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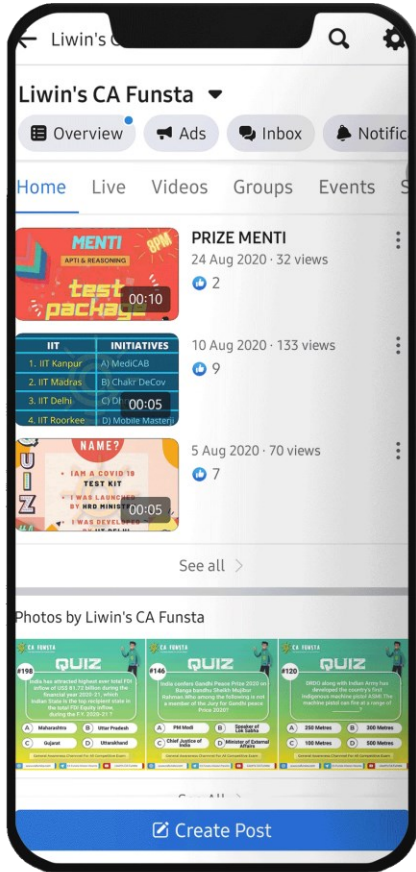
  

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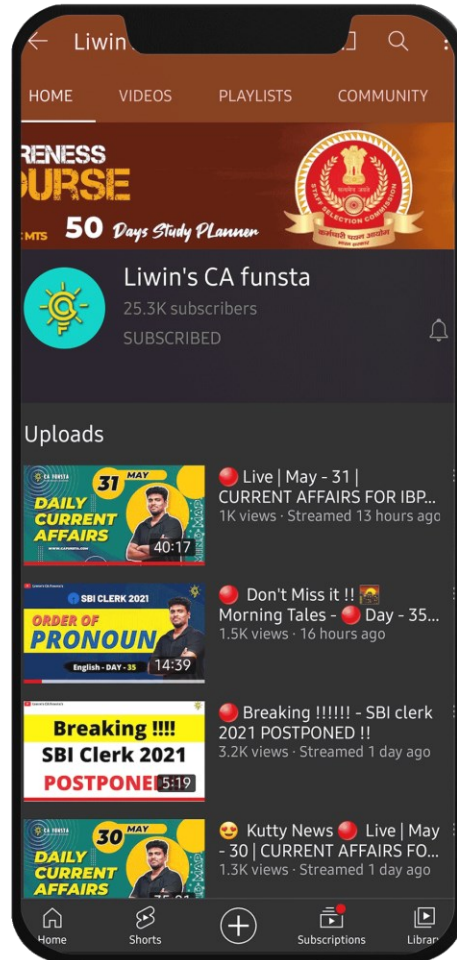
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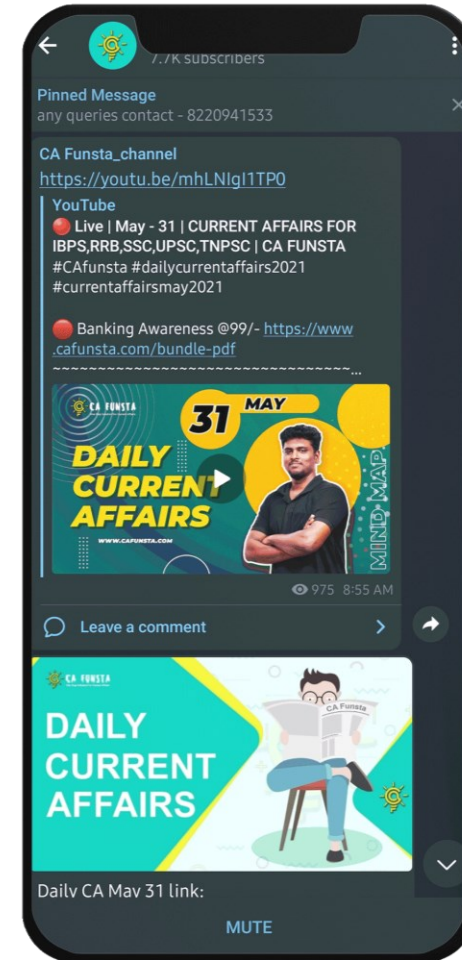
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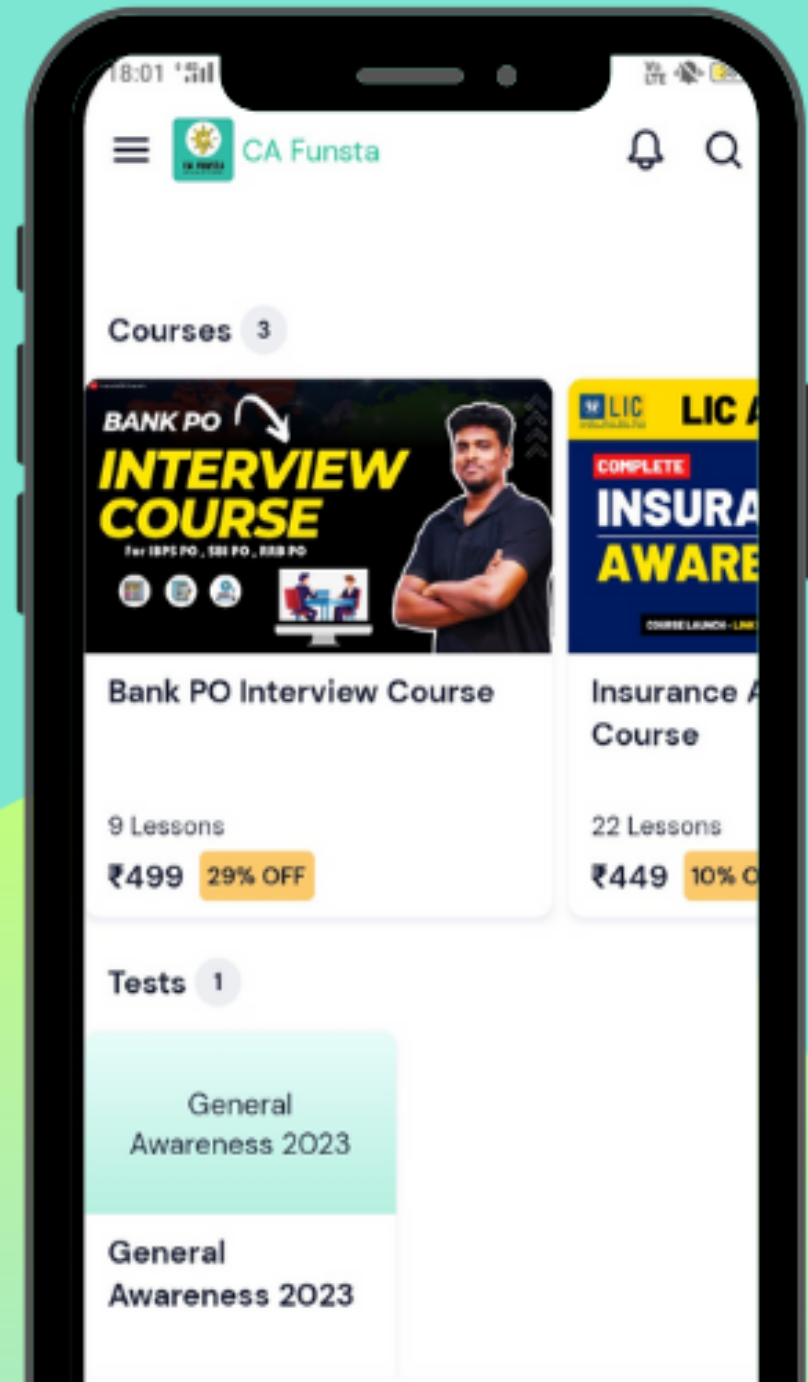
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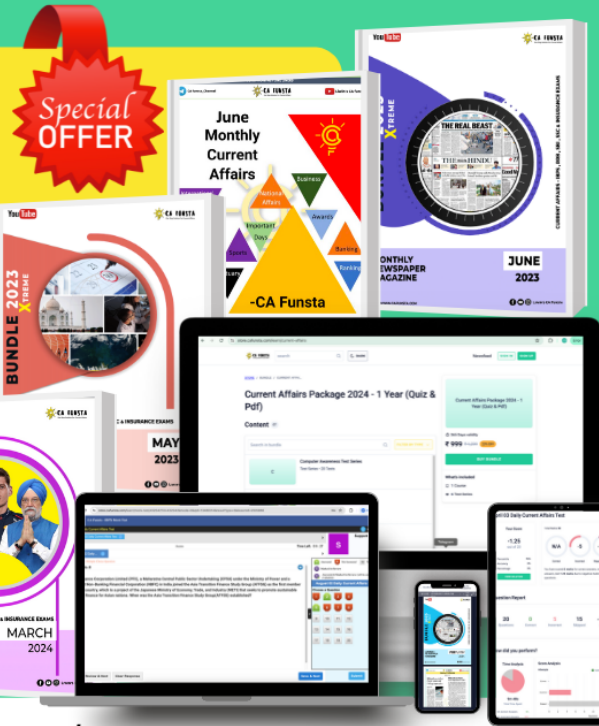
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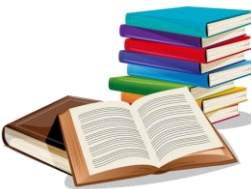


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➤ Which medal did Olympian Gurpreet Singh win in the 25m Centre Pistol event at the ISSF World Championships 2025?

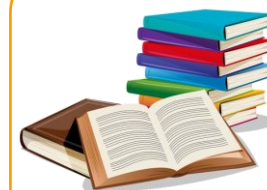
- A) Gold
- B) Bronze
- C) Silver
- D) No medal
- E) Fourth place

Answer
C) Silver



Event and Location:

- **Event:** ISSF Rifle/Pistol World Championships 2025
– Men's 25m Centre Pistol Final
- **Location:** Cairo, Egypt
- **Date:** November 2025



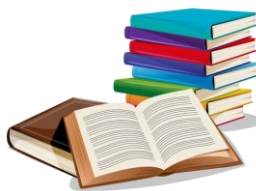
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Olympian Gurpreet Singh represented India and secured a silver medal in the 25m Centre Pistol event.
 - He narrowly missed gold due to fewer inner 10s than Ukraine's Pavlo Korostylov.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To continue India's strong presence in international shooting events.
 - To build on India's shooting talent for future global competitions including the Olympics.
 - To finish high on the medal tally and maintain India's competitive reputation in world shooting sports.



Important Terms Explained:

- **ISSF (International Shooting Sport Federation):**
 - The global governing body for Olympic-style shooting events. It conducts World Championships in rifle, pistol, and shotgun disciplines.
- **25m Centre Fire Pistol Event:**
 - A men's precision shooting event involving centre-fire pistols, requiring a combination of speed and accuracy at 25 meters. The event is part of ISSF World Championships, though not part of the Olympic Games.



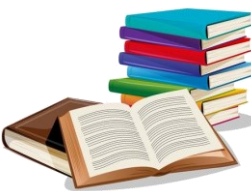
Important Terms Explained:

- **Inner 10s:**
 - A tiebreaker metric in shooting competitions. When two shooters have the same total score, the one with more inner 10s (shots closer to the absolute center) is ranked higher.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	ISSF Rifle/Pistol World Championships 2025
Announcement date	November 2025
Location	Cairo, Egypt
Issuing authority	International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF)
Category	Men's 25m Centre Pistol
Key figures	Gurpreet Singh (India), Pavlo Korostylov (Ukraine)
Result	Silver medal (lost on inner 10s)
India's total medal tally	13 medals (3 Gold, 6 Silver, 4 Bronze)
India's final rank	3rd place behind China and Korea
Strategic/significant value	Confirms India's continued strength in global shooting competitions

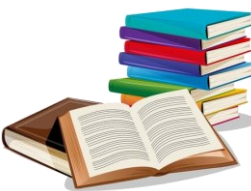


➤ **Who was the only player to register a win in Game 1 of the FIDE World Cup 2025 Quarterfinals?**

- A) Wei Yi
- B) Arjun Erigaisi
- C) Javokhir Sindarov
- D) Nodirbek Yakubboev
- E) Sam Shankland

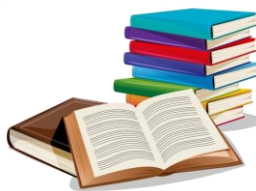
Answer

D) Nodirbek Yakubboev



Event and Location:

- **Event:** FIDE World Cup 2025 Quarterfinals Game 1 results
- **Location:** Goa, India
- **Date:** 17 November 2025



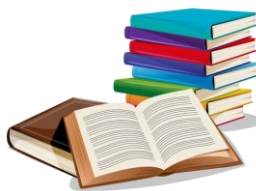
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The FIDE World Cup Quarterfinals Game 1 featured top global chess players including Arjun Erigaisi, Wei Yi, and Nodirbek Yakubboev competing in classical chess format.
- **Objectives:** The event aims to determine semifinalists in the FIDE World Cup 2025 and contribute to World Championship qualification cycles.



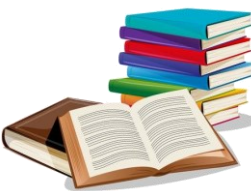
Important Terms Explained:

- **FIDE World Cup:** A biennial chess knockout tournament organized by the International Chess Federation (FIDE) that serves as part of the World Chess Championship qualification.
- **Classical Chess:** A time-controlled format in chess where each player has extended thinking time, commonly used in top-level tournaments.
- **Tie-breaks:** Rapid and blitz games played when classical matches end in a draw, used to determine a winner.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	FIDE World Cup 2025 Quarterfinals – Game 1
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	Goa, India
Issuing authority	FIDE
Policy/series name	FIDE World Cup 2025
Key figures	Arjun Erigaisi, Wei Yi, Nodirbek Yakubboev
Purpose/reason	To determine semifinalists in chess World Cup
Feature details	4 quarterfinal matches played in classical format
Validity or status	Ongoing – Game 2 scheduled next
Strategic/significant value	Impacts world championship qualification cycle



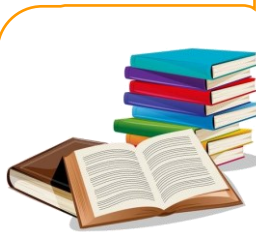
➤ Which Indian institute ranked highest in the QS World University Sustainability Rankings 2026?

- A) IIT Bombay
- B) IIT Kharagpur
- C) IISc Bengaluru
- D) IIT Delhi
- E) IIT Madras



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Answer
D) IIT Delhi



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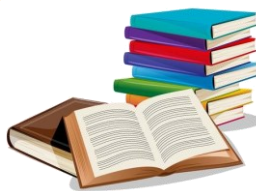
Event and Location:

- **Event:** QS World University Sustainability Rankings 2026 Released
- **Location:** Global (including India)
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



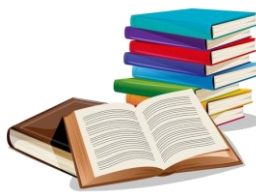
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - London-based QS Quacquarelli Symonds released its 2026 Sustainability Rankings assessing global universities on environmental, social, and governance (ESG) metrics.
 - Rankings evaluated nearly 2,000 institutions, with India having 103 universities featured and 9 in the top 700.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To highlight universities contributing to a sustainable future through measurable impact across research, community, environment, and governance.
 - To encourage educational institutions to adopt sustainability practices, promote equity, and align with global SDGs.

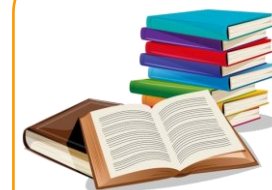


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QS World University Sustainability Rankings 2026 – Indian Institutions

Rank in India	Institution Name	Global Rank
1	IIT Delhi	205
2	IIT Bombay	235
3	IIT Kharagpur	236
4	IIT Madras	305
5	IIT Kanpur	310
6	IIT Roorkee	352
7	IIT (BHU) Varanasi	672
8	IIT Hyderabad	792
9	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT)	Within Top 700
10	Shoolini University	Within Top 700
11	Lovely Professional University (LPU)	Within Top 700
12	Panjab University	Within Top 700
13	Banaras Hindu University (BHU)	Within Top 700
14	NIT Rourkela	Within Top 700
15	UPES	Within Top 700



Important Terms Explained:

- **QS Sustainability Rankings:**
 - Established in 2023, these rankings measure a university's environmental impact, social responsibility, and institutional governance, using indicators like research in sustainability, climate action, education impact, equality, and wellbeing.
- **ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance):**
 - A set of criteria used to evaluate a university's sustainability performance, including how well it manages its environmental footprint, supports social equality, and promotes transparent governance.

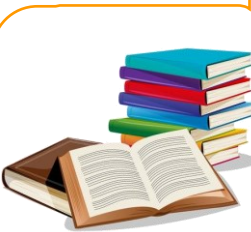


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Important Terms Explained:

- **IIT Delhi:**
 - India's top-ranked institute in the 2026 sustainability rankings, securing 205th global rank with a score of 83.1, though slipping from 171st last year.
- **Lund University (Sweden):**
 - Ranked 1st globally in the QS Sustainability Rankings 2026 with a perfect score of 100.
- **QS Asia University Rankings 2026:**
 - Released earlier in November 2025, these rankings placed 7 Indian institutions in the top 100, including IITs and IISc Bengaluru, with 20 in top 200 and 66 in top 500.

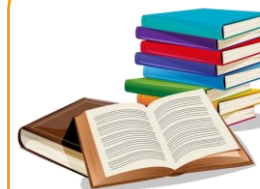


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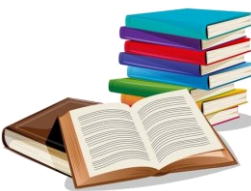
Parameter	Details
Event name	QS World University Sustainability Rankings 2026
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	Global (India-specific insights)
Issuing authority	QS Quacquarelli Symonds
Policy/series name	QS Sustainability Rankings
Key figures	IIT Delhi, Lund University, University of Toronto, UCL
Purpose/reason	To evaluate global universities on ESG impact and sustainability leadership
Feature details	103 Indian institutes ranked; 9 in top 700; IIT Delhi tops India
Validity or status	Annual global ranking system
Strategic/significant value	Encourages sustainability adoption in higher education globally



➤ Which sector did Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman meet separately for the first time during the pre-budget consultations for Budget 2026–27?

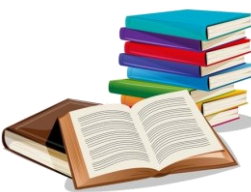
- A) MSME
- B) Startups
- C) Agriculture
- D) Capital Markets
- E) BFSI

Answer
B) Startups



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Pre-Budget Consultations for Union Budget 2026–27 with capital markets, startups, and manufacturing sector leaders
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



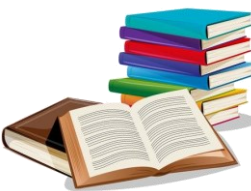
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman held separate pre-budget meetings with stakeholders from startups, capital markets, and the manufacturing sector.
 - The meeting also included participation from senior officials like the Chief Economic Adviser, Secretary of Economic Affairs, and other representatives from regulatory and industry bodies.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To gather stakeholder input on boosting innovation, capital access, employment generation, and regulatory ease.
 - To discuss rationalisation of Securities Transaction Tax (STT), fintech regulation, cybersecurity, and support for digital infrastructure.
 - To incorporate industry feedback in framing a resilient and inclusive Union Budget 2026–27.



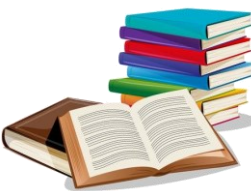
Important Terms Explained:

- **Pre-Budget Consultation:**
 - A structured series of meetings held by the Finance Ministry with various stakeholders to gather insights and demands before finalizing the Union Budget.
- **Securities Transaction Tax (STT):**
 - A tax levied on the sale and purchase of securities on stock exchanges. Industry leaders requested STT reduction on cash trades to improve capital market efficiency.



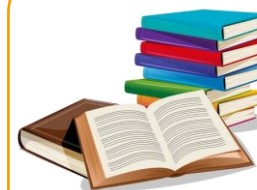
Important Terms Explained:

- **Startups Ecosystem Consultation:**
 - First-ever dedicated consultation with startup stakeholders, focusing on policies to enhance funding access, ease of doing business, and regulatory clarity for innovation-driven ventures.
- **Union Budget 2026–27:**
 - The government's comprehensive annual financial statement, expected to be presented on 1 February 2026, outlining revenue and expenditure plans and policy priorities.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Pre-Budget Consultations with Capital Markets, Startups & Manufacturing
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Ministry of Finance, Government of India
Policy/series name	Union Budget 2026–27 Pre-Budget Consultation Series
Key figures	Nirmala Sitharaman, Pankaj Chaudhary, Anuradha Thakur, Dr. Nageswaran
Purpose/reason	To gather stakeholder views for Budget 2026–27 on innovation, jobs, and capital
Feature details	First separate startup meeting, STT cut demand, focus on fintech & infra
Validity or status	Part of ongoing pre-budget consultation process until 26 November 2025
Strategic/significant value	Shapes future economic roadmap with stakeholder feedback and inclusive policy

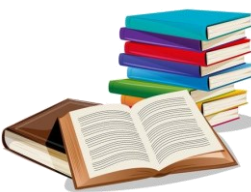


➤ Which company recently received RBI authorisation to operate as an integrated payment aggregator for online, offline, and cross-border transactions?

- A) Razorpay
- B) PhonePe
- C) PayU
- D) BharatPe
- E) BillDesk



Answer
C) PayU



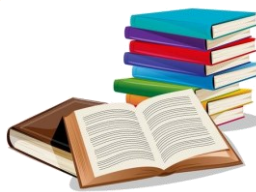
Event and Location:

- **Event:** RBI grants integrated payment aggregator licence to PayU
- **Location:** India (nationwide coverage including international transactions)
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** RBI authorised PayU to operate as a Payment Aggregator for online, offline, and cross-border transactions under a single licence
- **Objectives:** To streamline payment aggregation operations and expand regulated support for domestic and international transaction settlements



Important Terms Explained:

- **Payment Aggregator (PA):** Entities that facilitate e-commerce sites and merchants to accept various payment instruments without the need for a separate payment integration
- **Payment and Settlement Systems Act:** Legislation under which RBI regulates and authorises entities like payment aggregators and system participants
- **Cross-Border Payments:** Financial transactions in which funds are sent from one country to another, either as inward or outward remittances



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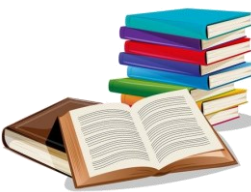
Parameter	Details
Event name	RBI approval to PayU as integrated payment aggregator
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	India (domestic and cross-border coverage)
Issuing authority	Reserve Bank of India
Policy/series name	Payment and Settlement Systems Act
Key figures	PayU, RBI, Anirban Mukherjee
Purpose/reason	To allow PayU to operate under a single licence across online, offline, and cross-border modes
Feature details	Covers payment acceptance, settlement, EMI, and pay-later products
Validity or status	Active approval granted
Strategic/significant value	Supports ease of regulation, business expansion, and multi-mode merchant payments



➤ What is the GDP growth projection for Q2 FY26 according to the SBI research report?

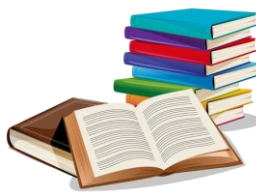
- A) 6.2%
- B) 6.8%
- C) 7.0%
- D) 7.5%+
- E) 8.1%

Answer
D) 7.5%+



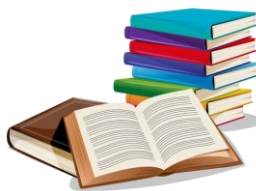
Event and Location:

- **Event:** SBI projects India's GDP growth to exceed 7.5% in Q2 FY26
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



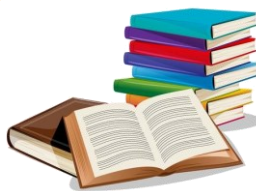
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The SBI Economic Research Department released a nowcast report projecting Q2 GDP growth of over 7.5% for FY26.
 - The projection is based on an acceleration in consumption-led indicators and high festive demand following GST rate cuts.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To assess the short-term trajectory of India's GDP growth based on leading economic indicators.
 - To analyze the impact of festive demand, GST rationalisation, and digital consumption trends on national output.
 - To highlight positive momentum in sectors like services, manufacturing, and rural consumption.



Important Terms Explained:

- **GDP (Gross Domestic Product):**
 - The total market value of all goods and services produced within a country in a given period. A primary indicator of economic health.
- **Nowcast:**
 - A real-time GDP estimate based on the latest economic indicators before official data release. SBI's model predicts 7.5% growth for Q2 FY26.
- **GST Rationalisation:**
 - A rate cut and structural adjustment of the Goods and Services Tax in September 2025 aimed at boosting consumption and compliance.



Important Terms Explained:

- **IGST (Integrated GST):**
 - A part of GST levied on inter-state supplies of goods/services and imports, collected by the Centre and later distributed among states.
- **GST 2.0 Reforms:**
 - Ongoing upgrades in GST structure aimed at simplifying compliance, reducing rates, and boosting consumer spending and tax buoyancy.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	SBI's Q2 GDP Growth Projection
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	State Bank of India – Economic Research Department
Policy/series name	Q2FY26 Nowcast GDP Estimate
Key figures	Estimated GDP Growth: 7.5%+; SBI vs RBI estimate (7%)
Purpose/reason	To highlight GDP growth drivers such as festive demand, GST reforms, and investments
Feature details	GST collection likely to cross ₹2 lakh crore in November; 83% demand indicators showed growth
Validity or status	Real-time estimate; official GDP data expected later this month
Strategic/significant value	Indicates strong festive consumption, policy impact, and optimistic macro outlook

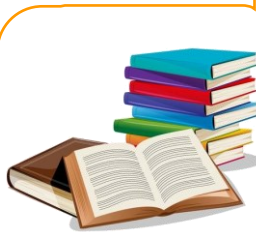


➤ **How much total investment was unlocked by MEPZ SEZ with the approval of eight new units in November 2025?**

- A) ₹108 crore
- B) ₹135 crore
- C) ₹158 crore
- D) ₹172 crore
- E) ₹190 crore

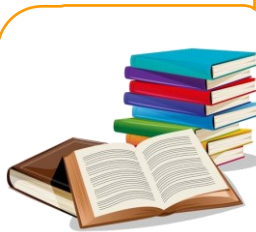
Answer

C) ₹158 crore



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Approval of 8 new units by MEPZ SEZ's Unit Approval Committee
- **Location:** MEPZ SEZ, Chennai (covering Tamil Nadu, Andaman & Puducherry Region)
- **Date:** 17 November 2025



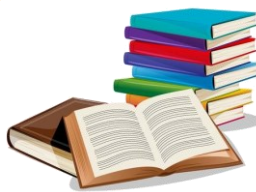
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Unit Approval Committee (UAC) of MEPZ SEZ, chaired by Shri Alex Paul Menon, approved eight new units.
 - These approvals have unlocked over ₹158 crore in investment and are expected to generate 2,700+ jobs in the TAP region.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To boost industrial development in Tamil Nadu, Andaman & Puducherry.
 - To attract investment in sectors like renewable energy, IT/ITES, engineering, and advanced manufacturing.
 - To promote skill development, employment generation, and gender inclusion through sectoral and educational initiatives.



Important Terms Explained:

- **MEPZ SEZ (Madras Export Processing Zone – Special Economic Zone):**
 - A government-promoted SEZ in Tamil Nadu, facilitating exports and industrial growth with incentives for businesses. It plays a key role in regional economic development.
- **Unit Approval Committee (UAC):**
 - A statutory committee under SEZ regulations that evaluates and approves proposals for setting up new industrial units within SEZ zones.



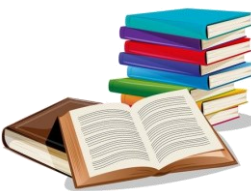
Important Terms Explained:

- **Women in Engineering Scholarship Initiative (MEPZ SEZ):**
 - A scholarship program launched by Sanmina Tech Services India Pvt. Ltd. to encourage female students to pursue technical fields like mechanical, electrical, and civil engineering.
- **TAP Region:**
 - A regional classification covering Tamil Nadu, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, and Puducherry, falling under the jurisdiction of MEPZ SEZ Chennai.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Approval of 8 new units by MEPZ SEZ
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	MEPZ SEZ Chennai (covering Tamil Nadu, Andaman, Puducherry)
Issuing authority	Unit Approval Committee (UAC), MEPZ SEZ
Policy/series name	MEPZ SEZ Investment Approvals
Key figures	₹158 crore investment, 2,700+ jobs, 100 scholarships
Purpose/reason	Industrial expansion, job creation, and women's empowerment in engineering
Feature details	Suzlon (₹58 Cr, 1,010 jobs), IBM (₹54.34 Cr, 600 jobs), Schneider (500 jobs)
Validity or status	Approved projects to be executed across TAP region
Strategic/significant value	Boosts sustainable development, gender inclusion, and regional competitiveness



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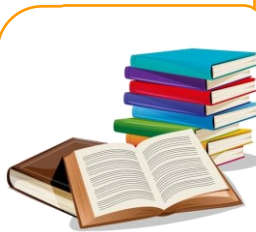


➤ **Who presented the Sixth National Water Awards and Jal Sanchay-Jan Bhagidari Awards in November 2025?**

- A) Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- B) Minister of Jal Shakti
- C) Chief Minister of Delhi
- D) President Droupadi Murmu
- E) Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar

Answer

D) President Droupadi Murmu

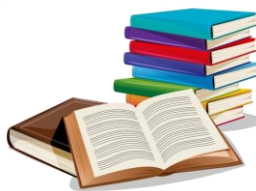


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Presentation of the Sixth National Water Awards and Jal Sanchay-Jan Bhagidari Awards
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The President of India presented the Sixth National Water Awards and the Jal Sanchay-Jan Bhagidari Awards, recognizing efforts in water conservation, management, and public participation.
- **Objectives:** The awards aim to encourage the adoption of best practices in water usage, raise awareness on water conservation, and promote community-driven efforts and innovative industry practices such as circular water economy and zero liquid discharge.



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Important Terms Explained:

- **National Water Awards:** Annual recognition conferred by the Government of India to honor exemplary work in the field of water conservation, efficient usage, and management across sectors and states.
- **Jal Sanchay-Jan Bhagidari (JSJB):** A community-participation-based water initiative launched in 2024 to develop artificial groundwater recharge structures through collective action and convergence of resources.



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Important Terms Explained:

- **Circular Water Economy:** A water management system where water is treated, reused, and recycled within closed loops in industries and municipalities to ensure sustainable usage and minimize water wastage.
- **Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD):** An industrial approach where all wastewater is treated and reused, resulting in no discharge of liquid waste from industrial premises, conserving freshwater resources.

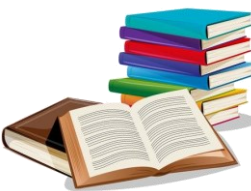


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Sixth National Water Awards and Jal Sanchay-Jan Bhagidari Awards
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	President of India, Ministry of Jal Shakti
Policy/series name	Jal Sanchay-Jan Bhagidari Initiative
Key figures	President Droupadi Murmu, Ministry of Jal Shakti
Purpose/reason	To promote awareness and honor contributions to water conservation
Feature details	35+ lakh groundwater recharge structures created, promotion of circular water economy
Validity or status	Ongoing national-level recognition and implementation
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens water security through community participation and sustainability



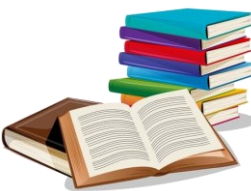
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➤ Which state's dairy farmer won the first prize under the Non-NER category at the National Gopal Ratna Awards 2025?

- A) Rajasthan
- B) Telangana
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Himachal Pradesh
- E) Kerala

Answer
C) Maharashtra



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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Announcement of winners of National Gopal Ratna Awards 2025
- **Location:** Nationwide (with felicitation in New Delhi)
- **Date:** 17 November 2025 (Announcement), 26 November 2025 (Felicitation on National Milk Day)



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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying approved and announced the National Gopal Ratna Awardees for 2025, recognising excellence in dairy farming, cooperative institutions, and artificial insemination services.
- **Objectives:** To promote indigenous cattle breeds, encourage high-performing dairy farmers and organisations, strengthen the dairy value chain, and acknowledge technicians contributing to genetic improvement in livestock.

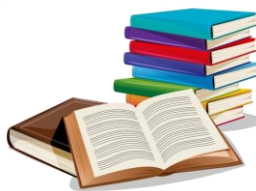


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National Gopal Ratna Awards 2025 – Winners Table

Category	Region	Rank	Winner Name / Organisation	Location
Best Dairy Farmer (Indigenous Cattle/Buffalo)	Non-NER	1st	Shri Aravind Yashavant Patil	Kolhapur, Maharashtra
		2nd	Dr. Kankanala Krishna Reddy	Hyderabad, Telangana
		3rd	Mr. Harshit Jhuria	Sikar, Rajasthan
		3rd	Kumari Shraddha Satyawar Dhavan	Ahmednagar, Maharashtra
	NER/Himalayan	Special	Smt. Vijay Lata	Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh
		Special	Shri Pradeep Pangariya	Champawat, Uttarakhand

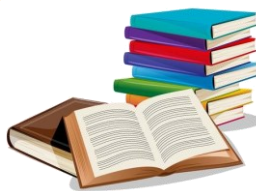


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National Gopal Ratna Awards 2025 – Winners Table

Category	Region	Rank	Winner Name / Organisation	Location
Best Dairy Cooperative Society / FPC / MPC	Non-NER	1 st	Meenan Gadi Ksheerolpadaka Sahakarana Sangham Ltd	Wayanad, Kerala
		2 nd	Kunnamkattupathy Ksheerolpadaka Sahakarana Samgham	Palakkad, Kerala
		2 nd	Ghinoi Dugdh Utpadak Sahkari Samiti	Jaipur, Rajasthan
		3 rd	TYSPL 37 Sendurai Milk Producers Cooperative Society Ltd	Ariyalur, Tamil Nadu
	NER/Himalayan	Special	Kulha Duud Udpadhak Sahkari Samiti	Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand

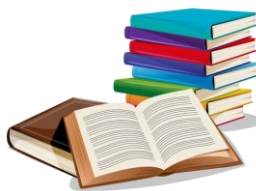


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National Gopal Ratna Awards 2025 – Winners Table

Category	Region	Rank	Winner Name / Organisation	Location
Best Artificial Insemination Technician (AIT)	Non-NER	1 st	Mr. Dillip Kumar Pradhan	Anugul, Odisha
		2 nd	Mr. Vikas Kumar	Hanumangarh, Rajasthan
		3 rd	Mrs. Anuradha Chakali	Nandyal, Andhra Pradesh
	NER/Himalayan	Special	Mr. Deluwar Hasan	Barpeta, Assam



Important Terms Explained:

- **National Gopal Ratna Awards (NGRA):** One of the highest national awards in the livestock and dairy sector, instituted to recognise dairy farmers, cooperatives/FPOs/MPCs, and AITs contributing to India's dairy ecosystem.
- **Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM):** A flagship initiative launched in December 2014 to conserve and develop indigenous bovine breeds through scientific practices, breed improvement, and infrastructure development.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Artificial Insemination Technician (AIT):** A trained technician responsible for conducting AI services to improve the genetic potential and productivity of livestock.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	National Gopal Ratna Awards 2025 Announcement
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	Pan India; Award function in New Delhi
Issuing authority	Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, MoFAHD
Policy/series name	Rashtriya Gokul Mission
Key figures	Rajiv Ranjan Singh, S. P. Singh Baghel, George Kurian
Purpose/reason	To honour excellence in dairy farming and livestock management
Feature details	Awards in 3 categories; ₹5 lakh for 1st prize; 2,081 applications received
Validity or status	To be awarded on 26 November 2025 during National Milk Day
Strategic/significant value	Encourages rural livelihood, breed conservation, and gender inclusion



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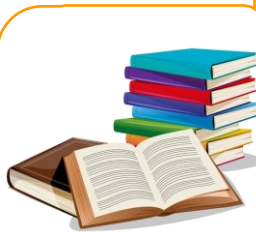


➤ **Who received the Ramoji Excellence Award 2025 in the Art and Culture category?**

- A) C P Radhakrishnan
- B) Prasanna Sree
- C) G Kishan Reddy
- D) Sudha Murthy
- E) Hima Bindu

Answer

B) Prasanna Sree

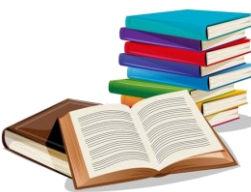


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** AKNU Vice-Chancellor Prof S Prasanna Sree receives Ramoji Excellence Award 2025
- **Location:** Hyderabad, Telangana
- **Date:** 17 November 2025



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Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Vice-President of India conferred the Ramoji Excellence Award 2025 on Prof S Prasanna Sree for her contributions to tribal language preservation.
- **Objectives:** The award aims to honour exceptional individuals in the fields of art, culture, and societal development.



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Important Terms Explained:

- **Ramoji Excellence Award:** A prestigious award recognizing individuals for exceptional contributions in various societal and cultural domains.
- **Endangered Tribal Languages:** Languages spoken by indigenous communities that are at risk of falling out of use and extinction.
- **Script Development:** The process of creating written systems for languages that may lack standardized alphabets or scripts, aiding in preservation and education.

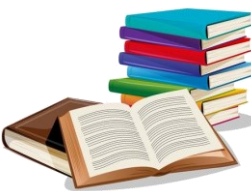


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Ramoji Excellence Award 2025 to Prof Prasanna Sree
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	Hyderabad, Telangana
Issuing authority	Vice-President of India
Policy/series name	Ramoji Excellence Award
Key figures	Prof S Prasanna Sree, CP Radhakrishnan
Purpose/reason	Recognizing work in tribal language preservation
Feature details	Honoured for developing scripts for endangered languages
Validity or status	Awarded for 2025
Strategic/significant value	Highlights importance of linguistic diversity and cultural preservation

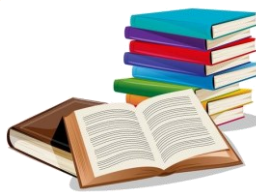


➤ What is the name of the new migraine medication launched by Pfizer in India in November 2025?

- A) Sumatriptan
- B) Rimegepant ODT
- C) Ibuprofen XR
- D) Ergotamine IR
- E) Zolmitriptan ODT

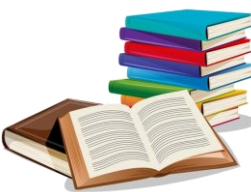
Answer

B) Rimegepant ODT



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of a new migraine treatment medication – Rimegepant ODT
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** 17 November 2025



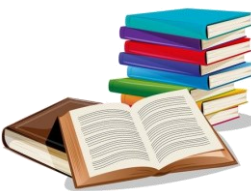
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Pfizer Ltd launched Rimegepant ODT, a new orally disintegrating tablet for the treatment of migraine in India.
 - The drug is targeted at adults with insufficient response to triptans, the commonly used class of migraine medications.



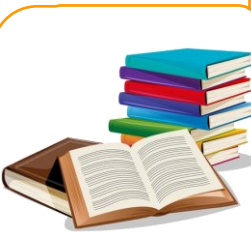
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To provide rapid and sustained relief from migraine pain, lasting up to 48 hours post-treatment.
 - To offer a safe alternative not associated with medication overuse headaches (MOH).
 - To increase treatment accessibility with a tablet that dissolves without water, improving patient convenience and adherence.



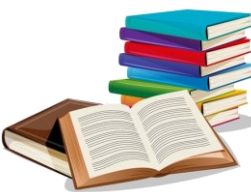
Important Terms Explained:

- **Rimegepant ODT:**
 - A calcitonin gene-related peptide (CGRP) receptor antagonist used for acute migraine treatment. The ODT (Orally Disintegrating Tablet) form dissolves on the tongue without water and offers up to 48-hour relief.
- **Triptans:**
 - A class of drugs (like sumatriptan, rizatriptan) commonly used for acute migraine attacks. Not all patients respond to them, prompting the need for alternative therapies like Rimegepant.



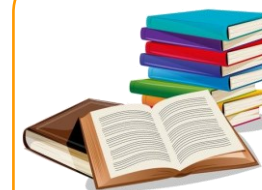
Important Terms Explained:

- **Medication Overuse Headaches (MOH):**
 - A condition where frequent use of headache medication paradoxically causes more headaches. Rimegepant is not associated with this risk.



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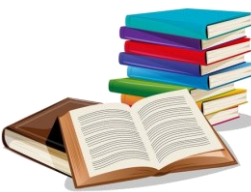
Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of Rimegepant ODT by Pfizer for migraine treatment
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Pfizer Ltd
Product name	Rimegepant ODT (75 mg)
Purpose/reason	Provide effective migraine relief with sustained effect and no MOH risk
Feature details	ODT format, works up to 48 hours, dissolves without water
Target audience	Adults with insufficient response to triptan drugs
Strategic/significant value	Addresses unmet need for long-lasting, convenient migraine relief



➤ What is the name of the AI-ready personal computer launched by Karnataka at Bengaluru Tech Summit 2025?

- A) KARNIX
- B) AI-Bharat
- C) KEO
- D) KAR-AI
- E) K-Tech Pro

Answer
C) KEO



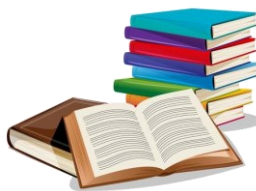
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Karnataka's AI-ready personal computer – KEO
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** 17 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Launch of KEO, a compact, AI-ready, and affordable personal computer developed in Karnataka
- **Objectives:** To promote digital empowerment, boost local innovation, and make AI technology more accessible to citizens and businesses



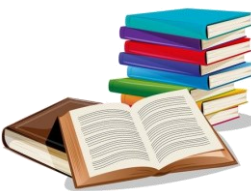
Important Terms Explained:

- **KEO:** An AI-ready personal computer developed by Karnataka's IT Department and KEONICS, designed for affordability and scalability in digital and AI applications
- **KEONICS:** Karnataka State Electronics Development Corporation Ltd., a government enterprise supporting electronics and IT initiatives in the state
- **Bengaluru Tech Summit (BTS):** An annual flagship technology summit hosted by Karnataka, featuring innovation in IT, biotechnology, and electronics



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of KEO AI-ready personal computer
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	Bengaluru, Karnataka
Issuing authority	Department of Electronics, IT & BT, Govt. of Karnataka
Policy/series name	Bengaluru Tech Summit 2025
Key figures	Siddaramaiah (CM), Priyank Kharge (Minister), Sharath Kumar Bache Gowda
Purpose/reason	To promote affordable AI adoption and local tech manufacturing
Feature details	KEO is compact, AI-ready, and developed entirely in Karnataka
Validity or status	To be officially unveiled on 19 November 2025 at BTS 2025
Strategic/significant value	Boosts Karnataka's position as an innovation and AI technology leader

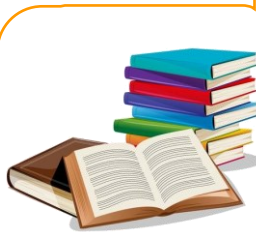


➤ **Which two countries participated in the High Defence Committee meeting held in New Delhi on 18 November 2025?**

- A) India and France
- B) India and Germany
- C) India and USA
- D) India and Russia
- E) India and UK

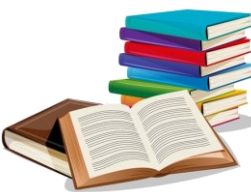
Answer

B) India and Germany



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India-Germany High Defence Committee Meeting
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



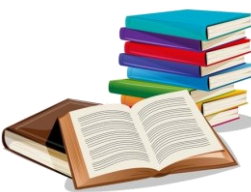
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Defence Secretary of India and the State Secretary of the German Ministry of Defence co-chaired a bilateral meeting to enhance defence cooperation, military-to-military engagements, and discuss strategic collaborations in co-development and co-production of defence equipment.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To strengthen defence and strategic partnership between India and Germany.
 - To enhance military exchanges, including joint exercises like TARANG SHAKTI and MILAN 2026.
 - To promote industry collaboration in niche technologies.
 - To acknowledge and support India's role as a Net Security Provider in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR) under the MAHASAGAR Vision.



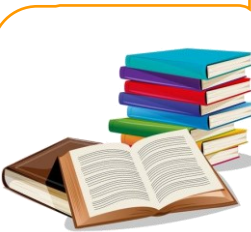
Important Terms Explained:

- **India-Germany Strategic Partnership:** A long-standing bilateral framework established in 2000, focusing on cooperation in areas like defence, economy, technology, and sustainable development. Celebrated 25 years in 2025.
- **MAHASAGAR Vision (Mutual and Holistic Advancement of Security and Growth Across Regions):** India's regional maritime and security strategy focused on enhancing peace, prosperity, and cooperation in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR) through partnerships, HADR, and capacity building.



Important Terms Explained:

- **TARANG SHAKTI:** India's planned multinational air combat exercise, expected in 2026, to enhance interoperability and joint operational capability among friendly air forces.
- **MILAN:** A multinational naval exercise hosted by the Indian Navy to promote maritime cooperation, interoperability, and mutual understanding among participating navies.
- **Net Security Provider:** A term used to describe India's role in promoting security and stability in the IOR, by extending military assistance, disaster relief, and capacity-building to regional partners.

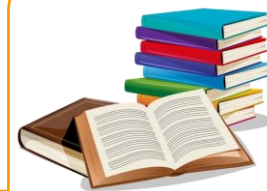


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Parameter	Details
Event name	India-Germany High Defence Committee Meeting
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Ministry of Defence, Government of India
Policy/series name	India-Germany Strategic Partnership
Key figures	Rajesh Kumar Singh (India), Jens Plötner (Germany)
Purpose/reason	To enhance bilateral defence and security cooperation
Feature details	Co-development of defence equipment, military exercises, IOR cooperation
Validity or status	Ongoing bilateral engagement
Strategic/significant value	Strengthens Indo-German strategic ties and positions India as IOR leader



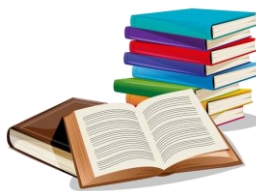
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- **Which country signed a deal with France to obtain up to 100 Rafale warplanes over the next 10 years?**

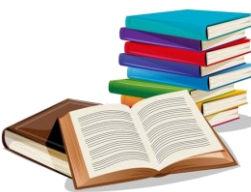
- A) Sweden
- B) Ukraine
- C) Poland
- D) Germany
- E) United Kingdom

Answer
B) Ukraine



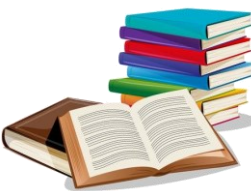
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Ukraine signed a Letter of Intent to obtain 100 French-made Rafale warplanes
- **Location:** Paris, France (Villacoublay Air Base & Élysée Palace)
- **Date:** 17 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Ukraine will acquire up to 100 Rafale fighter jets, drones, air defence systems including SAMP/T, and guided munitions from France.
- **Objectives:**
 - To strengthen Ukraine's long term defence capability against Russian attacks, enhance air superiority, and establish a modernized fleet for future national security and deterrence.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Rafale Fighter Jet:**
 - A multi role combat aircraft developed by France's Dassault Aviation, capable of air to air and air to ground missions with advanced radar and weapon systems.
- **SAMP/T Air Defence System:**
 - A European surface to air missile platform designed to intercept aircraft, drones, and ballistic missiles; more effective than Patriot systems against fast moving threats.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Letter of Intent (LoI):**
 - A pre agreement document signifying commitment to future procurement, with financing and contractual execution to follow.

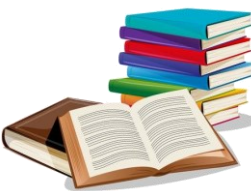


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Defence procurement agreement for Rafale warplanes
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	Paris, France
Issuing authority	Government of France & Ukraine
Policy/series name	Long-term Ukraine Security & Defence Procurement Plan
Key figures	Volodymyr Zelenskyy, Emmanuel Macron
Purpose/reason	To enhance Ukraine's air defence and combat capabilities
Feature details	Up to 100 Rafale jets, 8 SAMP/T systems, drones, AASM Hammer munitions
Validity or status	LoI signed; full contract to be finalized later
Strategic/significant value	Ensures long-term defence capability amid ongoing conflict with Russia

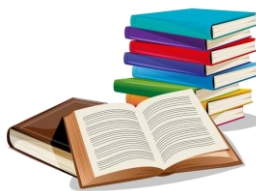


➤ **What is the primary focus of the first tranche of the India-US bilateral trade agreement currently being negotiated?**

- A) Climate policy cooperation
- B) Defence equipment procurement
- C) Reciprocal tariff resolution
- D) Visa liberalisation
- E) Foreign currency investment rules

Answer

C) Reciprocal tariff resolution

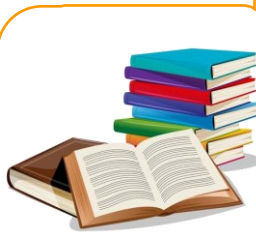


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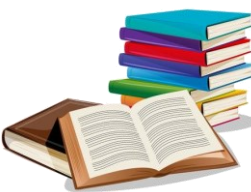
Event and Location:

- **Event:** India and the US nearing closure on the first phase of a bilateral trade agreement
- **Location:** India–United States (bilateral)
- **Date:** 17 November 2025



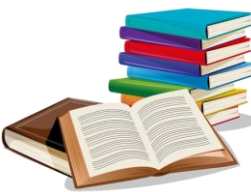
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Finalise the first tranche of the India-US Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA) to address reciprocal tariff issues imposed on Indian exports
- **Objectives:** To reduce existing trade tensions, improve market access, and move toward doubling bilateral trade to USD 500 billion by 2030



Important Terms Explained:

- **Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA):** A pact between two countries to regulate trade terms, tariffs, and market access to benefit mutual economic interests
- **Reciprocal Tariffs:** Import duties imposed by one country in retaliation for tariffs or trade barriers placed by another
- **Market Access:** The ability of a country to sell its goods and services in a foreign country without restrictive trade barriers

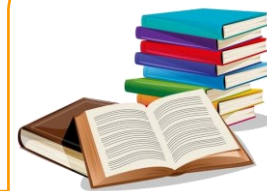


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	India-US Bilateral Trade Agreement (First Tranche)
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	India–US bilateral talks
Issuing authority	Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India
Policy/series name	India-US Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA)
Key figures	Commerce Secretary Rajesh Agrawal, President Donald Trump
Purpose/reason	Resolve high reciprocal tariffs and improve market access
Feature details	First tranche to address 25–50% tariffs imposed on Indian goods
Validity or status	Nearing closure; final announcement date to be mutually decided
Strategic/significant value	Aims to double bilateral trade to USD 500 billion by 2030

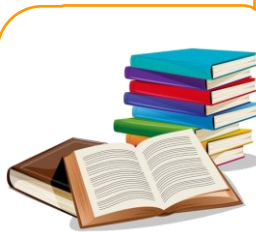


➤ **What is the main objective of the 'YUVA AI for ALL' initiative launched by the Government of India?**

- A) Train AI engineers for ISRO
- B) Provide advanced robotics education
- C) Offer free foundational AI skills to 1 crore citizens
- D) Develop AI-powered defence systems
- E) Train only students for competitive coding

Answer

C) Offer free foundational AI skills to 1 crore citizens

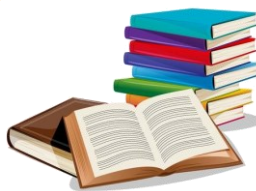


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of 'YUVA AI for ALL', a free national AI course
- **Location:** Nationwide (Online Platforms)
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) under the IndiaAI Mission launched a short, free, foundational course in Artificial Intelligence (AI) to empower Indian citizens.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To make AI education accessible to all, including youth, professionals, and learners across backgrounds.
 - To train 1 crore (10 million) citizens in basic AI concepts.
 - To promote ethical, inclusive, and responsible AI usage.
 - To bridge the digital divide and prepare the workforce for an AI-powered future.



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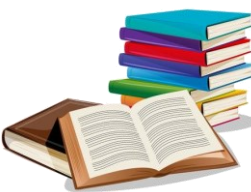
Important Terms Explained:

- **YUVA AI for ALL:** A free, 4.5-hour self-paced online course designed to introduce foundational Artificial Intelligence (AI) concepts with real-life Indian examples, developed under the IndiaAI Mission.
- **IndiaAI Mission:** A national initiative under MeitY aimed at making India a global leader in AI by promoting education, research, innovation, and ethical AI adoption.
- **FutureSkills Prime:** A digital learning platform supported by MeitY and NASSCOM, offering future-ready courses in emerging technologies, including AI, cloud, cybersecurity, etc.



Important Terms Explained:

- **iGOT Karmayogi:** Government of India's digital learning platform for capacity building of public servants, now also hosting courses for the general public in collaboration with missions like IndiaAI.
- **Certificate from Government of India:** Learners who complete the course receive an official certificate, making the course a recognized skill credential.

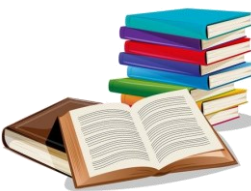


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of 'YUVA AI for ALL' course
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	Nationwide (Online through FutureSkills Prime, iGOT Karmayogi, etc.)
Issuing authority	Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY), Government of India
Policy/series name	IndiaAI Mission
Key figures	MeitY, Jaspreet Bindra (Course Developer)
Purpose/reason	To provide free foundational AI education and promote responsible AI use
Feature details	4.5-hour course, 6 modules, real-life examples, certificate awarded
Validity or status	Active and open to all learners nationwide
Strategic/significant value	Bridges digital divide, creates future-ready workforce, promotes ethical AI

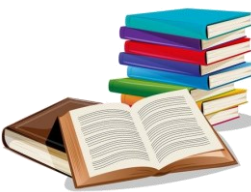


➤ **What is the primary objective of the National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (NAP-AMR) 2.0 launched in November 2025?**

- A) Promote usage of new antibiotics
- B) Encourage pesticide use in agriculture
- C) Contain antimicrobial resistance through multi-sectoral collaboration
- D) Establish new medical colleges
- E) Reduce import of pharmaceuticals

Answer

C) Contain antimicrobial resistance through multi-sectoral collaboration

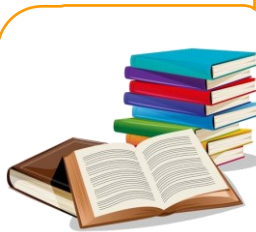


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (NAP-AMR) 2.0
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Union Health Minister J P Nadda launched NAP-AMR 2.0 (2025–2029) to tackle the rising threat of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) through strategic, coordinated, and collaborative action across sectors.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - Strengthen awareness, education, and training regarding antimicrobial usage.
 - Enhance laboratory capacity and infection control in healthcare settings.
 - Promote inter-sectoral coordination including health, agriculture, environment, and animal husbandry.
 - Implement One Health Approach to address AMR through collaboration between human, animal, and environmental health sectors.
 - Mobilize private sector, NGOs, technical bodies, and international partners to develop inclusive implementation roadmaps.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR):** A condition where microbes (bacteria, viruses, fungi) evolve to resist antimicrobial drugs, making infections harder to treat and increasing medical costs, risks, and mortality.
- **NAP-AMR 2.0 (2025–2029):** The second phase of India's national plan to combat AMR, building on the first plan launched in 2017, with updated goals, timelines, and sector-specific responsibilities.
- **One Health Approach:** A collaborative strategy recognizing that human health is closely connected to the health of animals and our shared environment, essential in combating AMR.



Important Terms Explained:

- **World AMR Awareness Week (WAAW):** An annual global campaign (18–24 November) by WHO to increase awareness and understanding of AMR and encourage best practices among stakeholders.
- **India AMR Innovation Hub:** A national initiative facilitating research, innovation, and technology development for AMR control through partnerships with stakeholders across sectors.

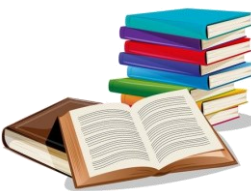


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of National Action Plan on AMR 2.0 (2025–29)
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Policy/series name	National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (NAP-AMR)
Key figures	J P Nadda, Dr A K Sood, Dr Rajiv Bahl, Dr Sunita Sharma
Purpose/reason	Combat growing antimicrobial resistance through a multi-sectoral approach
Feature details	Awareness programs, lab strengthening, One Health approach, AMR Innovation Hub
Validity or status	NAP-AMR 2.0 active from 2025 to 2029
Strategic/significant value	Protects public health, supports sustainable development, reduces AMR impact



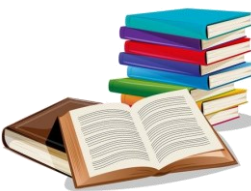
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➤ **How many new applicants were approved under the third round of the PLI Scheme for Textiles in November 2025?**

- A) 12
- B) 17
- C) 22
- D) 74
- E) 31

Answer
B) 17



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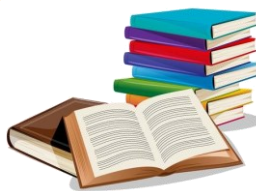
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Approval of 17 new applicants under PLI Scheme for Textiles – Round 3
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - The Ministry of Textiles approved 17 new applicants in the third round of the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Textiles.
 - The newly approved projects propose an investment of ₹2,374 crore, expected to generate ₹12,893 crore in sales and create 22,646 jobs.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To promote domestic manufacturing in Man-Made Fibre (MMF) Apparel, MMF Fabrics, and Technical Textiles sectors.
 - To enhance global competitiveness, accelerate investment, and create large-scale employment.
 - To build the necessary size and scale in the textile sector, making India a global leader.



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Important Terms Explained:

- **PLI Scheme (Production Linked Incentive):**
 - A central government scheme launched to boost domestic manufacturing, incentivize production through direct financial support, and reduce import dependency in identified sectors.
- **PLI Scheme for Textiles:**
 - Notified on 24 September 2021, with an outlay of ₹10,683 crore, this scheme targets MMF apparel and fabrics, and technical textiles, offering incentives based on incremental production and investment.



Important Terms Explained:

- **MMF (Man-Made Fibre):**
 - Synthetic textile fibres such as polyester, nylon, and viscose, which are increasingly important in global fashion and technical textile markets.
- **Technical Textiles:**
 - Textile materials and products used for functional purposes in sectors like healthcare, defence, agriculture, and industrial safety, rather than for aesthetics.

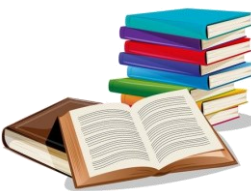


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Approval of 17 new applicants under PLI Scheme for Textiles (Round 3)
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Ministry of Textiles
Policy/series name	Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Textiles
Key figures	17 new applicants; ₹2,374 crore investment; ₹12,893 crore projected sales
Purpose/reason	Boost investment and employment in MMF and Technical Textiles
Feature details	22,646 jobs expected; online portal open till 31 December 2025
Validity or status	Ongoing with amendments to enhance participation
Strategic/significant value	Builds global competitiveness and strengthens India's textile manufacturing



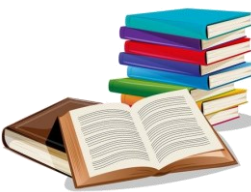
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➤ How much total financial benefit will eligible farmers receive under the Annadata Sukhibhava - PM-Kisan instalment on November 19, 2025?

- A) ₹2,000
- B) ₹5,000
- C) ₹6,000
- D) ₹7,000
- E) ₹10,000

Answer
D) ₹7,000



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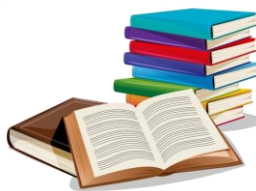
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of second instalment under Annadata Sukhibhava - PM Kisan scheme
- **Location:** Andhra Pradesh (launch from Kamalapur, Kadapa district)
- **Date:** 19 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Deposit of ₹7,000 into accounts of over 46.6 lakh eligible farmers under PM-Kisan and State's Annadata Sukhibhava scheme
- **Objectives:** To provide direct financial assistance to farmers for improved agricultural welfare and financial stability



Important Terms Explained:

- **Annadata Sukhibhava:** An Andhra Pradesh government welfare scheme offering additional financial support to farmers on top of central assistance
- **PM-Kisan:** Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi is a central government scheme providing ₹6,000/year in 3 equal instalments to eligible farmers
- **Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT):** Mode of transferring subsidies or benefits directly into the beneficiaries' bank accounts to ensure transparency

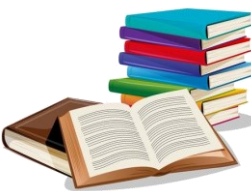


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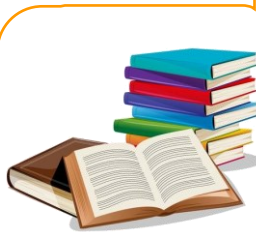
Parameter	Details
Event name	Disbursement of ₹7,000 to farmers under Annadata Sukhibhava - PM-Kisan
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	Andhra Pradesh
Issuing authority	Ministry of Agriculture, Government of Andhra Pradesh & Government of India
Policy/series name	PM-Kisan + Annadata Sukhibhava scheme
Key figures	N. Chandrababu Naidu, K. Atchannaidu
Purpose/reason	To support and strengthen the financial condition of farmers
Feature details	₹2,000 from Centre and ₹5,000 from State totaling ₹7,000
Validity or status	Disbursement scheduled on 19 November 2025
Strategic/significant value	Promotes farmer welfare and ensures timely credit support



➤ **Who inaugurated the Coal India Pavilion at the India International Trade Fair 2025?**

- A) Amit Shah
- B) Narendra Modi
- C) G Kishan Reddy
- D) Nitin Gadkari
- E) Piyush Goyal

Answer
C) G Kishan Reddy



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of the Coal India Pavilion at IITF 2025
- **Location:** Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Union Minister of Coal and Mines, G Kishan Reddy, inaugurated the Coal India Limited (CIL) Pavilion at the India International Trade Fair (IITF) 2025, showcasing innovations and strategic initiatives of CIL.
- **Objectives:** To highlight CIL's role in energy security, adoption of sustainable practices, use of artificial intelligence in coal mining, coal gasification, and to showcase CSR and eco-tourism initiatives aimed at ecological restoration and self-reliance.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Coal India Limited (CIL):** A government-owned coal mining corporation under the Ministry of Coal, responsible for the majority of coal production in India, supporting the country's energy needs.
- **India International Trade Fair (IITF):** An annual trade exhibition held at Pragati Maidan/Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, which serves as a platform to showcase India's industrial, technological, and commercial capabilities.
- **Coal Gasification:** A process of converting coal into syngas (synthetic gas), enabling cleaner use of coal, and considered a key technology in India's transition to clean energy.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Artificial Intelligence in Mining:** Deployment of AI tools to improve operational efficiency, safety compliance, predictive maintenance, and monitoring in opencast and underground mining.
- **Virtual Reality (VR) in Training:** The use of immersive technology for safety and operational training, reducing risks and improving preparedness in hazardous coal mining environments.

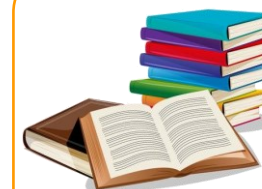


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Inauguration of Coal India Pavilion at IITF 2025
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi
Issuing authority	Ministry of Coal, Government of India
Policy/series name	Energy Security and Clean Coal Showcase
Key figures	G Kishan Reddy, Sanoj Kumar Jha, Sanjeev Kumar Kassi
Purpose/reason	To highlight CIL's role in energy diversification, safety, and sustainability
Feature details	AI in mining, VR training, coal gasification, eco-tourism, CSR, critical minerals
Validity or status	Ongoing initiatives under CIL and Ministry of Coal
Strategic/significant value	Reduces import dependency, promotes clean coal, enhances mining safety

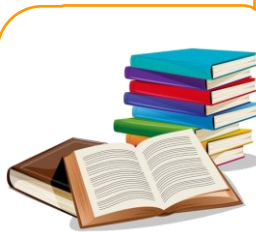


➤ **Which four pillars did Piyush Goyal identify for India's Vision of becoming a developed nation by 2047?**

- A) Education, Health, Security, Infrastructure
- B) Manufacturing, Skilling, Investment, Technology
- C) Agriculture, Innovation, Tourism, Finance
- D) Exports, Imports, Compliance, Startups
- E) Defence, Research, Energy, Startups

Answer

B) Manufacturing, Skilling, Investment, Technology

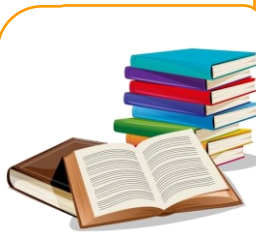


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Event and Location:

- **Event:** Curtain Raiser of the 98th FICCI Annual General Meeting and Convention
- **Location:** New Delhi, India
- **Date:** 18 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Union Minister Piyush Goyal outlined India's Vision 2047 by highlighting four key pillars – manufacturing, skilling, investment, and technology – at the curtain raiser of FICCI's 98th AGM.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The goal is to transform India into a developed nation by 2047 by:
 - Strengthening domestic manufacturing and reducing import dependency.
 - Creating a skilled, performance-driven workforce.
 - Attracting and facilitating both FDI and FII through a business-friendly regulatory ecosystem.
 - Integrating cutting-edge technologies into the economy and encouraging startups and innovation.



Important Terms Explained:

- **FDI (Foreign Direct Investment):** Investment made by a company or individual in one country into business interests located in another country, often in the form of business acquisition or establishment of new facilities.
- **FII (Foreign Institutional Investors):** Entities such as mutual funds or pension funds from outside India that invest in India's capital markets, including stocks and bonds.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act:** A law aimed at decriminalising minor offences and reducing compliance burdens, to improve the ease of doing business and create a trust-based regulatory environment.
- **Amrit Generation:** Refers to the post-2000 youth generation in India, seen as a driving force for the country's progress under the Amrit Kaal vision (India's 25-year development roadmap to 2047).



Important Terms Explained:

- **RDI Fund (Research, Development and Innovation Fund):** A ₹100,000 crore fund recently announced by the Government of India to promote R&D, innovation, and technology adoption, particularly in emerging sectors.
- **FICCI (Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry):** One of India's oldest and largest apex business chambers, playing a key role in policy advocacy, industrial development, and economic dialogue.

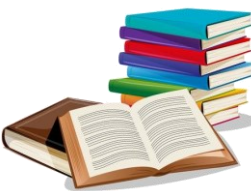


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Curtain Raiser of FICCI's 98th Annual General Meeting
Announcement date	18 November 2025
Location	New Delhi, India
Issuing authority	Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Policy/series name	Vision 2047
Key figures	Piyush Goyal
Purpose/reason	Outline India's strategy to become a developed nation by 2047
Feature details	Emphasis on 4 pillars: manufacturing, skilling, investment, technology
Validity or status	Visionary roadmap towards India@2047
Strategic/significant value	Positions India as a global economic leader with sustainable development



➤ **Where will the Sardar@150 National Padyatra conclude on 6 December 2025?**

- A) Sabarmati Ashram
- B) Red Fort
- C) Statue of Unity
- D) Parliament House
- E) Gateway of India

Answer

C) Statue of Unity



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Sardar@150 Unity March – National Padyatra to commemorate Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's 150th birth anniversary
- **Location:** Nationwide (culminating at Statue of Unity, Gujarat)
- **Date:** 6 October – 6 December 2025



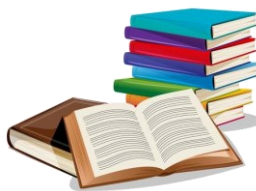
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
 - Organised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports through MY Bharat, the Sardar@150 Unity March includes district, assembly constituency, and national-level padyatras.
 - Massive grassroots mobilisation and civic engagement campaign involving over 10 lakh participants across 842 padyatras.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
 - To honour Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's legacy and promote values of unity, Aatmanirbharta, Swadeshi, and Swachhata.
 - To involve youth in nation-building, spread awareness of government schemes, and promote local entrepreneurship.
 - To conduct cultural and outreach activities through the National Padyatra from Karamsad to the Statue of Unity.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Sardar@150 Unity March:** A nationwide padyatra initiative commemorating 150 years of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, combining physical marches, cultural programs, and digital outreach to deepen civic awareness and youth involvement.
- **MY Bharat (Mera Yuva Bharat):** A youth-centric platform under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, designed to empower young people through engagement, skilling, and nation-building initiatives.
- **Ek Bharat, Aatmanirbhar Bharat:** A national vision promoting unity in diversity and self-reliance, inspired by Sardar Patel's unifying leadership and PM Narendra Modi's development vision for India.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Sardar Sabhas:** Thematic discussions held during the padyatra to reflect on key aspects of Sardar Patel's legacy such as cooperative movements, integration of princely states, and constitutional values.
- **Pravah Routes (Ganga, Yamuna, Narmada, Godavari):** Symbolic yatra routes beginning from Delhi, Jaipur, Nagpur, and Mumbai, respectively, each representing cultural and regional diversity in India's unity march.

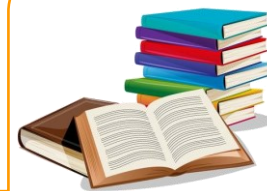


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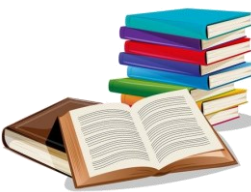
Parameter	Details
Event name	Sardar@150 Unity March
Announcement date	6 October 2025
Location	Nationwide (final leg from Karamsad to Statue of Unity, Gujarat)
Issuing authority	Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
Policy/series name	MY Bharat – Youth Campaign for National Unity
Key figures	Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Raksha Khadse, Dr. Pallavi Jain Govil
Purpose/reason	To commemorate 150 years of Sardar Patel, promote unity and civic engagement
Feature details	842 padyatras, 10 lakh+ participants, Swadeshi stalls, cultural events
Validity or status	Two-month campaign, ends 6 December 2025
Strategic/significant value	Youth-led unity drive strengthening national identity and participatory development



➤ Which university will telecast the PM-KISAN programme live on November 19, 2025?

- A) ANGRAU
- B) Dr. YSRHU
- C) PJTSAU
- D) TNAU
- E) UAS Dharwad

Answer
B) Dr. YSRHU



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Live telecast of PM-Kisan programme by Dr. YSRHU
- **Location:** Venkataramannagudem, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh
- **Date:** 19 November 2025



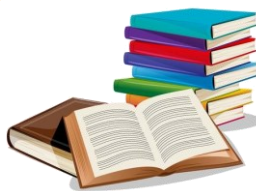
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Dr. YSR Horticultural University and Krishi Vigyan Kendra will broadcast the PM-KISAN programme live on the official government webcast portal
- **Objectives:** To disseminate information and ensure farmers benefit from the financial assistance under PM-KISAN by creating awareness and accessibility



Important Terms Explained:

- **PM-KISAN:** A Central Government scheme providing ₹6,000 per year to eligible farmer families in three equal instalments
- **Dr. YSRHU:** Dr. Y.S.R. Horticultural University, a state university focused on horticulture education and outreach in Andhra Pradesh
- **KVK (Krishi Vigyan Kendra):** Agricultural extension centers created by ICAR to provide practical knowledge to farmers

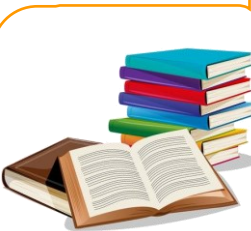


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Parameter	Details
Event name	Live telecast of PM-Kisan by Dr. YSRHU and KVK
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	Venkataramannagudem, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh
Issuing authority	Dr. YSR Horticultural University and Krishi Vigyan Kendra
Policy/series name	PM-KISAN
Key figures	Farmers, university officials
Purpose/reason	Promote awareness and participation in PM-KISAN scheme
Feature details	Live telecast via www.pmindiawebcast.nic.in from 2 PM to 3 PM on Nov 19
Validity or status	Scheduled for broadcast
Strategic/significant value	Enhances reach and impact of farmer welfare schemes

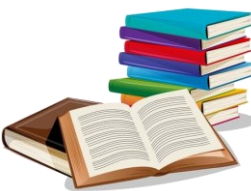


➤ **At which global event did India showcase its digital inclusion drive and call for digital solidarity in November 2025?**

- A) G20 Summit
- B) BRICS Digital Forum
- C) World Telecommunication Development Conference
- D) Global Digital Health Summit
- E) World Economic Forum

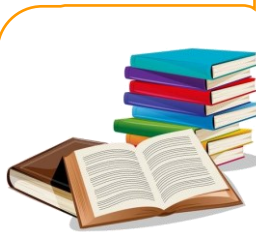
Answer

C) World Telecommunication Development Conference



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India showcases its digital inclusion achievements and calls for global cooperation on cybersecurity
- **Location:** Baku, Azerbaijan (WTDC-25)
- **Date:** 17 November 2025



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India presented its digital progress and urged nations to collaborate on global cybersecurity frameworks at WTDC-25
- **Objectives:** To promote global digital solidarity, ensure inclusive digital infrastructure, and advocate for secure and sustainable connectivity



Important Terms Explained:

- **WTDC (World Telecommunication Development Conference):** A major ITU conference that shapes global strategies for expanding digital and telecom access
- **Sanchar Saathi:** A citizen-centric initiative to block fraudulent SIMs and secure telecom users in India
- **Financial Fraud Risk Indicator:** A digital safety tool used to detect and prevent financial fraud attempts across telecom systems

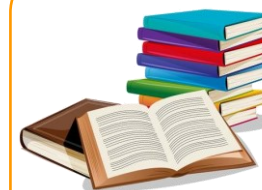


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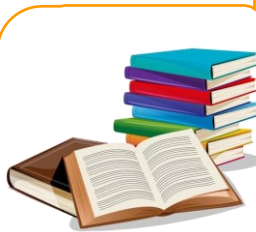
Parameter	Details
Event name	World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC-25)
Announcement date	17 November 2025
Location	Baku, Azerbaijan
Issuing authority	Ministry of Communications, Government of India
Policy/series name	Digital India, Global Cybersecurity Collaboration
Key figures	Dr. Pemmasani Chandra Sekhar
Purpose/reason	Showcase India's digital growth and promote international collaboration
Feature details	1.2B telecom users, 1B internet users, 1.4B digital IDs, 99% 5G coverage
Validity or status	Ongoing; shaping global digital cooperation
Strategic/significant value	Positions India as a leader in inclusive, affordable and secure digital ecosystems



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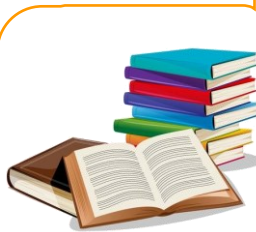
- Olympian Gurpreet Singh won silver in the 25m Centre Pistol event at the ISSF World Championships 2025 in Cairo.
- Nodirbek Yakubboev was the only player to win in Game 1 of the FIDE World Cup 2025 Quarterfinals, defeating Germany's Alexander Donchenko.
- QS released its 2026 World University Sustainability Rankings, with IIT Delhi leading from India at 205th rank globally.
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman held pre-budget consultations with capital markets, startups, and manufacturing sector leaders on 18 November 2025.
- PayU has received RBI approval to act as a payment aggregator for online, offline, and cross-border transactions.
- SBI expects India's GDP to grow at over 7.5% in Q2 FY26, boosted by festive season demand and GST rate cuts.
- MEPZ SEZ approved eight new industrial units unlocking ₹158 crore investment and 2,700+ jobs across Tamil Nadu, Andaman, and Puducherry.
- President Droupadi Murmu presented the Sixth National Water Awards and Jal Sanchay-Jan Bhagidari Awards in New Delhi on 18 November 2025.
- The National Gopal Ratna Awards 2025 were announced by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying on 17 November 2025.



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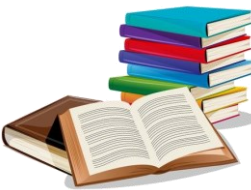
- **Prof S Prasanna Sree, Vice-Chancellor of Adikavi Nannaya University, received the Ramoji Excellence Award 2025.**
- **Pfizer Ltd launched Rimegepant ODT in India on 17 November 2025 as a new treatment for migraine.**
- **Karnataka launched KEO, an AI-ready personal computer developed entirely within the state.**
- **India and Germany held their High Defence Committee meeting in New Delhi on 18 November 2025 to advance bilateral defence cooperation.**
- **Ukraine signed a preliminary agreement with France to obtain up to 100 Rafale fighter jets over the next decade.**
- **India and the US are close to finalising the first tranche of their bilateral trade agreement to resolve tariff disputes.**
- **The Ministry of Electronics and IT launched 'YUVA AI for ALL', a free course under the IndiaAI Mission to make AI knowledge accessible to every Indian.**
- **Union Health Minister J P Nadda launched the second phase of the National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (NAP-AMR 2.0) on 18 November 2025.**



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- The Government of India approved 17 new applicants under the third round of the PLI Scheme for Textiles on 18 November 2025.
- Over 46.6 lakh farmers in Andhra Pradesh will receive ₹7,000 each under the combined Annadata Sukhibhava and PM-Kisan schemes.
- Union Minister G Kishan Reddy inaugurated the Coal India Limited Pavilion at the India International Trade Fair 2025.
- Union Minister Piyush Goyal outlined manufacturing, skilling, investment, and technology as the four pillars of India's development strategy for 2047.
- The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports launched the Sardar@150 Unity March to commemorate the 150th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.
- Dr. YSR Horticultural University will telecast the PM-KISAN programme live on November 19, 2025.
- India showcased the world's largest digital inclusion drive at the World Telecommunication Development Conference 2025 in Baku.





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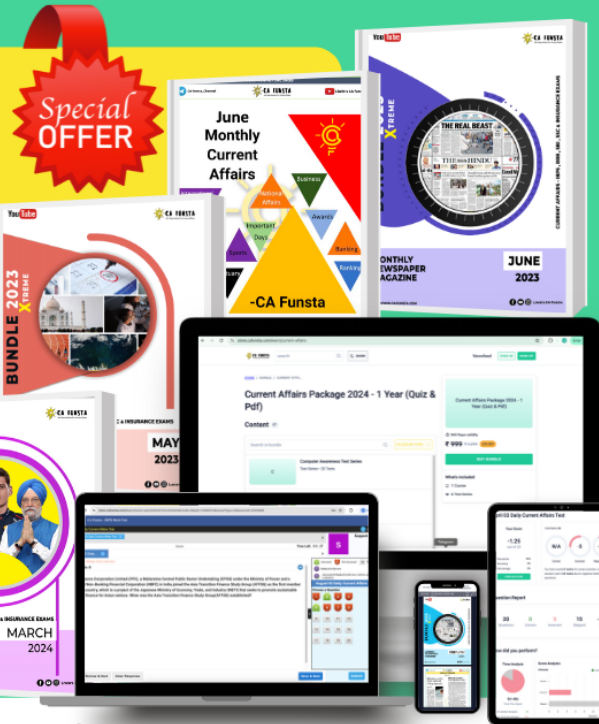


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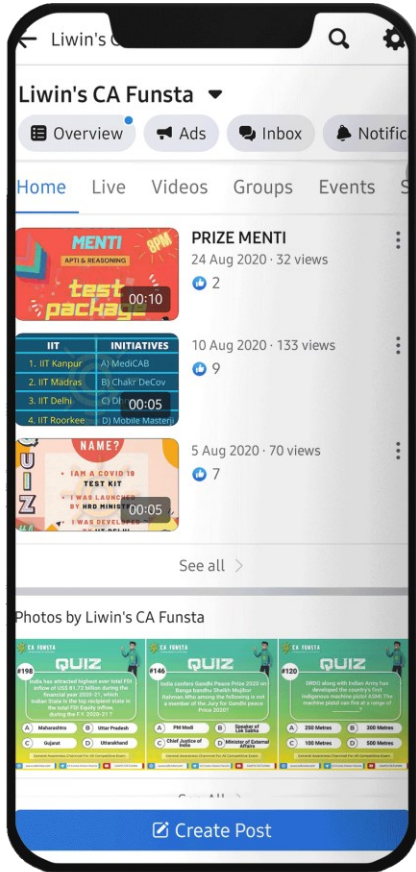
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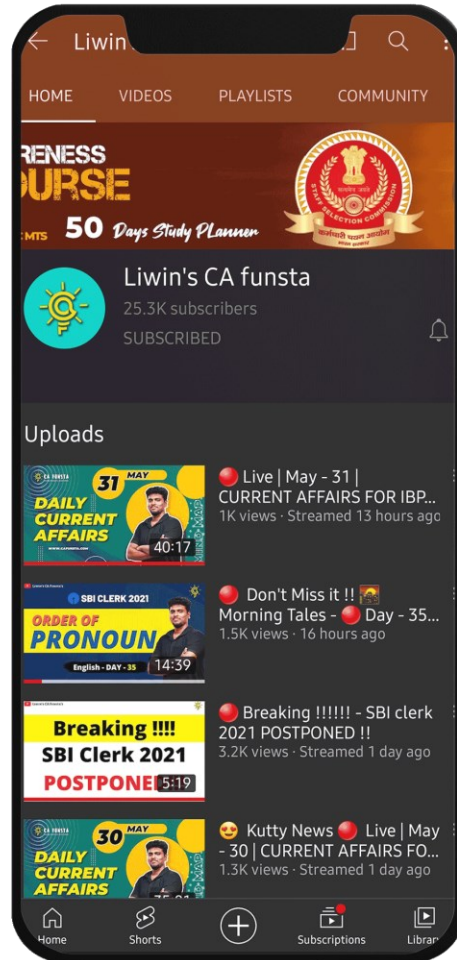


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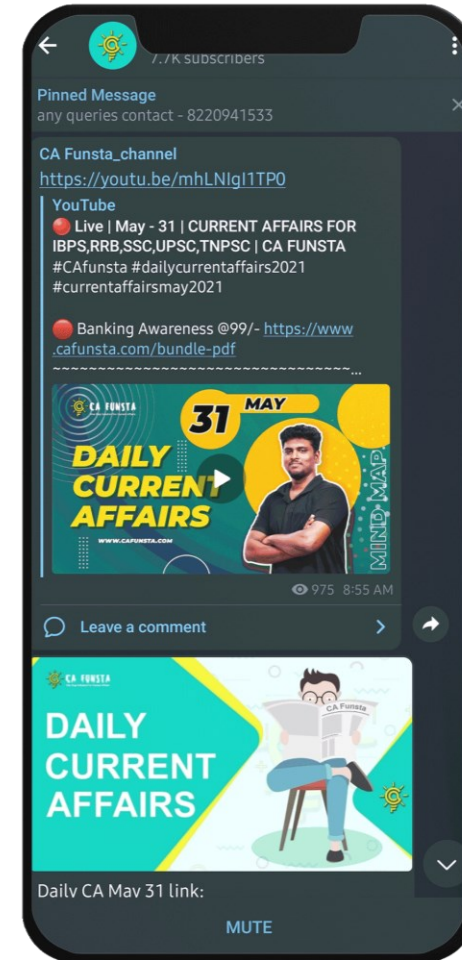
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