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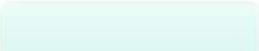


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Important Days

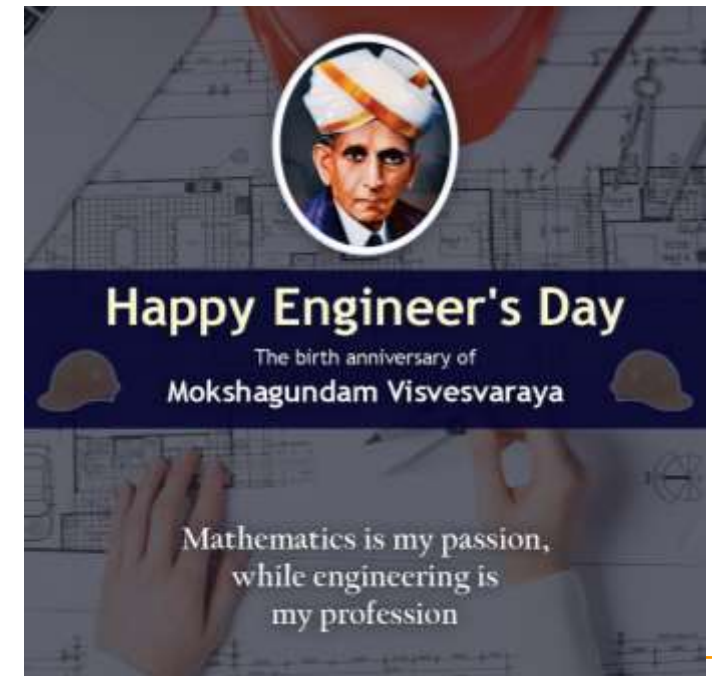


➤ **Whose birth anniversary is commemorated on National Engineer's Day, celebrated annually on September 15?**

- A) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- B) Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya
- C) Vikram Sarabhai
- D) Homi J. Bhabha
- E) C.V. Raman

Answer

B) Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** National Engineer's Day
- **Date:** September 15, celebrated annually in India
- **Occasion:** Commemorates the birth anniversary of Sir M. Visvesvaraya, a prominent engineer



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- National Engineer's Day honors the contributions of Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, a civil engineer known for his pivotal role in major irrigation and infrastructure projects.
- The day is also intended to inspire future engineers by showcasing the impact of engineering in building infrastructure and advancing technology.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Krishna Raja Sagara Dam:** One of the major irrigation projects designed by Sir Visvesvaraya.
- **Bharat Ratna:** India's highest civilian award, conferred on Sir Visvesvaraya in 1955 for his contributions to engineering and development.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya**
 - **Born:** September 15, 1861
 - **Birthplace:** Karnataka, India
 - **Famous Projects:** Krishna Raja Sagara Dam, Khadakwasla Dam
 - **Award:** Bharat Ratna (1955)
- **Visvesvaraya Technological University**
 - **Founded:** 1998 (Named in honor of Sir M. Visvesvaraya)
 - **Location:** Belagavi, Karnataka, India



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details	Significance
National Engineer's Day	September 15	Honors Sir M. Visvesvaraya's contributions to engineering
Established	1968	Marks the birth anniversary of Sir M. Visvesvaraya
Theme (2024)	Innovating for a Sustainable Future	Highlights the role of engineers in sustainability
Major Projects	Krishna Raja Sagara Dam, Khadakwasla Dam	Key irrigation projects that revolutionized Indian infrastructure
Awards and Recognition	Bharat Ratna (1955)	India's highest civilian award for Sir Visvesvaraya's contributions



Important Days



➤ On which date is the International Day of Democracy observed annually?

- A) September 10
- B) September 12
- C) September 15
- D) September 16
- E) September 18

Answer

C) September 15



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** International Day of Democracy
- **Date:** September 15 (annually since 2008)



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- International Day of Democracy was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 2007 to promote and celebrate democratic principles globally.
- The day focuses on encouraging governments, parliaments, and civil society to uphold and enhance democratic values, including freedom, human rights, and the rule of law.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **ICNRD (International Conferences on New and Restored Democracies):** A series of conferences that began in 1988 to support newly formed and restored democracies.
- **Universal Declaration on Democracy:** Adopted by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) in 1997, outlining the principles of democracy.
- **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** The 2024 theme focuses on using AI to strengthen governance while addressing its risks and potential in enhancing democratic processes.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **United Nations General Assembly**
 - **Founded:** 1945
 - **Headquarters:** New York City, USA
 - **Secretary-General:** António Guterres
- **UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization)**
 - **Founded:** 16 November 1945
 - **Headquarters:** Paris, France
 - **Director-General:** Audrey Azoulay



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details	Significance
Date	September 15	Marks the International Day of Democracy
Established	By the UN General Assembly in 2007	Promotes the principles of democracy globally
Historical Milestone	Linked to the Universal Declaration on Democracy	Adopted by IPU in 1997
2024 Theme	AI as a tool for good governance	Emphasizes AI's role in strengthening governance
Global Observances	Workshops, debates, youth events	Encourages citizen engagement in democratic processes



Important Days



➤ **On which date is the International Day of Science, Technology and Innovation for the South observed?**

- A) September 9
- B) September 10
- C) September 16
- D) September 12
- E) September 18

Answer

C) September 16



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Establishment of International Day of Science, Technology and Innovation for the South.
- **Date:** September 16, starting from 2024.



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- The International Day of Science, Technology and Innovation for the South was created to promote the importance of Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) in addressing development challenges in the Global South.
- Global South refers to developing countries that face hurdles in innovation and capacity-building, but also have the opportunity to leapfrog in development through advancements in STI.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Global South:** Refers to developing nations in Africa, Latin America, Asia, and Oceania that face challenges in development but are crucial to global growth.
- **Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI):** Key drivers of economic development, technological advancements, and social progress, especially in the context of sustainable development.
- **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):** A global framework to achieve a better and more sustainable future by addressing challenges like poverty, inequality, and climate change.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **United Nations**
 - **Founded:** 24 October 1945
 - **Headquarters:** New York City, USA
 - **Secretary-General:** António Guterres
- **G77 (Group of 77)**
 - **Founded:** 15 June 1964
 - **Member Countries:** 134
 - **Headquarters:** New York City, USA
 - **Current Chair:** Cuba



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details	Significance
Date	September 16	Marks the International Day of STI for the South
Background Event	G77 and China Havana Summit	Established this international day in 2023
UN Resolution	A/RES/78/259	Adopted on January 9, 2024
Havana Declaration	Emphasized cooperation and access to technology	Adopted in September 2023
Main Objective	Promote STI in the Global South	Encourage innovation, knowledge sharing, and investment



Important Days

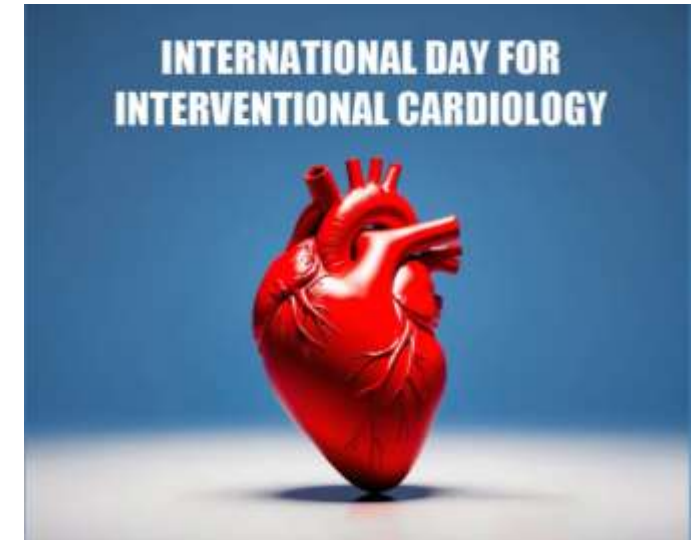


➤ On which date is the International Day for Interventional Cardiology observed annually?

- A) September 14
- B) September 15
- C) September 16
- D) September 17
- E) September 18

Answer

C) September 16



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** International Day for Interventional Cardiology
- **Date:** September 16 (annually)



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- The International Day for Interventional Cardiology was established to raise awareness about interventional cardiology, a specialized field that uses minimally invasive procedures to treat heart diseases.
- Observed on September 16, this day commemorates the landmark achievement of the first coronary angioplasty performed by Dr. Andreas Grüntzig on the same date in 1977.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Interventional Cardiology:** A branch of cardiology that deals with minimally invasive procedures using catheters to treat heart conditions, as opposed to open-heart surgery.
- **Angioplasty:** A procedure used to open narrowed or blocked blood vessels supplying blood to the heart.
- **Stent:** A small mesh tube inserted into arteries to keep them open.
- **Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs):** Diseases that are not transmissible from person to person, such as heart disease, cancer, diabetes, and chronic lung diseases.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **United Nations**
 - **Founded:** 24 October 1945
 - **Headquarters:** New York City, USA
 - **Secretary-General:** António Guterres
- **World Health Organization (WHO)**
 - **Founded:** 7 April 1948
 - **Headquarters:** Geneva, Switzerland
 - **Director-General:** Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details	Significance
Date	September 16	Marks International Day for Interventional Cardiology
Historical Milestone	First coronary angioplasty on September 16, 1977	Performed by Dr. Andreas Grüntzig
Global Impact	Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs)	Leading cause of death globally (17.9 million annually)
UN Recognition	Officially proclaimed in September 2022	Emphasizes importance of interventional cardiology
Key Objective	Raise awareness on cardiovascular diseases	Promote early diagnosis and minimally invasive treatments



Important Days



➤ Which international agreement is commemorated on World Ozone Day, observed on September 16?

- A) Kyoto Protocol
- B) Paris Agreement
- C) Montreal Protocol
- D) Vienna Convention
- E) Kigali Amendment

Answer

C) Montreal Protocol



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** World Ozone Day
- **Date:** September 16, celebrated annually since 1994



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- World Ozone Day, officially known as the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer, was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly to commemorate the signing of the Montreal Protocol on September 16, 1987.
- The primary goal of this day is to raise awareness about the depletion of the ozone layer and encourage international cooperation in its protection.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Ozone-Depleting Substances (ODS):** Chemicals that contribute to the depletion of the ozone layer, such as Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs), and halons.
- **Montreal Protocol:** A landmark international treaty aimed at phasing out the production and consumption of ODS to protect the ozone layer.
- **Kigali Amendment:** A 2016 amendment to the Montreal Protocol to phase down hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), which are potent greenhouse gases.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **United Nations General Assembly**
 - **Founded:** 1945
 - **Headquarters:** New York City, USA
 - **Secretary-General:** António Guterres
- **Montreal Protocol**
 - **Adopted:** September 16, 1987
 - **Universal Ratification:** Achieved in 2009
 - **Objective:** Phase out substances that deplete the ozone layer
- **Vienna Convention**
 - **Adopted:** March 22, 1985
 - **Objective:** Framework for international cooperation to protect the ozone layer



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Details	Significance
World Ozone Day	September 16	Marks the signing of the Montreal Protocol in 1987
Ozone-Depleting Substances	CFCs, HCFCs, halons	Man-made chemicals causing damage to the ozone layer
Montreal Protocol	Adopted on September 16, 1987	Aimed at reducing and eliminating ozone-depleting substances
Kigali Amendment	Adopted in 2016	Phasing down HFCs to mitigate climate change
Universal Ratification	Achieved in 2009	First treaty in UN history with universal ratification
Vienna Convention	Adopted March 22, 1985	Established international cooperation to protect the ozone layer



➤ **Who were the two in-form stars who led India to victory against Azerbaijan in the 45th Chess Olympiad?**



- A) Vidit Gujrathi and Praggnanandhaa
- B) Magnus Carlsen and Vidit Gujrathi
- C) D Gukesh and Arjun Erigaisi
- D) R Praggnanandhaa and Magnus Carlsen
- E) Arjun Erigaisi and Shakhriyar Mamedyarov

Answer

C) D Gukesh and Arjun Erigaisi



SPORTS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** 45th Chess Olympiad, Round 5
- **Location:** Global Event



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Indian Men's Team:**
 - India's victory over Azerbaijan was led by D Gukesh and Arjun Erigaisi, who won their matches against Aydin Sulemanli and Rauf Mamedov respectively. Their victories with the white pieces contributed to India's 3-1 victory.
 - Praggnanandhaa and Vidit Gujrathi secured draws in their matches, ensuring a win for India.
- **Indian Women's Team:**
 - In the women's section, R Vaishali and Vantika Agarwal were instrumental in India's 2.5-1.5 win over Kazakhstan, despite D Harika's loss.
 - Vaishali's victory was the deciding factor in the team's win.



Static GK Information:

- **Chess Olympiad:**
 - **Founded:** 1927
 - **Organized by:** FIDE (International Chess Federation)
 - **Frequency:** Biennial
 - **2024 Host Country:** Global Event
- **Indian Chess Players:**
 - **D Gukesh:** World Championship Challenger
 - **Arjun Erigaisi:** Young Grandmaster with a live rating of 2888 ELO
 - **R Praggnanandhaa:** Indian Chess Prodigy



SPORTS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Performers	Significance
India vs Azerbaijan, Chess Olympiad	Global	September 2024	D Gukesh, Arjun Erigaisi	Led India to a 3-1 victory with victories over Aydin Sulemanli and Rauf Mamedov



➤ **Who secured the first Formula 1 victory of his career at the Azerbaijan Grand Prix?**

- A) Lando Norris
- B) Charles Leclerc
- C) Oscar Piastri
- D) George Russell
- E) Max Verstappen

Answer

C) Oscar Piastri



SPORTS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Azerbaijan Grand Prix (Formula 1)
- **Location:** Baku City Circuit, Baku, Azerbaijan



Mandates and Objectives:

- The Azerbaijan Grand Prix is part of the Formula 1 World Championship, where drivers compete for points in both the drivers' and constructors' championships.
- Oscar Piastri secured his first career victory at this event, which is a significant achievement for both him and the McLaren team.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Virtual Safety Car:** A system used in Formula 1 to slow down the race pace when there's a hazard on track, without deploying the actual safety car.
- **Pole Position:** The front position on the starting grid, awarded to the fastest driver in qualifying.
- **Constructors' Championship:** The championship where teams earn points based on their drivers' performances in each race.
- **Drivers' Championship:** The individual competition where drivers accumulate points to become world champions.



Static GK Information:

- **McLaren**
 - **Founded:** 1963
 - **Headquarters:** Woking, Surrey, England
 - **Team Principal:** Andrea Stella
- **Ferrari (Charles Leclerc's team)**
 - **Founded:** 1939
 - **Headquarters:** Maranello, Italy
 - **Team Principal:** Fred Vasseur



Static GK Information:

- **Mercedes (George Russell's team)**
 - **Founded:** 1954
 - **Headquarters:** Brackley, Northamptonshire, UK
 - **Team Principal:** Toto Wolff
- **Red Bull (Max Verstappen's team)**
 - **Founded:** 2005
 - **Headquarters:** Milton Keynes, England
 - **Team Principal:** Christian Horner



SPORTS



Tabular Summary:

Category	Details	Significance
Race	Azerbaijan Grand Prix	Held at Baku City Circuit
Winner	Oscar Piastri (McLaren)	Piastri's first career Formula 1 victory
Second Place	Charles Leclerc (Ferrari)	Strong race but struggled with tire wear
Third Place	George Russell (Mercedes)	Secured a podium finish
McLaren's Constructors' Standing	McLaren now leads the constructors' championship	Overtook Red Bull, ending their 55-race dominance
Final Race Moments	Virtual safety car deployment	Resulted from a crash involving Perez and Sainz



RANKING



➤ Which company topped the Dealer Satisfaction Survey (DSS) 2024, conducted by the Federation of Automobile Dealers Associations (FADA)?

- A) Mahindra & Mahindra
- B) Hyundai
- C) JSW MG Motor
- D) Maruti Suzuki
- E) Tata Motors



Answer

C) JSW MG Motor



RANKING



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Dealer Satisfaction Survey (DSS) 2024
- **Location:** India



RANKING



Mandates and Objectives:

- JSW MG Motor ranked highest in the Dealer Satisfaction Survey (DSS) 2024, conducted by FADA.
 - The survey analyzed six major factors, including marketing, product, sales and order planning, after sales, training, and business viability.
 - Hyundai, the previous year's topper, dropped to third place, while Mahindra & Mahindra ranked second.



RANKING



Survey Findings:

- A total of 1,377 dealer principals, operating 4,500 outlets across India, participated in the survey.
- **Key Improvement Areas:**
 - Automakers' policies regarding sharing inventory pressures (slow-moving vehicles and spare parts) need improvement.



Static GK Information:

- **JSW MG Motor:**
 - **Founded:** 2017 (Joint venture with SAIC)
 - **Headquarters:** Gurugram, Haryana
 - **CEO:** Gaurav Gupta
- **Federation of Automobile Dealers Associations (FADA):**
 - **Founded:** 1964
 - **President:** Manish Raj Singhania
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi



RANKING



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Stakeholders	Significance
Dealer Satisfaction Survey (DSS) 2024	India	September 2024	FADA, JSW MG Motor, Mahindra & Mahindra, Hyundai	JSW MG Motor ranked highest in dealer satisfaction, followed by Mahindra & Hyundai



➤ Under the 'Parivartan' initiative, what is HDFC Bank's goal for increasing the income of marginal farmers by 2025?

- A) 2 lakh marginal farmers
- B) 3 lakh marginal farmers
- C) 5 lakh marginal farmers
- D) 1 lakh marginal farmers
- E) 10 lakh marginal farmers

Answer

C) 5 lakh marginal farmers



Event and Location:

- **Event:** HDFC Bank's 'Parivartan' initiative
- **Objective:** By 2025, HDFC Bank aims to boost the income of 5 lakh marginal farmers earning less than Rs 60,000 annually as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme.



Key Focus Areas:

- **Rural Development:**
 - The initiative supports sustainable growth by focusing on the upliftment of rural communities, covering various aspects such as skill development, financial literacy, healthcare, education, and rural infrastructure.
 - Parivartan, started in 2014, is active across 28 states and 8 Union Territories, making it one of the largest CSR programmes in India.



Categorization of Farmers (By Land Holding):

- **Marginal:** Less than 1 hectare
- **Small:** Between 1 to 2 hectares
- **Semi-medium:** Between 2 to 4 hectares
- **Medium:** Between 4 to 10 hectares
- **Large:** More than 10 hectares



CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility):

- Refers to companies' voluntary contributions to societal development and environmental conservation as part of their business operations.



Static GK Information:

- **HDFC Bank:**
 - **Founded:** 1994
 - **CEO:** Sashidhar Jagdishan
 - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
 - **Tagline:** "We Understand Your World"



BANKING AND FINANCE



Tabular Summary:

Event	Goal Year	Beneficiaries	Key Stakeholders	Significance
HDFC Bank's Parivartan initiative	2025	5 lakh marginal farmers	HDFC Bank	Boosts income of marginal farmers, supports rural development and sustainability



➤ **From when will investors be able to trade bonus shares on the second working day (T+2) after the record date as per SEBI's new guidelines?**

- A) October 1, 2023
- B) September 30, 2024
- C) October 1, 2024
- D) November 1, 2024
- E) December 31, 2024

Answer

C) October 1, 2024



Event and Location:

- **Event:** SEBI shortens the time for bonus issue trading to T+2
- **Date:** Applicable from October 1, 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** introduced new guidelines to enable trading of bonus shares on the second working day (T+2) after the record date, starting October 1, 2024.
 - The move is aimed at reducing delays and increasing market efficiency.
 - Under the current system, bonus shares typically become tradable between 2-7 days after the record date.



Key Highlights:

- Issuers are required to apply for in-principle approval from the stock exchange within five working days of the board meeting approving the bonus issue.
- Deemed allotment of bonus shares will occur on T+1 day after the record date, and the trading will begin on T+2 day.
- Direct credit into existing ISIN: SEBI removed the requirement for a temporary ISIN, allowing bonus shares to be directly credited to the permanent ISIN.



Static GK Information:

- **Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI):**
 - **Founded:** 1992
 - **Chairperson:** Madhabi Puri Buch
 - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
 - **Function:** Regulator of securities markets in India



Tabular Summary:

Event	Effective Date	Timeline	Key Stakeholders	Significance
SEBI shortens bonus issue trading timeline	October 1, 2024	T+2 after record date for trading	SEBI, Investors, Issuers	Reduces time between bonus issue allotment and trading



AWARDS



➤ **How many medals did India win at the WorldSkills Lyon 2024 competition in France?**

- A) 12
- B) 10
- C) 4
- D) 16
- E) 8

Answer
D) 16



AWARDS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** WorldSkills Lyon 2024
- **Location:** Lyon, France
- **Participants:** More than 1400 participants from over 70 countries competed in diverse skill categories.



AWARDS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:**
 - India won a total of 16 medals, including:
 - 4 Bronze Medals in Patisserie and Confectionery, Industry 4.0 (Team Skill), Hotel Reception, and Renewable Energy.
 - 12 Medallions of Excellence in various skill sets, recognizing India's exceptional performance across trades.
 - Best of Nation Award was won by Ashwitha Police for her outstanding performance in Patisserie and Confectionery.
 - **India's leadership:** Showcased India's prowess in both innovation-driven fields like Additive Manufacturing and Web Technology and craftsmanship in skills like Cabinet Making and Cooking.



AWARDS



Important Terms Explained:

- **WorldSkills:**
 - A global platform where young professionals from different countries showcase their vocational skills.
- **Medallion of Excellence:**
 - Awarded to participants who demonstrate world-class standards in their respective skills but do not win a medal.
- **Best of Nation Award:**
 - Awarded to the top performer from each country, highlighting individual excellence.



AWARDS



Static GK Information:

- **France:**
 - **Capital:** Paris
 - **Currency:** Euro (€)
 - **President:** Emmanuel Macron
 - **Prime Minister:** Élisabeth Borne
- **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE):**
 - **Founded:** 2014
 - **Minister of State (I/C):** Shri Jayant Chaudhary
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
- **National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC):**
 - **Founded:** 2008
 - **CEO:** Ved Mani Tiwari
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India



AWARDS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Competitors	Significance
WorldSkills Lyon 2024	Lyon, France	September 2024	Over 1400 from 70+ countries	India won 4 Bronze medals and 12 Medallions of Excellence
Best of Nation Award	Lyon, France	September 2024	Ashwitha Police (Patisserie & Confectionery)	Showcased India's excellence in culinary arts



AWARDS



➤ **Who won the award for Lead Actress in a Drama Series at the 2024 Emmy Awards?**

- A) Jodie Foster
- B) Anna Sawai
- C) Jean Smart
- D) Elizabeth Debicki
- E) Jessica Gunning

Answer

B) Anna Sawai



AWARDS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** 2024 Emmy Awards
- **Location:** United States



AWARDS



Mandates and Objectives:

- The Emmy Awards honor excellence in television across various categories such as Drama, Comedy, and Limited Series.
- 2024 Emmy Awards highlighted performances from major networks and streaming platforms like FX, Max, Netflix, and Hulu.



AWARDS



Important Terms Explained:

- **Drama Series:** Recognizes the best drama television series of the year.
- **Comedy Series:** Honors the best television series in the comedy genre.
- **Limited or Anthology Series:** A series that tells a single, self-contained story, usually over a limited number of episodes.
- **Lead Actor/Actress:** Awarded to the best performance in a leading role.
- **Supporting Actor/Actress:** Recognizes excellence in a secondary role.
- **Directing:** Award for the best direction of a television episode or series.
- **Writing:** Acknowledges the quality of scriptwriting in television.



AWARDS



Static GK Information:

- **FX (Shōgun Network)**
 - **Founded:** 1994
 - **Headquarters:** Los Angeles, California, USA
 - **Parent Company:** The Walt Disney Company
- **Netflix (Baby Reindeer Network)**
 - **Founded:** 29 August 1997
 - **Headquarters:** Los Gatos, California, USA
 - **CEO:** Ted Sarandos



AWARDS



Static GK Information:

- **Max (Hacks Network)**
 - **Founded:** 2020
 - **Parent Company:** Warner Bros. Discovery
 - **Headquarters:** Burbank, California, USA
- **Hulu (The Bear Network)**
 - **Founded:** 29 October 2007
 - **Headquarters:** Los Angeles, California, USA
 - **CEO:** Randy Freer



AWARDS



Tabular Summary:

Category	Winner	Show/Network	Significance
Drama Series	Shōgun	FX	Epic historical series on 17th-century Japan.
Comedy Series	Hacks	Max	Story of a Las Vegas comedian and her writer.
Limited or Anthology Series	Baby Reindeer	Netflix	Gripping autobiographical drama by Richard Gadd.
Lead Actor in a Comedy Series	Jeremy Allen White	The Bear (Hulu)	Chef navigating family business challenges.
Lead Actor in a Drama Series	Hiroiyuki Sanada	Shōgun	Iconic role in the Japanese epic series.
Lead Actor in a Limited Series	Richard Gadd	Baby Reindeer	Powerful autobiographical performance.



AWARDS



Tabular Summary:

Category	Winner	Show/Network	Significance
Lead Actress in a Comedy Series	Jean Smart	Hacks	Veteran comedian's strong comeback.
Lead Actress in a Drama Series	Anna Sawai	Shōgun	Riveting portrayal of historical Japanese figure.
Lead Actress in a Limited Series	Jodie Foster	True Detective: Night Country	Celebrated return to television.
Reality Competition Program	The Traitors		Popularity for psychological mind games.
Talk Series	The Daily Show		Satirical news show with sharp commentary.



➤ Which tech company has Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) appointed to build its next-generation digital platform under the DIVE programme?

- A) Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)
- B) Tech Mahindra
- C) Infosys
- D) Wipro
- E) HCL Technologies

Answer
C) Infosys



Event and Location:

- **Event:** LIC appoints Infosys to build NextGen digital platform under DIVE Programme
- **Location:** India



Mandates and Objectives:

- Life Insurance Corporation (LIC), India's largest insurer, has chosen Infosys to develop its NextGen digital platform as part of the DIVE (Digital Innovation and Value Enhancement) programme.
 - **Objective:** Transform LIC's digital infrastructure and enhance customer, partner, and employee experiences.
 - **Key Focus:** Develop customer and sales super apps, portals, and digital branches to offer seamless services, improve operational efficiency, and enhance the life insurer's ability to respond to customer needs in a digitally connected world.
 - The platform will be modular, cloud-native, and designed to adapt to emerging technologies and future requirements.



Important Terms Explained:

- **DIVE Programme:**
 - A digital transformation initiative by LIC aimed at Digital Innovation and Value Enhancement, improving digital infrastructure and operations across the value chain.
- **NextGen Platform:**
 - An advanced, integrated digital platform to support LIC's operations, including customer service, sales lifecycle management, and digital branches for employees.



Static GK Information:

- **Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC):**
 - **Founded:** 1956
 - **CEO:** Siddhartha Mohanty
 - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
 - **Tagline:** "Yogakshemam Vahamyaham" (Your welfare is our responsibility)
- **Infosys:**
 - **Founded:** 1981
 - **CEO:** Salil Parekh
 - **Headquarters:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
 - **Tagline:** "Navigate your next"



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Stakeholders	Significance
LIC appoints Infosys to build NextGen platform	India	September 2024	LIC, Infosys	Part of the DIVE programme to modernize LIC's digital infrastructure
LIC's Q1FT25 Results	India	Q1FY25	LIC	Reported a 9.61% net profit increase and robust growth in group business premiums



➤ **When is the second edition of the Naval Commanders' Conference 2024 scheduled?**

- A) 15th to 18th September 2024
- B) 16th to 19th September 2024
- C) 17th to 20th September 2024
- D) 18th to 21st September 2024
- E) 19th to 22nd September 2024

Answer

C) 17th to 20th September 2024



DEFENCE



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Naval Commanders' Conference 24/2
- **Location:** New Delhi
- **Date:** 17th to 20th September 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- The Naval Commanders' Conference is a biannual apex event aimed at strategic, operational, and administrative discussions among Naval Commanders.
 - Addresses the evolving geo-political and geo-strategic dynamics and maritime security challenges.
 - Chief of Defence Staff and chiefs of Army and Air Force will engage with Naval Commanders to enhance collaboration across services.
 - Indigenisation (Make in India): The conference will also focus on boosting the Navy's self-reliance with a commitment towards achieving Aatmanirbharta by 2047.
 - A review of Operational preparedness and capability enhancement plans will be undertaken.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Aatmanirbharta:**
 - India's vision for self-reliance and reducing dependency on foreign imports, especially in defense production.
- **Indian Ocean Region (IOR):**
 - A critical strategic area where India aims to be the Preferred Security Partner.



Static GK Information:

- **India:**
 - **Capital:** New Delhi
 - **Currency:** Indian Rupee (INR)
 - **Prime Minister:** Narendra Modi
- **Indian Navy:**
 - **Founded:** 1612
 - **Chief of the Naval Staff (CNS):** Admiral R. Hari Kumar
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi
 - **Motto:** "Sham No Varunah" (May the Lord of the Water be auspicious unto us)



DEFENCE



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
Naval Commanders' Conference 24/2	New Delhi	17th to 20th Sep 2024	Chief of the Naval Staff, Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh	Strategic, operational, and administrative discussions on maritime security and indigenisation



➤ **What is the name of the second satellite launched by Iran in 2024?**

- A) Ghaem-100
- B) Chamran-1
- C) Payam
- D) Nahid-1
- E) Sina-1

Answer

B) Chamran-1



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Iran's second satellite in 2024
- **Location:** Orbit (launched by Ghaem-100 rocket)



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Iran's Chamran-1 Satellite:**
 - Launched to test hardware and software systems for demonstrating orbital maneuvering technology.
 - It was carried into orbit by the Ghaem-100 carrier rocket, a three-stage, solid-fuel satellite launcher developed by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC).



Facing Criticism:

- Western governments, particularly the United States and European countries, have expressed concerns that the same technology used for satellite launches could be repurposed for ballistic missiles.



Static GK Information:

- **Iran:**
 - **Capital:** Tehran
 - **Currency:** Iranian Rial
 - **President:** Ebrahim Raisi



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Stakeholders	Significance
Launch of Chamran-1 satellite	Orbit	September 2024	Iran, IRGC	Part of Iran's aerospace advancements, aims to demonstrate orbital technology

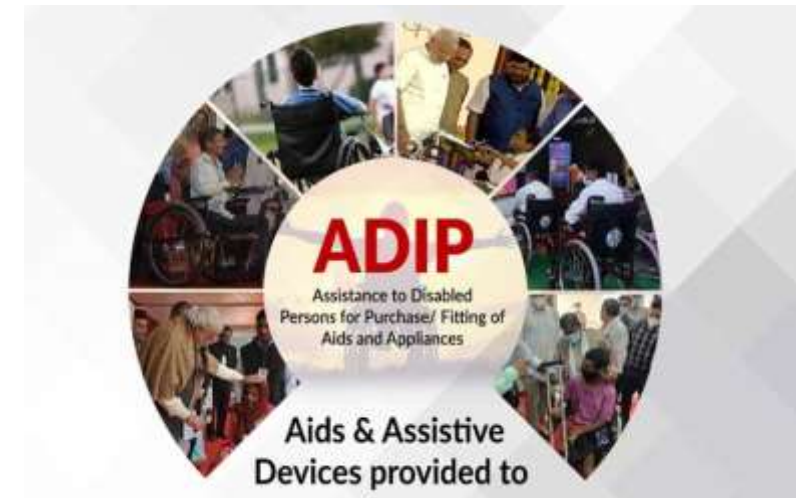


- Who will inaugurate the 'Samajik Adhikarita Shivirs' at 75 locations across the country under the ADIP scheme?

- A) Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya
- B) Dr. Virendra Kumar
- C) Piyush Goyal
- D) Amit Shah
- E) Smriti Irani

Answer

B) Dr. Virendra Kumar



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of 'Samajik Adhikarita Shivirs'
- **Location:** Main event in Bulandshahar, Uttar Pradesh, with 74 other connected locations across India.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **ADIP Scheme (Assistance to Persons with Disabilities for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/Appliances):**
 - **Objective:** Provide free aids and assistive devices to over 9000 pre-identified Divyangjan.
 - The event will help beneficiaries by providing devices under this scheme, improving their quality of life.
 - Organized by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in collaboration with ALIMCO (Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India), a public sector unit.



Important Terms Explained:

- **ADIP Scheme:**
 - **Full form:** Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids and Appliances.
 - **Purpose:** Provide assistive devices to persons with disabilities for free.
- **Divyangjan:**
 - Respectful term for persons with disabilities in India, emphasizing dignity.
- **ALIMCO (Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India):**
 - Nodal agency under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for manufacturing and distributing assistive devices.



Static GK Information:

- **India:**
 - **Capital:** New Delhi
 - **Currency:** Indian Rupee (INR)
 - **Prime Minister:** Narendra Modi
- **Uttar Pradesh:**
 - **Capital:** Lucknow
 - **Chief Minister:** Yogi Adityanath
 - **Governor:** Anandiben Patel
- **ALIMCO (Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India):**
 - **Founded:** 1972
 - **Headquarters:** Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh
 - **CMD (Chairman & Managing Director):** Shri D.R. Sarin



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
Inauguration of 'Samajik Adhikarita Shivirs'	Bulandshahar, Uttar Pradesh (Main), 74 other locations across India	17th September 2024	Dr. Virendra Kumar (Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment)	Distribution of aids to over 9000 Divyangjan under ADIP Scheme across 75 locations



➤ **Who dedicated the Tuticorin International Container Terminal to the nation?**

- A) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- B) Sarbananda Sonowal
- C) Shantanu Thakur
- D) Kanimozhi Karunanidhi
- E) T. K. Ramachandran

Answer

B) Sarbananda Sonowal



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of the Tuticorin International Container Terminal (TICT)
- **Location:** VO Chidambaranar Port Authority (VOCPA), Tuticorin, Tamil Nadu



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Tuticorin International Container Terminal (TICT):**
 - **Objective:** Enhance the capacity of V.O.C. Port with infrastructure to handle 6 lakh TEUs annually.
 - **Investment:** ₹434 crores; the terminal has a 14.20-meter draft, accommodating vessels up to 10,000 TEUs.
 - Launch of Green Hydrogen Project and 400 KW Rooftop Solar Power Plant as part of the Harit Sagar Green Port Initiative.
 - **"Mission 50" Campaign:** Aim to handle 50 million tonnes of cargo by FY 2024-25.
 - Emphasized gender diversity with 40% of employees being women, reflecting women-led development in the maritime sector.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Green Hydrogen Project:**
 - Focus on green hydrogen production for sustainable energy, aligned with India's global green energy objectives.
- **Harit Sagar Green Port Initiative:**
 - Part of India's initiative to make ports more environmentally friendly, utilizing renewable energy sources like solar power.



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:** Banwarilal Purohit
- **VO Chidambaranar Port Authority (VOCPA):**
 - **Founded:** 1974
 - **Chairperson:** Susanta Kumar Purohit
 - **Location:** Tuticorin, Tamil Nadu



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
Dedication of Tuticorin International Terminal	VOCPA, Tuticorin, TN	16th September 2024	Sarbananda Sonowal (Union Minister)	Inauguration of the new terminal with Green Hydrogen and Solar Power projects
Inauguration of "Mission 50" Campaign	Tuticorin	16th September 2024	Sarbananda Sonowal	Goal to handle 50 million tonnes of cargo in FY 2024-25



➤ Where was the 4th Global Renewable Energy Investor's Meet and Expo (RE-INVEST) inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi?

- A) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- B) New Delhi
- C) Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- D) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- E) Hyderabad, Telangana

Answer

C) Gandhinagar, Gujarat



Event and Location:

- **Event:** 4th Global Renewable Energy Investor's Meet and Expo (RE-INVEST)
- **Location:** Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- **Date:** 16th September 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi: Inaugurated the 3-day summit aimed at highlighting India's renewable energy achievements.
 - **Key Highlight:** India has achieved 200 GW of installed non-fossil fuel capacity and aims to reach 500 GW by 2030.
 - **PM Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme:** A flagship scheme promoting rooftop solar setups, generating both employment (20 lakh jobs) and environmental benefits.
 - India is the first G20 nation to achieve its Paris Climate Commitments 9 years ahead of schedule.



Important Terms Explained:

- **PM Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme:**
 - A government initiative where rooftop solar setups are installed for families, turning households into power producers and creating job opportunities, particularly in solar PV technology.



Static GK Information:

- **India:**
 - **Capital:** New Delhi
 - **Currency:** Indian Rupee (INR)
 - **Prime Minister:** Narendra Modi
- **Gujarat:**
 - **Capital:** Gandhinagar
 - **Chief Minister:** Bhupendra Patel
 - **Governor:** Acharya Devvrat
- **Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE):**
 - **Minister:** Prahlad Joshi
 - **Founded:** 1992
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
4th Global Renewable Energy Investor's Meet	Gandhinagar, Gujarat	16th September 2024	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	Focus on India's renewable energy progress, aim to achieve 500 GW capacity by 2030
PM Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme	India-wide	Ongoing	Narendra Modi	Over 1 crore families registered for rooftop solar installations, generating 20 lakh jobs



➤ What is the name of the newly launched startup portal by Union Minister Shri Piyush Goyal?

- A) Startup India Registry
- B) BHASKAR Portal
- C) Surya Portal
- D) Innovation Hub
- E) Entrepreneur India



Answer
B) BHASKAR Portal



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Bharat Startup Knowledge Access Registry (BHASKAR) Portal
- **Location:** New Delhi
- **Date:** 16th September 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- **BHASKAR Portal:**
 - Meaning "Rising Sun," designed as a one-stop digital platform under the Startup India program.
 - Enables collaboration, cooperation, and competition among 1.4 lakh DPIIT-recognized startups.
 - Aims to bring all stakeholders—startups, investors, mentors, service providers, and government bodies—under one platform.
 - **Goal:** Streamline resources and opportunities, especially for startups in tier-2 and tier-3 cities.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **BHASKAR Portal:**
 - **Features:**
 - Industry Alliances for cross-collaboration
 - Dynamic Networking for easy connections
 - Enhanced Visibility with profile cards
 - BHASKAR ID for personalized dashboards and services access.



Important Terms Explained:

- **DPIIT (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade):**
 - A government department responsible for formulating and implementing growth policies for industrial development.
- **Startup India:**
 - A government initiative to promote innovation and entrepreneurship by offering benefits and support to startups.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Static GK Information:

- **India:**
 - **Capital:** New Delhi
 - **Currency:** Indian Rupee (INR)
 - **Prime Minister:** Narendra Modi
- **Ministry of Commerce and Industry:**
 - **Founded:** 1947
 - **Minister:** Shri Piyush Goyal
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi



NATIONAL AFFAIRS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
Launch of BHASKAR Portal	New Delhi	16th September 2024	Union Minister Shri Piyush Goyal	One-stop digital platform for startups to collaborate, share knowledge, and innovate



➤ Which rapid rail was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi between Ahmedabad and Bhuj?

- A) Bullet Train
- B) Namo Bharat Rapid Rail
- C) Vande Bharat Express
- D) Metro Rail
- E) Rajdhani Express

Answer

B) Namo Bharat Rapid Rail



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of multiple development projects, including the Nammo Bharat Rapid Rail
- **Location:** Ahmedabad, Gujarat
- **Date:** 16th September 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Namo Bharat Rapid Rail:**
 - India's first Nammo Bharat Rapid Rail was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, connecting Ahmedabad and Bhuj.
 - Aimed at improving urban connectivity, especially for middle-class families, this rapid rail provides faster, more convenient transport for daily commuters involved in jobs, business, and education.
 - The launch is part of a larger initiative that includes other projects related to railways, roads, housing, and finance, with an investment of over ₹8,000 crores.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Namo Bharat Rapid Rail:**
 - A rapid rail service designed to provide fast and affordable travel between cities, launched as a key part of India's infrastructure development plan.



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 - **Capital:** Gandhinagar
 - **Chief Minister:** Bhupendra Patel
 - **Governor:** Acharya Devvrat



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Chief Guest	Significance
Inauguration of Namo Bharat Rapid Rail	Ahmedabad to Bhuj	16th September 2024	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	Launched to improve connectivity and convenience for middle-class commuters



QUICK RECALL



- **September 15 marks National Engineer's Day, commemorating Sir M. Visvesvaraya's birth anniversary.**
- **September 15 marks International Day of Democracy, promoting democratic principles and practices globally.**
- **September 16 marks International Day of Science, Technology and Innovation for the South.**
- **September 16 is observed as International Day for Interventional Cardiology globally.**
- **September 16 commemorates the Montreal Protocol with World Ozone Day to raise awareness of ozone protection.**
- **D Gukesh and Arjun Erigaisi led India's 3-1 victory over Azerbaijan in the 45th Chess Olympiad.**
- **Oscar Piastri wins his first Formula 1 race at the Azerbaijan Grand Prix.**
- **JSW MG Motor tops Dealer Satisfaction Survey 2024 conducted by FADA, surpassing Hyundai and Mahindra.**



QUICK RECALL



- **HDFC Bank aims to increase the income of 5 lakh marginal farmers by 2025 under its 'Parivartan' CSR initiative.**
- **SEBI reduces bonus share trading timeline to T+2, effective from October 1, 2024.**
- **India won 16 medals (4 Bronze, 12 Medallions of Excellence) at WorldSkills Lyon 2024.**
- **Shōgun wins big at the 2024 Emmy Awards, including Outstanding Drama Series.**
- **LIC appoints Infosys to develop NextGen digital platform as part of DIVE transformation programme.**
- **Naval Commanders' Conference 24/2 to be held from 17th to 20th September 2024 in New Delhi.**
- **Iran launched its second satellite in 2024, Chamran-1, using the Ghaem-100 rocket.**
- **Dr. Virendra Kumar to inaugurate 'Samajik Adhikarita Shivirs' for Divyangjan across 75 locations.**



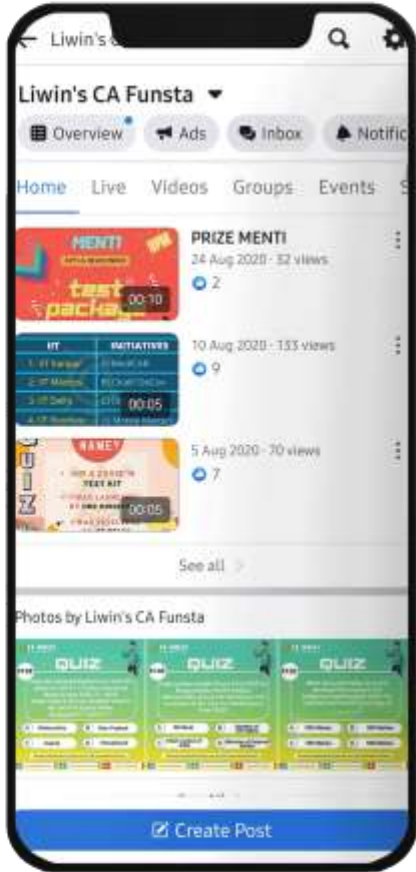
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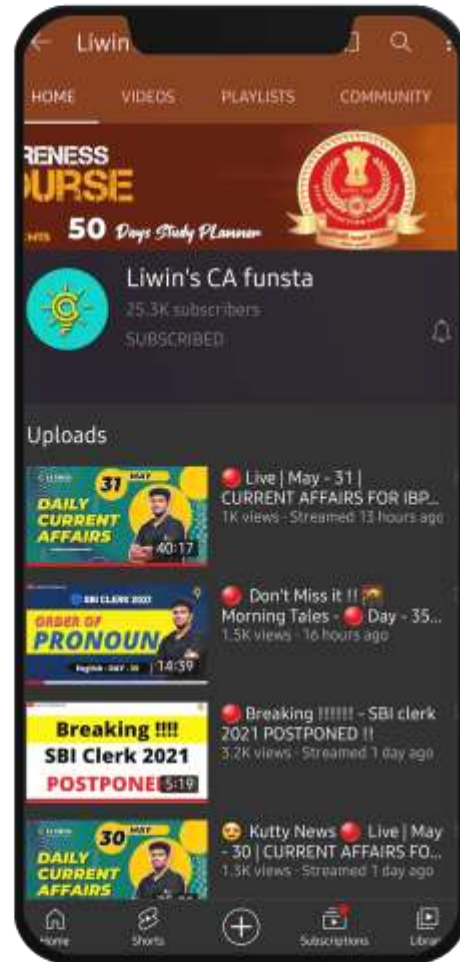
- **Sarbananda Sonowal dedicated Tuticorin International Container Terminal to the nation.**
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 4th Global RE-INVEST in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.**
- **Piyush Goyal launched the BHASKAR Portal to unify India's growing startup ecosystem.**
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated Nammo Bharat Rapid Rail between Ahmedabad and Bhuj.**



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