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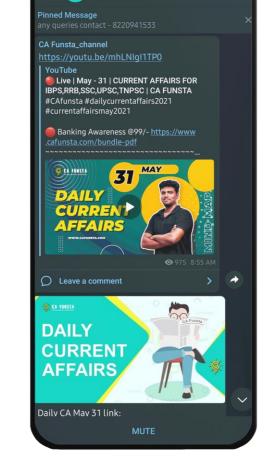
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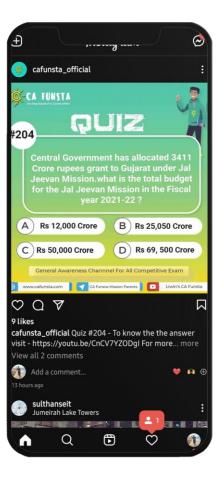
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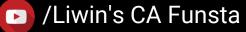




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#### **Important Days**



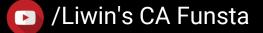
A) May 1
B) May 2
C) May 3
D) May 4
E) May 5

Answer D) May 4









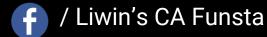
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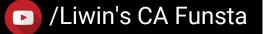
### **Important Days**



#### Explanation

- International Firefighters' Day (IFFD) is observed on May 4.
- It was instituted after a proposal was made on January 4, 1999, following the deaths of five firefighters in tragic circumstances in a bushfire in Australia.
- First Edition : 1999
- Symbol: Red and Blue Ribbon







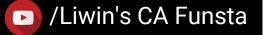


#### NATIONAL COAL MINERS DAY 2023

 National Coal Miners Day is observed every year on May 4th to recognize and honour the tireless efforts and significant contribution of coal miners in extracting coal, which is one of the most important fossil fuels used for various purposes, including power generation and industrial production.

History

- May 4th, 1901 marked a tragic event at the Universal Colliery in Senghenydd, South Wales when an explosion took the lives of 81 coal miners.
- This incident is regarded as the most fatal coal mining disaster in the history of the UK, and it sparked the implementation of significant safety reforms in the coal mining industry.
- In recognition of the sacrifices made by coal miners and as a tribute to the unfortunate incident, the Indian government declared May 4th as National Coal Miners Day in 2010.



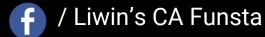
Which digital transformation provider has partnered with FIDE for the Global Chess League?

A) Accenture
B) Infosys
C) Wipro
D) Tech Mahindra
E) TCS





Answer D) Tech Mahindra









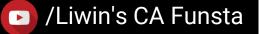
#### Explanation

• The International Chess Federation (FIDE) has announced a new partnership with digital transformation provider Tech Mahindra for the Global Chess League with India's five-time former world champion Viswanathan Anand as its mentor.

The Global Chess League will be the only world league officially recognised by the governing body of the sport of chess, the FIDE announced.

 The competition was established as a first-of-its-kind "phygital" (physical and digital) league, engaging players from all levels. it will have several franchise-owned teams from across the globe, which will comprise a mix of titled players along with juniors and wildcard entrants playing each other in an exciting format.







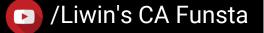
#### Explanation

- The collaboration between Tech Mahindra and FIDE will also promote playing of chess in new and innovative formats, create opportunities for youth, and foster many champions globally. The partnership aims to leverage new-age technologies like 5G, artificial intelligence, virtual reality, among others, and explore innovative ways of promoting the game through interactive technology-enabled platforms.
- The world's largest and first franchise-based chess league
   Global Chess League will be held in Dubai in association with Dubai
   Sports Council, the league's Host Partner.

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The first edition of the Global Chess League, set to take place from June 21 to July 2, 2023, will feature six teams with six players each, including a minimum of two female players and one icon player per team. The six teams will compete in a round-robin format where each team will play 10 matches.





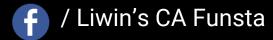
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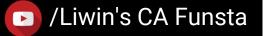
#### Federation Internationale des Echecs(World Chess Federation)

Headquarters: Lausanne, Switzerland Founded: 20 July 1924 President: Arkady Dvorkovich Abbreviation: FIDE

#### **Tech Mahindra**

Hq: Pune, Maharashtra Chairman : Anand Mahindra





What is the name of the week-long shopping festival launched by Punjab National Bank (PNB) on its mobile banking app?

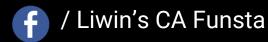
A) PNB One-Stop Shopping
B) PNB Shopping Spree
C) PNB Shopping Extravaganza
D) PNB Shopping Festive-One
E) PNB Mobile Shopping Bonanza

#### Answer D) PNB Shopping Festive-One



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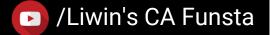






#### Explanation

- Punjab National Bank (PNB), nation's leading public sector bank, is launching a week-long shopping festival named "PNB SHOPPING FESTIVE-ONE" on its mobile banking app: PNB One.
- The shopping can be done from "PNB Shoppe" link available on PNB One.
- The campaign will run from 1st May to 7th May, 2023 on bank's Mobile Banking Application – PNB One and on Internet banking also.
- Since last one year, PNB has launched various digital products with end-to-end journey in the form of Pre-Approved Personal Loan (PAPL) in 4 clicks, Pre-Approved Business Loan (PABL), e-Mudra, Kisan Jansamarth Portal, Krishi Tatkal Rin, e-OTS, Insta EMI on Credit cards, Claim settlement portal etc. in order to facilitate our customers in their day to day banking requirements without visiting branch and at the ease of their home.

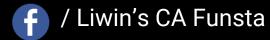




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#### **Punjab National Bank**

Headquarters: New Delhi MD & CEO : Atul Kumar Goel Tagline: The Name You Can Bank upon







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What is the name of the global competition launched by RBI and BIS for developing innovative solutions to improve cross-border payments?

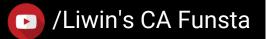
A) G20 TechFest 2023

- B) G20 FinTech Challenge 2023
- C) G20 TechSprint 2023
- D) G20 Digital Innovation Contest 2023
- E) G20 Payment Revolution Challenge 2023

#### Answer C) G20 TechSprint 2023

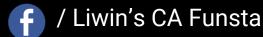




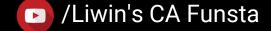




- **The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** launched **G20 TechSprint**, a global technology competition for developing innovative solutions to improve cross-border payments.
- Under India's G20 Presidency, the RBI and the BIS Innovation Hub (BISIH) of the Bank for International Settlements have jointly launched the fourth edition of the G20 TechSprint.
- The 2023 TechSprint will focus on solutions for three challenges cross-border payments face. The first focus would be Anti Money Laundering and Sanctions technology solutions to reduce illicit finance risk.
- Second aspect would cover Foreign exchange and liquidity technology solutions to enable settlement in emerging market and developing economy (EMDE) currencies. Finally, come up with technology solutions for multilateral cross-border Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) platforms.

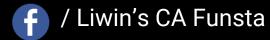




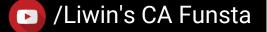


#### Explanation

• The competition is open to developers from around the world for submitting applications from May 4 to June 4 and the TechSprint will conclude around August/September 2023.







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#### 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)





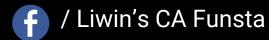


#### What kind of payments has Visa launched for tokenised credit and debit cards?

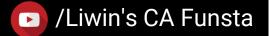
- A) Contactless payments
- B) Mobile payments
- C) QR code payments
- D) Biometric payments
- E) CVV-free payments



Answer E) CVV-free payments





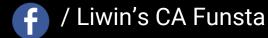


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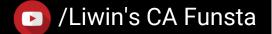


#### Explanation

- Card payments company Visa has launched a feature that allows users to carry out online transactions without the need to punch in the Cardholder Verification Value (CVV), if the card has been tokenised.
- The CVV-free feature launched in India is aimed at making the online transaction process smoother. The merchants who adopt this will not have to ask customers for their CVV every time they do a domestic transaction. They will be verifying ths three-digit number on the ack of the card only once, at the time of tokenising the card.
- Tokenisation masks the card details with a unique code making transactions more secure. Such transactions are two-factor authenticated, one at the time of tokenisation and later at the time of putting the OTP.



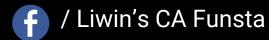




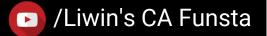
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#### Visa Inc Headquarters: San Francisco, California, United States chairman: Alfred F. Kelly Jr. CEO: Ryan McInerney

India Head: Sandeep Ghosh







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## What is the name of the app developed by Online PSB Loans to enable MSMEs to secure instant bank loans?

- A) GST Connect
- B) Sahay MSME
- C) CreditEase
- D) GST Sahay
- E) LoanXpress



Answer D) GST Sahay





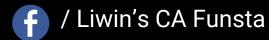


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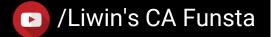


#### Explanation

- In yet another push for the digital credit ecosystem, small traders and MSMEs will be able to secure instant working capital loans from the banks using their Goods and Services Tax (GST) profile with an app developed by an Ahmedabad-based start-up.
- The GST Sahay app, developed by digital credit platform provider Online PSB Loans (OPL) will enable small store-owners, kirana/grocers and other micro-small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) to secure instant bank loan between ₹10,000 to ₹2 lakh.
- Notably, OPL's infrastructure has also been deployed for the rollout of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Innovation Hub's pilot on GST Sahay.



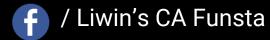




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#### **Online PSB Loans**

Headquarters: Ahmedabad, Gujarat MD & CEO: Jinand Shah







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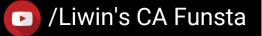
#### Which fintech unicorn has acquired the mutual fund business of Indiabulls Housing Finance?

A) Paytm
B) PhonePe
C) Zerodha
D) Groww
E) PolicyBazaar

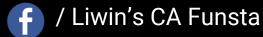


Answer D) Groww





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#### Explanation

- Fintech unicorn Groww has acquired 100 per cent stake in the mutual fund business of Indiabulls Housing Finance for ₹175.62 crore.
- The deal includes cash and cash equivalent of Rs 100.62 crores.
- This comes almost two years after Groww inked a definitive agreement in May 2021 to acquire the mutual fund business of IBHFL's subsidiaries Indiabulls Asset Management Company Ltd (IAMCL) and Indiabulls Trustee Company Ltd (the trustee of IAMCL).
- The transaction received a green light from competition regulator Competition Commission of India's (CCI) in September 2021.

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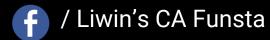
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#### Groww

Headquarters: Bangalore, Karnataka Co-founder & CEO: Lalit Keshre

#### Indiabulls Housing Finance

Headquarters: Gurugram, Haryana Vice Chairman & MD: Gagan Banga







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Who has been elected as the next president of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC)?

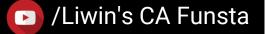
A) Ian Botham
B) David Gower
C) Mark Nicholas
D) Nasser Hussain
E) Michael Atherton

Answer C) Mark Nicholas





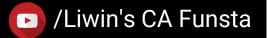




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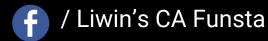
- Former England cricketer and veteran commentator Mark Nicholas has been elected as the next president of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC).
- Nicholas will replace current president **Stephen Fry** and will assume responsibilities in **October 2023**.
- Nicholas, who was elected as a **Member of MCC in 1981**, is one of the most recognisable figures in televised cricket, leading coverage at the very top of the game across the world.
- Mark scored over 25,000 runs including an unbeaten hundred for MCC at Lord's against the 1985 Australians - and took 173 wickets in a professional career spanning over two decades. He also captained Hampshire to four major trophies, three of which came in finals at Lord's.



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#### Marylebone Cricket Club

Headquarters: Lord's Cricket Ground in London Found: 1787 President: Stephen Fry (till sep) Next President: Mark Nicholas







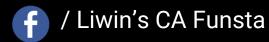
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Who has been appointed as the new Deputy Chief of Air Staff?

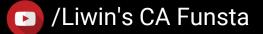
A) Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit
B) Air Marshal Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria
C) Air Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoa
D) Air Marshal Anil Khosla
E) Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari

Answer A) Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit







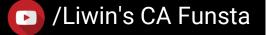


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#### Explanation

- Ace fighter pilot Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit has been appointed as the new Deputy Chief of Air Staff.
- He was earlier posted as the Senior Air Staff Officer in the **South Western Air Command in Gandhinagar, Gujarat**.
- Commissioned in the Indian Air Force in 1986.







#### **The Indian Air Force**

Founded: 8 October 1932 Headquarters: New Delhi Commander-in-Chief: President Droupadi Murmu Chief of the Air Staff (CAS): Air Chief Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari Vice Chief of the Air Staff (VCAS) : Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit







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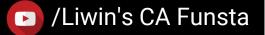
What is the target set by the Union agriculture ministry for foodgrain production for the year 2023-24?

A) 3,220 lakh tonnes
B) 3,235 lakh tonnes
C) 3,300 lakh tonnes
D) 3,320 lakh tonnes
E) 3,350 lakh tonnes

Answer D) 3,320 lakh tonnes





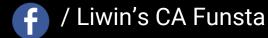


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#### Explanation

- The Union agriculture ministry has set a target of a record 3,320 lakh tonnes (332 million tonnes) production of foodgrains for the year 2023-24 as against the latest estimate of 3,235 lakh tonnes produced the previous year.
- Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar inaugurated National Conference on Agriculture for Kharif Campaign 2023-24. The objective of this conference was to review and assess the crop performance during the preceding crop seasons and fix crop-wise targets for the Kharif season.
- Target for the production of pulses has been fixed at **292.5 lakh tonnes** compared to 278.1 lakh tonnes this year and oilseeds production will be increased from **400 lakh tonnes** to **440 lakh tonnes** in 2023-24.







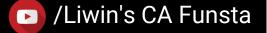
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- The target for millet production for 2023-24 has been set at 170 lakh tonnes from 159.1 lakh tonnes in 2022-23.
- Kharif crops, dependent on rainfall, are typically sown May-July and harvested from October-November. Rice, maize, and soybean are some of the kharif crops.



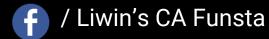




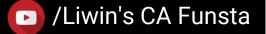
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#### **Agriculture and Farmers Welfare**

Minister : Narendra Singh Tomar Constituency : Morena, Madhya Pradesh





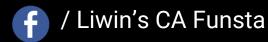


What is the name of the integrated surveillance and firepower training exercise conducted in the recently operationalised High Altitude Artillery Ranges of Eastern Theatre?

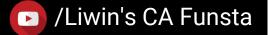
- A) Operation Pralay
- B) Exercise Meghdoot
- C) Operation Kargil
- D) Exercise Buland Bharat
- E) Operation Vijay

Answer D) Exercise Buland Bharat





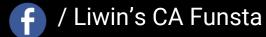




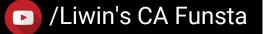


#### Explanation

- An integrated surveillance and firepower training Exercise BULAND BHARAT was conducted in the recently operationalised longest High Altitude Artillery Ranges of Eastern Theatre in West Kameng and Tawang districts of Arunachal Pradesh.
- exercise BULAND BHARAT involved the synergised application of surveillance and firepower capabilities of the Artillery and the Infantry in close coordination with Special Forces, Aviation and Central Armed Police Forces deployed in West Kameng and Tawang districts of Arunachal Pradesh.
- The exercise validated plans for bringing down integrated firepower by orchestrating synchronised firing by artillery guns and fire support components of Infantry, aimed toward the destruction of designated targets.



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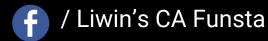
Which mobile app and website were launched by Tamil Nadu Health Minister Ma Subramanian for food safety?

A) Tamil Nadu Food Safety Consumer app and www.foodsafety.tn.gov.in

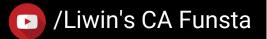
- B) Tamil Nadu Food Consumer Safety app and www.safetyfood.tn.gov.in
- C) Tamil Nadu Safe Food app and www.foodsafety.tn.gov.in
- D) Tamil Nadu Consumer Food Safety app and www.safetyfood.tn.gov.in
- E) Tamil Nadu Safe Food Consumer app and www.safetyfood.tn.gov.in

Answer

A) Tamil Nadu Food Safety Consumer app and www.foodsafety.tn.gov.in







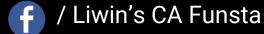


- Health minister Ma Subramanian launched a mobile app and website of the Food Safety Department at an event held at the Government Multi Super Speciality Hospital at Omandurar Estate.
- The minister launched the mobile app 'Tamil Nadu Food Safety Consumer' and website www.foodsafety.tn.gov.in where consumers can find information on safe food and other details.

The website can be accessed in Tamil and English and also has a screen reader facility for ease of access for the differently-abled.

- Consumers can lodge complaints with the Food Safety Department the following ways
  - Mobile app: Tamil Nadu Food Safety Consumer
  - Website: foodsafety.tn.gov.in
  - WhatsApp: 9444042322

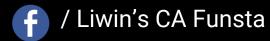






#### Tamil Nadu

Capital : Chennai CM : Muthuvel Karunanidhi Stalin Governor : RN Ravi



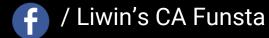




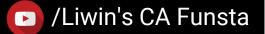
What is the estimated cost of the Bhogapuram Greenfield International Airport in Andhra Pradesh?

A) Rs. 4592 lakh
B) Rs. 4592 crore
C) Rs. 5924 crore
D) Rs. 5924 lakh
E) Rs. 6282 crore

Answer B) Rs. 4592 crore



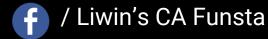




#### Explanation

- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy laid the foundation stone for the Rs. 4592 crore Bhogapuram Greenfield International Airport, creating a runway for all round development of the North Andhra region.
- The Chief Minister also laid foundation stones for Rs.194.40 crore Taraka Rama Thirtha Sagaram Project and Rs. 23.73 crore Chintapalli Fish Landing Centre in the district.
- Bhogapuram Airport, spanning over an area of 2203 acres, was originally scheduled to be completed in 36 months.
- Taraka Rama Thirtha Sagaram Project would provide drinking water to the people in 49 villages in Pusapatirega, Bhogapuram and Denkada Mandals of Vizianagaram district and irrigation water to 24, 710 acres besides supplying water to the Bhogapuram International Airport. These works are scheduled to be completed by December 2024.

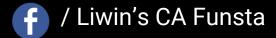
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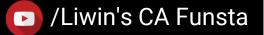


#### Explanation

- Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy laid the foundation stone for Rs 21,844 crore Vizag Tech Park in Visakhapatnam.
- The **Adani Group** is investing Rs 21,844 crores to set up a 200 MW integrated Data Center, technology, and business park in Maduravada, Visakhapatnam.
- Additionally, the group will invest Rs 7,210 crores to develop another 100 MW integrated Data Center, technology, and business park in Kapuluppada.







#### Titbits

#### **Andhra Pradesh**

Capital : Visakhapatnam (executive), Amaravati (legislative), Kurnool (judicial) CM: Y. S. Jaganmohan Reddy Governor : Sri S. Abdul Nazeer



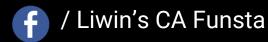




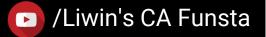
What did the Maharashtra Government approve to set up recently?

A) Maharashtra State Development Corporation
B) Maharashtra State Infrastructure Development Corporation
C) Maharashtra State Investment Corporation
D) Maharashtra State Industrial Development Corporation
E) Maharashtra State Energy Development Corporation

Answer B) Maharashtra State Infrastructure Development Corporation

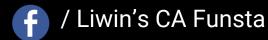


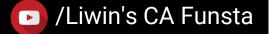






- With an aim to speed up construction of good quality roads across the state and also to ensure their maintenance and repairs, the Maharashtra Government approved to set up the Maharashtra State Infrastructure Development Corporation.
- The government has the initial capital funding for this corporation will be **100** crore rupees.
- The state cabinet has also approved a proposal to use **ICT or solutions** based on Information and Communication Technology for solid waste management in all civic bodies across the state. The proposal to be undertaken under the Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban) is likely to cost around **578 crore rupees.**

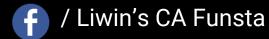




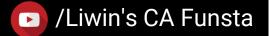


#### Explanation

- Maharashtra Government has decided to award scholarships to students who wish to pursue research studies in recognised foreign universities in the fields of Marine Science, Marine Ecology, Oceanography, Marine Biology, Marine Fisheries, Marine Biotechnology, Microbiology and Biodiversity. The government has approved to earmark an amount of 31.5 crores rupees for this purpose. Accordingly, scholarships will be awarded to 25 students annually for the next three years.
- The state cabinet has further approved to set up a 350-bed regional psychiatric hospital in Pune's Shirur taluka at the cost of **146 crore rupees**.



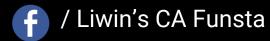






#### Maharashtra

Capital : Mumbai CM : Eknath Shinde Governor : Ramesh Bais



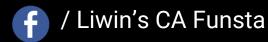




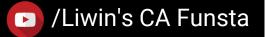
What is the name of the scheme approved by the Himachal Pradesh Cabinet to provide financial assistance to eligible women in the Spiti Valley?

- A) Indira Gandhi Mahila Samman Nidhi
- B) Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- C) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana
- D) Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act
- E) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao

Answer A) Indira Gandhi Mahila Samman Nidhi



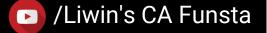






- Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu-led Cabinet approved the provision of Rs 1,500 per month as Indira Gandhi Mahila Samman Nidhi to all the eligible women of above 18 years in the Spiti Valley.
- The cabinet also gave its nod to introduce e-stamping in the State for the collection of stamp duty to promote ease of doing business. It decided to stop printing physical stamp papers with immediate effect and to authorize stamp vendors as authorized collection centres.
- It also decided to continue with a dual system of stamps, i.e. physical stamp paper and e-stamp paper from April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024, and after April 1, 2024, physical stamp paper will be discontinued completely.
- The Cabinet decided to give **Rs 600** in lieu of school uniforms through direct benefit transfer to all eligible students.

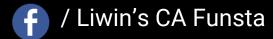




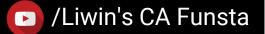


#### Explanation

- It also decided to increase the honorarium of Nambardars in the Revenue Department from Rs 3,200 to Rs 3,700 per month as per the budget announcement, which will benefit about 3,177 Nambardars in the State.
- The Cabinet gave its nod to increase the honorarium of revenue chowkidars or part-time workers from Rs 5000 to Rs 5500 per month and it will benefit around 1950 revenue chowkidars or part-time workers.
- It decided to amend **Swaran Jayanti Energy Policy, 2021** to make the transfer of land for setting up solar power and new and renewable energy projects on a lease or purchase or acquisition basis, subject to the applicable provisions of the various acts pertaining to the matter.



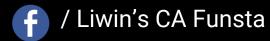




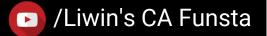


#### **Himachal Pradesh**

Capital : Shimla CM : Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu Governor : Shiv Pratap Shukla







How many new online services were launched by Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu under the state's e-Governance programme?

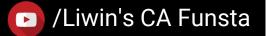
A) SixB) SevenC) EightD) NineE) Ten

Answer A) Six





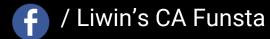


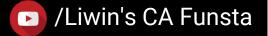




#### Explanation

- In a big boost to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Digital India initiative, Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu launched six new online services under the state's ambitious e-Governance programme for 'citizen centric and ease of governance' services on digital and online platforms.
- Arunachal Pradesh is the first in the North East to launch online these services.
- The launched portals are CM e-Jansunwai, CM Arunachal e-Seva, CM Dashboard
   2.0, e-Pragati, Hospital Management Information System and e-Telemedicine.
- The State Government has so far launched 18 online services of the 22 proposed
- the e-Jansunwai service people can connect to the government with their grievances without the need to seek appointment with concerned officers, ministers or even the chief minister.

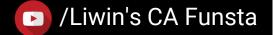






- Arunachal e-Seva will provide a single platform for all online services (88 services currently) being provided by the state government, the CM Dashboard 2.0 will monitor all schemes and their implementation status to ensure delivery on the ground.
- the **e-Pragati** (Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation) is a multimodal platform to review and monitor programs and projects of central and state governments. It is an online system to monitor status of 14 CSS schemes.
- The Hospital Management Information System and e-Telemedicine will offer online services to the needy, wherein doctors will be available online for consultation, who will give prescriptions online if required. All District Hospitals are onboard the platform and work is on to integrate all health centers of the state.

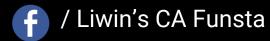






#### **Arunachal Pradesh**

Capital : Itanagar CM : Pema Khandu Governor : Kaiwalya Trivikram Parnaik





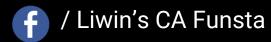


#### Where was the Council of Foreign Ministers' meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) held?

A) DelhiB) MumbaiC) GoaD) KolkataE) Bangalore

Answer C) Goa





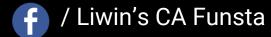




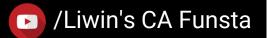


#### Explanation

<b>Meeting</b>	<u>Place</u>	Inaugurate/Address By
Council of Foreign	Goa	External affairs
Ministers' meeting		minister S Jaishankar
of the Shanghai		
Cooperation		
Organisation (SCO)		
India Tourism	New Delhi, Delhi	India's G20 Sherpa
Conference 2023		Amitabh Kant
23rd FICCI FRAMES	Mumbai,	Union Minister for
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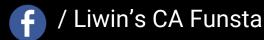


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### **QUICK RECALL**

- International Firefighters' Day (IFFD), National Coal Miners Day are observed on May 4.
- The International Chess Federation (FIDE) has announced a new partnership with digital transformation provider Tech Mahindra for the Global Chess League
- Punjab National Bank (PNB) is launching a week-long shopping festival named "PNB SHOPPING FESTIVE-ONE" on its mobile banking app: PNB One.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) launched G20 TechSprint, a global technology competition for developing innovative solutions to improve cross-border payments.
- Visa launches CVV-free payments for tokenised credit, debit cards.
- The GST Sahay app, developed by digital credit platform provider Online PSB Loans (OPL) will enable small store-owners,
- Fintech unicorn Groww has acquired 100 per cent stake in the mutual fund business of Indiabulls Housing Finance for ₹175.62 crore.
- Former England cricketer and veteran commentator Mark Nicholas has been elected as the next president of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC).

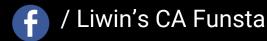




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### **QUICK RECALL**

- Ace fighter pilot Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit has been appointed as the new Deputy Chief of Air Staff.
- The Union agriculture ministry has set a target of a record 3,320 lakh tonnes (332 million tonnes) production of foodgrains for the year 2023-24.
- An integrated surveillance and firepower training Exercise BULAND BHARAT was conducted in the recently operationalised longest High Altitude Artillery Ranges of Eastern Theatre
- Health minister Ma Subramanian launched the mobile app 'Tamil Nadu Food Safety Consumer' and website www.foodsafety.tn.gov.in where consumers can find information on safe food and other details.
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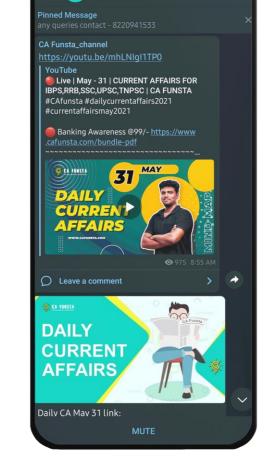
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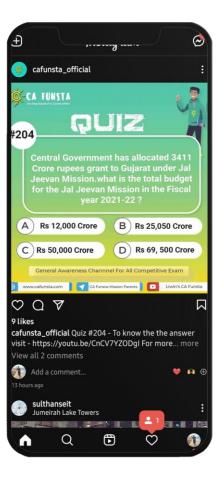
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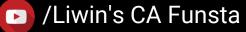




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