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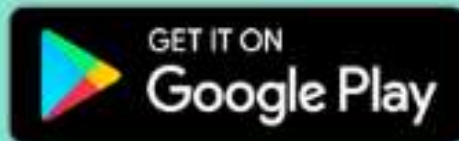
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➤ **World Tsunami Awareness Day, celebrated on November 5, was established by the United Nations in which year?**

- A) 2000
- B) 2015
- C) 2010
- D) 2005
- E) 2020

Answer
B) 2015



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** World Tsunami Awareness Day
- **Date:** November 5 (annually)
- **Established By:** United Nations General Assembly in 2015



Important Days



Significance and History:

- Established to increase global awareness of the risks associated with tsunamis.
- **Objective:** Encourage early warning systems and education for disaster preparedness.
- **Historical Roots:** Observes the 1854 incident in Japan, where **Hamaguchi Goryō** saved villagers from a tsunami by burning rice sheaves to warn them.



Important Days



Themes and Activities:

- Each year highlights a unique theme focusing on preparedness. For instance, the 2022 theme was **#GetToHighGround**.
- **Activities:** Communities engage in evacuation drills, educational events, and social media campaigns on tsunami safety.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Early Warning System:** System for rapid tsunami alerts to allow timely evacuation.
- **Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR):** Strategies aimed at minimizing disaster impact through community awareness and preparation.
- **Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC):** UNESCO agency focusing on tsunami risk assessment and cooperative preparedness strategies.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **United Nations General Assembly**
 - **Founded:** 1945
 - **Headquarters:** New York City, USA
 - **Secretary-General:** António Guterres



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location / Global Reach	Date	Established By	Significance
World Tsunami Awareness Day	Global	November 5 (Annual)	United Nations General Assembly	Increases awareness, promotes early warning systems, and emphasizes disaster preparedness.
Commemoration Origin	Japan (Inamura-no-hi)	November 5, 1854	Historical Incident	Hamaguchi Goryō's quick actions became a model for community warning and preparedness.
2024 Significance	20th Anniversary of the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami	November 5, 2024	United Nations Focus	Highlights the impact of tsunami education and youth engagement in risk preparedness.



Important Days



➤ What is the name of the mascot launched by Coal India Limited on its 50th Foundation Day?



- A) Agni
- B) Bharat
- C) Vikas
- D) Angara
- E) Shakti

Answer
D) Angara



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Coal India Limited's 50th Foundation Day Celebration
- **Date:** November 3, 2024
- **Location:** CIL Headquarters, Kolkata



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Purpose:** Mark 50 years of CIL's operations and outline its vision for sustainable growth aligned with Viksit Bharat.
- **Chief Guest:** Union Minister of Coal and Mines, Shri G. Kishan Reddy; **Guest of Honour:** Shri Vikram Dev Dutt, Secretary of the Ministry of Coal.
- **Mascot Launch:** The mascot "Angara", inspired by the Royal Bengal Tiger, embodies the courage and strength of coal miners.
- **Logo Unveiling:** The **Golden Jubilee logo** was introduced to symbolize CIL's pivotal role in India's energy security and commitment to sustainability.



Important Days



Key Announcements:

- **Performance Linked Incentives (PLI):** Implemented for contractual workers from FY 2023-24, acknowledging their contribution to CIL's productivity.
- **Mine Closure Portal:** Introduced for efficient management of mine closures and environmental responsibility.
- **Solar Power Initiative:** A 50 MW solar plant will be developed at the Nigahi project of Northern Coalfields Limited, with a budget of ₹250 crores, expected to generate 49 million units of electricity.



Important Days



Significant Policies and Acts:

- **Coal Mines Special Provision (CMSP) Act, 2015:** Established under PM Modi's leadership for transparent coal mine allocation and to enable commercial mining.
- **Commercial Coal Mining (2020):** Aimed at enhancing transparency, business ease, and investment attraction within the coal sector.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Performance Linked Incentive (PLI):** An incentive system rewarding productivity improvements for workers.
- **Viksit Bharat Initiative:** A vision to promote sustainable development in various sectors for a prosperous India.
- **Mine Closure Portal:** A dedicated platform to manage and monitor ecological and social impacts of mine closures.



Important Days



Static GK Information:

- **Coal India Limited (CIL)**
 - **Headquarters:** Kolkata, West Bengal
 - **Founded:** 1975
 - **Chairman:** Pramod Agrawal
 - **Ministry:** Ministry of Coal
- **Ministry of Coal, India**
 - **Minister:** Shri G. Kishan Reddy
 - **Secretary:** Shri Vikram Dev Dutt



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Announcements	Significance
CIL 50th Foundation Day	Kolkata, India	November 3, 2024	Launch of mascot "Angara", Mine Closure Portal, Solar Plant	Celebrates CIL's role in energy sector, emphasizes sustainable growth and future energy security.
PLI Scheme Announcement	CIL Headquarters	November 3, 2024	PLI for contractual workers	Recognizes workers' contributions, boosts productivity, and aligns with CIL's commitment to miner welfare.



- **Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) recently launched an online Re-KYC service for customers. Through which of the following methods can customers update their KYC information?**

- A) IOB mobile app, SMS, call
- B) IOB website, SMS, email
- C) IOB website, email, call
- D) IOB website, mobile app, SMS
- E) IOB mobile app, email, call



इण्डियन ओवरसीज़ बैंक
Indian Overseas Bank

आपकी प्रगति का सच्चा साथी
Good people to grow with

Answer

B) IOB website, SMS, email



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Online Re-KYC Service by Indian Overseas Bank (IOB)
- **Date:** November 4, 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Facilitate a hassle-free KYC update process for customers, reducing branch dependency.
- **Service Details:** This online Re-KYC service allows customers to update their KYC information through three channels:
 - **Website:** Customers can visit the IOB website (www.iob.in), go to the Self-Service Digital Hub, select “Re-KYC,” and follow prompts.
 - **SMS:** Customers send an SMS in the format “REKYC <Space> CIF ID” to 9643-01-9643.
 - **Email:** Customers email their Re-KYC request with the subject “REKYC <Space> CIF ID” to rekyc@iob.in from their registered email address.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Re-KYC:** A process for customers to update their KYC (Know Your Customer) details with the bank without resubmitting full documents, applicable when existing documents remain valid.
- **CIF ID: A Customer Information File ID**, unique to each customer, required for KYC updates.



Static GK Information:

- **Indian Overseas Bank**
 - **Headquarters:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu
 - **MD & CEO:** Ajay Kumar Srivastava
 - **Founded:** 1937
 - **Tagline:** "Good People to Grow With"



BANKING AND FINANCE



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Person Involved	Significance
Launch of Online Re-KYC Service	India	November 4, 2024	Ajay Kumar Srivastava, MD & CEO	Simplifies KYC updates for customers through website, SMS, and email, eliminating need for branch visits.



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➤ India has been re-elected as President of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) for how many years?

- A) 1 year
- B) 2 years
- C) 3 years
- D) 4 years
- E) 5 years

Answer

B) 2 years



APPOINTMENTS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India Re-elected as President of the International Solar Alliance (ISA)
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** November 4, 2024



APPOINTMENTS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **ISA Leadership:** India re-elected as President, and France retained as Vice-President of ISA.
- **Tenure:** India's presidency will continue for two years until 2026.
- **Director General: Ashish Khanna** will assume office as ISA's third Director General in March 2025, following Ajay Mathur.



APPOINTMENTS



Seventh ISA Assembly:

- **Purpose:** The ISA Assembly is the apex decision-making body, representing all 120 member countries and setting guidelines for the ISA's initiatives.
- **Key Focus Areas:**
 - **Energy Access:** Ensuring solar power accessibility in least developed countries.
 - **Energy Security and Transition:** Advancing renewable energy as part of a global shift from fossil fuels.



APPOINTMENTS



Seventh ISA Assembly:

- **Notable Discussions:**
 - **Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Scheme:** Provides grants covering 10-35% of solar project costs in Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS). Annual budget for VGF is \$1.5 million.
 - **Women's Participation:** Promoting greater involvement of women in ISA initiatives across member nations.



APPOINTMENTS



Important Terms Explained:

- **International Solar Alliance (ISA):** A coalition of solar-rich countries promoting sustainable solar energy solutions globally.
- **Viability Gap Funding (VGF):** A financial mechanism providing grants to bridge funding gaps in renewable energy projects, promoting solar development in vulnerable regions.



APPOINTMENTS



Static GK Information:

- **International Solar Alliance (ISA)**
 - **Founded:** 2015
 - **Headquarters:** Gurugram, Haryana, India
 - **Director General (Current):** Ajay Mathur
 - **Director General Designate:** Ashish Khanna (To assume office in March 2025)
- **France**
 - **Capital:** Paris
 - **Currency:** Euro
 - **President:** Emmanuel Macron
 - **Prime Minister:** Élisabeth Borne



APPOINTMENTS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Roles	Significance
Re-election of ISA Leadership	New Delhi, India	November 4, 2024	India (President), France (Vice-President)	India and France lead ISA, focusing on solar energy access, security, and transition.
ISA Director General Appointment	New Delhi, India	March 2025	Ajay Mathur (Outgoing), Ashish Khanna (Incoming)	Ashish Khanna to strengthen ISA's mission towards global solar initiatives and development.



➤ Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Yamaha Motor India Group?



- A) Hiroshi Ito
- B) Masaki Asano
- C) Itaru Otani
- D) Kazuo Yano
- E) Shingo Kimura

Answer
C) Itaru Otani



APPOINTMENTS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Appointment of Itaru Otani as Chairman of Yamaha Motor India Group
- **Date:** Announced in November 2024



APPOINTMENTS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **New Role:** Mr. Itaru Otani appointed as Chairman of Yamaha Motor India Group, bringing over 30 years of global experience within Yamaha Motor Company.
- **Expertise:** Otani has held leadership roles in Australia, Brazil, and Japan, with a focus on Motorcycle Business Operations, covering Sales, Marketing, and Corporate Strategy.
- **Vision for India:** He aims to expand Yamaha's footprint by focusing on stylish, sporty two-wheelers that meet the evolving needs of Indian consumers under the "**The Call of the Blue**" brand campaign.



APPOINTMENTS



Key Objectives:

- **Product Innovation:** Introduce products that combine Yamaha's global expertise with Indian market needs.
- **Market Leadership:** Enhance Yamaha's position in India's dynamic two-wheeler market through innovative design and high-quality offerings.



APPOINTMENTS



Important Terms Explained:

- **The Call of the Blue:** Yamaha's branding campaign aimed at promoting exciting and stylish two-wheelers, aligning with Yamaha's brand image globally and resonating with Indian consumers.



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Static GK Information:

- **India Yamaha Motor (IYM) Pvt Ltd.**
 - **Headquarters:** Surajpur, Uttar Pradesh, India
 - **Parent Company:** Yamaha Motor Company, Japan
 - **Founded:** 1985 (India operations)
 - **Current Campaign:** The Call of the Blue



APPOINTMENTS



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Person	Significance
New Chairman Appointment at Yamaha Motor India	India	November 2024	Itaru Otani	Aims to strengthen Yamaha's position in India by focusing on innovation and consumer needs.
Focus Area	India	2024	Stylish, sporty two-wheelers under The Call of the Blue campaign	Enhances Yamaha's brand in the growing two-wheeler market in India.



- **IIT Madras Pravartak Technologies Foundation partnered with which initiative to launch a semiconductor industry training program?**

- A) NPTEL
- B) SWAYAM Plus
- C) PMKVY
- D) Digital India
- E) Atal Innovation Mission

Answer
B) SWAYAM Plus



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Semiconductor Industry Training Program
- **Location:** IIT Madras



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Equip students and graduates with practical skills in the semiconductor field to meet industry demands.
- **Partnership:** Collaboration between IIT Madras Pravartak Technologies Foundation and SWAYAM Plus, an initiative of the Union Education Ministry.
- **Target Audience:** Designed for students in Engineering and Science disciplines such as Electronics, Electrical, Mechanical, Manufacturing, and Production.



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Key Goals:

- **Skill Development:** Train participants in semiconductor manufacturing and industry applications.
- **Career Inspiration:** Encourage young talent to pursue careers in electronics and scientific problem-solving aligned with societal and sustainable growth needs.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Semiconductor Industry:** A critical sector focused on manufacturing chips and electronic components essential in devices and modern technologies.
- **SWAYAM Plus:** An online education platform by the Union Education Ministry providing accessible learning resources, particularly for specialized training and professional development.



Static GK Information:

- **IIT Madras Pravartak Technologies Foundation**
 - **Founded:** Under IIT Madras
 - **Location:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- **Union Ministry of Education (India)**
 - **Minister:** Dharmendra Pradhan
 - **Main Initiatives:** SWAYAM, Digital India, PMKVY



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Partners	Significance
Launch of Semiconductor Training	IIT Madras	November 4, 2024	IIT Madras Pravartak & SWAYAM Plus	Develops practical skills for students, boosts industry readiness in the semiconductor sector.



➤ **HCLTech is launching a new AI Lab in which country in partnership with the Economic Development Board (EDB)?**

- A) India
- B) United States
- C) Germany
- D) Singapore
- E) United Kingdom

HCLTech

Answer
D) Singapore



Event and Location:

- **Event:** HCLTech to Launch AI Lab in Singapore
- **Location:** Singapore



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Establish a cutting-edge AI and Cloud Native Lab to advance AI innovations and strengthen digital capabilities.
- **Partners:** HCLTech is collaborating with Singapore's Economic Development Board (EDB) to set up the lab.
- **Timeline:** The lab is expected to open in 2025 and will be HCLTech's fifth global AI facility.
- **Global Presence:** This new lab in Singapore joins existing HCLTech AI facilities in the US, UK, Germany, and India.



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Key Goals:

- **Regional Expansion:** Singapore lab will serve as a hub for HCLTech's Southeast Asian operations.
- **Innovation and Development:** Focus on AI and cloud-native technologies, catering to the evolving needs of the digital economy.



Important Terms Explained:

- **AI Lab:** A specialized facility dedicated to the research, development, and deployment of artificial intelligence solutions.
- **Economic Development Board (EDB):** Singapore's government agency tasked with attracting and nurturing investments, particularly in advanced sectors like AI.



Static GK Information:

- **HCLTech**
 - **Headquarters:** Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India
 - **CEO:** C. Vijayakumar
 - **Founded:** 1976
- **Economic Development Board (EDB), Singapore**
 - **Role:** Investment promotion and development in advanced technologies
 - **Headquarters:** Singapore



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Partners	Significance
Launch of AI Lab in 2025	Singapore	Announced November 4, 2024	HCLTech and Singapore EDB	Enhances HCLTech's AI capabilities, strengthens Singapore as a Southeast Asian tech hub.



➤ **Where is ISRO conducting India's first analog space mission?**

- A) Rajasthan
- B) Gujarat
- C) Himachal Pradesh
- D) Ladakh
- E) Uttarakhand

Answer
D) Ladakh



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of India's First Analog Space Mission by ISRO
- **Location:** Leh, Ladakh, India



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Simulate life in an interplanetary habitat as part of India's preparation for future lunar and interplanetary missions.
- **Reason for Location:** Ladakh's landscape, including its dry, cold climate, barren high-altitude terrain, and isolation, closely resembles Martian and lunar environments, making it ideal for analog space simulations.
- **Mission Goals:** Gather data to support long-duration space missions to the Moon, Mars, and other destinations by testing habitat design, life support, and sustainability systems.



Mission Highlights:

- **Hab-1 Habitat:** A compact, inflatable habitat equipped with essentials such as a hydroponics farm, kitchen, and sanitation facilities. This setup provides a self-sustaining environment for astronauts.
- **Collaboration:** The mission involves multiple partners including ISRO's Human Spaceflight Centre, AAKA Space Studio, University of Ladakh, IIT Bombay, and the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council.
- **Low-Pressure Simulation:** Ladakh's low oxygen levels (40% of sea level) allow testing of life support systems under conditions similar to Mars.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Analog Space Mission:** A simulated space mission conducted on Earth in locations that resemble the conditions of outer space to test equipment, life support systems, and astronaut endurance.
- **Habitat (Hab-1):** A self-contained, inflatable environment designed to sustain human life for extended periods in space.



Static GK Information:

- **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)**
 - **Headquarters:** Bengaluru, Karnataka, India
 - **Founded:** 1969
 - **Chairman:** S. Somanath
 - **Main Mission Focus:** Space research, satellite deployment, lunar and interplanetary exploration



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Feature	Significance
India's First Analog Space Mission	Leh, Ladakh	November 2024	Hab-1 habitat for interplanetary simulation	Supports India's lunar exploration plans and tests habitat design for future space missions.
Collaboration	Ladakh	Ongoing	ISRO, University of Ladakh, IIT Bombay	Prepares for long-duration missions to the Moon, Mars, and beyond.



➤ Who led the Indian delegation at the 352nd session of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organisation (ILO)?

- A) Amitabh Kant
- B) Dharmendra Pradhan
- C) Nirmala Sitharaman
- D) Sumita Dawra
- E) Arjun Ram Meghwal

Answer
D) Sumita Dawra



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India's Participation in the 352nd Governing Body Session of the ILO
- **Location:** Geneva, Switzerland
- **Date:** October 28 – November 7, 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Represent India's experiences in poverty eradication, employment growth, and social protection at the ILO Governing Body session.
- **Delegation Leader:** Ms. Sumita Dawra, Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment, represented India and discussed India's policies aligned with ILO's social justice and decent work goals.



Key Points Highlighted by India:

- 1. Poverty Eradication:** India's efforts have lifted 248 million people out of multidimensional poverty in the last nine years.
- 2. Employment Growth:** Government programs and policies added 170 million people to economic activity between 2016-17 and 2022-23.
- 3. Social Protection Expansion:**
 - Doubling of social protection coverage in recent years.
 - The Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) supports 800 million people with food security, recognized as one of the largest in-kind social assistance schemes worldwide.
- 4. Financial Inclusion:** Schemes like PM Jan Dhan Yojana provide banking access, while PM Jeevan Jyoti Yojana and PM Suraksha Bima Yojana offer affordable life and accident insurance.



India's Stance on ILO Reform:

- **Call for Democratization:** India supported greater representation within the ILO and other UN bodies, emphasizing geographic diversity that considers population and workforce for a fairer global representation.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI):** A measure of poverty considering multiple deprivations, including health, education, and living standards.
- **ILO Governing Body:** The decision-making body of the International Labour Organisation, setting policies and supervising ILO activities globally.



Static GK Information:

- **International Labour Organisation (ILO)**
 - **Founded:** 1919
 - **Headquarters:** Geneva, Switzerland
 - **Director-General:** Gilbert F. Hougbo
 - **Objective:** Promote social justice and internationally recognized human and labour rights



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Person	Significance
352 nd ILO Governing Body Session	Geneva, Switzerland	Oct 28 – Nov 7, 2024	Sumita Dawra, Secretary, Ministry of Labour & Employment	India highlighted its achievements in poverty reduction, employment, and social protection.



➤ **IndiGo recently received approval to renew the wet lease of how many Airbus A320 aircraft?**

- A) 8
- B) 10
- C) 11
- D) 15
- E) 20

Answer
C) 11



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Event and Location:

- **Event:** IndiGo's Approval for Wet Lease Renewal
- **Location:** India



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Strengthen operational capacity and improve service efficiency amidst challenges.
- **Context:** IndiGo faced aircraft shortages due to issues with Pratt and Whitney engines, specifically a powder metal defect affecting engine performance.
- **Approval:** IndiGo has received government approval to extend the wet lease for 11 Airbus A320 aircraft.



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Important Terms Explained:

- **Wet Lease:** An arrangement where an airline leases an aircraft along with crew, maintenance, and insurance from another airline or leasing company. Useful for temporary capacity adjustments.
- **Pratt and Whitney Engines:** High-efficiency engines that power various aircraft models, including the Airbus A320. Engine defects, such as powder metal issues, have recently impacted aviation operations globally.



Static GK Information:

- **IndiGo Airlines**
 - **Headquarters:** Gurugram, Haryana
 - **CEO:** Pieter Elbers
 - **Founded:** 2006



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Approval Granted For	Significance
IndiGo's Wet Lease Renewal	India	November 2024	11 Airbus A320 Aircraft	Boosts operational capacity, mitigates aircraft shortage due to Pratt and Whitney engine issues.



➤ How many new seed categories has the Government e Marketplace (GeM) introduced on its portal?

- A) 100
- B) 150
- C) 170
- D) 200
- E) 250



GeM
Government
e Marketplace

Answer
C) 170



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of 170 New Seed Categories on Government e Marketplace (GeM) Portal
- **Date:** November 4, 2024
- **Location:** India



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** To simplify access to quality agricultural and horticulture seeds and streamline procurement for government bodies.
- **New Categories:** 170 Seed Categories added, featuring 8,000 seed varieties for purchase by Central/State PSUs and other governing authorities.
- **Consultation:** Developed with input from state seed corporations and research bodies, ensuring the categories meet existing rules and regulations set by the Government of India.



Key Goals:

- **Category-Based Procurement:** Promotes efficiency by reducing time-consuming tender processes, enhancing transparency and accountability in public procurement.
- **Seller Participation:** Encourages seed sellers to list their products on GeM for participation in government tenders.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Government e Marketplace (GeM):** An online platform for public procurement by government agencies, ensuring transparency and efficiency.
- **Category-Based Procurement:** A streamlined procurement process where goods are grouped by category, improving the speed and clarity of government procurement.



Static GK Information:

- **Government e Marketplace (GeM)**
 - **Founded:** 2016
 - **Ministry:** Ministry of Commerce and Industry
 - **Deputy CEO:** Smt. Roli Khare
 - **Objective:** To streamline public procurement and promote transparency in government purchases



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Details	Significance
Launch of 170 New Seed Categories	India	November 4, 2024	170 categories featuring 8,000 varieties	Facilitates easier seed procurement, boosts seller participation, and enhances transparency in GeM.



➤ **Who chaired the 32nd meeting of the Kendriya Hindi Samiti in New Delhi?**

- A) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- B) Minister of Education Dharmendra Pradhan
- C) Minister of State for Law and Justice Arjun Ram Meghwal
- D) Union Home Minister Amit Shah
- E) Union Minister of Health Jagat Prakash Nadda



Answer

D) Union Home Minister Amit Shah



Event and Location:

- **Event:** 32nd Meeting of the Kendriya Hindi Samiti
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** November 4, 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** To promote Hindi as the link language of India and enhance the use of Indian languages.
- **Chairperson:** Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah led the meeting with a focus on expanding the role of Hindi and Indian languages in education and administration.
- **Significance of Kendriya Hindi Samiti:** The highest body for policy guidance in the development and promotion of Hindi across ministries and departments.



Key Announcements:

- 1. Hindi Shabdsindhu Dictionary:** Expected to become the largest Hindi dictionary in the world within five years.
- 2. Bhartiya Bhasha Aunbhag:** A section dedicated to using technology for translation, enhancing the role of all Indian languages.
- 3. Rajbhasha Sammelan (Official Language Conference):** Held in different parts of the country to emphasize the importance of Hindi.



Additional Goals:

- **Education in Indian Languages:** Increasing the availability of education in engineering, medical, primary, and secondary courses in Hindi and other languages.
- **New Initiatives for Hindi Empowerment:** Development of a long-term policy for preserving Hindi literature and expanding translation efforts for modern curricula.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Kendriya Hindi Samiti:** An apex body under the Prime Minister's chairmanship guiding the promotion and standardized use of Hindi in India.
- **Hindi Shabdsindhu:** A comprehensive dictionary project aimed at making Hindi more accessible and standardized.



Static GK Information:

- **Kendriya Hindi Samiti**
 - **Founded:** Established by the Government of India
 - **Chairman:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi
 - **Key Members:** Union Ministers, Chief Ministers, Deputy Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Official Language
 - **Function:** Coordinates Hindi promotion and appoints sub-committees for targeted projects



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Person(s)	Significance
32 nd Kendriya Hindi Samiti Meeting	New Delhi	November 4, 2024	Union Home Minister Amit Shah	Emphasizes Hindi promotion and implementation of Hindi Shabdsindhu, and Bhartiya Bhasha Aunbhag.



- **How many demonstration projects have been successfully completed by the International Solar Alliance (ISA) out of its initial 27 projects?**

- A) 15
- B) 21
- C) 24
- D) 27
- E) 30

Answer
B) 21



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Seventh Session of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) Annual Assembly
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** November 4, 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Strengthen global solar energy initiatives, address energy access, energy security, and energy transition.
- **Key Attendees:** Representatives from 103 member and 17 signatory countries, including 29 ministers.
- **Progress Report:** ISA has completed 21 out of 27 demonstration projects, benefiting Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS).



Key Announcements:

- 1. Solar Data Portal:** Provides real-time data on solar resources and investment opportunities to drive transparency.
- 2. Global Solar Facility:** Targets funding for solar projects in underserved regions; \$39 million committed for a pilot project in the Democratic Republic of Congo.
- 3. SolarX Startup Challenge:** 2024 edition identified 30 innovative solar solutions in Asia-Pacific, with plans to expand to Latin America and the Caribbean.



Additional Initiatives:

- **STAR-Centres:** Solar Technology Application Resource-Centres established in seven countries, providing specialized training for the solar workforce.
- **Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Scheme:** Provides grants covering 10-35% of solar project costs in LDCs and SIDS, with an annual budget of \$1.5 million.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Demonstration Projects:** Initiatives showcasing scalable solar solutions for LDCs and SIDS, enhancing solar adoption in healthcare, water, and community lighting.
- **Viability Gap Funding (VGF):** Financial support that covers part of the project costs to enable solar projects in regions with funding constraints.



Static GK Information:

- **International Solar Alliance (ISA)**
 - **Founded:** 2015
 - **Headquarters:** Gurugram, Haryana, India
 - **Current Director General:** Dr. Ajay Mathur
 - **Mission:** Unlock \$1 trillion in solar investments by 2030



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Announcements	Significance
ISA 7 th Annual Assembly	New Delhi	November 4, 2024	Completion of 21 solar demonstration projects	Promotes solar energy deployment in LDCs and SIDS, advancing energy access and sustainability.
Solar Data Portal, Global Solar Facility	Various regions	2024	Real-time data for investors; \$39M for DRC project	Enhances transparency in solar investment, funds projects in underserved areas.



- With which institution has the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) recently signed an MoU for academic collaboration?



Administrative Staff College of India
Leadership through Learning



- A) Indian School of Business
- B) IIM Ahmedabad
- C) ASCI Hyderabad
- D) IIT Madras
- E) NALSAR Hyderabad

Answer

C) ASCI Hyderabad



Event and Location:

- **Event:** SAIL signs MoU with ASCI for Academic Collaboration
- **Date:** November 4, 2024
- **Location:** SAIL Corporate Office, New Delhi



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** To enhance the management skills of SAIL's executives by collaborating with Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI), Hyderabad.
- **Scope:** The MoU enables Management Development Programmes tailored for newly promoted executives and supports SAIL's broader Learning & Development (L&D) strategy.
- **Significance:** The initiative provides SAIL executives with academic exposure and prepares them for leadership roles within the company.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Management Development Programme (MDP):**
A structured program focused on equipping executives with skills in leadership, strategic thinking, and decision-making.
- **Learning & Development (L&D) Strategy:** Organizational approach to continuous learning for employee skill enhancement, career growth, and improved performance.



Static GK Information:

- **Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)**
 - **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
 - **Founded:** 1973
 - **Chairperson:** Amarendu Prakash
 - **Industry:** Steel
- **Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI)**
 - **Location:** Hyderabad, Telangana
 - **Founded:** 1956
 - **Director:** Dr. Nirmalya Bagchi



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Signatories	Significance
SAIL-ASCI MoU for Training	SAIL Corporate Office, New Delhi	November 4, 2024	Shri KK Singh (SAIL), Dr. Nirmalya Bagchi (ASCI)	Supports management training and leadership development for SAIL executives.



➤ How many languages does the new NSE mobile app and expanded website support?

- A) 10
- B) 12
- C) 15
- D) 8
- E) 11

Answer

B) 12



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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of NSE Multilingual Mobile App and Expanded Website
- **Date:** November 1, 2024



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objective:** Make market information accessible to a broader audience across India by supporting multiple regional languages.
- **Significance:** The launch marks NSE's 30th anniversary, with a dual debut of the NSEIndia app and expanded website to promote inclusivity in financial markets.
- **Language Support:** The app and website are available in 12 languages: Assamese, Bengali, Kannada, Malayalam, Oriya, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, English, Hindi, Marathi, and Gujarati.



Key Features of the NSE Mobile App:

- **Market Overview:** Access to real-time indices, snapshots, and trends.
- **Watchlist Customization:** Users can track specific stocks and view top gainers and losers.
- **Derivatives Data:** Provides insights on options, calls, and puts, helping investors stay updated on market trends.



CEO's Message:

- **Ashishkumar Chauhan, NSE's MD & CEO**, highlighted the symbolic Diwali launch and the 30-year journey of NSE, stressing the importance of sustainable wealth creation for investors.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Muhurat Trading:** A symbolic trading session held on Diwali in Indian stock exchanges, considered an auspicious time for investors.
- **Derivatives Market:** A segment of the financial market dealing with financial contracts derived from underlying assets, providing additional insights for investors.



Static GK Information:

- **National Stock Exchange of India (NSE)**
 - **Headquarters:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
 - **Founded:** 1992
 - **MD & CEO:** Ashishkumar Chauhan
 - **Objective:** Promote transparency, efficiency, and accessibility in India's capital markets



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Tabular Summary:

Event	Location	Date	Key Details	Significance
NSE Mobile App and Website Launch	India	Diwali, November 1, 2024	Multilingual support in 12 languages	Enhances market access for investors, promotes inclusivity on NSE's 30th anniversary.
Key Features	NSE Mobile App	2024	Market overview, watchlist, real-time updates	Offers investors a user-friendly platform to stay informed on market trends.



QUICK RECALL



- **November 5 observed as World Tsunami Awareness Day by UN to promote tsunami preparedness.**
- **CIL celebrates 50th Foundation Day, launches mascot "Angara" and Mine Closure Portal.**
- **IOB introduces online Re-KYC service for easy KYC updates via website, SMS, or email.**
- **India re-elected as ISA President, France as Vice-President, for a 2-year term till 2026.**
- **Itaru Otani appointed as Chairman of Yamaha Motor India, focusing on stylish, sporty two-wheelers.**
- **IIT Madras and SWAYAM Plus launch semiconductor training program for engineering students.**
- **HCLTech to open an AI lab in Singapore in 2025 in partnership with EDB.**
- **ISRO conducts India's first analog space mission in Ladakh to simulate lunar habitat.**
- **Sumita Dawra leads India's delegation at the 352nd ILO session in Geneva.**



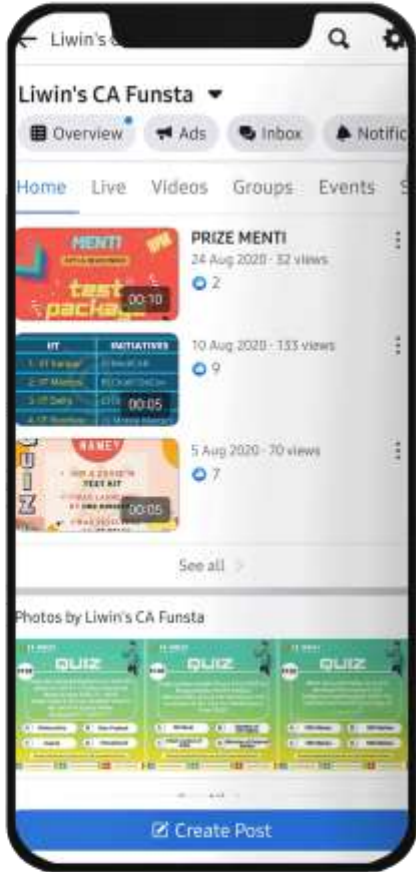
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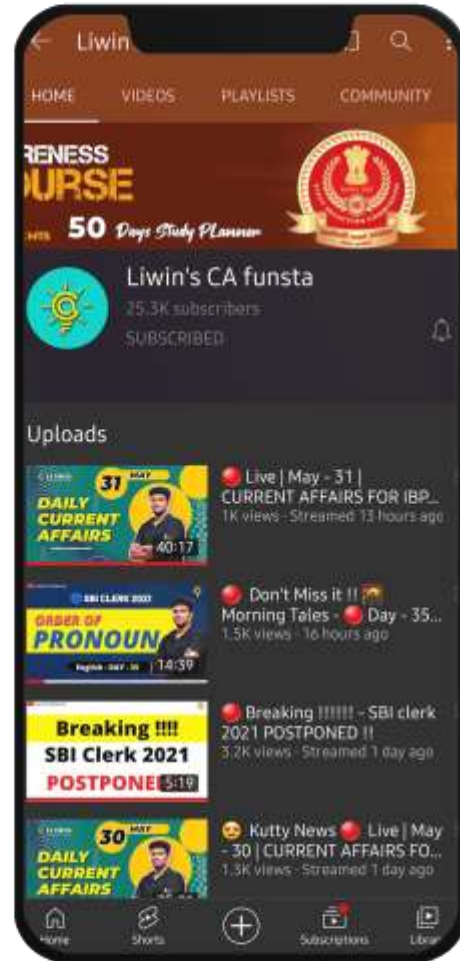
- **IndiGo secures approval to renew wet lease for 11 Airbus A320s amid engine shortage.**
- **GeM introduces 170 new seed categories to simplify seed procurement for government bodies.**
- **Union Home Minister chairs 32nd Kendriya Hindi Samiti meeting to promote Hindi and Indian languages.**
- **ISA completes 21 out of 27 solar demonstration projects to advance clean energy in LDCs and SIDS.**
- **SAIL partners with ASCI Hyderabad for management training to enhance executive leadership skills.**
- **NSE launches app and website in 12 languages, boosting inclusivity on its 30th anniversary.**



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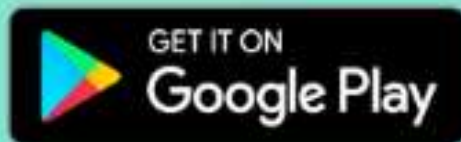
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