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Important Days



➤ **National Maritime Day 2022 has been celebrated since which year?**

- A) 1961
- B) 1962
- C) 1965
- D) 1964
- E) 1963

Answer
D) 1964



Important Days



Explanation

- National Maritime Day will be celebrated for the **59th time** in India.
- The first anniversary was held in **1964** to raise awareness about international trade and the economy.
- Every year, on **April 5** the day is commemorated to support the global economy, which is the most well-organized, safe, and environmentally responsible way of delivering commodities from one end of the globe to the other.

Theme

- **'Sustainable Shipping beyond Covid-19'**



BANKING AND FINANCE



➤ RBI imposes penalties on how many co-op banks?

- A) 5
- B) 2
- C) 3
- D) 1
- E) 6

Answer
C) 3



Explanation

- A penalty of **Rs 2 lakh** has been imposed on **The Yashwant Cooperative Bank Limited, Phaltan** for contravention of non-compliance with directions issued by it on Income Recognition, Asset Classification, Provisioning and Other Related Matters – UCBs.
- In another statement, the central bank said a penalty of **Rs 2 lakh** has been imposed on **Kokan Mercantile Co-operative Bank Ltd., Mumbai** for similar non-compliance.
- The RBI has also imposed a penalty of **Rs 1 lakh** on the **Samata Cooperative Development Bank Limited, Kolkata**, for contravention of directions issued by it on 'Exposure Norms & Statutory/Other Restrictions-UCBs'.



Titbits

RBI

- Abbreviation : **Reserve Bank of India**
- Founded : **01/04/1935**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- Governor : **Shaktikanta Das**
- **RBI Act,1934.**



➤ Which of the following Bank got approval to disburse pensions?

- A) Axis Bank
- B) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- C) HDFC Bank
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) Indusland Bank



Answer

B) Kotak Mahindra Bank



Explanation

- Kotak Mahindra Bank has received approval to function as an authorized bank for **payment of pensions**.
- This means that now retired individuals can open their pension accounts with **Kotak Mahindra Bank**.
- The **CPAO** acts as a link between the pension sanctioning authority (the office where a government employee retired or died) and the pension payment authority (Pay and Accounts Office).

Central Pension Accounting Office



Titbits

Kotak Mahindra Bank

- Founded : **February 2003**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- CEO : **Uday Kotak**
- Tagline : **Lets make money simple**



BUSINESS AND ECONOMY



➤ India achieves an all-time high annual merchandise exports of how much billion?

- A) \$ 417.81 billion
- B) \$ 714.81 billion
- C) \$ 417.18 billion
- D) \$ 714.18 billion
- E) \$ 417.41 billion

Answer
A) \$ 417.81 billion



Explanation

- India achieved an all-time high annual merchandise exports of **USD 417.81 billion** in FY 2021-22, an increase of **43.18%** over **USD 291.81 billion** in FY2020-21 and an increase of **33.33%** over **USD 313.36 billion** in FY2019-20.
- For the first time, India's monthly merchandise exports exceeded USD 40 Billion, reaching USD 40.38 billion in March 2022, an increase of **14.53%** over **USD 35.26 billion** in March 2021 and an increase of **87.89%** over **USD 21.49 billion** in March 2020.
- India's merchandise import in March 2022 was **USD 59.07 billion**, an increase of **20.79%** over **USD 48.90 billion** in March 2021 and an increase of **87.68%** over **USD 31.47 billion** in March 2020.



- Who among the following formed panel to strengthen governance of **bourses**, other market infra institutions?

- A) SIDBI
- B) SEBI
- C) NABARD
- D) RBI
- E) Finance Ministry

Answer
B) SEBI



Explanation

- Capital markets regulator **Sebi** constituted a committee for reviewing and making recommendations for further strengthening of governance norms at stock exchange and other **market infrastructure institutions (MIIs).**
- The development comes in the backdrop of alleged corporate governance lapses at NSE, with several issues coming to the fore following a Sebi order that disclosed existence of a 'Himalayan yogi' who influenced the decisions of the exchange's former MD and CEO **Chitra Ramkrishna.**
- The **six-member committee** will be **chaired by G Mahalingam, former whole-time member of Sebi,** according to a statement.



Titbits

SEBI

- Abbreviation : **Security and Exchange Board of India**
- Formed : **12/04/1988**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- Chairman : **Madhabi Puri Buch**



BUSINESS AND ECONOMY



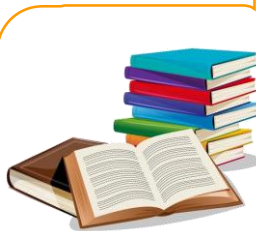
➤ Who among the following announced its partnership with **Renault Nissan** to assist automotive startups?



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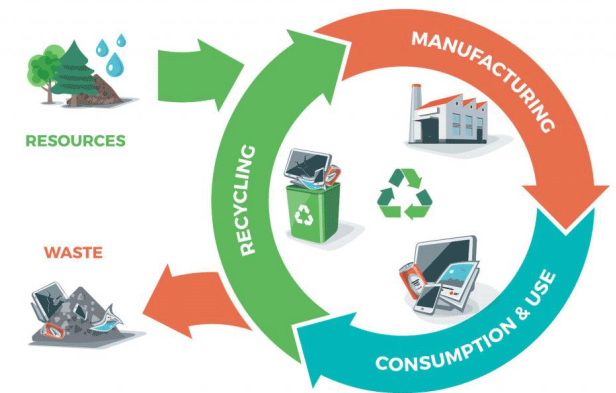
- A) Maruthi
- B) Isuzu
- C) Mahindra
- D) General Motors
- E) T-Hub

Answer
E) T-Hub



Explanation

- The program offers the startups an opportunity to participate under four themes - **First and Last Mile Connectivity, Digitisation, Mobility as a Service with social impact (MaaS) and Circular economy.**



Explanation

- **Six to eight startups** will be shortlisted for each theme out of which four startups will **win ₹1 million** grant each and receive co-working opportunities with RNTBCI.
- The program will focus on automotive space including AI, IoT, blockchain, robotic process automation (RPA), electrification, big data, AR/VR, application development, cloud-based, materials, alternative fuel etc.



Titbits

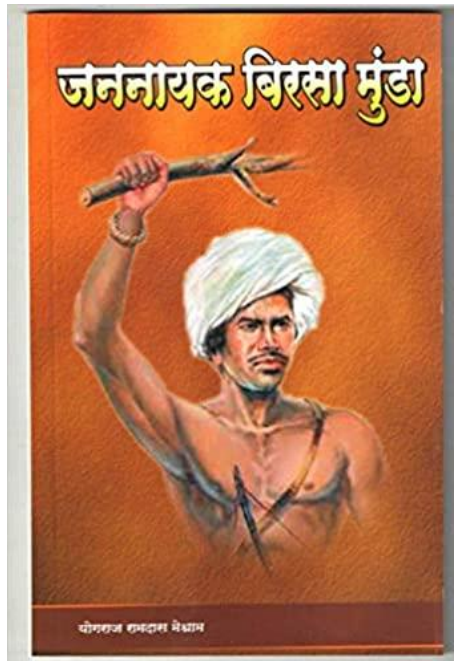
T-Hub

- Formed : 05/11/2015
- HQ : Hyderabad
- CEO : Srinivas Rao Mahankali



BOOKS AND AUTHORS

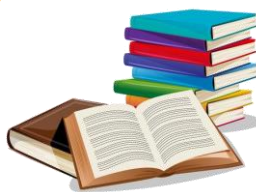
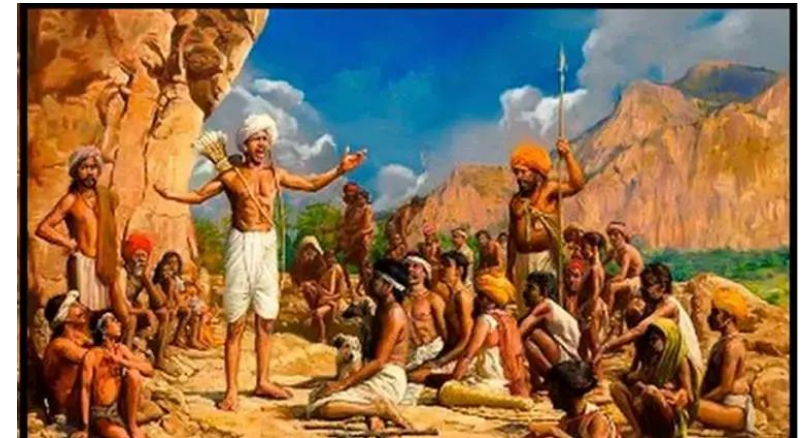
- Who among the following Union minister released a book “Birsa Munda – Janjatiya Nayak” in New Delhi?



- A) Shri Amit Shah
- B) Shri Nitin Gadkari
- C) Shri Arjun Munda
- D) Smt Nirmala Sitharaman
- E) Shri Dharmendra Pradhan

Answer

E) Shri Dharmendra Pradhan



BOOKS AND AUTHORS



Explanation

- Union Education and Skill Development Minister **Shri Dharmendra Pradhan** today released a book “**Birsa Munda – Janjatiya Nayak**” written by **Prof. Alok Chakrawal**, Vice Chancellor, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur.
- Minister of State for Education **Smt. Annapurna Devi** was also present on the occasion.



BOOKS AND AUTHORS

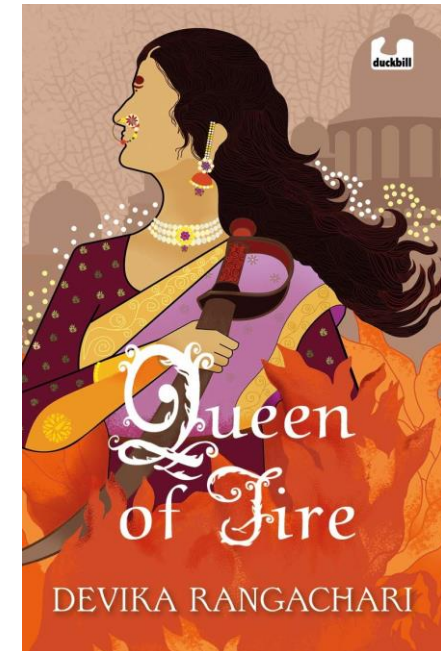


➤ Who among the following is publisher of the book 'Queen of Fire'?

- A) Macmillan India Ltd
- B) Harpen Collins
- C) Rupa Publication
- D) Penguin Random House India
- E) Jaico Publication

Answer

D) Penguin Random House India



BOOKS AND AUTHORS



Explanation

- Publisher: **Penguin Random House India**
- 'Queen of Fire' by award-winning children's writer and **historian Devika Rangachari**
- It is a gripping novel in which she sheds light on the brave queen and fearsome warrior **Rani Lakshmibai** of Jhansi whose cry of revolt against the British Raj mobilized thousands of Indian soldiers to become a part of the 1057 National Uprising.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ HP Inc. to acquire **videoconferencing firm Poly** for how much billion dollars to bolster hybrid working?



- A) \$3.3 billion
- B) \$3.5 billion
- C) \$3.4 billion
- D) \$5.3 billion
- E) \$4.3 billion

Answer
A) \$3.3 billion



Titbits

HP Inc

- Abbreviation : Hewlett-Packard
- Founded : 01/11/2015
- HQ : Palo Alto,California,US



- NTPC inks pact with which among the following company for blending green hydrogen with piped natural gas?

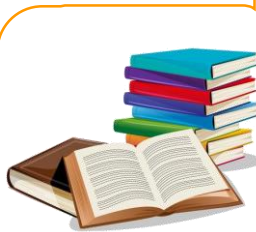


- A) Indane
- B) HP
- C) IOCL
- D) Gujarat Gas Ltd
- E) Gas authority of India



Answer

D) Gujarat Gas Ltd



Explanation

- State-run power giant **NTPC** has inked a pact with **Gujarat Gas Ltd** for an initiative to **blend green hydrogen** with the **piped natural gas (PNG)** supplied by the latter.
- **Green hydrogen will be produced by using electricity from the existing 1 MW floating solar project** of NTPC Kawas.
- This will be blended with PNG in a pre-determined proportion and will be used for cooking applications in **NTPC Kawas Township**.
- This first-of-its-kind project in the country is a step towards the **decarbonisation of the cooking sector** and self-sufficiency for energy requirements of the nation, it added.



Explanation

- The formal agreement between the two companies was signed in the presence of **Mohit Bhargava**, CEO, NTPC REL and ED RE, NTPC, and **Sanjeev Kumar**, MD, GGL and GSPL.
- Initially the percentage of hydrogen blending in the PNG shall be around **5 per cent** and after successful completion it shall be further increased.
- GGL is India's largest city gas distribution (CGD) company and has presence across **43 districts in six states and one union territory.**



Titbits

Gujarat Gas Limited

- Founded : 1980
- HQ : Ahmedabad
- Chairman : Anil Mukim

NTPC

- Abbreviation : National Thermal Power Corporation
- Founded : 07/11/1975
- HQ : New Delhi
- Chairman & MD : Gurdeep Singh

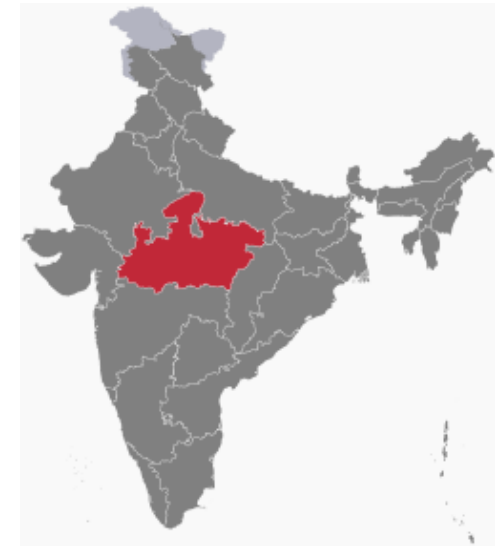


NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which among the following state/UT launched scheme to give loan up to **Rs 50L with subsidised interest rate for self-employment?**

- A) Madhya Pradesh
- B) New Delhi
- C) Uttarakhand
- D) Puducherry
- E) Maharashtra



Answer

A) Madhya Pradesh



Explanation

- With the aim to facilitate self-employment for the youth, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** launched '**Udyam Kranti Yojana**'.
- Under this scheme, the state government will give a loan guarantee of **Rs 1 lakh - Rs 50 lakh** for self-employment with subsidies on the interest rates.
- A goal has been set to benefit **one lakh youth in the year financial year 2022-23.**



Titbits

Madhya Pradesh

- Capital : **Bhopal**
- CM : **Shivraj Singh Chouhan**
- Governor : **Mangubhai C.Patel**
- National Park : **Bandhavgarh National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Gandhi Sagar WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Bhoj Wetlands**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



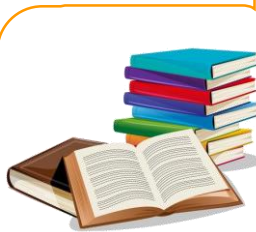
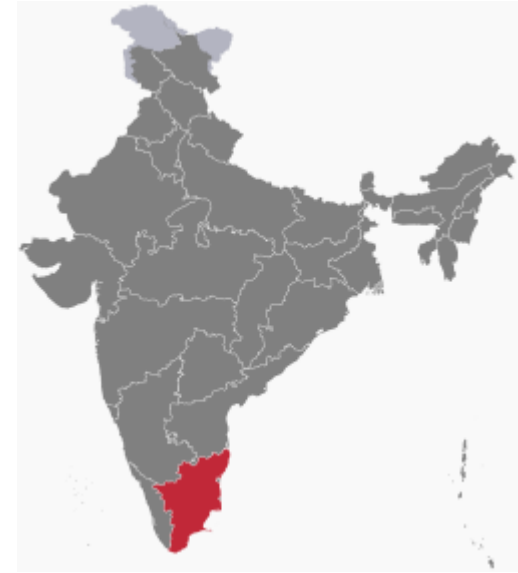
- Tamil Nadu CM M K Stalin also laid foundation for **Lotus Footwear Park** at which of the following district?



- A) Erode
- B) Coimbatore
- C) Villupuram
- D) Dindugal
- E) Madurai

Answer

- C) Villupuram**



Explanation

- The chief minister of Tamil Nadu **Mr. M K Stalin** inaugurated **the Periyar Memorial Samathuvapuram** in Periyakozhuvaari Panchayat in Vanur taluk of Villupuram district in Tamil Nadu adjoining Puducherry.
- **100 dwelling units** with all basic amenities were built at the cost of **2 crore 88 lakh rupees**.
- At another function held at **Ozhunthiapattu** in the nearby area in Vanur Taluk, the Chief Minister also inaugurated **38 projects** that were completed in Villuppuram District.
- He also handed over various welfare schemes worth over **42 Crore rupees** to a total of **10722 beneficiaries**.
- All the **248 Samathuvapuram Villages** would be renovated at the cost of **190 Crore Rupees**.
- He also laid a foundation for a **Lotus Footwear Park** that would offer jobs for 6000 persons in Tindivanam Taluk of Villupuram.



Titbits

Tamilnadu

- Capital : **Chennai**
- CM : **MK Stalin**
- Governor : **RN Ravi**
- National Park : **Annamalai (Indira Gandhi) National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Chitrangudi Bird WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Point Calimere Wildlife & Bird Sanctuary**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS

- Gangaur festival celebrated across which of the following state?



- A) Assam
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Bihar
- D) Uttarkhand
- E) Rajasthan

Answer
E) Rajasthan



Explanation

- In Rajasthan, the festival of **Gangaur** was celebrated across the state with traditional **reverence** and **gaiety**.
- On this occasion, the royal procession of Gangaur took place after two years due to the COVID pandemic in the capital **Jaipur**.
- **AIR correspondent** reports that the royal procession of Gangaur took place this evening at **the walled city of Jaipur** amidst the melodious vocals of the bands and the performances of folk artists started from **City Palace** and concluded at **Talkatora**.
- This royal procession has been a tourist attraction for several years, but did not take place for the last two years due to COVID.



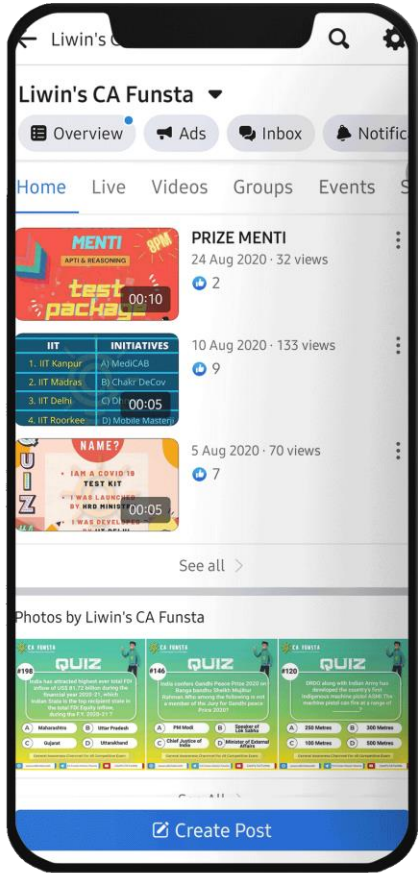
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Rajasthan

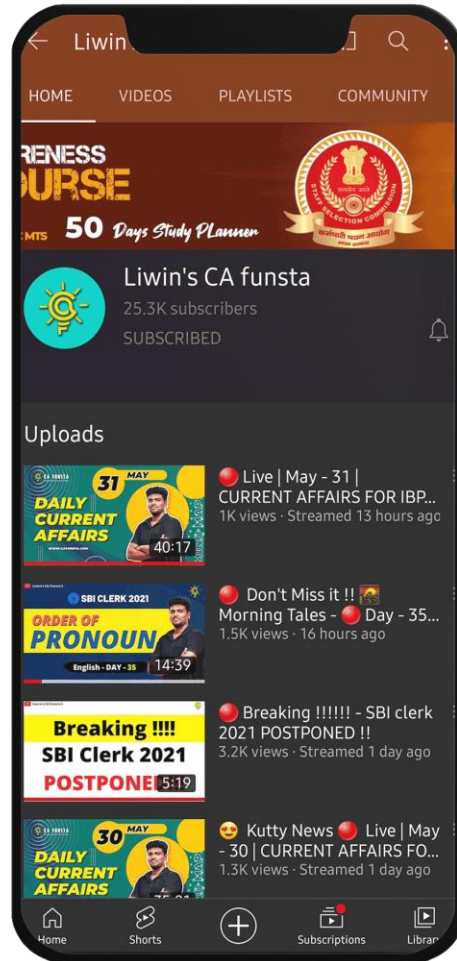
- Capital : **Jaipur**
 - CM : **Ashok Gehlot**
 - Governor : **Kalraj Mishra**
 - National Park : **Sariska National Park**
 - Wildlife Sanctuary : **Kailadevi WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Keoladeo Ghana National Park**



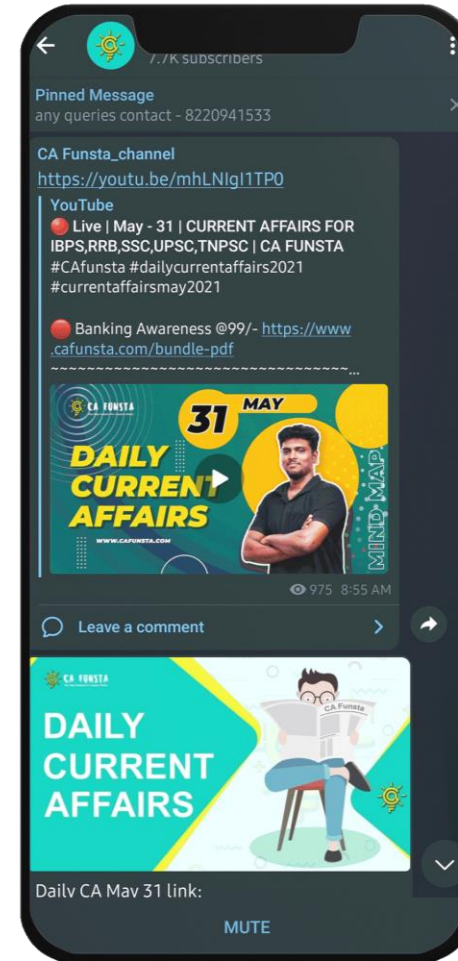
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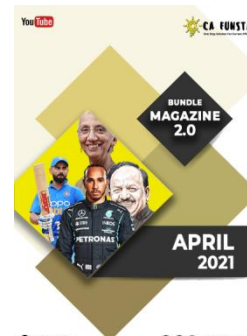
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