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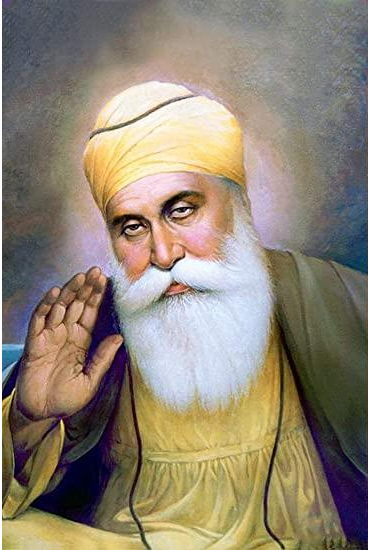
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Important Days



➤ International Turban Day was first observed on?

- A) 2001
- B) 2004
- C) 2010
- D) 1995
- E) 2020

Answer
B) 2004



Important Days



Explanation

- International turban day is annually observed on **April 13**.
- 1st observed on **2004**.
- Birth anniversary of **Guru Nanak Dev**.



Important Days

➤ **38th Siachen Day is observed on?**

- A) April 12
- B) April 10
- C) April 11
- D) April 13
- E) April 14

Answer
D) April 13



Important Days



Explanation

- Indian Army marks Siachen Day on **April 13** every year.
- The day is observed to commemorate the courage of the Indian Army under "**Operation Meghdoot**".
- The Day also **honours Siachen Warriors** serving their motherland successfully from the enemy.
- 'Operation Meghdoot' was launched on **13 April 1984**.
- Every year, the Indian Army commemorates by displaying **the courage of Indian Army troops** that are securing the coldest and highest battlefield in the world.



SPORTS



➤ Which among the following country will host Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023?



- A) India
- B) Australia
- C) UK
- D) France
- E) South Africa



Answer
A) India



Explanation

- Organised by **Street Child United and Save the Children**, the Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023 will welcome **22 teams** from **16 countries** to India in 2023.
- Taking place in **September** ahead of the ICC World Cup, the event will see street-connected children and young people take part in a mixed-gender cricket tournament.
- In **2019**, this championship was held in **London** where eight teams competed, and Team India emerged victorious after beating **hosts England**.
- Countries that will participate this year are **Bangladesh, Bolivia, Brazil, Burundi, England, Hungary, Mauritius, Mexico, Nepal, Rwanda, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Uganda and Zimbabwe**.



- Nexo and who among the following launched 'world first' crypto-backed payment card?

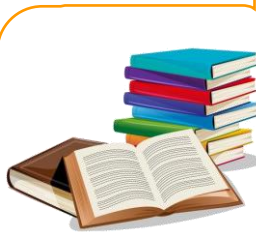


- A) Stripe
- B) Paypal
- C) Square
- D) Wepay
- E) Mastercard



Answer

E) Mastercard



Explanation

- Crypto lender **Nexo** has teamed up with global payments company **Mastercard** to launch what it calls the world's **first "crypto-backed" payment card**.
- The card, **available in selected European countries** initially, allows users to spend without having to sell their digital assets such as bitcoin, which are used as collateral to back the credit granted.
- The card is linked to a Nexo-provided, crypto-backed credit line and can be used at **92 million merchants** worldwide where Mastercard is accepted, allowing investors to spend up to 90% of the fiat value of their crypto assets.



Explanation

- There are **no restrictions** on how much a customer can spend or withdraw from the open credit line and interest is only paid on the amount of credit actually used.
- Interest remains at **0% for customers** who maintain a loan-to-value ratio of 20% or below.
- Electronic money firm **DiPocket** is Nexo's card issuer.



Titbits

Nexo

- Launched : **2017**
- Founder : **Antoni Trenchev** and **Kosta Kantchev**

Mastercard

- Founded : **1966** (1979 as Mastercard)
- HQ : **New York**
- Executive Chairman : **Ajay Banga**
- President and CEO : **Michael Miebach**



APPOINTMENTS



➤ Elista (Teknodome India Pvt Ltd) roped who among the following as its brand ambassador?

- A) Axar Patel
- B) Ishan Kishan
- C) Kuldeep Yadav
- D) Rishab Pant
- E) Shreyas Iyer

Answer
B) Ishan Kishan



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- **Brand Elista**, has now roped in the young Indian cricket star **Ishan Kishan** for a period of **two years** for its range of products under **consumer durables, home appliances and IT accessories**.
- Elista, launched its India operations in **2020** with its tagline '**Making in India for the world**' and continuing the brand building drive.
- **TeknoDome** has its Global Headquarters in **Dubai** and Indian Headquarters in **Noida - UP**.



APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who among the following re-appointed as NCM chairman?

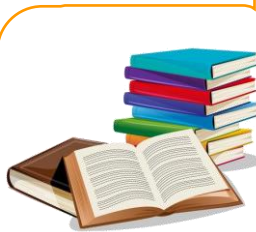


- A) Rajiv Gauba
- B) Ajay Tyagi
- C) Rekha Sharma
- D) Suneet Sharma
- E) Iqbal Singh Lalpura



Answer

E) Iqbal Singh Lalpura



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- The Union government re-appointed **Iqbal Singh Lalpura** as the chairperson of the **National Commission for Minorities (NMC), New Delhi**.
- Lalpura, former IPS officer from the Punjab cadre was **first appointed as chairman in September 2021**.



APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who among the following took charge as Tata Digital Chairman?

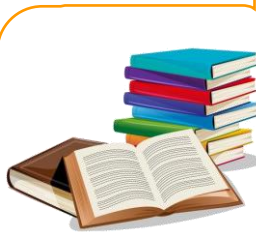
TATA
DIGITAL

- A) N Chandrasekaran
- B) Ashok Kumar Gupta
- C) Mahesh Mittal Kumar
- D) NK Singh
- E) MR Kumar



Answer

A) N Chandrasekaran



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- Tata Sons executive chairman **N Chandrasekaran** has formally taken charge as **chairman of Tata Digital**.
- Tata Digital is the brainchild of Chandrasekaran, who was **reappointed as the chairman of Tata Sons** for another five years in February 2022.
- Tata's digital strategy is being spearheaded by its **CEO Pratik Pal** along with Mukesh Bansal, founder of Cultfit.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ **BPCL will invest how many crores to set up 100 fast EV charging corridors with 2,000 stations?**

- A) Rs 180 crores
- B) Rs 210 crores
- C) Rs 220 crores
- D) Rs 250 crores
- E) Rs 200 crores



Answer

E) Rs 200 crores



Explanation

- Public sector oil marketing company **Bharat Petroleum** will invest around **Rs 200 crore** this fiscal to set up **100 fast electric vehicles charging corridors** having **2,000 stations** along the busiest **100 national highways**.
- The company has recently opened its **first EV charging corridor** along the **Chennai-Trichi-Madurai highway** with one charging unit.
- The **second corridor** will come up on the **Kochi-Salem section of the National Highway 47** within the next two months.
- The **third corridor** will most probably be **the Mumbai-Bengaluru National Highway 4**, and will have multiple units as the highway has amongst the highest traffic.



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Cabinet approved agreement with which of the following country on wastewater management?

- A) China
- B) Canada
- C) Japan
- D) USA
- E) Russia



Answer
C) Japan



Explanation

- The Union Cabinet gave its approval to a **Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC)** that was signed between **India and Japan** in March on **Decentralized Domestic Waste Water Management**.
- The MoC was signed between the Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation (DoWR, RD & GR), the Ministry of Jal Shakti (MoJS), and the Ministry of the Environment of Japan during the visit of the **Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida** on the occasion of the **14th India-Japan Annual Summit**.



Explanation

- The MoC seeks to promote cooperation for Decentralized Domestic Wastewater Management in **preserving the water environment in the public water areas** and **improvement of public health**, based on the principles of equality and mutual benefit between the two countries.
- After this approval, a **Management Council (MC)** will be formed which will be responsible for the implementation of this MoC by **formulating detailed activities of collaboration and monitoring its progress.**



Titbits

Japan

- Capital : **Tokyo**
- Currency : **Japanese Yen**
- Prime Minister : **Fumio Kishida**
- Language : **Japanese**



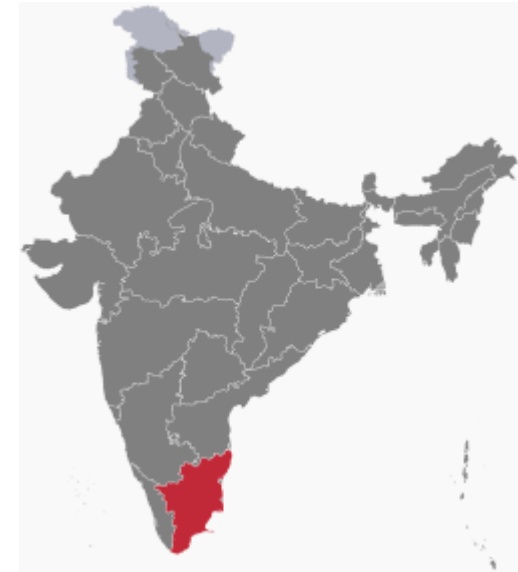
NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which among the following state/UT declared Dr Ambedkar birth anniversary as 'Equality Day'?

- A) Bihar
- B) New Delhi
- C) West Bengal
- D) Tamilnadu
- E) Maharashtra

Answer
D) Tamilnadu



Explanation

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister **M K Stalin** announced in the Assembly that the birth anniversary of **Dr Ambedkar** on April 14 would be celebrated as '**Equality Day**' from this year onwards.
- Reformist leader **Periyar's birth anniversary** (September 17) has already been declared as **social justice day** by the DMK government.



Titbits

Tamilnadu

- Capital: **Chennai**
- CM: **MK Stalin**
- Governor: **RN Ravi**
- Language : **Tamil**
- National Park : **Guindy National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Chitrangudi Bird WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Point Calimere Wildlife & Bird Sanctuary**
- Tiger Reserve : **Kalakad- Mundanthurai**
- Power Station : **Kalpakkam Nuclear Power Plant, Neyveli Thermal Power Station**
- Dams : **Mettur Dam in Caveri river**
- RRB : **Tamilnadu Grama Bank (Indian Bank)**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Cabinet approved how many crores for Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan?

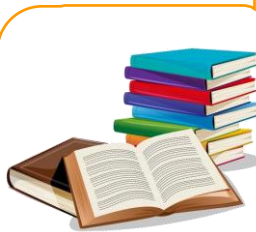
- A) Rs 5911 crores
- B) Rs 1159 crores
- C) Rs 5191 crores
- D) Rs 1519 crores
- E) Rs 5119 crores



Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan
Government of India | Ministry of Panchayati Raj

Answer

A) Rs 5911 crores



Explanation

- The Union Cabinet approved a financial outlay of **Rs 5,911 crore** for the **Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA)** which will help **2.78 lakh rural local bodies** achieve the sustainable development goals.
- RGSA will help improve Panchayati Raj Institutions and ensure **development in villages**, Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur.
- The scheme has now been extended **till 2025-26**, adding that it will be extended to **all states and union territories**.
- Of the total financial outlay of Rs 5,911 crore, the central share will be **Rs 3,700 crore** with states providing the balance **Rs 2,211 crore**.
- A total of **1.36 crore personnel in Panchyati Raj** Institutions will be trained up to 2025-26 under the initiative.



➤ Centre's 'Svanidhi se Samriddhi' programme expanded to cover how many more cities?

- A) 126
- B) 162
- C) 125
- D) 136
- E) 185

Answer
A) 126



Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
Government of India

SVANidhi se Samriddhi

Ab aapke samast parivaar ke liye!

PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi)



Explanation

- **The Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)** launched the "**Svanidhi se Samriddhi**" programme in **126 additional cities** across **14 states and Union territories**.
- "**Svanidhi se Samriddhi**", an additional programme of **PM Svanidhi**, was launched on **January 4 2021** in 125 cities under the first phase, covering around **35 lakh street vendors and their families**.
- **28 lakh street vendors and their families** will be covered after the expansion of the scheme.
- The scheme aims at providing an **affordable working capital loan to street vendors** and has successfully crossed the 30-lakh mark.

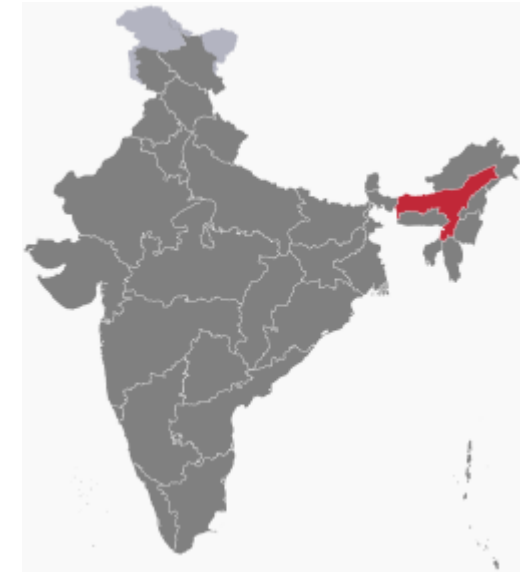


NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Northeast India's first Flying Training academy inaugurated at which of the following state?

- A) Nagaland
- B) Sikkim
- C) Tripura
- D) Arunachal Pradesh
- E) Assam



Answer
E) Assam



Explanation

- **Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia** inaugurated **Northeast India's first-ever Flying Training academy** in **Assam's Lilabari**.
- The flying academy has been developed by **Redbird Flight Training Academy** in collaboration with the **Airports Authority of India**.
- The academy has been established in line with the government's announcement of developing **nine new academies** in addition to the **existing 34 academies**.



Titbits

Assam

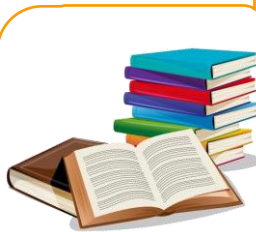
- Capital: **Dispur**
- CM: **Himanta Biswa Sharma**
- Governor: **Jagdish Mukhi**
- Language : **Assamese, Bodo**
- National Park : **Rajiv Gandhi (Orang) National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Amchang WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Deepor Beel**
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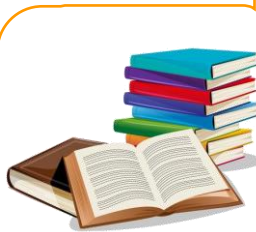
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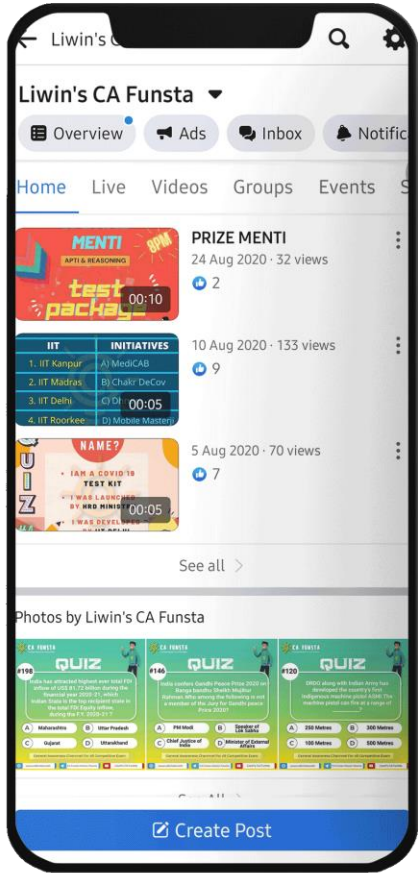
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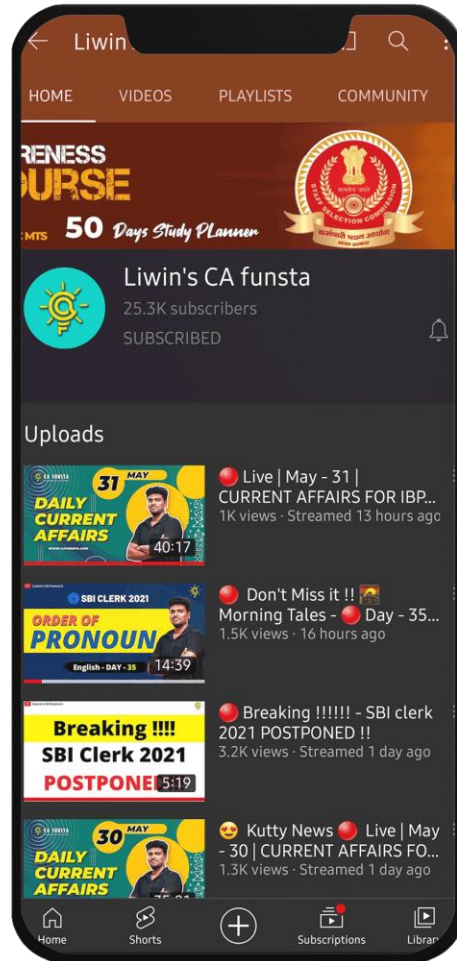
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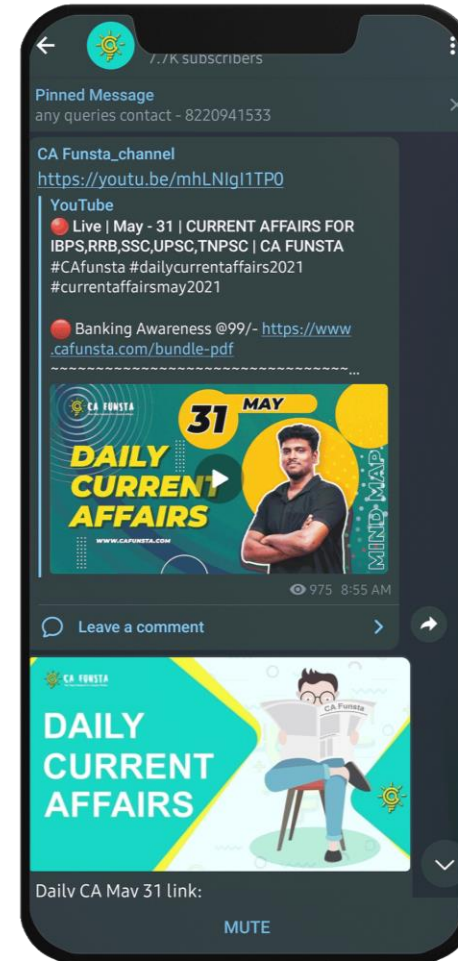
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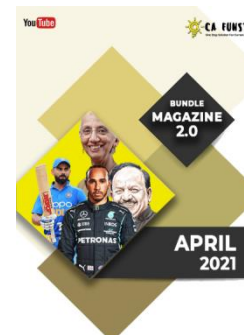
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