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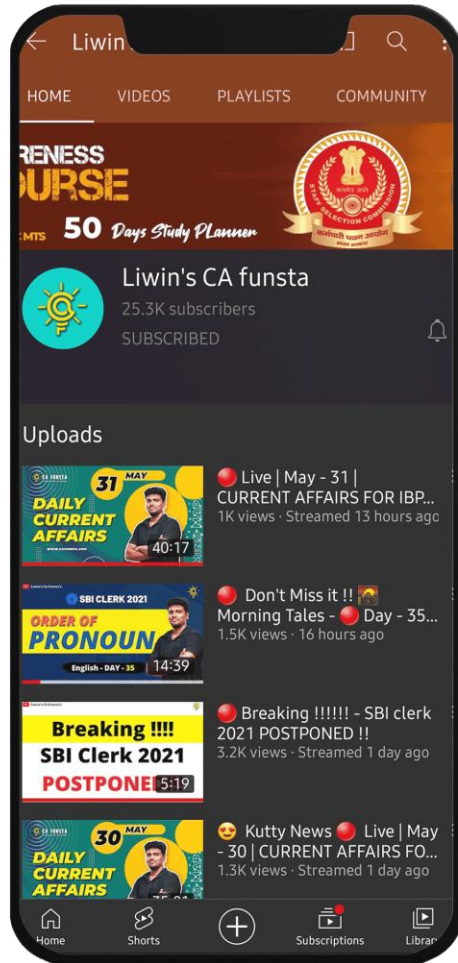
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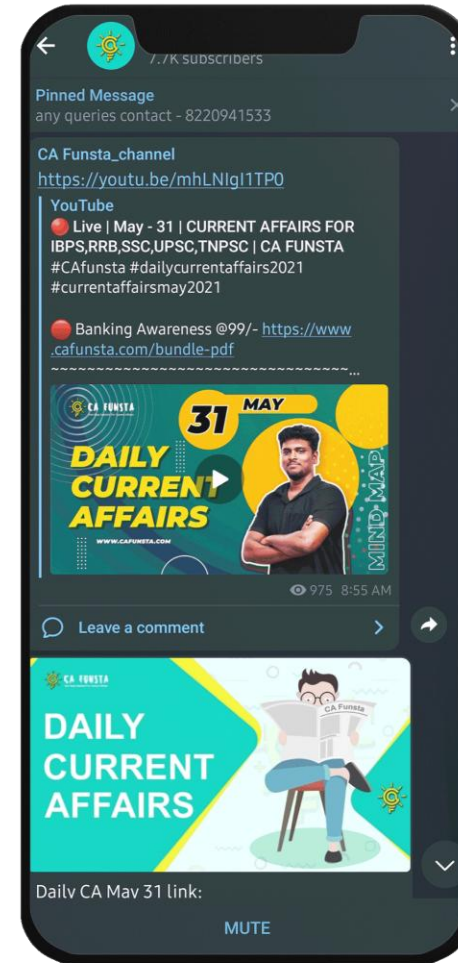
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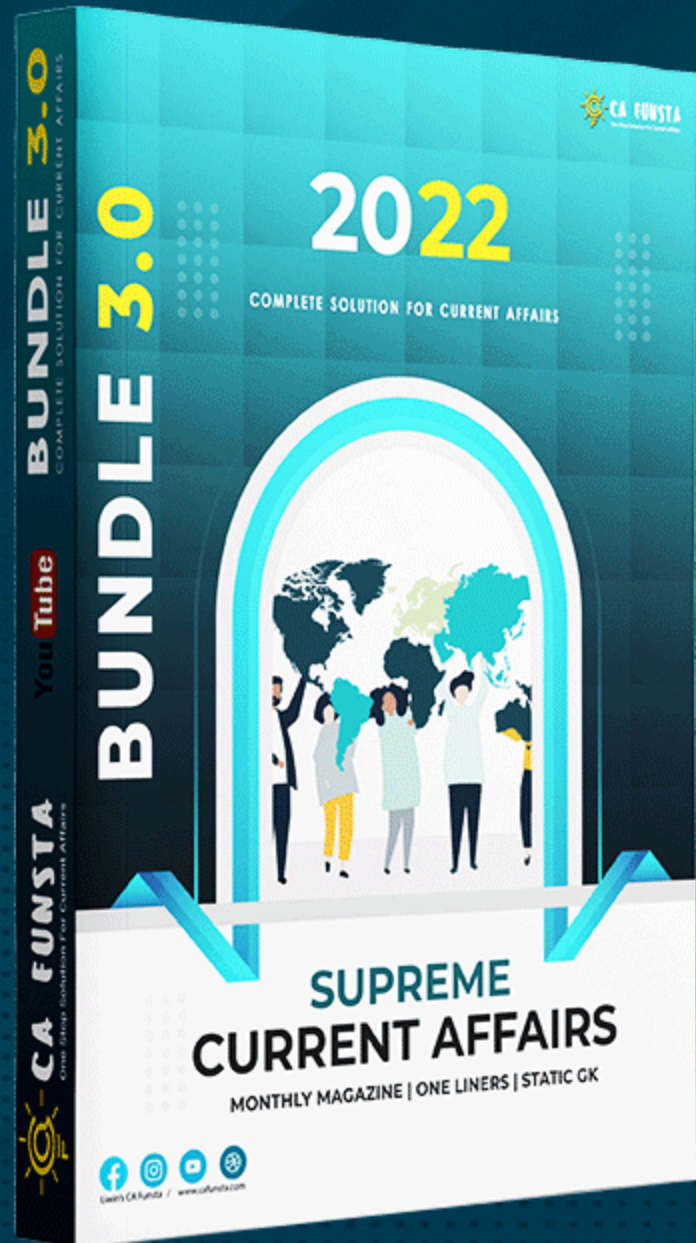


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Important Days



➤ **International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2022**

- A) October 15
- B) October 17
- C) October 13
- D) October 16
- E) October 14

Answer: B) October 17



Important Days



Explanation

- Date : **October 17**
- Day : **International Day for the Eradication of Poverty**
- 1st Observed: **1987**
- Observed by : **United Nations General Assembly**
- Theme : **Dignity for All in Practice.**



➤ How many lakh crore distributed in Jan Dhan accounts?

- A) Rs 35 lakh crore
- B) Rs 55 lakh crore
- C) Rs 45 lakh crore
- D) Rs 65 lakh crore
- E) Rs 25 lakh crore



Answer: E) Rs 25 lakh crore



Explanation

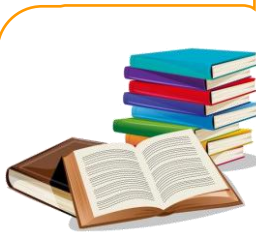
- As much as **Rs 25 lakh crore** has been distributed so far to beneficiaries under various welfare schemes and subsidies **through Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana bank accounts**, Union Minister of Tourism **G Kishan Reddy**.
- **Half of the 50 crore Jan Dhan accounts belong to women.**
- Today there is **Rs 1.75 lakh crore** in the Jan Dhan bank accounts **deposited by the poor.**



Titbits

Ministry of Tourism

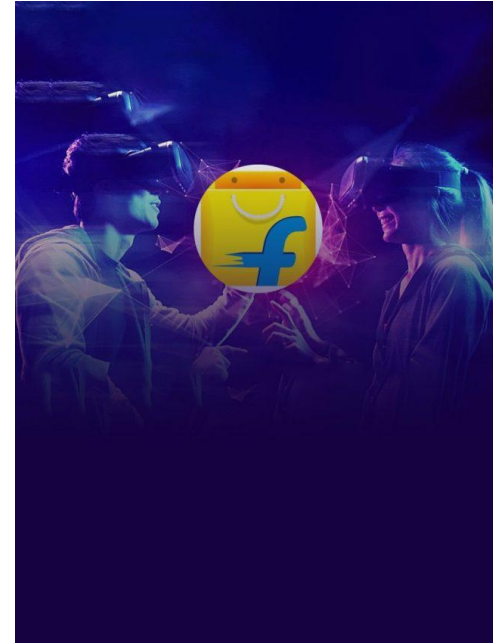
- Union Minister : **G Kishan Reddy** (Secunderabad,Telangana)



➤ Flipkart unveiled Flipverse, a virtual shopping experience in metaverse, in which year flipkart founded?

- A) 2006
- B) 2009
- C) 2007
- D) 2005
- E) 2008

Answer: C) 2007



Explanation

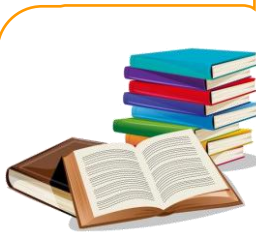
- E-commerce company **Flipkart** in partnership with Web3 entertainment firm **eDAO**, announced the launch of **Flipverse**.
- It is a **metaverse space** where consumers can discover products in a **photorealistic virtual destination** and shop on Flipkart App.
- Flipverse will offer **gamified, interactive and immersive shopping experiences for consumers** in a digital world by giving them access to **various brands, Supercoins and digital collectables**.
- The metaverse is a **3D, immersive digital world** where people interact with one another on multiple platforms.
- Flipverse will be available on Flipkart's newly launched platform, **FireDrops**, which can be accessed from the e-commerce platform's app.



Titbits

Flipkart

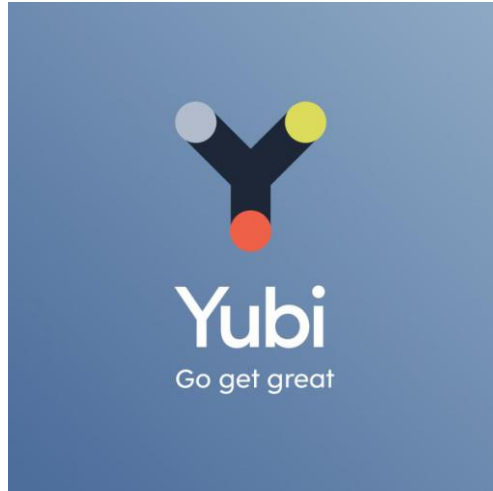
- Founded : 2007
- Founder : Sachin Bansal Binny Bansal
- Headquarters : Bangalore, Karnataka, India



APPOINTMENTS



- **Yubi appointed Atanu Chakraborty as Independent Chairman of its Board, where is the headquarters of Yubi?**



- A) Chennai
- B) Mumbai
- C) Bangalore
- D) New Delhi
- E) Kolkata

Answer: A) Chennai



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- **Yubi**, formerly **CredAvenue**, announced the appointment of the retired civil servant and current Chairman of the Board of HDFC Bank **Atanu Chakraborty** as the **Independent Chairman of its Board**.



APPOINTMENTS



➤ Justice DY Chandrachud appointed as ____ Chief Justice of India?

- A) 47th
- B) 49th
- C) 46th
- D) 50th
- E) 48th

Answer: D) 50th



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- Justice **DY Chandrachud** has been appointed the next Chief Justice of India, Law Minister **Kiren Rijju**.
- He will succeed outgoing **CJI UU Lalit**, who demits office on November 8.



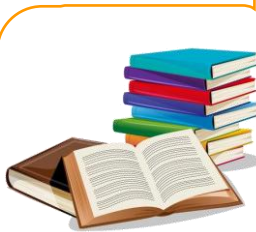
APPOINTMENTS



Titbits

Ministry of Law and Justice

- UNION MINISTER : **Shri Kiren Rijiju**(UttarPradesh)



DEFENCE



➤ **Army issued RFP for procurement of how many drones?**

- A) 547
- B) 363
- C) 450
- D) 550
- E) 289



Answer: B) 363



Explanation

- **The Indian Army** issued initial tenders for the procurement of **363 drones** to **boost its logistics chain and enhance operational preparedness** along the sensitive border regions.
- While **163 drones** would be for high-altitude regions, **200 are being procured for use in medium-altitude areas.**
- The drones are being procured under emergency procurement through fast track procedure under Buy (Indian) category.
- The initial tender or **request for proposal (RFP)** for buying 200 medium-altitude drones says the platforms should be capable of withstanding strong winds.



Explanation

- The document says each medium-altitude logistics drone should be able to carry **at least 20 kgs of payload** and the overall weight of each platform would be **around 100 kg**.
- The weight of the payload for high-altitude logistics drones has been kept **at not less than 15 kg**.
- The last date for submission of the bids is **November 11** and the percentage of indigenous components should be up **to 60 per cent**.
- If the design of the drone is indigenous, then the percentage of indigenous components could be **50 per cent**.



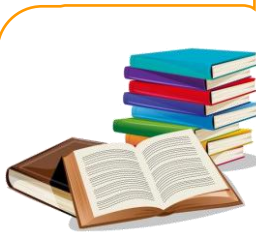
DEFENCE



Titbits

INDIAN ARMY

- Founded : **26 January 1950**
- Headquarters : **New Delhi**
- Motto : **"Service Before Self"**
- Anniversaries : **Army Day (15 January)**
- Commander-in-Chief President : **Droupadi Murmu**
- Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) : **General Anil Chauhan**
- Chief of the Army Staff (COAS) : **General Manoj Pande**

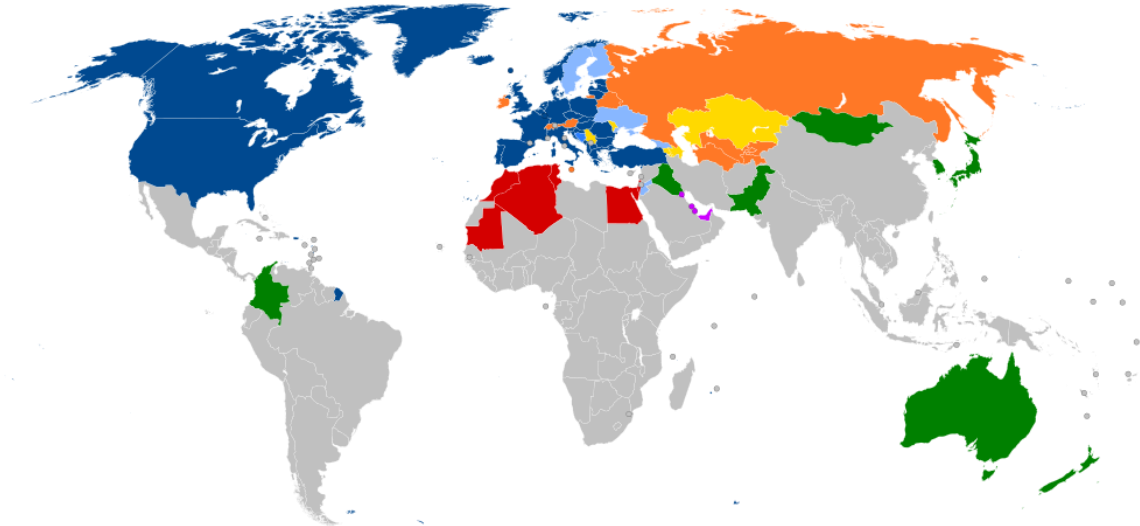


INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ NATO began annual nuclear exercises in northwestern Europe, in which year NATO established?

- A) March 1947
- B) July 1948
- C) June 1951
- D) May 1950
- E) April 1949



Answer: E) April 1949



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

- **NATO** began its long-planned annual nuclear exercises in **northwestern Europe** as tensions simmer over military action in Ukraine and Russian **President Vladimir Putin's** threat to use any means to defend Russian territory.
- Fourteen of NATO's **30 member countries** were due to take part in the exercises.
- The military alliance said around **60 aircraft** including fighter jets and surveillance and refuelling planes will take part in the event.
- The bulk of the war games will be held **at least 1,000 kilometres from Russia's borders**.
- US long-range **B-52 bombers** will also take part in the maneuvers, dubbed Steadfast Noon, which will run **until October 30**.
- The North Atlantic Treaty Organization **is not permitting any media access**.



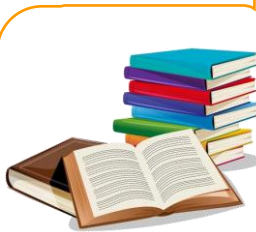
Titbits

Ukraine

- Capital: **Kyiv**
- Currency: **Hryvnia**
- President: **Volodymyr Zelenskyy**
- Prime Minister: **Denys Shmyhal**
- Language: **Ukrainian**

NATO

- Formation : **4 April 1949**
- Headquarters : **Brussels, Belgium**
- Membership : **30 states**



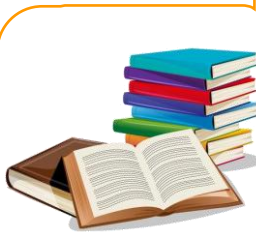
NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ PM inaugurated how many Kisan Samruddhi Kendras?

- A) 500
- B) 300
- C) 600
- D) 200
- E) 400

Answer: C) 600



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Explanation

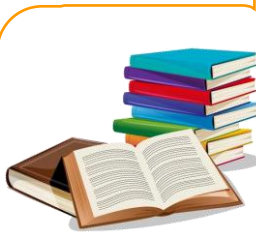
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** launched subsidised urea under single brand '**Bharat**' as part of **One Nation, One Fertiliser scheme** and inaugurated **600 Kisan Samruddhi Kendras**, saying these two reforms will boost availability and ensure quality fertilisers.
- Modi also unveiled international weekly fertiliser e-magazine '**Indian Edge**' at the event PM Kisan Samman Sammelan 2022 organised jointly by **agriculture and fertiliser ministries**.
- The Centre has started a new scheme - **Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Urvarak Pariyojana** - One Nation One Fertilizer (ONOF) - under which it is mandatory for companies to market subsidised fertiliser under single brand 'Bharat'.



Titbits

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

- UNION MINISTER: **Shri Narendra Singh Tomar (Madhya Pradesh)**



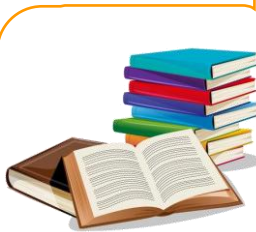
NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ PM will bring together how many farmers and 1,500 agri startups on one platform?

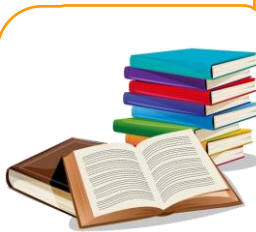
- A) 13500
- B) 14500
- C) 12500
- D) 15500
- E) 16500

Answer: A) 13500



Explanation

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** will inaugurate the two-day event -- **PM Kisan Samman Sammelan 2022** at Indian Agricultural Research Institute, **New Delhi**.
- The event would bring **together more than 13,500 farmers** from across the country and around **1,500 agri startups**, an official statement said.
- More than 1 crore farmers from various institutions are expected to attend the event virtually.
- The **Sammelan** will also witness the participation of researchers, policymakers and other stakeholders. Prime Minister will inaugurate **600 Pradan Mantri Kisan Samruddhi Kendras (PMKSK)** under the **ministry of chemicals & fertilizers**.



Explanation

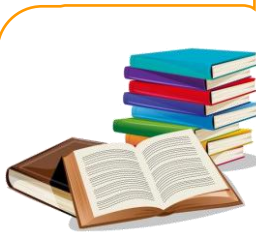
- **The fertiliser retail shops** in the country will be converted into **PMKSK in a phased manner**.
- It said PMKSK will cater to a **wide variety of needs of the farmers and provide agri-inputs** (fertilisers, seeds, implements); testing facilities for soil, seeds, fertilisers; generate awareness among farmers; provide information regarding various government schemes and ensure regular capacity building of retailers at block/ district level outlets.
- More than 3.3 lakh retail fertiliser shops are planned to be converted into PMKSK.
- **22 crore soil health cards, over 1,700 varieties of seeds** provided to farmers to **help increase crop productivity**.



Titbits

IARI

- Formation : **1 April 1905**
- Location : **Pusa, Delhi**
- Director : **Ashok Kumar Singh**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ India's ____ aluminium freight rake introduced by Hindalco for Indian Railways?



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

Answer: D) 1st



Explanation

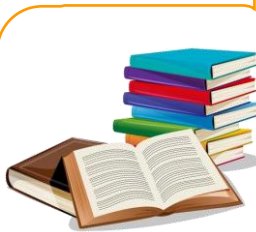
- **Hindalco** has launched India's first all-aluminium freight rail rakes, a bid to help fast-track the country's ambitious plan **to modernise freight transportation and enable significant carbon savings for Indian Railways.**
- The aluminium-made rakes are **180 tonnes** lighter than existing steel rakes; they can **carry 5-10 per cent more load and consume less energy.**
- **Ashwini Vaishnaw**, Union Minister of Railways flagged off **the new 61-wagon rake from Bhubaneswar station**, which carried coal for Hindalco's Aditya Smelter in Lapanga, Odisha.



Titbits

Indian Railways

- Founded : **8 May 1845**
- Owner : **Ministry of Railways** (Ashwini Vaishnaw)



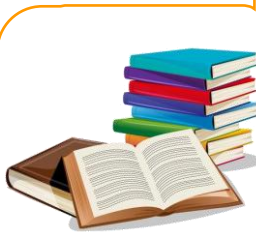
NATIONAL AFFAIRS



- Who among the following laid foundation for expansion of Gwalior's Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia airport terminal?

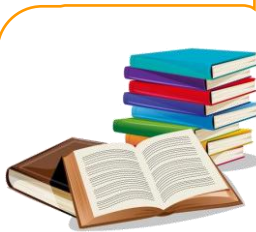
- A) Prime Minister
- B) Home minister
- C) President
- D) Vice President
- E) Finance Minister

Answer: B) Home minister



Explanation

- Union Home Minister **Amit Shah** laid the foundation stone for the **expansion of Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia airport terminal** in Madhya Pradesh's **Gwalior**.
- As **Gwalior is one of the 100 cities that are a part of the government's Smart City Mission**, the airport expansion is expected **to increase the beauty of the heritage place**.
- The current civil enclave of the Gwalior airport is functional on at least 30 acres of land with limited infrastructure.
- The existing terminal building has a capacity of holding **200 commuters** in its **3,500 square metre area during peak hours**.



Explanation

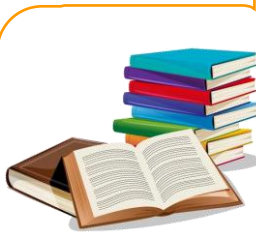
- Its runway is appropriate for aircraft like the **A-320**, however, its apron can accommodate **one A-320 and two Q-400/ATR-72-like aircraft**.
- Considering the rise in commuters at the airport, this expansion work is currently underway **at the cost of Rs 450 crores**.
- The new terminal building will be developed over an area **of 20,000 square metres**, nearly six times more than the current area.
- Equipped with **four passenger boarding bridges**, the new terminal is said to be able **to hold 1,400 passengers during peak hours**, with its apron capacity to park nine A-320 and four ATR-72 types of aircraft.



Titbits

Madhya Pradesh

- Capital: **Bhopal**
- CM: **Shivraj Singh Chouhan**
- Governor: **Mangubhai Patel**
- Language: **Hindi**
- National Park: **Van Vihar National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Bagdara Sanctuary (Singrauli)**
- Ramsar Site: **Bhoj Wetlands, Sirpur Wetland**
- Tiger Reserve: **Kanha Tiger Reserve**
- Power Station: **Satpura Thermal Power Station**
- Dams: **Bargi (River- Narmada)**
- RRB: **Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank (BOI), Madhyanchal Gramin Bank (SBI)**
- UNESCO Site: **Khajuraho Group of monuments, Buddhist Monuments at Sanchi, Rock Shelters of Bhimbetka**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Who among the following inaugurated IBM's Client Innovation Center?

- A) Vice President
- B) President
- C) Prime Minister
- D) Odisha Governor
- E) Odisha CM



Answer: E) Odisha CM

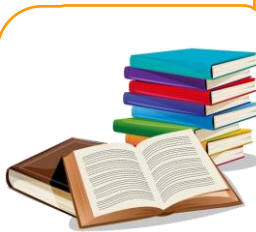


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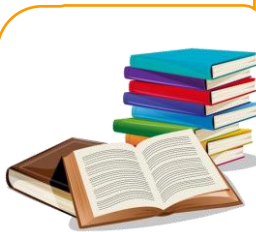
- Odisha Chief Minister **Naveen Patnaik** inaugurated **IBM's Client Innovation Center (CIC)**.
- Speaking at the IBM CIC inaugural function, Patnaik said most of the **IT companies have set foot in Bhubaneswar and Odisha** is now **fast emerging as a technology resource hub**.
- The new CIC will leverage the IBM Garage method of delivery, an approach that helps **IBM'Co-create', 'Co-execute', and 'Co-operate'** transformative business and complex technology solutions with its clients and ecosystem partners.
- IBM Consulting will now operate from **11 CIC locations in India, including Bengaluru, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Mumbai, National Capital Region, Pune, Mysuru, Kochi and Coimbatore**.



Titbits

Odisha

- Capital: **Bhubaneshwar**
- CM: **Naveen Patnaik**
- Governor: **Ganeshi Lal**
- Language: **Odia**
- National Park:
- Wildlife Sanctuary:
- Ramsar Site: **Bhitarkanika Magroves, Chilka Lake**
- Tiger Reserve: **Satkosia Tiger Reserve**
- Power Station: **Odisha Power Generation Corporation Limited**
- Dams: **Indravati (RIVER: Indravati)**
- RRB: **Odisha Gramya Bank (IOB), Utkal Grameen Bank (SBI)**
- UNESCO Site: **Sun Temple Konark**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS

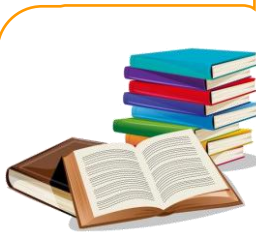


➤ India will achieve USD 2 trillion export target by which year?

- A) 2025
- B) 2045
- C) 2030
- D) 2035
- E) 2040



Answer: C) 2030



Explanation

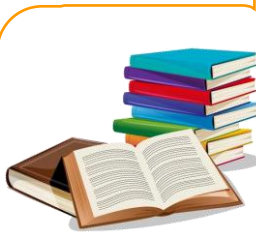
- Commerce and Industry Minister **Piyush Goyal** expressed confidence that the country will achieve the export target for goods and services **to USD 2 trillion by 2030**.
- The minister was speaking at the Exporters Conclave held **at Chennai**.
- **By 2047**, the country will become a **USD 30 trillion economy** with **25 per cent share in exports**.



Titbits

Ministry of Commerce and Industry

- UNION MINISTER : **Shri Piyush Goyal**(Maharashtra)



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Indian Railways earns over how many crores through scrap sale in first six months of this financial year?

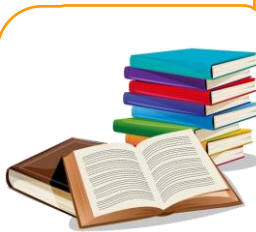
- A) Rs 2500 crores
- B) Rs 4500 crores
- C) Rs 3500 crores
- D) Rs 4000 crores
- E) Rs 3000 crores

Answer: A) Rs 2500 crores



Explanation

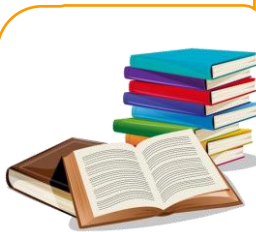
- **Indian Railways** has earned over **2500 crore rupees** through scrap sale in the first six months of this financial year.
- Railway Ministry said, Railways has earned **over 28 percent higher** as compared to the same period of last financial year.
- The target for earnings through sale of scraps has been fixed at **4400 crore rupees for 2022-23**.



Titbits

Ministry of Railways

- UNION MINISTER : **Shri Ashwini Vaishnav**(Odisha)



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ India stands ____ in the world in terms of fish production?

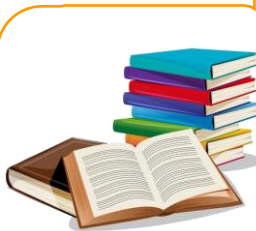
- A) 4th
- B) 2nd
- C) 5th
- D) 3rd
- E) 1st

Answer: D) 3rd

India is World's Third Largest Fish Producer

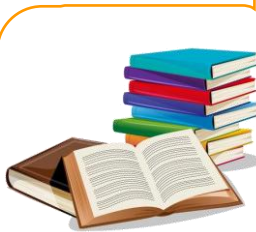
	Production in 2016 (million tonnes)	Projected production in 2030 (million tonnes)
China	66.8	79.1
Indonesia	11.5	15.2
India	10.8	13.4
European Union	6.5	7
Vietnam	6.4	8.1

Source: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)



Explanation

- Union Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying **Dr. L Murugan** has said that the ministry has taken several steps **to improve fish production, export and infrastructure development** in the **last eight years**.
- Speaking at the valedictory of Inland Fisheries Summit in **Bengaluru**, he said, **India stands third in the world in terms of fish production**.
- Making specific reference to Karnataka, the Union Minister said that **734.77 crore rupees** was allocated to the state under **the flagship scheme of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) from 2020-21** till date for the development of infrastructure facilities.



Explanation

- Under PMMSY, **over 53 crore rupees** was given to complete phase three **expansion of Mangalore fishing harbour, phase two of Gangolli fishing harbour, Alvekodi and Thenginagundi fish landing centres.**
- In principle, approval is given for the development of state of an art fishing harbour at Majali in Uttara Kannada district at a **total cost of 250 crore rupees.**
- Under PMMSY, approval is given to acquire 114 new deep-sea fishing vessels at a total **cost of 136 crore rupees for traditional fishermen in the state.** A total of 1000 communication and tracking devices and **781 safety kits** were also distributed to traditional and motorized fishing vessels at a **total cost of 11.31 crore rupees.**



Explanation

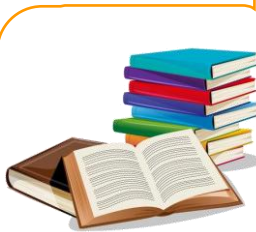
- Under PMMSY, **62 new Ice plants or cold storage facilities, 799 fish transport vehicles, one fish retail market, 84 fish kiosks and three value-added enterprises** were supported with an investment of **133.15 crore rupees**.
- The minister informed the fish production in Karnataka has increased from 6.80 lakh tonnes in 2019-20 to **10.74 lakh tonnes during 2021-22** which is **about 76 percent growth**.
- PMMSY has helped create **1.4 lakh direct and indirect job opportunities in this sector in the state**.



Titbits

Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying

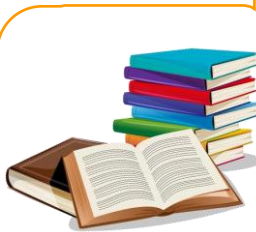
- UNION MINISTER : **Shri Parshottam Rupala** (Gujarat)
- STATE MINISTER : **Dr. L Murugan** (Karnataka)



QUICK RECALL



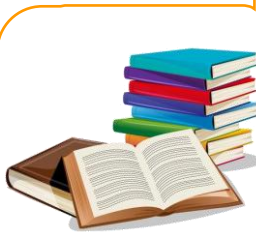
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QUICK RECALL



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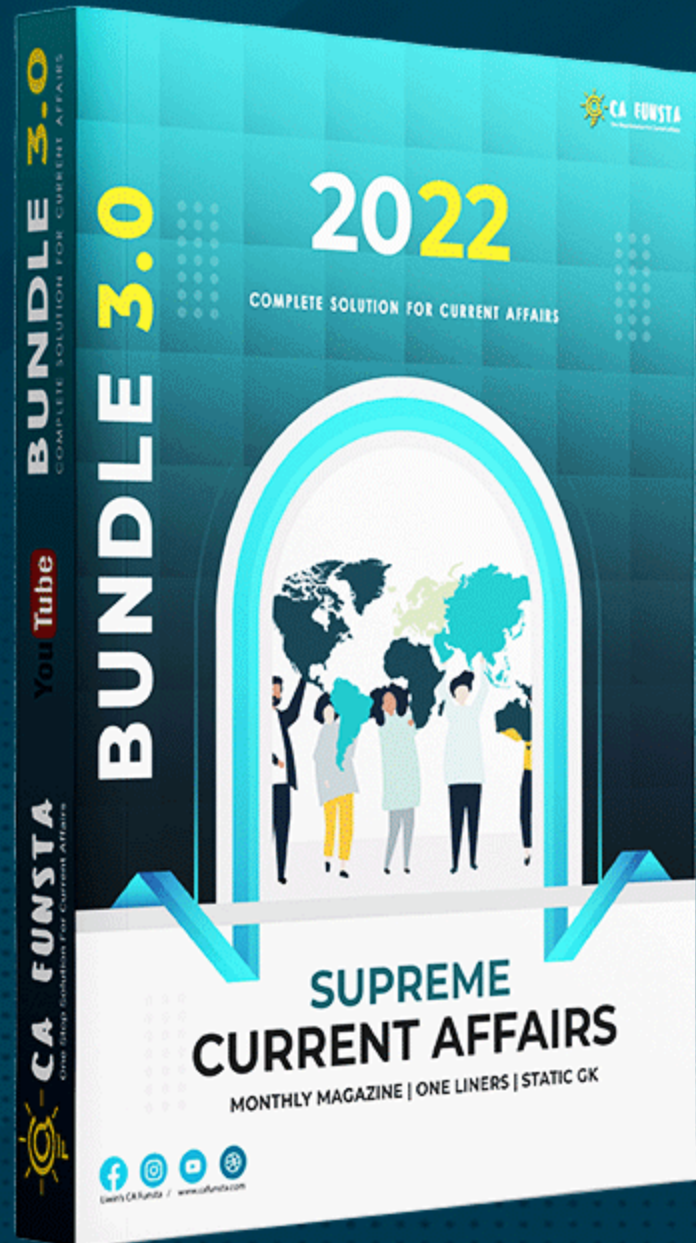
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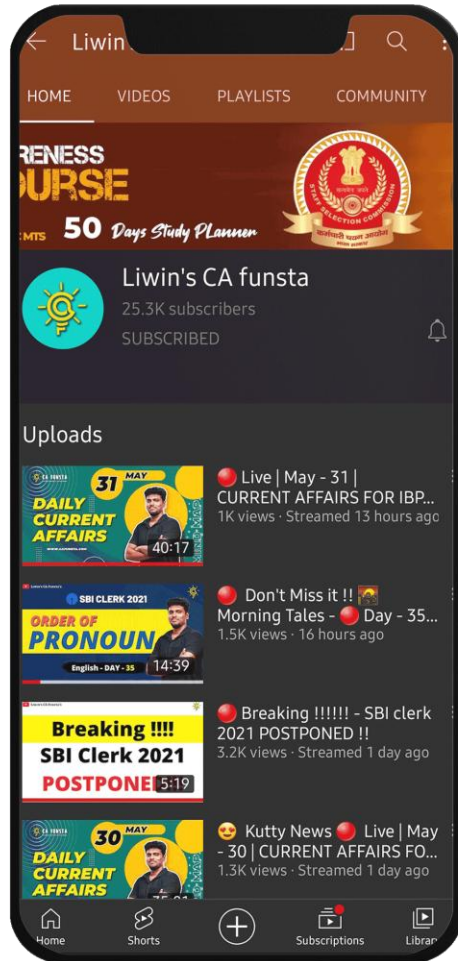
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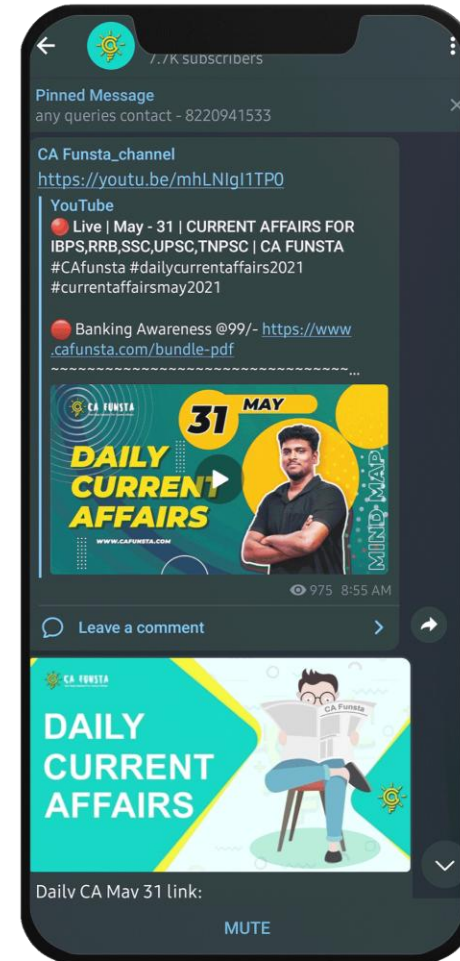
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