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Important Days

When is World Pest Day observed annually?

A) June 1 B) June 3 C) June 5 D) June 6 E) June 8

> Answer D) June 6









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Important Days



Explanation

- World Pest Day is observed on June 6 every year to make people aware of the damage caused by insects.
- World Pest Day, also known as World Pest Awareness Day, was first celebrated in **Beijing** on 6 June 2017.
- The Chinese Pest Control Association first observed this day to create awareness about the pest-control market and the professionals working in this industry.
- It was co-sponsored by the Association of Asian and Oceania Pest Managers, the National Pest Management Association and the Confederation of European Pest Management Associations.

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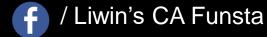


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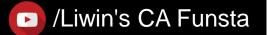


UN Russian Language Day

- UN Russian Language Day coincides with the birthday of Aleksandr Pushkin on June 6, a Russian poet considered the father of modern Russian literature.
- The event was established by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in **2010**.
- The initiative of the UN Language Days was launched in February 2010 in order to celebrate multilingualism and cultural diversity and to promote equal use of all six of the UN's official working languages throughout the organization.







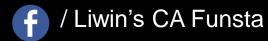
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Who recently announced his retirement from football?

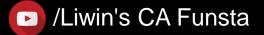
A) Lionel Messi
B) Cristiano Ronaldo
C) Neymar Jr.
D) Zlatan Ibrahimovic
E) Kylian Mbappe

Answer D) Zlatan Ibrahimovic









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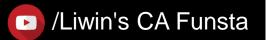


- AC Milan striker Zlatan Ibrahimovic announces his retirement from football after they played season's final game against Hellas Verona.
- Zlatan began his professional career with Malmo FF in 1999 and moved on to Ajax Amsterdam in 2001 before continuing his career with Manchester United, Inter Milan, and Milan.
- Ibrahimovic returned to Milan in early **2020** for his second stint, having won the Scudetto with them in 2011, and helping them win it again last season.

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• With 62 goals in 121 matches, Ibrahimovic is Sweden's all-time leading scorer.

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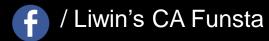
OBITUARY

Who was the first man to run the 100 meters in less than 10 seconds in 1968, recently passed away?

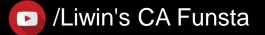
A) Carl Lewis
B) Usain Bolt
C) Jim Hines
D) Jesse Owens
E) Asafa Powell

Answer C) Jim Hines









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OBITUARY

Explanation

- American double Olympic champion Jim Hines, who became the first man to run the 100 metres in less than 10 seconds in 1968, has died at the age of 76
- Hines won gold in the 100m at the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City, clocking 9.95 seconds to set a world record, which lasted 15 years until Calvin Smith ran 9.93.
- Hines was also part of the 4X100 relay team that won gold in a then world-record of 38.24 in Mexico City.
- After retiring from the sport, Hines went on to play in the NFL for two years

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HSBC India launched a campaign titled 'My Account Starts Today' featuring which cricketer?

A) Sachin Tendulkar
B) Rohit Sharma
C) Virat Kohli
D) MS Dhoni
E) Shikhar Dhawan

Answer C) Virat Kohli





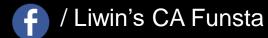




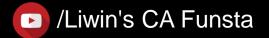
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- HSBC India unveiled a campaign featuring their new brand influencer, cricketer Virat Kohli.
- The campaign'My Account Starts Today' conceptualized by Wunderman Thompson's group company Contract Advertising, highlights HSBC's purpose of "Opening up a world of opportunity" and features Kohli in a never-before-seen avatar.
- Kohli was recently announced as the brand influencer for HSBC India, in an association that aimed at leveraging the ace cricketer's appeal to help illustrate the benefits of banking with HSBC.
- The campaign will run across print, television, outdoor, OTT platforms and digital media to connect with the target audience.







Titbits

HSBC India

Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra CEO: Hitendra Dave







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The State Bank of India launched Project Kuber with transaction banking hubs and a corporate salary package hub in which city?

- A) Kolkata
- B) Mumbai
- C) Chennai
- D) Delhi
- E) Bengaluru

Answer E) Bengaluru







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Explanation

- The State Bank of India has launched Project Kuber having four transaction banking hubs and one corporate salary package hub in Bengaluru.
- The hubs were inaugurated by the Chief General Manager of State Bank of India Bengaluru Circle, Nand Kishore, and are located at the SBI Administrative Building, Mysore Bank Circle, KG Road, Bengaluru, and Sampige Road, Malleshwaram.
- These would serve as a one-stop destination for all payment and collection-related requirements and would offer services to corporate and non-corporate clients right from the initial stage of account opening to onboarding them onto SBI's digital platforms.
- A dedicated team of professionals will facilitate business partners and customers in availing of digital banking services such as Yono Business, e-Payments, and Cash Management Products.

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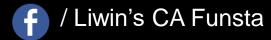
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State Bank of India

Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra Chairman : Dinesh Kumar Khara Tagline : With You all the way, Pure Banking Nothing Else, The Nation Bank on Us, The Banker to Every Indian, A Bank of the Common Man







Which organizations have joined hands to collaborate on identifying and developing publicprivate partnership (PPP) projects in India's infrastructure sector?

A) IMF and RBI
B) World Bank and HDFC Bank
C) IFC and ICICI Bank
D) IFC and NaBFID
E) ADB and SBI

Answer D) IFC and NaBFID











- To develop a robust pipeline of investment-ready public-private partnership (PPP) projects in infrastructure across India, IFC and National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU).
- The collaboration aims to support the nation's target of achieving a \$5trillion economy while fostering low-carbon and climate-resilient growth.
- Under the MoU, IFC and NaBFID will collaborate to jointly identify and develop PPP projects. In addition, comprehensive transaction advisory services will be available for those initiatives.
- The projects will be selected and implemented with an eye on sustainability as well as climate adaptation and mitigation, supporting India's climate commitments.

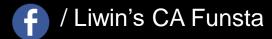








- The initial projects are expected to mobilize around \$2 billion in private investment over the next few years in national priority sectors, including renewable energy, energy storage, urban infrastructure, and others.
- While providing models for replication and scaling up, projects developed through this partnership will be critical to mobilizing private funding to meet India's massive infrastructure investment needs around \$1.4 trillion, including \$290 billion through the private sector, as estimated by the National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP).

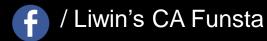


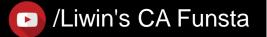


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National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID)

Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra Founded: 2022 Act: NABFID Act, 2021 MD: Rajkiran Rai G International Finance Corporation(IFC) Founded: 20 July 1956 Headquarters: Washington, D.C., U.S. MD: Makhtar Diop



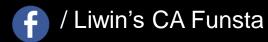


Which bank division has unveiled Kotak Réserve, a Savings Programme curated exclusively for UHNIs and HNIs?

- A) Axis Private Banking
- B) ICICI Wealth Management
- C) HDFC Private Banking
- D) Kotak Private Banking
- E) Standard Chartered Private Banking

Answer D) Kotak Private Banking







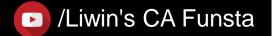




- Kotak Private Banking, a division of Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited, has unveiled Kotak Réserve, a Savings Programme curated exclusively for UHNIs (Ultra High Net Worth Individuals) and HNIs (High Net Worth Individuals).
- This by-invite programme extends beyond banking services, offering a range of exclusive amenities to provide clients with an unparalleled luxury banking experience.
- The Kotak Réserve Savings Programme aims to deliver a premium banking experience by offering exclusive lifestyle benefits in areas such as travel, health and wellness, and entertainment. These additions enhance Kotak Private Banking's bespoke services provided to their esteemed clientele.





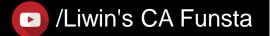




- Key offerings of Kotak Réserve include an Epicure Privileged Membership by Taj, Lafayette Luxury Concierge services, BookMyShow vouchers, preferential pricing on services, and the Kotak White Reserve credit card.
- These privileges encompass a spectrum of services such as luxury stays, dining experiences, spa treatments, customized lifestyle solutions, access to exclusive Michelin-starred restaurants, and more.







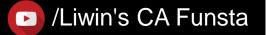
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Kotak Private Banking

Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra CEO: Oisharya Das







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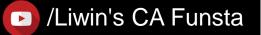
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Who has been appointed as the Chairman of Andhra Pradesh Grameena Vikas Bank (APGVB)?

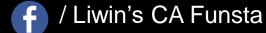
A) Raghuram Rajan
B) Prathapa Reddy
C) Arundhati Bhattacharya
D) Chanda Kochhar
E) Nirmala Sitharaman

Answer B) Prathapa Reddy





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APPOINTMENTS



- Prathapa Reddy, Deputy General Manager of State Bank of India (SBI), has been appointed as Chairman of Andhra Pradesh Grameena Vikas Bank (APGVB).
- Reddy previously headed the Real Estate Housing Business Unit at SBI Bhopal Circle.
- He has held a number of positions at SBI, including Regional Manager and head of the Agriculture Development Branch and Retail Assets Centralised Processing Centre in Hyderabad.
- APGVB, supported by SBI, is a beneficial Local Rustic Bank serving clients across 28 regions in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.



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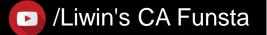
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Andhra Pradesh Grameena Vikas Bank

Headquarters: Warangal, Telangana Chairman: Prathapa Reddy







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AWARDS

Who became the first Indian to receive Suriname's highest civilian honour, The Grand Order of the Chain of Yellow Star?

- A) Narendra Modi
- B) Droupadi Murmu
- C) Ram Nath Kovind
- D) Sushma Swaraj
- E) Pranab Mukherjee

Answer B) Droupadi Murmu







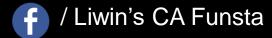


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AWARDS



- Suriname conferred its highest civilian honour to President Droupadi Murmu- The Grand Order of the Chain of Yellow Star, the first Indian to receive this award.
- Murmu received the award from the President of the Republic of Suriname, Chandrikapersad Santokhi.
- India and Suriname signed four major Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) in the fields of health, agriculture and capacity building.







AWARDS

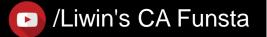
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Suriname

Capital: Paramaribo Currency: Suriname Dollar President: Chan Santokhi







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What is the name of Iran's first indigenous hypersonic ballistic missile?

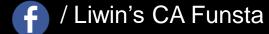
A) Zulfiqar
B) Fattah
C) Ghadr
D) Sejjil
E) None of these

Answer B) Fattah





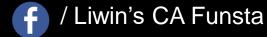
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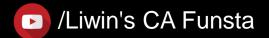
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- **Iran** unveiled its first locally designed hypersonic ballistic missile, during a ceremony in the presence of Iran's President, Ebrahim Raisi.
- The weapon called Fattah (Conqueror in Persian) was described as the "latest achievement of the Aerospace Force of the Revolutionary Guards" (IRGC) by IRNA
- The weapon has a range of 1,400 kilometers (870 miles) and a top speed of Mach 13 to 15.
- Hypersonic missiles are weapon systems designed to travel at speeds greater than Mach 5, which is five times the speed of sound or approximately 6,174 kilometers per hour (3,836 miles per hour).
- The speed and manoeuvrability of hypersonic missiles make them extremely challenging to detect and intercept.

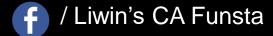




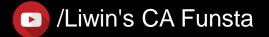




- In September 2022, the United States Air Force awarded Raytheon and Northrop Grumman a contract to develop the Hypersonic Attack Cruise Missile (HACM), a scramjet-powered air-launched cruise missile based on the results of the Hypersonic Air-breathing Weapon Concept (HAWC) program.
- China already fields two ground-launched hypersonic weapons, the DF-17 and the DF-21, and is developing a third missile called the YJ-21 to be launched from a ship.



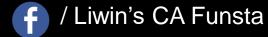




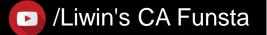
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Iran

Capital : Tehran Currency : Rial President: Ebrahim Raisi







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Which Indian Navy's indigenous torpedo successfully engaged an underwater target?

- A) BrahMosB) VarunastraC) Sagarika
- D) Nirbhay
- E) Shaurya
 - Answer
 - B) Varunastra





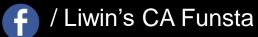




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- Indigenously designed and developed heavy weight torpedo (HWT)
 Varunastra was successfully test-fired with a live warhead against an undersea target, by the Indian Navy
- Varunastra is a ship-launched anti-submarine torpedo having low drift navigational systems, acoustic homing, advanced acoustic counter measure features, autonomous guidance algorithms, insensitive munitions warhead and a GPS-based recovery aid for practice torpedo.
- Varunastra was designed and developed by Vizag-based Naval Science and Technological Laboratory (NSTL) under the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and is manufactured by Bharat Dynamics Ltd (BDL).
- Annual report of 2015-16, the NSTL and the Indian Navy have jointly conducted a total of 130 technical trials to evaluate the weapon in all aspects of its capabilities.

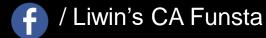




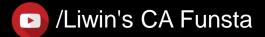


Explanation

- A total of 14 User trials including trials in the months of January 2015 and March 2015 with different scenarios have also been completed. Final sentencing of Varunastra UETs meeting was held in September 2015.
- Varunastra has been accepted by IHQ MoD (Navy) for induction into Services.
- According to BDL, the torpedo, with a maximum speed of 40 knots and a maximum operating depth of 600 m, has a long range with multi-manoeuvering capabilities and is capable of acoustic homing with a wide look angle capable of tracking silent targets. It features autonomous advanced guidance algorithms and has drift navigational systems over long endurance.
- Just last week, MH-60 'Romeo' multi-mission helicopter took its maiden landing on the indigenously-built aircraft carrier INS Vikrant. MH-60R helicopter manufactured by Lockheed Martin Corporation is an all-weather helicopter designed to support multiple missions with state-of-the-art avionics and sensors.





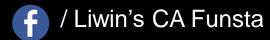


How many second-generation Starlink satellites were successfully launched by SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket?

A) 10
B) 15
C) 20
D) 22
E) 25

Answer D) 22





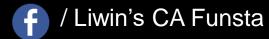




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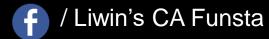
- SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket successfully launched 22 second-generation Starlink satellites, also known as 'V2 Mini', to low-Earth orbit.
- The launch took place from Space Launch Complex 40 (SLC-40) at Cape Canaveral Space Force Station.
- This launch marked the third successful launch and landing for the Falcon 9 first stage booster.
- The booster had previously been utilized for the **Crew-6 and SES O3b mPOWER missions**, demonstrating the reliability and reusability of the powerful rocket technology.



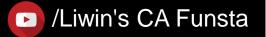
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- The second-generation Starlink satellites bring about significant technological advancements compared to their predecessors
- By utilizing the extensive Starlink satellite network, SpaceX aims to create a global internet coverage constellation. The ultimate goal is to establish a lowlatency, high-speed internet network that can cater to users worldwide, irrespective of their geographic location







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SpaceX Headquarters: Hawthorne, California, United States of America Founded: 6 May 2002 CEO: Elon Musk







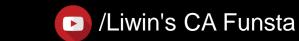
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Who inaugurated The India Namibia Centre of Excellence in Information Technology (INCEIT) in Namibia?

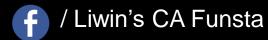
- A) Narendra Modi
- B) S Jaishankar
- C) Ram Nath Kovind
- D) Ravi Shankar Prasad
- E) Piyush Goyal

Answer B) S Jaishankar





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Explanation

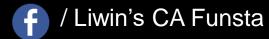
- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar inaugurated the Namibia University's fully equipped IT center, known as The India Namibia Centre of Excellence in Information Technology (INCEIT) built with Indian assistance.
- The center, equipped with cutting-edge IT infrastructure, is a product of the collaborative efforts between India and Namibia in development, cooperation, and capacity-building.
- This centre started offering courses going back to **November 2019**.
- A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between India and Namibia to create and operate the India Namibia Centre of Excellence in Information Technology (INCEIT) for training in specialised areas of Information Technology.

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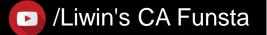




- The government of India initiated a proposal for the setting up of CEIT with the intent of having international outreach for imparting ICT education in Namibia.
- The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) and the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (CDAC) signed an Agreement on July 16th, 2018 for the setting up of an India Namibia Centre of Excellence in Information Technology (INCEIT) at the Namibia University of Science & Technology.







Titbits

<u>Namibia</u>

Capital: Windhoek Currency: Namibian Dollar Prime minister: Saara Kuugongelwa President: Hage Gottfried Geingob







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Who launched Asia's largest cluster development scheme in Thane, Maharashtra?

- A) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- B) Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde
- C) Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh Yogi Adityanath
- D) Chief Minister of West Bengal Mamata Banerjee
- E) Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu M.K. Stalin

Answer B) Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde







Explanation

- Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde has launched Asia's largest, ambitious and historic cluster development scheme in Thane.
- This scheme was conceptualized for the collective redevelopment of unauthorized and official dangerous buildings after the collapse of the Sairaj Building in Thane which had claimed 18 lives. The redeveloped township plan includes well-equipped health, educational, sports, recreational, parking, mandi, and civic facilities.
- The **CIDCO** will execute the project.

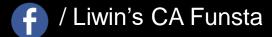
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• Under the project, the integrated redevelopment project will be done on the lines of townships.

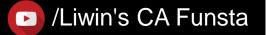
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- The occupants will get a 323 Sq ft ownership house.
- The scheme will be implemented not only in Thane but also in Mumbai and the Mira-Bhayandar area of Thane district.
- 10,000 houses will be constructed in the first phase of cluster development in Thane on 1500 acre area.









Maharashtra

Capital : Mumbai CM : Eknath Shinde Governor : Ramesh Bais







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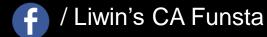
Microsoft partners with which ministry to train youth in digital and cybersecurity skills?

A) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
B) Ministry of Education
C) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
D) Ministry of Finance
E) Ministry of External Affairs

Answer C) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship









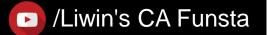


Explanation

- Committed to empower youth in India with future-ready skills, Microsoft has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Directorate General of Training (DGT), Ministry of Skills Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), to train students and educators at government-led Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and National Skills Training Institutions (NSTIs).
- As part of this collaboration, Microsoft will offer a wide range of courses, including training in AI, cloud computing, web development and cybersecurity skills for nearly 6000 students and 200 faculty members.
- This training will empower young students with industry-relevant skills, enhancing their employability, and connecting them to relevant job opportunities.

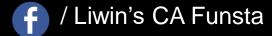


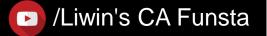




Explanation

- These trained faculty members can then train ITI students attending computer operator and programming assistant (COPA) training.
- The **CyberShikshaa program** focusing on basic and intermediate cybersecurity skills training will also be expanded to students and educators at 10 NSTIs for women.

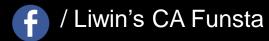




Titbits

Microsoft

Founded: 4 April 1975 Headquarters: Redmond, Washington D.C., United States of America Chairman: Satya Nadella **Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship** Minister: Shri Dharmendra Pradhan Constitency: Rajya Sabha MP, Madhya Pradesh



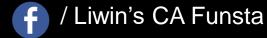




How many committees has the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation formed to frame draft schemes for pension, provident fund, and insurance?

A) One B) Two C) Three D) Four E) Five

> Answer C) Three







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- The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation has formed three committees to frame draft schemes for pension, provident fund and insurance under the retirement fund body, in line with the provisions of the Social Security Code, 2020.
- The committees are expected to submit the draft schemes to EPFO by **June 23, 2023**.
- In terms of Section 15 of the Social Security Code 2020, the Central government, by notification, has to frame the following three schemes namely the Employees' Provident Fund Scheme, Employees' Pension Scheme and Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme.
- Additional central provident fund commissioner Sanjay Kumar and Pankaj Raman will be the co-chairperson of the 11-member committee on Employees' Provident Fund scheme.

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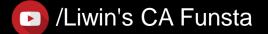


Explanation

- Rajiv Bhist, the additional central provident fund commissioner, will head the eightmember committee on the Employees' Pension Scheme and additional central provident fund commissioner Vaishali Dayal will head the five-member committee on the Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme.
- Social Security Code, 2020 aims to amend and consolidate the existing labour laws relating to social security with the wider goal of extending social security benefits to all employees and workers, both in the organised as well as unorganised sector
- The Code on Social Security ,2020 subsumes nine central labour laws including the Employees' Compensation Act, 1923, The Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948, The Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952, The Employment Exchanges (Compulsory Notification of Vacancies) Act, 1959, The Maternity Benefit Act, 1961, The Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972, The Cine Workers Welfare Fund Act, 1981, The Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Cess Act, 1996 and the Unorganised Workers' Social Security Act 2008.







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Employees' Provident Fund Organisation(EPFO)

Founded: 4 March 1952 Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi CEO(Central Provident Fund Commissioner): Smt. Neelam Shami Rao







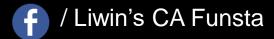
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Where was the revamped website and new mobile app of the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) launched?

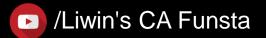
- A) New Delhi
- B) Kolkata
- C) Mumbai
- D) Chennai
- E) Bengaluru

Answer C) Mumbai





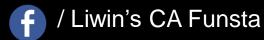




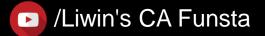
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- Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) has launched its revamped website and the new mobile app in Mumbai. CBFC Chairman Prasoon Joshi launched the website and the newly developed mobile app.
- The dynamically revamped CBFC website and the new Mobile app focus on making them user-friendly to learn, locate valuable information, and carry out simpler tasks by both applicants and CBFC officials at their desks and on mobile devices.
- The CBFC website will provide timely updates on new and upcoming events, circulars, orders, notifications, etc.
- While the newly developed Mobile App provides features such as real time progress tracking of application status and intimation of tentative screesning dates, and uploading of required documents including videos of less than 10 minutes duration, which will encourage complete automation process and minimal human intervention.







Titbits

Central Board of Film Certification(CBFC)

Founded: 1951 Headquarters : Mumbai, Maharashtra Chairman: Prasoon Joshi







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Which companies have launched a pilot project for ethanol blended diesel?

- A) BPCL and Ashok Leyland
- B) BPCL and Tata Motors
- C) HPCL and Ashok Leyland
- D) Indian Oil and Mahindra & Mahindra
- E) Reliance Industries and Maruti Suzuki

Answer A) BPCL and Ashok Leyland





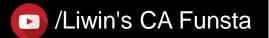




- **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL)** said it has initiated a pilot project with auto maker **Ashok Leyland** to test the effectiveness of ED7 (diesel blended with 7% ethanol) fuel.
- The programme is aimed at transforming India's bio-fuel economy and achieve a stable energy mix.
- The ED7 fuel blend, developed by BPCL-R&D, consists of 93% diesel and 7% ethanol. BPCL said that the blend has undergone rigorous testing and validation on engine test bench in collaboration with Ashok Leyland.







Titbits

BPCL

Abbreviation: Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited Headquarters: Mumbai Founded: 1952 CMD: G. Krishna Kumar

Ashok Leyland

Founded: 7 September 1948 Headquarters: Chennai, Tamil Nadu MD & CEO: Shenu Agarwal







QUICK RECALL

- World Pest Day, UN Russian Language Day June 06
- AC Milan striker Zlatan Ibrahimovic announces his retirement from football
- American double Olympic champion Jim Hines, who became the first man to run the 100 metres in less than 10 seconds in 1968, has died
- HSBC India unveiled a campaign featuring their new brand influencer, cricketer Virat Kohli.
- The State Bank of India has launched Project Kuber having four transaction banking hubs and one corporate salary package hub in Bengaluru.
- IFC and NaBFID Sign MoU to Develop Various Renewable Projects
- Kotak Private Banking has unveiled Kotak Réserve, a Savings Programme curated exclusively for UHNIs (Ultra High Net Worth Individuals) and HNIs (High Net Worth Individuals).

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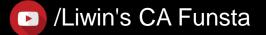
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QUICK RECALL

- Prathapa Reddy, Deputy General Manager of State Bank of India (SBI), has been appointed as Chairman of Andhra Pradesh Grameena Vikas Bank (APGVB).
- Suriname conferred its highest civilian honour to President Droupadi Murmu-The Grand Order of the Chain of Yellow Star, the first Indian to receive this award.
- Iran unveiled its first locally designed hypersonic ballistic missile
- Indigenously designed and developed heavy weight torpedo (HWT) Varunastra was successfully test-fired with a live warhead against an undersea target, by the Indian Navy
- SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket successfully launched 22 second-generation Starlink satellites, also known as 'V2 Mini', to low-Earth orbit.
- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar inaugurated The India Namibia Centre of Excellence in Information Technology (INCEIT) built with Indian assistance.







QUICK RECALL

- Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde has launched Asia's largest, ambitious and historic cluster development scheme in Thane.
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