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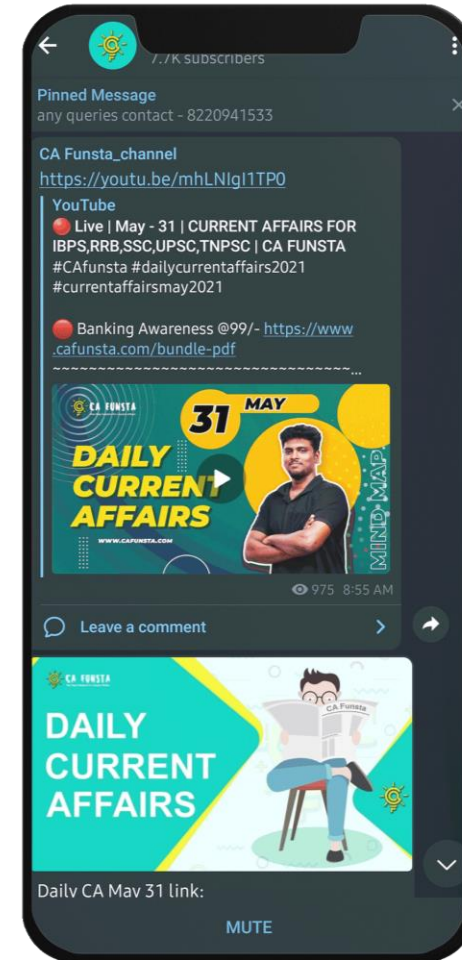
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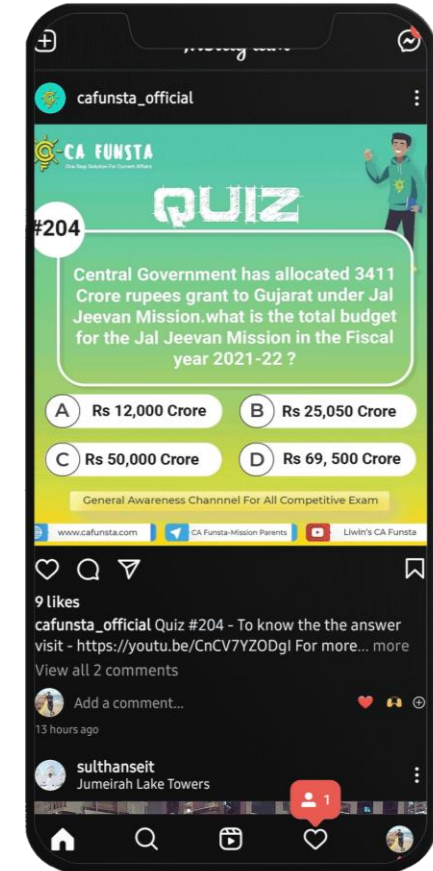
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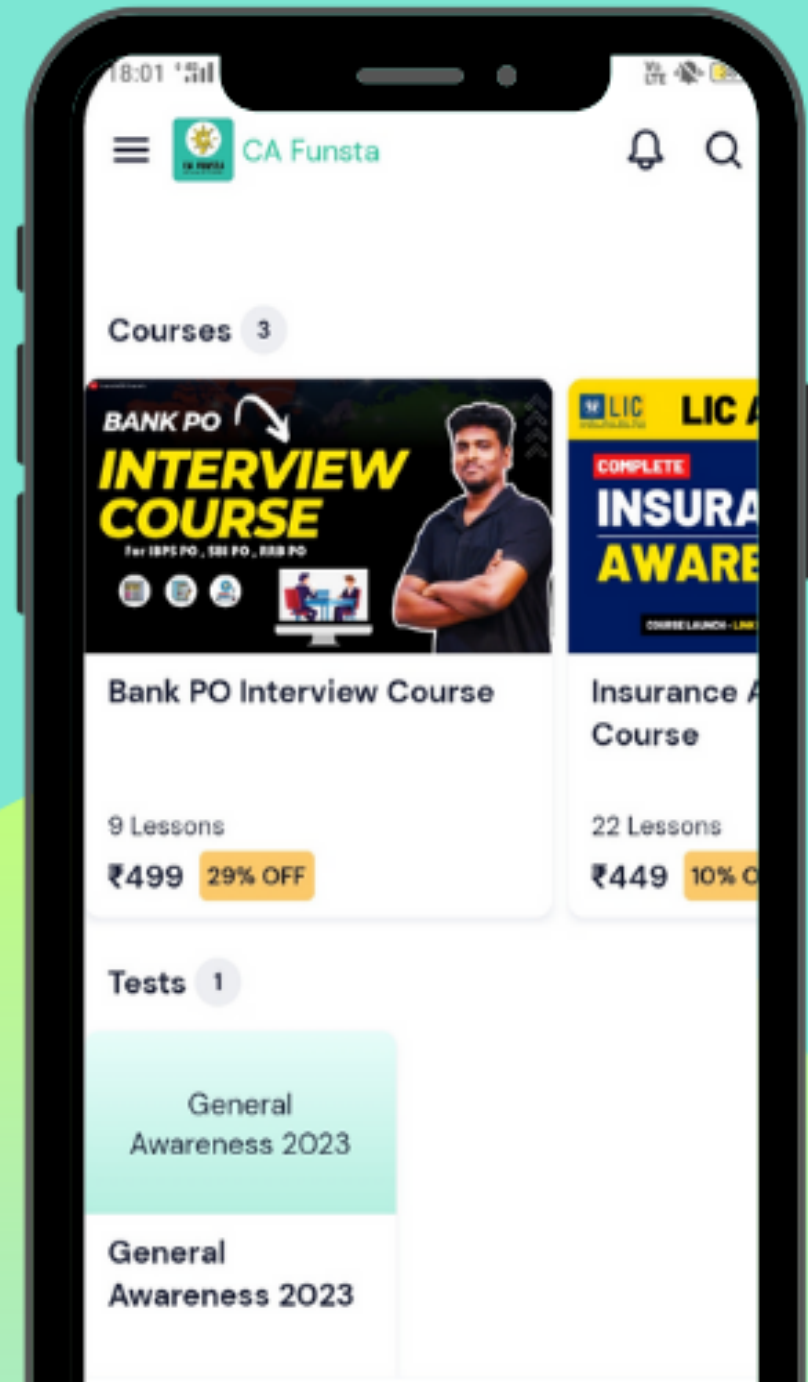
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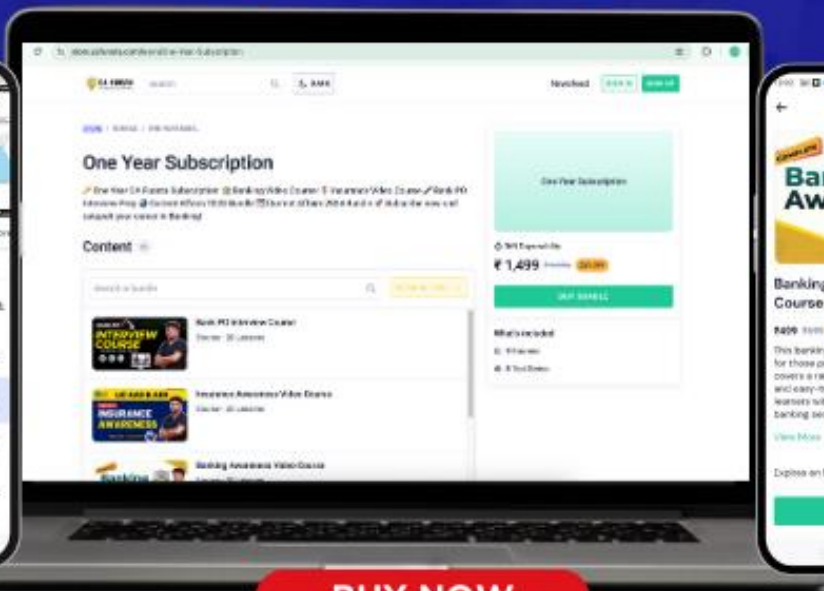


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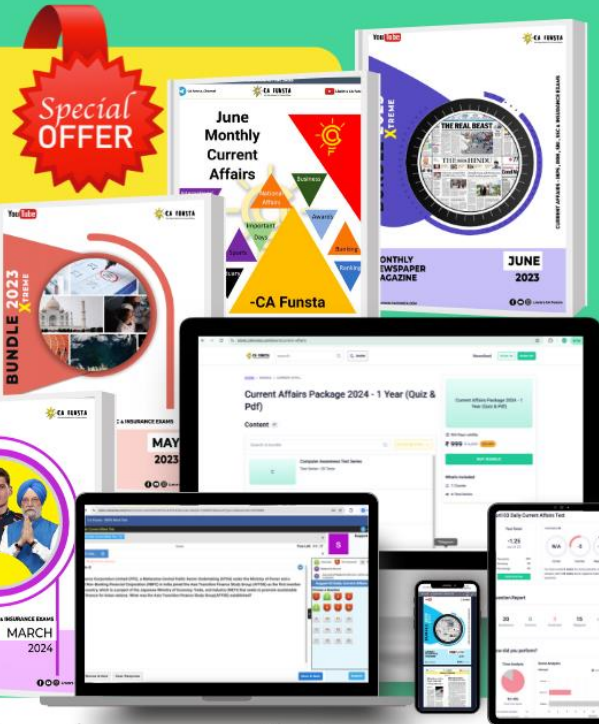


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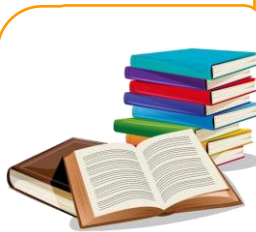


➤ **What is the theme of World Mental Health Day 2025?**

- A) Make Mental Health a Global Priority
- B) Mental Health and Wellbeing for All
- C) Better Access to Mental Health Services
- D) Mental Health in Humanitarian Emergencies
- E) Suicide Prevention and Mental Support

Answer

D) Mental Health in Humanitarian Emergencies

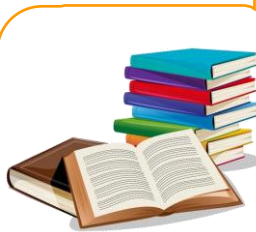


Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event:** World Mental Health Day 2025 observed with the theme Mental Health in Humanitarian Emergencies
- **Location:** Global (including the United States)
- **Date:** October 10, 2025



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** World Mental Health Day 2025 is observed on October 10 worldwide, with a theme highlighting the importance of mental health support during humanitarian emergencies.
- **Objectives:** The day aims to raise awareness, reduce stigma around mental health issues, and encourage global and local actions to improve mental health services—especially in times of crisis and emergencies.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **World Mental Health Day:** An international day observed annually on October 10, initiated by the World Federation for Mental Health in 1992, to promote mental health awareness and advocacy globally.
- **Mental Health in Humanitarian Emergencies:** The 2025 theme focuses on the need for structured psychological support in crises such as natural disasters, wars, refugee crises, and pandemics, ensuring access to care during traumatic events.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Any Mental Illness (AMI):** As defined by NIMH (National Institute of Mental Health), AMI refers to a mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder, ranging from mild to severe, that can impact daily functioning.



Important Days



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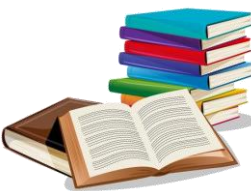
Parameter	Details
Event name	World Mental Health Day 2025
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	Global observance (including the U.S.)
Issuing authority	World Federation for Mental Health (WFMH); WHO
Policy/series name	World Mental Health Day
Key figures	WHO, WFMH, NIMH
Purpose/reason	To raise awareness and reduce stigma around mental health
Feature details	2025 Theme: Mental Health in Humanitarian Emergencies
Validity or status	Observed annually on October 10
Strategic/significant value	Highlights global mental health challenges, especially in crisis scenarios



➤ Which city is home to the newly inaugurated Velammal Cricket Stadium by M.S. Dhoni?

- A) Chennai
- B) Coimbatore
- C) Salem
- D) Madurai
- E) Tirunelveli

Answer
D) Madurai



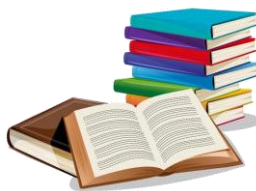
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of Velammal Cricket Stadium by M.S. Dhoni
- **Location:** Chinthamani Ring Road, Madurai, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 9, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Former Indian cricket team captain M.S. Dhoni inaugurated the newly built Velammal Cricket Stadium, developed by Velammal Educational Trust with support from Tamil Nadu Cricket Association (TNCA).
- **Objectives:** The stadium aims to provide world-class cricket infrastructure for training, national and international matches, and serve as a new venue for TNPL, IPL, and Ranji Trophy fixtures, boosting the sports ecosystem in southern Tamil Nadu.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Velammal Cricket Stadium:** A modern cricketing facility located in Madurai, spread across 11.5 acres, featuring international standard amenities, designed to be Tamil Nadu's second-largest cricket stadium.
- **TNCA (Tamil Nadu Cricket Association):** Governing body for cricket activities in Tamil Nadu, affiliated to the BCCI, supporting stadium construction, state leagues, and infrastructure development.
- **TNPL (Tamil Nadu Premier League):** A professional T20 cricket league in Tamil Nadu that provides a platform for regional talent, often played in various stadiums across the state.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Inauguration of Velammal Cricket Stadium
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	Chinthamani Ring Road, Madurai, Tamil Nadu
Issuing authority	Velammal Educational Trust, Tamil Nadu Cricket Association (TNCA)
Policy/series name	Cricket infrastructure development in Tamil Nadu
Key figures	M.S. Dhoni (Inaugurator), Officials from TNCA and Velammal Trust
Purpose/reason	To promote high-level cricket in southern Tamil Nadu
Feature details	₹325 crore cost, 11.5 acres, 20,000 seating (Phase 1: 7,300), 197 CCTVs, LED floodlights
Validity or status	Inaugurated and functional
Strategic/significant value	TN's 2nd-largest stadium; expected to host IPL, TNPL, Ranji Trophy matches

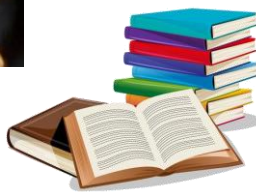


➤ According to ICRA, what is the projected size of the organised gold loan market in India by March 2026?

- A) ₹11.8 lakh crore
- B) ₹12.5 lakh crore
- C) ₹15 lakh crore
- D) ₹16.2 lakh crore
- E) ₹18 lakh crore

Answer

C) ₹15 lakh crore



Event and Location:

- **Event:** ICRA revises projection of organised gold loan market to ₹15 lakh crore by March 2026
- **Location:** India (nationwide financial sector)
- **Date:** October 10, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Credit rating agency ICRA has revised its forecast for India's organised gold loan market, expecting it to reach ₹15 lakh crore by March 2026, a year earlier than previously projected.
- **Objectives:** The revision aims to reflect the accelerated growth driven by rising gold prices, bank dominance, and an increase in retail gold loans, highlighting structural shifts in the lending landscape and investor focus areas.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Organised Gold Loan Market:** Comprises banks and NBFCs providing loans against pledged gold jewellery within a regulated framework, excluding informal or unregistered lending.
- **AUM (Assets Under Management):** The total market value of loans or investments managed on behalf of clients or stakeholders by a financial institution.



Important Terms Explained:

- **NBFC (Non-Banking Financial Company):** A financial institution that provides banking services without holding a banking license, including gold loans, vehicle loans, and personal finance.
- **Retail/Personal Gold Loans:** Loans offered to individuals for personal use, secured against gold jewellery, often with quicker disbursal and flexible repayment.



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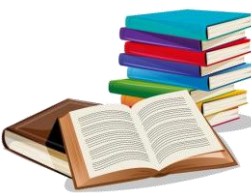
Parameter	Details
Event name	ICRA projects ₹15 lakh crore organised gold loan market by March 2026
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	India
Issuing authority	ICRA (Investment Information and Credit Rating Agency)
Policy/series name	Gold Loan Market Projections
Key figures	AM Karthik (Senior VP, ICRA)
Purpose/reason	Reflect updated growth due to rising gold prices and credit demand
Feature details	Banks hold 82% market share; bank AUM grew 26% CAGR vs NBFCs' 20%
Validity or status	₹15 lakh crore projected by FY2026; ₹18 lakh crore by FY2027
Strategic/significant value	Indicates India's growing dependence on gold-backed formal lending systems



➤ Which company is set to launch smartglasses with integrated UPI payment functionality?

- A) Paytm
- B) Lenskart
- C) Samsung
- D) Google
- E) Razorpay

Answer
B) Lenskart



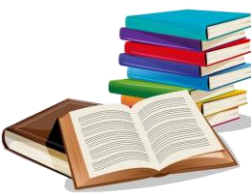
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Lenskart announces UPI-integrated smartglasses
- **Location:** Mumbai, India (at Global Fintech Festival 2025)
- **Date:** October 10, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Lenskart has unveiled its plan to launch B Camera smartglasses with built-in UPI payment functionality, allowing users to scan QR codes and complete transactions without a phone or PIN.
- **Objectives:** The innovation aims to provide hands-free digital payments, combining wearable technology with fintech to enhance convenience, security, and accessibility for users.



Important Terms Explained:

- **UPI (Unified Payments Interface):** A real-time digital payment system developed by NPCI that allows users to transfer money and make payments instantly using a mobile device.
- **Smartglasses:** Wearable eyewear embedded with digital and smart features, such as cameras, AR/AI capabilities, and now, payment integration.



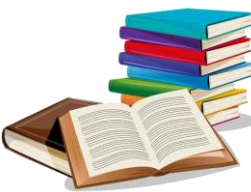
Important Terms Explained:

- **B Camera Smartglasses:** Lenskart's upcoming product featuring a POV camera, AI integration, and now, UPI-based QR scanning for hands-free transactions.
- **Global Fintech Festival (GFF):** An annual event in India that brings together global leaders in finance and technology to showcase innovations and policy developments.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch announcement of UPI-integrated B Camera smartglasses
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	Global Fintech Festival 2025, Mumbai
Issuing authority	Lenskart
Policy/series name	UPI-integrated wearable tech
Key figures	Peyush Bansal (CEO, Lenskart)
Purpose/reason	To allow QR-based UPI payments through smartglasses without phone or PIN
Feature details	Built-in AI, POV camera, QR scan, UPI support
Validity or status	Product launch announced, expected soon
Strategic/significant value	Pioneers wearable fintech; boosts digital payment innovation in India

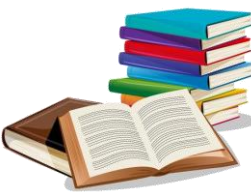


➤ What is the name of the new sub-brand launched by Varnam Craft Collective?

- A) Craftimals
- B) Toywala
- C) Snugglewalas
- D) Varnam Kids
- E) Woodaroo

Answer

C) Snugglewalas



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Snugglewalas, a sub-brand by Varnam Craft Collective
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 10, 2025 (Announcement); Brand evolution began in January 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Varnam Craft Collective, founded by Karthik Vaidyanathan, has launched a new sub-brand called Snugglewalas, featuring handcrafted products inspired by whimsical animal characters, created using traditional Channapatna toy-making techniques.
- **Objectives:** The initiative seeks to blend traditional Indian craft with modern design sensibilities, creating functional, design-forward handcrafted toys and lifestyle products that help preserve the craft of Channapatna artisans while expanding into new consumer segments.



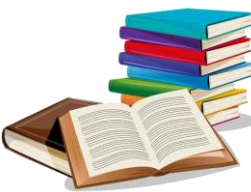
Important Terms Explained:

- **Snugglewalas:** A creative sub-brand under Varnam Craft Collective, comprising products based on 12 quirky animal characters, evolved from earlier toy-based designs like animal-shaped pencil boxes.
- **Varnam Craft Collective:** An award-winning social enterprise based in Bengaluru, focused on reviving and contemporising Indian handicrafts, especially Channapatna toys, through artisan collaborations.
- **Channapatna Toys:** A 200-year-old traditional craft from Channapatna, Karnataka, known for its lac-turnery wooden toys, typically handmade using non-toxic materials and vibrant colours.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of Snugglewalas sub-brand by Varnam Craft Collective
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	Bengaluru, Karnataka
Issuing authority	Varnam Craft Collective
Policy/series name	Snugglewalas product line
Key figures	Karthik Vaidyanathan (Founder)
Purpose/reason	To modernise Channapatna crafts through character-based product storytelling
Feature details	Products based on 12 handcrafted animal characters; functional and whimsical
Validity or status	Launched and active as of October 2025
Strategic/significant value	Preserves traditional toy craft; promotes artisan livelihoods and local culture



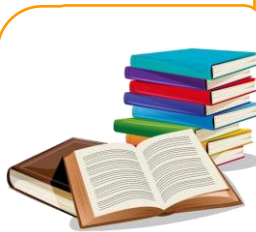
ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



- What percentage stake will MRF acquire in Serentica Renewables under the captive power policy?

- A) 51%
- B) 33%
- C) 26%
- D) 49%
- E) 19%

Answer
C) 26%



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** MRF to acquire 26% stake in Serentica Renewables under the captive power policy
- **Location:** India (Corporate transaction based in Chennai)
- **Date:** October 10, 2025 (announcement); acquisition to complete by July 31, 2026



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** MRF Ltd has entered into a power supply and consumption agreement with Serentica Renewables India Pvt Ltd to purchase solar and wind power, and will acquire 26% of its equity capital for ₹99 crore in cash.
- **Objectives:** The acquisition is aimed at securing renewable energy supply under the Centre's captive power policy, aligning with sustainability goals and ensuring stable power for operational efficiency.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Important Terms Explained:

- **Captive Power Policy:** A government policy framework that allows industrial or commercial consumers to generate or procure power for their own use by owning at least 26% equity in the power-generating company and consuming at least 51% of the power produced.
- **Serentica Renewables:** A newly incorporated renewable energy company (May 2025) that develops and operates projects in solar, wind, hydel, geothermal, and energy storage segments.

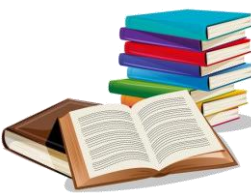


ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Important Terms Explained:

- **MRF Ltd:** One of India's largest tyre manufacturers, actively pursuing renewable energy partnerships to reduce carbon footprint and secure sustainable power sources.



ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	MRF to acquire 26% stake in Serentica Renewables
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	Chennai, Tamil Nadu
Issuing authority	MRF Ltd
Policy/series name	Captive Power Policy
Key figures	Rahul Mammen Mappillai (CEO, MRF)
Purpose/reason	To secure renewable power supply through equity partnership
Feature details	₹99 crore investment for 26% stake in solar and wind energy firm
Validity or status	Acquisition to be completed by July 31, 2026
Strategic/significant value	Supports renewable energy use and operational sustainability for MRF



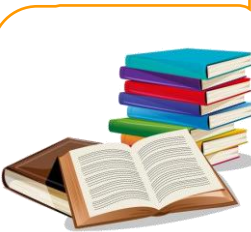
APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who has been appointed as the in-charge Chairman (FAC) of the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission (APPSC) in October 2025?

- A) A.R. Anuradha
- B) Y. V. Subba Reddy
- C) C. Sashidhar
- D) G. V. Rao
- E) B. Harinath

Answer
C) C. Sashidhar



APPOINTMENTS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** C. Sashidhar appointed as in-charge Chairman (FAC) of APPSC
- **Location:** Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh
- **Date:** October 10, 2025 (GO issued)



APPOINTMENTS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Following the retirement of A.R. Anuradha, the Andhra Pradesh Government has appointed C. Sashidhar, an existing APPSC member, as Facilitated Additional Charge (FAC) in-charge Chairman of APPSC.
- **Objectives:** The appointment ensures continuity in the functioning of the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission until a full-time Chairperson is appointed through a regular process.



APPOINTMENTS



Important Terms Explained:

- **APPSC (Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission):** A constitutional body responsible for conducting recruitment exams, interviews, and selections for various administrative posts in the Andhra Pradesh state government.
- **FAC (Full Additional Charge):** A temporary assignment where an existing officer takes charge of another post in addition to their current role until a permanent appointment is made.
- **GO (Government Order):** An official directive or notification issued by the state government to announce administrative decisions, appointments, or policy actions.

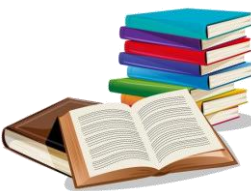


APPOINTMENTS



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Appointment of in-charge APPSC Chairman
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh
Issuing authority	Government of Andhra Pradesh
Policy/series name	Temporary appointment via Government Order (GO)
Key figures	C. Sashidhar (in-charge), A.R. Anuradha (retired Chairperson)
Purpose/reason	To ensure administrative continuity in APPSC leadership
Feature details	FAC role assigned until a regular Chairperson is appointed
Validity or status	Effective from October 10, 2025; interim appointment
Strategic/significant value	Ensures uninterrupted recruitment and administrative functions in APPSC



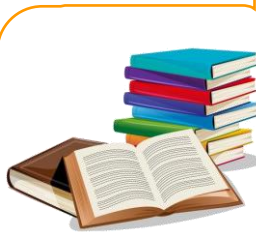
AWARDS



➤ Which branch of Kauvery Hospital recently received the JCI 8th Edition Accreditation?

- A) Vadapalani
- B) Tambaram
- C) Teynampet
- D) Alwarpet
- E) Nungambakkam

Answer
D) Alwarpet



AWARDS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Kauvery Hospital's Alwarpet branch receives JCI 8th Edition Accreditation
- **Location:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 10, 2025 (Date of publication/announcement)



AWARDS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Kauvery Hospital's Alwarpet unit has been awarded the Joint Commission International (JCI) 8th Edition Accreditation, known globally for its stringent healthcare quality standards.
- **Objectives:** The accreditation aims to ensure adherence to evidence-based care protocols, reduce medical errors, improve recovery times, and enhance overall patient satisfaction, in line with global healthcare safety and quality benchmarks.



AWARDS



Important Terms Explained:

- **JCI (Joint Commission International):** A U.S.-based healthcare accreditation body that certifies hospitals worldwide for maintaining high standards of quality and patient safety, with the 8th Edition being its most recent and comprehensive framework.
- **JCI 8th Edition Standards:** These are the latest global healthcare standards introduced by JCI, covering over 1,000 measurable elements across patient care, safety, facility management, and administrative functions.



AWARDS



Important Terms Explained:

- **Evidence-Based Protocols:** Clinical guidelines developed from systematic research to provide the most effective care, reduce complications, and optimize patient outcomes.

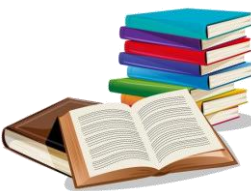


AWARDS



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Kauvery Hospital Alwarpet receives JCI 8th Edition Accreditation
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	Alwarpet, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
Issuing authority	Joint Commission International (JCI)
Policy/series name	JCI Accreditation – 8th Edition
Key figures	Dr. Aravindan Selvaraj (Co-Founder & Executive Director, Kauvery Hospital)
Purpose/reason	To ensure international standards of patient care and safety
Feature details	Over 1,000 measurable quality and safety elements
Validity or status	Recently awarded to Alwarpet branch; Vadapalani unit accredited earlier
Strategic/significant value	Reinforces Kauvery Hospital's commitment to global healthcare excellence



AWARDS

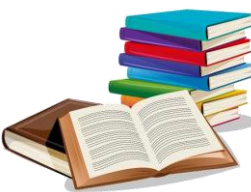


➤ **Which two creative agencies won four awards each at the IndIAA Awards 2025?**

- A) Ogilvy and Meta
- B) Ogilvy and Moonshot
- C) Moonshot and Hero MotoCorp
- D) Swiggy and Asian Paints
- E) Nestlé India and Urban Company

Answer

B) Ogilvy and Moonshot

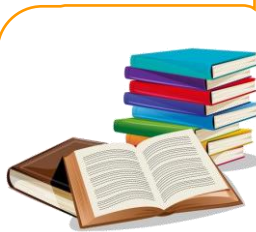


AWARDS



Event and Location:

- **Event:** 10th edition of IndIAA Awards 2025 celebrating creative excellence in advertising
- **Location:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
- **Date:** October 9, 2025



AWARDS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The India Chapter of the International Advertising Association (IAA) hosted the IndIAA Awards 2025 to honour the most impactful, purpose-driven, and creatively executed advertising campaigns across 16 categories.



AWARDS



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To recognize brands and agencies delivering insightful, innovative, and purpose-driven campaigns.
 - To commemorate a decade of acknowledging advertising excellence that blends creativity with social or brand impact.
 - To highlight evolving trends in digital storytelling and brand engagement across legacy and emerging sectors.



AWARDS



Important Terms Explained:

- **IndIAA Awards:** An initiative by the India Chapter of IAA, these awards recognize creative excellence in advertising, judged on effectiveness, purpose, innovation, and consumer connection.
- **International Advertising Association (IAA):** A globally recognized industry body that promotes responsible marketing and advertising; the Indian chapter conducts the IndIAA Awards annually.
- **Purpose-driven Campaigns:** Marketing efforts designed not only to promote products but also to highlight social causes, customer empowerment, or sustainability narratives, thereby enhancing brand value.

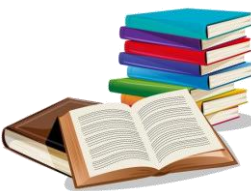


AWARDS



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	IndIAA Awards 2025
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Issuing authority	International Advertising Association (IAA) – India Chapter
Policy/series name	10th Edition of IndIAA Awards
Key figures	Ogilvy, Moonshot, Hero MotoCorp, Swiggy, Nestlé India, Meta, Urban Company
Purpose/reason	To recognize impactful, creative, and purpose-driven advertising campaigns
Feature details	16 categories; Ogilvy & Moonshot won 4 awards each; top brands also awarded
Validity or status	Awards distributed on October 9, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Celebrates 10 years of excellence in advertising and marketing innovation

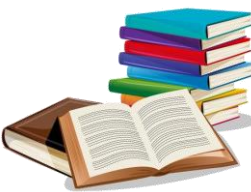


➤ What is the scheduled launch period for India's sovereign AI model as per MeitY?

- A) December 2025
- B) October 2025
- C) January 2026
- D) February 2026
- E) March 2026

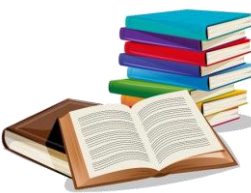
Answer

D) February 2026



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India to launch its sovereign AI model ahead of the India AI Impact Summit 2026
- **Location:** India (nationwide), announced at India Mobile Congress 2025, New Delhi
- **Date:** October 10, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The government announced that India's first foundational sovereign AI model will be ready before the India AI Impact Summit 2026, supported by domestic datasets and infrastructure.
- **Objectives:** The goal is to establish AI independence, enhance national AI capabilities, support sector-specific AI use cases, and develop indigenous technological infrastructure through compute expansion and domestic firm support.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Sovereign AI Model:** A domestically developed AI system using national datasets and hosted on local servers to ensure digital autonomy and secure data governance.
- **Foundational Model:** A large-scale, pre-trained AI model capable of serving multiple downstream tasks, often adapted for sector-specific applications.



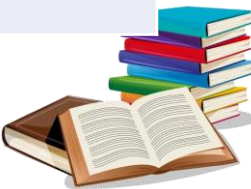
Important Terms Explained:

- **IndiaAI Mission:** A flagship government initiative with a ₹10,300 crore outlay to develop foundational models, support AI startups, and build compute infrastructure in India.
- **India Semiconductor Mission 2.0:** A proposed expansion of India's semiconductor development efforts, aimed at producing indigenous GPUs and strengthening hardware sovereignty.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Announcement of India's sovereign AI model timeline
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	India (announced at India Mobile Congress 2025, New Delhi)
Issuing authority	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)
Policy/series name	IndiaAI Mission
Key figures	S. Krishnan (Secretary, MeitY), Abhishek Singh (Additional Secretary)
Purpose/reason	To build indigenous AI capabilities using Indian data and infrastructure
Feature details	Development of foundational models, GPU capacity expansion, support to 12 AI firms
Validity or status	Model to be ready before February 2026; two models expected by end-2025
Strategic/significant value	Enhances national tech sovereignty, supports sectors like agriculture, healthcare, and education

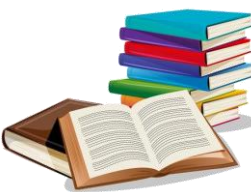


➤ **What is the purpose of India's newly notified Greenhouse Gases Emission Intensity Target Rules, 2025?**

- A) To ban carbon-heavy industries
- B) To set emission taxes for all sectors
- C) To cap the number of industrial units
- D) To reduce emissions per unit of output in select sectors
- E) To increase coal production efficiency

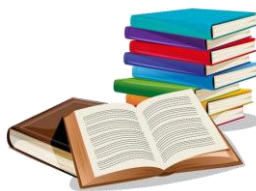
Answer

D) To reduce emissions per unit of output in select sectors



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India notifies first emission intensity targets for carbon-intensive industries
- **Location:** Nationwide (Notification issued by Ministry of Environment, New Delhi)
- **Date:** October 8, 2025 (notification); Announced publicly on October 10, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Environment Ministry has issued the Greenhouse Gases Emission Intensity Target Rules, 2025, making it legally mandatory for 282 industrial units across sectors to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions per unit of output from the 2023–24 baseline.
- **Objectives:** The rules aim to implement India's climate goals by enforcing sector-specific emission intensity reductions, contributing to net-zero commitments and promoting cleaner industrial production.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Greenhouse Gases Emission Intensity Target Rules, 2025:** A legal framework that mandates selected industries to reduce their emission intensity, i.e., the amount of greenhouse gases emitted per unit of production, based on 2023–24 levels.
- **Emission Intensity:** A measure of the quantity of greenhouse gas emissions released per unit of economic output or production, used to assess and track carbon efficiency improvements.
- **Carbon-Intensive Sectors:** Industrial sectors such as aluminium, cement, pulp & paper, and chlor-alkali, known for high greenhouse gas emissions due to energy- and process-intensive operations.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Notification of Greenhouse Gases Emission Intensity Target Rules, 2025
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Policy/series name	Emission Intensity Target Rules
Key figures	Bhupender Yadav (Environment Minister)
Purpose/reason	To reduce per-unit greenhouse gas emissions in carbon-intensive sectors
Feature details	Applies to 282 units in aluminium, cement, pulp & paper, chlor-alkali sectors
Validity or status	Legally binding from FY 2025-26; baseline set at 2023-24
Strategic/significant value	Supports India's climate commitments, enhances sustainability in heavy industry

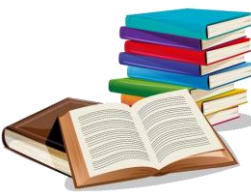


➤ What is the name of the AI-based eye correction technology launched by Rajan Eye Care Hospital?

- A) AI-Vision Pro
- B) Innovision Plus
- C) WaveLight Plus InnovEyes
- D) SightSmart AI
- E) VisionX AI

Answer

C) WaveLight Plus InnovEyes



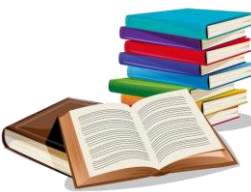
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of AI-based eye correction technology by Rajan Eye Care Hospital
- **Location:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 9, 2025 (launched on World Sight Day)



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Rajan Eye Care Hospital (RECH) launched WaveLight Plus InnovEyes, an advanced AI-powered diagnostic technology for vision correction, during World Sight Day celebrations.
- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to enhance precision in eye surgeries by using AI to process over 100,000 optical data points, generate a 3D model of the eye, and deliver personalised visual correction, improving outcomes and reducing manual errors.



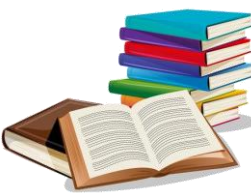
Important Terms Explained:

- **WaveLight Plus InnovEyes:** An AI-enabled diagnostic and correction system that captures and analyses over 100,000 data points from a patient's optical system to create an accurate 3D eye model for customised vision correction.
- **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** A branch of computer science that enables machines to simulate human intelligence. In this context, AI enhances diagnostic accuracy and customisation in ophthalmic procedures.



Important Terms Explained:

- **World Sight Day:** Observed annually on the second Thursday of October, this global day raises awareness about blindness and vision impairment and promotes access to quality eye care.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of WaveLight Plus InnovEyes AI technology
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	Rajan Eye Care Hospital, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
Issuing authority	Rajan Eye Care Hospital (RECH)
Policy/series name	AI-based diagnostic and eye correction system
Key figures	Dr. Sujatha Mohan, Dr. Mohan Rajan, Actor Vinay Rai
Purpose/reason	To improve accuracy and outcomes in vision correction using AI
Feature details	Collects 100,000+ data points; builds 3D eye model for custom correction
Validity or status	Officially launched on World Sight Day 2025
Strategic/significant value	Positions RECH as a tech-forward eye care provider; promotes AI in healthcare



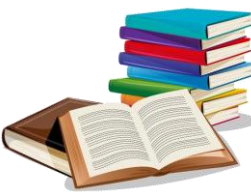
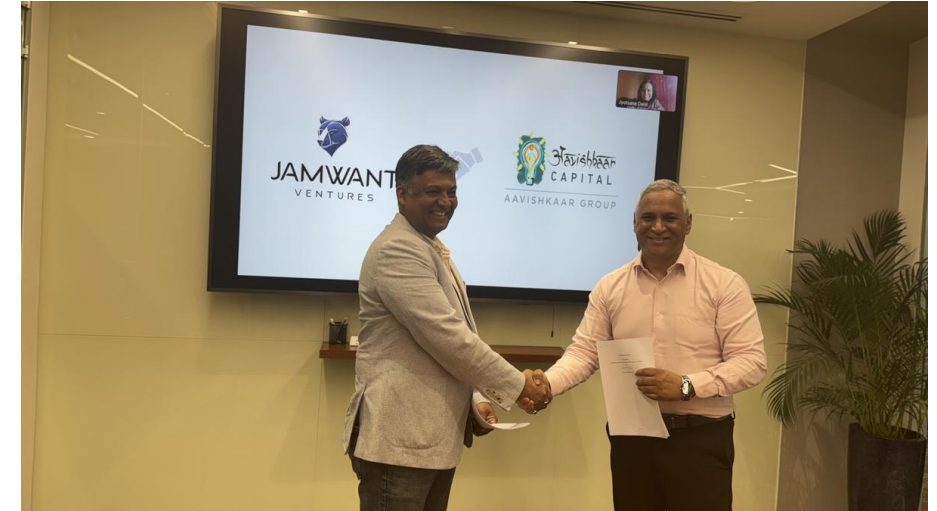
DEFENCE



- What is the total corpus of the new defence and deep-tech fund launched by Aavishkaar Group and Jamwant Ventures?

- A) ₹100 crore
- B) ₹250 crore
- C) ₹400 crore
- D) ₹500 crore
- E) ₹750 crore

Answer
D) ₹500 crore



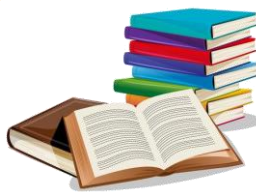
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Aavishkaar Group and Jamwant Ventures launch ₹500-crore fund for defence and deep-tech startups
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** October 9, 2025 (Announcement date)



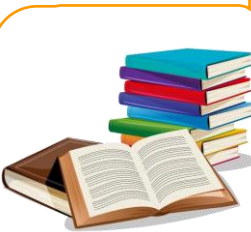
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Aavishkaar Group and Jamwant Ventures have partnered to launch a ₹500-crore fund under Jamwant Ventures Fund 2, targeting 15–25 startups in the defence and deep-tech sectors at Seed and Series A stages.
- **Objectives:** The fund aims to accelerate innovation in national security, indigenisation, and cross-sectoral technological development, with 60–65% of the corpus allocated for initial investments and the rest reserved for follow-on rounds.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Jamwant Ventures Fund 2:** A sector-focused venture capital fund launched in partnership with Aavishkaar Group to support early-stage Indian startups working in defence, aerospace, and deep tech with dual-use applications.
- **OneAavishkaar:** A strategic platform by Aavishkaar Group that combines its institutional investment governance with domain partnerships to build specialised investment vehicles like the one with Jamwant Ventures.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Seed and Series A Funding:** Early stages of venture capital financing. Seed funding supports product development and market entry, while Series A helps scale operations and improve market reach.
- **Indigenisation:** The process of developing domestic capabilities in manufacturing and technology to reduce dependence on foreign imports—especially critical in defence and national security.



DEFENCE



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of ₹500-crore defence and deep-tech fund by Aavishkaar and Jamwant
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Aavishkaar Group and Jamwant Ventures
Policy/series name	Jamwant Ventures Fund 2; OneAavishkaar partnership
Key figures	Vineet Rai (Aavishkaar), Navneet Kaushik (Jamwant Ventures)
Purpose/reason	To fund early-stage defence and deep-tech startups aligned with national goals
Feature details	₹500 crore fund; 60–65% for initial deployment; Seed and Series A focus
Validity or status	Active; Fund 2 announced October 2025
Strategic/significant value	Supports Atmanirbhar Bharat, innovation in dual-use defence & civil technologies



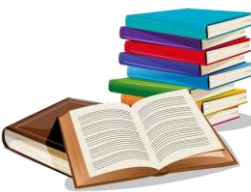
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- What percentage of its global peacekeeping force is the United Nations set to cut in response to reduced U.S. funding?

- A) 10%
- B) 15%
- C) 20%
- D) 25%
- E) 30%

Answer
D) 25%



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Event and Location:

- **Event:** United Nations announces 25% reduction in global peacekeeping personnel
- **Location:** United Nations Headquarters, New York, United States (Global impact)
- **Date:** October 8, 2025 (Briefing held)



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The United Nations will reduce its global peacekeeping force by 25%, impacting approximately 13,000 to 14,000 military and police personnel currently serving across nine active missions worldwide.
- **Objectives:** The downsizing is a direct response to reduced financial contributions from the United States, which has cut its peacekeeping funding from \$1 billion in 2024 to \$680 million in 2025, aligning with its revised foreign policy approach.



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Important Terms Explained:

- **UN Peacekeeping Force:** A UN initiative deploying military, police, and civilian personnel to conflict zones to maintain peace and security, support political processes, and protect civilians under the UN mandate.
- **America First Policy:** A foreign policy vision promoted by U.S. President Donald Trump, focused on reducing international commitments and prioritizing domestic interests—including cutting multilateral funding like that for the UN.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Peacekeeping Missions:** Operations led by the United Nations in conflict-affected countries such as Mali, Central African Republic, South Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo, among others.

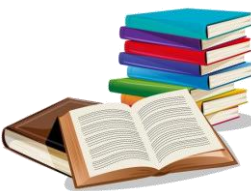


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	UN to reduce global peacekeeping force by 25%
Announcement date	October 8, 2025 (briefed), reported October 9
Location	United Nations Headquarters, New York
Issuing authority	United Nations Peacekeeping Department
Policy/series name	Global Peacekeeping Operations Budget Cuts
Key figures	António Guterres (UN Secretary-General), U.S. President Donald Trump
Purpose/reason	Budget shortfall due to reduced U.S. funding contribution
Feature details	13,000–14,000 personnel to return home; 9 missions affected
Validity or status	Reduction to be implemented over coming months
Strategic/significant value	Impacts global peace efforts; reflects changing global diplomatic priorities

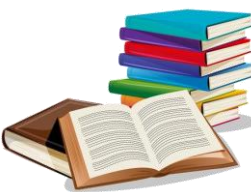


➤ **What is the targeted pulse cultivation area under the Self-Reliance in Pulses Mission by 2030-31?**

- A) 25 million hectares
- B) 27.5 million hectares
- C) 29 million hectares
- D) 31 million hectares
- E) 35 million hectares

Answer

D) 31 million hectares

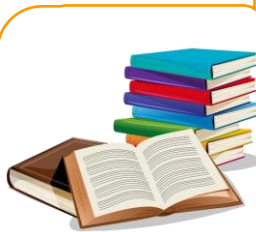


SCHEMES & INITIATIVES



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of PM Dhan-Dhaanya Yojana and Self-Reliance in Pulses Mission by PM Modi
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** October 12, 2025 (Saturday – scheduled launch); Announcement made on October 9, 2025



SCHEMES & INITIATIVES



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi will launch two major agricultural initiatives—PM Dhan-Dhaanya Yojana and Self-Reliance in Pulses Mission—to enhance pulse cultivation and farmer income.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - **Self-Reliance in Pulses Mission:** To increase pulse cultivation area from 27.5 million to 31 million hectares by 2030–31 and ensure government procurement of domestically grown pulses.
 - **PM Dhan-Dhaanya Yojana:** Aims to develop low-productivity districts through improved irrigation, credit access, and crop diversification.
 - Launch and inauguration of over 1,100 agriculture-related projects worth ₹42,000 crore across the country to support allied sectors.



SCHEMES & INITIATIVES



Important Terms Explained:

- **Self-Reliance in Pulses Mission:** A scheme to promote domestic production of pulses like tur, urad, masoor, reduce import dependence, and ensure MSP procurement of farmers' produce.
- **PM Dhan-Dhaanya Yojana:** A national scheme to uplift low-productivity agricultural districts by ensuring infrastructure development, credit, irrigation, and improved income for farmers.
- **Cultivation Area:** The total land used for growing a particular crop. The mission targets increasing pulses cultivation to 31 million hectares by 2030–31.



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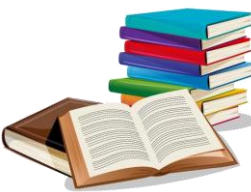
Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of PM Dhan-Dhaanya Yojana & Self-Reliance in Pulses Mission
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare
Policy/series name	Union Budget 2025 Announced Schemes
Key figures	PM Narendra Modi, Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan
Purpose/reason	Boost pulse production, increase cultivation area, uplift farmer income
Feature details	31 million ha target, MSP procurement, ₹42,000 crore for 1,100 agri projects
Validity or status	To be launched on October 12, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens food security, reduces import dependence, enhances rural economy



➤ **Where is Safran's first LEAP engine MRO facility in India located?**

- A) Bengaluru
- B) Mumbai
- C) Hyderabad
- D) Chennai
- E) Pune

Answer
C) Hyderabad



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Safran to inaugurate its first LEAP engine MRO facility in India
- **Location:** Hyderabad, India
- **Date:** October 10, 2025 (announcement),
Inauguration expected in November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** French aerospace firm Safran will inaugurate a \$150 million LEAP engine MRO facility in Hyderabad, expected to be officiated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the board's India visit.
- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to strengthen India's position as an aviation and MRO hub, reduce aircraft engine turnaround time, improve fleet efficiency, and support the Make in India mission through local sourcing, indigenous production, and collaboration.



Important Terms Explained:

- **LEAP Engine MRO:** A Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul (MRO) facility dedicated to LEAP engines, which are next-generation high-bypass turbofan engines co-developed by Safran and GE Aviation, used in aircraft like Airbus A320neo and Boeing 737 MAX.
- **Make in India:** A flagship initiative launched by the Government of India in 2014 aimed at encouraging companies to manufacture in India and increase investment in the manufacturing sector.



Important Terms Explained:

- **MRO (Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul):** A key segment in aviation that refers to all activities related to the upkeep and servicing of aircraft engines, ensuring safety and operational readiness.



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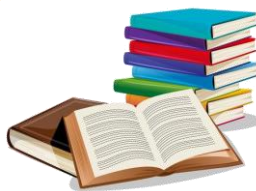
Parameter	Details
Event name	Inauguration of Safran's first LEAP engine MRO facility in India
Announcement date	October 10, 2025
Location	Hyderabad, Telangana
Issuing authority	Safran Group
Policy/series name	Make in India
Key figures	PM Narendra Modi, Olivier Andriès (CEO, Safran)
Purpose/reason	To enhance engine servicing capacity and reduce turnaround time for airlines
Feature details	\$150 million investment, high-volume LEAP engine servicing, MRO focus
Validity or status	Inauguration expected end of November 2025
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens India's MRO capability and aerospace manufacturing profile



- What total renewable energy capacity will be developed under the MoU between NTPC Green Energy and the Gujarat government?

- A) 10 GW
- B) 5 GW
- C) 15 GW
- D) 12 GW
- E) 18 GW

Answer
C) 15 GW



Event and Location:

- **Event:** NTPC Green Energy signs MoU with Gujarat government to develop 15 GW renewable energy capacity
- **Location:** Gujarat, India
- **Date:** October 9, 2025 (MoU signed)



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** NTPC Renewable Energy Ltd. (NTPC REL), a subsidiary of NTPC Green Energy, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Gujarat to set up 10 GW of solar and 5 GW of wind energy projects in the state.
- **Objectives:** The initiative supports NTPC's target of 60 GW renewable capacity by 2032, enhances Gujarat's clean energy portfolio, and contributes to India's larger climate and sustainability goals by expanding green energy infrastructure.



Important Terms Explained:

- **NTPC REL (Renewable Energy Ltd.):** A wholly owned subsidiary of NTPC Green Energy, dedicated to implementing renewable energy projects including solar, wind, and hybrid power solutions.
- **MoU (Memorandum of Understanding):** A formal agreement between two parties—in this case, NTPC REL and the Government of Gujarat—to collaborate on specific objectives, without being legally binding.
- **Gigawatt (GW):** A unit of power equal to one billion watts. Used to measure the capacity of large-scale power projects like solar or wind parks.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	MoU signed between NTPC Green Energy and Gujarat government
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	Gujarat, India
Issuing authority	NTPC Renewable Energy Ltd. and Government of Gujarat
Policy/series name	Renewable energy development initiative
Key figures	NTPC CMD Gurdeep Singh; Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel
Purpose/reason	To build 10 GW solar and 5 GW wind projects in Gujarat
Feature details	Total 15 GW planned; adds to NTPC's 2.36 GW solar and 354 MW wind capacity in Gujarat
Validity or status	MoU signed and projects in planning/early stages
Strategic/significant value	Supports NTPC's 60 GW RE goal by 2032 and promotes green energy in Gujarat

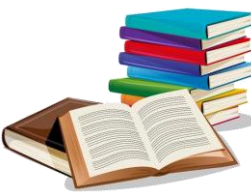


➤ How much is the total outlay for the Yamuna clean-up and drinking water projects launched by Amit Shah in Delhi?

- A) ₹1,000 crore
- B) ₹1,500 crore
- C) ₹1,816 crore
- D) ₹2,100 crore
- E) ₹950 crore

Answer

C) ₹1,816 crore



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration and foundation stone laying of ₹1,816 crore Yamuna clean-up and drinking water projects
- **Location:** Keshopur STP, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi
- **Date:** October 9, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for water infrastructure projects worth over ₹1,816 crore, focused on cleaning the Yamuna river and enhancing drinking water supply in Delhi.
- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to transform Delhi into a global city through improved water quality and infrastructure, address long-standing river pollution, and ensure sustainable drinking water access for residents of the national capital.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Sewage Treatment Plant (STP):** A facility designed to remove contaminants from wastewater and sewage, improving the quality of water released into rivers or reused for other purposes.
- **Yamuna Clean-Up Projects:** Government-led initiatives aimed at reducing pollution levels in the Yamuna River, one of India's most polluted rivers, especially in Delhi.
- **Drinking Water Projects:** Infrastructure and systems developed to supply clean, potable water to urban populations by upgrading pipelines, treatment facilities, and distribution networks.



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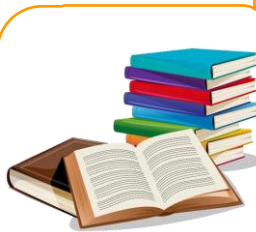
Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of ₹1,816 crore Yamuna clean-up and drinking water projects
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	Keshopur STP, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi
Issuing authority	Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India
Policy/series name	Yamuna Clean-Up and Urban Water Development Projects
Key figures	Amit Shah (Union Home Minister), Rekha Gupta (CM of Delhi)
Purpose/reason	To clean the Yamuna river and enhance water supply infrastructure
Feature details	₹1,816 crore investment in STPs and water-related infrastructure
Validity or status	Foundation laid; project implementation phase initiated
Strategic/significant value	Aims to make Delhi a global city through urban transformation and river restoration



➤ **What is the estimated cost of the jewellery park project laid by CM M.K. Stalin in Coimbatore?**

- A) ₹57 crore
- B) ₹100 crore
- C) ₹126.12 crore
- D) ₹200 crore
- E) ₹315 crore

Answer
C) ₹126.12 crore

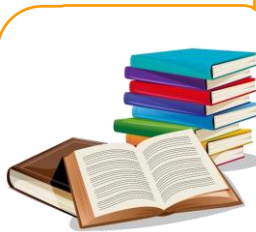


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Foundation stone laid for a ₹126.12-crore jewellery park in Coimbatore
- **Location:** Kurichi SIDCO Industrial Estate, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 9, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M. K. Stalin laid the foundation stone for a state-of-the-art jewellery park in Coimbatore, which will be developed over 2.46 acres at a cost of ₹126.12 crore, to support and integrate the fragmented goldsmith community.
- **Objectives:** The park aims to consolidate gold jewellery manufacturing under one roof, enhance job continuity, improve product safety, boost production speed, and promote innovation. It will also provide formalization opportunities for the unorganised sector and support employment generation.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Jewellery Park:** A centralized facility that houses various stages of jewellery manufacturing—from melting, dyeing, wire drawing to polishing—integrated with modern amenities to improve safety, productivity, and business viability.
- **SIDCO (Small Industries Development Corporation):** A government agency supporting the development of small-scale industries, responsible for implementing the Coimbatore jewellery park project in two phases.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Unorganised Sector:** Informal economic sector not regulated by government laws or entitled to official benefits. Nearly 50% of goldsmiths in Coimbatore belong to this sector and will benefit from formalisation.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Foundation stone laid for ₹126.12-crore Jewellery Park in Coimbatore
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	Kurichi SIDCO Industrial Estate, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu
Issuing authority	Tamil Nadu Government; TN SIDCO
Policy/series name	Tamil Nadu Jewellery Park Development Initiative
Key figures	CM M. K. Stalin, B. Sabarinath (Coimbatore Jewellers Association), S. M. Kamal Hasan (Goldsmiths' Association)
Purpose/reason	To support goldsmiths, boost jewellery manufacturing, ensure job safety
Feature details	2.46-acre facility, integrated units from melting to polishing, labs, training, 3D printing
Validity or status	Phase 1 to be completed in 18 months; ₹57 crore building with 5 floors
Strategic/significant value	Enhances formalisation, job creation (direct for 6,000; indirect for 10,000), boosts exports, ensures innovation

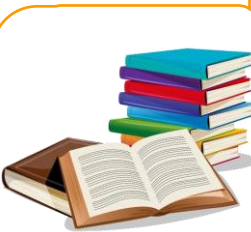


➤ Which milestone is the University of Agricultural Sciences-Bengaluru celebrating in 2025?

- A) Golden Jubilee
- B) Silver Jubilee
- C) 75th Anniversary
- D) Diamond Jubilee
- E) Platinum Jubilee

Answer

D) Diamond Jubilee



Event and Location:

- **Event:** 60th Foundation Day (Diamond Jubilee) of University of Agricultural Sciences-Bengaluru (UAS-B)
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 10, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The University of Agricultural Sciences-Bengaluru (UAS-B) is celebrating its 60th Foundation Day, marking six decades of contributions to agricultural education, research, and crop development in Karnataka.
- **Objectives:** The event aims to recognize UAS-B's legacy in agricultural advancement, honour its achievements (including 300+ crop varieties released), and engage alumni and stakeholders in its future development.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Diamond Jubilee:** A celebration marking the 60th anniversary of an institution, signifying long-standing contributions and legacy.
- **UAS-B (University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru):** The first agricultural university in Karnataka, established in 1965, known for innovations in crop science, rural development, and agricultural extension.
- **Crop Variety Releases:** Refers to the development and official release of improved plant varieties for farming, enhancing yield, disease resistance, and climate adaptability.

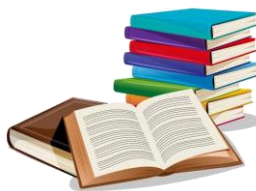


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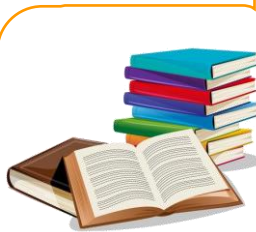
Parameter	Details
Event name	60th Foundation Day (Diamond Jubilee) of UAS-B
Announcement date	October 9, 2025
Location	University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru, Karnataka
Issuing authority	UAS-B administration
Policy/series name	Foundation Day Celebrations
Key figures	Dr. S. V. Suresha (VC), Dr. G. Parameshwara (Chief Guest & Alumnus)
Purpose/reason	To celebrate 60 years of agricultural research, education, and extension
Feature details	Over 300 crop varieties released; First agri-university in Karnataka
Validity or status	Celebrated on October 10, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Recognizes UAS-B's historic role in state and national agri-development



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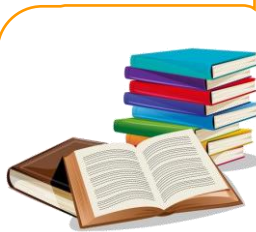
- **World Mental Health Day 2025 is being observed globally on October 10 with the theme Mental Health in Humanitarian Emergencies.**
- **M.S. Dhoni inaugurated the Velammal Cricket Stadium in Madurai on October 9, 2025.**
- **ICRA has revised its forecast, expecting India's organised gold loan market to reach ₹15 lakh crore by March 2026.**
- **Lenskart will soon launch B Camera smartglasses with integrated UPI payment capability.**
- **Bengaluru-based Varnam Craft Collective has launched a new sub-brand called Snugglewalas.**
- **MRF Ltd will acquire a 26% equity stake in Serentica Renewables for ₹99 crore under the Centre's captive power policy.**
- **C. Sashidhar has been appointed as the in-charge Chairman of the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission.**
- **Kauvery Hospital's Alwarpet branch has received the prestigious JCI 8th Edition Accreditation.**
- **The IndIAA Awards 2025 celebrated a decade of creative excellence in Indian advertising on October 9 in Mumbai.**



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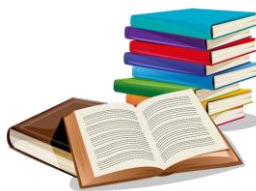
- India will launch its first sovereign AI model before the India AI Impact Summit in February 2026.
- India has notified its first legally binding emission intensity targets for high-emission industries.
- Rajan Eye Care Hospital in Chennai has launched an AI-based eye correction system named WaveLight Plus InnovEyes.
- Aavishkaar Group and Jamwant Ventures have launched a ₹500-crore fund to invest in defence and deep-tech startups.
- The United Nations will cut 25% of its global peacekeeping force due to a steep reduction in U.S. funding.
- PM Narendra Modi will launch PM Dhan-Dhaanya Yojana and Self-Reliance in Pulses Mission in New Delhi on October 11, 2025.
- PM Narendra Modi will launch the Self-Reliance in Pulses Mission and PM Dhan-Dhaanya Yojana on October 12, 2025.
- Safran will inaugurate its first LEAP engine MRO facility in Hyderabad, marking a \$150 million investment in India's aviation sector.



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- **NTPC Renewable Energy Ltd. has signed an MoU with the Gujarat government to develop 10 GW of solar and 5 GW of wind capacity.**
- **Union Home Minister Amit Shah launched ₹1,816 crore worth of Yamuna clean-up and water supply projects in Delhi.**
- **Tamil Nadu CM M. K. Stalin laid the foundation stone for a ₹126.12 crore jewellery park in Coimbatore on October 9, 2025.**
- **UAS-Bengaluru is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee, marking 60 years since its establishment in 1965.**



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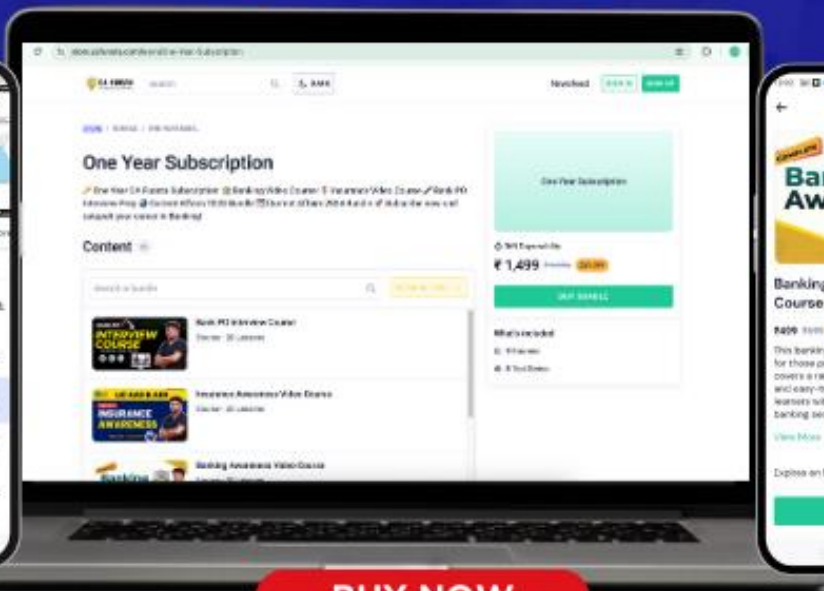


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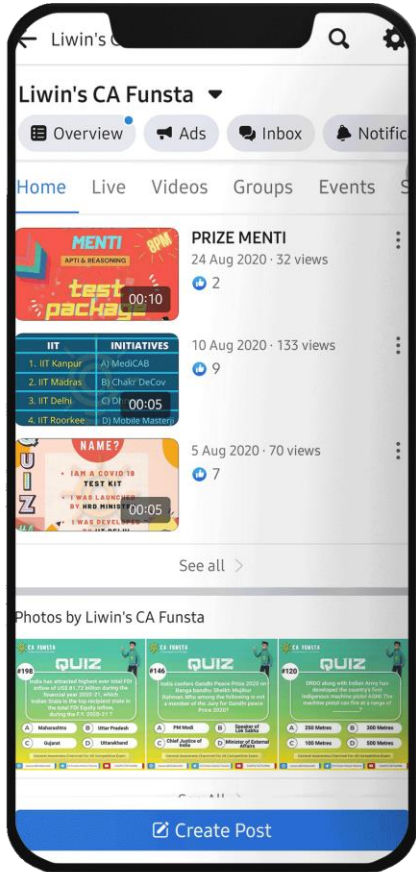
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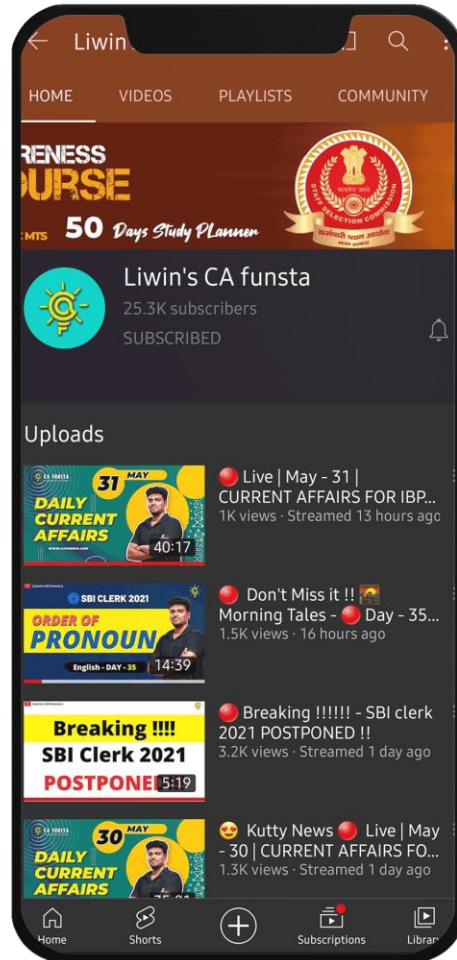


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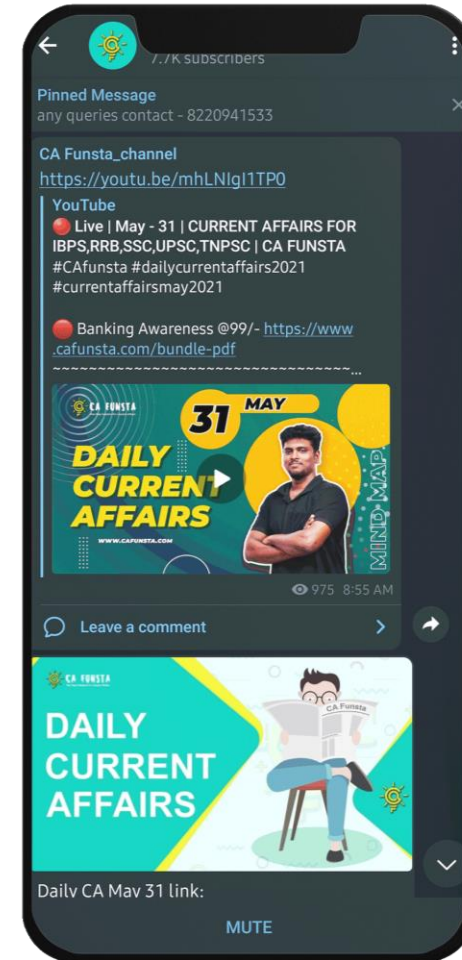
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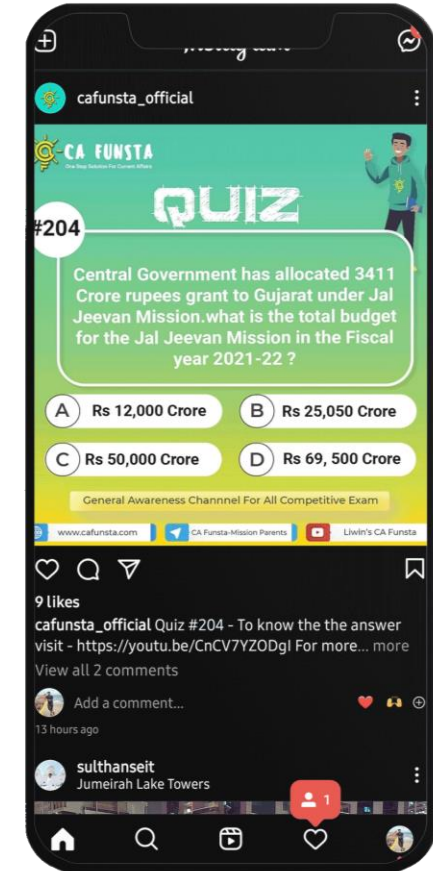
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