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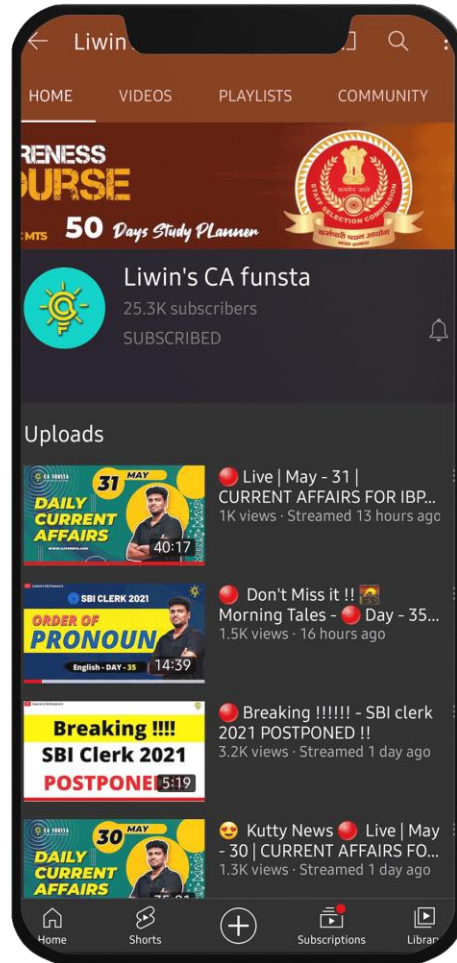
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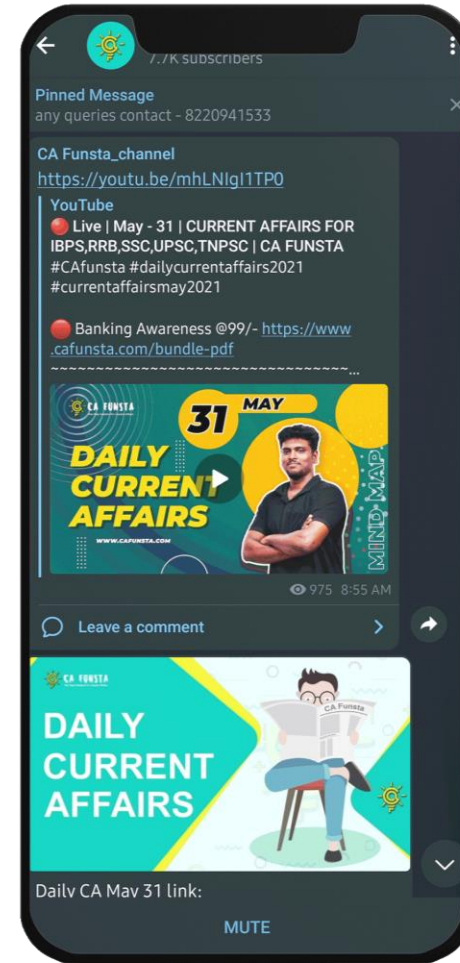
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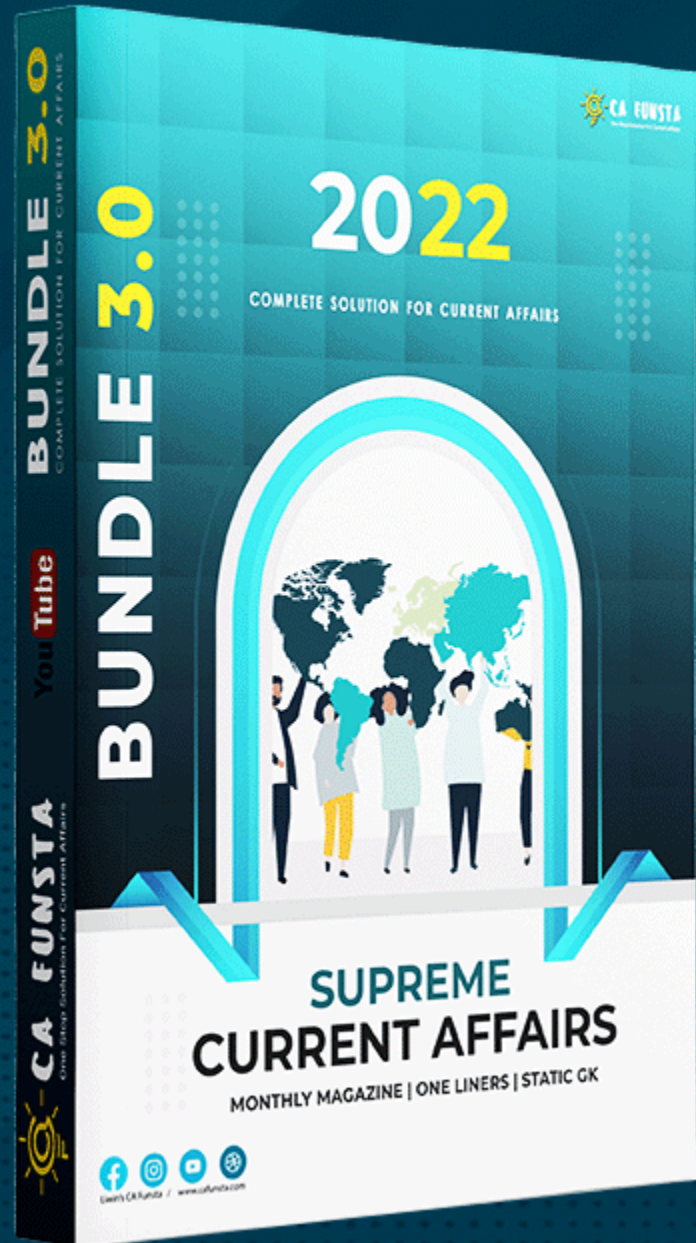


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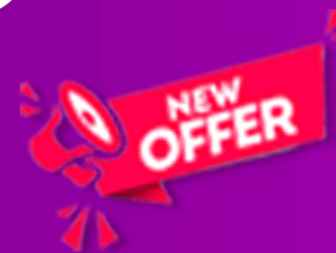
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Important Days



When is the International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict observed?

- A) June 19
- B) July 19
- C) August 19
- D) September 19
- E) October 19

Answer
A) June 19



Important Days



Explanation

- **International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict** is observed every year on **June 19** to highlight the issue of conflict-related sexual violence and inspire efforts to prevent it.
- The theme for this year's International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict is **“bridging the gender digital divide to prevent, address and respond to conflict-related sexual violence”**.
- International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence was established on June 19, 2015, by the United Nations General Assembly.
- It was on June 19, 2008, when the Security Council resolution 1820 was adopted. In the resolution, the council termed sexual violence as “a tactic of war and an impediment to peacebuilding”.
- To commemorate the adoption of the resolution, June 19 was chosen as International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence.

Important Days



National Reading Day

- **National Reading Day** is observed on **19 June** this year.
- The day marks the death anniversary of PN Panicker, who is famously known as the 'Father of the Library Movement' in Kerala.
- This year is 27th edition

Important Days



Sustainable Gastronomy Day

- **Sustainable Gastronomy Day** is observed on **June 18** across the world.
- It aims to draw the world's attention towards the role that sustainable gastronomy can play to catalyse our sustainable development goals (SDGs).
- Sustainable Gastronomy Day was first commemorated after the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) adopted the resolution A/RES/71/246 on December 21, 2016, and designated June 18 as Sustainable Gastronomy Day.

Important Days



Autistic Pride Day

- Every year, **June 18** is observed as **Autistic Pride Day** to create awareness about Autism Spectrum Disorder and to make people understand of the need of stopping discrimination against people born with this condition.
- In **2005**, Aspies for Freedom – a community aiming to create awareness about autism – marked this day to be celebrated as Autistic Pride Day.
- Since then, it has been celebrated every year.

Who won the Intercontinental Cup title by defeating Lebanon?

- A) India
- B) Lebanon
- C) Brazil
- D) Argentina
- E) Germany

Answer
A) India



Explanation

- Held in : Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneswar, Odisha
- Edition: 3rd
- Winners: \$50,000 (India)
- Runners-up: \$25,000 (Lebanon)
- Player of the tournament: Sandesh Jhingan - India (Rs. 1,50,000)
- It is 2nd time.(First – 2018)

Who launched the mascot for the upcoming 37th National Games named MOGA?

- A) Dr. Pramod Sawant
- B) Narendra Modi
- C) Rahul Gandhi
- D) Mamata Banerjee
- E) Arvind Kejriwal

Answer

A) Dr. Pramod Sawant



Explanation

- The official **mascot and jersey** of the **37th National Games** to be held in **Goa** in **October 2023**, has been launched by the state's Chief Minister.
- The launch ceremony was held at **Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium in Taleigao**
- The unveiling of the official mascot '**MOGA**,' a bison representing the distinct identity of Goa, embodied the connection between the Games and the state's heritage.
- The last National Games edition was held in Kerala in 2015, and Goa was to host the 36th edition in November **2016**.
- However, due to interruptions in 2018 and 2019, given the state's inability to provide the needed infrastructure, the Games were further postponed to 2020. But then again the COVID pandemic had taken over, leading to further uncertainties and postponements.

Max Life Insurance Company Limited acquired a ___ equity stake in Capital Small Finance Bank (CSFB) for ₹49.50 crore?

- A) 1.50%
- B) 2.99%
- C) 3.75%
- D) 4.50%
- E) 5.25%

Answer
B) 2.99%



Explanation

- **Max Life Insurance Company Limited** (Max Life), has picked a **2.99 per cent** equity stake in Jalandhar-headquartered Capital Small Finance Bank (CSFB) for a consideration of **₹49.50 crore**.
- Towards this investment, as many as 10,57,700 equity shares of CSFB of ₹10 each at a premium of ₹458 per equity share has been allotted to Max Life.
- CSFB started operations as India's 1st Small Finance Bank on April 24, 2016 after conversion from Capital Local Area Bank.
- Prior to conversion to a Small Finance Bank, Capital Local Area Bank was operating as India's largest local area bank since January 14, 2000.

Titbits

Max Life Insurance

Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi

CEO: Prashant Tripathy

Capital Small Finance Bank

Headquarters: Jalandhar, Punjab

MD & CEO: Mr. Sarvjit Singh Samra

Tagline: Vishwas se Vikas tak

APPOINTMENTS



Who has been appointed as the chief of India's external spy agency RAW?

- A) Ravi Sinha
- B) Rajesh Kumar
- C) Sanjay Gupta
- D) Ashok Sharma
- E) Deepak Singh

Answer

A) Ravi Sinha

APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- **Ravi Sinha**, a senior IPS officer of the Chhattisgarh cadre, has been appointed new **chief of India's external intelligence Research and Analysis Wing or R&AW chief**.
- Sinha will succeed incumbent **Samant Goel** on completion of his tenure on June 30 and have a two-year tenure.
- Sinha, a 1988 batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer, is currently serving as special secretary, Cabinet Secretariat. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved Sinha's appointment as secretary, R&AW for a tenure of two years.
- Goel was appointed RAW chief for two years in June 2019. He was later given two extensions of one year each in 2021 and June 2022.

APPOINTMENTS



Titbits

Research and Analysis Wing

Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi

Founded: 21 September 1968

Chief: Ravi Sinha

APPOINTMENTS



Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of state-owned National Fertilizers Ltd (NFL)?

- A) U Saravanan
- B) Rakesh Sharma
- C) Anil Gupta
- D) Rajesh Singh
- E) Sanjay Patel

Answer

A) U Saravanan



APPOINTMENTS



Explanation

- **U Saravanan** has been appointed as **Chairman and Managing Director of state-owned National Fertilizers Ltd (NFL)**.
- Prior to this, **Saravanan** was serving as CMD of another fertilizer CPSE, Madras Fertilizers Ltd.
- Prior to taking over as C&MD of MFL, he was Director (Technical) of the company and also held additional charge as Director (Technical) of another fertilizer CPSE, FACT, Cochin for more than a year. He was also a board member of Indian Potash Limited and Fortune Biotech.

APPOINTMENTS



Titbits

National Fertilizers Ltd

Headquarters: Noida, Uttar Pradesh

CMD: U Saravanan

Founded: 23 August 1974

Which country collaborated with SpaceX to launch a satellite aimed at boosting internet connectivity?

- A) Indonesia
- B) India
- C) United States
- D) China
- E) Russia

Answer
B) India

Explanation

- **Indonesia** and **Elon Musk's rocket company SpaceX** launched the country's largest telecommunication satellite from the United States, in a **\$540 million project** intended to link up remote corners of the archipelago to the internet.
- The 4.5-tonne **Satellite of the Republic of Indonesia (SATRIA-1)** was built by Thales Alenia Space and deployed into orbit from Florida by SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket, which then returned to an offshore site in a precision landing.
- The project is a public-private partnership between the government and Indonesian satellite service provider PT Satelit Nusantara Tiga.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Titbits

Indonesia

Capital : Nusantara

Currency : Rupiah

President: Joko Widodo

SpaceX

Headquarters: Hawthorne, California, United States of America

Founded: 6 May 2002

CEO: Elon Musk

Which organizations demonstrated the command and control of Tapas UAV from a ground station to a warship at sea?

- A) DRDO and Indian Navy
- B) ISRO and Indian Air Force
- C) BARC and Indian Coast Guard
- D) NPCIL and Indian Army
- E) HAL and Indian Coast Guard

Answer

A) DRDO and Indian Navy



Explanation

- In a remarkable feat, the **Indian Navy and the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** successfully carried out the transfer of command and control capabilities of TAPAS Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV).
- The demonstration that took place on Friday involved commanding the UAV from a distant ground station to the onboard **INS Subhadra**, a warship situated 148 km away from Karnataka's Karwar naval base.
- Tapas UAV operated at an altitude of 20,000 feet above sea level and completed three-hour and 30-minute flight, with the INS Subhadra assuming control of the operations for 40 minutes.

Explanation

- The Tapas UAV took off at 07:35 am from the Aeronautical Test Range (ATR) in **Chitradurga** and covered 285km distance to reach the naval base.
- To facilitate the control of the UAV, one Ground Control Station and two Ship Data Terminals were installed on the INS Subhadra, DRDO said in a statement. Following the successful trial, the Tapas UAV landed back at the ATR.

Explanation

- The **Tapas UAV, developed by DRDO**, is a Medium Altitude Long Endurance (MALE) unmanned aerial vehicle. The vehicle, which was publicly showcased during its first flight at Aero India 2023 in Bengaluru earlier this year, has a range of more than 18 hours and can operate at altitudes of up to 28,000 feet. It was developed in response to the ISTAR (Intelligence, Surveillance, Target Acquisition, Tracking, and Reconnaissance) requirements of the tri-services.
- TAPAS UAV can fly autonomously or be remotely controlled, depending on pre-programmed flight plans, and it can operate in both day and night conditions.

Titbits

DRDO

Abbreviation: Defence Research and Development
Organisation

Founded: 1958

Headquarters : New Delhi, Delhi

Chairman : Samir V Kamat

Which country recently launched a Long March-6 carrier rocket to deploy a new experiment satellite into space?

- A) China
- B) United States
- C) Russia
- D) India
- E) France

Answer
A) China



Explanation

- **China** launched a **Long March-6 carrier rocket** to place a new experiment satellite in space.
- The rocket carrying the **Shiyan-25** experiment satellite lifted off at 11:18 AM from the Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center in the northern province of Shanxi.
- The satellite successfully entered the preset orbit.
- This satellite will mainly be used to carry out new Earth-observation technology experiments.
- This was the 477th flight mission of the Long March rocket series

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Titbits

China

Capital:Beijing

Currency:Renminbi

President:Xi Jinping

Which shipyard has secured an order from Norway to construct six new-generation cargo vessels?

- A) Udupi Cochin Shipyard
- B) Mumbai Shipyard Limited
- C) Chennai Shipyard Limited
- D) Kolkata Shipyard Limited
- E) Vishakhapatnam Shipyard Limited

Answer

A) Udupi Cochin Shipyard



Explanation

- **Udupi Cochin Shipyard Limited (UCSL)**, the wholly owned subsidiary of Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL), has won an international order from Norway-based **Wilson Shipowning AS** for the design and construction of six new generation diesel-electric 3800 DWT general cargo vessels.
- The contract is signed with an option for additional eight vessels.
- The “Future proof Dry Cargo Vessel” designed by Conoship International, Netherlands is an environmentally friendly diesel-electric vessel ready for installation of wind foil units and battery hybrid systems.

Explanation

- These vessels are intended for the transport of general cargo inland as well as in coastal waters of Europe.
- The “Future proof Dry Cargo Vessel” Project comes at an approximate cost of Rs 580 crore. The first vessel will be delivered by December 2024 and thereafter deliveries will be completed within March 2026

QUICK RECALL



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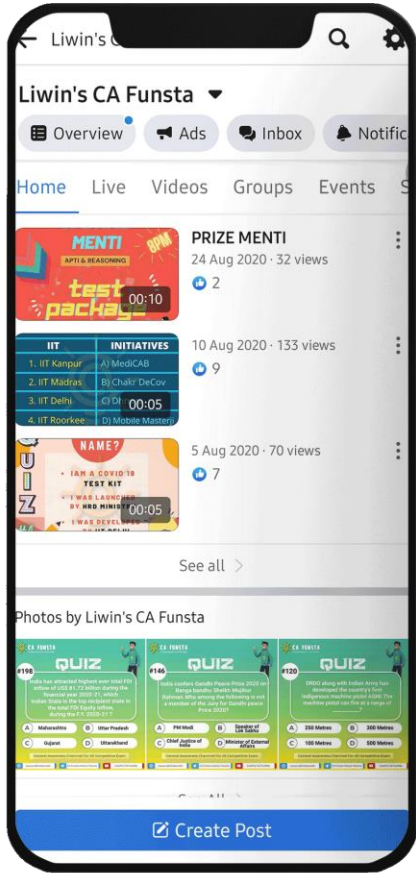
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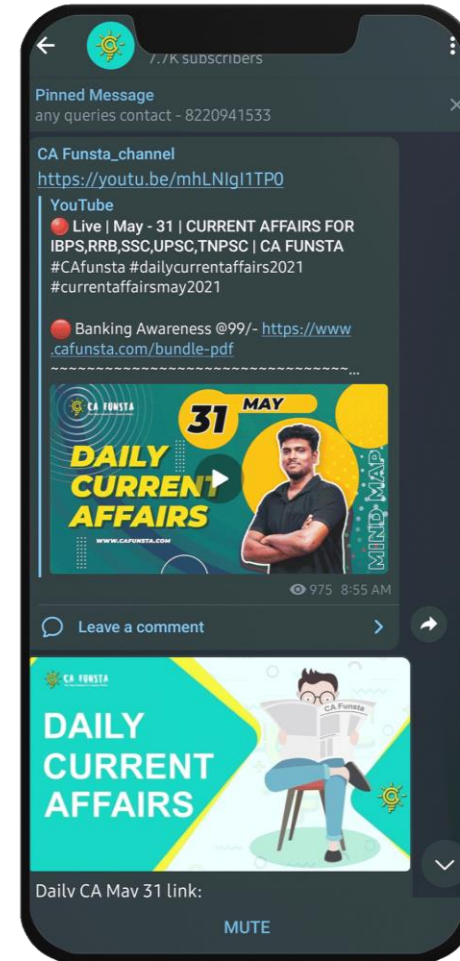
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