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➤ Who among the following will replace Paytm as title sponsor for all BCCI matches in India?

- A) Google Pay
- B) Phonepe
- C) Tata
- D) RIL
- E) Mastercard



**Answer**  
**E) Mastercard**



## Explanation

- **Mastercard**, the global payments and technology company, is set to replace India's digital payments unicorn **Paytm** as the title sponsor for all **international and domestic cricket matches** organised by the **Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)**.



# SPORTS



## Titbits

### Mastercard

- Founded : **03/11/1966**
- HQ : **New York**
- CEO : **Michael Miebach**



➤ **Olympics-World Athletics to introduce repechage round at which edition of Olympics game?**

- A) 35<sup>th</sup>
- B) 31<sup>st</sup>
- C) 33<sup>rd</sup>
- D) 32<sup>nd</sup>
- E) 34<sup>th</sup>

**Answer**  
**C) 33<sup>rd</sup>**



## Explanation

- **World Athletics** will introduce a **repechage round** in individual track events from **200 meters to 1500 m** at the **Paris 2024 Games**, the global governing body for athletics.
- The repechage round takes place after **the initial qualifying rounds** and gives athletes who have failed to make the cut for the later rounds of an event a second chance at qualification.
- It is already a part of the format of other Olympic sports **like wrestling and taekwondo**.
- The introduction of a repechage round - rubber-stamped by the World Athletics Council - will also apply to **hurdles events**.
- It will not be implemented in the 100m, which already features preliminary heats.





## Titbits

### Olympics

- **Games of the Olympiad**
- 1896 Athens
- Summer Olympics & Winter Olympics
- International Olympics Committee
- 2020 Summer Olympics in **Tokyo, Japan** 2021 32<sup>nd</sup> edition
- 2024 Summer Olympics in **Paris, France** 33<sup>rd</sup> Edition

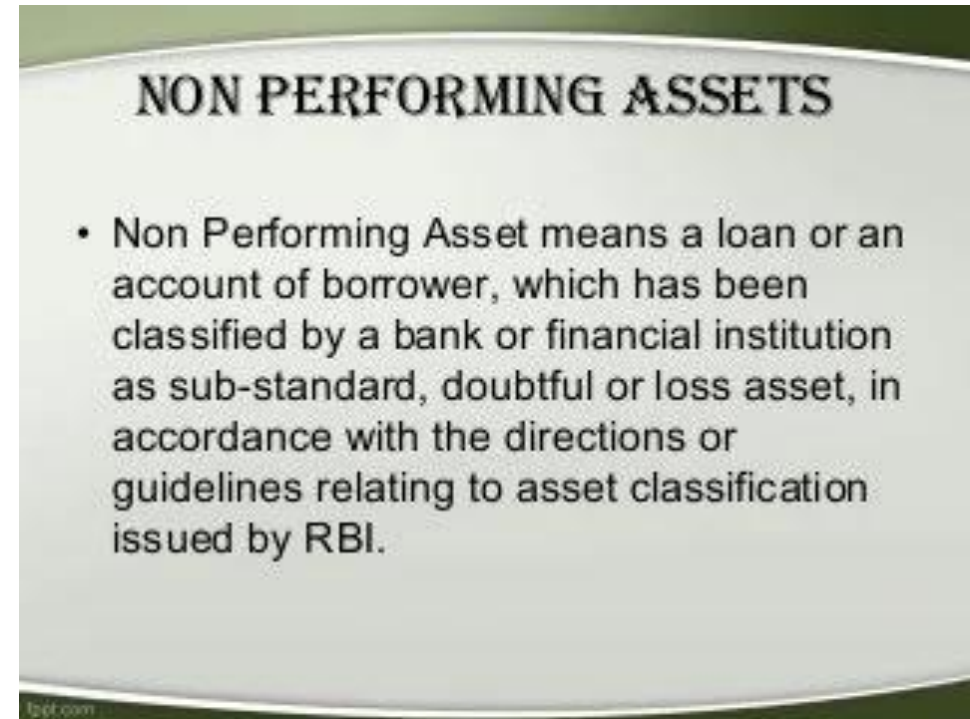


➤ **NonPerforming Assets of Scheduled Commercial Banks in country declined in last how many years?**

- A) 4
- B) 8
- C) 5
- D) 3
- E) 7

**Answer**

**A) 4**



## Explanation

- **NonPerforming Assets (NPA)** of Scheduled Commercial Banks in the country have declined in the **last four years**.
- The gross NPA, which was over **10 lakh 36 thousand crore rupees** in 2018, has reached **seven lakh 53 thousand 735 crore rupees** in 2022.
- Minister of State for Finance **Dr. Bhagwat Karad** said, decline in NPA has been registered primarily due to **Asset Quality Review** undertaken by the Reserve Bank of India whereby the stressed assets were transparently recognized as NPA.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Finance

- Union Minister : **Nirmala Sitharaman** (Rajya Sabha MP,Karnataka)
- Minister of State : **Bhagwat Karad** (Rajya Sabha MP,Maharashtra),**Pankaj Choudhary** (Maharajganj,UP)



➤ Who among the following partnered with Pocket FM?

- A) Amazon
- B) Flipkart
- C) Meesho
- D) Ajo
- E) Myntra

**Answer**  
**B) Flipkart**



## Explanation

- E-commerce company **Flipkart** has entered the audiobooks category through a partnership with the audio streaming platform **Pocket FM**.
- With the collaboration, Flipkart would provide exclusive and licensed audiobooks through Pocket FM to its customer base of over **400 million**.
- In India, it is estimated that there are **25 million people** who listen to audiobooks.



## Titbits

### Flipkart

- Founded : **2007**
- HQ : **Bangalore**
- CEO : **Kalyan Krishnamurthy**



# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



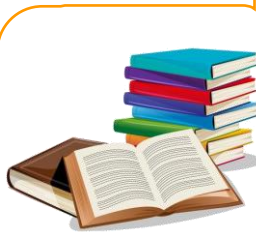
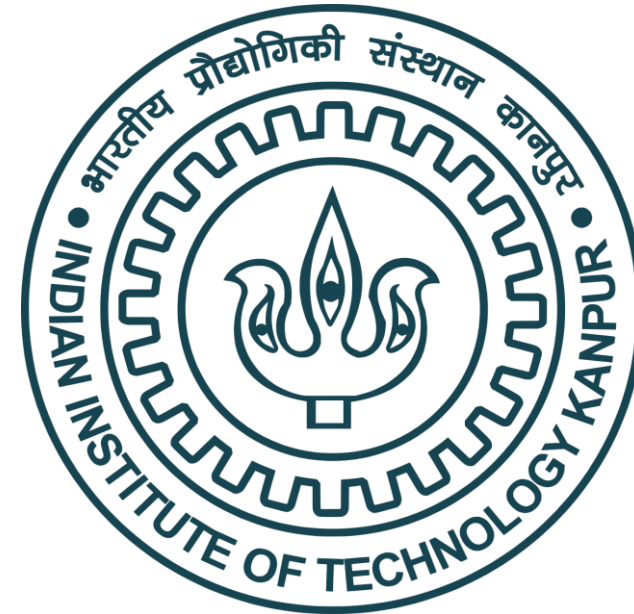
- I&B Minister Anurag Thakur said Prasar Bharati had signed MoU with which IIT to develop Next Generation Broadcast solution?



सूचना एवं  
प्रसारण मंत्रालय  
MINISTRY OF  
**INFORMATION AND  
BROADCASTING**

- A) IIT Kanpur
- B) IIT Roorkee
- C) IIT Madras
- D) IIT Bombay
- E) IIT Kharagpur

**Answer**  
**A) IIT Kanpur**





## Explanation

- Information and Broadcasting Minister **Anurag Thakur**, Prasar Bharati has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with **IIT, Kanpur** to develop **Next Generation Broadcast Solution and Roadmap for Digital Terrestrial Broadcasting consistent with emerging standards such as 5G Broadcast.**
- Doordarshan has **23 Digital Terrestrial Transmitters** which are operational at **19 locations** across the country.
- AIR has **123 MW transmitters** in its network, out of which there are **38 digital MW transmitters.**



## Titbits

### Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

- Union Minister : **Anurag Thakur** (Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh)
- Minister of State : **L Murugan** (Rajya Sabha MP, MP)



➤ **Google Play was launched in which year?**

- A) 2014
- B) 2011
- C) 2012
- D) 2010
- E) 2015

**Answer**  
**C) 2012**



## Explanation

- Digital distribution service **Google Play** for its **10-year anniversary** has received a log revamp as Google has slightly tweaked its overall shape.
- According to The Verge, the most notable changes are the **less vibrant colours** that more closely match the **green, yellow, blue, and red hues** that Google uses for many of its other services.
- It's a subtle adjustment that also complements the new Chrome logo updated earlier this year.



# ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY



➤ How many Ramsar sites are there in India?

- A) 75
- B) 54
- C) 55
- D) 49
- E) 62

**Answer**  
**B) 54**



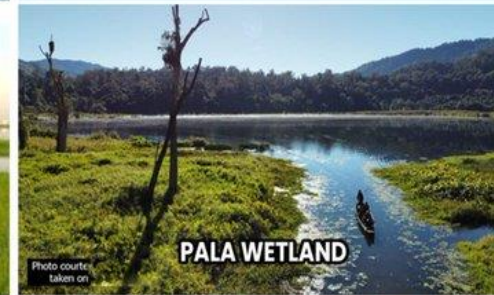
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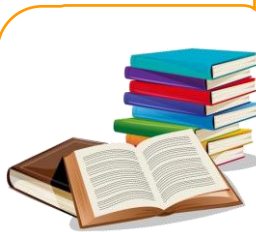
PALLIKARANAI MARSH



PALA WETLAND



KARIKILI BIRD SANCTUARY



## Explanation

- Five more Indian wetlands have got Ramsar recognition as wetlands of international importance.
- Tamil Nadu - **Karikili Bird Sanctuary, Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest and Pichavaram Mangrove**
- Mizoram - **Pala wetland**
- Madhya Pradesh - **Sakhya Sagar**
- There are total of **54 Ramsar sites** in the country.



➤ Adani Group will invest how many billion USD in green energy?

- A) 40
- B) 60
- C) 50
- D) 70
- E) 90

**Answer**  
**D) 70**



adani



## Explanation

- The **Adani Group** will invest **\$70 billion** in **green energy transition and infrastructure projects**, said chairman Gautam Adani as he called for "**reshaping India's energy footprint in an extraordinary way**".





## Titbits

### Adani Group

- Founded : **20/07/1988**
- HQ : **Ahmedabad**
- Chairman & MD : **Gautam Adani**
- CEO : **Kiran Adani (Adani Ports)**



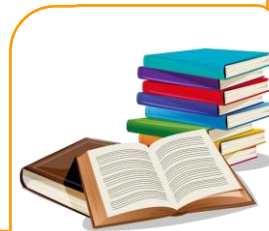
# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ How many crores spent to construct 2,088 kms road along border with China in last 5 years?

- A) 15477
- B) 15474
- C) 15774
- D) 15747
- E) 14577

**Answer**  
**A) 15477**



## Explanation

- The government constructed **2,088 kms of roads** in areas bordering China in the last five years with an expenditure of **Rs 15,477 crore**.
- In total, the government spent **Rs 20,767 crore** in constructing **3,595 kms** of border roads during the period that included those in areas along the frontiers with **Pakistan, Bangladesh and Myanmar**, according to the details provided in Lok Sabha.
- The government constructed **2,088.57 kms** of road along the border with China by incurring an expenditure of **Rs 15,477.06 crore**.



## Explanation

- **Rs 4,242.38 crore** was spent to construct **1,336.09 kms** of road along the border with Pakistan, while an expenditure of **Rs 882.52 crore** was incurred to build **151.15 kms road** along the frontier with Myanmar in the last five years.
- **19.25 kms of road** was constructed along the border with Bangladesh at a cost of **Rs 165.45 crore**.
- There has been a renewed focus on developing infrastructure along the **Line of Actual Control (LAC)** with China following the eastern Ladakh standoff.



## Titbits

### China

- Capital : **Beijing**
- Currency : **Renminbi**
- President : **Xi Jinping**
- Language : **Chinese**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Over how many crores Kisan Credit Cards issued to farmers?

- A) 4
- B) 6
- C) 3
- D) 2
- E) 5

**Answer**  
C) 3



## Explanation

- **Over three crore 26 lakh farmers** have been issued **Kisan Credit Cards (KCC)** since **February 2020** till this month with a sanction limit of **three crore 70 lakh rupees**.
- Replying to supplementaries, the Minister said, the government has taken a special saturation drive to issue Kisan Credit Card aiming to cover about **2.5 crore farmers** to provide concessional credit to PM-KISAN beneficiaries.
- Stating that the government has been implementing several programmes for the benefit of farmers across the country, the Minister said, all tenant farmers cultivating notified crops in notified areas are **eligible for insurance cover** under the **Pradhan Mantra Fasal Bima Yojana**.
- About **25 lakh 37 thousand applications** were received from tenant farmers under the PMFBY.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

- Union Minister : **Narendra Singh Tomar** (Morena,MP)
- Minister of State : **Shobha Karandlaje** (Udupi Chikmagalur,Karnataka),**Kailash Choudhary** (Barmer,Rajasthan)





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Over how many crores Ayushman Bharat cards issued so far in country?

- A) 19
- B) 25
- C) 20
- D) 17
- E) 18

**Answer**  
E) 18



## Explanation

- A total of **18 crore 54 lakh Ayushman Bharat cards** have been issued so far in the country.
- The cards have been issued under the **Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana**.
- The benefits under the scheme include all expenses incurred on medical examination, treatment, pre-hospitalization up to three days, medicine diagnostic and laboratory investigation, post-hospitalization follow up care **up to 15 days**.



➤ Which of the following state government will form Anti-Narcotics Task Force soon?

- A) Meghalaya
- B) Rajasthan
- C) Bihar
- D) Assam
- E) Tripura



**Answer**  
**B) Rajasthan**



## Explanation

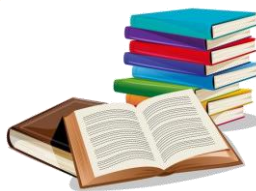
- The **Rajasthan government** will soon constitute **Anti-Narcotics Task Force (ANTF)** to check illegal drug trade.
- "This (ANTF) will work towards controlling drug trade and drug abuse in the state," Chief Secretary Usha Sharma said in her address at the fourth state-level narcotics coordination meeting organised by the **Narcotics Control Bureau**.
- She also directed the home department to plan a **state-level awareness strategy** and asked the officials to take effective steps to control the increasing drug addiction among the youth.
- Sharma suggested that under the **Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav**, a pledge should be administered to students not to indulge in substance abuse.
- She said this oath be made a part of the proposed **Rural Olympics** in the state next month as a large number of youth are expected to participate in the event.



## Titbits

### Rajasthan

- Capital: **Jaipur**
- CM: **Ashok Gehlot (14th)**
- Governor: **Kalraj Mishra (22nd)**
- Language : **Hindi**
- National Park : **Sariska National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Kailadevi WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Keoladeo Ghana National Park, Sambar Lake**
- Tiger Reserve : **Ranthambore**
- Power Station : **Rawatbhata Nuclear Power Plant, Suratgarh Super Thermal Power Station**
- Dams : **Jawahar Sagar Dam in Chambal River**
- RRB : **Baroda Rajasthan Kshetriya Gramin Bank (BOB), Rajasthan Marudhara Gramin Bank (SBI)**
- UNESCO Site : **Keoladeo National Park, The Jantar Mantar, Hillforts of Rajasthan, Jaipur City**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ How many projects worth ₹2,973Cr in storm water drainage sector grounded?

- A) 650
- B) 750
- C) 850
- D) 799
- E) 700

**Answer**  
**D) 799**



## Explanation

- Under **Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT)**, storm water drainage is an admissible component which involves construction and improvement of drains / storm water drains in order to reduce and eliminate flooding.
- So far, **799 projects worth ₹2,973 crore** in the storm water drainage sector have been grounded across 19 States / Union Territories (UTs).
- Of these, **655 projects worth ₹1,284 crore** have been completed and **144 projects worth ₹1,688 crore** are under implementation.
- Through these completed projects, **2,381 water logging points** have been eliminated by laying/construction of **896 km** of storm water drainage network.



## Explanation

- The **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)** has also brought out **Standard Operating Procedure on Urban Flooding, 2017** which focuses on specific actions required to be undertaken by various departments and agencies of the city/town and also organizations under the district administration as well as State Government for responding to urban flooding of any magnitude.
- The Standard Operating Procedure has been circulated to all the States and UTs for their guidance.
- MoHUA had also published manual on **Storm Water Drainage Systems, 2019**.
- The list of **66 cities where 2,381 water logging points** have been eliminated through the projects completed under AMRUT are at Annexure.





## Titbits

### Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

- Union Minister : **Hardeep Singh Puri** (Rajya Sabha MP,UP)
- Minister of State : **Kaushal Kishore** (Mohanlalganj,UP)



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Who among the following minister launched NDDB MRIDA Ltd to take forward manure management?

- A) Fishery Minister
- B) Agriculture Minister
- C) Finance Minister
- D) Prime Minister
- E) Home Minister

**Answer**

**A) Fishery Minister**



## Explanation

- **Shri Parshottam Rupala**, Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying here on launched NDDDB MRIDA Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary company of National Dairy Development Board to take forward manure management initiatives across the country.
- NDDDB has established **NDDDB MRIDA Limited**, an Unlisted Public Limited Company under the **Companies Act, 2013** on July 1, 2022 as with a paid-up capital of **Rs. 9.50 crore**.
- On this occasion, **Dr Balyan** launched a brochure on NDDDB MRIDA Limited and **Dr Murugan** handed over NDDDB's SUDHAN trademark to Chairman and MD, NDDDB MRIDA Limited.



## Explanation

- This is a first-of-its-kind company focussing on efficient utilisation of dung by creating a manure management value chain which will immensely contribute to enhancing the livelihoods of dairy farmers and at the same time contribute towards **Swachh Bharat Mission** and promotion of green energy.
- The manure management initiatives have potential to generate biogas equivalent to **50 per cent** of India's present LPG consumption & also produce bio slurry equivalent to 44 per cent of India's NPK requirement.
- The foundation stone for **first such project** was laid by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in Varanasi on **December 23, 2021**.
- NDDDB has also registered a trademark named "**SuDhan**" to provide common identity to dung based **organic fertilisers**.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying

- Union Minister : **Parshottam Rupala** (Rajya Sabha MP,Gujarat)
- Minister of State : **Sanjeev Balyan** (Muzaffarnagar,UP), **L Murugan** (Rajya Sabha MP,MP)



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Central will provide crores incentives for drone manufacturing?

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

**Answer**  
**C) 120**



## Explanation

- The government will provide **Rs 120 crore** as incentives for the manufacturing of drones and drone components over the next three years under the **production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme**, Minister of State for Civil Aviation General (Retd) VK Singh.
- The scheme was notified on **September 30, 2021**.
- A provisional list of **23 PLI beneficiaries** was released on July 6, 2022.
- The beneficiaries include **12 drone manufacturers and 11 drone component manufacturers**.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Civil Aviation

- Union Minister : **Jyotiraditya Scindia** (Rajya Sabha MP,MP)
- Minister of State : **Gen VK Singh**





➤ Which of the following state government signed MoU with NESAC for 21 projects?

- A) Meghalaya
- B) Rajasthan
- C) Bihar
- D) Assam
- E) Tripura

**Answer**  
**E) Tripura**



## Explanation

- The **Tripura government** has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **North East Space Application Centre (NESAC), Shillong**, for **21 projects** including disaster management and resource mapping.
- NESAC Director, **SP Agarwal** and Tripura's Science, Technology and Environment secretary **Pradip Kumar Chakravarty** signed the MoU.
- Of the 21 projects, the Centre has already approved 20 projects as part of the promotion and transfer of technology to develop capacity building as well as resource mapping, Chakravarty told PTI.
- The 20 approved projects include **resource mapping of agriculture, horticulture, forest, land revenue and disaster management.**



## Titbits

### Tripura

- Capital: **Agartala**
- CM: **Manik Saha**
- Governor: **Satyadev Narayan Arya**
- Language : **Bengali,English,KokBorok**
- National Park : **Rajbar (Bison) National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary**
- Ramsar Site : **Rudrasagar Lake**
- Tiger Reserve : -
- Power Station : -
- Dams : -
- RRB : **Tripura Gramin Bank (United Bank of India)**
- UNESCO Site : -



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which of the following state government will launch steps to achieve complete digital literacy?

- A) Meghalaya
- B) Kerala
- C) Bihar
- D) Assam
- E) Tripura

**Answer**  
**B) Kerala**



## Explanation

- Kerala Chief Minister **Pinarayi Vijayan** said the state government is moving ahead with steps to achieve complete **digital literacy** with an objective to make people especially children aware of traps and threats in cyberspace.
- The Chief Minister was speaking after inaugurating an initiative under the **Kid-Glove Cyber Security** for Children, an awareness campaign being implemented by the Kerala police.
- Kid Glove focuses on creating awareness and capacity to **counter and tackle the threats of cyberspace**.



## Titbits

### Kerala

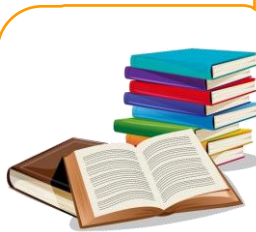
- Capital: **Thiruvananthapuram**
- CM: **Pinarayi Vijayan**
- Governor: **Arif Mohammad Khan**
- Language : **Malayalam**
- National Park : **Silent Valley National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Chinnar WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Asthamudi Wetland, Sasthamkotta Lake, Vembanad Kol Wetland**
- Tiger Reserve : **Periyar**
- Power Station : **Idukki Hydro electric Plant, Rajiv Gandhi Combined Cycle Power Plant**
- Dams : **Malampuzha Dam in Malampuzha River**
- RRB : **Kerala Gramin Bank (Canara Bank)**
- UNESCO Site : **Western Ghats**



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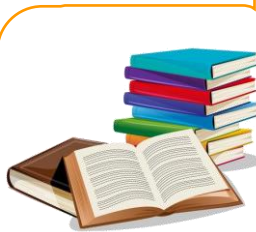
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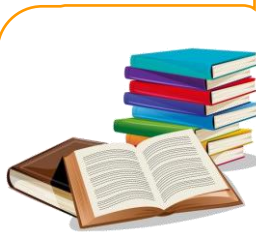




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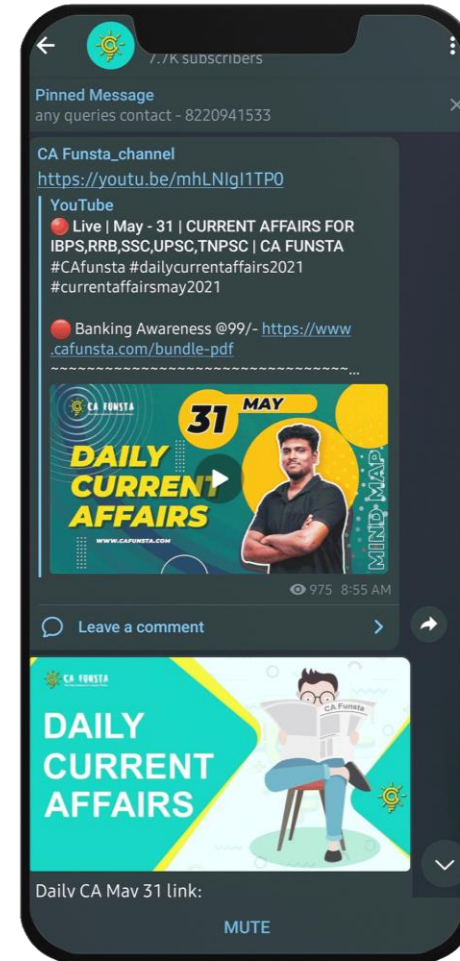
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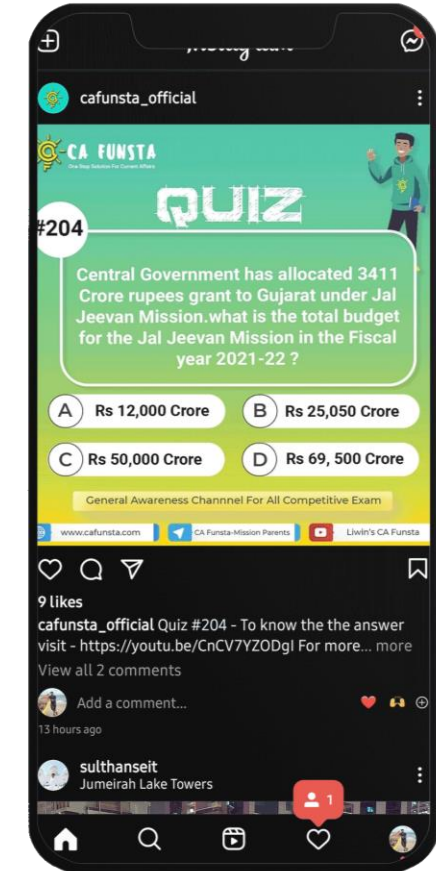


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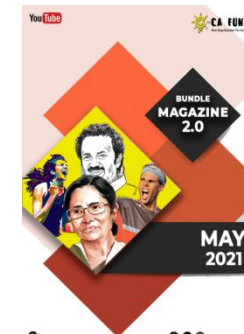
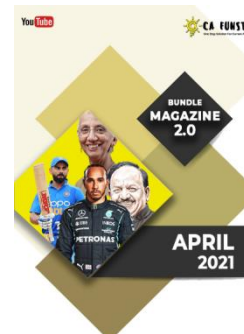
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