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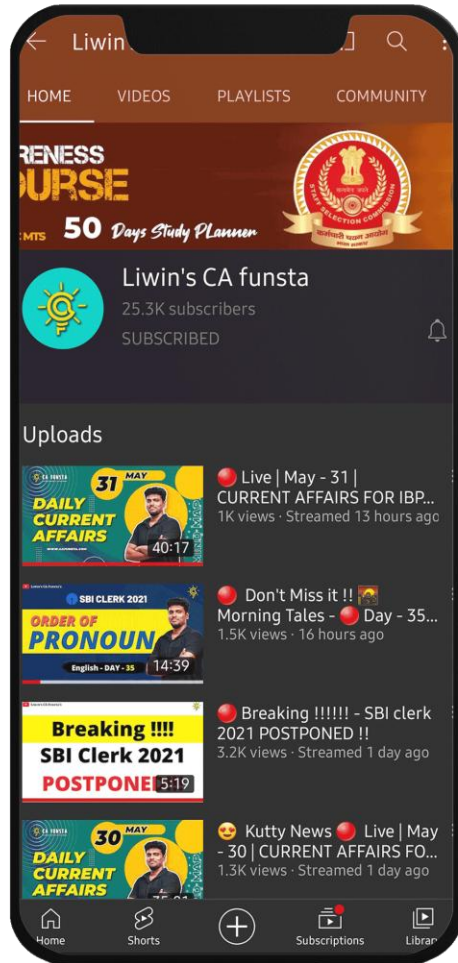




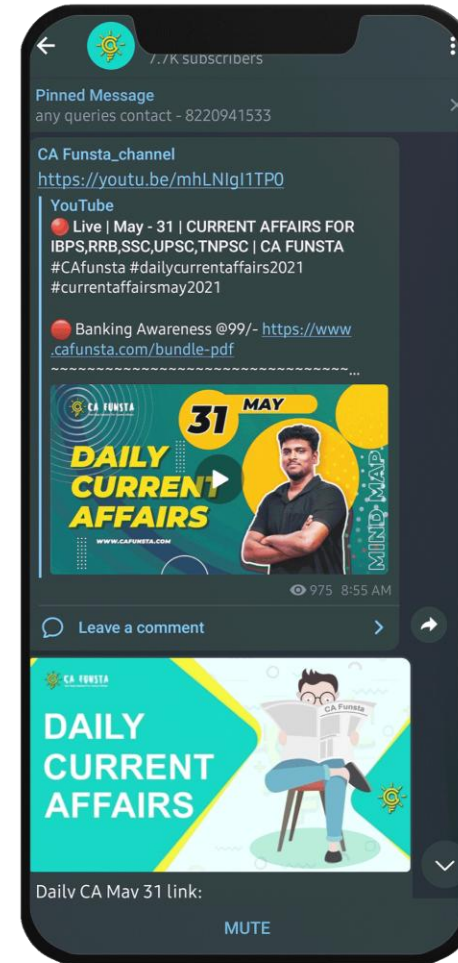
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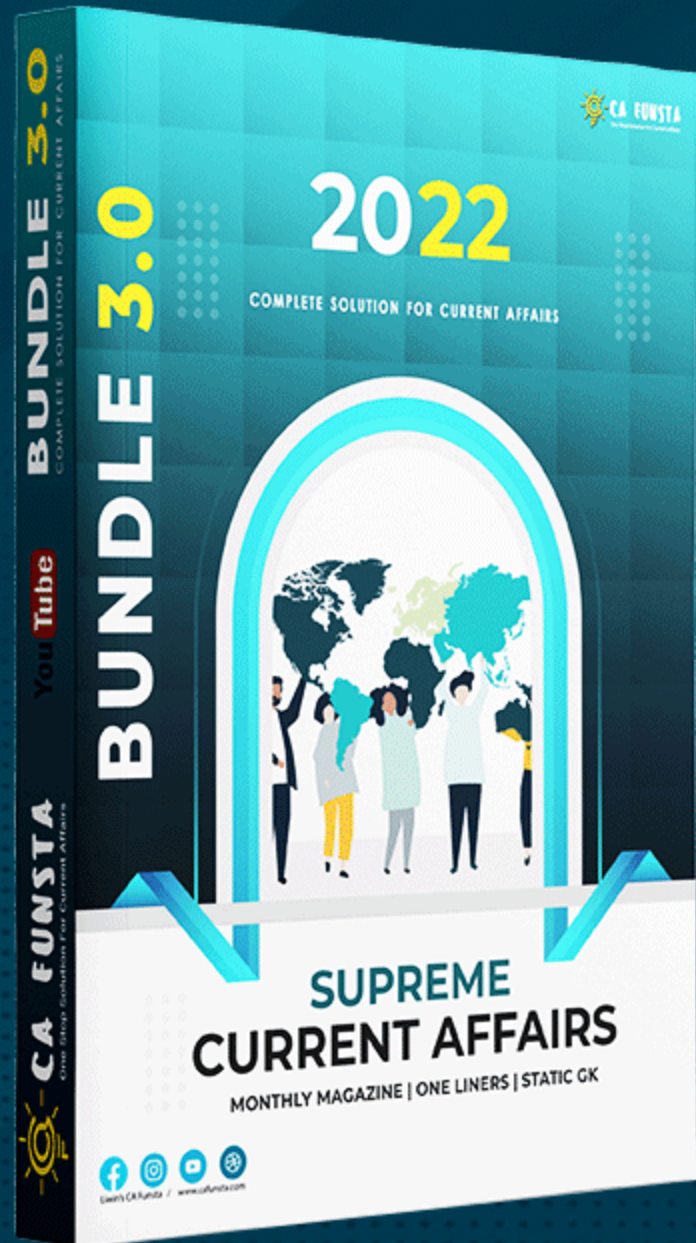
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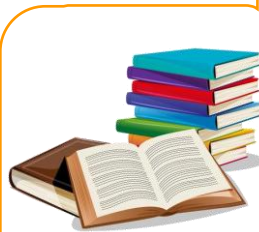


# Important Days

➤ World Soil Day on \_\_\_\_\_?

- A) 2 December
- B) 3 December
- C) 4 December
- D) 5 December
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
D) 5 December



# Important Days

## Explanation

- DAY : **World Soil Day**
- DATE : **5 December**
- OTHERS : **To encourage greater environmental awareness in order to make the best possible use of the earth's resources without damaging them.**



# Important Days



➤ DRI to celebrate 65th Founding Day on \_\_\_\_\_?

- A) 2 December
- B) 3 December
- C) 4 December
- D) 5 December
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**D) 5 December**



# Important Days



## Explanation

- DAY : DRI's 65th Founding Day
- DATE : 5 December
- OTHERS : Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman will inaugurate the two-day long 65th Foundation Day celebration of the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) in New Delhi. She will also launch the current edition of Smuggling in India Report 2021-22 on the occasion.





# SPORTS



➤ Who among the following launched Trophy Tour of FIH Hockey Men's World Cup 2023

- A) Yogi Adityanath
- B) Naveen Patnaik
- C) Pushkar Singh Dhami
- D) Mamata Banerjee
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**B) Naveen Patnaik**



## Explanation

- The **Trophy Tour of the FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023** officially kicked off in Bhubaneswar with Chief Minister of Odisha Naveen Patnaik handing over the trophy to Hockey India President Dilip Tirkey.
- The last leg of the tour will be in Rourkela before finally returning to Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar where **the finals will be played on January 29, 2023**.
- Wishing the trophy tour a grand success, Chief Minister Patnaik said, "I **hope the Hockey Men's World Cup Trophy Tour will build excitement for the World Cup across India**."
- We will be **hosting 16 teams** and the matches will be played in Bhubaneswar and Rourkela.



# SPORTS



➤ Who among the following won gold as Indian shuttlers shine in Peru Para Badminton tournament?

- A) Manu Bhaker
- B) Manu Bhaker
- C) Sukant Kadam
- D) Only A & B
- E) Only A & C

**Answer**

**C) Sukant Kadam**





## Explanation

- Indian shuttlers, led by **Para World Championships bronze medallist Sukant Kadam**, shone at the Peru Para Badminton International in Lima **by clinching six gold medals**.
- World No.3 Kadam defeated Singapore's Chee Hiong Ang 21-14 21-15 in the mens singles SL4 category, while Nehal Gupta won the SL3 event beating Mathieu Thomas of France 21-16 21-14.



# SPORTS



➤ Who among the following clinched Mixed Team Pistol title at National Shooting Championship?

- A) Manu Bhaker
- B) Manu Bhaker
- C) Sukant Kadam
- D) Only A & B
- E) Only A & C

**Answer**

**D) Only A & B**



## Explanation

- In Shooting, **Manu Bhaker and Sarabjot Singh won the 10 metre air pistol mixed team title at the 65th National Shooting Championship Competitions** at the MP Shooting Academy range **in Bhopal, December 4.**
- The **Haryana duo trounced Karnataka's Divya TS and Imroz 16-4** in the gold medal encounter.
- Punjab and ONGC shared the bronze medals.





# SPORTS



➤ India ended campaign with how many medals in Asia Junior Badminton Championship?

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) 4
- D) 5
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
D) 5



## Explanation

- Indian shuttlers clinched **three silver medals** as the country concluded **their campaign with total five medals** at the **Asia Junior Badminton Championship at Nothaburi, Thailand**.
- Top-seeded young shuttler **Unnati Hooda** settled with silver in the women's singles under-17 gold medal match.
- Unnati went down, fighting hard against 2nd seeded Sarunrak Vitidsarn of Thailand 18-21, 21-9, 14-21 in the summit clash.
- Unnati had already created the history by becoming the first Indian to enter the Under-17 women's singles final at the tournament,
- India's **Anish Thoppani** also secured a silver medal after losing the men's under-15 singles final against Chinese Taipei's Chung-Hsiang Yih 8-21, 24-22, 19-21.
- Indian under-17 men's **duo Arsh Mohammad and Sanskar Sraswat** also lost the final to clinch a silver medal.



# RANKING



➤ Who among the following organization set a Guinness Book of World Records with World's largest wheelchair cricket tournament on international day of disabled persons?

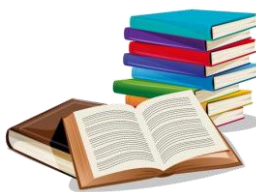
- A) Narayan Seva Sansthan
- B) Smile Foundation
- C) Nanhi Kali
- D) Pratham
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**A) Narayan Seva Sansthan**



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# RANKING



## Explanation

- Organised under the joint aegis of Narayan Seva Sansthan, DCCI, WCI and Rajasthan Royals, **Uttar Pradesh captured the championship trophy by easily defeating Haryana in this seven-day tournament.**
- Narayan Seva Sansthan President Prashant Agarwal said that **the worlds largest wheelchair cricket tournament was recorded in the Guinness Book of World Records for the first time.**



# BANKING AND FINANCE



➤ ADB approved \_\_\_\_\_million USD grant to Maldives to support gender equality project?

- A) \$6.52 million
- B) \$7.51 million
- C) \$8.45 million
- D) \$4.68 million
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**B) \$7.51 million**



## Explanation

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a **\$7.51 million grant to Maldives to support ADB's first ever holistic gender equality project in Maldives.**
- **Maldives experiences persistent gender equality gaps, where women continue to shoulder most of the unpaid care work and gender-based violence remains prevalent,** but services are limited. Labor force participation of women is 41.6%, while for men it is 84.2%, with 13% of women unemployed due to caregiver and domestic work responsibilities compared to 1% of men.



## Titbits

### Asian Development Bank

- Formation : **19 December 1966**
- Headquarters : **Mandaluyong, Philippines**
- Membership : **68 countries**



**Asian Development Bank**





➤ Deadline extended for \_\_\_\_\_percent cap on UPI transactions by third-party payments firms?

- A) 10%
- B) 20%
- C) 30%
- D) 40%
- E) None of these



**Answer**  
**C) 30%**



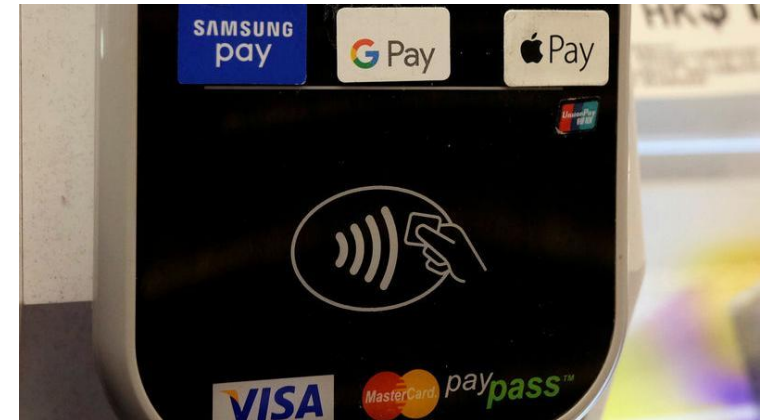
## Explanation

- The **timelines for compliance of existing Third Party App Providers who are exceeding the proposed volume cap, is extended by two years till December 31, 2024.**
- The decision was taken after **taking into account the present usage and future potential of UPI, and other relevant factors around it.**
- Notably, the Corporation on November 5, 2020, said the existing service providers, who are exceeding **the 30 per cent cap will have a period of two years to comply with the same in a phased manner.**
- The service providers shall ensure that the total volume of transactions initiated shall not exceed 30 per cent of the overall volume of transactions processed in UPI during the preceding three months



➤ Digital payments in India touched how many rupees at over 23 bn transactions?

- A) Rs 38.3 lakh crore
- B) Rs 40.3 lakh crore
- C) Rs 25.6 lakh crore
- D) Rs 27.8 lakh crore
- E) None of these



**Answer**

**A) Rs 38.3 lakh crore**



## Explanation

- The Unified Payments Interface (UPI), debit and credit cards, prepaid payment instruments like mobile wallets, and prepaid cards logged 23.06 billion transactions amounting **Rs 38.3 lakh crore in the third quarter this year, a new report showed.**
- **At the top, the UPI clocked over 19.65 billion transactions in volume and Rs 32.5 lakh crore in terms of value.**
- The UPI transactions volume and value almost doubled since last year as it recorded about an 88 per cent increase in volume and over 71 per cent increase in value in Q3 as compared to the same quarter last year, according to Worldline India's 'Digital Payments Report' for the third quarter.
- **The top three UPI apps in terms of volume and value were PhonePe, Google Pay and Paytm Payments Bank App.**





➤ Razorpay enabled merchants to accept credit card payments via \_\_\_\_\_?

- A) UPI
- B) BHIM
- C) QR code
- D) All the above
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
**A) UPI**



## Explanation

- In an industry-first move, **Razorpay has announced the platform's readiness to support credit card transactions on Unified Payments Interface (UPI).**
- Now, **with RuPay credit cards being enabled on UPI, Razorpay merchants** can begin accepting credit card payments on UPI, with some changes to their existing setup.
- **This development is enabled in partnership with Axis Bank.**



## Titbits

### Unified Payments Interface

- Introduced : 11 April 2016
- Owner : National Payments Corporation of India



# ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY



➤ JSW ReNew Energy commissioned \_\_\_\_\_ MW wind energy capacity in Tuticorin?

- A) 17 MW
- B) 25 MW
- C) 27 MW
- D) 20 MW
- E) None of these



**Answer**  
**C) 27 MW**





# ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY



## Explanation

- JSW Energy said that its arm **JSW ReNew Energy** has commissioned **27 MW wind energy generation capacity at Tuticorin** in Tamil Nadu as **part of the first phase of its 450 MW wind project.**
- "JSW Renew Energy Two Ltd, a step-down subsidiary of JSW Energy, has started phase-wise commissioning of **450 MW ISTS-connected wind power project awarded under SECI** (Solar Energy Corporation of India) tranche X at Tuticorin in Tamil Nadu with commissioning of the first phase of 27 MW," a BSE filing stated.
- This is the company's **first greenfield wind power project** to be commissioned and is a testament of the group's project execution capabilities, it stated.
- The project has the power purchase agreement with the **SECI for a period of 25 years.**
- In addition to this project, the company is also constructing **1.8 GW of greenfield renewable energy capacity in pursuit of reaching 10 GW capacity** well ahead of its FY25 timelines, and 20 GW capacity by FY30.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Who among the following will inaugurate conference 'Women Leading Change in Health and Science in India'?

- A) Shri Rao Inderjit Singh
- B) Dr. Jitendra Singh
- C) Shri G. Kishan Reddy
- D) Shri Anurag Singh Thakur
- E) None of these



**Answer**

**B) Dr. Jitendra Singh**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Explanation

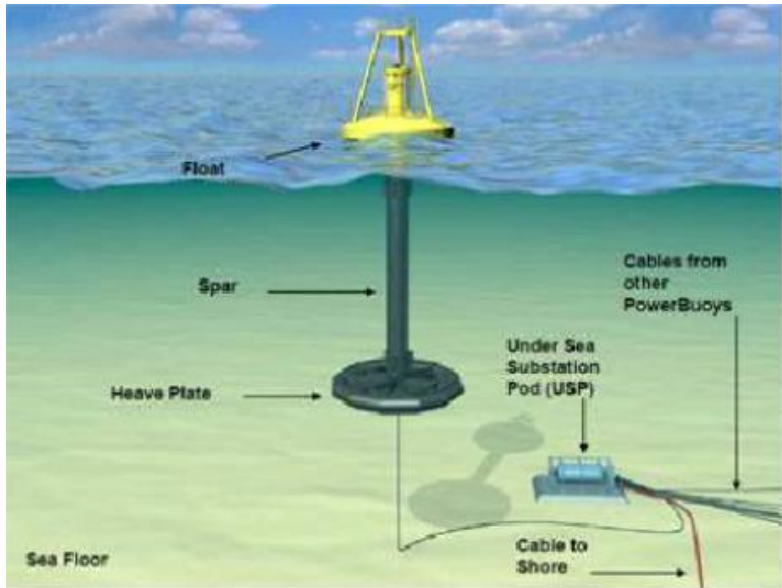
- Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth Sciences; MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh will inaugurate a conference titled, "**Women Leading Change in Health and Science in India**" in New Delhi.
- Dr. Bharti Pravin Pawar, Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare, Ms. Melinda French Gates, Co-chair and Trustee Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and Ms. Amie Batson, Executive Director, WomenLift Health will also address the conference.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS

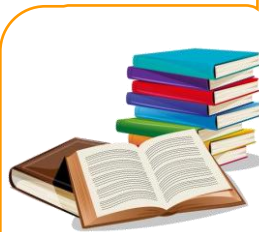


➤ IIT Madras generated power from sea waves, aimed to go commercial by \_\_\_\_\_?



- A) 2045
- B) 2030
- C) 2047
- D) 2049
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
**B) 2030**





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Explanation

- In a development that might help India achieve its climate change-related goal of generating **500 Gw (gigawatt) of renewable energy by 2030**, researchers at the Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras) have invented an **'Ocean Wave Energy Converter'** that can **generate electricity from sea waves**.
- Researchers expect **to commercialise the innovation by 2024**, in a move that could offer substantial gains for islands such as **Lakshadweep and Andaman and Nicobar, which can produce 40-50 Gw of wave energy**.
- **"India has a 7,500 km-long coastline capable of producing 54 Gw of power, satisfying a substantial amount of the country's energy requirement.**
- **Seawater stores tidal, wave and ocean thermal energy, making the harnessing of 40 Gw wave energy possible in India,"** said Abdus Samad, Department of Ocean Engineering, IIT Madras.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Millets-Smart Nutritive Food Conclave will take place in \_\_\_\_\_?

- A) New Delhi
- B) TamilNadu
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Punjab
- E) None of these

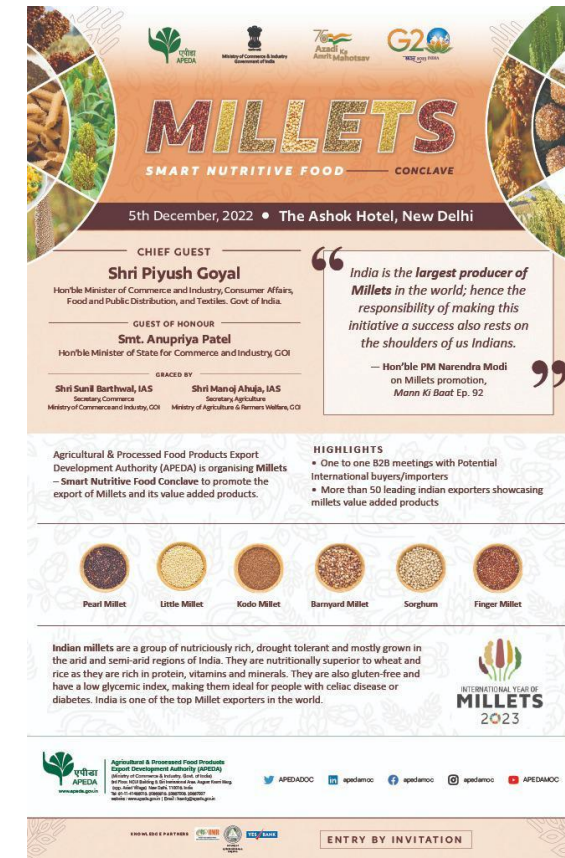
**Answer**

**A) New Delhi**



## Explanation

- To promote the export of millets, the government is organising a day-long 'Millets-Smart Nutritive Food' Conclave in New Delhi, December 5.
- The conclave is a pre-launch event of the International Year of Millets - 2023 organised by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry through its apex agricultural export promotion body, the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA).
- Union Minister for Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal will be the chief guest at the conclave.
- At the first-of-its-kind Millets Conclave, the government will release e-catalogue on 30 potential importing countries and 21 millet producing states of India.



**MILLETS**  
SMART NUTRITIVE FOOD CONCLAVE

5th December, 2022 • The Ashok Hotel, New Delhi

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**Shri Piyush Goyal**  
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**“ India is the largest producer of Millets in the world; hence the responsibility of making this initiative a success also rests on the shoulders of us Indians. ”**  
— Hon'ble PM Narendra Modi on Millets promotion, Mann Ki Baat Ep. 92

**HIGHLIGHTS**  
• One to one B2B meetings with Potential International buyers/importers  
• More than 50 leading Indian exporters showcasing millets value added products

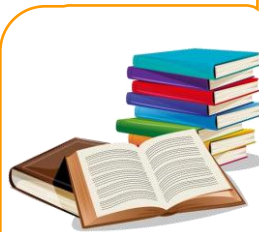
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**INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF MILLETS 2023**

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**ENTRY BY INVITATION**



## Titbits

### New Delhi

- Capital: **Delhi**
- CM: **Arvind Kejriwal**
- Lieutenant Governor: **Vinai Kumar Saxena**
- Language: **Hindi**
- UNESCO Site: **Humayun's Tomb, Qutb Minar, Red Fort**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



- Which of the following ministry organized “Daakroom”, the letter writing carnival in Association with Department of Post?

- A) Sports Ministry
- B) Culture Ministry
- C) Finance Ministry
- D) Home Affairs Ministry
- E) None of these



**Answer**

**B) Culture Ministry**





## Explanation

- Under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Ministry of Culture in association with Department of Post unveiled Daakroom, **the renowned letter writing carnival at the Gandhi Darshan at Raj Ghat, New Delhi.**
- The one-of-a-kind letter writing event, supported by India Post, Ministry of Culture and Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti is **aimed to give a digital detox with the aim of reviving the art of letter writing in India.**
- The **fest started at around 10 a.m. on DEC 4** in the presence of chief guest Shri Vijay Goel, the Vice Chairman of Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti, and guests of honor from the Ministry of Culture and India Post, and other supporting partners, as well as people from different walks of life.



## Titbits

### Ministry of Culture

- UNION MINISTER : **Shri G. Kishan Reddy** (Secunderabad, Telangana)



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which edition of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) meeting chaired by Union Minister of Labour and Employment Shri Bhupender Yadav?

- A) 186th
- B) 187th
- C) 188th
- D) 189th
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
**D) 189th**



## Explanation

- The **189th Meeting of Employees' State Insurance Corporation** was held at **ESIC Headquarters** under the **Chairmanship of Shri Bhupender Yadav**, Union Minister for Labour and Employment, and Environment, Forest and Climate Change. During the meeting several important initiatives were announced.
  1. ESIC to upgrade and modernize its infrastructure under '**Nirman Se Shakti**' initiative says Union Labour Minister Shri Bhupender Yadav.
  2. **ESIC to set up new 100 bedded ESIC Hospital** at Shyamlibazar, Agartala, Tripura and 100 bedded ESIC Hospital at Idukki, Kerala.
  3. **ESIC to increase the number of seats for Ward of Insured Persons** at ESIC Nursing Colleges and also to start Ph.D., MDS, Nursing and Paramedical Courses from coming sessions.
  4. **Approval accorded for investments of surplus funds in equity, restricted to Exchanged Traded Funds.**
  5. **Monthly Digital Journal - ESI Samachar** released by Union Labour and Employment Minister.



## Titbits

### Employees' State Insurance Corporation

- Formed : **24 February 1952**
- Headquarters : **New Delhi**
- Parent : **Ministry of Labour and Employment**

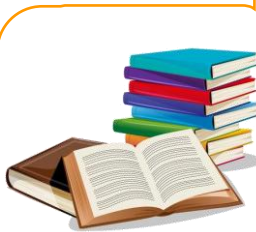




# QUICK RECALL



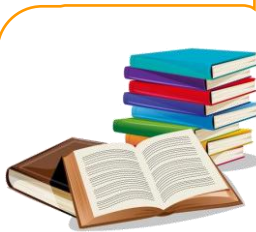
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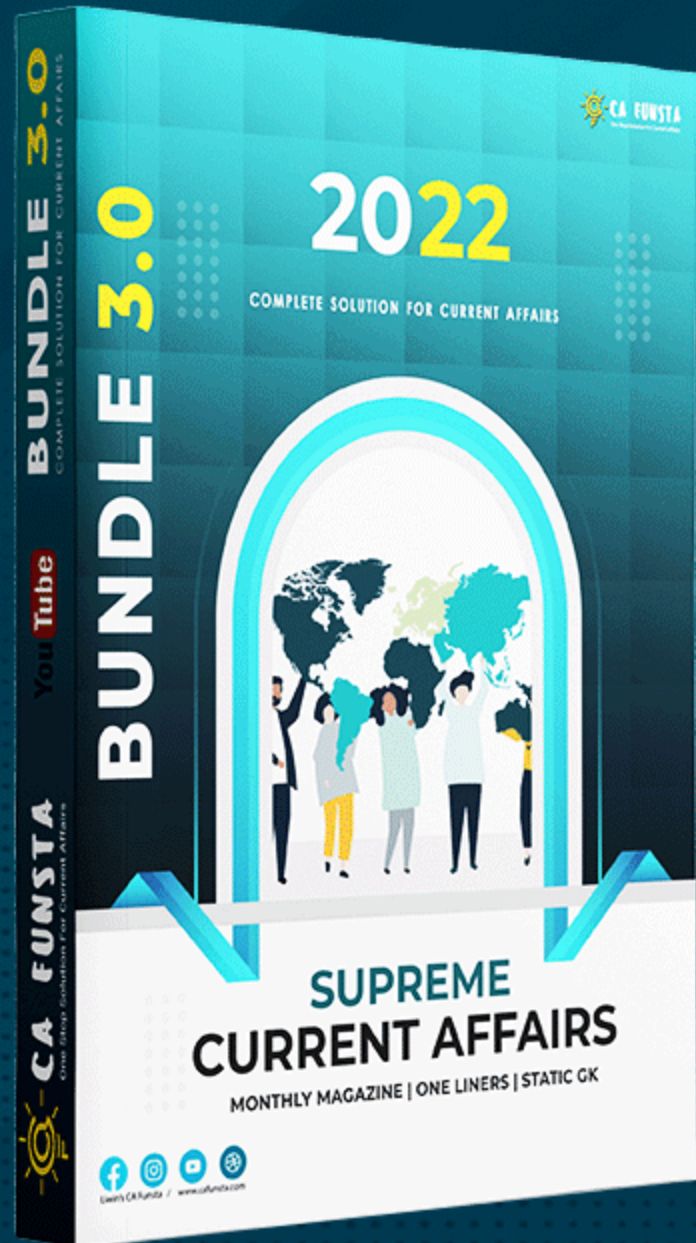


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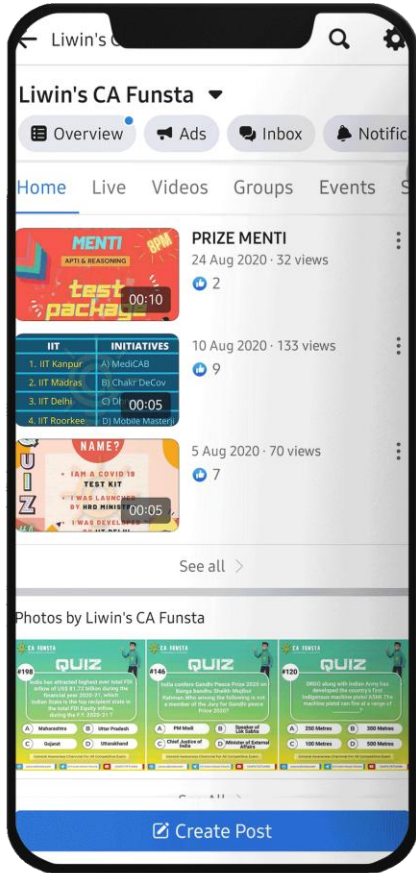
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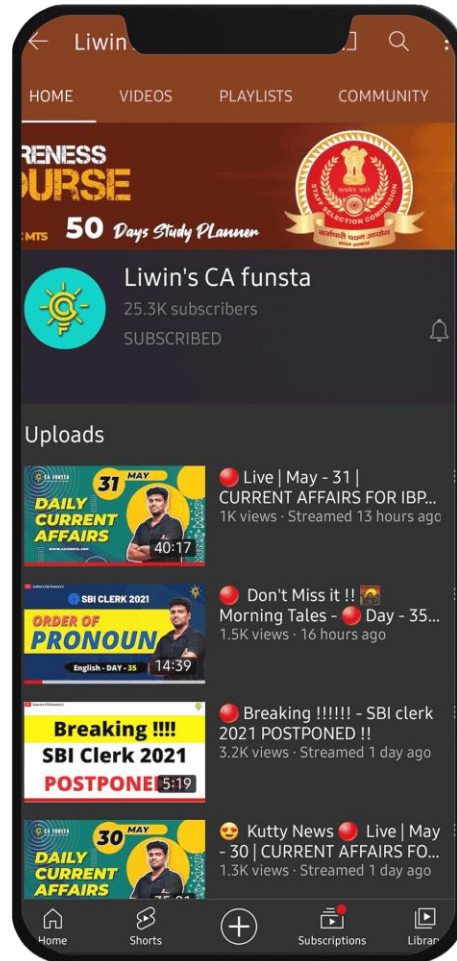
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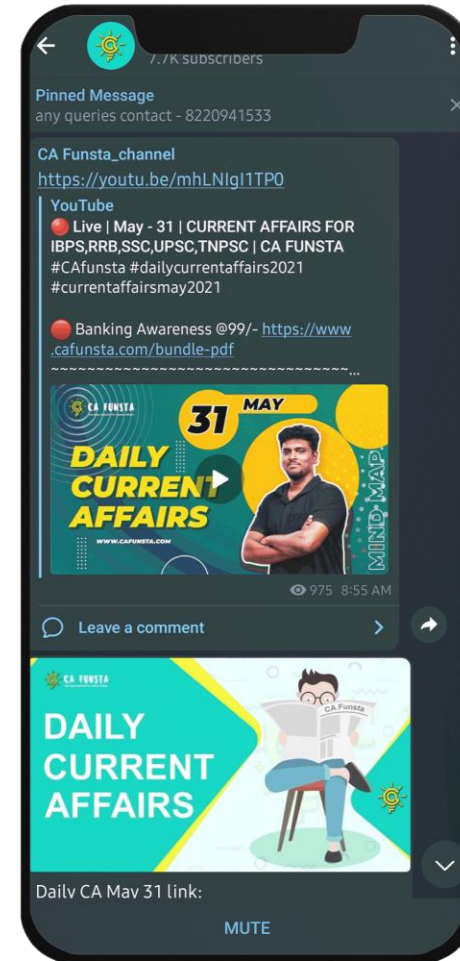
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