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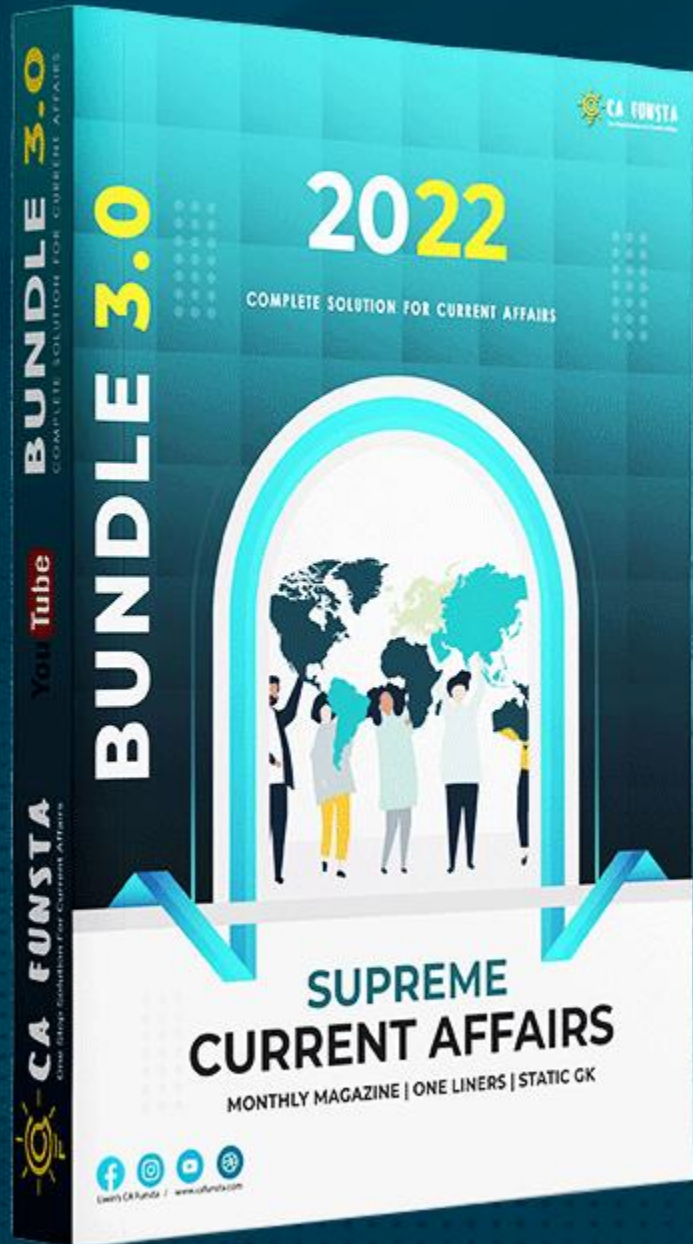


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# Important Days



➤ **World Bamboo Day was first observed on?**

- A) 2008
- B) 2011
- C) 2009
- D) 2012
- E) 2010

**Answer**  
**C) 2009**



# Important Days



## Explanation

- Date: **September 18**
- Day: **World Bamboo Day**
- 1st Observed: **2009**
- Edition:
- Observed by: **World Bamboo Organization**
- Theme: **Bamboo for Green Life and Sustainable Development**
- Others:



# Important Days



➤ **International Red Panda Day is observed on?**

- A) September 19
- B) September 15
- C) September 16
- D) September 18
- E) September 17



**Answer**

**E) September 17**



# Important Days



## Explanation

- Date: **September 17 (third Saturday of September)**
- Day: **International Red Panda Day**
- 1st Observed: **2010**
- Edition:
- Observed by: **Red Panda Network**
- Theme:
- Others:





# SPORTS



➤ Bajrang became 1st Indian to win \_\_\_\_ medals at world wrestling championships?

- A) 4
- B) 6
- C) 5
- D) 7
- E) 3

**Answer**  
A) 4



## Explanation

- Ace grappler **Bajrang Punia** became the only Indian to **claim four** medals at the World Wrestling Championships by clinching a **bronze** in the current edition
- Bajrang, who won a **bronze** in last year's Tokyo Olympics, eked out a close 11-9 win on points over **Sebastian C Rivera of Puerto Rico** in one of the the bronze medal bouts.
- It is Bajrang's third bronze at the worlds.
- The celebrated Indian wrestler had earlier won a **bronze** at in **2013**, **silver** in **2018** and **bronze** in **2019**.



# SPORTS



➤ Bengaluru FC lifted maiden Durand Cup it was their \_\_\_ cup?

- A) 5<sup>th</sup>
- B) 7<sup>th</sup>
- C) 4<sup>th</sup>
- D) 6<sup>th</sup>
- E) 8<sup>th</sup>

**Answer**  
B) 7<sup>th</sup>





## Explanation

- **Bengaluru FC** has won its maiden and the **131st edition of the Durand Cup** by defeating **Indian Super League (ISL) giants Mumbai City FC** 2-1.
- This is **seventh domestic title** for Bengaluru FC.
- But the goal by **Alan Costa** in 61st minute gave Bengaluru FC the winning lead against Mumbai.
- Earlier, Mumbai City FC defeated two times champion **Mohammedan SC** in the semis while Bengaluru FC beat **Hyderabad FC** to seal their spot in the final.
- The first edition of the competition was played in **1888**.
- The **34-day** tournament played across **three states** for the first time has concluded with the 47th and final match between two top teams and former champions of the Indian Super League, ISL.



# SPORTS



➤ Sports Minister Anurag Thakur said 1,000 Khelo India sports centers will be set up in country by which year?

- A) 2026
- B) 2024
- C) 2027
- D) 2023
- E) 2025

**Answer**  
**D) 2023**



## Explanation

- **One thousand Khelo India sports centers** will be set up in the **country** and **590 sports centers** have been approved.
- **By 2023**, one thousand sports centers will be ready.





## Titbits

### Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

- Union Minister: **Anurag Thakur** (Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh)
- Minister of State: **Nisith Pramanik** (Cooch Behar, West Bengal)



# SPORTS



➤ Indian Navy conducted ENC Yachting Championship at which of the following city?

- A) Visakhapatnam
- B) Mumbai
- C) Chennai
- D) Kolkata
- E) Kochi

**Answer**  
**A) Visakhapatnam**



## Explanation

- **ENC Yachting Championship** was conducted at **Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh** by the **Indian Navy Watermanship Training Centre, INS Circars** under the aegis of HQENC from **13 September to 18 September**.
- **Cmde Sumantra Hazarika**, Director MWC (V), was the Chief Guest for the Prize Distribution and Closing ceremony.
- A total of **38 races** were conducted in Enterprise Dinghy, ILCA 6, ILCA 7 classes and BicNova Wind Surfer.
- Match racing was held in the **Laser Bahia Class**.
- A total of **46 Yachtsmen and 08 Yachtswomen** took part in the Championship.
- The races were conducted among **seven different teams** of ENC.
- **Local Ashore B** was declared as overall Winner and **Fleet B** was runner-up for the Championship.
- The aim of the competition was to inculcate **sportsmanship, camaraderie and a spirit of adventure** among the participants.





## Titbits

### Indian Navy

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



➤ Bad bank planned to buy how many distressed accounts totalling Rs 39,921 crore by October 31?

- A) 25
- B) 14
- C) 18
- D) 24
- E) 20

**Answer**  
**C) 18**



## Explanation

- **National Asset Reconstruction Company of India Ltd (NARCL)**, the bad bank promoted by the government, is preparing to acquire 18 distressed accounts totalling **Rs 39,921 crore** by October 31, said two people aware of the development.
- The government-owned ARC informed lenders that it has drawn up two lists — phase one with eight accounts with **Rs 16,744 crore debt** and phase two comprising 10 accounts with Rs 18,177 crore debt.
- NARCL has engaged consultants such as EY, PwC, Alvarez and Marsal, KPMG, Grant Thornton to conduct due diligence for the **18 accounts**, they said.
- It will rely on the due diligence reports to finalise binding offers for these accounts.
- A third list will shortly be issued comprising the twin Srei companies, a few Future Group companies and VOVL, the oil and gas exploration company of **Videocon Industries**.



## Titbits

### National Asset Reconstruction Company of India Ltd (NARCL)

- Incorporated: **2021**
- HQ: **Mumbai**
- MD & CEO: **Natarajan Sundar**





➤ Direct tax collection grew by how many percent?

- A) 50%
- B) 25%
- C) 40%
- D) 35%
- E) 30%

**Answer**  
**E) 30%**



## Explanation

- Gross direct tax collections grew **30 per cent to Rs 8.36 lakh crore** till September 17 of current fiscal year on higher advance tax mop-up buoyed by the economic revival post pandemic, the finance ministry.
- After adjusting for refunds amounting to **Rs 1.35 lakh crore**, net direct tax kitty grew **23 per cent to Rs 7 lakh crore**.
- Gross collection of direct taxes for 2022-23 stands at **Rs 8,36,225 crore** compared to **Rs 6,42,287 crore** in the year-ago period, registering a growth of **30 per cent**.
- This includes revenue from Corporate Income Tax of **Rs 4.36 lakh crore** and Personal Income Tax (PIT) of **Rs 3.98 lakh crore**.



## 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)



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



➤ Mahindra Group sold how many percent stake in renewables arm for Rs 2,317 crore?

- A) 50%
- B) 30%
- C) 40%
- D) 35%
- E) 20%

**Answer**  
**B) 30%**





# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Explanation

- **Mahindra Susten** has sold its **30 per cent stake** at an equity value of **Rs 2,371 crore (\$300 million)** to **Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board**.
- Mahindra Group and Ontario Teachers' will also jointly explore the sale of an additional **9.99 per cent stake** in Mahindra Susten by May 31, 2023.
- The proposed investment would also include setting up of an **Infrastructure Investment Trust (InvIT)** for listing renewable energy assets.
- The company expects to float the InvIT by **2024**.
- **Mahindra Susten** is the renewable energy firm of the Mahindra Group.
- It is an independent power producer with **1.5 Gw capacity** and also is into the engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) business, with a constructed capacity of **4 Gw**.



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Titbits

### Mahindra Susten(Mahindra EPC Services Pvt Ltd)

- Founded: **2010**
- HQ: **Mumbai**



➤ India overtakes which of the following country to became largest lender of Sri Lanka?

- A) Pakistan
- B) USA
- C) Russia
- D) China
- E) Bangladesh

**Answer**  
**D) China**



## Explanation

- With a total of **USD 968 million** in loans in **four months of 2022**, India has emerged as **Sri Lanka's largest bilateral lender**, overtaking **China** in the process.
- In the past five years from 2017-2021, China has been the largest bilateral lender to Sri Lanka as China disbursed **USD 947 million**, out of which **USD 809 million** was obtained as market borrowings from the **China Development Bank**.
- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has been the largest multilateral lender in the **past five years** and disbursed funds amounting to **USD 610 million in 2021**.
- India has disbursed **USD 377 million** and ADB has disbursed **USD 360 million**, which account for **76 per cent** of the total disbursements in the **first four months of 2022**.





## Titbits

### Sri Lanka

- Capital: **Colombo, Sri Jayawarsenepura**
- Currency: **Sri Lankan Rupee**
- President: **Ranil Wickremesinghe**
- Prime Minister: **Dinesh Gunawardena**
- Language: **Sinhala, Tamil**



➤ **US ratified International Solar Alliance (ISA) Agreement, in which year ISA formed?**

- A) 2015
- B) 2001
- C) 2013
- D) 2010
- E) 2014



**Answer**  
**A) 2015**



## Explanation

- The **USA** has ratified India-led **International Solar Alliance Agreement (ISA)** on 17th September 2022.
- The Instrument of Acceptance was handed over by US Embassy in India Charge **D’Affaires Patricia Lacina** during her meeting with AS(ER) Prabhat Kumar and JS (ED) Noor Rahman Sheik.
- A total of **106 countries** have signed the ISA Framework Agreement.
- Out of 106 nations, **86 have signed** and ratified the ISA Framework Agreement, including now the USA.
- The USA was the **101st country** to join the ISA during COP 26 climate summit in Glasgow.
- It was formally signed by **John Kerry**, US Special Presidential Envoy for Climate in November 2021.
- The US became a member with the aim of bringing global energy transition through a solar approach and contributing to more rapid deployment of solar systems globally.



## Titbits

### United States of America

- Capital: **Washington DC**
- Currency: **US Dollar (USD)**
- President: **Joe Biden**
- Language: **English**





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which of the following state government will introduce 'no-bag day', compulsory games period in schools?

- A) Kerala
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Bihar
- D) West Bengal
- E) Punjab



**Answer**  
**C) Bihar**



## Explanation

- The **Bihar government** is set to introduce a '**no-bag day**' rule in **schools and a mandatory games period** at least **once a week** to reduce burden on students.
- A notification to this effect will be issued soon, Education Department's Additional Chief Secretary **Dipak Kumar Singh**.
- The weekly "no-bag day" will have **task-based practical classes**.



## Titbits

### Bihar

- Capital: **Patna**
- CM: **Nithish Kumar**
- Governor: **Phagu Chauhan**
- Language: **Hindi**
- National Park: **Valmiki National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary: **Kusheshwar Asthan Bird WLS**
- Ramsar Site: **Kabartal Wetland**
- Tiger Reserve: **Valmiki**
- Power Station: **Kahalgaon Thermal Power Station**
- Dams: **Kohira Dam** in **Kohira River**
- RRB: **Dakshin Bihar Gramin Bank (PNB), Uttar Bihar Gramin Bank (CBI)**
- UNESCO Site: **Mahabodhi Temple Complex, Nalanda Mahavihara**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Committee on MSP will hold \_\_ meeting on Sep 27 in Hyderabad?

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

**Answer**  
E) 2<sup>nd</sup>



## Explanation

- The government's committee on the **minimum support price (MSP), natural farming and crop diversification** will hold its second meeting on **September 27 in Hyderabad**.
- In the **first meeting** held on August 22 in the national capital, the committee -- headed by former **Agriculture Secretary Sanjay Agrawal** -- had formed three internal sub-groups to deliberate on the mandated topics.
- The panel has **26 members** including the chairman, while three membership slots are kept aside for representatives of **Samyukta Kisan Morcha (SKM)**.
- But the SKM has rejected the committee and decided to stay away from the meeting.
- The second meeting will be held on September 27 in the campus of the **National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE) in Hyderabad**.



## 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)



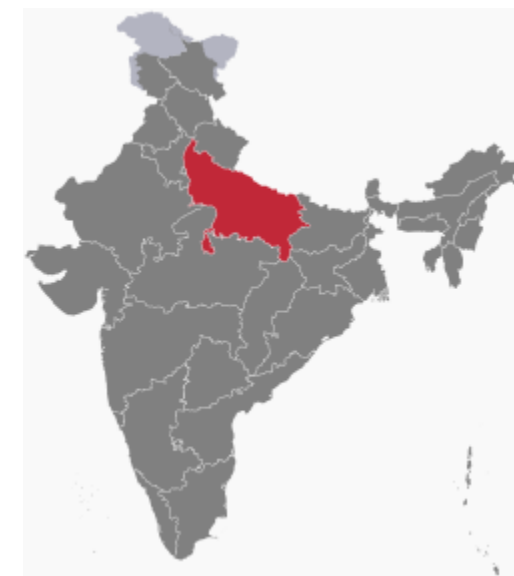


# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which of the following state government provided 1,20,821 tap water connections to rural households on PM's birthday?

- A) Kerala
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Bihar
- D) West Bengal
- E) Punjab



**Answer**  
**B) Uttar Pradesh**



## Explanation

- Nearly **1.21 lakh tap water connections** were provided to rural households of **Uttar Pradesh** on the occasion of **Prime Minister Narendra Modi's birthday**.
- Under the 'Har Ghar Jal Scheme', as many as 1,20,821 households in rural areas were provided tap water connections in the state, while about **2.59 lakh tap water connections** were delivered across the **country**, creating a '**record**' **countrywide** for **single-day** distribution of tap water connections.
- Andhra Pradesh provided as many as **30,643**, Karnataka **25,377**, Tamil Nadu **18,671**, Maharashtra **17,649**, Madhya Pradesh **16,609** connections on September 17.
- Uttar Pradesh conducted about **40% distribution** of the tap connections made across the country.



## Titbits

### Uttar Pradesh

- Capital: **Lucknow**
- CM: **Yogi Adityanath (21st)**
- Governor: **Anandiben Patel (28th)**
- Language: **Hindi**
- National Park: **Dudhwa National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary: **Patna WLS**
- Ramsar Site: **Nawabganj Bird Sanctuary, Parvati Agra Bird Sanctuary , Saman Bird Sanctuary , Samaspur Bird Sanctuary , Sandi Bird Sanctuary , Sarsai Nawar Jheel , Sur Sarovar , Upper Ganga River, Haiderpur Wetland, Bakhira Wildlife Sanctuary**
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- UNESCO Site: **Agra Fort, Taj Mahal, Fatehpur Sikri**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Who among the following said NEP recognised all Indian languages as national languages?

- A) President
- B) Home Minister
- C) Chief Justice of India
- D) Education Minister
- E) Prime Minister



**Answer**

**D) Education Minister**



## Explanation

- Union Education Minister **Dharmendra Pradhan** said that the **National Educational Policy (NEP) 2020** recognises **all Indian languages as national languages**.
- In his address at the 36th convocation ceremony of SASTRA deemed to be University at Thanjavur, he also said that the country has the knowledge capability to find sustainable solutions at global level.



## 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)





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ World's Highest Battlefield Now has Satellite-Based Internet Service, it is located at an altitude of \_\_\_\_ m?

- A) 5753m
- B) 5523m
- C) 5653m
- D) 5823m
- E) 5523m

**Answer**  
**A) 5753m**



## Explanation

- The **Indian Army** activated satellite broadband-based internet service on the world's highest battlefield, **Siachen Glacier**.
- The feat was achieved by the **Indian Army's XIV Corps or Fire and Fury Corps' Siachen Signallers**.
- The achievement of installing satellite-based internet at an altitude of **10,061 feet** on the Siachen Glacier.



## Explanation

### Indian Army

- Founded: **26/01/1950**
- HQ: **New Delhi**
- Army Day: **January 15**
- Motto: **Service Before Self**
- Chief of Army Staff: **General Manoj Pande**



➤ **GeM facilitated over one crore transactions valued at over how many lakh crore?**

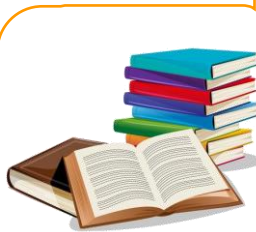
- A) Rs 2.5 lakh crore
- B) Rs 1 lakh crore
- C) Rs 3 lakh crore
- D) Rs 1.5 lakh crore
- E) Rs 2 lakh crore

**Answer**

**C) Rs 3 lakh crore**



**GeM**  
Government  
eMarketplace



## Explanation

- Deputy CEO of Government e-Market Place (GeM) **A V Muraleedharan** says the heterogeneous nature of **public procurement portal's** seller base reflects on the founding pillar of inclusivity.
- Addressing a **Seller Samvad organised in Kochi**, he said starting from big companies and conglomerates, the seller base includes selfhelp groups and **MSME sellers** from all over the country.
- Muraleedharan said GeM has been able to bring about radical changes in the way procurement was done by **government buyers and public sector undertakings**.
- He noted that cumulatively GeM has facilitated over one crore transactions valued at **over three lakh crore rupees**.
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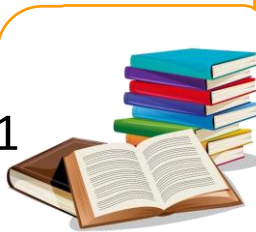
- Founded: **09/08/2016**
- HQ: **New Delhi**
- CEO: **Prashant Kumar Singh**



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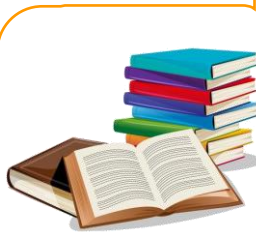
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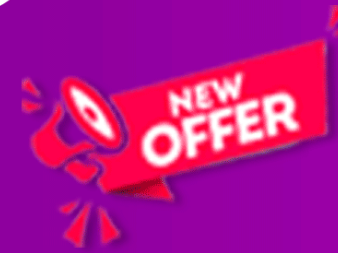


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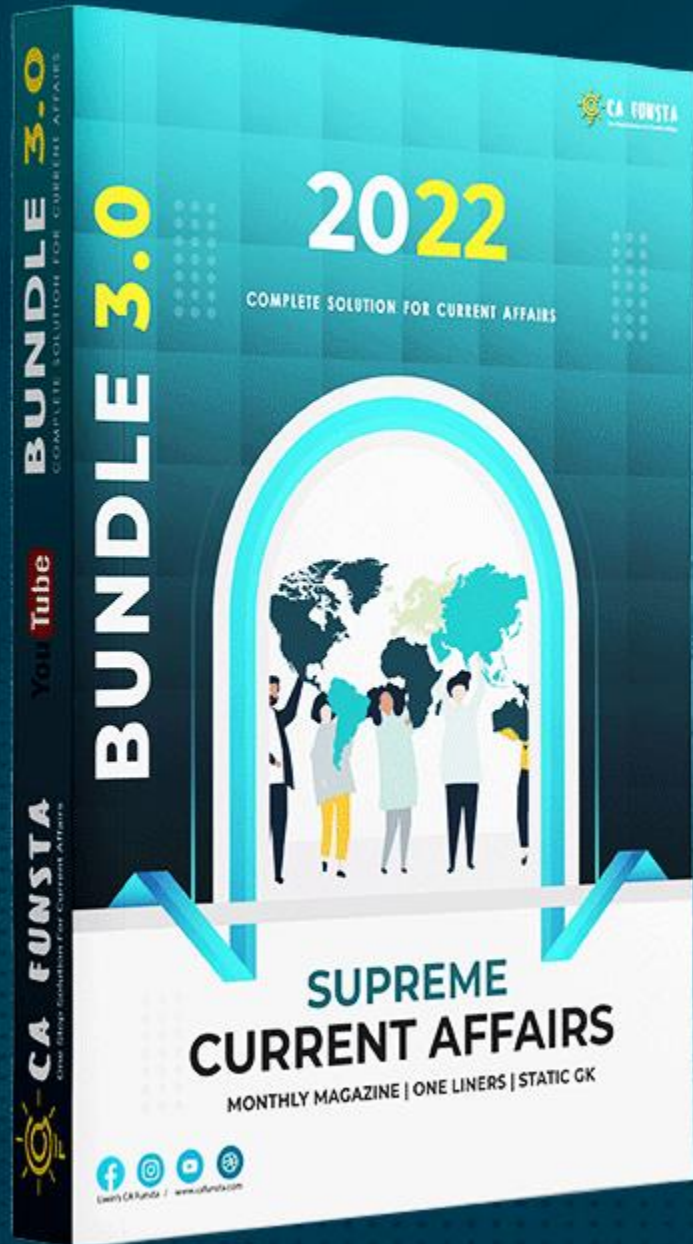


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