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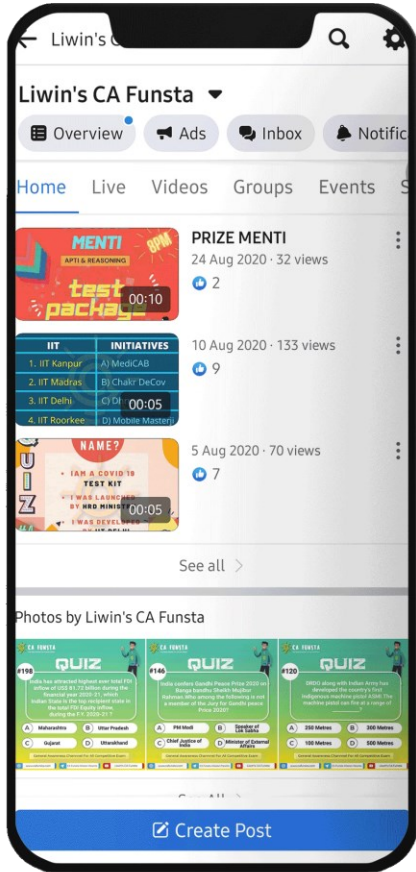
  

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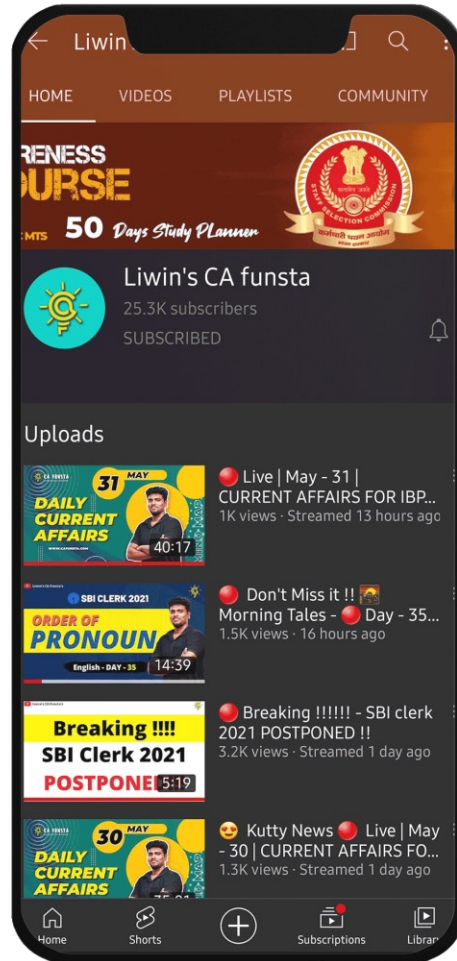
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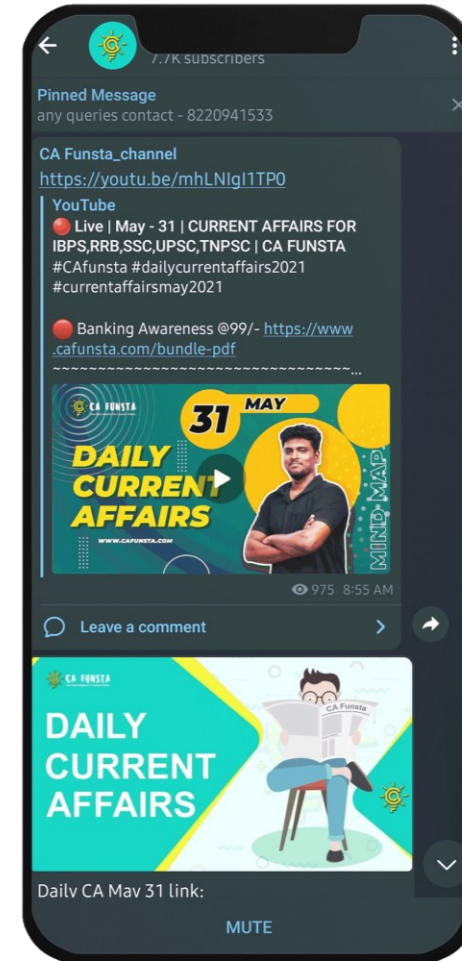
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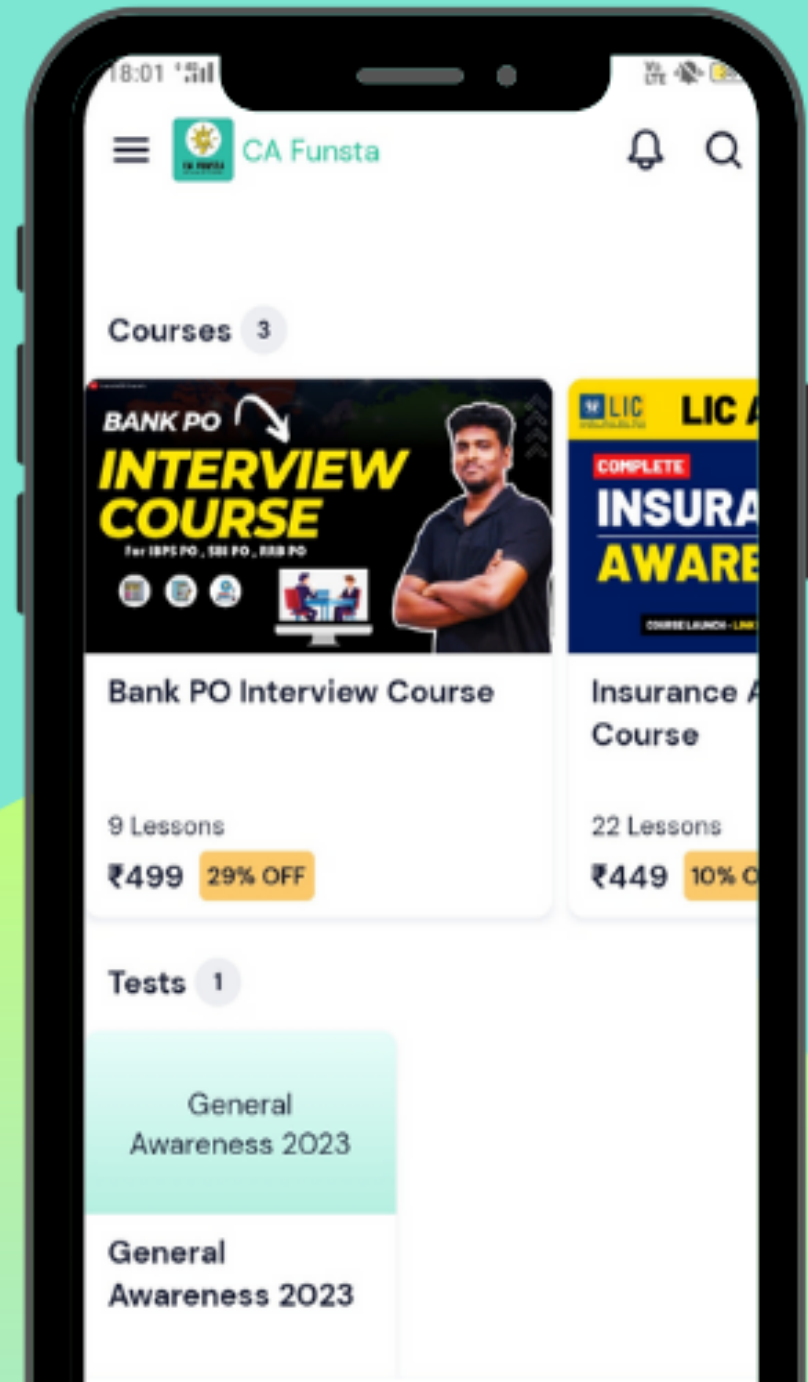
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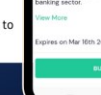
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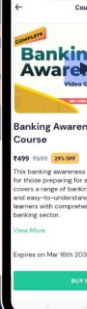


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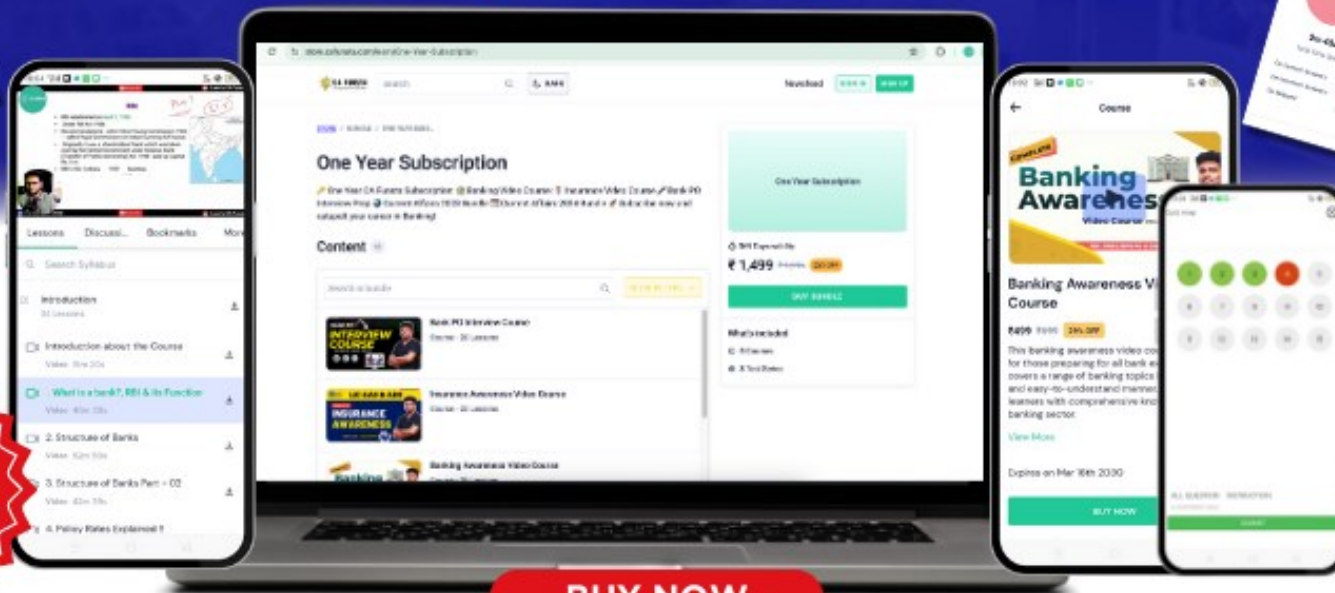
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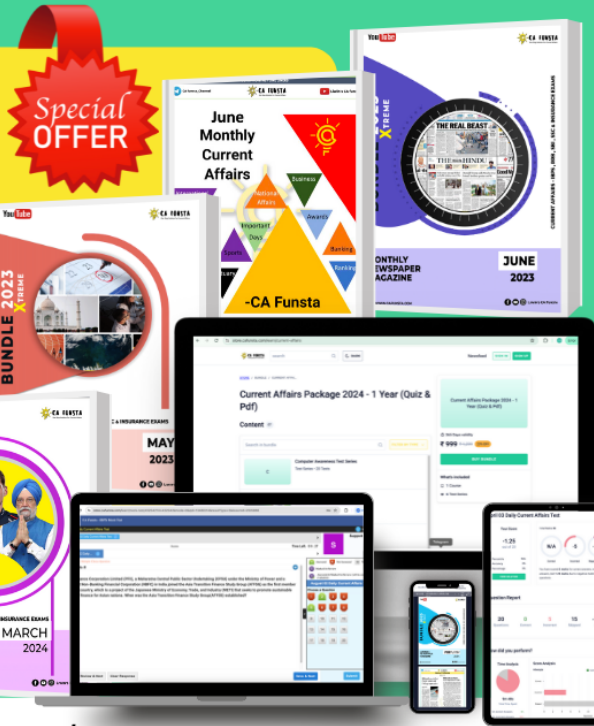


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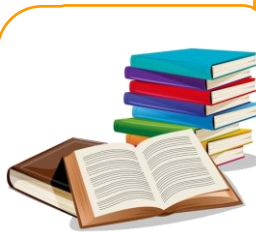
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➤ **Who was the highest wicket-taker for India in the 3rd ODI against Australia on October 25, 2025?**

- A) Axar Patel
- B) Harshit Rana
- C) Mohammed Siraj
- D) Washington Sundar
- E) Kuldeep Yadav

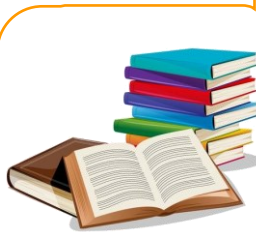


Answer
B) Harshit Rana



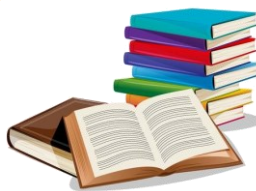
Event and Location:

- **Event:** India defeats Australia by 9 wickets in the 3rd ODI
- **Location:** Sydney Cricket Ground, Sydney, Australia
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



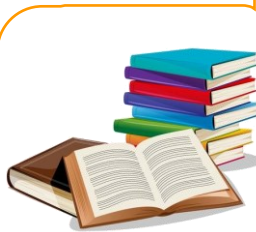
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India played the third and final One-Day International (ODI) against Australia and secured a convincing 9-wicket win, powered by Rohit Sharma's unbeaten century, Virat Kohli's 74 runs*, and Harshit Rana's 4-wicket haul.
- **Objectives:** To conclude the 3-match bilateral ODI series on a strong note despite losing the series 1–2, and to test player combinations ahead of upcoming tournaments.



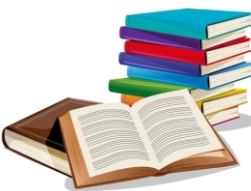
Important Terms Explained:

- **ODI (One Day International):** A limited-overs format of cricket where each team faces a maximum of 50 overs.
- **Unbeaten Century:** A score of 100 or more runs by a batsman who remains not out at the end of the innings.
- **Bowling Figures 4/39:** Indicates the bowler took 4 wickets while conceding 39 runs in their bowling spell.
- **Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG):** One of Australia's most iconic cricket stadiums, located in Sydney, often hosting international matches.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	India's 9-wicket win vs Australia in 3rd ODI
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Sydney Cricket Ground, Sydney, Australia
Issuing authority	Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)
Policy/series name	India vs Australia ODI Series 2025
Key figures	Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli, Harshit Rana
Purpose/reason	Final match of a 3-match ODI series
Feature details	Rohit Sharma 121*, Kohli 74*, Rana 4/39, Australia all out for 236
Validity or status	Series concluded, Australia won 2–1
Strategic/significant value	Strong finish by India; showcases batting and bowling form ahead of future series

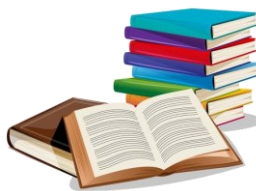


➤ **Who scored his maiden First Class century for Punjab in the Ranji Trophy match against Kerala in October 2025?**

- A) Salil Arora
- B) Harnoor Singh Pannu
- C) Basil Thampi
- D) Ankit Rajpoot
- E) B. Aparajith

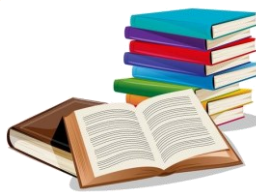
Answer

B) Harnoor Singh Pannu



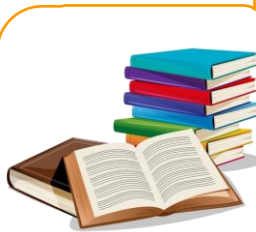
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Harnoor Singh Pannu scores maiden First Class century in Ranji Trophy
- **Location:** PCA New Cricket Stadium, Ground B, New Chandigarh
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



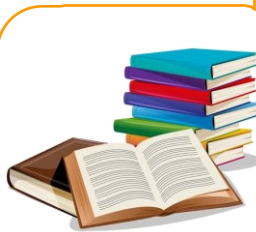
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Punjab faced Kerala in a Ranji Trophy Group B match.
 - Harnoor Singh Pannu scored 126 not out, marking his maiden First Class century.
- **Objectives:**
 - To stabilize Punjab's innings after a batting collapse where the team slipped to 152 for 5.
 - Build partnerships and ensure Punjab ends Day 1 in a competitive position.



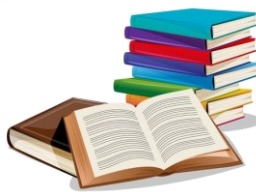
Important Terms Explained:

- **First Class Century:**
 - A milestone in cricket when a player scores 100 or more runs in a single innings in a first-class match. It is a key career achievement, especially for domestic players.
- **Ranji Trophy:**
 - India's premier domestic First Class cricket tournament, established in 1934, played between state and regional teams.



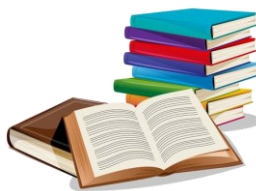
Important Terms Explained:

- **Partnership:**
 - The number of runs scored by two batsmen while they are at the crease together without losing a wicket. Pannu and Arora added 74 runs, helping to stabilize the innings.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Ranji Trophy Group B match: Punjab vs Kerala
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	PCA New Cricket Stadium, New Chandigarh
Issuing authority	Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)
Policy/series name	Ranji Trophy 2025–26 Season
Key figures	Harnoor Singh Pannu, Salil Arora, Basil Thampi, Ankit Rajpoot, Aparajith
Purpose/reason	Domestic cricket competition to showcase talent and earn national call-ups
Feature details	Pannu scored 126*; 74-run stand with Arora helped recover innings
Validity or status	Ongoing match (Day 1 completed)
Strategic/significant value	Highlights rising domestic talent and importance of Ranji Trophy in Indian cricket



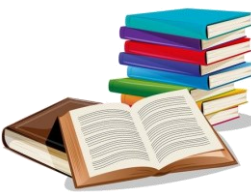
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➤ **What was the cause of death of veteran actor Satish Shah?**

- A) Cardiac arrest
- B) Kidney failure
- C) Cancer
- D) Brain hemorrhage
- E) Liver cirrhosis

Answer
B) Kidney failure

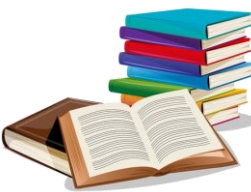


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Demise and funeral of veteran actor Satish Shah
- **Location:** Mumbai, Maharashtra
- **Date:** October 25, 2025 (Death), October 26, 2025 (Funeral)

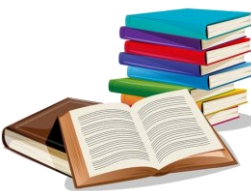


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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Veteran actor Satish Shah, aged 74, passed away due to kidney failure in Mumbai, and his last rites were held at Pawan Hans crematorium in Vile Parle West, Mumbai, attended by several film and television personalities.
- **Objectives:** The funeral served to honor the life and contributions of a legendary actor whose comedic roles and iconic performances left a lasting impact on Indian entertainment.

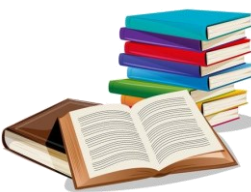


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Important Terms Explained:

- **Sarabhai vs Sarabhai:** A cult Indian sitcom where Satish Shah played the memorable role of Indravadan Sarabhai, known for his impeccable comic timing.
- **Antim Darshan:** A Hindi term referring to the final viewing of the deceased before cremation, typically attended by family, friends, and well-wishers.
- **Pawan Hans Crematorium:** A prominent cremation ground in Vile Parle West, Mumbai, often used for final rites of prominent individuals in the film industry.

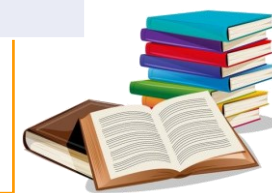


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Demise and funeral of Satish Shah
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Issuing authority	Family and Indian film fraternity
Policy/series name	Tribute to Indian Cinema Icons
Key figures	Narendra Modi, Anupam Kher, Ratna Pathak Shah, Jackie Shroff, Rupali Ganguly, David Dhawan
Purpose/reason	To honor and bid farewell to Satish Shah
Feature details	Funeral held at Pawan Hans crematorium with antim darshan and industry attendance
Validity or status	Completed (cremation held on October 26, 2025)
Strategic/significant value	Marks the loss of an iconic figure in Indian entertainment history

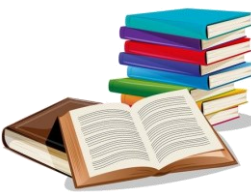


➤ **What was the primary reason behind SBI Life Insurance's 6.6% dip in net profit for Q2FY26?**

- A) Decline in premium collections
- B) Higher claims
- C) GST reform impact
- D) Reduced commission payouts
- E) Regulatory penalty

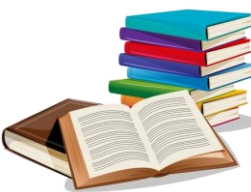


Answer
C) GST reform impact



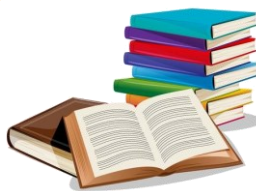
Event and Location:

- **Event:** SBI Life Insurance Q2FY26 financial results announcement
- **Location:** Mumbai, Maharashtra (Corporate Headquarters)
- **Date:** October 24, 2025



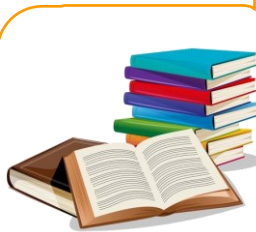
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** SBI Life Insurance reported a 6.6% year-on-year drop in net profit to ₹494.59 crore for Q2FY26, due to transitional impact from revised GST reforms affecting margins and expenses.
- **Objectives:** To maintain profitability and premium growth while adjusting to the structural impact of the GST policy change, which prevents life insurers from claiming input tax credits on various costs like commissions.



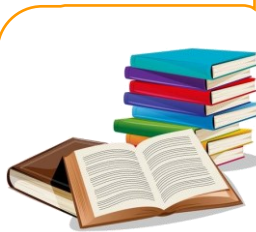
Important Terms Explained:

- **GST Reform (Life Insurance):** A recent change in GST policy where insurers cannot claim input tax credits on input costs such as commissions and brokerage, thereby increasing their effective tax burden and lowering profitability.
- **Net Premium Income:** Total premium earned by the insurer, excluding any reinsurance costs. SBI Life saw a 22.6% increase, reaching ₹24,848.31 crore in Q2FY26.
- **Embedded Value (EV):** A life insurer's economic worth, calculated as the sum of the present value of future profits and net asset value. SBI Life's EV grew 15% YoY to ₹76,000 crore as of September 30, 2025.



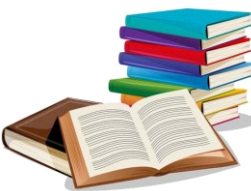
Important Terms Explained:

- **Value of New Business (VoNB):** Present value of future profits from new policies sold in a specific period. VoNB for H1FY26 stood at ₹2,750 crore, a 14% YoY growth.
- **Expenses of Management (EoM):** Operational costs incurred by the insurer. SBI Life's EoM rose 27.9% YoY in Q2FY26.



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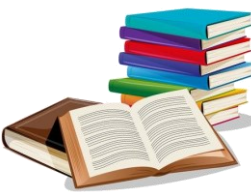
Parameter	Details
Event name	SBI Life Q2FY26 Results
Announcement date	October 24, 2025
Location	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Issuing authority	SBI Life Insurance Company Ltd.
Policy/series name	Q2FY26 Financial Performance Report
Key figures	Net profit: ₹494.59 crore, Net premium: ₹24,848.31 crore, MD & CEO: Amit Jhingran
Purpose/reason	Impact of GST reform on profit margins despite strong premium growth
Feature details	EV at ₹76,000 crore; VoNB at ₹2,750 crore; EoM rose 27.9% YoY
Validity or status	Applicable for Q2 and H1 FY26 performance
Strategic/significant value	Reflects industry-wide impact of GST changes and importance of operational efficiency



➤ Which Indian state's IT Minister invited Australian firms to invest during his visit to Melbourne in October 2025?

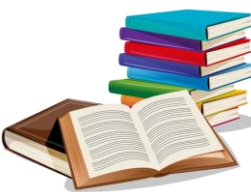
- A) Karnataka
- B) Andhra Pradesh
- C) Tamil Nadu
- D) Telangana
- E) Maharashtra

Answer
D) Telangana



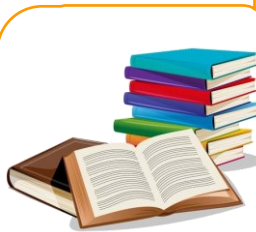
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Telangana IT Minister invites Australian firms to collaborate and invest in the state
- **Location:** Melbourne and Sydney, Australia
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



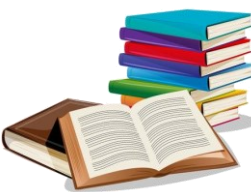
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Telangana IT and Industries Minister D. Sridhar Babu, during an official visit to Australia, invited Indian-origin CEOs and leading Australian firms to invest in Telangana and collaborate in its 'Rising Telangana' economic growth journey.
- **Objectives:** To strengthen Australia–Telangana business ties, attract FDI into the state's tech and industrial sectors, and position Telangana as a preferred investment destination in India through its stable governance, digital infrastructure, and economic resilience.



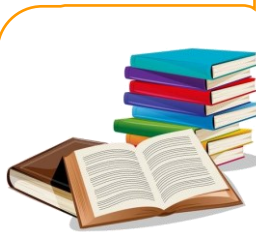
Important Terms Explained:

- **Rising Telangana:** A government-driven branding initiative to promote Telangana's image as a rapidly growing, investment-ready state with a focus on innovation, digital transformation, and inclusive development.
- **Centre for Australia–India Relations:** An Australian government initiative promoting deeper economic, cultural, and strategic ties between the two countries, facilitating platforms like business conclaves for mutual engagement.



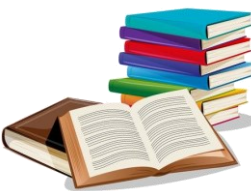
Important Terms Explained:

- **FDI (Foreign Direct Investment):** Investment from foreign entities into domestic businesses or infrastructure. Minister Sridhar Babu sought to attract FDI from Australian tech and manufacturing firms.



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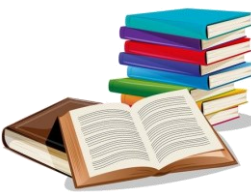
Parameter	Details
Event name	Telangana–Australia Investment Outreach
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Melbourne and Sydney, Australia
Issuing authority	Government of Telangana
Policy/series name	Rising Telangana Global Investment Drive
Key figures	D. Sridhar Babu, Indian-origin CEOs in Australia
Purpose/reason	To attract FDI and business partnerships from Australia
Feature details	Business conclave participation, bilateral trade dialogue, investment invitation
Validity or status	Active; part of global outreach mission
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens international economic ties and boosts Telangana’s global visibility



➤ The World Bank has approved a loan of over ₹2,450 crore for which Indian state's health system improvement programme in October 2025?

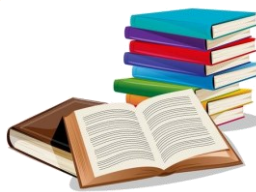
- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Maharashtra
- C) West Bengal
- D) Kerala
- E) Karnataka

Answer
D) Kerala



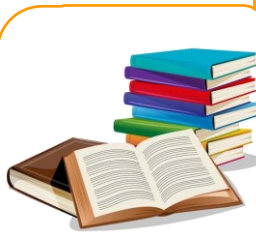
Event and Location:

- **Event:** World Bank loan approval for health system strengthening programme
- **Location:** Kerala, India
- **Date:** October 24, 2025



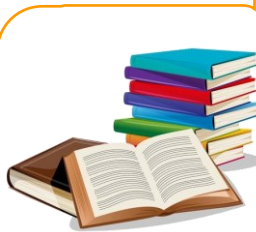
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The World Bank approved a \$280 million (₹2,450 crore) loan to support Kerala's health system transformation, focusing on preventive and long-term care for the elderly and patients with chronic illnesses.



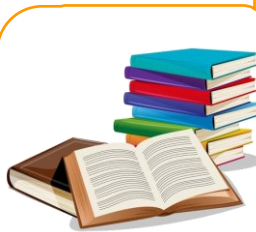
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - Improve life expectancy and quality of life of 11 million elderly and vulnerable people.
 - Ensure a 40% increase in patients whose hypertension is controlled.
 - Achieve a 60% increase in cervical and breast cancer screenings for women.
 - Establish home-based care models for bedridden and housebound patients.
 - Enable 90% treatment coverage for registered hypertension and diabetes patients using electronic tracking.



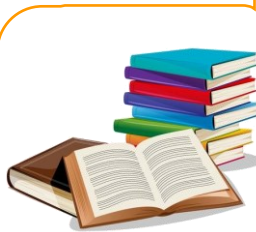
Important Terms Explained:

- **World Bank:** An international financial institution that provides loans and grants to the governments of low and middle-income countries for development projects in sectors like health, education, infrastructure, etc.
- **Electronic Tracking Mechanism:** A digital system for monitoring and managing chronic disease patients such as those with hypertension and diabetes, ensuring consistent follow-up and personalized care.



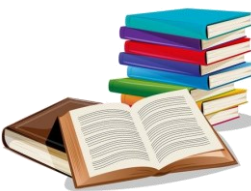
Important Terms Explained:

- **Home-Based Care Model:** A healthcare delivery model where medical services are provided at a patient's home, especially for the elderly, bedridden, or those unable to travel, improving accessibility and comfort.



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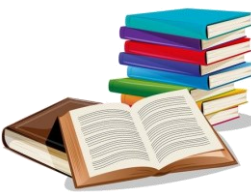
Parameter	Details
Event name	World Bank approval of ₹2,450 crore health loan to Kerala
Announcement date	October 24, 2025
Location	Kerala, India
Issuing authority	World Bank
Policy/series name	Kerala Health System Strengthening Programme
Key figures	Beneficiary: Govt. of Kerala; Funder: World Bank
Purpose/reason	To improve elderly care, chronic illness treatment, and women's health
Feature details	Home-based care, electronic patient tracking, cancer screening
Validity or status	Funding approved; programme to be rolled out across Kerala
Strategic/significant value	Enhances Kerala's public health outcomes and supports global health targets



➤ Under the Vision 2031 initiative, what is the turnover target set by Keltron?

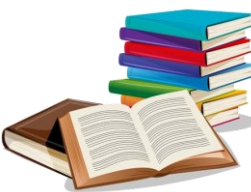
- A) ₹1,000 crore
- B) ₹2,000 crore
- C) ₹1,500 crore
- D) ₹2,500 crore
- E) ₹3,000 crore

Answer
B) ₹2,000 crore



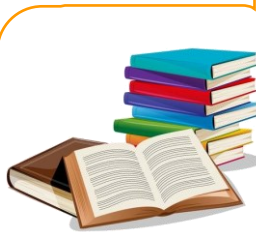
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Keltron sets ₹2,000 crore turnover target under Vision 2031
- **Location:** Aroor, Alappuzha, Kerala
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



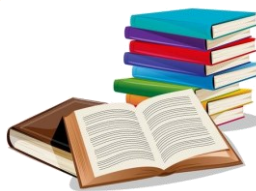
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Industries Minister P. Rajeeve laid the foundation stone for the Electronic Integration Bay at Keltron Krasny Defence Systems Pvt. Ltd (KKDS).
 - Announced Keltron's turnover target of ₹2,000 crore by 2031 under the Vision 2031 plan.



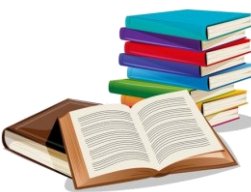
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To strengthen Keltron's role in the Indian defence manufacturing ecosystem.
 - To expand domestic and international collaborations, especially with countries like Vietnam.
 - To enhance electronic integration capacity and contribute to defence indigenization.



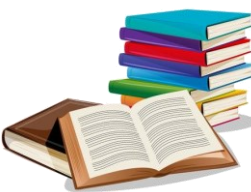
Important Terms Explained:

- **Keltron (Kerala State Electronics Development Corporation Ltd):**
 - A public sector enterprise under the Kerala government, focused on electronics manufacturing, defence solutions, and industrial automation.
- **Vision 2031:**
 - A long-term developmental roadmap adopted by the Kerala government for key sectors, aiming to boost innovation, industry, and economic growth by the year 2031.



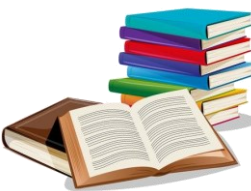
Important Terms Explained:

- **Keltron Krasny Defence Systems Pvt. Ltd (KKDS):**
 - A joint venture of Keltron, engaged in manufacturing and integrating advanced electronics and systems for the defence sector, especially naval defence systems.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Foundation stone for Electronic Integration Bay at Keltron KKDS
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Aroor, Alappuzha, Kerala
Issuing authority	Kerala Industries Department
Policy/series name	Vision 2031
Key figures	Industries Minister P. Rajeeve
Purpose/reason	To expand defence electronics capability and set revenue growth targets
Feature details	Keltron targets ₹2,000 crore turnover; collaboration with Vietnamese firms
Validity or status	Ongoing development under Vision 2031
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens Kerala's role in defence manufacturing and industrial growth



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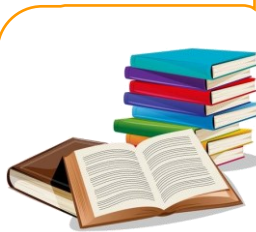


➤ **Who has been posthumously awarded the Vigyan Ratna in 2025 under the Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar?**

- A) Mahan Mj
- B) Aniruddha Pandit
- C) Gyanendra Pratap Singh
- D) Jayant Vishnu Narlikar
- E) K. Thangaraj

Answer

D) Jayant Vishnu Narlikar

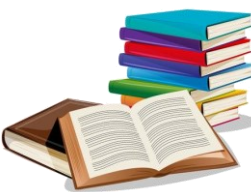


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Centre announces Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar 2025 for outstanding contributions in science
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** October 25, 2025

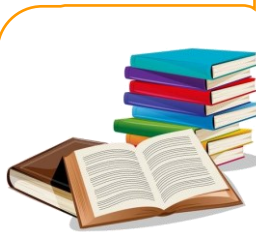


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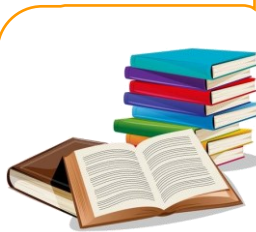
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Government of India announced the first set of Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar (RVP) awards, modeled after the Padma Awards, to recognize excellence in scientific research and innovation.
- **Objectives:** To institutionalize national-level recognition of scientists across disciplines and inspire future generations by honoring lifetime contributions and recent scientific achievements in India.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar (RVP):** A newly introduced national award scheme by the Government of India to honor scientists, innovators, and technologists for excellence in science and technology, in a structured, prestigious format similar to Padma Awards.
- **Vigyan Ratna:** The highest category under RVP, awarded for lifetime contributions in science.

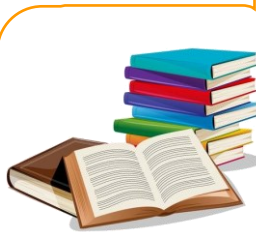


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Important Terms Explained:

- **Jayant Vishnu Narlikar:** A world-renowned Indian astrophysicist, known for the Hoyle–Narlikar theory, and his efforts to promote science education; passed away in May 2025.
- **Vigyan Shri:** The second tier of the RVP, awarded to living scientists for significant recent contributions to Indian science.

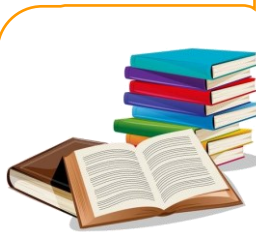


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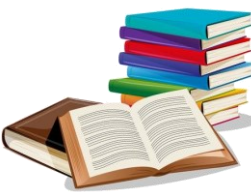
Parameter	Details
Event name	Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar 2025 Announced
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Government of India; Department of Science and Technology
Policy/series name	Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar (RVP) Scheme
Key figures	Jayant Vishnu Narlikar (Vigyan Ratna), 8 Vigyan Shri awardees
Purpose/reason	To honor lifetime and recent contributions in scientific research
Feature details	24 individual awards + 1 team award; 4 award categories
Validity or status	First edition of RVP awards announced
Strategic/significant value	Encourages excellence in science, fosters innovation, and builds national scientific pride



➤ During the Bharat International Rice Conference (BRIC) 2025, how many countries has India identified as key focus markets for rice export expansion?

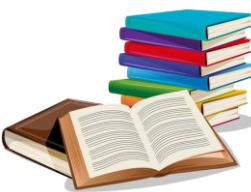
- A) 15
- B) 20
- C) 26
- D) 30
- E) 35

Answer
C) 26



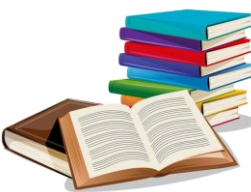
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Bharat International Rice Conference (BRIC) 2025 and India's focus on 26 rice export markets
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** October 30–31, 2025



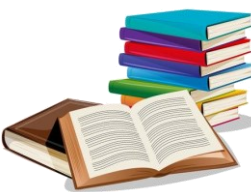
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India will focus on 26 countries including Indonesia, Vietnam, Philippines, and the US to expand its rice exports at the upcoming Bharat International Rice Conference (BRIC) 2025, aiming to capture a share of the ₹1.8 lakh crore global rice import market.
- **Objectives:** To sign MoUs worth ₹25,000 crore in rice exports, showcase India's diverse rice varieties (including GI-tagged, basmati, and non-basmati), and build partnerships to boost global trade transparency, sustainability, and innovation in the rice sector.



Important Terms Explained:

- **BRIC 2025 (Bharat International Rice Conference):** A global rice trade platform hosted by India bringing together stakeholders across the rice supply chain including farmers, exporters, buyers, and policymakers.
- **GI Rice Varieties:** Rice types with Geographical Indication (GI) tags that denote quality and origin (e.g., Basmati rice), enhancing their market appeal and legal protection internationally.
- **FPO (Farmer Producer Organisation):** A farmer-owned collective that enables smallholders to participate in larger value chains for better price realization and market access.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Bharat International Rice Conference (BRIC) 2025
Announcement date	October 24, 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Ministry of Commerce and Indian Rice Exporters Federation (IREF)
Policy/series name	Rice Export Expansion Strategy
Key figures	Dev Garg (VP, IREF); 3,000 farmers; 1,000 foreign buyers
Purpose/reason	To unlock ₹1.8 lakh crore global rice demand by targeting 26 key markets
Feature details	MoUs worth ₹25,000 crore expected; participation from 80+ countries
Validity or status	Conference scheduled for October 30–31, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens India's rice export position and global food security leadership

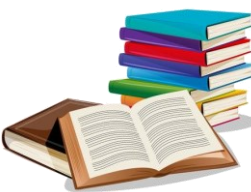


➤ **Why did US President Donald Trump increase tariffs on Canadian goods by an additional 10% in October 2025?**

- A) Canada imposed tariffs on US steel
- B) Ontario aired an anti-tariff advert using Ronald Reagan's speech
- C) Canada withdrew from NAFTA
- D) Canada increased export subsidies
- E) Ontario banned US agricultural imports

Answer

B) Ontario aired an anti-tariff advert using Ronald Reagan's speech

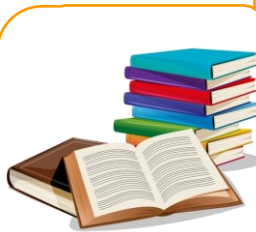


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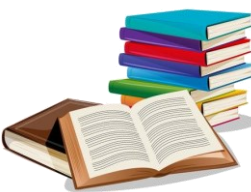
Event and Location:

- **Event:** US increases tariffs on Canadian goods following controversial Reagan-based advert
- **Location:** Triggered in Ontario, Canada; announcement made en route to Malaysia
- **Date:** October 26, 2025 (Reported 10 hours ago)



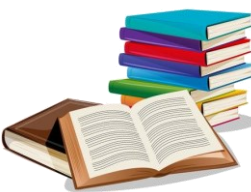
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** US President Donald Trump announced an additional 10% tariff hike on Canadian goods, reacting to an anti-tariff advert aired by the Ontario government during the World Series.
- **Objectives:** To pressure Canada into removing politically charged messaging and regain leverage in suspended US-Canada trade negotiations, amid broader tensions over tariff policies.



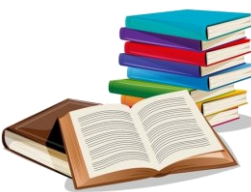
Important Terms Explained:

- **Tariff:** A tax or duty imposed by a government on imported goods, aimed at protecting domestic industries or as a political tool during trade disputes.
- **Ronald Reagan Advert:** A one-minute campaign aired by Ontario quoting Reagan's 1987 anti-tariff speech, which was criticized for being selectively edited and lacking permission from the Ronald Reagan Foundation.



Important Terms Explained:

- **World Series:** A major US baseball event where Ontario leveraged viewership to broadcast its trade message.
- **Trade Diversification:** Canada's response strategy to explore trade agreements with ASEAN nations and reduce dependence on US markets.



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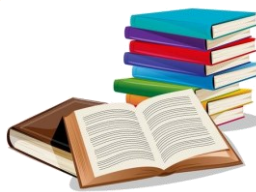
Parameter	Details
Event name	Trump imposes additional 10% tariffs on Canadian goods
Announcement date	October 26, 2025
Location	Ontario (trigger), Malaysia (announcement)
Issuing authority	US Government – President Donald Trump
Policy/series name	US Tariff Escalation on Canadian Imports
Key figures	Donald Trump, Mark Carney, Doug Ford, Gavin Newsom
Purpose/reason	Response to Ontario's Reagan-based anti-tariff advert aired during World Series
Feature details	Additional 10% tariff, rising total to 45% on some goods, existing 25–50% sector-specific tariffs
Validity or status	Active tariff decision; trade talks currently paused
Strategic/significant value	Escalates US-Canada trade tensions; may impact Ontario's auto and metals exports



➤ **What is the name of the ₹4,182 crore aviation scheme approved by the Odisha government in October 2025?**

- A) UDAAN Odisha
- B) Aero-Mitra
- C) B-MAAN
- D) Nava Udaan
- E) MRO-Vistaar

Answer
C) B-MAAN

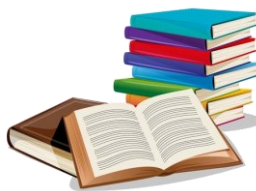


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Approval of ₹4,182 crore aviation development scheme
- **Location:** Bhubaneswar, Odisha
- **Date:** October 25, 2025

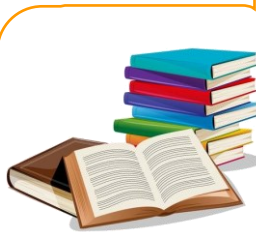


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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Odisha Cabinet, chaired by CM Mohan Charan Majhi, approved the B-MAAN scheme (Building and Management of Aviation Assets and Network) with a financial outlay of ₹4,182 crore to develop a comprehensive aviation ecosystem in the state.
- **Objectives:** To establish Odisha as an aviation hub in eastern India through infrastructure expansion, Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul (MRO) facilities, and the Samastanka Pain Biman Seba initiative that promotes inclusive air connectivity via Viability Gap Funding (VGF) and other incentives.

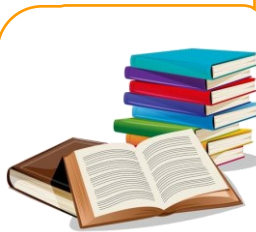


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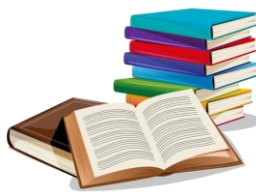
Important Terms Explained:

- **B-MAAN Scheme:** A strategic aviation development initiative aimed at building infrastructure and operational networks in Odisha's aviation sector, with a focus on MRO, air cargo, regional air connectivity, and skill development.
- **MRO (Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul):** An essential segment of the aviation industry that involves the maintenance and technical servicing of aircraft, engines, and components.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Viability Gap Funding (VGF):** Financial support from the government to make economically unviable projects viable, used here to support new and underserved air routes and airport operations in Odisha.
- **Samastanka Pain Biman Seba (Aviation for All):** A vision to ensure inclusive and equitable access to air travel services for all citizens of Odisha.

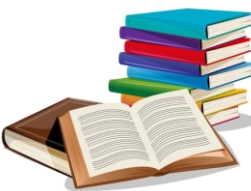


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Approval of B-MAAN aviation scheme
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Bhubaneswar, Odisha
Issuing authority	Odisha Cabinet; HLCA chaired by CM Mohan Charan Majhi
Policy/series name	B-MAAN (Building and Management of Aviation Assets and Network)
Key figures	CM Mohan Charan Majhi
Purpose/reason	To boost Odisha's aviation sector and infrastructure
Feature details	₹4,182 crore outlay; MRO ecosystem; VGF support; inclusive connectivity
Validity or status	Approved by Odisha Cabinet; implementation to begin in phases
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens Odisha's position as an eastern aviation hub; promotes equitable air access



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➤ Which Kerala district recently hosted the 'Lokom Kothikkum Keralam' tourism seminar under the Vision 2031 initiative?

- A) Alappuzha
- B) Idukki
- C) Thiruvananthapuram
- D) Wayanad
- E) Palakkad

Answer
B) Idukki

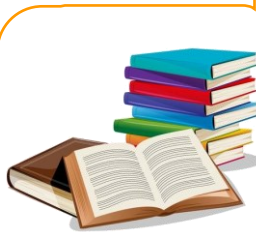


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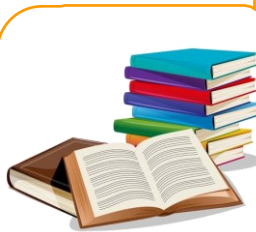
Event and Location:

- **Event:** 'Lokom Kothikkum Keralam' tourism seminar under Vision 2031
- **Location:** Marian College, Kuttikkanam, Idukki, Kerala
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



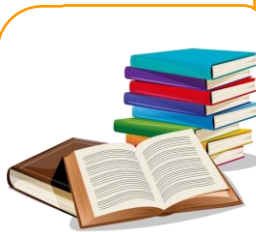
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Kerala Tourism Department organized a State-level seminar titled 'Lokom Kothikkum Keralam' to discuss sustainable development and technological integration in the tourism sector.
- **Objectives:** To promote Vision 2031, which aims to make Kerala a globally competitive tourism destination, integrating AI, sustainability, and infrastructure growth, including financial assistance for hotel projects up to ₹50 crore.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Vision 2031:** A long-term strategic initiative by the Kerala government to transform sectors such as tourism, education, and technology to align with global standards by the year 2031.
- **Lokom Kothikkum Keralam:** Translates to “A Kerala the World Desires,” this tourism seminar is part of Kerala’s Vision 2031 strategy to attract global tourists and investors.
- **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** Emphasized in the seminar as a transformative force in tourism, from smart hospitality to predictive travel analytics and virtual experience technologies.

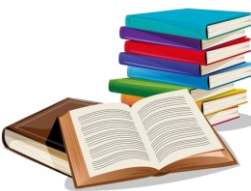


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	'Lokom Kothikkum Keralam' Tourism Seminar
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Kuttikkanam, Idukki, Kerala
Issuing authority	Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala
Policy/series name	Vision 2031
Key figures	Finance Minister K.N. Balagopal
Purpose/reason	To discuss AI integration, tourism development, and funding for hotel projects
Feature details	Startup-model financial aid for hotel projects up to ₹50 crore
Validity or status	Initiative in implementation phase
Strategic/significant value	Supports Kerala's aim to be a leading AI-driven and sustainable tourism destination by 2031

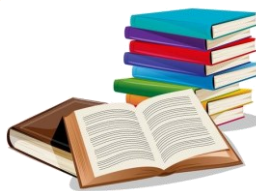


➤ Which hospital launched the 'Freedom from Cancer' project that has helped over 200 blood cancer patients receive free treatment in Jaipur?

- A) Tata Memorial Hospital
- B) AIIMS Delhi
- C) Bhagwan Mahaveer Cancer Hospital
- D) SMS Medical College
- E) Apollo Hospitals

Answer

C) Bhagwan Mahaveer Cancer Hospital

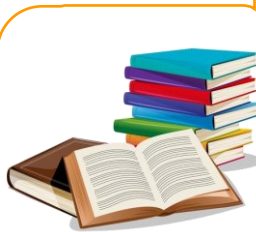


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Successful implementation of 'Freedom from Cancer' project benefiting 200 blood cancer patients
- **Location:** Jaipur, Rajasthan
- **Date:** October 24, 2025

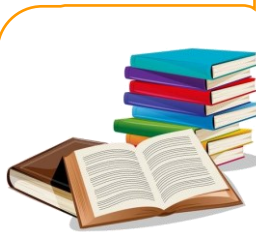


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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Launched in August 2015 by Bhagwan Mahaveer Cancer Hospital, the 'Freedom from Cancer' project supports free treatment for blood cancer patients.
 - The project is funded by philanthropists, charitable trusts, and individual donors.
 - Over 330 patients have been enrolled since its inception.

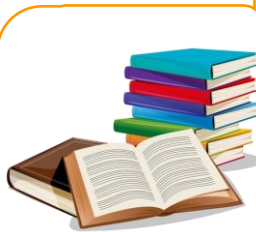


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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To provide comprehensive cancer treatment for underprivileged patients.
 - Ensure long-term remission and improved quality of life for blood cancer patients.
 - Reduce the financial burden of cancer treatment on families through free medicines, diagnostics, and nursing care.

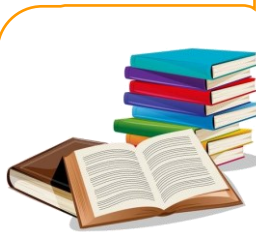


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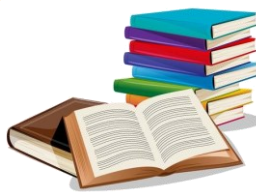
Important Terms Explained:

- **Freedom from Cancer Project:**
 - A charitable cancer care initiative started by Bhagwan Mahaveer Cancer Hospital to provide free and sustained treatment for blood cancer patients, especially those from economically weaker backgrounds.
- **Blood Cancer:**
 - A group of cancers affecting blood, bone marrow, or lymphatic system, including leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma.
 - Treatment is often prolonged and expensive, making charitable support critical for underserved populations.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Philanthropic Healthcare Funding:**
 - Use of donor contributions, trusts, and non-profits to fund medical treatments, especially in high-cost diseases like cancer, to ensure equitable access.

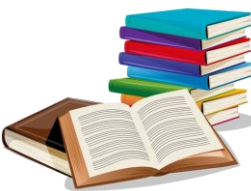


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	'Freedom from Cancer' initiative by Bhagwan Mahaveer Cancer Hospital
Announcement date	October 24, 2025
Location	Jaipur, Rajasthan
Issuing authority	Bhagwan Mahaveer Cancer Hospital and Research Centre
Policy/series name	Freedom from Cancer Project
Key figures	200 patients received free long-term care; 330+ enrolled since 2015
Purpose/reason	Provide free treatment and remission support to underprivileged cancer patients
Feature details	Free medicines, diagnostics, and nursing care supported by donations
Validity or status	Ongoing healthcare programme
Strategic/significant value	Addresses cancer care inequality and promotes accessible oncology services



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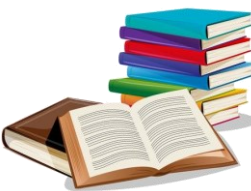


➤ Which mission under the Union Culture Ministry is signing MoUs for conservation and digitisation of manuscripts?

- A) Bharat Archive Yojana
- B) Sanskriti Raksha Abhiyan
- C) Gyan Bharatam Mission
- D) Manuscript Mitra Project
- E) Shodh Yatra Initiative

Answer

C) Gyan Bharatam Mission

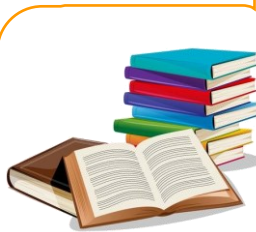


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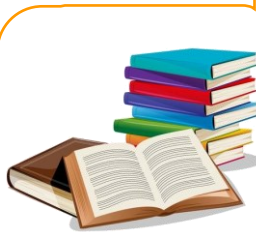
Event and Location:

- **Event:** MoUs signed under Gyan Bharatam Mission for manuscript conservation
- **Location:** Nationwide (led by Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India)
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Gyan Bharatam Mission under the Ministry of Culture will sign Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with around 20 institutions for the conservation, upkeep, and digitisation of manuscripts.
 - 30 additional institutes are expected to sign in the following days.

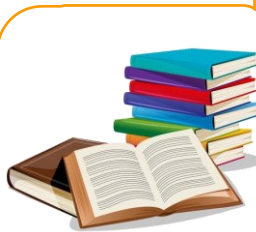


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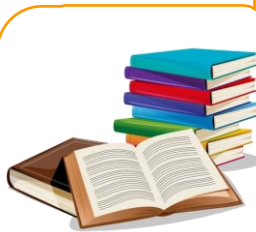
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - Preserve India's rich manuscript heritage through systematic documentation and digital archiving.
 - Facilitate academic research and public access to India's ancient knowledge systems.
 - Strengthen institutional partnerships in cultural conservation.



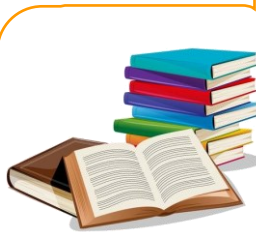
Important Terms Explained:

- **Gyan Bharatam Mission:**
 - A flagship initiative of the Union Ministry of Culture, focusing on manuscript conservation, digitisation, and cultural knowledge preservation.
 - Aims to integrate academic, technological, and archival expertise to safeguard India's textual heritage.
- **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU):**
 - A formal agreement between two or more parties to establish official partnerships for specific projects—in this case, manuscript conservation and digitisation.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Digitisation of Manuscripts:**
 - The process of converting physical manuscripts into digital formats, allowing long-term preservation, restoration, and wider accessibility through digital platforms.

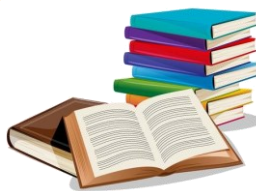


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Signing of MoUs for manuscript digitisation under Gyan Bharatam Mission
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Nationwide (central coordination by Ministry of Culture)
Issuing authority	Ministry of Culture, Government of India
Policy/series name	Gyan Bharatam Mission
Key figures	Senior officials of Ministry of Culture
Purpose/reason	Preservation and digitisation of ancient Indian manuscripts
Feature details	Involves MoUs with 20 institutes initially; 30 more to join later
Validity or status	Ongoing initiative; MoUs being signed in phased manner
Strategic/significant value	Preserves India's cultural heritage and makes it accessible to researchers and citizens

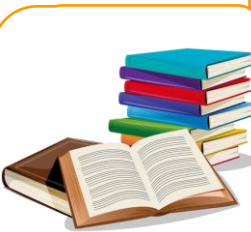


➤ Who is scheduled to inaugurate the 1,200-bed private hospital in Ghaziabad?

- A) Yogi Adityanath
- B) Rajnath Singh
- C) Anandiben Patel
- D) Droupadi Murmu
- E) Anupriya Patel

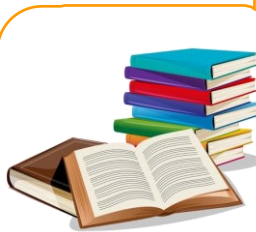
Answer

D) Droupadi Murmu



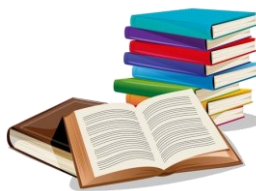
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of a 1,200-bed private hospital
- **Location:** Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh
- **Date:** October 26, 2025



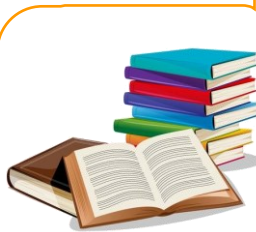
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The President of India, Droupadi Murmu, is scheduled to inaugurate a 1,200-bed private hospital in Ghaziabad, with security, administrative, and traffic management arrangements made for the high-profile event.
- **Objectives:** The aim is to enhance multi-specialty healthcare access in the region by establishing centres of excellence in cardiology, neurosciences, oncology, organ transplants, and mother-child care.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Yashoda Medicity Hospital:** A major private healthcare institution in Uttar Pradesh expanding its infrastructure with a new 1,200-bed facility offering advanced medical services.
- **Centres of Excellence:** Specialized divisions in hospitals that focus on providing high-quality, advanced, and specialized treatment in specific medical fields.
- **Emergency Response Units:** Dedicated teams including ambulances, fire tenders, and medical staff deployed to handle emergencies and ensure safety during public events.

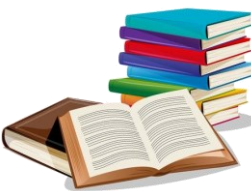


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Inauguration of a 1,200-bed private hospital
Announcement date	October 26, 2025
Location	Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh
Issuing authority	President of India
Policy/series name	Hospital Infrastructure Expansion Initiative
Key figures	Droupadi Murmu, Rajnath Singh, Yogi Adityanath, Anandiben Patel, Anupriya Patel
Purpose/reason	To expand high-quality healthcare services through a multi-specialty hospital
Feature details	Facilities in cardiology, oncology, neurosciences, organ transplants, child care
Validity or status	Scheduled for inauguration, preparations completed
Strategic/significant value	Strengthening regional healthcare infrastructure and emergency readiness

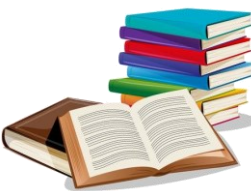


➤ **Which organization organized the Fit India Freedom Run 6.0 in October 2025?**

- A) Ministry of Health
- B) Sports Authority of India
- C) Government e Marketplace
- D) Ministry of Environment
- E) Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan

Answer

C) Government e Marketplace

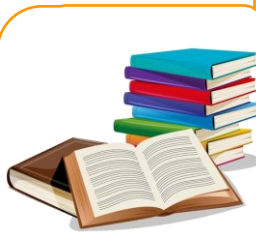


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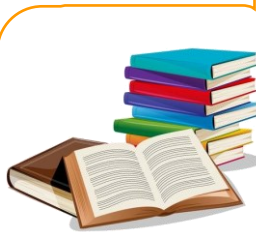
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Organization of Fit India Freedom Run 6.0 by GeM
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



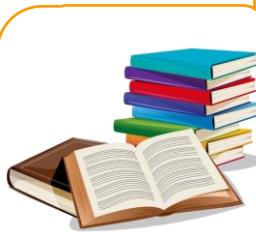
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Government e Marketplace (GeM) conducted the Fit India Freedom Run 6.0 as part of the Fit India Movement, starting and concluding at the Jivan Bharati Building in New Delhi. A post-run cleanliness drive was also organized along the route.
- **Objectives:** The primary objective was to promote a healthy and clean lifestyle under the theme 'Swachchhta and Swasthya', fostering community spirit, physical fitness, and civic responsibility among participants.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Fit India Freedom Run:** An annual fitness campaign initiated in 2020 by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, encouraging citizens to adopt an active and healthy lifestyle in alignment with Independence Day and Gandhi Jayanti celebrations.
- **GeM (Government e Marketplace):** A public procurement portal under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, enabling government buyers and sellers to transact online transparently.
- **Swachchhta and Swasthya:** A dual-theme promoting cleanliness (Swachchhta) and health (Swasthya), central to public health awareness and sustainable development goals.

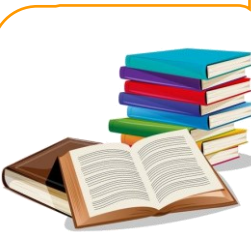


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Fit India Freedom Run 6.0
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Government e Marketplace (GeM)
Policy/series name	Fit India Movement
Key figures	Shri Mihir Kumar (CEO, GeM)
Purpose/reason	To promote fitness, health, and civic cleanliness under the national campaign
Feature details	Run through Delhi roads, post-run cleanliness drive, community participation
Validity or status	Ongoing (Part of 2nd to 31st October 2025 campaign)
Strategic/significant value	Reinforces health and hygiene as tools of national progress and unity

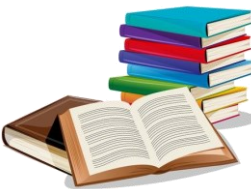


➤ **Which two states received ₹18.3 lakh from the National Biodiversity Authority under Access and Benefit Sharing in October 2025?**

- A) Uttar Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh
- B) Sikkim and Assam
- C) Sikkim and Uttar Pradesh
- D) Uttarakhand and Sikkim
- E) West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh

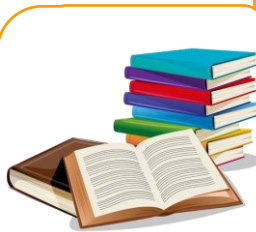
Answer

C) Sikkim and Uttar Pradesh



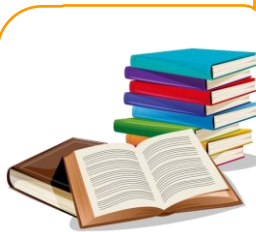
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Release of ₹18.3 lakh under Access and Benefit Sharing to Biodiversity Management Committees
- **Location:** Uttar Pradesh (Narrau Village, Aligarh) and Sikkim (Lampokhari Lake Area, Aritar)
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



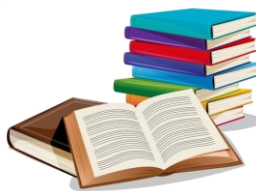
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) disbursed ₹18.3 lakh to two Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) in Uttar Pradesh and Sikkim through the respective State Biodiversity Boards, under the Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) mechanism of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.
- **Objectives:** To ensure equitable sharing of benefits arising from the use of biological resources by companies, and to empower local communities to conserve and sustainably manage biodiversity.



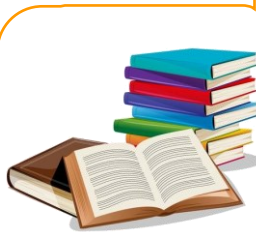
Important Terms Explained:

- **National Biodiversity Authority (NBA):** A statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, responsible for implementing the provisions of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002, and promoting conservation and equitable benefit sharing.
- **Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS):** A framework under the Convention on Biological Diversity and Biological Diversity Act, ensuring that benefits derived from the use of biological resources are fairly shared with local communities.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs):**
Local-level bodies constituted to promote conservation, documentation, and sustainable use of biological resources, as per the Biodiversity Act.

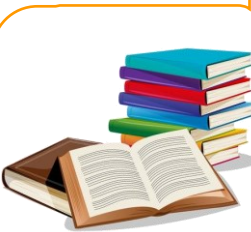


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Release of Access and Benefit Sharing funds to BMCs
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Narrau Village, UP and Lampokhari Lake Area, Sikkim
Issuing authority	National Biodiversity Authority (NBA)
Policy/series name	Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) under Biological Diversity Act
Key figures	Dr. Hitesh Kumar Makwana (Chairman, NBA)
Purpose/reason	To share benefits from biological resource usage with local custodians
Feature details	Fund transfer to BMCs based on company use of biomass and microorganisms
Validity or status	Funds disbursed through State Biodiversity Boards
Strategic/significant value	Supports local biodiversity conservation and community empowerment



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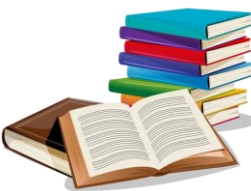


- How many AIIMS institutions exist in India as of October 2025, according to Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda?

- A) 10
- B) 15
- C) 23
- D) 30
- E) 18

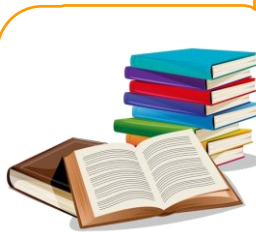
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C) 23



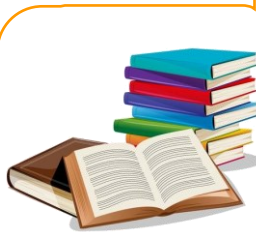
Event and Location:

- **Event:** 50th Annual Convocation Ceremony of AIIMS New Delhi
- **Location:** AIIMS, New Delhi
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



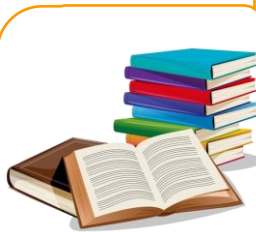
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Union Health Minister Shri J.P. Nadda addressed the 50th convocation of AIIMS New Delhi, highlighting a decade of achievements in medical education and infrastructure. Degrees were conferred upon 326 graduating students, and 7 senior doctors received Lifetime Achievement Awards.
- **Objectives:** To celebrate academic excellence, recognize distinguished service, and emphasize the role of medical graduates in building a healthier and self-reliant India through innovation, ethics, and lifelong learning.



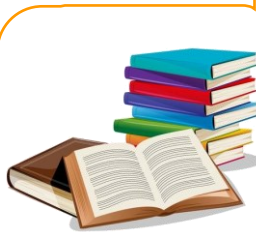
Important Terms Explained:

- **AIIMS (All India Institute of Medical Sciences):** A group of autonomous public medical institutions of national importance, with AIIMS New Delhi being the oldest, known for excellence in education, research, and healthcare delivery.



Important Terms Explained:

- **MMR, IMR, U5MR, NMR:**
 - **MMR (Maternal Mortality Ratio):** The number of maternal deaths per 100,000 live births.
 - **IMR (Infant Mortality Rate):** The number of infant deaths (under one year) per 1,000 live births.
 - **U5MR (Under-5 Mortality Rate):** The probability of dying between birth and five years of age per 1,000 live births.
 - **NMR (Neonatal Mortality Rate):** Deaths during the first 28 days of life per 1,000 live births.
 - **The Lancet Report:** A globally recognized health research publication that reported India's TB incidence drop of 17.7%, exceeding the global average reduction rate.

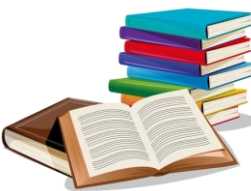


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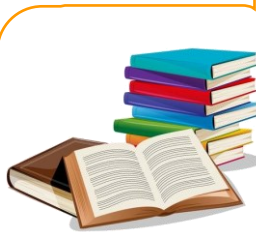
Parameter	Details
Event name	50th Annual Convocation of AIIMS New Delhi
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	AIIMS, New Delhi
Issuing authority	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Policy/series name	Expansion of Medical Education and Healthcare Infrastructure
Key figures	Shri J.P. Nadda, Prof. V.K. Paul (NITI Aayog Member)
Purpose/reason	To celebrate academic achievements and highlight healthcare milestones
Feature details	326 graduates, 7 Lifetime Achievement Awards, remarks on MMR, IMR, TB
Validity or status	Completed
Strategic/significant value	Reflects India's healthcare transformation and commitment to Viksit Bharat



➤ Which AI platform under the National Language Translation Mission supports real-time translation across all 22 Scheduled Indian languages?

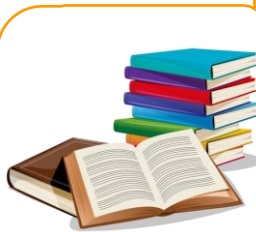
- A) Adi-Vaani
- B) Sanchika
- C) Bhashini
- D) GeMAI
- E) BharatGen

Answer
C) Bhashini



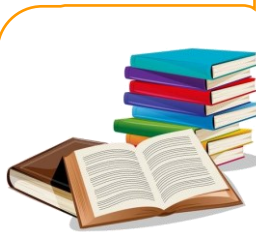
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch and expansion of multilingual AI platforms for Scheduled and tribal languages
- **Location:** Nationwide (India)
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



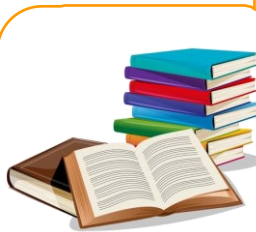
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Government of India launched and expanded AI-based language platforms such as Bhashini, BharatGen, and Adi-Vaani to support 22 Scheduled Languages and multiple tribal languages using technologies like ASR, TTS, and NMT.
- **Objectives:** To preserve linguistic diversity, ensure digital accessibility, enable inclusive governance, and transform education by integrating native languages into AI-driven platforms across government services, education, and public procurement.



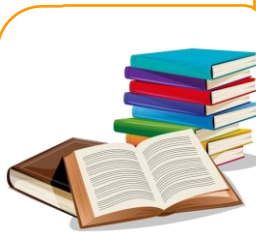
Important Terms Explained:

- **Bhashini:** An AI-based translation platform under the National Language Translation Mission (NLTM) enabling real-time translation and speech recognition in 22 Scheduled and tribal languages for inclusive digital access.
- **Adi-Vaani:** India's first AI platform (launched in 2024) for tribal language translation and preservation, supporting languages like Santali, Gondi, Bhili, and Mundari.



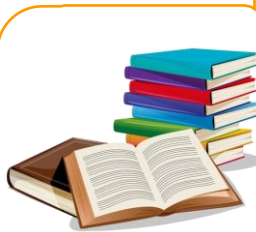
Important Terms Explained:

- **SPPEL (Scheme for Protection and Preservation of Endangered Languages):** A Ministry of Education initiative (launched in 2013) to document endangered Indian languages spoken by fewer than 10,000 people, aiding AI training.
- **BharatGen:** An AI model development platform creating text-to-text and text-to-speech translation systems for all 22 Scheduled Languages using datasets from SPPEL and Sanchika.
- **GeMAI:** An AI-powered multilingual assistant integrated into Government e-Marketplace (GeM), enabling users to interact in Indian languages for public procurement processes.



Important Terms Explained:

- **e-KUMBH Portal:** A platform by AICTE providing free multilingual access to technical books and study materials aligned with NEP 2020.
- **Anuvadini App:** An AICTE-developed multilingual translation app that helps convert educational content into Indian languages.
- **Sanchika:** A digital repository by CIIL that archives linguistic datasets—texts, audio, multimedia—of Scheduled and tribal languages.
- **TRI-ECE Scheme:** A Ministry of Tribal Affairs program supporting AI-based translation tools and community-driven preservation of tribal languages.

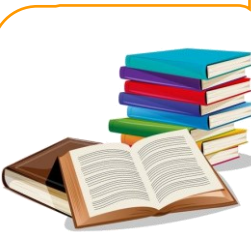


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch and Expansion of AI-Based Multilingual Platforms
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Nationwide (India)
Issuing authority	Ministry of Electronics and IT, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Ministry of Education
Policy/series name	National Language Translation Mission (NLTM), SPPEL, TRI-ECE
Key figures	PM Narendra Modi (visionary quote), Ministries of Tribal Affairs, Education, and IT
Purpose/reason	To digitize and support 22 Scheduled and tribal languages using AI
Feature details	Platforms like Bhashini, BharatGen, Adi-Vaani, GeMAI, and Anuvadini
Validity or status	Active and expanding (as of Oct 2025)
Strategic/significant value	Preserves cultural heritage, promotes digital inclusion, enhances multilingual education

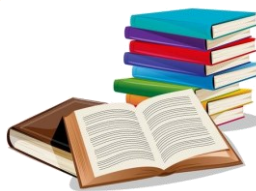


➤ **Which three institutions have partnered to research the link between diabetes and brain health?**

- A) NIMHANS, AIIMS, UK DRI
- B) CBR, MDRF, UK DRI
- C) ICMR, CMC Vellore, University of Oxford
- D) NCDRC, IISER Pune, UK Biobank
- E) CSIR, AIIMS, Harvard Medical School

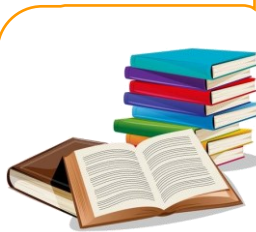
Answer

B) CBR, MDRF, UK DRI



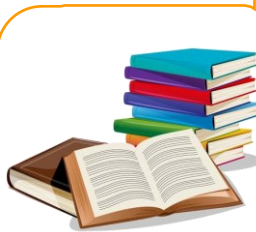
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Strategic collaboration to study the impact of diabetes on brain health
- **Location:** Bengaluru (IISc), Chennai (MDRF), London (UK DRI)
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



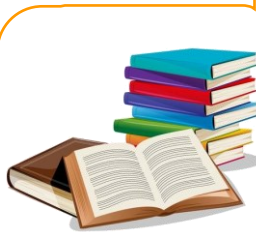
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Madras Diabetes Research Foundation (MDRF), Centre for Brain Research (CBR) at IISc Bengaluru, and the UK Dementia Research Institute (UK DRI) signed MoUs to jointly conduct large-scale clinical and translational research on how diabetes affects brain health, including cognitive decline and neurodegenerative conditions like Alzheimer's disease.



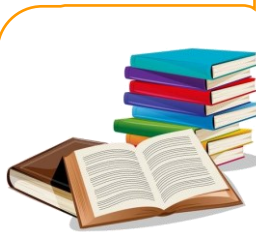
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** To integrate clinical, imaging, genomic, and proteomic data for identifying early biomarkers and pathways that link metabolic disorders with brain aging, and to develop preventive and therapeutic strategies against dementia and cognitive decline.



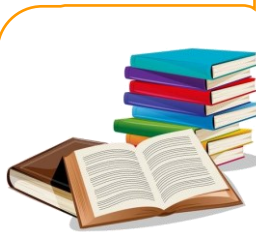
Important Terms Explained:

- **MDRF (Madras Diabetes Research Foundation):** A premier diabetes research institution based in Chennai, focused on studying the epidemiology, prevention, and management of diabetes and its complications.
- **CBR (Centre for Brain Research):** A neuroscience research center at IISc Bengaluru, established in 2014 with support from the Pratiksha Trust founded by Infosys co-founder Dr. Kris Gopalakrishnan and Sudha Gopalakrishnan; it specializes in aging, cognition, and neurodegeneration research.



Important Terms Explained:

- **UK DRI (UK Dementia Research Institute):** The UK's largest initiative dedicated to dementia research, involving world-leading scientists working across major UK institutions to understand and treat neurodegenerative diseases.
- **Translational Research:** A type of scientific study that translates basic biomedical findings into practical medical applications such as diagnostics, treatments, and health policies.

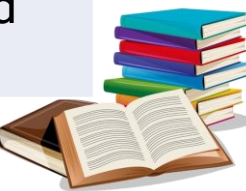


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Research collaboration on diabetes and brain health
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Bengaluru (CBR), Chennai (MDRF), London (UK DRI)
Issuing authority	MDRF, CBR at IISc, UK Dementia Research Institute
Policy/series name	MoU for joint clinical and translational research
Key figures	Dr. V. Mohan, Dr. R. M. Anjana, Prof. KVS Hari, Prof. Siddharthan Chandran, Prof. Henrik Zetterberg
Purpose/reason	To understand the effects of diabetes on cognitive decline and dementia
Feature details	Use of clinical, imaging, genomics and proteomics data; cross-country collaboration
Validity or status	MoUs signed, research collaboration initiated
Strategic/significant value	Potential for early diagnosis and prevention of Alzheimer's and related neurological disorders

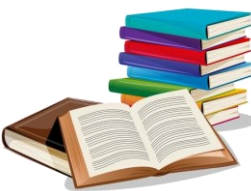


➤ Which company received approval for a coal-to-chemical project as part of Odisha's ₹1.46 lakh crore investment clearance in October 2025?

- A) Tata Steel
- B) JSW Energy
- C) Adani Enterprises
- D) Vedanta Ltd
- E) AM/NS India

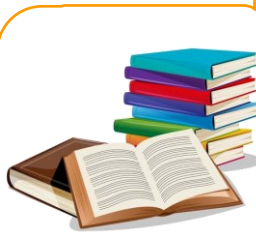
Answer

C) Adani Enterprises



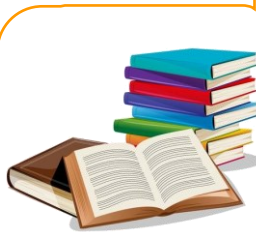
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Odisha government approves ₹1.46 lakh crore investment across 33 projects
- **Location:** Bhubaneswar, Odisha
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



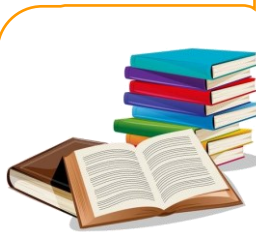
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Odisha Government, through the High-Level Clearance Authority (HLCA) and State Level Single Window Clearance Authority (SLSWCA), approved 33 mega investment projects totaling ₹1.46 lakh crore across multiple sectors.
- **Objectives:** To accelerate industrial growth, enhance value addition, promote sustainable manufacturing, and generate over 45,000 employment opportunities across key industrial regions in Odisha under the Vision 2030 Industrial Policy.



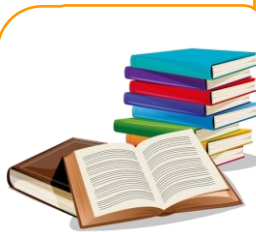
Important Terms Explained:

- **Coal-to-Chemical Project:** A large-scale industrial process that converts coal into high-value chemicals such as methanol, urea, and synthetic fuels, supporting import substitution and energy diversification.
- **HLCA (High-Level Clearance Authority):** A government body chaired by the Chief Minister that approves large investment proposals requiring fast-track clearance in Odisha.



Important Terms Explained:

- **GO-SWIFT (Government of Odisha – Single Window for Investor Facilitation and Tracking):** A digital platform providing end-to-end online approvals, enhancing ease of doing business for investors in the state.
- **Vision 2030 Industrial Policy:** Odisha's long-term roadmap to develop a balanced, sustainable, and investor-friendly industrial ecosystem across its districts.

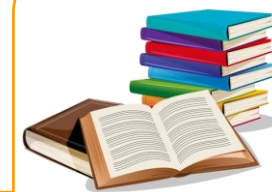


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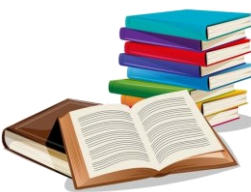
Parameter	Details
Event name	Odisha clears ₹1.46 lakh crore investment proposals
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Bhubaneswar, Odisha
Issuing authority	HLCA and SLSWCA
Policy/series name	Vision 2030 Industrial Policy
Key figures	CM Mohan Charan Majhi, CS Manoj Ahuja, Adani Enterprises Ltd
Purpose/reason	To promote industrialization and job creation across strategic sectors
Feature details	33 projects across steel, coal-to-chemical, renewables, food processing, logistics
Validity or status	Projects approved and MoUs to be implemented in phased manner
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens Odisha's industrial base and positions it as a key economic hub



➤ **What is the name of the international conference on intelligent systems and vision technology in eye care held in Chennai in October 2025?**

- A) VISIONTECH 2025
- B) EYE-FUTURE 2025
- C) ISVTEC 2025
- D) I-CARE 2025
- E) TECH-OPTIK 2025

Answer
C) ISVTEC 2025

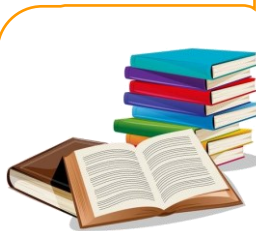


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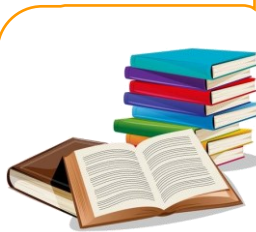
Event and Location:

- **Event:** International Conference on Intelligent Systems and Vision Technology in Eye Care (ISVTEC 2025)
- **Location:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 25–26, 2025



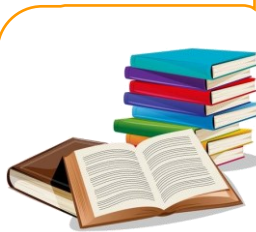
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Dr. Agarwals Institute of Optometry (DAIO), in collaboration with Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), hosted ISVTEC 2025, a two-day international conference focusing on the integration of technology and innovation in eye care.
- **Objectives:** To bring together engineers, researchers, and eye care professionals to explore advancements in artificial intelligence (AI), biomedical innovation, and diagnostic systems that aim to improve eye health outcomes and reduce avoidable blindness.



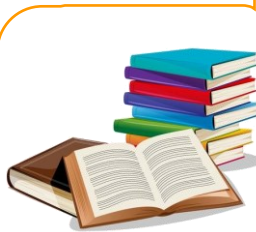
Important Terms Explained:

- **ISVTEC 2025:** The International Symposium on Vision Technology and Eye Care, a global platform uniting healthcare and technology experts to address vision challenges using AI and biomedical tools.
- **Dr. Agarwals Institute of Optometry (DAIO):** The academic and research arm of Dr. Agarwals Eye Hospital Group, engaged in optometric education, research, and innovation.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Avoidable Blindness:** Vision loss that can be prevented or treated through timely medical intervention, such as cataract surgery or early diagnosis of glaucoma and diabetic retinopathy.
- **Artificial Intelligence in Eye Care:** Use of machine learning and image analysis to diagnose eye diseases faster and with greater accuracy, improving access to care in underserved areas.

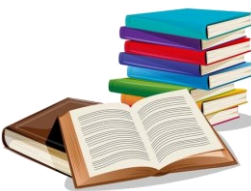


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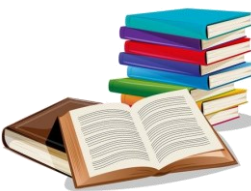
Parameter	Details
Event name	ISVTEC 2025 – International Eye Care Conference
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Chennai, Tamil Nadu
Issuing authority	Dr. Agarwals Institute of Optometry in collaboration with LICET
Policy/series name	ISVTEC – Intelligent Systems and Vision Technology in Eye Care
Key figures	Eye care professionals, biomedical engineers, AI experts
Purpose/reason	To advance the use of AI and biomedical tech in eye care and blindness prevention
Feature details	Keynote sessions, research paper presentations, hands-on workshops
Validity or status	Two-day conference held October 25–26, 2025
Strategic/significant value	Bridges healthcare and tech for smarter diagnostics and global eye health improvement



➤ **According to Delhi Water Minister Parvesh Sahib Singh, by what percentage has human waste contamination in the Yamuna River decreased compared to 2024?**

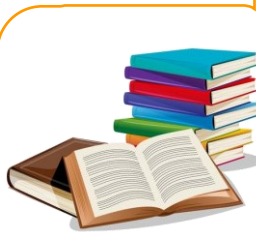
- A) 75%
- B) 60%
- C) 90%
- D) 50%
- E) 80%

Answer
C) 90%



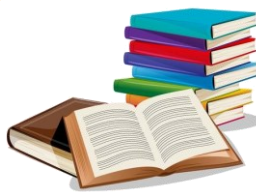
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Reported 90% reduction in human waste contamination in the Yamuna River
- **Location:** Delhi, India
- **Date:** October 25, 2025 (Statement made ahead of Chhath Puja)



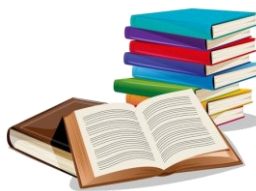
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Delhi Water Minister Parvesh Sahib Singh announced that faecal coliform levels in the Yamuna River have dropped by 90% over the past year, as per Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) data.
- **Objectives:** To ensure clean and safe water in the Yamuna River ahead of Chhath Puja, improve river water quality through sewage treatment and riverfront cleaning, and achieve permissible MPN levels (Maximum Probable Number) at key sampling sites.



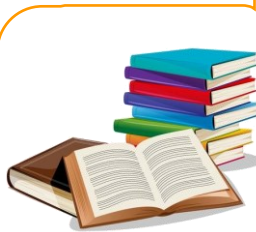
Important Terms Explained:

- **Faecal Coliform:** A type of bacteria originating from human and animal waste, used as an indicator of sewage contamination in water.
- **MPN (Most Probable Number):** A scientific method to estimate the concentration of coliform bacteria in water samples. The permissible limit for faecal coliform in bathing water is 2,500 MPN/100 ml.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Chhath Puja:** A major Hindu festival dedicated to the Sun God, observed with holy dips in rivers like the Yamuna. Ensuring water cleanliness is essential due to the ritual significance.
- **DPCC (Delhi Pollution Control Committee):** The regulatory authority monitoring pollution levels in Delhi, including air and water quality.

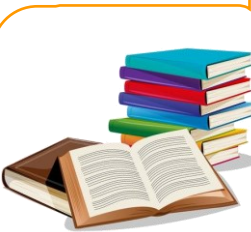


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	90% reduction in human waste in Yamuna River
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Delhi Government; DPCC
Policy/series name	Yamuna Cleaning and Riverfront Preparation ahead of Chhath Puja
Key figures	Parvesh Sahib Singh (Water Minister), Delhi Pollution Control Committee
Purpose/reason	Ensure safe and clean Yamuna water for public use and religious festivities
Feature details	90% drop in faecal coliform; 4 of 8 sampling sites now within safe limits
Validity or status	Active monitoring; improvement visible within 7 months
Strategic/significant value	Enhances public trust, environmental health, and spiritual rituals around Yamuna

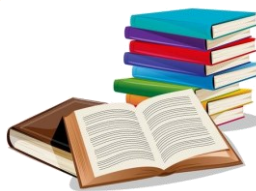


➤ Which public sector enterprise inaugurated new community welfare facilities under Special Campaign 5.0 in October 2025?

- A) Coal India Limited
- B) ONGC
- C) NTPC
- D) NLC India Limited
- E) GAIL

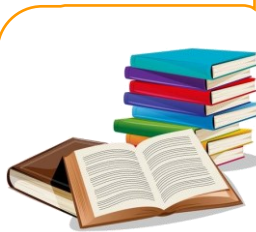
Answer

D) NLC India Limited



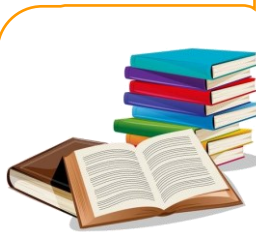
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of welfare facilities under Special Campaign 5.0
- **Location:** Neyveli Township, Cuddalore, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



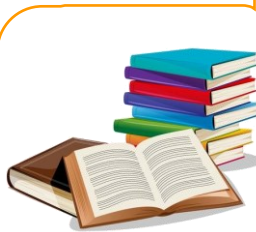
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** NLC India Limited (NLCIL) inaugurated three new community-oriented facilities as part of the Special Campaign 5.0, led by CMD Prasanna Kumar Motupalli.
- **Objectives:** To promote cleanliness, community welfare, and infrastructure upgradation in township areas aligned with national goals of public engagement and civic improvement under Special Campaign initiatives.



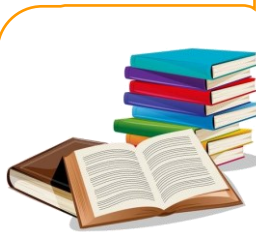
Important Terms Explained:

- **Special Campaign 5.0:** A government initiative aimed at enhancing cleanliness, public service delivery, and infrastructure upgradation across ministries and PSUs, particularly during October, as part of Swachh Bharat and administrative efficiency drives.
- **NLCIL (NLC India Limited):** A Navratna Public Sector Enterprise under the Ministry of Coal, engaged in lignite mining and power generation, headquartered in Neyveli, Tamil Nadu.



Important Terms Explained:

- **CMD (Chairman and Managing Director):** The highest executive officer of a PSU responsible for strategic direction and operations. In this case, Prasanna Kumar Motupalli heads NLCIL.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Inauguration of community welfare facilities by NLCIL
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Neyveli Township, Cuddalore, Tamil Nadu
Issuing authority	NLC India Limited (NLCIL)
Policy/series name	Special Campaign 5.0
Key figures	CMD Prasanna Kumar Motupalli
Purpose/reason	Enhance public infrastructure and community welfare under government campaign
Feature details	Renovated temple community hall, guest house dining hall, ladies trainee hostel
Validity or status	Facilities inaugurated and operational
Strategic/significant value	Boosts local engagement and supports Swachh Bharat and PSU outreach efforts

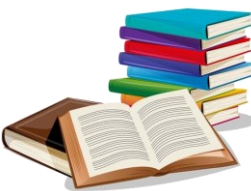


➤ **The third Ro-Ro vessel for Kochi Corporation is being built by which shipbuilding company?**

- A) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders
- B) Hindustan Shipyard
- C) Garden Reach Shipbuilders
- D) Cochin Shipyard Limited
- E) Goa Shipyard Limited

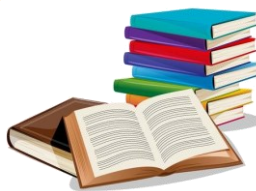
Answer

D) Cochin Shipyard Limited



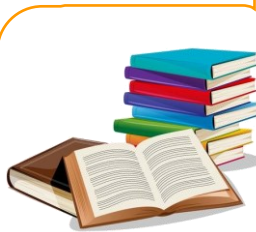
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Third Ro-Ro vessel for Kochi Corporation expected to be launched
- **Location:** Kochi, Kerala
- **Date:** October 24, 2025



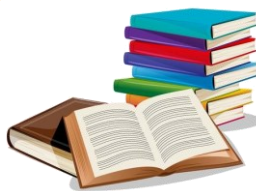
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) is constructing the third Roll-on/Roll-off (Ro-Ro) vessel for Kochi Corporation.
 - The vessel is expected to be launched by December 2025, aligning with the Kochi Biennale.
 - The agreement initially set an 18-month timeline for completion.



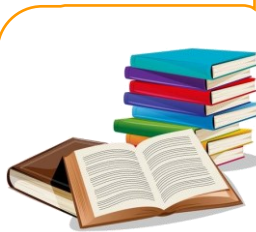
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - Enhance water-based public transport infrastructure in Kochi.
 - Reduce road traffic congestion by facilitating efficient vehicle and passenger movement across waterways.
 - Provide improved last-mile connectivity during major events such as the Kochi Biennale.



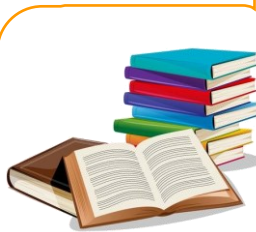
Important Terms Explained:

- **Ro-Ro (Roll-on/Roll-off) Vessel:**
 - A type of ship designed to carry wheeled cargo (like cars, trucks, and buses) that are driven on and off the ship on their own wheels. It is especially useful for urban water transport systems.
- **Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL):**
 - A premier shipbuilding and maintenance facility in India under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways. CSL has expertise in building complex vessels, including Ro-Ro ferries and naval ships.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Kochi Biennale:**
 - One of Asia's largest contemporary art festivals, held every two years in Kochi, Kerala, attracting global participation and requiring robust local infrastructure support.

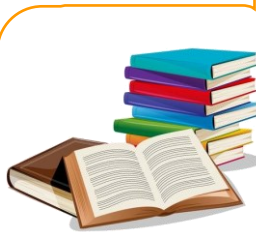


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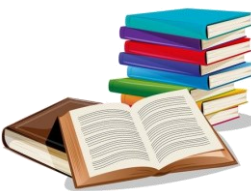
Parameter	Details
Event name	Construction of third Ro-Ro vessel for Kochi Corporation
Announcement date	October 24, 2025
Location	Kochi, Kerala
Issuing authority	Kochi Corporation & Cochin Shipyard Limited
Policy/series name	Kochi Urban Water Transport Initiative
Key figures	Mayor M. Anilkumar, MLA K.J. Maxy, CSL CMD Madhu S. Nair
Purpose/reason	Enhance intra-city ferry connectivity and reduce traffic congestion
Feature details	Ro-Ro vessel to carry vehicles and passengers efficiently
Validity or status	Under construction, expected launch by December 2025
Strategic/significant value	Supports tourism and event logistics during Kochi Biennale; part of green mobility push



➤ What is the total planned capacity of India's Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project?

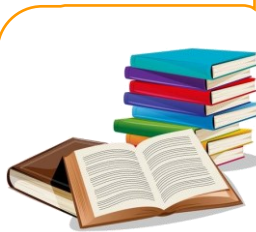
- A) 1,500 MW
- B) 2,000 MW
- C) 1,000 MW
- D) 2,500 MW
- E) 750 MW

Answer
B) 2,000 MW



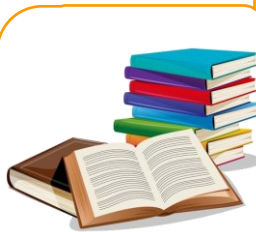
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Wet commissioning of the first 250 MW unit of Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project
- **Location:** Gerukamukh, Arunachal Pradesh–Assam border
- **Date:** October 25, 2025



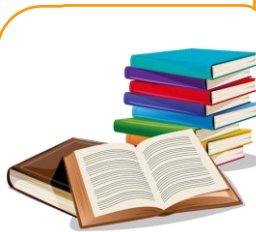
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - NHPC Limited began wet commissioning of Unit-1 (250 MW) at Subansiri Lower HEP.
 - The move follows successful mechanical testing and will be followed by grid synchronization.
- **Objectives:**
 - To launch India's largest hydroelectric power project and strengthen energy security.
 - To boost renewable energy capacity and reduce dependence on fossil fuels.
 - To contribute significantly to clean and green energy generation for millions of homes.



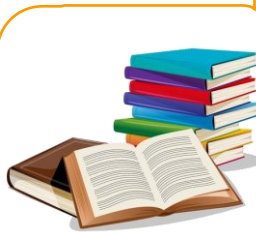
Important Terms Explained:

- **Wet Commissioning:**
 - The process of testing a power plant's systems with water under operational conditions before it is connected to the grid.
- **NHPC Limited (National Hydroelectric Power Corporation):**
 - A government-owned hydropower development company in India under the Ministry of Power, responsible for building and operating hydroelectric projects.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project (HEP):**
 - An 8×250 MW (2,000 MW) run-of-the-river project located on the Subansiri River at the Arunachal Pradesh–Assam border, making it the largest hydro project in India once completed.

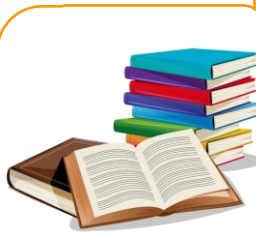


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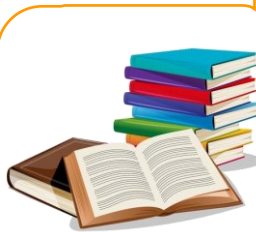
Parameter	Details
Event name	Wet commissioning of Subansiri HEP Unit-1 (250 MW)
Announcement date	October 25, 2025
Location	Gerukamukh, Arunachal Pradesh–Assam border
Issuing authority	NHPC Limited
Policy/series name	Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project
Key figures	Bhupender Gupta (CMD, NHPC), Rajendra Prasad (Project Head)
Purpose/reason	To initiate operationalization of India's largest hydropower facility
Feature details	8 × 250 MW = 2,000 MW total capacity; Unit-1 undergoing grid synchronization
Validity or status	Unit-1 wet commissioning started; 3 more units expected by year-end
Strategic/significant value	Major boost to clean energy, infrastructure, and energy security



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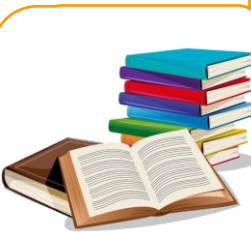
- India defeated Australia by 9 wickets in the 3rd ODI at the Sydney Cricket Ground on October 25, 2025.
- Harnoor Singh Pannu scored his maiden First Class century in the Ranji Trophy match against Kerala.
- Veteran actor Satish Shah passed away on October 25, 2025, in Mumbai at the age of 74 due to kidney failure.
- SBI Life Insurance reported a 6.6% year-on-year decline in Q2FY26 net profit to ₹494.59 crore due to the impact of GST reform.
- Telangana IT Minister D. Sridhar Babu invited Australian firms to invest in the state during his visit to Melbourne and Sydney.
- The World Bank approved a \$280 million loan to Kerala for strengthening its health systems.
- Keltron has set a turnover target of ₹2,000 crore under the Vision 2031 initiative.
- The Government of India announced the Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar 2025 to honor excellence in science and innovation.
- India will focus on 26 countries including Indonesia, Vietnam, and the US to expand rice exports worth ₹1.8 lakh crore.



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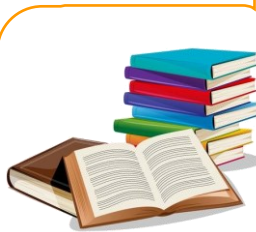
- US President Donald Trump imposed an additional 10% tariff on Canadian goods after Ontario aired an anti-tariff advert using Ronald Reagan's speech.
- Odisha approved the ₹4,182 crore B-MAAN scheme to strengthen aviation infrastructure and connectivity across the state.
- The 'Lokom Kothikkum Keralam' seminar was held in Idukki as part of Kerala's Vision 2031 tourism roadmap.
- Bhagwan Mahaveer Cancer Hospital in Jaipur launched the 'Freedom from Cancer' project in 2015 to support blood cancer patients.
- The Union Culture Ministry is signing MoUs with 20 institutions under the Gyan Bharatam Mission for manuscript conservation.
- President Droupadi Murmu is scheduled to inaugurate a new 1,200-bed private hospital in Indirapuram, Ghaziabad on October 26, 2025.
- GeM organized the Fit India Freedom Run 6.0 on October 25, 2025, in New Delhi under the theme 'Swachchhta and Swasthya'.
- The National Biodiversity Authority released ₹18.3 lakh under Access and Benefit Sharing to BMCs in Uttar Pradesh and Sikkim.



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- Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda addressed the 50th Convocation of AIIMS New Delhi, praising the institution's global standing.
- The Government of India has enabled support for all 22 Scheduled Languages through AI platforms like Bhashini, BharatGen, and Adi-Vaani.
- The Madras Diabetes Research Foundation, Centre for Brain Research at IISc, and UK DRI have partnered to study the link between diabetes and brain health.
- Odisha approved ₹1.46 lakh crore worth of investments across 33 projects to boost industrial development and employment.
- Chennai hosted ISVTEC 2025, an international conference focusing on intelligent systems in eye care.
- Delhi Water Minister Parvesh Sahib Singh reported a 90% drop in human waste contamination levels in the Yamuna River.
- NLC India Limited inaugurated three community welfare facilities in Neyveli as part of Special Campaign 5.0.
- The third Ro-Ro vessel of Kochi Corporation is expected to be launched by December 2025.
- NHPC has commenced wet commissioning of the first 250 MW unit at the 2,000 MW Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project.



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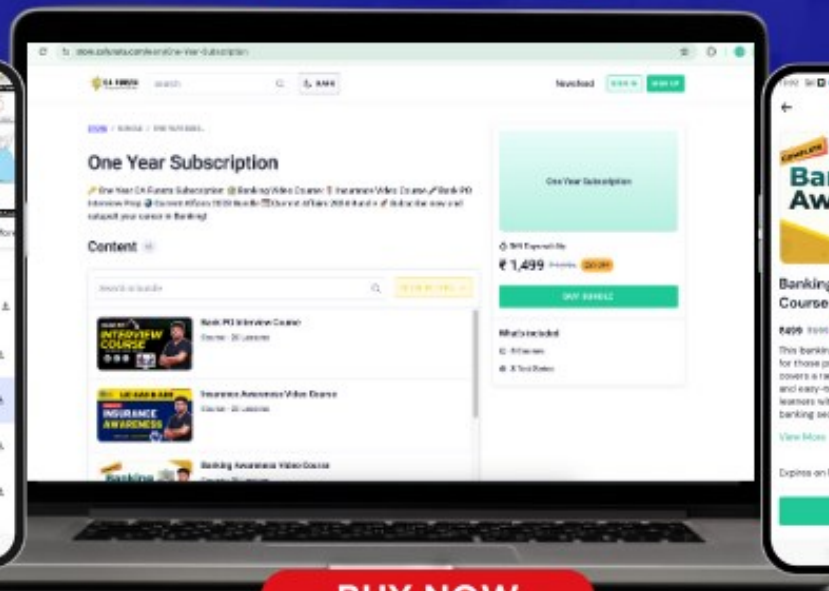
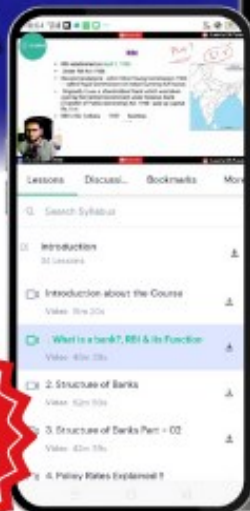
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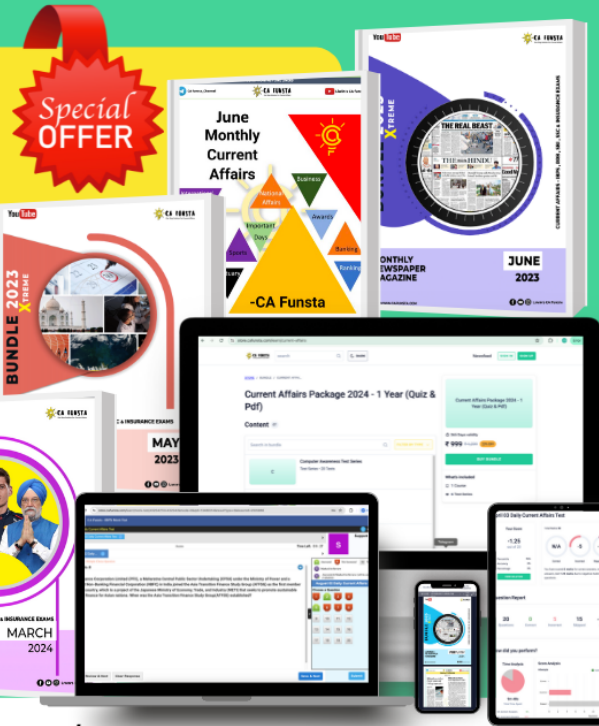
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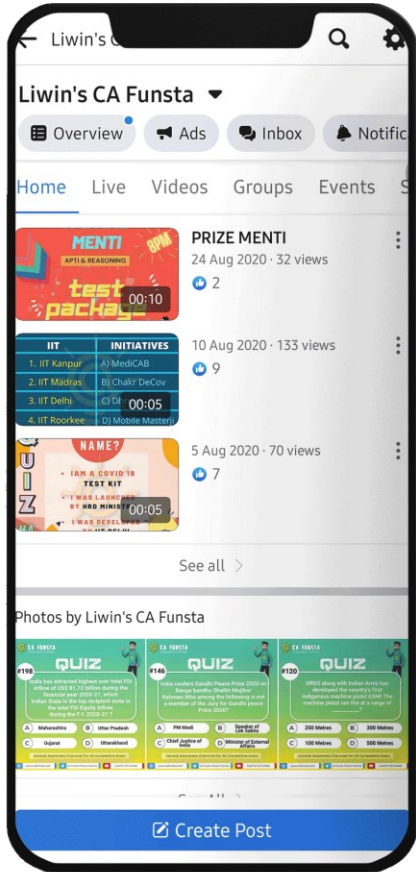
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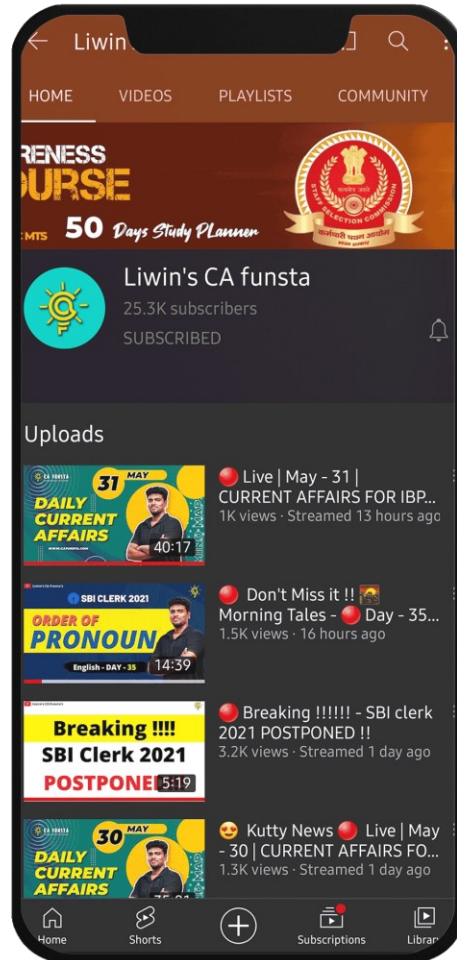


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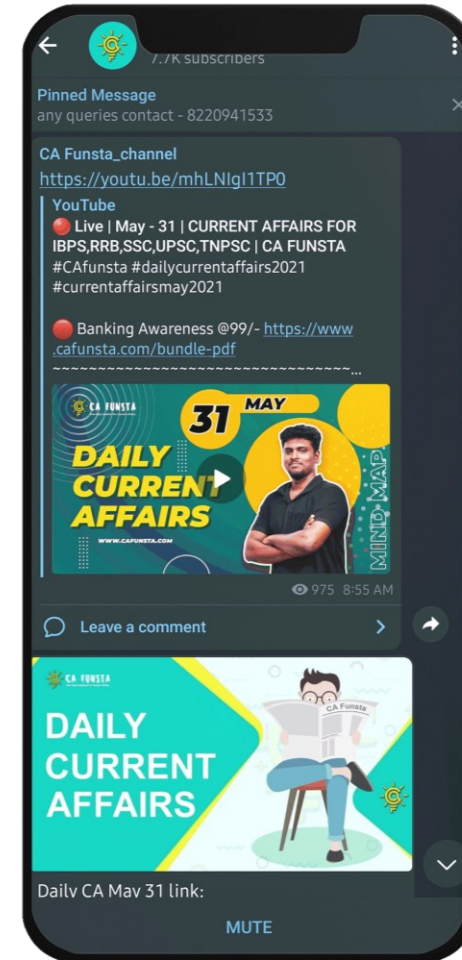
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