



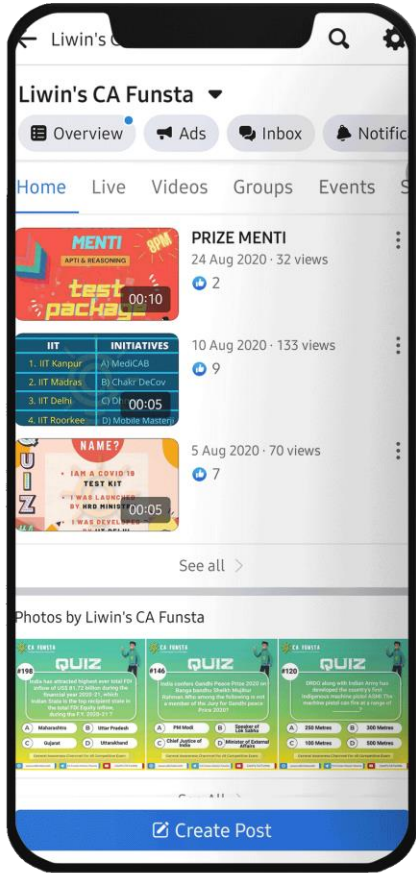
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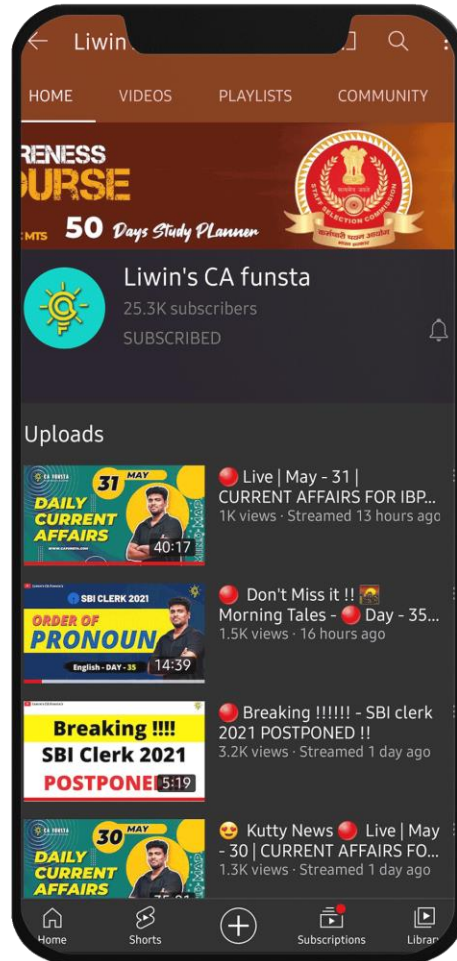


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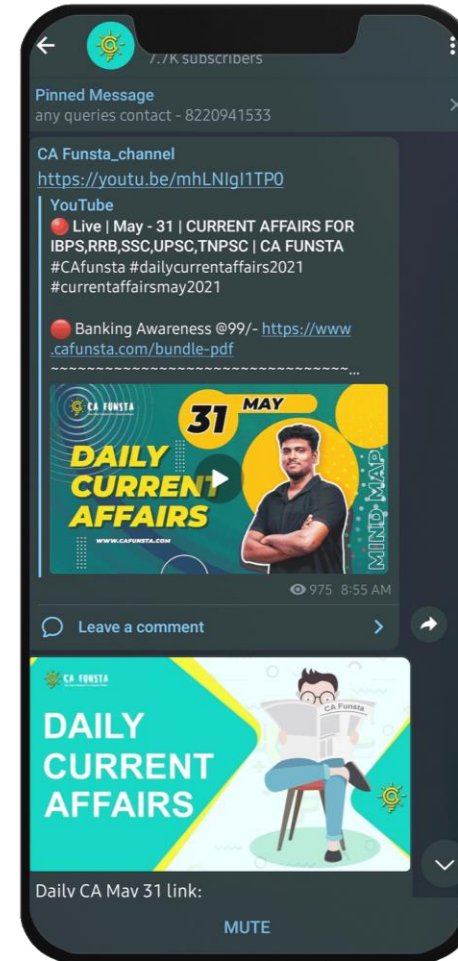
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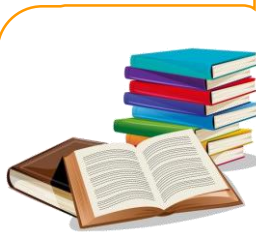
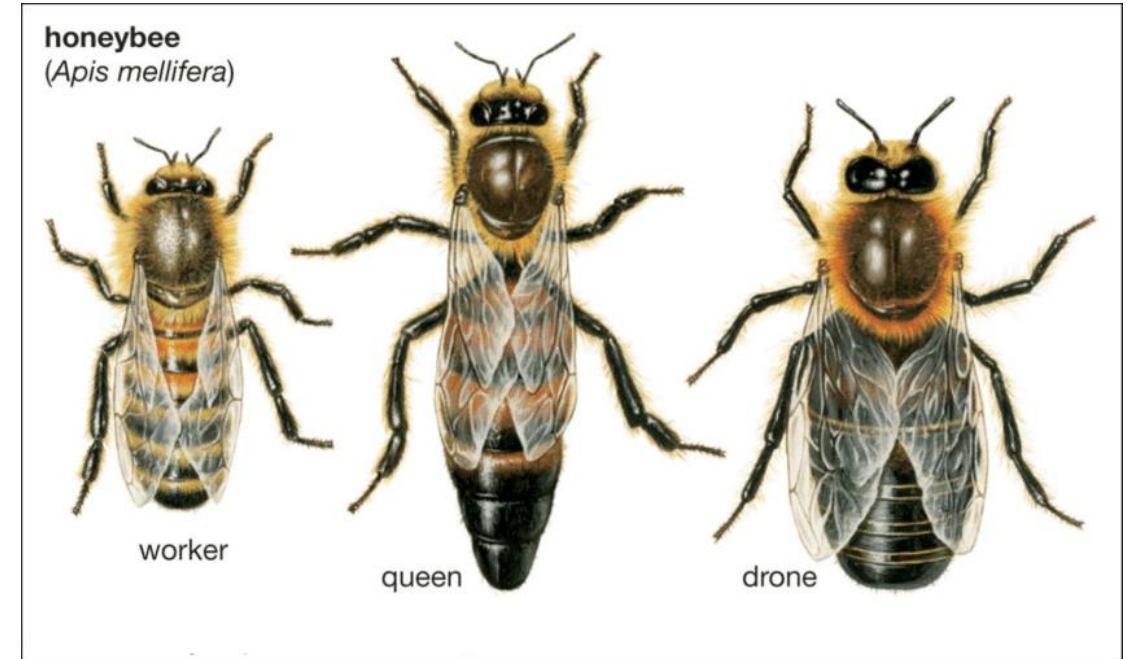


# Important Days

➤ **World Bee Day is celebrated on?**

- A) May 19
- B) May 20
- C) May 16
- D) May 18
- E) May 15

**Answer**  
**B) May 20**



# Important Days

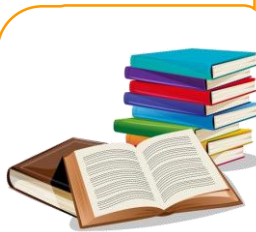


## Explanation

- We celebrate World Bee Day on **May 20** across the world.
- The United Nations decided to mark May 20 as World Bee Day to commemorate the birth anniversary of beekeeping pioneer **Anton Jansa**.
- The Government of Slovenia proposed the idea of celebrating **May 20 as World Bee Day in 2016** with the support of Apimondia.

## Theme

- **"Bee Engaged: Celebrating the diversity of bees and beekeeping systems"**

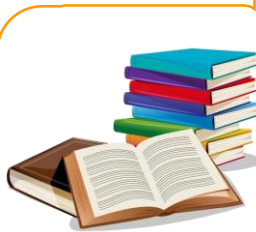


# Important Days

➤ National Endangered Species Day was first observed in which year?

- A) 2005
- B) 1990
- C) 2000
- D) 2006
- E) 2004

**Answer**  
**D) 2006**

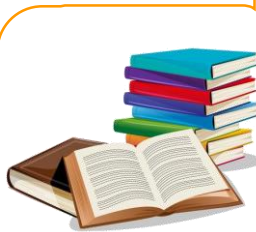


# Important Days



## Explanation

- **National Endangered Species Day** is celebrated every year on the **third Friday of May** and this year it is celebrated on **20 May**.
- In 1960s and 1970s, a concern was raised over the wellbeing of animals.
- Due to this, the **Endangered Species Act of 1973** came into existence on 28 December.
- National Endangered Species Day was founded and started by David Robinson and the Endangered Species Coalition in **2006**.
- Since 2006 third Friday of May is observed as **National Endangered Species Day**.



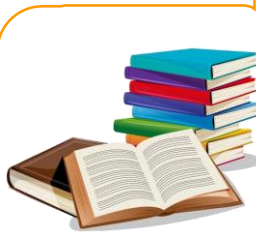
# SPORTS



➤ Nikhat won World Boxing C'ships gold against player from which country?

- A) Brazil
- B) Germany
- C) France
- D) Indonesia
- E) Thailand

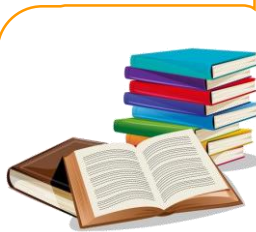
**Answer**  
**E) Thailand**





## Explanation

- **India's Nikhat Zareen** becomes world champion in 52kg weight category after thrashing **Thailand's Jutamas Jitpong** by unanimous decision (5-0).
- Held in **Istanbul, Turkey**.
- The Telangana boxer was playing her **second** World Championships.



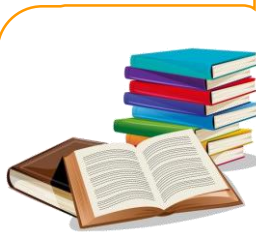
# SPORTS



## Titbits

### Turkey

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



# BANKING AND FINANCE

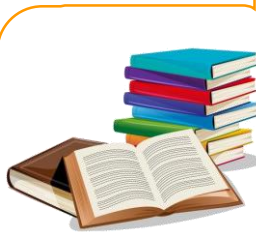


➤ RBI will pay how many crore dividend to govt for FY22?

- A) Rs 30,307
- B) Rs 30,703
- C) Rs 30,370
- D) Rs 30,730
- E) Rs 30,037

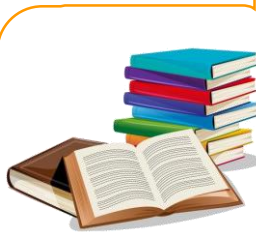
**Answer**

**A) Rs 30,307**



## Explanation

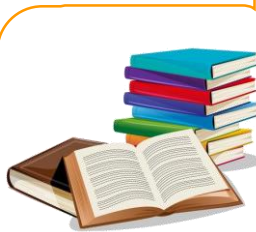
- **Reserve Bank of India (RBI) board** has approved a dividend payment of **Rs 30,307 crore** to the government for the fiscal ended March 2022.
- The board approved the transfer of Rs 30,307 crore as surplus to the central government for the accounting year 2021-22 while deciding to maintain the **Contingency Risk Buffer at 5.50 percent**.
- The decision on the dividend payment was made in the **596th meeting of the Central Board of Directors of RBI**, headed by Governor Shaktikanta Das.
- Last year in May, RBI declared a dividend of **Rs 99,122 crore for nine months (July 2020 to March 2021)**.
- The dividend was paid for that period as RBI aligned its financial year with the **government's financial year**.



## Titbits

### Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

- Establishment : **April 1, 1935**
- Headquarters : **Mumbai, Maharashtra**
- Governor : **Shaktikanta Das**
- Deputy Governors : **Mahesh Kumar Jain, Michael Debabrata Patra, M. Rajeshwar Rao, T. Rabi Sankar**



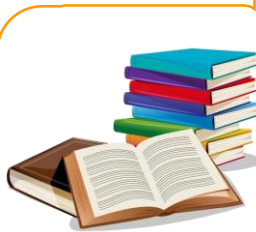
# BANKING AND FINANCE



➤ BRICS bank to open India's regional office in which of the following state?

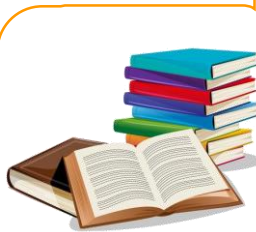
- A) Maharashtra
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Gujarat
- D) Assam
- E) Bihar

**Answer**  
**C) Gujarat**



## Explanation

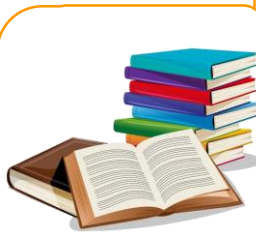
- The **New Development Bank (NDB)** of the BRICS countries has announced plans to open its regional office in India at the **Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City)** to cater to the infrastructure and sustainable development needs of the country.
- Working in close coordination with the NDB Headquarters, the Indian Regional Office will focus on project origination including **initial project preparation and technical assistance, pipeline development, project implementation, and monitoring** as well as regional portfolio management.



## Titbits

### New Development Bank (NDB)

- Founded : **15/07/2014**
- HQ : **Shanghai,China**
- President : **Marcos Prado Troyjo**





- Which of the following Bank, Amazon Pay collaborate to offer UPI payment services?

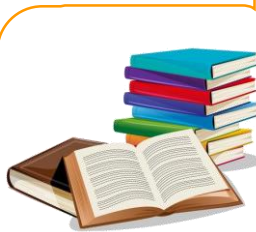


amazon pay

- A) SBI
- B) DBS Bank
- C) Axis Bank
- D) RBL Bank
- E) Federal Bank

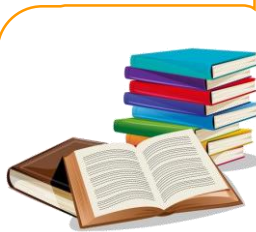


**Answer**  
**D) RBL Bank**



## Explanation

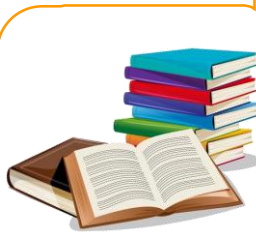
- **RBL Bank** has collaborated with **Amazon Pay** and **Amazon Web Services (AWS)** to offer UPI payments.
- The partnership will allow the bank to tap Amazon Pay's growing customer base and transaction volumes.
- The collaboration Amazon Pay will enable the lender to offer **peer-to-peer and peer-to-merchant transactions**.
- With this integration Amazon Pay will issue NPCI's allocated UPI ID with the handle **@rapl**, to RBL Bank.
- RBL Bank's advanced cloud-based processing will offers an agile infrastructure resulting in an improved payments experience.
- Commenting on the collaboration, **Mahendra Nerurkar**, CEO and Vice President.
- This partnership with RBL Bank will allow users to pay **anyone, anywhere, seamlessly, and instantly through UPI**, enhancing their payment experience.



## Titbits

### RBL Bank

- Founded : **1943**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- MD & CEO : **Rajeev Ahuja**



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



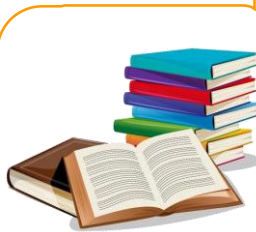
➤ IDBI Bank to sell remaining how many percent stake in Ageas Federal Life Insurance?



- A) 12%
- B) 25%
- C) 35%
- D) 50%
- E) 80%



**Answer**  
**B) 25%**

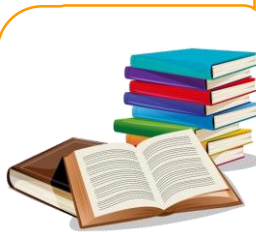


# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Explanation

- **IDBI Bank** has signed a share purchase agreement with Ageas Insurance International to sell its **25 per cent stake** in **Ageas Federal Life Insurance** for **₹580.2 crore**.
- Post the stake sale, Ageas will own **74 per cent stake** in private sector Ageas Federal Life Insurance.
- It will be the first foreign investor to use the enhanced foreign direct investment cap of 74 per cent for the insurance sector.
- IDBI Bank has entered into a share purchase agreement with Ageas Insurance International NV on May 19, 2022, to sell its entire stake of **20,00,00,000 equity shares** in **Ageas Federal Life Insurance Company Limited (AFLI)** pursuant to exercise of Call Option by Ageas.



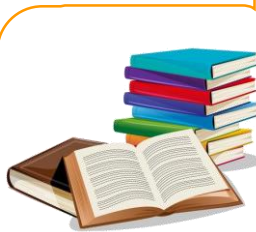
# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Titbits

### IDBI Bank

- Founded : **01/07/1964**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- Chairman : **MR Kumar**
- MD & CEO : **Rakesh Sharma**



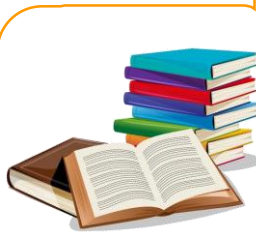
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➤ FIDIC appointed who among the following as ambassador for Asia Pacific region?

- A) KK Sanjay
- B) KK Virat
- C) KK Kapila
- D) KK Bharat
- E) KK Rajan

**Answer**  
**C) KK Kapila**

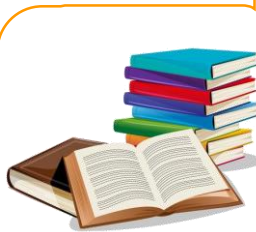


# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- The **International Federation of Consulting Engineers or FIDIC** announced the appointment of K K Kapila as its ambassador for the **Asia Pacific Region** for the current and next financial years.
- The Geneva-based FIDIC represents the consulting engineering industry which helps in **the field of land surveys of highway and bridges, hydroelectric projects, irrigation projects, defense, gas and power projects and industrial projects among others.**





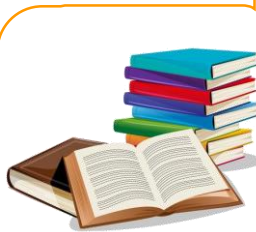
# APPOINTMENTS



## Titbits

### FIDIC

- Founded : **1913**
- HQ : **Geneva,Switzerland**
- President : **Anthony Barry**
- CEO : **Nelson Ogunshakin**



# APPOINTMENTS



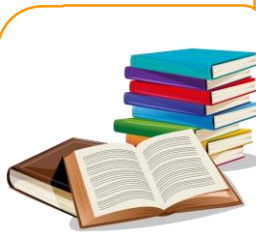
➤ **IndiGo Appointed Who among the following as CEO?**

- A) Pieter Elbers
- B) Ronojoy Dutta
- C) Pieter Ronojoy
- D) Pieter Dutta
- E) Ronojoy Elbers



**Answer**

**A) Pieter Elbers**

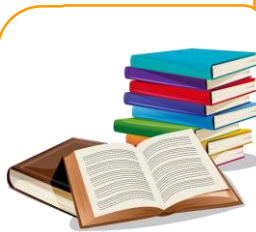


# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- **InterGlobe Aviation**, the parent company of low-cost carrier IndiGo, appointed Pieter Elbers as its new **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)**.
- **Mr Elbers** will join from October 1, 2022, the airline stated in a notification to exchanges.
- He succeeds **Ronojoy Dutta**, 71, who has decided to retire on September 30, 2022.



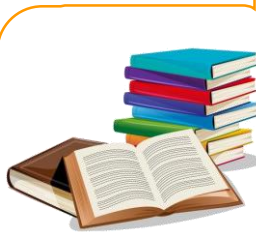
# APPOINTMENTS



## Titbits

### InterGlobe Aviation

- Founded : **2005**
- Commenced Operation : **04/08/2006**
- Chairman : **M.Damodaran**
- MD : **Rahul Bhatia**



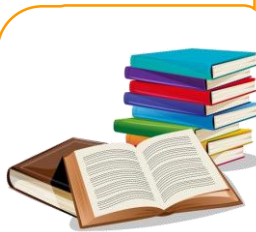
# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ UN marked \_\_\_ international day spotlighting women working in the maritime industry?

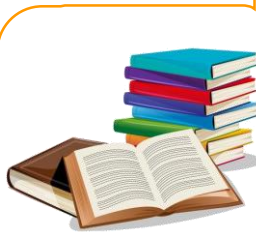
- A) 3<sup>rd</sup>
- B) 5<sup>th</sup>
- C) 2<sup>nd</sup>
- D) 4<sup>th</sup>
- E) 1<sup>st</sup>

**Answer**  
**E) 1<sup>st</sup>**



## Explanation

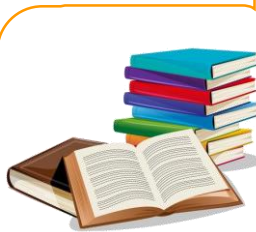
- The **first-ever International Day for Women in Maritime** kicked off its inaugural celebration with a seminar to **"take stock and identify areas where improvement is needed"**.
- "Women account for just **20 percent** of the workforce in the maritime authorities of Member States and **29 percent...across subsectors in the maritime industry,"** International Maritime Organization (IMO) chief Kitack Lim told the virtual Symposium on Training-Visibility-Recognition: **Supporting a barrier-free working environment for Women in Maritime.**



## Titbits

### United Nations

- Founded : **24/09/1945**
- HQ : **San Francisco**
- Secretary General : **Antonio Guterres**



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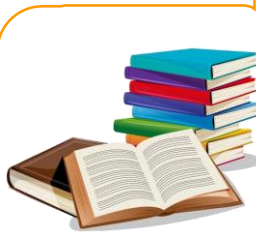


➤ The world's first airport for flying cars and drones has just landed in which of the following country?

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



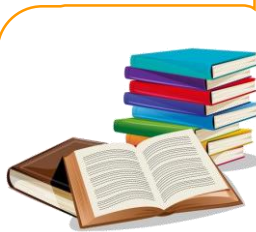
**Answer**  
**B) UK**





## Explanation

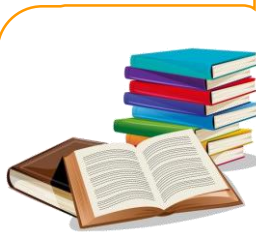
- The UK has just opened the **world's first urban airport** opened in the centre of a city.
- **Electric drones and air taxis** will be able to use the new port in Coventry.
- It's planned to be the first of hundreds of city-centre **zero-emission airports**.
- If it's a success, it will be the **blueprint for hundreds** more around the world.



## Titbits

### United Kingdom

- Capital : **London**
- Currency : **Pound Sterling**
- Monarch : **Elizabeth II**
- Prime Minister : **Boris Johnson**
- Language : **English**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



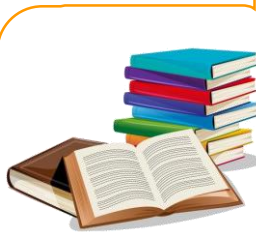
➤ **First ever Bird Festival to be organized in which of the following state/UT to promote sustainable ecotourism?**

- A) Manipur
- B) Meghalaya
- C) Odisha
- D) Jammu and Kashmir
- E) Ladakh



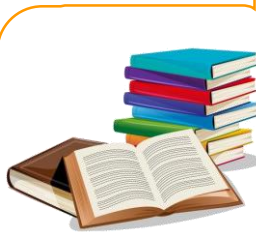
**Answer**

**D) Jammu and Kashmir**



## Explanation

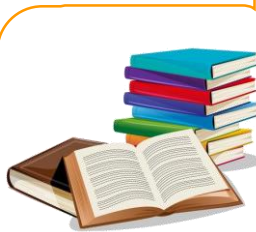
- A first of its kind, **Bird Festival** in the Union Territory of **Jammu and Kashmir** is going to be organized soon to promote sustainable ecotourism and give impetus to nature based alternative sources of livelihood to the local people.
- The Secretary, Tourism & Culture Jammu and Kashmir, **Sarmad Hafeez** the festival is tentatively being planned to be held in **Pahalgam and Dachigaam areas**.
- Besides the bird watching sessions, awareness camps and conservation drives, it would have pre festival bird watching trails for more than a month all across Jammu and Kashmir.



## Titbits

### Jammu and Kashmir

- Capital: **Srinagar** (May-Oct), **Jammu** (Nov-Apr)
- Lt Governor: **Manoj Sinha**
- Language : **Kashmiri, Dogri, Urdu, Hindi, English**
- National Park : **Kazinag National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Hirapora WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Surinsar-Mansar Lakes**
- Tiger Reserve : -
- Power Station : **Salal Hydro Electric Power Plant**
- Dams : **Cholal Dam** in **Cholal Choe River**
- RRB : **Ellaquai Dehati Bank** (State Bank of India), **J&K Grameen Bank** (J&K Bank Ltd.)



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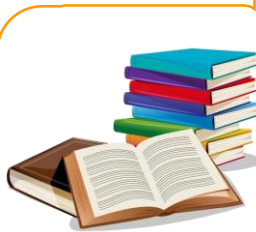


➤ **Assam Rifles, Axis Bank and NIEDO join hands to establish Centre of Excellence in which of the following state?**

- A) Nagaland
- B) Arunachal Pradesh
- C) Manipur
- D) Meghalaya
- E) Mizoram

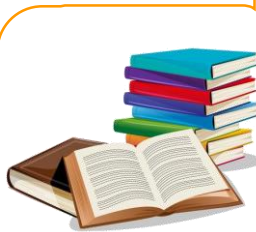


**Answer**  
**A) Nagaland**



## Explanation

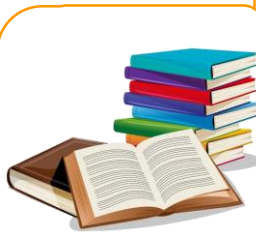
- **Assam Rifles, Axis Bank and National Integrity and Educational Development Organisation (NIEDO)** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to establish a **Centre of Excellence and Wellness**, to secure a better future for the youth of Nagaland.
- The programme would mentor and guide children and aid their future growth story as well as provide value-based education including soft **skills training, critical life competencies, leadership training, personal conditioning, wellness programs, vocational training, personality development**, and end to end grooming to aid them in becoming a productive human resource for the nation.



## Titbits

### Nagaland

- Capital: **Kohima**
- CM: **Neiphiu Rio**
- Governor: **Jagdish Mukhi**
- Language : **English**
- National Park : **Itanki National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Rangapahar WLS**
- Ramsar Site : -
- Tiger Reserve : -
- Power Station : -
- Dams : -
- RRB : **Nagaland Rural Bank (State Bank of India)**



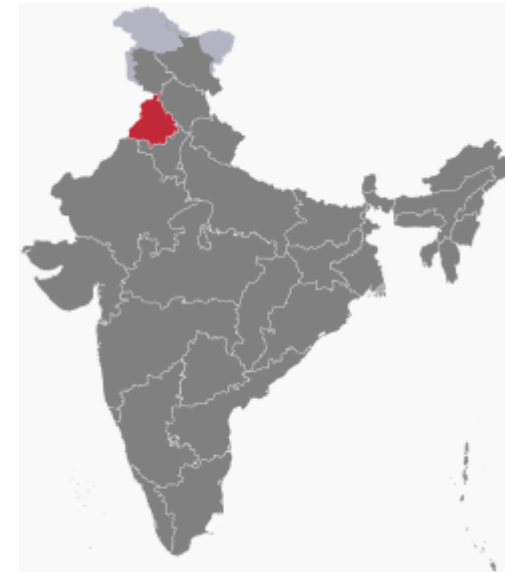


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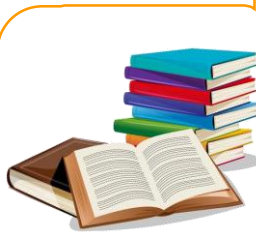


➤ Punjab Cabinet approved how many rupees per acre incentive for farmers adopting DSR?

- A) 4000
- B) 3000
- C) 1500
- D) 2000
- E) 2500

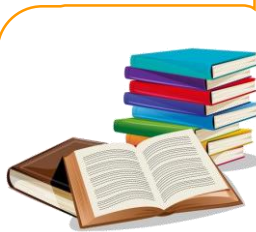


**Answer**  
**C) 1500**



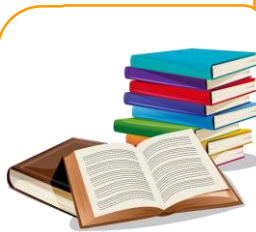
## Explanation

- To promote **Direct Seeding of Rice (DSR) technology** for conserving underground water, the Punjab Cabinet led by chief minister Bhagwant Mann approved **Rs 1500 per acre** incentive to the farmers for sowing of paddy through this innovative technology.
- A sum of **Rs 450 crore** has been earmarked to provide incentive to the farmers for promotion of less water consuming and cost effective technology.
- It is estimated that the exercise will save nearly **about 15-20 percent** water as compared to the conventional puddling (kaddu) method during the life cycle of crops.



## Explanation

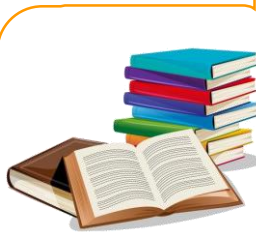
- As per estimates, last year the farmers had adopted DSR over **15 lakh acres area** and with the present availability of implements, it can be increased to **30 lakh acres**.
- Currently the water table is falling at a rate of **86 cm per year** leading to a precarious situation, where no underground water will be available across the state in the coming **15-20 years**.
- There has been concern at the fast depleting ground water mainly due to water guzzling traditional method of **paddy transplantation**.



## Titbits

### Punjab

- Capital: **Chandigarh**
- CM: **Bhagwant Mann**
- Governor: **Banwarilal Purohit**
- Language : **Punjabi**
- National Park : -
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Jhajjar Bacholi WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Keshopur-Miani Community Reserve**
- Tiger Reserve : -
- Power Station : **Guru Hargobind Thermal Power Station**
- Dams : **Bakhra Nangal Dam** in **Bakhra Nangal River**
- RRB : **Punjab Gramin Bank** (Punjab National Bank)



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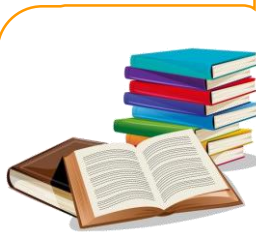


➤ Education & household conditions improved remarkably in India, thanks to social schemes, the report released by who among the following?

- A) Samant Goel
- B) AK Gupta
- C) Rajiv Gauba
- D) Srivastava
- E) Dr Bibek Debroy

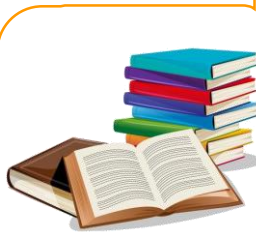
**Answer**

**E) Dr Bibek Debroy**



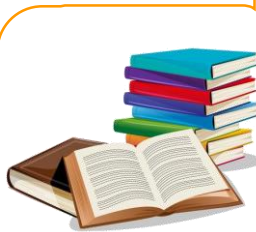
## Explanation

- The **State of Inequality in India Report** has produced encouraging pictures of the country, saying education and household conditions have improved enormously due to targeted efforts of the Government of India through **several social protection schemes**, especially in the area of water availability and sanitation that have increased the standard of living.
- It has emphasised that **education and cognitive development** from the foundational years is a long-term corrective measure for inequality.
- This report is set to help formulate further reform **strategies and roadmaps** for social progress and shared prosperity.



## Explanation

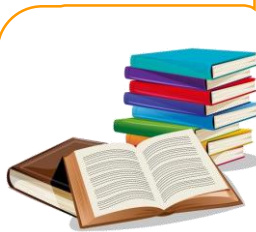
- Recommendations like creating income slabs that provide **class information, establishing universal basic income, creating jobs, especially among the higher levels of education and increasing the budget** for social protection schemes have been made in the report.
- The report released by **Dr Bibek Debroy**, Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM) and written by the Institute for Competitiveness, presents a holistic analysis of the depth and nature of inequality in India.
- The report compiles information on inequities across sectors of **health, education, household characteristics and the labour market.**
- As the report presents, inequities in these sectors make the population more vulnerable and triggers a descent in to multidimensional poverty.



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1. World Bee Day
2. National Endangered Species Day 2022
3. Nikhat wins World Boxing C'ships gold
4. RBI to pay Rs 30,307 crore dividend to govt for FY22
5. BRICS bank to open India's regional office in GIFT City in Gujarat





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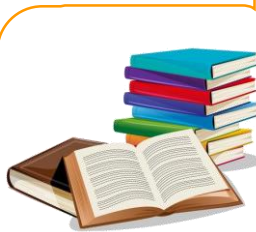
6. RBL Bank, Amazon Pay collaborate to offer UPI payment services

7. IDBI Bank to sell remaining 25% stake in Ageas Federal Life Insurance

8. FIDIC appoints K K Kapila as ambassador for Asia Pacific region

9. IndiGo Appoints Pieter Elbers as CEO

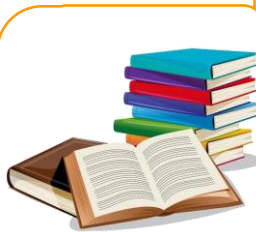
10. UN marks first ever international day spotlighting women working in the maritime industry



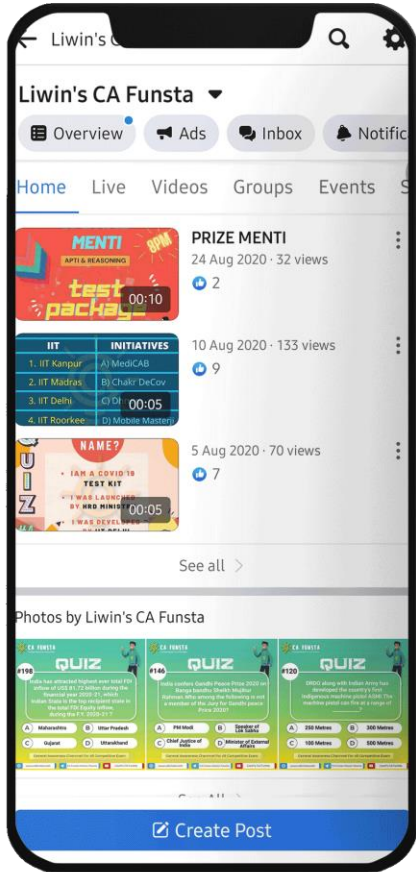
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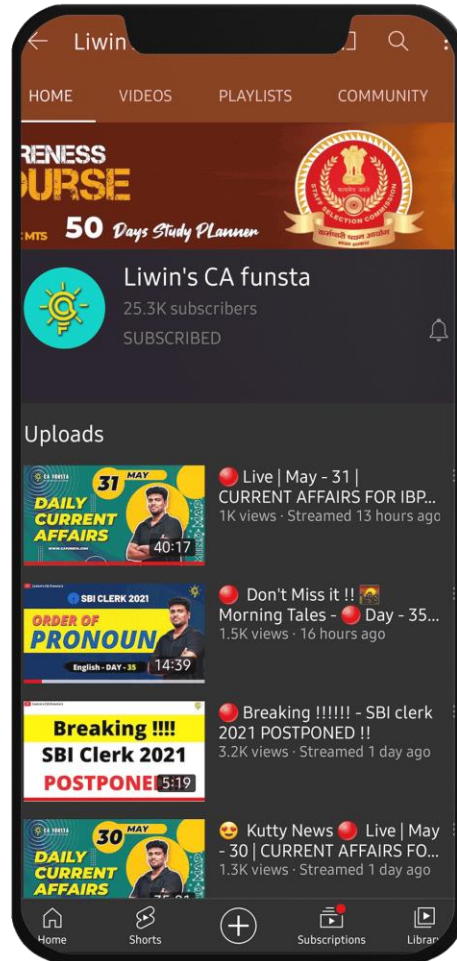
11. The world's first airport for flying cars and drones has just landed
12. First ever Bird Festival to be organized in J&K to promote sustainable ecotourism
13. Assam Rifles, Axis Bank and NIEDO join hands to establish Centre of Excellence in Nagaland
14. Punjab Cabinet approves Rs 1,500 per acre incentive for farmers adopting DSR
15. Education & household conditions improved remarkably in India, thanks to social schemes



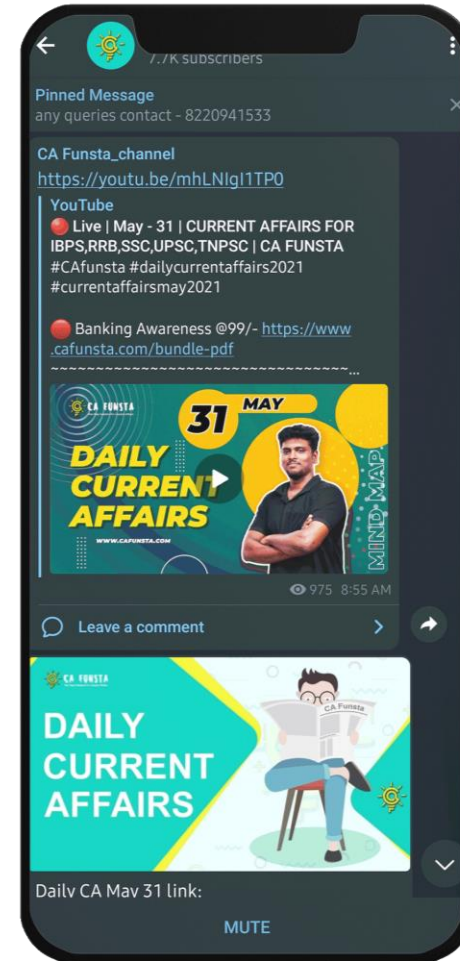
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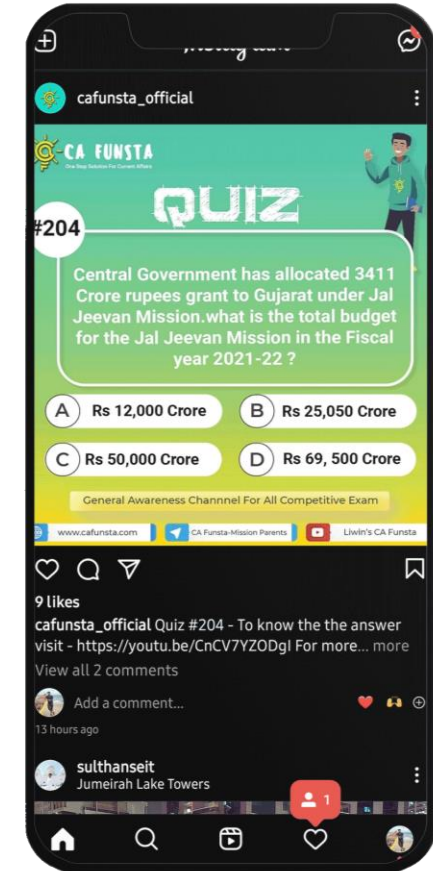
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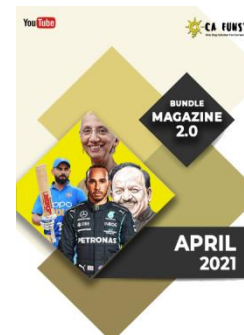
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