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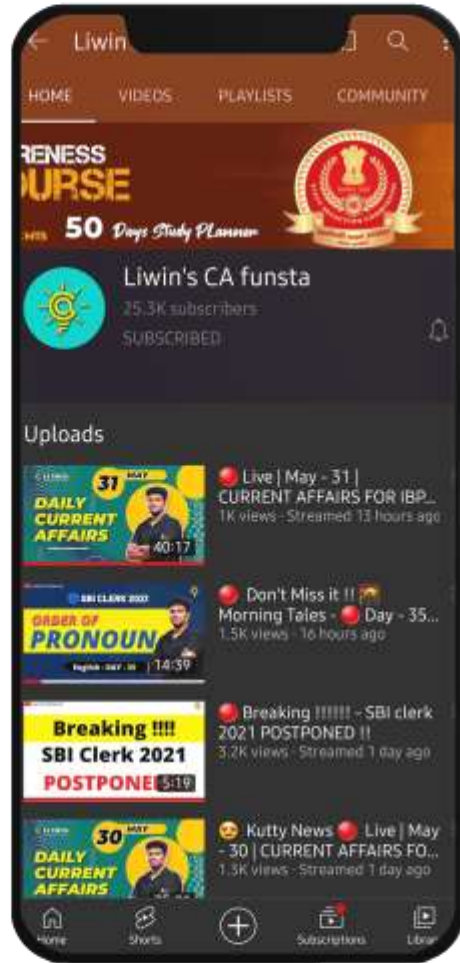
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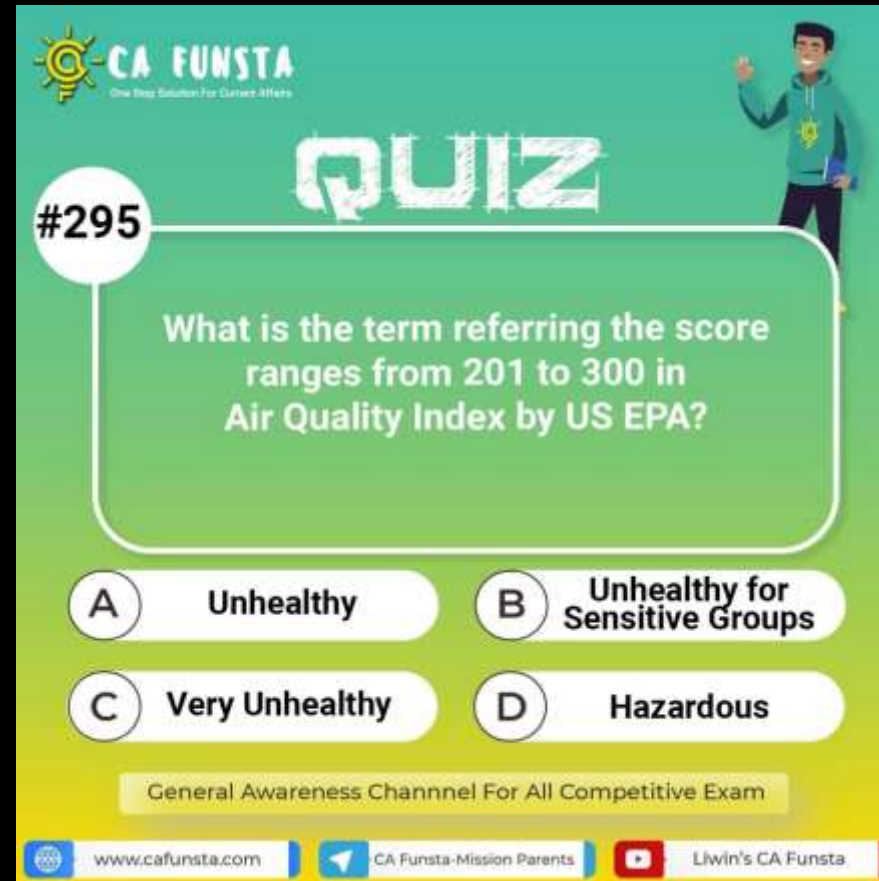
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# QUIZ



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## QUIZ

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C Very Unhealthy      D Hazardous

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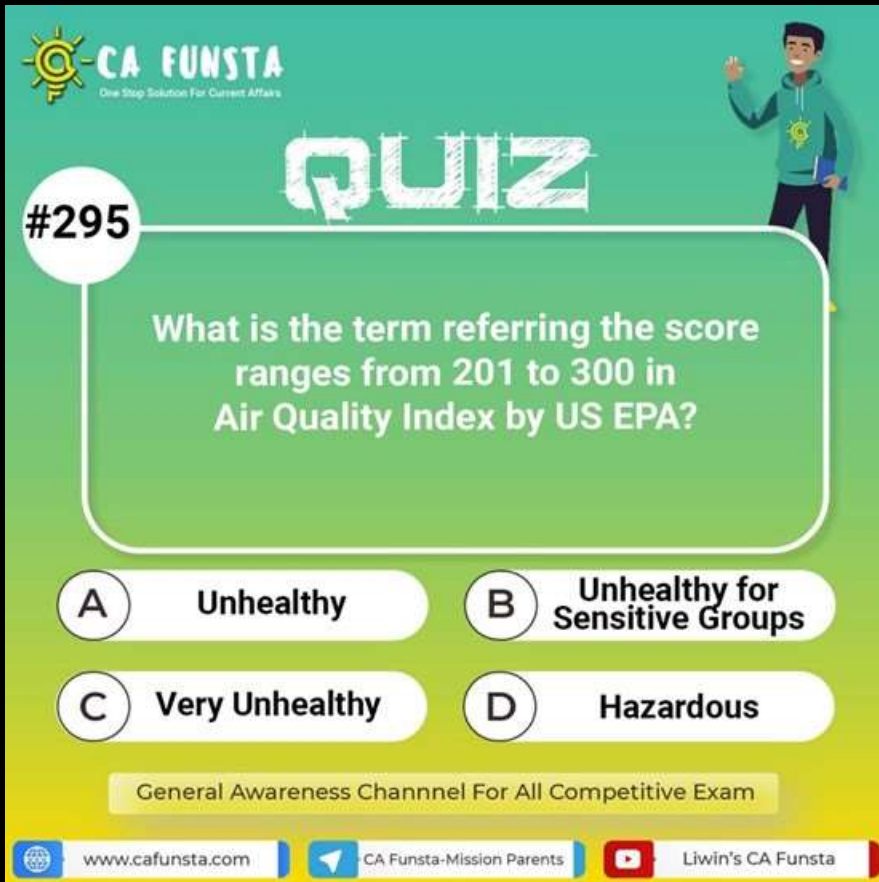
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**C) Very Unhealthy**



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- The Air Quality Index (AQI) is released by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to give people an idea of whether it's safe to breathe the air.
- AQI is based on the levels of five major pollutants regulated by the EPA: Ground-level ozone, Particulate matter (PM2.5), Carbon monoxide, Sulphur dioxide, and Nitrogen dioxide.
- Lahore, the cultural capital Pakistan, has been ranked as the world's most polluted city.



# Important Days



➤ **International Anti-Corruption Day is observed on which date?**

- A) December 2
- B) December 8
- C) December 4
- D) December 5
- E) December 9

**Answer**

**E) December 9**



# Important Days



## International Anti-Corruption Day 2021: Theme

- International Anti-corruption day 2021's theme is “Your right, your role: say no to corruption.”
- It is important that the rights and responsibility of every individual stakeholder in tackling corruption is highlighted.





# RANKING



➤ **What is the rank of India in Asia Power Index 2021?**



- A) 5
- B) 4
- C) 3
- D) 2
- E) 1

**Answer**

**B) 4**



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# RANKING



## Asia Power Index 2021:

Rank	Country
1	USA
2	China
3	Japan
4	India



# RANKING



## Explanation

- It has been ranked fourth among the 26 countries and territories in Indo-Pacific for comprehensive power.
- The report has also added that the nation could have performed even better had it not been for the COVID-19 pandemic.



# RANKING



➤ **Nita Ambani - Founder and Chairperson, Reliance Foundation has been ranked \_\_\_\_\_ in the list of Fortune India's Most Powerful Women?**



- A) 5
- B) 4
- C) 3
- D) 2
- E) 1

**Answer**

**D) 2**



# RANKING



## List of Fortune India's Most Powerful Women

Rank	Person
1	Nirmala Sitharaman
2	Nita Ambani
3	Soumya Swaminathan
4	Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw
5	Suchitra Ella





➤ **Which company is most valuable company in Burgundy Private Hurun India 500 companies list?**

- A) Reliance Industries
- B) Tata Consultancy Services
- C) HDFC Bank
- D) Infosys
- E) ICICI Bank

**Answer**

**A) Reliance Industries**



# RANKING



## Burgundy Private Hurun India 500 companies list

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➤ **ADB approves \_\_\_\_\_ loan to improve urban services in India?**

- A) \$250 million
- B) \$150 million
- C) \$550 million
- D) \$650 million
- E) \$350 million

**Answer**

**E) \$350 million**



## Explanation

- The loan supports the policies established by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs to accelerate universal coverage of piped water supply and improved sanitation under the recently launched national program **Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) 2.0** and provide affordable housing to all, including poor, urban migrant and industrial workers, under the **flagship mission Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**.







## Titbits

Asian Development Bank

Member Countries: 68

Founded Year: 1966

Headquarters: Manila, Philippines

Head: Masatsugu Asakawa



➤ **RBI gives scheduled bank status for which payments Bank?**

- A) Airtel Payment Bank
- B) India Post Payment Bank
- C) Fino Payment Bank
- D) Paytm Payment Bank
- E) NSDL Payment Bank



**Answer**

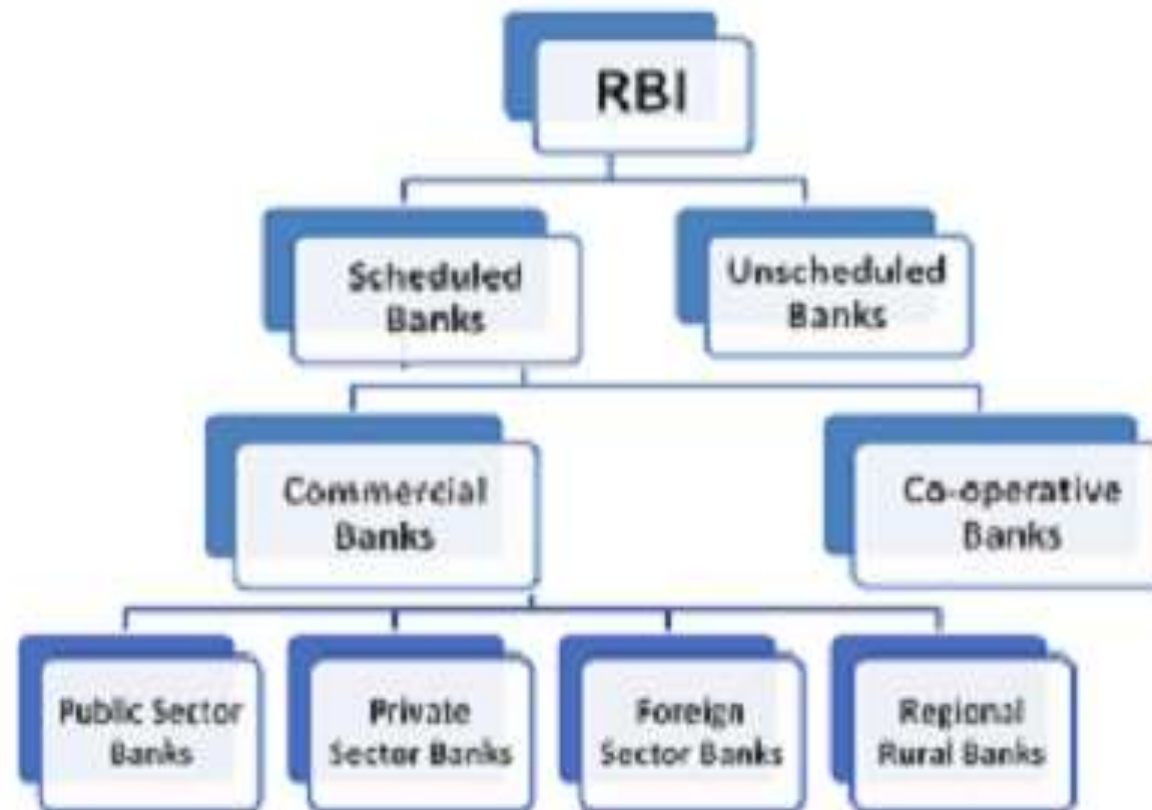
**D) Paytm Payment Bank**



# BANKING AND FINANCE



## Explanation



## Explanation

- Besides, it can participate in Marginal Standing Facility and will be eligible to partner in government-run financial inclusion schemes, according to a statement.
- The bank supports 33.3 crore Paytm Wallets and enables consumers to make payments at over 87,000 online merchants and 2.11 crore in-store merchants





## 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)

Paytm Payments Bank

Headquarters: Noida, U.P

MD & CEO: Renu Satti



➤ Which bank, NPCI partner to launch Contactless Credit Card on RuPay Platform?

- A) HSBC
- B) CSB Bank
- C) Bank of Maharashtra
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) Kotak Mahindra Bank

**Answer**

**C) Bank of Maharashtra**



## Titbits

Bank of Maharashtra  
Hq: Pune, Maharashtra  
CEO: A S Rajeev  
Tagline: One Family One Bank

## NPCI

Abbreviation: National Payments Corporation of India  
Founded: 2008  
Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra  
MD & CEO : Dilip Asbe



➤ Which company, Invest India launch 'Innovation Challenge'; invite 5G, IoT solutions from start-ups?

- A) Amazon
- B) Facebook
- C) Microsoft
- D) Airtel
- E) Tata Motors

**Answer**

**D) Airtel**





## Explanation

- The winners of the challenge will win Rs 3.5 lakh, first runner-up Rs 2.5 lakh and second start-up Rs 1 lakh.



## Explanation

- The challenge has invited start-ups to demonstrate solutions for the following:
- 5G: **B2B or B2C** use cases and apps that will leverage high-speed and low-latency 5G tech.
- IoT: Solutions for enterprises that will empower their digital transformation journey.
- Digital advertising: Creating unique ad formats for both digital and others. Digital entertainment: Disruptive solutions in music, video or gaming.



# APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who is appointed as ambassador of Legends League Cricket?



- A) Amitabh Bachchan
- B) Sidharth Shukla
- C) Hrithik Roshan
- D) Hasnain Khan
- E) Akshay Kumar

**Answer**

**A) Amitabh Bachchan**



# AWARDS



➤ **Shri Ram Nath Kovind, presented President's Standard to the \_\_\_ Missile Vessel Squadron of the Indian Navy in Mumbai, Maharashtra?**



- A) 21
- B) 25
- C) 26
- D) 28
- E) 22

**Answer**

**E) 22**



➤ India to launch its maiden human space mission 'Gaganyaan' in \_\_\_\_?



- A) 2022
- B) 2021
- C) 2026
- D) 2027
- E) 2023

**Answer**

**E) 2023**





## Explanation

- India's maiden human space mission "Gaganyaan" will be launched in 2023, said Union of State (Independent Charge) Science and Technology, Jitendra Singh.
- In reply to a question in the Rajya Sabha, the Minister said, with this launch, India will become the fourth nation in the world to launch a Human Spaceflight Mission after **USA, Russia and China.**



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ **The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) has granted Observer Status to \_\_\_\_?**



- A) ISA
- B) IATA
- C) ICAI
- D) IRDAI
- E) IFSCA

**Answer**

**A) ISA**



➤ Which organisation signs MoU with National Forensic Sciences University to undertake activities for mutual benefit in the areas of consultancy, collaborative R&D, and training to support 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Make in India' vision?

- A) IRDAI
- B) NHAI
- C) CCI
- D) SECI
- E) RailTel

**Answer**

**E) RailTel**



## Explanation

- RailTel, a Mini Ratna Public Sector Undertaking under the Ministry of Railways signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the National Forensic Sciences University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat. As per RailTel's press release, the MoU was signed to undertake activities for mutual benefit in the areas of consultancy, collaborative R&D, and training to support 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Make in India' vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- As part of the MoU, the NFSU is to design and conduct Rail Safety training courses for personnel of RailTel/Indian Railways.



## Titbits

RailTel Corporation of India Ltd  
Founded: 26 September 2000  
Headquarters: Gurgaon, Haryana  
Chairman and Managing Director : Puneet Chawla



➤ **Anti-Hijack Mock Exercise Conducted at which airport?**



- A) Chennai airport
- B) Indore airport
- C) Kolkata airport
- D) Mumbai airport
- E) Visakhapatnam airport

**Answer**

**E) Visakhapatnam airport**





## Explanation

- An Anti-Hijack Mock Exercise along with a Mass Casualty Evacuation drill was conducted at Visakhapatnam airport by INS Dega.
- The exercise was aimed to test the efficacy of contingency plans and procedures to deal with a hijack threat and validate the Mass Evacuation capability of all stakeholders including Marine Commandos (MARCOS), Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), Airport Authority of India (AAI) and the State Government agencies, HQ Eastern Naval Command said in a release here on Wednesday.
- The exercise was conducted based on a mock hijack scenario enacted utilising an Indian Naval Dornier.



➤ Which state Launches 'Milk Price Incentive Scheme' to Benefit over 50,000 People?



- A) Karnataka
- B) Chhattisgarh
- C) Kerala
- D) Uttarakhand
- E) Assam

**Answer**

**D) Uttarakhand**



## Explanation

- Uttarakhand Chief Minister **Pushkar Singh Dhami** launched the 'Milk Price Incentive Scheme' which will benefit around 53,000 people in the state.
- Further, he said that this amount would go directly into the accounts of the beneficiaries through **Direct Bank Transfer (DBT)**.
- Dhami also informed that the state government will spend **Rs 444.62 crore to open 500 milk sales centres in Uttarakhand.**



## Titbits

Uttarakhand

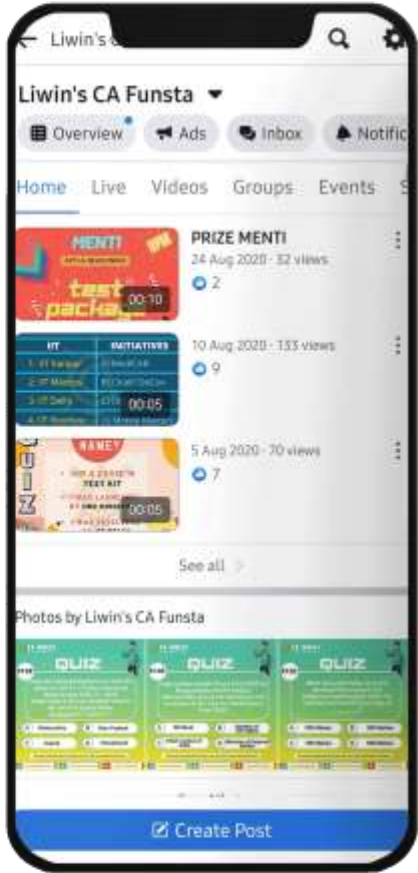
Capital: Dehradun (Winter), Gairsain(Summer)

CM: Pushkar Singh Dhami

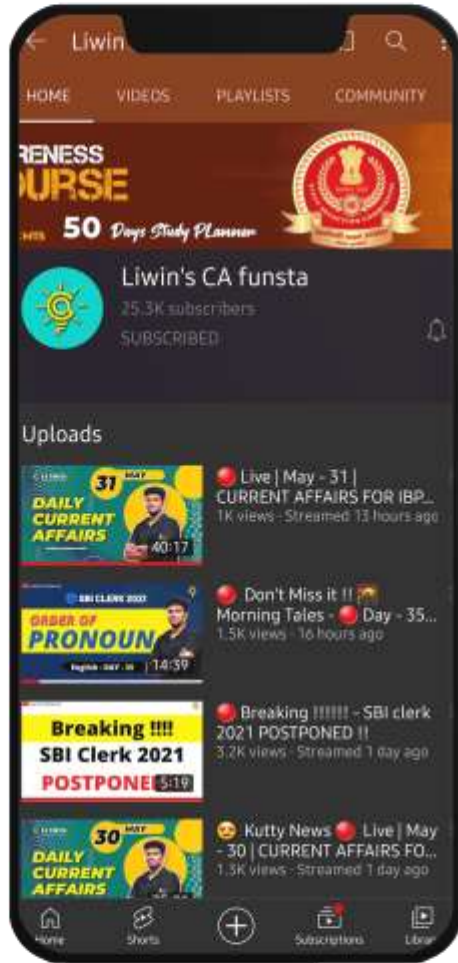
Governor: Gurmit Singh



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