



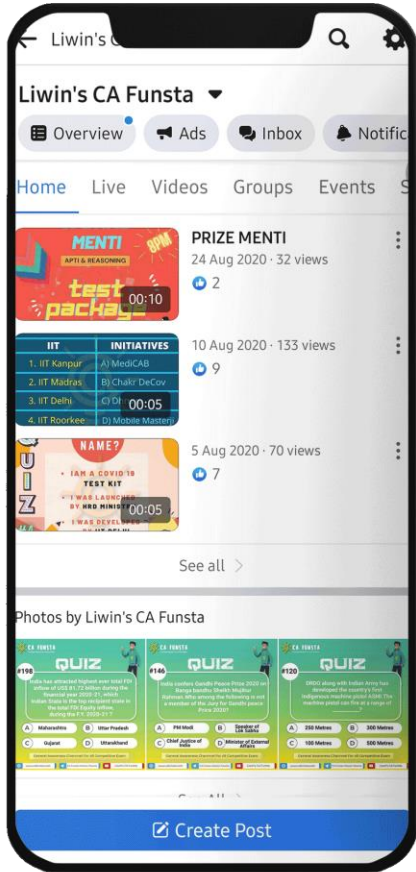
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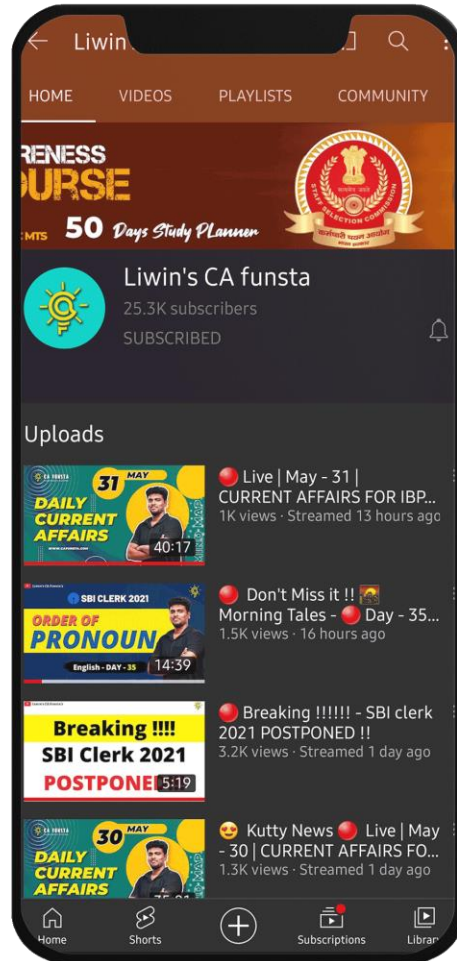
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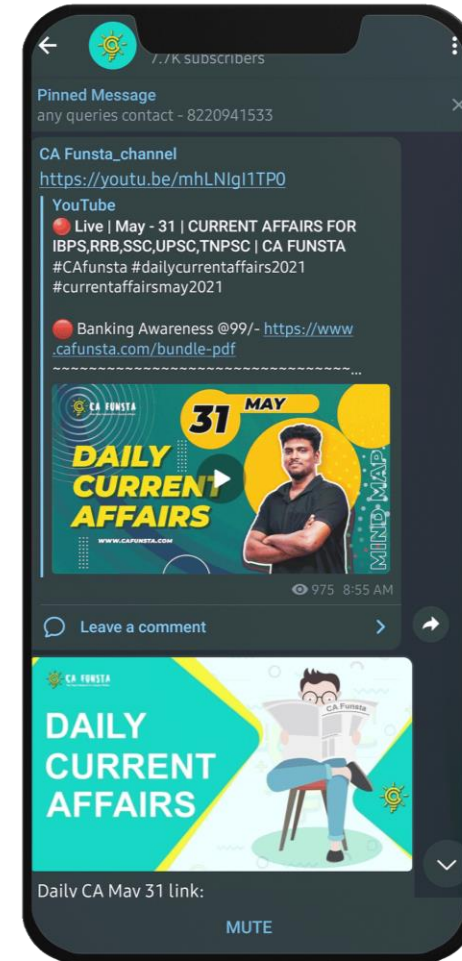
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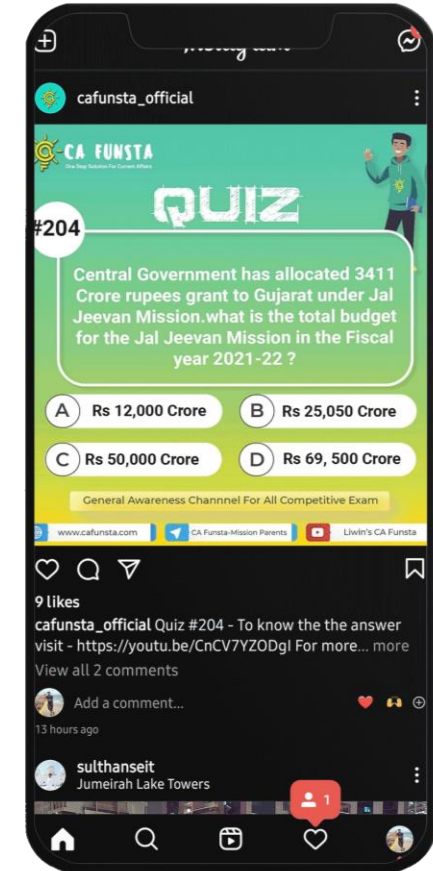
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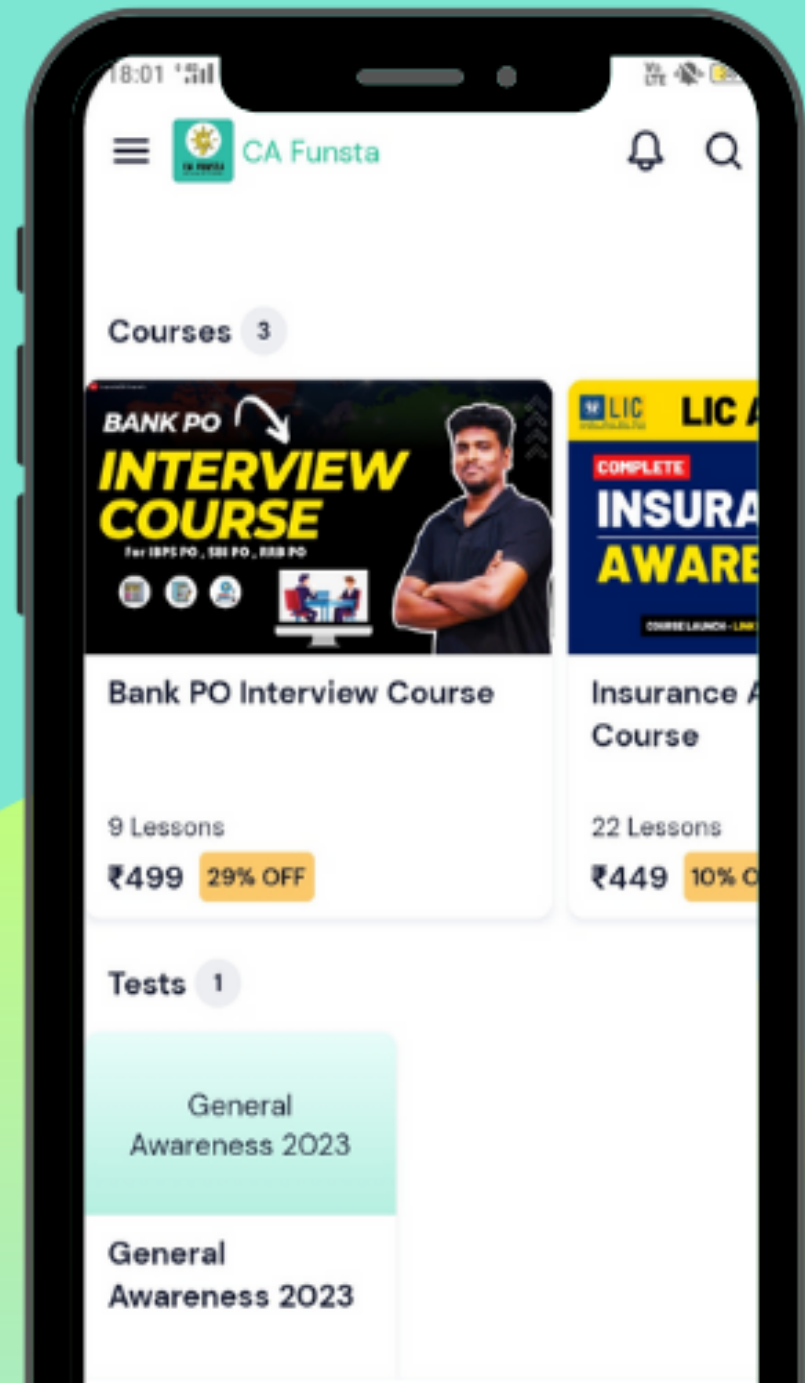
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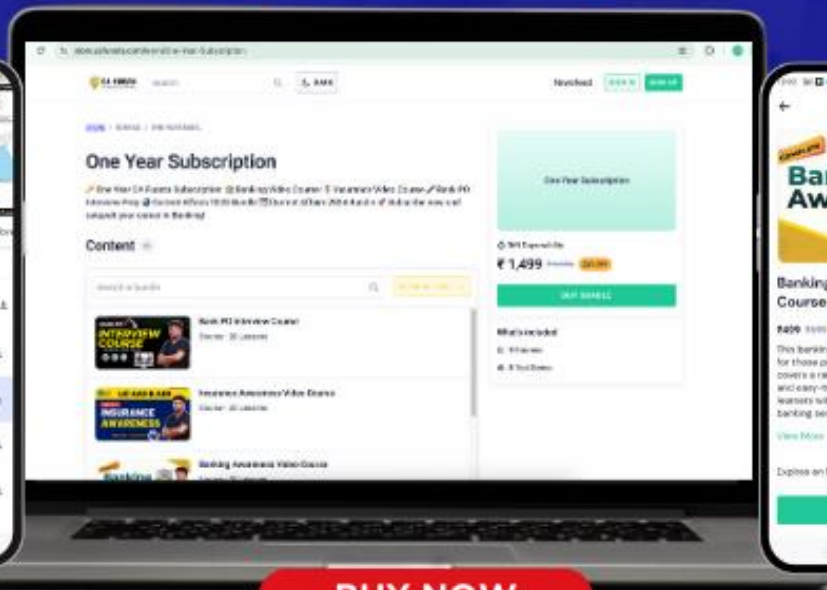
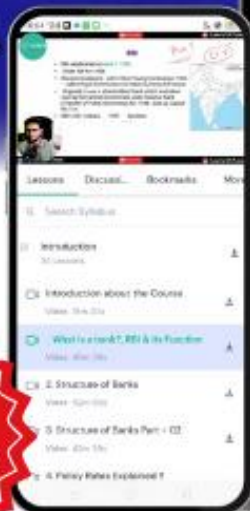
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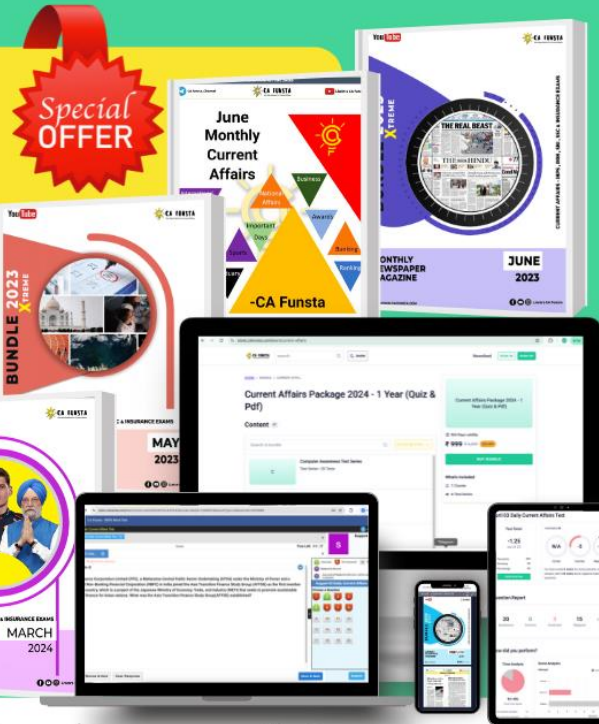


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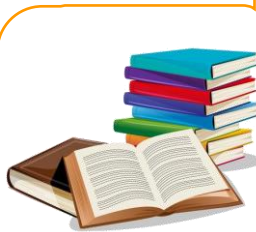


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➤ **Where is the 2025 edition of the World Boxing Championships being held?**

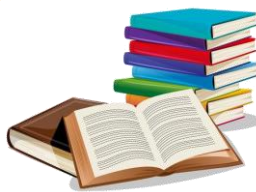
- A) Tokyo
- B) New Delhi
- C) Liverpool
- D) Tashkent
- E) Paris

Answer
C) Liverpool



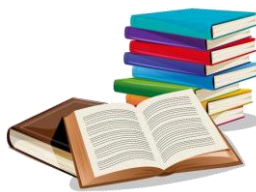
Event and Location:

- **Event:** World Boxing Championships 2025 begin under new governing body
- **Location:** Liverpool, United Kingdom
- **Date:** September 5, 2025



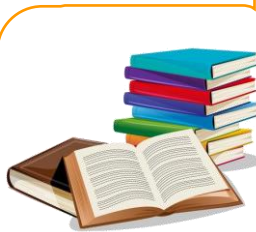
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The 2025 World Boxing Championships kicked off in Liverpool under the newly formed World Boxing governing body, bringing together men's and women's competitions in a combined format for the first time.
- **Objectives:** To promote gender parity, provide international exposure to rising athletes, and showcase elite boxing talent from around the world under a restructured global federation.



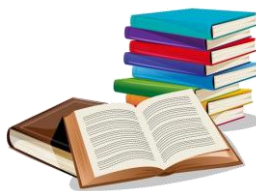
Important Terms Explained:

- **World Boxing:** A newly formed international governing body for amateur boxing, replacing previous global oversight after administrative reforms and controversies with the earlier association (IBA).
- **Nikhat Zareen:** A two-time world champion and India's most consistent women's boxing performer in recent years, competing in the 51kg weight category.
- **Lovlina Borgohain:** Olympic bronze medallist and a three-time World Championship medallist, defending her 75kg title at the Championships.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	2025 World Boxing Championships
Announcement date	Event begins September 5, 2025
Location	Liverpool, United Kingdom
Issuing authority	World Boxing (new international governing body)
Policy/series name	First Joint Men's & Women's World Boxing Championships
Key figures	Nikhat Zareen, Lovlina Borgohain, Pooja Rani (Women); Sumit Kundu, Sachin Siwach (Men)
Purpose/reason	Promote elite boxing, gender parity, and new talent under a reformed structure
Feature details	Combined men's and women's event, debut of new governing body
Validity or status	Ongoing Championship from September 5, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Enhances India's global boxing profile; youth exposure; transition to World Boxing

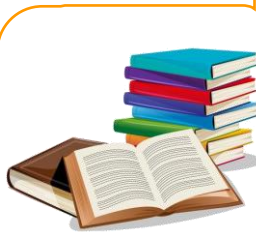


➤ What is the rank of JIPMER in the NIRF Medical Colleges Ranking 2025?

- A) 1st
- B) 2nd
- C) 3rd
- D) 4th
- E) 5th

Answer

D) 4th

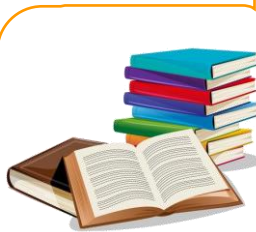


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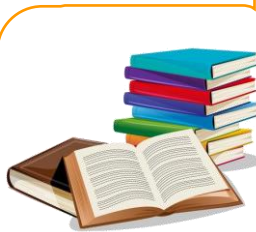
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Release of NIRF Rankings 2025
- **Location:** New Delhi (National), JIPMER (Puducherry)
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



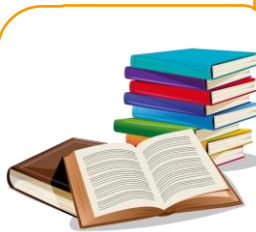
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Ministry of Education released the NIRF India Rankings 2025 evaluating institutions across various domains including medical colleges.
- **Objectives:**
 - To assess and rank Indian higher education institutions on standardized performance metrics, promoting transparency, accountability, and academic excellence.



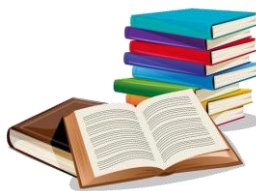
Important Terms Explained:

- **NIRF (National Institutional Ranking Framework):**
 - A methodology adopted by the Ministry of Education to rank institutions of higher education in India across parameters such as teaching, research, graduation outcomes, inclusivity, and perception.
- **JIPMER (Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research):**
 - A premier medical institution under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, known for its excellence in education, clinical care, and research.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Medical Colleges Category:**
 - A specific stream under NIRF rankings focusing on institutions offering undergraduate and postgraduate medical education, evaluated on both academic and clinical parameters.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	NIRF India Rankings 2025 Release
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	New Delhi (National Release); JIPMER (Ranked Institution)
Issuing authority	Ministry of Education, Government of India
Institution ranked	JIPMER, Puducherry
Category	Medical Colleges
2025 Rank	4th
2024 Rank	5th
Evaluation framework	NIRF – Teaching, Research, Outcomes, Outreach, Perception
Strategic/significant value	Enhances JIPMER's national reputation & credibility

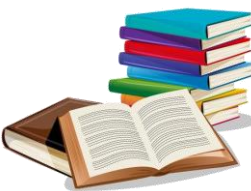


➤ **What major change did the GST Council implement effective from September 22, 2025?**

- A) GST slab increased to 40 percent for all goods
- B) GST reduced to a single slab of 5 percent
- C) GST slabs revised to only 5 percent and 18 percent
- D) GST removed from sin goods and luxury items
- E) GST increased on food and essential products

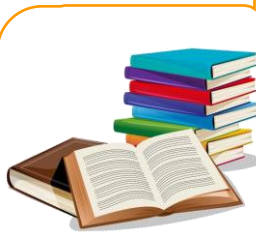
Answer

C) GST slabs revised to only 5 percent and 18 percent



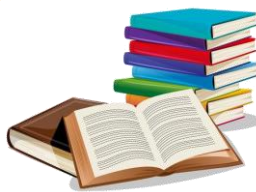
Event and Location:

- **Event:** GST Council announces reduction of GST slabs to two-tier structure
- **Location:** Nationwide (India)
- **Date:** September 22, 2025



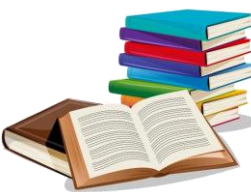
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The GST Council abolished the 12% and 28% tax slabs, retaining only 5% and 18%, and introduced a new 40% slab for sin and luxury goods.
- **Objectives:** To simplify the tax system, reduce the financial burden on the middle class, increase consumption, and ensure fiscal balance by maintaining high tax on harmful and luxury goods.



Important Terms Explained:

- **GST (Goods and Services Tax):** A comprehensive indirect tax introduced in 2017, replacing multiple central and state taxes, and is applicable on the supply of goods and services across India.
- **GST Council:** A constitutional body formed under Article 279A of the Indian Constitution responsible for making recommendations on issues related to GST.
- **Sin Goods:** Products considered harmful to society or individual health, such as tobacco and pan masala, taxed at higher rates including cess to discourage their usage.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	GST slabs reduced to two-tier structure
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	India
Issuing authority	GST Council
Policy/series name	GST slab rationalization reform
Key figures	Nirmala Sitharaman (Chairperson, GST Council)
Purpose/reason	To ease household budgets and boost middle-class consumption
Feature details	12% and 28% slabs removed; 5% and 18% retained; 40% introduced for select goods
Validity or status	Effective from September 22, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Simplifies tax system and targets both economic growth and revenue protection

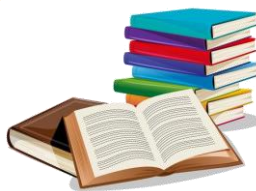


➤ **What major GST reform in 2025 led to reduced prices for essential, healthcare, and farming products?**

- A) Elimination of all GST on consumer goods
- B) Implementation of GST Council's 50th meeting decisions
- C) Introduction of 5% flat GST for all industries
- D) Major GST rate cuts bringing essentials into lower tax slabs
- E) Increase of GST for luxury and sin goods to 50%

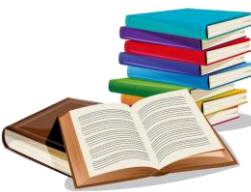
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D) Major GST rate cuts bringing essentials into lower tax slabs



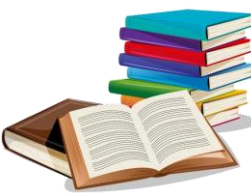
Event and Location:

- **Event:** GST rate cuts introduced on essential goods, services, and equipment
- **Location:** India (nationwide)
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The government implemented significant GST rate reductions across key categories like daily-use goods, healthcare products, agricultural inputs, educational items, automobiles, and electronics.
- **Objectives:** To reduce the financial burden on common citizens, support farmers and students, improve affordability of healthcare and education, and stimulate economic growth through higher consumption.



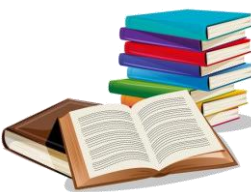
What's Cheaper

Category	Item Description	From	To
Daily Essentials	Hair Oil, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Toilet Soap, Brushes, Shaving Cream	18%	5%
	Butter, Ghee, Cheese, Dairy Spreads	12%	5%
	Namkeens, Bhujia, Mixtures, Utensils	12%	5%
	Feeding Bottles, Napkins, Diapers, Sewing Machines	12%	5%
Agriculture	Tractor Tyres & Parts, Tractors	18%/12%	5%
	Bio-Pesticides, Nutrients, Drip Irrigation, Machinery	12%	5%
Healthcare	Health & Life Insurance	18%	Nil
	Thermometers, Oxygen, Glucometers, Spectacles, Test Kits	12%-18%	5%
	33 Life-saving Medicines	5%-12%	Nil
Education	Maps, Charts, Globes, Notebooks, Pencils, Erasers	12%	Nil
Automobiles	Petrol/Diesel Cars, 3-Wheelers, Motorcycles $\leq$ 350cc	28%	18%
	Goods Transport Vehicles	28%	18%
Electronics	ACs, TVs (All Sizes), Monitors, Projectors, Dishwashers	28%	18%



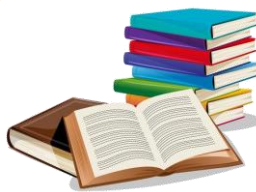
What's Costlier (As per related reforms)

Category	Item Description	From	To
Energy	Coal, Lignite, Peat	5%	18%
Paper	Chemical Wood Pulp, Paperboards	12%	18%
Textiles	Apparel & Quilts above ₹2,500	12%	18%



Important Terms Explained:

- **Input Tax Credit (ITC):** A mechanism under GST where a taxpayer can reduce the tax they have already paid on inputs from their final tax liability.
- **Zero Rated Supplies:** Exports and certain notified supplies where the GST rate is zero, but input credit is still available.
- **Inverted Duty Structure:** A situation where the tax rate on inputs is higher than that on the finished product, often causing refund and credit issues for businesses.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	GST Rate Cuts 2025 – What's Cheaper, What's Costlier
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	India (applicable nationwide)
Issuing authority	GST Council
Policy/series name	GST Rate Revision Reform 2025
Key figures	Nirmala Sitharaman (Finance Minister and GST Council Chairperson)
Purpose/reason	To provide financial relief to consumers and support key sectors
Feature details	GST rate cut from 18%/12%/28% to 5%/18%/Nil on wide range of goods/services
Validity or status	Effective as per notifications post September 2025
Strategic/significant value	Boosts consumption, lowers household costs, supports MSMEs and agriculture

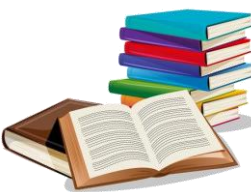


➤ **What is the main aim of the MoU signed between DPIIT and ICICI Bank?**

- A) Launching a credit scheme for farmers
- B) Providing corporate loans to MSMEs
- C) Supporting DPIIT-recognised startups with mentorship and pilot opportunities
- D) Establishing a new public-private bank
- E) Creating an export promotion council

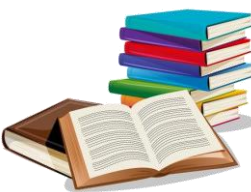
Answer

C) Supporting DPIIT-recognised startups with mentorship and pilot opportunities



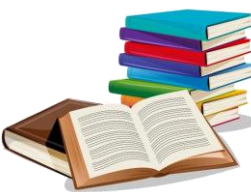
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Signing of MoU between DPIIT and ICICI Bank to support startups
- **Location:** Pan-India via Startup India platform (HQs in New Delhi and Mumbai)
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



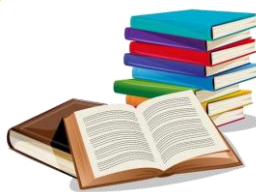
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) and ICICI Bank signed an MoU to launch a Startup Engagement Programme for DPIIT-recognised startups.
- **Objectives:**
 - To provide accelerator access, mentorship, pilot opportunities, and ecosystem integration to early- and growth-stage startups across India, promoting innovation, product-market fit, and business development.



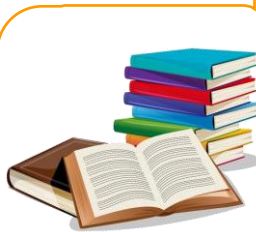
Important Terms Explained:

- **DPIIT (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade):**
 - A department under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry responsible for formulating and implementing policies to promote industrial growth and ease of doing business.
- **Startup India:**
 - A flagship initiative launched in 2016 by the Government of India to support startups through incentives, regulatory support, and ecosystem development.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Accelerator Programme:**
 - A fixed-term, cohort-based programme that includes mentorship, education, and networking to help startups scale rapidly.
- **ICICI Bank:**
 - One of India's largest private sector banks offering a wide range of financial services, now expanding into startup ecosystem partnerships.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	DPIIT–ICICI Bank MoU for Startup Engagement
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	Startup India platform (Pan-India outreach)
Issuing authority	DPIIT and ICICI Bank
Policy/series name	Startup India Initiative
Key figures	Shri Sanjiv (Joint Secretary, DPIIT), Sandeep Bakhshi (MD & CEO, ICICI Bank)
Purpose/reason	To foster early- and growth-stage startups via mentorship and pilot support
Feature details	Accelerator access, workspace, networking, pilot projects, structured mentoring
Validity or status	Active; hosted on Startup India portal
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens India's innovation ecosystem and startup pipeline

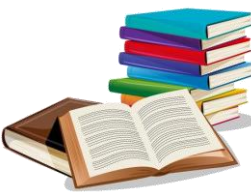


➤ **What is the last date for eligible Central Government employees to opt for the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS)?**

- A) 1 October 2025
- B) 30 August 2025
- C) 31 December 2025
- D) 30 September 2025
- E) 1 January 2026

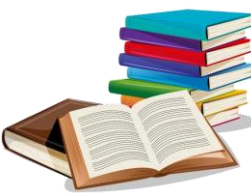
Answer

D) 30 September 2025



Event and Location:

- **Event:** One-time, one-way switch facility from UPS to NPS introduced for Central Government employees
- **Location:** Applicable to all eligible Central Government employees across India
- **Date:** August 25, 2025 (as per Office Memorandum issuance)



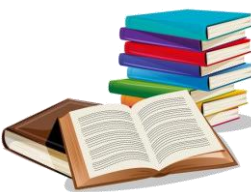
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Eligible Central Government employees currently under the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) are given a one-time, one-way option to switch to the National Pension System (NPS) before a fixed deadline under specific conditions.
- **Objectives:**
 - To empower employees with informed choice in planning their post-retirement security and to ensure flexibility in pension planning based on evolving preferences or needs.



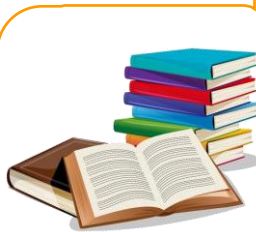
Important Terms Explained:

- **Unified Pension Scheme (UPS):**
 - A government-notified pension scheme providing guaranteed benefits to Central Government employees, effective for those who opted in through Notification No. F. No. FX-1/3/2024-PR.
- **National Pension System (NPS):**
 - A market-linked defined contribution pension system, regulated by PFRDA, allowing individuals to save for retirement through systematic investments in various financial instruments.



Important Terms Explained:

- **One-Time, One-Way Switch:**
 - A policy provision allowing Central Government employees under UPS to switch to NPS only once, with no reversal back to UPS permitted after switching.



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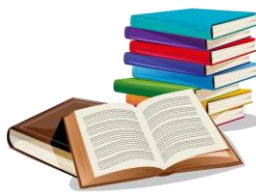
Parameter	Details
Event name	One-Time Switch Facility from UPS to NPS
Announcement date	August 25, 2025 (Office Memorandum issued)
Location	Applicable across India for Central Government employees
Issuing authority	Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance
Policy/series name	UPS-NPS Switch Facility
Key figures	Central Government employees under UPS/NPS
Purpose/reason	To allow flexibility in pension planning and post-retirement security
Feature details	One-way switch, deadline-based, irreversible switch to NPS
Validity or status	Active; deadline to switch/opt is 30th September 2025
Strategic/significant value	Supports employee autonomy in financial decisions for retirement planning



➤ What was India's Services PMI in August 2025, marking a 15-year high in growth?

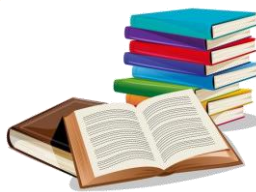
- A) 60.5
- B) 58.7
- C) 62.9
- D) 63.2
- E) 61.1

Answer
C) 62.9



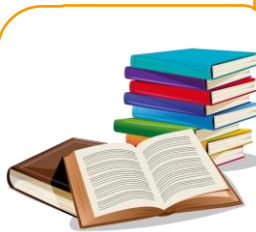
Event and Location:

- **Event:** India's Services PMI rises to 15-year high
- **Location:** India (nationwide economic data)
- **Date:** September 4, 2025 (data released)



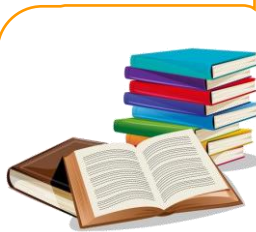
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The HSBC India Services PMI, compiled by S&P Global, rose to 62.9 in August 2025, indicating the strongest expansion in India's services sector in 15 years.
- **Objectives:** To measure business activity momentum, assess market resilience, and track trends in demand, pricing, and employment within the services industry.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI):** A survey-based economic indicator that measures the prevailing direction of business activity in manufacturing and services sectors. A value above 50 indicates expansion; below 50 signals contraction.
- **Composite PMI:** A combined measure of both manufacturing and services PMI to reflect overall private sector activity in the economy.
- **Output Price Inflation:** The rate at which companies increase prices charged to consumers, often influenced by rising input costs or higher demand.

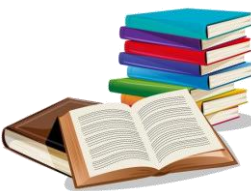


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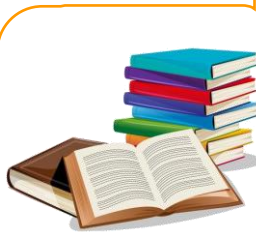
Parameter	Details
Event name	India's Services PMI Hits 15-Year High
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	India (nationwide)
Issuing authority	S&P Global (HSBC India Services PMI)
Policy/series name	Monthly PMI Report – August 2025
Key figures	Services PMI: 62.9; Composite PMI: 63.2
Purpose/reason	Reflect growth in services sector and overall economic strength
Feature details	Highest output growth in 15 years; fastest export order growth in 14 months
Validity or status	PMI data for August 2025
Strategic/significant value	Indicates strong business confidence and economic resilience in India's private sector



➤ Which country emerged as the largest source of FDI into India in Q1 FY26?

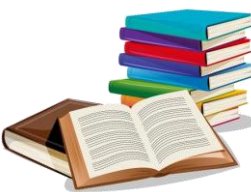
- A) Singapore
- B) Mauritius
- C) United Arab Emirates
- D) United States
- E) Japan

Answer
D) United States



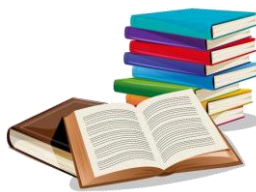
Event and Location:

- **Event:** India records 15% increase in FDI during Q1 FY26
- **Location:** India (nationwide investment data)
- **Date:** April–June FY26 (Data released September 4, 2025)



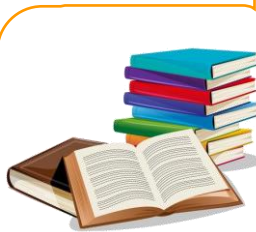
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India's Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows increased by 15% year-on-year in Q1 FY26, reaching USD 18.62 billion, led by a surge in U.S. investments and strong inflows into key sectors like software, services, and automobiles.
- **Objectives:** To attract foreign capital, strengthen strategic sectors, enhance ease of doing business, and position India as a global investment destination despite global trade tensions.



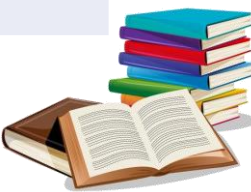
Important Terms Explained:

- **Foreign Direct Investment (FDI):** Investment made by a company or individual in one country into business interests located in another, typically through joint ventures, acquisitions, or setting up subsidiaries.
- **Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA):** The primary legal framework governing FDI and foreign exchange in India, administered by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- **Automatic Route (FDI):** A channel through which foreign investors can invest in Indian businesses without prior government approval, allowed in most sectors with up to 100% ownership.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	India's FDI Inflows Rise by 15% in Q1 FY26
Announcement date	September 4, 2025 (Data for April–June FY26)
Location	India (nationwide)
Issuing authority	Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Ministry of Commerce
Policy/series name	Quarterly FDI Report – FY26 Q1
Key figures	USD 18.62 bn (inflows); USD 25.2 bn (total FDI)
Purpose/reason	To boost economic growth, technology transfer, and global integration
Feature details	U.S. leads with USD 5.61 bn; Karnataka tops states; major inflows in tech, services, energy
Validity or status	Quarterly performance for Q1 FY26
Strategic/significant value	Indicates investor confidence in India amid global uncertainties; supports growth in high-impact sectors

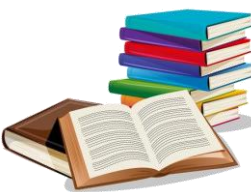


➤ **What is the primary focus of the NextGen GST reforms praised by PM Narendra Modi in September 2025?**

- A) Increasing GST rates on luxury goods
- B) Expanding GST to cover agricultural income
- C) Simplifying tax structure and promoting equity
- D) Introducing new cess for online services
- E) Replacing GST with VAT

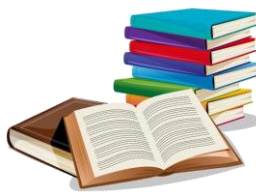
Answer

C) Simplifying tax structure and promoting equity



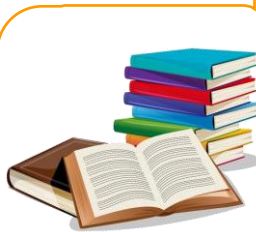
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Prime Minister's praise of NextGen GST reforms and their role in building Viksit Bharat
- **Location:** New Delhi, India (National coverage)
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



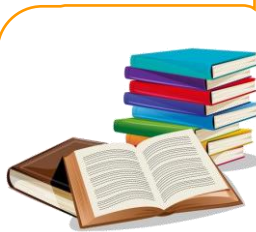
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Prime Minister highlighted the government's long-standing commitment to economic reforms including corporate tax cuts, unified GST implementation, and personal income tax restructuring.
- **Objectives:**
 - To showcase the NextGen GST reforms as a means of simplifying the tax system, enhancing Ease of Living, promoting economic growth, and laying the foundation for a Viksit Bharat.



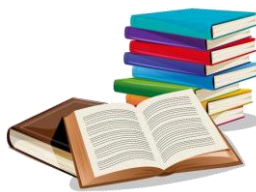
Important Terms Explained:

- **NextGen GST Reforms:** Refers to the latest phase of Goods and Services Tax reforms, focusing on rate rationalisation, simplification of tax slabs, and a fairer, growth-centric system.
- **Ease of Living:** A governance framework aimed at reducing bureaucratic and financial burdens on citizens through simplified systems, digital access, and tax reforms.
- **Viksit Bharat:** A vision to make India a fully developed nation by 2047 through economic, technological, and infrastructural advancements.



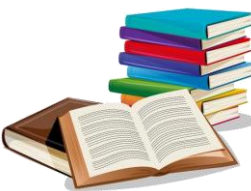
Important Terms Explained:

- **Fiscal Discipline:** The government's strategy to maintain responsible public spending, reduce fiscal deficits, and ensure long-term economic sustainability, earning improved credit ratings.
- **Unified Market:** A nationwide economic environment where goods and services can move freely across states without tax barriers, enabled by GST.



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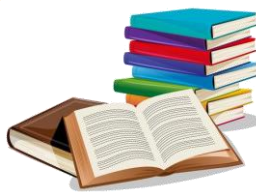
Parameter	Details
Event name	Prime Minister hails NextGen GST reforms
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	India-wide
Issuing authority	Prime Minister's Office (PMO)
Policy/series name	NextGen GST Reforms
Key figures	PM Narendra Modi, FM Nirmala Sitharaman
Purpose/reason	To simplify taxation, enhance economic fairness, and promote national growth
Feature details	Rate rationalisation, tax slab simplification, digital tax administration
Validity or status	Reforms announced; effective from September 22, 2025
Strategic value	Lays foundation for a developed India (Viksit Bharat)



➤ **What was the total number of Aadhaar authentication transactions recorded in August 2025?**

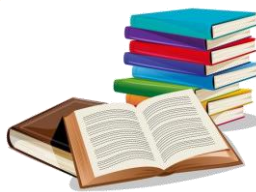
- A) 213 crore
- B) 38.53 crore
- C) 221 crore
- D) 186 crore
- E) 128 crore

Answer
C) 221 crore



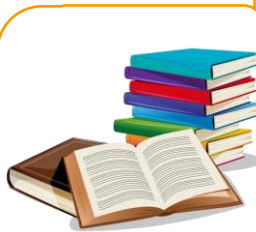
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Aadhaar authentication crosses 221 crore transactions in a single month
- **Location:** India (nationwide)
- **Date:** August 2025



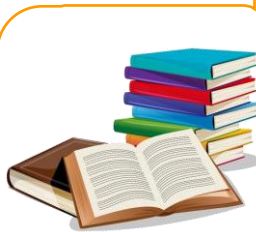
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) recorded over 221 crore Aadhaar authentication transactions in August 2025, with growing adoption of face authentication and e-KYC services.
- **Objectives:**
 - To enhance the digital identity ecosystem, support efficient delivery of welfare services, and streamline customer onboarding through AI-powered authentication and secure e-KYC mechanisms.



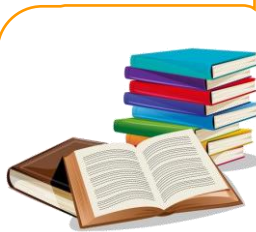
Important Terms Explained:

- **Aadhaar Authentication:**
 - A process where an individual's Aadhaar number and biometric or demographic information is verified through UIDAI to confirm identity.
- **Face Authentication:**
 - An AI-based modality that allows identity verification through a face scan; used in both Android and iOS environments to promote contactless, secure authentication.



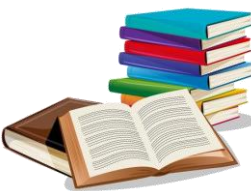
Important Terms Explained:

- **e-KYC (Electronic Know Your Customer):**
 - A service that enables paperless verification of identity and address using Aadhaar credentials, widely used in financial services, telecom, and other sectors.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Aadhaar Authentication Hits 221 Crore in August 2025
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	India (nationwide)
Issuing authority	UIDAI – Unique Identification Authority of India
Policy/series name	Aadhaar Authentication & e-KYC Services
Key figures	221 crore total authentications, 18.6 crore face authentications
Purpose/reason	Promote secure identity verification & digital service delivery
Feature details	AI-based face scan, e-KYC for banking and welfare access
Validity or status	Ongoing and increasing usage
Strategic/significant value	Boosts digital economy, enhances welfare reach, streamlines onboarding



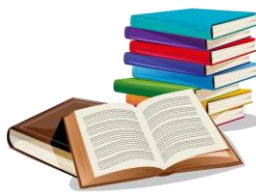
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➤ **As per the SC Collegium's recommendation in September 2025, how many judges have been proposed for the Allahabad High Court?**

- A) 12
- B) 20
- C) 26
- D) 16
- E) 30

Answer
C) 26

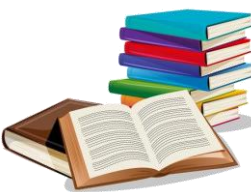


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** SC Collegium recommends 26 judges for Allahabad High Court
- **Location:** Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh (applicable to the Allahabad HC)
- **Date:** September 1, 2025

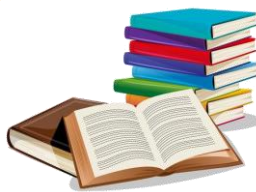


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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Supreme Court Collegium recommended the appointment of 26 new judges—including judicial officers and advocates—to the Allahabad High Court, addressing long-standing vacancies.
- **Objectives:** To reduce the high backlog of cases, improve the pace of justice delivery, and enhance gender representation within the judiciary.

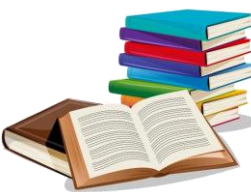


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Important Terms Explained:

- **Supreme Court Collegium:** A group comprising the Chief Justice of India and senior Supreme Court judges responsible for recommending appointments and transfers of judges in higher judiciary.
- **Article 217:** The constitutional provision that governs the appointment of High Court judges by the President of India, in consultation with the Chief Justice of India, Governor of the State, and Chief Justice of the High Court (if not appointing a CJ).
- **Allahabad High Court:** The largest High Court in India by sanctioned strength, which is facing a significant judicial manpower shortfall.

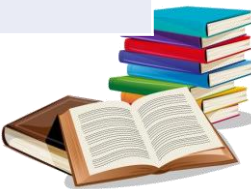


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Parameter	Details
Event name	SC Collegium Recommends 26 Judges for Allahabad High Court
Announcement date	September 1, 2025
Location	Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh
Issuing authority	Supreme Court Collegium
Policy/series name	High Court Judge Appointment Recommendation
Key figures	Chief Justice of India (Collegium Head), Senior Advocates Garima Parshad, Swarupama Chaturvedi
Purpose/reason	To fill record vacancies and strengthen judicial functioning
Feature details	14 judicial officers, 12 advocates including senior women lawyers recommended
Validity or status	Awaiting presidential approval under Article 217
Strategic/significant value	Reduces case pendency, improves judicial efficiency, and promotes gender diversity



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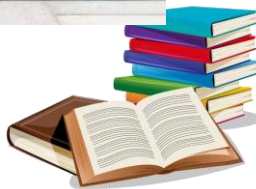


➤ **Who has been appointed as the Air Officer-in-Charge Maintenance (AOM) at Indian Air Force Headquarters in 2025?**

- A) Air Marshal V R Chaudhari
- B) Air Marshal Pankaj Mohan Sinha
- C) Air Marshal Sanjiv Ghuratia
- D) Air Marshal Harjit Singh Arora
- E) Air Marshal Anil Khosla

Answer

C) Air Marshal Sanjiv Ghuratia

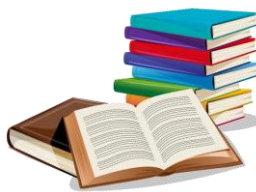


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Air Marshal Sanjiv Ghuratia appointed as Air Officer-in-Charge Maintenance, IAF
- **Location:** Indian Air Force Headquarters, New Delhi
- **Date:** September 4, 2025

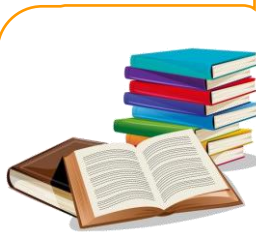


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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Air Marshal Sanjiv Ghuratia took charge as Air Officer-in-Charge Maintenance (AOM), responsible for overseeing the logistics, repair, and maintenance infrastructure of the Indian Air Force.
- **Objectives:** To ensure operational readiness and technical efficiency of IAF assets by leveraging Ghuratia's vast experience in aeronautical engineering and defence logistics.

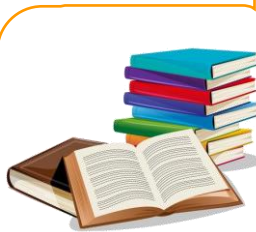


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Important Terms Explained:

- **Air Officer-in-Charge Maintenance (AOM):** A top-level IAF post responsible for managing all maintenance operations, infrastructure upgrades, and technical logistics across Indian Air Force commands.
- **AVSM (Ati Vishisht Seva Medal):** A prestigious military award conferred for “distinguished service of an exceptional order” to personnel of the Indian Armed Forces.
- **VSM (Vishisht Seva Medal):** Awarded for distinguished service of a high order, recognizing contributions in military leadership and operations.

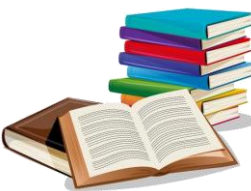


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Appointment of Air Marshal Sanjiv Ghuratia as IAF Maintenance Head
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	Indian Air Force Headquarters, New Delhi
Issuing authority	Indian Air Force
Policy/series name	Senior Appointments – IAF 2025
Key figures	Air Marshal Sanjiv Ghuratia AVSM VSM
Purpose/reason	To strengthen IAF's maintenance capabilities with expert leadership
Feature details	Over 37 years of service; global exposure; technical and academic expertise
Validity or status	Officially assumed charge in September 2025
Strategic/significant value	Enhances logistics efficiency and operational readiness of Indian Air Force



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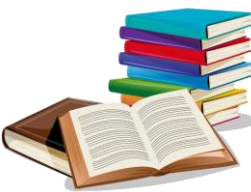


➤ **Who has been appointed as the new Secretary of the Ministry of Mines as of September 2025?**

- A) V.L. Kantha Rao
- B) Pankaj Kumar
- C) Piyush Goyal (IAS)
- D) Amitabh Kant
- E) Sanjay Malhotra

Answer

C) Piyush Goyal (IAS)

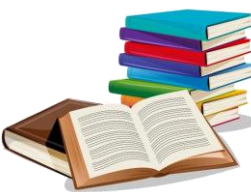


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Appointment of new Secretary to the Ministry of Mines
- **Location:** Ministry of Mines, New Delhi
- **Date:** September 4, 2025

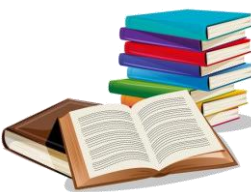


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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Shri Piyush Goyal, a 1994-batch IAS officer from the Nagaland cadre, took charge as the new Secretary of the Ministry of Mines, Government of India.
- **Objectives:**
 - To lead the strategic and administrative functions of the Ministry of Mines and continue advancing India's mineral exploration, mining policy, and resource management for economic development.

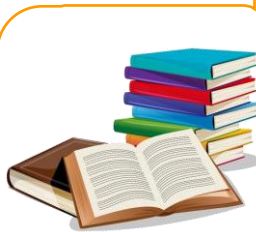


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Important Terms Explained:

- **Secretary (Ministry of Mines):**
 - The top bureaucratic position in the Ministry responsible for policy formulation, implementation, and coordination of mining and mineral development in India.
- **NATGRID (National Intelligence Grid):**
 - A counter-terrorism grid under the Ministry of Home Affairs that connects databases of core security agencies to improve access and analysis of information.

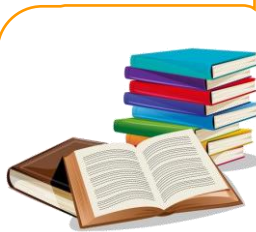


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Important Terms Explained:

- **Ministry of Mines:**
 - A Union Ministry responsible for survey and exploration of all minerals (excluding petroleum and atomic minerals), regulation of mines, and development of mining activities.

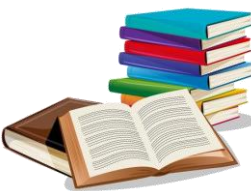


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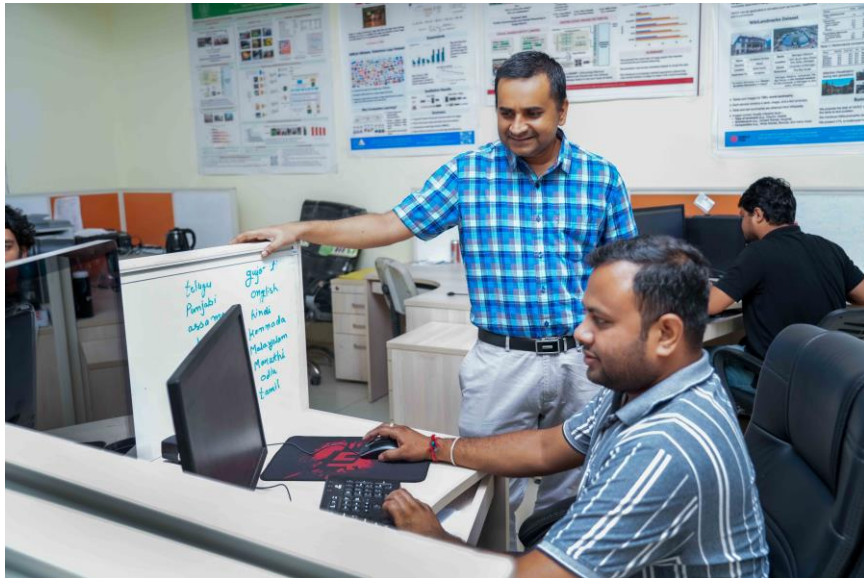


Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Appointment of Secretary, Ministry of Mines
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	New Delhi
Issuing authority	Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
New Appointee	Shri Piyush Goyal (IAS, 1994 batch, Nagaland cadre)
Previous Position	CEO, NATGRID (Ministry of Home Affairs)
Predecessor	Shri V.L. Kantha Rao (Now Secretary, Dept. of Water Resources)
Purpose/reason	Senior-level bureaucratic appointment in strategic ministry
Feature details	Administrative charge of mining policy and mineral governance
Strategic/significant value	Supports India's mining sector reforms, economic development

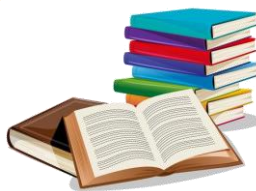


➤ Which IIT has developed open-source AI tools under the Bhashini project for 13 Indian languages?



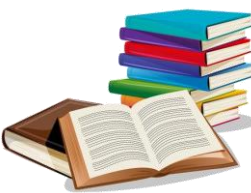
- A) IIT Madras
- B) IIT Bombay
- C) IIT Jodhpur
- D) IIT Delhi
- E) IIT Kanpur

Answer
C) IIT Jodhpur



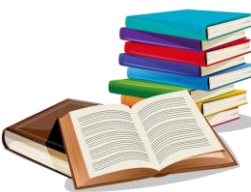
Event and Location:

- **Event:** IIT Jodhpur develops AI tools for Indian languages and cultural preservation
- **Location:** Jodhpur, Rajasthan (applicable nationwide)
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Vision, Language and Learning Group (VL2G) at IIT Jodhpur, led by Prof. Anand Mishra, developed open-source scene-text recognition APIs for 13 Indian languages and is deploying AI for manuscript restoration, video analytics, and indigenous technological advancement.
- **Objectives:** To build inclusive, open-source AI solutions that address India's linguistic diversity, preserve cultural heritage, enable multilingual access, and improve societal outcomes like skill development and safety.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Bhashini Project:** A flagship initiative by the Government of India to make digital services and information available in Indian languages using AI and language technology.
- **Scene Text Recognition:** An AI capability to detect and understand text present in natural scenes like road signs, boards, or shop names in multiple languages.
- **OCR (Optical Character Recognition):** A technology that converts scanned or photographed text documents into machine-readable text, used here for ancient manuscript digitization.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	IIT Jodhpur Develops AI Tools for Indian Languages and Heritage
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	IIT Jodhpur, Rajasthan
Issuing authority	VL2G Lab, IIT Jodhpur in collaboration with IGNCA, Bhashini, Accenture Labs
Policy/series name	Bhashini Project, India@2047 Innovation Vision
Key figures	Prof. Anand Mishra (VL2G Lead), Prof. Santanu Chaudhury (Director, IITJ)
Purpose/reason	To promote inclusive innovation in language tech and cultural preservation
Feature details	13-language AI APIs, manuscript restoration, video AI for skills/safety
Validity or status	Active research and deployment phase
Strategic/significant value	Bridges language gap, digitizes heritage, enhances AI accessibility in India

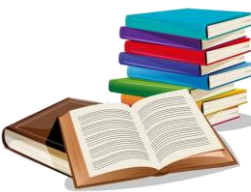


➤ **Where was the newly inaugurated TDK Advanced Lithium-ion Battery Plant located?**

- A) Noida, Uttar Pradesh
- B) Bawal, Haryana
- C) Sohna, Haryana
- D) Gurugram, Haryana
- E) Faridabad, Haryana

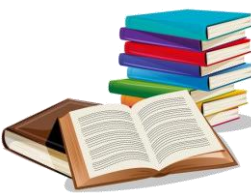
Answer

C) Sohna, Haryana



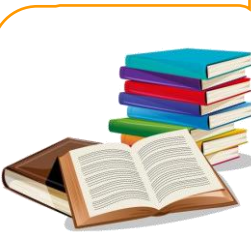
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of TDK Advanced Li-ion Battery Plant
- **Location:** Sohna, Haryana
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



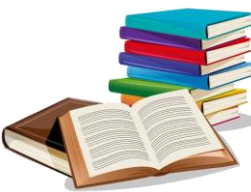
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - TDK Corporation inaugurated a state-of-the-art Lithium-ion battery manufacturing facility under the Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC) Scheme in Sohna, Haryana, with Union Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw officiating the launch.
- **Objectives:**
 - To manufacture 20 crore battery packs annually (40% of India's requirement), support the Atmanirbhar Bharat vision, create 5,000 jobs, and reduce India's dependence on imported electronic components.



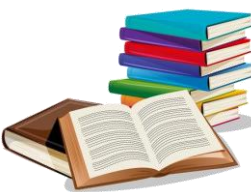
Important Terms Explained:

- **Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC) Scheme:**
 - A government initiative to create world-class infrastructure for electronics manufacturing and attract investments to develop a robust ESDM ecosystem.
- **Lithium-ion Battery Packs:**
 - Rechargeable batteries widely used in electronic devices like smartphones, laptops, and wearables, critical to India's growing digital and mobility needs.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Atmanirbhar Bharat:**
 - A national vision launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to make India self-reliant across sectors including manufacturing, energy, defence, and digital technologies.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Inauguration of Advanced Li-ion Battery Plant by TDK
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	Sohna, Haryana
Issuing authority	Ministry of Electronics and IT, Govt of India
Policy/series name	Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC) Scheme
Key figures	Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, TDK Corporation
Purpose/reason	Boost domestic battery production, reduce import dependence
Feature details	Plant to produce 20 crore packs/year, meet 40% of national demand
Validity or status	Operational from September 2025
Strategic/significant value	Enhances Atmanirbhar Bharat in electronics manufacturing and job creation

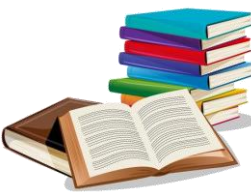


➤ Which RISC-V based chip design startup launched an automated SoC Generator Platform at Semicon India 2025?

- A) Vervesemi
- B) Aheesa Digital
- C) InCore Semiconductors
- D) MBit Wireless
- E) MosChip Technologies

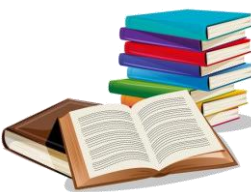
Answer

C) InCore Semiconductors



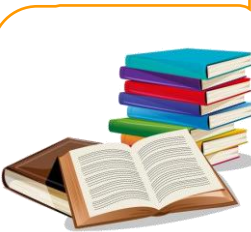
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of indigenous System-on-Chip (SoC) platforms and showcase under DLI Scheme at Semicon India 2025
- **Location:** Yashobhoomi, New Delhi
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



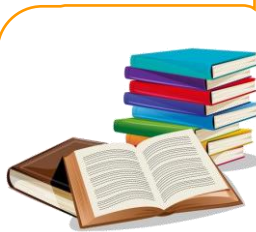
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Startups supported under the Design Linked Incentive (DLI) Scheme showcased chip design innovations including SoCs for networking, surveillance, energy meters, motor control, space, and telecom during Semicon India 2025.
- **Objectives:**
 - To advance India's vision of becoming a full-stack semiconductor nation, boost Aatmanirbharta in chip design, support IP creation, and reduce import dependence through RISC-V based innovation and indigenous chip development.



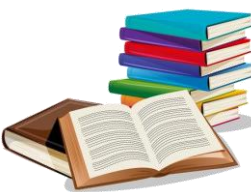
Important Terms Explained:

- **Design Linked Incentive (DLI) Scheme:**
 - A flagship initiative of the Ministry of Electronics & IT to promote domestic semiconductor design companies by offering financial and infrastructural support for IP, design, and prototyping.
- **RISC-V Architecture:**
 - An open-source, royalty-free Reduced Instruction Set Computing architecture that allows companies to design custom processors without licensing costs. Developed at UC Berkeley, RISC-V is modular, scalable, and highly suited for next-gen innovation.



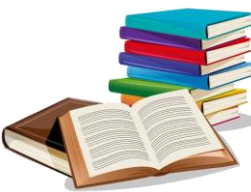
Important Terms Explained:

- **System-on-Chip (SoC) Generator Platform:**
 - An automated chip design environment that reduces frontend SoC design time from months to minutes, integrating IP cores and tools efficiently to streamline chip production and reduce design risks.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Semicon India 2025
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	Yashobhoomi, New Delhi
Issuing authority	Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY)
Policy/series name	Design Linked Incentive (DLI) Scheme
Key figures	PM Narendra Modi, Ashwini Vaishnaw, Jitin Prasada
Purpose/reason	Showcase India's chip design advancements and promote fabless ecosystem
Feature details	SoCs for broadband, energy meters, motor control, CCTV, 4G, space
Validity or status	Projects in pilot/testing/production stages; rollout expected by 2026-27
Strategic/significant value	Step toward Aatmanirbhar Bharat in semiconductors; boosts innovation and IP creation

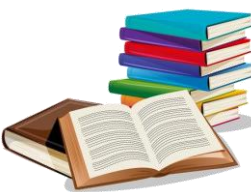


➤ **Which of the following technologies was transferred by DRDO to BHEL under the LAToT agreement?**

- A) Naval-grade titanium plates
- B) DMR-1700 steel sheets
- C) Radome manufacturing technology
- D) DMR 249A steel for aviation
- E) Carbon-fiber composite beams

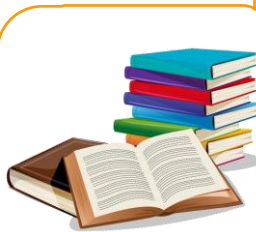
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C) Radome manufacturing technology



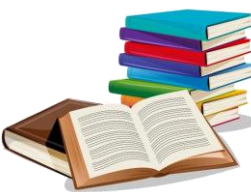
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Transfer of three advanced materials technologies by DRDO
- **Location:** DMRL, Hyderabad, Telangana
- **Date:** August 30, 2025



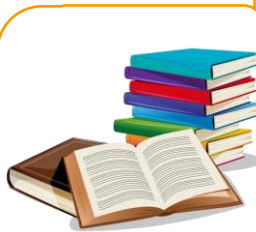
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - DRDO's Defence Metallurgical Research Laboratory (DMRL) transferred three indigenously developed materials technologies to private and public sector industries.
- **Objectives:**
 - To promote self-reliance in high-performance defence materials and accelerate the commercial and strategic deployment of indigenous technologies through industry collaboration.



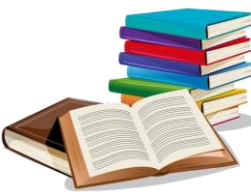
Important Terms Explained:

- **LAToT (Licensing Agreement for Transfer of Technology):**
 - A formal agreement that enables industry partners to receive, produce, and commercialize DRDO-developed technologies.
- **Radome:**
 - A structural, weatherproof enclosure that protects radar or sensor systems on missiles and aircraft without interfering with signal transmission.



Important Terms Explained:

- **DMR 1700 Steel:**
 - An ultra-high strength steel with excellent fracture toughness, suitable for demanding defence structural applications.
- **DMR 249A HSLA Steel:**
 - A high-strength, low-alloy (HSLA) steel meeting stringent naval standards, ideal for shipbuilding and naval platform construction.

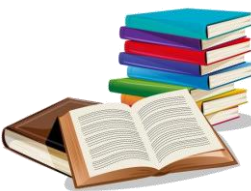


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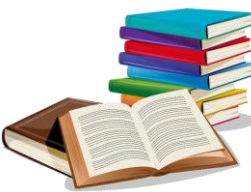
Parameter	Details
Event name	DRDO Technology Transfer to Industry Partners
Announcement date	August 30, 2025
Location	DMRL, Hyderabad
Issuing authority	DRDO (Defence Metallurgical Research Laboratory)
Policy/series name	Licensing Agreement for Transfer of Technology (LAToT)
Key figures	Dr. Samir V Kamat, Dr. R Balamuralikrishnan, Dr. RV Hara Prasad
Purpose/reason	To strengthen industry-research collaboration and promote indigenous tech
Feature details	Radome manufacturing, DMR-1700 steel sheets, DMR 249A steel plates
Validity or status	Active, handed over to industry partners
Strategic/significant value	Boosts self-reliance in missile systems, naval shipbuilding, and defence-grade metals



➤ Under which article of the Paris Agreement was the India–Japan Joint Credit Mechanism (JCM) signed?

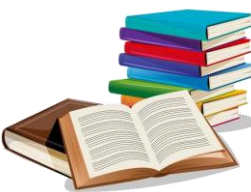
- A) Article 4.2
- B) Article 3.1
- C) Article 6.2
- D) Article 2.5
- E) Article 7.3

Answer
C) Article 6.2



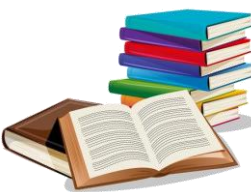
Event and Location:

- **Event:** India and Japan sign Joint Credit Mechanism (JCM) for climate action and carbon trading
- **Location:** Bilateral agreement between India and Japan
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



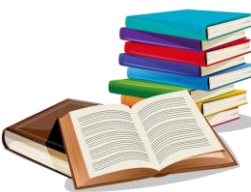
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (India) and the Government of Japan signed a Joint Credit Mechanism (JCM) under Article 6.2 of the Paris Agreement to enable bilateral carbon trading, green investment, and technology transfer.
- **Objectives:** To reduce greenhouse gas emissions through bilateral carbon markets, strengthen sustainable manufacturing, ensure access to green finance, and build a resilient rare earth and clean energy ecosystem.



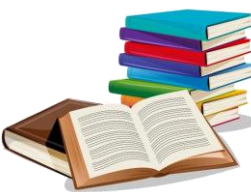
Important Terms Explained:

- **Joint Credit Mechanism (JCM):** A bilateral framework that enables two countries to collaborate on emission reduction projects and trade carbon credits (ITMOs) to meet their respective Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).
- **Article 6.2 (Paris Agreement):** Provides legal space for countries to enter into voluntary, cooperative approaches like carbon trading and technology sharing to meet climate goals.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Internationally Transferred Mitigation Outcomes (ITMOs):** Carbon credits generated by one country that can be transferred to another under Article 6 mechanisms, supporting global mitigation and finance flow.
- **Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (India):** Launched in 2023, this national market allows Indian entities to trade emissions permits and offsets under government oversight.



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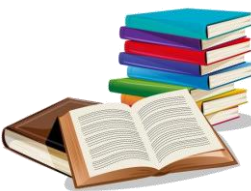
Parameter	Details
Event name	India–Japan Joint Credit Mechanism (JCM) Agreement
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	India–Japan bilateral agreement
Issuing authority	Ministry of Environment (India) & Government of Japan
Policy/series name	Joint Credit Mechanism (JCM) under Paris Agreement Article 6.2
Key figures	PM Narendra Modi, PM Fumio Kishida
Purpose/reason	Promote carbon trading, green tech transfer, and climate finance
Feature details	Bilateral carbon credits, ITMO trade, rare earth resilience, Net Zero by 2070
Validity or status	Agreement signed and operational framework being implemented
Strategic/significant value	Offers a climate finance model, supports NDCs, and strengthens India's global climate leadership



➤ **When will the India-EFTA Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA) officially come into force?**

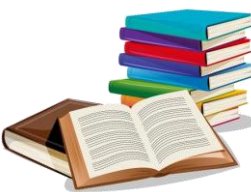
- A) March 10, 2024
- B) January 1, 2025
- C) October 1, 2025
- D) August 15, 2025
- E) December 31, 2025

Answer
C) October 1, 2025



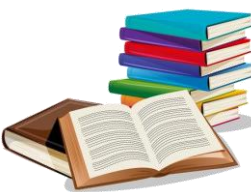
Event and Location:

- **Event:** India-EFTA Free Trade Agreement (TEPA) to take effect
- **Location:** India and EFTA countries (Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein)
- **Date:** October 1, 2025



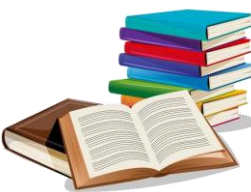
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The India-EFTA Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA) comes into effect from October 1, 2025, with a legal commitment of USD 100 billion investment over 15 years and sustainability-linked trade provisions.
- **Objectives:** To boost foreign investment, create employment, improve market access, enhance global value chain integration, and promote environmentally and socially responsible trade.



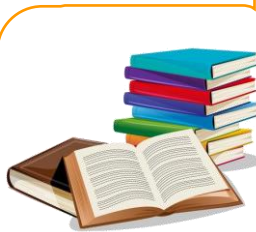
Important Terms Explained:

- **EFTA (European Free Trade Association):** A regional trade bloc formed in 1960 under the Stockholm Convention, currently comprising Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein, aimed at promoting free trade and economic cooperation.
- **Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA):** A bilateral trade agreement between India and EFTA countries signed in March 2024 that includes investment, tariff reduction, and sustainable development goals.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Sustainability Clause:** Legally binding provisions in the TEPA that uphold labour rights, environmental protection, and human rights as part of the trade agreement — a first in India's trade history.

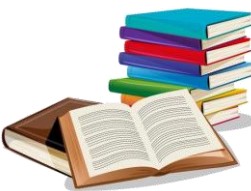


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	India-EFTA Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA)
Announcement date	To take effect from October 1, 2025
Location	India and EFTA countries
Issuing authority	Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India
Policy/series name	India–EFTA TEPA Agreement
Key figures	PM Narendra Modi, EFTA member state leaders
Purpose/reason	Boost investment, jobs, trade, and sustainability through structured FTA
Feature details	\$100B investment, 1M jobs, reduced tariffs, sustainability clause
Validity or status	Comes into effect from October 1, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Enhances India's global trade image, aligns with SDGs, ensures responsible growth

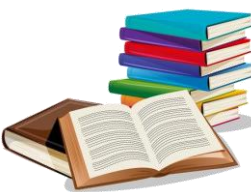


➤ Which of the following is not one of the eight core areas identified under the India-Singapore Comprehensive Strategic Partnership Roadmap?

- A) Space and Nuclear Arms Control
- B) Economic Cooperation
- C) Digitalisation
- D) Healthcare and Medicine
- E) Defence and Security

Answer

A) Space and Nuclear Arms Control

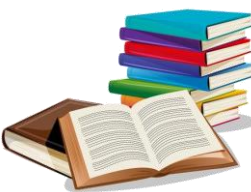


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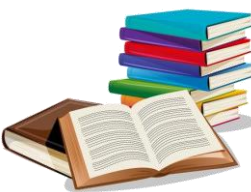
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Adoption of roadmap for Comprehensive Strategic Partnership between India and Singapore
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



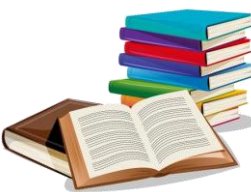
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Prime Ministers Narendra Modi and Lawrence Wong held high-level talks and adopted a forward-looking roadmap under the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP) framework to deepen bilateral ties across eight key domains.
- **Objectives:**
 - To strengthen cooperation in economic, strategic, technological, and cultural areas, while enhancing connectivity, security, sustainability, and healthcare—marking 60 years of India-Singapore diplomatic ties.



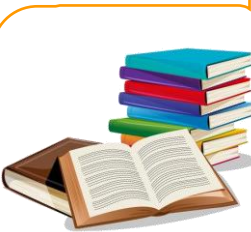
Important Terms Explained:

- **Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP):**
 - An elevated bilateral framework outlining priority areas for long-term cooperation between India and Singapore.
- **CECA (Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement):**
 - A trade pact between India and Singapore aimed at reducing tariffs, increasing investments, and enhancing economic ties.



Important Terms Explained:

- **GIFT Connect (NSE-IFSC-SGX):**
 - A strategic initiative that links Singapore Exchange (SGX) and India's International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) to deepen capital market access.
- **UPI-PayNow Linkage:**
 - A cross-border real-time payment system enabling instant fund transfers between India's UPI and Singapore's PayNow users.
- **Green and Digital Shipping Corridor (GDSC):**
 - A proposed maritime partnership between India and Singapore to promote eco-friendly shipping and digital trade logistics.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	India-Singapore Comprehensive Strategic Partnership Roadmap
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Government of India & Republic of Singapore
Policy/series name	Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP)
Key figures	PM Narendra Modi, PM Lawrence Wong
Purpose/reason	To deepen bilateral ties and cooperation across 8 strategic domains
Feature details	CECA 3rd Review, digital payment linkages, green shipping corridor, AI & semiconductor ties
Validity or status	Roadmap officially adopted; implementation through Ministerial Roundtables
Strategic value	Strengthens regional security, trade, digital & defence cooperation; aligns with India's Indo-Pacific vision

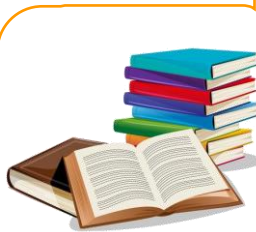


➤ Under which national mission has the government launched a ₹1,500 crore incentive scheme for critical mineral recycling?

- A) National Rare Earth Strategy
- B) Digital India Mission
- C) Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan
- D) National Critical Mineral Mission
- E) National Battery Development Plan

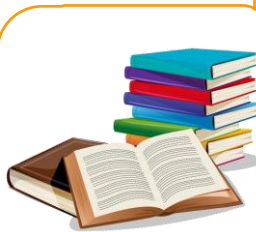
Answer

D) National Critical Mineral Mission



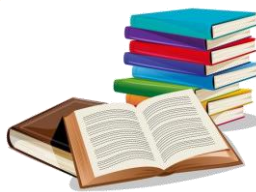
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Union Cabinet approves ₹1,500 crore incentive scheme for mineral recycling
- **Location:** India (nationwide implementation)
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



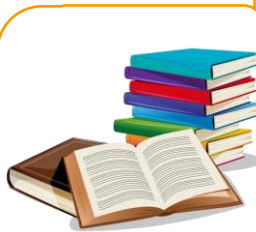
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved a ₹1,500 crore incentive scheme under the National Critical Mineral Mission to promote recycling of critical minerals from battery and electronic waste.
- **Objectives:** To reduce import dependence, build domestic mineral recycling capacity, strengthen supply chain resilience, and support industrial ecosystems for clean energy technologies and electronics.



Important Terms Explained:

- **National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM):** A government initiative aimed at ensuring a sustainable supply of critical minerals vital for clean energy, electric mobility, and high-tech industries.
- **Critical Minerals:** Elements like lithium, cobalt, and rare earths essential for national security and modern technologies, often facing supply chain vulnerabilities.
- **Black Mass:** A semi-processed mixture obtained from recycling batteries, containing valuable metals but not yet refined into extractable form. Only facilities performing final extraction will qualify for incentives.

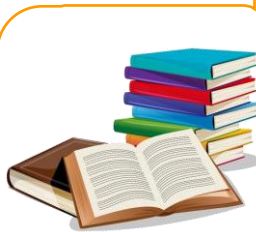


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Parameter	Details
Event name	₹1,500 Crore Incentive Scheme for Mineral Recycling
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	India
Issuing authority	Union Cabinet chaired by PM Narendra Modi
Policy/series name	National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM)
Key figures	Narendra Modi (Prime Minister)
Purpose/reason	Promote recycling of critical minerals and reduce import reliance
Feature details	Incentives for capex and opex; targeted at battery waste and e-waste
Validity or status	FY 2025–26 to FY 2030–31 (6 years)
Strategic/significant value	Supports clean energy, tech manufacturing, and circular economy goals

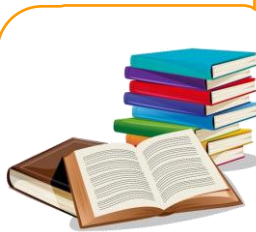


➤ **What is the main purpose of the Centre of Excellence being established by UPSC in 2025?**

- A) Conduct recruitment exams for IITs
- B) Offer coaching to UPSC aspirants
- C) Act as a repository of best recruitment practices
- D) Replace State Public Service Commissions
- E) Conduct only interviews for civil services

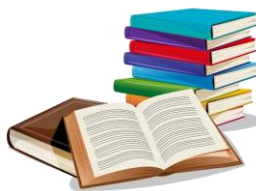
Answer

C) Act as a repository of best recruitment practices



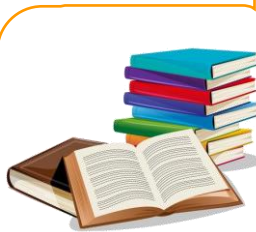
Event and Location:

- **Event:** UPSC announces Centre of Excellence to promote best practices in recruitment
- **Location:** Nationwide (virtual meeting with 27 State PSCs)
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



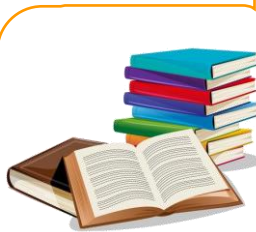
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) has announced the setting up of a Centre of Excellence (CoE) to document and disseminate best practices followed in recruitment by both UPSC and State PSCs.
- **Objectives:** To enhance transparency, efficiency, and innovation in recruitment, ensure uniform standards, and promote collaborative governance between UPSC and State PSCs.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Centre of Excellence (CoE):** A dedicated institutional platform to compile, preserve, and share best practices, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), and successful models across recruitment agencies.
- **Pratibha Setu Portal:** A UPSC initiative that connects candidates who reached the interview stage but did not qualify in the final list with alternative job opportunities.
- **Articles 315–323:** Constitutional provisions that govern the Union Public Service Commission and State Public Service Commissions, including their powers, appointments, and functions.



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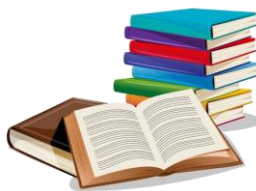
Parameter	Details
Event name	UPSC to set up Centre of Excellence for Best Practices
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	India (virtual meeting)
Issuing authority	Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)
Policy/series name	Centre of Excellence (CoE) – Best Practices Repository
Key figures	Dr. Ajay Kumar (Chairman, UPSC)
Purpose/reason	To improve recruitment efficiency, transparency, and innovation
Feature details	SOPs repository, innovation hub, supports UPSC & State PSC coordination
Validity or status	Initiative launched and being institutionalized
Strategic/significant value	Promotes cooperative federalism, improves public service recruitment system



➤ What is the new installed power generation capacity of Chhattisgarh as of 2025?

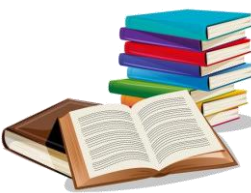
- A) 14,000 MW
- B) 60,000 MW
- C) 45,000 MW
- D) 30,000 MW
- E) 25,000 MW

Answer
D) 30,000 MW



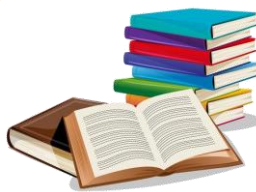
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Chhattisgarh's installed power capacity increases to 30,000 MW
- **Location:** Chhattisgarh, India
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



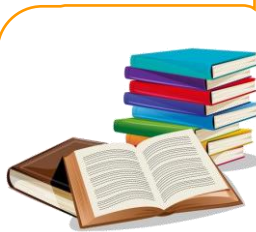
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Chhattisgarh has expanded its electricity generation capacity from 1,400 MW in 2000 to 30,000 MW in 2025, with a ₹3 lakh crore investment plan to further double capacity and promote renewable energy.
- **Objectives:** To transform the state into a national power hub, attract global and domestic investments, ensure energy security, and accelerate sustainable energy transition.



Important Terms Explained:

- **PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana:** A central government scheme aimed at providing free electricity through rooftop solar installations in rural and low-income households.
- **MoUs (Memoranda of Understanding):** Non-binding agreements signed with investors to facilitate industrial projects, in this case focused on power sector expansion.
- **Renewable Energy:** Energy from natural sources such as sunlight, wind, and water. Chhattisgarh is integrating solar projects to diversify its energy mix and promote sustainability.

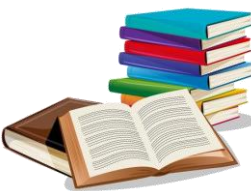


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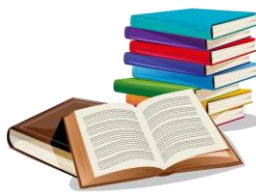
Parameter	Details
Event name	Chhattisgarh's Power Generation Capacity Reaches 30,000 MW
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	Chhattisgarh
Issuing authority	State Government of Chhattisgarh
Policy/series name	Power Infrastructure & Investment Roadmap
Key figures	CM Vishnu Deo Sai, PM Narendra Modi
Purpose/reason	Expand energy generation, attract ₹3 lakh crore investment, boost renewables
Feature details	From 1,400 MW in 2000 to 30,000 MW in 2025; 1,320 MW plant inaugurated
Validity or status	Ongoing infrastructure and investment expansion plan
Strategic/significant value	Positions Chhattisgarh as a power-exporting state and renewable energy leader



➤ Which state launched the Autumn Calendar 2025 to promote tourism, culture, and local economy?

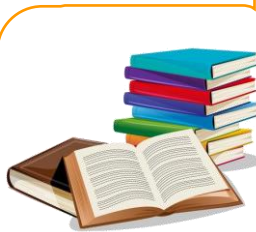
- A) Assam
- B) Himachal Pradesh
- C) Meghalaya
- D) Sikkim
- E) Nagaland

Answer
C) Meghalaya



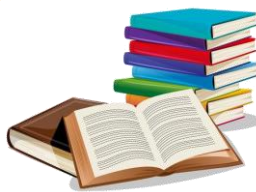
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Meghalaya launches Autumn Calendar 2025 to boost culture and tourism
- **Location:** Meghalaya, India
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



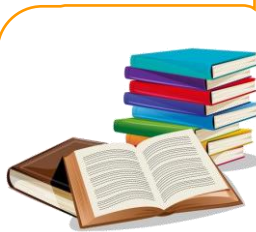
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Department of Tourism, Meghalaya launched the Autumn Calendar 2025 featuring a series of events including music festivals, international sports, and cultural showcases.
- **Objectives:** To promote sustainable tourism, boost the local economy, showcase Meghalaya's cultural heritage, and provide global exposure to local artists and communities.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Meghalaya Grassroots Music Project:** A daily live music initiative under the Chief Minister's leadership to promote emerging local talent across the state.
- **Cherry Blossom Festival:** A globally recognized cultural event featuring musical performances, art, and tourism activities centered around Meghalaya's blooming cherry blossoms.
- **Sustainable Tourism:** A model of tourism that focuses on preserving local ecosystems and cultures while providing economic benefits to native communities.

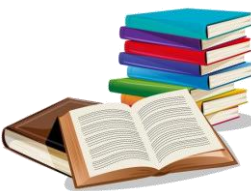


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of Autumn Calendar 2025
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	Meghalaya
Issuing authority	Department of Tourism, Meghalaya
Policy/series name	Autumn Calendar 2025
Key figures	CM Conrad Sangma, Governor Chandrashekhar H. Vijayashankar
Purpose/reason	Promote culture, tourism, and local economy
Feature details	Includes Cherry Blossom Festival, kayaking, motorsports, music, literature
Validity or status	Scheduled activities during Autumn 2025
Strategic/significant value	Enhances global visibility, supports local talent and sustainable tourism

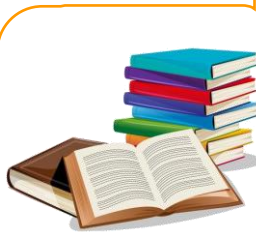


➤ **Which of the following was not one of the six thematic areas discussed during the Ayush Summit 2025?**

- A) Financial Management and Project Monitoring
- B) Globalization of Ayush Export Policies
- C) Integration of Ayush with Public Health Programs
- D) Human Resource Strengthening and Capacity Building
- E) IT-enabled Digital Services for Ayush

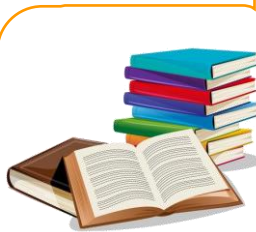
Answer

B) Globalization of Ayush Export Policies



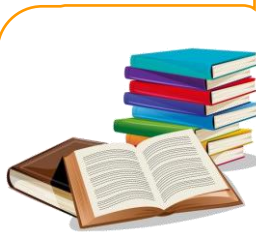
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Two-Day Summit on National Ayush Mission and Capacity Building
- **Location:** All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), Sarita Vihar, New Delhi
- **Date:** September 3–4, 2025



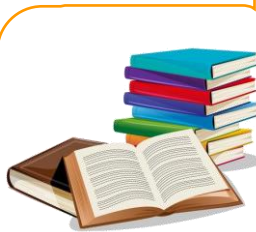
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Ministry of Ayush organized a summit to discuss strengthening the Ayush sector at both national and sub-national levels, with active participation from state health officials, experts, and stakeholders.
- **Objectives:**
 - To promote integration of Ayush in mainstream healthcare, build capacity, improve infrastructure, and adopt digital innovation for holistic and inclusive healthcare delivery.



Important Terms Explained:

- **National Ayush Mission (NAM):**
 - A centrally sponsored scheme aimed at expanding Ayush healthcare services and integrating traditional systems with modern healthcare.
- **Har Ghar AyurYog:**
 - A behavioral change campaign to promote adoption of Ayurveda-based lifestyle practices at the household level.
- **AIIA (All India Institute of Ayurveda):**
 - A premier institution for postgraduate education, research, and patient care in Ayurveda under the Ministry of Ayush.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	National Ayush Mission and Capacity Building Summit
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	AllA, New Delhi
Issuing authority	Ministry of Ayush
Policy/series name	National Ayush Mission (NAM)
Key figures	Prataprao Jadhav, Dr. V.K. Paul, Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha
Purpose/reason	To strengthen institutional, digital, and integration capacities within the Ayush ecosystem
Feature details	6 thematic areas, launch of PMU & Digital Learning Centre, proposal for 10 more AllAs
Validity or status	Ongoing reforms with recommendations for 16th Finance Commission planning
Strategic/significant value	Aligns with Viksit Bharat@2047 vision; promotes preventive and holistic healthcare

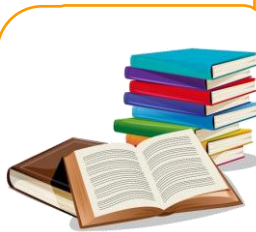


➤ **Where was the India MedTech Expo 2025 held, showcasing India's MedTech manufacturing capabilities?**

- A) India International Convention Centre, Dwarka
- B) Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
- C) Yashobhoomi Convention Centre, Delhi NCR
- D) India Expo Mart, Greater Noida
- E) Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi

Answer

B) Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi

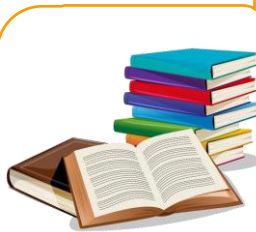


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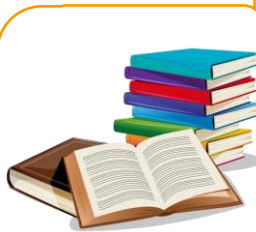
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of India MedTech Expo 2025
- **Location:** Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



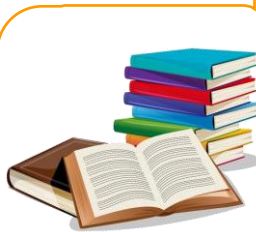
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Union Minister Shri Piyush Goyal inaugurated the second edition of the India MedTech Expo 2025 to showcase India's capabilities in medical technology manufacturing and innovation.
- **Objectives:**
 - To position India as a global hub for MedTech manufacturing, foster international partnerships, encourage industry-academia collaboration, and align regulatory reforms for ease of doing business under the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat and Viksit Bharat 2047.



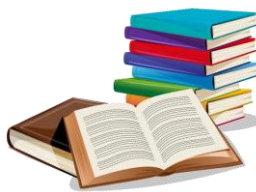
Important Terms Explained:

- **India MedTech Expo:**
 - An annual event showcasing India's medical technology sector, innovations, and global trade opportunities in medical devices.
- **Atmanirbhar Bharat:**
 - A vision for a self-reliant India that promotes indigenous manufacturing, innovation, and reduced dependency on imports.
- **Viksit Bharat 2047:**
 - A long-term national goal to transform India into a developed country by its 100th year of independence.



Important Terms Explained:

- **CDSCO (Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation):**
 - India's national regulatory body for pharmaceuticals and medical devices under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- **ICMR (Indian Council of Medical Research):**
 - India's apex body for biomedical research, playing a key role in MedTech innovation through initiatives like MedTech Mitra.

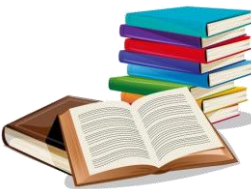


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	India MedTech Expo 2025
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
Issuing authority	Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
Policy/series name	Atmanirbhar Bharat, Viksit Bharat 2047, GST Reforms
Key figures	Piyush Goyal, Dr. Rajiv Bahl, Dr. Rajiv S. Raghuvanshi
Purpose/reason	Showcase India's MedTech strengths and foster global and domestic partnerships
Feature details	3-day expo, 800+ start-ups, 150 global buyers, R&D, MSMEs, digital innovations
Validity or status	Ongoing; 2nd edition taking place from September 4–6, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens India's MedTech ecosystem, attracts investments, boosts health-tech innovation

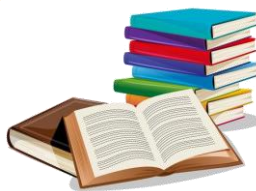


➤ Which portal was launched by Union Minister Shri Manohar Lal at the 5th Central Advisory Council meeting under RERA?

- A) RealEstateIndia.gov.in
- B) RERAIndia.in
- C) HousingReform.gov.in
- D) RERAUnifiedPortal.gov.in
- E) rera.mohua.gov.in

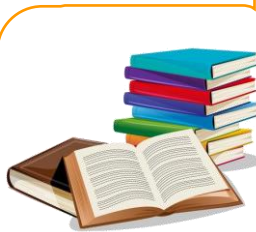
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E) rera.mohua.gov.in



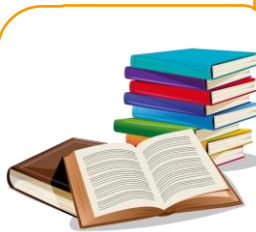
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Unified RERA Portal and 5th Meeting of Central Advisory Council (CAC) under RERA
- **Location:** Sankalp Bhawan, K.G. Marg, New Delhi
- **Date:** September 4, 2025



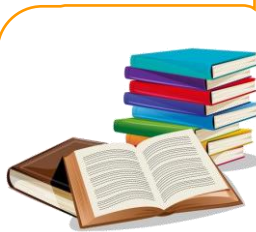
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs launched the Unified RERA Portal to integrate state-level RERA systems and reviewed real estate regulatory progress during the 5th Central Advisory Council meeting.
- **Objectives:**
 - To strengthen transparency, accountability, and data-driven policymaking in the real estate sector; resolve homebuyers' grievances; complete stalled projects; and ensure consistent RERA implementation nationwide.



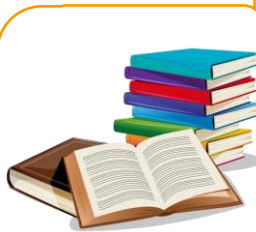
Important Terms Explained:

- **RERA (Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016):**
 - A Central Act aimed at regulating the real estate sector, enhancing transparency, protecting homebuyers, and promoting sectoral discipline.
- **Unified RERA Portal:**
 - A new centralized digital platform (rera.mohua.gov.in) launched to integrate all State/UT RERA websites, enabling a national database of real estate projects, AI-driven analytics, and informed decision-making for homebuyers.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Central Advisory Council (CAC):**
 - A statutory body under RERA to advise the government on implementation, reforms, and stakeholder interests in real estate regulation.

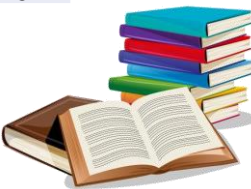


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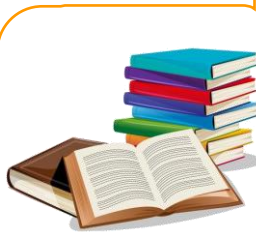
Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of Unified RERA Portal and 5th Central Advisory Council Meeting
Announcement date	September 4, 2025
Location	New Delhi
Issuing authority	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)
Policy/series name	Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 (RERA)
Key figures	Shri Manohar Lal, Shri Tokhan Sahu, Shri Srinivas Katikithala
Purpose/reason	Enhance RERA implementation and launch centralized digital portal
Feature details	National database, AI analytics, project status visibility, grievance redressal
Validity or status	Active; ongoing RERA implementations and integrations
Strategic/significant value	Informed homebuyers, completion of stalled projects, national uniformity



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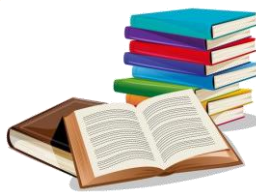
- The 2025 World Boxing Championships began in Liverpool and are being held for the first time under the new governing body, World Boxing.
- JIPMER has secured the 4th position in the NIRF Medical Colleges Ranking 2025, climbing up from 5th place in 2024.
- The GST Council has restructured India's GST system by reducing the slabs to 5% and 18%, eliminating the 12% and 28% slabs.
- GST rate cuts in 2025 have brought major relief to consumers by reducing taxes on essentials, healthcare, education, and electronics.
- DPIIT and ICICI Bank signed an MoU to launch a Startup Engagement Programme on the Startup India platform.
- The Ministry of Finance has allowed a one-time, one-way switch from the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) to the National Pension System (NPS) for Central Government employees.
- India's Services PMI rose to 62.9 in August 2025, marking the fastest expansion in 15 years, driven by strong demand.
- India's FDI inflows rose by 15% year-on-year to USD 18.62 billion in Q1 FY26, compared to USD 16.17 billion in Q1 FY25.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi highlighted the transformative impact of economic reforms over the past decade.



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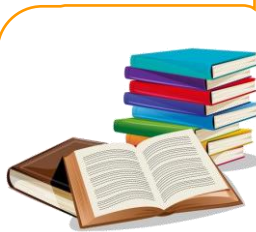
- **UIDAI recorded 221 crore Aadhaar authentication transactions in August 2025, marking a 10.3% increase from August 2024.**
- **The Supreme Court Collegium has recommended 26 judges for the Allahabad High Court to address record vacancies and rising case backlogs.**
- **Air Marshal Sanjiv Ghuratia has been appointed as the Air Officer-in-Charge Maintenance at Indian Air Force Headquarters.**
- **Shri Piyush Goyal, IAS (1994 batch, Nagaland cadre), has taken charge as Secretary of the Ministry of Mines.**
- **IIT Jodhpur has developed open-source scene-text recognition APIs for 13 Indian languages under the Bhashini project.**
- **Union Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated TDK's Advanced Lithium-ion Battery Plant in Sohna, Haryana under the EMC Scheme.**
- **Semicon India 2025 showcased indigenous System-on-Chip (SoC) innovations across broadband, energy, and surveillance sectors.**
- **DRDO's DMRL in Hyderabad transferred three cutting-edge defence material technologies to BHEL, JSPL, and BSP under the LAToT model.**
- **India and Japan have signed a Joint Credit Mechanism under Article 6.2 of the Paris Agreement to enable bilateral carbon credit trading.**



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- India's free trade agreement with EFTA will come into force on October 1, 2025, marking a new era of sustainable trade and investment.
- India and Singapore adopted a comprehensive roadmap for their upgraded Comprehensive Strategic Partnership on September 4, 2025.
- The Union Cabinet has approved a ₹1,500 crore incentive scheme under the National Critical Mineral Mission to promote recycling of minerals like lithium and cobalt.
- UPSC has announced the creation of a Centre of Excellence to serve as a national hub for best recruitment practices.
- Chhattisgarh's power generation capacity has increased from 1,400 MW in 2000 to 30,000 MW in 2025, marking a 20-fold rise.
- Meghalaya has launched the Autumn Calendar 2025 to highlight its culture, boost tourism, and support grassroots talent.
- The Ministry of Ayush concluded a two-day summit focused on the National Ayush Mission and capacity building in New Delhi.
- Union Minister Piyush Goyal inaugurated the second edition of India MedTech Expo 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, highlighting GST reforms as key to Atmanirbhar Bharat.
- Union Minister Shri Manohar Lal launched the Unified RERA Portal (rera.mohua.gov.in) to create a national database of real estate projects and agents.



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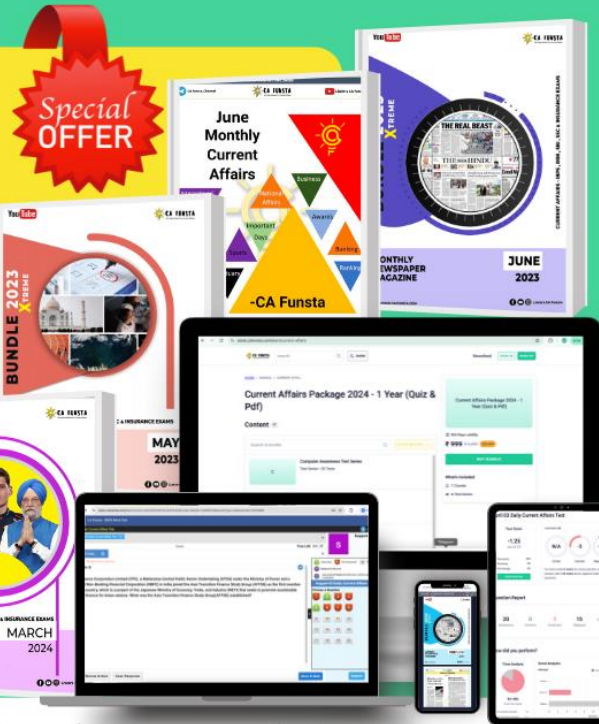


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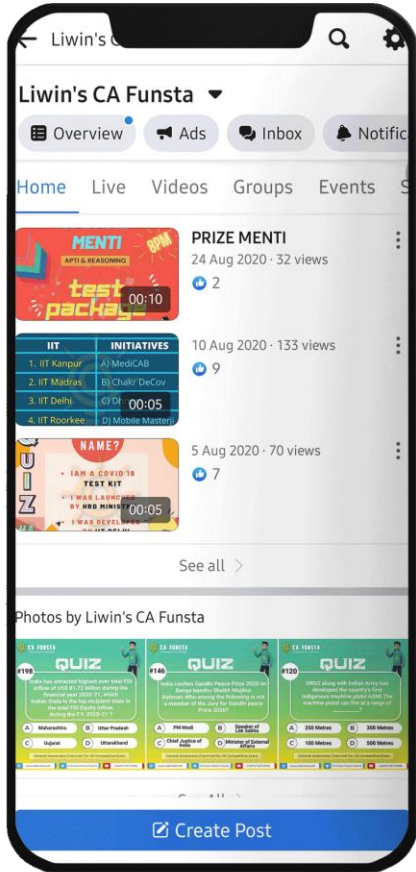
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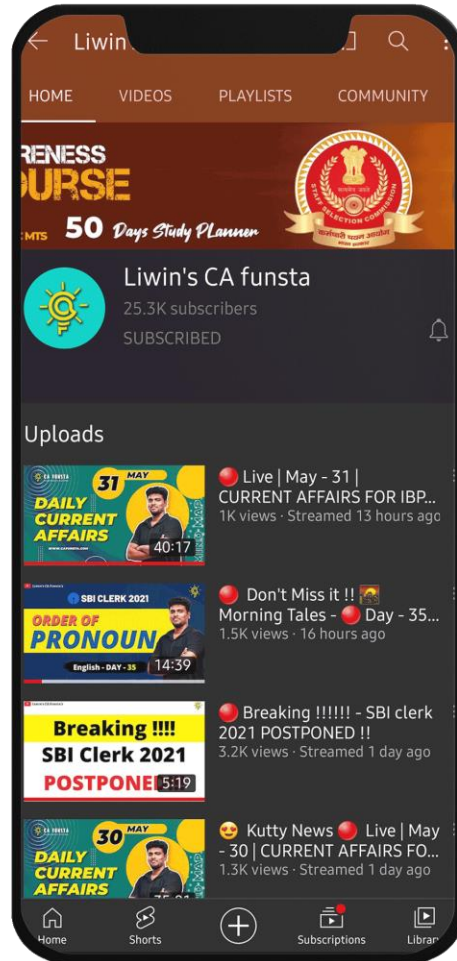


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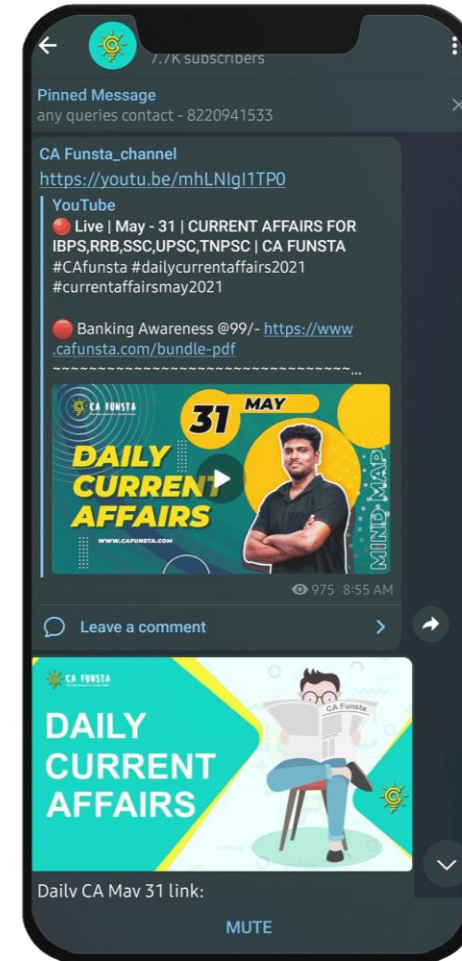
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