



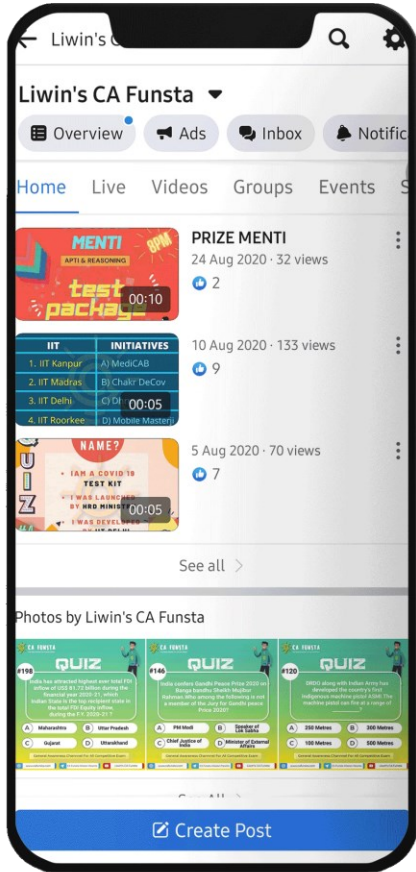
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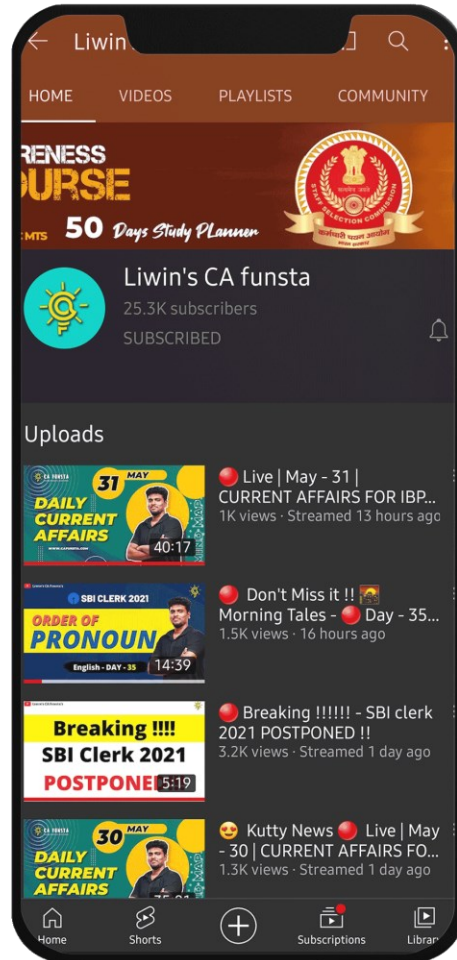
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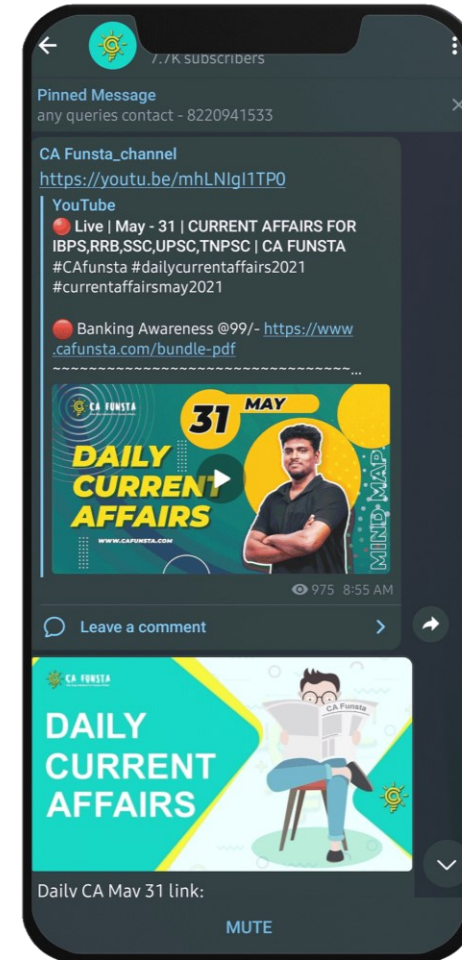
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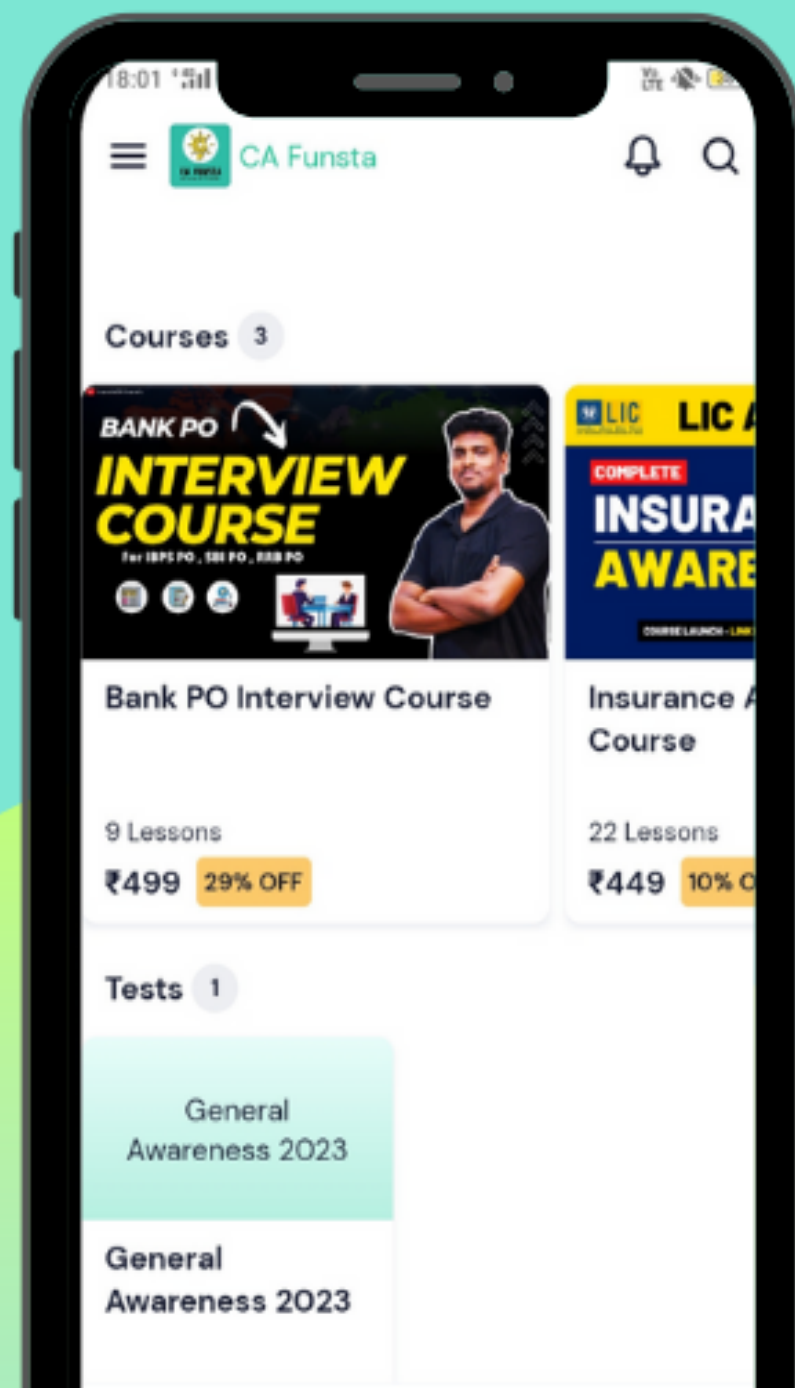
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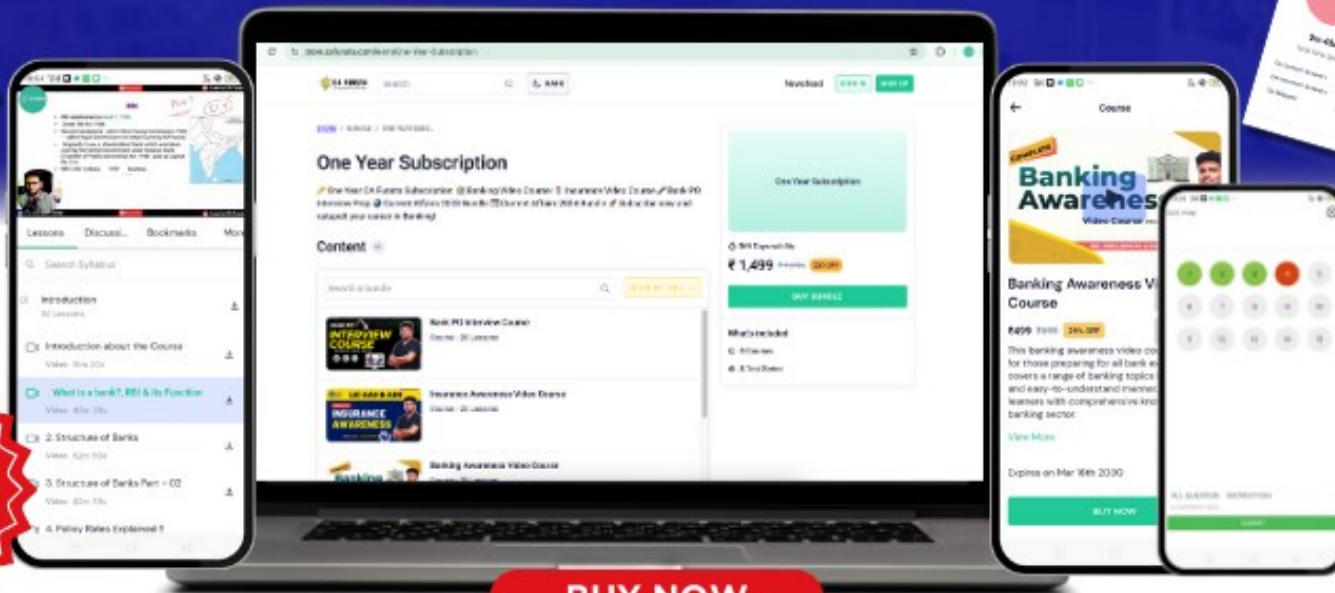
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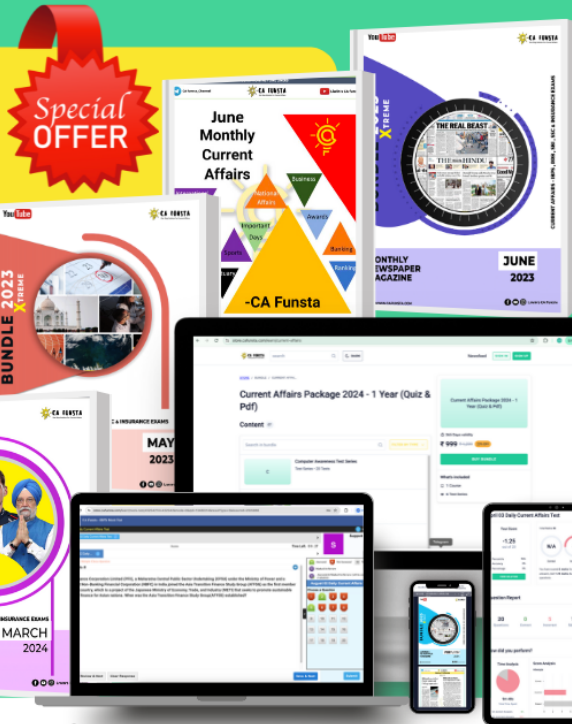


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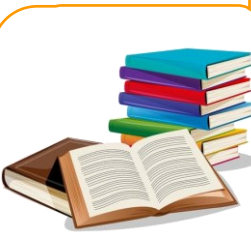


➤ Which of the following is a diabetes-friendly swap for white rice in Indian meals?



- A) Basmati rice
- B) Parboiled rice
- C) Brown rice
- D) Sticky rice
- E) Jasmine rice

**Answer**  
**C) Brown rice**

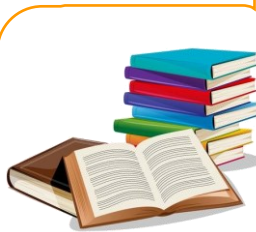


# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Observance of World Diabetes Day and promotion of diabetes-friendly dietary swaps
- **Location:** Nationwide (India)
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



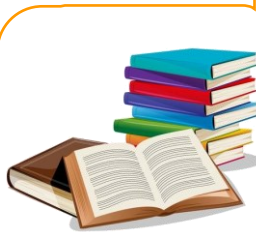


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## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - World Diabetes Day 2025 aims to raise awareness of India's growing diabetes burden and promote healthier dietary habits for prevention and control.
- **Objectives:**
  - To reduce the rising incidence of diabetes, particularly among young adults, by advocating for health-conscious food substitutions and early detection of symptoms.

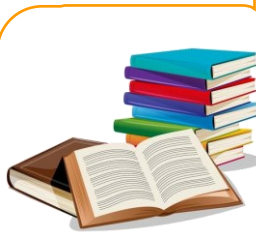


# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **World Diabetes Day:**
  - An international health observance held annually on November 14, focused on spreading awareness and preventive education about diabetes.
- **Brown Rice:**
  - A whole grain alternative to white rice, rich in fibre, with a lower glycaemic index, helping to regulate blood sugar.
- **Millets:**
  - A group of nutritious grains (like foxtail, ragi, jowar) promoted for their diabetes-friendly properties due to their slow digestion and low GI.

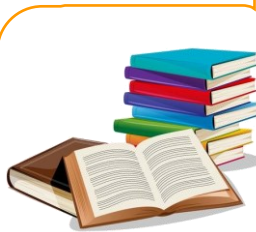


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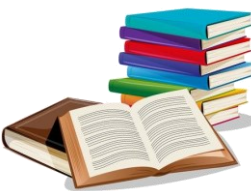
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                 |
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| Event name                  | World Diabetes Day 2025                                                 |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                       |
| Location                    | Nationwide (India)                                                      |
| Issuing authority           | International Diabetes Federation (Global); Highlighted in Indian Media |
| Policy/series name          | Diabetes prevention via healthy lifestyle awareness                     |
| Key figures                 | Dr. Abhinav Kumar Gupta, Nidhi Nahata                                   |
| Purpose/reason              | To raise awareness about diabetes and promote healthy food choices      |
| Feature details             | Promoting five food swaps for blood sugar control                       |
| Validity or status          | Ongoing public health campaign                                          |
| Strategic/significant value | Supports SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being); addresses rising NCDs      |



➤ **What is the total investment value secured in the tourism sector as announced by Andhra Pradesh Minister Kandula Durgesh?**

- A) ₹1,200 crore
- B) ₹5,000 crore
- C) ₹12,000 crore
- D) ₹20,000 crore
- E) ₹10,000 crore

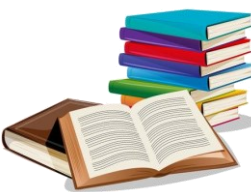
**Answer**  
**C) ₹12,000 crore**





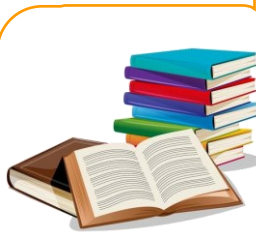
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Announcement of ₹12,000 crore investment in the tourism sector
- **Location:** Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- **Date:** November 13, 2025



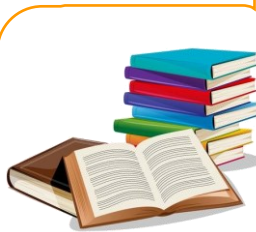
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Minister for Tourism, Culture, and Cinematography Kandula Durgesh announced that 98 agreements worth over ₹12,000 crore will be signed in the tourism sector during the CII Partnership Summit.
- **Objectives:** The goal is to attract large-scale investments in the tourism sector of Andhra Pradesh through regional investor summits in Visakhapatnam, Amaravati, and Tirupati, boosting infrastructure and employment.



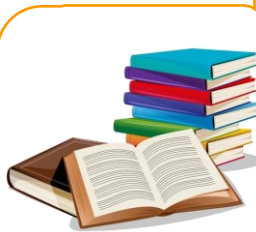
## Important Terms Explained:

- **CII Partnership Summit:** A high-profile event organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), aimed at fostering business collaborations, investment promotion, and policy dialogue among government and industry leaders.
- **Investment Agreement:** A formal contract signed between investors and government bodies to commit capital towards specific development sectors—in this case, tourism infrastructure.



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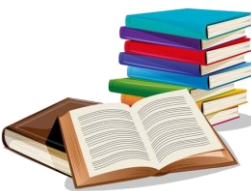
- **Regional Investor Summits:** State-level events designed to attract private sector investments into key sectors by showcasing opportunities and facilitating direct government-to-business engagement.





## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                              |
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| Event name                  | Announcement of ₹12,000 crore tourism investment deals               |
| Announcement date           | November 13, 2025                                                    |
| Location                    | Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh                                        |
| Issuing authority           | Andhra Pradesh State Government                                      |
| Policy/series name          | CII Partnership Summit                                               |
| Key figures                 | Kandula Durgesh (Minister for Tourism, Culture & Cinematography)     |
| Purpose/reason              | To boost tourism sector through large-scale private investment       |
| Feature details             | 98 MoUs to be signed, tourism infrastructure focus, regional summits |
| Validity or status          | MoUs to be signed during the 2-day summit starting November 14       |
| Strategic/significant value | Enhances tourism potential, job creation, infrastructure development |



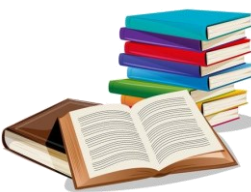
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➤ **Who will be posthumously awarded the Sumitra Charat Ram Award for Lifetime Achievement in 2025?**

- A) Habib Tanvir
- B) Ratan Thiyam
- C) Girish Karnad
- D) Ebrahim Alkazi
- E) Shyam Benegal

**Answer**  
**B) Ratan Thiyam**

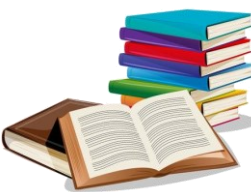


# AWARDS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Announcement of Sumitra Charat Ram Lifetime Achievement Award 2025
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** November 14, 2025

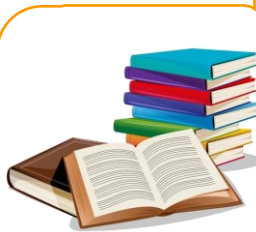


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## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Shriram Bharatiya Kala Kendra (SBKK) has announced that the 2025 Sumitra Charat Ram Award for Lifetime Achievement will be posthumously conferred on Ratan Thiyam, the legendary theatre personality and founder of Chorus Repertory Theatre.
- **Objectives:** To honour Ratan Thiyam for his pioneering contributions to Indian theatre, particularly through his work in Manipuri and experimental drama, as well as his role in elevating regional theatre to national and international stages.

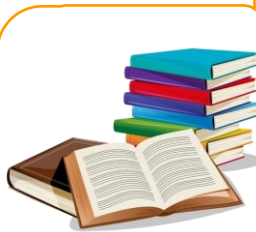


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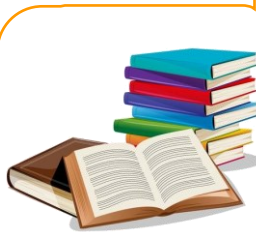
- **Sumitra Charat Ram Award:** An annual honour instituted by Shriram Bharatiya Kala Kendra, awarded to individuals for their lifetime contribution to Indian arts and culture, especially in the performing arts.
- **Ratan Thiyam:** A renowned playwright, director, and theatre personality from Manipur, founder of Chorus Repertory Theatre in Imphal; known for blending traditional Manipuri art forms with modern theatre.





## Important Terms Explained:

- **Chorus Repertory Theatre:** A celebrated theatre company established by Ratan Thiyam in 1976 in Imphal, known for producing experimental and classical Indian drama with a deep spiritual and philosophical approach.

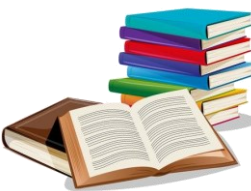


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| Parameter                   | Details                                                                    |
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| Event name                  | Sumitra Charat Ram Lifetime Achievement Award 2025                         |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                          |
| Location                    | New Delhi, India                                                           |
| Issuing authority           | Shriram Bharatiya Kala Kendra (SBKK)                                       |
| Policy/series name          | Sumitra Charat Ram Award for Lifetime Achievement                          |
| Key figures                 | Ratan Thiyam (awardee, posthumous), Shobha Deepak Singh (SBKK Chairperson) |
| Purpose/reason              | To recognise lifetime contribution to Indian theatre and performing arts   |
| Feature details             | Award ceremony at Kamani Auditorium; includes Chorus Repertory performance |
| Validity or status          | Scheduled for presentation on November 17, 2025                            |
| Strategic/significant value | Honours legacy of pioneering Indian theatre and regional cultural heritage |

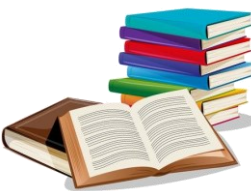


➤ **Why was the return of China's Shenzhou-20 crew delayed in November 2025?**

- A) Due to a communication failure with Tiangong
- B) Due to fuel leakage in Shenzhou-21
- C) Due to damage caused by space debris
- D) Due to astronaut health issues
- E) Due to failed docking with the ISS

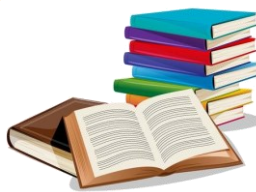
**Answer**

**C) Due to damage caused by space debris**



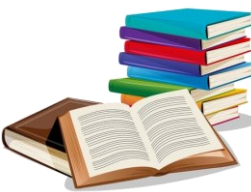
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Return of Chinese astronauts after delay caused by space debris
- **Location:** Tiangong Space Station to Dongfeng Landing Site, Inner Mongolia, China
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



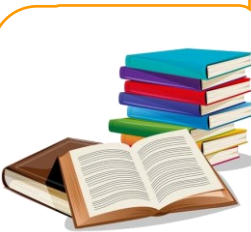
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Three Chinese astronauts aboard Shenzhou-20 returned to Earth via Shenzhou-21 after their original return vessel suffered space debris damage. The return was successfully completed at the Dongfeng Landing Site in Inner Mongolia.
- **Objectives:** To ensure the safe return of the crew following damage to the return capsule, and to highlight the growing risks posed by orbital debris, prompting reassessment of space mission safety protocols.



## Important Terms Explained:

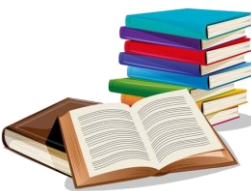
- **Shenzhou Programme:** China's human spaceflight initiative; Shenzhou-20 and Shenzhou-21 are crewed spacecraft under this programme responsible for transporting astronauts to and from the Tiangong Space Station.
- **Tiangong Space Station:** China's permanently inhabited space station, which serves as a platform for scientific research, spacewalks, and international cooperation in orbit.
- **Space Debris (Space Junk):** Non-functional human-made objects in orbit (e.g. old satellites, rocket parts) that pose significant collision risk to spacecraft and satellites.





## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Safe return of Shenzhou-20 astronauts after space debris delay               |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                            |
| Location                    | From Tiangong Space Station to Dongfeng, Inner Mongolia                      |
| Issuing authority           | China Manned Space Agency (CMSA)                                             |
| Policy/series name          | Shenzhou Manned Spaceflight Programme                                        |
| Key figures                 | Shenzhou-20 crew, CMSA scientists, Shenzhou-21 support team                  |
| Purpose/reason              | Address spacecraft safety due to orbital debris and complete crew return     |
| Feature details             | Tiny cracks found on Shenzhou-20 capsule window; return via Shenzhou-21      |
| Validity or status          | Shenzhou-20 remains in orbit for experiments; crew safely landed             |
| Strategic/significant value | Highlights rising threat of space debris; prompts global cooperation efforts |

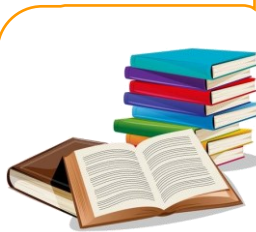


➤ **Where is Reliance Industries Limited setting up its 1 GW artificial intelligence data centre as a twin to its Jamnagar facility?**

- A) Hyderabad, Telangana
- B) Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh
- C) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- D) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- E) Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh

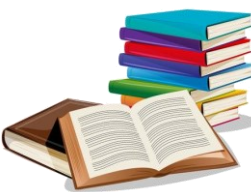
**Answer**

**C) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh**



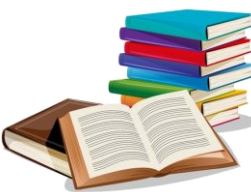
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Reliance to set up 1 GW AI data centre and green energy infrastructure in Andhra Pradesh
- **Location:** Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



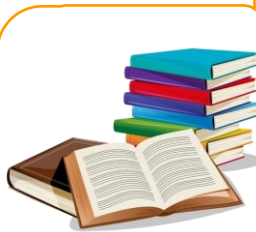
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) signed an MoU during the CII Partnership Summit 2025 to establish a 1 GW AI data centre in Visakhapatnam, a 6 GWp solar power project, a greenfield food park in Kurnool, and compressed biogas hubs across Andhra Pradesh.
- **Objectives:** To position Andhra Pradesh as a global hub for AI innovation, clean energy, and advanced manufacturing, while creating high-quality employment and supporting the state's sustainable growth vision.



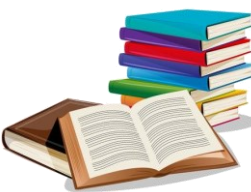
## Important Terms Explained:

- **1 GW AI Data Centre:** A large-scale, high-performance data processing facility designed to host AI-specialised processors like GPUs and TPUs; key for enabling AI workloads, cloud services, and big data operations.
- **CII Partnership Summit:** A national-level investment and trade summit organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), bringing together stakeholders to promote economic growth and investment partnerships.



## Important Terms Explained:

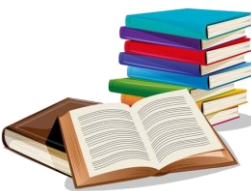
- **Compressed Biogas (CBG):** Renewable energy produced from organic waste, supporting clean fuel alternatives and contributing to natural farming and soil health restoration.
- **6 GWp Solar Power Project:** A massive solar infrastructure project generating 6 gigawatts peak of clean energy, aligned with India's renewable energy and net-zero goals.





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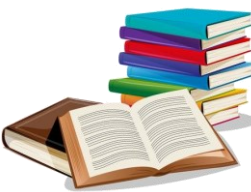
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Reliance to set up 1 GW AI Data Centre and clean energy projects in AP       |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                            |
| Location                    | Visakhapatnam, Kurnool, and other parts of Andhra Pradesh                    |
| Issuing authority           | Reliance Industries Ltd. (RIL)                                               |
| Policy/series name          | CII Partnership Summit 2025 MoUs                                             |
| Key figures                 | N. Chandrababu Naidu (CM), PMS Prasad (Exec. Director, RIL)                  |
| Purpose/reason              | Boost AI infrastructure, renewable energy, food processing, and job creation |
| Feature details             | 1 GW AI data centre, 6 GWp solar project, food park in Kurnool, CBG hubs     |
| Validity or status          | MoU signed; implementation expected to begin in phases                       |
| Strategic/significant value | Establishes AP as a tech, energy, and manufacturing hub in South Asia        |



- **Which DRDO lab has developed India's new Man-portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (MP-AUVs) for mine countermeasure operations?**
- A) Defence Bioengineering and Electromedical Laboratory
  - B) Naval Physical and Oceanographic Laboratory
  - C) Naval Science & Technological Laboratory
  - D) Combat Vehicles Research & Development Establishment
  - E) Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics

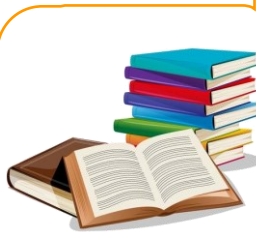
**Answer**

**C) Naval Science & Technological Laboratory**



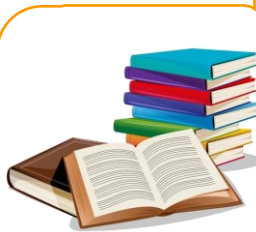
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** DRDO develops new Man-portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (MP-AUVs)
- **Location:** Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



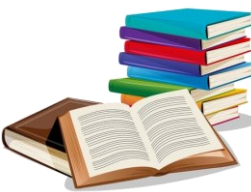
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Naval Science & Technological Laboratory (NSTL), a DRDO lab in Visakhapatnam, has developed new generation Man-portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (MP-AUVs) for mine countermeasure (MCM) operations.
- **Objectives:** To strengthen India's underwater defence capabilities by enabling autonomous, intelligent detection and classification of underwater mines, reducing mission time, operator workload, and operational risks.



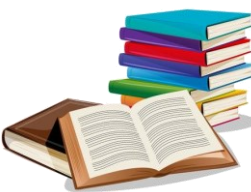
## Important Terms Explained:

- **MP-AUV (Man-portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicle):** Compact, portable underwater drones designed for naval missions such as mine detection and reconnaissance. They operate autonomously and are equipped with smart sensors and sonar systems.
- **Mine Countermeasure (MCM) Operations:** Military operations to detect, classify, and neutralize naval mines, ensuring safe maritime navigation and operational freedom in conflict zones.



## Important Terms Explained:

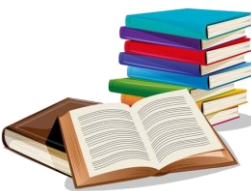
- **Side Scan Sonar:** A sonar system used to efficiently create images of large areas of the sea floor, ideal for detecting underwater objects such as mines.
- **NSTL (Naval Science & Technological Laboratory):** A DRDO lab focused on naval technologies including underwater weapons, autonomous systems, and warship technologies.





## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                     |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | DRDO develops new generation MP-AUVs for mine countermeasures               |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                           |
| Location                    | NSTL, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh                                         |
| Issuing authority           | DRDO – Naval Science & Technological Laboratory                             |
| Policy/series name          | Indigenous Defence R&D – Underwater Systems                                 |
| Key figures                 | Dr. Samir V. Kamat (Chairman, DRDO)                                         |
| Purpose/reason              | Enable autonomous detection/classification of underwater mines              |
| Feature details             | Side Scan Sonar, underwater cameras, deep learning-based threat recognition |
| Validity or status          | Successfully developed and ready for deployment                             |
| Strategic/significant value | Strengthens India's underwater warfare capabilities and naval readiness     |

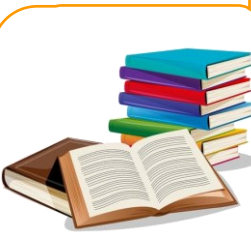


➤ What is the main focus of the CSIR–ISRO Space Meet 2025 scheduled in Bengaluru?

- A) Satellite manufacturing for telecom
- B) Commercial satellite launch agreements
- C) Advancing human spaceflight research and space medicine
- D) Increasing export of space materials
- E) Privatizing India's space stations

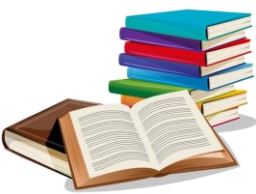
**Answer**

**C) Advancing human spaceflight research and space medicine**



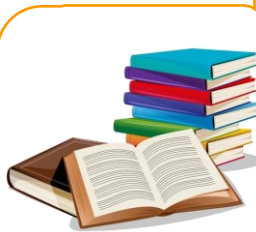
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** CSIR–ISRO Space Meet 2025 to advance human spaceflight research
- **Location:** Hotel Radisson Blu Atria, Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** November 17, 2025



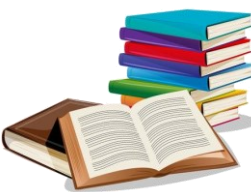
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) will jointly host the CSIR–ISRO Space Meet 2025 to foster research collaborations in human spaceflight, space life sciences, and microgravity experiments.
- **Objectives:** To integrate CSIR's multidisciplinary research expertise with ISRO's space exploration missions, enabling innovation in biomedical instrumentation, materials science, space food, plant growth in space, and human physiology in spaceflight—supporting India's self-reliance in future human space missions.



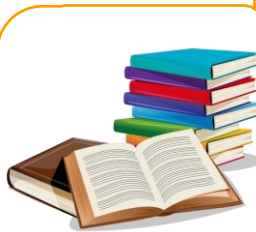
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Human Spaceflight Research:** Scientific study of the physiological, psychological, and technical challenges faced by humans in space, essential for long-duration missions and space habitation.
- **Microgravity Studies:** Research conducted in space or microgravity environments to understand phenomena like fluid dynamics, cell behavior, and material science under near-zero gravity conditions.



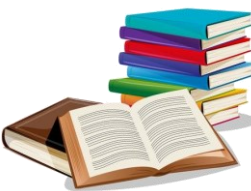
## Important Terms Explained:

- **CSIR–NAL (National Aerospace Laboratories):** A premier aerospace research institute under CSIR, located in Bengaluru, known for its contributions to aerodynamics, flight simulation, and aerospace materials, and the nodal body for organising the event.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                      |
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| Event name                  | CSIR–ISRO Space Meet 2025                                                    |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                            |
| Location                    | Bengaluru, Karnataka                                                         |
| Issuing authority           | CSIR and ISRO                                                                |
| Policy/series name          | National collaboration on human spaceflight research                         |
| Key figures                 | Dr. N. Kalaiselvi (CSIR), Dr. V. Narayanan (ISRO), Wg. Cdr. Rakesh Sharma    |
| Purpose/reason              | Strengthen scientific collaboration for human space exploration              |
| Feature details             | 150–200 delegates, sessions on space medicine, life sciences, materials      |
| Validity or status          | Scheduled for November 17, 2025                                              |
| Strategic/significant value | Supports self-reliance, global collaboration, and Viksit Bharat @2047 vision |

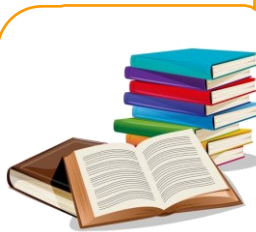




➤ How much total investment has the Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor attracted as of November 2025?

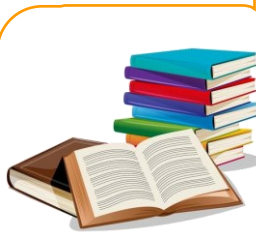
- A) ₹10,000 crore
- B) ₹4,870 crore
- C) ₹15,000 crore
- D) ₹29,000 crore
- E) ₹20,000 crore

**Answer**  
**D) ₹29,000 crore**



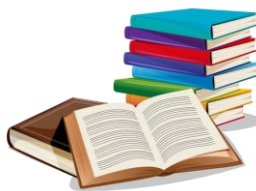
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor attracts ₹29,000 crore in investments
- **Location:** Tamil Nadu, India (Chennai, Coimbatore, Tiruchi, Hosur, Salem)
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



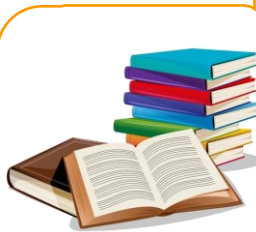
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor (TNDIC), one of two such corridors in India, has attracted ₹29,000 crore in committed investments, exceeding the fiscal target of ₹10,000 crore set by the Central government.
- **Objectives:** To promote indigenous defence manufacturing, support the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, and create a robust ecosystem of MSMEs and large industries in defence production and related sectors across Tamil Nadu.



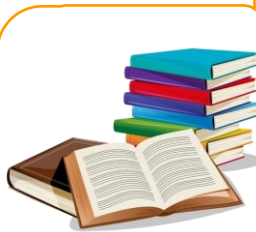
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Defence Industrial Corridor (DIC):** A designated region with the necessary infrastructure to support the development and manufacturing of defence equipment. The aim is to reduce import dependency and encourage local defence production.
- **Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor (TNDIC):** One of India's two defence corridors (the other being in Uttar Pradesh), covering five key cities in Tamil Nadu to support defence and aerospace industries.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **TIDCO (Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation):** A state-level body responsible for promoting industrial growth in Tamil Nadu, especially in strategic sectors like aerospace and defence.

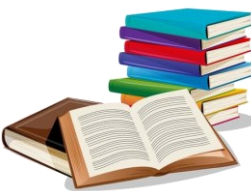


# DEFENCE



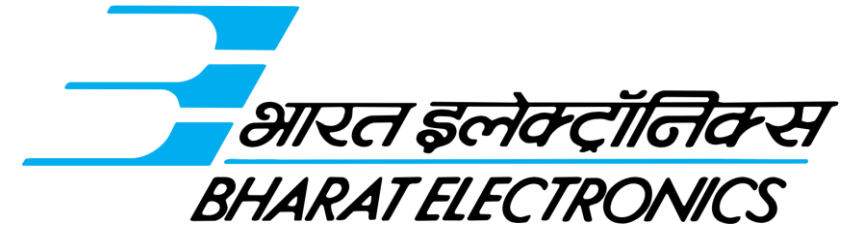
## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor crosses ₹29,000 crore investments     |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                            |
| Location                    | Tamil Nadu – Chennai, Coimbatore, Tiruchi, Hosur, Salem                      |
| Issuing authority           | Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO)                        |
| Policy/series name          | Defence Industrial Corridor (TNDIC)                                          |
| Key figures                 | V. Vinayagam (Senior VP, TIDCO)                                              |
| Purpose/reason              | Promote defence sector investment and self-reliance in manufacturing         |
| Feature details             | ₹29,000 crore committed, ₹4,870 crore already grounded, ₹10,000 crore target |
| Validity or status          | Active, with continued implementation and investment inflows                 |
| Strategic/significant value | Supports Atmanirbhar Bharat; develops regional defence manufacturing hub     |



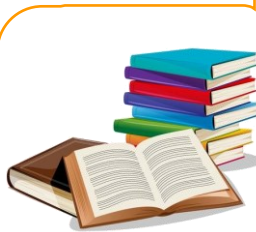
➤ Which Indian defence PSU recently became the first in its sector to receive the top ESG 1 rating from CareEdge?

- A) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
- B) Bharat Dynamics Limited
- C) Bharat Electronics Limited
- D) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders
- E) DRDO



**Answer**

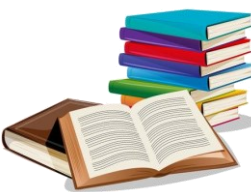
**C) Bharat Electronics Limited**





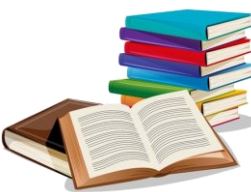
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** BEL becomes first defence PSU to receive CareEdge-ESG 1 Rating
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



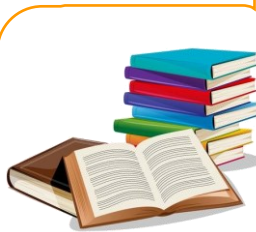
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) has been awarded the CareEdge-ESG 1 rating with a score of 73.8 by CARE ESG Ratings Limited, a SEBI-registered ESG rating agency, for outstanding performance in environmental, social, and governance (ESG) metrics.
- **Objectives:** To demonstrate corporate sustainability leadership in the aerospace and defence sector, promote ethical business practices, and pursue a commitment to net-zero emissions (Scope 1 and 2) by 2030, aligning with global ESG standards.



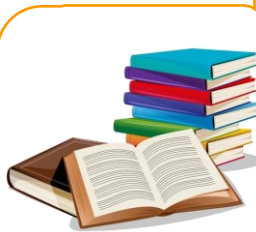
## Important Terms Explained:

- **CareEdge-ESG Rating:** A sustainability rating assigned by CARE ESG Ratings Ltd., reflecting a company's performance across Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) parameters. ESG 1 is the highest category, indicating excellent ESG practices.
- **ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance):** A set of standards measuring a company's impact and responsibility in environmental sustainability, social practices (like employee and community welfare), and governance transparency.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Net-Zero Emissions (Scope 1 and 2):** Scope 1 covers direct emissions from company-owned operations; Scope 2 includes indirect emissions from purchased electricity. BEL's target is to reach net-zero emissions under these scopes by 2030.

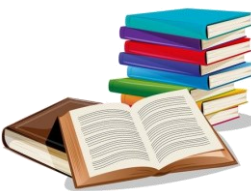


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                   |
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| Event name                  | BEL receives ESG 1 Rating from CareEdge                                   |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                         |
| Location                    | New Delhi                                                                 |
| Issuing authority           | CARE ESG Ratings Ltd.                                                     |
| Policy/series name          | ESG Sustainability Evaluation                                             |
| Key figures                 | Manoj Jain (Chairman & MD, BEL)                                           |
| Purpose/reason              | Recognition of BEL's strong ESG integration and sustainability leadership |
| Feature details             | ESG score of 73.8; ESG 1 category; net-zero by 2030 target                |
| Validity or status          | Active; BEL remains highest rated defence PSU in ESG                      |
| Strategic/significant value | Enhances investor confidence, promotes sustainable defence manufacturing  |

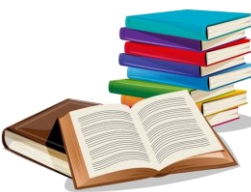


➤ **What is the significance of the newly opened Singapore Enterprise Centre (SEC) in Bengaluru?**

- A) It is India's first overseas trade office
- B) It promotes joint military training between India and Singapore
- C) It is SBF's first SEC outside Southeast Asia
- D) It replaces all SECs previously opened in Singapore
- E) It serves only large multinational companies

**Answer**

**C) It is SBF's first SEC outside Southeast Asia**

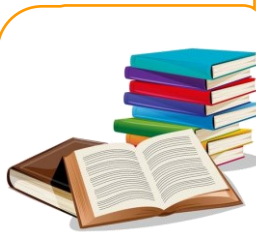


# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



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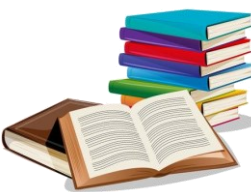
- **Event:** Opening of Singapore Enterprise Centre (SEC) by SBF
- **Location:** Bengaluru, India
- **Date:** November 13, 2025





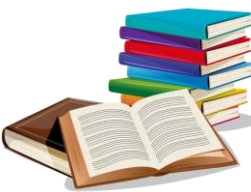
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Singapore Business Federation (SBF) launched its fourth Singapore Enterprise Centre (SEC) in Bengaluru under the GlobalConnect@SBF initiative to assist Singaporean businesses in expanding to India.
- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to support over 470 enterprises through advisory, networking, trade missions, and market access programs to strengthen bilateral business collaboration between Singapore and India.



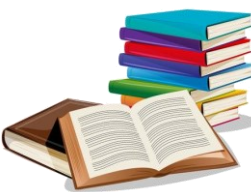
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Singapore Enterprise Centre (SEC):** A business facilitation hub launched by the Singapore Business Federation (SBF) to help Singapore-based companies internationalize, especially SMEs seeking opportunities in foreign markets.
- **GlobalConnect@SBF:** A joint initiative between Enterprise Singapore (EnterpriseSG) and SBF aimed at supporting Singapore businesses in exploring and entering overseas markets through structured assistance.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Foreign Direct Investment (FDI):** A form of cross-border investment where a country or company invests in business interests in another country; India is Singapore's largest FDI destination for the seventh consecutive year.

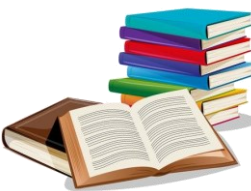


# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                         |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Opening of Singapore Enterprise Centre (SEC) in Bengaluru       |
| Announcement date           | November 13, 2025                                               |
| Location                    | Bengaluru, Karnataka, India                                     |
| Issuing authority           | Singapore Business Federation (SBF)                             |
| Policy/series name          | GlobalConnect@SBF                                               |
| Key figures                 | Gan Siow Huang, Shobha Karandlaje, Priyank M. Karge             |
| Purpose/reason              | To assist Singapore SMEs in entering the Indian market          |
| Feature details             | Advisory support, networking, trade missions, business matching |
| Validity or status          | Active and targeting 470 enterprises over 2 years               |
| Strategic/significant value | Strengthens bilateral trade, first SEC outside Southeast Asia   |

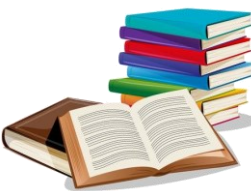


➤ Which sectors are central to the newly revived economic partnership between India and Canada as per the 7<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Dialogue on Trade and Investment?

- A) Agriculture and Textiles
- B) Tourism and Hospitality
- C) Critical minerals and Aerospace
- D) Healthcare and Pharmaceuticals
- E) Automotive and Insurance

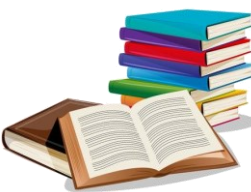
**Answer**

**C) Critical minerals and Aerospace**



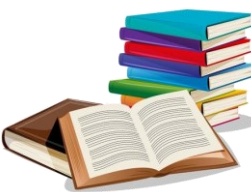
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Revival of India–Canada ties through economic partnerships in key sectors
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



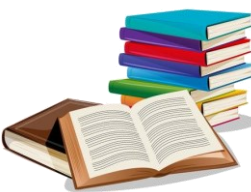
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** During the 7<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Dialogue on Trade and Investment (MDTI), India and Canada announced long-term partnerships in critical minerals, clean energy, and aerospace trade, marking a revival in bilateral relations.
- **Objectives:** To strengthen economic cooperation, resilient supply chains, and explore new trade areas such as aerospace and dual-use technologies, while promoting a predictable and open investment environment.



## Important Terms Explained:

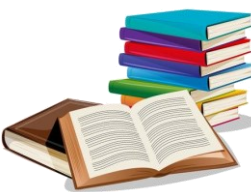
- **Critical Minerals:** Essential raw materials used in high-tech industries, clean energy technologies, and defence applications. India and Canada aim to secure supply chains for these minerals critical to industrial growth and energy transition.
- **Clean Energy:** Renewable or low-carbon energy sources like solar, wind, hydro, and hydrogen that help in reducing emissions and meeting climate goals. The partnership focuses on collaboration in this sector.





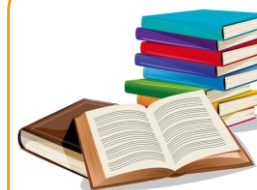
## Important Terms Explained:

- **7th Ministerial Dialogue on Trade and Investment (MDTI):** A bilateral meeting held between India and Canada's trade ministers to enhance economic cooperation, trade flows, and investment partnerships under the New Roadmap 2025.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                          |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | India–Canada 7th Ministerial Dialogue on Trade and Investment                    |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                                |
| Location                    | New Delhi, India                                                                 |
| Issuing authority           | Ministry of Commerce and Industry (India), Government of Canada                  |
| Policy/series name          | New Roadmap 2025                                                                 |
| Key figures                 | Piyush Goyal (India), Maninder Sidhu (Canada)                                    |
| Purpose/reason              | Strengthen bilateral trade and investment across critical sectors                |
| Feature details             | Partnerships in critical minerals, clean energy, aerospace, supply chains        |
| Validity or status          | Partnership dialogue concluded, agreements in principle announced                |
| Strategic/significant value | Marks revival of ties post tensions; ensures economic and industrial cooperation |

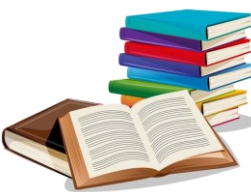


➤ **What major initiative was announced by the Centre to promote military education among youth, as per Union Minister Amit Shah?**

- A) Launch of National Military University
- B) Establishment of 100 Sainik Schools under PPP model
- C) Mandatory military training in all private schools
- D) Conversion of Kendriya Vidyalayas into defence academies
- E) One Sainik School in each border village

**Answer**

**B) Establishment of 100 Sainik Schools under PPP model**

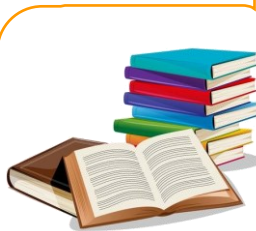


# SCHEMES & INITIATIVES



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Announcement to establish 100 new Sainik Schools under PPP model
- **Location:** Pan-India (inauguration event related to Gujarat)
- **Date:** November 14, 2025

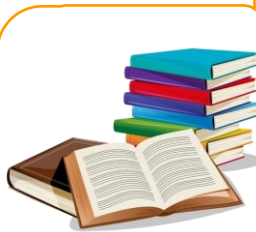


# SCHEMES & INITIATIVES



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Union Government has approved the setup of 100 new Sainik Schools across India under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model, partnering with NGOs, private schools, and state governments.
- **Objectives:** To increase military training and educational opportunities for students across the country, encouraging participation in the armed forces and promoting discipline and patriotism.

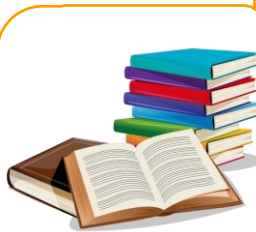


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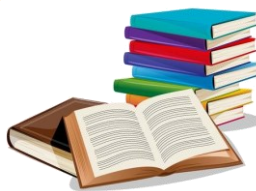
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Sainik Schools:** Residential schools in India that prepare students for entry into the National Defence Academy (NDA) and other military institutions, focusing on academics, discipline, and physical training.
- **Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model:** A collaborative framework where government bodies partner with private or non-governmental organizations to implement public sector projects, sharing resources, risks, and responsibilities.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **MRCSSS (Shri Motibhai R Chaudhary Sagar Sainik School):** A new Sainik school inaugurated in Gujarat, equipped with modern facilities and built at a cost of ₹50 crore to serve as a model for future institutions under the PPP model.

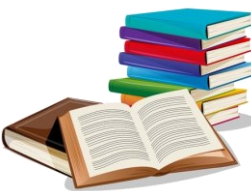


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                    |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Announcement of 100 new Sainik Schools under PPP model                     |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                          |
| Location                    | Nationwide (Inaugural event linked to Gujarat)                             |
| Issuing authority           | Union Government of India                                                  |
| Policy/series name          | Sainik School Expansion through PPP model                                  |
| Key figures                 | Amit Shah (Union Home & Cooperation Minister), Narendra Modi (PM)          |
| Purpose/reason              | Expand military education and opportunities for youth across India         |
| Feature details             | Partnership with NGOs, private schools, and state govts for Sainik Schools |
| Validity or status          | Approved and implementation initiated with inauguration of MRCSSS          |
| Strategic/significant value | Boosts national defence readiness and inclusivity in military education    |





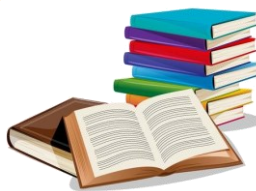
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➤ Which new interstate electric bus route was flagged off by Delhi CM Rekha Gupta on November 14, 2025?

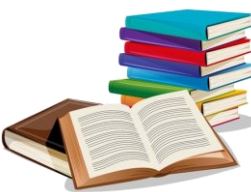
- A) Delhi–Baraut
- B) Delhi–Panipat
- C) Delhi–Meerut
- D) Delhi–Sonipat
- E) Delhi–Karnal

**Answer**  
**D) Delhi–Sonipat**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Delhi–Sonipat interstate electric bus service
- **Location:** New Delhi, India (Flag-off from Kashmere Gate ISBT)
- **Date:** November 14, 2025

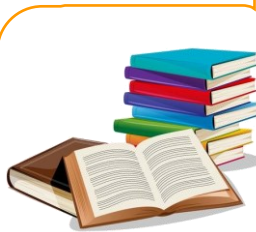


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## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Delhi CM Rekha Gupta, along with Transport Minister Pankaj Singh, flagged off three new interstate electric buses from Kashmere Gate ISBT to Sonipat, operated by the Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC).
- **Objectives:** To restore discontinued interstate bus services, improve public transport access, reduce road congestion, and promote environment-friendly mobility across the National Capital Region (NCR).

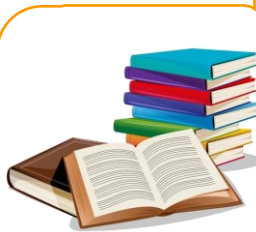


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## Important Terms Explained:

- **Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC):** The primary public transport operator in Delhi, responsible for intra-city and interstate bus services including the rollout of electric buses for sustainable commuting.
- **Electric Buses:** Zero-emission vehicles powered by electricity, contributing to reduction in air pollution, especially in urban and high-traffic areas.
- **Interstate Bus Service:** A passenger transport service operating between different states; in this case, between Delhi (UT) and Haryana (Sonipat), aiming to revive routes abandoned for years.

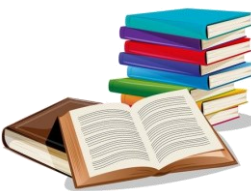


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                         |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Launch of Delhi–Sonipat interstate electric bus service                         |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                               |
| Location                    | New Delhi to Sonipat                                                            |
| Issuing authority           | Delhi Government and Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC)                          |
| Policy/series name          | Interstate Electric Mobility Initiative                                         |
| Key figures                 | Rekha Gupta (Delhi CM), Pankaj Singh (Transport Minister)                       |
| Purpose/reason              | Restore regional public transport routes and promote green mobility             |
| Feature details             | 3 electric buses, 6 trips per day, AC, GPS, CCTV, panic buttons                 |
| Validity or status          | Operational from November 14, 2025                                              |
| Strategic/significant value | Improves NCR connectivity, reduces pollution, supports public transport revival |



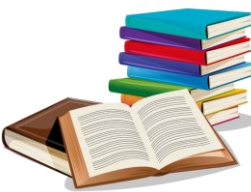
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- Under which initiative has the Karnataka Government approved ₹36 crore to set up Centres of Excellence in Defence and Quantum Computing?

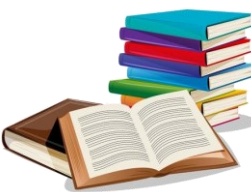
- A) PRAGATI
- B) Startup Karnataka
- C) LEAP
- D) VISION 2030
- E) KRIDE

**Answer**  
**C) LEAP**



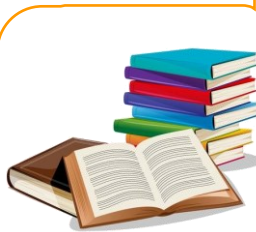
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Karnataka Cabinet approves ₹36 crore for setting up Centres of Excellence in defence and quantum computing
- **Location:** Dharwad, Karnataka (IIT Dharwad and IIIT Dharwad)
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Karnataka Cabinet has approved ₹36 crore under the Local Economy Acceleration Programme (LEAP) to establish two Centres of Excellence (CoEs)—one in Defence Technology & Industry 5.0, and the other in Quantum Artificial Intelligence & Computing (QAIC).
- **Objectives:** To boost deeptech research, startup incubation, IP creation, and skilled talent development in North Karnataka, while positioning the state as a hub for defence innovation and quantum technologies.



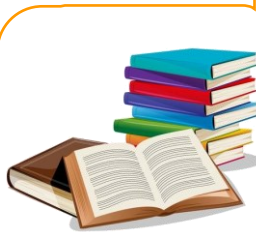


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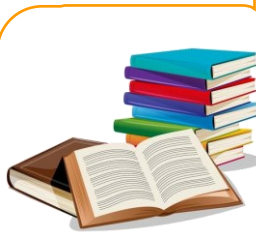
## Important Terms Explained:

- **LEAP (Local Economy Acceleration Programme):** A Karnataka government initiative aimed at accelerating localised economic development through strategic investments in emerging tech, innovation hubs, and R&D.
- **Industry 5.0:** The next phase of industrial development focusing on human-machine collaboration, AI, robotics, sustainability, and customised production, moving beyond automation to personalisation.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Quantum Artificial Intelligence & Computing (QAIC):**  
A cutting-edge field combining quantum computing with AI to solve complex computational problems; the CoE will build capacity in this strategic domain through R&D, training, and patent development.

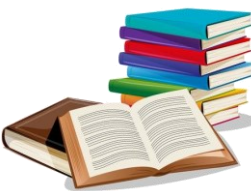


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                            |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Karnataka approves ₹36 crore for Defence & Quantum CoEs under LEAP                 |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                                  |
| Location                    | Dharwad, Karnataka                                                                 |
| Issuing authority           | Government of Karnataka                                                            |
| Policy/series name          | Local Economy Acceleration Programme (LEAP)                                        |
| Key figures                 | Karnataka IT/BT Ministry, CM Siddaramaiah                                          |
| Purpose/reason              | Foster deeptech research and startup innovation in North Karnataka                 |
| Feature details             | Defence CoE to incubate 100+ startups; Quantum CoE to train 1,000 specialists      |
| Validity or status          | Approved; to be implemented at IIT & IIIT Dharwad                                  |
| Strategic/significant value | Boosts national capability in strategic tech and supports local innovation economy |



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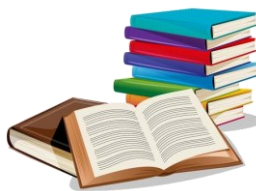
➤ Which of the following features is newly introduced under PM-KISAN to assist farmers with grievance redressal in regional languages?

- A) Aadhar Seeding Portal
- B) Kisan-eMitra Chatbot
- C) Facial Recognition Camera
- D) Farmer Registry Portal
- E) PM-KISAN Bank App



**Answer**

**B) Kisan-eMitra Chatbot**

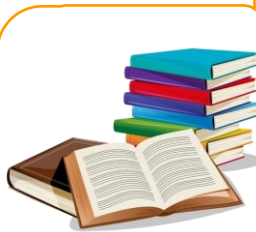


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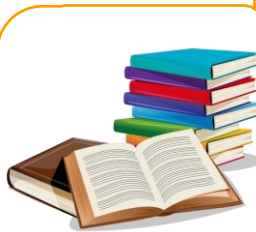
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Release of 21<sup>st</sup> instalment of PM-KISAN scheme
- **Location:** Nationwide (Central Government initiative)
- **Date:** November 19, 2025



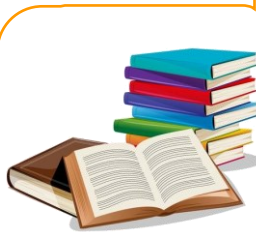
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - The Prime Minister will release the 21st instalment of the PM-KISAN scheme, marking over ₹3.70 lakh crore in direct transfers to more than 11 crore farmer families.
- **Objectives:**
  - To ensure last-mile financial support to landholding farmers, strengthen transparency through digital innovations, and eliminate middlemen via Direct Benefit Transfers (DBT). Also aims to integrate a centralized Farmer Registry for streamlined welfare delivery.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **PM-KISAN (Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi):**
  - A Central Sector Scheme launched in February 2019, providing ₹6,000 annually in three equal instalments to eligible farmer families through DBT. It ensures income support and improves financial inclusion.
- **Kisan-eMitra Chatbot:**
  - A multilingual AI chatbot launched under PM-KISAN to address farmers' queries in 11 regional languages, equipped with Automatic Language Detection (ALD), Automatic Scheme Detection (ASD), and voice-interaction features, operating 24/7 on [kisanemitra.gov.in](http://kisanemitra.gov.in).

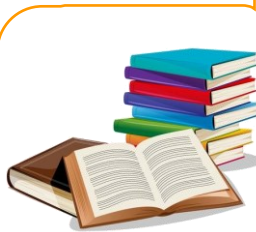


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## Important Terms Explained:

- **Farmer Registry:**
  - A newly launched national-level farmer database, aimed at providing seamless access to all agriculture-related social welfare schemes without the need for repeated documentation or in-person verifications.
- **Facial Authentication-based e-KYC:**
  - A technology-driven e-KYC method that enables farmers to complete their Aadhaar authentication through face recognition, allowing verification for themselves and others via a PM-KISAN Mobile App.



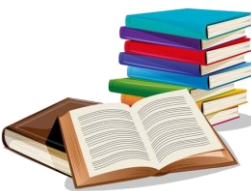


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                    |
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| Event name                  | Release of 21st PM-KISAN instalment                                        |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                          |
| Location                    | Nationwide                                                                 |
| Issuing authority           | Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India             |
| Policy/series name          | PM-KISAN Yojana                                                            |
| Key figures                 | PM Narendra Modi, over 11 crore beneficiary farmers                        |
| Purpose/reason              | Financial assistance, digital delivery, rural empowerment                  |
| Feature details             | ₹6,000 annual assistance, Aadhaar-based e-KYC, multilingual chatbot        |
| Validity or status          | Ongoing; 21st instalment scheduled for release                             |
| Strategic/significant value | Promotes financial inclusion, boosts rural economy, supports women farmers |

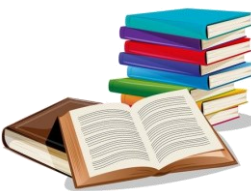


➤ **What acronym did Andhra Pradesh CM Chandrababu Naidu assign to the city name VIZAG during the 30<sup>th</sup> CII Partnership Summit?**

- A) Vision, Integrity, Zeal, Ambition, Governance
- B) Victory, Innovation, Zeal, Affection, Growth
- C) Vision, Innovation, Zeal, Aspiration, Growth
- D) Value, Investment, Zest, Achievement, Growth
- E) Vibrancy, Inclusion, Zeal, Ambition, Growth

**Answer**

**C) Vision, Innovation, Zeal, Aspiration, Growth**

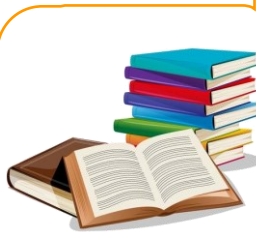


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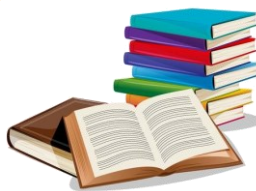
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Redefinition of "VIZAG" acronym by Andhra Pradesh CM at CII Summit
- **Location:** Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



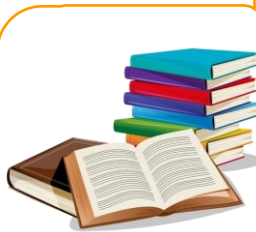
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Andhra Pradesh CM N. Chandrababu Naidu, while inaugurating the 30th CII Partnership Summit, coined a new acronym for VIZAG:  
V – Vision, I – Innovation, Z – Zeal, A – Aspiration, G – Growth.
- **Objectives:** To promote Visakhapatnam as a forward-looking, dynamic, and investment-friendly city, aligning with Andhra Pradesh's broader vision for growth and development.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **CII Partnership Summit:** An annual flagship event organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in collaboration with state governments to foster investment, business collaboration, and policy dialogue.
- **VIZAG (Visakhapatnam):** A major port city and industrial hub in Andhra Pradesh, being positioned as a center of innovation, technology, and economic growth.
- **X (formerly Twitter):** A social media platform used by public figures and institutions to make official announcements and engage with the public digitally.

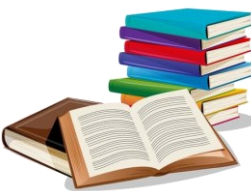


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                   |
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| Event name                  | CM Naidu defines VIZAG acronym at CII Summit                              |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                         |
| Location                    | Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh                                             |
| Issuing authority           | Andhra Pradesh Government                                                 |
| Policy/series name          | 30th CII Partnership Summit                                               |
| Key figures                 | N. Chandrababu Naidu (Chief Minister)                                     |
| Purpose/reason              | Project Visakhapatnam as a hub of innovation and economic growth          |
| Feature details             | VIZAG = Vision, Innovation, Zeal, Aspiration, Growth                      |
| Validity or status          | Publicly announced via X during CII summit                                |
| Strategic/significant value | Enhances Vizag's identity and branding as a global investment destination |

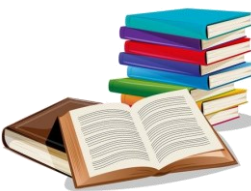


- Which police force won the 9th National Counter-IED Championship, Visfot Kavach IX, for the third consecutive time in 2025?

- A) Maharashtra Police
- B) Delhi Police
- C) Karnataka Police
- D) CRPF Bomb Squad
- E) NSG Black Cats

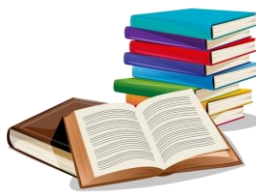
**Answer**

**C) Karnataka Police**



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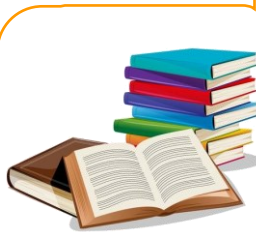
- **Event:** Karnataka Police win National Counter-IED Championship for third consecutive year
- **Location:** New Delhi (Event conducted by NSG)
- **Date:** November 14, 2025





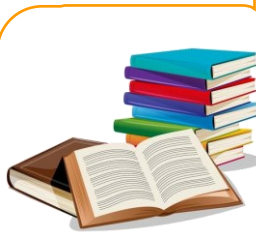
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Internal Security Division (ISD) Counter-IED Team of the Karnataka State Police won the 9th National Joint Counter-IED Competition (Visfot Kavach IX) organized by the National Security Guard (NSG).
- **Objectives:** To assess and enhance the real-world preparedness of police and paramilitary forces in handling IED detection, bomb disposal, and complex counter-terror operations through realistic scenario-based drills.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **IED (Improvised Explosive Device):** A bomb constructed and deployed in ways other than conventional military action, often used in terrorism and asymmetric warfare.
- **NSG (National Security Guard):** A federal contingency force under the Ministry of Home Affairs, specializing in counter-terrorism, bomb disposal, and hostage rescue operations.
- **Visfot Kavach IX:** The 9th edition of the National Counter-IED Championship, a joint training-cum-competition event organized by NSG to evaluate and award the best IED response teams in the country.

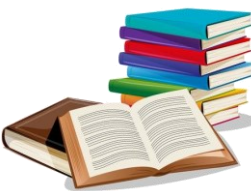


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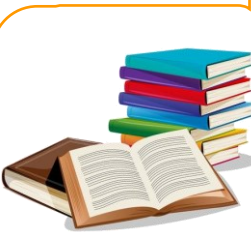
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                   |
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| Event name                  | 9th National Counter-IED Competition – Visfot Kavach IX                   |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                         |
| Location                    | New Delhi                                                                 |
| Issuing authority           | National Security Guard (NSG)                                             |
| Policy/series name          | National Joint Counter-IED Championship                                   |
| Key figures                 | Col. Akkula Balakrishna, SM (Team Leader, Karnataka)                      |
| Purpose/reason              | To assess national forces' readiness in counter-IED and bomb disposal ops |
| Feature details             | IED detection, bomb disposal drills, complex simulated scenarios          |
| Validity or status          | Held from November 10–15, 2025; Karnataka won for 3rd consecutive time    |
| Strategic/significant value | Demonstrates Karnataka Police's leadership in counter-terror preparedness |



➤ According to Andhra Pradesh CM Chandrababu Naidu, how much investment does the state aim to attract over the next three years?

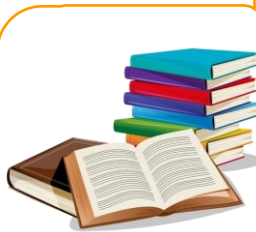
- A) \$100 billion
- B) \$250 billion
- C) \$500 billion
- D) \$50 billion
- E) \$1 trillion

**Answer**  
**C) \$500 billion**



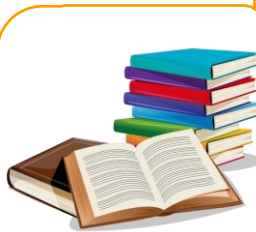
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Andhra Pradesh announces target to attract \$500 billion in investments
- **Location:** Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



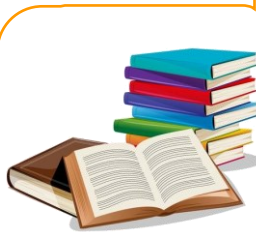
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Andhra Pradesh CM N. Chandrababu Naidu announced that the state aims to attract \$500 billion in investments over the next three years and provide employment to 50 lakh youth.
- **Objectives:** To establish Andhra Pradesh as a top investment destination by offering sovereign guarantees for industries and enabling incentive disbursement through escrow accounts, thereby improving investor confidence and job creation.



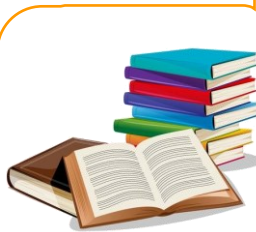
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Sovereign Guarantee:** A promise by a government to assume responsibility for a financial obligation if the primary obligor fails to meet it. In this context, it means the AP government is willing to back industrial investments financially to reduce risk for investors.
- **Escrow Account:** A financial arrangement where a third party holds and regulates payment of funds between two parties involved in a transaction. It ensures secure and transparent disbursement of incentives to industries.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **\$500 Billion Investment Goal:** A highly ambitious capital inflow target set by the Andhra Pradesh government to boost industrial development, infrastructure, and employment generation.



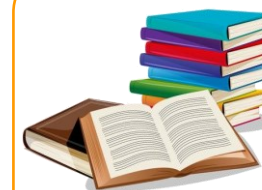


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| Parameter                   | Details                                                                    |
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| Event name                  | AP targets \$500 billion in investments in 3 years                         |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                          |
| Location                    | Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh                                              |
| Issuing authority           | Government of Andhra Pradesh                                               |
| Policy/series name          | Investment Promotion and Employment Strategy                               |
| Key figures                 | N. Chandrababu Naidu (Chief Minister)                                      |
| Purpose/reason              | To attract large-scale investments and create employment for 50 lakh youth |
| Feature details             | Sovereign guarantees, escrow accounts, incentive disbursement mechanism    |
| Validity or status          | Target set for 3 years (2025–2028)                                         |
| Strategic/significant value | Positions Andhra Pradesh as a high-investment, pro-industry destination    |



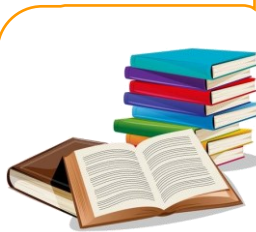
➤ Which organisation is celebrating its 500<sup>th</sup> monthly cultural programme on November 17, 2025?

- A) Kerala Cultural Forum
- B) Sahitya Akademi
- C) Bank Employees Arts Movement Ernakulam
- D) Indian Theatre Alliance
- E) Cochin Fine Arts Society



**Answer**

**C) Bank Employees Arts Movement Ernakulam**

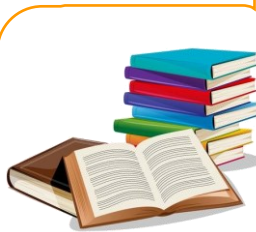


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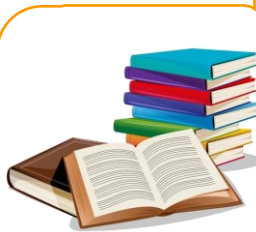
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** 500<sup>th</sup> monthly cultural programme of Beame
- **Location:** Kochi, Kerala (TDM Hall, Ernakulam)
- **Date:** November 17, 2025



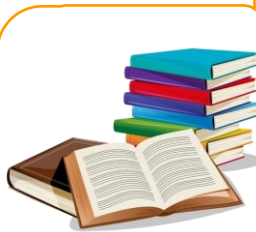
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Beame (Bank Employees Arts Movement Ernakulam) will host its 500th consecutive cultural programme, titled "MT Ezhuthinte Atmavu", a theatre performance by Perambra Sabarmati Theatre Village.
- **Objectives:** To celebrate over 42 years of uninterrupted monthly cultural engagement, promoting literature, theatre, dance, and music among the public, particularly the bank employees' community in Ernakulam.



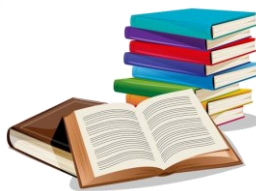
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Beame (Bank Employees Arts Movement Ernakulam):** A cultural collective established by bank employees in Ernakulam that has consistently conducted monthly cultural programmes since its founding, blending workplace life with artistic pursuits.
- **MT Vasudevan Nair:** A renowned Malayalam writer, filmmaker, and Jnanpith awardee, known for his emotionally rich plays and novels, several of which serve as inspiration for Beame's 500th programme.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Perambra Sabarmati Theatre Village:** A theatre group known for integrating traditional and contemporary performance styles, participating in Beame's milestone event with a multimedia performance.



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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Beame's 500th Monthly Cultural Programme                                                    |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                                           |
| Location                    | TDM Hall, Ernakulam, Kerala                                                                 |
| Issuing authority           | Bank Employees Arts Movement Ernakulam (Beame)                                              |
| Policy/series name          | MT Ezhuthinte Atmavu – Theatre Performance                                                  |
| Key figures                 | Preman Muchukunnu (Director), Amsis Mohamed (Scriptwriter), MT Vasudevan Nair (Inspiration) |
| Purpose/reason              | Celebrate 42 years of uninterrupted monthly cultural events                                 |
| Feature details             | Blend of theatre, dance, and music based on MT's plays                                      |
| Validity or status          | Scheduled for November 17, 2025                                                             |
| Strategic/significant value | Promotes grassroots cultural engagement in urban spaces through employee-driven initiatives |

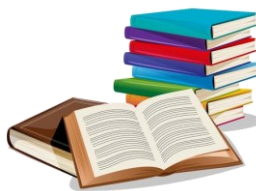


➤ How much funding has the Karnataka Cabinet approved for infrastructure facilities at the super-speciality hospital in Hassan?

- A) ₹25.00 crore
- B) ₹27.93 crore
- C) ₹35.50 crore
- D) ₹20.00 crore
- E) ₹30.10 crore

**Answer**

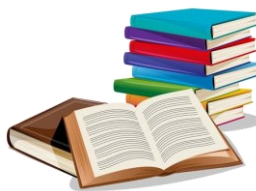
**B) ₹27.93 crore**





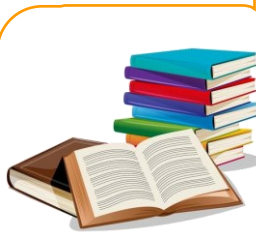
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Karnataka Cabinet approves ₹27.93 crore for super-speciality hospital infrastructure
- **Location:** Hassan, Karnataka
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



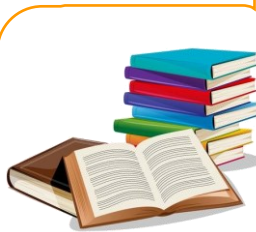
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Karnataka State Cabinet approved a proposal to allocate ₹27.93 crore for providing infrastructure and medical equipment at the upcoming super-speciality hospital in Hassan, under the Hassan Institute of Medical Sciences (HIMS).
- **Objectives:** To establish advanced treatment facilities, including a cardiac unit with cath lab, and equip neurology, neurosurgery, and cardiothoracic surgery departments, thereby improving tertiary healthcare services in the region.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Cath Lab (Catheterization Laboratory):** A medical facility equipped with diagnostic imaging equipment used to visualize the arteries of the heart and treat any blockages, commonly used in cardiac care.
- **Super-speciality Hospital:** A medical facility offering specialized and advanced medical services in disciplines like neurology, cardiology, and surgery, often including dedicated infrastructure and expert personnel.
- **Hassan Institute of Medical Sciences (HIMS):** A government-run medical college and hospital in Hassan, Karnataka, providing undergraduate medical education and healthcare services to the region.

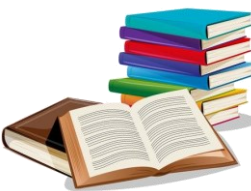


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                       |
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| Event name                  | Approval of ₹27.93 crore for Hassan Super-speciality Hospital                 |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                             |
| Location                    | Hassan, Karnataka                                                             |
| Issuing authority           | Karnataka State Cabinet                                                       |
| Policy/series name          | Infrastructure Development for Medical Institutions                           |
| Key figures                 | Krishna Byregowda (Minister-in-charge of Hassan)                              |
| Purpose/reason              | Strengthen tertiary healthcare facilities in Hassan                           |
| Feature details             | Cardiac unit with cath lab, neurology, neurosurgery, and cardiothoracic units |
| Validity or status          | Approved; funding to be implemented through HIMS                              |
| Strategic/significant value | Enhances rural healthcare access and medical education in Karnataka           |



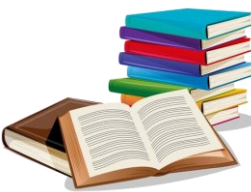
➤ Where is the MEDICCON 2025 exhibition on medical devices being held?

- A) Chennai Trade Centre
- B) Pragati Maidan, Delhi
- C) CODISSIA Trade Fair Complex, Coimbatore
- D) HITEX Exhibition Center, Hyderabad
- E) BIEC, Bengaluru



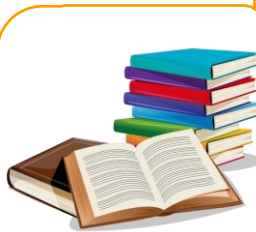
**Answer**

**C) CODISSIA Trade Fair Complex, Coimbatore**



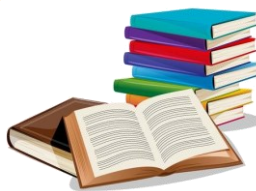
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** MEDICCON 2025 – Three-day exhibition on medical devices
- **Location:** CODISSIA Trade Fair Complex, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



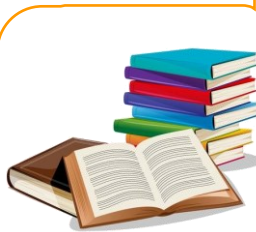
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Buoyant Media has organized MEDICCON 2025, a three-day trade exhibition bringing together key stakeholders from the medical equipment and healthcare technology industries.
- **Objectives:** To showcase latest innovations in medical devices, strengthen B2B collaboration, and support hospital infrastructure upgrades and healthcare product accessibility in India.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Medical Devices:** Instruments, apparatus, machines, or implants used in the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of diseases and health conditions. These include items like ventilators, imaging equipment, surgical tools, etc.
- **CODISSIA Trade Fair Complex:** A major industrial exhibition venue located in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, regularly hosting trade expos across sectors including engineering, agriculture, and healthcare.
- **Buoyant Media:** An event organizing firm involved in industry-specific exhibitions, including healthcare, with a focus on connecting manufacturers with institutional buyers and professionals.



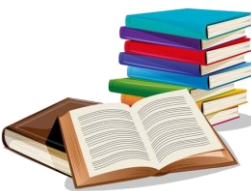


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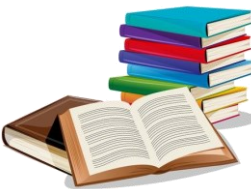
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                          |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | MEDICCON 2025 – Medical Devices Exhibition                                       |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                                |
| Location                    | CODISSIA Trade Fair Complex, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu                              |
| Issuing authority           | Buoyant Media                                                                    |
| Policy/series name          | MEDICCON – Annual Medical Technology Expo                                        |
| Key figures                 | Medical equipment manufacturers, healthcare firms, pharmaceutical companies      |
| Purpose/reason              | Showcase innovations and connect stakeholders in the medical device sector       |
| Feature details             | Three-day event; product demos; supplier–buyer networking                        |
| Validity or status          | Ongoing from November 14 to 16, 2025                                             |
| Strategic/significant value | Supports Make in India for medical devices and promotes healthcare tech adoption |



➤ What is India's current rank in the Global Innovation Index 2025, as announced by Dr. Jitendra Singh?

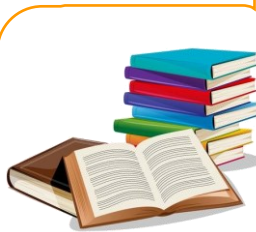
- A) 81
- B) 56
- C) 38
- D) 25
- E) 42

**Answer**  
**C) 38**



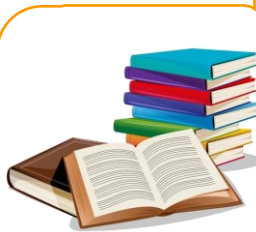
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Dr. Jitendra Singh addresses INNOTECH'25 and announces India's rise in patent filings and innovation rankings
- **Location:** KIET Deemed University, Uttar Pradesh
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



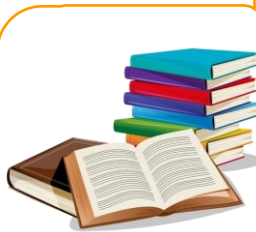
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh announced that India is now the 6th largest patent filer in the world, with over 64,000 patent filings, of which 55%+ are from resident Indian innovators. India also climbed from Rank 81 to Rank 38 in the Global Innovation Index.
- **Objectives:** To showcase India's growing strength in scientific innovation, entrepreneurship, and self-reliance in R&D, supported by policy reforms, private sector participation, and government schemes fostering deep-tech start-ups and academic freedom.



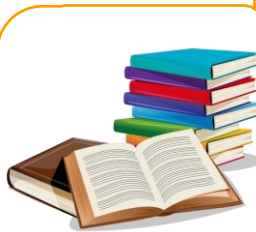
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Global Innovation Index (GII):** An annual ranking published by WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization), assessing innovation capabilities and performance of countries. India climbed from 81st in 2015 to 38th in 2025.
- **Patent Filing:** A legal process through which inventors secure exclusive rights to their inventions. India's rise in resident filings signifies strong domestic R&D and innovation maturity.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **INNOTECH'25:** An annual tech fest and innovation conclave that brings together policymakers, entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, and students to promote science, technology, and start-up ecosystems in India.
- **INSPIRE, MANAK, VAIBHAV: Key DST initiatives:**
  - **INSPIRE:** Fellowship to attract talent to science.
  - **MANAK:** Awards for young innovators at school level.
  - **VAIBHAV:** Connects overseas Indian researchers with Indian institutions.

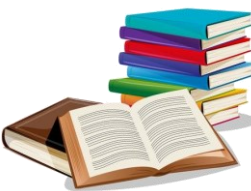


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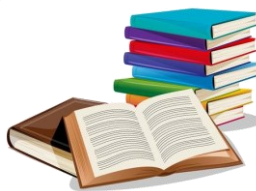
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                       |
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| Event name                  | INNOTECH'25 – Annual Innovation Conclave                                      |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                             |
| Location                    | KIET Deemed University, Uttar Pradesh                                         |
| Issuing authority           | Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India                         |
| Policy/series name          | National Innovation Ecosystem Initiatives                                     |
| Key figures                 | Dr. Jitendra Singh, Atul Garg Jain (MP)                                       |
| Purpose/reason              | Promote start-ups, scientific innovation, and India's global innovation rank  |
| Feature details             | India files 64,000+ patents (55% resident); ranks 6th in patent filings       |
| Validity or status          | Ongoing government innovation promotion through schemes and education reforms |
| Strategic/significant value | Reflects India's transformation into a global R&D and innovation powerhouse   |



➤ **Where is India's first dedicated Drone City being established as announced in November 2025?**

- A) Amaravati
- B) Sriharikota
- C) Visakhapatnam
- D) Orvakal
- E) Kakinada

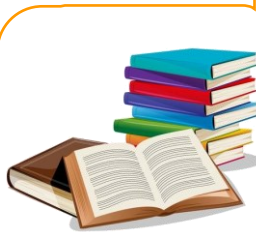
**Answer**  
**D) Orvakal**





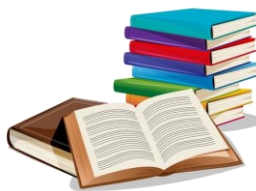
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Foundation stone laid for Drone City and Space City in Andhra Pradesh
- **Location:** Orvakal (Kurnool) and near Sriharikota (Andhra Pradesh)
- **Date:** November 14, 2025



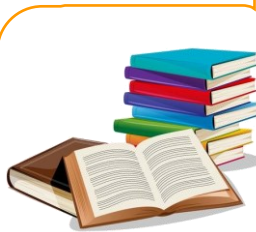
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - Union Commerce & Industry Minister Piyush Goyal and Andhra Pradesh CM Chandrababu Naidu virtually laid the foundation stone for two major infrastructure projects—Drone City at Orvakal Industrial Node and Space City near Sriharikota—during the 30th CII Partnership Summit in Visakhapatnam.



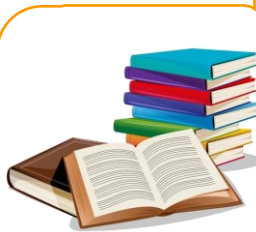
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
  - To make India self-reliant in drone technology, support the vision of "a drone in every farm", and create a future-ready ecosystem in space tech and satellite launch capabilities. The projects also aim to attract global investments via GST refunds and capital reimbursement incentives.



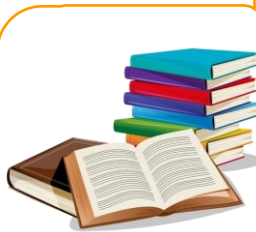
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Drone City:** A dedicated industrial zone focused on the development, manufacturing, testing, and deployment of drones and unmanned aerial systems (UAS). The Orvakal facility will support R&D, production, and training in drone technology.
- **Space City:** An integrated space technology hub aimed at supporting satellite development, launch services, and commercial aerospace ventures, located near Sriharikota, home to ISRO's Satish Dhawan Space Centre.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Escrow Account for GST Refunds:** A transparent financial mechanism enabling guaranteed 100% state GST refunds and 20% capital investment reimbursement to approved investors without bureaucratic delays or political interference.
- **Swarna Andhra 2047 & Viksit Bharat 2047:** Long-term development visions aimed at transforming Andhra Pradesh and India into innovation-driven, high-income economies by 2047.

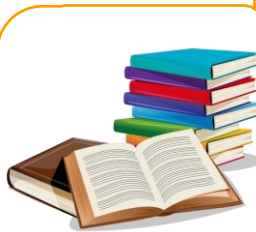


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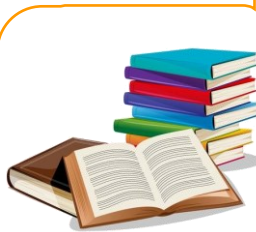
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                   |
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| Event name                  | Foundation stone laying for Drone City and Space City                     |
| Announcement date           | November 14, 2025                                                         |
| Location                    | Orvakal (Kurnool) and near Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh                    |
| Issuing authority           | Ministry of Commerce & Industry; Government of Andhra Pradesh             |
| Policy/series name          | Swarna Andhra 2047; Viksit Bharat 2047 Vision                             |
| Key figures                 | Piyush Goyal (Union Minister), N. Chandrababu Naidu (AP CM)               |
| Purpose/reason              | To develop dedicated hubs for drone manufacturing and space innovation    |
| Feature details             | 300-acre Drone City, incentives like GST refund and capital reimbursement |
| Validity or status          | Foundation laid; development phase initiated                              |
| Strategic/significant value | Boosts India's Aatmanirbhar goals in drones and space tech; attracts FDI  |



# QUICK RECALL



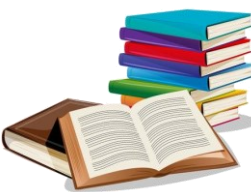
- **World Diabetes Day 2025** was observed on November 14 with a focus on dietary awareness and early lifestyle interventions.
- **Andhra Pradesh Minister Kandula Durgesh** announced that investments worth ₹12,000 crore have been secured in the tourism sector.
- **Ratan Thiyam** will be posthumously honoured with the **Sumitra Charat Ram Award for Lifetime Achievement** for 2025.
- The **Shenzhou-20** crew returned to Earth on November 14, 2025, after a nine-day delay caused by space debris damage.
- **Reliance Industries** has announced a 1 GW AI data centre in Visakhapatnam as a twin to its Jamnagar facility.
- **DRDO's NSTL lab** in Visakhapatnam has developed new Man-portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (MP-AUVs).
- **CSIR and ISRO** will jointly host the **CSIR-ISRO Space Meet 2025** in Bengaluru to advance India's human spaceflight research.
- The **Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor** has attracted ₹29,000 crore in investments, far exceeding the ₹10,000 crore target for FY2025-26.
- **Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)** has received the highest ESG 1 rating from **CareEdge-ESG** with a score of 73.8.



# QUICK RECALL



- The Singapore Business Federation inaugurated its fourth Singapore Enterprise Centre in Bengaluru on November 13, 2025.
- India and Canada revived bilateral economic ties with new partnerships in critical minerals, clean energy, and aerospace.
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah announced that 100 new Sainik Schools will be established across India under the Public-Private Partnership model.
- Delhi CM Rekha Gupta flagged off the Delhi–Sonipat interstate electric bus service on November 14, 2025.
- The Karnataka Cabinet approved ₹36 crore to establish two Centres of Excellence under the LEAP scheme.
- The 21st instalment of the PM-KISAN scheme will be released by the Prime Minister on November 19, 2025.
- Andhra Pradesh CM N. Chandrababu Naidu redefined VIZAG as Vision, Innovation, Zeal, Aspiration, and Growth.
- The Karnataka Police won the 9th National Counter-IED Championship, Visfot Kavach IX, for the third year in a row.

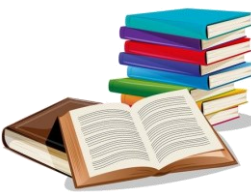




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- **The Karnataka Cabinet approved ₹27.93 crore to develop infrastructure at a super-speciality hospital in Hassan.**
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- **India has emerged as the 6th largest patent filer globally, with over 64,000 filings, more than half by resident innovators.**
- **India's first Drone City is coming up at Orvakal in Andhra Pradesh across 300 acres of industrial land.**





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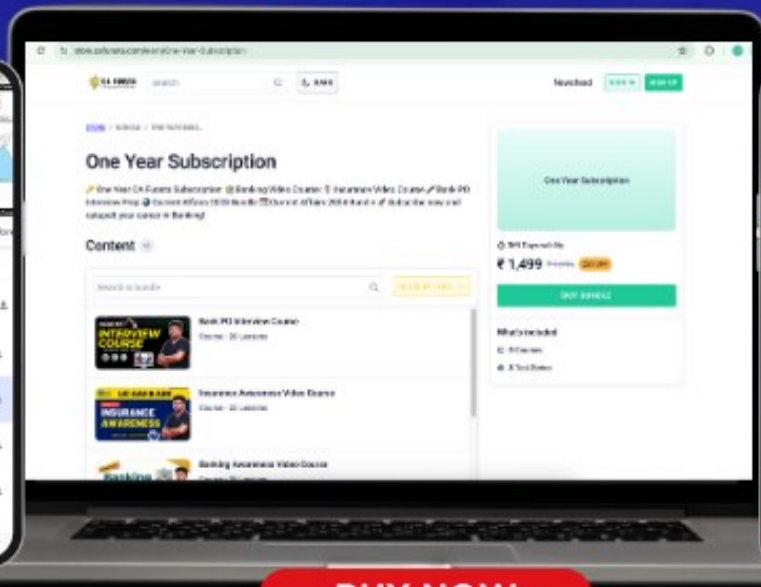
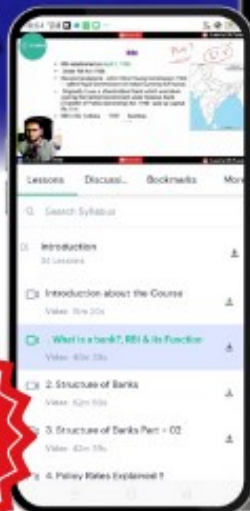
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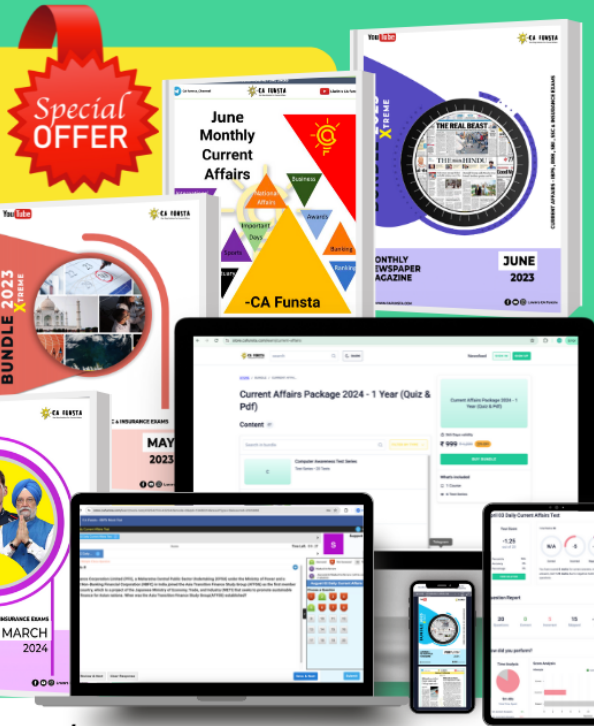


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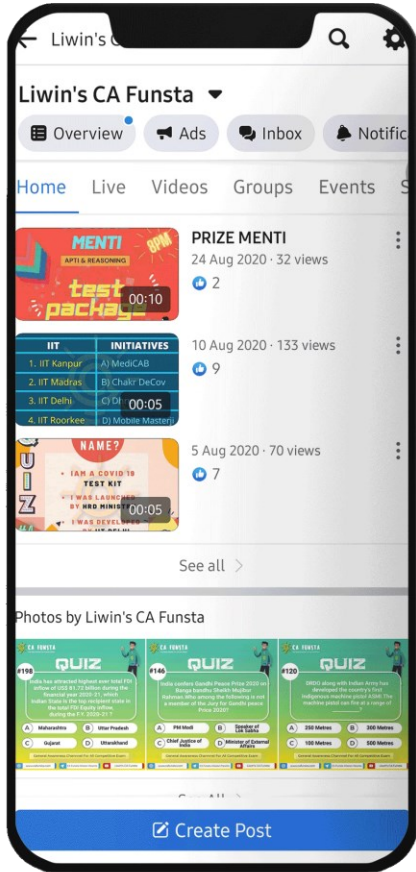
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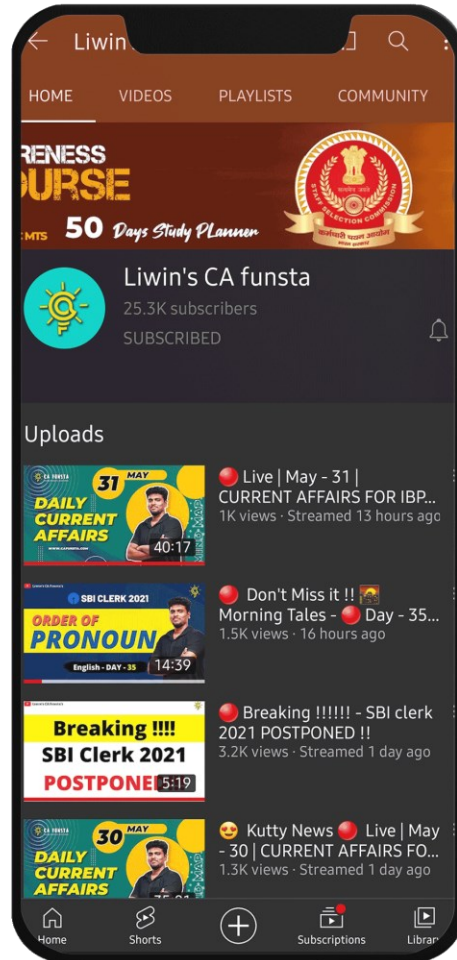


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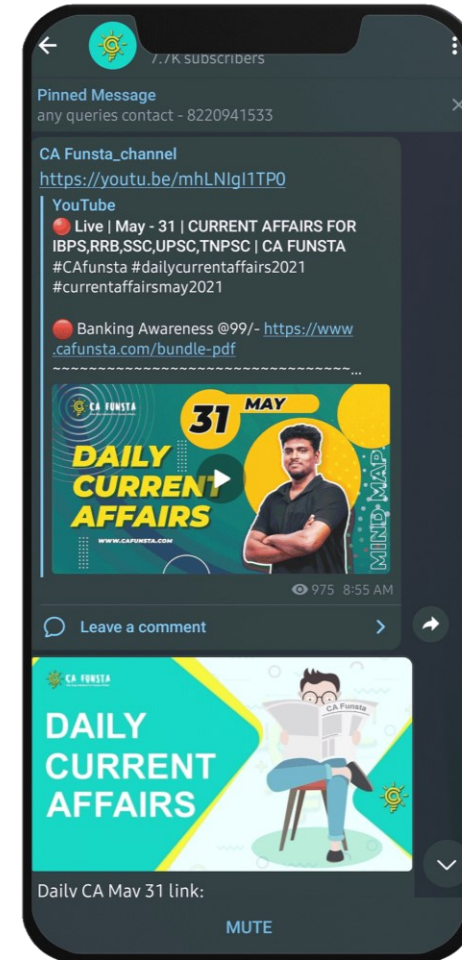
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