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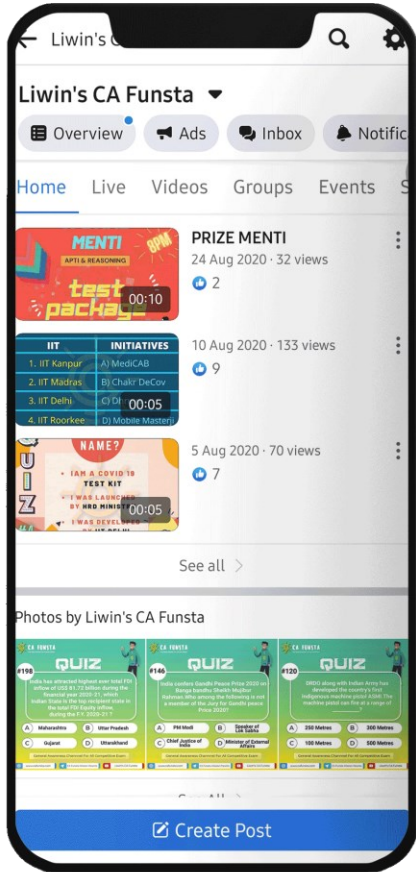
  

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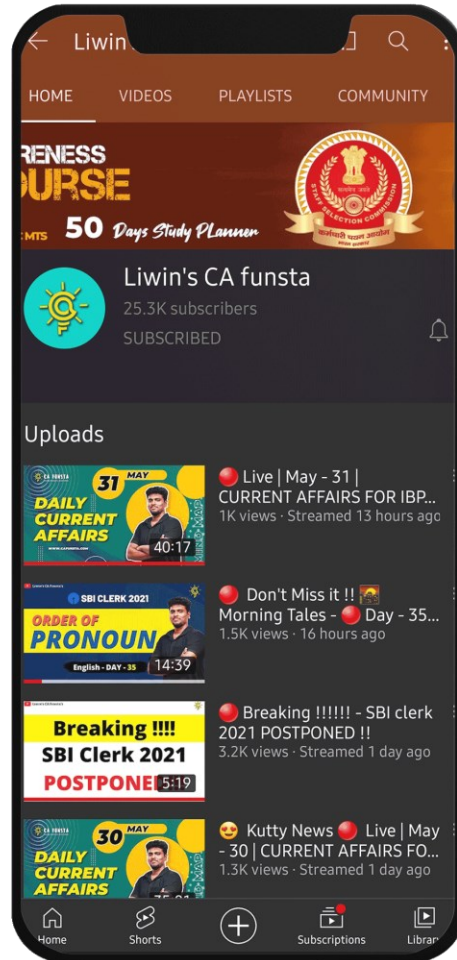
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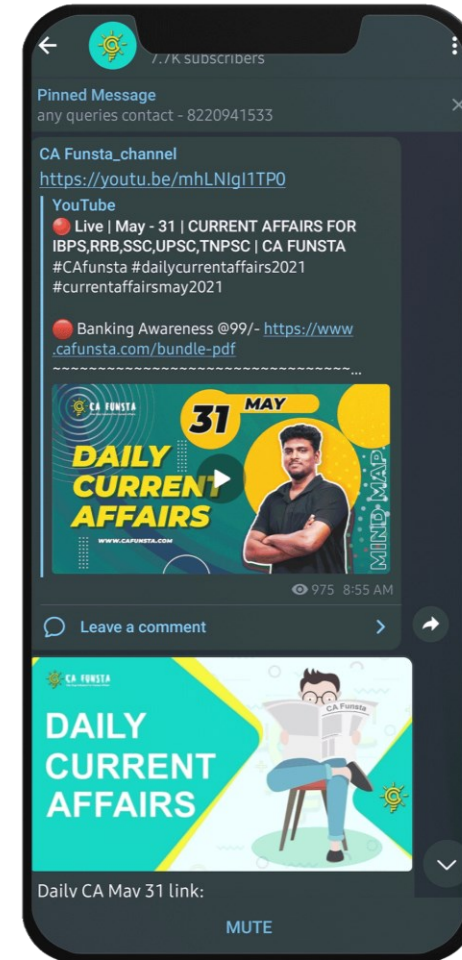
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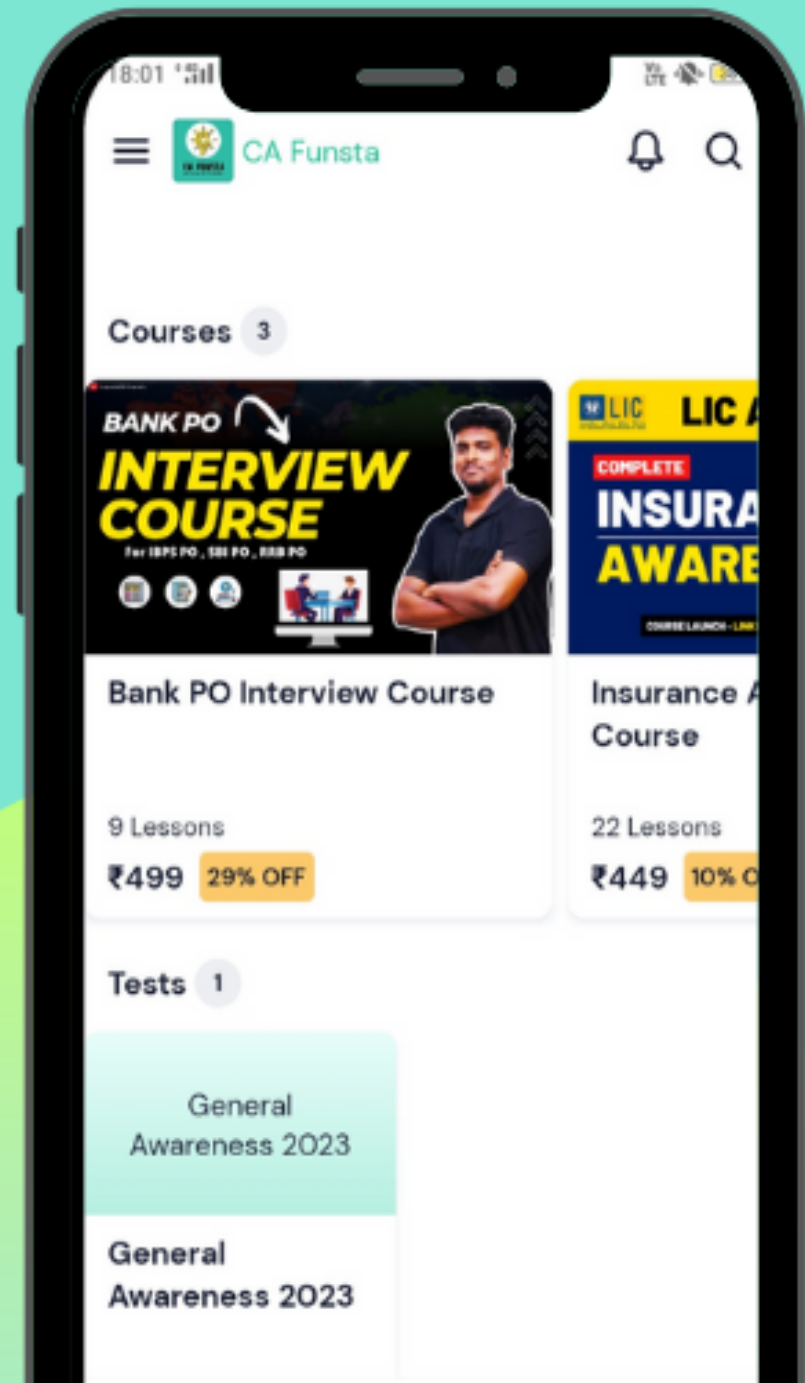
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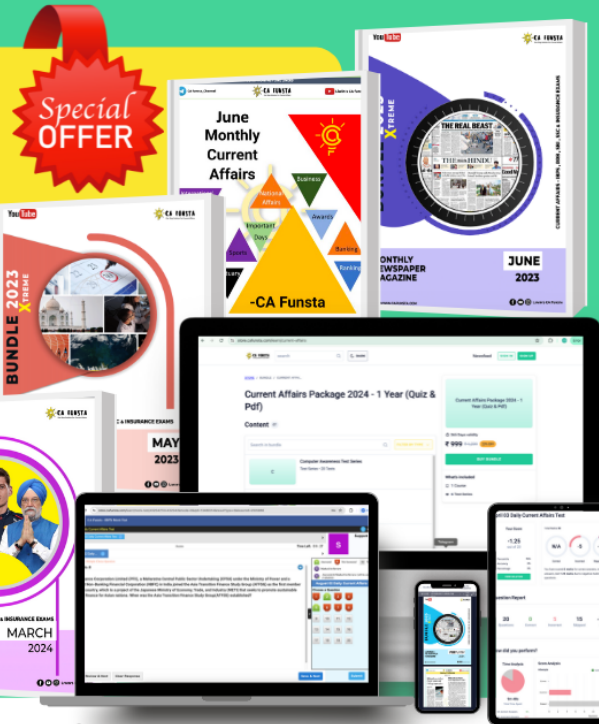


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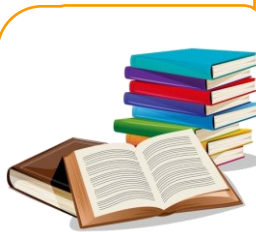
➤ What is celebrated on October 31 every year in India to honor Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel?



- A) Constitution Day
- B) National Integration Day
- C) Rashtriya Ekta Diwas
- D) Swachh Bharat Diwas
- E) National Heritage Day

**Answer**

**C) Rashtriya Ekta Diwas**

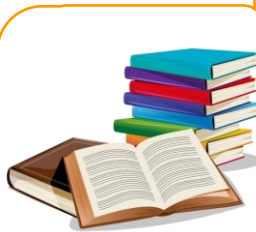


# Important Days



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2025 celebrations and PM's address on Patel's vision
- **Location:** Ekta Nagar (Statue of Unity), Narmada district, Gujarat
- **Date:** October 31, 2025

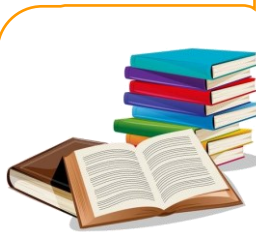


# Important Days



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** On the 150th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Prime Minister Narendra Modi led the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas celebrations at the Statue of Unity in Gujarat, delivering a speech on national unity and Patel's historic efforts.
- **Objectives:** The event aims to commemorate Patel's role in unifying India, inspire commitment to national integrity, and underline historical perspectives on Kashmir's integration.

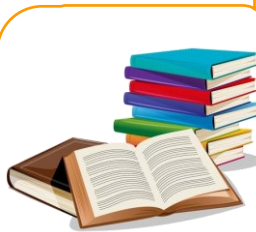


# Important Days



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day):** Observed every year on October 31 to honor Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's first Home Minister, for his role in unifying over 560 princely states into the Indian Union post-independence.
- **Statue of Unity:** The world's tallest statue, dedicated to Sardar Patel, located in Ekta Nagar, Gujarat; a central venue for national unity events and celebrations.
- **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel:** Known as the "Iron Man of India", Patel was instrumental in integrating princely states into the Indian Union. He played a key role in laying the foundations of a united India.

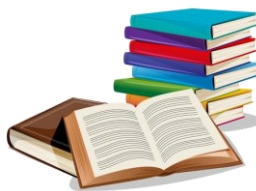


# Important Days



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                      |
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| Event name                  | Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2025                                                    |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                             |
| Location                    | Ekta Nagar (Statue of Unity), Narmada district, Gujarat                      |
| Issuing authority           | Government of India                                                          |
| Policy/series name          | National Unity Celebrations in honor of Sardar Patel                         |
| Key figures                 | PM Narendra Modi, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (historical figure)               |
| Purpose/reason              | To commemorate Sardar Patel's contribution to India's unification            |
| Feature details             | Parade, unity pledge, address by PM highlighting Kashmir and Patel's role    |
| Validity or status          | Celebrated annually since 2014                                               |
| Strategic/significant value | Reinforces national integration, historical reflection, and patriotic spirit |

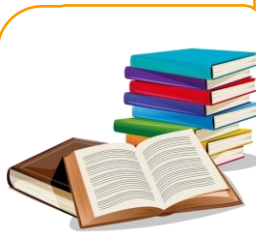


➤ **Which college secured third place in the men's category at the VTU State-Level Weightlifting Championship 2025?**

- A) BMS College of Engineering
- B) R.V. College of Engineering
- C) St. Joseph Engineering College, Mangaluru
- D) PES University
- E) MS Ramaiah Institute of Technology

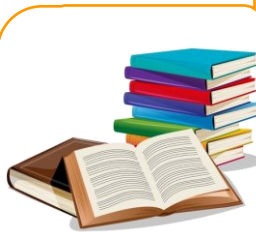
**Answer**

**C) St. Joseph Engineering College, Mangaluru**



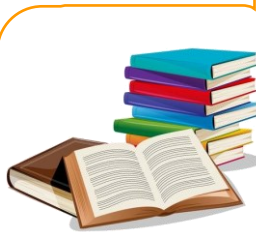
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** SJEC men's team wins third place in VTU State-Level Weightlifting Championship
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 27, 2025



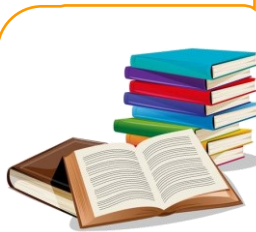
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** St. Joseph Engineering College (SJEC), Mangaluru, participated in the VTU State-Level Weightlifting Championship held in Bengaluru and secured third place in the men's category.
- **Objectives:** The event aimed to promote competitive spirit, physical strength, and sportsmanship among engineering students under the aegis of Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU).



## Important Terms Explained:

- **St. Joseph Engineering College (SJEC):** An engineering institution located in Mangaluru, Karnataka, known for academic and co-curricular excellence including sports achievements.
- **VTU State-Level Weightlifting Championship:** An annual intercollegiate sports event organized under Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) to encourage physical fitness and competitive sports among affiliated colleges.
- **Global Academy of Technology:** The host institution for the 2025 championship, based in Bengaluru and affiliated with VTU.

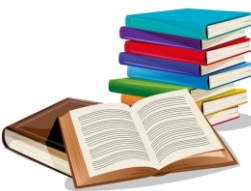


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                     |
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| Event name                  | VTU State-Level Weightlifting Championship 2025                             |
| Announcement date           | October 30, 2025                                                            |
| Location                    | Bengaluru, Karnataka                                                        |
| Issuing authority           | Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU)                                 |
| Policy/series name          | Intercollegiate Sports Championships under VTU                              |
| Key figures                 | Vaneesha V. Rodrigues (Director, PE), Sudheer (Asst. PED)                   |
| Purpose/reason              | To promote sports and physical excellence among VTU-affiliated colleges     |
| Feature details             | SJEC men's team won 3rd place; event hosted by Global Academy of Technology |
| Validity or status          | Event concluded on October 27, 2025                                         |
| Strategic/significant value | Enhances institutional recognition and student sports participation         |

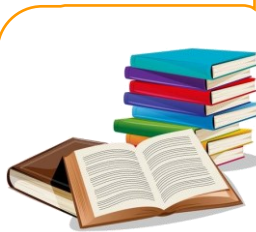


➤ Who recently became India's 90<sup>th</sup> Chess Grandmaster at the age of 16?

- A) Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa
- B) D Gukesh
- C) Ilamparathi AR
- D) Arjun Erigaisi
- E) Bharath Subramaniam

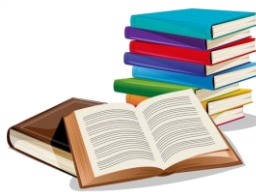


**Answer**  
**C) Ilamparathi AR**



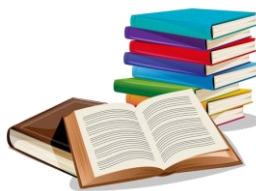
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Ilamparthi AR becomes India's 90<sup>th</sup> Chess Grandmaster
- **Location:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 30, 2025



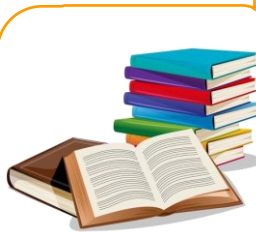
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Ilamparthi AR, a 16-year-old from Chennai, has officially achieved the Grandmaster title, becoming the 90th Indian and 35th Tamil Nadu player to do so.
- **Objectives:** This milestone adds to India's growing dominance in global chess and reinforces Tamil Nadu's strong legacy in producing top-level chess talent.



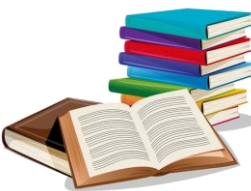
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Grandmaster (GM):** The highest title awarded by FIDE, the international chess federation. It is a lifetime title given to elite players who meet performance-based criteria across global tournaments.
- **64 Squares (Chessboard Reference):** Refers to the total squares on a chessboard, often used metaphorically to signify achievements in the game.
- **Tamil Nadu Chess Legacy:** Tamil Nadu has produced numerous top chess players including Viswanathan Anand, and now accounts for 35 out of India's 90 Grandmasters, showcasing its prominence in the sport.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                     |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Ilamparthi AR becomes India's 90th Chess Grandmaster                        |
| Announcement date           | October 30, 2025                                                            |
| Location                    | Chennai, Tamil Nadu                                                         |
| Issuing authority           | FIDE (International Chess Federation)                                       |
| Policy/series name          | Chess Grandmaster Title Conferment                                          |
| Key figures                 | Ilamparthi AR, CM M.K. Stalin, Dy CM Udhayanidhi Stalin                     |
| Purpose/reason              | To honour exceptional performance and recognition in global chess           |
| Feature details             | Ilamparthi AR is 16 years old; 35th GM from Tamil Nadu                      |
| Validity or status          | Title confirmed and acknowledged                                            |
| Strategic/significant value | Reinforces India's chess excellence and Tamil Nadu's dominance in the sport |

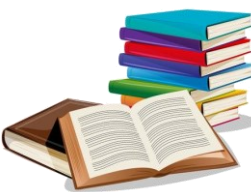


➤ **What action did the Reserve Bank of India take during the October 31, 2025 debt auction involving the 2032 bond?**

- A) Raised the coupon rate on the 2032 bond
- B) Rejected all bids for the 2032 bond
- C) Issued additional green bonds
- D) Accepted partial bids only
- E) Increased borrowing target by ₹10,000 crore

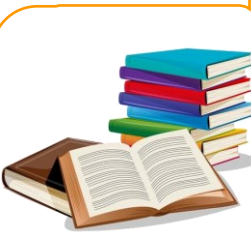
**Answer**

**B) Rejected all bids for the 2032 bond**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** RBI rejects all bids for 2032 bond during auction; bond yields respond
- **Location:** Mumbai, India
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



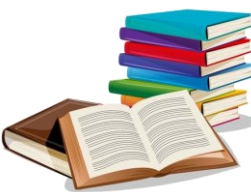
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) conducted a government securities auction intending to raise \$1.25 billion through the 6.28% 2032 bond.
  - However, the RBI rejected all bids for the 2032 paper, citing discomfort with the high borrowing costs demanded by investors.
  - Instead, it sold other bonds including green bonds, raising ₹21,000 crore.



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
  - To control rising borrowing costs and send a strong signal against the yield spike in Indian government securities.
  - To revive market sentiment, which was weakening due to global and domestic rate uncertainties.
  - To promote stability in the bond market, particularly before key upcoming policy events and liquidity decisions.



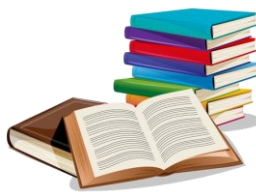
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Government Securities Auction (G-Sec Auction):**
  - A method by which the government raises money by issuing bonds or debt papers through the RBI, offering fixed or market-linked interest rates to investors.
- **Bond Yield:**
  - The return an investor earns from a bond. It moves inversely to price – if yield rises, bond prices fall. A rising yield implies increased cost of borrowing for the issuer.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Green Bonds:**
  - Debt instruments issued to fund environmentally sustainable projects. These may offer slightly lower returns but attract ESG-conscious investors.
- **Basis Point (bps):**
  - A unit equal to 1/100th of a percentage point. So, 4 bps = 0.04%.

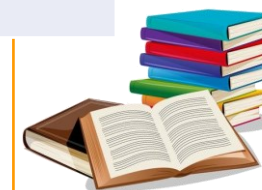


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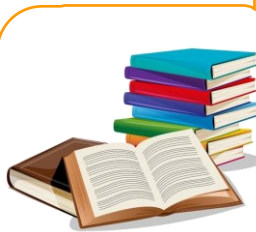
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                                       |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | RBI rejects bids for 2032 bond at auction                                                     |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                                              |
| Location                    | Mumbai                                                                                        |
| Issuing authority           | Reserve Bank of India (RBI)                                                                   |
| Policy/series name          | 6.28% Government Bond 2032 & Green Bond Auction                                               |
| Key figures                 | RBI, PNB Gilts, Edelweiss Life Insurance                                                      |
| Purpose/reason              | To push back against high borrowing costs and stabilize debt market                           |
| Feature details             | 2032 bond fully rejected; ₹21,000 crore raised via other bonds incl. green bonds              |
| Validity or status          | Auction concluded; 2032 bond issuance postponed                                               |
| Strategic/significant value | Demonstrates RBI's role in managing sovereign borrowing costs and shaping market expectations |



➤ What was ITC Ltd's consolidated net profit for Q2 of FY 2025–26?

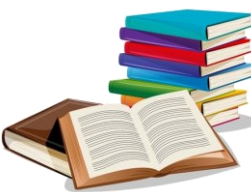
- A) ₹4,874 crore
- B) ₹5,000 crore
- C) ₹5,186 crore
- D) ₹5,369 crore
- E) ₹4,429 crore

**Answer**  
**C) ₹5,186 crore**



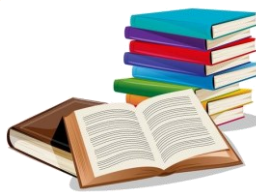
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** ITC Ltd reports Q2 FY 2025–26 financial results
- **Location:** Pan-India (Corporate headquarters in Kolkata)
- **Date:** October 30, 2025



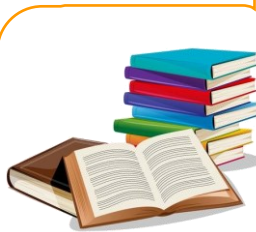
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** ITC Ltd released its financial results for the second quarter of FY 2025–26, recording a 2.6% YoY rise in consolidated net profit to ₹5,186 crore, despite a marginal decline in core revenue.
- **Objectives:** The company aims to maintain growth momentum through its cigarette, FMCG, hotel, and IT segments while navigating operational challenges and enhancing shareholder value.



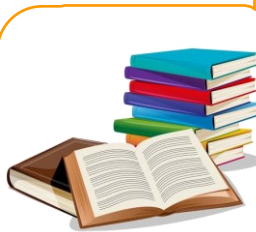
## Important Terms Explained:

- **EBITDA Margin:** A profitability metric that shows earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, and amortization as a percentage of total revenue; ITC's EBITDA margin rose to 35.1%, indicating improved operational efficiency.
- **Delisting from Calcutta Stock Exchange (CSE):** ITC Ltd announced the voluntary delisting of its shares from CSE under SEBI's Delisting Regulations 2021; the shares will continue to be traded on NSE and BSE.



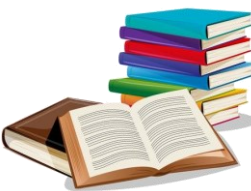
## Important Terms Explained:

- **FMCG (Fast-Moving Consumer Goods):** Products that are sold quickly and at relatively low cost such as packaged foods, personal care, and cigarettes — a key segment driving ITC's revenue and profit growth.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                          |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | ITC Q2 FY 2025–26 Financial Results                                              |
| Announcement date           | October 30, 2025                                                                 |
| Location                    | Corporate filing from Kolkata, results reflect pan-India operations              |
| Issuing authority           | ITC Ltd Board of Directors                                                       |
| Policy/series name          | Quarterly Financial Disclosure                                                   |
| Key figures                 | CEO Sanjiv Puri, ITC Infotech, ITC Hotels                                        |
| Purpose/reason              | To report financial performance for Q2 FY 2025–26                                |
| Feature details             | Net profit ₹5,186 crore; cigarette revenue ₹9,414.34 crore; EBITDA margin 35.1%  |
| Validity or status          | Results officially declared and submitted to stock exchanges                     |
| Strategic/significant value | Reflects financial resilience, growth in cigarettes and FMCG, delisting from CSE |



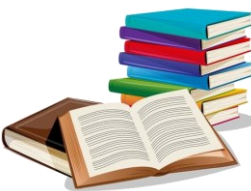
➤ What was Bank of Baroda's reported net profit (PAT) for Q2 FY26?

- A) ₹4,120 crore
- B) ₹4,809 crore
- C) ₹5,186 crore
- D) ₹11,954 crore
- E) ₹3,515 crore



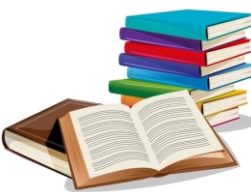
**Answer**

**B) ₹4,809 crore**



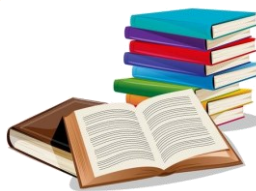
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Bank of Baroda announces Q2 FY26 results
- **Location:** Mumbai, India
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



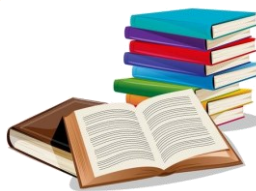
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - Bank of Baroda (BoB) reported an 8% y-o-y decline in net profit to ₹4,809 crore in Q2 FY26, due to a high base effect.
  - The bank made floating provisions of ₹400 crore during the quarter to prepare for the Expected Credit Loss (ECL) model.
  - Net Interest Income (NII) grew 3% y-o-y to ₹11,954 crore.



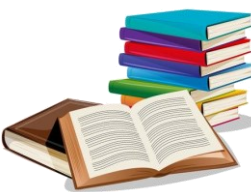
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
  - To manage risk under the new ECL provisioning model by strengthening buffers.
  - To grow overall advances by 11–13% in FY26, with focus on retail loans, targeted to grow 18–20%.
  - Maintain and improve asset quality and profitability while navigating credit cycles.



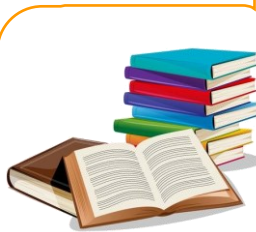
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Expected Credit Loss (ECL) Model:**
  - A forward-looking provisioning method under IFRS 9/Ind-AS that anticipates potential losses based on expected defaults, unlike the incurred loss model, which recognizes losses only after they occur.
- **Floating Provisions:**
  - Voluntary extra provisions made by banks to buffer against unforeseen credit losses, not linked to any specific asset. BoB's total now stands at ₹1,000 crore.



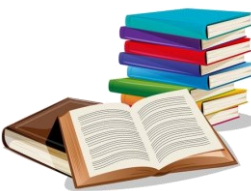
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Net Interest Income (NII):**
  - Difference between interest earned and interest paid by the bank. BoB's NII stood at ₹11,954 crore in Q2 FY26.
- **Slippage Ratio:**
  - Percentage of fresh NPAs generated in a quarter. BoB's slippage ratio improved to 0.91% from 1.16%.
- **Net Interest Margin (NIM):**
  - A measure of profitability; BoB reported a sequential increase to 2.96%.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                     |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Q2 FY26 Financial Results of Bank of Baroda                                 |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                            |
| Location                    | Mumbai, Maharashtra                                                         |
| Issuing authority           | Bank of Baroda                                                              |
| Policy/series name          | Quarterly Results (Q2 FY26)                                                 |
| Key figures                 | Net Profit: ₹4,809 crore; NII: ₹11,954 crore; NIM: 2.96%                    |
| Purpose/reason              | Disclose quarterly performance, ECL provisioning shift, and credit outlook  |
| Feature details             | Advances ↑12% to ₹12.78 lakh cr; Retail loans targeted ↑18–20% in FY26      |
| Validity or status          | Results declared; provisioning for ECL model under preparation              |
| Strategic/significant value | Prepares for ECL shift; improves asset quality; signals retail credit focus |

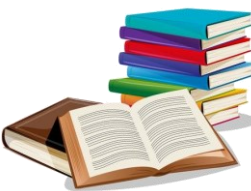


➤ **Why did GAIL India report an 18% decline in Q2 FY26 net profit?**

- A) Higher tax liability
- B) Increase in operational costs
- C) Weak petrochemical margins
- D) Fall in natural gas prices
- E) Delay in project execution

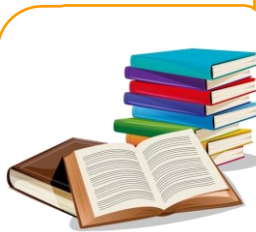
**Answer**

**C) Weak petrochemical margins**



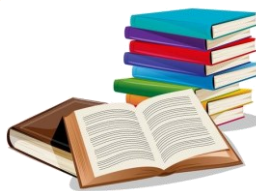
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** GAIL India Q2 FY26 net profit drops 18% due to weak petrochemical margins
- **Location:** New Delhi (corporate headquarters)
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



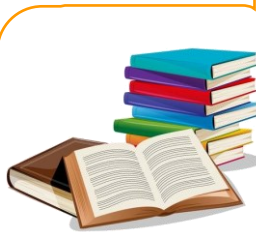
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** GAIL (India) Ltd reported an 18% year-on-year drop in standalone net profit to ₹2,823.19 crore for Q2 FY26, despite a rise in revenue, primarily due to pressure on petrochemical business margins.
- **Objectives:** The result disclosure informs shareholders, regulators, and the public of GAIL's financial performance and highlights sectoral trends affecting profitability.



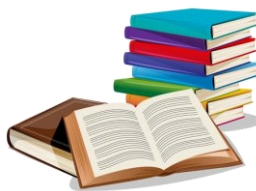
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Petrochemical Margins:** The profit spread between the cost of raw materials and the selling price of petrochemical products. GAIL faced losses in this segment due to market pressure and reduced production volumes.
- **MMSCM/D (Million Metric Standard Cubic Meters per Day):** A unit of measurement for natural gas volume flow. GAIL reported 105.47 mmscmd in sales and 122 mmscmd in pipeline transportation for H1 FY26.
- **Standalone Net Profit:** Refers to a company's profit from its own operations, excluding contributions from subsidiaries or associate companies.



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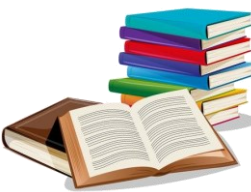
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                   |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | GAIL India Q2 FY26 Financial Results                                      |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                          |
| Location                    | New Delhi, India                                                          |
| Issuing authority           | GAIL (India) Ltd                                                          |
| Policy/series name          | Quarterly Financial Disclosure                                            |
| Key figures                 | Net Profit: ₹2,823.19 crore; Revenue: ₹35,031 crore                       |
| Purpose/reason              | Financial reporting for Q2 FY26                                           |
| Feature details             | Revenue up 6%; Petrochem loss ₹300 crore; Gas sales up; transmission down |
| Validity or status          | Declared and filed with stock exchanges                                   |
| Strategic/significant value | Indicates performance under sectoral pressures and diversification impact |



➤ **As of October 2025, what percentage of India's total power generation capacity comes from renewable sources?**

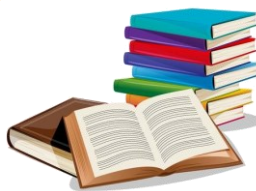
- A) 35%
- B) 42%
- C) 50%
- D) 60%
- E) 25%

**Answer**  
**C) 50%**



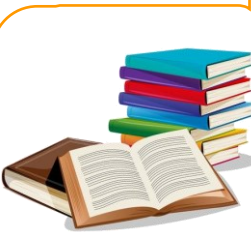
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India achieves 50% renewable share in power generation capacity
- **Location:** Nationwide (highlighted at REI Expo 2025, Mumbai)
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



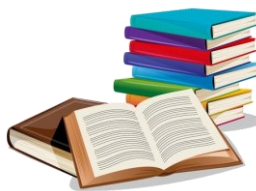
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - India's total installed power generation capacity reached 501 GW, of which 256.09 GW is from non-fossil fuel sources.
  - The Ministry of Power approved a ₹5,400 crore Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme for 30 GWh of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS).
  - 440 MW solar-plus-storage project launched in Morena, Madhya Pradesh with 95% peak-hour availability.
  - Floating solar projects and pumped storage initiatives prioritized by Odisha to safeguard land and enable clean energy adoption.



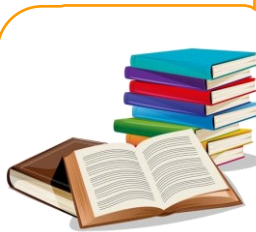
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
  - Achieve 500 GW non-fossil fuel capacity by 2030.
  - Enable round-the-clock renewable power delivery using solar-plus-storage models.
  - Promote international collaboration, value-chain localization, and clean energy investments.
  - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support sustainable energy transition in line with India's climate goals.



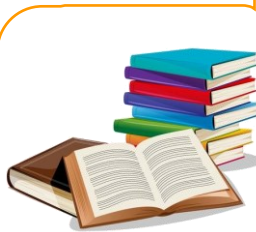
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Non-Fossil Fuel Capacity:**
  - Refers to power generation capacity not based on coal, oil, or natural gas. Includes solar, wind, hydro, nuclear, and biomass.
- **Battery Energy Storage System (BESS):**
  - A technology used to store energy generated by renewables, enabling supply during non-generation hours, especially for grid stability and peak demand management.



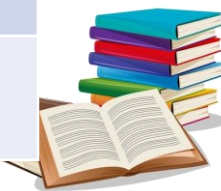
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Viability Gap Funding (VGF):**
  - A financial support mechanism from the government to make projects economically viable that are otherwise not financially feasible.
- **Floating Solar Projects:**
  - Solar power systems installed on water bodies like reservoirs, reducing land use while boosting clean energy output.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                                            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Renewable Energy reaches 50% of India's total power capacity                                       |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                                                   |
| Location                    | Mumbai (highlighted at REI Expo 2025)                                                              |
| Issuing authority           | Ministry of Power, Government of India                                                             |
| Policy/series name          | Renewable Energy Integration and Storage Mission                                                   |
| Key figures                 | Manu Shrivastava (MP), Debashish Das (Odisha), Yogesh Mudras (Informa Markets)                     |
| Purpose/reason              | Shift from fossil fuels to clean energy, strengthen energy security and climate resilience         |
| Feature details             | 501 GW capacity, 256.09 GW from renewables, ₹5,400 crore VGF, 440 MW Morena project                |
| Validity or status          | Ongoing with 2030 target of 500 GW non-fossil fuel capacity                                        |
| Strategic/significant value | Paves the way for 24x7 clean energy, reduces emissions, boosts investment and global collaboration |

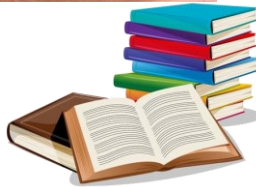


- Which international group has announced its first renewable energy investment in India through a 210 MWp solar project in Rajasthan?

- A) Amazon Group
- B) IKEA's Ingka Group
- C) Apple Inc.
- D) Walmart Group
- E) Tesla Energy

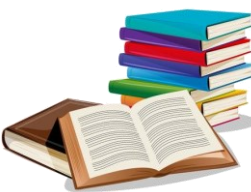
**Answer**

**B) IKEA's Ingka Group**



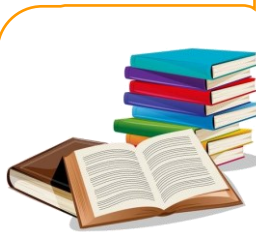
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Ingka Group (IKEA's parent) announces its first renewable energy investment in India
- **Location:** Bikaner, Rajasthan (Project site); Announcement in New Delhi
- **Date:** October 31, 2025 (Operations to begin by December 2026)



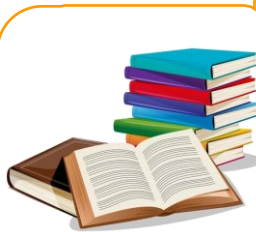
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - Ingka Investments, the investment arm of IKEA's Ingka Group, has acquired a 100% stake in a subsidy-free 210 MWp solar project in Bikaner, Rajasthan.
  - The project has reached ready-to-build status, with construction to start shortly and operations set for December 2026.



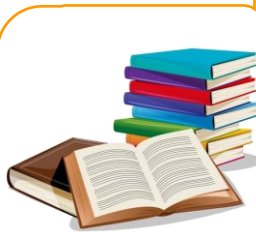
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
  - To generate 380 GWh of renewable energy annually to support IKEA's growing retail, distribution, and shopping centre operations in India.
  - To align with IKEA's commitment to 100% renewable energy usage and net-zero emissions by 2050.
  - To further local employment and sustainability efforts through clean energy investments in India.



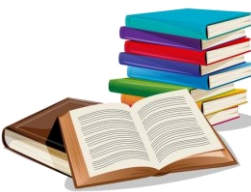
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Ingka Group:**
  - The largest IKEA retailer, operating IKEA stores in 31 countries. Ingka Investments is its financial investment arm.
- **Subsidy-free Solar Project:**
  - A renewable energy project developed without government subsidies, relying purely on market dynamics and long-term power purchase agreements.



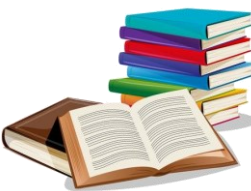
## Important Terms Explained:

- **RE100:**
  - A global corporate initiative committed to 100% renewable electricity. IKEA is a founding member and aims to power all its operations through renewable sources.
- **Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi):**
  - A global body that helps companies set science-based climate targets to limit global warming to 1.5°C, in alignment with the Paris Agreement.



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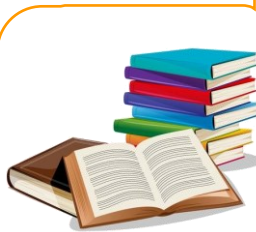
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                              |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Ingka Group's first solar investment in India                                        |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                                     |
| Location                    | Bikaner, Rajasthan (Project site); New Delhi (Announcement)                          |
| Issuing authority           | Ingka Investments (IKEA's investment arm)                                            |
| Policy/series name          | IKEA Renewable Energy & Sustainability Roadmap                                       |
| Key figures                 | Frederik de Jong, Patrik Antoni                                                      |
| Purpose/reason              | To power IKEA India operations with 100% clean energy                                |
| Feature details             | 210 MWp solar project; 380 GWh/year generation; employment for ~450 people           |
| Validity or status          | Construction to begin shortly; operations from December 2026                         |
| Strategic/significant value | Supports India's clean energy transition; aligns with IKEA's global net-zero targets |



➤ What was the net profit of Equitas Small Finance Bank in Q2 FY26?

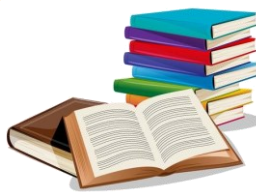
- A) ₹12.9 crore
- B) ₹44.1 crore
- C) ₹24 crore
- D) ₹199 crore
- E) ₹38 crore

**Answer**  
**C) ₹24 crore**



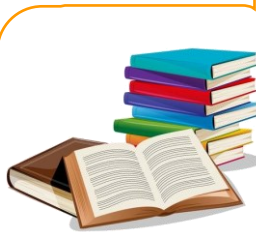
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Equitas Small Finance Bank reports Q2 FY26 financial results
- **Location:** Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



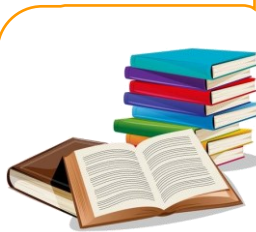
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - Equitas Small Finance Bank (Equitas SFB) reported a net profit of ₹24 crore in Q2 FY26, a twofold increase compared to ₹12.9 crore in Q2 FY25.
  - Disbursements and deposits grew 11% y-o-y, while gross advances increased by 9% y-o-y.
  - The bank experienced a net loss of ₹199 crore for H1 FY26, primarily due to higher provisioning and expenditures in Q1.



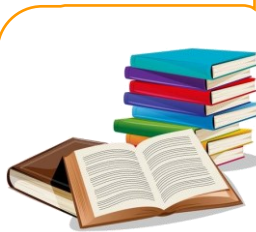
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
  - To improve operational efficiency, grow retail banking, and maintain asset quality amidst market uncertainties.
  - To provide strong quarterly performance after a weak first half marked by losses.



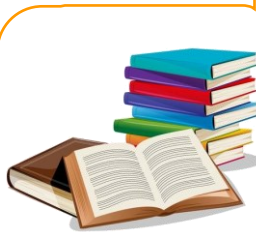
## Important Terms Explained:

- **GNPA (Gross Non-Performing Assets):**
  - The total value of loans that are in default or close to being in default. For Equitas SFB, GNPA was 2.82% as of September 30, 2025.
- **NNPA (Net Non-Performing Assets):**
  - GNPA minus provisions. Reflects actual risk to the bank. NNPA stood at 0.95% for Equitas SFB.
- **Provisioning:**
  - Funds set aside by the bank to cover potential losses from NPAs or other financial risks. Lesser provisioning led to better Q2 profits.



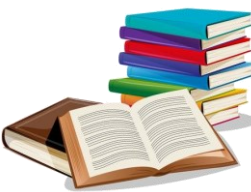
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Disbursements:**
  - Total amount of loans given during the period. Equitas SFB reported 11% y-o-y growth in disbursements.
- **Net Slippages:**
  - The percentage of assets that turned non-performing during a given quarter. It improved to 3.78% in Q2 FY26.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                            |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Q2 FY26 Financial Results of Equitas SFB                                           |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                                   |
| Location                    | Chennai, Tamil Nadu                                                                |
| Issuing authority           | Equitas Small Finance Bank                                                         |
| Policy/series name          | Quarterly Financial Performance (Q2 FY26)                                          |
| Key figures                 | Net Profit: ₹24 crore; CEO: Arun Ramanathan (interim)                              |
| Purpose/reason              | Disclose financial performance, provisioning impact, and business growth           |
| Feature details             | Deposits: ₹44,093 crore; Advances: ₹36,352 crore; Disbursement ↑11% y-o-y          |
| Validity or status          | Results declared; stock impacted; focus on recovery in H2 FY26                     |
| Strategic/significant value | Highlights recovery post provisioning-heavy H1; reflects retail banking resilience |



# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS

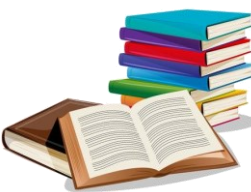


➤ **Which company did MEIL Energy acquire to gain control of a 250 MW power plant in Tamil Nadu?**

- A) Adani Green Energy
- B) Tata Power Tamil Nadu
- C) TAQA Neyveli Power Company
- D) NTPC Tamil Nadu Energy
- E) Greenko Power India

**Answer**

**C) TAQA Neyveli Power Company**

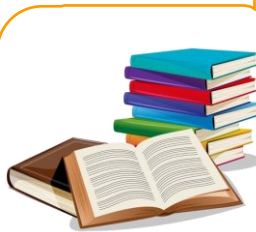


# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** MEIL Energy acquires 250 MW power plant in Tamil Nadu
- **Location:** Neyveli, Tamil Nadu
- **Date:** October 31, 2025

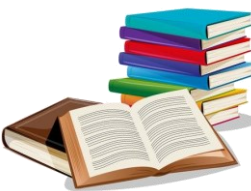


# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** MEIL Energy Private Ltd., a subsidiary of Megha Engineering & Infrastructures Ltd. (MEIL), has acquired a 100% stake in TAQA Neyveli Power Company, which operates a 250 MW lignite-fired power plant.
- **Objectives:** The acquisition is aimed at expanding MEIL's power generation portfolio, enhancing operational efficiency, and supporting India's long-term energy security and reliable power supply through strategic investments.

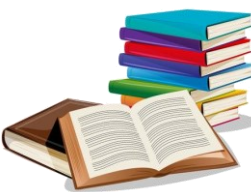


# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **MEIL (Megha Engineering & Infrastructures Ltd.):** A major Indian infrastructure and energy company with a growing portfolio in sectors including power, oil & gas, and water management.
- **TAQA Neyveli Power Company:** A Tamil Nadu-based 250 MW lignite-fired power plant, formerly owned by Abu Dhabi National Energy Company PJSC (TAQA), and has long-term supply agreements with state discoms.

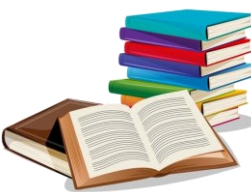


# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Lignite-Fired Power Plant:** A thermal power station that uses lignite (brown coal) as a fuel, typically used in base-load electricity generation for regional grids due to lower fuel costs and established supply chains.

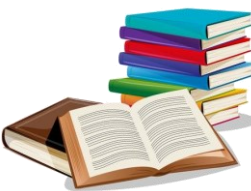


# ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                        |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Acquisition of TAQA Neyveli Power Plant by MEIL Energy                         |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                               |
| Location                    | Neyveli, Tamil Nadu                                                            |
| Issuing authority           | MEIL Energy Private Ltd.                                                       |
| Policy/series name          | Strategic Energy Asset Acquisition                                             |
| Key figures                 | Salil Kumar Mishra (CFO, MEIL Group), TAQA PJSC                                |
| Purpose/reason              | To enhance energy security and expand MEIL's generation portfolio              |
| Feature details             | 250 MW lignite-fired power plant; long-term power offtake agreements           |
| Validity or status          | Acquisition complete; operational integration underway                         |
| Strategic/significant value | Strengthens domestic power capacity and MEIL's role in national infrastructure |



# APPOINTMENTS

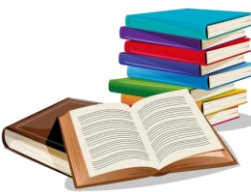


➤ Who was sworn in as the 16<sup>th</sup> Minister in the Telangana Cabinet on October 31, 2025?

- A) Kodandaram
- B) Mohammed Mahmood Ali
- C) Md. Azharuddin
- D) Revanth Reddy
- E) Bandi Sanjay Kumar

**Answer**

**C) Md. Azharuddin**

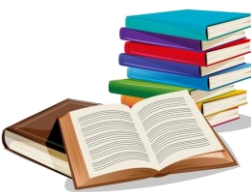


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## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Former cricketer Md. Azharuddin sworn in as Minister in Telangana Cabinet
- **Location:** Hyderabad, Telangana
- **Date:** October 31, 2025

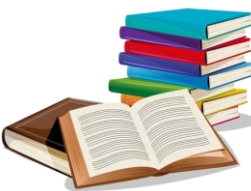


# APPOINTMENTS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Md. Azharuddin, former Indian cricket captain and Congress leader, was sworn in as a Minister in the Telangana Cabinet, becoming the 16<sup>th</sup> Minister in the current administration.
- **Objectives:** The appointment aims to strengthen the cabinet with influential public figures and reflects the government's move to reward contributions from diverse backgrounds, including sports and public service.

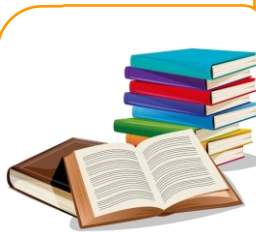


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## Important Terms Explained:

- **Governor's Quota (Legislative Council):** A provision under Article 171 of the Indian Constitution where the Governor can nominate members with special knowledge or experience in literature, science, art, cooperative movement, and social service to the Legislative Council.
- **Telangana Cabinet:** The executive council of ministers in the State of Telangana, headed by the Chief Minister, responsible for implementing state-level governance and policies.

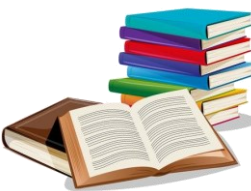


# APPOINTMENTS



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Md. Azharuddin:** Former Indian cricket team captain, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha 2009–2014), and currently a leader in the Indian National Congress. His entry into the state cabinet marks a blend of sports and political leadership.

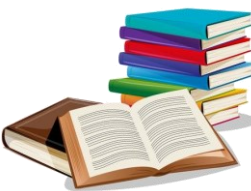


# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                        |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Swearing-in of Md. Azharuddin as Telangana Minister                            |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                               |
| Location                    | Raj Bhavan, Hyderabad                                                          |
| Issuing authority           | Governor of Telangana, Jishnu Dev Varma                                        |
| Policy/series name          | Telangana Cabinet Expansion – 16th Minister                                    |
| Key figures                 | Md. Azharuddin, CM Revanth Reddy, Governor Jishnu Dev Varma                    |
| Purpose/reason              | To induct new leadership and expertise into the state cabinet                  |
| Feature details             | Sworn in under Governor's quota; portfolio yet to be announced                 |
| Validity or status          | Officially sworn in                                                            |
| Strategic/significant value | Brings sports representation into politics; reflects inclusivity in governance |



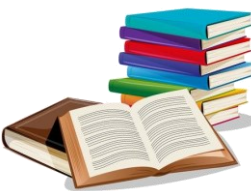
# AWARDS



➤ **Which noted actress and theatre personality was conferred the Dr Rajkumar Lifetime Achievement Award in 2025?**

- A) Sudha Belawadi
- B) Tara Anuradha
- C) Umashree
- D) Lakshmi
- E) Bhavya

**Answer**  
**C) Umashree**

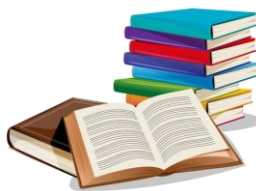


# AWARDS



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Umashree conferred with the Dr Rajkumar Lifetime Achievement Award
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 31, 2025 (for calendar year 2019 awards)

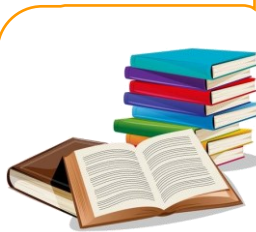


# AWARDS



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Government of Karnataka announced the Lifetime Achievement Awards for Kannada cinema for the calendar year 2019, including the Dr Rajkumar Award, Puttanna Kanagal Award, and Dr Vishnuvardhan Award.
- **Objectives:** These awards aim to honour individuals for their lifelong contributions to Kannada cinema, recognizing achievements in acting, directing, writing, and promoting regional film culture.

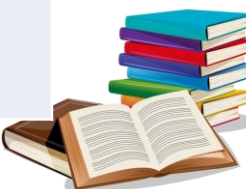


# AWARDS



## Karnataka Rajyotsava Awards 2025 – Tabular Summary (Category-wise)

| Category   | Awardees & Location                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Literature | Prof. Rajendra Chenni – Shivamogga<br>Thumbadi Ramayya – Tumakuru<br>Prof. R. Sunandamma – Chikkaballapur<br>Dr. L. H. Pushpa – Tumakuru<br>Rahamat Tarikere – Chikkamagaluru<br>H. M. Poojar – Vijayapura                                                                                                     |
| Folklore   | Basappa Bharamappa Choudki – Koppal<br>B. Thakappa Kannur – Shivamogga<br>Sanningappa Satteppa Mushennagol – Belagavi<br>Hanumantappa, Marappa, Chilangi – Chitradurga<br>M. Thopanna – Kolar<br>Somanna Dundappa Dhanagonda – Vijayapura<br>Sindhu Gujara – Dakshina Kannada<br>L. Mahadevappa Udiga – Mysuru |

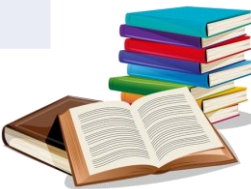


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## Karnataka Rajyotsava Awards 2025 – Tabular Summary (Category-wise)

| Category                 | Awardees & Location                                                                                                                                                                |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Music / Dance            | Devendrakumar Pattar – Koppal<br>Madivalayya Sali – Bidar<br>Prof. K. Ramamurthy Rao – Mysuru                                                                                      |
| Cinema / Television      | Prakash Raj – Dakshina Kannada<br>Vijayalakshmi Singh – Kodagu                                                                                                                     |
| Administration / Medical | H. Siddayya, IAS (Retd.) – Bengaluru South (Ramanagara)<br>Dr. Aalamma Maranna – Tumakuru<br>Dr. Jayaranganath – Bengaluru Rural                                                   |
| Social Service           | Sulagitti Eramma – Vijayanagar<br>Fakkeeri – Bengaluru Rural<br>Corine Antoinette Rasquinha – Dakshina Kannada<br>Dr. N. Sitarama Shetty – Udupi<br>Konandur Lingappa – Shivamogga |

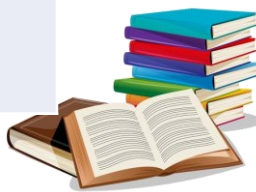


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## Karnataka Rajyotsava Awards 2025 – Tabular Summary (Category-wise)

| Category                          | Awardees & Location                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sculpture / Crafts / Visual Art   | Umesh Pambada – Dakshina Kannada<br>Dr. Ravindra Korishetty – Dharwad<br>K. Dinesh – Bengaluru<br>Shantaraju – Tumakuru<br>Jaffer Mohiyuddin – Raichur<br>Penna Obalappa – Bengaluru Rural<br>Shanti Bai – Ballari<br>Pundalik Shastri (Budabudake) – Belagavi |
| Kannadigas Abroad / Outside State | Zakariya Bajpe – Saudi Arabia<br>P. V. Shetty – Mumbai                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Environment                       | Ramegowda – Chamarajanagar<br>Mallikarjun Ningappa – Yadgir                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Agriculture                       | Dr. S. V. Hittalamani – Haveri<br>M. C. Rangaswamy – Hassan                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

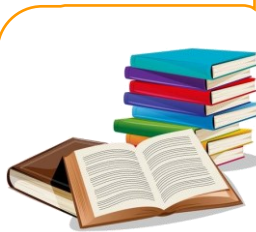


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## Karnataka Rajyotsava Awards 2025 – Tabular Summary (Category-wise)

| Category             | Awardees & Location                                                                                                     |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Media                | K. Subramanya – Bengaluru<br>Amshi Prasanna Kumar – Mysuru<br>B. M. Haneef – Dakshina Kannada<br>M. Siddharaju – Mandya |
| Science & Technology | Ramayya – Chikkaballapur<br>Air Marshal Philip Rajkumar – Davanagere<br>Dr. R. V. Nadagouda – Gadag                     |
| Cooperation          | Shekharagouda V. Malipatil – Koppal                                                                                     |



# AWARDS



## Karnataka Rajyotsava Awards 2025 – Tabular Summary (Category-wise)

| Category                               | Awardees & Location                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Yakshagana / Theatre / Performing Arts | Kota Suresh Bangera – Udupi<br>Airbail Anand Shetty – Udupi<br>Krishna Parameshwara Hegde – Uttara Kannada<br>Gunduraj – Hassan<br>H. M. Paramashivayya – Bengaluru South (Ramanagara)<br>L. B. Sheikh – Vijayapura<br>Bangarappa Khudanpur – Bengaluru<br>Mime Ramesh – Dakshina Kannada<br>D. Ratnamma Desai – Raichur |
| Education                              | Dr. M. R. Jayaram – Bengaluru<br>Dr. N. S. Ramegowda – Mysuru<br>S. B. Hosamani – Kalaburagi<br>Nagaraju – Belagavi                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

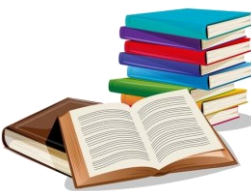


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## Karnataka Rajyotsava Awards 2025 – Tabular Summary (Category-wise)

| Category                          | Awardees & Location                                                                                                         |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sports                            | Ashish Kumar Ballal – Bengaluru<br>M. Yogendra – Mysuru<br>Dr. Babina N. M. (Yoga) – Kodagu                                 |
| Judiciary                         | Justice P. B. Bhajantri (Pavankumar Bhajantri) – Bagalkote                                                                  |
| Sculpture / Painting / Handicraft | Basanna Monappa Badiger – Yadgir<br>Nagalingappa G. Gangur – Bagalkote<br>B. Maruti – Vijayanagar<br>L. Hemashekar – Mysuru |

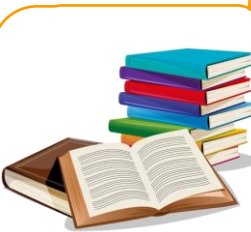


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## Important Terms Explained:

- **Dr Rajkumar Lifetime Achievement Award:** An honorary award presented by the Karnataka government to actors for significant lifetime contributions to Kannada cinema, named after legendary actor Dr Rajkumar.
- **Puttanna Kanagal Award:** A prestigious lifetime achievement award for film directors in Kannada cinema, named after celebrated filmmaker Puttanna Kanagal.
- **Dr Vishnuvardhan Award:** A state award recognizing lifetime service to Kannada cinema, named after iconic actor Dr Vishnuvardhan.

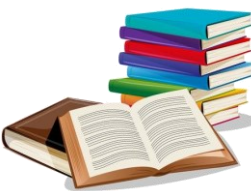


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                         |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Karnataka State Film Awards – Lifetime Achievement Awards 2019                  |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                                |
| Location                    | Bengaluru, Karnataka                                                            |
| Issuing authority           | Government of Karnataka                                                         |
| Policy/series name          | Dr Rajkumar, Puttanna Kanagal & Vishnuvardhan Awards                            |
| Key figures                 | Umashree, N R Nanjunde Gowda, Richard Castelino                                 |
| Purpose/reason              | To honour contributions to Kannada cinema across acting, direction, and writing |
| Feature details             | Awards announced for 2019; includes best book and short film categories         |
| Validity or status          | Announced and recipients declared                                               |
| Strategic/significant value | Promotes recognition and preservation of Karnataka's film heritage              |



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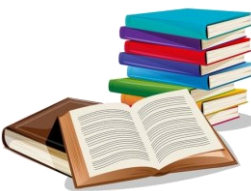


➤ How many individuals were selected for the Karnataka Rajyotsava Award in 2025?

- A) 50
- B) 60
- C) 70
- D) 80
- E) 90



**Answer**  
**C) 70**

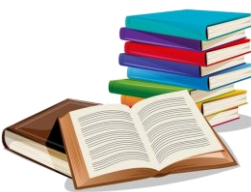


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## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Karnataka government announces 70 recipients for the 2025 Karnataka Rajyotsava Award
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 31, 2025

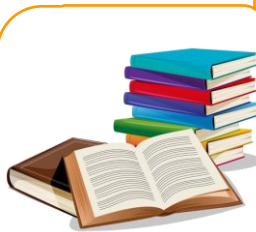


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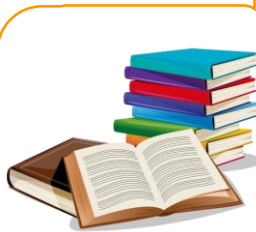
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Karnataka government announced the Karnataka Rajyotsava Awards 2025, selecting 70 individuals from diverse fields such as arts, sports, civil service, journalism, sanitation, and social work.
- **Objectives:** The awards recognize and honour individuals for exemplary contributions to society and culture in Karnataka, with a focus on merit-based, inclusive representation, including minor communities and women.



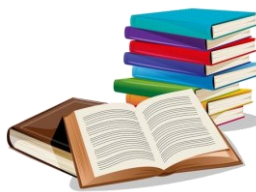
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Karnataka Rajyotsava Award:** A prestigious civilian honour conferred by the Karnataka government on November 1 every year, recognizing outstanding achievements across various fields. It includes a 25g gold medal, ₹5 lakh cash prize, and a memento.
- **Merit-Based Selection (2025):** For the first time, the selection process did not invite formal applications, focusing instead on committee recommendations and district-wide representation for fairness and inclusivity.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Samagar Haralayya Community:** A historically marginalized community in Karnataka; the 2025 awards marked the first time two individuals from this community were recognized with the Rajyotsava Award.

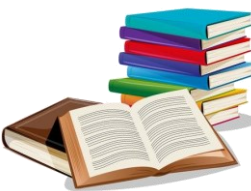


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Karnataka Rajyotsava Awards 2025                                             |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                             |
| Location                    | Bengaluru, Karnataka                                                         |
| Issuing authority           | Department of Kannada and Culture, Government of Karnataka                   |
| Policy/series name          | Rajyotsava Civilian Honours                                                  |
| Key figures                 | Prakash Raj, Vijayalakshmi Singh, Rahamat Tarikere, Ashish Ballal, Fakkiri   |
| Purpose/reason              | To honour individuals for distinguished service and achievements             |
| Feature details             | 70 awardees, 13 women, 21 from minor communities; first time no orgs awarded |
| Validity or status          | Awards to be presented on November 1, 2025 at Ravindra Kalakshetra           |
| Strategic/significant value | Promotes inclusive recognition, social equity, and cultural pride            |

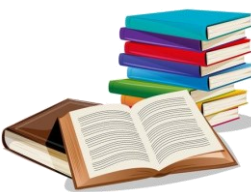


➤ Which company delivered India's first indigenously manufactured 220kV Mobile Gas-Insulated Switchgear (m-GIS) System to POWERGRID?

- A) BHEL
- B) Toshiba Transmission & Distribution Systems (India)
- C) Siemens India
- D) GE Power India
- E) NTPC

**Answer**

**B) Toshiba Transmission & Distribution Systems (India)**

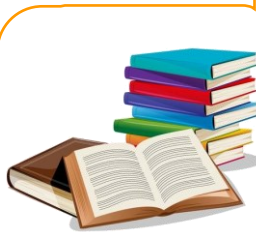


# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



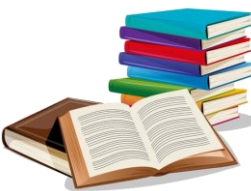
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Flag-off of India's first indigenously made 220kV m-GIS system
- **Location:** Telangana, India
- **Date:** October 30, 2025



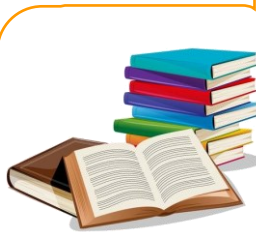
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Toshiba Transmission & Distribution Systems (India) delivered a 220kV Mobile Gas-Insulated Switchgear (m-GIS) system to Power Grid Corporation of India (POWERGRID) from its Telangana facility.
- **Objectives:** The goal is to enhance India's high-voltage power distribution capabilities using compact, efficient, and mobile technology made indigenously.



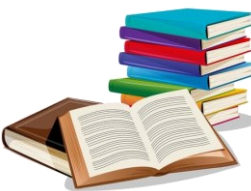
## Important Terms Explained:

- **220kV Mobile Gas-Insulated Switchgear (m-GIS):** A high-voltage switchgear system that is compact, safe, and mobile, designed for efficient power distribution in space-constrained or temporary setups.
- **Toshiba Transmission & Distribution Systems (India) (TTDI):** The Indian arm of Toshiba, involved in manufacturing and supplying power transmission and distribution equipment.
- **POWERGRID:** Short for Power Grid Corporation of India Limited, it is India's central transmission utility responsible for interstate electricity transmission.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Delivery of India's first 220kV m-GIS system                                 |
| Announcement date           | October 30, 2025                                                             |
| Location                    | Telangana, India                                                             |
| Issuing authority           | Toshiba Transmission & Distribution Systems (India)                          |
| Policy/series name          | Indigenous power infrastructure development                                  |
| Key figures                 | TTDI officials, POWERGRID representatives                                    |
| Purpose/reason              | To support reliable, space-saving power distribution using mobile technology |
| Feature details             | First 220kV mobile gas-insulated switchgear system manufactured in India     |
| Validity or status          | Flagged off and delivered to POWERGRID                                       |
| Strategic/significant value | Boosts self-reliance in power equipment manufacturing                        |



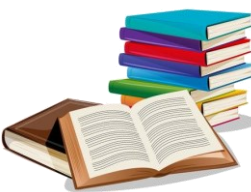
➤ Which Australian startup launched its mental wellness app in Hyderabad with a \$5 million AUD investment?

- A) Beyond Blue
- B) MindWell
- C) Give Me 5 (GM5)
- D) Calm Australia
- E) MindGym



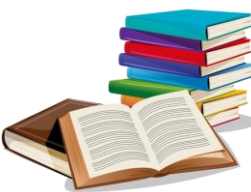
**Answer**

**C) Give Me 5 (GM5)**



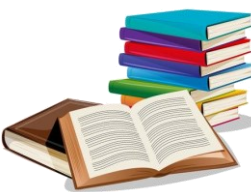
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of GM5 mental wellness Beta app in India
- **Location:** Hyderabad, Telangana
- **Date:** October 30, 2025



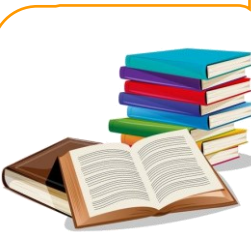
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Australian startup Give Me 5 (GM5) launched its Beta mental wellness app in Hyderabad, marking its entry into the Indian B2C wellness market with an investment of \$5 million AUD.
- **Objectives:** The initiative focuses on early psychological intervention and emotional counselling for school students, aiming to build a network-focused mental health ecosystem in India.



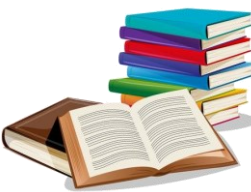
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Give Me 5 (GM5):** An Australian mental health and wellness startup founded in 2019, offering evidence-based counselling tools through digital platforms; now expanding into India.
- **Early Intervention:** A psychological approach that focuses on identifying and addressing mental health challenges at early stages, especially in youth and vulnerable groups.
- **B2C (Business-to-Consumer):** A business model where services or products are directly provided to individual users; GM5's launch marks its B2C entry into India via its app.



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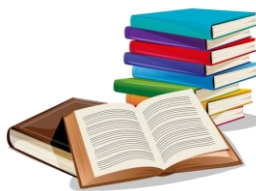
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| Event name                  | Launch of GM5 Beta App for mental wellness                                |
| Announcement date           | October 30, 2025                                                          |
| Location                    | Hyderabad, Telangana                                                      |
| Issuing authority           | Give Me 5 (GM5), Australia                                                |
| Policy/series name          | GM5 India B2C Wellness Initiative                                         |
| Key figures                 | Dr. Lisa Fahey OAM, Brendan Fahey                                         |
| Purpose/reason              | To introduce evidence-based emotional counselling for students            |
| Feature details             | First-of-its-kind app targeting school mental health; pilot in Hyderabad  |
| Validity or status          | Beta version launched with \$5 million AUD investment                     |
| Strategic/significant value | Supports early psychological support systems and network-focused wellness |



- **What is the main objective of India's tri-service Exercise Trishul conducted along the western border?**
- A) To enhance trade with Pakistan
  - B) To test India's missile technology
  - C) To improve interoperability among armed forces
  - D) To conduct joint drills with foreign allies
  - E) To modernize army uniforms

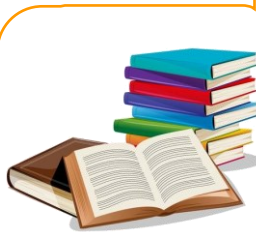
**Answer**

**C) To improve interoperability among armed forces**



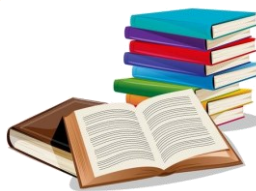
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of tri-service military Exercise Trishul
- **Location:** Western border of India (Gujarat and Rajasthan)
- **Date:** October 30, 2025



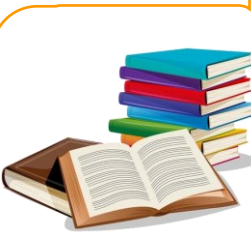
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India initiated Exercise Trishul, a coordinated tri-service military operation involving the Indian Army, Indian Navy, and Indian Air Force, with additional support from BSF and Indian Coast Guard.
- **Objectives:** The exercise aims to enhance joint command readiness, test combat effectiveness across domains, and ensure interoperability between services in responding to regional security threats.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Exercise Trishul:** A large-scale tri-service military drill conducted by India's Army, Navy, and Air Force to improve operational synergy along the western border.
- **Interoperability:** The capability of different military services to work in unified coordination during missions, including real-time communication and strategic cooperation.
- **Joint Command Structure:** A defense mechanism where command over multiple military branches is unified to streamline decision-making and operational execution.

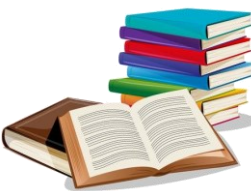


# DEFENCE



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                    |
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| Event name                  | Exercise Trishul                                                           |
| Announcement date           | October 30, 2025                                                           |
| Location                    | Gujarat and Rajasthan (India's western border with Pakistan)               |
| Issuing authority           | Indian Armed Forces under Ministry of Defence                              |
| Policy/series name          | Tri-service joint combat readiness exercise                                |
| Key figures                 | Rajnath Singh (Defence Minister), Gen Manoj Pande, Gen Anil Chauhan        |
| Purpose/reason              | To boost joint combat readiness and strategic coordination                 |
| Feature details             | 3 phases led by Navy, Army, and IAF; 20,000+ troops; tanks, jets, warships |
| Validity or status          | Ongoing from October 30 to November 10, 2025                               |
| Strategic/significant value | Strengthens India's defence posture along the Indo-Pak border              |

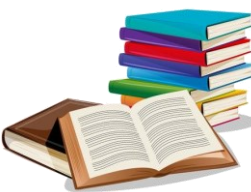


➤ **At which international forum did India and the U.S. sign a new 10-year defence framework agreement in 2025?**

- A) G20 Summit
- B) BRICS Defence Meet
- C) ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus (ADMM-Plus)
- D) QUAD Dialogue
- E) UN General Assembly

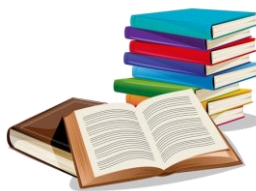
**Answer**

**C) ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus (ADMM-Plus)**



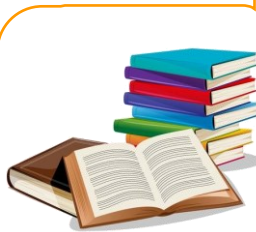
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India and U.S. sign a 10-year Framework for Major Defence Partnership
- **Location:** Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (on sidelines of ADMM-Plus)
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



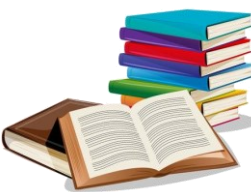
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India's Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and U.S. Secretary of War Pete Hegseth signed a 10-year strategic defence cooperation roadmap titled "Framework for the U.S.-India Major Defence Partnership."
- **Objectives:** The agreement aims to guide bilateral collaboration across the defence spectrum, enhance military-to-military engagements, and bolster interoperability over the next decade, reflecting increasing strategic convergence between both nations.



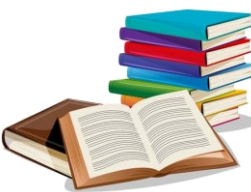
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Framework for the U.S.-India Major Defence Partnership:** A formal 10-year agreement outlining structured cooperation between India and the U.S. across strategic and defence domains, including joint training, tech transfers, logistics, and Indo-Pacific security.
- **ADMM-Plus (ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus):** A platform for defence dialogue and cooperation among ASEAN and eight dialogue partners including India, U.S., China, and others, promoting regional peace and security.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Strategic Convergence:** A term denoting alignment of strategic goals and defence priorities between two or more nations, often leading to long-term partnerships in security, defence, and foreign policy.

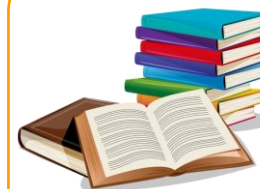


# INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                             |
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| Event name                  | Signing of India–U.S. 10-Year Defence Framework Agreement                           |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                                    |
| Location                    | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (ADMM-Plus 2025)                                             |
| Issuing authority           | Ministry of Defence (India) & U.S. Department of Defense                            |
| Policy/series name          | Framework for the U.S.–India Major Defence Partnership                              |
| Key figures                 | Rajnath Singh (India), Pete Hegseth (U.S.)                                          |
| Purpose/reason              | To strengthen long-term bilateral defence and strategic cooperation                 |
| Feature details             | 10-year duration, interoperability focus, Indo-Pacific cooperation                  |
| Validity or status          | Signed and in effect from October 31, 2025                                          |
| Strategic/significant value | Deepens military ties, counters regional threats, signals strong Indo-U.S. alliance |



# SCHEMES & INITIATIVES

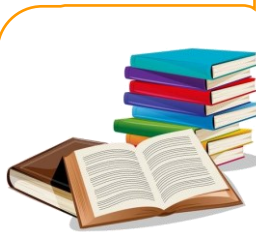


➤ Under which scheme were 9 lakh fish seedlings distributed to women SHGs in Karnataka in 2025?

- A) Matsya Kranti Yojana
- B) Matsya Sampada Yojana
- C) Matsya Sanjeevini
- D) Jal Jeevan Matsya
- E) Blue Revolution Mission

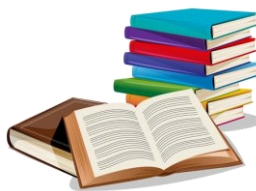
**Answer**

**C) Matsya Sanjeevini**



## Event and Location:

- **Event:** 9 lakh fish seedlings distributed to women SHGs under 'Matsya Sanjeevini' scheme
- **Location:** Mandya district, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 31, 2025

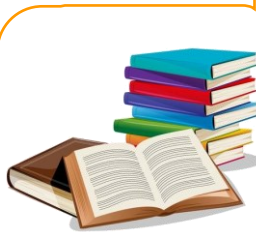


# SCHEMES & INITIATIVES



## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Under the 'Matsya Sanjeevini' scheme, the Zilla Panchayat of Mandya facilitated the distribution of 9 lakh fish seedlings to women self-help groups (SHGs). The initiative was launched with a fish-farming training workshop inaugurated by ZP CEO K.R. Nandini.
- **Objectives:** The scheme aims to promote economic self-reliance, rural entrepreneurship, and sustainable livelihood generation for rural women by encouraging aquaculture-based income under the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM).

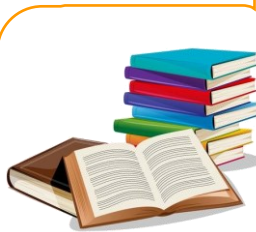


# SCHEMES & INITIATIVES



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Matsya Sanjeevini:** A government initiative under NRLM, specifically designed to promote fish farming and aquaculture among rural women SHGs for livelihood support.
- **Self-Help Groups (SHGs):** Small voluntary associations of people, mainly women, who come together to form savings and credit groups and undertake income-generating activities.
- **National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM):** Also known as Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana, it is a central government scheme aimed at promoting self-employment and organization of the rural poor.

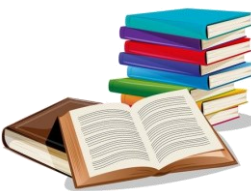


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| Parameter                   | Details                                                                  |
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| Event name                  | Distribution of fish seedlings under Matsya Sanjeevini scheme            |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                         |
| Location                    | Mandya, Karnataka                                                        |
| Issuing authority           | Zilla Panchayat, Mandya                                                  |
| Policy/series name          | Matsya Sanjeevini under NRLM                                             |
| Key figures                 | ZP CEO K.R. Nandini                                                      |
| Purpose/reason              | To empower women SHGs through aquaculture-based self-employment          |
| Feature details             | 9 lakh fish seedlings distributed, training workshop organized           |
| Validity or status          | Ongoing implementation                                                   |
| Strategic/significant value | Promotes rural development, self-employment, and sustainable livelihoods |

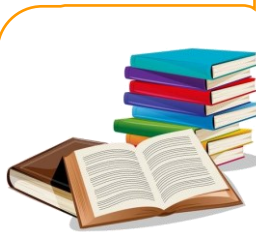


➤ **How much total funding did the Karnataka Cabinet approve in October 2025 for Bengaluru's infrastructure upgrade?**

- A) ₹1,000 crore
- B) ₹2,000 crore
- C) ₹2,141.57 crore
- D) ₹1,241.00 crore
- E) ₹3,000 crore

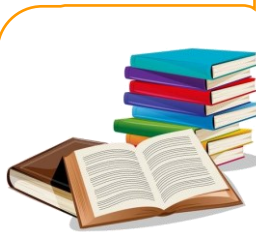
**Answer**

**C) ₹2,141.57 crore**



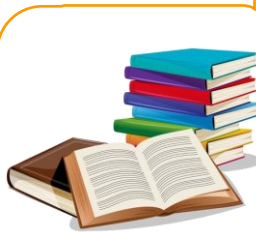
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Karnataka Cabinet approves ₹2,141.57 crore for Bengaluru infrastructure upgrade
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 30, 2025



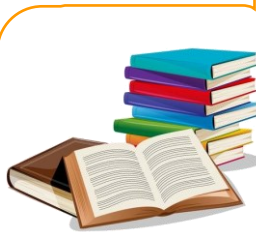
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Karnataka Cabinet has sanctioned ₹2,141.57 crore for infrastructure development in Bengaluru, including ₹1,241 crore specifically allocated for road improvement.
- **Objectives:** The objective is to address deteriorating civic infrastructure by improving arterial and ward roads, stormwater drains, parks, and other essential urban infrastructure.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Karnataka Cabinet:** The executive decision-making body of the Government of Karnataka, headed by the Chief Minister, responsible for approving state-level policies and budget allocations.
- **Civic Infrastructure:** Refers to foundational services like roads, drains, and parks that are essential for urban functionality and quality of life in cities.
- **Arterial and Sub-Arterial Roads:** Major roads that handle high volumes of traffic, connecting city sectors and facilitating traffic flow between local roads and expressways.

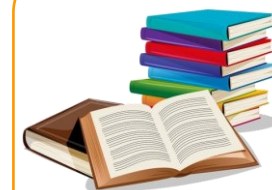


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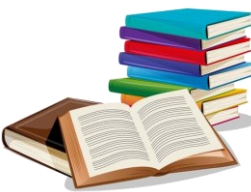
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| Event name                  | Karnataka Cabinet approval for Bengaluru infrastructure projects          |
| Announcement date           | October 30, 2025                                                          |
| Location                    | Bengaluru, Karnataka                                                      |
| Issuing authority           | Karnataka Cabinet                                                         |
| Policy/series name          | Urban Infrastructure Development for Bengaluru                            |
| Key figures                 | Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, State Urban Development Ministry             |
| Purpose/reason              | To address public concerns and improve deteriorating civic infrastructure |
| Feature details             | ₹1,241 crore for roads; balance for drains, parks, and civic services     |
| Validity or status          | Approved and pending implementation                                       |
| Strategic/significant value | Enhances city livability, traffic management, and public amenities        |



➤ Which metro line in Bengaluru is adding its fifth train on Karnataka Rajyotsava 2025?

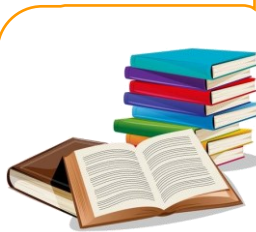
- A) Green Line
- B) Purple Line
- C) Blue Line
- D) Yellow Line
- E) Red Line

**Answer**  
**D) Yellow Line**



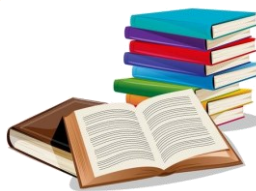
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Introduction of the fifth train on the Yellow Line of Namma Metro
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** November 1, 2025 (on 70<sup>th</sup> Karnataka Rajyotsava)



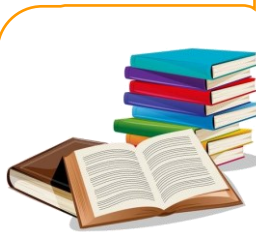
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) will induct a fifth train into regular service on the Yellow Line of Namma Metro beginning November 1, 2025, coinciding with Karnataka Rajyotsava.
- **Objectives:** The addition aims to reduce severe overcrowding and improve commuter convenience on the increasingly congested Yellow Line corridor in Bengaluru.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Namma Metro:** The official name for Bengaluru's metro rail system, operated by BMRCL, offering mass rapid transit in and around the city.
- **Yellow Line:** A corridor of Namma Metro currently facing high commuter traffic; the induction of more trains is aimed at improving service frequency and load distribution.
- **Karnataka Rajyotsava:** Celebrated on November 1st every year, it marks the formation of the state of Karnataka in 1956 and is a key date for state-level announcements and initiatives.

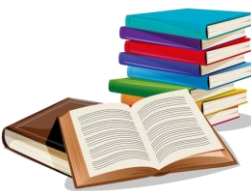


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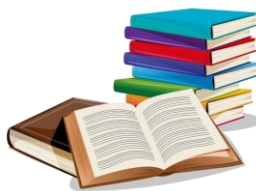
| Parameter                   | Details                                                           |
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| Event name                  | Induction of 5th train on Namma Metro Yellow Line                 |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                  |
| Location                    | Bengaluru, Karnataka                                              |
| Issuing authority           | Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL)                  |
| Policy/series name          | Namma Metro Service Expansion                                     |
| Key figures                 | J. Ravi Shankar (Managing Director, BMRCL)                        |
| Purpose/reason              | To ease overcrowding and enhance service frequency on Yellow Line |
| Feature details             | 5th train to be deployed; inspected at Hebbagodi depot            |
| Validity or status          | Operational from November 1, 2025                                 |
| Strategic/significant value | Boosts urban mobility on a key date (70th Karnataka Rajyotsava)   |



- Which Union Minister inaugurated the new Indian Institute of Packaging (IIP) centre in Bengaluru in October 2025?

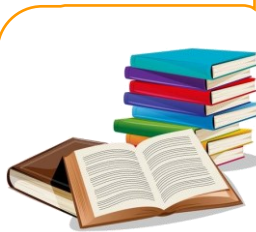
- A) Hardeep Singh Puri
- B) Dharmendra Pradhan
- C) Piyush Goyal
- D) Ashwini Vaishnaw
- E) Anurag Thakur

**Answer**  
**C) Piyush Goyal**



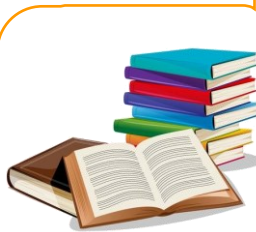
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Inauguration of Indian Institute of Packaging (IIP) Bengaluru Centre
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



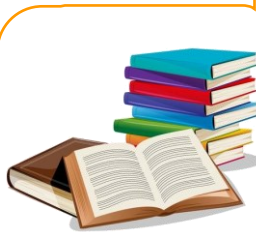
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Indian Institute of Packaging (IIP), under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, inaugurated a new centre in Bengaluru to strengthen packaging education and research. The event was officiated by Union Minister Piyush Goyal.
- **Objectives:** The new facility is aimed at promoting packaging-related education, research, testing, and certification, which supports India's growing packaging and logistics ecosystem and boosts employment and innovation.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Indian Institute of Packaging (IIP):** An autonomous body under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, responsible for training, research, and development in packaging technologies and standards.
- **Packaging Industry:** A critical sector in logistics and retail that supports product protection, branding, transport, and compliance. It employs over 5 million people across multiple domains.
- **Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoCI):** The central government ministry responsible for trade, industrial development, and export promotion. IIP functions under this ministry.

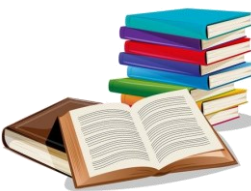


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Inauguration of IIP Bengaluru Centre                                         |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                             |
| Location                    | Bengaluru, Karnataka                                                         |
| Issuing authority           | Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India                       |
| Policy/series name          | Expansion of IIP facilities across India                                     |
| Key figures                 | Union Minister Piyush Goyal                                                  |
| Purpose/reason              | To support packaging research, testing, certification, and skill development |
| Feature details             | Focus on packaging education, testing labs, industry collaboration           |
| Validity or status          | Operational from October 31, 2025                                            |
| Strategic/significant value | Supports employment, innovation, and infrastructure in packaging sector      |



➤ Who delivered the Foundation Day lecture at IISER Thiruvananthapuram's 17<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day in 2025?

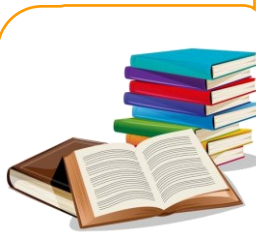
- A) Raghunath Mashelkar
- B) K. Radhakrishnan
- C) V.K. Saraswat
- D) Dr. G. Satheesh Reddy
- E) T. Ramasami

**Answer**  
**C) V.K. Saraswat**



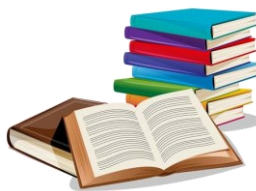
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** IISER Thiruvananthapuram celebrates its 17<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day
- **Location:** Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



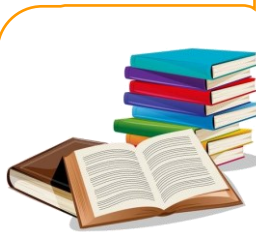
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Thiruvananthapuram marked its 17th Foundation Day, featuring a keynote lecture by Dr. V.K. Saraswat, Member of NITI Aayog and former DG of DRDO.
- **Objectives:** The celebration aimed to highlight the importance of indigenous scientific and engineering capabilities to fulfil national missions such as Atmanirbhar Bharat and Viksit Bharat 2047.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **IISER (Indian Institute of Science Education and Research):** A premier autonomous institute under the Ministry of Education, dedicated to promoting high-quality science education and research in India.
- **Atmanirbhar Bharat:** A government initiative to make India self-reliant in critical sectors including science, manufacturing, and technology through indigenous innovation and reduced import dependence.
- **Viksit Bharat 2047:** A long-term national vision aiming to transform India into a fully developed nation by the year 2047, the centenary of its independence.

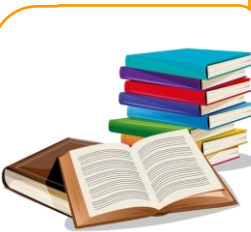


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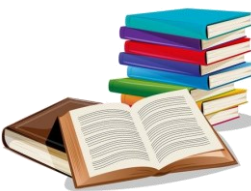
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                 |
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| Event name                  | 17th Foundation Day of IISER Thiruvananthapuram                         |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                        |
| Location                    | Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala                                              |
| Issuing authority           | IISER Thiruvananthapuram, Ministry of Education                         |
| Policy/series name          | Annual Foundation Day Celebration                                       |
| Key figures                 | Dr. V.K. Saraswat (NITI Aayog Member, former DG DRDO)                   |
| Purpose/reason              | To promote indigenous science and engineering for national growth       |
| Feature details             | Foundation lecture focused on Atmanirbhar Bharat and Viksit Bharat 2047 |
| Validity or status          | Successfully conducted                                                  |
| Strategic/significant value | Reinforces national scientific self-reliance and developmental goals    |



- How much total welfare pension amount will each beneficiary in Kerala receive in November 2025, as announced by the Finance Minister?

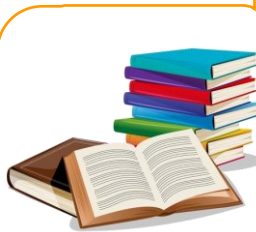
- A) ₹2,000
- B) ₹3,000
- C) ₹3,600
- D) ₹1,600
- E) ₹4,000

**Answer**  
**C) ₹3,600**



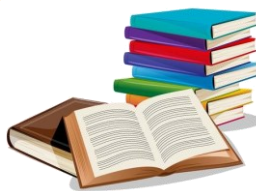
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Revised welfare pension to be distributed in November 2025
- **Location:** Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



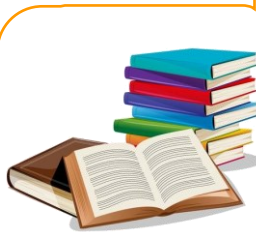
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Kerala Finance Minister K. N. Balagopal announced that the revised welfare pension of ₹3,600 (including arrears) will be distributed from November 20, 2025, covering around 62 lakh beneficiaries.
- **Objectives:** To clear all pending welfare pension arrears, increase the monthly pension to ₹2,000, and maintain Kerala's commitment to universal social security coverage.



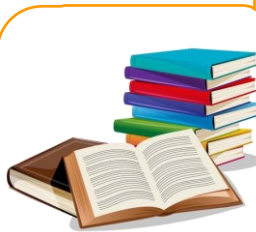
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Welfare Pension:** A financial assistance program provided by the state to elderly, differently-abled, widows, and other economically weaker sections. Kerala provides it under a universal model, covering over 62 lakh beneficiaries.
- **Arrears Payment:** The ₹1,600 included in the November 2025 pension represents delayed payments from the previous fiscal year due to the state's financial crunch.



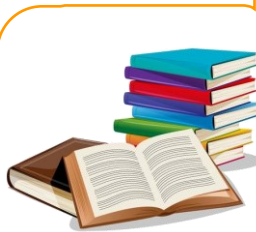
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Universal Social Security Scheme:** Kerala's model ensures monthly pension distribution to all eligible categories, regardless of caste, religion, or employment background—unique among Indian states.



## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                               |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Revised Welfare Pension Distribution in Kerala                        |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                      |
| Location                    | Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala                                            |
| Issuing authority           | Department of Finance, Government of Kerala                           |
| Policy/series name          | Kerala Universal Welfare Pension Scheme                               |
| Key figures                 | K. N. Balagopal (Finance Minister)                                    |
| Purpose/reason              | To clear pension arrears and raise monthly support to ₹2,000          |
| Feature details             | ₹3,600 payout: ₹2,000 pension + ₹1,600 arrears; covers 62 lakh people |
| Validity or status          | Distribution begins November 20, 2025                                 |
| Strategic/significant value | Reinforces Kerala's leadership in universal social welfare systems    |

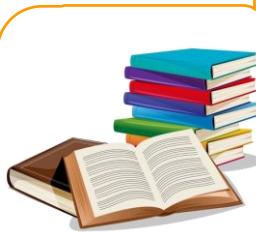


➤ **Where did 3M India recently launch its Electronics Customer Experience Centre in 2025?**

- A) Whitefield
- B) Pune
- C) Electronics City, Bengaluru
- D) Hyderabad
- E) Noida

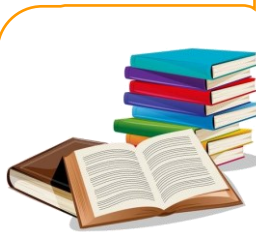
**Answer**

**C) Electronics City, Bengaluru**



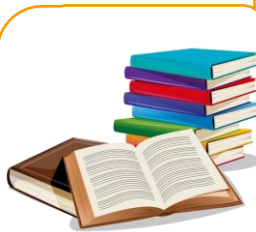
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of Electronics Customer Experience Centre by 3M India
- **Location:** Electronics City, Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Date:** October 31, 2025



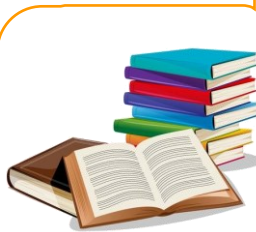
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - 3M India launched a new customer experience centre dedicated to electronics innovation at its R&D Center in Bengaluru.
  - The facility will serve as a platform for testing, collaboration, and customised solution development for industries like semiconductors, consumer electronics, and industrial automation.



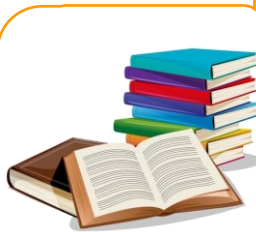
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
  - To co-develop electronics solutions with customers in India's growing manufacturing sector.
  - To showcase 3M's electronics portfolio, including thermal management, conductive materials, abrasives, and bonding solutions.
  - To strengthen partnerships with Indian electronics companies and support the Make in India initiative by fostering local innovation.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Electronics Customer Experience Centre:**
  - A technology demonstration and co-creation space where clients can interact with products, run live tests, and collaborate with the company's engineers on custom electronics solutions.
- **Thermal Management Materials:**
  - Materials used in electronics to dissipate heat, critical for maintaining device performance and longevity, especially in semiconductors.
- **Semiconductor Materials:**
  - Specialized raw materials or compounds used in the design and manufacturing of integrated circuits, which are central to modern electronics.

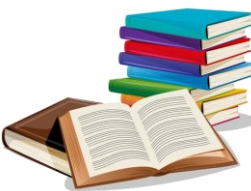


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## Tabular Summary:

| Parameter                   | Details                                                                     |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Launch of 3M India Electronics Customer Experience Centre                   |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                            |
| Location                    | Electronics City, Bengaluru, Karnataka                                      |
| Issuing authority           | 3M India Limited                                                            |
| Policy/series name          | Electronics Customer Experience & R&D Expansion                             |
| Key figures                 | Dr. Steven Vander Louw, Ramesh Ramadurai                                    |
| Purpose/reason              | To boost electronics innovation, collaboration, and localised solutions     |
| Feature details             | Offers testing, co-creation, and showcases materials for electronics sector |
| Validity or status          | Operational from October 2025                                               |
| Strategic/significant value | Supports India's vision of becoming a global electronics manufacturing hub  |

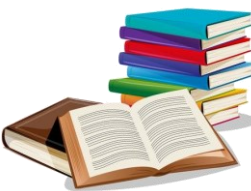


➤ **What is the significance of the National Marine Fisheries Census 2025 launched in India?**

- A) It focuses only on inland fisheries
- B) It introduces subsidies for fish exports
- C) It is the first fully digitised marine fisheries census
- D) It merges fisheries with agriculture census
- E) It excludes union territories from coverage

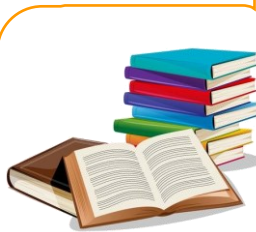
**Answer**

**C) It is the first fully digitised marine fisheries census**



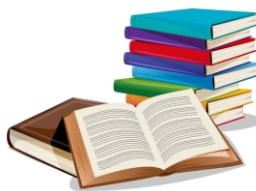
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Launch of the first fully digitised National Marine Fisheries Census 2025
- **Location:** ICAR-CMFRI, Kochi, Kerala
- **Date:** October 31, 2025 (**Enumeration:** November 3 – December 18, 2025)



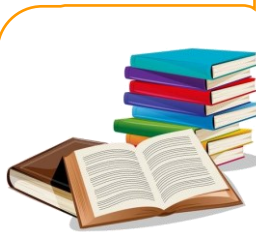
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:**
  - The National Marine Fisheries Census (MFC) 2025 was officially launched by Union Minister of State George Kurian at ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI).
  - The enumeration phase will cover over 1.2 million fisher households in 4,000 marine fishing villages across nine coastal states and four union territories.
  - Fishermen and fish workers will be registered on the National Fisheries Digital Platform (NFDP) during the 45-day drive.



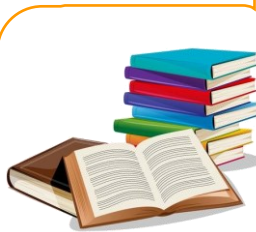
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:**
  - To enable accurate, real-time, data-driven governance in the fisheries sector.
  - To ensure all fishers are registered digitally for eligibility under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana (PM-MKSSY).
  - To create a comprehensive national fisheries database for better planning, welfare, and subsidy disbursement.



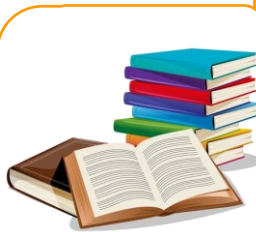
## Important Terms Explained:

- **National Marine Fisheries Census (MFC):**
  - A comprehensive enumeration of marine fishers, fish workers, and infrastructure to assist in policy-making and welfare delivery in India's coastal and marine sectors. Conducted by the ICAR-CMFRI.
- **National Fisheries Digital Platform (NFDP):**
  - A digital registration and governance platform under the Ministry of Fisheries to streamline fisher data, ensure benefit delivery, and monitor sector development.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana (PM-MKSSY):**
  - A central government scheme to provide financial assistance and subsidies to registered fishers and fish farmers under the Blue Economy Mission.

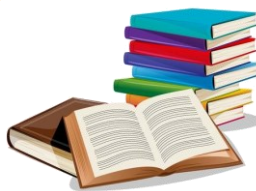


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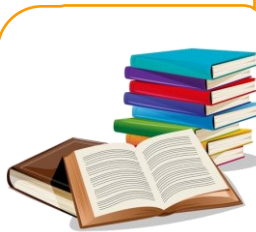
| Parameter                   | Details                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Event name                  | Launch of National Marine Fisheries Census 2025                                                |
| Announcement date           | October 31, 2025                                                                               |
| Location                    | Kochi, Kerala (ICAR-CMFRI)                                                                     |
| Issuing authority           | Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying                                           |
| Policy/series name          | National Marine Fisheries Census (MFC), NFDP                                                   |
| Key figures                 | George Kurian (MoS), ICAR-CMFRI officers                                                       |
| Purpose/reason              | To digitally register fishers and gather sector data for governance                            |
| Feature details             | Covers 1.2 million households, 9 states, 4 UTs; runs Nov 3 – Dec 18, 2025                      |
| Validity or status          | Active; enumeration phase in progress                                                          |
| Strategic/significant value | Enables digital inclusion of fishers; essential for scheme eligibility and Blue Economy growth |



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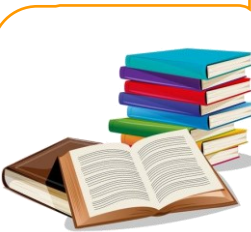
- India celebrated Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2025 on October 31 to mark the 150th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.
- St. Joseph Engineering College (SJEC), Mangaluru, won third place in the men's category at the VTU State-Level Weightlifting Championship 2025.
- Ilamparthi AR from Chennai has become India's 90th Chess Grandmaster at just 16 years old.
- The Reserve Bank of India rejected all bids for the 6.28% 2032 bond at its October 31, 2025 auction due to high yield expectations.
- ITC Ltd reported a 2.6% YoY increase in consolidated net profit to ₹5,186 crore for Q2 FY 2025–26.
- Bank of Baroda posted a net profit of ₹4,809 crore in Q2 FY26, down 8% y-o-y due to a high base from a one-time recovery last year.
- GAIL India reported an 18% YoY decline in Q2 FY26 net profit to ₹2,823 crore due to weak petrochemical margins.
- India's total power generation capacity touched 501 GW in 2025, with 50% coming from renewable energy sources.
- Ingka Investments, IKEA's parent group, has announced its first renewable energy investment in India with a 210 MWp solar project in Rajasthan.



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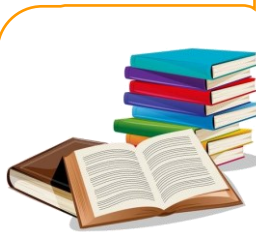
- **Equitas Small Finance Bank reported a net profit of ₹24 crore in Q2 FY26, doubling from ₹12.9 crore in the same quarter last year.**
- **MEIL Energy acquired a 100% stake in TAQA Neyveli Power Company from Abu Dhabi's TAQA.**
- **Former Indian cricketer Md. Azharuddin was sworn in as a Minister in the Telangana Cabinet on October 31, 2025.**
- **Mohammad Azharuddin was sworn in as Minister-designate in the Telangana Cabinet on October 31, 2025.**
- **Veteran actress and politician Umashree was awarded the Dr Rajkumar Lifetime Achievement Award for her contribution to Kannada cinema.**
- **The Karnataka government has announced 70 recipients of the 2025 Karnataka Rajyotsava Award, including actor Prakash Raj.**
- **Toshiba Transmission & Distribution Systems (India) has delivered the country's first 220kV mobile GIS system.**
- **Australian startup Give Me 5 (GM5) launched its Beta mental health app in Hyderabad with a \$5 million AUD investment.**
- **India has launched a tri-service military exercise named Exercise Trishul along its western border with Pakistan.**



# QUICK RECALL



- India and the U.S. signed a 10-year defence framework agreement at the ADMM-Plus meeting in Kuala Lumpur.
- Karnataka's Zilla Panchayat in Mandya distributed 9 lakh fish seedlings to women SHGs under the Matsya Sanjeevini scheme.
- The Karnataka Cabinet has approved ₹2,141.57 crore for the comprehensive upgrade of Bengaluru's infrastructure.
- BMRCL will introduce a fifth train on the Yellow Line of Namma Metro on Karnataka Rajyotsava, November 1, 2025.
- Union Minister Piyush Goyal inaugurated the Indian Institute of Packaging's new centre in Bengaluru on October 31, 2025.
- IISER Thiruvananthapuram celebrated its 17th Foundation Day on October 31, 2025.
- Kerala Finance Minister K. N. Balagopal announced the revised welfare pension distribution of ₹3,600 for November 2025.
- 3M India launched its Electronics Customer Experience Centre in Electronics City, Bengaluru on October 31, 2025.
- The National Marine Fisheries Census 2025 was launched in Kochi as India's first fully digitised fisheries census.



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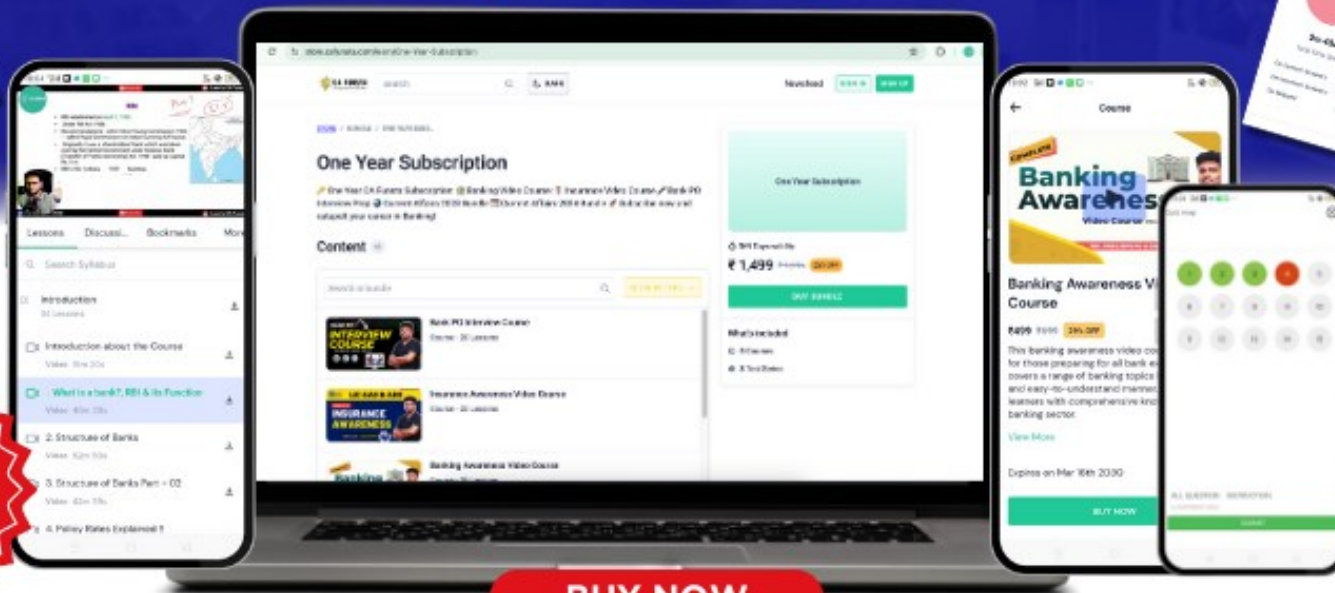
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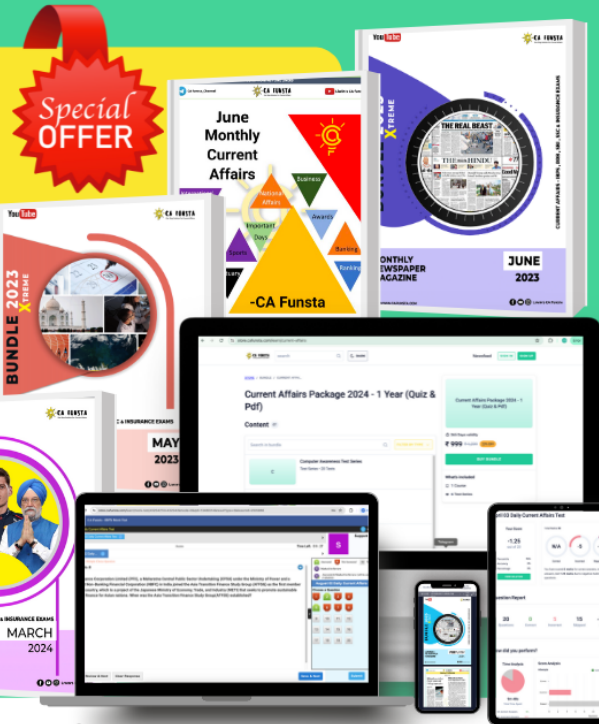
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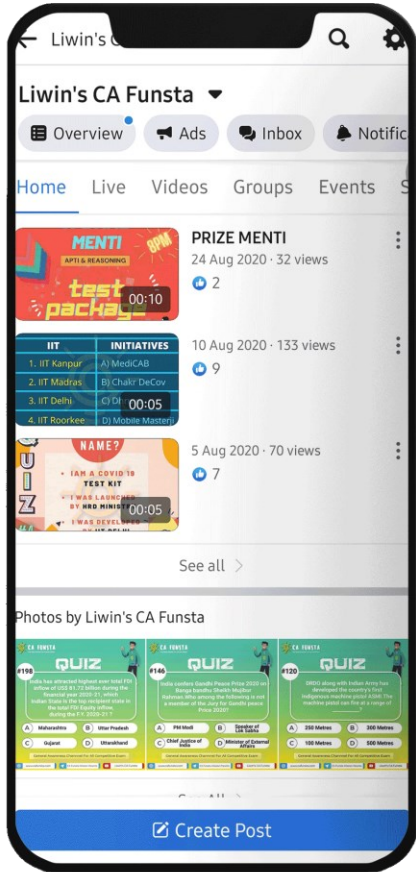
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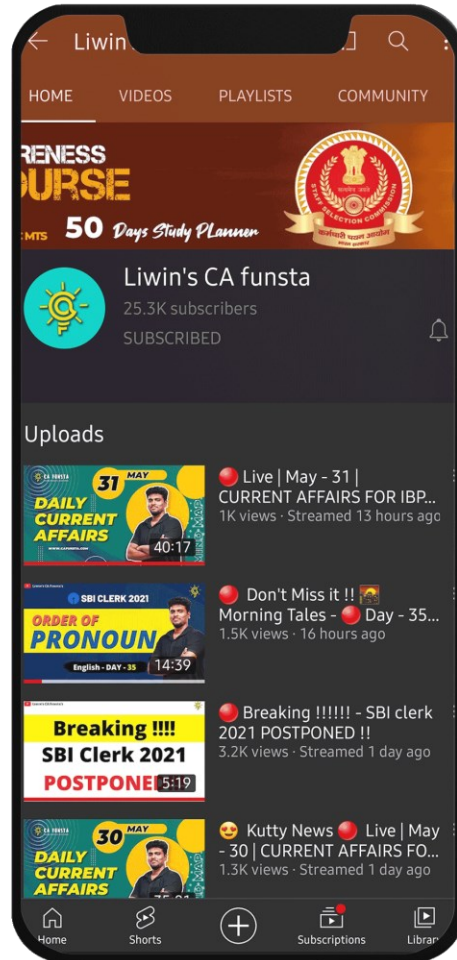


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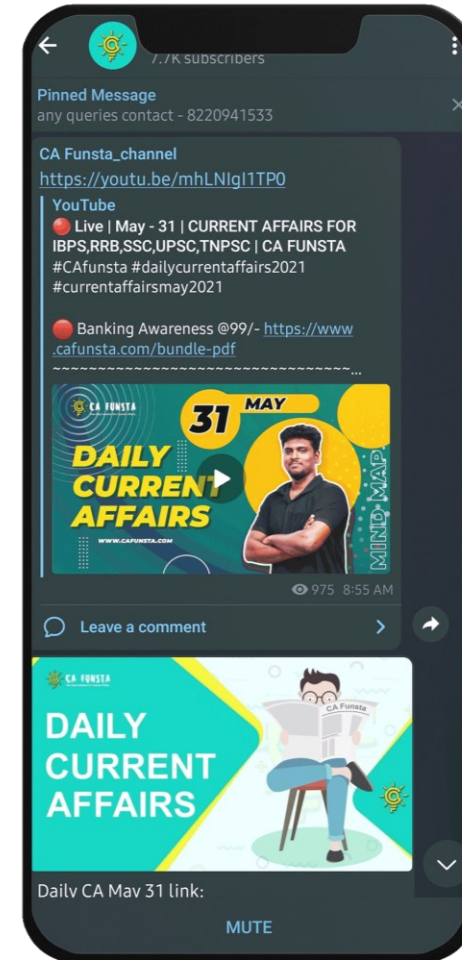
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