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# Important Days

**National Security Day is observed on which date?**

- A) March 2
- B) March 1
- C) March 4
- D) March 5
- E) March 7

**Answer**  
**C) March 4**



# Important Days



## Explanation

- **March 4** is observed as **National Security Day** in India annually. It is also known as **Rashtriya Suraksha Diwas**, celebrated to honour the Indian Security Forces.
- The idea of National Security Day or National Safety Day was launched in **1972** and is organised every year. The NSC or the National Safety Council takes responsibility for managing the event every year. The Safety Council was founded by the Ministry of Labour on March 4, 1966, to develop sustainable Safety, Health and Environment movement.
- The National Safety Council of India announced the theme for this year to be '**Nurture young minds - Develop safety culture**'.



# Important Days



## World Day of Fight against Sexual Exploitation

- Mark your calendars for March 4, 2023 – the World Day of Fight against Sexual Exploitation.
- This day is dedicated to raising awareness about the disturbing reality of sexual abuse and trafficking, and empowering individuals and communities to fight back against these heinous crimes.



# SPORTS



**Karnataka beats \_\_\_\_\_ to clinch Santosh Trophy 2023 after 54 years?**

- A) Meghalaya
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Andhra Pradesh
- E) Karnataka

**Answer**  
**A) Meghalaya**





## Explanation

- **Karnataka** came up with a dominant performance to prevail over a fighting **Meghalaya** 3-2 in the final of the **76th National football championship for Santosh Trophy, at the King Fahd International Stadium.**
- This was the first trophy for Karnataka, which had previously won four times as the princely state of Mysore, after a gap of 54 years (after 1968-69).



# SPORTS



**First-ever Women's Premier League to begin in which city?**

- A) Bangalore
- B) Chennai
- C) Mumbai
- D) Indore
- E) Navi Mumbai

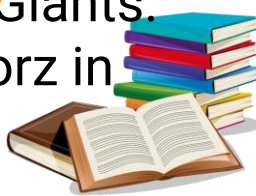
**Answer**

**E) Navi Mumbai**



## Explanation

- History will be made today when the **five-team Women's Premier League (WPL 2023) begins in Navi Mumbai**. After years of wait and planning, the Board of Control for Cricket in India, BCCI, has finally been able to organise the standalone T20 franchise-based cricket league for women, on the lines of the popular Indian Premier League.
- The five teams taking part in the inaugural edition of WPL are **Mumbai Indians (MI), Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB), Delhi Capitals (DC), UP Warriorz (UPW) and Gujarat Giants (GG)**. India captain Harmanpreet Kaur has been named as MI captain while opener Smriti Mandhana will lead RCB's women's team.
- Australia's successful skipper Meg Lanning will be at the helm of Delhi Capitals, while Beth Mooney has been named as captain for Gujarat Giants. Australian wicketkeeper and batter Alyssa Healy is leading UP Warriorz in WPL 2023.



# OBITUARY



**Satyabrata Mookherjee passed away. He is related to which field?**

- A) Musician
- B) Businessman
- C) Sports
- D) Actor
- E) Politician



**Answer**  
**E) Politician**



# OBITUARY



## Explanation

- **Former Union minister and West Bengal BJP's ex-president** Satyabrata Mookherjee died at his residence in Kolkata following prolonged illness, party sources said.
- The veteran politician was elected from the **Krishnanagar Lok Sabha constituency** on BJP ticket in 1999.
- In the **Atal Bihari Vajpayee** government, Mookherjee was the **Union Minister of State for Chemicals and Fertilizers (September 2000-June 2002) and then for Commerce and Industry (July 2002-October 2003)**.
- Mookherjee was president of the BJP's West Bengal unit from 2008 before he was replaced by Rahul Sinha in October 2009.
- He was the **Additional Solicitor General of India** before being elected to the Lok Sabha.



# BANKING AND FINANCE



The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a monetary penalty of over \_\_\_\_\_ on Amazon Pay (India) for non-compliance with certain provisions related to Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs) and Know Your Customer (KYC) requirements?

- A) Rs 2 crore
- B) Rs 1 crore
- C) Rs 3 crore
- D) Rs 4 crore
- E) Rs 5 crore

**Answer**

**C) Rs 3 crore**



## Explanation

- **The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** said it imposed a monetary penalty of over **Rs 3 crore (3,06,66,000)** on **Amazon Pay (India)** for non-compliance with certain provisions related to Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs) and Know Your Customer (KYC) requirements.
- The RBI statement said the penalty has been imposed in the exercise of powers vested in RBI under Section 30 of the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007.
- The Reserve Bank of India imposed a **Rs 5,000** cap on withdrawals by individual customers from **Tamil Nadu-based Musiri Urban Co-operative Bank** as part of several restrictions slapped on the lender due to its deteriorating financial condition.
- The restrictions on the lender will remain in force for six months from the close of business on March 3 and are subject to review, the RBI said in a statement.
- Further, it said that eligible depositors would be entitled to receive deposit insurance claim amount of his/her deposits up to Rs 5 lakh from the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation.



## Titbits

### RBI

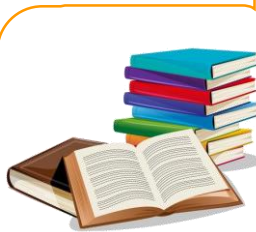
Abbreviation: Reserve Bank of India

Act: Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934

Headquarters– Mumbai, Maharashtra

Governor– Shaktikanta Das

Deputy Governors– 4 (T Rabi Sankar, Mahesh Kumar Jain, Michael Debabrata Patra, M. Rajeshwar Rao)





# BANKING AND FINANCE



The Government of India and the World Bank signed two complementary loans of \_\_\_\_ each to support and enhance India's health sector development?

- A) USD 100 million
- B) USD 200 million
- C) USD 300 million
- D) USD 400 million
- E) USD 500 million

**Answer**

**C) Rs 3 crore**



## Explanation

- **The Government of India** and the **World Bank** signed two complementary loans of **USD 500 million each** to support and enhance India's health sector development.
- According to a release by World Bank on March 3, this combined financing of USD 1 billion will support **India's flagship Pradhan Mantri-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM)**, launched in **October 2021**, to improve the public healthcare infrastructure across the country.
- In addition to the national-level interventions, one of the loans will prioritize health service delivery in **seven states including Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Meghalaya, Odisha, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, and Uttar Pradesh**, the release said



## Titbits

### World Bank

Founded: 1944

Members: 189 countries (IBRD), 173 countries (IDA)

Hq: Washington D.C, US



# APPOINTMENTS



**Sheikh Ahmad Nawaf al-Sabah is appointed as Prime Minister of which country?**

- A) Bahrain
- B) UK
- C) USA
- D) UAE
- E) Kuwait

**Answer**  
**E) Kuwait**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- The Kuwaiti Emiri has re-appointed **Sheikh Ahmad Nawaf al-Sabah** as prime minister and assigned him to nominate members of the new government, the state news agency.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Titbits

Kuwait

Capital : Kuwait city

Currency: The Kuwaiti Dinar



# AWARDS



**Which organisation conferred with the CBIP Award 2022 for 'Outstanding Contribution in Power Generation?'**

- A) IBA
- B) NHPC
- C) CCI
- D) CII
- E) NTPC

**Answer**  
**E) NTPC**



# AWARDS



## Explanation

- **NTPC Limited**, has been honoured with the CBIP Award 2022 for 'Outstanding Contribution in Power Generation', attributed to its Vindhyachal Super Thermal Power Station, the largest power station in the country for its efficiency and high level of generation.
- The CBIP Awards are conferred to institutions/individuals for their outstanding contributions to the development of water, power and Renewable Energy Sectors





# AWARDS



## Titbits

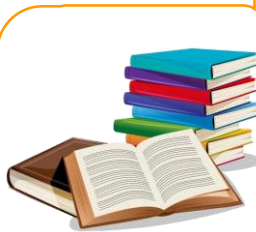
### NTPC Limited

Abbreviation: National Thermal Power Corporation Limited

Founded: 1975

Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi

Chairman : Shri Gurdeep Singh



# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket successfully launched how many Starlink satellites to low-Earth orbit completing the company's 15th mission so far this year?

- A) 51
- B) 52
- C) 54
- D) 56
- E) 58

**Answer**  
**A) 51**



## Explanation

- SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket successfully launched 51 Starlink satellites to low-Earth orbit completing the company's 15th mission so far this year.
- The mission lifted off at 10:38 a.m. PT (18:38 UTC) from Space Launch Complex 4 East (SLC-4E) at Vandenberg Space Force Base in California.
- The first stage booster supporting this mission previously launched Crew-1, Crew-2, SXM-8, CRS-23, IXPE, Transporter-4, Transporter-5, Globalstar FM15, ISI EROS C-3 and two Starlink missions.
- On March 2, 2023, SpaceX launched the Crew-6 mission to the International Space Station. The SpaceX Dragon, named Endeavour, carried NASA astronauts, Mission Commander Stephen Bowen and Pilot Woody Hoburg, along with UAE (United Arab Emirates) astronaut Sultan Alneyadi, and Roscosmos cosmonaut Andrey Fedyaev.



# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



## Titbits

### SpaceX

Headquarters: Hawthorne, California, United States of America

Founded: 6 May 2002

CEO: Elon Musk



**India and which country signed an MoU on research, technology and innovation collaborations in New Delhi?**

- A) Bahrain
- B) UK
- C) USA
- D) Mexico
- E) Kuwait

**Answer**  
**D) Mexico**



## Explanation

- India and **Mexico** signed an MoU on **research, technology and innovation collaborations in New Delhi.**
- It will specifically focus on several key technology areas including Aerospace, Electronics, Earth and Ocean Sciences and Water, Mining, Minerals, Clean Energy, Biotech and Healthcare



**Which state government decided to implement the Old Pension Scheme (OPS) from April 1 in the state?**

- A) Karnataka
- B) Bihar
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Himachal Pradesh

**Answer**

**E) Himachal Pradesh**



## Explanation

- The **Himachal Pradesh** government decided to implement the Old Pension Scheme (OPS) from April 1 in the state, according to an official statement issued here. The Himachal cabinet, which was presided by Chief Minister **Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu**, gave its nod to the implementation of the OPS which would put a burden of **Rs 1,000-crore** on the state exchequer, it said.
- The employees under the New Pension Scheme (NPS), who have retired after May 15, 2003, will be given OPS from the prospective date. The decision would put a burden of Rs 1,000-crore on the state exchequer during 2023-24 financial year, it added.





## Titbits

### Himachal Pradesh

Capital : Shimla

CM : Jai Ram Thakur

Governor : Shiv Pratap Shukla



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



**The world's first 200-meter-long Bamboo Crash Barrier has been installed on the Vani-Warora Highway in Vidarbha in which state?**

- A) Karnataka
- B) Bihar
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Himachal Pradesh

**Answer**

**D) Maharashtra**



## Explanation

- The **world's first 200-meter-long Bamboo Crash Barrier** has been installed on the **Vani-Warora Highway in Vidarbha in Maharashtra** making it an extraordinary accomplishment towards achieving Atma Nirbhar Bharat initiative.
- **Named Bahu Balli**, this Bamboo Crash Barrier, underwent rigorous testing at various government-run institutions such as the **National Automotive Test Tracks (NATRAX) in Pithampur, Indore**. It was rated as Class 1 during the Fire Rating Test conducted at the Central Building Research Institute (CBRI) in Roorkee. Additionally, it has also been accredited by the Indian Road Congress. The recycling value of the bamboo barrier is **50-70 percent** whereas that of steel barriers is 30-50



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### Maharashtra

Capital : Mumbai

CM : Eknath Shinde

Governor : Bhagat singh koshyari



**Who inaugurates International Dharma-Dhamma Conference in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh?**

- A) Dharmendra Pradhan
- B) Nirmala Sitharaman
- C) Piyush Goyal
- D) Narendra Modi
- E) Draupadi Murmu

**Answer**

**E) Draupadi Murmu**



## Explanation

- **President Smt Draupadi Murmu** said that India always emphasises that peace, not war, is the way forward. The President was addressing the inauguration ceremony of the **7th International Dharma Dhamma Conference in Bhopal**.
- The three-day conference, focused on the principle of Eastern humanism in the new era, will conclude on March 5. More than 350 scholars from 15 countries are participating in this conference



Which state has launched a unique scheme called Ladli Bahna to make women financially independent?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Bihar
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Himachal Pradesh

**Answer**

**D) Madhya Pradesh**



## Explanation

- In Madhya Pradesh, the state government has launched a unique scheme today to make women financially independent.
- In this scheme called **Ladli Bahna**, each woman will be given **Rs 1000 per month**.
- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurated the process of filling out application forms and brochures of Ladli Bahna Yojana in the presence of around one lakh women at Bhopal's Jamboree Maidan today.
- The **Mukhyamantri Ladli Bahna Yojana** is launched in the state with the goals of enhancing women's economic independence, improving their health and nutrition status and expanding their influence over family decisions Under the scheme, **Rs 1000 per month** will be deposited in the account of native women in the age group of **23 to 60 years**.





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### Madhya Pradesh

Capital: Bhopal

CM: Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Governor : Shri Mangubhai Patel



**Indian Navy has received a fully indigenised fuze for anti submarine warfare (ASW) underwater rocket, manufactured for the first time by which company?**

- A) HAL
- B) IOCL
- C) BHEL
- D) BEL
- E) Economic Explosives Limited

**Answer**

**E) Economic Explosives Limited**



## Explanation

- In order to provide a major boost to **AatmaNirbharta in Armament and Ammunition, Indian Navy** received for the first time a fully indigenised **fuze YDB-60 for underwater Anti Submarine Warfare (ASW) Rocket RGB-60** used from major warships, through a private manufacturer **M/s Economic Explosives Limited (EEL), Nagpur**.
- This would be the first time the Indian Navy has placed a supply order for underwater ammunition fuze on an Indian private sector industry. EEL, Nagpur CMD Satyanarayan Nuwal handed over the first consignment of the fuze to Vice Admiral SN Ghormade, Vice Chief of Naval Staff (VCNS).



**Second meeting of Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion held in which city?**

- A) Bangalore
- B) Chennai
- C) Mumbai
- D) Indore
- E) Hyderabad

**Answer**  
**E) Hyderabad**



## Explanation

- **Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs, Union Ministry of Finance Ajay Seth** said the theme "One World, One Family, One Future" and that one future cannot be crafted without voicing the concerns of the emerging world.
- **Mr. Seth** was addressing the second meeting of the Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPII) at HICC in Hyderabad.
- **Hyderabad** is hosting a meeting on the theme of Knowledge and experience exchange Programme for the emerging economies of the global south during 4th-6th March. It will provide a platform to discuss ways to accelerate development in the Global South. The inaugural session of the event '**India & The Global South: A Vision for a Shared Future**' **was addressed by G20 India Chief Coordinator Harsh Vardhan Shringla in Hyderabad.**
- The second session was focussed on Digital Public Infrastructure : a digital revolution on global financial Inclusion. The third session was on Financial inclusion through digital innovations Knowledge and experience exchange. A side event on the topic of Role and Significance of G20 and GPII also took place.



**Who launched Yuva Utsava - India@2047 from Ropar in Punjab?**

- A) Dharmendra Pradhan
- B) Nirmala Sitharaman
- C) Anurag Singh Thakur
- D) Narendra Modi
- E) Draupadi Murmu

**Answer**

**C) Anurag Singh Thakur**



## Explanation

- **Youth Affairs and Sports and Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur** launched **Yuva Utsava - India@2047** from Ropar in Punjab on 4th March 2023. He also launched the Dashboard of Yuva Utsav during the event.
- In his address he said that in the first phase , Yuva Utsav is being organised in 150 districts across the country to promote youth power till the 31st of March, 2023. In the first phase, programmes are being conducted by schools and colleges of the districts.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### **Information and Broadcasting; and Youth Affairs and Sports**

Minister: Shri Anurag Singh Thakur

Constituency: Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



**Who has termed the approval of the nano liquid DAP (Di-Ammonium Phosphate) fertiliser as an important step towards making life easier for the farmers?**

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- C) Anurag Singh Thakur
- D) Narendra Modi
- E) Draupadi Murmu

**Answer**  
**D) Narendra Modi**



## Explanation

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has termed the approval of the nano liquid DAP (Di-Ammonium Phosphate) fertiliser as an important step towards making life easier for the farmers.
- The Minister informed that after nano Urea, now the Government has given its nod to nano DAP. He added that it has been approved by the Agriculture Ministry and also been notified in the Fertiliser Control Order



**Which state launches 'UP Rahi' app to ensure hassle-free bus travel?**

- A) Karnataka
- B) Bihar
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Madhya Pradesh
- E) Himachal Pradesh

**Answer**

**C) Uttar Pradesh**



## Explanation

- With the aim of improving the state's transport system, Chief Minister **Yogi Adityanath** launched a ticket booking and passenger feedback app -- '**UP Rahi**', which will allow passengers to make online reservations while sitting at home.
- A press release by the government stated that, in addition to allowing users to pre-book bus travel from the comfort of their own homes, this app also offers cashless services. Not only this, but the passengers will also be able to give their feedback on the problems related to their journey, the behaviour of the driver-conductor, the condition of the bus, and other related issues on the app.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

Uttar Pradesh

Capital : Lucknow

CM : Yogi Adityanath

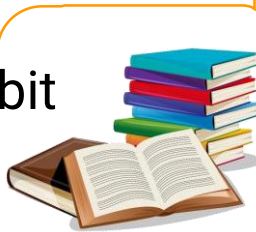
Governor : Anandiben Patel



# QUICK RECALL



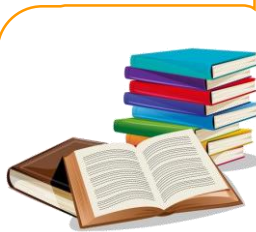
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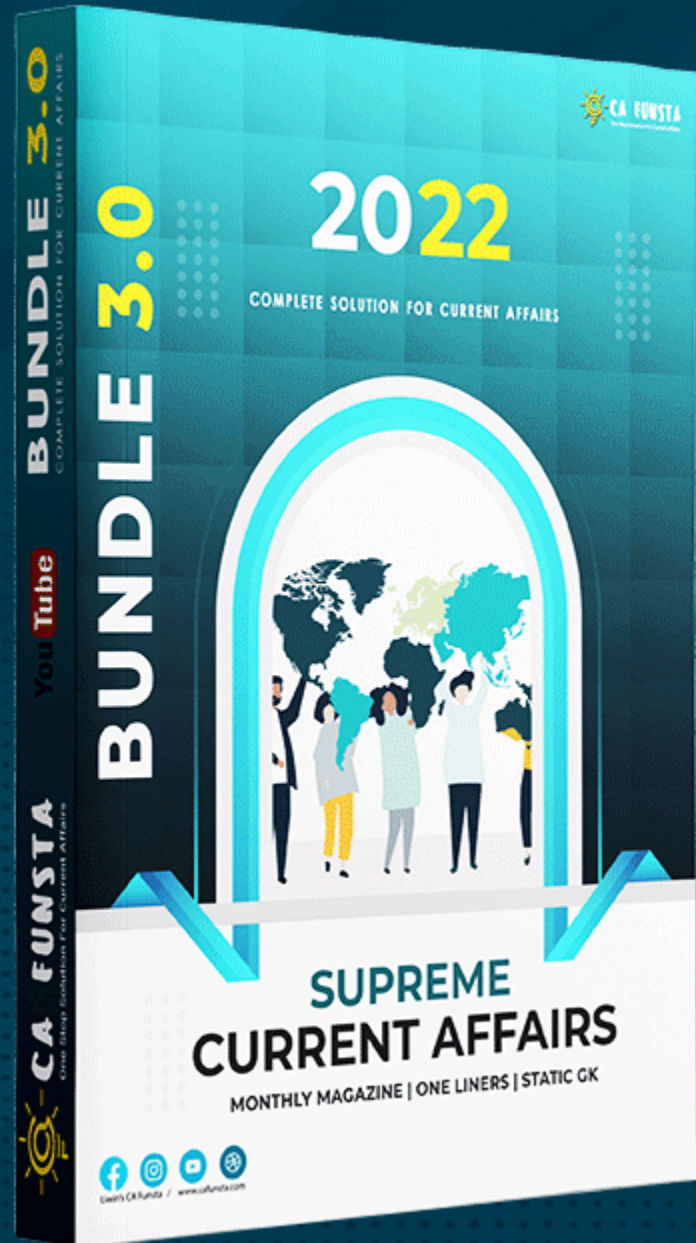
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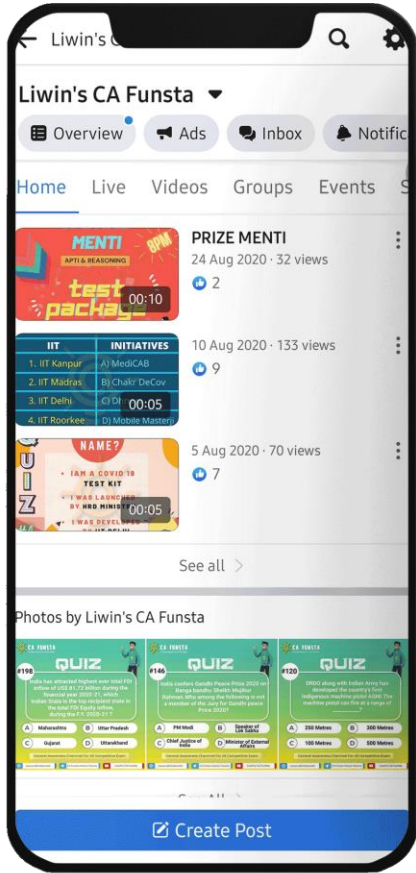
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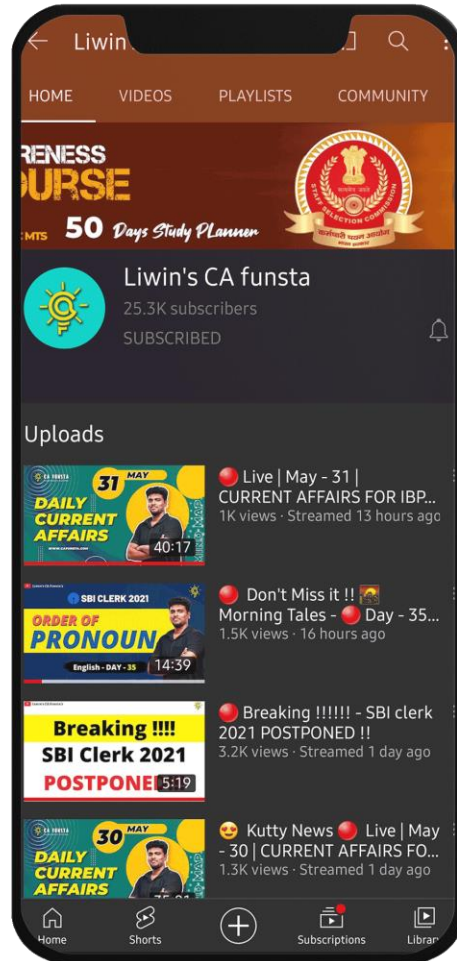
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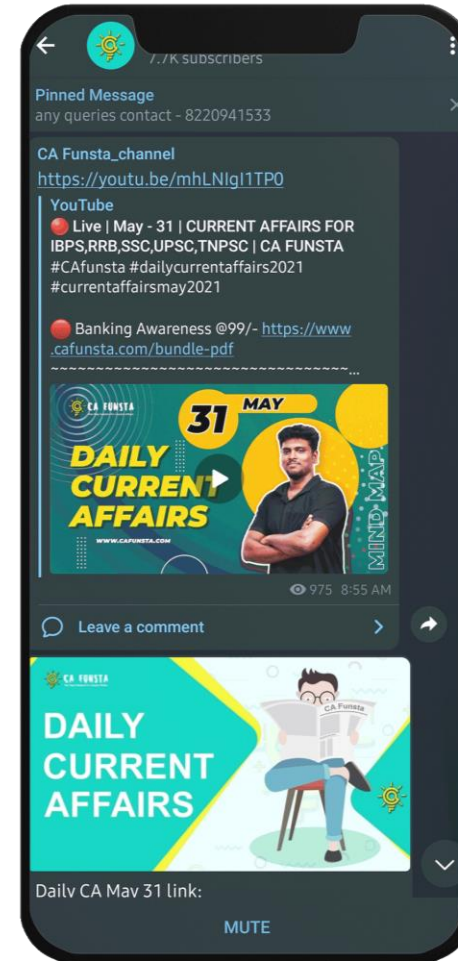
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