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Important Days



- **Why was 25 May picked as the date to celebrate World Football Day?**
- A) It marks the founding of FIFA.
 - B) It is the birthdate of a famous football player.
 - C) It coincides with the first World Cup final.
 - D) It marks the 100th anniversary of the first international football tournament with global representation.
 - E) It is the date of the first football match ever played.

Answer

D) It marks the 100th anniversary of the first international football tournament with global representation.



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Adoption of World Football Day
- **Location:** United Nations General Assembly



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- To celebrate the global significance of football.
- Promote football as a universal language that transcends national, cultural, and socio-economic barriers.
- Encourage gender equality, social inclusion, mutual understanding, tolerance, respect, and solidarity through football.
- Utilize football to promote peace, development, and the empowerment of women and girls.
- Engage countries, UN bodies, international organizations, academia, civil society, and the private sector in observing World Football Day and promoting the benefits of football through educational and public awareness activities.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Resolution:** A formal decision or expression of opinion by an assembly such as the UN General Assembly.
- **UN General Assembly:** One of the six principal organs of the United Nations, comprising all member states and serving as a forum for multilateral discussion of international issues.
- **Consensus:** General agreement among the members of a group or organization.
- **FIFA:** The international governing body of football, responsible for organizing major international tournaments including the World Cup.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **United Nations General Assembly:**
 - **Founded Year:** 1945
 - **Headquarters:** New York City, USA
 - **Current President:** Dennis Francis



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details
Adoption of World Football Day	Proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly
Date	25 May
Significance of the Date	Marks the 100th anniversary of the first international football tournament
Adopted by Consensus	Yes, with applause from diplomats in the assembly chamber
Resolution Introduced by	Libya's UN Ambassador Taher El-Sonni
Co-sponsors	Over 160 countries
Purpose of the Resolution	To recognize the global impact of football and promote it as a tool for peace and development
Key Figures in Adoption	Dennis Francis (President of the General Assembly), Taher El-Sonni (Libya's UN Ambassador)



Important Days



➤ **When is the International Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories observed?**

- A) 1-7 May
- B) 10-16 May
- C) 18-24 May
- D) 25-31 May
- E) 2-8 June

Answer
D) 25-31 May



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** International Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories
- **Location:** Observed internationally as per the UN General Assembly's resolution



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- To support the peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories in their quest for self-government and self-determination.
- Recognize and support the inalienable rights of these peoples to their natural resources, including land.
- Ensure the protection and development of these resources.
- Promote political, economic, social, and educational advancement.
- Provide moral and material assistance to the peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories through UN agencies and organizations.
- Encourage administering Powers to protect property rights and promote the well-being of the inhabitants.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Non-Self-Governing Territories:** Defined in the UN Charter as territories whose people have not yet attained full self-government.
- **Administering Powers:** Countries that administer Non-Self-Governing Territories, responsible for promoting their well-being and development.
- **Decolonization:** The process through which colonies become self-governing and independent, supported by the UN's initiatives and resolutions.
- **Chapter XI of the UN Charter:** Contains the Declaration regarding Non-Self-Governing Territories, outlining the responsibilities of administering Powers.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **UN General Assembly:**
 - **Founded Year:** 1945
 - **Headquarters:** New York City, USA
 - **Current President:** Dennis Francis
- **Resolution 54/91:**
 - **Date Adopted:** 6 December 1999
 - **Purpose:** Urge administering Powers to safeguard the rights of Non-Self-Governing Territories to their natural resources and promote self-governance.



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details
International Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories	Observed from 25-31 May
Definition of Non-Self-Governing Territory	Territories whose people have not attained full self-government
Administering Powers	Countries that administer Non-Self-Governing Territories and are responsible for promoting the well-being and development of these territories
Chapter XI of the UN Charter	Provides that administering Powers must prioritize the interests of the inhabitants and promote their advancement and self-government
Resolution 54/91	Adopted on 6 December 1999, urging protection of natural resources and property rights of peoples in Non-Self-Governing Territories, and promoting self-governance
Current Number of Non-Self-Governing Territories	17



RANKING



➤ **What rank did Delhi achieve in the Oxford Global Cities Index Report 2024?**

- A) 350
- B) 411
- C) 427
- D) 680
- E) 1000

Answer
A) 350



RANKING



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Oxford Global Cities Index Report 2024
- **Location:** Global, with specific mention of Indian cities



RANKING



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandate:** To provide a comprehensive ranking of the world's largest cities.
- **Objective:**
 - Rank cities based on scores in five categories: Economics, Human Capital, Quality of Life, Environment, and Governance.
 - Highlight the comparative performance of cities globally, including economic output, quality of life, and governance.



RANKING



Important Terms Explained:

- **Global Cities Index:** An annual report by Oxford Economics ranking the largest cities worldwide.
- **Human Capital:** Measures the education level, skills, and capabilities of the workforce in a city.
- **Quality of Life:** Assesses the general well-being of residents, including living conditions, health, and safety.
- **Economics Category:** Evaluates economic performance including GDP, business activity, and economic growth.
- **Environment Category:** Considers factors like climate volatility, pollution levels, and green spaces.
- **Governance Category:** Measures the efficiency, transparency, and effectiveness of local government policies.



RANKING



Static GK Information:

- **Oxford Economics:**
 - **Founded Year:** 1981
 - **Headquarters:** Oxford, United Kingdom
 - **Primary Focus:** Economic forecasting and analysis



RANKING



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details
Global Cities Index Report 2024	Annual ranking of the world's 1,000 largest cities by Oxford Economics
Delhi's Rank	350 th
Highest Ranked Indian City	Delhi
Bengaluru's Rank	411 th
Mumbai's Rank	427 th
Lowest Ranked City in India	Sultanpur, ranked 1000 th
Top Ranked City	New York
Categories Evaluated	Economics, Human Capital, Quality of Life, Environment, Governance
Delhi's Human Capital Rank	55 th
Delhi's Economics Rank	108 th
Bengaluru's Human Capital Rank	179 th
Bengaluru's Economics Rank	171 st
All Indian Cities' Governance Score	380
Kyiv's Rank	311 th
Myanmar's Rank	680 th
Mumbai's Quality of Life Rank	915 th
Thrissur's Quality of Life Rank	757 th
Saharanpur's Quality of Life Rank	966 th



➤ **By what percentage did net FDI flows into India decline in FY24 compared to the previous year?**

- A) 45%
- B) 55%
- C) 62%
- D) 72%
- E) 80%

Answer
C) 62%



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Decline in net FDI flows into India
- **Location:** India, as reported by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandate:** To analyze and report on the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) trends in India.
- **Objective:**
 - Provide data on the gross and net FDI flows into India.
 - Highlight the factors contributing to the decline in net FDI, such as repatriation of capital and investments abroad by Indian companies.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Net FDI Flows:** The amount of foreign direct investment after accounting for repatriation of capital and outward FDI by domestic companies.
- **Gross FDI Flows:** The total foreign direct investment coming into a country before repatriation and outward investments are deducted.
- **Repatriation of Capital:** The process of returning funds or profits from foreign investments back to the investor's home country.
- **Greenfield FDI Projects:** Investments where a parent company starts a new venture in a foreign country by constructing new operational facilities from the ground up.



Static GK Information:

- **Reserve Bank of India (RBI):**
 - **Founded Year:** 1935
 - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, India
 - **Governor:** Shaktikanta Das



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details
Net FDI Decline in FY24	62% decline, reaching \$10.58 billion, the lowest since 2007
Previous Year's Net FDI	\$27.98 billion in FY23
Gross FDI in FY24	\$70.9 billion
Repatriation in FY24	\$44.4 billion
Outward FDI by Indians in FY24	\$15.96 billion
Gross FDI in FY23	\$71.3 billion
Repatriation in FY23	\$29.3 billion
Outward FDI by Indians in FY23	\$14 billion



➤ **When is DD Kisan launching its AI anchors, AI Krish and AI Bhoomi?**

- A) 24 May 2024
- B) 25 May 2024
- C) 26 May 2024
- D) 27 May 2024
- E) 28 May 2024

Answer

C) 26 May 2024



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of AI anchors AI Krish and AI Bhoomi on DD Kisan
- **Location:** India



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandate:** To enhance the dissemination of information to farmers through the use of AI technology.
- **Objective:**
 - Provide farmers with continuous, up-to-date information on agricultural research, market trends, weather changes, and government schemes.
 - Use AI anchors capable of speaking in fifty languages to cater to a diverse audience across all states of India.
 - Maintain an uninterrupted flow of information, as AI anchors can operate 24/7 without fatigue.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** A branch of computer science that involves creating machines capable of performing tasks that typically require human intelligence.
- **AI Anchors:** Computer-generated news presenters that can mimic human behavior and speech, providing news and information around the clock without interruption.
- **DD Kisan:** A television channel dedicated to the agricultural sector, established by the Government of India, focusing on providing farmers with vital information.



Static GK Information:

- **Doordarshan (DD Kisan):**
 - **Founded Year:** 26 May 2015
 - **Objective:** Inform farmers about weather changes, market trends, and government schemes; promote holistic agricultural development.
 - **Notable Initiative:** Launch of AI anchors AI Krish and AI Bhoomi on 26 May 2024



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details
Launch of AI Anchors on DD Kisan	Introduction of AI Krish and AI Bhoomi
Date of Launch	26 May 2024
Significance of AI Anchors	Can operate 24/7, speak in fifty languages, and provide continuous information to farmers
Objectives of DD Kisan Channel	- Keep farmers informed about weather, markets, and schemes - Promote holistic development through education and information
DD Kisan Channel Establishment	26 May 2015
Primary Focus	Agricultural information and development
Special Features of AI Anchors	Operate continuously, multilingual capabilities, focus on agricultural updates



➤ **When did the 10th World Water Forum open in Bali, Indonesia?**

- A) May 18, 2024
- B) May 19, 2024
- C) May 20, 2024
- D) May 21, 2024
- E) May 22, 2024

Answer

C) May 20, 2024



Event and Location:

- **Event:** 10th World Water Forum
- **Location:** Bali, Indonesia



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandate:** To address global water-related challenges and promote collaboration.
- **Objective:**
 - Discuss and find solutions for water conservation, clean water and sanitation, food and energy security, and mitigation of natural disasters.
 - Highlight the vulnerability of small farmers to drought and emphasize the need for global cooperation to tackle water issues.



Important Terms Explained:

- **World Water Forum:** A global event organized by the World Water Council to address water-related issues, held every three years in different locations around the world.
- **Water Conservation:** The practice of using water efficiently to reduce unnecessary water usage.
- **Clean Water and Sanitation:** Ensuring availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all, as per the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goal 6.



Static GK Information:

- **Indonesia:**
 - **Country Name:** Republic of Indonesia
 - **Currency:** Indonesian Rupiah (IDR)
 - **Capital:** Jakarta
 - **President:** Joko Widodo
- **World Water Council:**
 - **Founded Year:** 1996
 - **Current President:** Loic Fauchon
 - **Headquarters:** Marseille, France



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details
10 th World Water Forum	Opened on May 20, 2024 in Bali, Indonesia
Theme	"Water for Shared Prosperity"
Key Speakers	Indonesian President Joko Widodo, World Water Council President Loic Fauchon
Focus Topics	Water conservation, clean water and sanitation, food and energy security, mitigation of natural disasters
Significance	Addressing global water challenges and promoting international cooperation
Indonesian President's Message	Highlighted the vulnerability of small farmers to drought and called for global collaboration
World Water Council's Message	Emphasized the need to repair the planet and provide hope for future generations



➤ **Where did L&T Technology Services inaugurate the Simulation Centre of Excellence for Airbus?**

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

Answer

D) Bengaluru



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of the Simulation Centre of Excellence for Airbus
- **Location:** Bengaluru, India



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandate:** To provide engineering support for Airbus's aircraft structural simulation activities.
- **Objective:**
 - Equip the centre with advanced simulation software, cutting-edge hardware, and high-performance computational machinery.
 - Unify and standardize processes across Airbus's European business units to enhance efficiency and productivity.
 - Support Airbus in achieving its program milestones more efficiently.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Simulation Centre of Excellence (CoE):** A specialized facility equipped with advanced technologies to conduct simulations for various engineering applications.
- **Structural Simulation:** The process of using computer models to predict the performance and behavior of aircraft structures under various conditions.
- **L&T Technology Services (LTTS):** A subsidiary of Larsen & Toubro Limited, focusing on engineering and R&D services across industries, including aerospace.



Static GK Information:

- **L&T Technology Services:**
 - **Founded Year:** 2012
 - **Headquarters:** Vadodara, India
 - **CEO and Managing Director:** Amit Chadha
- **Airbus:**
 - **Founded Year:** 1970
 - **Headquarters:** Toulouse, France
 - **CEO:** Guillaume Faury



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details
Inauguration of Simulation Centre	L&T Technology Services launches a Simulation Centre of Excellence for Airbus
Location	Bengaluru, India
Purpose	Provide engineering support for Airbus's aircraft structural simulation activities
Supported Airbus Units	France, Germany, the UK, and Spain
Technological Features	Advanced simulation software, cutting-edge hardware, high-performance computational machinery
Project Timeline	Initiated 18 months ago, plans to scale up over the next two years
LTTS Financial Performance (Q4 FY24)	Revenue: ₹2,537.5 crore, Net Profit: ₹341.4 crore
LTTS Market Performance	Shares trading at ₹4,630 apiece on the BSE as of May 23, up 0.91%
Revenue Growth (FY24)	9% increase, reaching ₹9,647.3 crore
Net Profit Growth (FY24)	7% increase, reaching ₹1,306.3 crore



QUICK RECALL



- **The UN General Assembly proclaimed 25 May as World Football Day to mark the centenary of the first international football tournament with global representation.**
- **The International Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories is observed from 25-31 May to support their quest for self-government and self-determination.**
- **Delhi ranked 350th in the Oxford Global Cities Index Report 2024, making it the highest-ranked Indian city.**
- **Net FDI flows into India declined by 62% to \$10.58 billion in FY24, the lowest since 2007, due to higher repatriation and increased investments abroad by Indian companies.**
- **DD Kisan will launch AI anchors AI Krish and AI Bhoomi on 26 May 2024, marking a significant step in using AI for continuous agricultural information dissemination.**



QUICK RECALL



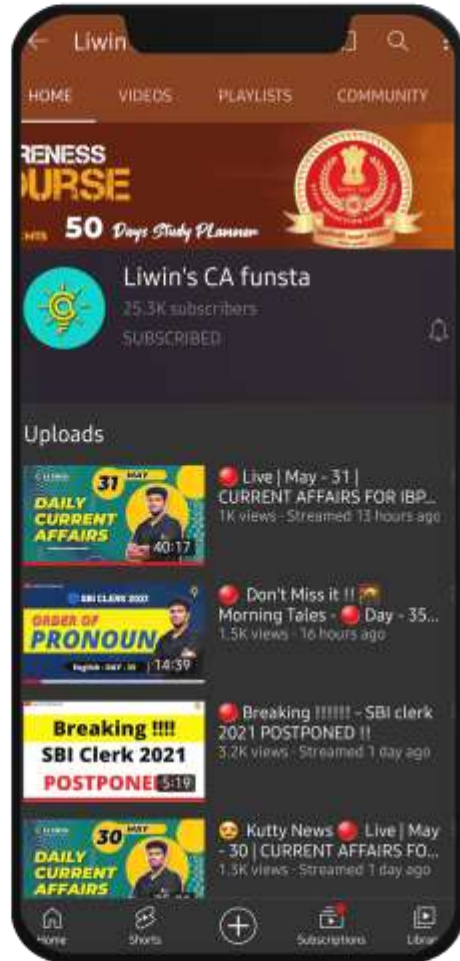
- **The 10th World Water Forum opened on May 20, 2024, in Bali, Indonesia, focusing on global water challenges under the theme "Water for Shared Prosperity."**
- **L&T Technology Services inaugurated a state-of-the-art Simulation Centre of Excellence for Airbus in Bengaluru, aimed at enhancing aircraft structural simulation support for Airbus's European units.**



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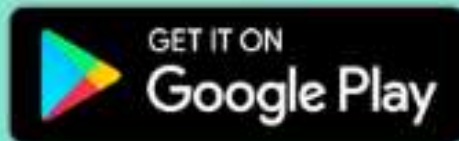
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