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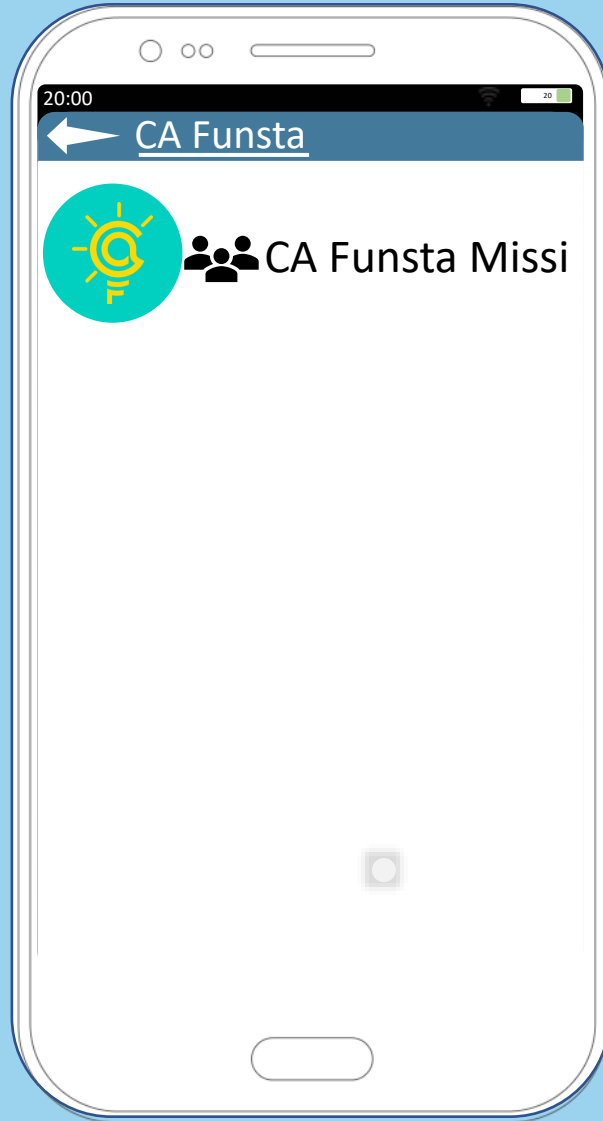
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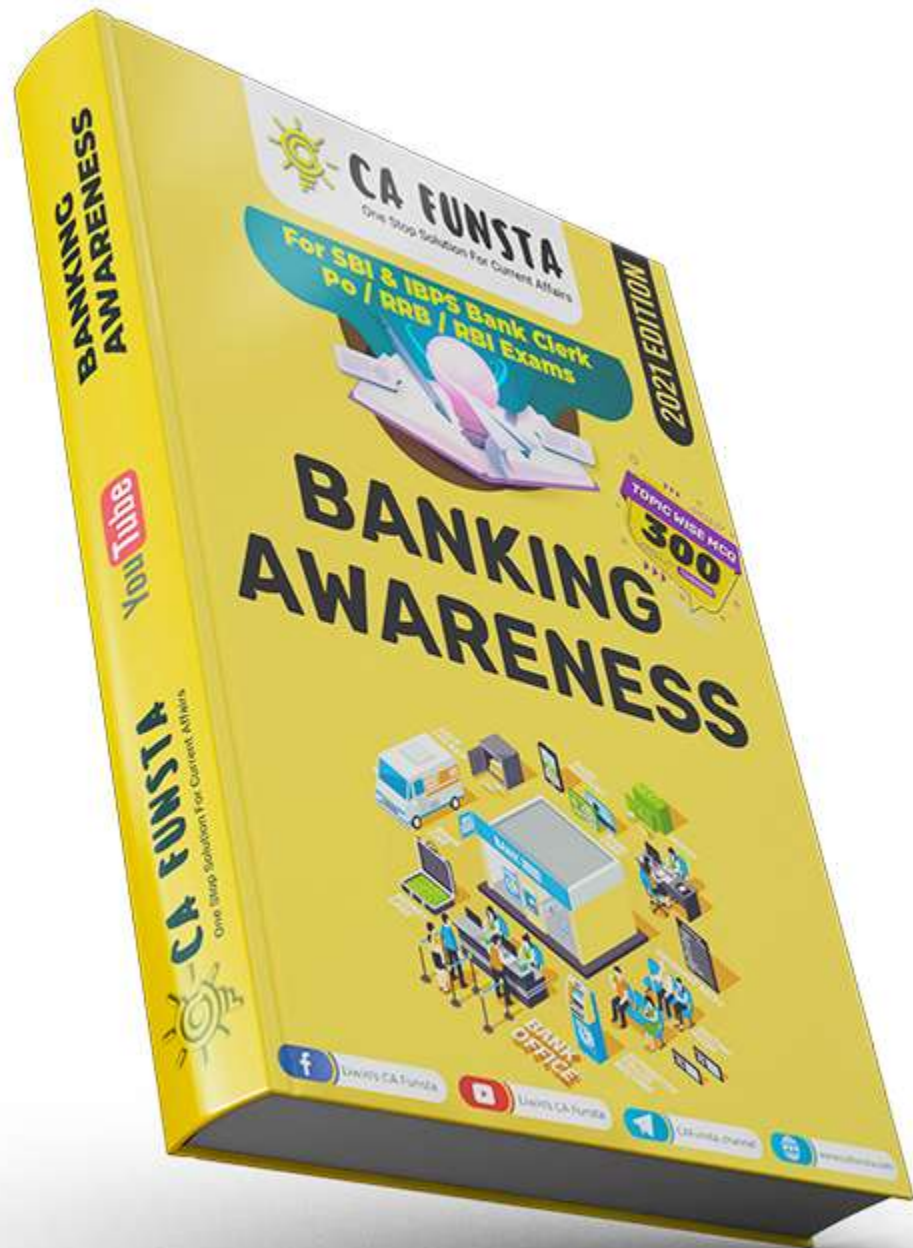


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Housing.com report

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- Delhi Bottom Most rank.



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CURRENT AFFAIRS



SPORTS



➤ **India top spot in ICC Test Team ranking after annual updated. Which country ranked 2nd in the list?**

- a) New Zealand
- b) England
- c) Australia
- d) Sri Lanka
- e) Pakistan

Answer

a) New Zealand



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SPORTS



ICC Test Team rankings after annual update

Rank	Team
1st	India
2nd	New Zealand
3rd	England
4th	Australia
5th	Pakistan
6th	West Indies
7th	South Africa
8th	Sri Lanka
9th	Bangladesh



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SPORTS



➤ **BCCI announces former spinner Ramesh Power as the Indian Women's Cricket Team Head Coach. He is replaced by whom?**

- a) W V Raman
- b) Y V Laxman
- c) K V Raghul
- d) M S Bhavan
- e) W S Raman

Answer

- a) W V Raman**



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SPORTS



Explanation

- Former spinner Ramesh Powar replaced WV Raman as the Indian women's cricket team's head coach, regaining the position more than two years after he was sacked following a bitter fallout with ODI captain Mithali Raj.
- The 42-year-old was recommended by the Madan Lal-led Cricket Advisory Committee (CAC) after interviewing eight candidates, including Raman.



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RANKING



➤ **McGregor tops Forbes highest-paid athletes list.
He is related to which country?**

- a) USA
- b) South Africa
- c) Spain
- d) Ireland
- e) Denmark

Answer

d) Ireland





RANKING



Forbes' highest-paid athletes list 2021

Rank	Athletes	Country	Earnings
1st	McGregor (MMA Boxer) <i>MMA - Mixed Martial Artist</i>	Ireland	\$180 million
2nd	Lionel Messi (Football)	Argentina	\$130 million
3rd	Cristiano Ronaldo (Football)	Portugal	\$120 million



RANKING



➤ According to the Verisk Maplecroft report, how many Indian cities are listed of World's 100 cities at greatest environmental risk?

a) 99

b) 37

c) 43

d) 34

e) 73

Answer

c) 43





RANKING



Explanation

- Asian cities face the greatest risk from environmental issues including air pollution and natural disasters, according to a report by research firm Verisk Maplecroft.
- Of the **100 most vulnerable cities, 99 are in Asia.**
- Of those, 37 are in China and 43 are in India, the world's first and third biggest emitters of greenhouse gases respectively.
- Globally, 1.5 billion people live in 414 cities that are at high risk from pollution, water shortages, extreme heat, natural hazards and the physical impacts of climate change.





BANKING AND FINANCE



➤ **Reserve Bank of India cancels United co-operative Bank's licence.
The bank related to which state?**



- a) West Bengal
- b) Karnataka
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Odisha
- e) Telangana

Answer

a) West Bengal





BANKING AND FINANCE



Explanation

- The Reserve Bank of India has cancelled the licence of United Co-operative Bank Ltd of West Bengal as the bank **does not have adequate capital and earning prospects.**
- All the depositors of the bank will receive the full amount of their deposits from **the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC).**
- The bank ceases to carry on banking business with effect from the close of business on May 13, 2021 and the process of liquidation will now begin.
- On liquidation, every depositor is entitled to receive deposit insurance claims up to Rs 5 lakh.





BANKING AND FINANCE



Titbits

Reserve Bank of India

Act: Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934

Headquarters– Mumbai, Maharashtra

Governor– Shaktikanta Das

Deputy Governors– 4 (T Rabi Sankar, Mahesh Kumar Jain,
Michael Debabrata Patra, M. Rajeshwar Rao)





BANKING AND FINANCE



➤ **Max Bupa launches Senior First Health insurance policy. What is the maximum sum insured in this policy?**

- a) Rs 5 lakh
- b) Rs 15 lakh
- c) Rs 50 lakh
- d) Rs 25 lakh
- e) Rs 10 lakh

Answer

d) Rs 25 lakh





BANKING AND FINANCE



Explanation

- Max Bupa health insurance launched 'Senior First', a tailor-made plan for providing healthcare services to senior citizens.
- The plan is available in Gold and Platinum category, with sum insured in the range of ₹5 lakh- ₹25 lakh.
- Krishnan Ramachandran, MD and CEO, Max Bupa Health Insurance said, "Currently, senior citizens face several challenges while purchasing health insurance."
- This includes undue hassles of going through mandatory medical tests, policy denial due to chronic pre-existing conditions, high premium, inadequate coverage, high co-pay options, amongst others."





BUSINESS AND ECONOMY



➤ According to the World Bank report, India received how much amount **remittance** in 2020?

- a) USD 73 billion
- b) USD 83 billion
- c) USD 93 billion
- d) USD 68 billion
- e) USD 88 billion

Answer

b) USD 83 billion





BUSINESS AND ECONOMY



Explanation

- India received over USD83 billion in remittances in 2020, a drop of **just 0.2 per cent from the previous year**, despite a pandemic that devastated the world economy, according to a World Bank report.
- China, which received USD59.5 billion in remittances in 2020 against USD68.3 billion the previous year, is a distant second in terms of global remittances.
- India and China are followed by Mexico (USD42.8 billion), the Philippines (USD34.9 billion), Egypt (USD29.6 billion), Pakistan (USD26 billion), France (USD24.4 billion) and Bangladesh (USD21 billion).





APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who has been appointed as next ambassador of Suriname?

- a) S Bhavanikumar
- b) S Balaguru
- c) S Balachandran
- d) S Balamurugan
- e) S Balakumar

Answer

- c) S Balachandran





APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- Balachandran has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Suriname, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) informed.
- Balachandran is currently the Consul General of India in Jaffna.





AWARDS



➤ Which organization awarded The Economic Times Best Workplace for Women 2021?

- a) Mahindra & Mahindra
- b) TCS
- c) KONE Elevator
- d) Cognizant
- e) Wipro

Answer

c) KONE Elevator





AWARDS

Explanation

- KONE Elevator India, a leading elevator and escalator manufacturer and a wholly
- owned subsidiary of **Finland**-based KONE Corporation, bagged the 'ET Best Places to Work for Women 2021' Award.
- It has also been featured in the 1st Edition of the coffee table book by The Economic Times titled "**Best Workplaces for Women 2021**".



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

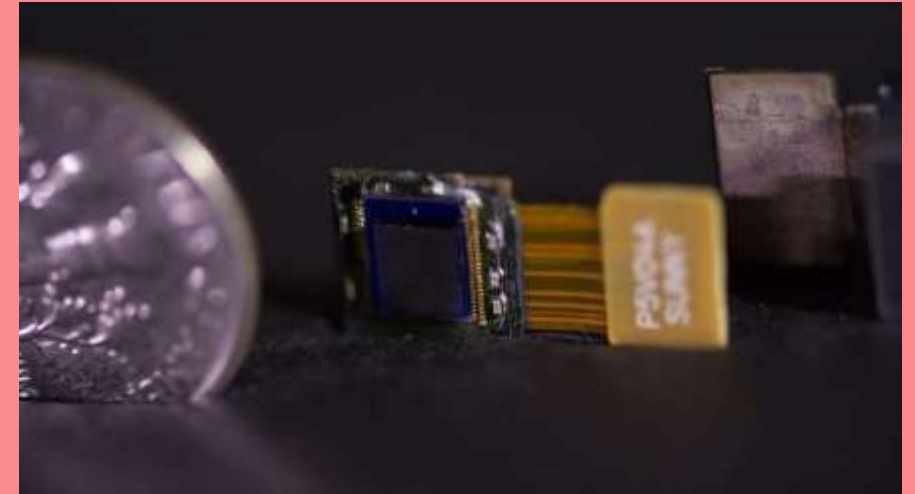


➤ IIT-Madras and Rice University of which country are jointly developed algorithms for lensless, miniature cameras?

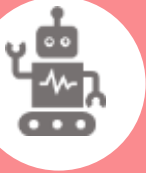
- a) USA
- b) France
- c) Japan
- d) Germany
- e) Geneva

Answer

- a) USA



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Explanation

- Indian Institute of Technology Madras and Rice University, U.S., have developed algorithms for lensless, miniature cameras.
- Such lensless cameras have numerous vision applications in areas such as **Augmented Reality (AR)/ Virtual Reality (VR), security, smart wearables and robotics where cost, form-factor, and weight are major constraints.**
- Lensless cameras do not have a lens which, in a conventional camera, acts as a focusing element allowing the sensor to capture a sharp photograph of the scene.
- **Due to the absence of this focusing element,** the lensless camera captures a multiplexed or globally blurred measurement of the scene.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ Which IIT develops prototype of portable electronic cremation system?

- a) IIT-Kanpur
- b) IIT-Madras
- c) IIT-Delhi
- d) IIT-Ropar
- e) IIT-Hyderabad

Answer

d) IIT-Ropar



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Explanation

- Indian Institute of Technology, Ropar has developed a prototype of a moveable electric cremation system which claims to be using first of its kind technology that involves smokeless cremation despite using wood.
- It uses half of the wood otherwise required for the cremation and still is eco-friendly because of the technology that uses a combustion air system.
- It is based on wick-stove technology in which the wick when lighted glows yellow.
- This is converted into a smokeless blue flame with the help of a combustion air system installed over the wicks.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Explanation

- **IIT Professor Dr Harpreet Singh**, Dean, Industrial Consultancy and Sponsored Research and Industry Interaction (ICSR&II) who has developed the system said that the cremation system or incinerator heats up at 1044 degree Celsius which ensures complete sterilization.
- The disposal of the body is completed within **12 hrs including cooling time as against 48 hours required in the normal wood-based cremation**



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ **The First cyclone of 2021 is 'Tauktae' forming over Arabian Sea. The name 'Tauktae' has been given by which country?**

- a) Nepal
- b) Bangladesh
- c) Sri Lanka
- d) Maldives
- e) Myanmar

Answer

- e) Myanmar



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Explanation

- The India Meteorological Department has predicted that the first cyclonic storm of the year named Tauktae could be taking shape, as a low-pressure area is very likely to form over the southeast Arabian Sea around May 14 morning.
- It is then likely to intensify gradually into a cyclonic storm over the east-central Arabian Sea around May 16, and continue to move north-northwestwards.
- The name 'Tauktae' has been given by Myanmar meaning gecko.
- As per the forecast of the India Meteorological Department, areas like Lakshadweep, the coast of Kerala, Karnataka, Goa, and Maharashtra are likely to be impacted.

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NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which state government announces free education for children who lost their parents or guardians to covid-19?

- a) Assam
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Uttar Pradesh
- e) Madhya Pradesh

Answer

e) Madhya Pradesh



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan announced that children who lost their parents or guardians to COVID will be provided free education and Rs 5,000 monthly pension.
- CM said We will give Rs 5000 per month pension to children who have lost their parents/guardians in this COVID pandemic.
- We'll also arrange free education for these children and free ration for these families.
- The chief minister also said that the state will grant loans to women, who want to work or start a business, on government guarantee.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Madhya Pradesh

Capital- Bhopal

Chief Minister- Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Governor- Anandiben Patel

NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ **Jharkhand government announced extending how much amount insurance cover for frontline covid workers?**

- a) Rs 25 lakh
- b) Rs 30 lakh
- c) Rs 50 lakh
- d) Rs 75 lakh
- e) Rs 40 lakh

Answer

c) Rs 50 lakh



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- Battling a surge in COVID-19 cases and facing manpower crunch, the Jharkhand government announced that it was extending Rs 50 lakh insurance cover for frontline workers that include doctors, nurses and health workers.
- Chairing a high-level meeting, Chief Minister Hemant Soren said the government will also expedite payment of insurance cover to frontline coronavirus workers, dying due to the virus.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Jharkhand

Capital- Ranchi

Chief Minister -Hemant Soren

Governor- Draupadi Murmu



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Maharashtra government approved new scheme to boost oxygen production. What is name of the scheme?

- a) Mission Covid
- b) Mission Oxyi
- c) Mission Covi
- d) Mission Shakti
- e) Mission Oxygen

Answer

- e) Mission Oxygen



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- The Maharashtra cabinet approved a proposal to make the state self-sufficient in oxygen production under which special incentives will be offered to manufacturers.
- The `Maharashtra Mission Oxygen' aims to ensure a production of 3,000 metric tons of life-saving gas per day.
- At present the production capacity in the state is 1,300 metric tons per day while the demand is 1,800 metric tons on account of coronavirus pandemic.
- Under the scheme, incentives will be given to industrial units for producing oxygen including 150 per cent waiver in GST in Marathwada and Vidarbha and 100 percent in rest of the state.
- There will be similar waiver in stamp duty and electricity duty too.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Maharashtra

Capital - Mumbai

Chief Minister - Uddhav Thackeray

Governor - Bhagat Singh Koshyari

NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which state Chief Minister launched 'CG Teeka' web portal for convenient covid vaccination registration process?

- a) Punjab
- b) Haryana
- c) Gujarat
- d) Maharashtra
- e) Chhattisgarh

Answer

- e) Chhattisgarh



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- Chhattisgarh has launched CG Teeka web portal to enable the disadvantaged section of its population to register for Covid-19 vaccination programme through help desks, to be set up at hundreds of locations across the state.
- The state government said this initiative will help in “systematic” vaccination of residents in the 18-44 years age group by ensuring the state’s poor residents, lacking smart phone or internet facilities, are not left out from the Covid vaccination drive.
- The government is setting up help desks at the level of panchayats, urban bodies, and municipal corporations among other centres to help them register.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Chhattisgarh

Capital - Raipur

Chief Minister - Bhupesh Baghel

Governor- Anusuiya Uikey

NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Megalab gets how much amount seed fund to develop Ayurveda-based covid vaccine?

- a) 220 cr
- b) 250 cr
- c) 300 cr
- d) 400 cr
- e) 200 cr

Answer

- c) 300 cr



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- The IIT Alumni Council-founded Megalab has secured a Rs 300-crore seed funding and is developing a two-dose Ayurveda-based coronavirus vaccine that can stop the spread of the deadly virus and prevent infection within a few days of the first dose.
- **The Mumbai-based Megalab**, set up last April by the council to drive the fight against the pandemic with ideas and money, will also be importing available vaccines from the West to be distributed first in Mumbai and then elsewhere.
- Sharma said the seed funding is part of the emergency funds lying with Social Fund, the financing arm of the council and forms part of the Rs 21,000 crore fund raising announced last April in the peak of the first wave of the pandemic.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Punjab Government announced how much allowance to all registered construction workers amid covid-19 crisis?

- a) Rs 10000
- b) Rs 5000
- c) Rs 3000
- d) Rs 2000
- e) Rs 6000

Answer

- c) Rs 3000



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- The Punjab government announced delivery of free cooked food to poor coronavirus patients and a subsistence allowance of ₹3,000 to all registered construction workers amid a surge in COVID-19 cases.
- The poor and underprivileged COVID patients living in the state can call up helpline numbers 181 and 112 for delivery of free cooked meals at their doorsteps through the Punjab Police department.
- The subsistence allowance of ₹3,000 would be paid in two instalments of ₹1,500 each, the first one to be released immediately and another by June 15.



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Titbits

Punjab

Capital Chandigarh

Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh

Governor- V. P. Singh Badnore



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India topped in the list





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RBI



Launched Senior First
Health Insurance Policy

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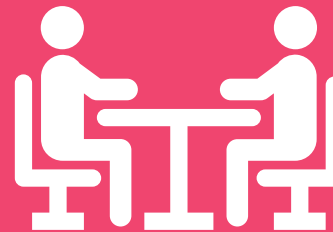


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World Bank



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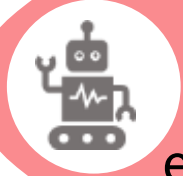


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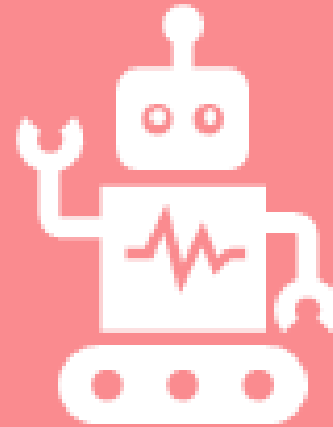


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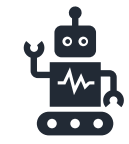
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ASSAM



Capital-Dispur
Chief Minister-Himanta Biswa Sarma
Governor-Jagdish Mukhi

National Park

- Nameri National Park
- Manas National Park

WLS

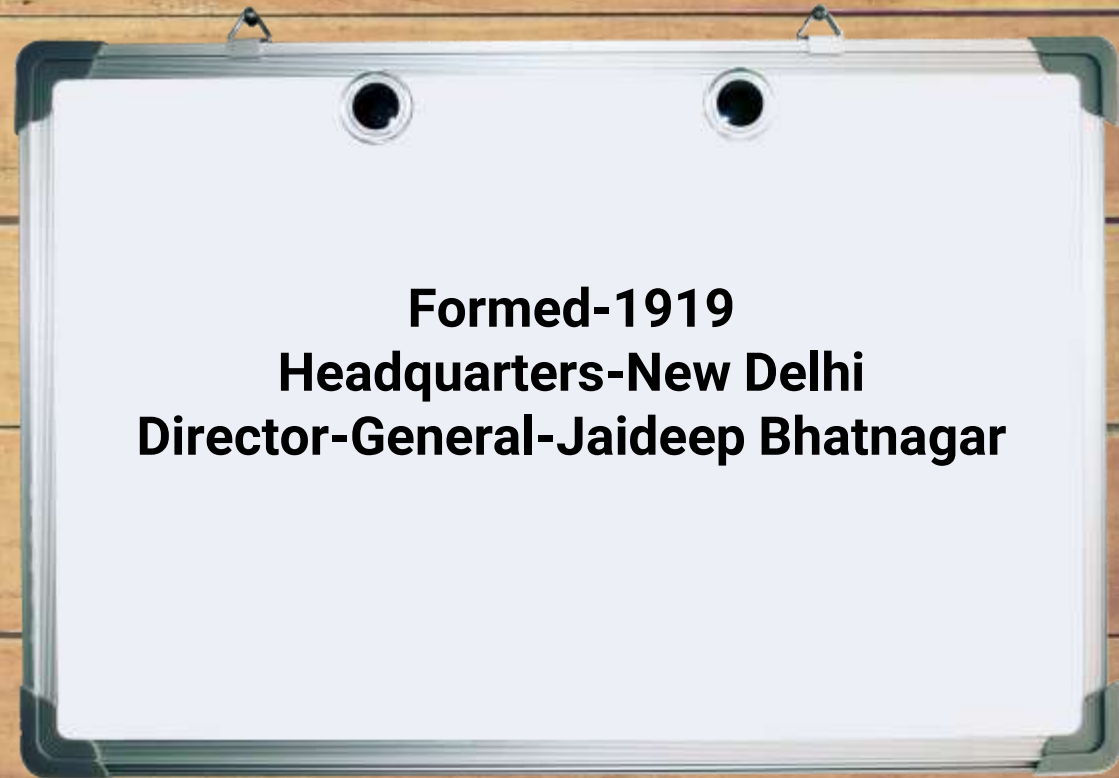
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South Africa



Capitals-Cape Town, Pretoria, Bloemfontein
Currency-Rand

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Minister - DV Sadananada Gowda
Constituency - Bangalore North, Karnataka



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