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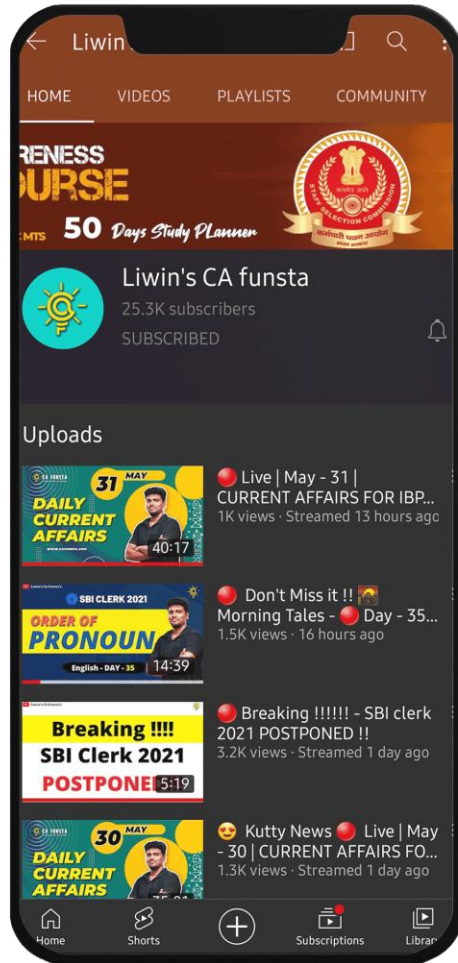




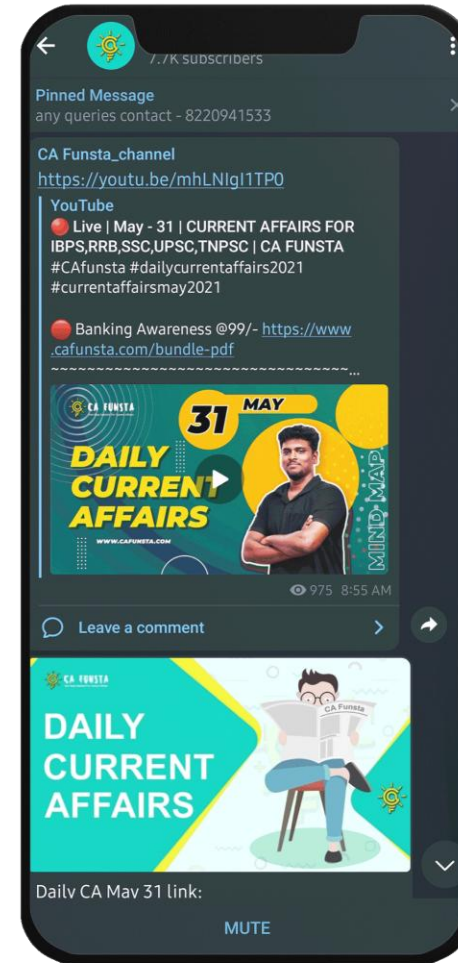
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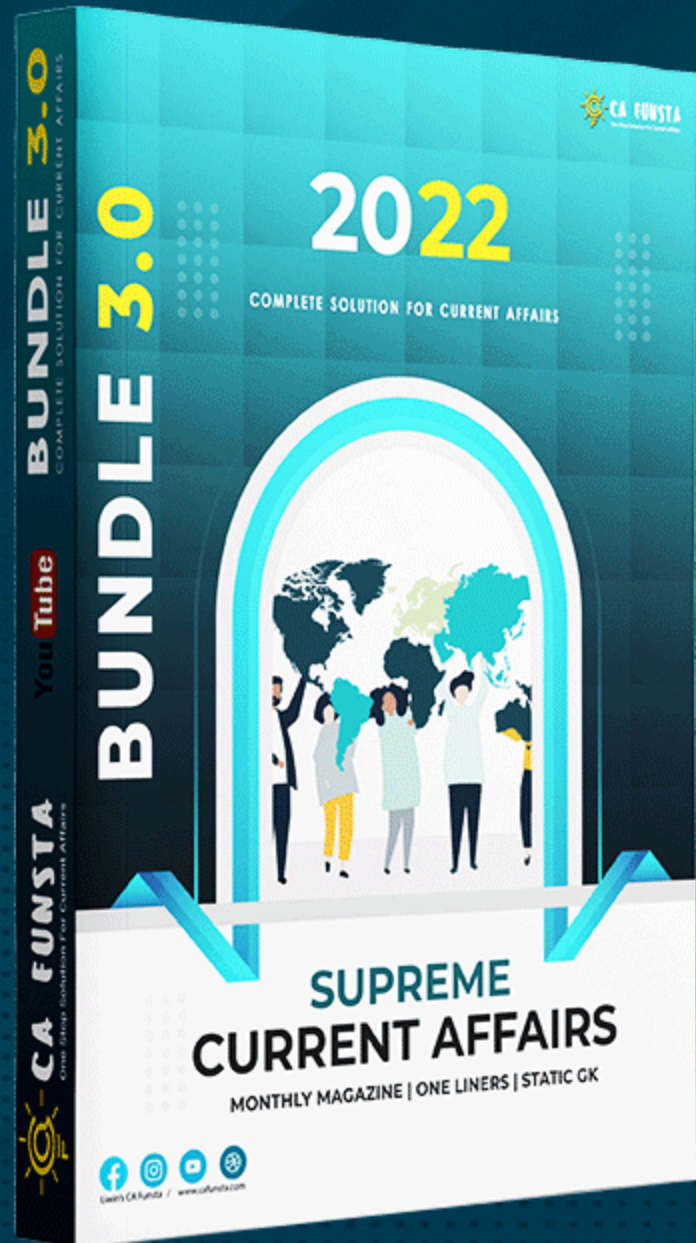
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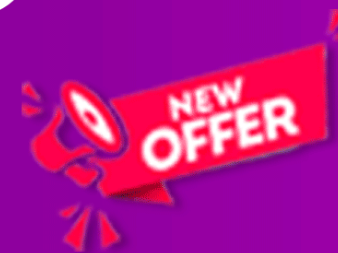


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➤ Who among the following planned 'micro' REITs to bring property companies to nascent market?

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



**Answer**

**A) SEBI**



## Explanation

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) is planning to allow “**micro**” real estate investment trusts (REITs), according to a senior official, **to bring a wider set of property companies to the nascent market as India emerges from a pandemic-induced lull.**
- The regulator is considering reducing the size of REITs, allowing them **to hold just a single asset or a diversified portfolio, to increase supply and flexibility for investors,** said the official.
- **REITs in India must now have a minimum asset value of Rs 5 billion.**
- The possibility that Sebi may lower the minimum has not been reported previously.



## Titbits

### Securities and Exchange Board of India

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

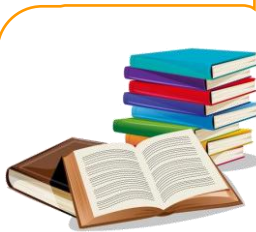


➤ **Kotak Mahindra Bank hiked FD interest rates for third time for which deposits?**

- A) Domestic
- B) NRO
- C) NRE
- D) All the above
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**D) All the above**





## Explanation

- Kotak Mahindra Bank has hiked the interest rates offered on **its fixed deposits (FDs) for amounts below Rs 2 crore.**
- The revised interest rates on FDs are effective from December 15, 2022.
- The **revised interest rate is applicable for domestic, NRO, and NRE deposits.**
- This is the third time the bank increased FD interest rates since December 9, 2022.



## Titbits

### Kotak Mahindra Bank

- Founded : **February 2003**
- HQ : **Mumbai**
- MD & CEO : **Uday Kotak**
- Tagline : **Let's Make Money Simple**



# BANKING AND FINANCE



➤ Which of the following bank will bring in strategic partner in subsidiary Nainital Bank?

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

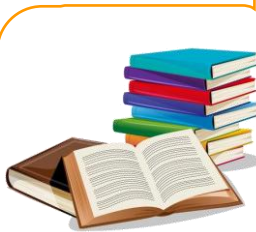


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**Bank of Baroda**



**Answer**

**A) Bank of Baroda**





## Explanation

- **Bank of Baroda (BoB) has decided to bring in a strategic partner in its subsidiary Nainital Bank Ltd.**
- With this, the public sector bank is planning to divest its majority stake and relinquish its control of the subsidiary.
- **The move is also aimed at creating more value in the 100-year old NBL and also take it to a next level of growth and standing in the banking industry.**
- At present, **BoB holds 98.57 per cent stake in the Nainital Bank.**



## Titbits

### Bank of Baroda

- Founded : **20/07/1908**
- HQ : **Vadodara, Gujarat**
- Chairman : **Hasmukh Adhia**
- MD & CEO : **Sanjiv Chadha**
- Tagline : **India's International Bank**



# APPOINTMENTS

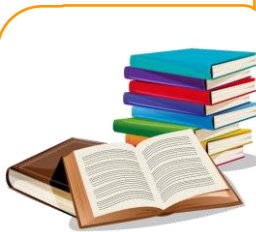
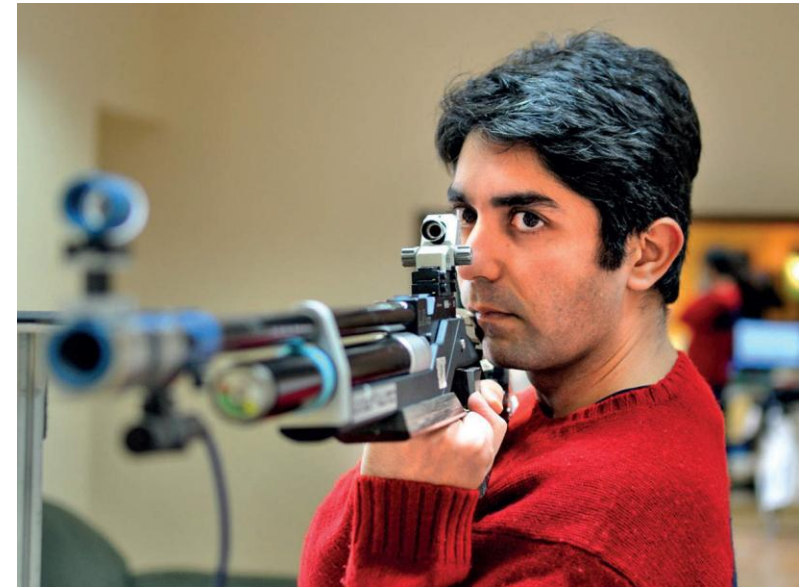


➤ Who among the following named as Event Ambassador for Kolkata 25K 2022?

- A) Abhinav Bindra
- B) Gagan Narang
- C) Anjali Bhagwa
- D) Elavenil Valarivan
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**A) Abhinav Bindra**





# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- Indian sportspersons continue to draw inspiration from Abhinav Bindra's powerful words -- "**Practice is a talent, perseverance is a talent, hard work is a talent**" -- and the presence of India's first individual Olympic gold medallist will provide a boost **to participants at the Kolkata 25K 2022, December 18.**
- Race organiser Procam International announced Bindra as the Event Ambassador for the seventh edition of this prestigious **USD 100,000 prize fund World Athletics Elite Label Road Race.**
- The shooter replaces former grand slam tennis champion Mary Pierce who is indisposed.



# AWARDS



➤ Railways bagged how many awards for energy conservation?

- A) 7
- B) 8
- C) 9
- D) 10
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
**C) 9**



# AWARDS



## Explanation

- **Indian Railways has won nine National Energy Conservation Awards for the year 2022**, with the South Central Railways bagging the first and second prize in railway stations category.
- **These awards were given for the best energy management practices and presented by President Droupadi Murmu** at a function held by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency under the aegis of Ministry of Power.
- **The first prize was awarded for Kacheguda station (Telangana) and the second to Guntakal railway station (Andhra Pradesh) for energy conservation measures in railway stations category**, a statement from the Ministry said.
- **Certificate of merit was awarded to the Kanpur Central Railway Station (NCR), Rajahmudry Railway Station (SCR) and Tenali Railway station (SCR) under this category.**





# AWARDS



➤ Who won 'Content Group of the Year' award globally at 'Esports Awards'22'?

- A) S8UL
- B) Tensports
- C) ESPN
- D) Starsports
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
A) S8UL



# AWARDS



## Explanation

- **S8UL's triumph is a long-awaited one for the Indian esports community** and winning against global sensations from the industry including the likes of 100 Thieves, FaZe Clan, OTK, G4TV, Tribo Gaules etc at a global esports recognition event, **is a matter of great pride for S8UL and for Indian esports.**
- **This is bound to do good things for them, as well as for Indian esports globally in terms of recognition and respect.**



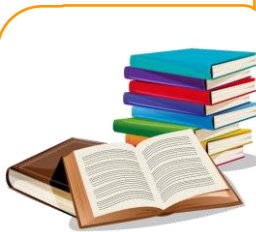
➤ Which of the following launched India's First-of-its-kind "YS Clubhouse" in the Student Housing Sector?

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



**Answer**

**B) Your space**





## Explanation

- India (NewsVoir) **your-space** launches **India's first recreational space in the student housing sector**, upgrading the student living experience in India.
- This your-space hub, **built in an area of 4000 sq feet, is equipped with a range of different amenities including a mini library, performance area, a cafe in partnership with BBR (Before British Raj)**, a reading corner, a study pod, and a gaming area with consoles, table tennis and a foosball set up.
- **The YS Clubhouse is now ready and excited to welcome students.**
- Opened in the heart of one of the biggest student hotspots in the country, in the North Campus, Delhi University on Bungalow Road, this clubhouse will be within walking distance from 10 different colleges, including SRCC, St. Stephens, Ramjas, Hansraj, Hindu, Miranda house and Daulat Ram College.
- **The area is said to have a strength of 15000 students approximately.**



# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



➤ Whose commercial arm launched 177 foreign satellites in last 5 years?

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

**Answer**  
**B) ISRO**



## Explanation

- **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) through its commercial arms has successfully launched 177 foreign satellites** belonging to 19 countries over the last five years, said Union minister of state for science and technology Jitendra Singh.
- In a written reply to a question in Rajya Sabha, the minister said that from January 2018 to November 2022, **ISRO has successfully launched 177 foreign satellites belonging to countries like Australia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Finland, France, Israel, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Netherlands, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Spain, Switzerland, United Kingdom and the US, on-board PSLV and GSLV-MkIII launchers under commercial agreement.**



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ India-Indonesia organized which edition of ASEAN-Indian Blue Economy Workshop?

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

**Answer**  
D) 4th





## Explanation

- **India and Indonesia highlighted the importance of sustainable development, connectivity, Science and Technology and safety and security** to further cooperation to enhance the Blue Economy cooperation as Comprehensive Strategic Partners, the External Affairs Ministry said.
- **At the 4th ASEAN-Indian Blue Economy Workshop held Secretary (East) Saurabh Kumar highlighted the importance of sustainable development and connectivity.**



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which edition of Indo-Nepal joint training exercise -Surya Kiran to be conducted at Nepal Army Battle School, Saljhandi from 16th December?

- A) 15th
- B) 16th
- C) 17th
- D) 18th
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
**B) 16th**



## Explanation

- The **16th edition of Indo-Nepal joint training exercise - Surya Kiran** will be conducted at **Nepal Army Battle School, Saljhandi**.
- Defence Ministry said, the exercise is conducted annually between India and Nepal with the aim **to enhance interoperability in jungle warfare and counter-terrorism operations in mountainous terrain**.
- The joint exercise will focus on evolution of combined drills for planning and conduct of tactical **operations at unit level in counter-terrorism operations and disaster response mechanism in general and role of armed forces in management of disaster**.



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Who recognized 'Namami Gange' initiative as one of top 10 World Restoration Flagships programmes?

- A) UN
- B) EU
- C) USSR
- D) UK
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
A) UN

The infographic features a background image of a person standing in the Ganga river with a city skyline in the distance. At the top, it says '6 Years of Preserving the River Ganga' and includes logos for the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, and 'my GOV'. The main title is 'Namami Gange: Conservation Mission Clean Ganga'. Three key statistics are listed with icons: a rupee symbol for funding, a globe for sanctioned projects, and a factory for completed projects.

Ministry of Jal Shakti  
Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation

6 Years  
of Preserving the River Ganga

नमामि गंगे my GOV

**Namami Gange:  
Conservation Mission  
Clean Ganga**

Namami Gange was launched in 2014-15 for rejuvenation of Ganga and its tributaries with an **assured funding of ₹20,000 crore**

**344 projects have been sanctioned** at a cost of ₹29,990 crore

**147 projects have been completed** and the remaining are under execution





## Explanation

- The United Nations, UN, has recognized Namami Gange initiative **to rejuvenate River Ganga as one of the top 10 World Restoration Flagships programmes to revive natural world.**
- Director General, Namami Gange, **G. Asok Kumar received the recognition award at a function in the 15th Conference of Parties to the Convention on Biodiversity in Montreal, Canada** on the occasion of World Restoration Day.



➤ Where Goa CM Pramod Sawant inaugurated Serendipity Arts Festival?

- A) Margao
- B) Mormugao
- C) Panaji
- D) Fontainhas
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
**C) Panaji**



## Explanation

- **Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant launched the nine-day Serendipity Arts Festival in Panaji.**
- Goa CM Pramod Sawant said that the festival enables the people of Goa **to showcase their talent and culture in the world.**
- **"We hope this festival will inspire the artist community to make Goa the region's cultural hub.**
- **This festival also enables the people of Goa to showcase their talent and culture in world,"** said Goa CM.
- He further said that AI and technology are also being used in the festival.
- **"Art lovers and curators from across the world are coming to Goa which is boosting tourism in the state. AI and technology are also being used in the festival,"** said CM Pramod Sawant.
- CM Sawant also said that Goa is a melting pot of culture.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which of the following state CM inaugurated state-level orientation programme on 'Amar Sarkar' web portal?

- A) Assam
- B) Tirpura
- C) Meghalaya
- D) Mizoram
- E) None of these

**Answer**  
**B) Tirpura**





## Explanation

- Tripura Chief Minister Manik Saha on Wednesday attended the state-level orientation programme on the **'Amar Sarkar' web portal in Agartala.**
- **"Inaugurated one-day state-level orientation programme on 'Amar Sarkar' web portal, Roll Out of Localization of Sustainable Development Goals and People's Plan Campaign- 2022 at Prajna Bhavan, Agartala,"** Tweeted Tripura Chief Minister Manik Saha.
- The web portal has been described and designed **to make the citizens feel that, this good governance is for all, the government doesn't have any specific party or religion and it's for the people, by the people and of the people.**



➤ Textile industry is committed to achieving the \$100 billion export target by which year?

- A) 2025
- B) 2030
- C) 2035
- D) 2040
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**B) 2030**



## Explanation

- **The textile industry is committed to achieving the \$100 billion export target by 2030.**
- **Kashi and Tamil Nadu will play a major role in this, said Union Commerce and Textiles minister Piyush Goyal after his meeting with textile industry leaders in Varanasi.**
- **"The textile industry is full of confidence. They are going to achieve the USD 100 bn targets and they are going to become the largest creator of jobs and employment and work opportunities in this country after agriculture," said Piyush Goyal.**



➤ **Who among the following Minister will inaugurate 7th India IWIS 2022?**

- A) Bharati Pravin Pawar
- B) Jai Ram Thakur
- C) Virbhadra Singh
- D) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**D) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat**



## Explanation

- Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat will inaugurate **the 7th India Water Impact Summit (IWIS 2022) at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi.**
- The theme of the summit this year is **Restoration and Conservation of Small Rivers in a Large Basin.**
- It will also focus on the select aspects of **‘Mapping and Convergence of 5Ps’** - People, Policy, Plan, Programme and Project.
- The three-day-long summit will aim **to give an insight into the potential causes for divergence and formulate a strategy to achieve convergence.**
- The event will also host a finance forum **to bring together global financial institutions and investors interested in river restoration and conservation programmes.**





## Titbits

### Ministry of Jal Shakti

- UNION MINISTER : **Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat** (Jodhpur,Rajasthan)



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Who among the following inaugurated National Maternal Health Workshop?

- A) Bharati Pravin Pawar
- B) Jai Ram Thakur
- C) Virbhadra Singh
- D) Prem Kumar Dhumal
- E) None of these

**Answer**

**A) Bharati Pravin Pawar**



## Explanation

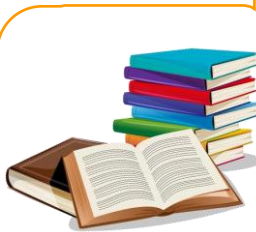
- “The country has achieved a momentous milestone in reduction of maternal mortality ratio (MMR) **registering a significant decline from 130 in 2014-16 to 97 per lakh live births in 2018-20**, but it remains our duty to **remove all bottlenecks especially at field level to ensure that every mother is cared for and consequently ensure zero preventable maternal mortality.**”
- This was stated by Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare, Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar as she chaired the National Maternal Health Workshop.
- Aligning with the ‘**Sustainable Development Goal Agenda 2030**’ for maternal mortality reduction, the theme of the workshop was “**Striving for zero preventable maternal mortality**”.



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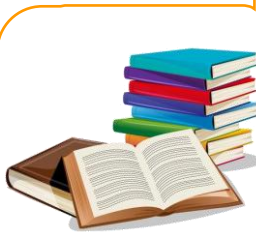
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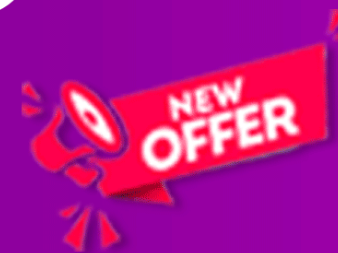


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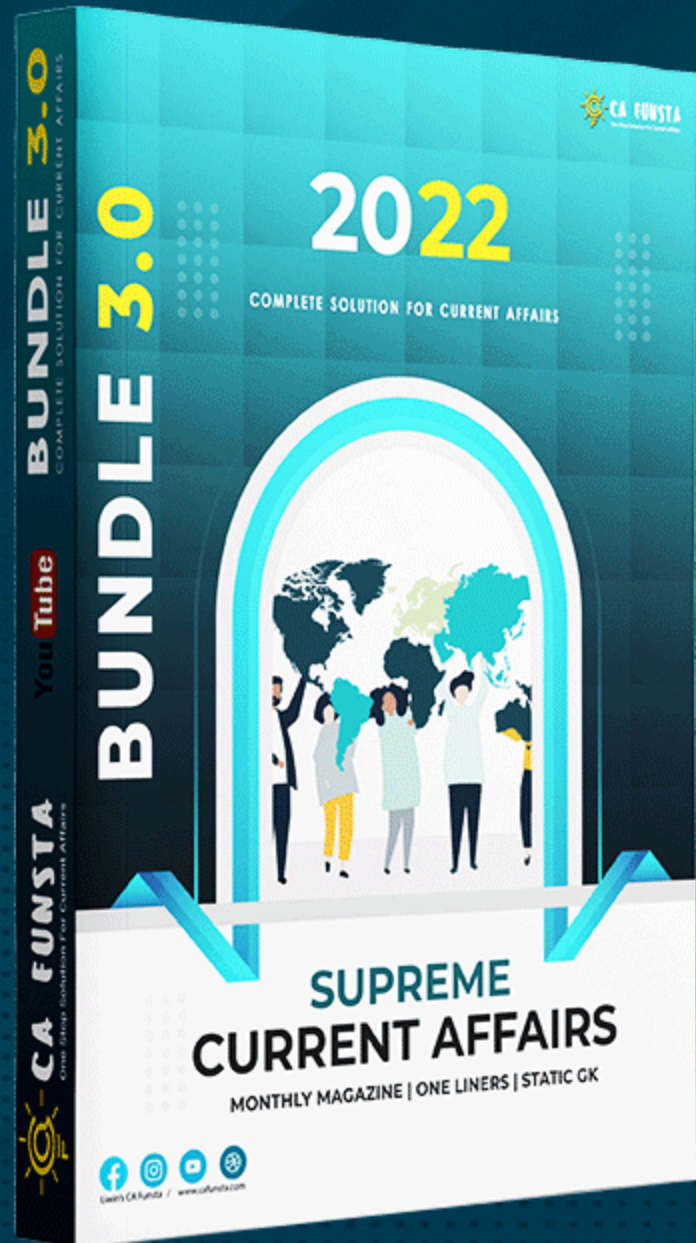
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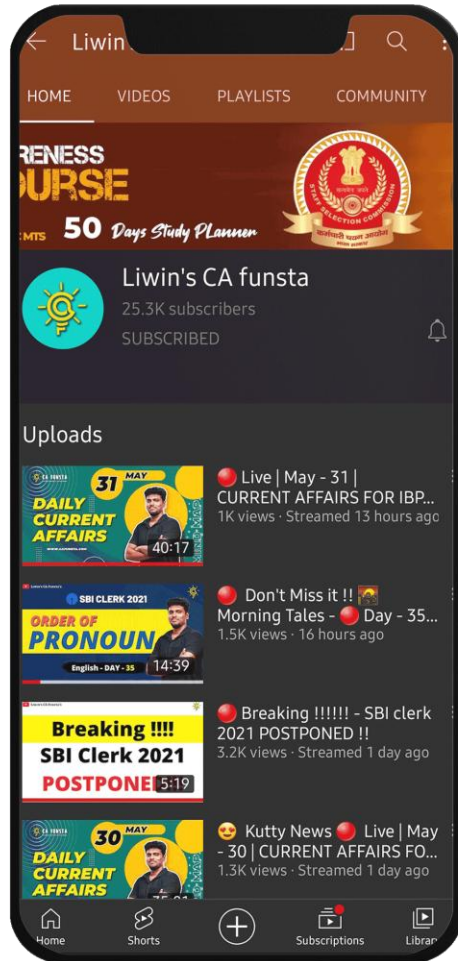
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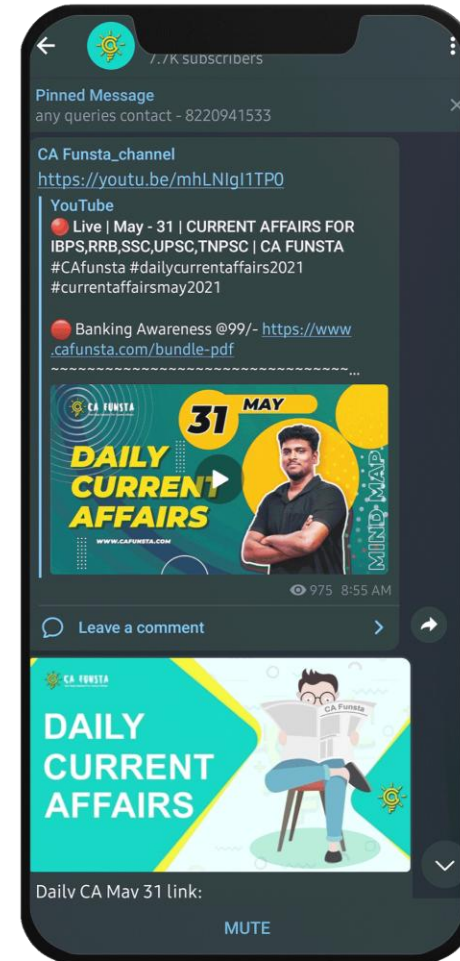
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