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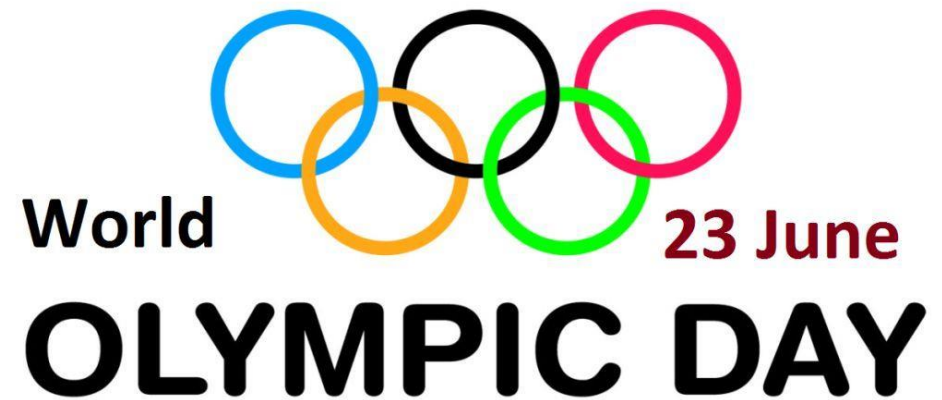
# Important Days



➤ International Olympic Day is observed on?

- A) June 22
- B) June 25
- C) June 23
- D) June 24
- E) June 21

**Answer**  
**C) June 23**



# Important Days



## Explanation

- The world is celebrating **International Olympic Day** on **June 23**.
- The date coincides with the day IOC was founded in **1984**
- The first modern Olympics were held in **1896** in Greece
- The day celebrates the benefits of sporting activities
- It is observed to celebrate the foundation of the modern Olympic Games.

## Theme

- **'Together for a peaceful world'**.



# SPORTS



➤ Ronaldo clinches silver in sprint event for his \_\_\_\_ medal?

- A) 1
- B) 2
- C) 4
- D) 5
- E) 3

**Answer**

**E) 3**



## Explanation

- Top Indian cyclist **Ronaldo Singh** dished out the best performance of his career as he clinched a **silver medal** in the sprint event of the senior category on the concluding day of the **Asian Track Championship**.
- This was his **third** medal of the championships.
- He had earlier won bronze medals in **1km** time trial and team sprint events.
- **Japan** topped the combined medal tally with **18 gold, seven silver and two bronze**.
- In the world class field, the Indian cycling team finished **fifth** with **23 medals (2 Gold, 6 Silver, 15 Bronze)**.
- **Korea** finished second with **12 gold, 14 silver and three bronze medals** while **Kazakhstan** secured third place with **four gold, four silver and three bronze**.



# RANKING



➤ India jump two places to which spot in FIFA ranking?

- A) 104
- B) 102
- C) 105
- D) 101
- E) 103

**Answer**  
**A) 104**





# RANKING



## Explanation

- **The Indian football team** reaped a good harvest of its impressive Asian Cup qualification campaign as it gained two places to jump to **104th** in the latest **FIFA world rankings**.
- The Blue Tigers are placed just below **New Zealand (103rd)**, who missed out on a **2022 FIFA World Cup** spot after losing to Costa Rica 0-1 in the intercontinental play-off earlier this month.
- In the overall rankings, Brazil remained on top, three months after taking the top spot from **Belgium (2nd)**.
- **Argentina** jumped one place to **third** at the expense of **France (4th)** who paid the price for four winless games in the UEFA Nations League.
- **England, Spain, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal and Denmark** complete the top-10.



# BANKING AND FINANCE



➤ RBI taps top banks including \_\_\_\_\_, ICICI, SBI for blockchain-based trade financing project?

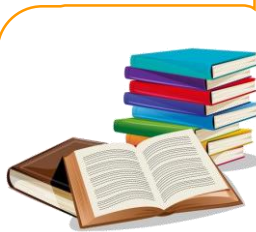


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- A) Karur Vysya Bank
- B) DBS Bank
- C) Canara Bank
- D) Indian Bank
- E) HDFC Bank



**Answer**  
E) HDFC Bank



## Explanation

- **HDFC bank, ICICI Bank and State Bank of India** are among nearly a dozen top lenders the central bank is engaging with to run a blockchain-based pilot project centred on trade financing.
- If successful, it could help prevent loan frauds by the likes of **Nirav Modi and Mehul Choksi**, fugitive borrowers that gamed the system to siphon off thousands of crores of rupees.
- Belgium-based **SettleMint**, US-based **Corda Technologies** and **IBM** would provide technology support for the project driven by the **Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) Innovation Hub** in Bangalore, three people familiar with the matter told ET.



## Explanation

- **Axis Bank Bank of Baroda and Union Bank of India** are also involved.
- The pilot project, called '**proof of concept**' in industry parlance, will harness blockchain technology where 'blocks' of transaction data are stored in 'chains' with peer-to-peer access to enhance traceability of money flow.





## Titbits

### HDFC bank

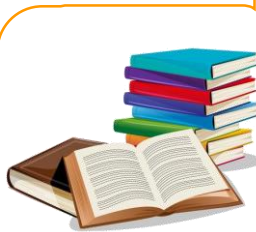
- Founded : **August 1994**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- Chairman : **Atanu Chakraborty**
- CEO : **Sashidhar Jagdishan**
- Tagline : **We Understand Your World**

### State Bank of India

- Founded : **01/07/1955**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- Chairman : **Dhinesh Kumar Khara**
- Tagline : **Pure Banking Nothing Else, A bank to the common Man**

### ICICI Bank

- Founded : **05/01/1994**
- HQ : **Vadodra, Gujarat**
- Chairman : **Girish Chandra Chaturvedi**
- MD & CEO : **Sandeep Bakhshi**
- Tagline : **Khayal Apka**



➤ IIFL Finance gets board's approval to raise how many cr by issuing bonds?

- A) 5000
- B) 4000
- C) 3000
- D) 2000
- E) 1000

**Answer**

**A) 5000**



## Explanation

- **IIFL Finance** is planning to raise debt capital worth Rs **5,000 crore** by issuing bonds on a private placement basis, the company.
- The bonds will be offered through public issue, subject to **regulatory and statutory approvals**.
- IIFL Finance is a non-banking finance company (NBFC), offering products such as **home loans, gold loans, and business loans, including loans against property and medium & small enterprise financing, microfinance, developer and construction finance**.
- It also offers capital market finance; catering to both retail and corporate clients.



## Titbits

### IIFL Finance

- **India Infoline**
- **Founded : 1995**
- **HQ : India**
- **Chairman : Nirmal Jain**
- **MD : R Venkataraman**





- World Bank approved project to promote rain-fed farming in which of the following state?



- A) Assam
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Jharkhand
- D) Uttarakhand
- E) Madhya Pradesh



**Answer**  
**D) Uttarakhand**



## Explanation

- The **World Bank** has approved a project worth **Rs 1,000 crore** for taking rain-fed farming to new heights in the hilly regions of Uttarakhand.
- The project named Uttarakhand Climate Responsive Rain-fed Farming Project will be implemented by the watershed department.
- The state government had proposed the project which is aimed at reducing green house gas emissions for funding by the World Bank.
- The World Bank has agreed to **fund the project**.



## Explanation

- The project will also help in **springshed management, boosting agricultural productivity, controlling migration** and promoting cluster based agriculture.
- It will also boost climate friendly activities in the agriculture sector so that it becomes an **economically viable option** for the youth and farmers.



## Titbits

### Uttarakhand

- Capital: **Bhararisain** (Summer), **Dehradun** (Winter)
- CM: **Pushkar Singh Dhami**
- Governor: **Gurmit Singh**
- Language : **Hindi**
- National Park : **Rajaji National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Askot Musk Deer WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Asan Conservation Reserve (2020)**
- Tiger Reserve : **Corbett**
- Power Station : **Tehri Hydro Electric Power Plant**
- Dams : **Jamrani Dam** in **Gola River**
- RRB : **Uttarakhand Gramin Bank (SBI)**
- UNESCO Site : **Nanda Devi and Valley of Flowers National Park (1988)**





➤ World Bank supports ASEAN States to reduce marine plastic pollution with how many million US dollar grant?

- A) 40
- B) 20
- C) 50
- D) 30
- E) 10

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



## Explanation

- The World Bank will support **ASEAN Member States** to reduce marine plastic pollution with a **US\$20 million** grant for the **Southeast Asia Regional Program on Combating Marine Plastics (SEA-MaP)**, approved today by the World Bank Board of Executive Directors.
- Southeast Asia has emerged as a hot spot for plastic pollution because of rapid urbanization and a rising middle class.
- The economic costs are significant, with the direct damage to key blue economy sectors in the ASEAN Member States alone estimated at **US\$2.1 billion in 2015**.



## Titbits

### World Bank

- Founded : **July 1944**
- HQ : **Washington DC**
- President : **David Malpass**
- Chief Economist : **Carmen Reinhart**
- MD & CFO : **Anshula Kant**



➤ Which Small Finance Bank launched industry's first customisable Credit Card, LIT?

- A) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- B) Utkarsh Small Finance Bank
- C) Suryoday Small Finance Bank
- D) Equitas Small Finance Bank
- E) AU Small Finance Bank



**Answer**

**E) AU Small Finance Bank**



## Explanation

- **AU Small Finance Bank** launched an innovative **Credit Card product** that brings a revolutionary change in the credit card landscape.
- The **AU Bank LIT (Live-It-Today) Credit Card**, by the largest small finance bank and one of the fastest-growing retail banks in India, offers a unique value proposition to cardholders – to choose the features they want and for the time period they want.
- While credit card companies offer attractive products in different categories, it is often difficult for customers to find the combination of all such features in one single card.
- This forces them to opt for multiple credit cards offering specific category rewards like **Travel card** for maximising travel related spends or co-branded cards for shopping on specific **e-commerce sites**.



# BANKING AND FINANCE



## Explanation

- With the LIT Credit Card, the Bank has put the power to choose these features in the hands of the customers – **all categories in one card**.
- Further, they also get the freedom to **switch on or off** these features as per their changing lifestyle requirements.
- LIT credit card provides a higher degree of engagement to customers, through the **AU0101 app** as they can track their saving/earnings daily to maximize their benefits.
- Most importantly, the card hosts multiple benefits and customers can activate any feature on-the-go in real time for a **small convenience fee**.
- Cardholders can avail the best of **both Cashbacks and Reward Points**, using the features that are offered.
- The default validity period for each feature is **90 days**.



## Explanation

- LIT Credit Card offers **five categories of features**, namely:
- **Lounge Access:** Wherein customers can opt for one or two lounge access per quarter
- **Milestone Benefits:** By which, one can get more reward points or cashbacks
- **OTT & Lifestyle Memberships:** Wherein they can get free membership to various platforms and services
- **Accelerated Rewards (Online/Offline):** Customers can get higher reward points for online and POS transactions
- **Other Features:** Including fuel surcharge waiver, cashback on grocery, and much more.





## Titbits

### AU Small Finance Bank

- Founded : **1996**
- HQ : **Jaipur,Rajasthan**
- Chairman : **Raj Vikas Verma**
- MD & CEO : **Sanjay Agarwal**



➤ Which insurance company and Policybazaar come together to launch 'Smart Fixed-return Digital Plan, a short-term Online LI Savings Plan for millennials?

- A) Max Life Insurance
- B) Shriram Life Insurance
- C) Reliance Nippon Life Insurance
- D) Exide Life Insurance
- E) Tata AIA Life Insurance



**Answer**

**A) Max Life Insurance**



## Explanation

- **Max Life Insurance Company Ltd.** has launched the 'Max Life Smart Fixed-return Digital Plan' a non-linked, non-participating, individual life insurance savings plan.
- The novel offering developed based on a consumer insight study helps the customers meet short-term financial goals with a minimum policy tenure of **five years**.
- The plan offers guaranteed tax-free returns up to **6.14%** along with life cover protection at monthly premiums as low as **Rs 3000/-** and is also available to purchase on Max Life's website and Policybazaar.com.
- The **Smart Fixed-return Digital Plan** targets the digitally-savvy millennials who prefer quick and hassle-free online onboarding.



## Explanation

- **Offering higher returns** as compared to traditional savings instruments, this product innovation combines guaranteed, **tax-free offering** and protection cover of life insurance, allowing young consumers to enjoy the dual **benefits of savings and protection** within a single product proposition.



## Titbits

### Max Life Insurance Company Ltd.

- Founded : **2001**
- HQ : **New Delhi**
- Chairman : **Analjit Singh**



# AWARDS



- **BrahMos Deputy CEO gets disaster management award, the award is presented by which ministry?**



- A) Agriculture
- B) Finance
- C) Tourism and Culture
- D) External Affairs
- E) Commerce

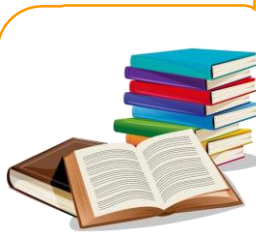


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**Answer**

- C) Tourism and Culture**



# AWARDS



## Explanation

- **BrahMos Aerospace Deputy CEO Sanjeev Joshi** received the **World Disaster Management Congress for Disaster Risk Reduction** during the COVID-19 pandemic from 2020 to 2021.
- The award ceremony was held in the national capital and presented by Tourism and Culture **G Kishan Reddy**.
- Joshi was in **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** when the COVID crisis hit globally and collaborated on the efforts against the pandemic.





# AWARDS



## Titbits

### BrahMos Aerospace

- Founded : **12/02/1998**
- HQ : **New Delhi**
- CEO & MD : **Atul Dinkar Rane**



# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ ISRO's PSLV-C53 to launch how many Singapore satellites?

- A) 2
- B) 5
- C) 1
- D) 3
- E) 4

**Answer**  
**D) 3**



## Explanation

- **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** will be launching - the second dedicated commercial mission of its commercial arm **NewSpace India Limited (NSIL)** - '**PSLV-C53**' carrying three satellites from Singapore.
- The launch vehicle carrying DS-EO satellite along with two other co-passenger satellites is scheduled to lift off from the Second Launch Pad at **Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota**.
- This will be the **55th mission of PSLV** and **15th mission using the PSLV-Core Alone variant**, and is the **16th PSLV launch from the second launch pad**.



## Explanation

- A four stage, **44.4 m tall** PSLV-C53 has a lift-off mass of **228.433 t**, and would inject DS-EO satellite into an orbit with semi-major axis of **6948.137 + 20 km**, at an altitude of **570 km** measured from the equator, with a low inclination of  $100 \pm 0.20$ .
- The three satellites are- **DS-EO**, a **365 kg** and **NeuSAR**, a **155 kg** satellite both belonging to Singapore and built by Starec Initiative, Republic of Korea, and the third satellite is a **2.8 kg Scoob-1** of Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore.



## Titbits

### Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

- Founded : **15/08/1969**
- HQ : **Bangalore**
- Chairman : **Sreedhara Panicker Somanath**



# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ India's GSAT-\_\_\_ satellite launched, entire capacity leased to Tata Play?

- A) 22
- B) 24
- C) 25
- D) 20
- E) 23

**Answer**  
**B) 24**



## Explanation

- **NewSpace India Limited (NSIL)** successfully undertook the launch of **GSAT-24** in its first "demand-driven" communication satellite mission post space sector reforms, leasing the entire capacity on board to **Direct-to-Home (DTH) service provider Tata Play**.
- Built by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) for NSIL, GSAT-24 is a **24-Ku band communication satellite** weighing **4180 kg** with pan-India coverage for meeting DTH application needs.





## Explanation

- NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), a CPSE under the Department of Space, successfully undertook the launch of a GSAT-24 communication satellite on board **Ariane-V (VA257 flight) from Kourou, French Guiana (South America)**.
- **Ariane-V (VA257 flight)**, operated by French company Arianespace, also carried a **Measat-3d communication satellite** from Malaysia as another co-passenger.



## Titbits

### NewSpace India Limited (NSIL)

- Founded : **06/03/2019**
- HQ : **Bangalore**
- CMD : **Radhakrishnan Durariraj**
- Director, Technical & Strategy : **A.Arunachalam**



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

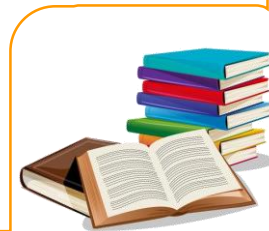


➤ India, Norway to hold \_\_\_\_ task force meeting on Blue Economy?

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



**Answer**  
**D) 5<sup>th</sup>**



## Explanation

- The **India-Norway Task Force on Blue Economy** for Sustainable Development will meet for the **5th time**, the Norwegian Embassy.
- The meeting is chaired by **Secretary Dr M Ravichandran**, Ministry of Earth Sciences, and the Norwegian Ambassador, **Hans Jacob Frydenlund**.
- The Task Force was constituted after the initiative from Prime Minister Narendra Modi to support growth in the Blue Economy as the **6th dimension** of his **Vision of New India by 2030**.



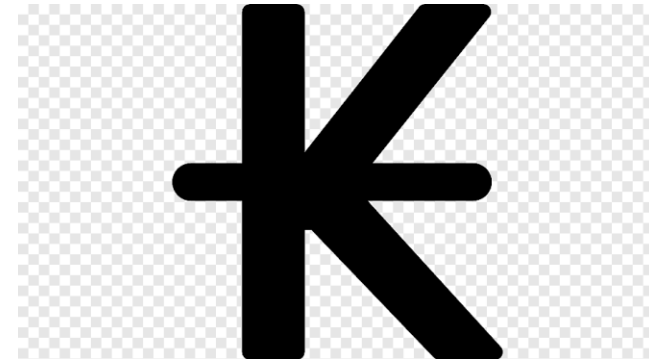
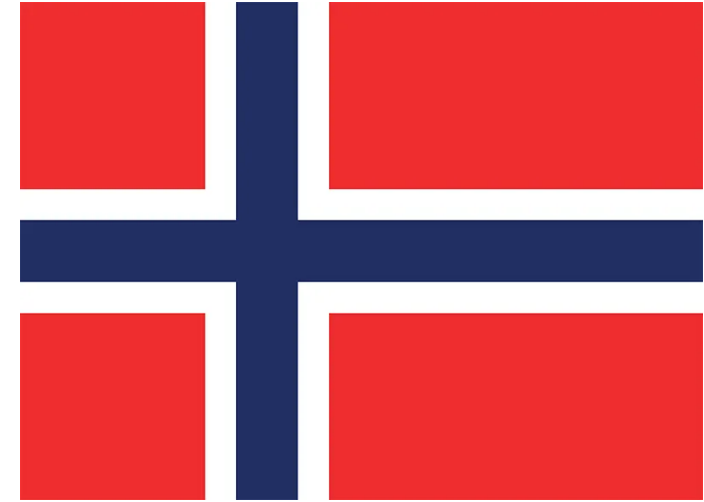
# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



**Titbits**

**Norway**

- Capital : **Oslo**
- Currency : **Norwegian Krone (NOK)**
- Monarch : **Harald V**
- Prime Minister : **Jonas Gahr Store**
- Language : **Norwegian,Sami**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ AP govt cleared Adani green energy projects worth how many crores?

- A) 14750
- B) 15740
- C) 17450
- D) 15470
- E) 17540

**Answer**  
**B) 15740**



## Explanation

- In a boost to the green energy sector in Andhra Pradesh, Chief Minister **Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy** has cleared pump storage projects proposed by **Adani Green Energy** with a total capacity of **3,700 MW**.
- The project was cleared in the **State Investment Promotion Board (SIPB)** review meeting.
- Chief Minister Jagan Mohan Reddy has cleared the proposal of investment of **Rs 15,740 crore** which is a part of the proposed total investment of **Rs 60,000 crore** by Adani Group in the state of Andhra Pradesh that was discussed during the World Economic Forum meet at Davos recently.
- The project will generate **10,000 jobs** across four districts of Andhra Pradesh.





## Titbits

### Andhra Pradesh

- Capital: **Amaravati**
- CM: **YS Jaganmohan Reddy**
- Governor: **Biswabhusan Harichandan**
- Language : **Telugu**
- National Park : **Rajiv Gandhi (Rameshwaram) National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Gundla Brahmeswaram Wildlife Sanctuary**
- Ramsar Site : **Kolleru Lake**
- Tiger Reserve : **Nagarjunasagar Srisailam**
- Power Station : **Machkund Hydro Electric Power Plant, DrNarlaTatarao Thermal Power Station**
- Dams : **Veligallu Dam in Papagni River**
- RRB : **Andhra Pragathi Grameena Bank (Canara Bank), Chaitanya Godavari Grameena Bank (Andra Bank), Saptagiri Grameena Bank (Indian Bank)**
- UNESCO Site : -



- Defence Ministry approved setting up of 'BRO Cafes' at how many border locations across 12 states/UTs?

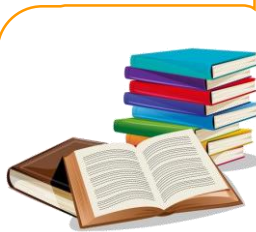


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DEFENCE

- A) 50  
B) 25  
C) 80  
D) 36  
E) 75

Answer  
E) 75



## Explanation

- **Ministry of Defence** has approved setting up of wayside amenities under the brand of '**BRO Cafes**' at 75 locations on different sections of roads with **Border Roads Organisation** across **12 states and Union territories**.
- These are intended to provide basic amenities and comfort to tourists and lead to boosting of economic activities in border areas, besides generating **employment for the local people**.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Defence

- Union Minister : **Rajnath Singh** (Rajya Sabha MP,UP)
- Minister of State : **Ajay Bhatt** (Nainital-Udhamsingh Nagar,Uttarkhand)

### Border Roads Organisation

- Founded : **07/05/1960**
- HQ : **New Delhi**
- DG : **Lt. Gen. Rajeev Chaudhary**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ SECL signed MoU with MP Power Generation Co for \_\_\_\_MW power plant?



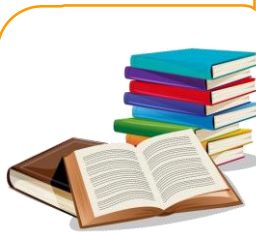
South Eastern Coalfields Ltd.

- A) 660
- B) 650
- C) 640
- D) 630
- E) 670

**Answer**  
A) 660



Madhya Pradesh  
Power Generating Co. Ltd.



## Explanation

- Coal India subsidiary **South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL)** has signed MoU with the **Madhya Pradesh Power Generation Company Limited (MPPGCL)** to develop a 660 MW thermal power unit at an investment of **Rs 4,665 crore**.
- SECL said a joint venture company will be formed that will execute the 660MW supercritical thermal power plant in **Amarkantak Thermal Power Station in Chachai**.
- The MoU was signed by managing director of MPPGCL **Bhanjit Singh** and SECL General manager **Arupdutt Chaudhary** in presence of several senior officials.



## Titbits

### South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL)

- Founded : **1985**
- HQ : **Bilaspur, Chattishgarh**
- Chairman & MD : **PS Mishra**

### Madhya Pradesh Power Generation Company Limited (MPPGCL)

- Founded : **2008**
- HQ : **Jabalpur, MP**
- Chairman : **Sanjay Dubey**
- MD : **Manjeet Singh**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



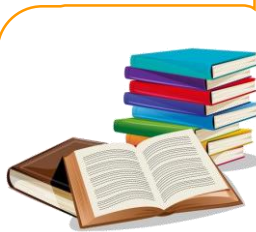
➤ PM Modi inaugurated \_\_\_\_\_ ministry's new premises 'Vanijya Bhawan'?

- A) Home
- B) Agriculture
- C) Commerce
- D) Finance
- E) Defence

**Answer**  
C) Commerce



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MINISTRY OF  
**COMMERCE  
AND INDUSTRY**





## Explanation

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the new premises of the **Ministry of Commerce and Industry - 'Vanijya Bhawan'**.
- Besides, Modi also launched a new portal called **NIRYAT**-- a one-stop place for all info needed for India's foreign trade.
- This new premise and the portal are a symbol of both physical and digital infrastructure, and it would reflect India's aspiration of '**Atma Nirbhar Bharat**' or a self-reliant India.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Commerce and Industry

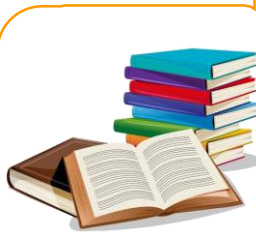
- Union Minister : **Piyush Goyal** (Rajya Sabha MP, Maharashtra)
- Minister of State : **Anupriya Patel** (Mirzapur, UP), **Som Prakash** (Hoshiarpur, Punjab)



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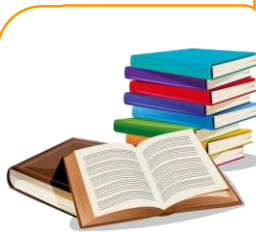
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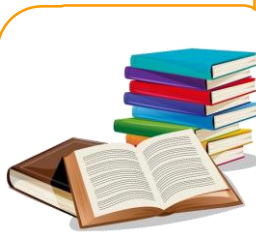
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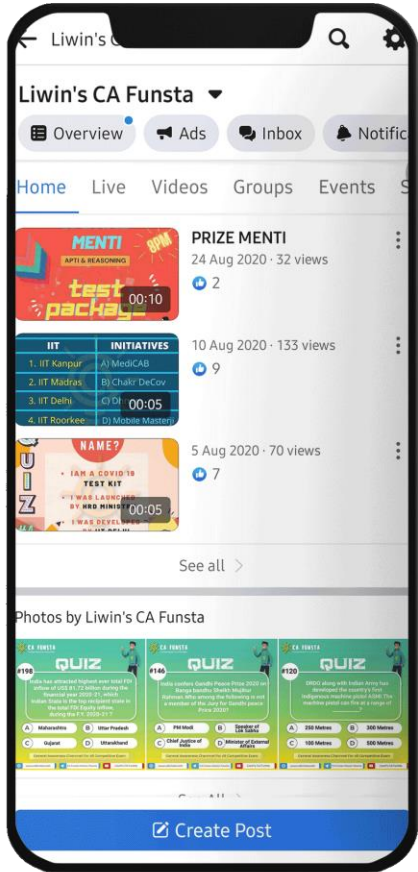
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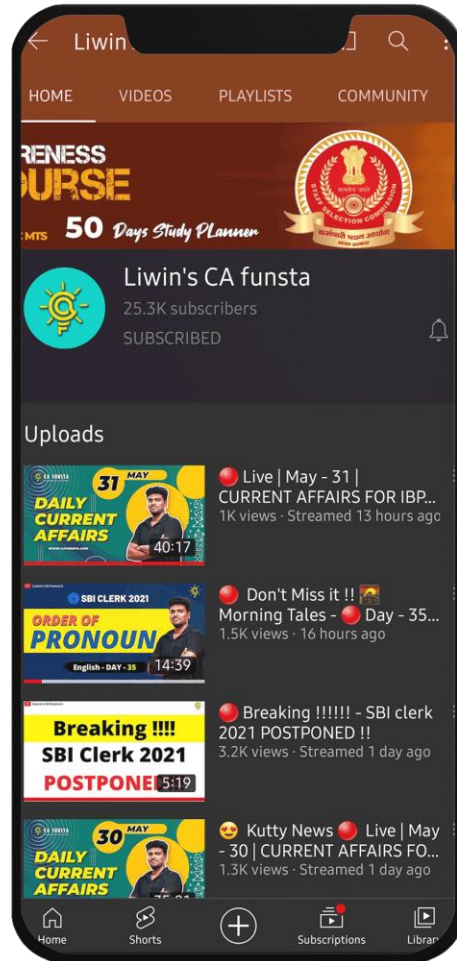
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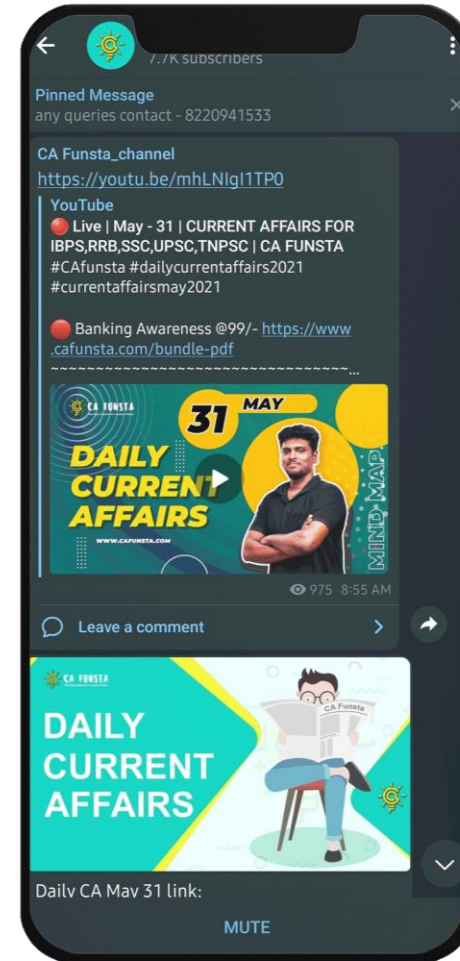
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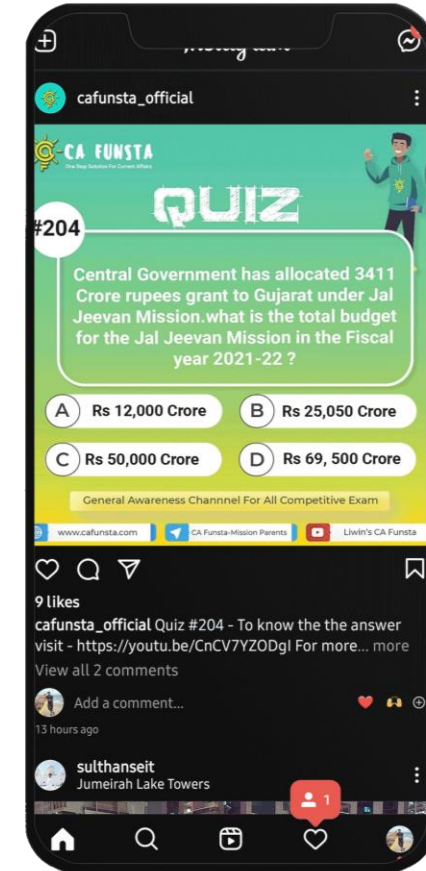
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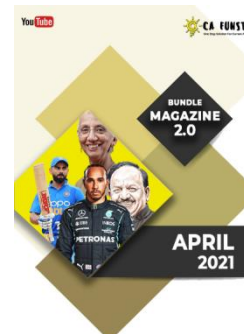
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