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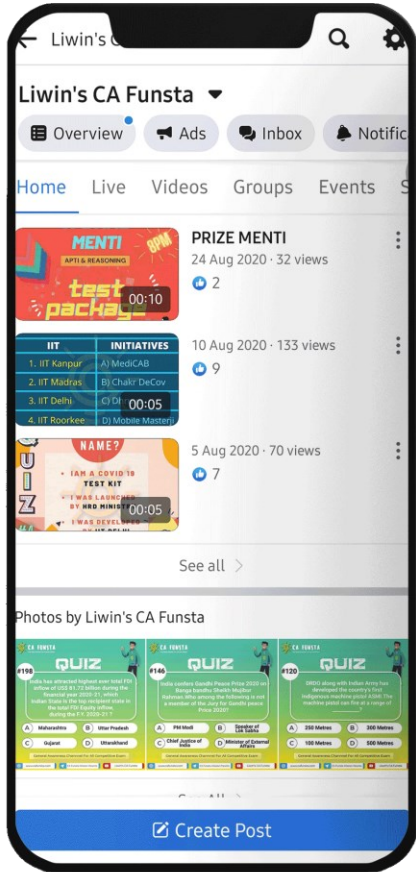


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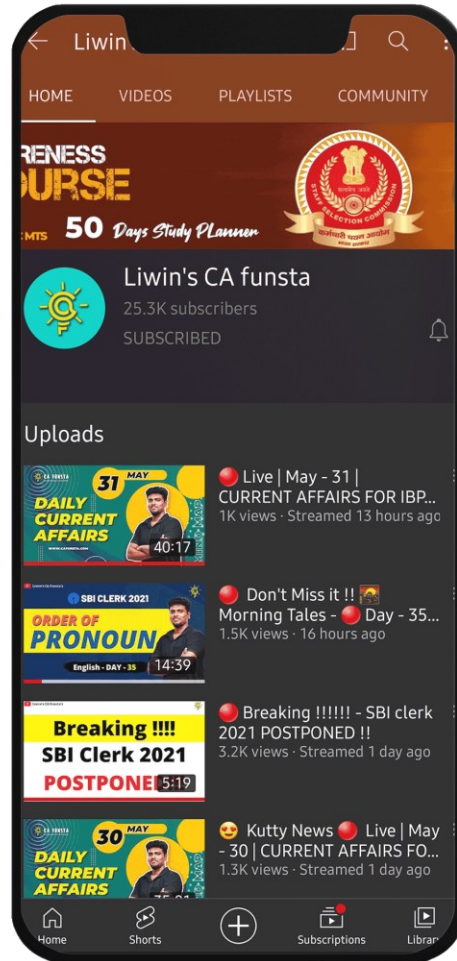
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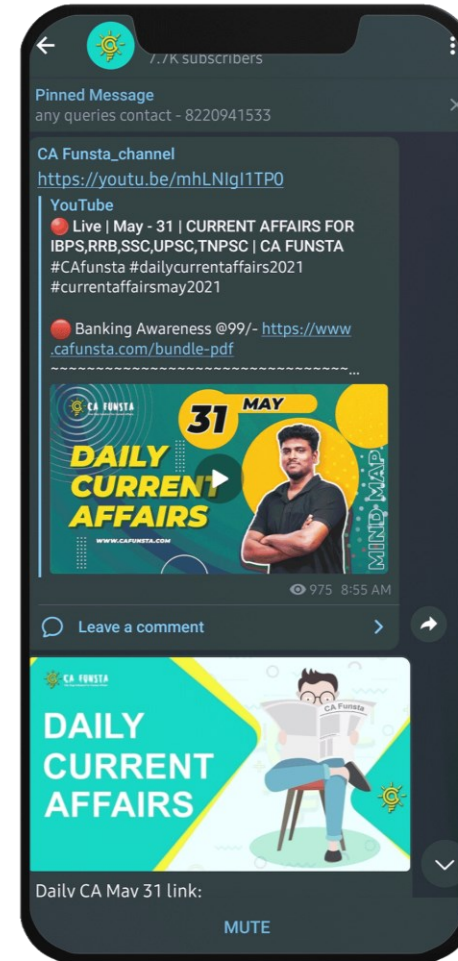
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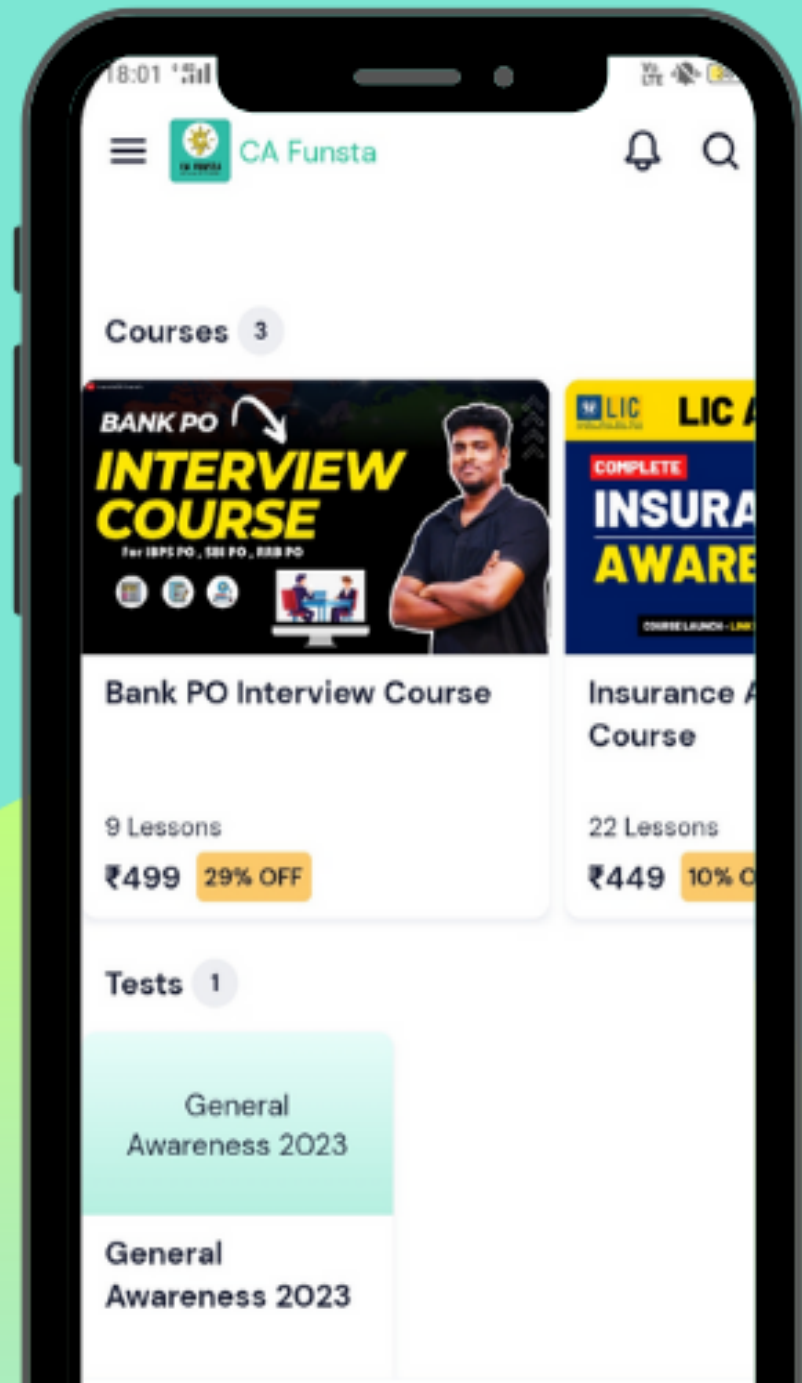
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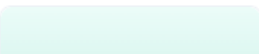


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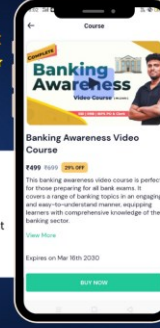
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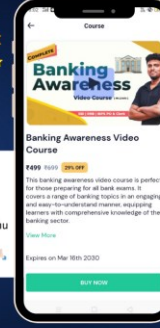
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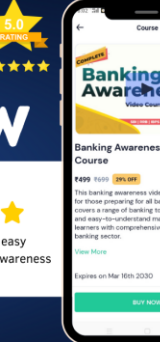
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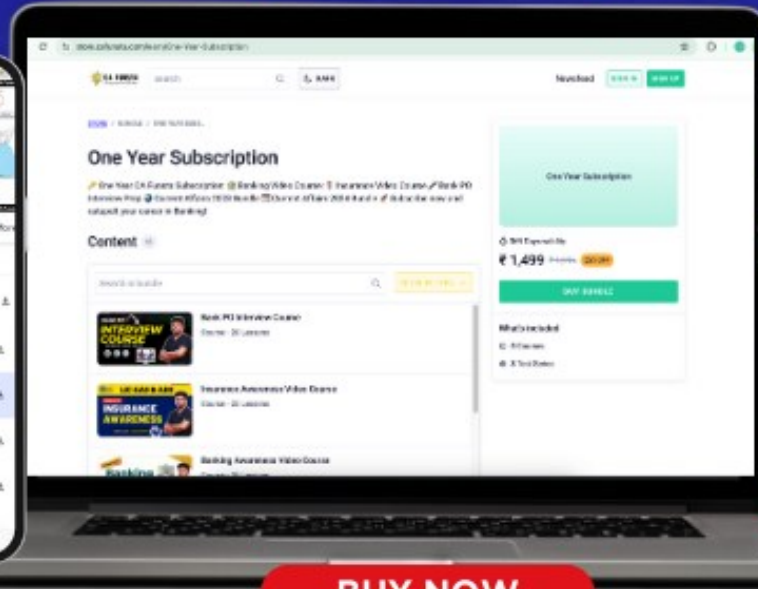
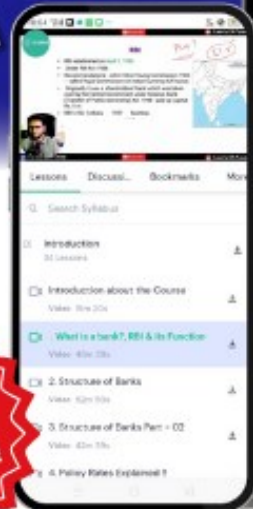


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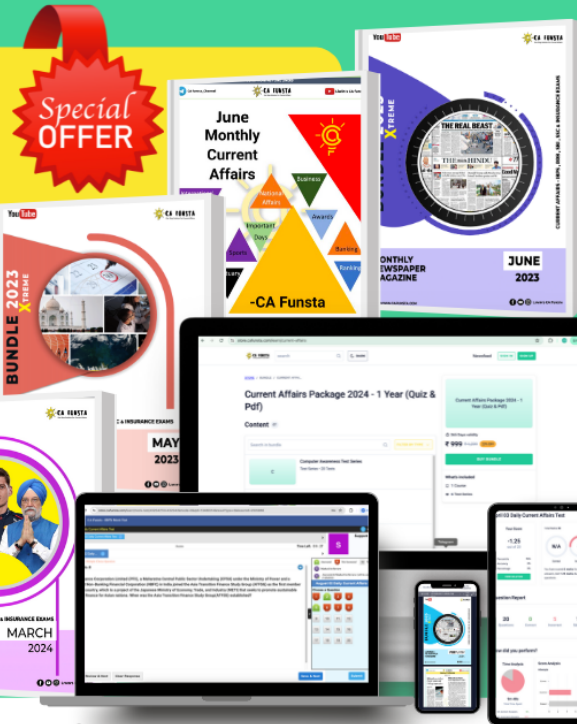
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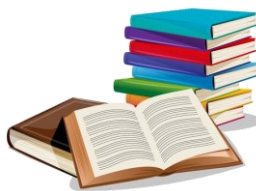
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# Important Days

► When is Sikkim Statehood Day celebrated every year?

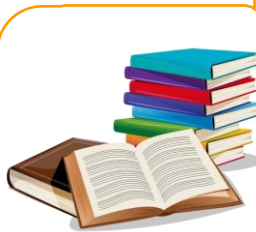
- A) May 14
- B) May 15
- C) May 16
- D) May 17
- E) May 18

**Answer**  
**C) May 16.**



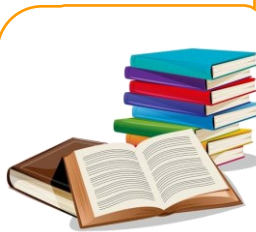
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Sikkim Statehood Day 2026 was celebrated to mark 51 years of Sikkim becoming a full-fledged state of India.
- **Location:** Sikkim, India.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



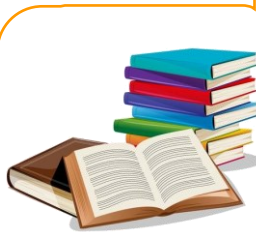
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Sikkim observed Statehood Day through official ceremonies, cultural programmes, educational activities, and public commemorations.
- **Objectives:** The observance aims to remember Sikkim's democratic transition, integration into the Indian Union, cultural preservation, and contribution to India's federal structure.



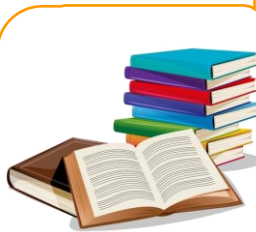
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Sikkim Statehood Day:** It marks the date when Sikkim formally joined the Indian Union as a full-fledged state after political developments and a public referendum.
- **Chogyal Monarchy:** It refers to the former hereditary monarchy of Sikkim that ruled the Himalayan kingdom before its integration with India.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **36th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1975:** It was the constitutional amendment through which Sikkim became a state of India and the monarchy was abolished.
- **Fully Organic State:** It refers to Sikkim's recognition as India's first state to adopt organic farming practices across its agricultural system.

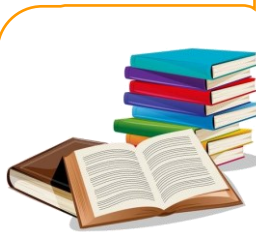


# Important Days



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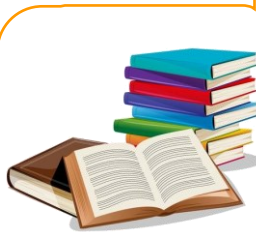
Parameter	Details
Event name	Sikkim Statehood Day 2026.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Sikkim, India.
Years completed	Sikkim marked 51 years of statehood in India.
Historical transition	Sikkim joined the Indian Union after political developments and a public referendum.
Constitutional basis	The 36th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1975 enabled Sikkim's statehood.
Cultural significance	The day highlights Sikkim's democratic journey, cultural identity, and spiritual heritage.
Key distinction	Sikkim is known as India's first fully organic state and is home to Kangchenjunga.



► How many total medals did India win at the Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026?

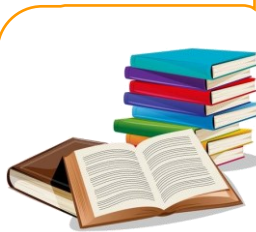
- A) 21
- B) 24
- C) 27
- D) 30
- E) 33

**Answer**  
**C) 27.**



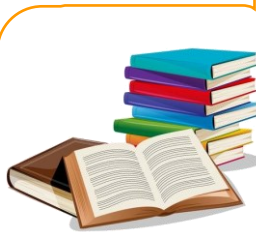
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India won 27 medals at the Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026, including 9 gold medals.
- **Location:** Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



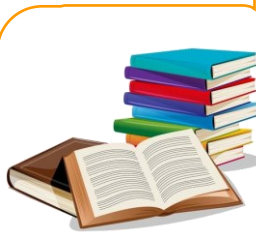
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India participated in the Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026 and delivered a strong medal-winning performance across boys' and girls' categories.
- **Objectives:** The performance highlights India's emerging young boxing talent, strengthens the country's junior boxing pipeline, and reflects growing competitiveness in international youth boxing.



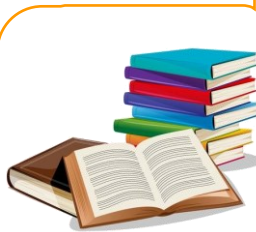
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026:** It is an international youth boxing competition for under-15 boxers from Asian countries.
- **Gold Medal:** It is awarded to the winner of a weight category in a sporting competition.



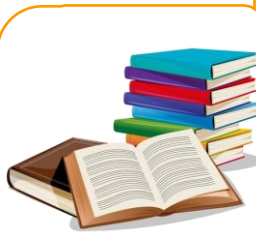
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Weight Category:** It refers to the classification of boxers based on body weight to ensure fair competition.
- **Junior Boxing:** It refers to boxing competitions for younger age groups that help identify and develop future elite athletes.



## Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026.
India's total medals	India won 27 medals.
Gold medals won	India secured 9 gold medals.
Silver medals won	India secured 6 silver medals.
Bronze medals won	India secured 12 bronze medals.
Key performance	The U-15 girls team led India's performance with 7 gold medals.

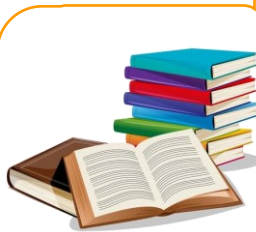


➤ **Which regulator relaxed annuity exit rules under the National Pension System for limited surrender in hardship cases?**

- A) Reserve Bank of India
- B) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- C) Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority
- D) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India
- E) Ministry of Finance

**Answer**

**C) Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority.**

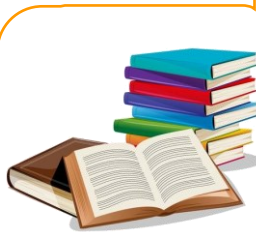


## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority relaxed annuity exit rules under the National Pension System for limited surrender in hardship cases.
- **Location:** India.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.

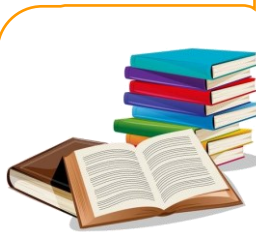


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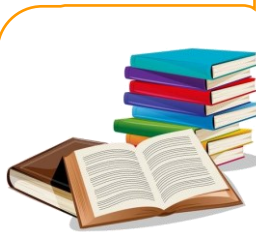
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** PFRDA allowed Annuity Service Providers to permit limited surrender of annuity plans in selected cases involving critical illness or older policies with existing surrender clauses.
- **Objectives:** The revised framework aims to provide liquidity support to retirees facing serious hardship while maintaining the long-term retirement income protection purpose of annuities.



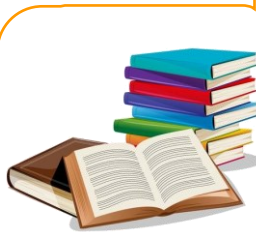
## Important Terms Explained:

- **National Pension System:** It is a pension scheme in India under which subscribers build a retirement corpus and generally use at least 40% of it to purchase an annuity after retirement.
- **Annuity:** It is a retirement product that provides periodic pension income after a subscriber invests part of the retirement corpus.
- **Annuity Service Provider:** It is an insurer authorised to provide annuity products to NPS subscribers after retirement.



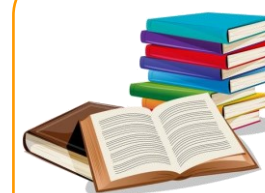
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Free Look Period:** It is a short period immediately after purchasing an insurance or annuity product during which the buyer can cancel the policy as per applicable rules.
- **Central Recordkeeping Agency:** It is the agency responsible for maintaining records and processing key information related to NPS subscribers.



## Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Relaxation of NPS annuity exit rules.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	India.
Regulator	Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority.
Scheme involved	National Pension System.
Key relaxation	Limited surrender of annuity plans is allowed in specific hardship cases.
Eligible cases	Critical illness cases and older annuity policies issued before October 24, 2024 with surrender clauses may qualify.
Process requirement	ASPs must disclose surrender value, charges, deductions, taxes, obtain written consent, and inform CRA within 7 working days.

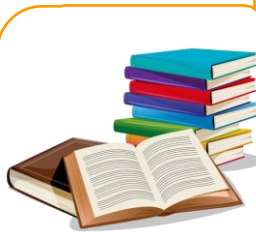


➤ **Who was elected unopposed as the Speaker of the 18th West Bengal Legislative Assembly?**

- A) Suwendu Adhikari
- B) Tapas Roy
- C) Rathindra Bose
- D) Abhishek Banerjee
- E) Partha Chatterjee

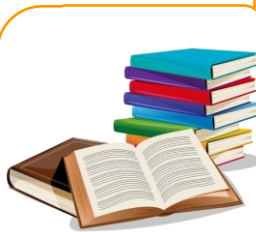
**Answer**

**C) Rathindra Bose.**



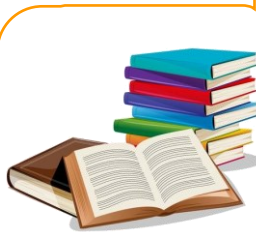
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Rathindra Bose was elected unopposed as Speaker of the 18th West Bengal Legislative Assembly.
- **Location:** West Bengal, India.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



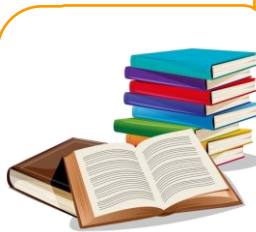
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Rathindra Bose was elected to preside over the 18th West Bengal Legislative Assembly after the opposition Trinamool Congress chose not to contest the Speaker election.
- **Objectives:** The election aims to ensure the smooth functioning of the Assembly, conduct legislative proceedings, and uphold the neutrality and authority of the Speaker's office.



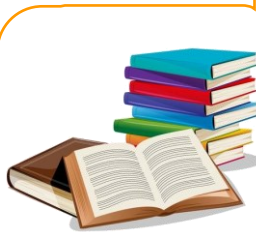
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:** It is a constitutional post responsible for presiding over Assembly proceedings, maintaining order, deciding procedural matters, and ensuring legislative discipline.
- **Voice Vote:** It is a voting method in which members express approval or opposition orally, and the presiding officer decides the result based on the louder response.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Pro tem Speaker:** It is a temporary Speaker appointed to conduct initial Assembly proceedings, including oath-taking and the election of the regular Speaker.
- **Cooch Behar Dakshin:** It is the Assembly constituency in North Bengal represented by Rathindra Bose.

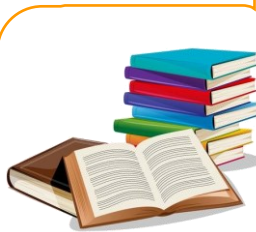


# APPOINTMENTS



## Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Election of Speaker of the 18th West Bengal Legislative Assembly.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	West Bengal, India.
Elected Speaker	Rathindra Bose was elected unopposed as Speaker.
Constituency represented	He represents the Cooch Behar Dakshin Assembly constituency.
Historic significance	He became the first leader from North Bengal to hold the Speaker's post after Independence.
Election process	He was elected through voice vote after TMC chose not to contest.
Key political context	BJP held 207 seats in the 294-member West Bengal Assembly.



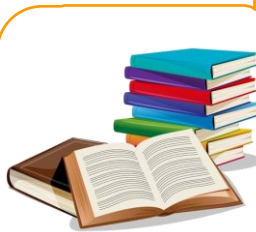
➤ **Where was India's first satellite-tagged Ganges softshell turtle released?**

- A) Sundarbans National Park
- B) Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve
- C) Manas National Park
- D) Keoladeo National Park
- E) Silent Valley National Park



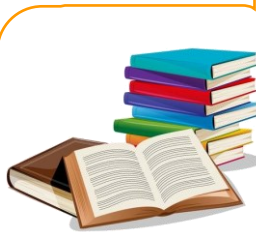
**Answer**

**B) Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve.**



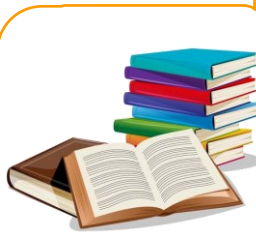
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India's first satellite-tagged Ganges softshell turtle was released to study its movement, habitat use, and conservation needs.
- **Location:** Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve, Assam, India.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



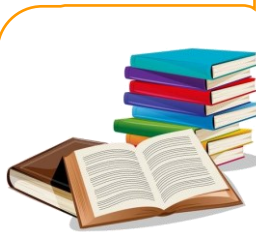
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The initiative involved capturing a healthy adult turtle, fitting it with a satellite transmitter under veterinary supervision, and releasing it safely into its natural habitat.
- **Objectives:** The project aims to track seasonal movement, identify breeding and nesting sites, understand habitat use, and support better conservation planning in the Brahmaputra river basin.



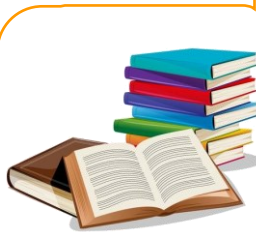
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Ganges softshell turtle:** It is an endangered freshwater turtle species scientifically known as *Nilssononia gangetica* and is found in rivers, lakes, and reservoirs across India.
- **Satellite Tagging:** It is a wildlife tracking method in which a transmitter is attached to an animal to monitor its movement, habitat range, and behaviour through satellite data.



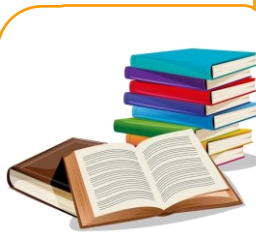
## Important Terms Explained:

- **IUCN Red List:** It is a global conservation list that assesses the extinction risk of species and classifies them under categories such as vulnerable, endangered, and critically endangered.
- **Brahmaputra River Basin:** It is a major river ecosystem in northeastern India that supports rich freshwater biodiversity, including turtle species.
- **Canopy Bridge:** It is a wildlife passage built above ground to help arboreal animals move safely between forest patches.



## Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Release of India's first satellite-tagged Ganges softshell turtle.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve, Assam.
Species involved	Ganges softshell turtle, scientifically known as <i>Nilssonia gangetica</i> .
Conservation status	The species is classified as endangered on the IUCN Red List.
Key organisations	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Assam Forest Department, Kaziranga authorities, and Wildlife Institute of India.
Project support	The initiative was supported by the National Geographic Society.
Purpose / reason	The project will help track movement, nesting sites, habitat use, and conservation needs in the Brahmaputra river basin.

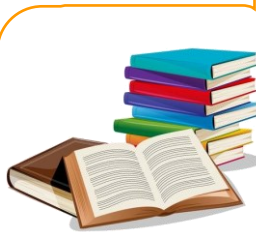


- Which country signed seven major strategic agreements with India during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Abu Dhabi visit?

- A) Saudi Arabia
- B) United Arab Emirates
- C) Qatar
- D) Oman
- E) Bahrain

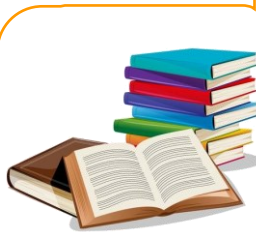
**Answer**

**B) United Arab Emirates.**



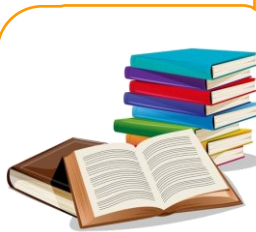
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India and the United Arab Emirates signed seven major strategic agreements during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Abu Dhabi visit.
- **Location:** Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



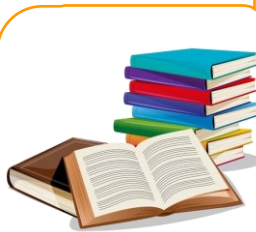
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India and the UAE signed agreements covering energy security, defence cooperation, artificial intelligence supercomputing, maritime infrastructure, ship repair skills, and large-scale investment.
- **Objectives:** The agreements aim to strengthen bilateral strategic ties, enhance India's energy resilience, boost defence and maritime cooperation, expand advanced computing capacity, and attract long-term investment into India.



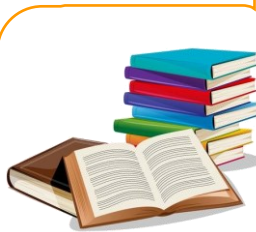
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserves Limited:** It is an Indian entity responsible for managing strategic crude oil reserves to support energy security during supply disruptions.
- **Abu Dhabi National Oil Company:** It is the UAE's state-owned oil company and a major global energy supplier involved in crude oil, gas, and related energy partnerships.
- **Strategic Defence Partnership:** It refers to a formal framework for deeper cooperation in defence manufacturing, military training, maritime security, cyber defence, and secure communications.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Exaflop Supercomputer Cluster:** It refers to advanced computing infrastructure capable of performing extremely high-speed calculations useful for artificial intelligence, defence simulations, weather modelling, and scientific research.
- **G42:** It is a UAE-based technology group involved in artificial intelligence and advanced computing collaborations.



## Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	PM Modi's UAE visit and signing of seven strategic agreements.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.
Participating countries	India and the United Arab Emirates.
Key sectors covered	Energy security, defence, artificial intelligence, shipbuilding, workforce skills, maritime infrastructure, and investment.
Major energy outcome	ISPRL and ADNOC agreed to strengthen strategic petroleum reserve cooperation and energy security.
Technology outcome	A planned eight Exaflop supercomputer cluster will involve collaboration between the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing and G42.
Investment commitment	The UAE committed \$5 billion in investments across Indian infrastructure and financial institutions.

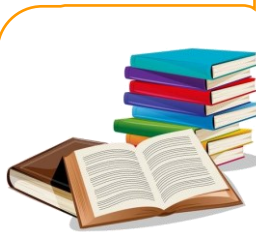


➤ How many barrels of ADNOC crude oil may the UAE store in India under the proposed strategic petroleum reserve cooperation?

- A) 10 million barrels
- B) 20 million barrels
- C) 30 million barrels
- D) 40 million barrels
- E) 50 million barrels

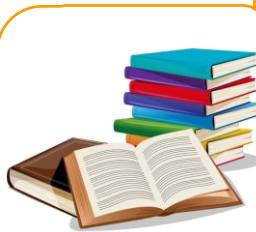
**Answer**

**C) 30 million barrels.**



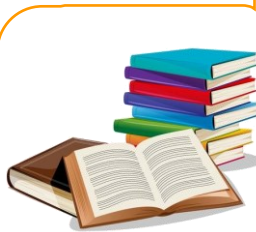
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India and the United Arab Emirates signed major energy agreements focused on strategic oil storage, LPG supply, and long-term fuel security.
- **Location:** Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, with proposed storage facilities in India and Fujairah, UAE.
- **Date:** May 15, 2026.



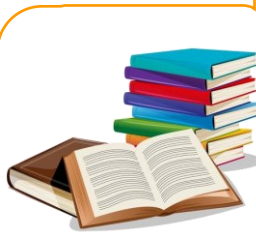
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India and the UAE agreed to strengthen strategic petroleum reserve cooperation, explore ADNOC crude storage in India, support LPG supply, and consider reciprocal crude storage arrangements.
- **Objectives:** The agreements aim to improve India's long-term energy security, ensure emergency access to crude oil, reduce supply uncertainty, and deepen bilateral energy cooperation.



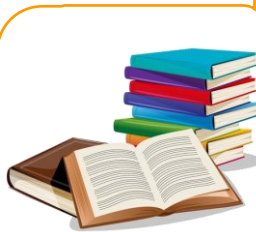
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Strategic Petroleum Reserve:** It is an emergency stockpile of crude oil maintained by a country to handle supply disruptions, geopolitical crises, oil price shocks, and global energy volatility.
- **ADNOC:** It refers to Abu Dhabi National Oil Company, the UAE's major state-owned energy company and a key global supplier of crude oil and hydrocarbons.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **LPG Supply Agreement:** It refers to an arrangement for the supply of liquefied petroleum gas, which supports household fuel security, industrial usage, and predictable energy planning.
- **Fujairah:** It is a strategically important location in the UAE that may be used for possible reciprocal crude storage arrangements under the India-UAE energy cooperation framework.



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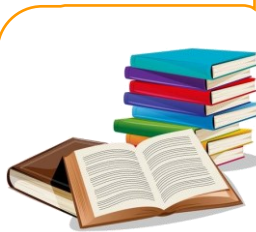
Parameter	Details
Event name	India-UAE strategic energy security agreements.
Date	May 15, 2026.
Location	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.
Main focus	Strategic oil storage, LPG supply, and long-term fuel security.
Key company involved	Abu Dhabi National Oil Company may store crude oil in India.
Proposed storage volume	The UAE may store up to 30 million barrels of ADNOC crude oil in India.
Indian storage sites	Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh and proposed infrastructure at Chandikol in Odisha.
Strategic value	The cooperation may strengthen India's emergency crude access and reduce energy supply risks.



- **Where did India conclude the Kimberley Process Intersessional Meeting 2026 under its chairship?**

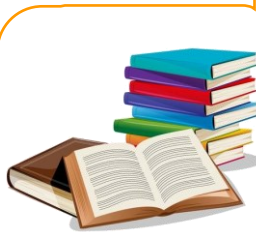
- A) New Delhi
- B) Surat
- C) Mumbai
- D) Jaipur
- E) Kolkata

**Answer**  
**C) Mumbai.**



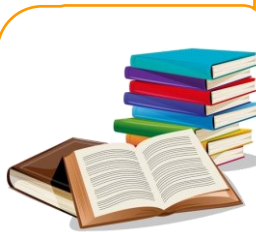
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India concluded the Kimberley Process Intersessional Meeting 2026 under its chairship.
- **Location:** Mumbai, Maharashtra, India.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



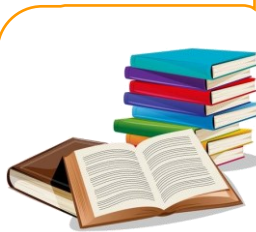
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India chaired the Kimberley Process Intersessional Meeting 2026 with participation from governments, industry bodies, and civil society organisations.
- **Objectives:** The meeting aimed to enhance transparency, governance, responsible sourcing, compliance, and trust in the global natural diamond sector.



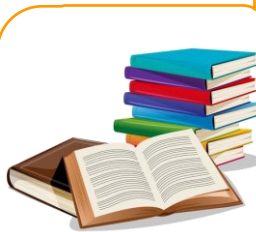
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Kimberley Process:** It is an international initiative launched in 2000 to prevent conflict diamonds from entering global markets and to promote transparency in the diamond supply chain.
- **Kimberley Process Certification Scheme:** It is a certification mechanism that tracks rough diamonds from origin to market to ensure they are conflict-free.



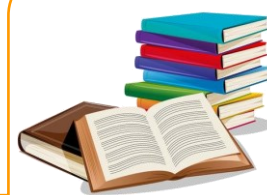
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Conflict Diamonds:** These are diamonds mined in conflict zones and used to finance armed conflict against legitimate governments.
- **3C Vision:** It refers to India's Kimberley Process chairship theme based on Credibility, Compliance, and Consumer Confidence in the diamond trade.
- **World Diamond Council:** It is an industry body that participates in Kimberley Process discussions to support responsible and ethical diamond sourcing.



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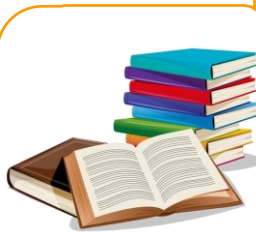
Parameter	Details
Event name	Kimberley Process Intersessional Meeting 2026.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Mumbai, Maharashtra, India.
Chairship	The meeting was held under India's chairship.
Key leader	Union Minister Piyush Goyal led the event.
Main participants	Governments, industry leaders, World Diamond Council, and civil society organisations participated.
Theme / vision	India's chairship focused on Credibility, Compliance, and Consumer Confidence.
Strategic value	The meeting strengthened global cooperation on responsible sourcing, transparency, and trust in natural diamonds.



➤ **Where did US President Donald Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping hold high-level talks?**

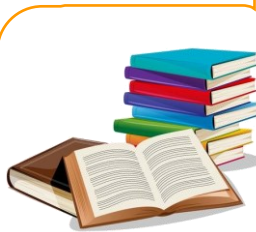
- A) Washington DC
- B) Shanghai
- C) Beijing
- D) New York
- E) Hong Kong

**Answer**  
**C) Beijing.**



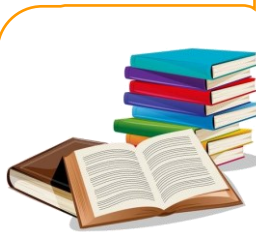
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** US-China high-level talks concluded with positive statements but no major confirmed agreement.
- **Location:** Beijing, China.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



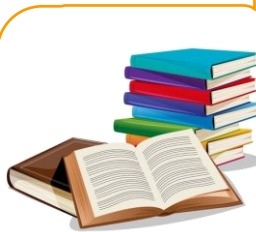
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** US President Donald Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping held talks on trade, artificial intelligence, tariffs, business access, semiconductors, and global tensions.
- **Objectives:** The talks aimed to stabilise US-China relations, explore economic cooperation, discuss technology-related issues, and maintain diplomatic engagement between the two largest economies.



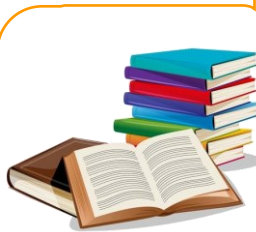
## Important Terms Explained:

- **US-China Trade Relations:** It refers to the economic relationship between the United States and China involving goods trade, tariffs, investments, market access, and supply chains.
- **Tariff Truce:** It refers to a temporary pause or easing in tariff-related confrontation between two countries to allow negotiations or reduce trade tensions.
- **Artificial Intelligence Guardrails:** It refers to rules, safeguards, or policy measures designed to ensure responsible and safe development and use of artificial intelligence technologies.



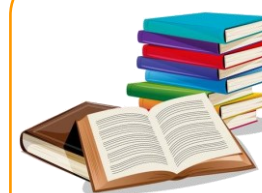
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Semiconductors:** They are critical electronic components used in advanced chips, computers, smartphones, artificial intelligence systems, electric vehicles, and defence technologies.
- **Board of Trade:** It refers to the proposed mechanism mentioned for managing trade relations and improving long-term economic coordination between the United States and China.



## Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Trump-Xi high-level talks in China.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Beijing, China.
Key leaders	US President Donald Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping.
Main focus areas	Trade, artificial intelligence, tariffs, semiconductors, business access, and global tensions.
Trade claim	Trump claimed that China may buy 200 Boeing aircraft and US agricultural products.
Technology focus	Discussions covered AI cooperation, safety guardrails, semiconductors, and advanced chips.
Outcome	The talks ended with positive statements but without major confirmed agreements.



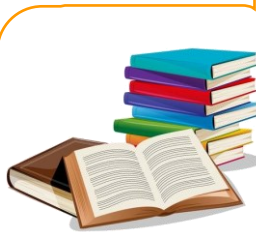
➤ Which organisation launched Project Saksham to empower rural women through skill development and employment opportunities?

- A) National Highways Authority of India
- B) National Skill Development Corporation
- C) Ministry of Women and Child Development
- D) Rural Development Ministry
- E) Vertis Foundation



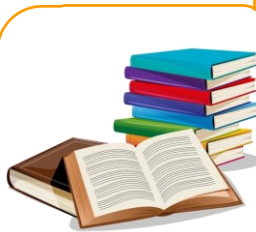
**Answer**

**A) National Highways Authority of India.**



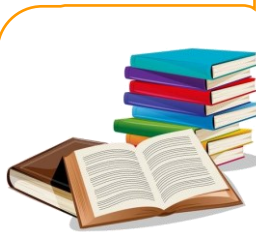
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Project Saksham expanded across India to empower rural women through skill development and job placements.
- **Location:** India, especially rural communities near national highways.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



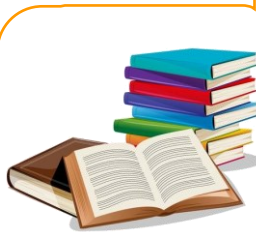
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The National Highways Authority of India launched Project Saksham in collaboration with Vertis Foundation to provide training, career guidance, and employment support.
- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to promote financial independence among rural women, improve access to formal jobs, and connect infrastructure development with inclusive livelihood opportunities.



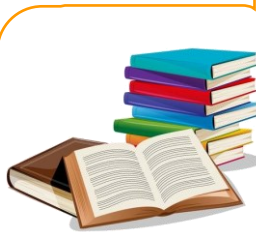
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Project Saksham:** It is a skill development initiative by NHA and Vertis Foundation focused on training rural women and youth for employment opportunities.
- **National Highways Authority of India:** It is the authority responsible for the development, maintenance, and management of national highways in India.



## Important Terms Explained:

- **Vertis Foundation:** It is the collaborating organisation supporting Project Saksham through training and livelihood-oriented activities.
- **Skill Development:** It refers to training people in practical and industry-relevant skills to improve employability and income opportunities.

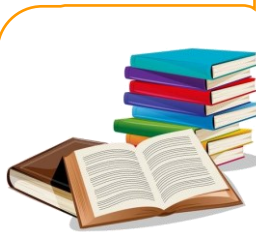


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## Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Expansion of Project Saksham across India.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	India, with focus on rural communities near national highways.
Launching authority	National Highways Authority of India.
Collaborating partner	Vertis Foundation.
Training network	The initiative has created 12 training centres across India.
Key achievement	Over 6,000 youth have been trained and more than 4,000 placements have been achieved.
Beneficiary focus	Around 80% of the beneficiaries are women.

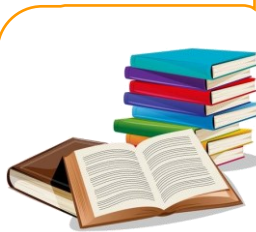


➤ What is the value of India's Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft infrastructure project launched in Andhra Pradesh?

- A) ₹10,803 crore
- B) ₹12,503 crore
- C) ₹15,803 crore
- D) ₹18,503 crore
- E) ₹20,803 crore

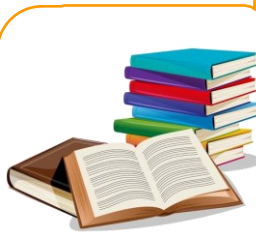
**Answer**

**C) ₹15,803 crore.**



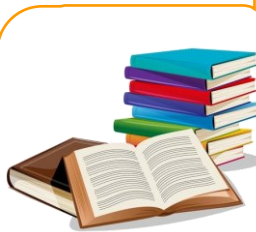
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** India launched the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft infrastructure project to support the country's fifth-generation stealth fighter programme.
- **Location:** Puttaparthi, Sri Sathya Sai district, Andhra Pradesh, India.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



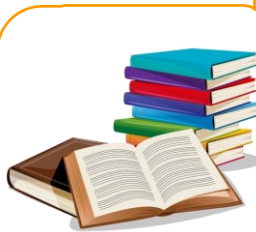
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu launched the ₹15,803 crore AMCA infrastructure project in Andhra Pradesh.
- **Objectives:** The project aims to accelerate indigenous fifth-generation stealth fighter development, strengthen defence manufacturing, create high-technology employment, and support Atmanirbhar Bharat in defence aviation.



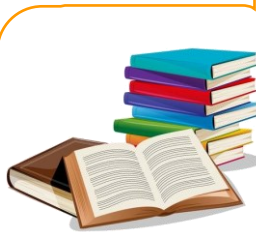
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft:** It is India's indigenous fifth-generation stealth fighter aircraft programme designed with advanced stealth technology, next-generation avionics, high survivability, and superior combat capability.
- **Aeronautical Development Agency:** It is the agency leading the AMCA programme under the Defence Research and Development Organisation.
- **Defence Research and Development Organisation:** It is India's premier defence research body responsible for developing advanced defence technologies and systems.



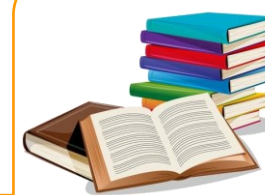
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Aircraft Integration and Advanced Flight Testing Centre:** It is a specialised aviation facility meant for aircraft assembly integration, systems testing, flight validation, certification support, and prototype evaluation.
- **Atmanirbhar Bharat:** It is India's self-reliance initiative aimed at strengthening domestic manufacturing, technology development, and strategic capability across key sectors.



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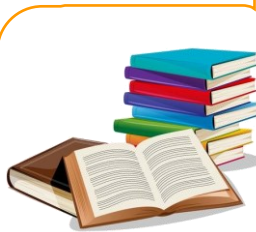
Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of AMCA infrastructure project.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Puttaparthi, Sri Sathya Sai district, Andhra Pradesh.
Project value	The project is valued at ₹15,803 crore.
Key leaders	Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu launched the project.
Implementing focus	The project supports India's fifth-generation stealth fighter aircraft programme.
Key facility	It includes an Aircraft Integration and Advanced Flight Testing Centre.
Strategic value	The project strengthens indigenous defence manufacturing and India's advanced combat aircraft capability.



➤ Where was Rajasthan's first semiconductor manufacturing cluster launched?

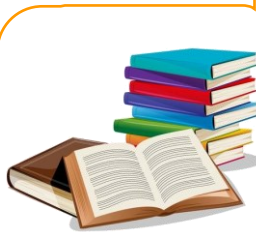
- A) Jaipur
- B) Jodhpur
- C) Bhiwadi
- D) Udaipur
- E) Kota

**Answer**  
**C) Bhiwadi.**



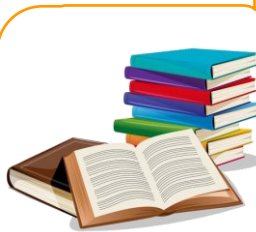
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Rajasthan launched its first semiconductor manufacturing cluster as part of its electronics manufacturing push.
- **Location:** Bhiwadi, Rajasthan, India.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



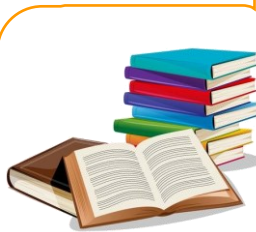
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma inaugurated the semiconductor cluster in Bhiwadi with investment support for electronics manufacturing.
- **Objectives:** The project aims to strengthen Rajasthan's advanced manufacturing base, create employment, attract investment, and support India's semiconductor and electronics manufacturing ambitions.



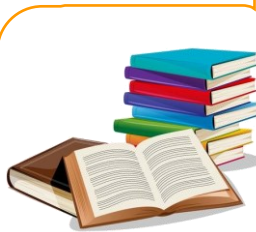
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Semiconductor Manufacturing Cluster:** It refers to an industrial ecosystem focused on producing and supporting semiconductor-related components, electronics units, and supply-chain facilities.
- **Semiconductors:** They are essential electronic components used in smartphones, computers, electric vehicles, defence systems, telecom networks, medical equipment, and artificial intelligence hardware.



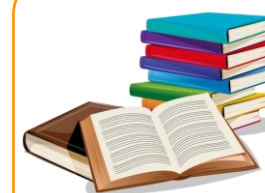
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Electronics Manufacturing Cluster:** It is a dedicated industrial zone designed to promote electronics production, attract investment, improve supply chains, and create skilled employment.
- **Developed Rajasthan 2047:** It is Rajasthan's long-term development vision aimed at accelerating industrial growth, improving infrastructure, and creating an investment-friendly economy.



## Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of Rajasthan's first semiconductor manufacturing cluster.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Bhiwadi, Rajasthan.
Inaugurated by	Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma.
Investment value	The Bhiwadi electronics manufacturing cluster has attracted around ₹1,200 crore in investment.
Expected jobs	The project is expected to generate approximately 2,500 jobs.
Key sector	Semiconductor and electronics manufacturing.
Strategic value	The cluster strengthens Rajasthan's role in advanced manufacturing and supports India's semiconductor ambitions.

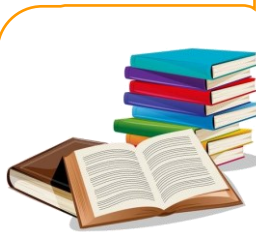


► What is the total financial outlay of the Mizoram Ginger Mission launched by the Centre?

- A) ₹129.79 crore
- B) ₹149.79 crore
- C) ₹169.79 crore
- D) ₹189.79 crore
- E) ₹209.79 crore

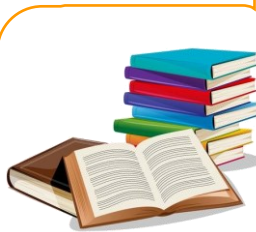
**Answer**

**D) ₹189.79 crore.**



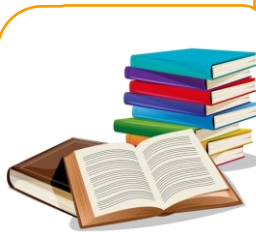
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** The Centre launched the Mizoram Ginger Mission to develop Mizo ginger as a premium global agricultural brand.
- **Location:** Mizoram, India.
- **Date:** May 13, 2026.



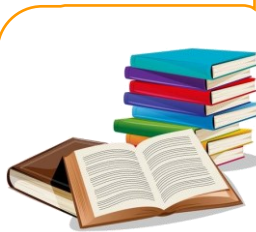
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Centre launched the ₹189.79 crore mission with support from the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region to strengthen ginger cultivation, processing, branding, exports, and market access.
- **Objectives:** The mission aims to improve farmer incomes, create modern processing infrastructure, promote value addition, build global branding for Mizo ginger, and connect farmers with domestic and international markets.



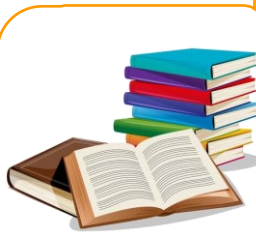
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Mizoram Ginger Mission:** It is a Centre-supported agricultural value chain development initiative focused on transforming Mizo ginger into a globally recognised premium product.
- **Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region:** It is the Union ministry responsible for planning, coordinating, and supporting development initiatives across India's North Eastern Region.
- **Oleoresin:** It is a natural extract found in ginger and other spices that is widely used in food processing, pharmaceuticals, beverages, cosmetics, and herbal products.



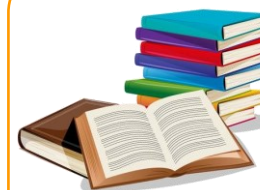
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Geographical Indication Tag:** It is a legal recognition given to products linked to a specific geographical origin and possessing qualities or reputation associated with that region.
- **Value Addition:** It refers to processing raw agricultural produce into higher-value products such as extracts, powders, dried forms, and packaged export goods.



## Tabular Summary:

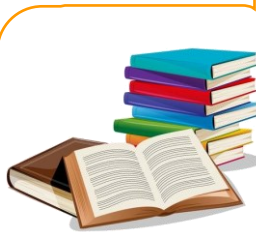
Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of Mizoram Ginger Mission.
Date	May 13, 2026.
Location	Mizoram, India.
Project value	The mission has an outlay of ₹189.79 crore.
Launched by	Union DONER Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia and Mizoram Chief Minister Lalduhoma launched it virtually.
Main focus	Processing, branding, exports, farmer income improvement, and international market access.
Infrastructure plan	The mission includes one integrated processing hub, three spoke processing centres, and over 30 value-chain interventions.
Beneficiary reach	The project aims to connect nearly 20,000 farming households.



➤ Which institute launched a dedicated startup incubation centre for weather and climate innovation under Mission Mausam?

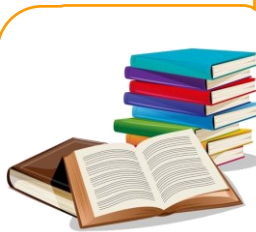
- A) IIT Delhi
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- C) IISc Bengaluru
- D) IMD New Delhi
- E) IISER Pune

**Answer**  
**B) IITM Pune.**



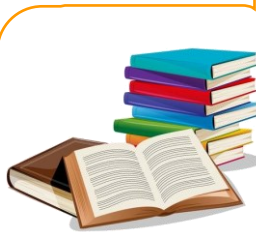
## Event and Location:

- **Event:** Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology Pune launched a dedicated startup incubation centre for weather and climate innovation under Mission Mausam.
- **Location:** Pune, Maharashtra, India.
- **Date:** May 16, 2026.



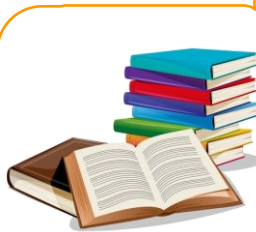
## Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** IITM Pune launched the climate-tech incubation centre alongside the Weather and Climate Innovation Meet for Startups and Entrepreneurs 2026 under the National Enterprise for Atmospheric Technology.
- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to support startups working on weather forecasting, climate analytics, AI-driven climate tools, disaster management, and climate resilience solutions.



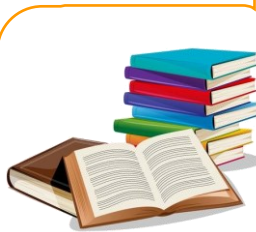
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Mission Mausam:** It is India's five-year weather and climate modernisation initiative aimed at making the country weather-ready and climate-smart through better observations, modelling, applications, and dissemination.
- **National Enterprise for Atmospheric Technology:** It is an innovation vertical under Mission Mausam focused on supporting atmospheric technology development, startup collaboration, and climate-tech solutions.



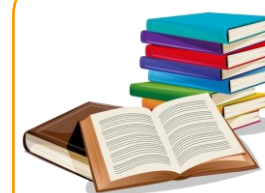
## Important Terms Explained:

- **Weather and Climate Innovation Meet for Startups and Entrepreneurs:** It is a national platform that connects scientists, startups, entrepreneurs, researchers, and institutions to promote weather and climate innovation.
- **Climate Intelligence:** It refers to the use of weather and climate data to generate actionable insights for industries, communities, disaster planning, and climate resilience.



## Tabular Summary:

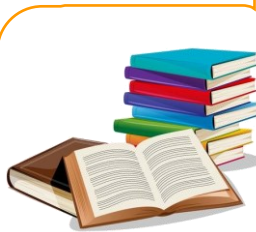
Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of IITM Pune's climate-tech startup incubation centre.
Date	May 16, 2026.
Location	Pune, Maharashtra.
Launching institute	Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology Pune.
Linked initiative	The incubation centre was launched under Mission Mausam through the National Enterprise for Atmospheric Technology.
Associated event	The launch was held alongside WISE 2026.
Focus areas	Weather forecasting, climate analytics, AI-driven solutions, disaster management, and climate resilience.
Participating ecosystem	IMD, NCMRWF, NCPOR, ICRISAT, IITM, IITs, and IISER Pune participated.



# QUICK RECALL



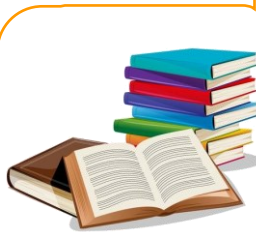
- Sikkim Statehood Day is celebrated every year on May 16.
- India won 27 medals at the Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026.
- PFRDA relaxed annuity exit rules under the National Pension System.
- Rathindra Bose was elected unopposed as Speaker of the 18th West Bengal Legislative Assembly.
- India released its first satellite-tagged Ganges softshell turtle in Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve.
- India and the UAE signed seven major agreements during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Abu Dhabi.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the United Arab Emirates on May 15, 2026.
- India concluded the Kimberley Process Intersessional Meeting 2026 in Mumbai.
- US President Donald Trump visited China for high-level talks with President Xi Jinping.
- NHAI launched Project Saksham to promote inclusive development through skill training.



# QUICK RECALL



- India launched the ₹15,803 crore AMCA infrastructure project in Andhra Pradesh.
- Rajasthan launched its first semiconductor manufacturing cluster in Bhiwadi.
- The Centre launched the ₹189.79 crore Mizoram Ginger Mission on May 13, 2026.
- IITM Pune launched a dedicated startup incubation centre for weather and climate innovation.



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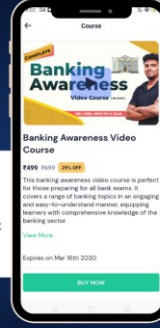
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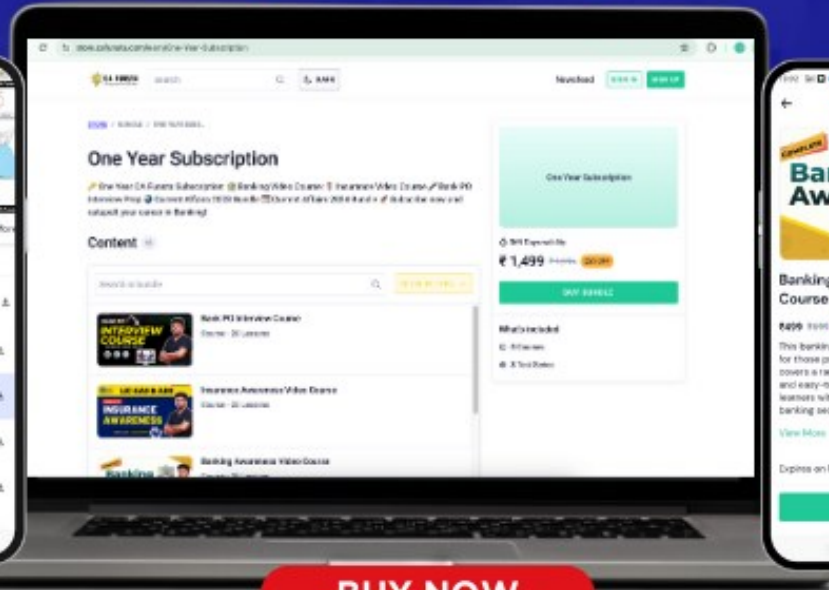
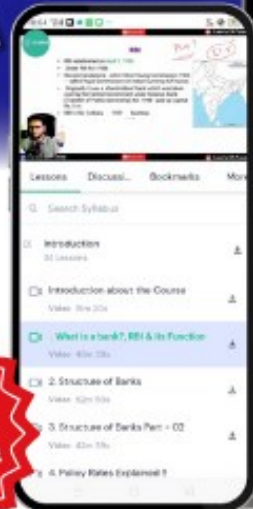


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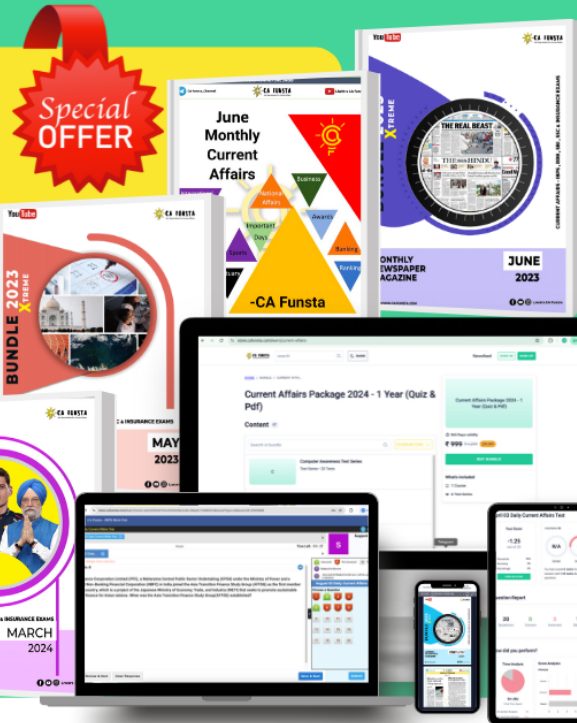
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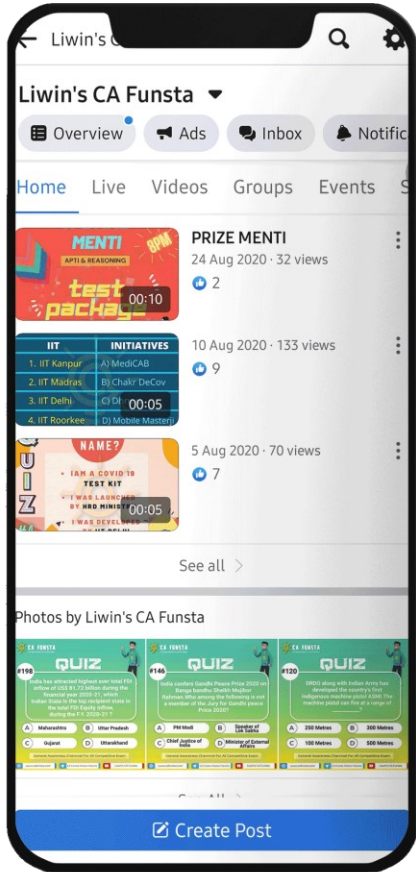
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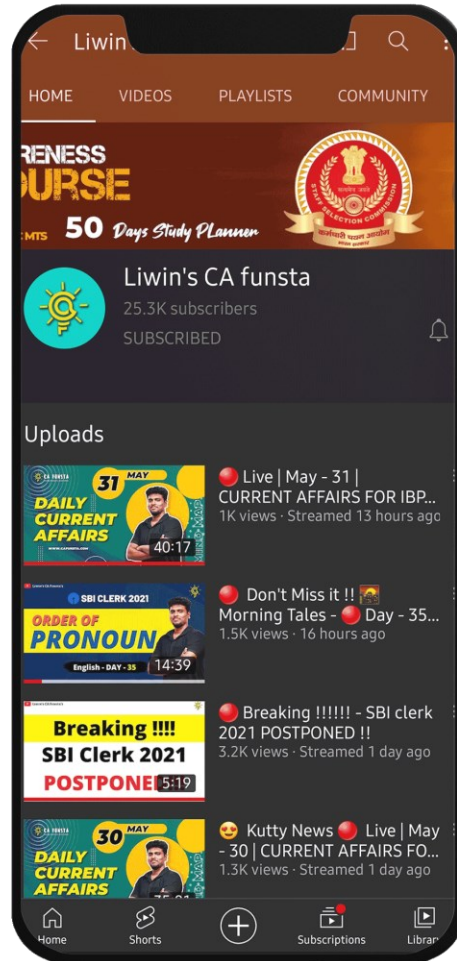


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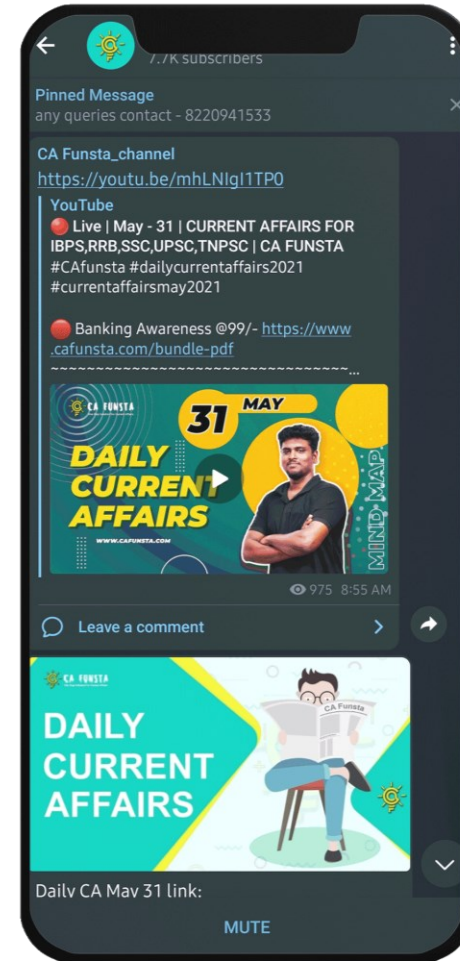
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