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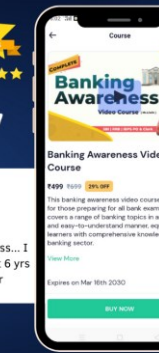
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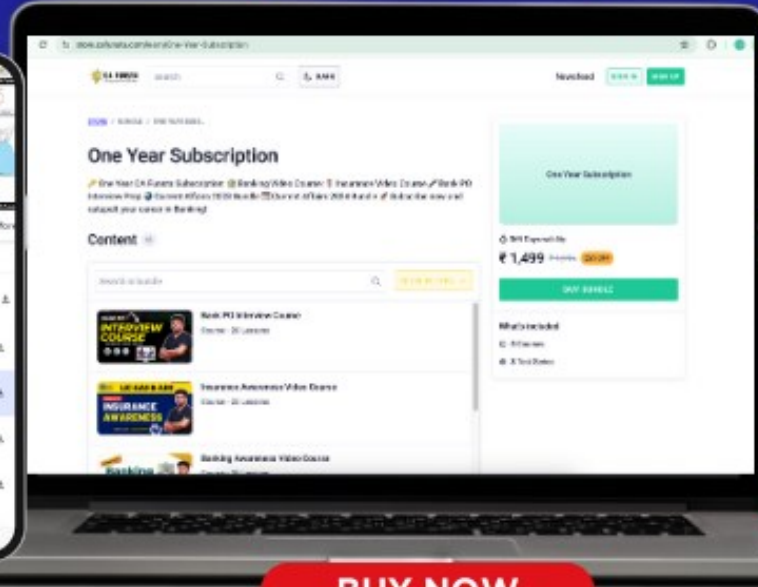
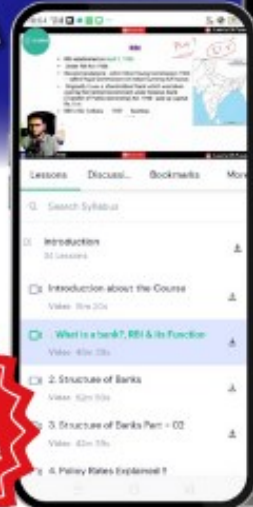


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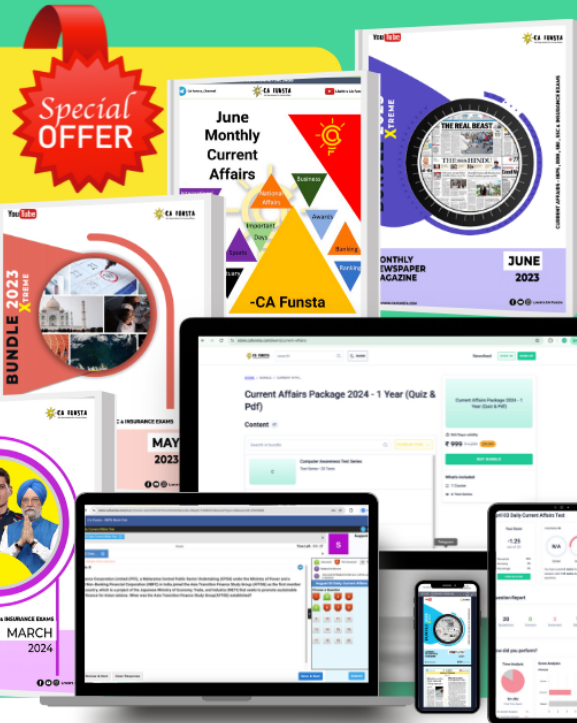
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➤ **When was Mother's Day celebrated in 2026?**

- A) May 8
- B) May 9
- C) May 10
- D) May 11
- E) May 12

Answer
C) May 10.

Mother's
Day
2026



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Mother's Day 2026 was celebrated to honour mothers and maternal figures for their love, care, sacrifices, and support.
- **Location:** Across the world.
- **Date:** May 10, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Mother's Day was observed globally on the second Sunday of May to recognise the role of mothers and maternal figures in nurturing families and supporting society.
- **Objectives:** The observance aims to express gratitude for the emotional, physical, and personal sacrifices of mothers and to celebrate their strength, compassion, and contribution to family life.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Mother's Day:** Mother's Day is an annual observance dedicated to honouring mothers and maternal figures for their love, sacrifices, care, and role in family and society.
- **Anna Jarvis:** Anna Jarvis was an American social activist who promoted the modern observance of Mother's Day in memory of her mother.
- **Maternal figures:** Maternal figures refer to mothers and other women who provide mother-like care, guidance, emotional support, and nurturing in families or communities.
- **Second Sunday of May:** Second Sunday of May is the date on which Mother's Day is officially observed in many countries around the world.



Important Days



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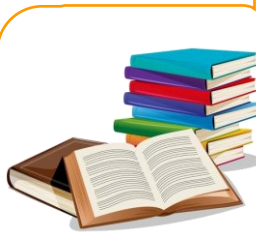
Parameter	Details
Event name	Mother's Day 2026.
Date	May 10, 2026.
Day	Sunday.
Location	Celebrated across the world.
Modern founder linked	Anna Jarvis.
First official observance	Anna Jarvis organised the first official Mother's Day in 1908.
Historical roots	Ancient Greece and Ancient Rome honoured mother goddesses such as Rhea and Cybele.
Significance	The day honours the love, sacrifices, strength, and support of mothers and maternal figures.



➤ Which state ranked first in PMAY-U 2.0 house completions in India?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Odisha
- D) Tamil Nadu
- E) Karnataka

Answer
C) Odisha.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Odisha emerged as the leading state in PMAY-U 2.0 house completions in India.
- **Location:** Odisha, India.
- **Date:** May 8, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Odisha recorded the highest house completion performance under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban 2.0, with progress in geo-tagging, foundation work, and completed houses.
- **Objectives:** The scheme aims to provide pucca houses to eligible urban families and strengthen affordable housing delivery in urban areas.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban 2.0:** Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban 2.0 is the second phase of the Centre's urban housing scheme aimed at providing affordable pucca houses to eligible urban families.
- **Geo-tagging:** Geo-tagging is the process of attaching location-based digital data to project sites to track progress and verify implementation.
- **Pucca house:** Pucca house refers to a permanent residential structure built with durable materials and basic housing facilities.



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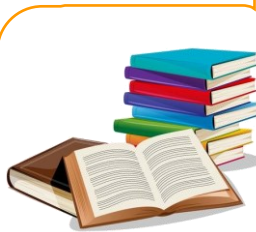
Parameter	Details
Event name	Odisha leading PMAY-U 2.0 house completions.
Date	Data available as of May 8, 2026.
Location	Odisha, India.
Scheme	Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban 2.0.
Launch period	PMAY-U 2.0 was launched in September 2024.
Houses sanctioned	24,625 houses were sanctioned in Odisha.
Completed houses	2,008 houses were completed by May 5, 2026.
Significance	Odisha maintained the top position in house completion rankings from March 2025 to March 2026.



- Which state recorded a zero primary dropout rate in 2024-25 according to UDISE+ data?

- A) Bihar
- B) Odisha
- C) Jharkhand
- D) Chhattisgarh
- E) West Bengal

Answer
C) Jharkhand.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Jharkhand recorded a zero primary dropout rate in 2024-25.
- **Location:** Jharkhand, India.
- **Date:** May 8, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Jharkhand's school education data under UDISE+ 2024-25 and a NITI Aayog report showed zero primary dropout for both boys and girls.
- **Objectives:** The achievement reflects improved student retention, stronger school participation, and progress in reducing dropout rates across primary, upper primary, and secondary education.



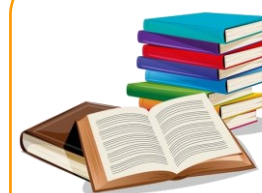
Important Terms Explained:

- **Unified District Information System for Education Plus:** Unified District Information System for Education Plus is a national education data platform that collects school-level information on enrolment, infrastructure, teachers, and student indicators.
- **Primary dropout rate:** Primary dropout rate refers to the percentage of students who leave school before completing the primary level of education.
- **Student retention:** Student retention means the ability of the education system to keep enrolled students continuing in school until completion of a particular level.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Jharkhand achieving zero primary dropout rate.
Date	May 8, 2026.
Academic year	2024-25.
Location	Jharkhand, India.
Data source	UDISE+ 2024-25 and NITI Aayog report.
Primary dropout change	Reduced from 6.41% in 2014-15 to 0% in 2024-25.
Upper primary dropout change	Reduced from 7.42% to 1.7%.
Secondary dropout change	Declined from 23.2% to 3.5%.



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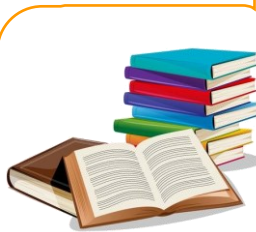
➤ **Who has been appointed as India's next Chief of Defence Staff?**

- A) Anil Chauhan
- B) NS Raja Subramani
- C) Manoj Pande
- D) Upendra Dwivedi
- E) Bipin Rawat



Answer

B) NS Raja Subramani.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Lt Gen (retd) NS Raja Subramani was appointed as India's next Chief of Defence Staff.
- **Location:** India.
- **Date:** May 9, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Centre issued official orders appointing Lt Gen (retd) NS Raja Subramani as the next Chief of Defence Staff, with charge to be assumed on May 30, 2026.
- **Objectives:** The appointment aims to support ongoing defence reforms, including theatreisation and stronger coordination among the Indian Army, Indian Navy, and Indian Air Force.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Chief of Defence Staff:** The Chief of Defence Staff is the senior-most military position in India responsible for promoting jointness, integration, and coordination among the three armed forces.
- **Theatreisation:** Theatreisation refers to the restructuring of military commands into integrated theatre commands for better operational coordination among the Army, Navy, and Air Force.



Important Terms Explained:

- **National Security Advisory Board:** The National Security Advisory Board is an advisory body that provides strategic inputs on national security issues to support policy planning.
- **Garhwal Rifles:** The Garhwal Rifles is an infantry regiment of the Indian Army known for its operational service and military legacy.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Appointment of India's next Chief of Defence Staff.
Date	May 9, 2026.
Charge assumption date	May 30, 2026.
Appointed person	Lt Gen (retd) NS Raja Subramani.
Predecessor	General Anil Chauhan.
Current role mentioned	Military Adviser in the National Security Advisory Board.
Previous position	Vice Chief of Army Staff before retirement in July 2025.
Significance	The appointment comes during ongoing military reforms focused on theatreisation and inter-service coordination.



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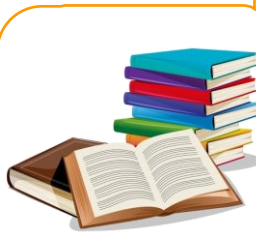
➤ **Who has been appointed as India's next Chief of the Naval Staff?**

- A) Dinesh K Tripathi
- B) Krishna Swaminathan
- C) R Hari Kumar
- D) Karambir Singh
- E) Sunil Lanba



Answer

B) Krishna Swaminathan.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Vice Admiral Krishna Swaminathan was appointed as India's next Chief of the Naval Staff.
- **Location:** India.
- **Date:** May 9, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The government issued official orders appointing Vice Admiral Krishna Swaminathan as the next Chief of the Naval Staff, with charge to be assumed on May 31, 2026.
- **Objectives:** The appointment aims to provide leadership to the Indian Navy as India strengthens maritime security and modernises naval operations in the Indian Ocean region.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Chief of the Naval Staff:** The Chief of the Naval Staff is the professional head of the Indian Navy and is responsible for its command, readiness, administration, and strategic direction.
- **Western Naval Command:** Western Naval Command is a major operational command of the Indian Navy headquartered in Mumbai and responsible for naval operations along India's western seaboard.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Indian Ocean region:** The Indian Ocean region is a strategically important maritime zone for trade, energy routes, naval security, and regional connectivity.
- **Electronic warfare:** Electronic warfare involves the use of electromagnetic systems for communication, surveillance, defence, and disruption of enemy electronic capabilities.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Appointment of India's next Chief of the Naval Staff.
Date	May 9, 2026.
Charge assumption date	May 31, 2026.
Appointed person	Vice Admiral Krishna Swaminathan.
Predecessor	Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi.
Current role mentioned	Head of the Western Naval Command in Mumbai.
Specialisation	Communication and electronic warfare.
Strategic value	The appointment supports India's focus on maritime security and naval modernisation in the Indian Ocean region.



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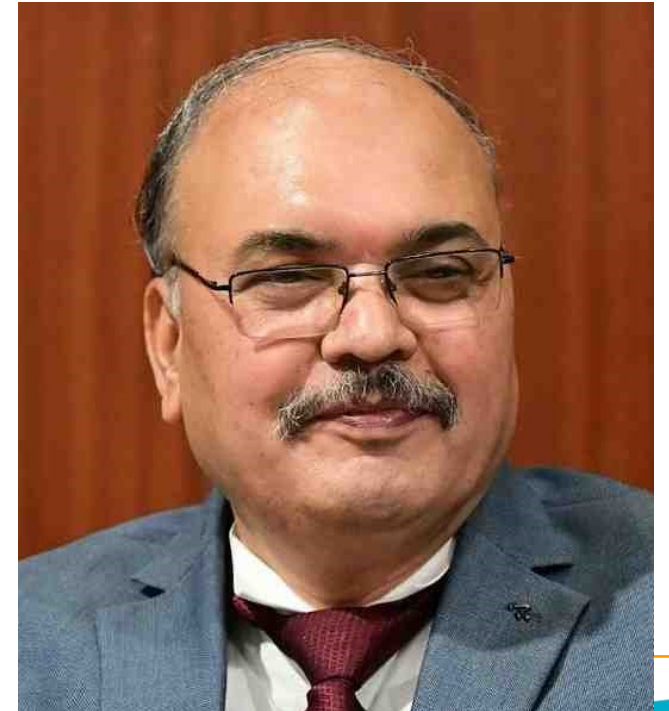


➤ Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Admission Overseeing Committee for professional courses in Karnataka?

- A) B Manohar
- B) Ramachandra Dattatray Huddar
- C) Dinesh Maheshwari
- D) Krishna Dixit
- E) Prasanna B Varale

Answer

B) Ramachandra Dattatray Huddar.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Justice Ramachandra Dattatray Huddar was appointed as Chairperson of the Admission Overseeing Committee.
- **Location:** Karnataka, India.
- **Date:** May 8, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Retired Karnataka High Court judge Justice Ramachandra Dattatray Huddar was appointed to head the Admission Overseeing Committee for professional courses in Karnataka after the post remained vacant following Justice B. Manohar's tenure.
- **Objectives:** The appointment aims to strengthen oversight, transparency, and monitoring of admissions to professional courses such as engineering, medical, dental, and other programmes in Karnataka.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Admission Overseeing Committee:** Admission Overseeing Committee is a body associated with monitoring and overseeing admissions to professional courses in Karnataka under the state's admission regulation framework.
- **Professional courses:** Professional courses are specialised academic programmes such as engineering, medical, dental, and other career-oriented courses that require regulated admission procedures.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Additional Judge:** Additional Judge is a High Court judge appointed for a temporary period under constitutional provisions to manage workload or vacancies.
- **Permanent Judge:** Permanent Judge is a High Court judge appointed to serve until retirement age under constitutional provisions.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Appointment of Admission Overseeing Committee Chairperson.
Date	May 8, 2026.
Location	Karnataka, India.
Appointed person	Justice Ramachandra Dattatray Huddar.
Post appointed to	Chairperson of the Admission Overseeing Committee.
Previous post holder context	The post was vacant after Justice B. Manohar's term ended in October 2024.
Courses covered	Engineering, medical, dental, and other professional programmes.
Significance	The appointment supports transparent and regulated admissions to professional education in Karnataka.



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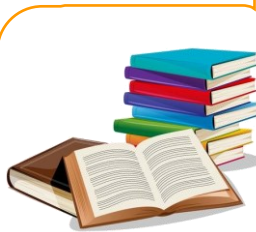
► Who took oath as West Bengal's first BJP Chief Minister?

- A) Dilip Ghosh
- B) Suwendu Adhikari
- C) Amit Shah
- D) Mithun Chakraborty
- E) Rajib Banerjee



Answer

B) Suwendu Adhikari.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Suwendu Adhikari took oath as West Bengal's first BJP Chief Minister.
- **Location:** Brigade Parade Ground, Kolkata, West Bengal.
- **Date:** May 9, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Suwendu Adhikari was unanimously elected as the leader of the BJP Legislative Party and took oath as Chief Minister after the BJP secured victory in the 2026 West Bengal Assembly elections.
- **Objectives:** The development marked the formation of the first BJP government in West Bengal and ended the Trinamool Congress's 15-year rule in the state.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Bharatiya Janata Party:** Bharatiya Janata Party is a national political party in India that formed its first government in West Bengal after the 2026 Assembly elections, according to the provided article.
- **Chief Minister:** Chief Minister is the elected head of a state government in India and leads the state's Council of Ministers.
- **Legislative Party:** Legislative Party refers to the group of elected MLAs belonging to a political party in a state Assembly.
- **Assembly elections:** Assembly elections are state-level elections held to elect Members of the Legislative Assembly who form the state government.

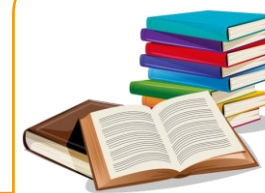


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Oath-taking of West Bengal's first BJP Chief Minister.
Date	May 9, 2026.
Location	Brigade Parade Ground, Kolkata.
Appointed leader	Suvendu Adhikari.
Political party	Bharatiya Janata Party.
Election result	BJP won 207 seats in the 294-member Assembly.
Chief guest / key attendee	Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the ceremony.
Significance	The event marked the end of the Trinamool Congress's 15-year rule in West Bengal.



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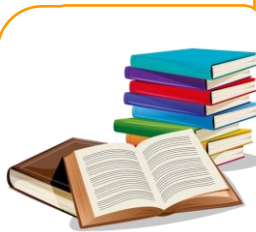
➤ **Who intervened when Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Joseph Vijay went off-script during his oath-taking ceremony?**

- A) Rahul Gandhi
- B) Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar
- C) A Rajmohan
- D) S A Chandrasekhar
- E) Shoba Chandrasekhar



Answer

B) Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Joseph Vijay went off-script during his oath-taking ceremony before the Governor intervened.
- **Location:** Tamil Nadu, India.
- **Date:** May 10, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar intervened during the oath-taking ceremony and asked Joseph Vijay to confine himself to the official oath text provided for the ceremony.
- **Objectives:** The intervention aimed to ensure that the Chief Minister's oath followed the prescribed official format and constitutional procedure.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Oath-taking ceremony:** Oath-taking ceremony is a formal constitutional event where an elected leader assumes office by taking an oath of office and secrecy before the authorised constitutional authority.
- **Governor:** Governor is the constitutional head of an Indian state and administers the oath of office to the Chief Minister and ministers.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Rule of law:** Rule of law means that governance must function according to established legal principles, constitutional provisions, and equal application of law.
- **Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam:** Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam is the political party headed by Joseph Vijay, according to the provided article.

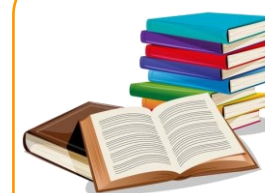


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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Joseph Vijay's oath-taking ceremony as Tamil Nadu Chief Minister.
Date	May 10, 2026.
Location	Tamil Nadu, India.
Chief Minister	Joseph Vijay.
Governor	Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar.
Key incident	Vijay went off-script during the oath before the Governor intervened.
Official action	The Governor asked Vijay to read from the official oath paper.
Post-oath announcement	Vijay announced three welfare schemes related to electricity, women's safety, and drug eradication.



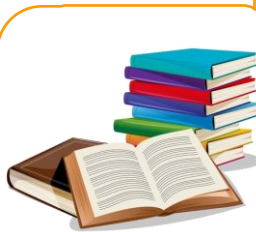
➤ Which three schemes completed 11 years of operation on May 9, 2026?

- A) PMJJBY, PMSBY and APY
- B) PM-KISAN, PMAY and PMFBY
- C) Ujjwala, PMAY and MGNREGA
- D) Ayushman Bharat, PM-KISAN and APY
- E) PMSBY, Mudra and PMJJBY



Answer

A) PMJJBY, PMSBY and APY.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Three flagship Jan Suraksha schemes completed 11 years of operation.
- **Location:** India.
- **Date:** May 9, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The government marked 11 years of Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, and Atal Pension Yojana, which were launched on May 9, 2015.
- **Objectives:** The schemes aim to provide affordable life insurance, accident insurance, and pension coverage to Indians, especially people from low-income and unorganised sectors.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana:** Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana is a government-backed life insurance scheme designed to provide low-cost life cover to eligible beneficiaries.
- **Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana:** Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana is an accident insurance scheme that offers affordable protection against accidental death and disability.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Atal Pension Yojana:** Atal Pension Yojana is a pension scheme focused on providing old-age income security, especially to workers in the unorganised sector.
- **Jan Suraksha Portal:** Jan Suraksha Portal is an online platform that simplifies enrolment and claims processing under Jan Suraksha schemes.



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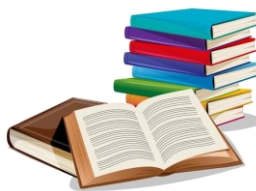
Parameter	Details
Event name	Completion of 11 years of three Jan Suraksha schemes.
Date	May 9, 2026.
Launch date	May 9, 2015.
Schemes covered	PMJJBY, PMSBY and Atal Pension Yojana.
Key authority	Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman highlighted the achievements.
PMJJBY enrolments	PMJJBY recorded over 27 crore enrolments.
PMSBY enrolments	PMSBY crossed 58 crore enrolments.
APY subscribers	APY registered more than 9 crore subscribers.



- Where was the first-ever Regional Cooperative Reform Conference of Mizoram held under the Sahkar se Samriddhi vision?

- A) Shillong
- B) Aizawl
- C) Guwahati
- D) Imphal
- E) Agartala

Answer
B) Aizawl.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Aizawl hosted its first-ever Regional Cooperative Reform Conference under the Sahkar se Samriddhi vision.
- **Location:** Aizawl, Mizoram, India.
- **Date:** May 9, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Ministry of Cooperation organised the Second Regional Conference on Cooperative Reforms in Aizawl to discuss cooperative reforms, infrastructure development, financing support, and market linkages in the North-East.
- **Objectives:** The conference aimed to strengthen grassroots cooperative institutions, improve rural livelihoods, promote cooperative-led development, and expand market access for local and organic products in the North-East.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Sahkar se Samriddhi:** Sahkar se Samriddhi is the Centre's vision to achieve prosperity through cooperative institutions by strengthening rural livelihoods, farmer support systems, and local economic development.
- **Primary Agricultural Credit Societies:** Primary Agricultural Credit Societies are village-level cooperative credit institutions that provide short-term and medium-term financial support to farmers and rural members.



Important Terms Explained:

- **World's Largest Grain Storage Plan:** World's Largest Grain Storage Plan is a cooperative-sector initiative aimed at creating decentralised grain storage infrastructure to improve food security, storage capacity, and Public Distribution System efficiency.
- **Bharat Organics:** Bharat Organics is an initiative promoted to support organic farmers through branding, certification, packaging, and market access for domestic and global sales.



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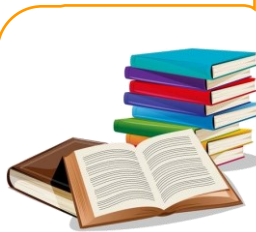
Parameter	Details
Event name	Regional Cooperative Reform Conference under Sahkar se Samriddhi vision.
Date	May 9, 2026.
Location	Aizawl, Mizoram.
Organiser	Ministry of Cooperation.
Conference status	First regional cooperative reform conference ever hosted in Mizoram.
Participating region	Representatives from all North-Eastern states participated.
Key sectors discussed	Cooperative banking, dairy, fisheries, grain storage, organic farming, and market linkages.
Significance	The conference supported cooperative-led rural development and inclusive growth in the North-East.



- **Which organisation organised the ISO TC 20/SC 14 international meetings on Space Systems and Operations in New Delhi?**
- A) Indian Space Research Organisation
 - B) Bureau of Indian Standards
 - C) Ministry of External Affairs
 - D) NITI Aayog
 - E) Defence Research and Development Organisation

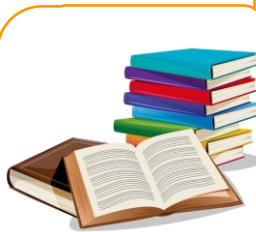
Answer

B) Bureau of Indian Standards.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India hosted the ISO TC 20/SC 14 international meetings on Space Systems and Operations for the first time.
- **Location:** Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, India.
- **Date:** May 9, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Bureau of Indian Standards organised the 35th Plenary and Working Group meetings of ISO TC 20/SC 14 on Space Systems and Operations in New Delhi.
- **Objectives:** The meetings aimed to discuss global standards for space missions, safety, sustainability, interoperability, and operational practices.



Important Terms Explained:

- **ISO TC 20/SC 14:** ISO TC 20/SC 14 is an international subcommittee of the International Organization for Standardization that works on standards related to space systems and operations.
- **Bureau of Indian Standards:** Bureau of Indian Standards is India's national standards body responsible for standardisation, certification, and quality assurance activities.



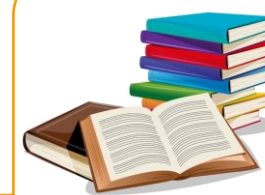
Important Terms Explained:

- **Space Systems and Operations:** Space Systems and Operations refers to technical and operational frameworks used for designing, managing, and conducting space missions.
- **Interoperability:** Interoperability means the ability of different systems, organisations, or technologies to work together effectively using common standards.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	ISO TC 20/SC 14 international meetings on Space Systems and Operations.
Date	May 9, 2026.
Location	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
Organiser	Bureau of Indian Standards.
Edition / meeting	35th Plenary and Working Group meetings.
Participation	131 international delegates from 13 countries attended.
Key participants	Experts from ISRO, industry, academia, and global space agencies participated.
Significance	The event highlighted India's growing role in shaping global space standards.

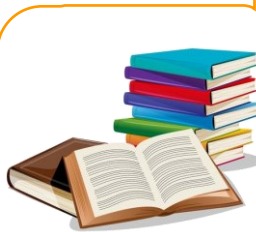


➤ What was the main focus of the first SME Working Group Meeting organised under India's BRICS Chairship 2026?

- A) Digital taxation
- B) Access to finance for MSMEs
- C) Agricultural exports
- D) Space cooperation
- E) Defence manufacturing

Answer

B) Access to finance for MSMEs.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India advanced BRICS MSME cooperation under its 2026 Chairship.
- **Location:** India and BRICS member countries.
- **Date:** April 24, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Ministry of MSME organised the first SME Working Group Meeting under India's BRICS Chairship 2026 to strengthen cooperation among BRICS nations on MSME development.
- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to improve access to finance for MSMEs, promote fintech-driven credit ecosystems, enhance financial inclusion, and encourage exchange of policy experiences among BRICS countries.



Important Terms Explained:

- **BRICS:** BRICS is a grouping of major emerging economies that cooperate on economic development, trade, finance, technology, and global governance issues.
- **Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises:** Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises are businesses classified based on investment and turnover criteria, playing a key role in employment generation, entrepreneurship, and inclusive economic growth.



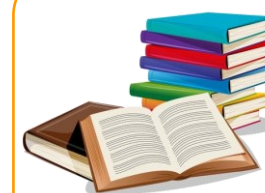
Important Terms Explained:

- **BRICS Partnership on the New Industrial Revolution:** BRICS Partnership on the New Industrial Revolution is a cooperation framework focused on innovation, industrial development, digital transformation, and technology-driven growth among BRICS members.
- **Fintech:** Fintech refers to technology-based financial services that improve access to credit, payments, insurance, and other financial products through digital platforms.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	BRICS MSME cooperation under India's 2026 Chairship.
Date	April 24, 2026.
Meeting held	First SME Working Group Meeting.
Organising ministry	Ministry of MSME.
Main focus	Access to finance for MSMEs.
Framework	BRICS Partnership on the New Industrial Revolution.
Key discussions	Financial inclusion, fintech-driven credit ecosystems, and institutional cooperation.
Future plan	India will host three SME Working Group Meetings and the inaugural BRICS MSME Forum.

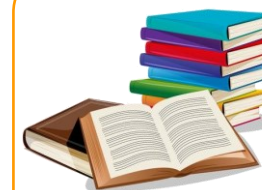


➤ **What has India introduced for Census enumerators ahead of Census 2027?**

- A) Biometric voting cards
- B) QR-code identity cards
- C) Smart ration cards
- D) Digital driving licences
- E) Aadhaar-linked passports

Answer

B) QR-code identity cards.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India introduced QR-code-enabled identity cards for Census enumerators ahead of Census 2027.
- **Location:** India.
- **Date:** May 9, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The government started issuing QR-code identity cards to Census enumerators as part of the Census 2027 process, with integration into mobile applications and centralised Census portals.
- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to help residents verify Census field staff, improve identity authentication, strengthen transparency, and support secure digital data collection.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Census 2027:** Census 2027 is India's upcoming population enumeration exercise aimed at collecting demographic and household data across the country.
- **QR-code verification:** QR-code verification is a digital authentication method that allows users to scan a code through a mobile device to confirm identity or official credentials.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Census enumerators:** Census enumerators are authorised field officials responsible for visiting households and collecting data during the Census exercise.
- **Self-enumeration:** Self-enumeration is a facility that allows residents to submit Census-related information themselves through approved digital platforms in selected areas.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Launch of QR-code verification for Census enumerators.
Date	May 9, 2026.
Census phase date	First phase of Census 2027 began on April 1, 2026.
Location	India.
Key feature	QR-code identity cards were issued to Census enumerators.
Verification method	Citizens can verify enumerators by scanning QR codes using mobile devices.
Scale	Around 30 lakh enumerators are involved nationwide.
Digital system	The Census framework includes mobile apps, central portals, and self-enumeration in selected areas.



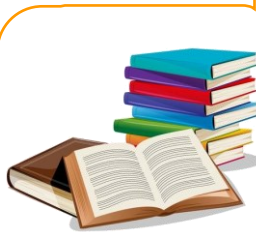
➤ Which body has been asked to consider creating a permanent women-only Vice-President post from the 2027-28 election cycle?

- A) Bar Council of India
- B) Supreme Court Bar Association
- C) Delhi High Court Bar Association
- D) Law Commission of India
- E) National Legal Services Authority



Answer

B) Supreme Court Bar Association.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** The Supreme Court of India proposed a permanent women-only Vice-President post in the Supreme Court Bar Association.
- **Location:** New Delhi, India.
- **Date:** May 8, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Supreme Court asked the SCBA General Body Meeting to consider creating an additional Vice-President post reserved exclusively for women from the 2027-28 election cycle.
- **Objectives:** The proposal aims to increase women advocates' participation in the leadership structure of the Supreme Court Bar Association and improve women's representation in Bar bodies.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Supreme Court Bar Association:** Supreme Court Bar Association is a professional body of advocates who practise before the Supreme Court of India and participate in its representative and administrative activities.
- **Women-only Vice-President post:** Women-only Vice-President post refers to a proposed additional leadership position in the SCBA reserved exclusively for women candidates.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Bar bodies:** Bar bodies are associations or councils representing lawyers and advocates, often involved in professional regulation, welfare, and institutional representation.
- **General Body Meeting:** General Body Meeting is a formal meeting of all members of an association where important proposals, reforms, and organisational decisions are considered.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Proposal for permanent women-only Vice-President post in SCBA.
Date	May 8, 2026.
Location	New Delhi, India.
Institution involved	Supreme Court of India.
Association concerned	Supreme Court Bar Association.
Proposed cycle	The women-only Vice-President post is proposed from the 2027-28 election cycle.
Current reservation context	Secretary's post remains reserved for women in the 2026-27 cycle.
Purpose	The proposal aims to strengthen women's representation in the SCBA leadership structure.

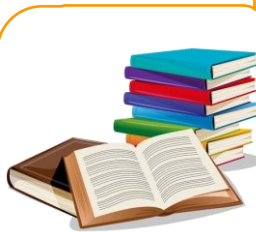


➤ Which state approved the Compressed Biogas Policy 2026 with ₹500 crore support?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Karnataka
- E) Madhya Pradesh



Answer
B) Maharashtra.



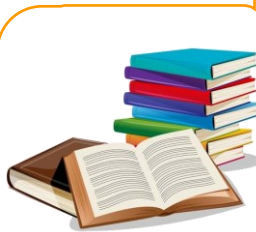
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Maharashtra approved the Compressed Biogas Policy 2026 to promote renewable energy and waste-to-energy projects.
- **Location:** Maharashtra, India.
- **Date:** May 5, 2026.



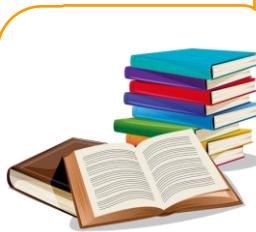
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Maharashtra government approved a dedicated Compressed Biogas Policy 2026, with ₹500 crore allocated for 2026-27 and CBG projects planned across all districts of the state.
- **Objectives:** The policy aims to convert municipal solid waste and agricultural residue into clean fuel, promote renewable energy generation, improve waste management, and support India's Net-Zero 2070 target.



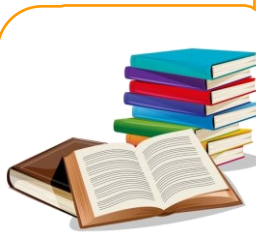
Important Terms Explained:

- **Compressed Biogas:** Compressed Biogas is a purified and compressed form of biogas produced from organic waste, agricultural residue, and other biodegradable materials for use as clean fuel.
- **Waste-to-energy:** Waste-to-energy refers to the process of converting waste materials into usable energy such as fuel, electricity, or heat.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Public-Private Partnership:** Public-Private Partnership is a project model where the government and private sector jointly participate in financing, building, or operating infrastructure and service projects.
- **Hybrid annuity model:** Hybrid annuity model is a project financing model in which the government and private partner share investment and payment responsibilities over the project lifecycle.



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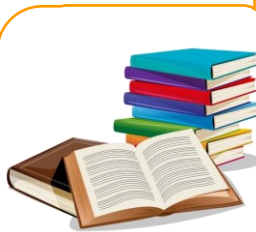
Parameter	Details
Event name	Approval of Maharashtra Compressed Biogas Policy 2026.
Date	Officially released on May 5, 2026.
Cabinet approval date	Approved by the Maharashtra Cabinet on April 22, 2026.
Location	Maharashtra, India.
Financial allocation	₹500 crore was allocated for 2026-27.
Project coverage	CBG projects are planned in every district of Maharashtra.
Raw materials	Municipal solid waste and agricultural residue will be used.
Significance	The policy supports renewable energy, waste management, and India's Net-Zero 2070 target.



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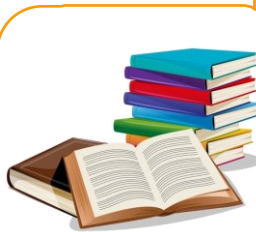
- **Mother's Day 2026 was celebrated on May 10, 2026.**
- **Odisha ranked first in India for house completions under PMAY-U 2.0.**
- **Jharkhand recorded a zero primary dropout rate in 2024-25.**
- **Lt Gen (retd) NS Raja Subramani has been appointed as India's next Chief of Defence Staff.**
- **Vice Admiral Krishna Swaminathan has been appointed as India's next Chief of the Naval Staff.**
- **Justice Ramachandra Dattatray Huddar has been appointed Chairperson of the Admission Overseeing Committee.**
- **Suwendu Adhikari took oath as West Bengal's first BJP Chief Minister on May 9, 2026.**
- **Joseph Vijay took oath as the newly elected Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on May 10, 2026.**
- **The three Jan Suraksha schemes completed 11 years on May 9, 2026.**
- **Aizawl hosted Mizoram's first-ever Regional Cooperative Reform Conference under the Sahkar se Samriddhi vision.**



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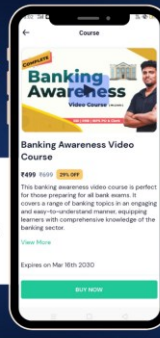
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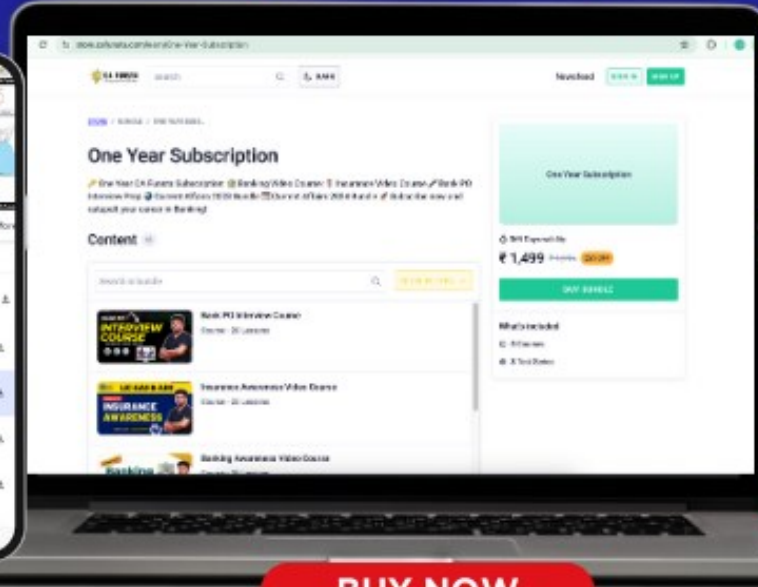
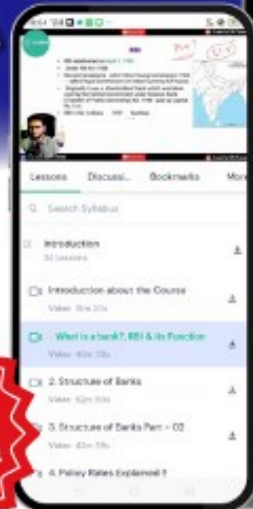


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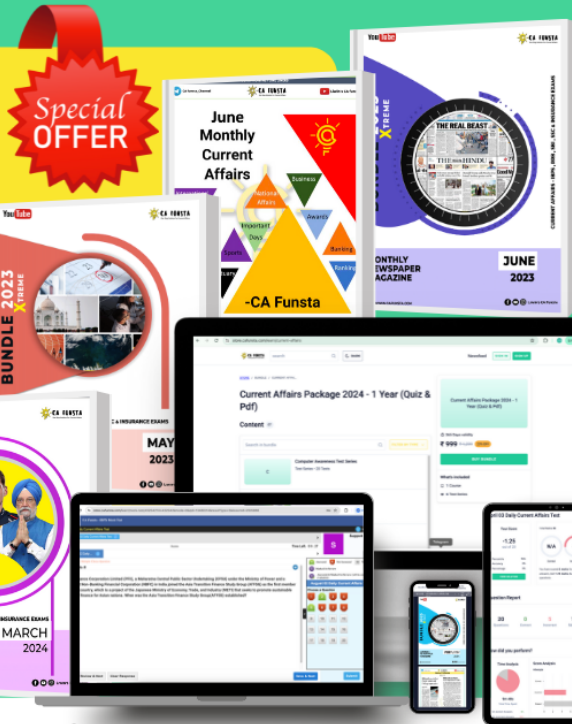
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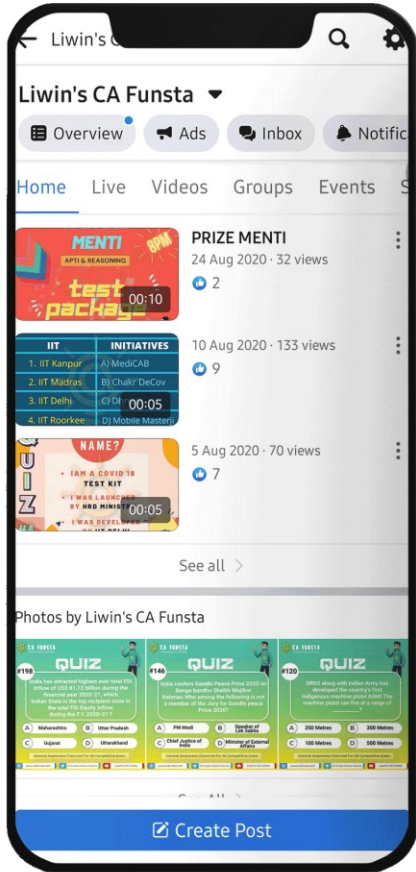
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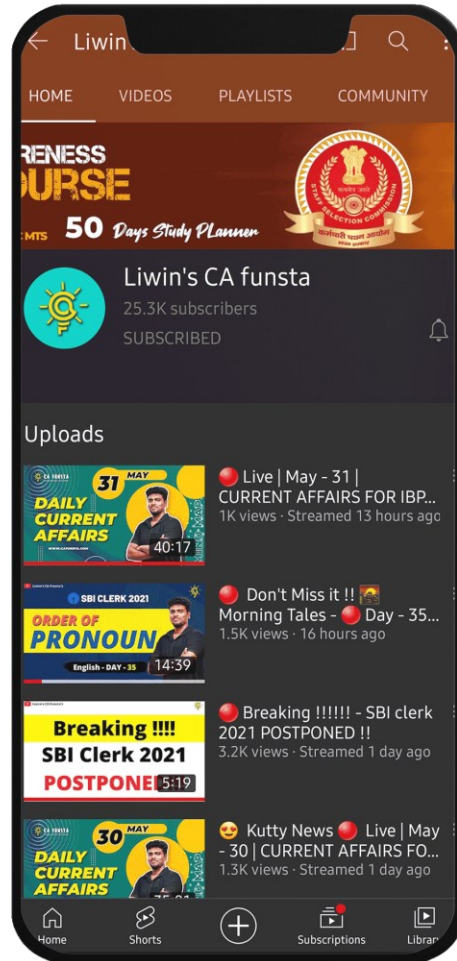


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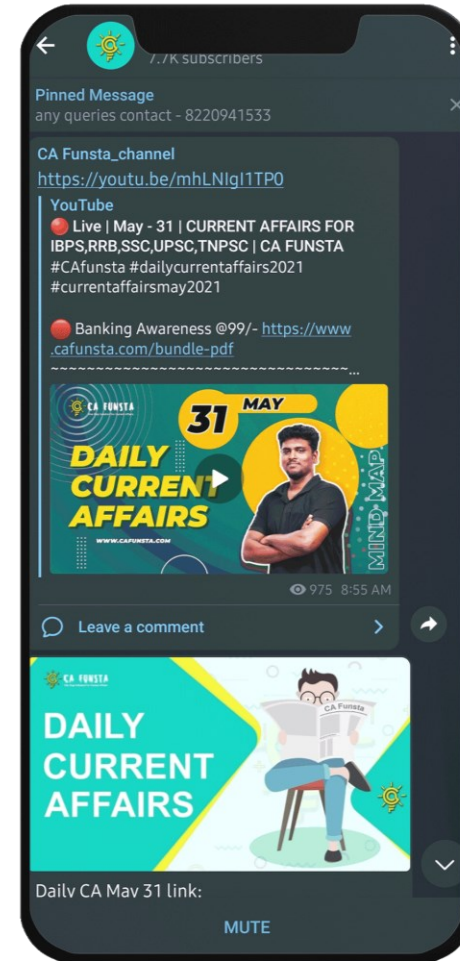
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