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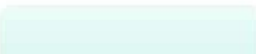


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➤ **What marked the end of David Warner's international cricket career?**

- A) A final match victory against India
- B) Retirement during the Champions Trophy
- C) Australia's elimination from the T20 World Cup
- D) Last Test match against Pakistan
- E) Final ODI in the World Cup final victory over India

**Answer**

**C) Australia's elimination from the T20 World Cup**



# SPORTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** David Warner's international retirement
- **Location:** St Lucia, West Indies





## Mandates and Objectives:

- **End of Career:** David Warner's retirement marks the end of a 15-year international career spanning all formats.
- **T20 World Cup Elimination:** Warner's final international appearance concluded with Australia's elimination from the T20 World Cup by Afghanistan's victory over Bangladesh.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **T20 World Cup:** A global cricket tournament organized by the International Cricket Council (ICC) in the Twenty20 format.
- **Champions Trophy:** Another ICC tournament, involving the top eight ODI teams.



## Static GK Information:

- **Australia:**
  - **Country Name:** Australia
  - **Currency:** Australian Dollar (AUD)
  - **Capital:** Canberra
  - **Prime Minister:** Anthony Albanese



# SPORTS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	David Warner's international retirement
Final International Match Location	St Lucia, West Indies
Final Match Against	India
Significant Matches Before Retirement	Last ODI in November's World Cup final victory over India; Last Test against Pakistan in January
Final Performance	Scored 6 runs off 6 balls
Australia's Elimination Match	Afghanistan vs Bangladesh
Chief Guest/Person	David Warner
Significance	End of a notable 15-year cricket career





➤ Which company has retained the title of India's most valuable brand according to the latest Brand Finance report?

- A) Infosys
- B) HDFC Group
- C) LIC Group
- D) Reliance
- E) Tata Group

**Answer**

**E) Tata Group**



# RANKING



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Tata Group retains the title of India's most valuable brand
- **Location:** New Delhi, India



# RANKING



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Brand Ranking:** The Tata Group has retained its position as India's most valuable brand.
- **Brand Value:** The brand value of Tata Group is pegged at \$28.6 billion, up 9%.



# RANKING



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Brand Value:** The financial worth of a brand, reflecting its market position and consumer perception.
- **Brand Finance:** A leading independent brand valuation and strategy consultancy.





# RANKING



## Static GK Information:

- **Tata Group:**
  - **Founded Year:** 1868
  - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, India
  - **Chairman:** Natarajan Chandrasekaran



# RANKING



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Tata Group retains title of India's most valuable brand
Location	New Delhi, India
Brand Value	\$28.6 billion
Growth	9% increase
Ranking Entity	Brand Finance
Top Five Most Valuable Indian Brands	Tata Group, Infosys, HDFC Group, LIC Group, Reliance
Significance	First time an Indian brand is close to the \$30-billion mark



➤ Which Indian company recently joined the \$100 billion market capitalisation club?

- A) Tata Consultancy Services
- B) HDFC Bank
- C) Bharti Airtel
- D) ICICI Bank
- E) Infosys



**Answer**  
**D) ICICI Bank**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** ICICI Bank reaches \$100 billion market capitalisation
- **Location:** Mumbai, India





## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Market Capitalisation Achievement:** ICICI Bank became the sixth Indian company to achieve a market capitalisation of \$100 billion.
- **Stock Performance:** The bank's stock rose by 2.48% to a record high of ₹1,199.05, contributing to this milestone.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Market Capitalisation:** The total market value of a company's outstanding shares, calculated by multiplying the current share price by the total number of outstanding shares.
- **Nifty and Bank Nifty:** Nifty 50 is a benchmark Indian stock market index representing the weighted average of 50 of the largest Indian companies listed on the National Stock Exchange. Bank Nifty is a stock index that represents the 12 most liquid and large capitalized stocks from the banking sector.



## Static GK Information:

- **ICICI Bank:**
  - **Founded Year:** 1994
  - **CEO/MD:** Sandeep Bakhshi
  - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, India



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	ICICI Bank reaches \$100 billion market capitalisation
Location	Mumbai, India
Stock Price at Milestone	₹1,199.05
Market Capitalisation Milestone Date	June 2024
Other Companies in \$100 Billion Club	Reliance Industries, TCS, HDFC Bank, Bharti Airtel, Infosys
Leading Company by Market Cap	Reliance Industries (\$236 billion)
Significance	ICICI Bank is the second-largest Indian bank by market capitalisation and fifth-largest entity by market value





➤ **What new regulation has SEBI introduced for the registration of foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) regarding contributions from NRIs, OCIs, and resident Indians?**

- A) NRIs can contribute up to 50% in an FPI
- B) Single NRI or OCI can contribute up to 25%
- C) NRIs can control the FPI
- D) Indian exposure can exceed 50%
- E) No restrictions on contributions from NRIs

**Answer**

**B) Single NRI or OCI can contribute up to 25%**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** SEBI introduces new regulations for FPI registration
- **Location:** India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Regulation:** SEBI mandates that the contribution of a single NRI, overseas citizen of India (OCI), or resident Indian in an FPI's corpus must be below 25%.
- **Aggregate Contribution:** At an aggregate level, the contributions from NRIs, OCIs, and resident Indians must be below 50%.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **SEBI (Securities and Exchange Board of India):** The regulatory body for securities and capital markets in India.
- **FPI (Foreign Portfolio Investor):** An investor that holds a portfolio of financial assets in a country other than their own.
- **NRI (Non-Resident Indian):** An Indian citizen residing outside India.
- **OCI (Overseas Citizen of India):** A person of Indian origin who is not a citizen of India but holds an OCI card.
- **Liberalised Remittance Scheme:** A scheme introduced by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) that allows resident individuals to remit a certain amount of money during a financial year for permissible current or capital account transactions.



## Static GK Information:

- **SEBI:**
  - **Founded Year:** 1988
  - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, India
  - **Current Chairman:** Madhabi Puri Buch



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	SEBI introduces new FPI registration regulations
Location	India
New Regulation	Single NRI/OCI/Resident Indian contribution below 25%
Aggregate Contribution Limit	Below 50%
Control Restriction	NRIs, OCIs, resident Indians should not control the FPI
Effective Date	June 25, 2024
Relevant Scheme	Contributions through Liberalised Remittance Scheme notified by RBI



- **What milestone did Mindspace Business Parks REIT achieve with its recent bond issuance?**
- A) First Indian REIT to issue green bonds
  - B) First Indian REIT to list on stock exchanges
  - C) First Indian REIT to issue sustainability-linked bonds
  - D) First Indian REIT to achieve net-zero emissions
  - E) First Indian REIT to raise Rs 1000 crore



**Answer**

**C) First Indian REIT to issue sustainability-linked bonds**





## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Mindspace Business Parks REIT issues sustainability-linked bonds
- **Location:** India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Milestone:** Mindspace Business Parks REIT became the first Indian real estate investment trust (REIT) to issue sustainability-linked bonds.
- **Funds Raised:** Rs 650 crore from the International Finance Corporation (IFC).



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Sustainability-Linked Bonds:** Bonds that are linked to the issuer's achievement of predetermined sustainability or ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) targets.
- **Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Scope 1, 2, and 3):**
  - **Scope 1:** Direct emissions from owned or controlled sources.
  - **Scope 2:** Indirect emissions from the generation of purchased electricity, steam, heating, and cooling consumed by the reporting company.
  - **Scope 3:** All other indirect emissions that occur in a company's value chain.



## Static GK Information:

- **Mindspace Business Parks REIT:**
  - **Founded Year:** Listed in August 2020
  - **Headquarters:** India
  - **Key Markets:** Mumbai, Pune, Hyderabad, Chennai
  - **Total Leasable Area:** 33.2 million square feet (msf)



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Issuance of sustainability-linked bonds
Location	India
Milestone	First Indian REIT to issue sustainability-linked bonds
Funds Raised	Rs 650 crore
Issuer	Mindspace Business Parks REIT
Investor	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Bond Tenure	7 years
Objectives of Bond Issuance	Enhance sustainability, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, increase green certified areas
Financial Performance (Q4 2024)	Net profit of Rs 118.60 crore
Annual Financial Performance (FY 2024)	Net profit of Rs 525.00 crore



➤ Which institution has signed an MoU with Nokia for collaborative research on 5G?

- A) IIT Madras
- B) VIT (Vellore Institute of Technology)
- C) Anna University
- D) IISc Bangalore
- E) NIT Trichy



**Answer**

**B) VIT (Vellore Institute of Technology)**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Signing of MoU between VIT and Nokia for collaborative research on 5G
- **Location:** Chennai, India





## Mandates and Objectives:

- **MoU Purpose:** To pursue collaborative research on 5G and next-generation technologies, incorporating artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning applications.
- **Expert Involvement:** Nokia experts will join VIT's Board of Studies, mentor students and faculty with hands-on learning, prototyping, and student projects, and engage with relevant departments of VIT.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **MoU (Memorandum of Understanding):** A formal agreement between two or more parties to collaborate on specific projects or initiatives.
- **5G Technology:** The fifth generation of mobile network technology, offering faster speeds, lower latency, and improved connectivity.



## Static GK Information:

- **Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1984
  - **Location:** Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India
  - **Type:** Private Deemed University
- **Nokia:**
  - **Founded Year:** 1865
  - **Headquarters:** Espoo, Finland
  - **Industry:** Telecommunications, Information Technology



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	VIT signs MoU with Nokia for 5G research
Location	Chennai, India
MoU Focus	Collaborative research on 5G, AI, and machine learning
VIT's Role	Provide a platform for research and learning
Nokia's Role	Participate in VIT's Board of Studies, mentor students, engage with departments
Date of Announcement	June 27, 2024



# APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who has been appointed as the Vice President of the India Bullion Jewellers Association (IBJA)?

- A) Rajesh Kumar Gupta
- B) Aksha Mohit Kamboj
- C) Priti Shah
- D) Sunil Mehta
- E) Anjali Verma

**Answer**

**B) Aksha Mohit Kamboj**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Appointment of Mrs. Aksha Mohit Kamboj as Vice President of IBJA
- **Location:** India



# APPOINTMENTS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Role and Responsibilities:** Mrs. Kamboj will shape IBJA's strategic initiatives, foster industry collaborations, and advocate for the interests of members nationwide.
- **Experience:** Mrs. Kamboj has over five years of experience in the bullion and jewellery sector and is the first and only woman appointed to such a prestigious position in the sector.





# APPOINTMENTS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **India Bullion Jewellers Association (IBJA):** An organization that plays a crucial role in policy making for the gold industry in India. It declares daily gold prices used by the Ministry of Finance and the Reserve Bank of India for various financial instruments.
- **Sovereign Gold Bond:** A government security denominated in grams of gold, issued by the Reserve Bank of India on behalf of the Government of India.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **IBJA (India Bullion Jewellers Association):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1919
  - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, India
  - **Role:** Policy making for the gold industry; declaring daily gold prices used by the government and financial institutions.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Appointment of Mrs. Aksha Mohit Kamboj as VP of IBJA
Location	India
Appointment Date	June 22, 2024
New VP Name	Aksha Mohit Kamboj
Current Roles	Executive Chairman of Aspect Global Ventures Pvt Ltd; Co-owner of Cricket ISPL team Tiigers of Kolkata
Significance	First and only woman in such a prestigious post in the Gold & Jewellery sector
Key Contributions	Promoting transparency, ethics, and best practices in the trade
Organization Role	Policy making for Gold industry; daily gold price declarations for financial instruments



# APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Who has been appointed as the next secretary-general of NATO?**

- A) Jens Stoltenberg
- B) Klaus Iohannis
- C) Joe Biden
- D) Angela Merkel
- E) Mark Rutte

**Answer**  
**E) Mark Rutte**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Mark Rutte appointed as the next secretary-general of NATO
- **Location:** NATO headquarters, Brussels



# APPOINTMENTS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **New Leadership:** Mark Rutte will take over as secretary-general of NATO from Jens Stoltenberg on October 1.
- **Backed By:** Rutte was supported by the US and other member countries like Germany.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization):** An intergovernmental military alliance between 32 North American and European countries.
- **Secretary-General:** The chief civil servant of NATO, responsible for steering the alliance and representing it publicly.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1949
  - **Headquarters:** Brussels, Belgium
  - **Current Secretary-General:** Jens Stoltenberg
  - **New Secretary-General:** Mark Rutte
- **Netherlands:**
  - **Country Name:** Netherlands
  - **Currency:** Euro (EUR)
  - **Capital:** Amsterdam
  - **Outgoing Prime Minister:** Mark Rutte





# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Mark Rutte appointed as next secretary-general of NATO
Location	NATO headquarters, Brussels
Appointment Date	Formal welcome at summit in Washington on July 9-11, 2024
Start Date as Secretary-General	October 1, 2024
Outgoing Secretary-General	Jens Stoltenberg
Supporters of Appointment	US, Germany, other NATO member countries
Significance of Appointment	Leadership change at a critical time for European security amid Ukraine conflict
Rutte's Background	Outgoing Dutch Prime Minister, consensus-builder, trans-Atlanticist



# AWARDS



➤ **Which award did GRSE win at the Outlook Planet Sustainability Summit 2024?**

- A) Green Initiative Award
- B) Environmental Excellence Award
- C) Sustainable Governance Champion Award
- D) Innovation in Sustainability Award
- E) Best Maritime Practices Award



**Answer**

**C) Sustainable Governance Champion Award**



# AWARDS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** GRSE wins Sustainable Governance Champion Award
- **Location:** Kolkata, India



# AWARDS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Award Achievement:** Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE) Ltd. was honoured with the “Sustainable Governance Champion Award.”
- **Recognition:** The award recognizes GRSE’s commitment to integrating sustainability into its operations and promoting environmental stewardship.



# AWARDS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Sustainable Governance:** The practice of integrating sustainability into core business operations and decision-making processes to promote long-term environmental, social, and economic benefits.
- **Outlook Planet Sustainability Summit & Awards:** A platform that celebrates and promotes sustainable initiatives by bringing together industry leaders, policymakers, and sustainability advocates.



# AWARDS



## Static GK Information:

- **GRSE (Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd.):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1884
  - **CEO/MD:** Cmde. P R Hari, IN (Retd.)
  - **Headquarters:** Kolkata, India



# AWARDS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	GRSE wins Sustainable Governance Champion Award
Location	Kolkata, India
Award Title	Sustainable Governance Champion Award
Event Date	June 24, 2024
Award Significance	Recognition of sustainable practices and governance excellence
Event Platform	Outlook Planet Sustainability Summit & Awards
Company Efforts	Integrating sustainability, driving innovation, and promoting environmental stewardship
Industry Focus	Maritime and defense sectors



➤ Which status was recently granted to Central Electronics Limited (CEL) by the government?

- A) Maharatna
- B) Navratna
- C) Miniratna Category-I
- D) Miniratna Category-II
- E) Schedule 'A'

**Answer**

**C) Miniratna Category-I**





# AWARDS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** CEL granted Miniratna Category-I status
- **Location:** Ghaziabad campus, Golden Jubilee celebrations



# AWARDS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Transformation:** CEL transformed from a loss-making PSU to a dividend-paying PSU, paying dividends for three consecutive years.
- **Recognition:** Miniratna status recognizes CEL's profitability and governance.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Miniratna Status:** A designation given to profit-making public sector enterprises (PSEs) in India, allowing them greater autonomy and financial powers. There are two categories:
  - **Category-I:** Requires profit for three consecutive years with pre-tax profit of ₹30 crore or more in one of the three years, and positive net worth.
  - **Category-II:** Requires profit for three consecutive years and positive net worth.
- **Dividend:** A sum of money paid regularly by a company to its shareholders out of its profits.



# AWARDS



## Static GK Information:

- **Central Electronics Limited (CEL):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1974
  - **Headquarters:** Ghaziabad, India
  - **Department:** Under the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), Ministry of Science & Technology



# AWARDS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	CEL granted Miniratna Category-I status
Location	Ghaziabad campus
Announcement By	Union Minister Jitendra Singh
Date	June 26, 2024
CEL Achievement	Transformed to a dividend-paying PSU
Significance	Enhanced autonomy and financial powers for CEL
Prime Business Verticals	Solar Photovoltaic (SPV), Railway Signalling, Strategic Electronics, Security and Surveillance
Major Contributions	Developed products with CSIR, DRDO; Pioneer in SPV technology



# AWARDS



➤ **Which prestigious prize was awarded to Arundhati Roy in 2024?**

- A) Booker Prize
- B) Nobel Prize in Literature
- C) Pen Pinter Prize
- D) Commonwealth Writers' Prize
- E) Pulitzer Prize



**Answer**

**C) Pen Pinter Prize**



# AWARDS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Arundhati Roy awarded the Pen Pinter Prize 2024
- **Location:** Ceremony co-hosted by the British Library on October 10, 2024



# AWARDS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Prize Objective:** The Pen Pinter Prize, established by English PEN in 2009, aims to defend freedom of expression and celebrates literature in memory of Nobel-Laureate playwright Harold Pinter.





# AWARDS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Pen Pinter Prize:** An annual literary award given to a writer of outstanding literary merit who casts an “unflinching, unswerving” gaze upon the world and shows a “fierce intellectual determination... to define the real truth of our lives and our societies.”



# AWARDS



## Static GK Information:

- **Arundhati Roy:**
  - **Famous Works:** “The God of Small Things” (Booker Prize-winning novel)
  - **Current Issue:** Facing prosecution under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) over comments on Kashmir 14 years ago.
- **Pen Pinter Prize:**
  - **Established:** 2009
  - **Founding Organization:** English PEN
  - **Named After:** Harold Pinter, Nobel-Laureate playwright



# AWARDS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Awarding of Pen Pinter Prize 2024
Location	Ceremony co-hosted by the British Library
Date	October 10, 2024
Recipient	Arundhati Roy
Reason for Award	"Unflinching and unswerving" writings on social justice and environmental issues
Award Judges	Ruth Borthwick, Khalid Abdalla, Roger Robinson
Prize Significance	Recognizes outstanding literary merit and advocacy for freedom of expression
Future Event	Roy will select a "Writer of Courage" to share the prize



➤ What recent achievement did the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) accomplish with the High Speed Expendable Aerial Target 'ABHYAS'?

- A) Launching a new satellite
- B) Completing 10 developmental trials
- C) Developing a new missile system
- D) Introducing a new combat aircraft
- E) Launching an underwater drone

**Answer**

**B) Completing 10 developmental trials**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Successful completion of developmental trials for High Speed Expendable Aerial Target 'ABHYAS'
- **Location:** Integrated Test Range (ITR), Chandipur, Odisha



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Achievement:** DRDO successfully completed six consecutive developmental trials of 'ABHYAS' with improved booster configuration.
- **Objectives Validated:** Safe release of booster, launcher clearance, endurance performance, improved radar cross-section, visual and infrared augmentation systems.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **High Speed Expendable Aerial Target (HEAT):** Aerial targets used to simulate enemy aircraft or missiles, providing realistic scenarios for testing and training weapon systems.
- **Booster:** A rocket or motor that provides the initial thrust for launch.
- **Radar Cross Section (RCS):** A measure of how detectable an object is by radar.



## Static GK Information:

- **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1958
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
  - **Current Chairman:** Dr. Samir V Kamat





# DEFENCE



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Successful developmental trials of 'ABHYAS'
Location	ITR, Chandipur, Odisha
Recent Achievement	Six consecutive developmental trials completed
Total Developmental Trials Completed	10
Improved Features	Booster configuration, radar cross-section, visual and infrared augmentation
Developed By	DRDO's Aeronautical Development Establishment, Bengaluru
Production Agencies	Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Larsen & Toubro
Additional Features	Autonomous flying, auto pilot, Ground Control System, data recording during flight
Booster Designed By	Advanced Systems Laboratory
Navigation System By	Research Centre Imarat
Statements By	Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh, DRDO Chairman Dr. Samir V Kamat



➤ Which country recently became the 100<sup>th</sup> full member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA)?

- A) Brazil
- B) Paraguay
- C) Argentina
- D) Chile
- E) Uruguay



**Answer**

**B) Paraguay**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Paraguay joins the International Solar Alliance (ISA) as the 100<sup>th</sup> full member.
- **Location:** New Delhi, India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **ISA Milestone:** Paraguay's membership marks the 100th full member milestone for the ISA.
- **Objective of ISA:** To accelerate the deployment of solar energy globally and support Climate Action.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **International Solar Alliance (ISA):** A coalition of solar-resource-rich countries aiming to address barriers to solar energy deployment, established by India and France during COP21 in 2015.
- **Instrument of Ratification:** A formal document by which a country officially joins an international agreement.



## Static GK Information:

- **Paraguay:**
  - **Country Name:** Republic of Paraguay
  - **Currency:** Paraguayan Guarani (PYG)
  - **Capital:** Asunción
  - **President:** Santiago Peña
- **International Solar Alliance (ISA):**
  - **Founded Year:** 2015
  - **Headquarters:** Gurugram, India
  - **Key Founders:** India and France



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Paraguay joins ISA as 100th full member
Location	New Delhi, India
Joining Date	June 26, 2024
Paraguay Representative	Ambassador H.E. Mr. Fleming Raul Duarte
Significance of Event	Marks a significant milestone for ISA
ISA Objective	Accelerate deployment of solar energy globally
Notable ISA Projects	Solarisation of Malawi's Parliamentary building, solar-powered healthcare centers in Fiji, solar-powered cold storage facility in Seychelles, solar PV rooftop systems in Kiribati
India's Role	Leading renewable energy projects and capacity building under ISA



➤ Which scheme helped Ladakh achieve Full Functional Literacy?

- A) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan
- B) Midday Meal Scheme
- C) ULLAS – Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram
- D) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana
- E) Digital India Campaign



**Answer**

**C) ULLAS – Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram**





## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Ladakh achieves Full Functional Literacy
- **Location:** Sindhu Sanskritik Kendra (SSK), Ladakh



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **ULLAS Scheme Achievement:** The union territory of Ladakh achieved Full Functional Literacy through the ULLAS – Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram (NILP).
- **Literacy Rate:** The literacy rate in Ladakh exceeded 97%, marking a significant milestone.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **ULLAS – Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram:** A literacy program aimed at improving basic skills and achieving full functional literacy across various regions in India.
- **Full Functional Literacy:** Achieving a level of literacy where individuals can effectively engage in all necessary daily activities requiring reading and writing skills.



## Static GK Information:

- **Ladakh:**
  - **Country:** India
  - **Union Territory:** Ladakh
  - **Lieutenant Governor:** Dr. B.D. Mishra
  - **Capital:** Leh (summer), Kargil (winter)



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Ladakh achieves Full Functional Literacy
Location	Sindhu Sanskritik Kendra (SSK), Ladakh
Scheme	ULLAS – Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram
Literacy Rate Achieved	Exceeded 97%
Chief Guest	Lieutenant Governor Dr. B.D. Mishra
Significance	Improvement of education system in Ladakh
Event Participation	500 new literates and volunteers
Additional Activities	Felicitation of neo-literates and volunteers, launch of Annual Achievement Report 2023



➤ **How many days of maternity leave are women government employees entitled to for children born through surrogacy according to the recent amendments?**

- A) 120 days
- B) 150 days
- C) 180 days
- D) 200 days
- E) 240 days

**Answer**  
**C) 180 days**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Amendments to Central Civil Services (Leave) Rules, 1972 regarding surrogacy
- **Location:** India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Maternity Leave:** Women government employees are entitled to 180 days of maternity leave for children born through surrogacy.
- **Paternity Leave:** Commissioning fathers are granted 15 days of paternity leave.





## Important Terms Explained:

- **Commissioning Mother:** The intending mother of the child born through surrogacy.
- **Commissioning Father:** The intending father of the child born via surrogacy.
- **Surrogate Mother:** The woman who carries the child for the commissioning parents.
- **Childcare Leave:** Leave granted to a government employee to care for their children, which can be up to 730 days during their service.



## Static GK Information:

- **Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension:**
  - **Issued Notice Date:** June 18, 2024
  - **Role:** Responsible for personnel policies and administrative reforms in the Indian government.



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## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Amendment to maternity and paternity leave rules
Location	India
Maternity Leave for Surrogacy	180 days
Paternity Leave for Surrogacy	15 days
Amendment Effective Date	June 18, 2024
Relevant Legislation	Central Civil Services (Leave) Rules, 1972
Eligibility for Leave	Commissioning parents with less than two surviving children
Additional Childcare Leave	Up to 730 days for raising children or attending to their needs



➤ What is the approved cost for the 'Museum of Temples' project in Ayodhya proposed by Tata Sons?

- A) ₹500 crore
- B) ₹600 crore
- C) ₹650 crore
- D) ₹700 crore
- E) ₹750 crore

**Answer**

**C) ₹650 crore**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Approval of the 'Museum of Temples' project in Ayodhya
- **Location:** Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh, India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Project Cost:** The Uttar Pradesh cabinet approved the proposal by Tata Sons to build the 'Museum of Temples' at a cost of ₹650 crore.
- **Land Lease:** The tourism department will provide land for the museum on a 90-year lease for a token amount of ₹1.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Fund:** Funds set aside by companies for social development activities.
- **Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Model:** A cooperative arrangement between public and private sectors, typically of a long-term nature, used for development projects.



## Static GK Information:

- **Tata Sons:**
  - **Founded Year:** 1868
  - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, India
  - **Role:** Principal investment holding company and promoter of Tata companies.
- **Uttar Pradesh:**
  - **Capital:** Lucknow
  - **Chief Minister:** Yogi Adityanath
  - **Tourism Minister:** Jaivir Singh





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## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Approval of 'Museum of Temples' project
Location	Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh
Project Cost	₹650 crore
Land Lease Terms	90-year lease for ₹1
Proposing Entity	Tata Sons
Announcement Date	June 26, 2024
Additional Development Cost	₹100 crore for temple town development
Other Approved Proposals	Helicopter services in Lucknow, Prayagraj, Kapilvastu; development of dormant heritage buildings
Key Officials	Tourism Minister Jaivir Singh, Urban Development Minister A K Sharma, Finance Minister Suresh Khanna



➤ How much funding has been approved for West Bengal under SBM-U 2.0 to boost urban swachhata infrastructure?

- A) ₹500.35 Cr
- B) ₹860.35 Cr
- C) ₹911.34 Cr
- D) ₹1449.30 Cr
- E) ₹217 Cr

**Answer**

**B) ₹860.35 Cr**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Approval of funding for urban swachhata infrastructure in West Bengal under SBM-U 2.0
- **Location:** West Bengal, India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Funding Approval:** The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) approved ₹860.35 crore for West Bengal under SBM-U 2.0.
- **Objective:** Enhance waste management and sanitation infrastructure in urban areas of West Bengal.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **SBM-U 2.0 (Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0):** The second phase of the Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban, aimed at maintaining cleanliness and improving waste management in urban areas.
- **Legacy Waste:** Waste that has accumulated over time in a landfill or dumpsite.
- **Bio-mining and Bioremediation:** Processes used to extract usable materials from waste and treat the remaining waste to reduce environmental impact.



## Static GK Information:

- **Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U):**
  - **Launch Year:** 2014
  - **Objective:** To make urban areas clean and free of open defecation and improve waste management.



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## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Approval of funding for West Bengal under SBM-U 2.0
Location	West Bengal, India
Approved Funding	₹860.35 crore
Funding Comparison	Increased from ₹911.34 crore (SBM-U 2014-19) to ₹1449.30 crore (SBM-U 2.0 2021-26)
Projects Proposed	4800 composting plants, 4500 Material Recovery Facilities, 2216 Secured Landfill Facilities, 460 Compressed Bio-Gas plants
Target	Waste processing plants in all cities of West Bengal by 2026
Additional Funding Released	₹209 crore for fast-tracking projects
Legacy Waste Dumpsites Remediation	Proposals worth ₹217 crore approved
Daily Waste Generation in West Bengal	Approximately 4,046 tons



➤ **What is the primary purpose of the newly launched Sangyaan App by the Railway Protection Force (RPF)?**

- A) To provide real-time train tracking
- B) To offer ticket booking services
- C) To educate RPF personnel on criminal laws
- D) To manage railway property
- E) To provide travel insurance

**Answer**

**C) To educate RPF personnel on criminal laws**





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## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of the Sangyaan App
- **Location:** New Delhi, India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:** The Sangyaan App aims to educate and empower RPF personnel by providing comprehensive information on both new and old criminal laws.
- **Target Audience:** RPF personnel, offering them detailed insights into new criminal acts and other legal frameworks relevant to their operations.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) 2023:** A new criminal law act in India.
- **Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) 2023:** Another new criminal law focusing on citizen security.
- **Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam (BSA) 2023:** A new law related to evidence and its admissibility.



## Static GK Information:

- **Railway Protection Force (RPF):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1957
  - **Role:** Responsible for the protection of railway property, passenger areas, and ensuring the safety of passengers.
  - **Current DG:** Shri Manoj Yadava



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## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Information
Event	Launch of Sangyaan App
Location	New Delhi, India
Launch Date	June 27, 2024
Launched By	Director General of RPF, Shri Manoj Yadava
Primary Purpose	Educate RPF personnel on criminal laws
Key Features	Comprehensive legal access, law comparison, section-wise analysis, advanced search tools, inclusive legal database, user-friendly design
Additional Resource	Handbook on BNSS 2023 in e-book and print formats
Relevant Laws Included	BNS 2023, BNSS 2023, BSA 2023, Railway Protection Force Act, 1957, Railway Act, 1989, Railway Property (Unlawful Possession) Act, 1966, RPF Rules, 1987
Platforms Available	Android and iOS



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- Mindspace REIT first in India to issue sustainability-linked bonds.
- VIT signs MoU with Nokia for collaborative 5G research and AI Aksha Mohit Kamboj appointed VP of India Bullion Jewellers Association.
- Mark Rutte appointed as NATO's next secretary-general.
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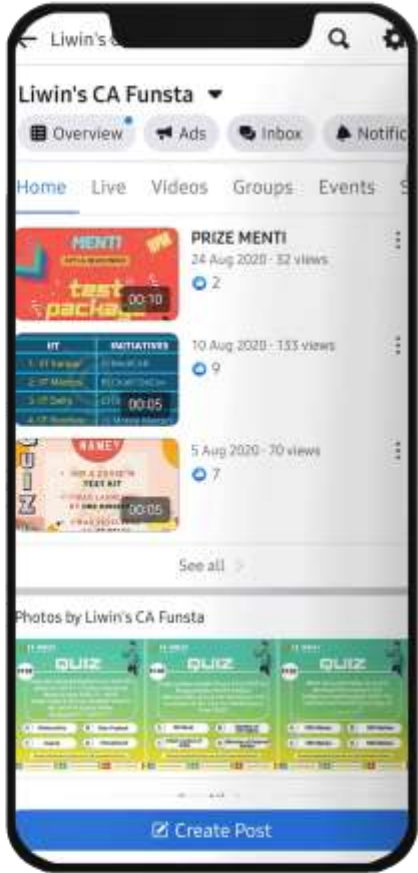
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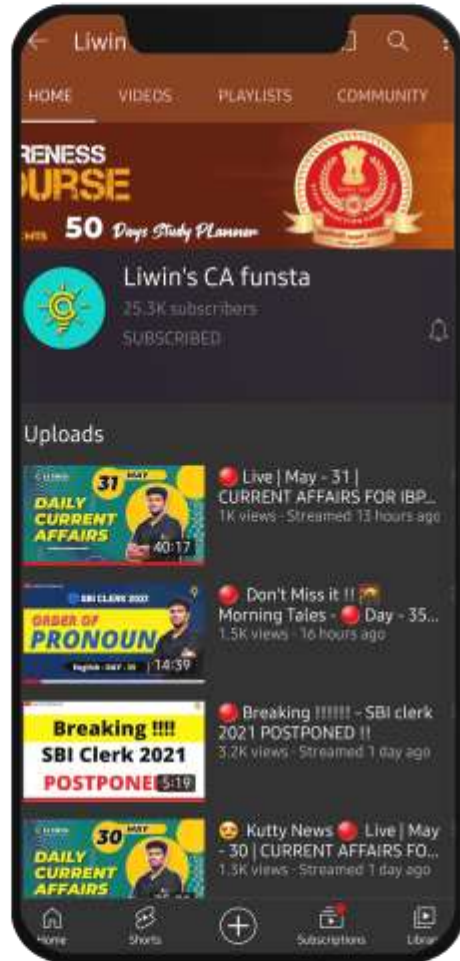
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- ULLAS scheme leads Ladakh to over 97% literacy rate.
- Women govt employees get 180 days maternity leave for surrogacy.
- UP cabinet approves Tata Sons' ₹650 crore 'Museum of Temples' in Ayodhya.
- ₹860.35 Cr approved for urban swachhata infrastructure in West Bengal under SBM-U 2.0.
- Sangyaan App launched to educate RPF personnel on criminal laws.



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