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# Important Days



➤ **What is the theme for World Cancer Day?**

- A) Break the silence
- B) Fight against cancer
- C) Close the care gap
- D) Early detection saves lives
- E) Together we can



**Answer**

**C) Close the care gap**



# Important Days



## Explanation

- **World Cancer Day is observed on February 4 every year.**
- **Theme: “Close the care gap”**
- **This day serves as a reminder to individuals, communities, and nations to come together in the fight against cancer.**
- **The inception of World Cancer Day dates back the World Summit Against Cancer for the New Millennium in Paris in 2000.**
- **The Union for International Cancer Control, a key organisation in cancer awareness, initiated this day to emphasise the importance of early cancer detection.**



# Important Days



**International Day of Human Fraternity is observed on February 4**

- **Every year, International Day of Human Fraternity is observed on February 4.**
- **On February 4, 2019, the historic document - Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together – was signed by the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar, Ahmad Al-Tayyeb, and Pope Francis.**
- **On December 21, 2020, International Day of Human Fraternity was established by the United Nations General Assembly.**





➤ Which team lifted the Nagesh Trophy in the Men's National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind 2023-24?

- A) Andhra Pradesh
- B) Karnataka
- C) Tamil Nadu
- D) Maharashtra
- E) Kerala

**Answer**  
**B) Karnataka**



## Explanation

- **Karnataka lifted the Nagesh Trophy after defeating Andhra Pradesh by nine wickets in the final of Men's National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind 2023-24, claiming a title at the national level after 20 years.**
- **Andhra Pradesh set a formidable target by posting 237/5 in 20 overs in the final, showcasing a commendable performance.**
- **However, Karnataka displayed remarkable resilience to reach 241/1, chasing down the target with just two balls to spare, concluding the tournament with a thrilling finish for visually impaired cricketers.**



## Note:

- **Nagesh Trophy was launched in the memory of Late SP Nagesh, Founder President, Cricket Association for the Blind in India and Founder Trustee, Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled.**
- **The launch of the tournament brought together the entire blind cricket community into one huge platform, by creating a milestone in blind cricket history.**



➤ **Who will take part in the Paris 2024 Olympic Torch Relay?**

- A) Abhinav Bindra
- B) Sushil Kumar
- C) PV Sindhu
- D) Mary Kom
- E) Neeraj Chopra

**Answer**

**A) Abhinav Bindra**





## Explanation

- **Former shooter Abhinav Bindra, India's first Olympic gold medallist, will take part in the Paris 2024 Olympic Torch Relay.**
- **The former shooter won the men's 10m air rifle event at Beijing 2008 and is India's first-ever Olympic gold medal winner.**
- **The Olympic Torch Relay is an ancient tradition that precedes the Summer Games.**
- **The modern iteration of the relay has been in practice since Berlin 1936.**
- **As of May 2024, 11,000 torch bearers, including Bindra, have been chosen to form a relay to celebrate the arrival of the Games in France.**



- **With which company has Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd (MRPL) signed a long-term gas supply agreement?**

- A) Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL)
- B) Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOCL)
- C) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL)
- D) Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL)
- E) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd (ONGC)



**Answer**

**C) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL)**



## Explanation

- **Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd (MRPL) has signed a long-term gas supply agreement with Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) for five years.**
- **Under the agreement, BPCL will supply 0.43 MMSCMD (Million Metric Standard Cubic Meters per Day) of RLNG (Regasified Liquefied Natural Gas) to MRPL's refinery and petrochemical facility in Mangaluru from Cochin terminal.**
- **MRPL intends to utilise RLNG as feed for the production of hydrogen and fuel for gas turbines to generate power, steam, and various furnaces.**
- **Using natural gas in the refinery helps reduce both the emissions and carbon footprint of the refinery.**



## Regasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG):

- Liquefied natural gas must be regasified to be used as fuel, power generation, for heating, cooking etc.
- Regasification is a process of converting liquefied natural gas (LNG) at  $-162\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $-260\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) temperature back to natural gas at atmospheric temperature.
- Regasification is the process of converting the gas back to gaseous state by heating the liquified gas.
- In a conventional regasification plant, LNG is heated by sea water to convert it to natural gas / methane gas





## BPCL:

- **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) is an Indian public sector undertaking (PSU) under the ownership of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India.**
- **It operates three refineries in Bina, Kochi and Mumbai.**
- **BPCL is India's second-largest government-owned downstream oil producer, whose operations are overseen by the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.**
- **HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra**
- **CMD: G Krishnakumar**
- **Maharatna Status: 2017**



# APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Who is the new Information and Broadcasting Secretary, replacing Apurva Chandra?**

- A) Apurva Chandra
- B) Sanjay Jaju
- C) Neerja
- D) Ashish Kumar Bhutani
- E) None of the above

**Answer**

**B) Sanjay Jaju**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Explanation

- **Information and Broadcasting Secretary Apurva Chandra has been appointed as the Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare.**
- **Senior bureaucrat Sanjay Jaju has been appointed as the new Information and Broadcasting Secretary, in place of Chandra.**
- **A Neerja, currently Additional Secretary, Department of Fertilisers has been appointed as Special Secretary in the same department.**
- **Ashish Kumar Bhutani has been appointed as Secretary at Ministry of Cooperation.**



# AWARDS



➤ How many recipients have been awarded the Bharat Ratna since its inception?

- A) 25
- B) 35
- C) 45
- D) 50
- E) 55

**Answer**  
**D) 50**





# AWARDS



## Explanation

- **The government honouring Senior BJP Leader and the man behind the Ram Janambhoomi movement, Lal Krishna Advani, with Bharat Ratna.**
- **He will be the 50th recipient of the highest civilian award since its inception and 7th during the Modi Government regime.**

## Note:

- **The Government also announced Bharat Ratna for socialist icon and former Chief Minister of Bihar, the late Karpoori Thakur.**

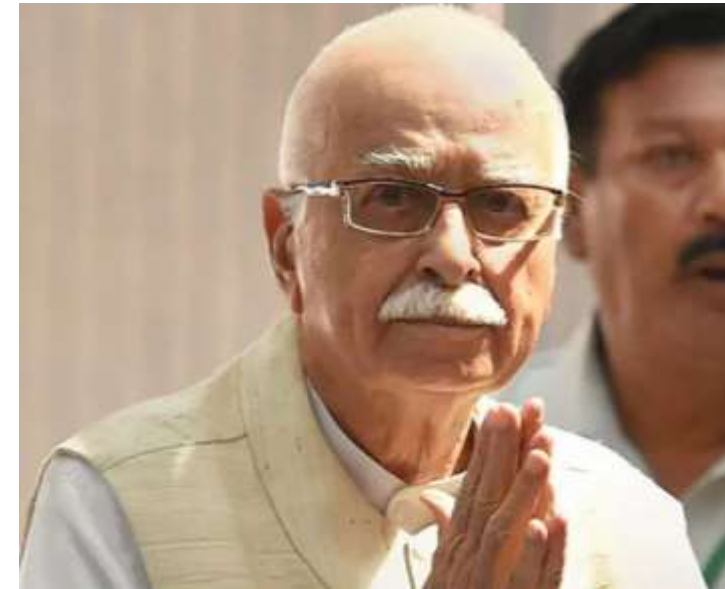


# AWARDS



## About L K Advani:

- **Lal Krishna Advani (born 8 November 1927) is an Indian politician who served as the 7<sup>th</sup> Deputy Prime Minister of India from 2002 to 2004.**
- **He is one of the co-founders of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and a member of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), a right-wing Hindu nationalist volunteer organisation.**
- **He is the longest serving Minister of Home Affairs serving from 1998 to 2004.**
- **He is also the longest serving Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha.**



# AWARDS



## About L K Advani:

- He was the prime ministerial candidate of the BJP during the 2009 general election.
- In 1980, he was one of the founding members of the BJP along with Atal Bihari Vajpayee and served as the president of the party three times.
- He was elected to the Lok Sabha for the first time in 1989 where he served seven terms. He has served as leader of opposition in both the houses.
- He was the minister of home affairs from 1998 to 2004 and deputy prime minister from 2002 to 2004.
- He served in the Indian parliament until 2019 and is credited for rise of BJP as a major political party.



# AWARDS



## Awards:

- In 2015, he was awarded the Padma Vibhushan, India's second highest civilian honour
- In 2024, he was conferred with Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honour.





# AWARDS



## Bharat Ratna:

- **The Bharat Ratna is the highest civilian award of the Republic of India.**
- **Instituted on 2 January 1954, the award is conferred in recognition of "exceptional service/performance of the highest order", without distinction of race, occupation, position or gender.**
- **The award was originally limited to achievements in the arts, literature, science, and public services, but the Government of India expanded the criteria to include "any field of human endeavor" in December 2011.**



# AWARDS



## **Bharat Ratna:**

- **The recommendations for the award are made by the Prime Minister to the President.**
- **The recipients receive a Sanad (certificate) signed by the President and a peepal leaf-shaped medallion with no monetary grant associated with the award.**
- **Bharat Ratna recipients rank seventh in the Indian order of precedence.**



# AWARDS



## Entitlements:

**The award does not carry any monetary benefits, but the award includes the following entitlements:**

- **The medallion and miniature**
- **A Sanad (certificate) signed by the President of India**
- **Treatment as a state guest by state governments when traveling within a state**
- **Indian missions abroad requested to facilitate recipients when requested**
- **Entitlement to a diplomatic passport**
- **Placed seventh in the Indian order of precedence**
- **Concessional fare on the flag carrier Air India**



➤ Which landmark in Paris, France, now offers the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) service?

- A) Louvre Museum
- B) Arc de Triomphe
- C) Notre-Dame Cathedral
- D) Eiffel Tower
- E) Palace of Versailles



**Answer**  
**D) Eiffel Tower**

**India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) service is now officially available at the iconic Eiffel Tower in Paris, France.**



## UPI:

- **Unified Payments Interface is an Indian instant payment system which was developed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) in 2016.**
- **This system powers multiple bank accounts into a single mobile app (of any participating bank).**



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### France:

Capital: Paris

Currency: Euro

President: Emmanuel Macron

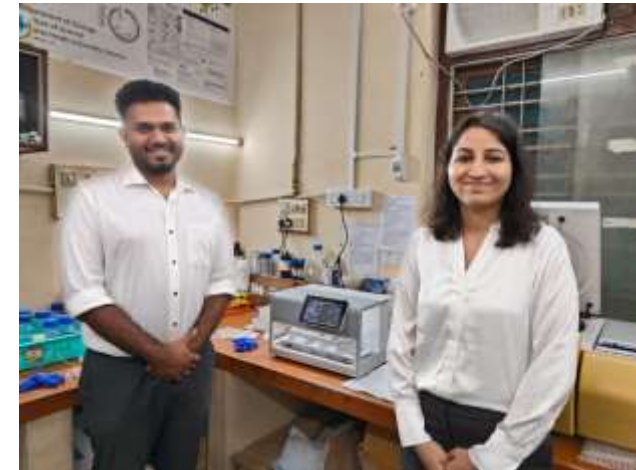
Prime Minister: Gabriel Attal





➤ **Where is North India's first human DNA bank being established?**

- A) All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)
- B) Indian Institute of Science (IISc)
- C) Banaras Hindu University (BHU)
- D) Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR)
- E) Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR)



**Answer**

**C) Banaras Hindu University (BHU)**



## Explanation

- **North India's first human DNA bank is being set up at Banaras Hindu University (BHU).**
- **The Automated DNA Extractor Machine has been installed in the Gnyaneshwar Lab of the Zoology Department of BHU on January 30 2024.**



## About Automated DNA Extractor Machine:

- These machines are completely indigenous to Make in India.
- It has been made in such a way that the minimum plastic is used in it, so that there is no harm to the environment.
- With this machine, DNA can be extracted from any biological material, like blood, saliva, hair or tissue.
- With its help, DNA can be separated from about 32 samples at one time in 30 minutes.
- A three-day conference on Personalised Medicine was organised by the Department of Zoology of BHU and Adnet Society, Hyderabad, in March 2023.



## About Automated DNA Extractor Machine:

- 21 famous scientists from 15 countries had reached this conference.
- On a suggestion from this conference, a human DNA bank has been established at BHU.
- In the same conference, it was decided that BHU is fully prepared to create a genome bank like the country of Estonia.



## **Banaras Hindu University:**

- **Banaras Hindu University is a collegiate, central, and research university located in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India, and founded in 4 February 1916.**
- **The Banaras Hindu University was jointly established by Madan Mohan Malaviya, Annie Besant, Maharaja Rameshwar Singh of Darbhanga Raj and Prabhu Narayan Singh and Aditya Narayan Singh of Narayan dynasty.**
- **Chancellor: Giridhar Malaviya**
- **Vice Chancellor: Sudhir K Jain**



➤ **What is the primary role of INS Sandhayak?**

- A) Anti-submarine warfare
- B) Maritime patrol
- C) Hydrographic surveys
- D) Search and rescue operations
- E) Mine countermeasures



**Answer**

**C) Hydrographic surveys**





## Explanation

- **INS Sandhayak (Yard 3025), the first Survey Vessel Large (SVL) ship, was commissioned into the Indian Navy in the presence of Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh at an ceremony held at the Naval Dockyard, Visakhapatnam on February 03, 2024.**
- **The primary role of the ship is to carry out full scale hydrographic surveys of ports, harbours, navigational channels/routes, coastal areas and deep seas, towards enabling safe marine navigation.**



## Explanation

- In its secondary role, the ship will be capable of undertaking a range of naval operations.
- The commissioning ceremony marked the formal induction of the first of the four ships of the SVL Project under construction at Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE), Kolkata.
- The project has been steered by the Warship Design Bureau of the Indian Navy.



## About INS Sandhayak:

- INS Sandhayak is equipped with state-of-the-art hydrographic equipment including Deep & Shallow Water Multi-Beam Echo-Sounders, Autonomous Underwater Vehicle, Remotely Operated Vehicle, Side scan sonars, Data Acquisition and Processing System, satellite-based positioning systems and terrestrial survey equipment.
- The ship is propelled by two Diesel Engines and is capable of achieving speeds in excess of 18 knots.



## About INS Sandhayak:

- It has an indigenous content of over 80% by cost and is a tribute to the collaborative efforts between the Indian Navy and Industry, including MSMEs. Its induction underscores the growing maritime interests and capabilities of the nation.
- Sandhayak means the one who carries out a special search



➤ **What is the purpose of the Commonwealth Legal Education Association – Commonwealth Attorneys and Solicitors General Conference?**

- A) To discuss international trade agreements
- B) To address climate change issues
- C) To promote legal education in the Commonwealth
- D) To deliberate on cross-border challenges in justice delivery
- E) To discuss defense cooperation among Commonwealth nations



**Answer**

**D) To deliberate on cross-border challenges in justice delivery**



## Explanation

- **The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the Commonwealth Legal Education Association (CLEA) - Commonwealth Attorneys and Solicitors General Conference (CASGC) 2024 at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi.**
- **The theme of the conference is “Cross-Border Challenges in Justice Delivery” and will deliberate on important issues pertaining to law and justice like judicial transition and the ethical dimensions of legal practice; executive accountability; and revisiting modern-day legal education, among others.**





## Explanation

- **This Conference witnessed the participation of Attorney Generals and Solicitors from the Commonwealth nations spanning the Asia-Pacific, Africa, and the Caribbean along with various international delegations.**
- **The conference serves as a unique platform by offering a forum for interaction among different stakeholders in the Commonwealth legal fraternity.**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Keypersons:

- **Chief Justice of India, Dr Justice D Y Chandrachud**
- **Union Minister for Law and Justice, Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal**
- **Judge of Supreme Court of India, Justice Surya Kant**
- **Attorney General for India, Dr R Venkataramani**
- **Solicitor General of India, Tushar Mehta**
- **President of Commonwealth Legal Education Association Prof. Dr S Sivakumar**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



- What is the total value of the projects inaugurated and dedicated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Sambalpur, Odisha?

- A) Rs 50,000 crore
- B) Rs 58,000 crore
- C) Rs 62,000 crore
- D) Rs 68,000 crore
- E) Rs 75,000 crore

**Answer**

- D) Rs 68,000 crore**



## Explanation

- **The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi today inaugurated, dedicated to the nation and laid the foundation stone for projects worth more than Rs 68,000 crore in Sambalpur, Odisha aimed at boosting the energy sector involving natural gas, coal and power generation.**



## Inaugurated Projects by PM in Odisha:

- **The Prime Minister inaugurated 'Dhamra – Angul Pipeline Section' (412 Km) of 'Jagdishpur-Haldia & Bokaro-Dhamra Pipeline Project (JHBDPL)'. Built at a cost of more than Rs 2450 crore under the 'Pradhan Mantri Urja Ganga', the project will connect Odisha with the National Gas Grid.**
- **The Prime Minister also laid the foundation stone of 'Nagpur Jharsuguda Natural Gas Pipeline Section' (692 Km)' of Mumbai-Nagpur-Jharsuguda Pipeline. The project developed at a cost of more than Rs 2660 crore, will improve the natural gas availability to states like Odisha, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh.**



## Inaugurated Projects by PM in Odisha:

- **During the programme, the Prime Minister dedicated to the nation and laid the foundation stone of multiple power projects worth about Rs 28,980 crore.**
  - The projects to be dedicated to nation include NTPC Darlipali Super Thermal Power Station (2x800 MW) and NSPCL Rourkela PP-II Expansion Project (1x250 MW) in Sundargarh district of Odisha.
  - He also laid the foundation stone of NTPC Talcher Thermal Power Project, Stage-III (2x660 MW) in Angul district of Odisha.
  - These power projects will supply low-cost power to Odisha as well as several other states.





## Inaugurated Projects by PM in Odisha:

- **The Prime Minister laid the foundation stone of the Neyveli Lignite Corporation (NLC) Talabira Thermal power project worth more than 27000 crore.**
- **The Prime Minister inaugurated coal infrastructure projects of Mahanadi Coalfields Limited including First Mile Connectivity (FMC) projects - Bhubaneswari Phase-I in Talcher Coalfields in Angul district and Lajkura Rapid Loading System (RLS). Built at a cost of about Rs. 2145 crore, these projects will boost the quality and supply of dry fuel from Odisha.**



## Inaugurated Projects by PM in Odisha:

- **The Prime Minister also inaugurated Ib Valley Washery, built at a cost of over Rs. 550 crore in Jharsuguda district of Odisha. It will mark a paradigm shift in coal processing for quality, signifying innovation and sustainability.**
- **The Prime Minister dedicated to the nation a 50 km long second track of Jharsuguda-Barpali-Sardega rail line Phase-1 built by Mahanadi Coalfields Limited, with an investment of Rs 878 crore.**



## Inaugurated Projects by PM in Odisha:

- **The Prime Minister also inaugurated three National Highways road sector projects, developed at a cumulative cost of about Rs 2110 crore.**
  - The projects include four laning of Rimuli-Koida Section of NH 215 (New NH No. 520), four laning of Biramitrapur-Brahmani Bypass end section of NH 23 (New NH No. 143) and four laning of Brahmani Bypass End-Rajamunda Section of NH 23 (New NH No. 143).



## Inaugurated Projects by PM in Odisha:

- **The Prime Minister dedicated to the nation and laid the foundation stone of railway projects worth about Rs. 2146 crore.**
  - He laid the foundation stone for the redevelopment of Sambalpur Railway Station, whose architecture is inspired by the Sailashree Palace.
  - He also dedicated the Sambalpur- Talcher Doubling Railway Line (168 Kms) and Jhartarbha to Sonapur New Railway line (21.7 Kms), enhancing the rail network capacity in the region.
  - The Prime Minister also flagged off Puri-Sonapur-Puri Weekly Express, improving connectivity for the rail passengers in the region.



## Inaugurated Projects by PM in Odisha:

- **The Prime Minister also inaugurated the permanent campus of IIM Sambalpur.**
- **Further, he dedicated the Jharsuguda Head Post Office Heritage Building to the nation.**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### Odisha:

Capital: Bhubaneswar  
Chief Minister: Naveen Patnaik  
Governor: Raghubar Das



➤ **What does GHAR stand for?**

- A) Government Home for At-Risk children
- B) Group Home for Abandoned and Rescued children
- C) Go Home and Re-Unite
- D) Guiding Hope and Assisting Rehabilitation
- E) Guardianship and Home Assistance Resource

**Answer**

**C) Go Home and Re-Unite**





## Track Child Portal:

- **The Ministry of Women and Child Development developed the “Track Child Portal”, which enables tracking of the missing and found children in all States/UTs including Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, North Eastern States and Jharkhand.**
- **The Track Child portal is implemented with support and involvement of various stakeholders namely Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Railways, State Governments/ UT Administrations, Child Welfare Committees, Juvenile Justice Boards, National Legal Services Authority, etc. Standard operating procedure have been issued for the “TrackChild” Portal.**



## Track Child Portal:

- **The TrackChild portal is also integrated with the CCTNS or Crime and Criminal Tracking & Network Systems of the Ministry of Home Affairs, which allows interoperability in terms of matching of F.I.Rs of missing children with database of TrackChild to trace and match missing children by the concerned State/UT police.**
- **One component of TrackChild Portal has “Khoya-Paya” where any citizen can report for any missing or sighted children.**



## **GHAR:**

- **GHAR - GO Home and Re-Unite (Portal for Restoration and Repatriation of Child) has been developed and launched by NCPCR.**
- **The GHAR portal has been developed to digitally monitor and track the restoration and repatriation of children as per the protocols under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Rules thereof.**



## Salient features of the portal:

- Digital tracking and monitoring of children who are in the Juvenile Justice system and have to be repatriated to another Country/State/District.
- Digital transfer of cases of children to the concerned Juvenile Justice Board/Child Welfare Committee of the State for speedy repatriation of children.
- Where there is a requirement of a translator/interpreter/expert, request to be made to the concerned State Government.
- Child Welfare Committees and District Child Protection Officers can ensure proper restoration and rehabilitation of children by digitally monitoring the progress of the case of the child.



## Salient features of the portal:

- A checklist format will be provided in the forms so that the children who are hard to repatriate or children who are not getting their entitled compensation or other monetary benefits can be identified.
- List of Government implemented schemes are provided, so that at the time of restoration the Child Welfare Committees can link the child with the schemes to strengthen the family and ensure that child remains with his/her family.



## Note:

- **As informed by NCPCR, a total 5175 children have been registered on the Go Home and Re-Unite (GHAR) Portal for repatriation**



➤ **What is the government's target for building national highways by the end of March?**

- A) 10,000 kilometres
- B) 11,000 kilometres
- C) 12,000 kilometres
- D) 13,000 kilometres
- E) 14,000 kilometres

**Answer**

**D) 13,000 kilometres**





## Explanation

- **The government aims to build 13,000 kilometres (km) of national highways (NH) by the end of March.**
- **It would be able to meet about 94% of its target for FY24.**
- **The ministry of road transport and highways (MoRTH) had initially targeted to construct 13,814 km of roads in FY24.**
- **In FY23, the government had constructed 10,331 km of highways, against the initial target of 12,500 km.**



## Note:

- India has about 66.71 lakh km of road network, which is the second largest in the world.
- The government aimed to convert all one-lane roads into two lane NHs by 2028, given that the length of less than 2-lane NH decreased from 30% in 2014 to 10% in 2023.
- In the interim budget, the government has set aside Rs 2.78 trillion for the MoRTH for FY25, higher than the budget estimate of Rs 2.7 trillion in FY24.
- When compared to the revised estimate of Rs 2.76 trillion, the allocation is hike of a mere 0.5%.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



- Which city retained the top spot as the 'Most Congested City' in the world according to the TomTom Traffic Index 2023?

- A) New York
- B) Tokyo
- C) London
- D) Paris
- E) Beijing

**Answer**  
**C) London**



## Explanation

- London has retained the top spot of being the 'Most Congested City' in the world, recording 37 minutes and 20 seconds to cover a distance of 10 km.
- Bengaluru's rank in traffic congestion dropped to sixth from second position in 2023 as the city's congestion level declined, as per the TomTom Traffic Index 2023.
- In 2022, the average travel time within the city was nearly 30 minutes for a 10km drive.
- However, in 2023, the travel time has been reduced to 28 minutes for the same distance.
- India's Pune ranked at 7<sup>th</sup> in the list of top-10 world's congested cities.



## Explanation

- According to the TomTom Traffic Index, the average travel time within Pune was 27 minutes and 50 seconds to cover 10 km of distance last year.
- It increased by 30 seconds from 2022.
- The national capital New Delhi is the world's 44th congested city wherein it takes average 21 minutes and 40 seconds to cover 10 km of distance.
- Mumbai ranked 54 where the average travel time to cover 10 km of distance was 21 minutes 20 seconds in 2023.



## Explanation

- **TomTom Traffic selected 387 cities in 55 countries and compared average travel time.**
- **To compare traffic states' efficiency worldwide, tomTom used average vehicles with different drive types, petrol and diesel, and EV.**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## World's most congested cities 2023:

Rank	City
1	London
2	Dublin
3	Toronto
4	Milan
5	Lima
6	Bengaluru
7	Pune
8	Bucharest
9	Manila
10	Brussels





➤ **Where will the 2024 Vayu Shakti exercise be held?**

- A) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- B) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- C) Pokhran, Rajasthan
- D) New Delhi, Delhi
- E) Kolkata, West Bengal



**Answer**

**C) Pokhran, Rajasthan**



## Explanation

- **The Indian Air Force (IAF) will put on a full show of its firepower capabilities during the 2024 Vayu Shakti exercise on February 17 in Pokhran, Rajasthan.**
- **All frontline aircraft, including the Rafale fighter jets and Prachand attack choppers, will feature in the event.**
- **This year's edition of the Vayu Shakti exercise will see all major fighter aircraft, including the Su-30MKIs, LCA Tejas, Mirage 2000 and MiG-29s, and showcasing their firepower by shooting missiles and bombs at designated targets.**



## Explanation

- A total of 77 fighter planes, 41 helicopters and five transport aircraft will take part in the exercise.
- There will also be demonstrations of surface-to-air, air-to-air and air-to-ground weapons.
- This is the first time that the Rafale fighter jets, Prachand choppers, as well as the Samar surface-to-air weapon system will take part in the exercise which the IAF has been conducting since 1954.
- Air-to-air missiles, including the MICA missile from Rafale and R-73 missiles, will be fired from the LCA Tejas



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### Rajasthan:

Capital: Jaipur

Chief Minister: Bhajan Lal Sharma

Governor: Kalraj Mishra



# QUICK RECALL



- **World Cancer Day is observed on February 4**
- **Nagesh Trophy: Karnataka beat Andhra Pradesh by 9 wickets in a thrilling final to clinch title**
- **Abhinav Bindra selected as torchbearer for Paris 2024 Olympics**
- **MRPL signs agreement with BPCL for RLNG**
- **Apurva Chandra appointed Health Secretary, Sanjay Jaju as new I&B Secretary**
- **LK Advani to be honoured with Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian award**
- **India's UPI launched in France**
- **Banaras Hindu University is creating North India's first human DNA Bank**
- **INS Sandhayak, first Survey Vessel Large ship, commissioned into Indian Navy in the presence of Raksha Mantri in Visakhapatnam**



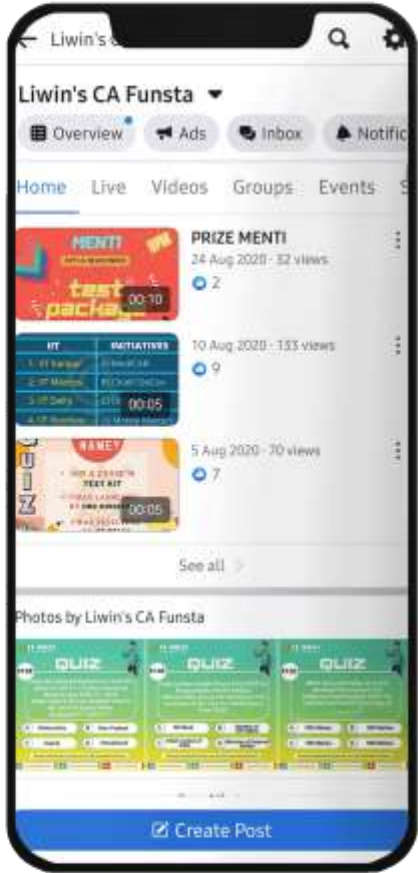
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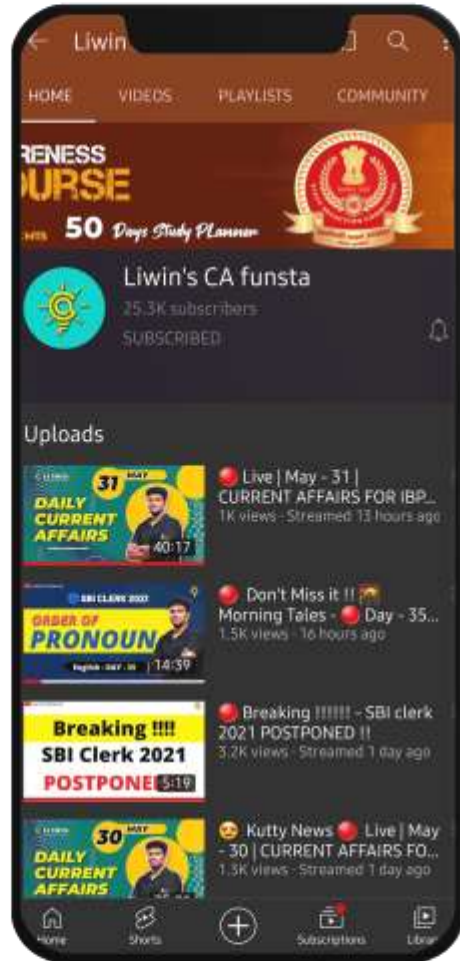
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