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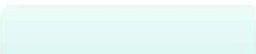


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**June 17 – 20 Revision**



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# June 17 – 20 Revision



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# June 21 – 25 Revision



# Important Days



➤ **What event does the International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition commemorate?**

- A) The end of World War II
- B) The independence of Haiti
- C) The revolt in Saint Domingue, Haiti
- D) The abolition of slavery in India
- E) The signing of the Emancipation Proclamation

**Answer**

**C) The revolt in Saint Domingue, Haiti**



# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition
- **Date:** August 23
- **Location:** Commemorated globally
- **Significance:** Honors the millions who suffered under the transatlantic slave trade and commemorates the revolt on the night of August 22-23, 1791, in Saint Domingue (now Haiti), which led to the end of the transatlantic slave trade.



# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - Acknowledge the horrors of the slave trade
  - Educate people about the history and impact of slavery
  - Celebrate the resistance and eventual abolition of the transatlantic slave trade
- **Global Events:**
  - Cultural events, discussions, and educational programs held worldwide
  - UNESCO's "Routes of Enslaved Peoples: Resistance, Liberty and Heritage" program plays a key role in these commemorations.



# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Transatlantic Slave Trade:**
  - **Definition:** The mass transportation and enslavement of Africans by European colonizers to the Americas and the Caribbean.
  - **Abolition:** The trade was widely abolished by 1807, though illegal practices continued afterward.
- **UNESCO's "Routes of Enslaved Peoples" Programme:**
  - **Launch:** 1994
  - **Objective:** To break the silence around the history of slavery and contribute to global understanding and memory of this tragedy.



# Important Days



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Country:	Haiti
Capital:	Port-au-Prince
Currency:	Gourde
President:	Ariel Henry
Significant Historical Event:	Revolt on August 22-23, 1791, leading to the abolition of the slave trade



# Important Days



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Significance
International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition	Global	August 23	Commemorates the revolt in Saint Domingue, Haiti, which led to the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade.





# Important Days



➤ **What is the significance of August 23, 2024, in India's space exploration history?**

- A) Launch of Chandrayaan-2
- B) First Indian astronaut in space
- C) Successful landing of Chandrayaan-3 on the moon
- D) India's first Mars mission
- E) Launch of Gaganyaan mission



**Answer**

**C) Successful landing of Chandrayaan-3 on the moon**



# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India's First National Space Day
- **Date:** August 23, 2024
- **Location:** Nationwide celebrations with a central event in New Delhi
- **Significance:** Marks the one-year anniversary of Chandrayaan-3's successful lunar landing



# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - Celebrate India's space achievements, particularly the historic Chandrayaan-3 mission
  - Inspire youth to pursue careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)
  - Promote awareness of space technology's impact on society



# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Chandrayaan-3:**
  - **Mission:** India's lunar mission, featuring the Vikram Lander and Pragyaan Rover
  - **Achievement:** First country to land near the lunar southern polar region
- **Space Tutors Program:**
  - **Initiative:** ISRO's program involving educators to engage students in space science
  - **Goal:** Enhance public understanding and foster interest in space exploration
- **Space on Wheels:**
  - **Concept:** Mobile exhibitions that travel to universities and colleges
  - **Objective:** Educate students about ISRO's missions and achievements



# Important Days



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Country:	India
Capital:	New Delhi
Prime Minister:	Narendra Modi
Space Agency:	Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
ISRO Founded Year:	1969
ISRO Chairman (2024):	S. Somanath
Chandrayaan-3 Launch Site:	Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh



# Important Days



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
India's First National Space Day	New Delhi (main event)	August 23, 2024	ISRO Chairman S. Somanath	Marks the one-year anniversary of Chandrayaan-3's lunar landing



# Important Days



➤ **Where did Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal celebrate the first National Space Day?**

- A) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
- B) Maritime Training Institute (MTI), Powai
- C) Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT)
- D) Port of Kolkata
- E) Cochin Shipyard Limited



**Answer**

**B) Maritime Training Institute (MTI), Powai**





# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Celebration of the 1st National Space Day
- **Date:** August 23, 2024
- **Location:** Maritime Training Institute (MTI), Powai, Mumbai
- **Significance:** Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal celebrated the first National Space Day with MTI cadets, highlighting India's space achievements.



# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Celebrate National Space Day:** Recognizing India's achievement of becoming the fourth country to land on the moon, and the first to reach its southern polar region.
  - **Promote Maritime Excellence:** The visit underscored the commitment of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW) to enhance skills development and educational excellence in the maritime sector.



# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Initiatives:**
  - **Ayush Vatika:** The Minister planted a sapling as part of the “Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam” campaign, emphasizing environmental conservation.
  - **Address to Cadets:** Encouraged young cadets to contribute to the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat and highlighted India’s achievements in maritime trade.



# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **National Space Day:**
  - **Theme:** "Touching Lives while Touching the Moon: India's Space Saga"
  - **Significance:** Celebrates the anniversary of India's successful moon landing on August 23, 2023.
- **Ayush Vatika:**
  - **Initiative:** Part of the "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam" campaign, promoting environmental conservation through tree planting.



# Important Days



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Institution:	Maritime Training Institute (MTI), Powai
Location:	Powai, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
Minister:	Sarbananda Sonowal - Union Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways
Ministry:	Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW)
National Space Day Theme:	"Touching Lives while Touching the Moon: India's Space Saga"
SCI Involvement:	Shipping Corporation of India (SCI) contributes to India's space missions



# Important Days



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Highlights	Minister
1st National Space Day Celebration	MTI, Powai, Mumbai	August 23, 2024	Interaction with MTI cadets, Ayush Vatika sapling plantation	Sarbananda Sonowal



➤ **What distance did Neeraj Chopra achieve with his second-best throw ever at the Lausanne Diamond League?**

- A) 87.08m
- B) 90.61m
- C) 89.49m
- D) 89.94m
- E) 89.45m

**Answer**  
**C) 89.49m**





## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Lausanne Diamond League
- **Location:** Lausanne, Switzerland
- **Significance:** Neeraj Chopra achieved his second-best throw ever at this event.



## Performance Highlights:

- **Neeraj Chopra's Throw:**
  - **Distance:** 89.49m
  - **Position:** Second Place
  - **Comparison:** Better than his throws at the Paris Olympics 2024 where he claimed a silver medal.
- **Winner:**
  - **Anderson Peters (Grenada):** 90.61m (First Place)
- **Other Competitors:**
  - **Julian Weber (Germany):** 87.08m (Third Place)
  - **Artur Felfner (Ukraine):** Was ahead of Neeraj Chopra until the final throws.



## Significance of the Throw:

- **Second-Best Throw Ever:**
  - The 89.49m throw is Neeraj Chopra's second-best ever, following his 89.94m throw at the Stockholm Diamond League in 2022.
- **Injury Context:**
  - Despite battling a groin injury, Neeraj managed to perform exceptionally well, highlighting his resilience and skill.



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Athlete:	Neeraj Chopra
Sport:	Javelin Throw
Country:	India
Best Throw:	89.94m (Stockholm, 2022)
Event:	Lausanne Diamond League
Winner:	Anderson Peters (Grenada)
Runner-up:	Neeraj Chopra



# SPORTS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Neeraj Chopra's Best Throw	Position	Winner's Throw	Third Place
Lausanne Diamond League	Lausanne, Switzerland	89.49m	Second	Anderson Peters: 90.61m	Julian Weber: 87.08m



# BOOKS AND AUTHORS

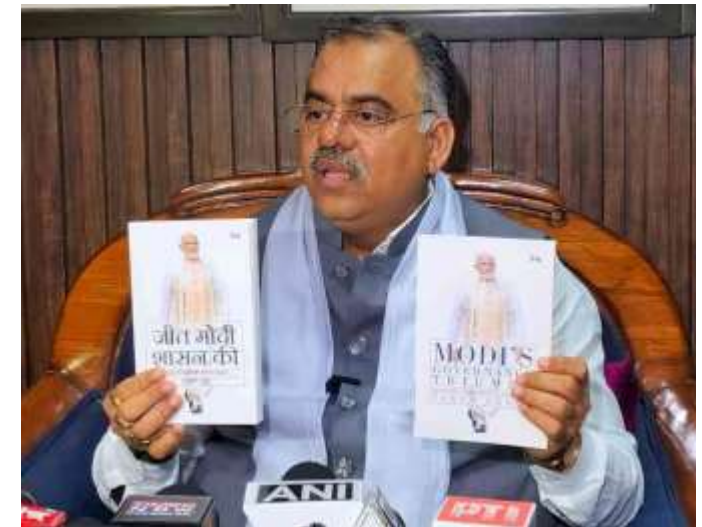


➤ Which key initiative is discussed in Tarun Chugh's book "Modi's Governance Triumph: Reshaping India's Path to Prosperity"?

- A) Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- B) Digital India
- C) Make in India
- D) Ayushman Bharat
- E) Startup India

**Answer**

**C) Make in India**



# BOOKS AND AUTHORS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Unveiling of the book "Modi's Governance Triumph: Reshaping India's Path to Prosperity"
- **Date:** August 17, 2024
- **Location:** New Delhi
- **Significance:** The book by Tarun Chugh, BJP General Secretary, provides an in-depth analysis of the Modi government's initiatives and reforms.



# BOOKS AND AUTHORS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Examine Modi's Policies:** The book explores various visionary initiatives and reforms under Narendra Modi's administration.
  - **Key Focus:** Analyzes the 'Make in India' campaign, aimed at boosting domestic manufacturing and attracting foreign investment.
  - **Antyodaya Mission:** Highlights the broad spectrum of policies, including the implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST).
  - **Critical Perspective:** Provides a nuanced critique of the challenges and controversies during Modi's tenure.





# BOOKS AND AUTHORS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Make in India:**
  - **Campaign:** Launched in 2014 to encourage companies to manufacture their products in India.
  - **Objective:** Enhance India's manufacturing sector and make the country a global manufacturing hub.
- **Goods and Services Tax (GST):**
  - **Reform:** A significant tax reform introduced in 2017, aimed at simplifying the tax structure in India by replacing multiple indirect taxes with a single unified tax.



# BOOKS AND AUTHORS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Author:	Tarun Chugh
Book Title:	"Modi's Governance Triumph: Reshaping India's Path to Prosperity"
Key Political Leaders Present:	Amit Shah (Home Minister), G. Kishan Reddy (Coal and Mines Minister)
Publisher:	Information not provided in the release
Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP):	Founded: 1980



# BOOKS AND AUTHORS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Participants	Focus of the Book
Unveiling of Tarun Chugh's book	New Delhi	August 17, 2024	Amit Shah, G. Kishan Reddy, Tarun Chugh	Analysis of Modi's governance, with focus on "Make in India"



# AWARDS



➤ **Which project from the Ministry of Women & Child Development received a National Award for e-Governance in 2024?**

- A) iGOT
- B) Poshan Tracker
- C) Shiksha Setu Axom
- D) Rajkisan Saathi Phase -II
- E) Lab Mitra

**Answer**

**B) Poshan Tracker**



# AWARDS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** 27<sup>th</sup> National Conference on e-Governance
- **Date:** September 3-4, 2024
- **Location:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
- **Significance:** The conference will recognize innovative projects in e-Governance with National Awards for e-Governance 2024.



# AWARDS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - To acknowledge and reward excellence in the field of e-Governance across various categories.
  - Promote government initiatives that leverage digital technology for citizen-centric services.
- **Award Categories:**
  - Government Process Re-Engineering
  - Application of Emerging Technologies for providing Citizen-Centric Services
  - District level initiative in e-Governance
  - Research on Citizen-Centric Services by Academic & Research Institutions
  - Replication of Top Technological Solutions/Initiatives



# AWARDS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Awards:**
  - **Trophy, Certificate, and Incentive:** Gold awardees receive Rs 10 lakh, and Silver awardees receive Rs 5 lakh.



# AWARDS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Poshan Tracker:**
  - **Project:** A digital initiative by the Ministry of Women & Child Development aimed at improving the nutritional outcomes of children and women by tracking the delivery of services.
- **National Awards for e-Governance:**
  - **Purpose:** Recognizes innovative projects that have successfully implemented digital solutions to enhance governance and public service delivery.





# AWARDS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Event Name:	National Awards for e-Governance 2024
Organizing Ministry:	Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances, and Pensions
Chief Guest:	Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State (PP)
Award Ceremony Venue:	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Award Categories:	Government Process Re-Engineering, Emerging Technologies, District Initiatives



# AWARDS



## Tabular Summary:

Project	Organization	Project Head	Award Category
Poshan Tracker	Ministry of Women & Child Development	Shri Indevar Pandey, former Secretary	Application of Emerging Technologies for Citizen Services
iGOT	Karmayogi Bharat	Shri Abhishek Singh, Addl Secretary	Government Process Re-Engineering
Shiksha Setu Axom	Samagra Shiksha, Assam	Dr. Om Prakash, Mission Director	District level initiative in e-Governance
Rajkisan Saathi Phase -II	Department of Information Technology and Communication, Rajasthan	Shri Inderjeet Singh, Commissioner and Spl Secretary	Replication of Top Technological Solutions



➤ What are the two cutting-edge technologies transferred by the Indian Army for mass production?

- A) Xploder and Tejas
- B) Agniashtra and Xploder
- C) Arjun and BrahMos
- D) Xploder and Astra
- E) Agni and Tejas

**Answer**

**B) Agniashtra and Xploder**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Technology Transfer for Mass Production
- **Date:** August 23, 2024
- **Location:** New Delhi
- **Significance:** The Indian Army transferred technology for two in-house innovations, 'Xploder' and 'Agniastra', to private companies for mass production.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Mass Production:** The transfer of technology (ToT) aims to facilitate the mass production of advanced unmanned ground vehicles (UGVs) and remote potable detonation technology.
  - **Innovation in Defense:** These technologies are designed to enhance combat and operational capabilities of the Indian Army.
- **Technologies Involved:**
  - **Xploder:** A technology designed for remote detonation purposes, ensuring safety and efficiency in explosive handling.
  - **ZAgniastra:** An advanced unmanned ground vehicle (UGV) capable of executing a variety of combat and operational roles.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Unmanned Ground Vehicle (UGV):**
  - **Definition:** A vehicle that operates on the ground without an onboard human presence, used for various military and civilian tasks.
  - **Application:** Typically deployed for reconnaissance, combat, and logistical support in dangerous environments.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Transfer of Technology (ToT):**
  - **Definition:** The process by which proprietary technology or knowledge is transferred from one organization to another, often from public sector research institutions to private industry for commercialization.
  - **Facilitator:** The ToT process for these innovations was facilitated by the Foundation of Innovation & Technology Transfer (FITT), IIT Delhi.



# DEFENCE



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Institution:	Indian Army
Technology Transfer Facilitator:	Foundation of Innovation & Technology Transfer (FITT), IIT Delhi
Technologies Transferred:	Xploder and Agniastra
Key Focus:	Advanced UGVs and Remote Potable Detonation





# DEFENCE



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Technologies Transferred	Facilitator
Indian Army Technology Transfer	New Delhi	August 23, 2024	Xploder and Agniastra	Foundation of Innovation & Technology Transfer, IIT Delhi



➤ **What is the primary focus of the MoU signed between the Government of India and the Government of Malaysia?**

- A) Cultural Exchange Programs
- B) Military Cooperation
- C) Public Administration and Governance Reforms
- D) Trade and Commerce
- E) Environmental Protection



**Answer**

**C) Public Administration and Governance Reforms**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Signing of MoU on Public Administration and Governance Reforms
- **Date:** August 20, 2024
- **Location:** Hyderabad House, New Delhi
- **Significance:** Aims to enhance cooperation between India and Malaysia in public administration and governance reforms for a period of five years.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Promote Cooperation:** The MoU seeks to foster collaboration in public administration and governance reforms.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Focus Areas:**
  - **Citizen-Centric Services:** Improvement of public services through digital platforms.
  - **Government Process Simplification:** Re-engineering for effective service delivery.
  - **Transparency and Accountability:** Enhancing the delivery of public services with a focus on transparency.
  - **Human Resource Management:** Leadership development and public sector management.
  - **Public Grievance Redress Mechanisms:** Improving mechanisms for resolving public grievances.
  - **E-Governance/Digital Government:** Advancement of digital governance initiatives.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Implementation:**
  - **Joint Working Group:** A group will be established to ensure the effective implementation of the cooperation outlined in the MoU.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG):**
  - **Function:** A department under the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances, and Pensions, responsible for promoting administrative reforms and managing public grievances in India.
- **Public Grievance Redress Mechanisms:**
  - **Definition:** Systems and processes designed to address and resolve complaints from the public effectively and transparently.



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Country Collaborating:	Malaysia
Capital:	Kuala Lumpur
Currency:	Malaysian Ringgit
Prime Minister:	Anwar Bin Ibrahim
Ministry Involved (India):	Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG)
Ministry Involved (Malaysia):	Public Service Department, Prime Minister's Department





# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Countries Involved	Focus Areas
MoU on Public Administration and Governance Reforms	Hyderabad House, New Delhi	August 20, 2024	India and Malaysia	Citizen-centric services, e-governance, transparency, HR management



➤ **What is the primary objective of the Security of Supply Arrangements (SOSA) signed between India and the United States?**

- A) Promote cultural exchange
- B) Ensure mutual supply of defence goods and services
- C) Establish new trade routes
- D) Develop space exploration programs
- E) Facilitate student exchange programs

**Answer**

**B) Ensure mutual supply of defence goods and services**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Signing of Security of Supply Arrangements (SOSA)
- **Date:** August 23, 2024
- **Location:** Washington, DC
- **Significance:** SOSA ensures the mutual supply of defence goods and services between India and the United States, enhancing national security and addressing supply chain disruptions.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Mutual Supply Assurance:** The SOSA is a non-binding bilateral agreement that ensures both India and the United States provide reciprocal priority support for defence goods and services, especially during supply chain disruptions.
  - **Strengthening Defence Ties:** The agreement is a significant step in reinforcing the US–India Major Defence Partner relationship and is expected to play a crucial role in the Defence Technology and Trade Initiative (DTTI).



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Additional Agreements:**
  - **Assignment of Liaison Officers:** Another MoU was signed to enhance information sharing between India and the US by posting Indian officers in various US Commands.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Security of Supply Arrangements (SOSA):**
  - **Definition:** A bilateral agreement that provides assurances for the mutual supply of defence goods and services, prioritizing national security needs.
  - **Participants:** India is the 18th country to enter into a SOSA with the US, joining partners like Australia, Japan, and the UK.
- **Defence Technology and Trade Initiative (DTTI):**
  - **Purpose:** A framework to enhance defence cooperation between India and the US through co-development, co-production, and trade initiatives in the defence sector.



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
India's SOSA Partner:	United States
Ministry Involved (India):	Ministry of Defence
US Department Involved:	US Department of Defense (DoD)
Signed By (India):	Samir Kumar Sinha, Additional Secretary and Director General (Acquisitions)
Signed By (US):	Dr. Vic Ramdass, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy
India's Defence Minister:	Rajnath Singh



# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Agreement	Significance
Signing of Security of Supply Arrangements (SOSA)	Washington, DC	August 23, 2024	Mutual supply of defence goods and services	Strengthening US-India defence cooperation





➤ Which river is the focus of the Smart Laboratory on Clean Rivers (SLCR) project at IIT-BHU, Varanasi?

- A) Ganges
- B) Yamuna
- C) Varuna
- D) Godavari
- E) Krishna

**Answer**  
**C) Varuna**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Unveiling of the Smart Laboratory on Clean Rivers (SLCR) Project
- **Location:** IIT-BHU, Varanasi
- **Significance:** Focuses on sustainable river management, particularly for the Varuna River.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - Rejuvenate the Varuna River using sustainable methods.
  - Create a collaborative platform for government bodies, knowledge institutions, and local communities.
  - Test and scale solutions for effective river management using a hybrid lab model (on-campus and on-field).
- **Collaboration:**
  - Strategic alliance between IIT-BHU, National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), and the Government of Denmark.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG):**
  - **Objective:** To clean and rejuvenate the Ganges River and its tributaries.
  - **Role:** NMCG is a key partner in the SLCR project, contributing to sustainable river management practices.
- **Hybrid Lab Model:**
  - **Definition:** Combines an on-campus laboratory with an on-field living lab at the Varuna River.
  - **Purpose:** To test solutions in real-world settings for effective river management.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Institution:	IIT-BHU (Indian Institute of Technology - Banaras Hindu University)
Location:	Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India
National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG):	Abbreviation: NMCG
Country Collaborating:	Denmark
Capital:	Copenhagen
Currency:	Danish Krone
Prime Minister:	Mette Frederiksen



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Collaborators	Funding
Smart Laboratory on Clean Rivers (SLCR)	IIT-BHU, Varanasi	IIT-BHU, NMCG, Govt of Denmark	Rs 16.8 crore from Ministry of Jal Shakti, Rs 5 crore from Denmark



➤ What was the primary objective of launching the 'Create in India Challenge-Season One'?

- A) Promote traditional Indian crafts
- B) Encourage Indian startups
- C) Boost the creator economy in India
- D) Support rural artisans
- E) Develop new educational policies

**Answer**

**C) Boost the creator economy in India**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of 'Create in India Challenge-Season One'
- **Location:** New Delhi
- **Significance:** The initiative is part of the preparation for the World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit (WAVES) and aims to support and enhance India's creative ecosystem.





## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Boost Creator Economy:** The challenge aims to enhance the creator economy, which has been recognized by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
  - **Support Creative Industry:** The Media and Entertainment industry is a key focus, reflecting the technological advancements and economic evolution in India.
  - **World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit:** The WAVE Summit is poised to become a major event, with the 25 challenges playing a critical role.
  - **Employment Generation:** The initiative aligns with the government's vision of generating employment through the creator economy.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Creator Economy:**
  - **Definition:** The economy built around content creators who monetize their skills, creativity, and digital influence.
  - **Importance:** Recognized by the Indian government as a significant contributor to economic growth and employment generation.
- **WAVE Summit (World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit):**
  - **Event:** A major upcoming global event focusing on the audiovisual and entertainment sectors.
  - **Objective:** To elevate India's presence in the global creative industry.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (I&B):	Minister: Ashwini Vaishnaw
Prime Minister's Initiative:	Design in India, Design for the World - An appeal to promote Indian design globally during the 78th Independence Day address.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Key Participants	Focus of the Initiative
Launch of 'Create in India Challenge-Season One'	New Delhi	I&B Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, I&B Secretary Sanjay Jaju	Boosting India's creator economy ahead of the WAVES Summit



➤ **What is the primary purpose of the National Medical Register (NMR) Portal launched by the Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare?**

- A) Register all paramedics in India
- B) Track the health records of Indian citizens
- C) Create a dynamic database of all allopathic (MBBS) doctors in India
- D) Provide medical equipment to hospitals
- E) Promote medical tourism in India



**Answer**

**C) Create a dynamic database of all allopathic (MBBS) doctors in India**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of the National Medical Register (NMR) Portal
- **Date:** August 23, 2024
- **Location:** New Delhi
- **Significance:** The NMR Portal was launched by Union Minister Shri J P Nadda to create a comprehensive and dynamic database of all allopathic (MBBS) registered doctors in India.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **National Medical Register (NMR):** The portal aims to establish a comprehensive and dynamic database for all registered allopathic (MBBS) doctors in India.
  - **Integration with Aadhaar:** The NMR is linked with doctors' Aadhaar IDs to ensure authenticity.
  - **Enhanced Digital Health Ecosystem:** The NMR is part of a broader digital health initiative under the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission aimed at strengthening the digital healthcare ecosystem in India.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Additional Developments:**
  - **Future Expansion:** There are plans to launch a similar register for paramedics and other healthcare professionals.
  - **Stakeholders:** State Medical Councils (SMCs) play a crucial role in the verification and authentication process of doctor registrations.





## Important Terms Explained:

- **National Medical Register (NMR):**
  - **Database:** A comprehensive and dynamic electronic database for all allopathic (MBBS) doctors in India, linked with Aadhaar IDs for authenticity.
  - **Portal Features:** Includes features like application tracking, adding qualifications, suspending licenses, and issuing NMR IDs and digital doctor certificates.
- **Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM):**
  - **Initiative:** A national program to create a digital health ecosystem by linking healthcare providers and services.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Ministry:	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Union Minister:	Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda
National Medical Commission (NMC):	Established: 2019
National Medical Register (NMR):	Part of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Purpose	Key Participants
Launch of National Medical Register (NMR) Portal	New Delhi	August 23, 2024	Create a dynamic database for all allopathic (MBBS) doctors in India	Shri J P Nadda, Smt. Anupriya Patel, Shri Prataprao Jadhav



➤ **What is the main purpose of the Niveshak Sunwai initiative conducted by the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA)?**

- A) Promote stock market investments
- B) Address claimant grievances related to IEPF e-Forms
- C) Conduct financial literacy workshops for children
- D) Organize investment seminars for NRIs
- E) Launch new investment schemes for senior citizens



**Answer**

**B) Address claimant grievances related to IEPF e-Forms**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Niveshak Sunwai Meet in Ahmedabad
- **Date:** August 23, 2024
- **Location:** Ahmedabad, Gujarat
- **Significance:** The event was the second in a series aimed at addressing grievances and concerns related to IEPF e-Forms.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Grievance Resolution:** The Niveshak Sunwai initiative is designed to address claimant grievances related to the IEPF e-Forms.
  - **Accessibility:** The event made the grievance redressal process more accessible, especially for senior citizens, who comprised nearly 60% of attendees.
  - **Transparency and Clarity:** The meet aimed to demystify the IEPFA processes, making them more approachable for claimants.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Attendees and Participation:**
  - **Total Participants:** Over 250 people attended the event, surpassing the 230 pre-registrations.
  - **Senior Citizens:** The high turnout of senior citizens highlighted the initiative's importance for this demographic.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA):**
  - **Established:** September 7, 2016
  - **Objective:** Manage the Investor Education and Protection Fund to safeguard investor interests, facilitate refunds, and promote financial literacy.
- **Niveshak Sunwai:**
  - **Initiative:** A platform to directly address grievances related to IEPF e-Forms and enhance the claims process for investors.





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Institution:	Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA)
Established:	September 7, 2016
Ministry:	Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India
Headquarters:	New Delhi, India
Key Participants in Ahmedabad Meet:	Smt. Anita Shah Akella (IEPFA CEO), Lt. Col. Rajesh Kumar, Shri Ram Babu Mahato, Shri Gaurav Gupta



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Purpose	Key Highlights
Niveshak Sunwai Meet	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	August 23, 2024	Addressing claimant grievances related to IEPF e-Forms	250+ participants, 60% senior citizens, interactive sessions



- **What is the primary objective of the MoU signed between the Department of Posts and NRSC, ISRO?**
- A) Develop new postal services
  - B) Create a standardized, geo-coded addressing system in India
  - C) Enhance satellite communication services
  - D) Promote space tourism
  - E) Establish new urban development projects



**Answer**

**B) Create a standardized, geo-coded addressing system in India**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Signing of MoU between Department of Posts (DoP) and NRSC, ISRO
- **Date:** August 22, 2024
- **Significance:** The partnership aims to revolutionize India's addressing system by developing a standardized, geo-coded addressing system, leveraging ISRO's satellite data and remote sensing technologies.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Standardized Addressing System:** To simplify and standardize the addressing system in India using geo-coded data, making it easier to track and streamline delivery services.
  - **Collaboration:** DoP will work closely with NRSC, ISRO to integrate satellite and remote sensing technology with the postal infrastructure.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Expected Benefits:**
  - **Efficiency in Deliveries:** The new system is expected to optimize delivery routes, improve tracking, and enhance overall efficiency in the delivery of public and private services.
  - **Digital Transformation:** This initiative is part of India's broader push towards digital transformation and geospatial excellence.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Geo-Coded Addressing System:**
  - **Definition:** A system that uses geographical coordinates (latitude and longitude) to provide a precise and standardized address.
  - **Application:** Enhances accuracy in locating addresses, which is crucial for efficient delivery and service provision.
- **National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC):**
  - **Role:** A part of ISRO that specializes in satellite data and remote sensing technology, providing critical inputs for the geo-coded addressing system.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Institution:	Department of Posts (DoP)
Partner Institution:	National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC), ISRO
Ministry:	Ministry of Communications
Key Participants:	Ms. Manju Kumar (DoP), Dr. Prakash Chauhan (NRSC)
Minister of Communications:	Shri Jyotiraditya M Scindia
ISRO Headquarters:	Bengaluru, Karnataka, India
NRSC Headquarters:	Hyderabad, Telangana, India





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Date	Objective	Key Participants
MoU between Department of Posts and NRSC, ISRO	August 22, 2024	Create a standardized, geo-coded addressing system in India	Ms. Manju Kumar (DoP), Dr. Prakash Chauhan (NRSC)



➤ **What is the main objective of the MoU signed between GAIL and Petron Scientech?**

- A) Develop new oil refineries
- B) Explore the feasibility of setting up a bio-ethylene plant
- C) Establish a natural gas pipeline
- D) Promote electric vehicle technology
- E) Construct a solar power plant



**Answer**

**B) Explore the feasibility of setting up a bio-ethylene plant**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Signing of MoU between GAIL and Petron Scientech
- **Date:** August 23, 2024
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Significance:** The MoU represents a strategic collaboration to explore the establishment of a 500 Kilo Tonne per Annum (KTA) bio-ethylene plant in India.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:**
  - **Feasibility Studies:** GAIL and Petron will jointly undertake feasibility studies to assess the technical viability and financial prospects of setting up a bio-ethylene plant in India.
  - **Joint Venture:** Both companies will seek approval from their respective managements to invest in the project and to form a joint venture (JV) company.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Technological Focus:**
  - **Bio-Ethylene Production:** The focus is on using Petron's expertise in bioethanol and bio-ethylene production technology, which holds a 90% share of the global bio-ethylene technology market.
  - **Sustainability and Bio-Economy:** The project aims to promote sustainable practices and advance the bio-economy in India, contributing to economic growth and environmental sustainability.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Bio-Ethylene Plant:**
  - **Definition:** A facility that converts biomass or bio-based feedstocks into bio-ethylene, a renewable alternative to petrochemical-based ethylene.
  - **Application:** Used in the production of bio-based plastics, chemicals, and fuels.
- **Joint Venture (JV):**
  - **Definition:** A business entity created by two or more parties (in this case, GAIL and Petron) to undertake a specific project or business activity.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Static GK Information:

Category	Details
Company (India):	GAIL (India) Limited
Headquarters:	New Delhi, India
Company (USA):	Petron Sciencetech
Specialization:	Biomass and grain processing biorefinery projects
Key Individuals:	Rajeev Kumar Singhal - GAIL Director (Business Development)
Project Focus:	Establishing a 500 Kilo Tonne per Annum (KTA) bio-ethylene plant in India



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Objective	Key Participants
MoU between GAIL and Petron Scientech	New Delhi, India	August 23, 2024	Explore feasibility of setting up a bio-ethylene plant	GAIL (Rajeev Kumar Singhal), Petron Scientech





# QUICK RECALL



- India celebrates National Space Day on August 23 to honor Chandrayaan-3's lunar success.
- August 23 honors the revolt in Haiti that sparked the end of the transatlantic slave trade.
- Sarbananda Sonowal celebrated the 1st National Space Day with MTI cadets at Powai, Mumbai.
- Neeraj Chopra achieves second-best throw of 89.49m at Lausanne Diamond League, finishing second.
- Tarun Chugh's book highlights Make in India and GST as key elements of Modi's governance.
- Poshan Tracker from the Ministry of Women & Child Development won a National Award for e-Governance 2024.
- Indian Army transfers 'Xploder' and 'Agniastra' technology to private companies for mass production.
- India-Denmark collaboration establishes SLCR in Varanasi to rejuvenate the Varuna River sustainably.



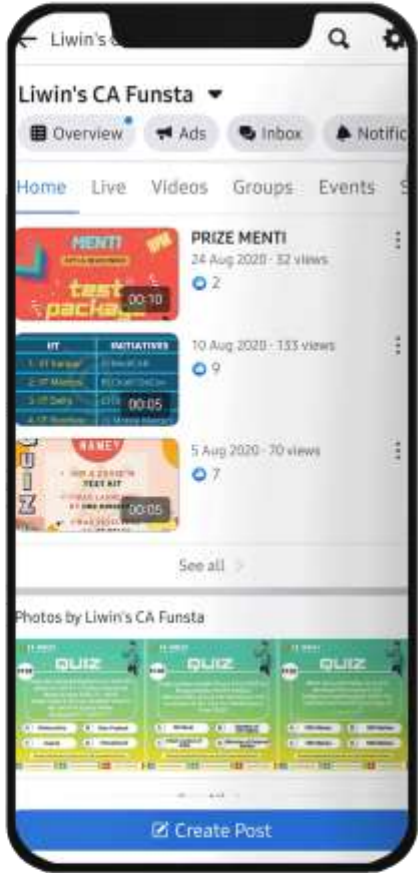
# QUICK RECALL



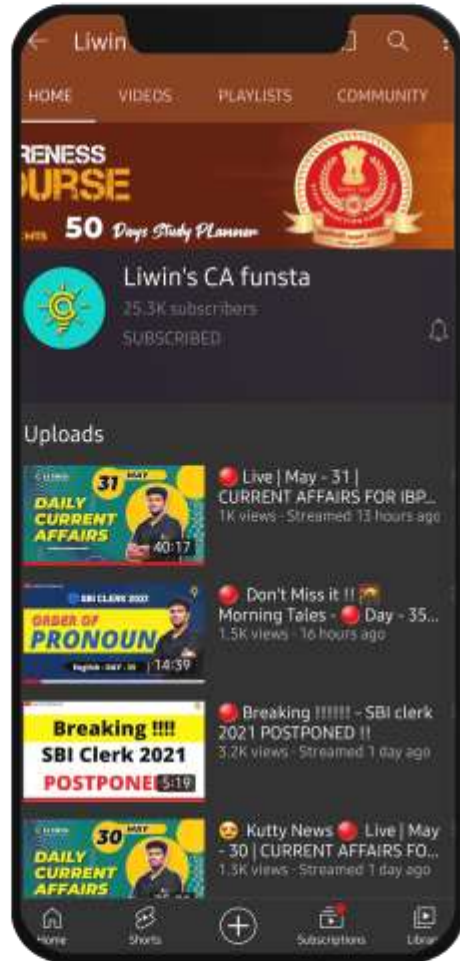
- **India and Malaysia sign MoU to enhance public administration and governance reforms for 5 years.**
- **India-US sign SOSA to ensure mutual supply of defence goods and enhance national security.**
- **The SLCR project at IIT-BHU aims to rejuvenate the Varuna River with sustainable solutions.**
- **MSDE and Flipkart partner to upskill youth for careers in e-commerce and supply chain sectors.**
- **Ashwini Vaishnaw launches the 'Create in India Challenge' to boost India's creator economy.**
- **National Medical Register (NMR) launched to create a dynamic database of all allopathic doctors in India.**
- **Niveshak Sunwai in Ahmedabad focused on addressing claimant grievances related to IEPF e-Forms.**
- **Department of Posts and NRSC, ISRO partner to create a standardized, geo-coded addressing system in India.**
- **GAIL and Petron Scientech sign MoU to explore a bio-ethylene plant in India.**



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