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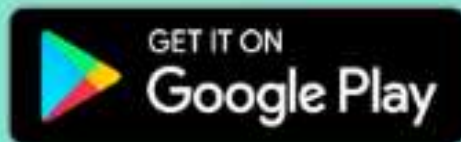
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➤ **What is the primary goal of the 'Play Sports' initiative?**



- A) To improve India's tourism sector
- B) To develop sports infrastructure in rural areas
- C) To create a sustainable sports ecosystem in India
- D) To promote cricket at the grassroots level
- E) To organize national level sports events



**Answer**

**C) To create a sustainable sports ecosystem in India**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Sania Mirza, Mary Kom, and Rannvijay Singha join Play Sports as brand ambassadors
- **Location:** India (initial focus on Delhi NCR and Jaipur)





## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
  - Create a sustainable sports ecosystem in India.
- **Key Players:**
  - **Sania Mirza:** Six-time Grand Slam winner, former World No. 1 in women's doubles.
  - **Mary Kom:** Six-time World Champion, Olympic bronze medallist.
  - **Rannvijay Singha:** TV host and actor.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Expected Outcomes:**
  - Develop sports curriculum for schools.
  - Improve sports infrastructure and training facilities.
  - Upgrade existing sports infrastructure and develop new playgrounds.
  - Scout talent from grassroots and provide training and equipment support.
  - Prepare the next batch of Olympians for the 2036 Olympics.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Play Sports:**
  - A grassroots sports activation program aimed at developing a sustainable sports ecosystem in India.
- **2036 Olympics:**
  - An international multi-sport event that India aims to host, with a vision to prepare athletes from grassroots level.
- **Padma Bhushan:**
  - One of the highest civilian awards in India, awarded to Sania Mirza.
- **Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna:**
  - India's highest sporting honor, also awarded to Sania Mirza.



## Static GK Information:

- **India**
  - **Capital:** New Delhi
  - **Currency:** Indian Rupee (INR)
  - **Prime Minister:** Narendra Modi
- **Play Sports**
  - **Focus Area:** Delhi NCR and Jaipur (initial phase)
  - **Motto:** 'Igniting thrill of sporting excellence in India #Mission2036'



# SPORTS



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	Sania Mirza, Mary Kom, and Rannvijay Singha join Play Sports as brand ambassadors
Location	India (initial focus on Delhi NCR and Jaipur)
Objective	Create a sustainable sports ecosystem in India
Chief Guests	Sania Mirza, Mary Kom, Rannvijay Singha
Primary Goal	Develop sports curriculum, infrastructure, and talent scouting
Target Event	Preparation for the 2036 Olympics
Significance	Enhance sports infrastructure, nurture young talent



➤ **Which Formula 1 racer secured his first-ever F1 title at the Hungarian Grand Prix?**

- A) Lewis Hamilton
- B) Lando Norris
- C) Oscar Piastri
- D) Sebastian Vettel
- E) Max Verstappen

**Answer**

**C) Oscar Piastri**



# SPORTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Oscar Piastri wins F1 Title at Hungarian Grand Prix
- **Location:** Hungarian Grand Prix, Hungary



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
  - To report the outcome of the Hungarian Grand Prix.
- **Key Players:**
  - Oscar Piastri: Australian F1 racer, winner of the Hungarian Grand Prix.
  - Lando Norris: British-Belgian racer, finished second.
  - Lewis Hamilton: Secured third place, marking his 200<sup>th</sup> career podium.
- **Expected Outcomes:**
  - Highlight the dramatic events and team dynamics during the race.
  - Celebrate Piastri's first-ever F1 title victory.





## Important Terms Explained:

- **Hungarian Grand Prix:**
  - A motor race held annually in Hungary, part of the Formula 1 World Championship.
- **Pit Stop Strategy:**
  - The timing and execution of pit stops during a race, crucial for maintaining or gaining positions.
- **Intra-Team Struggle:**
  - Competition between teammates within the same racing team.



## Static GK Information:

- **Hungary**
  - **Capital:** Budapest
  - **Currency:** Hungarian Forint (HUF)
  - **Prime Minister:** Viktor Orbán
  - **President:** Katalin Novák



# SPORTS



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	Oscar Piastri wins F1 Title at Hungarian Grand Prix
Location	Hungarian Grand Prix, Hungary
Winner	Oscar Piastri
Second Place	Lando Norris
Third Place	Lewis Hamilton
Significance	Piastri's first F1 title, Hamilton's 200th podium



# OBITUARY

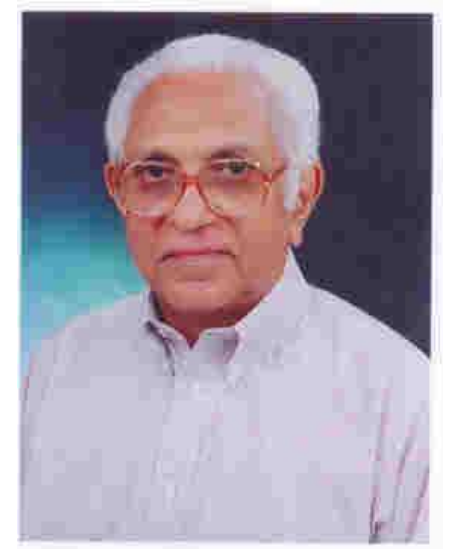


➤ **When did C.T. Kurien pass away?**

- A) July 24, 2024
- B) July 23, 2024
- C) July 22, 2024
- D) July 21, 2024
- E) July 20, 2024

**Answer**

**B) July 23, 2024**



# OBITUARY



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Death of C.T. Kurien
- **Location:** Chennai, India



# OBITUARY



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **C.T. Kurien's Work:**
  - Focus on understanding and eradicating poverty.
  - Critical of mainstream Economics for lack of serious discussion on poverty.
  - Dedicated his career to higher studies and research in Economics.



# OBITUARY



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Economics:**
  - The study of how societies use scarce resources to produce valuable commodities and distribute them among different people.
- **Ph.D. from Stanford University:**
  - Doctoral degree focused on 'Factor Market Structure and Technological Characteristics of an Underdeveloped Country: An Indian Case Study'.



# OBITUARY



## Static GK Information:

- **India**
  - **Capital:** New Delhi
  - **Currency:** Indian Rupee (INR)
  - **Prime Minister:** Narendra Modi
- **Tamil Nadu**
  - **Capital:** Chennai
  - **Chief Minister:** Muthuvel Karunanidhi Stalin
  - **Governor:** Ravindra Narayana Ravi
- **Madras Christian College (MCC)**
  - **Founded Year:** 1837
  - **Headquarters:** Chennai, India
- **Stanford University**
  - **Founded Year:** 1885
  - **Location:** Stanford, California, USA





# OBITUARY



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	Death of C.T. Kurien
Location	Chennai, India
Date	July 23, 2024
Time of Death	11:00 PM
Age at Death	93 years
Significance	Renowned economist and academician



# RANKING



➤ Which country has the most powerful passport according to the 2024 Henley Passport Index?

- A) Germany
- B) France
- C) Singapore
- D) Japan
- E) India

**Answer**  
**C) Singapore**



# RANKING



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Release of the 2024 Henley Passport Index rankings
- **Location:** Global



# RANKING



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
  - Assess and rank the power of national passports based on visa-free or visa-on-arrival access.
- **Key Players:**
  - **Singapore:** Topped the list with access to 195 countries.
  - **India:** Ranked 82<sup>nd</sup>, down from 80<sup>th</sup> the previous year.
  - **Henley Passport Index:** Compiled the rankings using data from the International Air Transport Association (IATA).
- **Expected Outcomes:**
  - Provide insights into global mobility and diplomatic relations.
  - Highlight trends in travel freedom and visa policies.



# RANKING



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Henley Passport Index:**
  - A global ranking of countries according to the travel freedom their passports provide.
- **Visa-Free Access:**
  - The ability to enter a country without needing a visa.
- **Visa-on-Arrival:**
  - The ability to obtain a visa upon arrival in the destination country.



# RANKING



## Static GK Information:

- **Singapore**
  - **Capital:** Singapore
  - **Currency:** Singapore Dollar (SGD)
  - **President:** Tharman Shanmugaratnam
  - **Prime Minister:** Lee Hsien Loong



# RANKING



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	Release of the 2024 Henley Passport Index rankings
Top Ranked Passport	Singapore
Singapore Access	195 countries
India's Ranking	82 <sup>nd</sup>
India's Access	58 countries
India's Previous Ranking	80 <sup>th</sup>
Lowest Ranked Passport	Afghanistan
Afghanistan Access	26 countries



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



➤ Which company did ACKO acquire to build a comprehensive healthcare ecosystem?

- A) Urban Company
- B) Oyo
- C) redBus
- D) OneCare
- E) Zomato



**Answer**  
**D) OneCare**





# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** ACKO acquires healthtech company OneCare
- **Location:** India



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
  - To build a comprehensive healthcare ecosystem.
- **Key Players:**
  - **ACKO:** Insurtech unicorn acquiring OneCare.
  - **OneCare:** Digital chronic care management company.
  - **Rakesh Shivran and Sagar Bhat:** Co-founders of OneCare, joining ACKO's leadership team.
- **Expected Outcomes:**
  - Integration of advanced wearables, data-driven insights, and accessible physical and virtual care.
  - Enhance ACKO's offerings beyond insurance to include protection, prevention, care, and recovery.



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Insurtech:**
  - Technology-driven innovation designed to maximize savings and efficiency in the insurance industry.
- **Omnichannel Care Model:**
  - A healthcare model combining physical and virtual care services.
- **Embedded Insurance:**
  - Insurance products integrated into the purchase of other goods and services.



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Static GK Information:

- **ACKO**
  - **Founded:** 2016
  - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
  - **CEO:** Varun Dua



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	ACKO acquires healthtech company OneCare
Location	India
Acquired Company	OneCare
Type of Deal	All cash deal
Objective	Build a comprehensive healthcare ecosystem
OneCare's Model	Omnichannel care combining wearables, insights, clinics, and virtual care
Key Personnel Joining ACKO	Rakesh Shivran and Sagar Bhat
ACKO's Market Presence	Embedded insurance products for mobility, gadgets, etc.
Number of Customers	Over 78 million
Insurance Policies Issued	Over 1 billion



# APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Who has been appointed as the new CEO and MD of Federal Bank?**

- A) Shyam Srinivasan
- B) Manohar Lal
- C) Nayab Singh Saini
- D) Krishnan Venkat Subramanian
- E) Rannvijay Singha



**Answer**

**D) Krishnan Venkat Subramanian**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Appointment of new CEO & MD of Federal Bank
- **Location:** India



# APPOINTMENTS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
  - To appoint Krishnan Venkat Subramanian as the new CEO & MD of Federal Bank.
- **Key Players:**
  - **Krishnan Venkat Subramanian:** Succeeding Shyam Srinivasan as CEO & MD.
  - **Shyam Srinivasan:** Current CEO & MD, tenure ending on September 22, 2024.
  - **Reserve Bank of India (RBI):** Approved the appointment.
- **Expected Outcomes:**
  - Subramanian's term will be for three years starting from September 23, 2024.
  - Ensure continuity and leadership transition in Federal Bank.





# APPOINTMENTS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **CEO (Chief Executive Officer):**
  - The highest-ranking executive in a company, responsible for making major corporate decisions.
- **MD (Managing Director):**
  - An executive director responsible for the day-to-day operations of the company.
- **RBI (Reserve Bank of India):**
  - The central bank of India, which regulates the issue and supply of the Indian rupee and oversees the Indian banking system.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **Federal Bank**
  - **Headquarters:** Aluva, Kerala, India
  - **Founded:** 1931
  - **Previous CEO & MD:** Shyam Srinivasan
  - **New CEO & MD:** Krishnan Venkat Subramanian



# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	Appointment of new CEO & MD of Federal Bank
Location	India
New CEO & MD	Krishnan Venkat Subramanian
Effective Date	September 23, 2024
Outgoing CEO & MD	Shyam Srinivasan
Tenure of New CEO & MD	Three years
Approval by	Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
Previous Position of New CEO	Joint Managing Director at Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd



# APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Who has been elected as the new President of ICMAI for the year 2024-2025?**

- A) Shyam Srinivasan
- B) Nayab Singh Saini
- C) Manohar Lal
- D) Bibhuti Bhusan Nayak
- E) Rannvijay Singha

**Answer**

**D) Bibhuti Bhusan Nayak**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Election of the new President of ICAI
- **Location:** Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India



# APPOINTMENTS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
  - To elect the 67<sup>th</sup> President of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI).
- **Key Players:**
  - **Bibhuti Bhusan Nayak:** Elected as the new President.
  - **ICMAI Community:** Extends congratulations to the new President.
- **Expected Outcomes:**
  - Leadership by an experienced professional with over 30 years of experience.
  - Enhance the visibility and impact of the ICMAI.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **ICMAI (Institute of Cost Accountants of India):**
  - A professional organization dedicated to the promotion and regulation of cost accountancy in India.
- **Fellow Member:**
  - A designation for experienced and distinguished members of a professional body.
- **DGM (Finance):**
  - Deputy General Manager in the finance department, a senior-level position in a company.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **ICMAI (Institute of Cost Accountants of India)**
  - **Founded:** 1944
  - **Headquarters:** Kolkata, West Bengal, India
  - **New President:** Bibhuti Bhusan Nayak





# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	Election of the new President of ICMAI
Location	Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India
New President	Bibhuti Bhusan Nayak
Effective Year	2024-2025
Previous Roles	Chairman of Bhubaneswar Chapter and EIRC of ICMAI
Professional Background	Retired DGM (Finance) from OPTCL, practicing Cost Accountant
Significance	Third Cost Accountant from Odisha to hold this position



➤ **What is the range capability of the Phase-II Ballistic Missile Defence (BMD) system successfully tested by DRDO?**

- A) 2,000 km
- B) 3,000 km
- C) 4,000 km
- D) 5,000 km
- E) 6,000 km

**Answer**

**D) 5,000 km**



# DEFENCE



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Successful flight-test of Phase-II Ballistic Missile Defence System
- **Location:** Integrated Test Range (ITR), Chandipur, Odisha, India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
  - To demonstrate the capability of defending against ballistic missiles of the 5,000 km class.
- **Key Players:**
  - **DRDO (Defence Research & Development Organisation):** Conducted the test.
  - **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh:** Complimented DRDO for the successful test.
- **Expected Outcomes:**
  - Validate the complete network-centric warfare weapon system.
  - Enhance India's missile defense capabilities.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Ballistic Missile Defence (BMD) System:**
  - A system designed to detect, track, and intercept incoming ballistic missiles.
- **Phase-II BMD System:**
  - Capable of defending against ballistic missiles with a range of up to 5,000 km.
- **Endo-atmospheric Missile:**
  - A missile designed to operate within the Earth's atmosphere to intercept and neutralize incoming threats.
- **Network-Centric Warfare:**
  - A military doctrine or theory of war that seeks to translate an information advantage into a competitive warfighting advantage.



## Static GK Information:

- **DRDO**
  - **Abbreviation:** Defence Research and Development Organisation
  - **Founded:** 1958
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, Delhi, India
  - **Chairman:** Samir V. Kamat



# DEFENCE



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	Successful flight-test of Phase-II BMD System
Location	Integrated Test Range (ITR), Chandipur, Odisha
Test Date	July 24, 2024
Missile Range Capability	5,000 km
Previous Phase Range	2,000 km
Significance	Demonstrates indigenous missile defense capability



- What is the estimated cost of each green charcoal plant to be set up in Gurugram and Faridabad?



- A) 400 crore rupees
- B) 450 crore rupees
- C) 500 crore rupees
- D) 550 crore rupees
- E) 600 crore rupees

**Answer**

**C) 500 crore rupees**





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Signing of MoU to set up green charcoal plants
- **Location:** Faridabad and Gurugram, Haryana, India



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
  - To set up plants to produce green charcoal from waste.
- **Key Players:**
  - **NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam Limited:** Subsidiary of National Thermal Power Corporation Limited.
  - **Gurugram and Faridabad Municipal Corporations:** Partners in the MoU.
- **Expected Outcomes:**
  - Conversion of 1,500 tonnes of daily waste into charcoal.
  - Provide a permanent solution to the garbage problem.
  - Increase energy production.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **MoU (Memorandum of Understanding):**
  - A formal agreement between two or more parties.
- **Green Charcoal:**
  - Charcoal produced from waste, considered environmentally friendly.
- **Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan:**
  - A self-reliant India campaign aimed at making India self-sufficient in various sectors.



## Static GK Information:

- **NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam Limited**
  - **Parent Company:** National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC)
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
- **Haryana**
  - **Capital:** Chandigarh
  - **Chief Minister:** Nayab Singh Saini
  - **Governor:** Bandaru Dattatreya



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Detail	Information
Event	Signing of MoU to set up green charcoal plants
Location	Faridabad and Gurugram, Haryana, India
Date	Not specified
Chief Guest	Union Power Minister Manohar Lal
Cost of Each Plant	500 crore rupees
Daily Waste Conversion	1,500 tonnes
Significance	Permanent solution to garbage, increase energy



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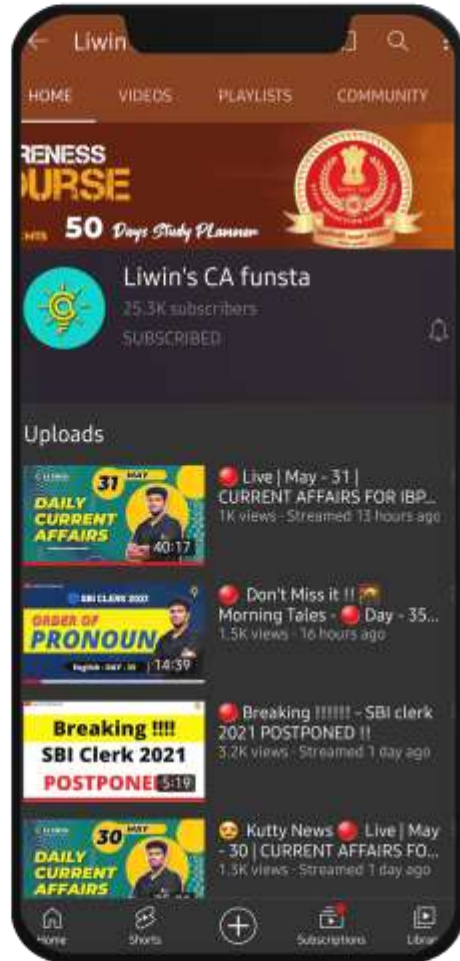
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- **India ranks 82nd in 2024 Henley Passport Index; Singapore tops the list.**
- **ACKO acquires OneCare to expand into comprehensive healthcare services.**
- **KV Subramanian appointed as CEO & MD of Federal Bank, succeeding Shyam Srinivasan.**
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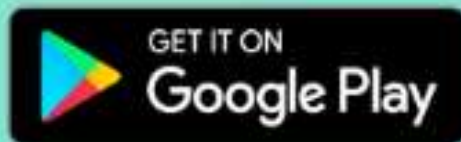
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