



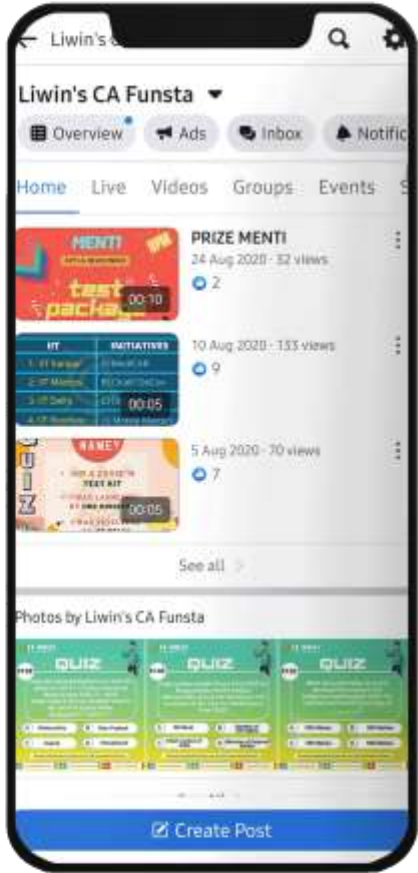
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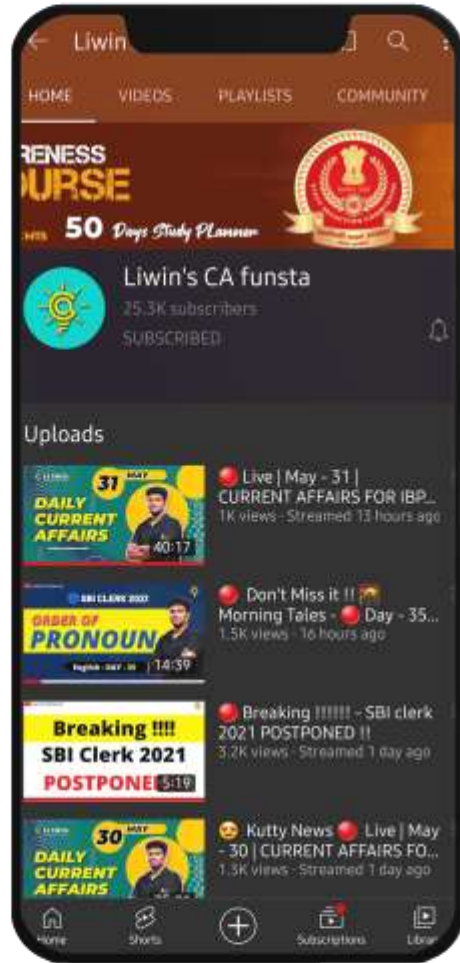
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Important Days



➤ **World Day Against Child Labour is observed on which date?**

- A) June 9
- B) June 2
- C) June 6
- D) June 7
- E) June 12

Answer

E) June 12



Important Days



Explanation

- June 12 is World Day Against Child Labour.
- The theme of this year's World Day Against Child Labour is: 'Act now: end child labour.'
- Ahead of World Day Against Child Labour a report by UNICEF and International Labour Organization (ILO) said, the number of children in child labour has risen to 160 million worldwide – an increase of 8.4 million children in the last four years.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has pushed millions on the brink of poverty and child labour is directly linked to it.



➤ **Vinesh Phogat clinched the women's which category Gold Medal at the Poland Open?**



- A) 33kg
- B) 43kg
- C) 53kg
- D) 57kg
- E) 83kg

Answer

C) 53kg



Explanation

- Indian wrestler Vinesh Phogat clinched the women's **53kg** category gold medal at the Poland Open after beating **Ukraine's Khrystyna Bereza** in the final in Warsaw.
- Phogat outwrestled Bereza 8-0 in the final.
- It is the third title of the season for the 26-year-old Vinesh, who claimed gold medals at the Matteo Pellicone event (March) and Asian Championship (April) earlier.
- This was India's second medal at the event after Ravi Kumar Dahiya's silver in the men's 61kg.



SPORTS



➤ **Shakib Al Hasan is related to which sports?**



- A) Cricket
- B) Boxing
- C) Tennis
- D) Hockey
- E) Football

Answer

A) Cricket



SPORTS



Explanation

- Star Bangladesh cricketer Shakib Al Hasan has been let off lightly with a **four-match suspension** from Dhaka T20 Premier League, following his on-field meltdown during a match between Mohammedan Sporting and Abahani Limited.



OBITUARY



➤ **Dr. Siddalingaiah passed away. He was related to which field?**

- A) Sports
- B) Businessman
- C) Actor
- D) Poet
- E) Politician

Answer

D) Poet



OBITUARY



Explanation

- Noted poet Dr. Siddalingaiah, 67, passed away losing his fight against COVID-19.
- His poems **Ikrala, odirla .., Yarige bantu, ellige bantu nalavattelara swatantrya?, Ninne dina nanna jana ...**, have attained cult status and have been anthems of the Dalit movement in Karnataka.
- He was nominated as a member of the Karnataka Legislative Council for a term in **1980s**.
- He was awarded Pampa Award, the highest literary award of the State, in 2019, Rajyotsava Award in 1986, and he chaired the 81st Kannada Sahitya Sammelana held in Shravanabelagola in 2015.



➤ Which organization partners with ILO released a new report said that Child labour up 1st time in 20 years to 160 mln, more at risk due to Covid?

- A) UNESCO
- B) WHO
- C) UNICEF
- D) UNEP
- E) UNDP

Answer

C) UNICEF



Explanation

- The number of children in child labour has risen to **160 million worldwide – an increase of 8.4 million children in the last four years** – with millions more at risk due to the impacts of COVID-19, says a new report by the ILO and UNICEF.
- Released ahead of World Day Against Child Labour, the report warns that progress to end child labour has stalled for the first time in 20 years, reversing the previous downward trend that saw child labour fall by 94 million between 2000 and 2016.



Titbits

The International Labour Organization

Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland

Founded: 1919

Head: Director-General; Guy Ryder

UNICEF

Abbreviation: The United Nations Children's Fund

Founded: 1946

Headquarters: New York, United States

Head: Henrietta H. Fore



BOOKS AND AUTHORS



➤ Which state Chief Minister released a book of poems 'Beyond Here and Other Poems' written by senior bureaucrat Bishnupada Sethi?

- A) Telangana
- B) Gujarat
- C) Odisha
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Tripura

Answer

C) Odisha



Explanation

- Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik released a book of poems 'Beyond Here and Other Poems' written by senior bureaucrat Bishnupada Sethi.
- It is a collection of 61 poems which are a reflection of a spectrum of experiences of life, perception of death and a philosophical contemplation.
- In all, it is a journey that searches for myriad hues of life and the realm beyond.



BOOKS AND AUTHORS



Titbits

Odisha

Capital: Bhubaneswar

Chief Minister - Naveen Patnaik

Governor - Ganeshi Lal



APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who has been appointed as an honorary member of the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Air Pollution and Health-Technical Advisory Group (GAPH-TAG)?

- A) Saiyam Mehra
- B) Karan Bajwa
- C) Hima Kolhi
- D) Mukesh Sharma
- E) Ashish Pethe

Answer

D) Mukesh Sharma



Explanation

- A professor at IIT-Kanpur has been appointed as an honorary member of the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Air Pollution and Health-Technical Advisory Group (GAPH-TAG).
- Mukesh Sharma, an air quality expert associated with the civil engineering department at IIT-Kanpur, has melded rigorous research with policy engagement.
- WHO-TAG is an advisory body to the WHO providing **technical guidance and inputs to support WHO's efforts and work in the fields of air pollution and health issues**, including how member countries can achieve the air pollution and health-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDG 3.9.1, 7.1.2 and 11.6.2).



APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Rebecca Grynspan is appointed as head of first woman and Central American of the U.N. agency promoting trade and development. She was related to which country?**

- A) USA
- B) UK
- C) Ireland
- D) Iceland
- E) Costa Rica



Answer
E) Costa Rica



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- The U.N. General Assembly approved the nomination of Costa Rican economist Rebecca Grynspan to head the U.N. agency promoting trade and development, the first woman and Central American to lead the Geneva-based organization.
- She was nominated by **Secretary-General Antonio Guterres** as secretary-general of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, known as UNCTAD.

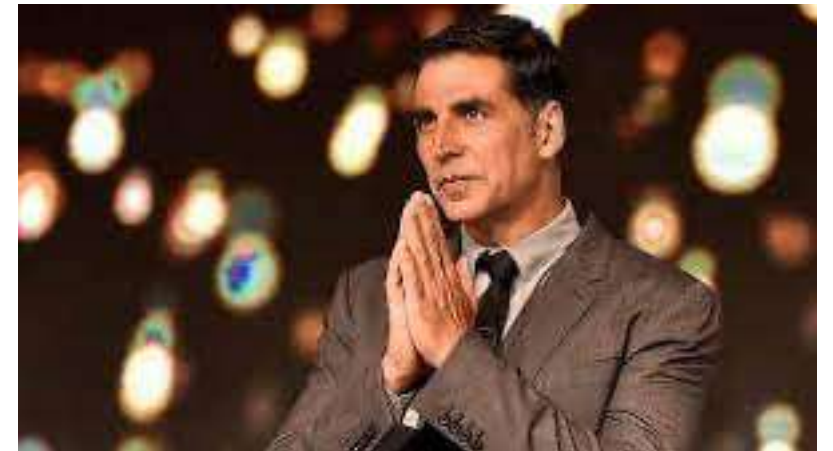


APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Who is appointed as Brand ambassador of Biotechnology company Mylab Discovery Solutions?**

- A) Arjun Kapoor
- B) Akshay Kumar
- C) Amitabh Bachchan
- D) RajiniKanth
- E) Ranveer Singh



Answer

B) Akshay Kumar



AWARDS



➤ **Who has won the US' top journalism award the Pulitzer Prize?**

- A) Priyanca Radhakrishnan
- B) Sajan Mani
- C) Dr. Rajendra Kumar Bhandari
- D) AR Rahman
- E) Megha Rajagopalan

Answer

E) Megha Rajagopalan



AWARDS



Explanation

- Indian-origin journalist Megha Rajagopalan has won the US' top journalism award, the Pulitzer Prize, for innovative investigative reports harnessing satellite technology that exposed China's mass detention camps for Muslim Uighurs and other minority ethnicites.
- The award in the international reporting category that she shared with two colleagues from an internet media, BuzzFeed News, was announced by the Pulitzer Board.
- This is the 105th year of the Pulitzer Prizes awarded by a board at Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism in New York recognising the outstanding work.



➤ **Who participated in the Outreach Sessions of the G7 Summit in virtual format?**

- A) Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- B) Rajnath Singh
- C) Shri Prahlad Singh Patel
- D) Kiren Rijiju
- E) Narendra Modi



Answer

E) Narendra Modi



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the Outreach Sessions of the G7 Summit in virtual format. UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson has invited Mr Modi for the summit which began in Cornwall on June 11.
- UK currently holds the Presidency of the G7 and has invited India, along with Australia, South Korea and South Africa, as Guest Countries for the G7 Summit.
- The meeting is being held in hybrid mode.
- The theme for the Summit is 'Build Back Better' and the UK has outlined four priority areas for its Presidency.



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

G7 Countries:

Founded: 1975

2021 Presidency: UK

Member Countries: France, Germany, Italy, Japan, United Kingdom, United States, Canada

Prime Minister, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Atomic Energy, Department of Space and All important policy issues and All other portfolios not allocated to any Minister

Minister: Narendra Modi

Constituency: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh



➤ How many cities are selected United Nations Industrial Development Organisation's Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot Project?

A) 28

B) 12

C) 49

D) 38

E) 29

Answer

A) 28



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- Taking an initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, carbon footprint, encourage sustainability and investments, United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) has introduced Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot Project and selected 28 cities in the world.
- Of them, five cities from India, including **Guntur and Vijayawada**, have been selected. The programme is aligned with Swachh Bharat Mission.



Titbits

UNIDO

Expansion : United Nations Industrial Development Organization

Headquarters: Vienna, Austria

Founded: 17 November 1966

Head: Director-General; Li Yong



➤ **Which minister approved the policy on archiving, declassification, compilation of war histories?**

- A) Civil Aviation Minister
- B) Defence Minister
- C) Home Minister
- D) Women & Child Development Minister
- E) Education Minister

Answer

B) Defence Minister



Explanation

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh approved the policy on archiving, declassification, compilation of war histories by his Ministry.
- The policy envisages that each organisation under the Ministry of Defence such as Services, Integrated Defence Staff, Assam Rifles and Indian Coast Guard, will transfer the records, including war diaries, letters of proceedings & operational record books, etc, to the History Division of Ministry of Defence (MoD) for proper upkeep, archival and writing the histories.



Explanation

- According to the policy, records should ordinarily be declassified in 25 years. Records older than 25 years should be appraised by archival experts and transferred to the National Archives of India once the war/operations histories have been compiled.
- The policy mandates constitution of a committee headed by Joint Secretary, MoD and comprising of representatives of the Services, MEA, MHA and other organisations and prominent military historians (if required), for compilation of war/operations histories, as per the statement.



Titbits

Ministry of Defence

Minister: Rajnath Singh

Constituency: Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh



➤ **Flipkart ties up with which state to conduct pilot on drone deliveries of vaccines in state?**

- A) Telangana
- B) Gujarat
- C) Assam
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Tripura

Answer

A) Telangana



Explanation

- E-commerce giant Flipkart announced its partnership with the Telangana government to conduct drone deliveries of vaccines to remote areas under the 'Medicines from the Sky' project.
- The Telangana had earlier received permission from DGCA to operate drone flights 'Beyond Visual Line of Sight' (BVLOS) for its 'Medicine from the Sky' project for vaccine delivery in the Vikarabad.
- As part of the consortium, Flipkart, an Indian e-commerce company, headquartered in Bangalore, will utilise learnings from its tech-enabled supply chain to deploy drones and enable deliveries of medical supplies.



Titbits

Flipkart

Hq: Bengaluru, Karnataka

CEO: Kalyan Krishnamurthy

Telangana

Capital: Hyderabad

CM: K. Chandrashekar Rao

Governor: Tamilisai Soundararajan



➤ Which state launched a scheme named Mukhyamantri Corona Bal Kalyan Yojna?

- A) Telangana
- B) Gujarat
- C) Assam
- D) Rajasthan
- E) Tripura

Answer

D) Rajasthan



Explanation

- The Rajasthan government announced a financial package for the children orphaned by Covid and the women who lost their husband to the infection.
- Under the initiative, the children whose parents died from the disease will be given **Rs 1 lakh as immediate grant**, an official statement said, adding that they **will be provided Rs 2,500 a month till they attain 18 years of age.**
- Such children will be provided Rs 5 lakh assistance on the completion of 18 years, free higher secondary education besides other benefits proposed under the Mukhyamantri Corona Bal Kalyan Yojna.



Titbits

Rajasthan

Capital: Jaipur

CM: Ashok Gehlot

Governor: Kalraj Mishra



➤ **Who launches CAIMS to provide best sports injury management support?**

- A) Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- B) Rajnath Singh
- C) Shri Prahlad Singh Patel
- D) Kiren Rijiju
- E) Prakash Javadekar

Answer

D) Kiren Rijiju



Explanation

- Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Shri Kiren Rijiju launched the **Central Athlete Injury Management System (CAIMS)**, a first-of-its-kind initiative by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports for streamlining the sports medicine and rehabilitation support offered to the athletes.
- The core committee of CAIMS includes eminent top of the line experts such as **Dr SKS Marya, Dr Dinshaw Pardiwala, Dr BV Srinivas and Shrikant Iyengar.**



Explanation

- CAIMS aims to provide the best sports injury management support nearest to the athlete's geographical location.
- CAIMS will help to standardize appropriate injury treatment protocol for athletes across the country.
- It will start with support for athletes who are a part of the Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) development group expected to participate in 2024 and beyond.



Titbits

Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and AYUSH

Minister: Kiren Rijiju

Constituency: Arunachal Pradesh West, Arunachal Pradesh



➤ **The first Kisan Rail train from the Northeastern region carrying consignments of fruits produced by the farmers of which state?**

- A) Telangana
- B) Gujarat
- C) Assam
- D) Rajasthan
- E) Tripura

Answer

E) Tripura



Explanation

- The first Kisan Rail train from the Northeastern region, carrying consignments of fruits produced by the farmers of Tripura, was flagged off from Agartala railway station by Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb .
- The train is carrying 8,990 kg of pineapple to Adarshanagar of Delhi and 1,145 kg of pineapple and jackfruits to Guwahati.
- Indian Railways started running 'Kisan Rail' in the country in August last year to transport perishable goods and agri-product, including milk, meat and fish providing a wider market to farmers and enabling them to increase their income.



Titbits

Tripura

Capital: Agartala

CM: Biplab Kumar Deb

Governor: Ramesh Bais



➤ **The Goods and Services Tax (GST) rate has been reduced from 12 per cent earlier to how many per cent on Covid testing kits, medical grade oxygen and ventilators?**

A) 6

B) 1

C) 4

D) 3

E) 5

Answer

E) 5



Explanation

- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said that recommendations of Group of Ministers (GoM) set up to look into tax relief on Covid-19 medical supplies have been accepted by the GST Council.
- The Goods and Services Tax (GST) rate has been reduced from 12 per cent earlier to 5 per cent now on Covid testing kits, medical grade oxygen and ventilators.
- For ambulances, the GST rate has been reduced from 28 per cent to 12 per cent and for hand sanitisers from 18 per cent to 5 per cent.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ **‘Namaste Yoga’ a mobile application was launched in the curtain raiser event for the 7th International Day of Yoga. The event was organised by which Ministry in association with the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga?**

- A) Civil Aviation Minister
- B) AYUSH Minister
- C) Home Minister
- D) Women & Child Development Minister
- E) Education Minister

Answer

B) AYUSH Minister



Explanation

- The curtain raiser event for the 7th International Day of Yoga was organised online with a galaxy of illustrious Yoga Gurus and experienced Yoga exponents coming together on the virtual platform along with two union ministers to appeal to the world community to adopt Yoga in their daily life for the betterment of both the individual self and the mankind.
- A mobile application, “Namaste Yoga”, devoted to Yoga, was also launched during the event.



Explanation

- In the hour-long event, organised by the Ministry of Ayush in association with Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY).
- Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting Shri Prakash Javadekar and Union Minister of State (IC) for Ayush Shri Kiren Rijiju underlined the importance of the central theme of IDY 2021 “Be With Yoga, Be At Home” while spiritual leaders and Yoga Gurus of international fame and following like Sri SriRavishankar, SadguruJaggi Vasudev, Sister Shivani and Swami ChidanandSaraswati emphasised various unique and encompassing features of Yoga, ranging from deeper spiritual dimensions to its daily life and Covid related usefulness.



➤ Which Section of the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act 2019 empowers the central government to make rules regarding accreditation of driver training centres?

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

Answer

A) 8



Explanation

- The road ministry notified rules for accredited driver training centres where candidates will be provided high-quality driving courses, and once test is cleared, they will be exempted from **driving test at the time of obtaining driving licence.**
- These centres will be equipped with simulators and dedicated driving test track to provide high quality training to candidates, the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) said, adding that remedial and refresher courses, as per the requirements under Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, can be availed at these centres.



Titbits

Road Transport and Highways and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

Minister: Nitin Gadkari

Constituency: Nagpur. Maharashtra

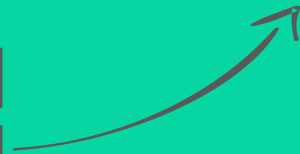




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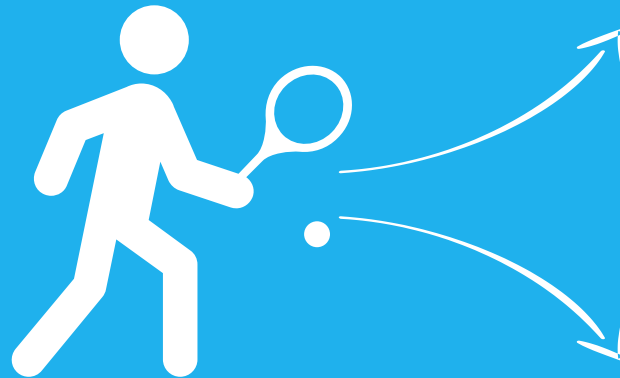
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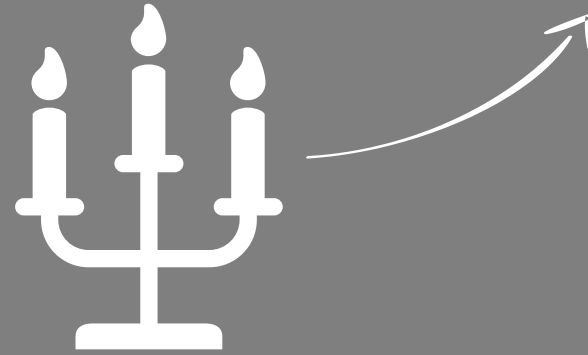
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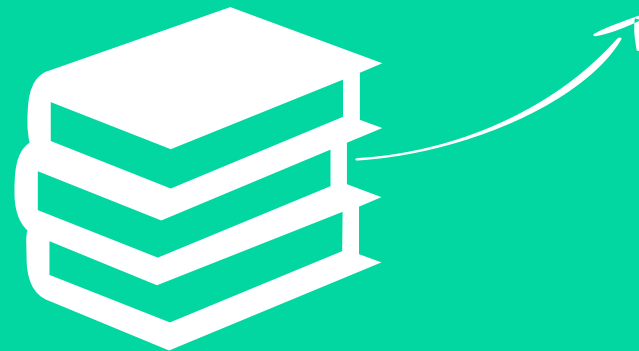
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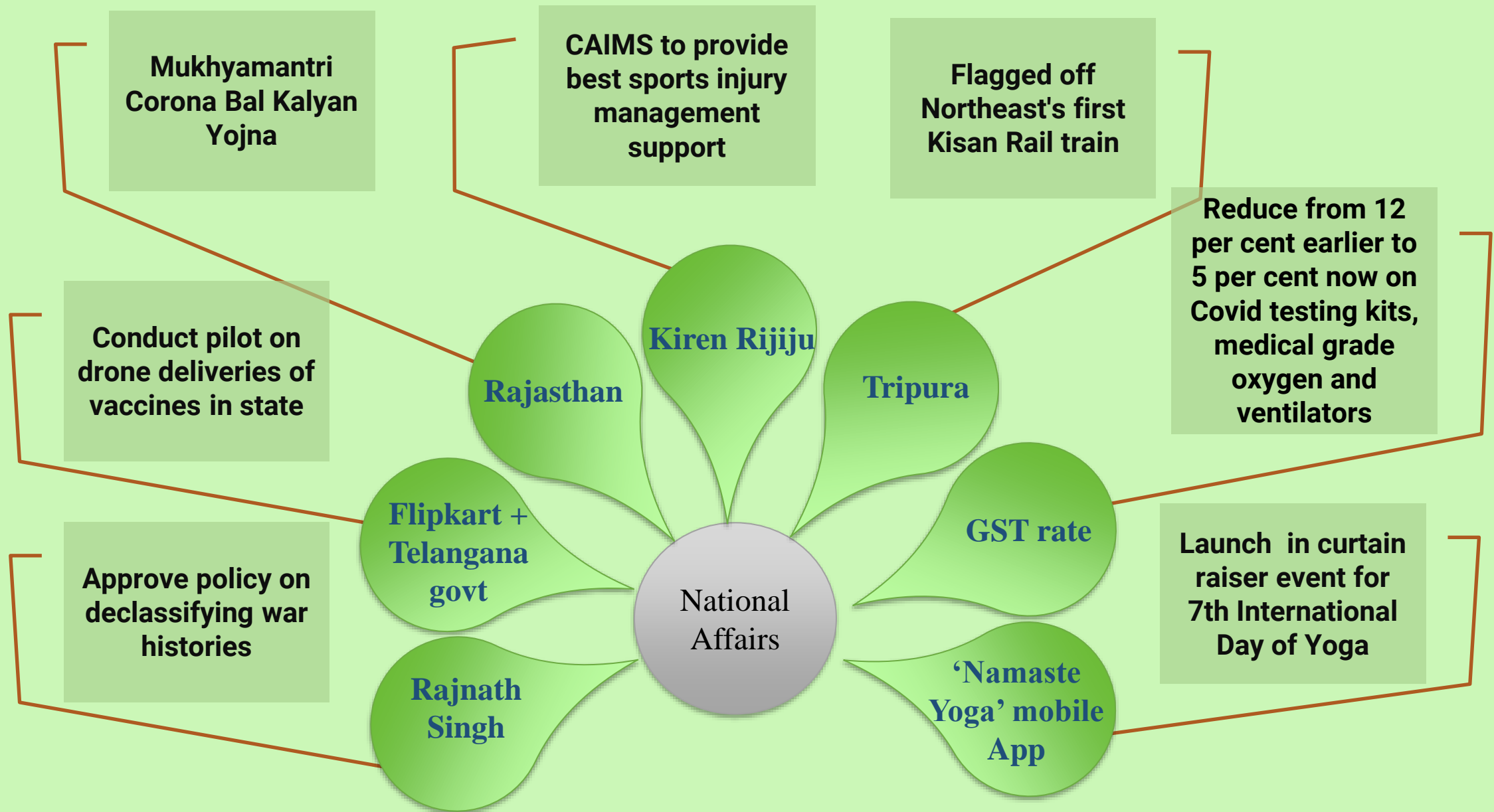
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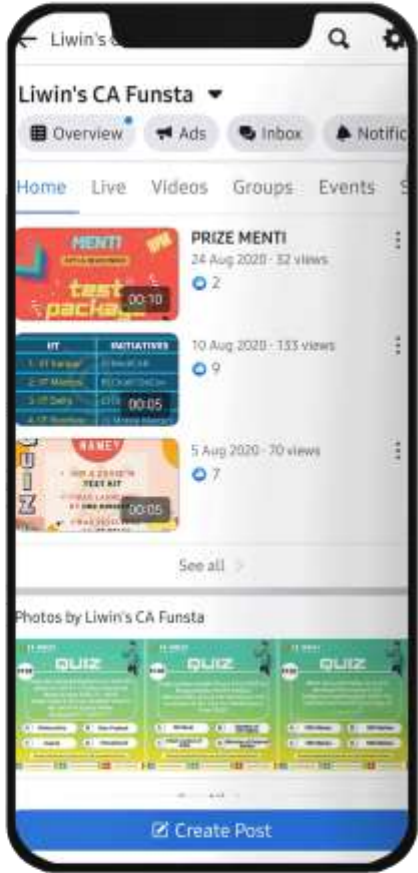
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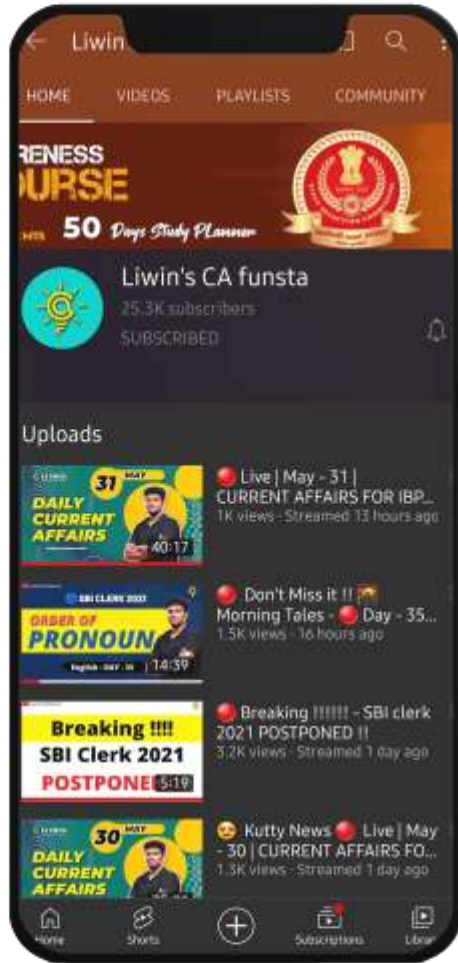




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