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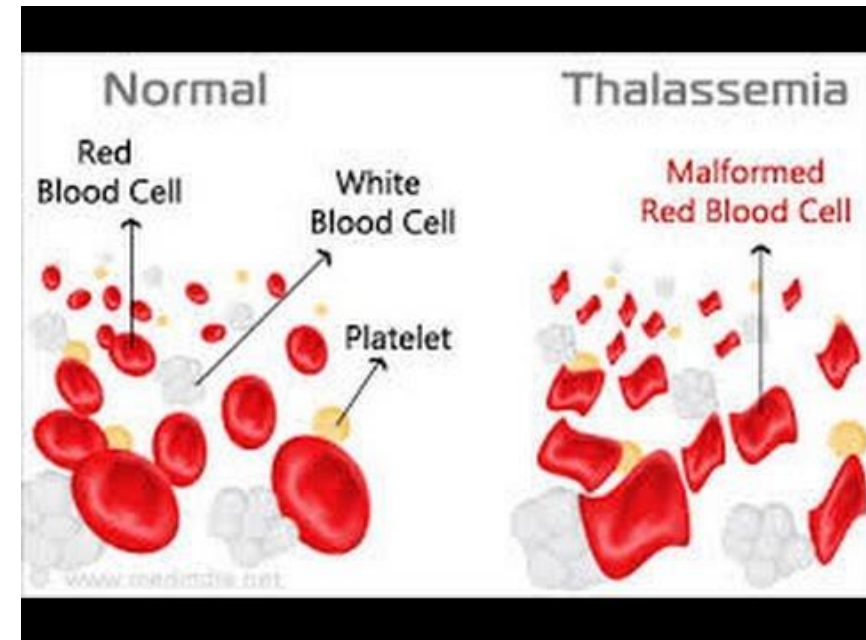


Important Days

➤ **World Thalassemia Day is observed on?**

- A) May 01
- B) May 07
- C) May 05
- D) May 04
- E) May 06

Answer
B) May 07



Important Days



Explanation

- Every year World Thalassemia day is observed on **May 07**.
- Thalassemia is an **inherited blood disorder** that doesn't let the body to create enough haemoglobin.
- The disease **weakens and destroys the blood cells**.
- There are two types of thalassemia, **alpha and beta**, along with **Thalassemia minor, intermedia and major** as its subcategories.
- In the year **1994**, **Thalassemia International Federation (TIF)** announced May 8 as International Thalassemia Day.

Theme

- **'Be Aware.Share.Care: Working with the global community as one to improve thalassemia knowledge.'**



SPORTS



➤ **Alyssa Healy won ICC 'Player of Month' award, she belongs to which country?**

- A) Srilanka
- B) Bangladesh
- C) England
- D) Australia
- E) South Africa

Answer
D) Australia



SPORTS



Explanation

- Women – Star keeper-batter **Alyssa Healy** (Australia)
- Men – Side spinner **Keshav Maharaj** (South Africa)



SPORTS



➤ Motor racing-Verstappen won ____ Miami Grand Prix?

- A) 3rd
- B) 5th
- C) 2nd
- D) 4th
- E) 1st

Answer
E) 1st



Explanation

- First Miami Grand Prix at Miami Dolphins' Hard Rock Stadium.
- 1st – **Max Verstappen** (Red Bull,Belgium)
- 2nd – **Charles Leclerc** (Ferrari,Monaco)
- 3rd – **Carlos Sainz** (Ferrari,Spain)



SPORTS



➤ Alcaraz won Madrid Open title, this is his ___ title in this year?

- A) 4th
- B) 1st
- C) 3rd
- D) 2nd
- E) 5th

Answer
A) 4th



Explanation

- Madrid Open title.
- Winner – **Carlos Alcaraz** (Spain)
- Runner – **Alexander Zverev** (Germany)
- This was Alcaraz's second ATP Masters 1000 title of the season and fourth title of the year.



➤ **SECI signed MoU with which ministry to set up rooftop solar energy panels?**

- A) Ministry of Renewable Energy
- B) Ministry of Defence
- C) Ministry of Home Affairs
- D) Ministry of Finance
- E) Ministry of External Affairs

Answer

C) Ministry of Home Affairs



Explanation

- **Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)** has signed **MoU** with the **Union Ministry of Home Affairs** in order to harness the **potential of solar energy** on the available **rooftop areas** in the campuses of the **Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF)** and **National Security Guard (NSG)**.
- The MoU was signed by **Shri Rakesh Kumar Singh**, Joint Secretary, MHA and **Smt. Suman Sharma**, MD, SECI.
- The MoU is a step ahead towards supply of green power to the **country's security forces** and reinforces the government's commitment towards a sustainable future.
- The MoU will support MHA in implementing rooftop solar plants under **RESCO model**.



Titbits

Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)

- Founded : **09/09/2011**
- HQ : **New Delhi**
- MD : **Suman Sharma**



➤ Nitin Jain launched Asset Management & Financial Advisory Company, he belongs to which sector?

- A) Agriculture
- B) MSME
- C) Power
- D) Finance
- E) Defence



Answer
D) Finance



Explanation

- **Nitin Jain**, former Wealth and Asset Management chief executive officer at Edelweiss, announced the launch of a new age asset management and financial advisory platform, **Neo Group**.
- The group will focus on four businesses -- **Neo World, Neo Asset Management, Neo Multi Family Office and Neo Leaf**.
- Jain has roped in a team of industry experts to lead each of Neo Group's business verticals.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



➤ Who among the following cleared Equitas Holdings and Equitas SFB merger?

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

Answer
B) RBI



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Explanation

- **The Reserve Bank of India** cleared the **Equitas Holdings and Equitas SFB merger, Equitas Small Finance Bank**.
- The scheme of amalgamation between Equitas Holdings Limited (EHL), Equitas SFB Limited (ESFB), and their respective shareholders had been submitted to the Stock Exchanges and the RBI for their approval.
- The market capitalisation of Equitas Small Finance Bank was **Rs 6,404 crore** on March 31, compared with **Rs 3,643.48 crore** for Equitas Holdings.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Titbits

Equitas Small Finance Bank

- Founded : **2016**
- HQ : **Chennai**
- MD & CEO : **PN Vasudevan**



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ Who among the following signed Agreement with IREDA to facilitate its Clean Energy Growth Journey?



- A) NLC India
- B) Adani Power
- C) OMC Power
- D) Reliance Power
- E) Tata Power



Answer
C) OMC Power



Explanation

- **OMC Power** is delighted to announce a long-term relationship agreement with the **Indian Renewable Energy Dev Agency Ltd(IREDA)** towards building a **rural renewable energy ecosystem**.
- In a welcome move by the IREDA, OMC will be getting economic support for setting up Renewable energy plants **to provide sustainable energy** in the villages of Uttar Pradesh.
- Currently, OMC Power has **280 renewable energy plants** across Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.
- OMC Power plans to expand its footprint to **1000 sites** to drastically reduce the Carbon footprint in rural India.



Titbits

Indian Renewable Energy Dev Agency Ltd (IREDA)

- Founded : **11/03/1987**
- HQ : **New Delhi**
- CMD : **Pradip Kumar Das**
- **Ministry of New and Renewable Energy**



DEFENCE



➤ Boeing and Air Works collaborated on Indian Navy's ___ fleet?

- A) P- 86
- B) P- 85
- C) P- 82
- D) P- 80
- E) P- 8I

Answer
E) P- 8I



Explanation

- Underscoring the success of the government's **Atmanirbhar Bharat (self-reliant India) campaign**, Air Works – an **Indian maintenance, repair, and overhaul (MRO) company** – is partnering **The Boeing Company** in undertaking heavy maintenance checks on **three Indian Navy P-8I long-range maritime patrol aircraft** simultaneously at **Air Works, Hosur**.
- The collaboration between Boeing and Air Works has enabled faster turnarounds and enhanced operational capability within India for **key defence platforms**.
- The partnership began with checks on the P-8I Poseidon aircraft, and has grown to include checks and MRO on the landing gear of the Indian Air Force's **Boeing 737 VVIP aircraft**.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ **Etsy inks pact with NEHHDC to support small, traditional artisans from where?**

- A) North East states
- B) Northern States
- C) Southern States
- D) Western States
- E) Central States

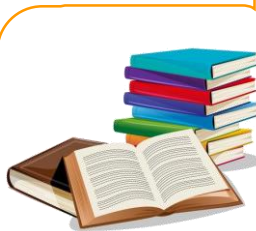
Answer

A) North East states



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NEHHDC



Explanation

- **Etsy**, which positions itself as global marketplace for **'unique and creative' goods**, has partnered with the **North Eastern Handicrafts and Handloom Development Corporation (NEHHDC)** to support **small sellers, weavers and artisans**, with market access and enablement support.
- Under the memorandum of understanding (MoU), Etsy will work with the NEHHDC to develop enablement programmes specifically **tailored for artisans** from the North East, including modules on **online selling and entrepreneurship**, and the opportunity to access a wider market for their products.



Explanation

- Etsy will provide digital enablement services to sellers and conduct training workshops to familiarise them with Etsy and how to **sell on the marketplace**.
- Etsy aims to **equip artisans, creators and small entrepreneurs** in the Indian handicrafts sector with important tools and resources to start and manage online businesses.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which of the following state/UT Heritage Festival organized at Ramnagar Fort, Udhampur?

- A) Haryana
- B) Jammu and Kashmir
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Ladakh
- E) Punjab

Answer

B) Jammu and Kashmir



Explanation

- Continuing the Celebration of '**Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav**' **Directorate of Tourism, Jammu** was organized **Jammu Heritage Festival at Ramnagar Fort** in collaboration with **District Administration, Udhampur and Archeological Survey of India.**
- This was the second program in the series of Heritage Festival as the first was conducted at **Bhimgarh Fort, Reasi.**
- The event was curated and crafted by **Atlas Event Management.**



Titbits

Jammu and Kashmir

- Capital: **Srinagar** (May-Oct), **Jammu** (Nov-Apr)
- Lt Governor: **Manoj Sinha**
- Language : **Kashmiri, Dogri, Urdu, Hindi, English**
- National Park : **Kishwar National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Gulmarg WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Hokera Wetland**
- Tiger Reserve : -
- Power Station : **Salal Hydro Electric Power Plant**
- Dams : **Pakal Dul Dam** in **Marusudar River**
- RRB : **Ellaquai Dehati Bank** (State Bank of India), **J&K**
Grameen Bank (J&K Bank Ltd.)



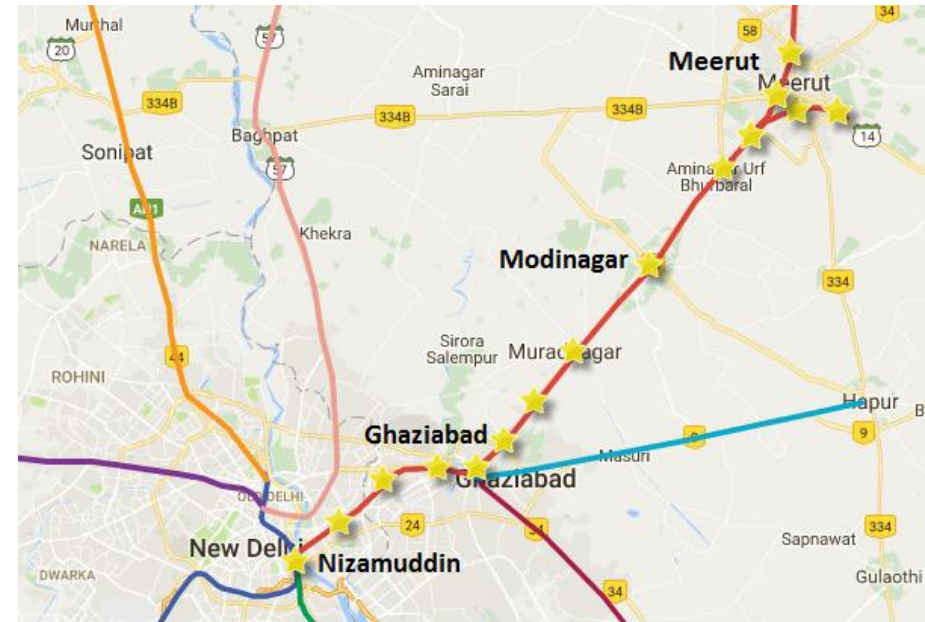
NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Alstom delivered India's first semi high-speed regional train for Delhi-Meerut RRTS project, what is its length?

- A) 82.4 km
- B) 85.2 km
- C) 85.5 km
- D) 82.5 km
- E) 81.5 km

Answer
D) 82.5 km



Explanation

- **Alstom**, a leading multinational sustainable mobility provider, has successfully delivered **India's first semi high-speed regional train for National Capital Region Transport Corporation's (NCRTC), 82.5 km long Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut RRTS Phase 1.**
- The rollout ceremony was held at Alstom's manufacturing unit at **Savli in Gujarat.**
- Designed and built to move passengers at **180 kmph**, these trains are expected to reduce the travel time between Delhi and Meerut by **40%.**
- These semi-high-speed aerodynamic trains are energy efficient, designed to offer **top-notch comfort and safety features for premium passenger experience** for commuters, including those for the speciallyabled.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMJJBY), Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Atal Pension Yojana (APY) completed ___ years?

- A) 6
- B) 4
- C) 7
- D) 5
- E) 8

Answer
C) 7

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Period of Insurance, Annual : 1st June – 31st May

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- ✓ Insurance also covers permanent disablement due to accident

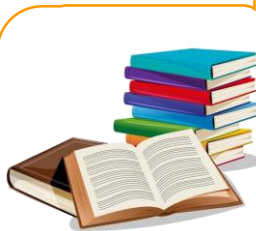
Period of Insurance, Annual : 1st June – 31st May

Atal Pension Yojana

Minimum Investment, Maximum Benefits during old-age

Age of joining	Years of Contribution	Indicative Monthly Contribution (in Rs.)	Monthly Pension to the subscribers and his spouse (in Rs.)	Indicative Return Corpus to the subscribers (in Rs.)
18	42	279	5,000	5.5 Lakh
20	40	248	5,000	5.3 Lakh
25	35	276	5,000	5.3 Lakh
30	30	377	5,000	5.5 Lakh
35	25	502	5,000	5.5 Lakh
40	20	1,414	5,000	5.5 Lakh

Fixed monthly pension from Rs.1000 to Rs.5000 depending on the contributions



Explanation

- The **7th anniversaries** of three social security (Jan Suraksha) schemes, **Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY)**, **Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY)** and **Atal Pension Yojana (APY)**.
- PMJJBY, PMSBY and APY were launched by **Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi** on **9th May, 2015** from **Kolkata, West Bengal**.
- PMJJBY: More than **12.76 crore** Cumulative Enrolments
- PMSBY: More than **28.37 crore** Cumulative Enrolments
- APY: Over **4 Crore** subscribers.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS

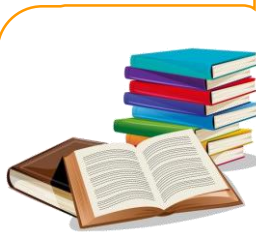


- **Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying inaugurates Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) to provide veterinary services at the farmer's doorstep in which of the following state?**

- A) Meghalaya
- B) Jharkhand
- C) Haryana
- D) Andra Pradesh
- E) Karnataka

Answer

E) Karnataka



Explanation

- **Shri Parshottam Rupala**, Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying inaugurated **Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) in Karnataka** to provide veterinary services at the farmer's doorstep based on the phone calls received at the **Call Centre from the farmers**.
- The overall aim of the '**Livestock Health & Disease Control programme**' of Government of India is to improve the animal health by way of implementation of **prophylactic vaccination programmes** against various diseases of livestock and poultry, **capacity building, disease surveillance and strengthening of veterinary infrastructure**.



Explanation

- In order to increase accessibility of veterinary services at farmer's doorsteps, funds for Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs) will be provided to the States/UTs under this scheme **@ 1 MVU for every one lakh livestock population.**
- These MVUs will be customized fabricated vehicles for veterinary healthcare with equipment **for diagnosis, treatment & minor surgery, audio visual aids and other basic requirements for treatment of animals.**



Titbits

Karnataka

- Capital: **Bangalore**
- CM: **Basavaraj Bommai**
- Governor: **Thawarchand Gehlot**
- Language : **Kannada**
- National Park : **Kudremukh National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Ghataprabha Bird Sanctuary**
- Ramsar Site : -
- Tiger Reserve : **Kudremukha**
- Power Station : **Shivanasamudra Hydro Electric Power Plant, Kaiga Nuclear Power Plant, JSW Vijayanagar TPS**
- Dams : **Hidkal Dam in Ghataprabha River**
- RRB : **Karnataka Gramin Bank (Canara Bank), Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank (Syndicate Bank)**



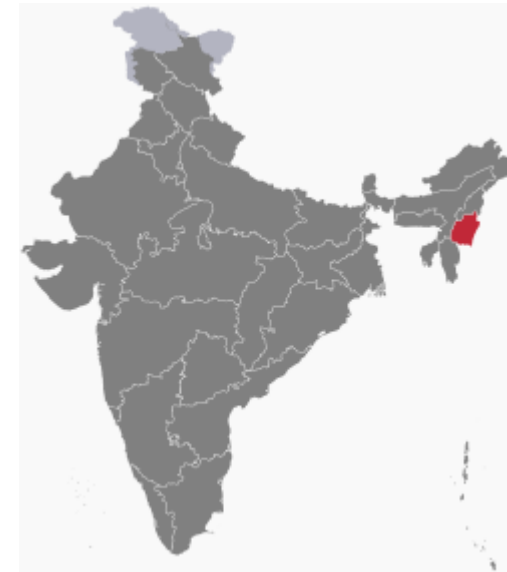
NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Poumai is declared as 'drug free zone' it is located in which state?

- A) Manipur
- B) Jharkhand
- C) Haryana
- D) Meghalaya
- E) Mizoram

Answer
A) Manipur



Explanation

- Giving an impetus to chief minister **N Biren Singh's** initiative on **“War on Drugs”**, the Poumai Naga community has declared Poumai areas in the state as **“drug free zone”**.
- A resolution to this **effect and against poppy plantation** was made on April 28 during the Poumai general body meeting.
- Paomai is the **second largest Naga tribe** in Manipur predominantly settled in **Senapati district**.



Titbits

Manipur

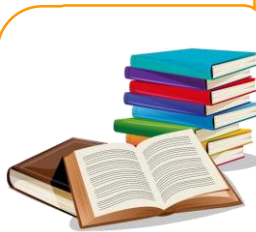
- Capital: **Imphal**
- CM: **N Biren Singh**
- Governor: **La Ganesan**
- Language : **Manipuri**
- National Park : **Shiroi National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Khongjaingamba Ching WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Loktak lake**
- Tiger Reserve : -
- Power Station : **Loktak Hydro Electric Power Plant**
- Dams : -
- RRB : **Manipur Rural Bank (United Bank of India)**



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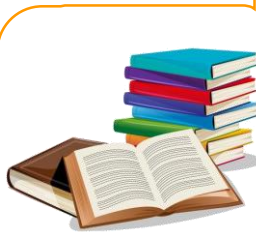
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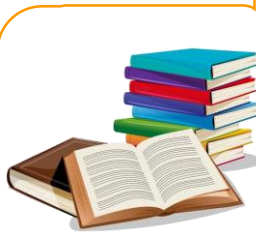
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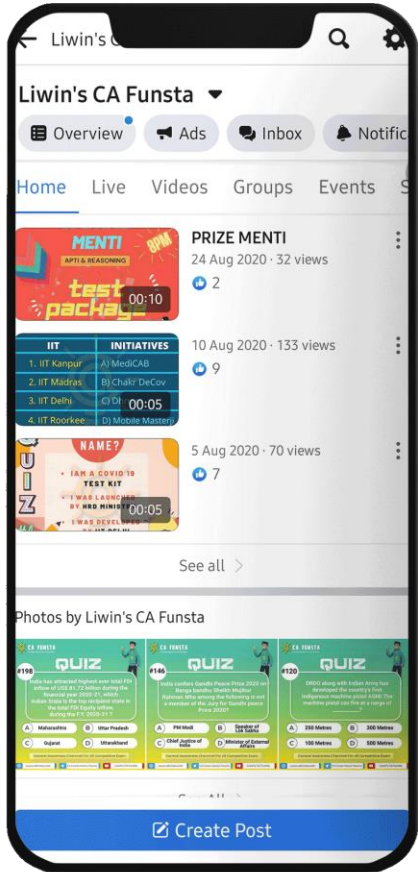
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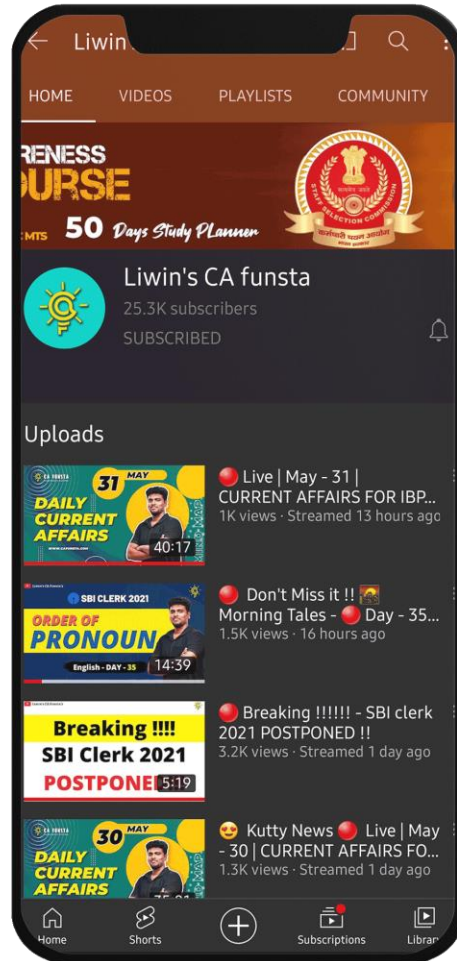
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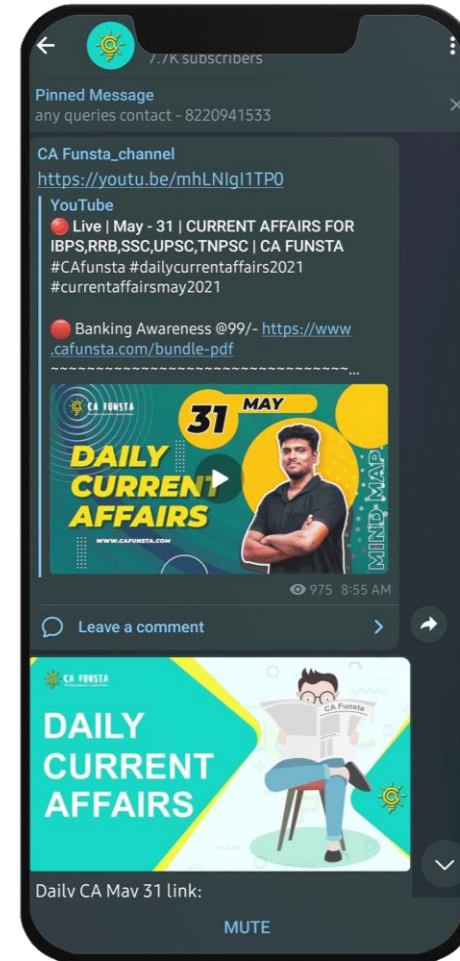
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