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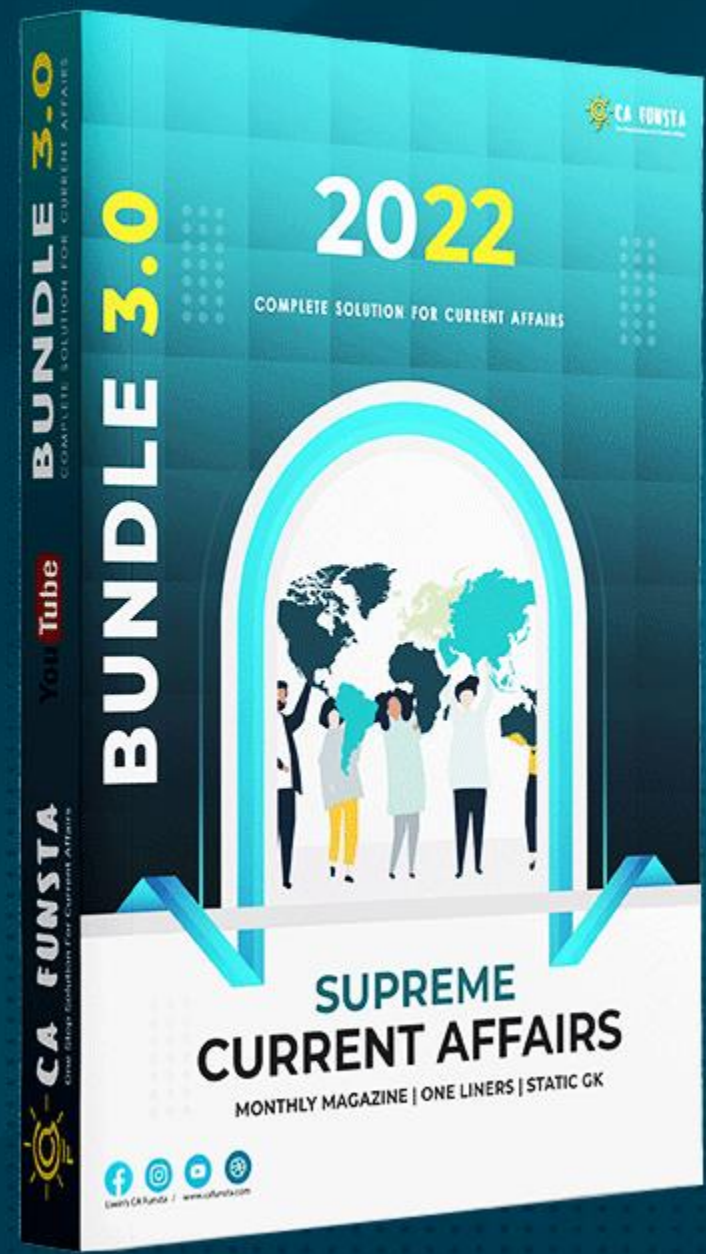


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➤ Who among the following cricketer retired from all forms of cricket?

- A) Suresh Raina
- B) Irfan Pathan
- C) Virat Kohli
- D) Rohit Sharma
- E) Bumrah

Answer
A) Suresh Raina



Explanation

- Former India batter **Suresh Raina** announced his **retirement from all forms of cricket**, a move that makes him eligible for competing in **overseas T20 leagues**.
- The 35-year-old had followed **M S Dhoni** into **international retirement on August 15, 2020**.
- He continued playing the **IPL in 2021** but was released by Chennai Super Kings ahead of the 2022 season.
- As an India player, Raina played **18 Tests, 226 ODIs and 78 T20s**.
- He was part of the World Cup winning squad in **2011**.



➤ RBI imposed penalties on how many co-operative banks for non-compliance?

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

Answer
D) 5



Explanation

- The **Reserve Bank** has imposed penalties on **five cooperative banks**, including **Rs 25 lakh** on **The Karnataka State Co-operative Apex Bank, Bengaluru**, for deficiencies in regulatory compliance.
- The penalty on The Karnataka State Co-operative Apex Bank Ltd has been imposed for non-compliance with directions on "**Housing Finance**".
- In another statement, it said a fine of **Rs 15 lakh** has been imposed on **Thane Bharat Sahakari Bank Limited, Thane**, for non-compliance with the directions issued by RBI on '**Customer Protection - Limiting Liability of Customers of Co-operative Banks in Unauthorised Electronic Banking Transactions**'.



Explanation

- A fine of **Rs 5 lakh** has been imposed on **Rani Laxmibai Urban Co-operative Bank, Jhansi**, as it failed to adhere to specific directions issued to it by RBI under **Supervisory Action Framework (SAF)**.
- The RBI has also imposed a **Rs 2 lakh** penalty on **The Nicholson Co-operative Town Bank (No.8), Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu** for violation of directions issued under **Exposure Norms and Statutory/Other Restrictions UCBs**.
- A fine of **Rs 10,000** has been imposed on **The Urban Co-operative Bank, Rourkela** for contravention of norms related to the **Depositor Education and Awareness Fund**.



Titbits

Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

- Founded: **01/04/1935**
- **RBI Act,1934**
- HQ: **Mumbai**
- Chairman: **Shaktikanta Das**
- 1926 - **Hilton Young Commission**
- 1937 – **Calcutta to Mumbai**
- 1949 – **Nationalisation**



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



➤ How many percent of equity share capital of IndiaIdeas acquired by PayU?

- A) 10%
- B) 100%
- C) 30%
- D) 50%
- E) 75%

Answer
B) 100%



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Explanation

- The **Competition Commission of India (CCI)** approves acquisition of **100%** of the equity share capital of **Indialdeas.com Limited (IIL)** by **PayU Payments Private Limited (PayU India)** under Section 31(1) of the Competition Act, 2002.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



➤ How many percent of additional stake in Apraava Energy acquired by CDPQ Infrastructures Asia II?

- A) 10%
- B) 100%
- C) 30%
- D) 50%
- E) 75%

Answer
A) 10%



Competition Commission of India



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Explanation

- The **Competition Commission of India (CCI)** approves acquisition of stake in **Apraava Energy Private Limited (Target)** by **CDPQ Infrastructures Asia II Pte. Ltd. (Acquirer)** under Section 31(1) of the Competition Act, 2002.
- The Proposed Combination pertains to the acquiring an additional **10% shareholding** in the Target from CPL GPEC (Mauritius) Holding Limited.
- The Acquirer presently holds **40% shareholding** in the Target.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Titbits

Competition Commission of India (CCI)

- Founded: **14/10/2003**
- HQ: **New Delhi**
- Chairman: **Ashok Kumar Gupta**



APPOINTMENTS



➤ Justice M Duraishwamy appointed as the Chief Justice of the _____ High Court?

- A) Kolkata
- B) Kochi
- C) Madras
- D) Ahmedabad
- E) Bombay

Answer
C) Madras



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- **Madras High Court**
- Position: **Chief Justice**
- Appointed: **Justice M Duraiswamy**
- Succeeded: **Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari**



APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who among the following became CMD of Shipping Corporation of India?

- A) Binesh Kumar Gupta
- B) Binesh Kumar Yadhav
- C) Binesh Kumar Tyagi
- D) Binesh Kumar Pandey
- E) Binesh Kumar Tyagi

Answer

E) Binesh Kumar Tyagi



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- Organisation: **Shipping Corporation of India**
- Position: **Chairman and Managing Director (CMD)**
- Appointed: **Binesh Kumar Tyagi**



APPOINTMENTS



Titbits

Shipping Corporation of India

- Founded: **02/10/1961**
- HQ: **Mumbai**
- Under: **Ministry of Shipping**



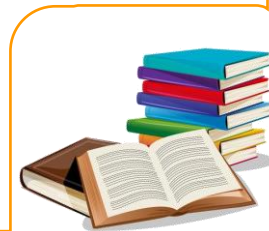
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which of the following country and India elevated their space relationship?

- A) Mongolia
- B) Iran
- C) Nepal
- D) Australia
- E) France

Answer
D) Australia



Explanation

- **India and Australia** elevated their space relationship as six new industry-to-industry memorandums for collaboration between the two countries were signed at the seventh '**Bengaluru Space Expo 2022**'.
- Australia continues to look at new ways to enhance its space collaboration with India, said the Head of the **Australian Space Agency (ASA), Enrico Palermo**, in his address to the international conference and exhibition.
- The establishment of a **Consulate-General in Bengaluru from 2023** will allow us to further develop the space relationship.



Titbits

Australia

- Capital: **Canberra**
- Currency: **Australian Dollar (AUD)**
- Monarch: **Elizabeth II**
- Prime Minister: **Anthony Albanese**
- Language: **English**



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ EAM S Jaishankar discussed bilateral cooperation & JCPOA with his counterpart Hossein Amirabdollahian , he belongs to which of the following country?

- A) Mongolia
- B) Iran
- C) Nepal
- D) Australia
- E) France

Answer
B) Iran



Explanation

- External Affairs Minister **Dr S Jaishankar** discussed bilateral cooperation and **Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA)** with his Iranian counterpart **Hossein Amirabdollahian**.
- In a tweet, Dr Jaishankar said he looks forward to remaining in touch with the Iranian Foreign Minister.



Titbits

Iran

- Capital: **Tehran**
- Currency: **Iranian Rial (IRR)**
- Supreme Leader: **Ali Khamenei**
- President: **Ebrahim Raisi**
- Language: **Persian**



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said India fully committed to further deepening multifaceted Strategic Partnership with which of the following country?

- A) Mongolia
- B) Iran
- C) Nepal
- D) Australia
- E) France

Answer
A) Mongolia



Explanation

- Defence Minister **Rajnath Singh** held a meeting with his Mongolian counterpart **Saikhanbayar Gursed in Ulaanbaatar.**
- They had in-depth deliberations on adding further momentum to **India-Mongolia defence cooperation.**
- The Minister also met President of Mongolia, **U. Khurelsukh.**
- In a series of tweets, Mr Singh said India is fully committed to further deepening **multifaceted Strategic Partnership with Mongolia.**
- During the visit, he also interacted with Speaker of Mongolian Parliament, **Zandanshatar.**
- He complimented the Speaker on his consistent support to promote and expand India and Mongolia's shared heritage of Buddhism.



Titbits

Mongolia

- Capital: **Ulaanbaatar**
- Currency: **Togrog (MNT)**
- President: **Ukhnaagiin Khurelsukh**
- Prime Minister: **Lubsansambur Oyun-Erdene**
- Language: **Mongolian**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Amit Shah announced how many member panel for drafting cooperation policy?

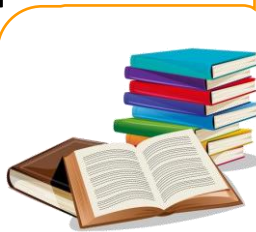
- A) 50
- B) 68
- C) 47
- D) 25
- E) 36

Answer
C) 47



Explanation

- Union Home and Cooperation Minister **Amit Shah** announced the constitution of a national level committee for drafting of the **national cooperation policy document**.
- The new national cooperative policy is being formulated to realize the vision of '**Sahakar Se Samriddhi** ' under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The national level committee under the Chairmanship of former Union Cabinet Minister Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu consists of **47 members** from all parts of the country.
- It comprises experts of the cooperative sector; **representatives of National, State and District and Primary Cooperative Societies; Secretaries (Cooperation) and Registrars of Cooperative Societies of States and Union Territories; and officers from Central ministries and departments.**
- The Union Home Minister had recently announced that a national cooperation policy will soon be prepared which will have a holistic approach from **Primary Agriculture Credit Societies (PACS) upwards.**



Titbits

Ministry of Home Affairs

- Union Minister: **Amit Shah** (Gandhinagar, Gujarat)
- Minister of State: **Nityanand Rai** (Ujiyarpur, Bihar), **Nisith Paramanik** (Cooch Behar, West Bengal), **Ajay Kumar Mishra** (Kheri, Uttar Pradesh)



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ PM Modi announced new initiative PM SHRI Schools on occasion of Teachers' Day , what does R stands for in PM SHRI?

- A) Rise
- B) Reintroduce
- C) Roaring
- D) Raised
- E) Rising

Answer
E) Rising

PM MODI'S GIFT ON TEACHERS' DAY

PM announces
Pradhan Mantri Schools
for Rising India
**PM-SHRI
YOJANA**

- Development & Upgradation of **14,500 schools** across country
- Development of 'Model Schools', encapsulating full spirits of NEP

NEP - National Education Policy



Explanation

- On the occasion of National Teachers' Day, **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** announced a new initiative - PM SHRI Schools (PM Schools for Rising India).
- This will be a new centrally sponsored scheme for the upgradation and development of **more than 14,500 Schools** across the country by strengthening the selected existing schools from amongst schools managed by **Central Government/ State/ UT Government/ local bodies**.
- PM SHRI Schools will showcase all components of the **National Education Policy 2020** and act as exemplar schools and also offer mentorship to other schools in their vicinity.
- The aim of these schools will not only be qualitative teaching, learning and cognitive development but also to create holistic and well-rounded individuals equipped with key **21st-century skills**.

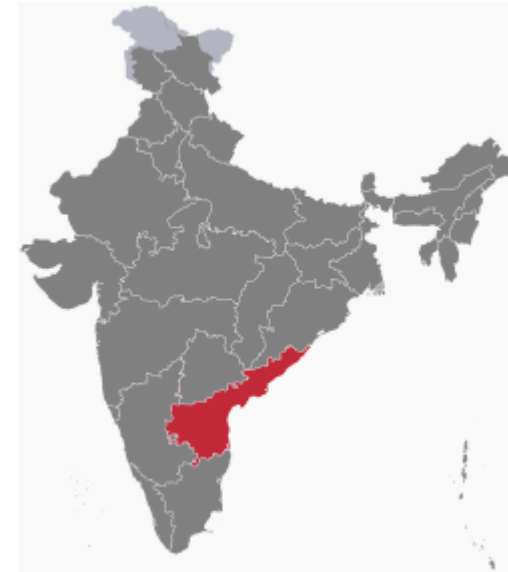


NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which of the following state cleared Rs 1.26-trn investment proposals to create direct employment?

- A) Andhra Pradesh
- B) Karnataka
- C) Kerala
- D) Odisha
- E) Uttar Pradesh



Answer
A) Andhra Pradesh



Explanation

- The **Andhra Pradesh State Investment Promotion Board (SIPB)**, headed by Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy approved various investment proposals worth **Rs 1,26,748 crore** that would create **40,330 direct employment** over the next seven years.
- Of the total, **Rs 81,000 crore** would be invested on green energy projects that would generate **17,930 MW of power**, the Chief Minister's Office said in a release. Besides, two other solar power plants with a total capacity of 60 GW are also proposed.
- According to the release, the SIPB approved a proposal from **Causis E-Mobility** for an investment of **Rs 386.23 crore** on an electric bus-manufacturing unit at Kopparthi in YSR district.
- The venture would create **over 1,200 jobs**.
- The release said Lyfius Pharma would invest **Rs 1,900 crore** on its drug manufacturing unit in the Kakinada SEZ.



Explanation

- For this, the State government allotted **236.37 acres of land**.
- The unit would be ready by April 2024, providing employment to **2,000 people**.
- Inosol Solar Private Limited would set up its plant on a **5,147-acre** site at Ramayapatnam in SPS Nellore district to manufacture metallurgical grade silicon, poly silicon, float glass and other products.
- The company will invest **Rs 43,143 crore in three phases** and provide direct employment to **11,500 people** and also create indirect employment for another 11,000.
- It will also set up solar power plants of **50 GigaWatt and 10 GigaWatt capacity**.
- The SIPB also approved six green energy projects in YSR, Kurnool and Nandyal districts with an aggregate investment of **Rs 81,043 crore**.
- The green energy plants include hydro storage and pumped hydro storage with a total capacity of **17,930 MW** to be completed in phases by **December 2029**.



Titbits

Andhra Pradesh

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

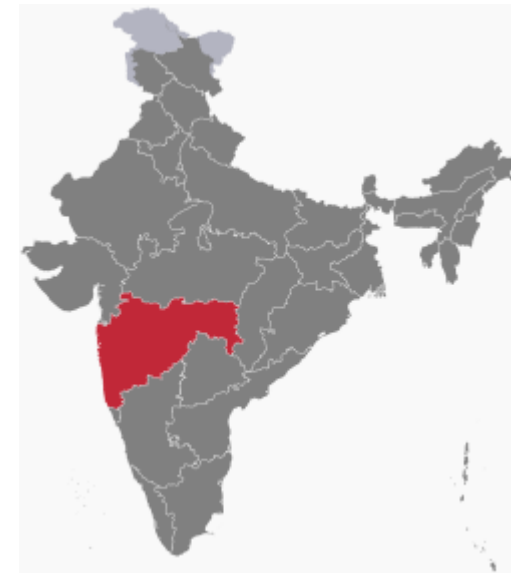


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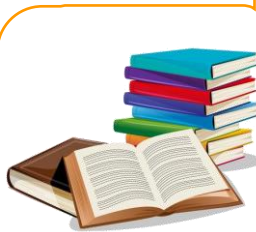
➤ MeitY approved Rs 500 crore electronics manufacturing Project in which of the following state?

- A) Andhra Pradesh
- B) Karnataka
- C) Kerala
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Uttar Pradesh



Answer

D) Maharashtra



Explanation

- The government has approved an **Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC) in Pune** at a cost of **Rs 500 crore**.
- The EMC, which will come up in **Ranjangaon Phase III**, will be set up over an area of **297 acres**.
- The proposal, approved by the **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology**, is expected to attract investments of up to **Rs 2,000 crore**.
- The central government assistance for the project would be nearly **Rs 208 crore**.
- The modified **EMC 2.0 scheme** was notified on April 1, 2020.



Titbits

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

- Union Minister: **Ashwini Vaishnaw** (Rajya Sabha MP, Odisha)
- Minister of State: **Rajeev Chandrasekhar** (Rajya Sabha MP, Karnataka)



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Onam Week celebrations began in which of the following state?

- A) Andhra Pradesh
- B) Karnataka
- C) Kerala
- D) Odisha
- E) Uttar Pradesh



Answer
C) Kerala



Explanation

- In **Kerala**, after Covid-19 pandemic and natural calamities shattered festivities for two consecutive years, the **Onam Week** celebrations began.
- Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan will inaugurate the **State-level event in the State capital Thiruvananthapuram** this evening.
- Prominent personalities and celebrities will attend.
- Over eight thousand artists will perform at **32 venues** across the State during the celebrations.



Titbits

Kerala

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



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Over how many lakh labourers enrol for Ayushman Golden cards?

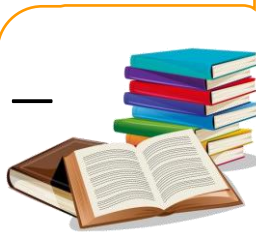
- A) 70 lakh
- B) 55 lakh
- C) 75 lakh
- D) 60 lakh
- E) 45 lakh

Answer
B) 55 lakh



Explanation

- The Uttar Pradesh government claimed to have registered around **55 lakh labourers** till August in its database who would be given '**Ayushman Golden Cards**' under the **Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya Yojana (PMJAY)**, as part of a special campaign for registration that started on July 25.
- The state labour department has been told to speed up the process of providing these cards especially to construction labourers who put their lives at risk while working.
- These Golden Cards would be given to labourers covered under the PMJAY and the **Mukhyamantri Jan Aarogya schemes** which would also cover the medical treatment costs of their family members.
- As per the data available with the labour department, so far **54.91 lakh eligible labourers** belonging to **38.3 lakh families** have been registered under the two schemes.
- Of these, over **4.70 lakh labourers** have received the Ayushman Golden Cards which grants them free health benefits of up to **Rs 5 lakh**.



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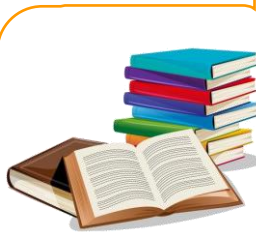
➤ Revenue Deficit Grant of Rs. 7,183.42 crore released to how many states?

- A) 14
- B) 20
- C) 15
- D) 17
- E) 10

Answer
A) 14



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Explanation

- The central government has released **Rs 7,183.42 crore** as a revenue deficit grant to **14 states** the Finance Ministry.
- The Department of Expenditure released the **6th monthly instalment** of the **Post Devolution Revenue Deficit (PDRD) Grant of Rs 7,183.42 crore to 14 states** as per the recommendations of the **Fifteenth Finance Commission**.
- The Fifteenth Finance Commission has recommended a total Post Devolution Revenue Deficit Grant of **Rs 86,201 crore to 14 states** for the financial year 2022-23.



Explanation

- With the release of the **6th instalment** for the month of September 2022, the total amount of Revenue Deficit Grants released to the States in 2022-23 has gone up to **Rs 43,100.50 crore**.
- The states that have been recommended Post Devolution Revenue Deficit Grant by the Fifteenth Finance Commission during 2022-23 are: **Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttarakhand and West Bengal**.



Titbits

Ministry of Finance

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



➤ MoS Smt. Anupriya Patel laid foundation stone of 'Chunar Logistics Park' in which of the following state?

- A) Andhra Pradesh
- B) Karnataka
- C) Kerala
- D) Odisha
- E) Uttar Pradesh



Answer

E) Uttar Pradesh



Explanation

- Minister of State (MoS) for Commerce & Industry, **Smt. Anupriya Patel** laid foundation stone for '**Chunar Logistics Park**' in **Mirzapur, UP**.
- **Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw**, Minister of Railways, Communications and Electronics & Information Technology virtually attended the event as a Chief Guest.



Titbits

Ministry of Commerce and Industry

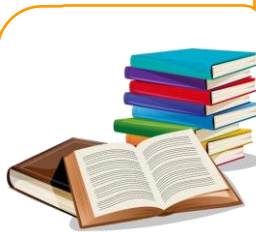
- Union Minister: **Piyush Goyal** (Rajya Sabha MP, Maharashtra)
- Minister of State: **Anupriya Patel** (Mirzapur, UP), **Som Prakash** (Hoshiarpur, Punjab)



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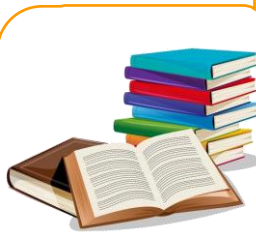
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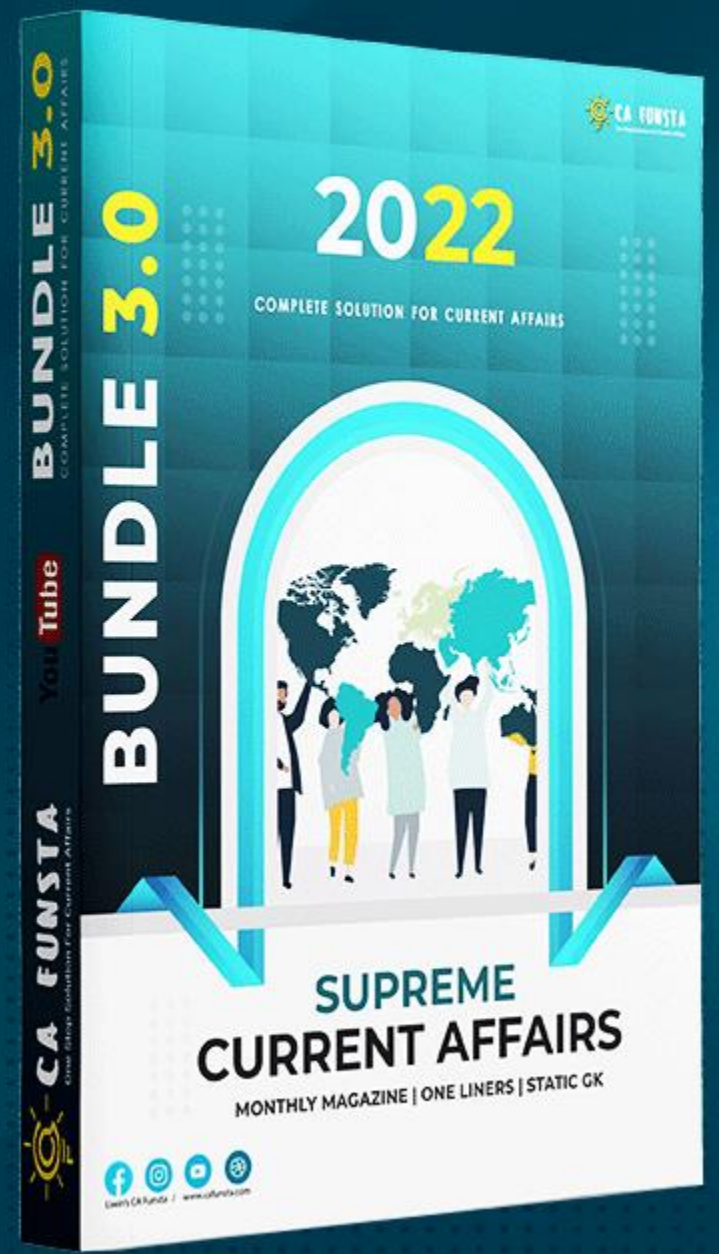


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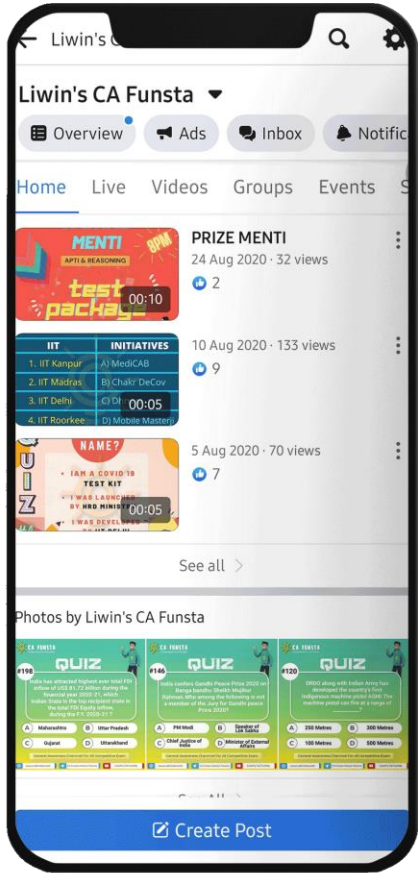
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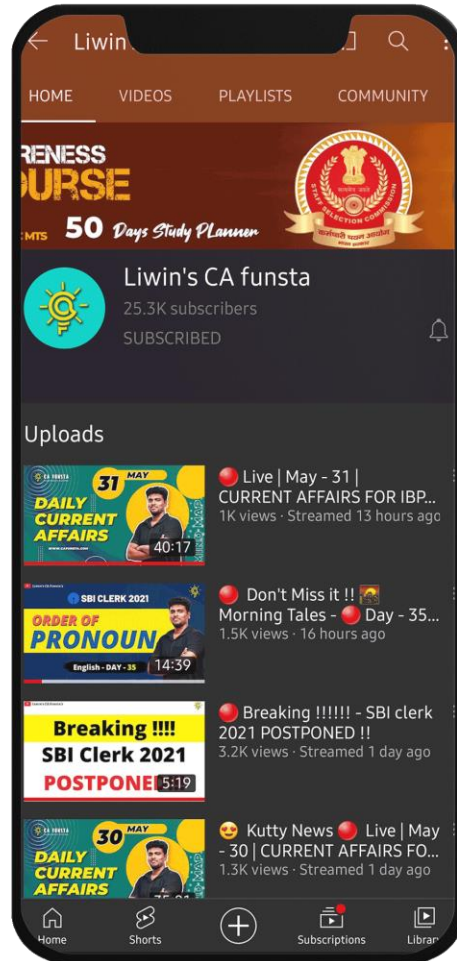
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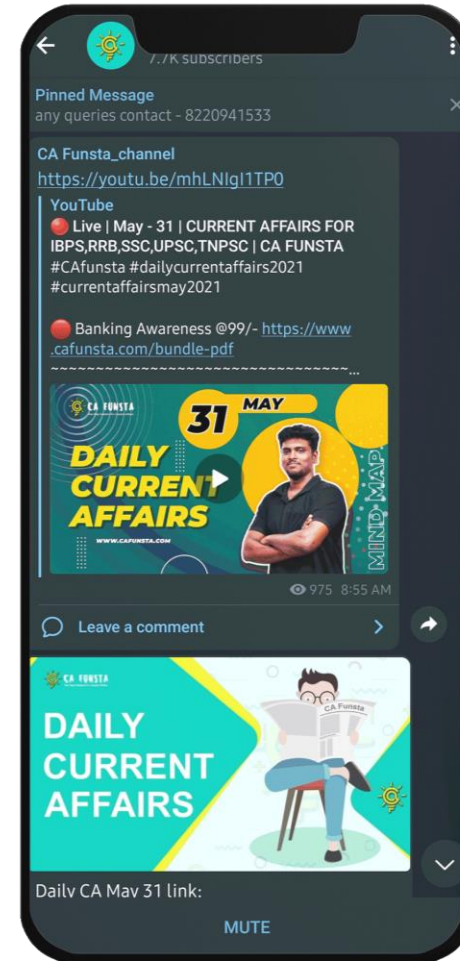
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