and defence preparedness.

Category : Important Days



Q32. Who won the 2025 Nobel Prize in Literature for his compelling and visionary oeuvre?

- A) Orhan Pamuk
- B) Kazuo Ishiguro
- C) Haruki Murakami
- D) Laszlo Krasznahorkai

Answer: D) Laszlo Krasznahorkai

Explanation:

Hungarian novelist and screenwriter Laszlo Krasznahorkai received the 2025 Nobel Prize in Literature for his profound and visionary body of work. Often referred to as the “writer of the apocalypse,” Krasznahorkai’s novels explore themes of existential dread, human resilience, and the search for meaning in chaotic times. The Nobel committee honoured him for his ability to reaffirm the transformative power of art amidst apocalyptic terror. His richly complex narratives and stylistic mastery have earned him global acclaim as one of the most distinctive voices in contemporary world literature.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q33. Where will India host the 8th International Solar Alliance Assembly in October 2025?

- A) Mumbai
- B) New Delhi
- C) Bengaluru
- D) Hyderabad

Answer: B) New Delhi

Explanation:

India will host the 8th International Solar Alliance (ISA) Assembly from October 27–30, 2025, at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi. The summit will bring together leaders, policymakers, and stakeholders from 124 countries to discuss strategies for global solar energy collaboration, affordable access, and scaling adoption across sectors like agriculture, transport, and healthcare. Hosting the ISA Assembly underscores India’s leadership in renewable energy, as it continues to expand its non-fossil fuel electricity capacity and position itself as a global hub for clean energy innovation. The event also aligns with India’s vision of a carbon-neutral future.

Category : Places

Q34. Which state government announced the creation of the “Gyana Yagnya Mandap” digital library?

- A) Karnataka
- B) West Bengal
- C) Odisha
- D) Andhra Pradesh

Answer: C) Odisha

Explanation:

The government of Odisha has announced the establishment of the “Gyana Yagnya Mandap” digital library in Puri. This initiative aims to digitally preserve and provide access to rare records, manuscripts, and sacred documents related to the Jagannath Temple. The library will be constructed on the site of the old Raghunandan Library near the temple premises. By combining technology with

cultural preservation, this project will benefit devotees, researchers, and historians, ensuring that valuable religious and historical knowledge remains accessible to future generations while promoting Odisha's rich spiritual heritage.

Category : State

Q35. Who won the 2025 Nobel Peace Prize for her courageous efforts in promoting democracy and peaceful transition in Venezuela?

- A) Michelle Bachelet
- B) Ellen Johnson Sirleaf
- C) Maria Corina Machado
- D) Dilma Rousseff

Answer: C) Maria Corina Machado

Explanation:

The 2025 Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to Maria Corina Machado, a Venezuelan politician and democracy activist recognised for her relentless struggle for democratic rights and peaceful political transition in Venezuela. As the founder of Súmate, she has spent decades advocating for free elections, judicial independence, and nonviolent resistance against authoritarianism. Despite facing persecution, threats, and exclusion from elections, Machado's leadership has united Venezuela's opposition and inspired global movements for peaceful reform. Her recognition by the Norwegian Nobel Committee underscores the power of civilian courage and the link between democracy and lasting peace worldwide.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q36. Who made history by winning India's first-ever Mrs Universe crown in 2025?

- A) Sherry Singh
- B) Urmimala Boruah
- C) Priya Sharma
- D) Neha Dubey

Answer: A) Sherry Singh

Explanation:

Sherry Singh created history by becoming the first Indian to win the Mrs Universe 2025 title at the grand finale held in Manila, Philippines. Competing against 120 contestants from around the world, she impressed the judges with her confidence, intellect, and advocacy for women's empowerment and mental health awareness. Her win marks a significant milestone for India in global beauty pageantry, showcasing the strength and grace of Indian women. The Mrs Universe platform celebrates not just beauty but also leadership and compassion, making Sherry Singh's achievement a source of national pride and inspiration worldwide.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q37. Which organization, along with IRENA, signed an MoU to promote the transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy?

- A) UNEP
- B) WWF
- C) IUCN
- D) UNESCO

Answer: C) IUCN

Explanation:

The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) during the IUCN World Conservation Congress in Abu Dhabi. This collaboration aims to promote a global shift from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources while ensuring environmental sustainability. The partnership focuses on balancing energy transition goals with conservation priorities, minimizing ecological impacts, and supporting sustainable development practices. By uniting conservation expertise and renewable energy advocacy, IUCN and IRENA intend to foster greener, more responsible energy systems for a sustainable global future.

Category : Environment

Q38. Under which Article does the Supreme Court hold that judicial officers with seven years of practice as advocates before joining judicial service are eligible for direct recruitment as District Judges?

- A) Article 233
- B) Article 312
- C) Article 217
- D) Article 226

Answer: A) Article 233

Explanation:

Article 233 of the Indian Constitution deals with the appointment of District Judges. The Supreme Court clarified that

judicial officers who had completed seven years of practice as advocates before entering the judicial service are eligible for direct recruitment as District Judges under this Article. Earlier, only practising advocates with seven years of experience were considered eligible, excluding in-service judicial officers. This ruling ensures broader eligibility and promotes fairness in judicial appointments while maintaining the integrity and experience criteria necessary for the position of District Judge.

Category : National

Q39. How many major Indian ports have been recognised as Green Hydrogen Hubs under the National Green Hydrogen Mission?

- A) Two
- B) Three
- C) Four
- D) Five

Answer: B) Three

Explanation:

Under the National Green Hydrogen Mission, the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has identified three major Indian ports as Green Hydrogen Hubs. These include Deendayal Port Authority in Gujarat, V.O. Chidambaranar Port Authority in Tamil Nadu, and Paradip Port Authority in Odisha. This initiative aims to promote sustainable energy infrastructure and accelerate India's transition towards clean hydrogen production and export. Recognizing these ports as hubs is a strategic step to establish India as a global leader in the green



hydrogen ecosystem, boosting both environmental and economic growth.

Category : National

Q40. Which organization launched IRSA 1.0, India's first standardized software architecture for military Software Defined Radios?

- A) ISRO
- B) BHEL
- C) HAL
- D) DRDO

Answer: D) DRDO

Explanation:

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), in collaboration with the Integrated Defence Staff and Tri-Services, launched IRSA 1.0, India's first standardized software framework for Software Defined Radios (SDRs). IRSA 1.0 enables interoperability across military communication systems, allowing radios from different vendors to work together efficiently. It adopts the NATO SCA 4.1 standard, tailored for Indian needs, and supports multiple hardware environments like GPPs, DSPs, and FPGAs. This initiative strengthens indigenous defence technology, aligns with Atmanirbhar Bharat, and positions India for potential export of IRSA-compliant systems, enhancing secure, network-centric military operations.

Category : Defence

Q41. Who is the target group for the fourth edition of the SPARK program launched by the government?

- A) Medical Doctors
- B) Ayurveda Students
- C) Nursing Students
- D) Pharmacy Graduates

Answer: B) Ayurveda Students

Explanation:

The fourth edition of the SPARK (Studentship Program for Ayurveda Research Ken) program has been launched to encourage scientific curiosity and research skills among undergraduate Ayurveda students. Specifically, the program targets 300 BAMS (Bachelor of Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery) students from colleges recognized by the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM). Each selected student will receive a studentship of ₹50,000 to support their research initiatives. By focusing on Ayurveda students, the initiative aims to strengthen evidence-based research in traditional medicine and nurture the next generation of scholars in India's ancient healthcare system.

Category : National

Q42. Which country has recently become the newest State Member of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)?

- A) Georgia
- B) Azerbaijan
- C) Kazakhstan



D) Armenia

Answer: D) Armenia

Explanation:

Armenia has joined the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) as its newest State Member, a development announced during the IUCN World Conservation Congress in Abu Dhabi. This membership allows Armenia to access global expertise, innovative conservation tools, and foster international partnerships aimed at protecting biodiversity.

Additionally, Armenia is preparing to host COP17 of the Convention on Biological Diversity in 2026, positioning the country as a key player in global environmental conservation efforts. Joining the IUCN strengthens Armenia's capacity to implement sustainable development initiatives and enhance ecological protection at both national and international levels.

Category : International

Q43. In which city will the fourth edition of the India-Australia joint military exercise AUSTRALIND 2025 be held?

- A) Sydney
- B) Melbourne
- C) Perth
- D) Canberra

Answer: C) Perth

Explanation:

The fourth edition of the India-Australia joint military exercise, AUSTRALIND 2025, will be held in Perth, Australia. This

exercise involves a 120-member Indian Army contingent led by a Battalion of Gorkha Rifles. AUSTRALIND aims to deepen defence cooperation between the two countries by enhancing interoperability, tactical coordination, and the sharing of best practices in sub-conventional warfare. Conducting the exercise in Perth underscores Australia's commitment to joint defence training and strategic collaboration with India, fostering stronger military partnerships that contribute to peace, security, and stability across the Indo-Pacific region.

Category : Defence

Q44. In which state did PM Narendra Modi lay the foundation stone for the first Integrated Aqua Park?

- A) Assam
- B) Nagaland
- C) Manipur
- D) Meghalaya

Answer: B) Nagaland

Explanation:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for Nagaland's first Integrated Aqua Park at Tzudikong under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana. This initiative aims to strengthen the fisheries sector in Nagaland by focusing on fish and seed production. The park will serve as a major resource centre, providing high-quality inputs, market linkages, and fair pricing mechanisms for fishery products. It represents a key step toward sustainable development and economic growth in the region, promoting livelihood opportunities for local fish farmers and entrepreneurs.

Category : State

D) 90

Answer: A) 85

Q45. In which city was the 11th Asian Aquatics Championships hosted for the first time in India?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Ahmedabad
- C) New Delhi
- D) Bengaluru

Answer: B) Ahmedabad

Explanation:

The 11th Asian Aquatics Championships were hosted in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, marking the first time India organised this prestigious continental event. Held at the Veer Savarkar Sports Complex, the championship witnessed outstanding performances by athletes from across Asia. China emerged as the dominant nation with 54 medals, while India delivered its best-ever showing with a total of 13 medals. Hosting the event in Ahmedabad showcased India's growing infrastructure and capability to organise large-scale international sporting events, strengthening its position in the global sports arena.

Category : National

Q46. What is India's rank in the Henley Passport Index 2025?

- A) 85
- B) 80
- C) 71

Explanation:

In the Henley Passport Index 2025, India's passport ranks 85th, marking a slip from its previous position of 80 in 2024. The index evaluates passports based on the number of destinations their holders can access without a prior visa. India's fluctuating rank reflects global changes in visa policies, security considerations, and diplomatic engagements. While Singapore tops the index with visa-free access to 193 countries, India's position highlights challenges in travel freedom for its citizens compared to neighboring countries like China (64th) and Bhutan (89th). The ranking underscores the influence of international relations on global mobility.

Category : International

Q47. Which international organization collaborated with UNESCO to implement the Virtual Museum of Stolen Cultural Objects?

- A) WHO
- B) INTERPOL
- C) IMF
- D) WTO

Answer: B) INTERPOL

Explanation:

UNESCO launched the Virtual Museum of Stolen Cultural Objects during MONDIACULT 2025, a pioneering global initiative aimed at combating the illicit trafficking of cultural property. The project was developed in response to calls from



Member States for coordinated international efforts to protect cultural heritage. Financially supported by Saudi Arabia, the museum is implemented in collaboration with INTERPOL, which plays a crucial role in tracing, recovering, and preventing the illegal trade of stolen artifacts. This partnership underscores the importance of global cooperation in safeguarding humanity's shared cultural legacy through technology and law enforcement.

Category : International

Q48. In which country will UPI payments soon be accepted following the partnership between NPCI International Payments Ltd (NIPL) and NTT DATA?

- A) Japan
- B) South Korea
- C) Singapore
- D) Thailand

Answer: A) Japan

Explanation:

Unified Payments Interface (UPI) services will soon be available in Japan through a partnership between NPCI International Payments Ltd (NIPL) and NTT DATA. NTT DATA operates CAFIS, the country's largest card transaction network, linking banks, ATMs, and merchants nationwide. This collaboration will allow Indian travelers to make payments at Japanese merchant outlets by scanning QR codes and paying directly in Indian Rupees (INR). The initiative strengthens digital connectivity between India and Japan, promotes cashless transactions abroad, and highlights India's growing global

influence in digital payment innovation and fintech integration.

Category : International

Q49. By what percentage has India's wild elephant population declined according to the first DNA-based elephant census under SAIEE 2025?

- A) 18%
- B) 12%
- C) 22%
- D) 25%

Answer: A) 18%

Explanation:

India's first DNA-based elephant census conducted under the All-India Synchronous Elephant Estimation (SAIEE) 2025 recorded an 18% decline in the wild elephant population. The latest estimate shows 22,446 elephants, a decrease from 27,312 in 2017. This scientific census, carried out by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) in collaboration with Project Elephant and the Wildlife Institute of India (WII), provides more accurate data for wildlife management. The findings highlight growing concerns over habitat loss, human-elephant conflict, and the urgent need for enhanced conservation measures across India's elephant ranges.

Category : Environment

Q50. Which Indian city has been recommended as the host city for the 2030 Commonwealth Games?



- A) New Delhi
- B) Mumbai
- C) Bengaluru
- D) Ahmedabad

Answer: D) Ahmedabad

Explanation:

Ahmedabad, located in the state of Gujarat, has been recommended as the host city for the 2030 Commonwealth Games. This major sporting event will coincide with the 100-year celebration of the Commonwealth Sport Movement. The decision was made during the Executive Board meeting of Commonwealth Sport, marking a significant milestone for India's growing role in hosting large-scale international sports events. If finalised, this will further enhance Ahmedabad's global recognition as a modern sports and infrastructure hub, contributing to India's legacy in the world of competitive athletics.

Category : National

Q51. Which company developed the AI model Cell2Sentence-Scale 27B (C2S-Scale) that can decode the language of individual cells to aid cancer research?

- A) Google
- B) Microsoft
- C) IBM
- D) OpenAI

Answer: A) Google

Explanation:

Google developed the AI model Cell2Sentence-Scale 27B (C2S-Scale), a 27-billion-parameter foundation model designed to interpret the language of individual cells. This breakthrough enables researchers to generate AI-driven hypotheses for biomedical research, accelerating the discovery of potential cancer treatments. The model's predictions were experimentally validated, making it one of the first instances where AI directly contributed to scientific discovery rather than solely analyzing data. This innovation demonstrates the growing role of advanced AI models in transforming healthcare research and providing new approaches for understanding complex cellular mechanisms.

Category : Technology

Q52. What is the Female Labour Force Participation Rate (FLFPR) in India for 2023–24?

- A) 35%
- B) 42%
- C) 50%
- D) 30%

Answer: B) 42%

Explanation:

India's Female Labour Force Participation Rate (FLFPR) has risen significantly from 23% in 2017–18 to 42% in 2023–24. This increase reflects a major improvement in gender inclusion and economic participation for women in the country. Over the past decade, India recorded the sharpest rise in women's labour force participation among BRICS nations (Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa). The growth highlights ongoing



social and economic reforms, initiatives to promote women's employment, and broader efforts to create an inclusive workforce that supports sustainable economic development and reduces gender disparities in the labour market.

Category : Economy

Q53. Which Indian state hosted the AI Impact Summit 2025 as a pre-event to the India–AI Impact Summit 2026?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Tamil Nadu
- D) Uttarakhand

Answer: D) Uttarakhand

Explanation:

Uttarakhand hosted the AI Impact Summit 2025 in Dehradun, serving as a precursor to the India–AI Impact Summit 2026. Organised by the Department of IT, Government of Uttarakhand, in collaboration with the IndiaAI Mission under MeitY, the summit emphasised responsible and inclusive AI growth. Key focus areas included governance, education, healthcare, disaster management, and rural empowerment through AI. The event brought together officials, academia, and industry leaders, highlighting India's multi-stakeholder approach to ethical AI adoption. Uttarakhand's summit set the stage for the national-level 2026 summit, promoting India's position as a global leader in AI for public good.

Category : State

Q54. Which organization launched the 'We Rise' initiative to make women-led MSMEs export-ready through mentorship and global market support?

- A) Ministry of Commerce
- B) Reserve Bank of India
- C) NITI Aayog
- D) FICCI

Answer: C) NITI Aayog

Explanation:

NITI Aayog, through its Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP), launched the 'We Rise – Women Entrepreneurs Reimagining Inclusive and Sustainable Enterprises' initiative in partnership with DP World. The program aims to support 100 high-potential women-led MSMEs by providing mentorship, trade access, and international market exposure, including platforms like Bharat Mart in Dubai. It integrates NITI Aayog's extensive ecosystem of women entrepreneurs with DP World's global trade infrastructure to enhance export readiness. The initiative promotes sustainable and inclusive business growth, capacity-building, and long-term access to global value chains for women entrepreneurs.

Category : National

Q55. What is the primary function of the newly launched LIMBS Live Cases Dashboard?

- A) Track Court Cases Live
- B) File New Court Cases
- C) Approve Legal Budgets

D) Appoint Judges

Answer: A) Track Court Cases Live

Explanation:

The LIMBS Live Cases Dashboard, launched by Union Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal, enables real-time tracking of court cases involving the Government of India. Part of the Legal Information Management and Briefing System (LIMBS), it consolidates over 7 lakh active cases from 53 ministries and departments, providing data on hearings scheduled in the Supreme Court, High Courts, and subordinate courts for the next seven days. This centralised platform enhances transparency, accountability, and coordination among ministries, streamlines litigation management, reduces delays, and supports the government's broader push for e-governance and efficient legal administration.

Category : National

Q56. Who was awarded the Abel Prize 2025 for contributions to algebraic analysis and representation theory?

- A) Terence Tao
- B) Masaki Kashiwara
- C) Pierre Deligne
- D) John Milnor

Answer: B) Masaki Kashiwara

Explanation:

Masaki Kashiwara, a renowned Japanese mathematician, received the Abel Prize in 2025 for his pioneering work in algebraic analysis and representation theory. He is celebrated for developing the theory of D-

modules, which provides an algebraic framework to study systems of linear partial differential equations (PDEs). The Abel Prize, often regarded as the mathematics equivalent of the Nobel Prize, honours outstanding contributions that have profoundly influenced mathematical research. Kashiwara's work has had a lasting impact on both pure mathematics and its applications, establishing him as a leading figure in modern mathematical theory.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q57. Which state launched the “CM Flight” initiative to empower youth for global careers?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Tamil Nadu
- D) Assam

Answer: D) Assam

Explanation:

The “CM Flight” initiative was launched by the Chief Minister of Assam to provide the state's youth with training, mentorship, exposure, and placement opportunities aimed at pursuing global careers. The programme addresses key challenges such as unemployment, skill mismatches, and brain drain by equipping young professionals with the skills required for international job markets. By fostering global employability and career readiness, Assam seeks to empower its youth, promote economic development, and enhance the state's talent presence on a worldwide scale, making it a pioneering model in youth-centric skill initiatives.



Category : State

Q58. Who has become the first actor to join the billionaire club with a net worth of \$1.4 billion?

- A) Salman Khan
- B) Aamir Khan
- C) Shah Rukh Khan
- D) Akshay Kumar

Answer: C) Shah Rukh Khan

Explanation:

Shah Rukh Khan has become the first actor to cross the billionaire threshold, with an estimated net worth of \$1.4 billion (₹12,490 crore). His wealth accumulation is driven by multiple ventures, including his film production company Red Chillies Entertainment, ownership stakes in the Kolkata Knight Riders IPL franchise, high-value brand endorsements, and strategic real estate investments. This milestone reflects not only his enduring popularity in the global entertainment industry but also his business acumen, making him a prominent figure in both cinematic and entrepreneurial circles worldwide.

Category : Persons

Q59. In which country was the Sultan of Johor Cup 2025, where India won the silver medal, held?

- A) Australia
- B) India
- C) Malaysia

D) Singapore

Answer: C) Malaysia

Explanation:

The Sultan of Johor Cup 2025 was held in Malaysia, where India clinched the silver medal after a narrow 2-1 defeat to Australia in the final. This marked India's fifth runners-up finish in the tournament, following bronze medals in the previous two editions. The event highlighted competitive international youth hockey, with Australia breaking their three-final losing streak by avenging their 2022 defeat to India. Hosting such tournaments in Malaysia emphasises the country's growing role in promoting field hockey and providing a platform for emerging talent in the sport across Asia.

Category : Sports

Q60. Who became the first Indian woman compound archer to win a medal at the Archery World Cup Final by securing bronze in Nanjing, China?

- A) Deepika Kumari
- B) Laxmirani Majhi
- C) Bombayla Devi Laishram
- D) Jyothi Surekha Vennam

Answer: D) Jyothi Surekha Vennam

Explanation:

Jyothi Surekha Vennam made history by becoming the first Indian woman compound archer to win a medal at the Archery World Cup Final. She clinched the bronze in Nanjing, China, defeating second seed Ella Gibson of Great Britain with a score of 150-145, including a



flawless 15 tens over five ends. This achievement marks India's first-ever women's compound medal at the season-ending final, highlighting Vennam's precision, resilience, and her growing stature in international archery. Her performance is a milestone for Indian archery, inspiring future athletes in the sport.

Category : Persons

Q61. Which Latin American country became the first to legalise euthanasia, allowing medically assisted dying for patients with incurable illnesses?

- A) Brazil
- B) Argentina
- C) Uruguay
- D) Chile

Answer: C) Uruguay

Explanation:

Uruguay has become the first Latin American nation to legalise euthanasia, marking a significant milestone in bioethics and human rights within the region. The legislation permits medically assisted dying for patients suffering from incurable illnesses that cause unbearable pain, following five years of national debate and ethical discussion. This move reflects a growing recognition of patient autonomy and the right to die with dignity, setting a precedent for other countries in the region. Uruguay's law balances medical, ethical, and legal considerations while advancing humane healthcare practices.

Category : International

Q62. Which country developed its first fully indigenous antibiotic, Nafithromycin, and achieved a major milestone in gene therapy for hemophilia?

- A) USA
- B) Germany
- C) Japan
- D) India

Answer: D) India

Explanation:

India has developed Nafithromycin, its first homegrown antibiotic, aimed at treating resistant respiratory infections, especially in vulnerable patients. This achievement, alongside successful indigenous gene therapy trials for hemophilia, underscores India's growing capabilities in biotechnology, pharmaceutical innovation, and clinical research. These breakthroughs were enabled by collaborations between the Department of Biotechnology and private firms like Wockhardt, reflecting a strong public-private partnership. Additionally, India's progress in genome sequencing and precision medicine positions the country as a rising leader in healthcare innovation, reducing dependence on foreign technologies and advancing its goal of biotech self-reliance under the Viksit Bharat 2047 vision.

Category : Technology

Q63. Who became the first Indian to receive the WCPA-Kenton Miller Award for innovation in protected area sustainability?

- A) Ramesh Kumar
- B) Priya Singh
- C) Anil Mehta
- D) Dr. Sonali Ghosh

Answer: D) Dr. Sonali Ghosh

Explanation:

Dr. Sonali Ghosh, Field Director of Kaziranga National Park, became the first Indian recipient of the WCPA-Kenton Miller Award at the IUCN World Conservation Congress in Abu Dhabi, UAE. The award, established in 2006, is presented biennially by the World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA) to recognise innovative contributions to the sustainability and management of national parks and protected areas. Dr. Ghosh's leadership and initiatives at Kaziranga National Park have enhanced biodiversity conservation, park management, and community engagement, reflecting global standards in environmental stewardship and making India proud on the international conservation stage.

Category : Persons

Q64. Which Indian spacecraft made the first direct observation of solar activity affecting the Moon's exosphere?

- A) Chandrayaan-2
- B) Mangalyaan
- C) Astrosat
- D) Chandrayaan-1

Answer: A) Chandrayaan-2

Explanation:

Chandrayaan-2, launched by ISRO in 2019, made the first direct observation of how Coronal Mass Ejections (CMEs) from the Sun impact the Moon's exosphere. The CHACE-2 instrument on board recorded a significant increase in the density of neutral atoms and molecules, confirming that solar outbursts can dramatically alter the lunar atmosphere. This finding enhances understanding of lunar space weather, especially because the Moon lacks a global magnetic field and atmosphere, making its exosphere highly sensitive to solar activity. Chandrayaan-2's observations contribute valuable data for future lunar missions and planetary science research.

Category : Technology

Q65. Who became Japan's first female prime minister in 2025, marking a historic milestone in the country's politics?

- A) Shigeru Ishiba
- B) Shinzo Abe
- C) Sanae Takaichi
- D) Yuriko Koike

Answer: C) Sanae Takaichi

Explanation:

Sanae Takaichi was elected as Japan's first female prime minister on October 21, 2025, receiving 237 votes in the 465-seat Lower House. Her election represents both a historic breakthrough for gender representation and a political shift to the right, reflecting her conservative views modeled on Shinzo Abe and Margaret Thatcher. Takaichi advocates stricter



immigration policies, traditional family values, and a stronger national security stance, while also signaling fiscal stimulus measures to address economic challenges. Her leadership is significant not only for breaking a political glass ceiling but also for influencing Japan's domestic and international policy direction.

Category : International

Q66. Which country has launched its first-ever State Mining Readiness Index to rank States on mining efficiency, reforms, and sustainability?

- A) India
- B) China
- C) Australia
- D) Canada

Answer: A) India

Explanation:

India has launched the inaugural State Mining Readiness Index (SMRI) as part of the Union Budget 2025–26. Developed by the Ministry of Mines, the SMRI evaluates States on operational efficiency, reform-readiness, and sustainable practices in managing non-coal mineral resources. The index aims to promote transparency, accountability, and healthy competition among States, while encouraging sustainable mining practices aligned with climate and social responsibilities. It also categorises States based on their mineral resource endowment to ensure fair benchmarking. This initiative marks a significant step in modernizing India's mineral governance.

Category : International

Q67. On which date is Police Commemoration Day observed in India to honour officers who died in the line of duty?

- A) January 15
- B) October 21
- C) December 5
- D) July 30

Answer: B) October 21

Explanation:

Police Commemoration Day is observed annually on October 21 in India to honour police personnel who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty. The date commemorates a tragic ambush in 1959 at Hot Springs, Ladakh, where ten Indian police officers were killed and several captured by Chinese troops. The day serves to remember their courage and dedication while reinforcing morale and pride within the police forces. Ceremonies at the National Police Memorial in New Delhi, along with public events during the following Commemoration Week, highlight the sacrifices made by police personnel and strengthen public awareness of their vital role in maintaining internal security.

Category : Important Days

Q68. By what percentage did India's Infrastructure Output grow in September 2025 compared to the same period last year?

- A) 3%
- B) 6.5%

- C) 4%
D) 2.8%

Answer: A) 3%

Explanation:

In September 2025, India's Infrastructure Output, measured by the Index of Eight Core Industries (ICI), registered a growth rate of 3% year-on-year. This indicates moderate expansion in the infrastructure sector, driven by positive growth in key areas such as steel, cement, electricity, and fertilizers. Although the growth rate was lower than August's revised figure of 6.5%, it still reflects ongoing momentum in core industrial activity, contributing to the overall economic stability and infrastructural development of the country.

Category : Economy

Q69. What is India's global ranking in total forest area according to the FAO's Global Forest Resources Assessment (GFRA) 2025?

- A) 9th
B) 7th
C) 10th
D) 8th

Answer: A) 9th

Explanation:

According to the Global Forest Resources Assessment (GFRA) 2025 released by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), India has risen to the 9th position globally in total forest area. This achievement highlights the country's ongoing dedication to expanding and conserving its

forest cover through sustainable forestry practices and afforestation programs. Additionally, India continues to hold the 3rd position in annual forest area gain, reflecting significant efforts in reforestation and land management policies aimed at balancing ecological preservation with developmental needs.

Category : International

Q70. Which university's researchers discovered Sinapic acid as a potential treatment for diabetic wounds?

- A) Manipur University
B) Mizoram University
C) Nagaland University
D) Assam University

Answer: C) Nagaland University

Explanation:

Researchers from Nagaland University have identified Sinapic acid, a naturally occurring plant compound, as a promising therapeutic agent for treating diabetic wounds. Their study marks the first global evidence showing that oral administration of Sinapic acid can significantly accelerate wound healing under diabetic conditions in preclinical models. This discovery holds immense potential for developing affordable and effective treatments for chronic wounds commonly seen in diabetic patients, contributing to advancements in medical research and promoting health innovation from India's northeastern region.

Category : Science

Q71. How many spices have been standardized under India's leadership through the Codex Committee on Spices and Culinary Herbs (CCSCH)?

- A) 15 spices
- B) 19 spices
- C) 12 spices
- D) 21 spices

Answer: B) 19 spices

Explanation:

Under India's leadership, the Codex Committee on Spices and Culinary Herbs (CCSCH) has successfully standardized 19 spices since its establishment in 2013. The committee, chaired by India and supported by the Spices Board in Kochi, works under the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) to develop international standards that promote food safety, fair trade, and consumer protection. During the 8th CCSCH session, standards for vanilla, large cardamom, and coriander were finalised, marking another milestone in harmonizing global spice trade practices and reinforcing India's pivotal role in shaping food quality benchmarks worldwide.

Category : National

Q72. Which Indian naval ship participated in the Japan-India Maritime Exercise (JAIMEX) 2025 held at Yokosuka, Japan?

- A) INS Kolkata
- B) INS Vikrant
- C) INS Trikanth

D) INS Sahyadri

Answer: D) INS Sahyadri

Explanation:

INS Sahyadri, a Shivalik-class stealth frigate of the Indian Navy, participated in the Japan-India Maritime Exercise (JAIMEX) 2025 at Yokosuka, Japan. This exercise underscores the growing defence cooperation between India and Japan, which share a Special Strategic and Global Partnership. The collaboration highlights mutual interests in maintaining regional maritime security, strengthening interoperability, and enhancing strategic coordination between the two navies. Such joint exercises have been a key feature of their defence ties since 2014, reinforcing shared commitments toward peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific region.

Category : Defence

Q73. Which Indian state is set to become the first to be officially declared free of extreme poverty?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Kerala
- C) Karnataka
- D) Goa

Answer: B) Kerala

Explanation:

Kerala is poised to make history by becoming India's first state to be officially declared free of extreme poverty on November 1, 2025. This achievement is the result of the state's comprehensive Extreme Poverty Eradication Programme, launched in 2021, which identified and

assisted families living in severe economic distress. Through targeted welfare initiatives, social inclusion measures, and effective governance, Kerala has significantly improved the living standards of its most vulnerable citizens. The declaration, to be made by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan in Thiruvananthapuram, highlights Kerala's continued leadership in social welfare and equitable development.

Category : State

Q74. In which Indian state is the Gangotri Dham located?

- A) Himachal Pradesh
- B) Uttarakhand
- C) Sikkim
- D) Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: B) Uttarakhand

Explanation:

Gangotri Dham is one of the four sacred Char Dham pilgrimage sites located in the state of Uttarakhand. Situated in the Uttarkashi district, it is dedicated to Goddess Ganga and marks the origin of the holy River Ganga. Each year, the temple closes for the winter season during the Annakut festival, and the idol of Goddess Ganga is ceremonially moved to Mukhba village, her winter abode. The temple reopens in summer, attracting thousands of devotees who seek spiritual blessings in the serene Himalayan region of Uttarakhand.

Category : State

Q75. Which country has officially abolished the restrictive kafala (sponsorship) system for foreign workers?

- A) Saudi Arabia
- B) United Arab Emirates
- C) Qatar
- D) Kuwait

Answer: A) Saudi Arabia

Explanation:

Saudi Arabia has officially abolished the kafala system, marking a historic reform in its labour laws. The kafala system had long been criticized for giving employers excessive control over foreign workers, including the ability to confiscate passports, restrict job mobility, and deny exit permits. By ending this system, Saudi Arabia aims to improve workers' rights, attract skilled foreign labour, and align its policies with global labour standards. This reform also supports the goals of Saudi Vision 2030, which seeks to modernise the kingdom's economy and enhance its global reputation as a fair and progressive employer.

Category : International

Q76. Who has been conferred the honourary rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Territorial Army?

- A) Abhinav Bindra
- B) P. V. Sindhu
- C) Bajrang Punia
- D) Neeraj Chopra

Answer: D) Neeraj Chopra

Explanation:

Neeraj Chopra, India's celebrated javelin thrower and two-time Olympic medallist, has been conferred the honorary rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Territorial Army. Having joined the Indian Army as a Naib Subedar in 2016, he rose through the ranks to become Subedar and later Subedar Major. Neeraj's outstanding achievements include prestigious honours such as the Arjuna Award (2018), Khel Ratna (2021), Padma Shri (2022), and Param Vishisht Seva Medal (2022). This recognition highlights his exemplary contributions to Indian sports and his embodiment of discipline, patriotism, and excellence both on and off the field.

Category : Persons

Q77. What is the name of the new elite commando unit and drone platoons recently raised by the Indian Army?

- A) Garuda
- B) Trishul
- C) Bhairav
- D) Vajra

Answer: C) Bhairav

Explanation:

The Indian Army has raised new Bhairav Battalions along with specialised drone platoons to strengthen its rapid-response and high-mobility warfare capabilities. Each Bhairav Battalion consists of around 250 personnel and is designed to operate between regular infantry and Special Forces. These units will enhance surveillance, strike precision, and

adaptability during surprise operations along India's borders with China and Pakistan. The concept of the Bhairav Battalions and drone platoons evolved from operational lessons learned during Operation Sindoor in May 2025, reflecting India's growing emphasis on technology-integrated military readiness.

Category : Defence

Q78. Which country recently became the 90th State Member of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)?

- A) Fiji
- B) Tuvalu
- C) Samoa
- D) Kiribati

Answer: B) Tuvalu

Explanation:

Tuvalu, one of the smallest and most climate-vulnerable nations, has joined the IUCN as its 90th State Member. Comprising nine low-lying atolls in the Pacific, Tuvalu faces threats like sea-level rise, coastal erosion, and climate-induced challenges to food and freshwater security. IUCN membership provides Tuvalu with access to global conservation expertise, international advocacy platforms, and technical support for biodiversity and climate policies. This membership also allows Tuvalu to engage with initiatives like the Green Climate Fund and Global Environment Facility, enhancing its ability to implement sustainable fisheries, marine protected areas, and community-driven climate adaptation strategies.

Category : International



Q79. Who has been appointed as the Chair of the WIPO Advisory Board of Judges for the term 2025–2027?

- A) Justice Prathiba M. Singh
- B) Justice Ranjan Gogoi
- C) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud
- D) Justice N.V. Ramana

Answer: A) Justice Prathiba M. Singh

Explanation:

Justice Prathiba M. Singh of the Delhi High Court has been appointed as the Chair of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Advisory Board of Judges for 2025–2027. She is the first Indian and the first Asian to hold this prestigious position, marking a significant milestone in global intellectual property law. As Chair, she will guide WIPO in aligning its policies with judicial standards worldwide. Her appointment highlights India's growing leadership in IP law and offers strategic judicial perspectives on innovation, digital governance, and economic development.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q80. Which Indian state is building its first underwater tunnel?

- A) Kerala
- B) Tamil Nadu
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Karnataka

Answer: A) Kerala

Explanation:

Kerala is set to construct its first underwater tunnel between Vypin and Fort Kochi as part of the state's coastal highway project. The ₹2,672 crore project will reduce the travel distance from 16 km to just 3 km under the Arabian Sea. Developed by the Kerala Rail Development Corporation Limited (KRDCL), the tunnel features a twin-tube design, emergency stops, escape passages, and advanced safety systems. This initiative will significantly cut travel time, reduce commuting costs, and minimize disruption to port operations, marking a major milestone in Kerala's infrastructure and transport development.

Category : State

Q81. Which country has launched the Online National Drug Licensing System (ONDLS) to track pharmaceutical solvents and ensure drug safety?

- A) United States
- B) United Kingdom
- C) Germany
- D) India

Answer: D) India

Explanation:

India has introduced the Online National Drug Licensing System (ONDLS) in response to fatal cases linked to toxic cough syrups. Spearheaded by the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO), ONDLS allows real-time tracking of high-risk pharmaceutical solvents, ensuring only verified, safe ingredients are used in drug manufacturing. The system provides end-

to-end traceability, mandatory batch-wise entries, and compliance audits by state-level controllers. This initiative strengthens India's pharmaceutical safety framework, prevents contamination, and addresses public health concerns while aligning with international standards for drug quality and regulatory oversight.

Category : International

Q82. What is the name of the asteroid recently confirmed by NASA as Earth's new "quasi-moon"?

- A) Apollo 11
- B) Artemis X
- C) PN7
- D) Orion 3

Answer: C) PN7

Explanation:

NASA confirmed the asteroid 2025 PN7 as a "quasi-moon" of Earth, meaning it follows a similar orbital path around the Sun but is not gravitationally bound to our planet like the Moon. Discovered by the University of Hawaii in 2025, PN7 is estimated to be between 18 and 36 metres in diameter. Its orbital behavior makes it appear as if it accompanies Earth in its journey around the Sun. NASA's analysis confirmed that PN7 poses no danger to our planet, making it an exciting scientific discovery for understanding near-Earth objects.

Category : Technology

Q83. What is Deloitte India's projected GDP growth rate for India in FY26?

- A) 6.3–6.5%
- B) 6.7–6.9%
- C) 7.0–7.2%
- D) 6.0–6.2%

Answer: B) 6.7–6.9%

Explanation:

Deloitte India's latest India Economic Outlook report projects India's GDP growth for FY26 in the range of 6.7–6.9%, reflecting confidence in the country's strong domestic demand and supportive policy environment. The upward revision of 0.3 percentage points from earlier estimates highlights renewed optimism in the Indian economy. Key drivers include robust private investment, rising consumer spending, and government-led reforms such as GST 2.0. The projection aligns closely with the Reserve Bank of India's 6.8% growth forecast, emphasizing a broad consensus on India's economic resilience despite challenges like global trade uncertainty, inflation pressures, and geopolitical risks.

Category : Economy

Q84. Who won the 2025 British Academy Book Prize for the work "The Burning Earth"?

- A) William Dalrymple
- B) Sunil Amrith
- C) Sophie Harman
- D) Bronwen Everill

Answer: B) Sunil Amrith

Explanation:



Sunil Amrith, an Indian-origin historian and Yale University professor, won the 2025 British Academy Book Prize for his book *The Burning Earth: An Environmental History of the Last 500 Years*. The £25,000 prize honours outstanding non-fiction that deepens public understanding of global issues through scholarly research. Amrith's work traces five centuries of human-environment interaction, exploring how empire, capitalism, and industrialization have shaped ecological change worldwide. His recognition underscores the growing importance of environmental history and highlights the contributions of Indian-origin scholars to global academic discourse. The British Academy praised his book for reframing history through an ecological lens.

Category : Awards and Honours

Q85. In which country is Exercise Ocean Sky 2025 being hosted, with the Indian Air Force participating?

- A) Germany
- B) Portugal
- C) Spain
- D) Greece

Answer: C) Spain

Explanation:

Exercise Ocean Sky 2025 is being hosted by the Spanish Air Force at Gando Air Base in Spain, with participation from several allied nations, including India, Germany, Greece, Portugal, and the United States. The Indian Air Force is showcasing its Su-30MKI fighter jets during the exercise, aimed at enhancing interoperability, mutual learning, and

advanced air combat skills among the participating air forces. Spain's role as host highlights its growing collaboration with global defence partners, while India's involvement underscores its commitment to strengthening international military cooperation and operational readiness through such joint exercises.

Category : Defence

Q86. Which country became the 11th member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) in October 2025?

- A) Cambodia
- B) East Timor
- C) Laos
- D) Myanmar

Answer: B) East Timor

Explanation:

East Timor, also known as Timor-Leste, officially became the 11th member of ASEAN on October 26, 2025, during the ASEAN Summit in Kuala Lumpur. This marked the culmination of a 14-year application process and symbolised the country's successful integration into the regional community. With a population of about 1.4 million and a growing democratic system, East Timor's membership represents ASEAN's commitment to inclusivity and the strengthening of democratic values. It also opens new opportunities for East Timor in trade, education, and regional cooperation while enriching ASEAN's collective political and cultural diversity.

Category : International



Q87. In which city was the 20th East Asia Summit held where the Kuala Lumpur Declaration was adopted?

- A) Jakarta
- B) Bangkok
- C) Manila
- D) Kuala Lumpur

Answer: D) Kuala Lumpur

Explanation:

The 20th East Asia Summit took place in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, where member nations adopted the Kuala Lumpur Declaration reaffirming their shared commitment to peace, stability, and multilateral cooperation. The declaration emphasised ASEAN's central role in regional architecture and endorsed transparent, rules-based approaches to conflict resolution. It also reinforced the EAS's informal, leaders-led framework for strategic dialogue and cooperation on security, economic, and developmental issues. Amid shifting global power dynamics and regional tensions, the summit's outcome in Kuala Lumpur underscored the importance of collaboration, trust-building, and a unified commitment to stability across the East Asian region.

Category : Miscellaneous

Q88. Which country launched the world's first yen-pegged stablecoin, JPYC, marking a major milestone in digital finance?

- A) Japan

B) South Korea

C) China

D) Singapore

Answer: A) Japan

Explanation:

Japan has introduced the world's first yen-pegged stablecoin, JPYC, on October 27, 2025, through Tokyo-based startup JPYC Inc. Fully backed by Japanese yen and government bonds, the stablecoin aims to enhance digital payments and global financial interoperability while maintaining a 1:1 value with the yen. This move positions Japan as a pioneer in digital currency innovation, breaking the dominance of U.S. dollar-backed stablecoins. By promoting low-cost, fast, and secure transactions, Japan's initiative reflects its broader goal of integrating fintech advancements with monetary stability and economic modernization in the Asia-Pacific region.

Category : Finance

Q89. Who has been appointed as the 53rd Chief Justice of India (CJI), succeeding Justice BR Gavai?

- A) Justice Surya Kant
- B) Justice DY Chandrachud
- C) Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul
- D) Justice BR Gavai

Answer: A) Justice Surya Kant

Explanation:

Justice Surya Kant has been appointed as the 53rd Chief Justice of India, with his

tenure beginning on November 24, 2025, following the retirement of Justice BR Gavai. The appointment was approved by President Droupadi Murmu based on the collegium's recommendation. Justice Surya Kant, currently a Supreme Court judge, is known for his contributions to constitutional law, social justice, and human rights. Before his elevation, he served as Chief Justice of the Himachal Pradesh High Court and as a judge at the Punjab and Haryana High Court. His leadership is expected to guide key judicial reforms and enhance justice delivery efficiency in India.

Category : Persons

Q90. Across which front is India conducting the tri-service military exercise 'Ex Trishul'?

- A) Northern Front
- B) Eastern Front
- C) Western Front
- D) Southern Front

Answer: C) Western Front

Explanation:

'Ex Trishul' is a large-scale tri-service exercise conducted by India along its Western Front, which borders Pakistan. The exercise brings together the Army, Navy, and Air Force to enhance interoperability, coordination, and joint combat readiness. Held across Gujarat and Rajasthan from October 30 to November 10, 2025, it focuses on integrated operations involving land, sea, and air components. With over 20,000 troops and advanced assets like Rafale jets, Arjun tanks, and naval destroyers, the exercise demonstrates India's preparedness,

technological strength, and commitment to maintaining security and strategic stability along its western border region.

Category : Defence

Q91. Where was the International Salinity Conference 3.0, WE-CARE 2025, inaugurated?

- A) Kerala
- B) Goa
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Gujarat

Answer: B) Goa

Explanation:

The International Salinity Conference 3.0, WE-CARE 2025, was inaugurated at the ICAR–Central Coastal Agricultural Research Institute (ICAR-CCARI) in Old Goa. The event gathers 150 delegates from India and several SAARC and AARDO member nations, including Japan, Sri Lanka, Mauritius, Dubai, Oman, Kenya, Ghana, Zambia, Gambia, Eswatini, and Lebanon. Hosting the conference in Goa highlights its role as an important hub for international collaboration in addressing global salinity issues, promoting research exchange, and fostering sustainable agricultural practices across diverse regions.

Category : Places

Q92. Which country received India's first-ever GI-tagged Indi and Puliyankudi Limes under the APEDA-facilitated air shipment?



- A) United Kingdom
- B) United States
- C) Australia
- D) Canada

Answer: A) United Kingdom

Explanation:

The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) facilitated the first-ever air shipment of GI-tagged Indi and Puliyanakudi Limes to the United Kingdom. This historic consignment consisted of 350 kg of Indi Lime from Vijayapura, Karnataka, and 150 kg of Puliyanakudi Lime from Tenkasi, Tamil Nadu, totaling 500 kg. The successful export signifies a major milestone in expanding the global reach of India's unique GI-tagged horticultural products, strengthening trade ties and promoting regional produce in international markets.

Category : International

Q93. Which team defeated Australia to enter the Women's ODI World Cup 2025 final?

- A) England
- B) South Africa
- C) New Zealand
- D) India

Answer: D) India

Explanation:

In a historic semi-final of the 2025 Women's ODI World Cup held at DY

Patil Stadium, Navi Mumbai, India defeated Australia by 5 wickets to secure a place in the final against South Africa. Chasing a mammoth target of 339 runs, India recorded the highest successful run chase in Women's ODI history. Jemimah Rodrigues' unbeaten 127 and Harmanpreet Kaur's crucial 89 anchored the innings, while contributions from Richa Ghosh and Amanjot Kaur sealed the win. This victory marked India's first appearance in a World Cup final since 2017 and ended Australia's long unbeaten streak in the tournament.

Category : Sports

Q94. On which date is National Unity Day celebrated in India to honour Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's birth anniversary?

- A) January 26
- B) August 15
- C) October 31
- D) November 14

Answer: C) October 31

Explanation:

National Unity Day, also known as Rashtriya Ekta Diwas, is celebrated every year on October 31 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the "Iron Man of India." The day honours his crucial role in integrating over 560 princely states into a unified India after independence. In 2025, the celebration marks the 150th anniversary of Patel's birth, with nationwide events such as the Run for Unity and cultural programs emphasizing patriotism, unity, and national integrity. This date also symbolises Patel's enduring legacy in building a strong and united Indian nation.



Category : Important Days

Q95. Who became the first U.S. president to receive South Korea's highest national honour, the Grand Order of Mugunghwa?

- A) Joe Biden
- B) Donald Trump
- C) Barack Obama
- D) George W. Bush

Answer: B) Donald Trump

Explanation:

During his visit to South Korea on October 29, 2025, Donald Trump was awarded the Grand Order of Mugunghwa, the country's highest national honour. He also received a replica of the golden Cheonmachong crown, symbolising unity and peaceful reigns. This recognition was granted for his diplomatic efforts in fostering peace on the Korean peninsula, particularly his historic engagements with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un. The event, held in Gyeongju, highlighted strengthened U.S.–South Korea relations and marked Trump as the first American president to receive this distinguished award.

Category : International

Q96. Which regulatory body has proposed major reforms to India's mutual fund fee structure to enhance transparency and investor protection?

- A) RBI
- B) SEBI

C) IRDAI

D) PFRDA

Answer: B) SEBI

Explanation:

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has proposed an overhaul of the mutual fund fee framework to promote transparency, fairness, and investor protection. The consultation paper suggests that taxes and government levies such as STT, GST, and stamp duty be excluded from the Total Expense Ratio (TER) and charged separately to investors. It also proposes removing the additional 5 basis points expense for Asset Management Companies (AMCs) on Assets Under Management (AUM). These reforms aim to simplify cost structures, improve investor clarity, and ensure better governance in India's mutual fund industry.

Category : Finance

Q97. Which ministry is set to launch the "Koyla Shakti – Smart Coal Analytics Dashboard" for real-time monitoring of coal operations in India?

- A) Ministry of Coal
- B) Ministry of Power
- C) Ministry of Mines
- D) Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas

Answer: A) Ministry of Coal

Explanation:

The "Koyla Shakti – Smart Coal Analytics Dashboard" is being launched by the Ministry of Coal as part of its digital

transformation efforts in the energy sector. This real-time analytics platform aims to integrate data from coal producers, ports, and multiple ministries into a unified interface, enabling efficient tracking of the entire coal supply chain. By promoting data transparency, operational efficiency, and better coordination among stakeholders, the dashboard supports India's goal of modernizing its coal management systems and ensuring smoother energy logistics across the country.

Category : National

Q98. What percentage of scientists are featured in Stanford University's 2025 global list of top researchers?

- A) 1%
- B) 2%
- C) 5%
- D) 10%

Answer: B) 2%

Explanation:

Stanford University's 2025 World's Top 2% Scientists List identifies the top-performing researchers worldwide based on a composite citation and impact metric developed by Professor John Ioannidis. The data, sourced from Elsevier's Scopus database, evaluates career-long and annual scientific performance across various disciplines. This year's list highlights 6,239 Indian scientists among the world's top 2%, reflecting India's growing presence in global research and innovation. Notably, several of these scientists come from emerging and lesser-known institutions, showcasing the expanding quality and diversity of scientific

contributions across the Indian research landscape.

Category : International

Q99. Which country has unveiled the nuclear-powered underwater drone named Poseidon?

- A) China
- B) United States
- C) North Korea
- D) Russia

Answer: D) Russia

Explanation:

Russia has introduced Poseidon, a nuclear-powered and nuclear-armed underwater drone capable of creating massive radioactive tsunamis near enemy coastlines. Announced by President Vladimir Putin, the Poseidon—formerly known as Status-6—is a next-generation strategic weapon intended to deter large-scale attacks. It features a compact nuclear reactor that is about 100 times smaller than those found in standard submarines, giving it remarkable endurance and stealth capabilities. The weapon underscores Russia's focus on developing autonomous and nuclear-based defence systems, marking a significant escalation in global undersea warfare and strategic deterrence technologies.

Category : International

Q100. The Government of India plans to introduce new 'Ratna' categories as part of the revised classification and

performance assessment of which entities?

- A) Central Public Sector Enterprises
- B) Public Sector Banks
- C) State Government Enterprises
- D) Cooperative Societies

Answer: A) Central Public Sector Enterprises

Explanation:

The Government of India is planning to reform the classification system of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) by introducing two new 'Ratna' categories in addition to the existing Maharatna, Navratna, and Miniratna statuses. This initiative aims to modernize the evaluation framework, align it with evolving market conditions, and reward efficiency, profitability, and innovation among CPSEs. A 10-member committee headed by Cabinet Secretary T.V. Somanathan has been established to review the proposal and submit recommendations before the Union Budget 2026–27. The move reflects the government's continued efforts to enhance corporate governance and performance accountability in the public sector.

Category : National

