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Important Days



➤ **International Firefighters Day is celebrated due to the incident happened in which year?**

- A) 1996
- B) 1997
- C) 1998
- D) 1999
- E) 2000

Answer
C) 1998



Important Days



Explanation

- Every year, **Fire Fighters Day** is celebrated on **May 04** to honour the work done by firefighter professionals to protect people and property.
- A tragic incident in **Australia's Linton** led to the establishment of International Firefighters Day.
- This historical accident happened on **December 02, 1998**, which led to the taking of the lives of **5 firefighters**.
- Therefore, a proposal was passed on **January 04, 1999**, to honour the firefighters who lost their lives on duty.
- The symbol for this day is **red and blue**.
- The colours signify **red for fire** and **blue for water**, which is mostly used for emergency services.



Important Days



➤ **World Portuguese Language Day is celebrated on?**

A) May 5	A a	B b	C c	D d	E e	F f	G g
B) May 4	á	bê	cê	dê	é	efe	gê
C) May 3	[a]	[be]	[se]	[de]	[ɛ/e]	[ˈɛfi]	[ʒe]
D) May 2	H h	I i	J j	K k	L l	M m	N n
E) May 1	agá	i	jota	câ	ele	eme	ene
	[aˈga]	[i]	[ˈʒɔtɐ]	[ka]	[ˈɛli]	[ˈemi]	[ˈeni]
Answer	O o	P p	Q q	R r	S s	T t	U u
A) May 5	óô	pê	quê	erre	esse	tê	u
	[ɔ/o]	[pe]	[ke]	[ˈɛɾi]	[ˈɛsi]	[te]	[u]
	V v	W w	X x	Y y	Z z		
	vê	dáblio	xis	ípsilon	zê		
	[ve]	[ˈdabliu]	[ˈis]	[ˈipsilõ]	[ze]		



Important Days



Explanation

- The **World Portuguese Language Day** is being celebrated on **May 5th** in about **50 countries**, with cultural activities worldwide.
- Portuguese is also the **fifth** most used language on the **Internet** and is the **fourth** most used on **Facebook**.
- The date of May 5th was officially established in **2009** as '**World Portuguese Language Day**' by the **Community of Portuguese Language Countries (CPLP)** – an intergovernmental organization that has been in official partnership with UNESCO since **2000**.



SPORTS



➤ Dhanush bagged gold in Men's ____m Air Rifle at Deaflympics?

- A) 50
- B) 25
- C) 20
- D) 15
- E) 10

Answer
E) 10



Explanation

- **Dhanush Srikanth** and **Shourya Saini** bagged gold and bronze medals respectively in the **men's 10-meter air rifle** competition in the ongoing **24th Deaflympics** ensuring a winning start to India's campaign at the Games.
- India are currently ranked **eighth** on the medals table with **two gold** and **one bronze medal**.
- Ukraine tops the table currently with **19 gold, six silver and 13 bronze medals**.
- In the previous **2017** edition, India had finished with one gold, one silver and three bronze medals.



➤ Which Bank signed MoU with Haryana Government to provide smartphones to Lambardars?

- A) Punjab National Bank
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) SBI
- D) Indian Bank
- E) Axis Bank



Answer
D) Indian Bank



Explanation

- **Public sector Indian Bank** has signed a memorandum of understanding with the **Government of Haryana** to provide **smartphones** to **Lambardars (tax collectors)** of the state through **E-Rupee coupons**.
- Indian Bank provides **technology-financial services** and such facilities would also be extended to other state governments.



Titbits

Indian Bank

- Founded : **15/08/1907**
- HQ : **Chennai**
- MD & CEO : **Shanti Lal Jain**



BOOKS AND AUTHORS



➤ Who among the following received copy of book on Covid authored by senior journalist?

- A) President
- B) Vice President
- C) Prime Minister
- D) Chief Justice of India
- E) Speaker of Lok Sabha



Answer

B) Vice President



BOOKS AND AUTHORS



Explanation

- Book – '**No Time to Hide**'
- Author – **T N Ashok**, editor (economics) with PTI.
- Vice President **M Venkaiah Naidu** received a copy of a book written on the COVID-19 pandemic which highlights the **biggest vaccination drive in the world** and the help extended by New Delhi to various countries to deal with the health crisis.



APPOINTMENTS



➤ Pushp Kumar Joshi became full time chairman and MD of which of the following company?

- A) HPCL
- B) IOC
- C) RIL
- D) BPCL
- E) GSPC

Answer
A) HPCL



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- **Pushp Kumar Joshi** has taken over as the **interim chairman and managing director** of **Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL)**, he replaces **Mukesh Kumar Surana** the nation's third-largest oil refining and fuel marketing company said.
- Joshi, the senior-most director on the HPCL board, was in January picked by the government headhunter PESB to be the **new head of the company**.
- In the interim, Joshi, who currently is director for human resources at HPCL, has been given the additional charge of **chairman and managing director**.



APPOINTMENTS



Titbits

HPCL

- **Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd**
- **Founded : 1974**
- **HQ : Mumbai**
- **MD : MK Surana**



APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Alkesh Kumar Sharma taken over office as Secretary of which ministry?**

- A) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- B) Ministry of Education
- C) Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology
- D) Ministry of Home Affairs
- E) Ministry of Defence



Answer

C) Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- **Alkesh Kumar Sharma** assumed charge as **Secretary**, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY).
- He is an Indian Administrative Services Officer of 1990 batch, from Kerala cadre.
- Shri Alkesh Kumar Sharma has earlier served as **Additional Secretary and Secretary** in the Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India.
- Sharma worked as Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director of the **National Industrial Corridor Development Corporation Limited (NICDC)** (earlier DMICDC) from October 2015 to September 2019.
- He was also CEO of **National Industrial Corridor Development and Implementation Trust (NICDIT)**.



AWARDS



➤ Which of the following Bank bagged top honours in MSME category?

- A) Axis Bank
- B) HDFC
- C) ICICI Bank
- D) TMB
- E) KVB

Answer
E) KVB



AWARDS



Explanation

- Private sector **Karur Vysya Bank** has bagged the Best **Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Friendly Bank** and the Best Innovative Bank in the runner-up categories, the **Tamil Nadu-based bank**.
- Union Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises **Narayan Rane** presented the awards to the bank's **General Manager, Commercial Banking, Anburaj** at an event held in New Delhi.



AWARDS



Titbits

Karur Vysya Bank

- Founded : **1916**
- HQ : **Karur**
- MD & CEO : **Ramesh Babu**



AWARDS



➤ Which of the following country will be 'Country of Honour' at Cannes Marche' Du Film 2022?

- A) Germany
- B) Italy
- C) France
- D) India
- E) Canada

Answer
D) India



AWARDS



Explanation

- By Payal Mehta At a time when India is commemorating its 75th year of Independence by launching the '**Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav**', India and France are also celebrating 75 years of their association.
- Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting, **Anurag Singh Thakur** has announced that India will be the official 'Country of Honour' at the upcoming **Marche' Du Film**, which is organized alongside the Cannes Film Festival, in France.
- India has also been given an opportunity to pitch five selected movies at the '**Goes to Cannes Section**'.



Explanation

These movies are part of the WIP lab under the Film Bazaar

- **'Baghjan'** by Jaicheng Zxai Dohutia - Assamese, Moran
- **'Bailadila'** by Shailendra Sahu - Hindi, Chhattisgarhi
- **'Ek Jagah Apni (A Space of Our Own)'** by Ektara Collective - Hindi
- **'Follower'** by Harshad Nalawade - Marathi, Kannada, Hindi
- **'Shivamma'** by Jai Shankar – Kannada



AWARDS



➤ Oscar winner Ariana DeBose will host which edition of Tony Awards?

- A) 50th
- B) 75th
- C) 80th
- D) 91st
- E) 65th

Answer
B) 75th



AWARDS



Explanation

- Oscar winner **Ariana DeBose** will be the host for the **75th edition of the Tony Awards**, which honours the best of the best in American theatre.
- DeBose, the first openly queer woman of colour to win an Academy Award in an acting category, will host the awards live from **New York's Radio City Music Hall**.
- She won Best Actress for the film '**West Side Story**'.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ **Tata Power Solar bags how many crore order from SJVN?**

- A) Rs 6,500 crore
- B) Rs 5,600 crore
- C) Rs 5,400 crore
- D) Rs 4,500 crore
- E) Rs 5,500 crore

Answer

- E) Rs 5,500 crore**



Explanation

- **Tata Power Solar Systems** has won India's largest solar **engineering procurement and construction (EPC)** order for **1 GW project** worth **Rs 5,500 crore** from **state-owned SJVN Ltd.**
- According to a company statement, this EPC order has been designed keeping in mind the innovative use of **'Make in India'** cells and modules.
- The project will be developed under the **CPSU (central public sector undertaking) scheme** of the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy and will be completed within **24 months.**
- Covering **5,000 acres of land in Rajasthan**, this project aims at reducing around **2287128 kg of carbon emission** and is expected to generate around **2,500 million units** annually.



Titbits

Tata Power Solar Systems

- Founded : **1989**
- HQ : **Noida**
- CEO : **Ajay Goel**



➤ India's 'first' tribal health observatory will come up in which of the following state?

- A) Meghalaya
- B) Assam
- C) Odisha
- D) Nagaland
- E) Mizoram

Answer
C) Odisha



Explanation

- **Odisha** is set to come up with India's "only" observatory that will establish a repository on the health of the **tribal population** in the state.
- A memorandum of understanding was inked in this regard between the **ST and SC Development Department** and the RMRC, a regional centre of the Indian Council of Medical Research.
- The **Tribal Health Observatory (TriHOb)** is the "**first in the country**", and designed to be an effective, evidence-based and a policy-oriented centre, the Information Department.
- It will perform systematic and ongoing observation on **disease burden, health-seeking behaviour and healthcare delivery system** pertaining to tribal health in the state.



Titbits

Odisha

- Capital: **Bhubaneshwar**
- CM: **Naveen Patnaik**
- Governor: **Ganeshi Lal**
- Language : **Odia**
- National Park : **Simplipal National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Balukhand Konark WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Chilka Lake**
- Tiger Reserve : **Satkosia**
- Power Station : **Hirakud Captive Power Plant**
- Dams : **Mandira Dam in Sankh River**
- RRB : **Odisha Gramya Bank (Indian Overseas Bank), Utkal Grameen Bank (State Bank of India)**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS

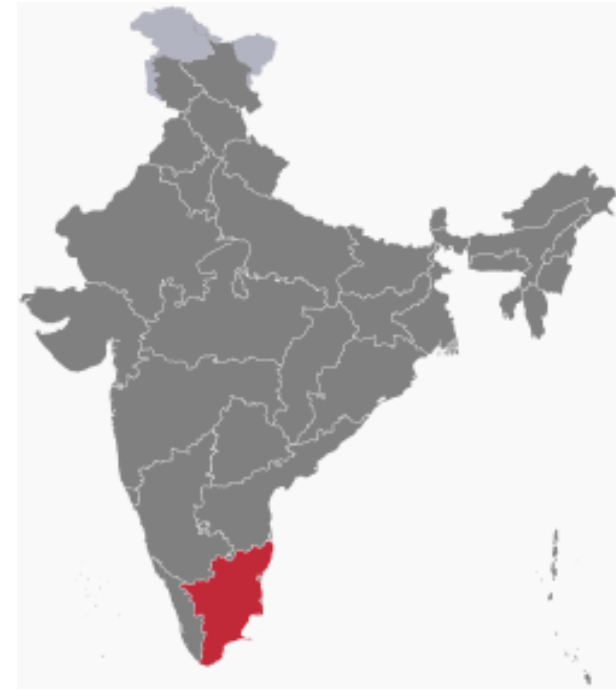


➤ Which of the following state government developed new citizen-centric web portal for integrated service delivery?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Kerala
- C) Andra Pradesh
- D) Karnataka
- E) Telengana

Answer

A) Tamil Nadu



Explanation

- The **Tamil Nadu government** is developing a new citizen-centric web portal, '**Know Your Government**' with the existing state portal being migrated to the new.
- The **IT department**, according to a statement is also developing a new integrated service delivery platform, '**E-sevai 2.0**' to replace the present one and to develop a common digital payment solution.
- The 'E-sevai 2.0' will handle all **consumer to government, government to government, and government to consumer payments**.



Titbits

Tamil Nadu

- Capital: **Chennai**
- CM: **MK Stalin**
- Governor: **RN Ravi**
- Language : **Tamil**
- National Park : **Mukurthi National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Cauvery North WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Point Calimere Wildlife & Bird Sanctuary**
- Tiger Reserve : **Sathyamangalam**
- Power Station : **Kalpakkam Nuclear Power Plant, Tuticorin Thermal power Station**
- Dams : **Sholaiyar Dam in Sholaiyar River**
- RRB : **Tamil Nadu Grama Bank (Indian Bank)**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Amit Shah unveiled how many floating BOPs and a floating ambulance in Bengal?



- A) 10
- B) 4
- C) 5
- D) 6
- E) 2

Answer
D) 6



Explanation

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah unveiled **six floating Border Outposts (BOPs)** and launched a floating ambulance, all to be manned by **Border Security Force (BSF) at Hingaljanj in West Bengal's North 24 Parganas district**, close to the international border with Bangladesh.
- The floating BOPs would strengthen the vigil of this international border, where more such BOPs would be set up in phases.
- Besides inaugurating **six floating BOPs** for the BSF, a floating ambulance was unveiled by the visiting home minister at **Hingaljanj region**.
- The boat ambulance would provide medical help in the inaccessible area of **Sundarbans from Saheb Khali to Shamsheer Nagar**.



Explanation

- The BOPs are named as **Sutlej, Narmada, Kaveri, Ganga, Sabarmati and Krishna.**
- Shah would also lay the foundation stone of **Maitri Sangrahalaya** or **museum Haridaspur** in **Bongaon region** and then attend **Praharī Sammelan.**



Titbits

West Bengal

- Capital: **Kolkata**
- CM: **Mamata Banerjee**
- Governor: **Jagdish Dhankhar**
- Language : **Bengali,English**
- National Park : **Gorumara National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Lothian Island WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **East Kolkata Wetlands**
- Tiger Reserve : **Sunderbans**
- Power Station : **Kolaghat Thermal Power Station**
- Dams : **Durgapur Barrage in Damodar River**
- RRB : **Bangiya Gramin Vikash Bank (United Bank of India), Paschim Banga Gramin Bank (UCO Bank), Uttar Banga Kshetriya Gramin Bank (Central Bank of India)**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Delhi govt launched free bus travel scheme for whom?

- A) Street Vendors
- B) Construction Workers
- C) Merchants
- D) Cooli
- E) Women



Answer

B) Construction Workers



Explanation

- To aid the construction workers in saving their expenses on the work-related commute, **Delhi Government** announced a free travel pass for them.
- The **construction workers** can use the travel pass to commute via **DTC buses** without paying for the tickets.
- Deputy Chief Minister **Manish Sisodia** launched the scheme by handing over **100 passes** to the workers.
- The move will end travel-related expenses of the construction worker, who is a vast majority, lives on the outskirts of Delhi but travels to the **national capital for work**.



Explanation

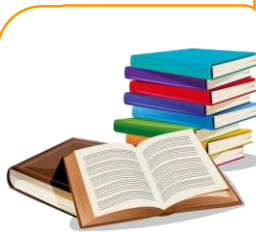
- The construction workers can avail of the passes by registering on **DTC website** or at **Construction Board Registration Centres**.
- He also urged construction workers to assist other members of the community in registering with the **Delhi Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board (DBOCWWB)** so that they can take advantage of **government welfare programmes**.



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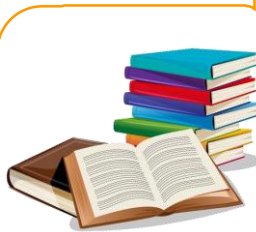
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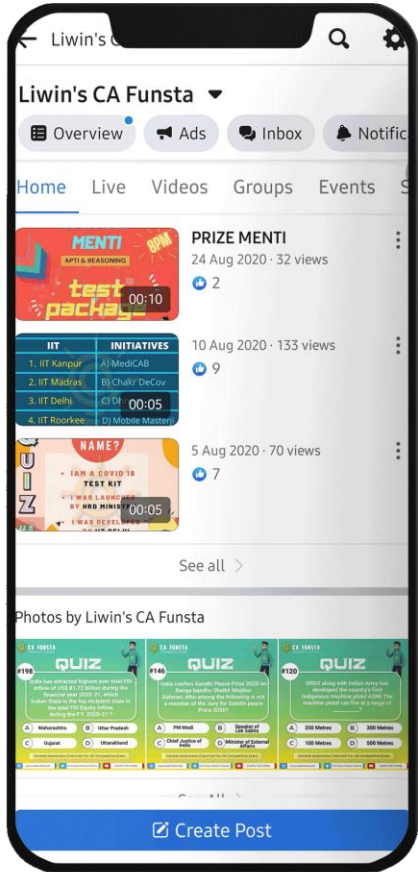
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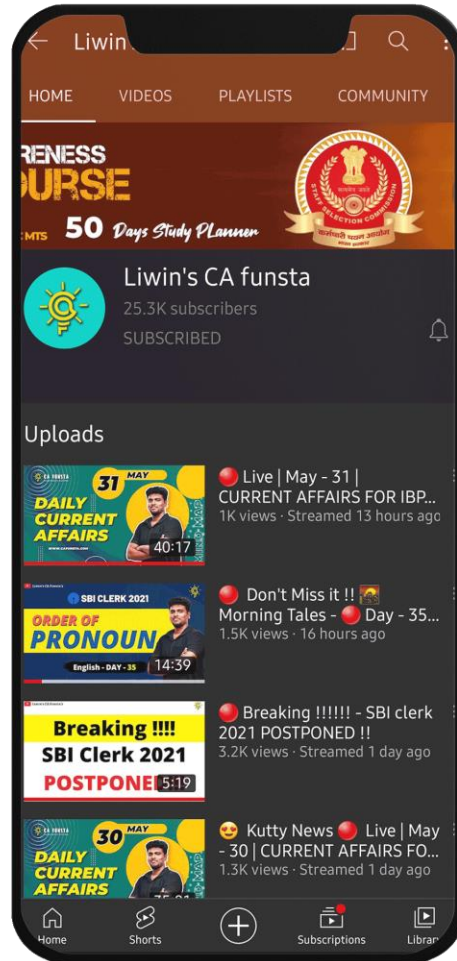
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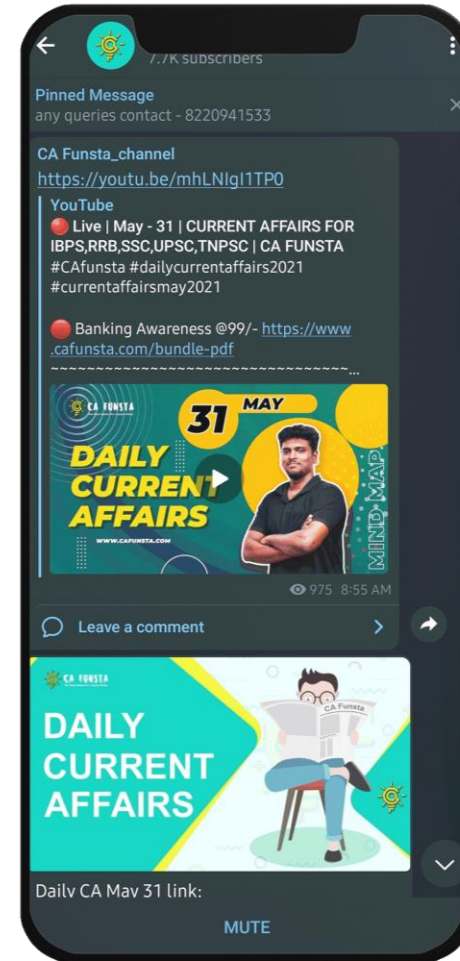
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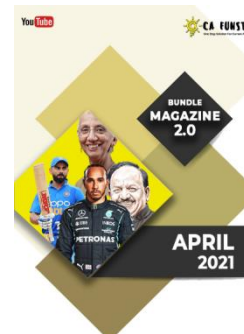
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