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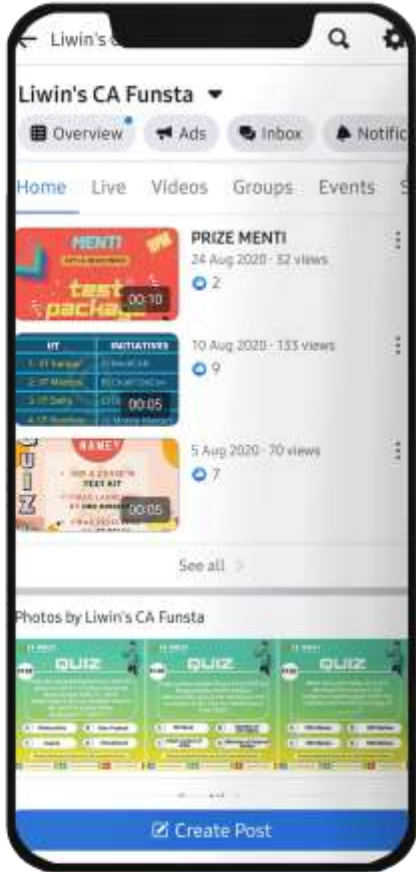
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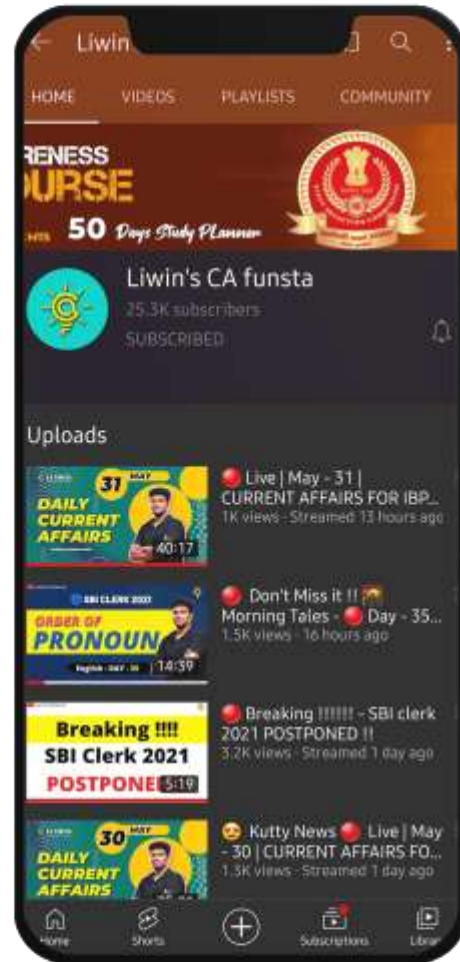
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Important Days



➤ **World Organ Donation Day is observed on which date?**



- A) August 13
- B) August 4
- C) August 9
- D) August 8
- E) August 7



Answer

A) August 13



Important Days



History of organ donation

- The first-ever organ donation was done in 1954 when Ronald Lee Herrick donated a kidney to his identical twin brother.
- Doctor Joseph Murray conducted the procedure for which he has also won the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 1990 for advances in organ transplantation.
- In 2015, a newborn baby became the youngest ever organ donor after he donated his kidneys to an adult with renal failure.
- The boy just lived for just 100 minutes after being born.
- The oldest known donor has been in Scotland where a 107-year-old woman donated cornea after her death in 2016.
- The oldest known organ donor for an internal organ was a 95-year-old West Virginia man, who donated his liver after he died.



Important Days



International Lefthanders Day 2021

- August 13 is observed annually as the International Lefthanders Day to celebrate the “uniqueness and differences of left-handed individuals.”
- The day was first observed in 1976 by Dean R Campbell, the founder of Lefthanders International Inc.



➤ **Unmukt Chand is related to which sports?**

- A) Cricket
- B) Baseball
- C) Basketball
- D) Volleyball
- E) Football



Answer
A) Cricket

- Unmukt Chand, India's 2012 U-19 World Cup-winning captain, announced his decision to retire from all forms of cricket at the age of 28.



SPORTS



➤ **Chijindu Ujah has been provisionally suspended for allegedly breaching anti-doping rules at the Tokyo Games. He was related to which sports?**



- A) Cricket
- B) Athlete
- C) Basketball
- D) Volleyball
- E) Football

Answer
B) Athlete



➤ **Exim Bank of India to provide USD 100 mn loan to which country for procuring defence items?**

- A) UK
- B) Nepal
- C) Mauritius
- D) Bhutan
- E) China

Answer

C) Mauritius



Explanation

- Out of the total credit by Exim Bank under the agreement, goods, works and services of the value of **at least 75 per cent of the contract price** shall be supplied by the seller from India, and the remaining 25 per cent of goods and services may be procured by the seller for the purpose of the eligible contract from outside India.
- The agreement under the LoC is effective from July 22, 2021.



Titbits

EXIM Bank

Abbreviation: Export Import Bank of India

Founded: 1982

Headquarters: Mumbai

CEO: David Rasquinha

Mauritius

Capital: Port Louis

Currency: Mauritian rupee

Prime minister: Pravind Jugnauth



➤ **Which bank launches MSME mentoring programme in West Bengal?**

- A) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- B) DCB Bank
- C) Indian Bank
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) HDFC Bank

Answer

C) Indian Bank



Titbits

Indian Bank

Hq: Chennai, Tamilnadu

MD & CEO: Ms. Padmaja Chundru

Tagline: Your Own Bank

West Bengal

Capital: Kolkata

CM: Mamata Banerjee

Governor: Jagdeep Dhankhar



➤ **World Bank signs \$105m project to strengthen urban services in which state?**

- A) Maharashtra
- B) Punjab
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Tamil Nadu

Answer

B) Punjab



THE WORLD BANK



Explanation

- The Government of India, the Government of Punjab and the World Bank have signed a \$105 million Punjab Municipal Services Improvement Project to strengthen urban services in **Amritsar and Ludhiana**, the two largest cities in Punjab, India.
- A major focus of the project will be on providing efficient water supply and sanitation services in Amritsar and Ludhiana, cities that are the engines of economic growth for the state of Punjab.



Titbits

World Bank

Founded: 1944

Members: 189 countries (IBRD), 173 countries (IDA)

Hq: Washington D.C, US

Head: David Malpass

Punjab

Capital: Chandigarh

CM: Captain Amarinder Singh

Governor: V P Singh Badnore



➤ **Which bank signs MoU with Indian Navy to offer Honour FIRST banking solutions?**

- A) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- B) DCB Bank
- C) DBS Bank India
- D) IDFC FIRST Bank
- E) HDFC Bank

Answer

D) IDFC FIRST Bank



Explanation

- IDFC FIRST Bank announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Navy to offer Honour FIRST, a premium banking solution, to serving personnel and veterans of the Indian Navy.
- The Honour FIRST Defence Account is specially designed keeping in mind the needs of the Armed Forces and its veterans.
- Account holders of Honour FIRST are supported by a dedicated team of defence veterans.



Titbits

IDFC first bank

Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra

MD & CEO: Mr. V. Vaidyanathan



➤ Which Bank awarded the ISO 22301:2019 certification for its Business Continuity Management System (BCMS)?

- A) Federal Bank
- B) DCB Bank
- C) DBS Bank India
- D) IDFC FIRST Bank
- E) HDFC Bank

Answer

A) Federal Bank



Titbits

Federal Bank

Hq : Aluva, Kerala

CEO: Shri Shyam Srinivasan

Tagline: Your Perfect Banking Partner



➤ Which bank has been empanelled as an 'Agency Bank' by Reserve Bank of India to undertake general banking businesses of Central and State government on behalf of the RBI?



- A) Federal Bank
- B) DCB Bank
- C) South Indian Bank
- D) IDFC FIRST Bank
- E) HDFC Bank

Answer

C) South Indian Bank



Titbits

South Indian Bank

Hq: Thrissur, Kerala

CEO: Murali Ramakrishnan

Tagline: Experience Next Generation Banking



➤ **ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India** has signed an agreement with which organisation to provide digital skill training to over 800 people across the country?

- A) NITI Aayog
- B) NHAI
- C) NSDC
- D) CCI
- E) NABARD

Answer
C) NSDC



Titbits

NSDC

Abbreviation: National Skill Development Corporation

Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi

Founded: 2008

CEO: Manish Kumar



APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Who is appointed as CMD of Godrej Industries Limited?**

- A) Adi Godrej
- B) Sakthi Godrej
- C) Karthik Godrej
- D) Arun Godrej
- E) Sarath Godrej

Answer

A) Adi Godrej



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- Veteran industrialist Adi Godrej will step down as chairman as well as from the board of directors of Godrej Industries Ltd, passing on the baton to his younger brother Nadir Godrej, effective October 1
- Nadir Godrej, who is currently managing director of GIL, will take over as chairman and managing director of the company



APPOINTMENTS



Titbits

Godrej Industries Limited
Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra
CMD: Nadir Godrej
Founded: 1963



➤ **National Health Authority teams up with which IIT to strengthen India's response to COVID-19 crisis?**

- A) IIT Mumbai
- B) IIT Mandi
- C) IIT Kharagpur
- D) IIT Delhi
- E) IIT Madras

Answer

D) IIT Delhi



Explanation

- Through this partnership, NHA and IIT Delhi will support innovative solutions to address the needs and priorities of the AB PM-JAY ecosystem.
- This collaboration will be crucial to support rapid scaling and absorption of health innovations across more than 23,000 PM-JAY empanelled hospitals.



IFFCO joins hands with IIT-Delhi for research on agri-tech projects

- Fertilizer co-operative Indian Farmers Fertilizer Co-operative Ltd (IFFCO) has tied up with Indian Institute of technology Delhi (IIT-Delhi) to do joint research on agricultural technological projects, and promote precision farming.
- IFFCO'S research and development unit, **Nano Biotechnology Research Centre (NBRC)**, has signed an agreement with IIT-Delhi that will promote research consultancy, knowledge transfer, and collaborative projects.



Titbits

NHA

Abbreviation: The National Health Authority

Founded: 23 May 2018

Chairman: Ram Sewak Sharma

Headquarters– New Delhi



➤ **3-day long maiden bilateral exercise 'Al-Mohed Al – Hindi' between Indian Navy, which country Naval Force commenced off the coast of Al Jubail?**

- A) Germany
- B) Saudi Arabia
- C) Hungary
- D) France
- E) Ireland

Answer

B) Saudi Arabia





Titbits

Saudi Arabia

Capital: Riyadh

Currency: Saudi riyal



➤ Which country organized the IBSA (India, Brazil and South Africa) Tourism Ministers' virtual meeting?



- A) Germany
- B) India
- C) Hungary
- D) France
- E) Ireland

Answer
B) India



Explanation

- India organized the IBSA (India, Brazil and South Africa) Tourism Ministers' virtual meeting.
- The Minister of Tourism of India, Shri G. Kishan Reddy; the Minister of Tourism of the Federative Republic of Brazil, H.E. Mr. Gilson Machado Neto and the Deputy Minister of Tourism of the Republic of South Africa, H.E. Mr. Fish Amos Mahlalela, met through videoconferencing under India's IBSA Chairship on 12th August 2021.
- India organized the IBSA Tourism Ministers' Meeting to promote tourism cooperation among the member states and reviewed the intra IBSA Tourism cooperation.



➤ Which UT launches 'PROOF' app to monitor timely completion of projects?

- A) Puducherry
- B) Ladakh
- C) Jammu & Kashmir
- D) Delhi
- E) Lakshadweep

Answer

C) Jammu & Kashmir



Explanation

- In a bid to bring more transparency and accountability in the governance system, Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha launched PROOF 'Photographic Record of On-site Facility' app. It will help in uploading geo-tagged photographs while preferring bills in the concerned treasuries against the budget allotted through the BEAMS application.
- The app will help in monitoring and timely completion of projects. Details of all projects with complete geo-tagged photographs shall now be available for the public through EMPOWERMENT portal.



Titbits

Jammu and Kashmir

Capital: Srinagar (Summer), Jammu (Winter)

Governor: Manoj Sinha



➤ Which state announces doorstep assistance scheme for aged, disabled and destitute persons?

- A) Maharashtra
- B) Kerala
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Tamil Nadu

Answer

B) Kerala



Explanation

- The first phase of the scheme, which would commence from September, will be implemented in areas under 50 local bodies and based on the government's experience it would be extended to the entire state in December, he said in a release.
- Explaining how the scheme would be implemented, the release said that in all Local Self Government Institutions, a committee consisting of an accredited social health activist (ASHA), a Kudumbasree representative and volunteers under the chairmanship of the Ward member will carry out the work of providing the services.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Titbits

Kerala

Capital: Thiruvananthapuram

CM: Pinarayi Vijayan

Governor: Arif Mohammed Khan



➤ Who launched vehicle scrappage policy that significant milestone in India's development journey?

- A) Ram Nath Kovind
- B) Narendra Modi
- C) Arjun Munda
- D) Anurag Singh Thakur
- E) Subhas Sarkar

Answer

B) Narendra Modi



Titbits

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

Minister: Narendra Modi

Constituency: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh



➤ Who launched the nationwide program of "Fit India Freedom Run 2.0" to celebrate 75 years of India's Independence?



- A) Ram Nath Kovind
- B) Narendra Singh Tomar
- C) Arjun Munda
- D) Anurag Singh Thakur
- E) Subhas Sarkar

Answer

D) Anurag Singh Thakur



Explanation

- Sports Minister Anurag Thakur launched the nationwide program of "Fit India Freedom Run 2.0" to celebrate 75 years of India's Independence.
- The run will start on **August 15 and will go on till October 2.**
- Thakur flagged off the event at the Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium
- The event was also held at 75 locations across the country, including iconic ones like the Cellular Jail in Port Blair; Kaza Post in Lahaul Spiti; Mumbai's Gateway of India, and the Attari Border in Punjab among many others.



Titbits

Information and Broadcasting; and Youth Affairs and Sports
Minister: Shri Anurag Singh Thakur
Constituency: Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh



➤ Tata Motors ties up with which state govt to set up vehicle scrapping centre?



- A) Gujarat
- B) Kerala
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Tamil Nadu

Answer

A) Gujarat



Explanation

- The scrappage centre, which will be for both passenger and commercial vehicles, will have a capacity of **recycling up to 36,000 vehicles a year.** Tata Motors will set up the scrapping centre in association with a partner.



Titbits

Tata Motors Limited
CEO: Guenter Butschek
Headquarters: Mumbai

Gujarat
Capital: Gandhinagar
CM: Vijay Rupani
Governor: Acharya Dev Vrat



➤ **'Atham' festival is celebrated in which state?**

- A) Maharashtra
- B) Kerala
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Tamil Nadu

Answer

B) Kerala



Explanation

- Keralalites celebrated ' Atham', which marks the beginning of the **ten day long Onam festival**. Onam, the State festival of Kerala is the biggest celebration of Keralites across the globe.
- The most auspicious day of Onam celebration, the **"Thiruonam"** falls on 21st of this month.



Kerala Police comes up with country's first Drone Forensic Lab & Research Centre

- At a time when drones emerge as a major security threat in the country, the Kerala police launched a first-of-its-kind Drone Forensic Lab and Research Centre here with an aim to address the rising concerns in this regard.
- Besides addressing the threat aspects of the drones, the lab-cum-research centre is also envisaged to look at the utility part of the unmanned aerial vehicles.



➤ Who launched 'SonChiraiya' – (A brand and logo)- for marketing of urban Self-Help Group (SHG) products?

- A) Ram Nath Kovind
- B) Durga Shanker Mishra
- C) Arjun Munda
- D) Anurag Singh Thakur
- E) Subhas Sarkar

Answer

B) Durga Shanker Mishra



Titbits

News Broadcasters & Digital Association

Chairman : Rajat Sharma

Main organ: Board of directors

Founded: 3 July 2007





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IMPORTANT DAYS

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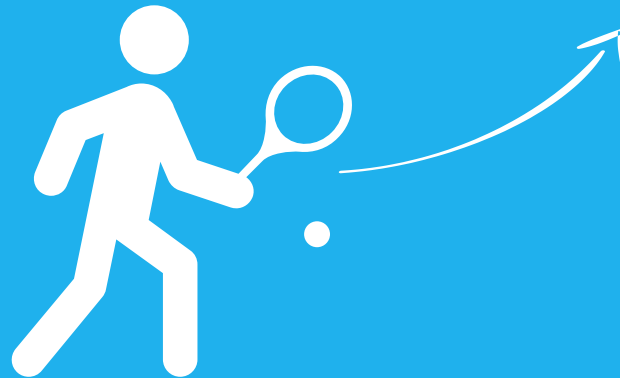
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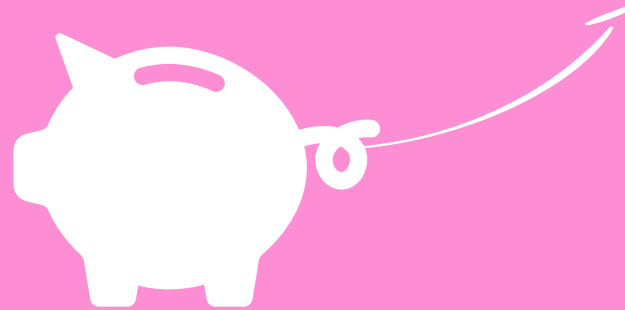




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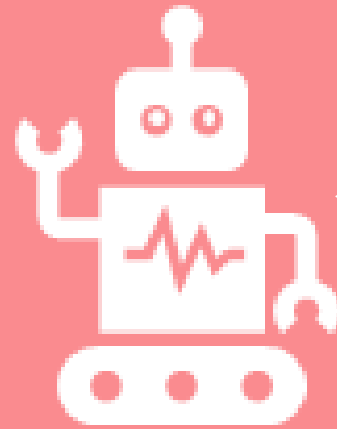
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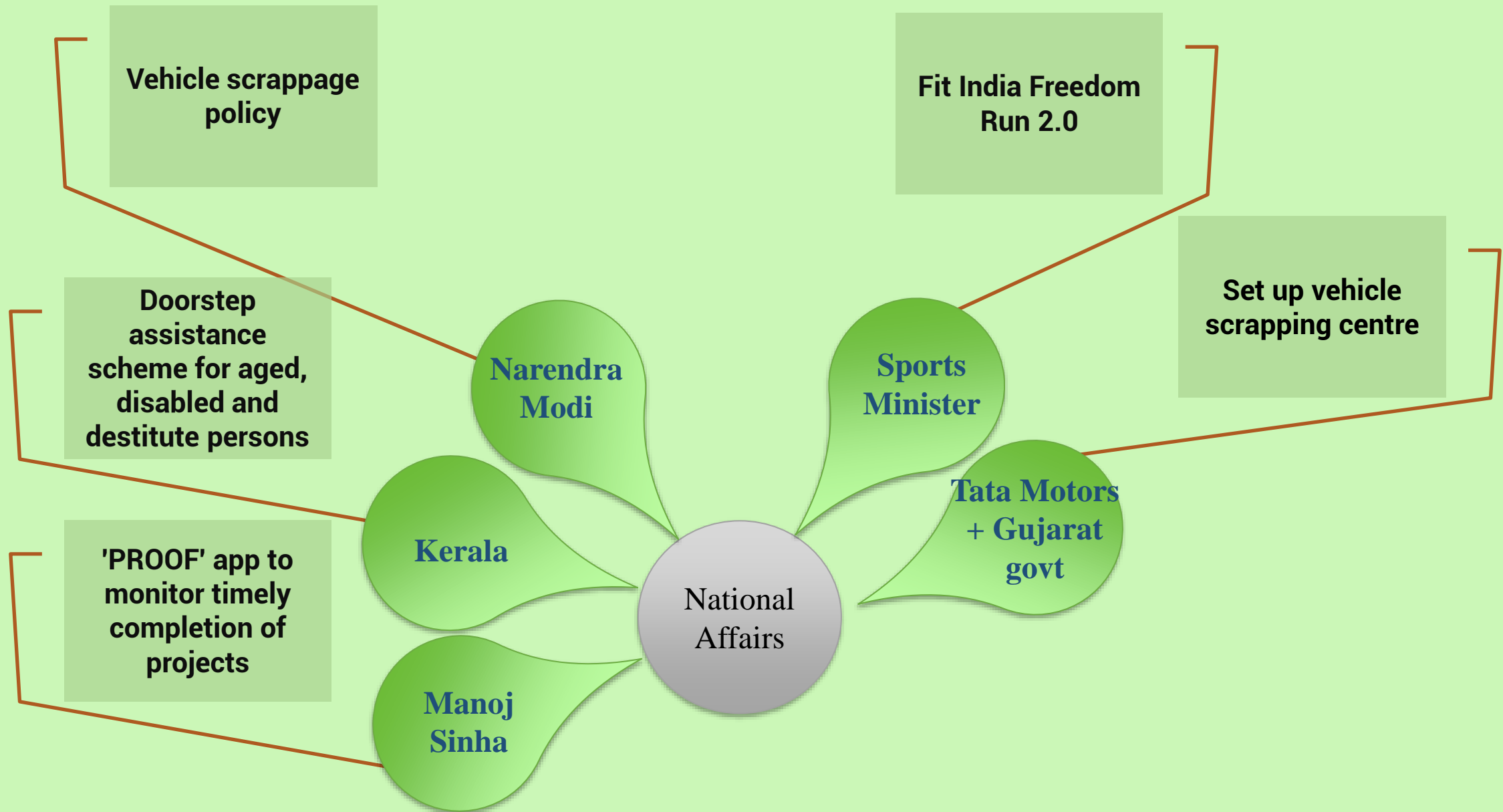
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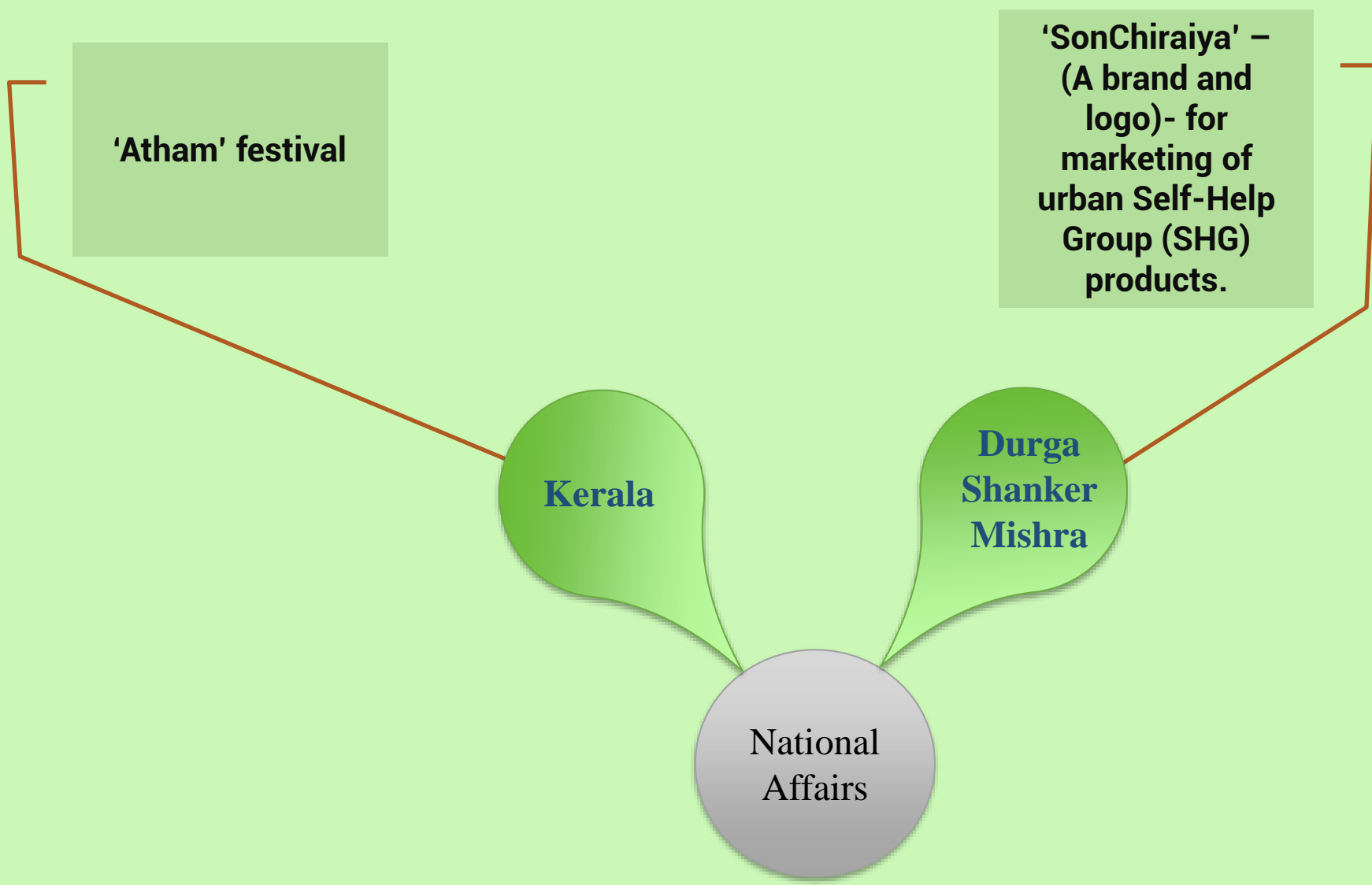
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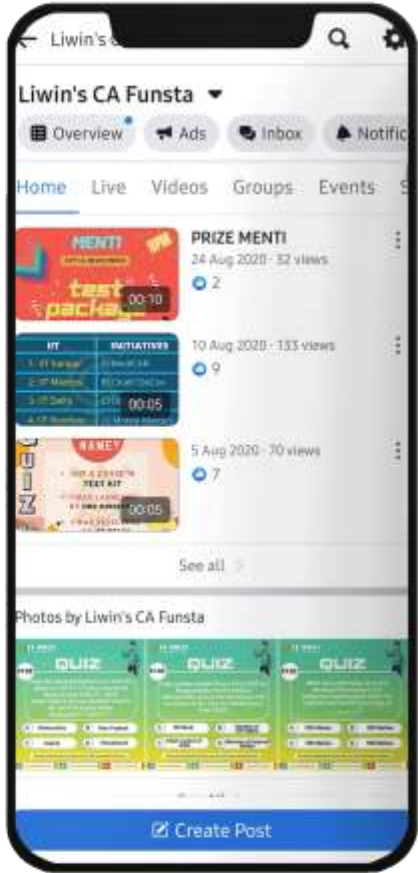
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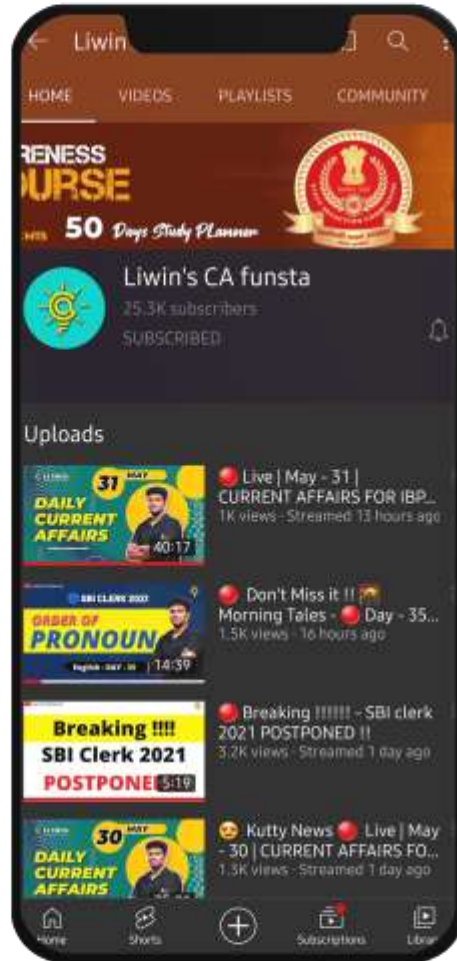
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