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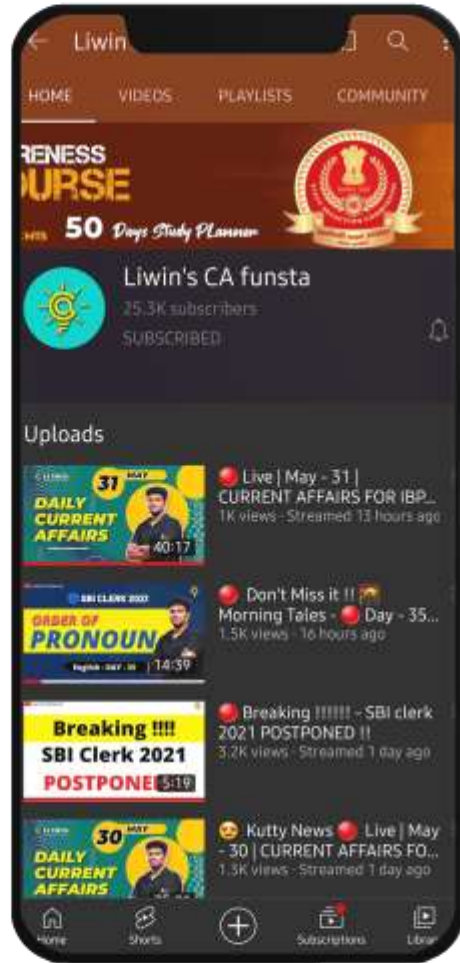
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# Important Days



➤ **Partition Horrors Remembrance Day is observed on which date?**



- A) August 13
- B) August 14
- C) August 9
- D) August 8
- E) August 7

**Answer**  
**B) August 14**



➤ **The Reserve Bank has cancelled the licence of Karnala Nagari Sahakari Bank, Panvel in which state for not having adequate capital?**

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

**Answer**

**A) Maharashtra**



## Explanation

- The Reserve Bank has cancelled the licence of Karnala Nagari Sahakari Bank, Panvel in Maharashtra for not having adequate capital and being **unable to pay its present depositors in full.**
- On liquidation, every depositor would be entitled to receive deposit insurance claim amount of his/her deposits up to a monetary ceiling of Rs 5 lakh from DICGC.





## Titbits

### RBI

Abbreviation: 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)



➤ **Which Home Finance has launched an on-the-spot home loan for workers and self-employed who do not have income tax returns (ITR) to show their earnings?**

- A) HDFC Home Finance
- B) PNB Home Finance
- C) SBI Home Finance
- D) UBI Home Finance
- E) ICICI Home Finance

**Answer**

**E) ICICI Home Finance**



## **Titbits**

ICICI Home Finance

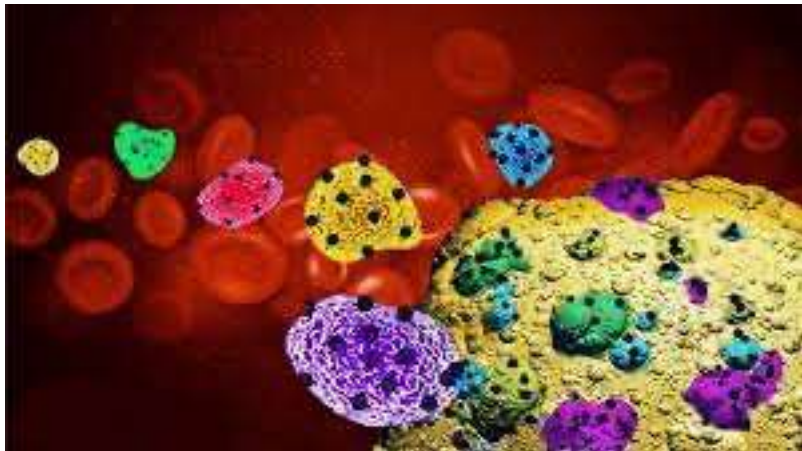
Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra

MD & CEO: Anirudh Kamani





➤ Which IIT has developed a novel method using infra-red technology to detect which patients are more at risk of becoming severely ill from COVID-19?



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

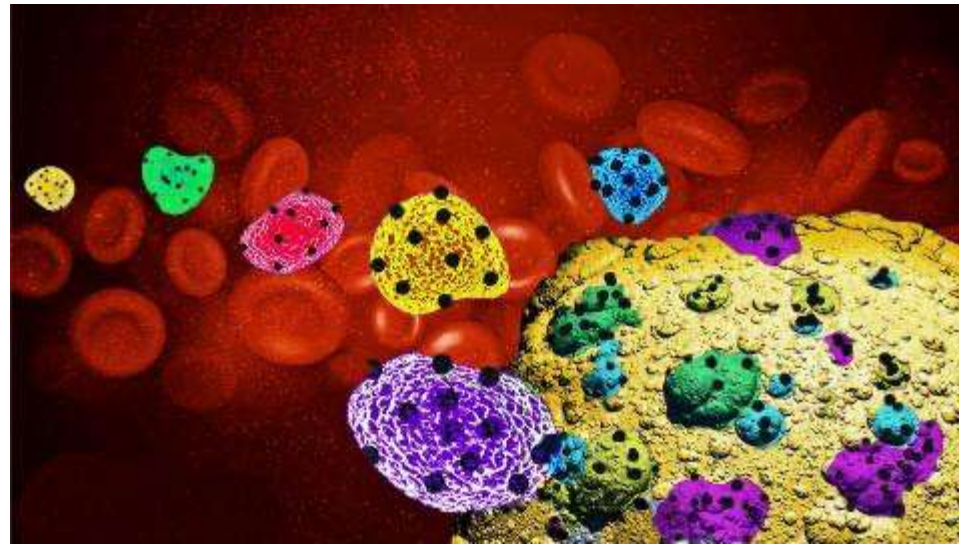
**Answer**

**B) IIT Bombay**



## Explanation

- The head of the Proteomics Facility at the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, **Professor Sanjeeva Srivastava**, has confirmed that there is a correlation between a person's blood chemical signature and becoming severely unwell with COVID-19.



➤ Which country chairs BRICS working group on agriculture?



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

**Answer**  
**A) India**





## Explanation

- Ministers of agriculture of BRICS nations deliberated virtually on the theme "BRICS Partnership for Strengthening Agro Biodiversity for Food and Nutrition Security" ahead of a summit, to be chaired by India, next month.
- The implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development noted that BRICS countries are well positioned to take a leading role in helping to achieve the objectives of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals to eradicate hunger and poverty.



➤ Who released "IndiGau", India's first **Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP)** based chip for the conservation of pure varieties of indigenous cattle breeds like Gir, Kankrej, Sahiwal, Ongole etc?



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

**Answer**

**B) Jitendra Singh**



## Explanation

- This indigenous chip was developed by the concerted efforts of scientists of the **National Institute of Animal Biotechnology (NAIB)**, Hyderabad, an autonomous institution under the aegis of the Department of Biotechnology.





## Titbits

Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Earth Sciences; Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office; Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Minister of State in the Department of Atomic Energy; and Minister of State in the Department of Space

Minister: Dr. Jitendra Singh

Constituency: Udhampur, Jammu and Kashmir



➤ Which state virtually launched ArSWAN will provide secure digital connectivity to all district headquarters and local administrative centres across the state?

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

**Answer**

**D) Arunachal Pradesh**



## Explanation

- Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu virtually launched the **Arunachal Pradesh State Wide Area Network (ArSWAN)** which will provide secure digital connectivity to all district headquarters and local administrative centres across the state.
- The launching ceremony, held live digitally on virtual mode on the SWAN platform for the first time, was joined in **by 17 district administrations and 98 block administrations.**
- SWAN now connects the State Headquarters and Block level administrative centres via District and sub-Divisional Headquarters, in a vertical hierarchical structure with a **minimum bandwidth capacity of 2 Mbps.**





## **Titbits**

Arunachal Pradesh  
Capital: Itanagar  
CM: Pema Khandu  
Governor: B.D. Mishra



➤ Which state launched the e-crop survey initiative from August 15?

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

**Answer**

**A) Maharashtra**



## Explanation

- Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray launched the e-crop survey initiative which will become effective in Maharashtra from August 15.
- The project, which was initially introduced as a pilot in two districts, is jointly implemented by the departments of revenue and agriculture along with the Tata Trust.



## **Titbits**

Maharashtra

Capital: Mumbai

CM: Udhav Thackarey

Governor: Bhagat Singh Koshyari





➤ Which Municipal Corporation launches 'Cleancity' app to improve sanitation?



- A) North Delhi Municipal Corporation
- B) Kolkata Municipal Corporation
- C) Hyderabad Municipal Corporation
- D) Chennai Municipal Corporation
- E) Mumbai Municipal Corporation



**Answer**

**A) North Delhi Municipal Corporation**



## Explanation

- North Delhi Mayor Raja Iqbal Singh launched a GPS-driven mobile application 'Cleancity' that will allow residents of the area to register complaints related to picking of garbage by designated vehicles.
- The app has been launched ahead of the 75th Independence Day.



➤ **BSNL launches satellite-based connectivity in which UT for better telecom services?**



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

**Answer**

**E) Lakshadweep**



## **Titbits**

**BSNL**

Abbreviation: Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited

Headquarters: New Delhi

CEO: Pravin Kumar Purwar

Founded: 15 September 2000

Lakshadweep

Capital : Kavaratti

Lt. Governor : Praful Khoda Patel





➤ Who launched an online portal TAPAS (Training for Augmenting Productivity and Services)?



- A) Ram Nath Kovind
- B) Jitendra Singh
- C) Arjun Munda
- D) Anurag Singh Thakur
- E) Virendra Kumar



**Answer**

**E) Virendra Kumar**



## Explanation

- Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Dr. Virendra Kumar launched an online portal TAPAS (Training for Augmenting Productivity and Services), developed by the National Institute of Social Defence, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in the presence of Ministers of State, Shri Ramdas Athawale and Sushri Pratima Bhoumik.
- The idea of TAPAS was conceptualised at a time when exploring the online medium for work and education had become imperative due to the outbreak of Covid 19 pandemic.



## Explanation

- TAPAS is the initiative of National Institute of Social Defence (NISD), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, to provide access to lectures by subject experts, study material and more, but in a manner that it supplements the physical classroom without compromising on the quality of teaching.



## Explanation

- The main objective of introducing the course modules is to impart training and enhance the knowledge and skills for the capacity building of the participants.
- It can be taken up by anyone who wishes to enhance his or her knowledge on the topics and there is no fee for joining.
- The five basic courses are on Drug (Substance) Abuse Prevention, Geriatric/Elderly Care, Care and Management of Dementia, Transgender Issues and on comprehensive course on Social Defence Issues.





## **Titbits**

Social Justice and Empowerment

Minister: Dr. Virendra Kumar

Constituency: Tikamgarh, Madhya Pradesh



➤ **Who has flagged off the 35th Hyderabad Sailing Week in Hussain Sagar in Hyderabad?**



- A) Ram Nath Kovind
- B) Tamilisai Soundararajan
- C) Arjun Munda
- D) Anurag Singh Thakur
- E) Virendra Kumar



**Answer**

**B) Tamilisai Soundararajan**



## Explanation

- Including a couple of Olympic sailors, about hundred sailors from different parts of the country are taking part in the sailing competitions.
- The 2021 championship races will continue till 19th of August.



## **Titbits**

Telangana

Capital: Hyderabad

CM: K. Chandrashekar Rao

Governor: Tamilisai Soundararajan



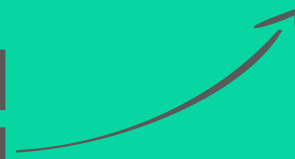




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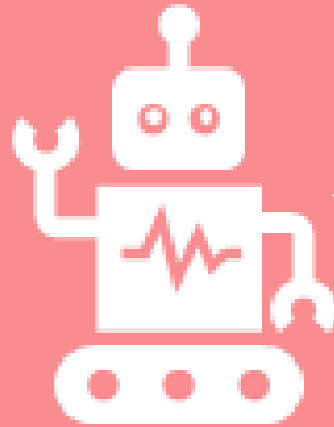


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# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



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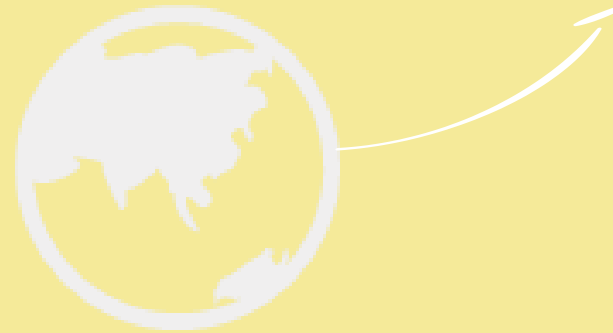
**IIT Bombay**



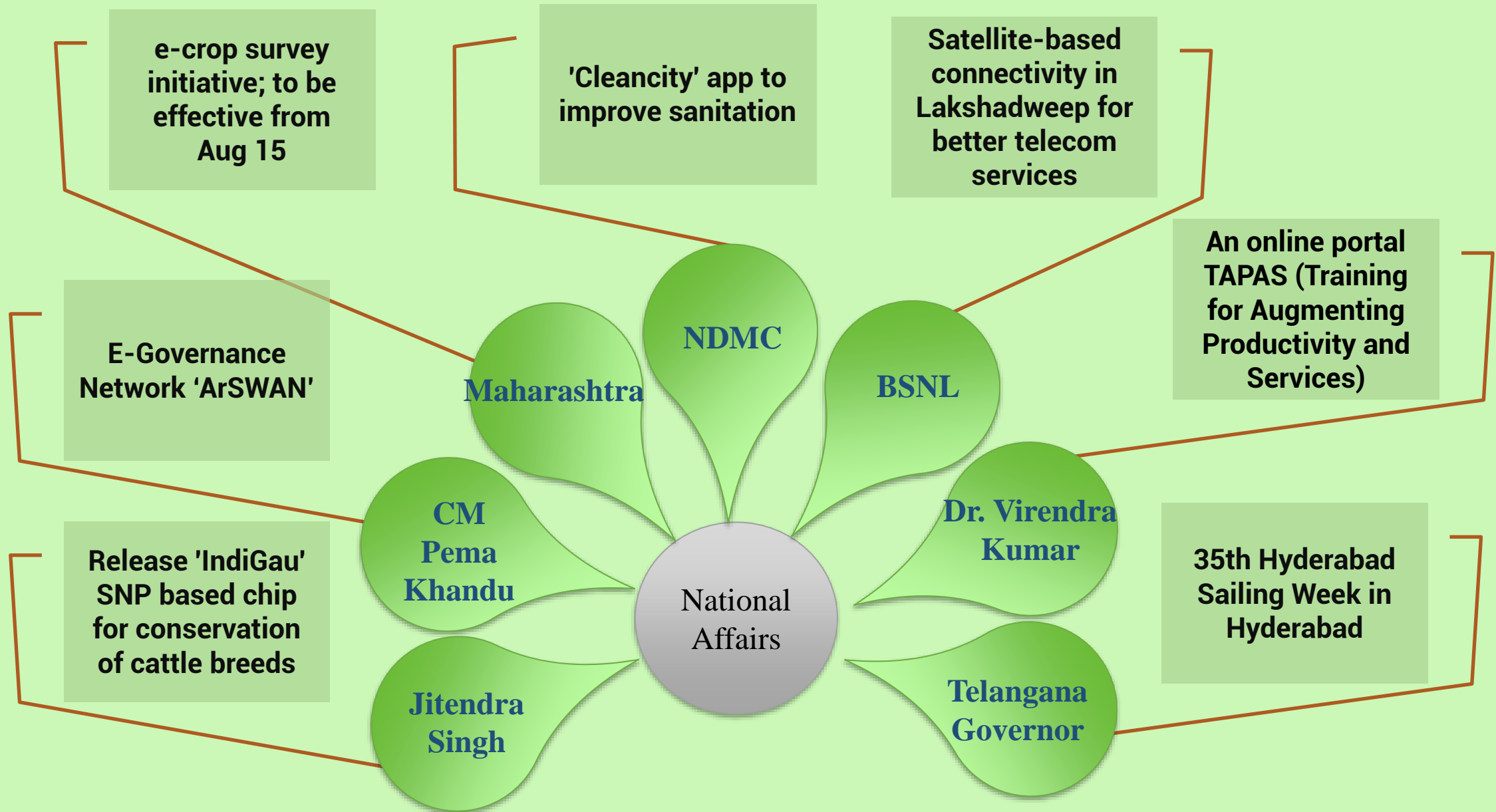
# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

BRICS working group  
on agriculture

**India**



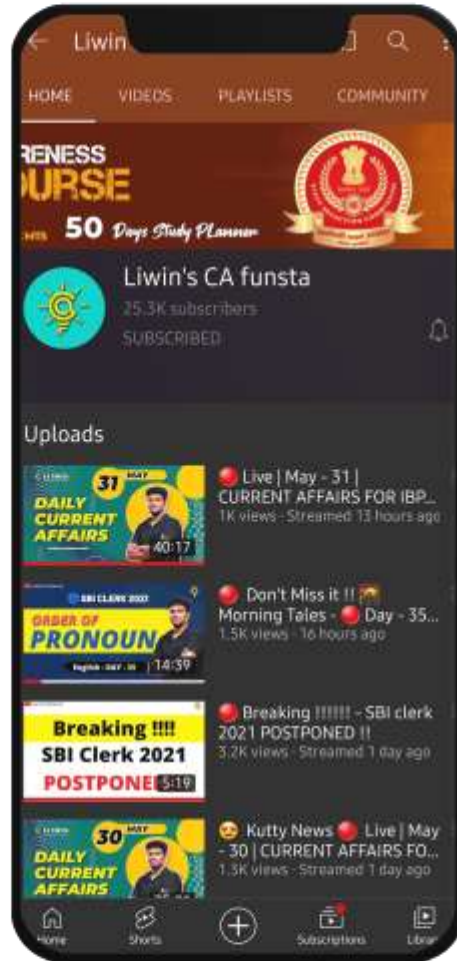




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