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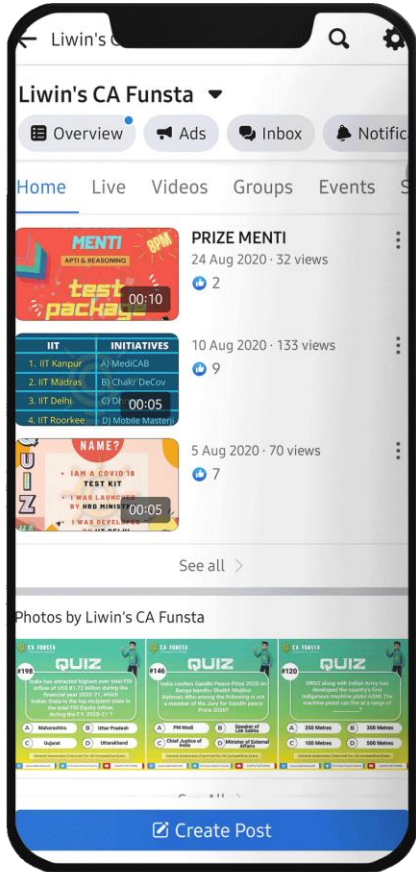
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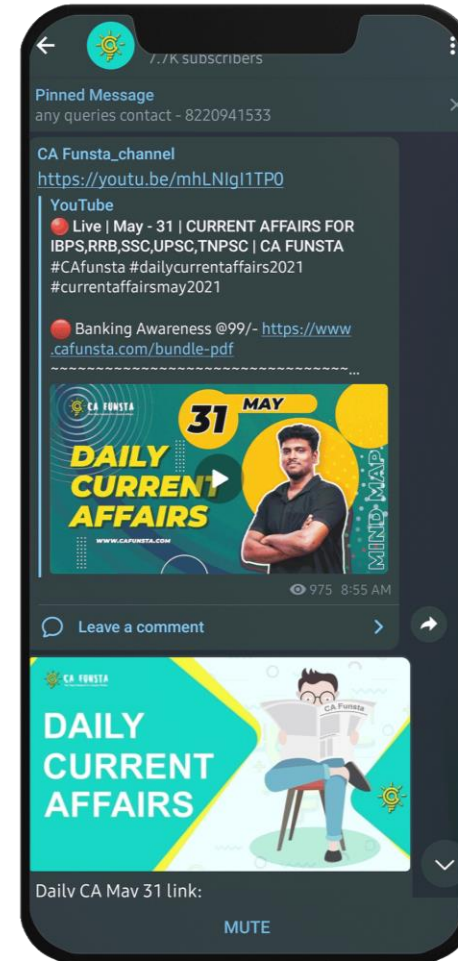
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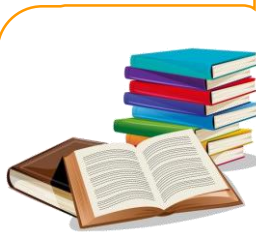
Important Days



➤ **International Day of Living Together in Peace was declared in which year?**

- A) 2013
- B) 2015
- C) 2017
- D) 2010
- E) 2000

Answer
C) 2017



Important Days



Explanation

- The **International Day of Living Together in Peace** is celebrated every year on **May 16**.
- The day is meant to signify unity in differences and diversity.
- In **1997**, the General-Assembly declared by its resolution 52/15 that the year **2000** to be observed as the **International Year for Culture of Peace**.
- The following year, it declared the period of **2001-2010** to be observed as "**International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for Children of the World.**"
- Finally in **2017**, the UN General-Assembly, by its resolution 72/130, declared **May 16** to be observed as International Day of Living Together in Peace
- There is **no theme** for this day any year.



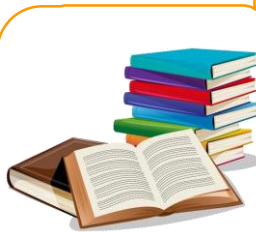
Important Days



➤ **International Day of Light is observed on?**

- A) May 8
- B) May 10
- C) May 12
- D) May 14
- E) May 16

Answer
E) May 16



Important Days

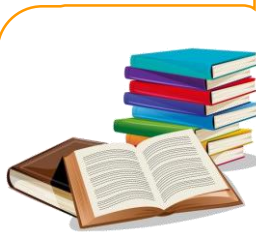


Explanation

- **International Day of Light 2022** will be celebrated on **May 16**.
- This annual commemoration is held on May 16, as it marks the anniversary of the first successful operation of the laser in **1960** by physicist and engineer Theodore Maiman.

Theme

- **“The International Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development 2022.”**

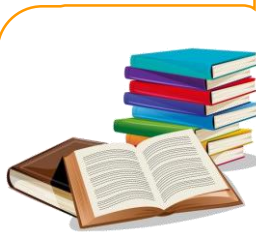


Important Days

➤ **Buddha Purnima this year observed on which month?**

- A) May
- B) June
- C) March
- D) April
- E) July

Answer
A) May



Important Days



Explanation

- Also known as **Buddha Jayanti or Vaisakhi Buddha Purnima or Vesak**, the festival of Buddha Purnima is based on the Asian lunisolar calendar and marks the **birth of Gautama Buddha**.
- It is celebrated with great fervour in India, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet and numerous other South East Asian countries including Thailand, Tibet, China, Korea, Laos, Vietnam, Mongolia, Cambodia and Indonesia.
- It falls on a **full moon day** in the **month of Vaisakh** (April/May) according to the Hindu calendar and this year, Buddha Purnima will be celebrated on **Monday, May 16**.



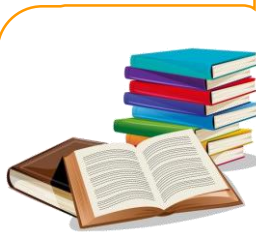
SPORTS



➤ Novak Djokovic won Italian open for record-extending ____ ATP Masters 1000 title?

- A) 36th
- B) 38th
- C) 30th
- D) 35th
- E) 37th

Answer
B) 38th



Explanation

- **Novak Djokovic** overcame **Stefanos Tsitsipas** by 6-0, 7-6(5) to capture a record-extending **38th ATP Masters 1000 crown** at the **Italian Open 2022**.
- The **Serbian** became **the fifth man** in the Open Era to earn **1,000 match** wins when he defeated Casper Ruud in the semi-finals and he backed that up with a hard-fought display against Tsitsipas to win his first title of the season after one hour and 37 minutes.



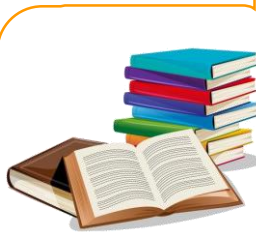
SPORTS



Titbits

Italy

- Capital : **Rome**
- Currency : **Euro (EUR)**
- President : **Sergio Mattarella**
- Prime Minister : **Mario Draghi**
- Language : **Italian**



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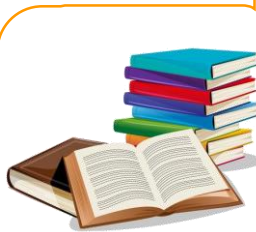


➤ **Boxing World C'ships: Nikhat Zareen secured India's ___ medal in Istanbul?**

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

Answer

D) 1st



Explanation

- **Asian Championships bronze medallist** the 25-year-old Telangana boxer **Nikhat Zareen (52kg)** secured India its first medal at the **IBA Women's World Boxing Championships** in **Istanbul** by advancing to the semifinals with a superb win.
- Continuing her stellar run from the prestigious **Strandja Memorial tournament** where she won the gold earlier this year, Nikhat out-punched **England's Charley-Sian Davison** 5-0.



SPORTS



Titbits

Turkey

- Capital : **Ankara**
- Currency : **Turkish lira (TRY)**
- President : **Recep Tayyip Erdogan**
- Language : **Turkish**

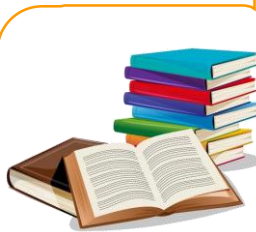


➤ BEL to manufacture battery packs for Triton electric trucks, it belongs to which country?

- A) France
- B) Germany
- C) USA
- D) UK
- E) Canada



Answer
C) USA



Explanation

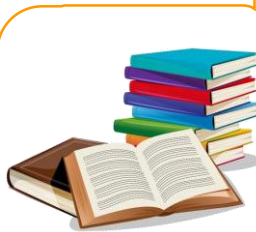
- The Pune unit of **Navratna Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)** will manufacture **Li-ion battery packs** for the electric trucks of **US-based Triton**, as part of MoU signed between the two companies.
- The agreement was inked to explore the **manufacturing of battery cells in India** for energy storage systems and electric vehicles in the heavy vehicle segment for the requirements of customers in the USA, India, and other countries.
- **Triton recently** signed MoU with the **Gujarat State government** for setting up an **EV truck manufacturing plant**, with a commitment to invest around **Rs 10,800 crore** over a span of five years.
- BEL is among the five organizations which will be investing in this Triton EV manufacturing hub at **Bhuj, Gujarat**.



Titbits

Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)

- Founded : **1954**
- HQ : **Bengaluru**
- Chairman & MD : **Anandi Ramalingam**



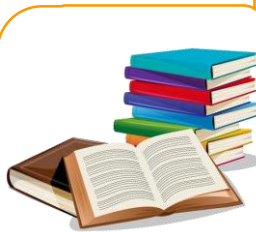
➤ PNB MetLife launched Dental Care Plan with OPD benefits, where is the headquarters?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Kolkata
- C) New Delhi
- D) Lucknow
- E) Patna



Answer

A) Mumbai



Explanation

- **PNB MetLife India Insurance Co. Ltd. (PNB MetLife)** has launched the **PNB MetLife Dental Care Plan**.
- This is the **first insurance plan** in India that covers fixed-benefit outpatient expenses and provides financial assistance with costs related to overall dental health.
- This launch reinforces PNB MetLife leadership in the industry with this one-of-a-kind, standalone, **dental health insurance plan** that covers major dental procedures without the hassles of hospitalization.



Explanation

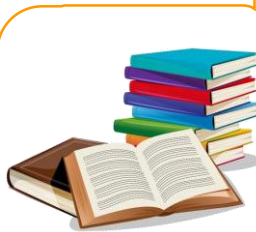
- **PNB MetLife's new Dental Care Plan** will help customers **manage their dental health** and ensure they do not have to dive into their savings or reduce their essential spending in order to **make space for dental treatment**.
- To provide convenience to its customers, PNB MetLife has tied up with more than **340+ dental clinics**, including **Clove Dental and Sabka Dentist**, two of India's **largest dental clinic chains** with clinics across key cities in India, where policyholders can enjoy the full value of their benefits.



Titbits

PNB MetLife India Insurance Co. Ltd. (PNB MetLife)

- Founded : **2001**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- MD & CEO : **Ashish Kumar Srivastava**



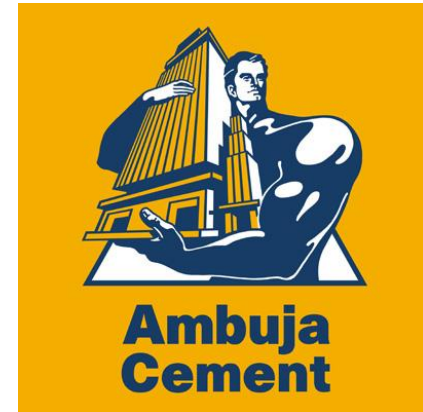
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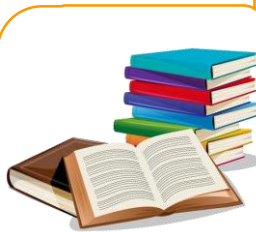
- Adani offers will acquire how many percent of Ambuja Cements and ACC from open market?



- A) 54%
- B) 23%
- C) 35%
- D) 20%
- E) 26%



Answer
E) 26%



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Explanation

- **Aday** after announcing **USD 10.5 billion** deal to acquire Holcim's India business, the Adani family has made an open offer to acquire a **26 percent stake** each in its two listed companies **Ambuja Cements and ACC Ltd** from the public shareholders.
- Asia's richest man Gautam Adani's group through its **Mauritius-based subsidiary Endeavour Trade and Investment** has made an open offer at **Rs 385 per share** for **Ambuja Cements Ltd** and **Rs 2,300 per share** for **ACC Ltd**.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Explanation

- For Ambuja Cements, Adani group has made an open offer to its public shareholders to acquire up to **51.63 crore equity shares**, representing 26 percent of the expanded share capital, aggregating to a total consideration of **Rs 19,879.57 crore**.
- While for ACC Ltd, Adani group has offered to acquire up to **4.89 crore shares** held by public shareholders, representing 26 percent of the expanded share capital, aggregating to a total consideration of **Rs 11,259.97 crore**.



APPOINTMENTS



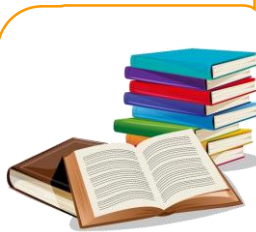
➤ **Who among the following named as CMD of REC Ltd?**

- A) Prem Kumar Dewangen
- B) Karthi Dewangen
- C) Dinesh Kumar Dewangen
- D) Vivek Kumar Dewangen
- E) Kumar Dewangen



Answer

D) Vivek Kumar Dewangen



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- 1993 batch IAS officer, **Vivek Kumar Dewangen** has named as the **Chairman & Managing Director** of a public Infrastructure Finance Company in India's power sector **REC Ltd, Ministry of Power.**
- Currently, He is an Additional Secretary in the **Ministry of Power.**
- Earlier he also served as the **Joint Secretary in power ministry.**
- REC Limited, formerly **Rural Electrification Corporation Limited**, is a public Infrastructure Finance Company in India's power sector.
- The company provides loans to Central/State Sector Power Utilities in the country, **State Electricity Boards, Rural Electric Cooperatives, NGOs and Private Power Developers.**



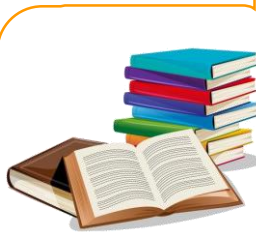
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Titbits

Rural Electrification Corporation Limited

- Founded : **25/07/1969**
- HQ : **New Delhi**
- CMD : **Vivek Kumar Dewangen**



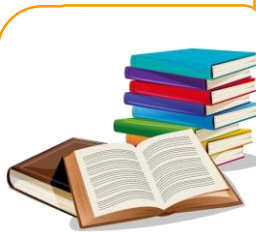
AWARDS



➤ PSG star Kylian Mbappe won French league's best player award for ___ time?

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

Answer
C) 3rd



AWARDS



Explanation

- Paris Saint-Germain striker **Kylian Mbappe** won the **French league's best player award** for the **third time** in his career.
- Mbappe is the league's top scorer with 25 goals for the **French champion** and has netted 36 in all competitions.
- The awards are given annually by the National **Union of Professional Football Players (UNFP)** to players in France's top two divisions.
- The 23-year-old France star won the award **last year** when Mbappe netted a career-high 42 goals overall and in **2019**.



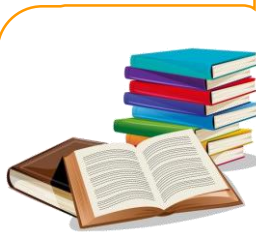
AWARDS



➤ Dr Vijay Kumar from NIT Srinagar bags prestigious SERB fellowship, he belongs to which department?

- A) Physics
- B) Chemistry
- C) Astrology
- D) Mathematics
- E) Space

Answer
A) Physics



AWARDS



Explanation

- **Dr. Vijay Kumar**, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, **National Institution of Technology (NIT) Srinagar** has bagged the prestigious **Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) International Research fellowship for the year 2022-23**.
- The fellowship is supported by the SERB, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India.
- The fellowship has been approved for duration of 3 months along with **Prof. Yogendra Kumar Mishra** at Smart Materials Group, Mads Clausen Institute, University of Southern Denmark, Sønderborg, Denmark, **to develop self-healing cartilages** based on polysaccharide-based biomaterials and ZnO tetrapods.



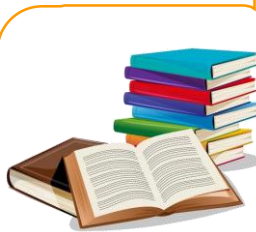
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ **PM Modi lays foundation stone for Buddhist Culture and Heritage centre in Lumbini, it is located in which country?**

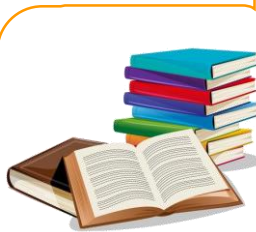
- A) Tibet
- B) Myanmar
- C) Sri Lanka
- D) China
- E) Nepal

Answer
E) Nepal



Explanation

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** along with his Nepalese counterpart **Sher Bahadur Deuba** laid the foundation stone for a **technologically-advanced India International Centre for Buddhist Culture and Heritage** in **Lumbini**, Lord Buddha's birthplace here.



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ India, Nepal agree to build ____MW hydroelectric power plant?

- A) 365
- B) 500
- C) 450
- D) 695
- E) 750



Answer
D) 695



Explanation

- **India and Nepal** will build a **695 megawatt (MW) hydropower plant**, as the Himalayan nation looks to exploit its abundant potential to **generate clean energy** to ease power shortages.
- The **Arun IV project** will be jointly built on the Arun River in Nepal's east by **India's Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam (SJVN) Ltd** and **Nepal's state-owned Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA)** owing **51%** and **49%** of equity respectively.
- Nepal will get **152 megawatts of free electricity** from the plant for its consumption and the rest will be split between the two on the **51%** and **49%** basis.



Explanation

- Indian companies are negotiating with the government for power plants that would produce a total of **8,250 MW** and Nepal hopes to export excess energy to India.
- Nepal has the potential to produce **42,000 MW** of hydropower but now generates about **1,200 MW** -- less than demand of about **1,750 MW**.
- The deficit is **met by imports from India**.



Titbits

Nepal

- Capital : **Kathmandu**
- Currency : **Nepalese Rupee (NPR)**
- President : **Bidya Devi Bhandari**
- Prime Minister : **Sher Bahadur Deuba**
- Language : **Nepali**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS

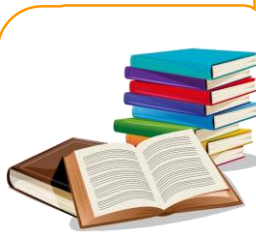


➤ Ramgarh Vishdhari Sanctuary notified as ____ tiger reserve in Rajasthan?

- A) 10th
- B) 4th
- C) 3rd
- D) 6th
- E) 1st

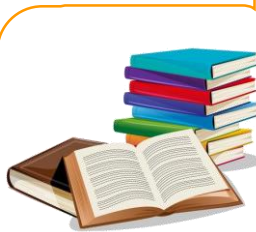
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B) 4th



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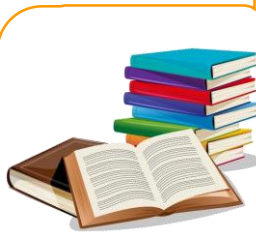
- The **Ramgarh Vishdhari Sanctuary** in Rajasthan was notified as **India's 52nd tiger reserve**, Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav.
- This is Rajasthan's **fourth tiger reserve** after **Ranthambore, Sariska, and Mukunda**.



Titbits

Rajasthan

- Capital: **Jaipur**
- CM: **Ashok Gehlot**
- Governor: **Kalraj Mishra**
- Language : **Hindi**
- National Park : **Desert National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Mount Abu WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Keoladeo Ghana National Park**
- Tiger Reserve : **Sariska**
- Power Station : **Suratgarh Super Thermal Power Station, Rawatbhata Nuclear Power Plant**
- Dams : **Bisalpur Dam** in **Banas River**
- RRB : **Baroda Rajasthan Kshetriya Gramin Bank** (Bank of Baroda), **Rajasthan Marudhara Gramin Bank** (State Bank of India)

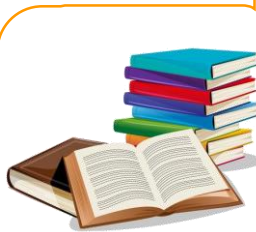
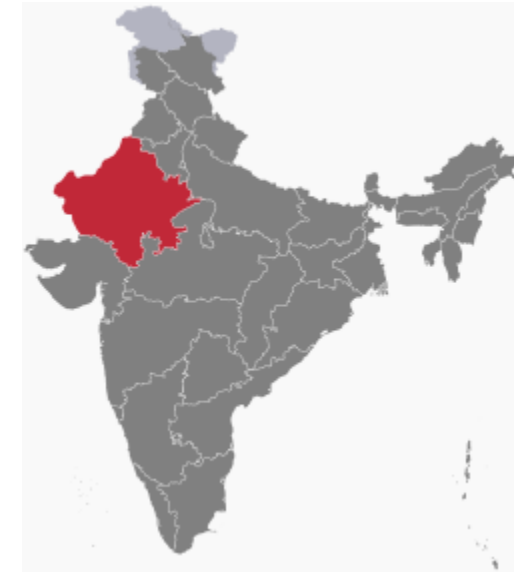


➤ **Tata Power bags NHPC's solar project worth how many crores in Rajasthan?**

- A) Rs 1,317 crore
- B) Rs 1,713 crore
- C) Rs 1,301 crore
- D) Rs 1,731 crore
- E) Rs 1,371 crore

Answer

D) Rs 1,731 crore



Explanation

- **Tata Power Solar Systems**, one of India's largest integrated solar companies and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tata Power, bagged an order of **300 MW** solar project worth **Rs 1,731 crore**, inclusive of tax from NHPC.
- According to the statement, the project site, located in Rajasthan, will be developed under the **CPSU (Central Public Sector Undertaking) scheme of IREDA (Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency)**.
- The project, which is expected to be completed within **18 months**, aims to reduce around **636960 carbon emissions**, and is expected to generate approximately **750 million units** annually.
- **Cells and modules** made in India would be used in the project installation.



Titbits

Tata Power Solar Systems

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



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Ministry of Skill Development partnered Indian School of Business to train how many officers?

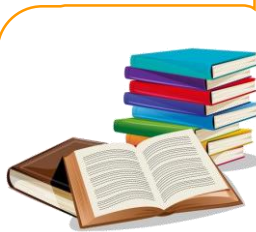
- A) 250
- B) 200
- C) 100
- D) 150
- E) 120

Answer
E) 120



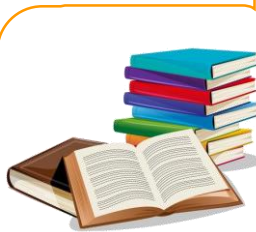
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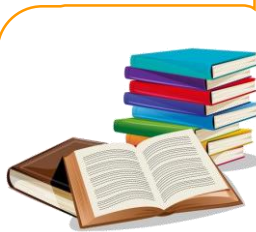
Explanation

- The **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship** has partnered with the **Indian School of Business (ISB)** to conduct capacity-building programmes for its officials.
- A total of **120 officers, 30 per batch**, across divisions under the ministry will undergo a comprehensive five-day long residential training in **ISB Hyderabad and Mohali campuses**.
- A first batch of 30 officers has completed training from **ISB Mohali campus** with a convocation ceremony held for the officers.



Explanation

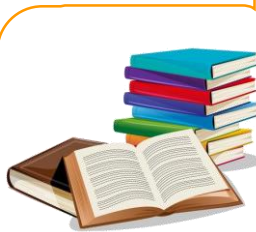
- The MSDE Management Development Programme is aimed at upskilling the MSDE officers facilitating capacity building training of a mixed batch of officials including officers from MSDE, **Industrial Training Institutes (ITI) Principals, Sector Skill Councils, CEOs, State Skill Mission Directors, and Jan Sikshan Sansthan (JSS) & National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC).**
- The MoU between MSDE and ISB was signed in the presence of **Rajesh Aggarwal**, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.



Titbits

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship

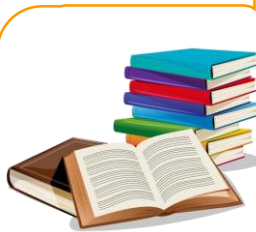
- Union Minister : **Dharmendra Pradhan** (Rajya Sabha MP, Madhya Pradesh)
- Minister of State : **Rajeev Chandrasekhar** (Rajya Sabha MP, Karnataka)



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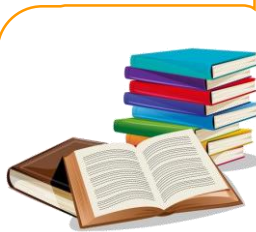
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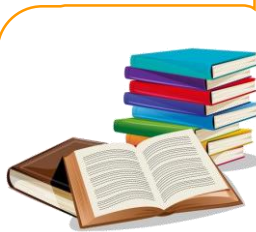
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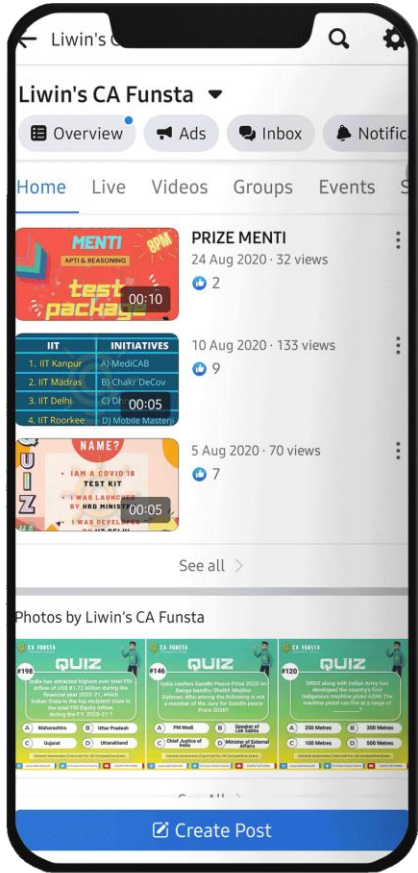
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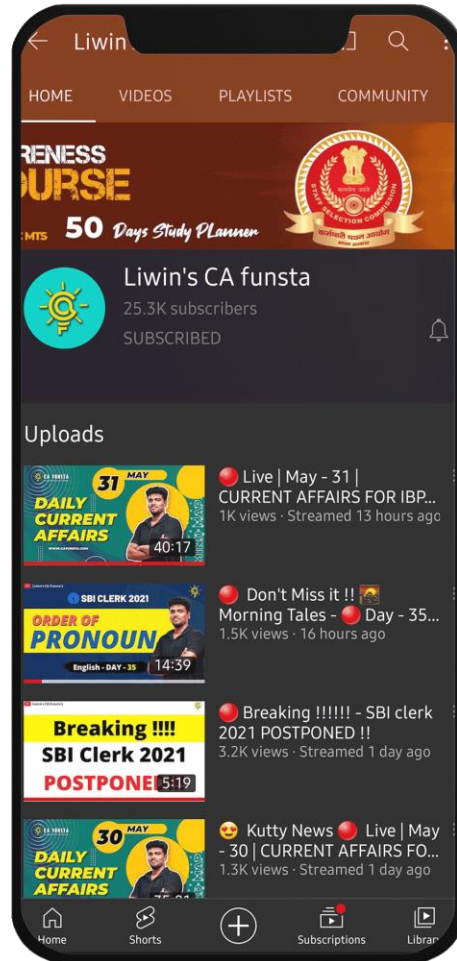
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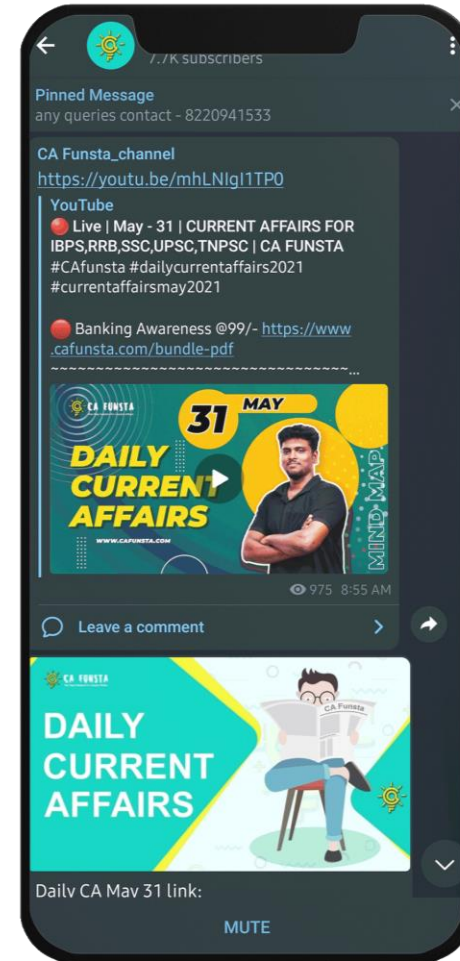
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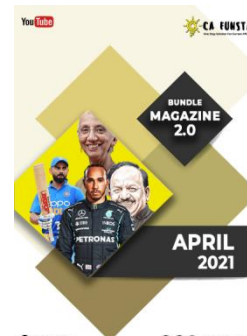
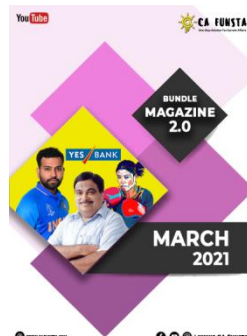
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