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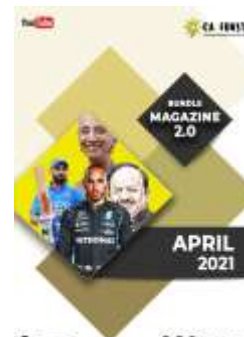
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Important Days



➤ **World Youth Skills Day is observed on which date?**

- A) July 13
- B) July 14
- C) July 15
- D) July 11
- E) July 16

Answer

C) July 15



Important Days



Explanation

- The World Youth Skills Day, an event organised by the United Nations (UN), celebrates the strategic importance of equipping the youth with skills for employment, entrepreneurship and work. It is observed on July 15 every year.
- The World Youth Skills Day aims to achieve the Incheon Declaration: Education 2030, “which devotes considerable attention to technical and vocational skills development, specifically regarding access to affordable quality TVET; the acquisition of technical and vocational skills for employment, decent work and entrepreneurship; the elimination of gender disparity and ensuring access for the vulnerable,” the UN further said in its website.



Important Days



World Plastic Surgery Day

- National Plastic Surgery Day will now be celebrated as World Plastic Surgery Day on July 15. The announcement was made in a statement released by the Association of Plastic Surgeons in India (APSI).



OBITUARY



➤ **Mamnoon Hussain passes away. He was served as President of which country?**

- A) Bangladesh
- B) Bhutan
- C) France
- D) Pakistan
- E) Albania

Answer

D) Pakistan



OBITUARY



Explanation

- Former president of Pakistan Mamnoon Hussain passed away after a prolonged illness.
- Hussain, who was born in Agra in 1940 and migrated with his parents to Pakistan in 1947, served as the 12th President of Pakistan between September 2013 and September 2018.
- The senior Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) leader was diagnosed with cancer in February last year and was under treatment at a private hospital here for some days where he breathed his last.



➤ Which Bank enters into agreement with Visa for issuing credit cards?

- A) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- B) DBS Bank India
- C) CSB Bank
- D) RBL Bank
- E) HDFC Bank



Answer
D) RBL Bank



Explanation

- Private sector lender RBL Bank said it entered into an agreement with global card player Visa yesterday to issue credit cards enabled on the Visa payment network.
- The bank is expecting to start issuing credit cards on the Visa payment network post the technology integration, which is expected to take 8 to 10 weeks.
- Hence, it has conveyed that in the interim, the banks' run rate of issuing 100,000 new credit cards per month would be impacted until there is some clarity from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), on issuing new credit cards on the Mastercard network or till the technical integration with Visa is complete.



Explanation

- RBL Bank had a tie-up with Mastercard for issuing credit cards.





Titbits

RBL Bank

Hq: Mumbai, Maharashtra

MD and CEO: Vishwavir Ahuja



➤ **The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended the timeline for implementation of cassette swap in all ATMs till which date?**

- A) March 31, 2024
- B) March 31, 2023
- C) March 31, 2026
- D) March 31, 2025
- E) March 31, 2022

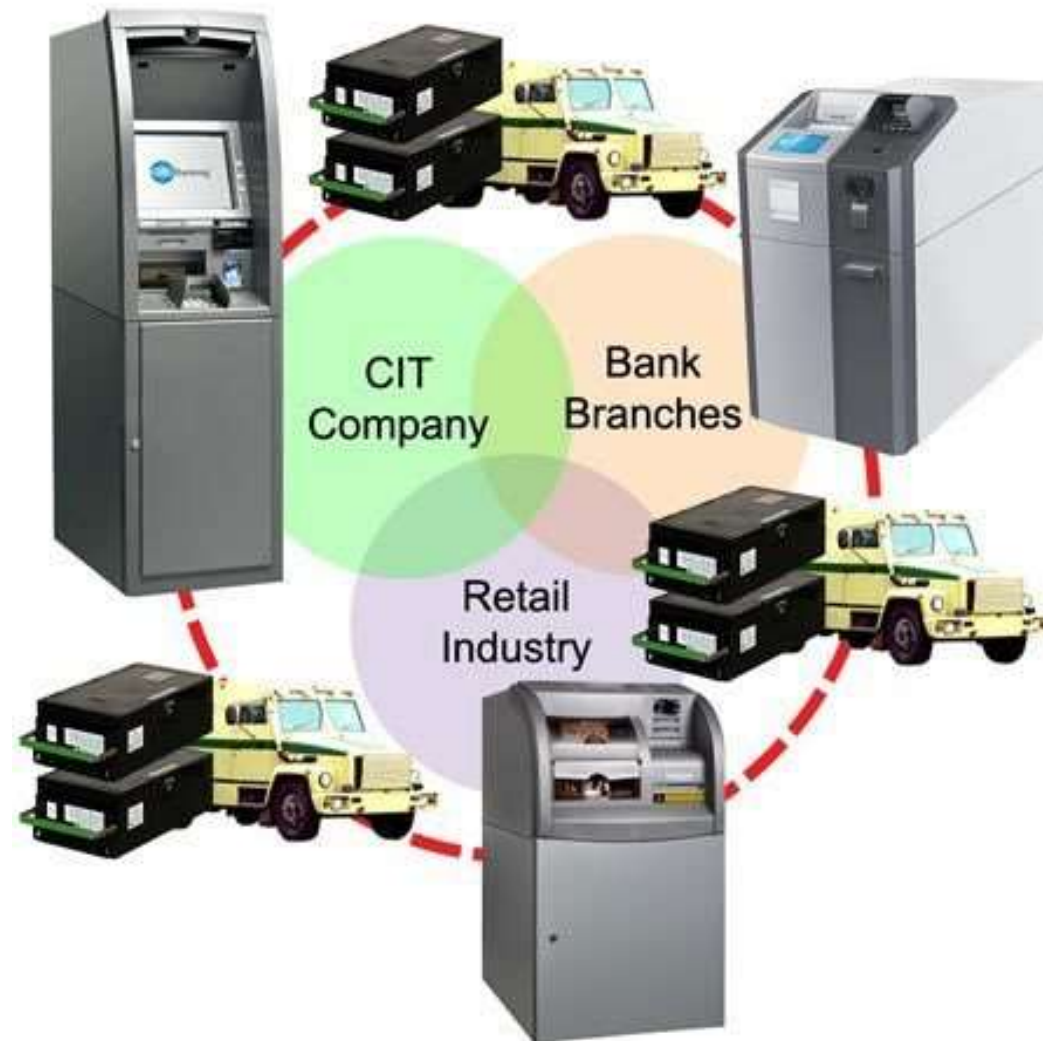
Answer

E) March 31, 2022



BANKING AND FINANCE

Cassette Swapping Technology:
Intelligent cassettes exchanging between cash devices



Explanation

- This is aimed at mitigating risks involved in open cash replenishment/ top-up.
- The RBI then said cassette swap in ATMs may be implemented in a phased manner, covering at least one third ATMs operated by the banks every year, such that all ATMs achieve cassette swap by March 31, 2021.
- As at March-end 2021, banks had **2.14 lakh ATMs**



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)



➤ **RBI bars which company from issuing new cards from July 22?**

- A) Microsoft
- B) American Express
- C) Rupay
- D) Visa
- E) Mastercard

Answer

E) Mastercard



Titbits

Mastercard

Headquarters: New York, United States

Executive Chairman: Ajay Banga

Chief Executive Officer: Michael Miebach



➤ Which organisation successfully conducted the third long-duration hot test of the liquid propellant Vikas engine for the Gaganyaan programme?

- A) CubeSpace
- B) Roscosmos
- C) SpaceX
- D) ISRO
- E) NASA

Answer

D) ISRO



Explanation

- The engine was fired for 240 seconds at the test facility of ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC), Mahendragiri, Tamil Nadu.



Explanation

- The objective of the Gaganyaan programme is to demonstrate the capability to send humans to low earth orbit onboard an Indian launch vehicle and bring them back to earth.
- Four Indian astronaut-candidates have already undergone generic space flight training in Russia as part of the Gaganyaan programme.
- ISRO's heavy-lift launcher GSLV Mk III has been identified for the mission.
- Formal announcement of the Gaganyaan programme was made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his Independence Day address on August 15, 2018.





Titbits

ISRO

Abbreviation: Indian Space Research Organisation

Founded: 1969

Headquarters: Bengaluru, Karnataka

Chairman: Kailasavadivoo Sivan



➤ **India and which country conduct trilateral table top exercise on maritime security?**

- 1) Japan
- 2) Maldives
- 3) Sri Lanka
- A) All of these
- B) Only 2 & 3
- C) Only 3
- D) Only 1
- E) Only 2



Answer

B) Only 2 & 3



Explanation

- Top defence officials from **India, Sri Lanka and the Maldives** participated in a virtual trilateral table top exercise where they discussed best practices and procedures for countering common trans-national maritime crime like **curbing narcotics and assistance in maritime search and rescue.**
- The two-day exercise, TTX-2021, from July 14 to July 15 aimed at enhancing mutual understanding and exchange of best practices procedures for countering common trans national crime was coordinated by the Maritime Warfare Centre, Mumbai



Titbits

Sri Lanka

Capital: Sri Jayewardenepura Kotte (legislative),
Colombo (executive and judicial)

Currency: Rupee

Maldives

Capital: Malé

Currency: Maldivian rufiyaa



➤ **Which Minister has released reorganized - The Drone Rules, 2021 for public consultation?**

- A) New & Renewable Energy Minister
- B) Finance Minister
- C) Home Minister
- D) Civil Aviation Minister
- E) Defence Minister

Answer

D) Civil Aviation Minister



Explanation

- Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has released reorganized - The Drone Rules, 2021 for public consultation. Built on a premise of trust, self-certification and non-intrusive monitoring,
- The Drone Rules, 2021 will replace the **UAS Rules 2021 (released on 12th March 2021)**.
- The last date for receipt of public comments is 5th August 2021.
- Key takeaways from the Draft Drone Rules, 2021 include that there will be minimal human interface on the digital sky platform and most permissions will be self-generated.



Explanation

- Safety features like 'No Permission - No Take-off' (NPNT), real-time tracking beacon, geo-fencing etc. to be notified in future.
- Import of drones and drone components will be regulated by Directorate General of Foreign Trade.



Titbits

Minister of Civil Aviation

Name: Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia

Constituency: Madhya Pradesh



➤ **Jammu & Kashmir gets its first real-time air-monitoring station at which place?**



- A) Kolkata
- B) Bangalore
- C) Chennai
- D) Srinagar
- E) Noida

Answer

D) Srinagar



Explanation

- Jammu & Kashmir got its first real-time air-quality monitoring station with the inauguration of first ever **Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Station (CAAQMS)** at J&K Pollution Control Committee headquarters by Chairman Suresh Chugh at Rajbagh in Srinagar.
- Terming it as a major achievement of J&K PCC, the Chairman thanked all the officers and the entire team for putting in their best efforts in successful installation and commissioning of the Station which saw many hiccups and delays due to Covid19 pandemic.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Jammu and Kashmir

Capital: Srinagar(summer), Jammu(winter)

Governor: Manoj Sinha



➤ Which state Cabinet approves logistics policy for state to boost e-commerce?

- A) Odisha
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Tamil Nadu
- E) Telangana

Answer

E) Telangana



Explanation

- In efforts to encourage the logistics sector in the backdrop of industries, e-commerce and services sector, the Telangana Cabinet has approved the Telangana Logistics Policy prepared by the Industries and Commerce department.
- The Cabinet has decided to develop basic infrastructure facilities in **Godowns, Cold storages, Dry Ports, Truck dak parking and other in the logistic sector.**
- It has decided to set up Dry Port in a big way in 1400 acres in the State (Multi-Model Logistic Park) under the PPA Mode.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Telangana

Capital: Hyderabad

CM: K. Chandrashekar Rao

Governor: Tamilisai Soundararajan



➤ India's first 'Grain ATM' set up in which place?

- A) Kolkata
- B) Bangalore
- C) Gurugram
- D) Srinagar
- E) Noida

Answer

C) Gurugram



Explanation

- Consumers in Gurugram will no longer have to stand in long queues, nor worry about the shopkeeper giving less ration, as India's first 'Grain ATM' has been set up in the district as a pilot project.



70 kg grain in 7 minutes

- It is an automatic machine which works like a bank ATM. Installed under the World Food Programme of the United Nations, it is called Automated, Multi Commodity, Grain Dispensing Machine.
- It can dispense up to 70 kg of grains within five to seven minutes at a time.
- Ankit Sood, an officer associated with this programme, says that error in the measurement of grain is negligible.
- This automatic machine is equipped with biometric system with a touch screen, where the beneficiary will have to enter the Aadhaar card or ration card number.



70 kg grain in 7 minutes

- On biometric authentication, the foodgrains prescribed by the government to the beneficiaries will be automatically filled in the bags placed under the machine.
- Three types of foodgrains – **wheat, rice and millet** – can be distributed through this machine.
- At present, distribution of wheat has started from the Grain ATM machine installed in Farrukhnagar (Gurugram).



➤ Which state Cabinet approved the Adventure Tourism Policy for the State?

- A) Odisha
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Telangana

Answer

D) Maharashtra



Explanation

- The Maharashtra Cabinet approved the Adventure Tourism Policy for the State.
- According to the policy, the organisers of such tourism activities in the State will be given a temporary registration from the Directorate of Tourism and a final registration certificate will be provided after obtaining all the required qualifications.
- The policy will not apply to activities such as jeep safaris and nature trips in wildlife sanctuaries.





NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Maharashtra

Capital: Mumbai

CM: Udhav Thackarey

Governor: Bhagat Singh Koshyari



➤ **Google Cloud announced the launch of its new Cloud Region in which place?**

- A) Odisha
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Delhi

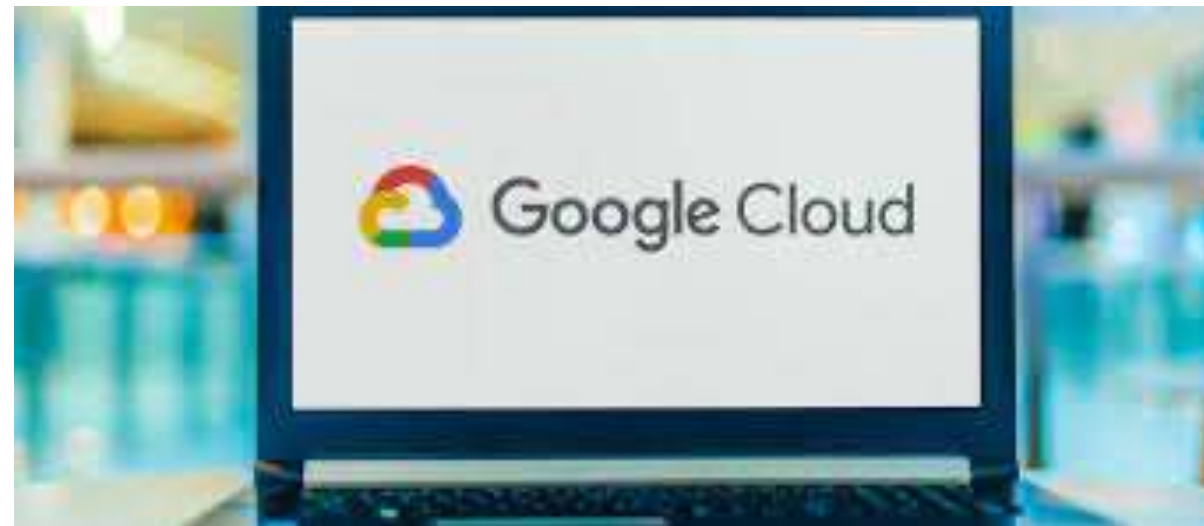
Answer

E) Delhi



Explanation

- performance of their cloud-based workloads and data.
- Designed to enable both Indian and global companies to build highly accessible applications for their customers, the Delhi NCR region is the **second Google Cloud region in India** and **10th in Asia Pacific.**



➤ Who unveiled the 'Karnataka Electric Bike Taxi scheme-2021' ?



- A) Mansukh Mandaviya
- B) Amit Shah
- C) B S Yediyurappa
- D) Narendra Modi
- E) Harsh Vardhan

Answer

C) B S Yediyurappa



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Karnataka

Capital: Bengaluru

CM: B. S. Yeddyurappa

Governor: Thaawarchand Gehlot



➤ **Who inaugurated the International Cooperation and Convention Centre – Rudrakash?**

- A) Mansukh Mandaviya
- B) Amit Shah
- C) B S Yediyurappa
- D) Narendra Modi
- E) Harsh Vardhan

Answer

D) Narendra Modi



➤ **Who Launches Artificial Intelligence-Based Grievance Analysis App?**

- A) New & Renewable Energy Minister
- B) Finance Minister
- C) Home Minister
- D) Tribal Affairs Minister
- E) Defence Minister

Answer

E) Defence Minister



Explanation

- With the launch of an artificial intelligence (AI) based grievance analysis application called CPGRAMS, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said the country is moving towards citizen-centric reforms with scientific knowledge and technology.
- The organization has developed robots for military use, applications like 'NETRA', equipment like 'Atman AI' to detect Covid from chest X-ray and many other things
- the **Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS)** is an online web-enabled system over NICNET developed by NIC, in association with the Directorate of Public Grievances (DPG) and Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG).



Explanation

- CPGRAMS is the platform based on web technology which primarily aims to enable submission of grievances by the aggrieved citizens from anywhere and anytime (24x7) basis to Ministries/Departments/Organisations who scrutinize and take action for speedy and favorable redress of these grievances.



Titbits

Ministry of Defence
Minister: Rajnath Singh
Constituency: Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh





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IMPORTANT DAYS

World Plastic Surgery Day

July 15



World Youth Skills Day

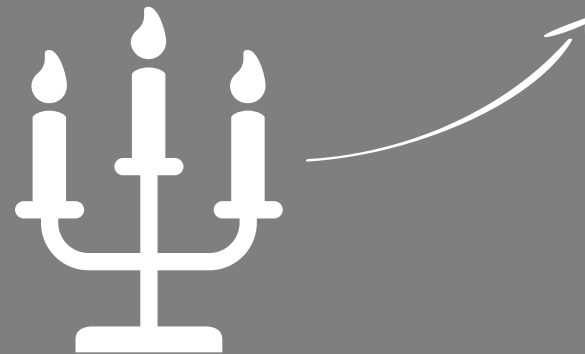
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Obituary

Mamnoon Hussain

Former Pakistan president



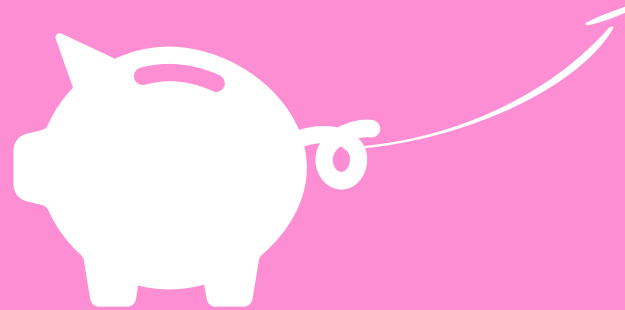
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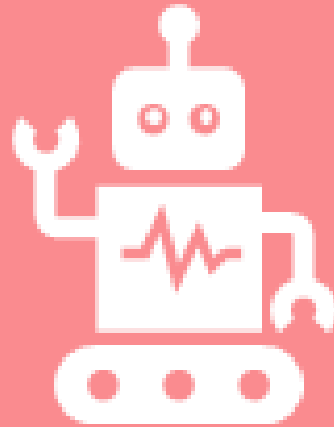
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Vikas engine for 'Gaganyaan'

ISRO



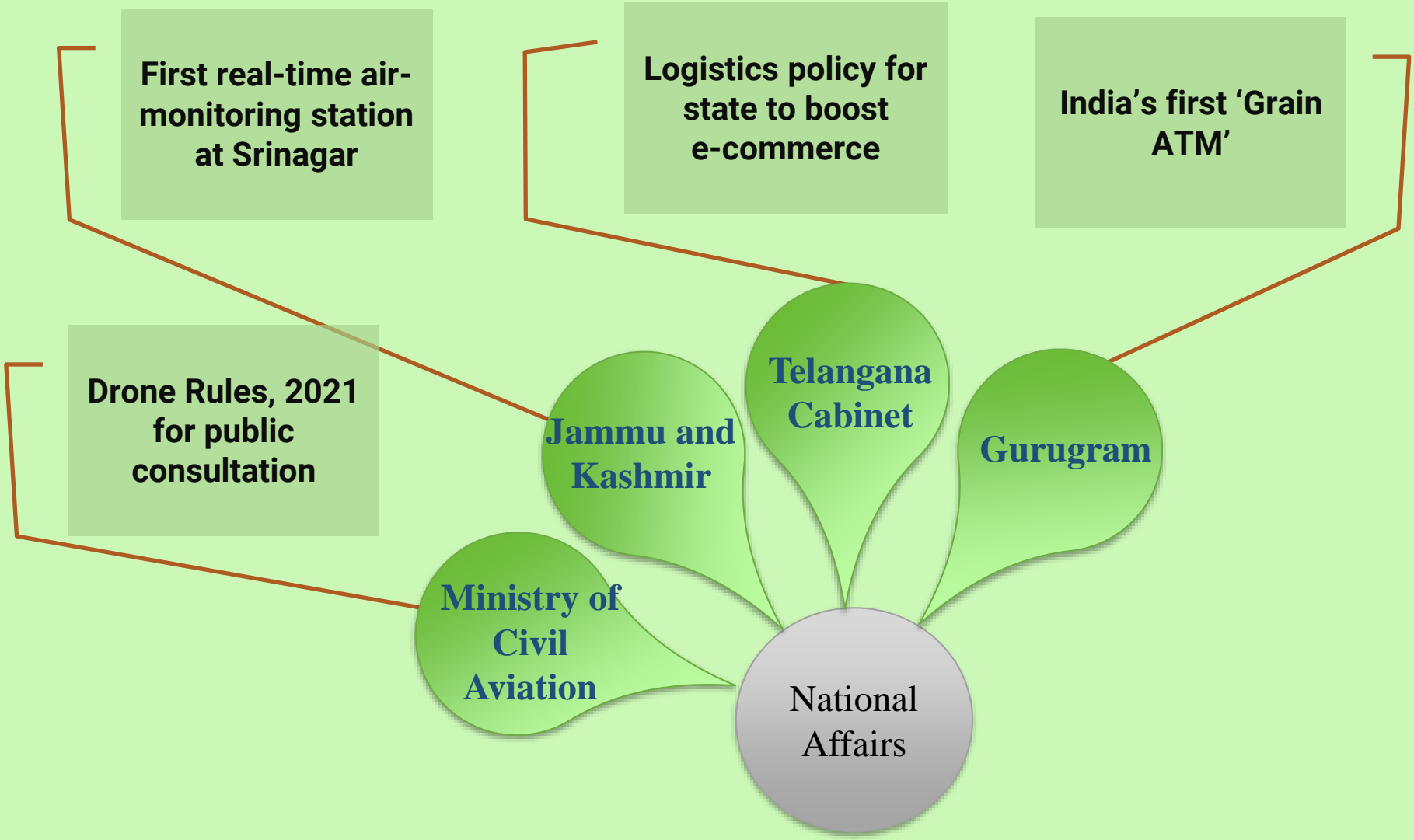
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Conduct trilateral table top exercise
on maritime security



India + Sri Lanka + Maldives





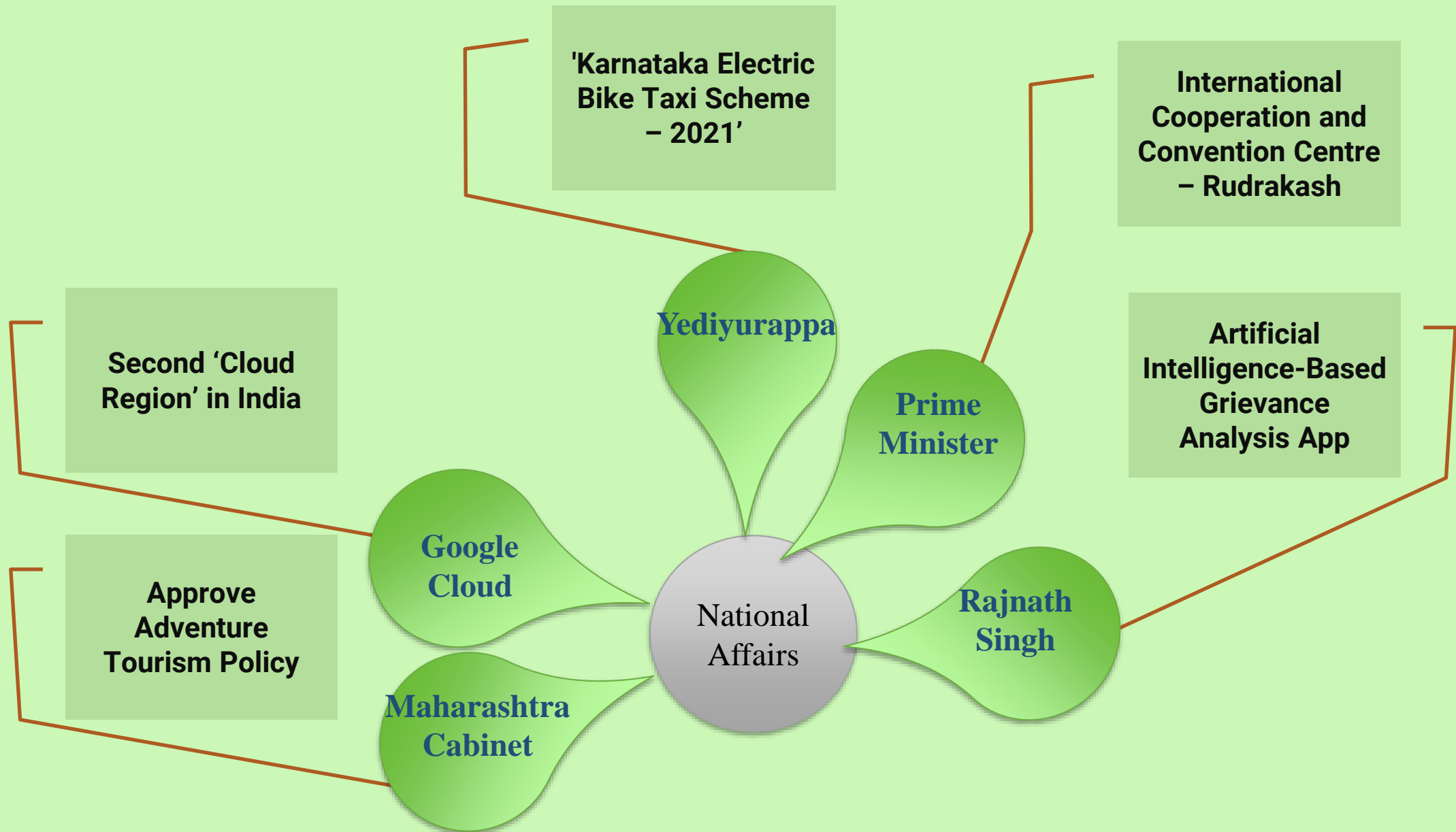
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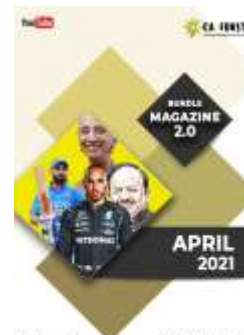
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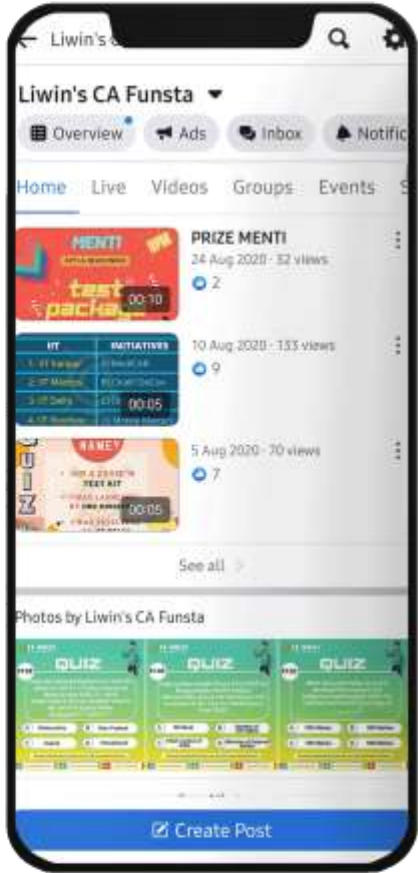
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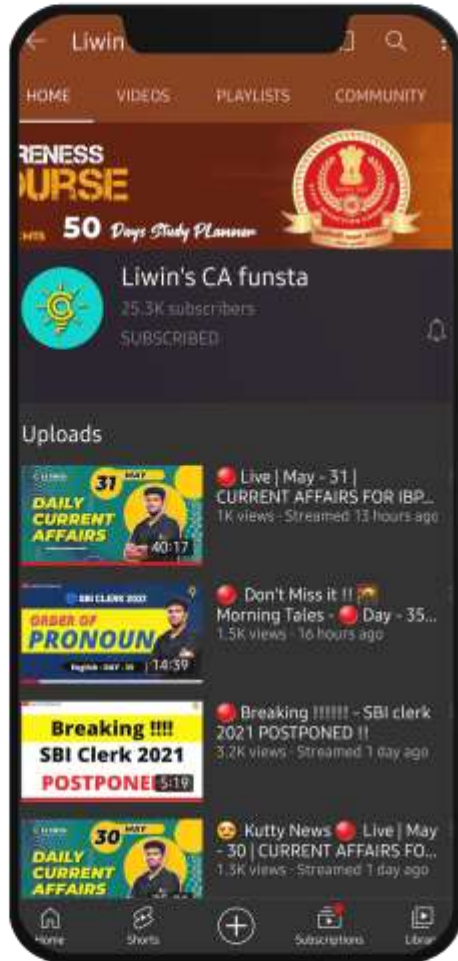
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