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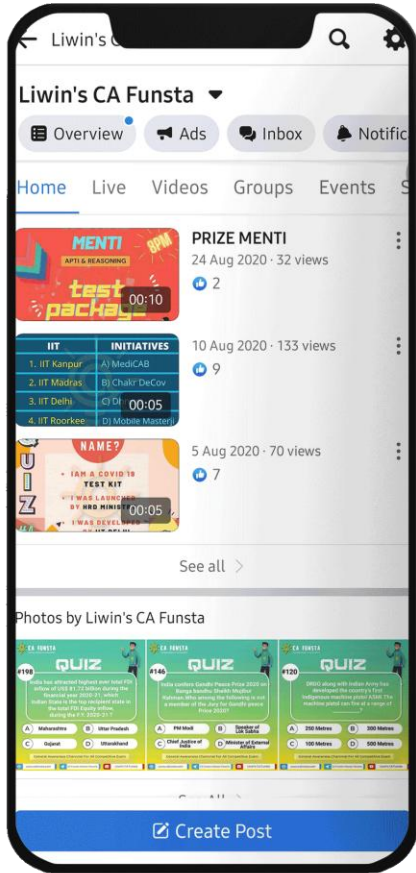
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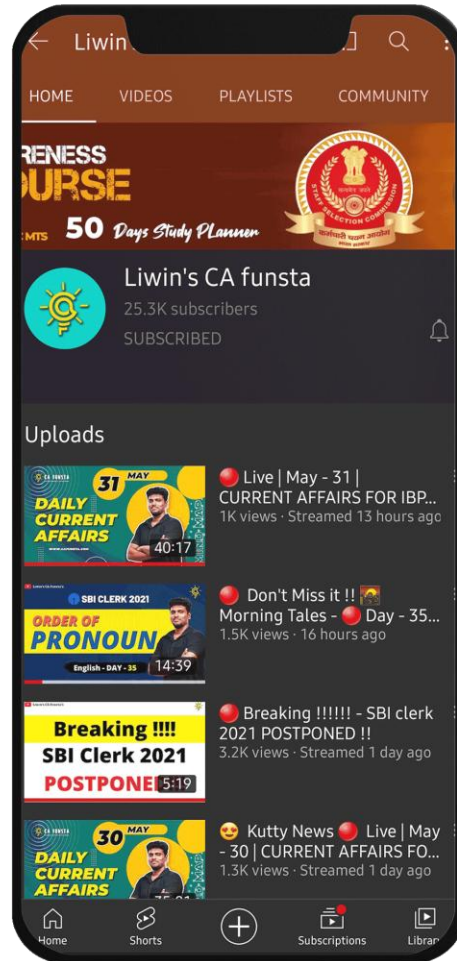
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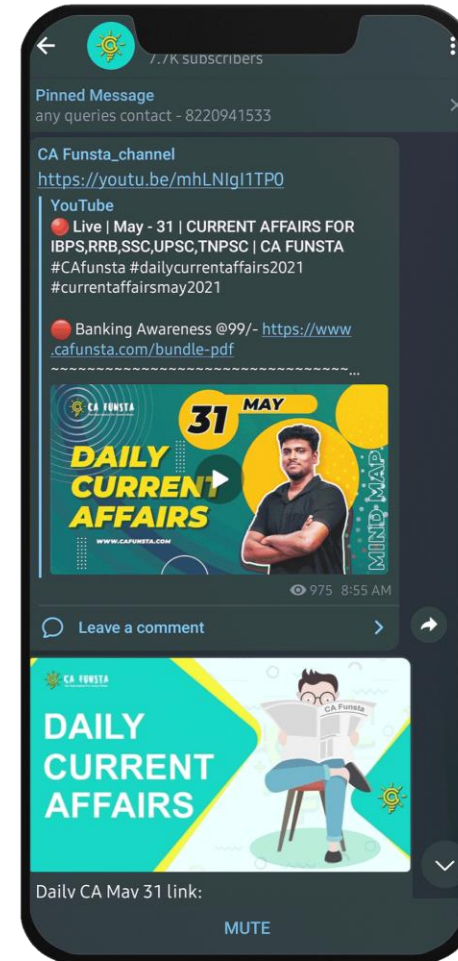
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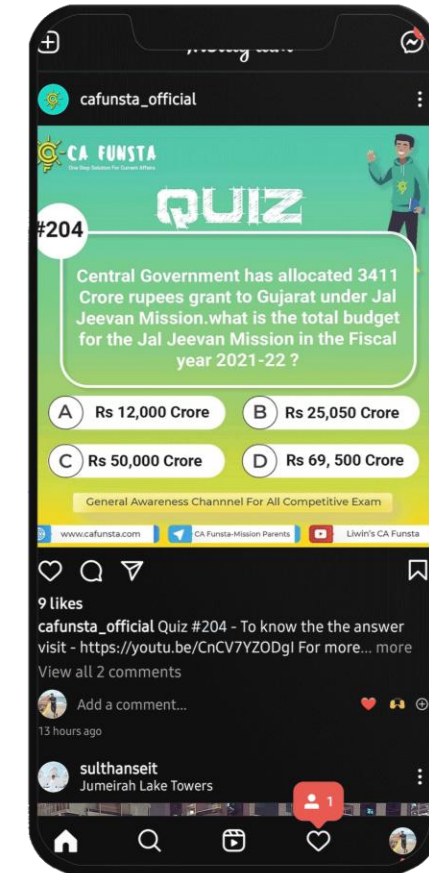
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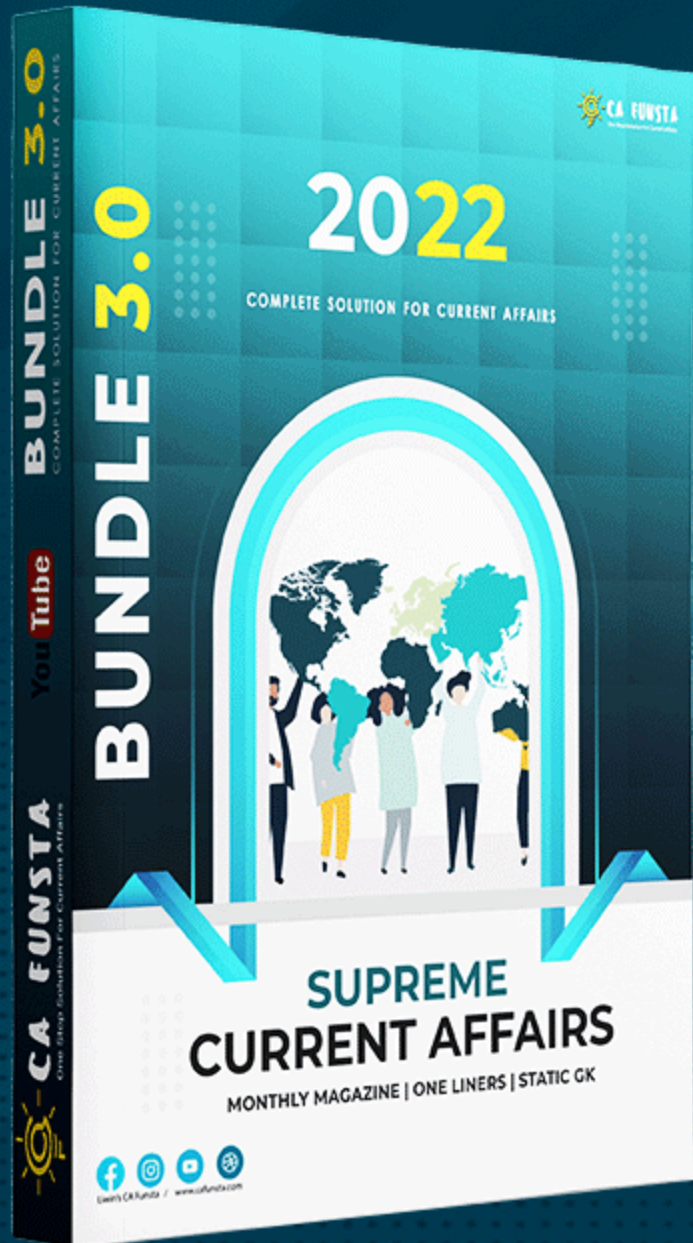


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Important Days

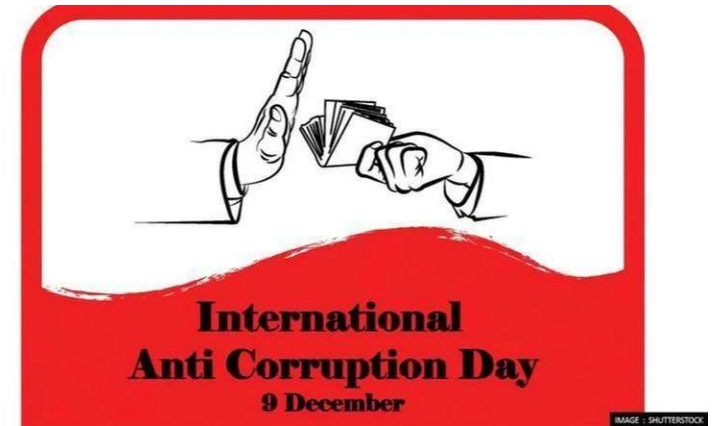


➤ International Anti-Corruption Day 2022 is observed on _____?

- A) December 8
- B) December 9
- C) December 10
- D) December 11
- E) None of these

Answer

B) December 9

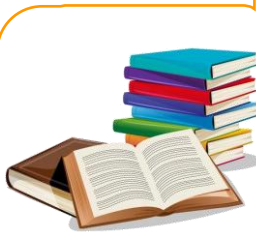


Important Days



Explanation

- DAY : **International Anti-Corruption Day 2022**
- DATE : **December 9**
- OTHERS : **To promote awareness of a corruption-free society. Everyone is aware that corruption affects all aspects of society**



SPORTS



➤ Who finished 25th at World championships?

- A) Bindyarani Devi
- B) Renu Bala Chanu
- C) Sanamacha Chanu
- D) Khumukcham Sanjita
- E) None of these

Answer

A) Bindyarani Devi



Explanation

- **Bindyarani Devi totalled 200kg to finish 25th in the women's 59kg weight class at the World weightlifting championships in Bogota.**
- **Competing in Group 'D', Bindyarani — a Commonwealth Games silver medallist in 55kg with an aggregate of 202kg — lifted 86kg in snatch (second attempt) and 114kg in clean and jerk (third attempt, preceded by two 'no lifts' at 112kg).**



➤ Who clarified on 'schemes of arrangement' for entities with listed debt securities?

- A) SEBI
- B) IRDAI
- C) SIDBI
- D) RBI
- E) None of these

Answer
A) SEBI



Explanation

- Capital markets regulator Sebi clarified on the framework pertaining to **'schemes of arrangement'** for entities that **have only listed their debt securities.**
- **Scheme of arrangement is a court-approved agreement between a company and its shareholders or creditors.**
- Sebi, in November, had put in place operational guidelines pertaining to "scheme of arrangement" **by entities who have listed their debt securities -- non-convertible debentures (NCDs) or non-convertible redeemable preference shares (NCRPS).**



Titbits

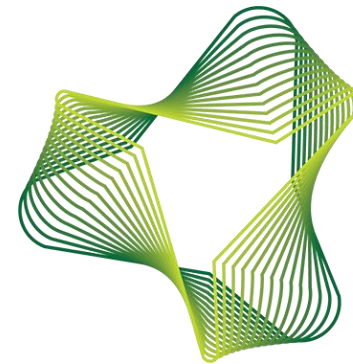
Securities and Exchange Board of India

- Formed : **April 12, 1988**
- Headquarters : **Mumbai, Maharashtra**
- Chairman : **Madhabi Puri Buch**
- Parent department : **Ministry of Finance**



➤ Which bank will work with India to prepare country-specific strategies?

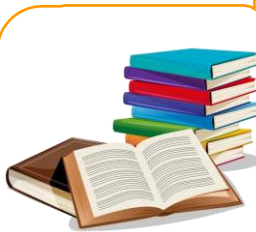
- A) ADB
- B) NDB
- C) World Bank
- D) RBI
- E) None of these



**New
Development
Bank**

Answer

B) NDB



Explanation

- New Development Bank (NDB) president Marcos Prado Troyjo said that the multilateral funding agency will work jointly with India **to prepare country-specific strategies for boosting infrastructure investment.**
- The Shanghai-based funding agency's president said that Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) has suggested country-specific strategies for member nations.
- Such a country strategy would **provide the overarching framework for guiding the bank's priorities in the country, he said in a recorded message.**



➤ Govt extended dateline for submitting expression of interest of which of the following bank disinvestment?

- A) IDBI
- B) Axix Bank
- C) ICICI Bank
- D) HDFC Bank
- E) None of these



Answer
A) IDBI



Explanation

- The deadline for **the submission of expression of interest (Eol) by interested parties for IDBI Bank is likely to be extended as the lender's transaction advisor has requested for an extension**, according to finance ministry sources.
- The last date for expression of interest (Eol) submission is December 16.
- In October, the government and the LIC decided **to offload a little over 30 per cent each in IDBI Bank.**
- They issued a preliminary information memorandum, **inviting Eols for an aggregate 60.72 per cent stake, along with management control.**



Titbits

IDBI Bank

- Founded : **1 July 1964**
- Headquarters : **Mumbai**
- MD & CEO : **Rakesh Sharma**



BANKING AND FINANCE



➤ ADB approves _____million USD policy-based loan to strengthen logistics sector?

- A) USD 200 million
- B) USD 250 million
- C) USD 300 million
- D) USD 350 million
- E) None of these

Answer

B) USD 250 million



Explanation

- The ADB said it has approved a **USD 250 million policy-based loan to support India's wide-ranging reforms** that aim **to strengthen and modernise the country's logistics infrastructure, improve efficiency, and lower costs.**
- The loan will finance the **first sub-program of the strengthening multimodal and integrated logistics ecosystem program**, which supports the government's efforts to create a comprehensive policy, planning, and institutional framework at the federal, state, and city level, it said in a release.
- **"This will rationalise India's high cost of logistics and reduce greenhouse gas emission,"** the Asian Development Bank (ADB) said.



➤ Who among the following launched India's first private market index?

- A) Nifty Bank Index
- B) Financial Services 25/50 Index
- C) StocX.in
- D) IT Index
- E) None of these

Answer

C) StocX.in



Explanation

- **StocX.in, an online unlisted securities portal, has launched India's first private market index known as StocX Private Market Index (SPMI).**
- Until now, there was no way to track the price movements of privately traded securities (i.e **the stocks of companies that are not yet listed in the stock market**).
- **The biggest challenge in constructing such an index is availability of price.**
- The unlisted market does not have transparent pricing and therefore price may vary from portal to portal and **it is quite difficult to compile price movements and build an index.**
- **StocX.in claims to have achieved this by using the concepts of indexing & basic statistics.**



AWARDS



➤ Who won Australia's top sports award for second time?

- A) Ash Barty
- B) Gauff Cori
- C) Azarenka Victoria
- D) Bencic Belinda
- E) None of these



Answer

A) Ash Barty



AWARDS



Explanation

- **Ash Barty's Australian Open singles title in January was enough to ensure the former tennis No. 1 won Australia's top annual sports award -- despite retiring from the game less than two months later.**
- **Barty has been given The Don Award**, named after its most accomplished and famous cricketer Don Bradman.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ Who among the following successfully completed joint 'hypersonic vehicle trials'?

- A) SpaceX
- B) ISRO
- C) NASA
- D) European Space Agency
- E) None of these



Answer
B) ISRO



Explanation

- **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully conducted a joint hypersonic vehicle trial** along with the Headquarters, Integrated Defence Staff (HQ IDS).
- According to the country's premier space research agency, **the joint hypersonic vehicle trial matched with the predetermined targets.**
- A post on ISRO's official Twitter handle read, "**@ISRO and JSIIC @HQ_IDS have jointly conducted Hypersonic vehicle trials.**"
- **The trials achieved all required parameters and demonstrated Hypersonic vehicle capability."**



Titbits

ISRO

- Formed : **15 August 1969**
- Chairman : **Sreedhara Panicker Somanath**
- Headquarters : **Bangalore, India**



➤ **Who launched internet satellites for London-based rival company OneWeb?**

- A) SpaceX
- B) ISRO
- C) NASA
- D) European Space Agency
- E) None of these

Answer
A) SpaceX



Explanation

- **SpaceX launched internet satellites for a competitor, stepping in to help after the London-based OneWeb company halted its flights with Russia over the invasion of Ukraine.**
- **The Falcon rocket blasted off at sunset with 40 mini satellites bound for polar orbit.**
- **They will expand OneWeb's constellation to just over 500, nearly 80% of the planned total of about 630 satellites.**



➤ Who among the following lead an Industry-First Initiative - #OneForOurPlanet?

- A) Pernod Ricard India
- B) United Breweries Limited
- C) Globus Spirits Limited
- D) Khoday India
- E) None of these



Answer

A) Pernod Ricard India



Explanation

- Pernod Ricard India (PRI), a global leader in the wine and spirits industry, launches an industry-first initiative - **#OneForOurPlanet**, as it continues its **journey towards the removal of permanent mono-cartons from its packaging.**
- With this landmark sustainability initiative, **the company is removing 100 per cent permanent mono-cartons from its packaging by June 2023**, in a phased manner.
- **#OneForOurPlanet** reiterates the company's commitment **to reduce the environmental impact of packaging across each step of its value chain, from grain to glass.**
- It also aims **to nudge today's purpose-driven consumers to make eco-conscious purchase decisions.**



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

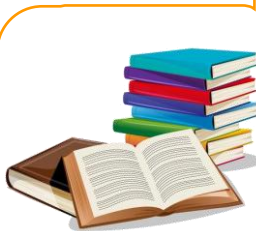


➤ Global Refugee Forum 2023 will be hosted by Switzerland and UNHCR in _____?

- A) Basel
- B) Geneva
- C) California
- D) Tokyo
- E) None of these



Answer
B) Geneva



Explanation

- UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, confirmed that six states – **Colombia, France, Japan, Jordan, Niger and Uganda** - will co-convene, together with UNHCR, the next **Global Refugee Forum (GRF), scheduled for December 2023**.
- The forum will continue **to be hosted by Switzerland and UNHCR, and will be held in Geneva**.
- The **GRF is the world's largest international gathering on refugees** and was first launched by UNHCR in 2019 as a quadrennial platform.
- The UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Filippo Grandi, announced 2023's co-convenors during an official handover ceremony in the closing plenary of a two-day Dialogue on Protection Challenges.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



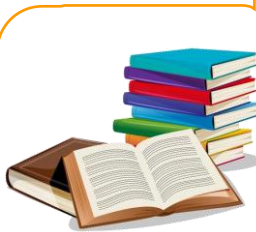
➤ iHUB DivyaSampark Inaugurated its which edition incubation and innovation facility?

- A) 1st
- B) 2nd
- C) 3rd
- D) 4th
- E) None of these



Answer

B) 2nd



Explanation

- **iHUB DivyaSampark has inaugurated its second incubation and innovation facility at the Greater Noida Extension Center of IIT Roorkee.**
- **Under the National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NMI CPS) mission, which was declared in the 2019 union budget, iHUB DivyaSampark, Technology Innovation was established.**
- **Department of Science & Technology (DST) and IIT Roorkee have collaborated to develop iHub Divyasampark as a section 8 not for profit corporation.**
- **The three main focal areas of iHub divyasmampark At IIT Roorkee are Smart City, Digital Health, and Industry 4.**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which of the following ministry organised One Day Mega Health Camp 'Abua Bugin Hodmo-Our Better Health' at Saraikela Kharsawan, Jharkhand?

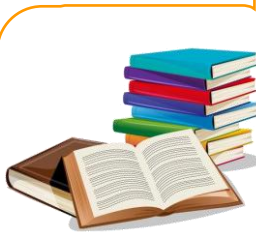
- A) Sports Ministry
- B) Tribal Affairs Ministry
- C) Tourism Ministry
- D) Jal Shakti Ministry
- E) None of these



जनजातीय कार्य मंत्रालय
MINISTRY OF
TRIBAL AFFAIRS

Answer

B) Tribal Affairs Ministry



Explanation

- The Ministry of Tribal Affairs successfully hosted a free One-Day Mega Health Camp - '**Abua Bugin Hodmo**' ('Our Better Health'), **at Seraikela Kharsawan on 4th December 2022.**
- This is the second successful health camp **to offer improved healthcare services to the tribal people in the state after the Khunti camp's success in June.**
- The Mega Health Camp was jointly organised by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Ministry of Ayush, Tata Steel Foundation and the District Administration, **envisaging better health and related facilities for the tribal society.**



Titbits

Ministry of Home Affairs

- UNION MINISTER : **Shri Arjun Munda (Jamshedpur, Jharkhand)**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ How many airports were covered under Krishi Udan Scheme 2.0?

- A) 56
- B) 57
- C) 58
- D) 59
- E) None of these

Answer
C) 58



Explanation

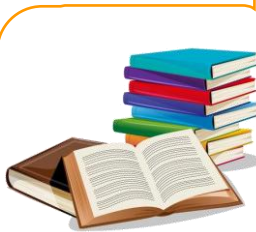
- **Krishi Udan Scheme 2.0 was announced on 27 October 2021** enhancing the existing provisions, mainly **focusing on transporting perishable food products from the hilly areas, North-Eastern States and tribal areas.**
- **For facilitating and incentivising movement of agri-produce** by air transportation, Airports Authority of India (AAI) provides full waiver of Landing, Parking, Terminal Navigational Landing Charges (TNLC) and Route Navigation Facility Charges (RNFC) for Indian freighters and P2C (Passenger-to-Cargo) Aircraft.
- The scheme primarily covers around **25 airports focusing on North Eastern, Hilly and Tribal region** besides **28 airports in other regions/areas.**
- After evaluation of Krishi Udan 2.0, **five more airports have been included making it to total 58 airports.**



QUICK RECALL



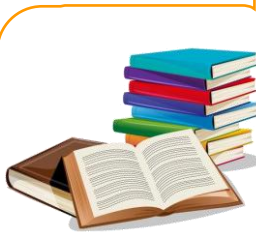
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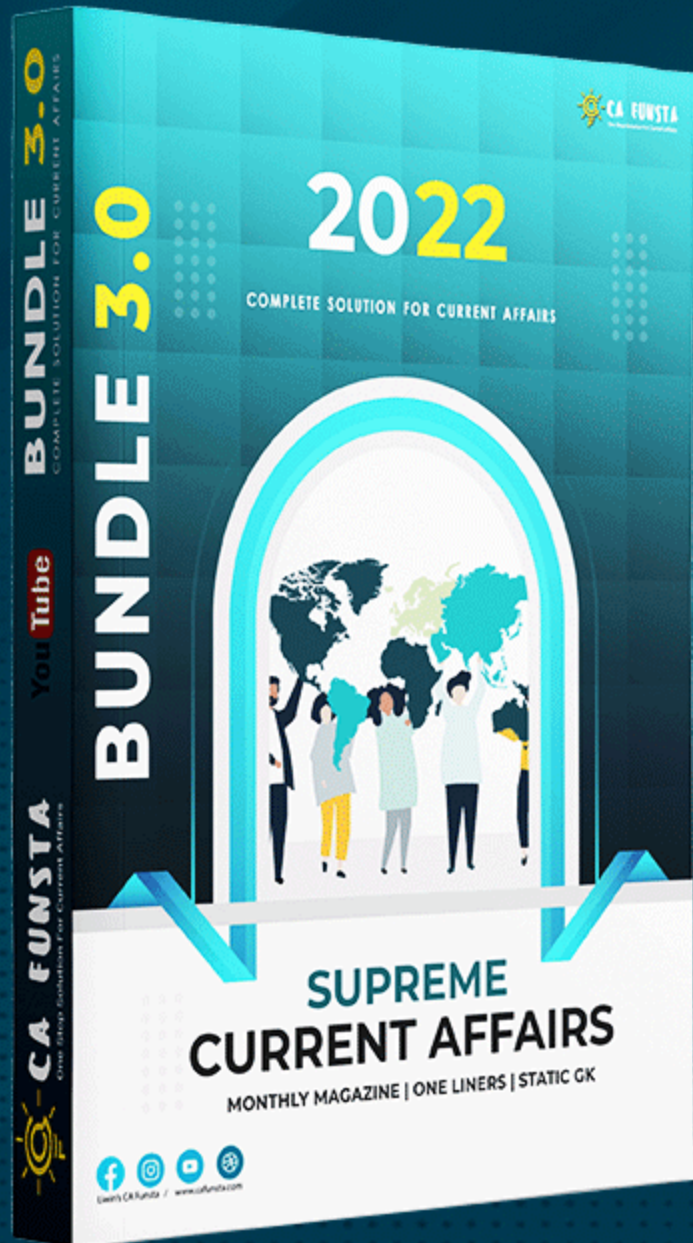
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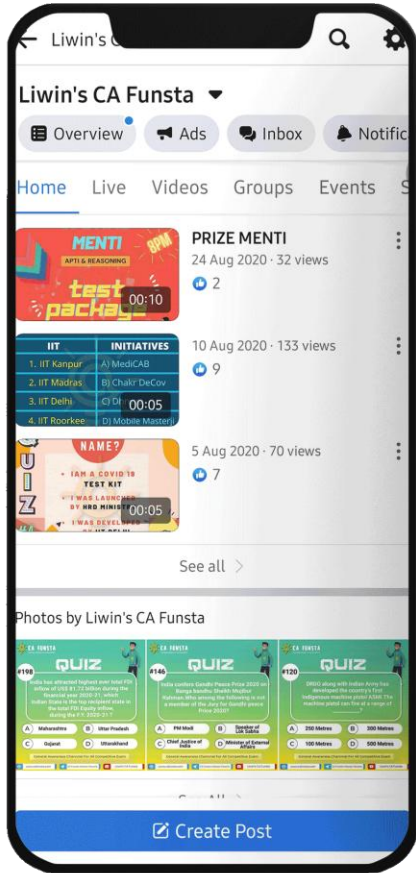
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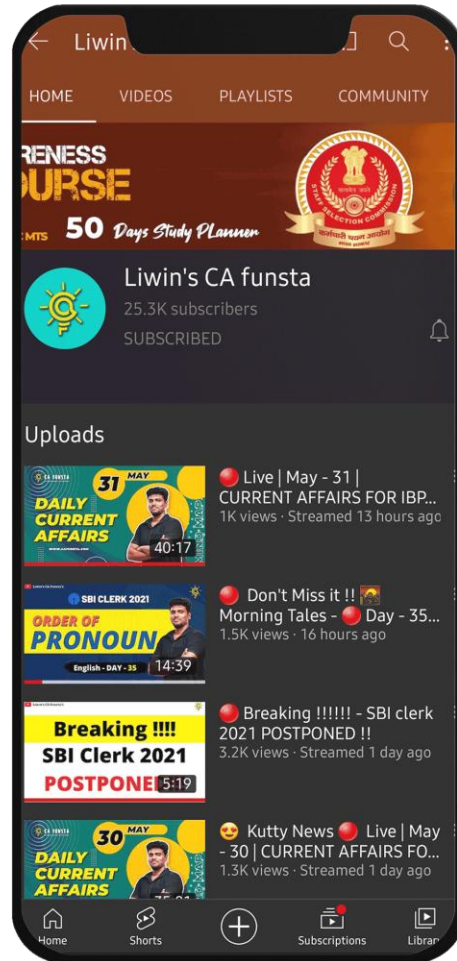
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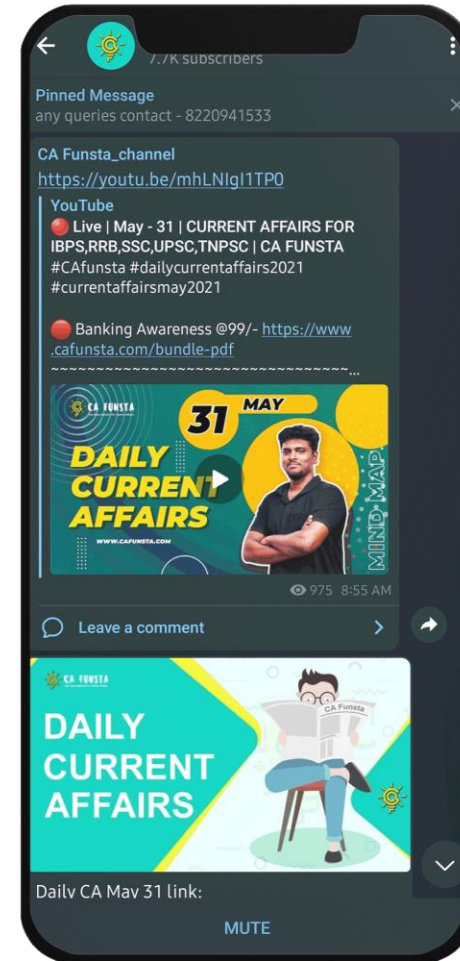
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