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# Important Days



➤ **What is the theme of World Hepatitis Day 2024?**

- A) Hepatitis Can't Wait
- B) Eliminate Hepatitis
- C) Time to Act
- D) It's Time for Action
- E) Hepatitis Free World

**Answer**

**D) It's Time for Action**



# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** World Hepatitis Day 2024
- **Location:** Global





# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Raise awareness about hepatitis, its prevention, testing, and treatment.
- **Key Focus Areas:**
  - Advocate for enhanced public health policies.
  - Highlight the urgent need for swift and decisive measures to tackle hepatitis globally.
  - Promote the WHO's goal of eliminating viral hepatitis as a major public health threat by 2030.



# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Hepatitis:**
  - A condition characterized by liver inflammation, often caused by viral infections.
  - Major types include hepatitis A, B, C, D, and E.
  - Can also be caused by alcohol consumption, certain medications, and autoimmune diseases.
- **World Hepatitis Day:**
  - Observed annually on July 28 to raise awareness about hepatitis.
  - Aims to inform communities about prevention strategies, testing, and treatment options.



# Important Days



## Static GK Information:

- **World Health Organization (WHO):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1948
  - **Headquarters:** Geneva, Switzerland
  - **Director-General:** Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus
- **History of World Hepatitis Day:**
  - **Initial Observation:** May 19 (before 2010)
  - **Current Date:** July 28 (since 2010)
  - **Significance of Date:** Honors the birthday of Dr. Baruch Blumberg, who discovered the hepatitis B virus (HBV).



# Important Days



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	World Hepatitis Day 2024
Date	July 28, 2024
Theme	It's Time for Action
Significance	Raise awareness about viral hepatitis and its impact on public health
History	Initially celebrated on May 19; moved to July 28 in 2010
Honored Individual	Dr. Baruch Blumberg, Nobel Laureate
Objective	Promote prevention, testing, and treatment of hepatitis
Global Goal	Eliminate viral hepatitis as a major public health threat by 2030



# Important Days



➤ **What is the primary objective of celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the National Education Policy 2020 with the Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam 2024?**

- A) To introduce new educational reforms.
- B) To reinvigorate the commitment of stakeholders for the effective implementation of NEP 2020.
- C) To celebrate the success of the previous education policies.
- D) To discuss international educational strategies.
- E) To launch a new education policy.



**Answer**

**B) To reinvigorate the commitment of stakeholders for the effective implementation of NEP 2020.**



# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the National Education Policy 2020 with Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam 2024.
- **Location:** Manekshaw Centre Auditorium, New Delhi.



# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Reinforce the commitment of various stakeholders for the effective implementation of NEP 2020 and achieve shared goals through collaborative efforts.
- **Inauguration:** Inauguration of several initiatives by the Department of Education.
  - Dedicated TV Channels for learning various Indian languages.
  - Tamil Channel.
  - Primers for early graders in 25 Indian languages.
  - Guidelines for 10 Bagless days in schools.
  - Career Guidance Guidelines with over 500 job cards.
  - NMM & NPST in Braille and Audio Books.
  - School Innovation Marathon by AICTE & AIM.
  - Books and lecture notes promoting Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS).



# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **National Education Policy (NEP) 2020:**
  - A comprehensive framework to guide the development of education in India.
  - Aims to transform India's education system by 2040.
- **Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam (ABSS):**
  - An event to celebrate the adoption of NEP 2020.
  - Focuses on collaboration among stakeholders for NEP implementation.
- **Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS):**
  - Promotes traditional Indian educational values and knowledge.





# Important Days



## Static GK Information:

- **Ministry of Education:**
  - **Founded Year:** 1947
  - **Current Minister:** Shri Dharmendra Pradhan
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi



# Important Days



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Celebration of 4th Anniversary of NEP 2020 with Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam 2024
Location	Manekshaw Centre Auditorium, New Delhi
Date	29 July 2024
Chief Guest	Union Minister for Education, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan
Significance	Reinforce commitment for effective NEP 2020 implementation
Initiatives Inaugurated	Dedicated TV Channels, Primers, 10 Bagless Days Guidelines, Career Guidance, NMM & NPST in Braille and Audio Books, School Innovation Marathon, Books and Lecture Notes on IKS
Previous ABSS Event	July 2022, Varanasi, inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi
Objective of Previous ABSS Event	Effective, smooth, and timely implementation of NEP 2020; establish linkages among HEIs; discuss challenges and solutions



# Important Days



➤ **When was the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) originally established?**

- A) July 27, 1939
- B) December 28, 1949
- C) October 7, 2003
- D) August 15, 1947
- E) January 26, 1950

**Answer**

**A) July 27, 1939**



# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** CRPF Foundation Day 2024
- **Location:** Nationwide



# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Celebrate the legacy, valor, and service of the CRPF in maintaining India's internal security.
- **Key Roles and Responsibilities:**
  - Maintaining law and order.
  - Counter-insurgency operations.
  - Managing left-wing extremism.
  - VIP security.
  - Protecting critical infrastructure.
  - Election security.
  - Environmental protection.
  - Disaster management.
  - UN peacekeeping missions.



# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **CRPF (Central Reserve Police Force):**
  - India's largest Central Armed Police Force under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
  - Initially established as the Crown Representatives Police in 1939.
  - Renamed CRPF in 1949 under an Act of Parliament.



# Important Days



## Static GK Information:

- **Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF):**
  - **Founded:** July 27, 1939
  - **Renamed:** December 28, 1949
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi
  - **Current Director General:** Sujoy Lal Thaosen



# Important Days



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	CRPF Foundation Day 2024
Location	Nationwide
Date	July 27, 2024
Founded	July 27, 1939
Renamed	December 28, 1949
Primary Roles	Law and order, counter-insurgency, left-wing extremism, VIP security, infrastructure protection, election security, environmental protection, disaster management, UN peacekeeping
Special Units	RAF, CoBRA, VIP Security Wing, Mahila Battalions
Achievements	Contributions in national security, disaster relief, international peacekeeping
Awards and Honors	George Cross, King's Police Medals, Ashok Chakra, Kirti Chakras, Vir Chakra, Shaurya Chakras, Padma Shri, Police Medals for Meritorious Service and Gallantry, Prime Minister's Police Medals for Life Saving





# Important Days



➤ **What does the commemorative postage stamp released by the Department of Posts on Kargil Vijay Diwas 2024 symbolize?**

- A) India's technological advancements
- B) The economic growth of India
- C) The bravery, determination, and sacrifice of the Indian Armed Forces
- D) The cultural diversity of India
- E) India's scientific achievements



**Answer**

**C) The bravery, determination, and sacrifice of the Indian Armed Forces**



# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Release of commemorative postage stamp for the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas
- **Location:** Dras, Kargil, Ladakh



# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Honor the valor and heroism of the Indian Armed Forces during the Kargil War.
- **Key Focus:**
  - Celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas.
  - Serve as a reminder of the bravery and national pride inspired by the troops.
  - Encourage citizens to purchase the stamp as a symbol of gratitude and respect.



# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Kargil Vijay Diwas:**
  - Observed on July 26 every year to commemorate India's victory in the Kargil War.
  - Marks the day in 1999 when Indian troops successfully evicted Pakistani infiltrators from Kargil.
- **Operation Vijay:**
  - The code name for the Indian military operation to clear the Kargil sector of Pakistani infiltrators.



# Important Days



## Static GK Information:

- **India Post:**
  - **Founded Year:** 1854
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi
  - **Current Communications Minister:** Jyotiraditya Scindia
- **Kargil War:**
  - **Conflict Period:** May – July 1999
  - **Primary Locations:** Dras, Kargil, Batalik sectors of Ladakh
  - **Outcome:** Indian victory, recapture of strategic positions.



# Important Days



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Release of commemorative postage stamp for 25th anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas
Location	Dras, Kargil, Ladakh
Date	26 July 2024
Significance	Honors the bravery, determination, and sacrifice of Indian Armed Forces
Minister Present	Jyotiraditya Scindia
Purpose	Symbolize national pride and encourage public to purchase the stamp
Historical Context	Commemorates 25 years since India's victory in the Kargil War
Operation Vijay	Military operation to evict Pakistani intruders from Kargil



- **What significant milestone did Manu Bhaker achieve at the Paris 2024 Olympics?**
- A) Winning the first medal for India in Paris 2024
  - B) Securing the first Olympic medal in shooting for India since 2012
  - C) Becoming the first Indian female shooter to win an Olympic medal
  - D) All of the above
  - E) None of the above

**Answer**  
**D) All of the above**



# SPORTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** 10m Air Pistol Women's Event
- **Location:** Paris 2024 Olympics





## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Recognize and celebrate Manu Bhaker's historic achievements in shooting sports.
- **Achievements:**
  - Secured a bronze medal in the women's 10m air pistol event.
  - First Indian female shooter to win an Olympic medal.
  - First Indian to reach an Olympic final in an individual shooting event in 20 years.
  - Scored highest number of Perfect Scores (27) in qualification rounds.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **TOPS (Target Olympic Podium Scheme):**
  - Financial assistance program by the Indian government to support athletes in their preparation for the Olympics.
  - Provides funding for training, equipment, and other related expenses.
- **Annual Calendar for Training and Competition (ACTC):**
  - Government initiative to financially support athletes for their training and competition needs throughout the year.



## Static GK Information:

- **Paris 2024 Olympics:**
  - **Host City:** Paris, France
  - **Olympic Motto:** Faster, Higher, Stronger – Together
- **Jhajjar, Haryana:**
  - **Capital:** Chandigarh
  - **Chief Minister:** Manohar Lal Khattar
  - **Governor:** Bandaru Dattatreya



# SPORTS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	10m Air Pistol Women's Event
Location	Paris 2024 Olympics
Date	28 July 2024
Achievement	Manu Bhaker wins Bronze, first Indian female shooter to win an Olympic medal
Qualification Round	Finished 3rd with a score of 580, highest number of Perfect Scores (27)
Significance	First medal for India at Paris 2024 Olympics, first Olympic shooting medal since 2012
Government Support	Financial assistance under TOPS and ACTC
Training Base	Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range, New Delhi
Birthplace	Jhajjar, Haryana



➤ **What types of insurance solutions are included in the tie-up between Karnataka Bank and ICICI Lombard General Insurance?**

- A) Health insurance and life insurance
- B) Health insurance, motor insurance, travel insurance, and home insurance
- C) Motor insurance and agricultural insurance
- D) Travel insurance and life insurance
- E) Home insurance and property insurance



**Answer**

**B) Health insurance, motor insurance, travel insurance, and home insurance**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Partnership between Karnataka Bank and ICICI Lombard General Insurance
- **Location:** Mangaluru



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Offer enhanced insurance solutions and customer benefits.
- **Key Offerings:**
  - Health insurance
  - Motor insurance
  - Travel insurance
  - Home insurance
- **Digital Initiatives:**
  - Online policy purchase
  - Real-time claims processing
  - Personalized insurance advisory services



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Health Insurance:** Provides coverage for medical expenses incurred due to illnesses or injuries.
- **Motor Insurance:** Offers financial protection against physical damage or bodily injury resulting from traffic collisions.
- **Travel Insurance:** Covers unforeseen events like trip cancellations, medical emergencies, and lost luggage during travel.
- **Home Insurance:** Protects against damages to the home and its contents due to risks like fire, theft, or natural disasters.





## Static GK Information:

- **Karnataka Bank:**
  - **Founded Year:** 1924
  - **Headquarters:** Mangaluru, Karnataka
  - **Current CEO:** Mahabaleshwara M.S.
  - **Tagline:** "Your Family Bank Across India"
- **ICICI Lombard General Insurance:**
  - **Founded Year:** 2001
  - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
  - **Current CEO:** Bhargav Dasgupta
  - **Tagline:** "Nibhaye Vaade"



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Partnership between Karnataka Bank and ICICI Lombard General Insurance
Location	Mangaluru
Date	27 July 2024
Insurance Offerings	Health, motor, travel, and home insurance
Digital Initiatives	Online policy purchase, real-time claims processing, personalized advisory services
Executive Statements	Sekhar Rao emphasized the commitment to best-in-class insurance solutions; Anand Singhi highlighted the holistic insurance portfolio



# APPOINTMENTS



➤ **Who was recently appointed as the Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry?**

- A) Santosh Gangawar
- B) OP Mathur
- C) K Kailashnathan
- D) Lakshman Prasad Acharya
- E) Droupadi Murmu

**Answer**

**C) K Kailashnathan**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Appointment of Nine New Governors and One Lieutenant Governor
- **Location:** Various States in India



# APPOINTMENTS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Appoint new governors to various states and one Lieutenant Governor for Puducherry.
- **Details:**
  - K Kailashnathan appointed as Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry.
  - Santosh Gangawar, OP Mathur, and other BJP veterans appointed as governors of various states.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Governor:**
  - Appointed by the President of India.
  - Acts as the Centre's representative in states.
  - Holds office during the pleasure of the President for a term of five years.
- **Lieutenant Governor:**
  - Similar role as a Governor but in Union Territories.
  - Appointed by the President of India.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **Puducherry:**
  - **Capital:** Puducherry
  - **Chief Minister:** N. Rangasamy
  - **Lieutenant Governor:** K Kailashnathan
- **Rajasthan:**
  - **Capital:** Jaipur
  - **Chief Minister:** Ashok Gehlot
  - **Governor:** Kalraj Mishra
- **Telangana:**
  - **Capital:** Hyderabad
  - **Chief Minister:** K. Chandrashekar Rao
  - **Governor:** Tamilisai Soundararajan



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **Maharashtra:**
  - **Capital:** Mumbai
  - **Chief Minister:** Eknath Shinde
  - **Governor:** Ramesh Bais
- **Punjab:**
  - **Capital:** Chandigarh
  - **Chief Minister:** Bhagwant Mann
  - **Governor:** Banwarilal Purohit
- **Sikkim:**
  - **Capital:** Gangtok
  - **Chief Minister:** Prem Singh Tamang
  - **Governor:** Lakshman Prasad Acharya





# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **Meghalaya:**
  - **Capital:** Shillong
  - **Chief Minister:** Conrad Sangma
  - **Governor:** Phagu Chauhan
- **Assam:**
  - **Capital:** Dispur
  - **Chief Minister:** Himanta Biswa Sarma
  - **Governor:** Gulab Chand Kataria
  - **Additional Charge for Manipur:** Lakshman Prasad Acharya



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **Jharkhand:**
  - **Capital:** Ranchi
  - **Chief Minister:** Hemant Soren
  - **Governor:** CP Radhakrishnan
- **Chhattisgarh:**
  - **Capital:** Raipur
  - **Chief Minister:** Bhupesh Baghel
  - **Governor:** Biswabhusan Harichandan



# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Appointment of Nine New Governors and One Lieutenant Governor
Location	Various States in India
Date	28 July 2024
Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry	K Kailashnathan
Significance	Representation of Centre in states and union territories
Governor's Role	Apolitical head acting on the advice of state Council of Ministers
Appointment Basis	Articles 153, 155, and 156 of the Indian Constitution
Notable Appointments	Santosh Gangawar, OP Mathur, K Kailashnathan



# APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who has been appointed as the festival director for the 55<sup>th</sup> and 56<sup>th</sup> editions of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI)?

- A) Karan Johar
- B) Rajkumar Hirani
- C) Shekhar Kapur
- D) Sanjay Leela Bhansali
- E) Anurag Kashyap

**Answer**

**C) Shekhar Kapur**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Appointment of Shekhar Kapur as IFFI Festival Director
- **Location:** International Film Festival of India (IFFI), Goa



# APPOINTMENTS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Oversee and direct the 55<sup>th</sup> and 56<sup>th</sup> editions of the International Film Festival of India.
- **Key Responsibilities:**
  - Head the festival, ensuring the selection and showcasing of films.
  - Organize events, masterclasses, and in-conversation sessions.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **International Film Festival of India (IFFI):**
  - An annual film festival held in Goa, showcasing films from around the world.
  - Aims to provide a platform for filmmakers to present their work and engage with the audience.
- **Golden Peacock Award:**
  - The top prize awarded at IFFI for the best film.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **Shekhar Kapur:**
  - **Notable Works:** "Mr. India," "Bandit Queen," "Elizabeth," "Masoom," "Elizabeth: The Golden Age," "The Four Feathers," "What's Love Got To Do With It."
  - **Previous Role:** Head of the Film and Television Institute of India (2020-2023)
  - **Career Highlights:**
    - Debuted with "Masoom" in 1983.
    - Gained international acclaim with "Bandit Queen" and "Elizabeth."
- **International Film Festival of India (IFFI):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1952
  - **Organized By:** Directorate of Film Festivals, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, India
  - **Location:** Goa, India





# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Appointment of Shekhar Kapur as IFFI Festival Director
Location	International Film Festival of India (IFFI), Goa
Dates for Film Bazaar	November 20-24
Editions	55 <sup>th</sup> and 56 <sup>th</sup>
Previous Roles of Kapur	Head of Film and Television Institute of India (2020-2023)
Notable Works by Kapur	"Mr. India," "Bandit Queen," "Elizabeth," "Masoom," "Elizabeth: The Golden Age," "The Four Feathers," "What's Love Got To Do With It"
Significance	Return to IFFI, previously led international competition jury
IFFI's Scope	Screens around 250 films from 78 countries, hosts 23 masterclasses and events



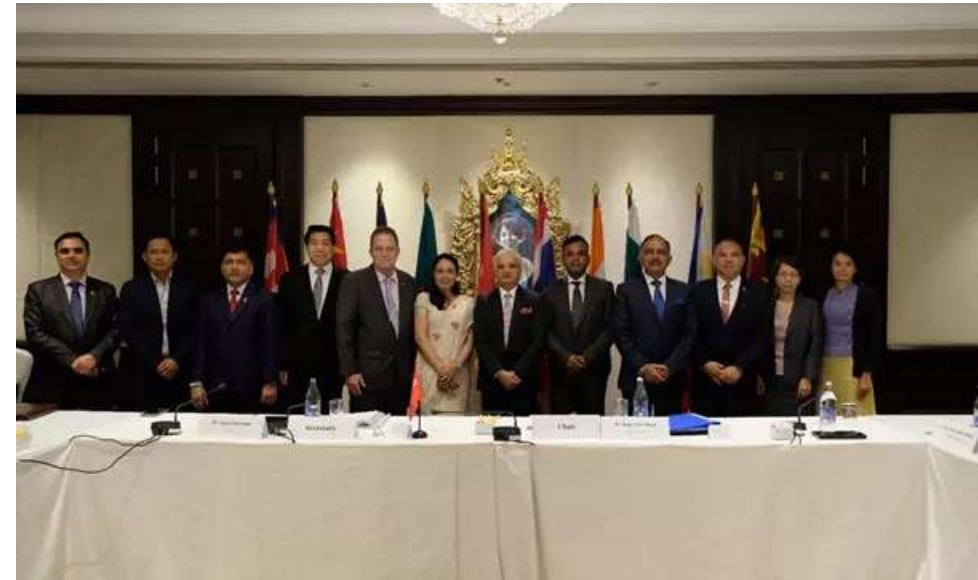
# APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who has taken over as the Chair of the Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC) for 2024-25?

- A) Rajendra Singh
- B) Narendra Modi
- C) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat
- D) Eric Garcetti
- E) Govind Mohan

**Answer**  
**A) Rajendra Singh**



# APPOINTMENTS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India takes over as Chair of the Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC)
- **Location:** Bangkok, Thailand



# APPOINTMENTS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Lead disaster risk reduction efforts and build climate resilience in Asia and the Pacific region.
- **Key Initiatives:**
  - Establishing an international Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI).
  - Showcasing India's global leadership in disaster risk reduction (DRR).



# APPOINTMENTS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC):**
  - An autonomous international organization focused on disaster risk reduction and building climate resilience in Asia and the Pacific.
- **Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI):**
  - An initiative aimed at promoting the resilience of new and existing infrastructure systems to climate and disaster risks.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Static GK Information:

- **National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), India:**
  - **Founded Year:** 2005
  - **Current Head:** Rajendra Singh (Member & HoD)
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
- **Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC):**
  - **Founded Year:** 1986
  - **Headquarters:** Bangkok, Thailand
  - **Mission:** Enhance the capabilities of countries and organizations in disaster risk management.



# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	India takes over as Chair of ADPC
Location	Bangkok, Thailand
Date	25 July 2024
Chair	Rajendra Singh, Member & HoD, NDMA
Predecessor	People's Republic of China
Objective	Lead disaster risk reduction and climate resilience initiatives
Founding Members	India, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand
Significant Initiative	Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)
Meeting Chaired by India	5th Board of Trustee (BoT) meeting of ADPC



➤ **Where is India's first integrated agri-export facility going to be established?**

- A) Chennai Port
- B) Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Mumbai
- C) Kolkata Port
- D) Visakhapatnam Port
- E) Cochin Port

**Answer**

**B) Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Mumbai**





## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Establishment of India's First Integrated Agri-Export Facility
- **Location:** Jawaharlal Nehru Port (JNPT), Mumbai



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Revolutionize agri-logistics, reduce wastage, and improve the efficiency of agricultural exports.
- **Project Details:**
  - **Cost:** Rs 284 crore
  - **Mode:** Public-Private Partnership (PPP)
  - **Area:** 67,422 sqm
  - **Facilities:**
    - Frozen store capacity: 1,800 tonnes
    - Cold store capacity: 5,800 tonnes
    - Dry warehouses capacity: 12,000 tonnes



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Public-Private Partnership (PPP):**
  - A collaborative investment model between government agencies and private sector companies for the development of public infrastructure.
- **Cold Chain Logistics:**
  - Temperature-controlled supply chain to preserve and extend the shelf life of perishable products like agricultural produce and meat.



## Static GK Information:

- **Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT):**
  - **Location:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
  - **Founded Year:** 1989
  - **Chairman:** Shri Sanjay Sethi, IAS
  - **Significance:** India's largest container port and a major gateway for marine products.
- **Maharashtra:**
  - **Capital:** Mumbai
  - **Chief Minister:** Eknath Shinde
  - **Governor:** Ramesh Bais



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Establishment of India's First Integrated Agri-Export Facility
Location	Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Mumbai
Approved By	Minister Sarbananda Sonowal
Project Cost	Rs 284 crore
Project Mode	Public-Private Partnership (PPP)
Facility Area	67,422 sqm
Export Items	Non-basmati rice, maize, spices, onion, wheat, meat, and marine products
Storage Capacity	1,800 tonnes (frozen), 5,800 tonnes (cold), 12,000 tonnes (dry)
Expected Benefits	Improved prices, job creation, sector growth, empowerment of farmers, reduced wastage



➤ What is the new loan amount limit under the 'Model Skill Loan Scheme' launched by the Government?

- A) 1.5 lakh rupees
- B) 5 lakh rupees
- C) 7.5 lakh rupees
- D) 10 lakh rupees
- E) 12.5 lakh rupees

**Answer**

**C) 7.5 lakh rupees**



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of the 'Model Skill Loan Scheme'
- **Location:** New Delhi



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Provide education and upskilling opportunities to 25,000 youngsters across India.
- **Key Features:**
  - Increased loan amount limit from 1.5 lakh rupees to 7.5 lakh rupees.
  - Inclusion of Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs), scheduled banks, and rural banks to offer hassle-free loans.
  - Support for advanced-level skill courses with higher fees.





## Important Terms Explained:

- **Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs):**
  - Financial institutions that provide banking services without meeting the legal definition of a bank.
  - Offer loans and credit facilities, retirement planning, money markets, underwriting, and merger activities.
- **Scheduled Banks:**
  - Banks included in the Second Schedule of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.
  - They comply with the criteria set by the RBI and are eligible for loans from the central bank.



## Static GK Information:

- **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship:**
  - **Founded Year:** 2014
  - **Current Minister:** Dharmendra Pradhan
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi



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## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Launch of the 'Model Skill Loan Scheme'
Location	New Delhi
Date	28 July 2024
Loan Amount Limit	Increased to 7.5 lakh rupees
Beneficiaries	25,000 youth across the country
Financial Institutions Involved	NBFCs, scheduled banks, and rural banks
Support Focus	Advanced-level skill courses
Mentioned In	Union Budget 2024-25 by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman
Notable Attendees	Secretary Atul Kumar Tiwari, CEO NSDC Ved Mani Tiwari, AICTE Chairman T. G. Sitharam



➤ **What vision did Prime Minister Narendra Modi emphasize during the 9<sup>th</sup> Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog?**

- A) Viksit Bharat @ 2030
- B) Viksit Bharat @ 2025
- C) Viksit Bharat @ 2047
- D) Digital India @ 2050
- E) Skill India @ 2040

**Answer**

**C) Viksit Bharat @ 2047**



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## Event and Location:

- **Event:** 9th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog
- **Location:** Rashtrapati Bhavan Cultural Centre, New Delhi



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Discuss and implement strategies for achieving Viksit Bharat @ 2047.
- **Key Focus Areas:**
  - Collective efforts of the Centre and States.
  - Vision creation for each State and District for 2047.
  - Preparation of an 'Investment-friendly Charter'.
  - Creation of River Grids at the State level.
  - Initiation of Demographic Management Plans.
  - Skilling and training of youth.
  - Targeting Zero Poverty.
  - Enhancing productivity and diversification in agriculture.
  - Capacity building of government officials.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Viksit Bharat @ 2047:**
  - A vision for a developed India by the year 2047, marking 100 years of India's independence.
- **Aspirational Districts Programme:**
  - A programme aimed at transforming districts that have shown relatively lesser progress in key social areas.
- **Investment-friendly Charter:**
  - A set of parameters and guidelines to create a conducive environment for attracting investments.



## Static GK Information:

- **NITI Aayog:**
  - **Founded Year:** 2015
  - **Current Chairman:** Narendra Modi (Prime Minister of India)
  - **CEO:** B. V. R. Subrahmanyam
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
- **India:**
  - **Capital:** New Delhi
  - **Currency:** Indian Rupee (INR)
  - **Prime Minister:** Narendra Modi





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## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	9th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog
Location	Rashtrapati Bhavan Cultural Centre, New Delhi
Date	27 July 2024
Vision Emphasized	Viksit Bharat @ 2047
Attendees	Chief Ministers/Lt. Governors of 20 States and 6 UTs
Key Directives	Prepare 'Investment-friendly Charter', create River Grids, initiate Demographic Management Plans, target Zero Poverty
Focus on Youth	Skilling and training to make them employment ready
Agricultural Emphasis	Increase productivity, diversification, market linkages, promote Natural Farming
Aspirational Districts Programme	Continuous and online monitoring of measurable parameters
Global Leadership	India's proactive role in disaster risk reduction and establishing international coalitions



➤ How many PM MITRA Parks are being set up by the Government to boost the textiles sector?

A) 5

B) 6

C) 7

D) 8

E) 10

**Answer**

**C) 7**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Approval and establishment of PM Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks
- **Location:** Various Greenfield/Brownfield sites across India, including Virudhunagar in Tamil Nadu



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Boost the textiles sector by creating world-class infrastructure and increasing investments.
- **Key Details:**
  - **Number of Parks:** 7
  - **Project Outlay:** Rs. 4,445 crore over seven years up to 2027-28.
  - **Employment Generation:** Each park expected to generate 1 lakh direct and 2 lakh indirect employments.
  - **Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV):** 'PM Mega Integrated Textile Regions and Apparel Park, Tamil Nadu Limited' formed for the Virudhunagar project.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Greenfield/Brownfield Sites:**
  - Greenfield projects involve the construction of new facilities on previously undeveloped land.
  - Brownfield projects involve the development or redevelopment of sites that have been previously used.
- **Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV):**
  - A legal entity created to fulfill specific objectives, often to isolate financial risk.



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## Details of Textile Parks in Tamil Nadu:

S. No.	Name of the park	District	Approved Project Cost (Rs. Cr)	Total govt grant released (Rs. Cr)	Actual Employment	Units Operational	Park Status
1	Palladam Hi-Tech Weaving park	Tirupur	55.42	22.17	2650	90	Completed
2	Komarapalayam Hi-Tech Weaving Park	Namakkal	31.33	12.54	853	56	Completed
3	Karur Integrated Textile Park	Karur	116.1	40.00	5000	35	Completed
4	Madurai Integrated Textile Park Ltd	Madurai	87.30	31.43	2551	17	Completed
5	Perarignar Anna Handloom Silk Park	Kanchipuram	82.52	9.91	750	12	Under implementation
6	Pallavada Textile Park	Erode	106.58	10.00	825	3	Under implementation
7	The Great Indian Linen & Textile	Erode	104.29	12.00	170	7	Under implementation



## Static GK Information:

- **Ministry of Textiles, India:**
  - **Current Minister:** Piyush Goyal
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi
  - **Key Scheme:** Scheme for Integrated Textile Park (SITP)
- **Tamil Nadu:**
  - **Capital:** Chennai
  - **Chief Minister:** M. K. Stalin
  - **Governor:** R. N. Ravi



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## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Establishment of 7 PM MITRA Parks
Objective	Boost textiles sector, increase investments, generate employment
Project Outlay	Rs. 4,445 crore over seven years
Employment Generation	1 lakh direct and 2 lakh indirect jobs per park
SPV for Virudhunagar Park	'PM Mega Integrated Textile Regions and Apparel Park, Tamil Nadu Limited'
Government Stake	51% by Government of Tamil Nadu, 49% by Government of India
Current Status	Environmental clearance and layout approval completed, water and power supply in progress
MoUs Signed	Rs 1200 crore for investment in Virudhunagar park





- **Which states' proposals were approved by the high-level committee for urban flood management projects worth ₹2,514.36 crore?**

- A) Delhi, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Punjab, Haryana
- B) Telangana, Gujarat, Karnataka, West Bengal, Maharashtra
- C) Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha
- D) Assam, Meghalaya, Manipur, Tripura, Nagaland
- E) Goa, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh

**Answer**

**B) Telangana, Gujarat, Karnataka, West Bengal, Maharashtra**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Approval of urban flood management projects
- **Location:** New Delhi



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** To manage urban flooding and mitigate risks in metro cities.
- **Key Projects:**
  - **Flood Management Cities:** Mumbai, Kolkata, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Pune.
  - **Total Cost:** ₹2,514.36 crore
  - **Additional Approval:** Integrated flood management in Chennai, Tamil Nadu at ₹561.29 crore.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Urban Flood Management:** Strategies and infrastructure to handle excess rainfall and prevent flooding in urban areas.
- **Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF):**
  - A type of outburst flood that occurs when the dam containing a glacial lake fails.
- **Yuva Aapda Mitra Scheme (YAMS):**
  - A scheme for training youth volunteers from NCC, NSS, NYKS, and Bharat Scouts & Guides in disaster preparedness and response.



## Static GK Information:

- **Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA):**
  - **Current Minister:** Amit Shah
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
- **NITI Aayog:**
  - **Founded Year:** 2015
  - **Current Vice Chairman:** Suman Bery
  - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India



## Static GK Information:

- **Telangana:**
  - **Capital:** Hyderabad
  - **Chief Minister:** K. Chandrashekar Rao
  - **Governor:** Tamilisai Soundararajan
- **Gujarat:**
  - **Capital:** Gandhinagar
  - **Chief Minister:** Bhupendra Patel
  - **Governor:** Acharya Devvrat
- **Karnataka:**
  - **Capital:** Bengaluru
  - **Chief Minister:** Siddaramaiah
  - **Governor:** Thawar Chand Gehlot



## Static GK Information:

- **West Bengal:**
  - **Capital:** Kolkata
  - **Chief Minister:** Mamata Banerjee
  - **Governor:** C.V. Ananda Bose
- **Maharashtra:**
  - **Capital:** Mumbai
  - **Chief Minister:** Eknath Shinde
  - **Governor:** Ramesh Bais



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## Tabular Summary:

Key Details	Description
Event	Approval of urban flood management projects
Location	New Delhi
Date	26 July 2024
Approved States	Telangana, Gujarat, Karnataka, West Bengal, Maharashtra
Total Cost	₹2,514.36 crore
Cities Involved	Mumbai, Kolkata, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Pune
Additional Approval	Integrated flood management in Chennai, Tamil Nadu at ₹561.29 crore
GLOF Risk Mitigation	₹150 crore proposals for Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh
Yuva Aapda Mitra Scheme (YAMS)	₹470.50 crore for training disaster preparedness volunteers
Recent Financial Releases	₹6,348 crore to 14 states under SDRF, ₹672 crore to 6 states under SDMF, ₹4,265 crore to 10 states under NDRF





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- **World Hepatitis Day 2024 theme: "It's Time for Action."**
- **Ministry of Education to celebrate 4th NEP 2020 anniversary.**
- **CRPF Foundation Day commemorates 86 years of service since 1939.**
- **Commemorative stamp released for 25th anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas.**
- **Manu Bhaker wins Bronze in 10m Air Pistol at Paris 2024.**
- **Karnataka Bank partners with ICICI Lombard for comprehensive insurance solutions.**
- **Nine new governors appointed by President Droupadi Murmu.**
- **Shekhar Kapur appointed festival director for the 55th and 56th editions of IFFI.**
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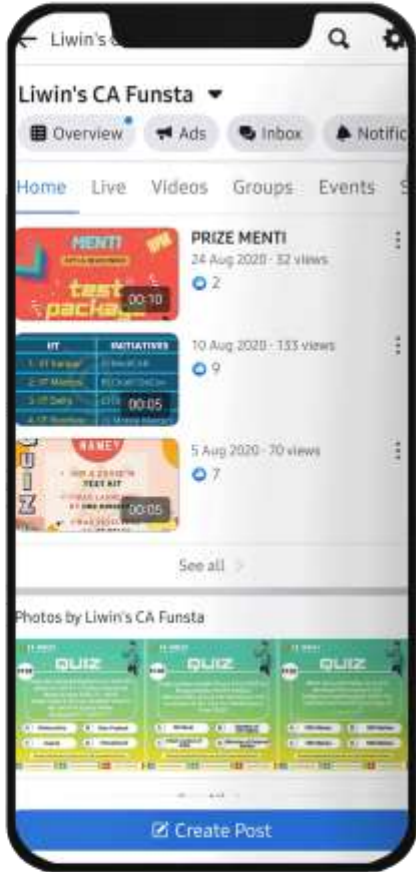
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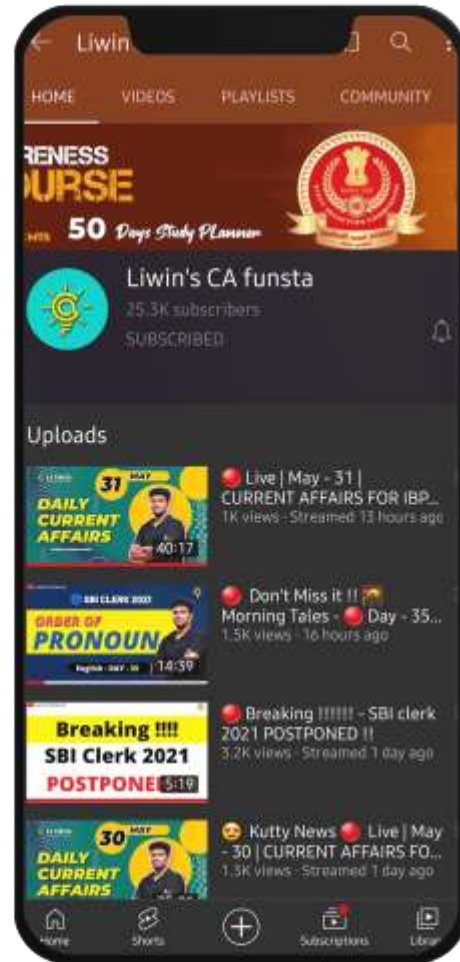
- **India's first integrated agri-export facility at JNPT, Mumbai.**
- **Government launches 'Model Skill Loan Scheme' in New Delhi.**
- **PM Modi chairs 9th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog.**
- **Government setting up 7 PM MITRA Parks to boost the textiles sector.**
- **Centre approves ₹2,514.36 crore for urban flood management in six cities.**



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