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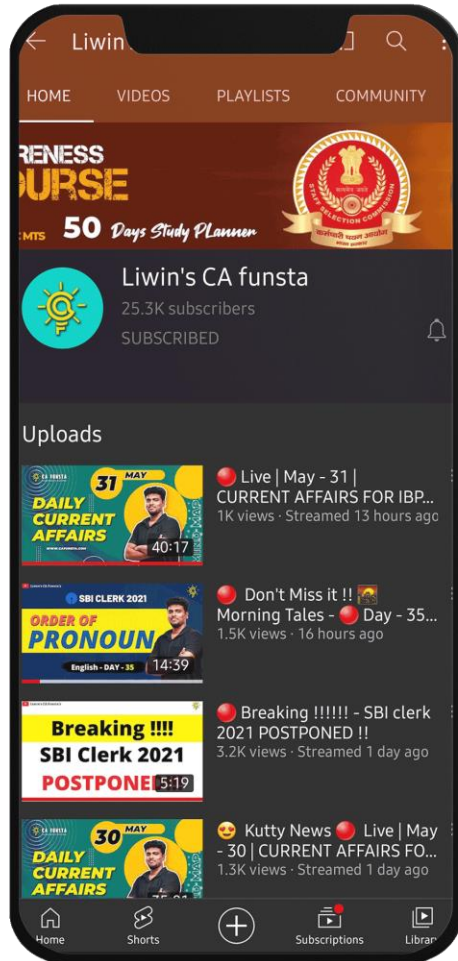
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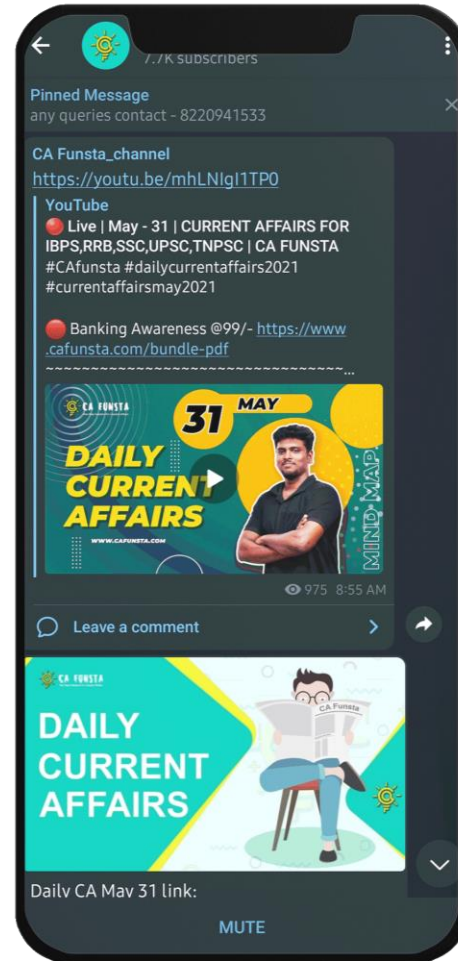
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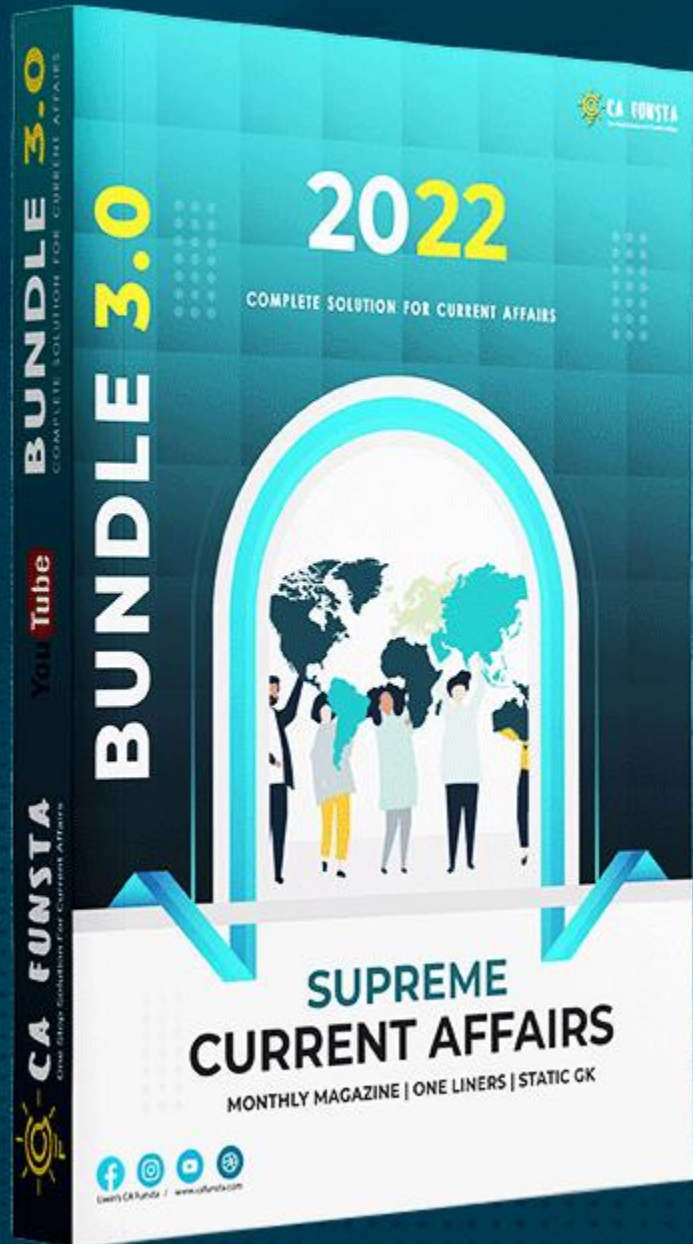


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# SPORTS



➤ Jemimah climbed to \_\_\_\_ position in ICC Ranking?

- A) 5<sup>th</sup>
- B) 7<sup>th</sup>
- C) 9<sup>th</sup>
- D) 8<sup>th</sup>
- E) 6<sup>th</sup>

**Answer**  
D) 8<sup>th</sup>



# SPORTS



## Explanation

RANK	PLAYER	TEAM	RATING
1	Beth Mooney	AUS	743
2	<a href="#">Meg Lanning</a>	AUS	725
3	<a href="#">Smriti Mandhana</a>	IND	717
4	<a href="#">Tahlia McGrath</a>	AUS	704
5	<a href="#">Sophie Devine</a>	NZ	699
6	<a href="#">Suzie Bates</a>	NZ	661
7	<a href="#">Shafali Verma</a>	IND	648
8	<a href="#">Jemimah Rodrigues</a>	IND	641
9	<a href="#">Alyssa Healy</a>	AUS	633
10	<a href="#">Chamari Athapaththu</a>	SL	629
11	<a href="#">Ashleigh Gardner</a>	AUS	614
12	<a href="#">Laura Wolvaardt</a>	SA	611
13	<a href="#">Harmanpreet Kaur</a>	IND	605



## Titbits

### ICC

- **International Cricket Council**
- **Founded: 15/06/1909**
- **HQ: Dubai,UAE**
- **Members: 108 countries**
- **Chairman: Greg Barclay**



# SPORTS



➤ Who among the following topped in National Games?

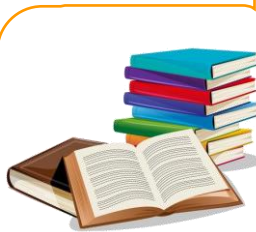
- A) Haryana
- B) Services
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Tamil Nadu
- E) Uttar Pradesh

**Answer**

**B) Services**



**36<sup>TH</sup>**  
**NATIONAL**  
**GAMES**  
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# SPORTS



## Explanation

Rank	Team	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	<a href="#">Services</a>	39	24	23	86
2	<a href="#">Haryana</a>	24	22	19	65
3	<a href="#">Maharashtra</a>	20	17	35	72
4	<a href="#">Uttar Pradesh</a>	18	13	9	40
5	<a href="#">Tamil Nadu</a>	15	14	16	45



➤ No charge on UPI payments via RuPay credit card for up to \_\_\_\_?

- A) Rs 1000
- B) Rs 3000
- C) Rs 2500
- D) Rs 1500
- E) Rs 2000

**Answer**

**E) Rs 2000**



## Explanation

- There will be no charge for **RuPay credit card** use on **Unified Payments Interface (UPI)** for transactions up to **Rs 2,000** in line with the RBI
- RuPay credit card has been operational for the last four years, and all major banks are enabled and are issuing incremental cards for **both commercial and retail segments.**
- **Nil Merchant Discount Rate (MDR)** would apply for this category up to the transaction amount less than and equal to Rs 2,000, it noted.



## Titbits

### NPCI

- **National Payment Corporation of India**
- Founded: **2008**
- HQ: **Mumbai**
- Chairman: **Biswamohan Mahapatra** (Non-Executive)
- MD & CEO: **Dilip Asbe**
- Under: **RBI, Ministry of Finance**



➤ HFCL will invest how many crores to make telecom parts?

- A) Rs 500 crores
- B) Rs 350 crores
- C) Rs 450 crores
- D) Rs 300 crores
- E) Rs 400 crores

**Answer**

**C) Rs 450 crores**



## Explanation

- **HFCL** has committed to invest **Rs 450 crore** in the **design-linked incentive (DLI) scheme** of the **Department of Telecommunications (DoT)** to manufacture telecom products such as routers, antennas and **5G radio equipment**.
- The company has migrated to **the DLI scheme** as it is designing and manufacturing the products locally.
- The **subsidy amount** will depend on the revenue that is generated and the subsidy will be distributed over four years.



## Titbits

### HFCL

- **Himachal Futuristic Communications Limited**
- **Founded: 1987**
- **HQ: New Delhi**
- **Chairman: Mahendra Pratap Shukla**



➤ In which financial year Government likely to save around Rs 80k crore from unused budgeted funds?

- A) FY23
- B) FY26
- C) FY24
- D) FY27
- E) FY25

**Answer**  
**A) FY23**





## Explanation

- The central government will likely save around **Rs 80,000 crore** in the current financial year as various ministries and departments have underutilised allocated funds because of tardy spending by states under some of the **Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS)**.
- The government will save more than **2 per cent** on the **Rs 39.4 trillion budget**.
- This will give the Centre some fiscal room to absorb any additional demand, and help stay within the targeted fiscal deficit of **6.4 per cent of GDP**.
- Savings from unused funds would be about Rs 80,000 crore, which will make up for additional expenditure.
- According to the official, the Centre will **also save money on lower wheat procurement**.
- The government spent **35.2 per cent** of the budget for this fiscal year by the end of August, and it spent **less than 36.7 per cent** of the FY22 budget last year at the same stage.



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



➤ Who among the following approved Sony-Zee merger with certain modifications?

- A) Electronics & IT Ministry
- B) CCI
- C) Commerce Ministry
- D) SEBI
- E) Finance Ministry

**Answer**  
**B) CCI**



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Explanation

- The **Competition Commission of India (CCI)** said it had granted approval to the amalgamation of **Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited (ZEE)** and two **Sony** group firms **Bangla Entertainment Private Limited (BEPL)** and **Culver Max Entertainment Private Limited (CME)**, with certain modifications.
- The proposed combination relates to (i) amalgamation of each of ZEE and BEPL with and into CME; and (ii) preferential allotment of certain shares by CME to **Sunbright International Holdings Limited** (earlier known as Essel Holdings Limited), and **Sunbright Mauritius Investments Limited**, the Competition Commission of India.



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Explanation

- The proposed combination is in the nature of an acquisition and amalgamation falls under **Section 5(a) and 5(c) of the Competition Act, 2002.**
- CME is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Sony Group Corporation (SGC).
- CME is part of the **SGC group (SGC Group).**
- CME has several **general entertainment channels (GEC)**, film, sports and kids' entertainment channels in India.



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Titbits

### Competition Commission of India (CCI)

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



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



➤ Tata Steel sold how many percent stake in Oman mining arm Al Rimal?

- A) 17%
- B) 20%
- C) 16%
- D) 19%
- E) 15%



**Answer**  
**D) 19%**



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Explanation

- **Tata Steel** has concluded the divestment of its **19%** equity stake in **Al Rimal to Tanmia**, it informed the exchanges.
- With this divestment, the company's shareholding in **Al Rimal Mining LLC** has reduced from **70% to 51%**.
- Tata Steel signed a definitive agreement to induct Oman National Investments Development Company (Tanmia) as a shareholder in **Al Rimal Mining LLC in May 2019**.
- **Al Rimal Mining LLC**, a step-down subsidiary of Tata Steel Limited and was formed with the objective of limestone mining in Oman, according to Tata Steel's notification to the exchanges.
- The other existing shareholders of Al Rimal Mining LLC will also sell their part stake of **11 percent to Tanmia**.



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Titbits

### Tata Steel

- Founded: **26/08/1907**
- HQ: **Mumbai**
- Chairman: **Natarajan Chandrasekaran**





# APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who among the following appointed as Indian High Commissioner to Malta?

- A) Gloria Gangte
- B) Glaria Gangte
- C) Gloria Ganget
- D) Glaria Ganget
- E) Gloria Ganges

**Answer**

**A) Gloria Gangte**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- Country: **Malta**
- Position: **High Commissioner**
- Appointed: **Gloria Gangte**
- Succeeded:
- Others: She was presently **Joint Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs.**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Titbits

### Malta

- Capital: **Valletta**
- Currency: **Euro**
- President: **George Vella**
- Prime Minister: **Robert Abela**
- Language: **Maltese, English**



# AWARDS



➤ Who among the following received FIH's Rising Star of Year 2021-22 award?

- A) Sumitr
- B) Dilpreet Singh
- C) Mumtaz Khan
- D) Lalit Upadhyay
- E) Gurjant Singh

**Answer**

**C) Mumtaz Khan**



# AWARDS



## Explanation

- The **International Hockey Federation (FIH)** conferred India's young sensation, **Mumtaz Khan**, with the **FIH Rising Star of the Year 2021-22** in the women's category while Timothee Clement of France has been named the winner in the men's category.
- Mumtaz Khan burst onto the international hockey scene almost out of nowhere in the **FIH Junior Women's World Cup 2022**, thrilling hockey fans with her incredible style of play and an uncanny eye for scoring goals.
- Mumtaz was the best performer for India in the Junior World Cup, scoring **8 times in 6 games**.
- She finished in third place on the list of top scorers in the World Cup, as India missed out on a bronze medal by a whisker finishing in **4th place**.



## Titbits

### International Hockey Federation (FIH)

- Formed: **07/01/1924**
- HQ: **Lausanne, Switzerland**
- Official Language: **English, French**
- President: **Seif Ahmed(acting)**



➤ JSW Energy will set up how many MW hydro pump storage project in Maharashtra?

- A) 940 MW
- B) 920 MW
- C) 950 MW
- D) 930 MW
- E) 960 MW

**Answer**

**E) 960 MW**



## Explanation

- **JSW Energy** has signed an agreement with the Maharashtra government to set up a **960 megawatt hydro pump storage project** in **Raigarh district** of the state.
- Hydro pumped storage is a **well-established technology** that provides adequate peaking power reserves, reliable grid operation, energy balancing and storage capacity.
- JSW Energy did not disclose any financial details of the proposed project.
- The company through its "**green growth vehicle**" **JSW Neo Energy** has been expeditiously securing key resources for Hydro PSPs in various resource rich states for projects with a targeted capacity totalling up to **10 GW**.





## Titbits

### JSW Energy

- Founded: **1994**
- HQ: **Mumbai**
- Chairman: **Sajjan Jindal**



# DEFENCE



➤ Who among the following soon induct India's 1st passenger drone 'Varuna'?

- A) Indian Airforce
- B) Indian Navy
- C) DRDO
- D) Indian Army
- E) CRPF

**Answer**  
**B) Indian Navy**



## Explanation

- **Indian Navy** will soon induct the **country's first human-carrying drone** named "**Varuna**", developed by the Indian startup **Sagar Defence Engineering Private Limited in Pune**.
- A demo of this personal air vehicle, an autonomous multi-copter drone capable of carrying the passenger, was shown at the plenary session of **Naval Innovation and Indigenisation** Seminar held in July this year.
- A Chakan-based Sagar Defence Engineering Private Limited company has designed and manufactured '**Varuna**'.
- The manufacturers claim that this drone can move goods including **liquids, equipment, and human beings** with a standardized payload attachment.



# DEFENCE



## Titbits

### Indian Navy

- Founded: **26/01/1950**
- HQ: **New Delhi**
- Motto: **May the lord of water be auspicious unto us**
- Navy Day: **December 4**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS

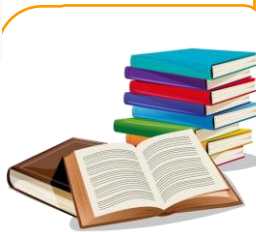
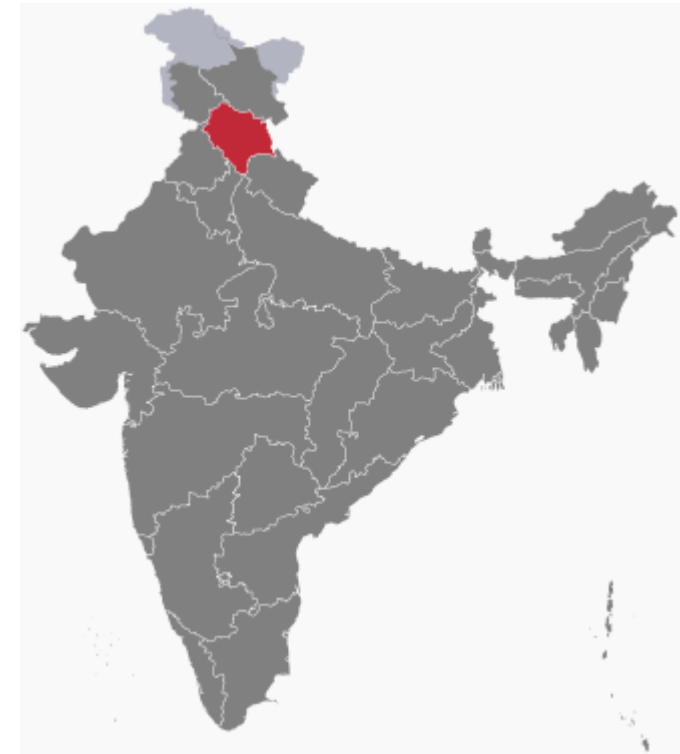


➤ **PM Modi inaugurated AIIMS Bilaspur in which of the following state?**

- A) Kerala
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Uttarakhand
- D) Himachal Pradesh
- E) Odisha

**Answer**

**D) Himachal Pradesh**



## Explanation

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the **All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Himachal Pradesh's Bilaspur** in the presence of state chief minister Jairam Thakur, Union Minister Anurag Thakur, and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) national president JP Nadda.
- AIIMS Bilaspur is a state-of-the-art hospital with **18 speciality and 17 super speciality departments, 18 modular operation theatres and 750 beds with 64 ICU beds**, that has been constructed at a cost of more than **Rs 1,470 crores**.
- Spread over **247 acres**, the hospital is equipped with **24 hours** emergency and dialysis facilities, modern diagnostic machines like ultrasonography, CT scan, MRI etc, Amrit Pharmacy and Jan Aushadhi Kendra and also a **30 bedded AYUSH block**.



## Explanation

- The Hospital has also set up the **Centre for Digital Health** to provide health services in the tribal and inaccessible tribal areas of Himachal Pradesh.
- Also, specialist health services will be provided by the hospital through health camps in the inaccessible tribal and high Himalayan regions like **Kaza, Saluni, and Keylong**.
- It will admit **100 students for MBBS courses and 60 students for nursing courses every year**.



## Titbits

### Himachal Pradesh

- Capital: **Shimla**(Summer),**Dharamshala**(Winter)
- CM: **Jai Ram Thakur**
- Governor: **Rajendra Arlekar**
- Language: **Hindi**
- National Park: **Simbalbara National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary: **Kugti Wildlife Sanctuary**
- Ramsar Site: **Chandertal Wetland, Pong Dam Lake, Renuka Wetland**
- Tiger Reserve: -
- Power Station: **BhakraNangal Hydro Electric Power Plant**
- Dams: **Kishau Dam** in Tons River
- RRB: **Himachal Pradesh Gramin Bank (PNB)**
- UNESCO Site: **Great Himalayan NP Conservation Area**





➤ Which ministry signed pact with Nafed to install millet-based vending machines in Delhi-NCR?

- A) Agriculture Ministry
- B) Tribal Affairs Ministry
- C) Commerce and Industry Ministry
- D) Home Ministry
- E) External Affairs Ministry

**Answer**

**A) Agriculture Ministry**



## Explanation

- The Union Agriculture Ministry has roped in **cooperative Nafed** to promote and market millet-based products through its **network of stores and install millet-based vending machines in Delhi-NCR.**
- The ministry has signed a memorandum of agreement with Nafed in this regard ahead of **International Year of Millets in 2023.**
- As per the agreement, Nafed will also **install millet-based vending machines** at various locations across Delhi-NCR.
- The dispensing millet-based products will assist in establishing the focus on millet-based commodities.



## Explanation

- That apart, the ministry and Nafed will collaborate in key areas like facilitating advisory support to **manufacturers/processors of millet-based products** to develop value-added millet-based commodities.
- They will also focus on onboarding of startups, inclusive of startups empanelled with **Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR)** besides formation of **Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs)** specifically for developing a range of millet-based products.
- As India is gearing up to bring millet back on the global map, the ministry and Nafed will build support and organise, promote, market, and forge effective market linkages for millet-based products to maximise the value.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

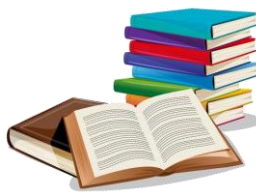
- Union Minister: **Narendra Singh Tomar** (Morena, Madhya Pradesh)
- Minister of State: **Shobha Karandlaje** (Udupi Chikmagalur, Karnataka), **Kailash Choudhary** (Barmer, Rajasthan)



➤ Which of the following state celebrated Mahanavami?

- A) Kerala
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Uttarakhand
- D) Himachal Pradesh
- E) Odisha

**Answer**  
**A) Kerala**



## Explanation

- In **Kerala**, the **Mahanavami** celebrations are in full swing, with special poojas and rituals being held in major temples across the State.
- **October 5 marks Vijayadashami**, the auspicious occasion of worshipping Goddess Saraswati, the Akshara Devi.
- "**Vidyarambham**" will be held, marking the initiations of kids into the world of letters and art forms, in various religious places and institutions in the State.
- All arrangements are being done for Vidhyarambham. Heavy rush is expected, in major temples like **Panachikadu Dakshina Mookambika temple, Guruvayur temple, etc.**



## Titbits

### Kerala

- Capital: **Thiruvananthapuram**
- CM: **Pinarayi Vijayan**
- Governor: **Arif Mohammad Khan**
- Language: **Malayalam**
- National Park: **Mathikettan Shola National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary: **Chimmony WLS**
- Ramsar Site: **Asthamudi Wetland, Sasthamkotta Lake, Vembanad Kol Wetland**
- Tiger Reserve: **Parambikulam**
- Power Station: **Idukki Hydro electric Plant, Brahmapuram Diesel Power Plant**
- Dams: **Parambikulam Dam in Parambikulam River**
- RRB: **Kerala Gramin Bank (Canara Bank)**
- UNESCO Site: **Western Ghats**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Direct flight launched from Kolhapur to \_\_\_ under the UDAN scheme?

- A) Pune
- B) Nagpur
- C) Mumbai
- D) Nasik
- E) Thane

**Answer**  
**C) Mumbai**





## Explanation

- Union Civil Aviation Minister **Jyotiraditya Scindia** virtually inaugurated the **direct flight from Kolhapur to Mumbai**.
- This flight has been launched under the ambitious **Regional Connectivity Scheme - UDAN** which aims to provide affordable air connectivity to **tier-2 and tier -3 cities**.
- The **55- minute long flight** will operate between Kolhapur and Mumbai **thrice a week, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays**.
- In his inaugural address, Mr. Jyotiraditya Scindia informed that **433 new routes** have been launched so far under the UDAN scheme, benefitting over one crore of passengers.



## Explanation

- He assured that the expansion of the apron at **Kolhapur airport** will be commissioned soon while adding that the **domestic terminal building** will be inaugurated in March 2023.
- Also present on the occasion, Minister of State, Gen. **Vijay Kumar Singh (Rtd.)** hoped that this flight will not only create ease of travel but also significantly boost the trade and commerce activities between these two cities.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Civil Aviation

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

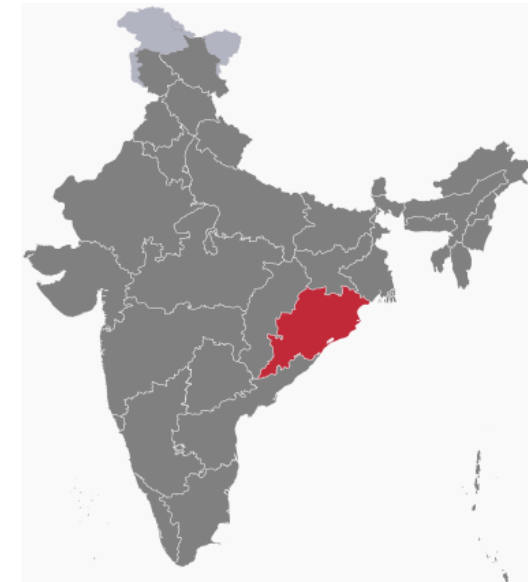


# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ In which of the following state country's second Srijagannath Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya inaugurated?

- A) Kerala
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Uttarakhand
- D) Himachal Pradesh
- E) Odisha



**Answer**  
**E) Odisha**



## Explanation

- Union education Minister **Dharmendra Pradhan** has said that **Shri Jagannath Puri in Odisha** is in itself a huge university.
- It has been considered as a hub of **knowledge, culture, science and modernity** since time immemorial.
- Inaugurating the country's second **Srijagannath Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya in the Shri Sadashiv campus** of the Puri-based Central Sanskrit University, the minister said the purpose behind the Veda Vidyalaya is to connect young generation of the **21st century with Indianness, Indian culture, Srijagannath culture and Hinduism.**



## Titbits

### Ministry of Education

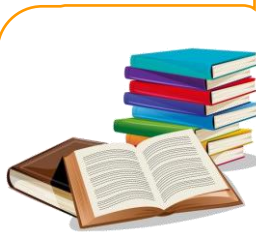
- Union Minister: **Dharmendra Pradhan** (Rajya Sabha MP, Madhya Pradesh)
- Minister of State: **Subhas Sarkar** (Bankura, West Bengal), **Annapurna Devi Yadhav** (Kodarma, Jharkhand), **Rajkumar Ranjan Singh** (Inner Manipur, Manipur)



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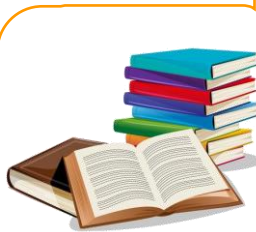
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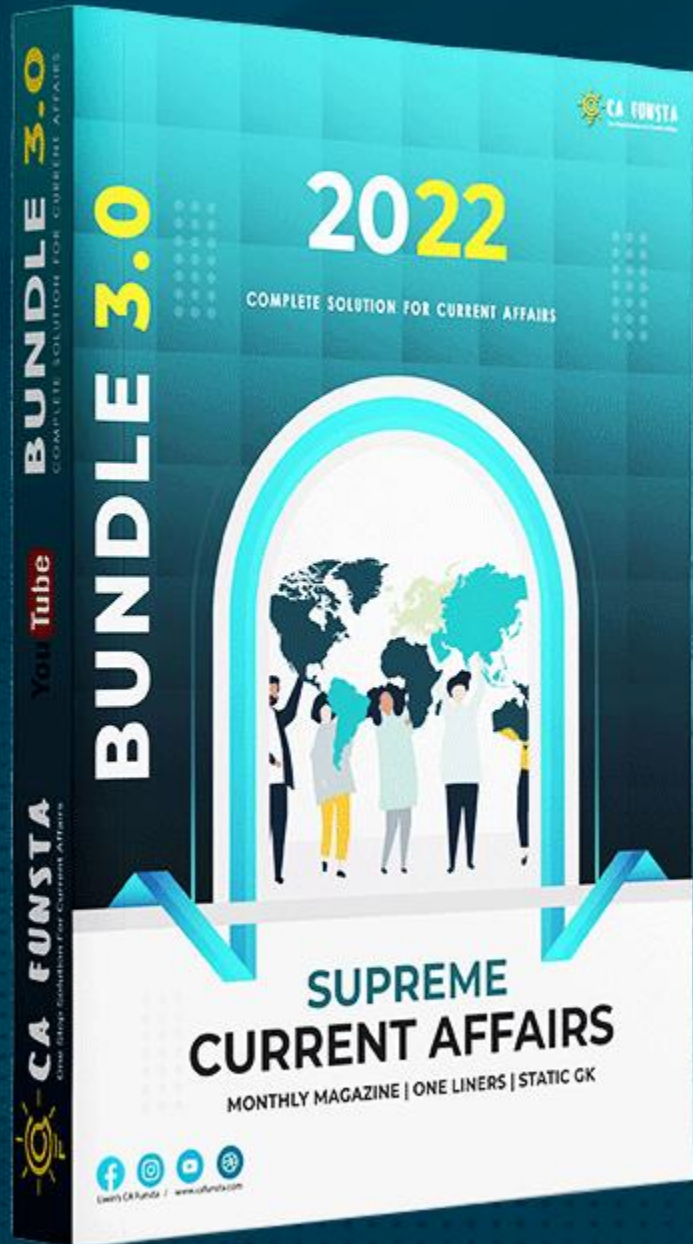
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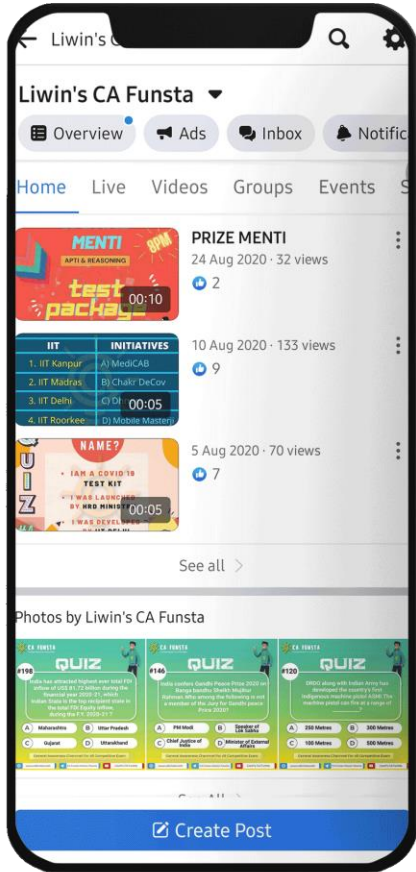
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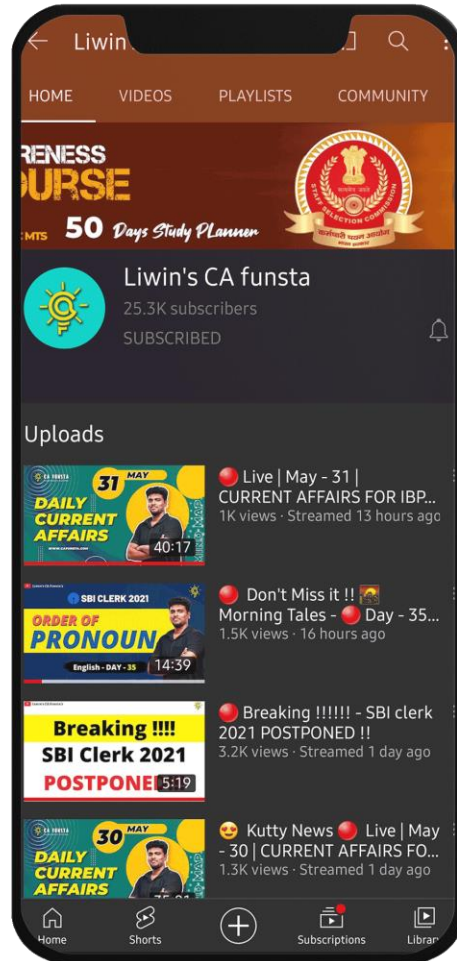
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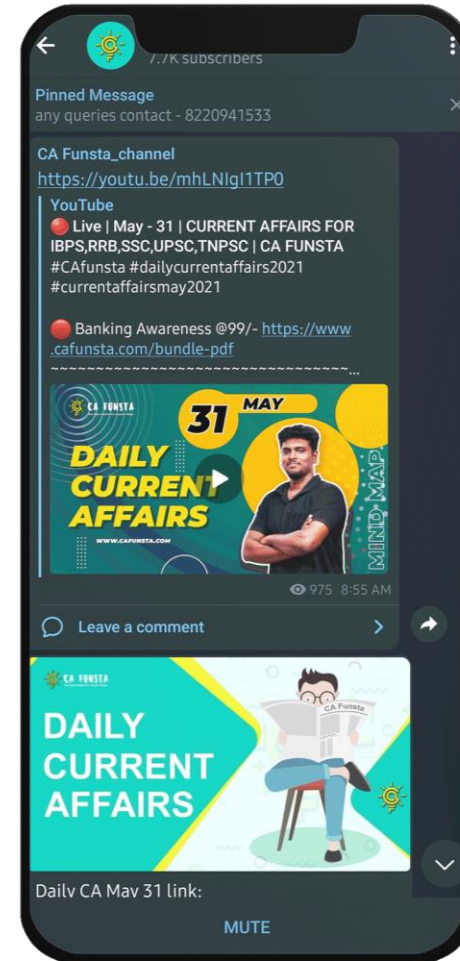
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