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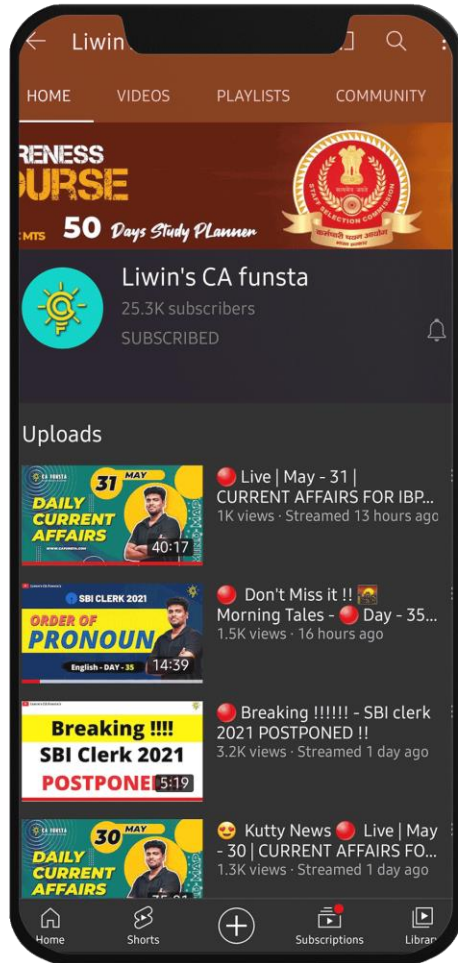




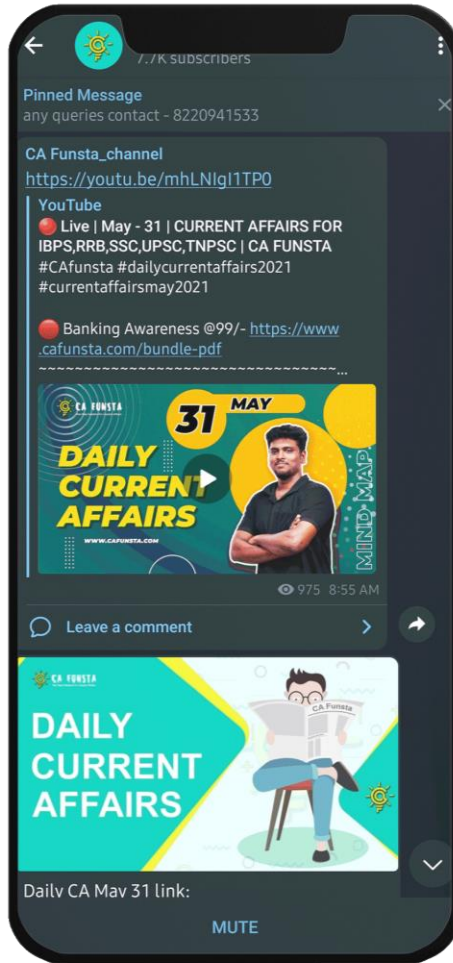
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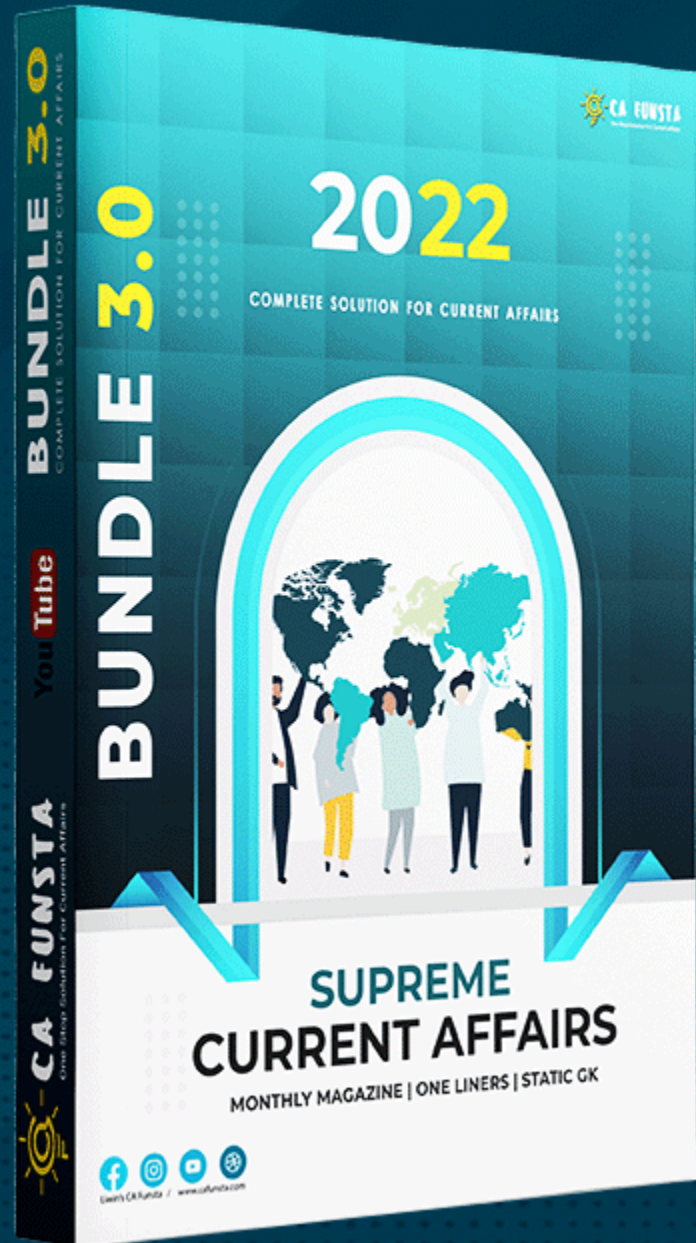
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# Important Days



**When is World Schizophrenia Awareness Day observed?**

- A) May 24
- B) June 15
- C) September 10
- D) October 31
- E) December 3

**Answer**  
**A) May 24**





# Important Days



## Explanation

- **World Schizophrenia Awareness Day** is observed every year on **May 24** to raise awareness around the condition and educate people about its symptoms and treatment.
- Schizophrenia is a psychiatric condition where certain chemicals in certain areas of the brain are out of balance. If that happens there can be a lack of co-ordination between thoughts, actions, and emotions.
- The term 'schizophrenia' literally means "**a splitting of the mind**" and was coined in 1910 by Swiss psychiatrist Dr. Paul Eugen Bleuler.
- Schizophrenia starts in early adulthood or late adolescence, typically between the ages of 15 to 28.
- National Schizophrenia Foundation declared May 24 as World Schizophrenia Day to honor **Dr. Philippe Pinel, from France**, a major figure in the early efforts to provide humane care and treatment for the mentally ill.



**How much loan did the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Indian government sign to support the development of high-quality internal infrastructure in Andhra Pradesh?**

- A) USD 50.27 million
- B) USD 87.63 million
- C) USD 105.94 million
- D) USD 141.12 million
- E) USD 175.48 million

**Answer**

**D) USD 141.12 million**



## Explanation

- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** and the **Indian government** have signed a **USD 141.12 million loan** agreement to support the development of high-quality infrastructure such as roads, water supply systems and electricity distribution network in three industrial clusters in **Andhra Pradesh**.
- This financing is the second tranche of the **USD 500 million multi-tranche financing facility** for the program approved by the **ADB in 2016**.
- Internal infrastructure in the proposed clusters will include internal roads, stormwater drains, water supply systems, and electric power distribution systems. In Srikalahasthi-Chittoor node, the project will help develop the start-up area of the 938-ha Chittoor-South industrial cluster, and improve a 9.5-km access road to the Chittoor-South industrial cluster and an 8.7-km access road to the Naidupeta industrial cluster.



## Titbits

### **Asian Development Bank**

Member Countries: 68

Founded Year : 1966

Headquarters: Manila, Philippines

Head : Masatsugu Asakawa

### **Andhra Pradesh**

Capital : Visakhapatnam (executive), Amaravati  
(legislative), Kurnool (judicial)

CM: Y. S. Jaganmohan Reddy

Governor : Sri S. Abdul Nazeer

**Which organizations signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for bilateral cooperation between the Indian and ASEAN steel industry?**

- A) Indian Steel Association (ISA) and the World Steel Association (WSA)
- B) Indian Steel Association (ISA) and the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC)
- C) Indian Steel Association (ISA) and the ASEAN Iron and Steel Council (AISC)
- D) Indian Steel Association (ISA) and the International Iron and Steel Institute (IISI)
- E) Indian Steel Association (ISA) and the Federation of Asian Iron and Steel Associations (FAISA)

**Answer**

**C) Indian Steel Association (ISA) and the ASEAN Iron and Steel Council (AISC)**

## Explanation

- **Indian Steel Association (ISA)**, and the **ASEAN Iron and Steel Council (AISC)** have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for bilateral cooperation between Indian and ASEAN steel industry.
- The MoU aims to leverage the strengths, expertise, and resources of both organizations to unlock new avenues for growth, innovation, and sustainability in the steel industry.
- The MoU was signed in **Manila, Philippines**.
- The delegation from India was led by Dilip Oommen, president ISA and CEO AMNS India, and was attended by the Secretary-Generals of ISA and SEAISI and other senior officials of ISA, South East Asia Iron and Steel Institute (SEAISI) and AISC.
- The MoU was signed by Dilip Oommen and Purwono Widodo, President of ASEAN Iron and Steel Council and President Director of PT Krakatau Steel.



## Titbits

### **Indian Steel Association (ISA)**

Founded: August 2014

Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi

President: Dilip Oommen

# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



**By how much percentage has Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) increased its shareholding in Bata India?**

- A) 1.497%
- B) 2.035%
- C) 2.532%
- D) 3.035%
- E) 4.497%

**Answer**  
**C) 2.532%**

# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Explanation

- **LIC's** shareholding in '**Bata India Limited**' has increased from 5,780,329 to 8,395,740 equity shares increasing its shareholding from **4.497% to 6.532%** of the paid-up capital of Bata India Limited.
- Also, LIC's shareholding in '**Tata Power Company Limited**' has increased from 189,070,215 to 253,537,551 equity shares increasing its shareholding from **5.917% to 7.935%** of the paid-up capital of Tata Power Company Limited.
- Recently, LIC reduced stake in NHPC to 3.186 per cent from 5.203 per cent.



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Titbits

### **Bata India**

Headquarters: Gurugram, Haryana

CEO: Gunjan Shah

### **Life Insurance Corporation of India**

Founded: 1 September 1956

Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra

Chairperson: Siddharth Mohanty

### **Tata Power**

Headquarters :Mumbai, Maharashtra

MD & CEO: Dr. Praveer Sinha

# APPOINTMENTS



**Who has been appointed as the Chief Justice of Bombay High Court?**

- A) Justice Ramesh D Dhanuka
- B) Justice Ramesh Kumar
- C) Justice Rakesh Sharma
- D) Justice Rajesh Gupta
- E) Justice Ramakrishna Menon

**Answer**

**A) Justice Ramesh D Dhanuka**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- The Centre issued a notification for the appointment of **Justice Ramesh D Dhanuka as the Chief Justice of Bombay High Court.**
- It also notified the appointment of **Justice Sanjay V Gangapurwala**, Acting Chief Justice of Bombay High Court, as the **Chief Justice of Madras High Court.**
- President Murmu, as per powers conferred by Article 217 (1) of the Constitution, had in December 2022 appointed Justice Gangapurwala, who is the senior most judge at the Bombay High Court, as the Acting Chief Justice after Chief Justice Dipankar Datta had relinquished office and had taken oath as a judge of the Supreme Court on December 12, 2022.
- **Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari**, who served as the last full-fledged Chief Justice of the Madras High Court, retired on September 12, 2022, after a seven-month tenure in the esteemed high court. Following his retirement, the court witnessed three acting Chief Justices successively. The first acting Chief Justice was Justice M Duraiswamy. After Justice Duraiswamy, Justice T Raja assumed the role of acting Chief Justice, but he retired a few days ago. Currently, the position of **acting Chief Justice is held by Justice S Vaidyanathan.**





# APPOINTMENTS



## Justice Ramesh D Dhanuka

- Justice Ramesh D Dhanuka began his legal career in 1985 after completing his LLB degree. Initially, he practiced law under the guidance of his father, Justice Deokinandan R Dhanuka (retired), until his father's appointment as a judge in the Bombay High Court in 1990.
- Subsequently, Justice Dhanuka joined the chamber of S R Shah, a senior advocate and retired City Civil Court judge.
- On January 23, 2012, Justice Ramesh D Dhanuka was appointed as an additional judge of the Bombay High Court.

# APPOINTMENTS



## Justice Sanjay V Gangapurwala

- Justice S V Gangapurwala was appointed as the Acting Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court according to a notification issued by the central government on December 11, 2022.
- In 1999, Justice Gangapurwala served as the representative of the government in front of the Justice Mane Commission, which investigated the riots in Maharashtra.
- From 1991 until his appointment as an additional judge of the Bombay High Court on March 13, 2010, Justice Gangapurwala served as an honorary part-time lecturer at M P Law College.

# APPOINTMENTS



**Who has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Karnataka Bank?**

- A) Srikrishnan Harihara Sarma
- B) Aditya Puri
- C) Chanda Kochhar
- D) Uday Kotak
- E) Shikha Sharma

**Answer**

**A) Srikrishnan Harihara Sarma**





# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- **Karnataka Bank** announced the appointment of **Srikrishnan Harihara Sarma** as the new managing director and chief executive officer (CEO) of the bank.
- He was part of the founding management team at **HDFC Bank Ltd for over nine years**. As the Country Head - Transactional Banking and Operations, he was involved in setting up the bank's Corporate and Retail Banking, Treasury, and Capital Markets Infrastructure business. He launched Commercial Vehicles and Construction Equipment's (CV/CE) lending, Channel Financing, Capital Markets Margin lending, and mid-Corporate lending business.

# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- At **Yes Bank Ltd**, as **Executive Director and member of the board**, he was instrumental in setting up the Commercial Banking infrastructure covering Operations, Technology, Retail, Transaction Banking, Payments, Trade Finance, Loan servicing and Treasury Operation.
- At **Jio Payments Bank Limited**, as **MD and CEO**, he was responsible for the application and coordination for approval of license with the RBI, incorporation of the company, formation of the board, strategic direction, and commencement of operations in 2018.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Titbits

### **Karnataka Bank**

Headquarters: Mangaluru, Karnataka

MD and CEO : Srikrishnan Harihara Sarma

Tagline : Your Family Bank across India

# AWARDS



**Who won UN Dag Hammarskjold Medal?**

- A) Shishupal Singh
- B) Sanwala Ram Vishnoi
- C) Shaber Taher Ali
- D) A & B
- E) A, B & C

**Answer**  
**E) A, B & C**





# AWARDS



## Explanation

- Three Indian Peacekeepers who lost their lives while serving as part of UN Peacekeeping missions abroad were honoured with the **Dag Hammarskjold Medal**, the highest honour awarded to UN Peacekeepers, at a solemn ceremony in the UN.
- **Border Security Force personnel Shishupal Singh and Sanwala Ram Vishnoi**, who served with the Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO), and **Shaber Taher Ali**, who served in a civilian capacity with the UN Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI), were honoured posthumously with the **Dag Hammarskjold Medal**.

# AWARDS



## Explanation

- India's Permanent Representative at the UN Ruchira Kamboj received the medals on their behalf at a solemn ceremony held at the UN General Assembly, when UN observed the International Day of UN Peacekeepers.
- The two BSF head constables **Shishupal Singh and Sanwala Ram Vishnoi** were killed in July 2022 when violent protests broke out targeting the UN Peacekeeping Base in the DR Congo's North Kivu province, as part of anti-UN protests across the African country.

**Which country successfully launched the commercial-grade satellite named Next generation Small Satellite 2 as part of its space development program?**

- A) China
- B) United States
- C) Russia
- D) South Korea
- E) Japan

**Answer**  
**D) South Korea**



## Explanation

- **South Korea** successfully launched a commercial-grade satellite named **Next generation Small Satellite 2** for the first time as part of its growing space development program.
- The domestically built three-stage **KSLV II Nuri rocket** lifted off from **Naro Space Center on the southern coast of South Korea** with a payload of eight satellites, including a main commercial-grade satellite whose mission is to verify radar imaging technology and observe cosmic radiation in a near-Earth orbit.
- The three-stage KSLV-II Nuri is the country's first domestically built space launch vehicle using only South Korean rocket technology, and three more flights are expected by 2027.
- 2022, South Korea used a Nuri rocket to place a “performance verification satellite” in orbit, becoming the world's 10th nation to send a satellite into space with its own technology. But that launch was primarily designed to test the rocket.



## Titbits

### South Korea

Capital: Seoul

Currency: South Korean won

President: Yoon Suk Yeol

Prime Minister: Han Duck-soo

**Where was the second edition of the India-Saudi Arabia Joint Naval Exercise Al Mohed Al Hindi 23 held?**

- A) New Delhi, India
- B) Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- C) Mumbai, India
- D) Al-Jubail, Saudi Arabia
- E) Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

**Answer**

**D) Al-Jubail, Saudi Arabia**



## Explanation

- The **second edition of India-Saudi Arabia Joint Naval Exercise Al Mohed Al Hindi 23** held in **Al-Jubail, Saudi Arabia**.
- **India Participate:** INS Tarkash and INS Subhadra and IN Dornier, Maritime Patrol Aircraft
- The first edition took place in **August 2021**.
- The decision on the Bilateral exercise was taken during the Riyadh Summit held in **2019**.
- The exercise aims to carry out tactical manoeuvres, search and rescue operations, and an electronic warfare drill to enhance interoperability.

# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### Saudi Arabia

Capital: Riyadh

Currency: Saudi riyal

Prime Minister: Mohammed bin Salman Al Saud

**How many members are there in the high-level steering committee set up by the Centre to review and monitor the cheetah reintroduction programme?**

- A) 5
- B) 8
- C) 11
- D) 15
- E) 20

**Answer**  
**C) 11**



## Explanation

- The Centre has set up an **11-member high-level steering committee** to **review and monitor the progress of the cheetah reintroduction programme and provide suggestions on the opening of the cheetah habitat for eco-tourism.**
- The decision to form the committee, which will be headed by Rajesh Gopal, Secretary General of Global Tiger Forum.
- The other 10 members include **RN Mehrotra**, former principal chief conservator of forest of Rajasthan; PR Sinha, former director of the Wildlife Institute of India; HS Negi, former APCCF, Wildlife; and PK Malik, former faculty at WII.
- GS Rawat, former dean of the WII; Mittal Patel, an Ahmedabad-based social worker; Qamar Qureshi, WII scientist and Inspector General of NTCA; and the MP's Principal Chief Conservator of Forest

**Who inaugurated the 8th International Conference on Pharma and Medical Device Sector?**

- A) Dr Harsh Vardhan
- B) Dr Mansukh Mandaviya
- C) Dr S. Jaishankar
- D) Dr Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank
- E) Dr Nirmala Sitharaman

**Answer**

**B) Dr Mansukh Mandaviya**



## Explanation

- Union Health Minister **Dr Mansukh Mandaviya** inaugurates **8th International Conference on Pharma and Medical Device Sector** in **New Delhi, Delhi**.
- This conference is organized by the **Department of Pharmaceuticals** in association with **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)**.
- Dr. Mandaviya unveiled the **National Medical Devices Policy, 2023**, and launched the Export Promotion Council for Medical Devices.
- Additionally, the Union Minister also launched a scheme titled **'Assistance for Medical Devices clusters for Common Facilities (AMD-CF)'**. This scheme aims to establish and strengthen common infrastructure facilities in the medical devices clusters and fortify testing facilities for medical devices.

## Explanation

- The annual flagship conference will be conducted over two days – 26th May 2023 dedicated for India Medical Device sector on the theme "**Sustainable MedTech 5.0: Scaling and Innovating Indian MedTech,**" and 27th May 2023 dedicated for the Pharmaceutical sector on the theme "**Indian pharma industry: Delivering Value through Innovation**".

# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### **Health and Family Welfare & Chemicals and Fertilizers**

Minister : Mansukh L. Mandaviya

Constituency : Rajya sabha MP , Gujarat



**The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has raised the tax exemption limit on Leave Encashment to what amount for Non-Government Salaried Employees?**

- A) Rs 5 lakh
- B) Rs 10 lakh
- C) Rs 15 lakh
- D) Rs 20 lakh
- E) Rs 25 lakh

**Answer**  
**E) Rs 25 lakh**

## Explanation

- In line with the Budget announcement, the **finance ministry** hiked the tax exemption limit for leave encashment upon retirement for non-government salaried employees to **Rs 25 lakh**.
- The earlier tax exemption on leave encashment for non-government employees was **Rs 3 lakh** which was fixed in **2002**, when the highest basic pay in the government was Rs 30,000 per month.
- the aggregate amount exempt from income tax under section 10(10AA)(ii) shall not exceed the limit of Rs 25 lakh, where any such payments are received by a non-government employee from more than one employer.
- The increased limit for tax exemption on leave encashment on retirement or otherwise of non-government salaried employees to Rs 25 lakh with effect from April 1, 2023.

## Explanation

- Further, the amount exempt from income-tax under **section 10(10AA)(ii) of the Act** shall not exceed the limit of Rs 25 lakh as reduced by the tax exemption already allowed in the total income of the employee under **section 10(10AA)(ii)** of any previous year or years.
- In 2023-24 Budget, finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman had increased the tax exemption on leave encashment on retirement of non-government salaried employees to Rs 25 lakh, from Rs 3 lakh.

# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### **CBDT**

Abbreviation: The Central Board of Direct Taxes

Chairman: Nitin Gupta

Founded: 1963

Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi

**Who launched the SAMARTH campaign to promote digital transactions at the Gram Panchayat level?**

- A) Shri Giriraj Singh
- B) Shri Nitin Gadkari
- C) Shri Piyush Goyal
- D) Shri Rajnath Singh
- E) Shri Amit Shah

**Answer**

**A) Shri Giriraj Singh**



## Explanation

- Union Minister for Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, **Giriraj Singh**, officially launched the '**SAMARTH Campaign on Promoting Digital Transactions in 50000 Gram Panchayats**' under the Amrit Mahotsav in Lucknow.
- This campaign, which started from **1st February 2023** , It will continue until **August 15, 2023**, is part of the AzadiKaAmritMahotsav celebrations and aims to promote digital transactions in rural areas, with a particular focus on women.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### **Rural Development & Panchayati Raj**

Minister: Giriraj Singh

Constituency: Begusarai, Bihar

**Who inaugurated the 'Sewa Setu' mobile app, developed in collaboration with the Assam Police and the Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL)?**

- A) Narendra Modi
- B) Amit Shah
- C) Rajnath Singh
- D) Nirmala Sitharaman
- E) Nitin Gadkari

**Answer**

**B) Amit Shah**

## Explanation

- Union Home Minister **Amit Shah** inaugurated the '**Sewa Setu**' mobile app, developed in collaboration with the **Assam Police and the Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL)**.
- This innovative app aims to streamline public interaction with the police by allowing citizens to lodge First Information Reports (FIRs), report missing persons, and conduct tenant verifications, among other services, without the need to physically visit a police station.
- The Assam Police Seva Setu portal, which will provide real-time communication and increased transparency, was also launched alongside the mobile app.
- The online platform will be available in both **Assamese and Bengali languages**. Notably, individuals can now instantly report crimes, file grievances, and register as senior citizens online.

## Explanation

- Other features of the Assam Police Seva Setu app include:
  - Instant criminal reporting and grievance submission.
  - Senior citizens living alone can register online.
  - Verification of candidates for government, public sector, and private sector jobs.
  - Tenant, paying guest, and domestic help verification.
  - Reporting missing persons, child-related issues, and lost and found items.
  - Security clearance for commercial constructions, petrol stations, and more.
  - Obtaining permissions or No Objection Certificates (NOCs) for fireworks sales, temporary bar licenses, etc.
  - Providing feedback and sharing confidential criminal information.

## Explanation

- Furthermore, during the event, Union Home Minister Amit Shah also laid the **foundation stone for the Guwahati campus of the National Forensic Sciences University**. The campus, located in the Changsari suburb of Kamrup's Molong district, is expected to be completed in two phases.
- The first phase is slated for completion by 2026, while the second phase is targeted for 2030. With an estimated cost of **Rs 300 crore**, the campus will offer more than 50 undergraduate, graduate, PhD, and post-doctoral programs in various fields of forensic science, including wildlife forensics, cyber security, narcotics, digital forensics, drone forensics, forensic psychology, and forensic justice and law.

## Titbits

### **Home Affairs and Cooperation**

Minister : Amit Shah

constituency : Gandhinagar, Gujarat

### **Assam**

Capital : Dispur

CM : Himanta Biswa Sarma

Governor : Shri Gulab Chand Kataria



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Where will the 14th Clean Energy Ministerial and 8th Mission Innovation meeting (CEM14/MI-8) be held?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Tamil Nadu
- D) Kerala
- E) Goa

**Answer**  
E) Goa



## Explanation

- The **14th Clean Energy Ministerial and 8th Mission Innovation meeting (CEM14/MI-8)** will be held in **Goa** during 19th to 22nd of July, 2023.
- The theme for CEM-14 / MI-8 is "**Advancing Clean Energy Together**"
- The Ministerial plenaries are scheduled for July 21, 2023, while back-to-back G20 Energy Transition Ministerial Meeting will be held on July 22.
- The Union **Power and New & Renewable Energy Minister R. K. Singh** and **Union Science & Technology Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh** together launched the website and logo for the 14th Clean Energy Ministerial and 8th Mission Innovation meetings in New Delhi.
- The logo (given above) depicts a diverse set of colours, representing the diversity of engagement among countries and partners. Renewable resources, such as sun, wind and water are highlighted.
- The crest and trough using green and blue, indicate the variability of renewable energy resources and the blend emphasises the first fuel of energy efficiency, which cuts across all aspects of energy use.
- Website: <https://www.cem-mi-india.org/>.

## Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM)

- The **Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM)** was established in **2009** as a high-level global forum to promote policies and programmes that advance clean energy technology, to share lessons learned and best practices, and to encourage the transition to a global clean energy economy.
- India hosted the **4th Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM-4) in 2013**.
- The CEM has **29 members**: the European Commission and 28 governments.

## Mission Innovation (MI)

- **Mission Innovation (MI)** is a Ministerial-level global forum of **23 Countries and the European Commission** (on behalf of the European Union) to accelerate Clean Energy revolution and progress towards the Paris Agreement goals and pathways to Net Zero.
- The main objective of MI is to catalyse a decade of action and investment in research, development and demonstration to make clean energy affordable, attractive and accessible for all.
- The first phase of Mission Innovation (MI) (2015-2020) was announced at COP21 on **November 30, 2015**, as world leaders came together in Paris to commit the ambitious efforts to combat climate change.
- After a successful 5 years' stint of first phase and recognising the vital need for clean energy investment to accelerate innovation, the second phase of Mission Innovation (MI2.0) was launched on **June 2, 2021**.
- The focus of MI2.0 is on decade of action (2021-2030) and the emphasis is to scale-up the deployment of innovative clean energy technology and make clean energy affordable, attractive and accessible for all. This will accelerate progress towards the Paris Agreement goals and pathways to net zero.

**Which units of the Indian military conducted a joint exercise with the Indian Air Force along the western border?**

- A) Indian Navy's Western Command
- B) Indian Army's Parachute Regiment
- C) Indian Army's Shatrujeet Brigade
- D) Indian Air Force's Garud Commando Force
- E) Indian Coast Guard's Western Region

**Answer**

**C) Indian Army's Shatrujeet Brigade**

## Explanation

- **Indian Army's Shatrueet Brigade and the Western Command** conducted a joint exercise with the **Indian Air Force** along the western border.
- The joint exercise was carried out to deploy paratroopers with new-generation weapon systems in support of mechanised forces deep inside enemy territory to facilitate and enhance the operational reach of their own forces.
- **C-130J Superhercules, C-17 Globemaster and AN-32 aircraft** were used to insert troops and specialised equipment into designated areas in the obstacle-ridden terrain with clinical precision.

## Titbits

### The Indian Army

Headquarters: New Delhi

Founded: 1 April 1895

Commander-in-Chief: India President Droupadi Murmu

Chief of Defence Staff (CDS): General Anil Chauhan

Chief of the Army Staff (COAS): General Manoj Pande

Vice Chief of the Army Staff (VCOAS): Lieutenant General M. V. Suchindra Kumar

### 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

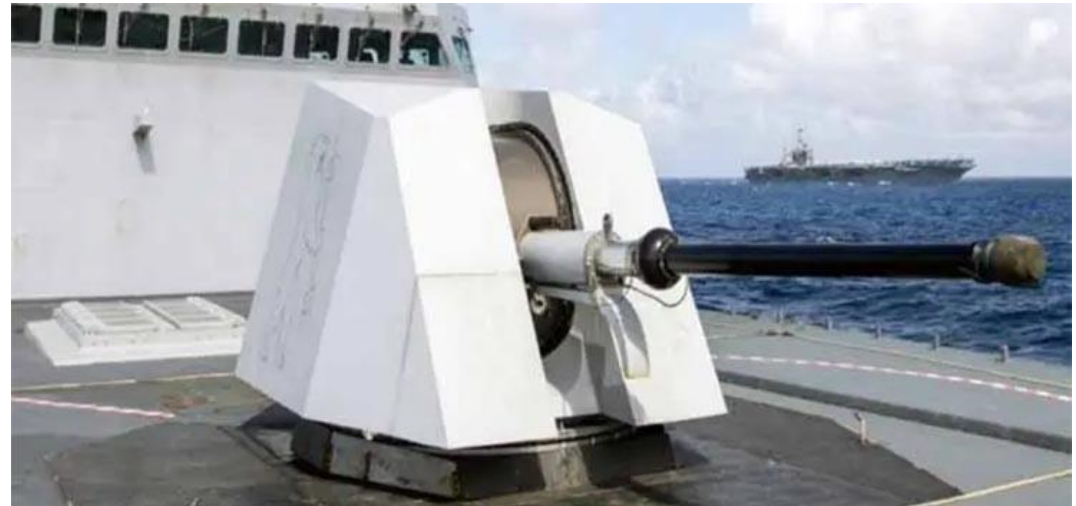


**Which organization has been awarded the contract for the supply of Ten 30 mm Naval Surface Guns by the Ministry of Defence (MoD)/Indian Navy?**

- A) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- B) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)
- C) Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd
- D) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL)
- E) Ordnance Factory Board (OFB)

**Answer**

**C) Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd**



## Explanation

- **Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd.**, a Mini Ratna Category 1 Defence PSU and a leading warship-building company of India, has been awarded the contract for supply of **Ten 30 mm Naval Surface Guns by the Ministry of Defence (MoD)/Indian Navy**.
- The contract worth **Rs. 248.5 Crore** for supply of these guns to the Indian Navy was signed by Cmde Vivek Dahiya Cmde (SR), Indian Navy and Cdr Shantanu Bose (IN, Retd), Director Shipbuilding GRSE.
- The MoD has designated **GRSE** as the nodal agency for the **indigenisation of Close in Weapons Systems (CIWS) guns** for Naval applications in Mar 2022.
- Under this mandate, GRSE has achieved this breakthrough in indigenizing the 30 mm Naval Surface Gun (NSG) a vital equipment to be indigenized under the CIWS.
- The 30 mm NSG is a key weapon system fitted on small Warships and Auxiliary vessels of the Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard.

# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### **Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd**

Headquarters: Kolkata, West Bengal

Founded: 1884

Chairman & MD: Cmde PR Hari



# QUICK RECALL



- **World Schizophrenia Awareness Day is observed every year on May 24.**
- **ADB, India Sign \$141.12-Million Loan For Industrial Corridor Development In Andhra**
- **Indian Steel Association, AISC ink MoU to unlock new avenues in sector**
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- **Centre clears appointment of Justices RD Dhanuka and SV Gangapurwala as Bombay, Madras HC CJs**
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# QUICK RECALL



- **The Centre has set up an 11-member high-level steering committee to review and monitor the progress of the cheetah reintroduction programme and provide suggestions on the opening of the cheetah habitat for eco-tourism.**
- **Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurates 8th International Conference on Pharma and Medical Device Sector in New Delhi, Delhi.**
- **CBDT increases tax exemption limit on leave encashment for non-govt salaried employees to Rs 25 lakh**
- **Giriraj Singh launched the 'SAMARTH Campaign on Promoting Digital Transactions in 50000 Gram Panchayats' under the Amrit Mahotsav in Lucknow.**
- **Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the 'Sewa Setu' mobile app, developed in collaboration with the Assam Police and the Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL).**
- **The 14th Clean Energy Ministerial and 8th Mission Innovation meeting (CEM14/MI-8) will be held in Goa during 19th to 22nd of July, 2023.**



# QUICK RECALL



- **Indian Army's Shatrujeet Brigade and the Western Command conducted a joint exercise with the Indian Air Force along the western border.**
- **Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd has been awarded the contract for supply of Ten 30 mm Naval Surface Guns by the Ministry of Defence (MoD)/Indian Navy.**

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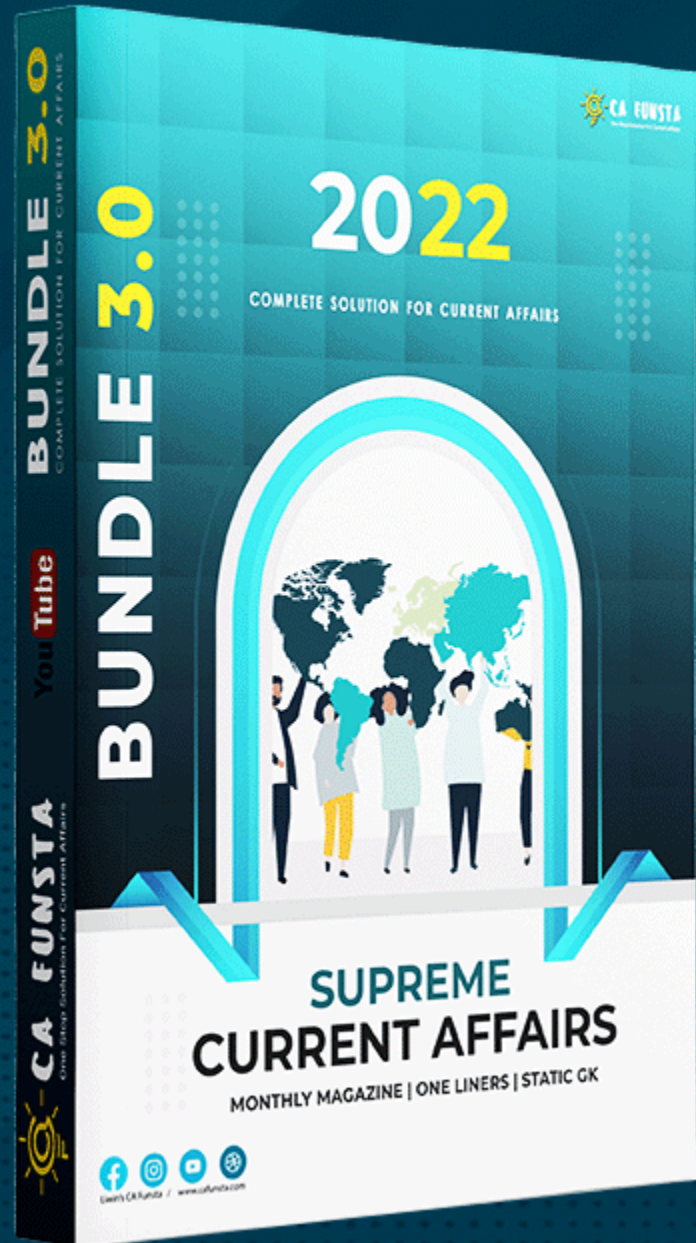


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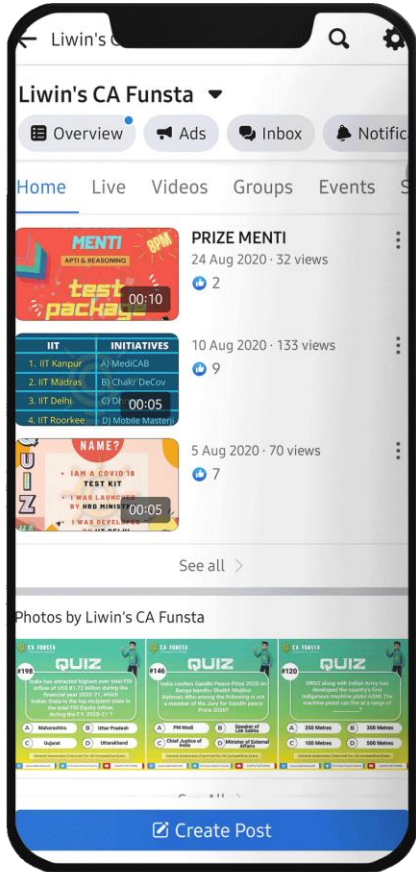
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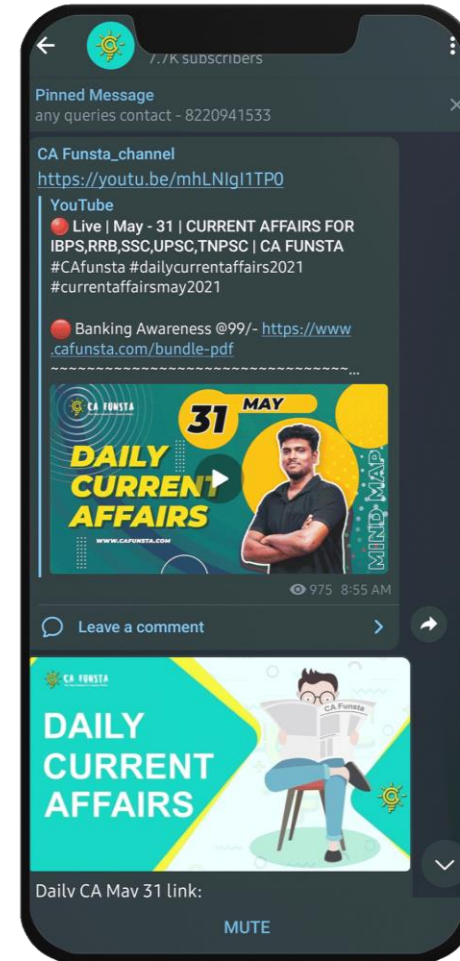
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