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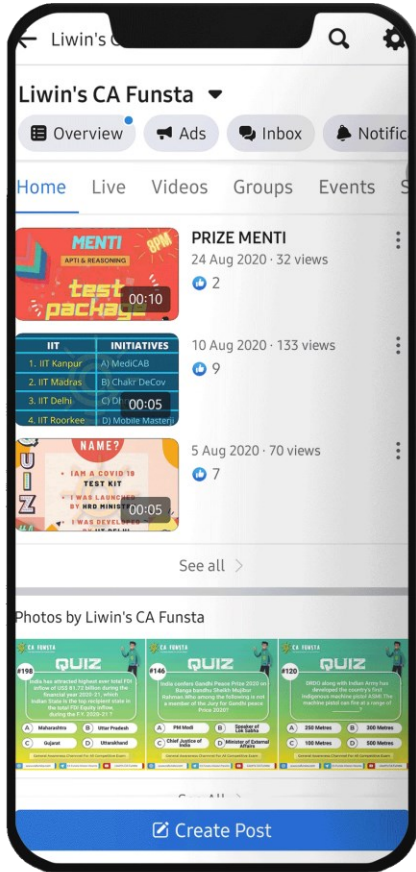


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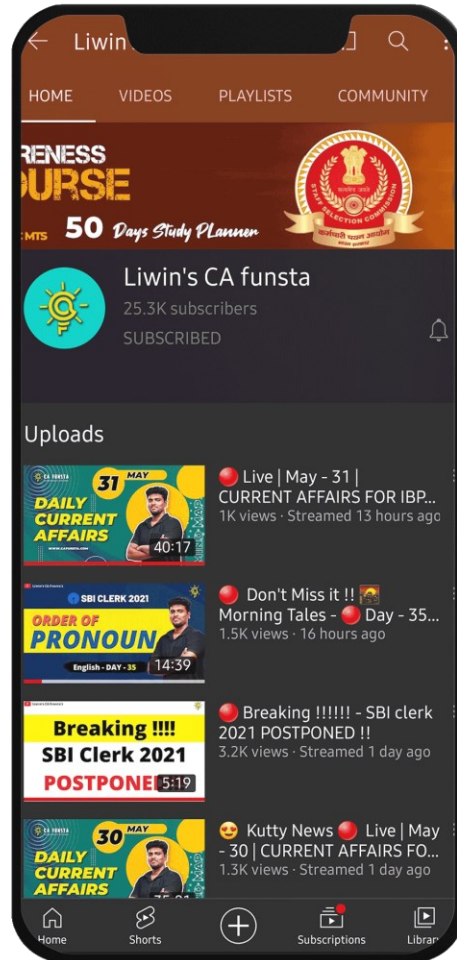
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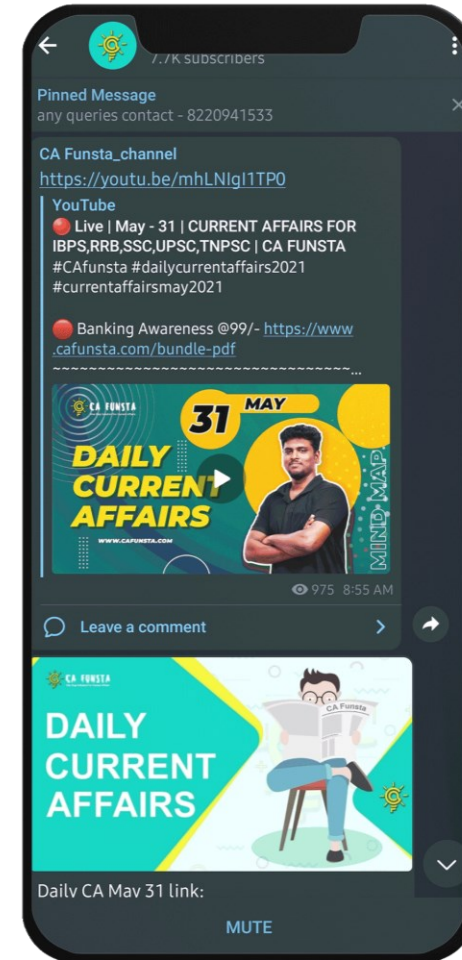
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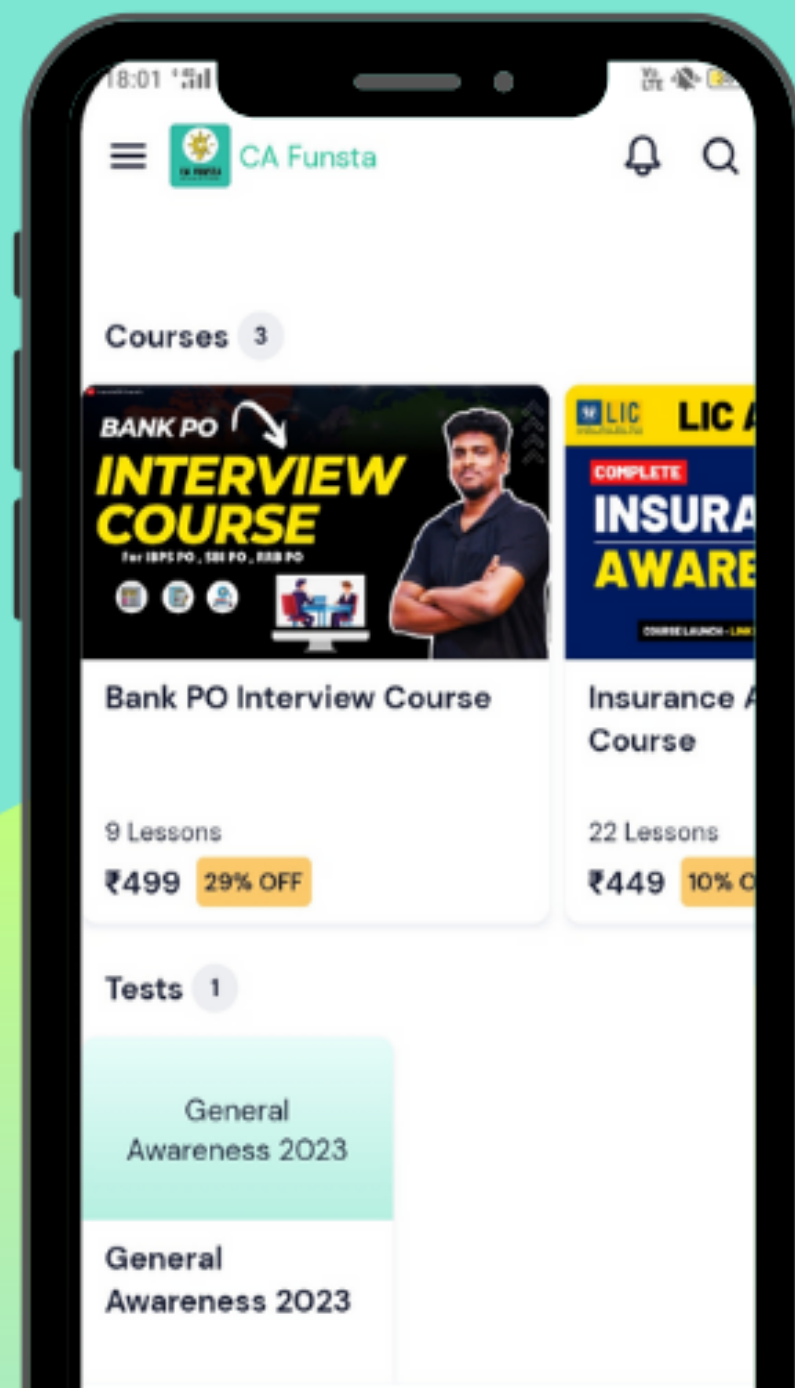
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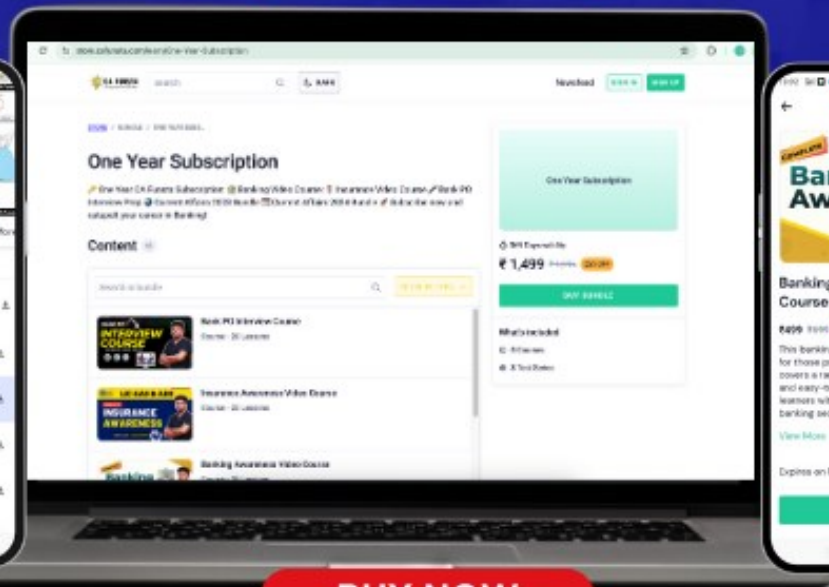
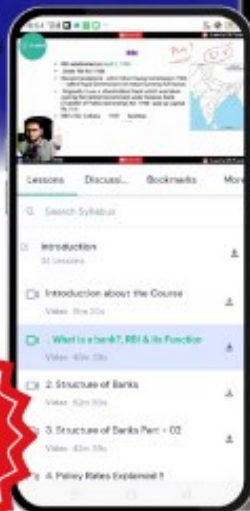
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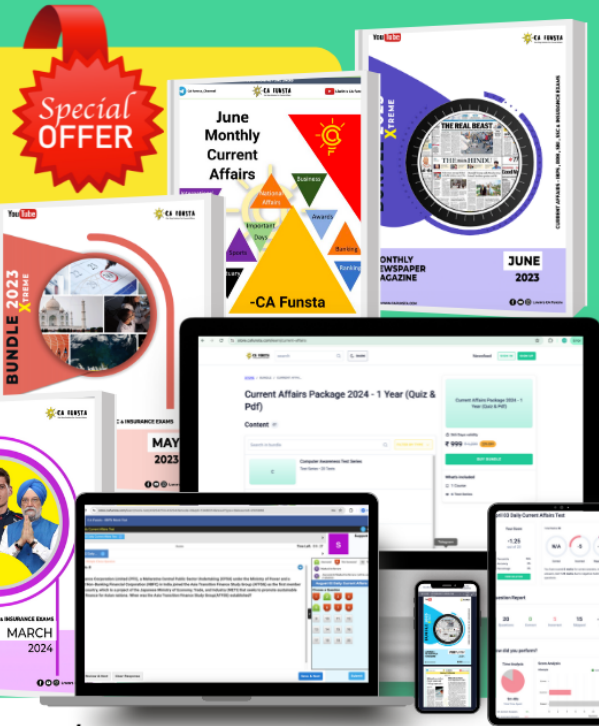


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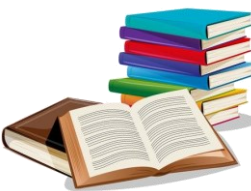


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➤ **Sourav Ganguly became which Indian cricketer to be inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame?**

- A) 9th
- B) 10th
- C) 11th
- D) 12th
- E) 13th

Answer
D) 12th.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Former Indian captain **Sourav Ganguly** became the **12th** Indian cricketer inducted into the **ICC Hall of Fame**.
- **Location:** India and international cricket.
- **Date:** July 8, 2026.



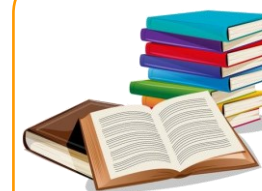
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The International Cricket Council recognised **Sourav Ganguly**'s outstanding batting career, leadership and long-term contribution to Indian and international cricket.
- **Objectives:** The honour acknowledges retired cricketers whose performances, leadership and influence have made an exceptional and lasting contribution to the game.



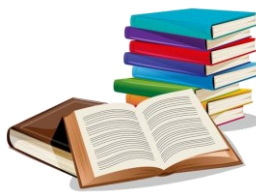
Ranking Table:

Induction Order	Indian Cricketer
1	Bishan Singh Bedi.
2	Kapil Dev.
3	Sunil Gavaskar.
4	Anil Kumble.
5	Rahul Dravid.
6	Sachin Tendulkar.
7	Vinoo Mankad.
8	Diana Edulji.
9	Virender Sehwag.
10	Neetu David.



Important Terms Explained:

- **ICC Hall of Fame:** An honour established by the **International Cricket Council** to recognise retired players who have made exceptional contributions to cricket through performance, leadership and lasting influence.



Important Terms Explained:

- **One-Day International:** A limited-overs international cricket format in which each team generally plays a maximum of **50** overs.
- **Test Match:** The longest international cricket format, played over a maximum of five days between recognised national teams.



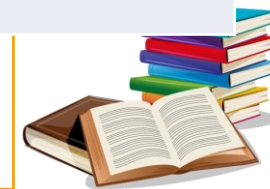
Important Terms Explained:

- **Induction:** The formal inclusion of an eligible former player in the **Hall of Fame** after consideration under the **ICC**'s prescribed criteria.



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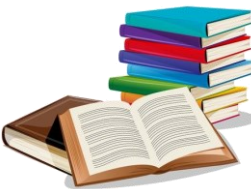
Parameter	Details
Honouree	Sourav Ganguly.
Induction date	July 8, 2026.
Recognition	Induction into the ICC Hall of Fame.
Indian induction position	He became the 12th Indian cricketer to receive the honour.
International career	He represented India in 113 Tests and 308 ODIs.
Captaincy achievement	He led India to the final of the 2003 ICC Cricket World Cup.
Leadership legacy	He helped build a fearless and competitive Indian team capable of succeeding overseas.
Women inductees from India	Diana Edulji and Neetu David were inducted in 2023 and 2024 respectively.



► What was India's total higher education enrolment in the AISHE Report 2023-24?

- A) 3.42 crore
- B) 3.85 crore
- C) 4.10 crore
- D) 4.50 crore
- E) 5.20 crore

Answer
D) 4.50 crore.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** The Union Ministry of Education released the **All India Survey on Higher Education Reports** for **2022-23** and **2023-24**, recording higher education enrolment of approximately **4.5 crore** students.
- **Location:** India.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The reports compiled data on student enrolment, faculty, infrastructure, academic programmes, examination results and institutional facilities across universities, colleges and standalone institutions.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The survey aims to monitor higher education development, support policy formulation, guide resource allocation and assess progress in access, inclusion and implementation of education reforms.



Important Terms Explained:

- **All India Survey on Higher Education:** An annual **Government of India** survey that collects official data from higher education institutions through a web-based system.



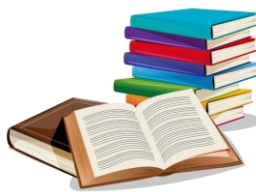
Important Terms Explained:

- **Gross Enrolment Ratio:** The percentage of people in the **18–23** age group enrolled in higher education compared with the total population of that age group.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Gender Parity Index:** The ratio of female enrolment to male enrolment, with a value above one indicating that female enrolment exceeds male enrolment.



Important Terms Explained:

- **STEM:** An academic grouping covering Science, Technology, **Engineering and Mathematics** disciplines.



Important Terms Explained:

- **National Education Policy 2020:** India's education policy framework that seeks to improve access, quality, flexibility, inclusion and multidisciplinary learning.



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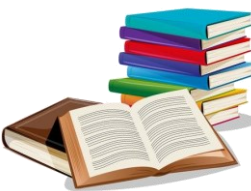
Parameter	Details
Report name	All India Survey on Higher Education Reports 2022-23 and 2023-24.
Issuing authority	Union Ministry of Education.
Total enrolment	Higher education enrolment reached approximately 4.5 crore students in 2023-24.
Enrolment growth	Total enrolment increased by 31.5% from 3.42 crore in 2014-15.
National GER	The ratio increased from 23.7 in 2014-15 to 30 in 2023-24.
Female participation	Female enrolment reached 2.24 crore, while the female GER stood at 31.2.
STEM participation	Enrolment crossed one crore for the first time and reached 1.02 crore.
Faculty strength	Total faculty reached 17.32 lakh, including 7.78 lakh women.



➤ What long-term issuer credit rating did S&P Global Ratings assign to Federal Bank?

- A) BB+/Stable
- B) BBB-/Stable
- C) BBB/Positive
- D) A-/Stable
- E) BB/Negative

Answer
B) BBB-/Stable.



Event and Location:

- **Event: Federal Bank** received its inaugural international issuer credit rating of **BBB-/Stable** for the long term and **A-3** for the short term from **S&P Global Ratings**.
- **Location:** India.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** S&P **Global Ratings** assessed **Federal Bank's** financial strength, capital position, funding profile, operating performance and risk-management practices before assigning the ratings.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The ratings aim to indicate the bank's creditworthiness, capacity to meet financial obligations and overall level of default risk for investors and financial institutions.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Investment-Grade Rating:** A credit rating indicating that an institution has an adequate capacity to meet its financial commitments and carries a relatively low risk of default.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Issuer Credit Rating:** An assessment of an organisation's overall ability and willingness to meet its financial obligations when they become due.



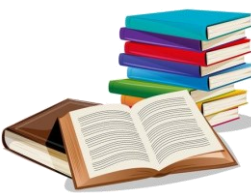
Important Terms Explained:

- **A-3 Rating:** A short-term credit rating assigned by S&P **Global Ratings** indicating an adequate capacity to meet short-term financial commitments.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Stable Outlook:** An indication that the credit rating is unlikely to change significantly over the medium term under prevailing conditions.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Credit Risk:** The possibility that a borrower or financial institution may fail to meet its repayment or other financial obligations.



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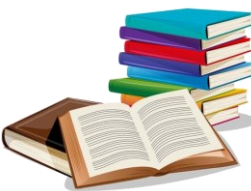
Parameter	Details
Institution	Federal Bank.
Rating agency	S&P Global Ratings.
Long-term rating	BBB-/Stable.
Short-term rating	A-3.
Rating status	The rating placed the bank in the international investment-grade category.
Key strengths	Strong franchise, disciplined risk management, healthy capitalisation and diversified funding.
Financial implication	The rating reflects an adequate capacity to meet long-term financial commitments.
Strategic significance	The rating may improve investor confidence, capital access, stakeholder trust and competitive positioning.



► Under which WSIS Action Line did Samriddh Gram win the WSIS Prize 2026?

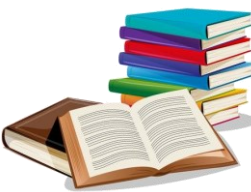
- A) Action Line C2
- B) Action Line C4
- C) Action Line C5
- D) Action Line C6
- E) Action Line C8

Answer
D) Action Line C6.



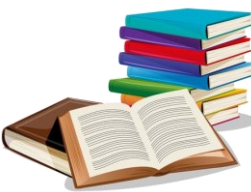
Event and Location:

- **Event:** The Department of Telecommunications' **Samriddh Gram: Integrated Phygital Service Delivery Model** won the **WSIS Prize 2026** as the **Global Winner** under **Action Line C6**.
- **Location:** Geneva, Switzerland.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The initiative uses BharatNet connectivity and village-level **Samriddhi Kendras** to deliver assisted digital services in healthcare, education, agriculture, banking, governance and skill development.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The programme aims to convert rural broadband connectivity into socio-economic opportunities, improve public-service delivery, promote financial and digital inclusion, and create sustainable livelihoods in rural India.



Important Terms Explained:

- **World Summit on the Information Society Prize:** An international recognition awarded to innovative information and communication technology projects that contribute to sustainable development.



Important Terms Explained:

- **BharatNet:** A rural broadband connectivity initiative designed to provide high-speed internet infrastructure to **Gram Panchayats** and underserved areas across India.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Phygital Service Delivery Model:** A system that combines digital platforms with assisted physical services so that people with limited digital literacy can access essential services.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Samriddhi Kendras:** Village-level service centres that provide citizens with assisted access to digital healthcare, education, agriculture, financial and governance services.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Digital Public Infrastructure:** Shared digital systems and platforms that enable governments, businesses and citizens to deliver or access services efficiently at scale.

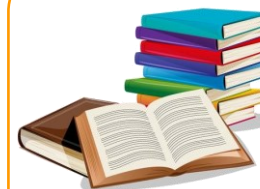


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Award name	WSIS Prize 2026.
Winning initiative	Samriddh Gram: Integrated Phygital Service Delivery Model.
Implementing authority	Department of Telecommunications, Government of India.
Award category	Action Line C6 – Enabling Environment.
Award venue	WSIS Forum 2026 in Geneva, Switzerland.
Digital foundation	The programme is powered by the BharatNet rural broadband network.
Connectivity coverage	BharatNet has made more than 2.17 lakh Gram Panchayats service-ready.
Core significance	The initiative improves rural access to healthcare, education, banking, agriculture, governance and livelihood services.

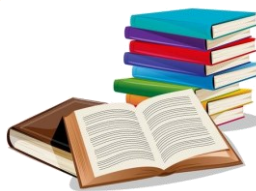


➤ What is the active component of Awigli, the once-weekly basal insulin launched in India?

- A) Insulin glargine
- B) Insulin lispro
- C) Insulin icodec
- D) Insulin aspart
- E) Insulin degludec

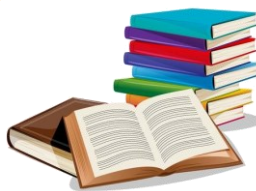
Answer

C) Insulin icodec.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Novo Nordisk India launched Awiqli, described as the world's first once-weekly basal insulin for adults with Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes.
- **Location:** India.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



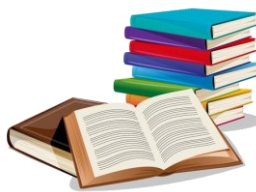
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The company introduced a weekly insulin therapy delivered through a FlexTouch injection device to provide sustained blood glucose control with one injection per week.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The launch aims to simplify insulin therapy, reduce annual injections from approximately **365** to **52**, improve treatment adherence and support long-term diabetes management.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Basal Insulin:** A long-acting insulin that maintains stable blood glucose levels between meals and during fasting periods.
- **Insulin Icodec:** The active ingredient in Awiqli, designed to remain effective in the body for an entire week after a single injection.



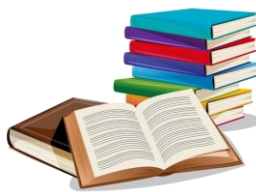
Important Terms Explained:

- **HbA1c:** A blood test that measures average blood glucose levels over the preceding two to three months.
- **Time in Range:** The percentage of time during which a person's blood glucose level remains within the recommended target range.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Hypoglycaemia:** A medical condition in which blood glucose falls below the normal level, potentially causing sweating, weakness, confusion or unconsciousness.



Important Terms Explained:

- **ONWARDS-1 Clinical Study:** A global clinical trial that evaluated the efficacy and safety of once-weekly insulin icodec against daily insulin glargine U100.



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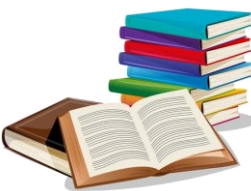
Parameter	Details
Product name	Awikli.
Manufacturer	Novo Nordisk India.
Launch date	July 10, 2026.
Active component	Insulin icodec.
Target patients	Adults with Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes mellitus.
Dosage frequency	One injection per week instead of daily basal insulin injections.
Delivery device	Novo Nordisk's FlexTouch injection device.
Clinical significance	The therapy is intended to improve blood glucose control, patient convenience and treatment adherence.



► **Where was the third India-Australia Annual Summit between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Prime Minister Anthony Albanese held?**

- A) Sydney
- B) Canberra
- C) Melbourne
- D) Brisbane
- E) Perth

Answer
C) Melbourne.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese held the third India-Australia Annual Summit to expand bilateral cooperation across key strategic sectors.
- **Location:** Melbourne, Australia.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The summit reviewed bilateral cooperation under the India-**Australia Comprehensive Strategic Partnership** and discussed trade, defence, maritime security, clean energy, critical technologies, education, space cooperation and cultural ties.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The summit aimed to deepen strategic coordination, accelerate economic engagement, strengthen regional security, expand technology and education partnerships, and promote a stable and resilient Indo-Pacific region.



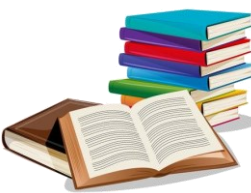
Important Terms Explained:

- **Comprehensive Strategic Partnership:** A high-level bilateral framework launched by **India and Australia** in **2020** to strengthen cooperation across strategic, economic, defence, technological and people-centric sectors.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement:** A proposed India-Australia trade agreement intended to improve market access, investment flows and business opportunities through a balanced and mutually beneficial framework.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Critical Minerals:** Minerals essential for advanced technologies, renewable energy systems, electronics and defence equipment, whose secure supply chains are strategically important.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Maritime Security:** Measures undertaken to protect sea routes, territorial waters, ports and maritime trade from piracy, conflict and other security threats.



Important Terms Explained:

- Indo-Pacific: A strategic geographic region covering the **Indian and Pacific Oceans** that is important for global trade, economic connectivity and regional security.



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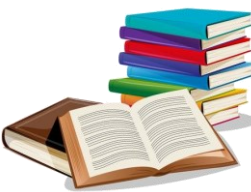
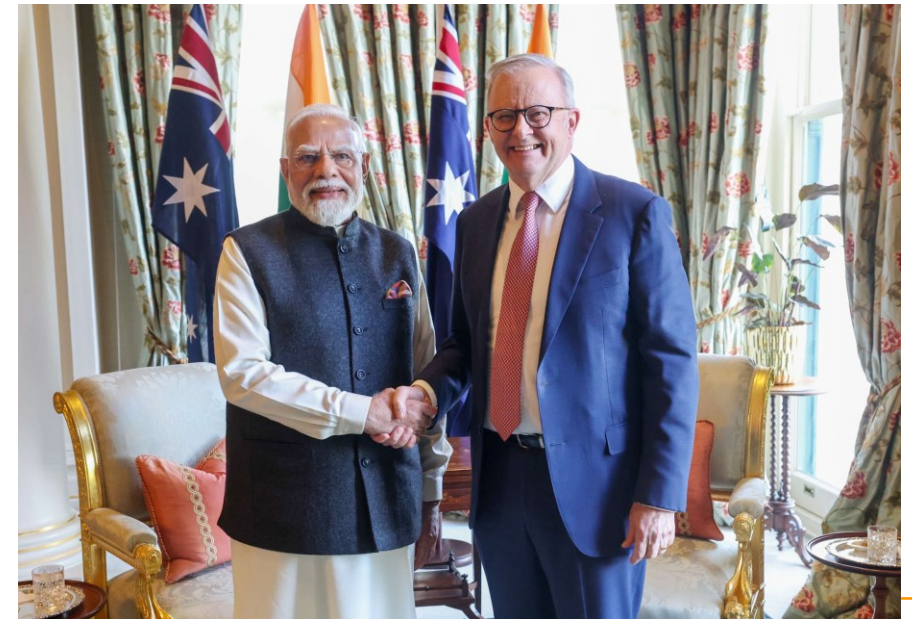
Parameter	Details
Event name	Third India-Australia Annual Summit.
Date	July 10, 2026.
Location	Melbourne, Australia.
Participating leaders	Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Prime Minister Anthony Albanese.
Economic focus	Early conclusion of the Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement and expansion of bilateral investment.
Strategic cooperation	Defence, maritime security, cybersecurity, space, civil nuclear energy and emerging technologies.
Development priorities	Clean energy, renewable energy, critical minerals, education, research and skill development.
Cultural outcome	Australia agreed to voluntarily return ancient Indian artefacts originating from Tamil Nadu.



➤ How many major agreements and initiatives were unveiled during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Australia visit?

- A) 12
- B) 14
- C) 16
- D) 18
- E) 20

Answer
D) 18.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Australia visit delivered **18** agreements and initiatives across defence, energy, technology, education, research and cultural cooperation.
- **Location:** Australia.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



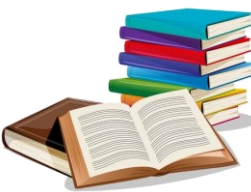
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The outcomes included declarations, roadmaps, administrative arrangements, institutional agreements, university campuses, research partnerships, training initiatives and cultural restoration measures under the India-Australia strategic relationship.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The initiatives aim to strengthen regional security, energy cooperation, technological resilience, education, skill development, research, sustainable growth and a free, open, inclusive and rules-based Indo-Pacific region.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Comprehensive Strategic Partnership:** A broad bilateral framework through which **India and Australia** cooperate in defence, trade, energy, technology, education, research and people-to-people relations.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Joint Declaration on Defence and Security Cooperation:** A bilateral declaration intended to deepen defence coordination, military engagement and security cooperation between **India and Australia**.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Maritime Security Cooperation Roadmap:** A structured framework for enhancing cooperation in maritime awareness, naval coordination, ocean security and the protection of sea-based trade routes.



Important Terms Explained:

- **India-Australia Civil Nuclear Agreement:** A bilateral framework supporting peaceful civil nuclear cooperation, including uranium-related arrangements and administrative coordination.



Important Terms Explained:

- **PACTS: The Australia-India Partnership on Cyber, Critical Technologies and Supply Chains** is intended to strengthen cooperation in cybersecurity, emerging technologies and resilient supply networks.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Traditional Knowledge Digital Library:** An Indian digital repository that documents traditional medicinal knowledge to prevent misappropriation and support intellectual property protection.



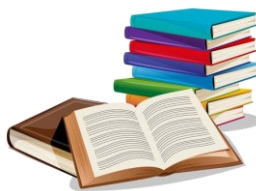
Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Announcement of 18 major outcomes during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Australia visit.
Date	July 10, 2026.
Summit	Third Annual Summit between India and Australia.
Defence outcomes	A joint defence declaration, maritime security roadmap and expanded military cooperation were announced.
Energy outcomes	The two countries advanced energy security, civil nuclear cooperation and renewable energy training.
Technology outcomes	Cooperation covered cybersecurity, critical technologies, artificial intelligence, supply chains and innovation.
Education and research	New university campuses, institutional agreements and research partnerships were announced.
Cultural cooperation	Three Indian artefacts were restored, and cooperation in traditional knowledge and film education was expanded.

➤ How many major pillars guide the India-Australia PACTS partnership?

- A) Three
- B) Four
- C) Five
- D) Six
- E) Seven

Answer
C) Five.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India and Australia launched the Australia-India Partnership for Cyber, Critical Technologies and Supply Chains during the third India-Australia Annual Summit.
- **Location:** Melbourne, Australia.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The partnership will promote cooperation among governments, private companies, universities, research organisations and defence developers across five strategic technology pillars.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to strengthen cybersecurity, critical technology development, supply-chain resilience, digital security, defence research, investment cooperation and the commercial application of scientific research.



Important Terms Explained:

- **PACTS: The Australia-India Partnership for Cyber, Critical Technologies and Supply Chains** is a bilateral framework for cooperation in cybersecurity, emerging technologies, resilient supply chains and defence research.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Critical Technologies:** Advanced technologies considered essential for economic growth, national security and strategic autonomy, including artificial intelligence, semiconductors and advanced digital systems.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Resilient Supply Chains:** Supply networks designed to withstand disruptions by diversifying suppliers, production locations and access to critical materials.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Digital Resilience:** The ability of institutions and digital systems to prevent, withstand and recover from cyberattacks, technological failures and other disruptions.



Important Terms Explained:

- **ACITI: The Australia-Canada-India Technology and Innovation Partnership** is a trilateral initiative promoting joint research, technological innovation and resource-sharing among the three countries.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Partnership name	Australia-India Partnership for Cyber, Critical Technologies and Supply Chains.
Announcement venue	Third India-Australia Annual Summit in Melbourne.
Participating leaders	Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese.
Five pillars	Supply-chain flexibility and diversification, critical technologies, cybersecurity, digital resilience and defence research cooperation.
Key technology areas	Artificial intelligence, semiconductors, critical minerals, digital systems and advanced defence technologies.
Major stakeholders	Government institutions, companies, universities, research organisations and defence-system developers.
Trilateral initiative	Australia, Canada and India also established the ACITI partnership through a Memorandum of Understanding.
Strategic significance	The framework seeks to reduce technological dependencies and strengthen national security and economic resilience.

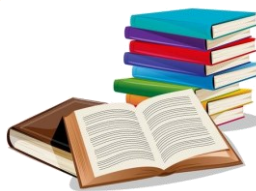
► What is the primary objective of Gujarat's Data Centre Policy 2026-29?

- A) Promote agricultural exports
- B) Expand coastal tourism
- C) Attract digital infrastructure investment
- D) Develop textile manufacturing
- E) Increase automobile production



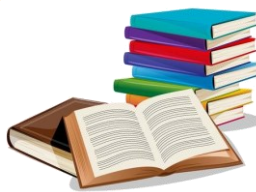
Answer

C) Attract digital infrastructure investment.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** The Gujarat government launched the **Viksit Gujarat – Data Centre Policy 2026-29** to attract investment in data centres, artificial intelligence infrastructure, cloud computing and digital services.
- **Location:** Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



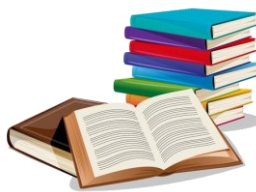
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The policy provides fiscal and non-fiscal support for establishing hyperscale data centres and related digital infrastructure while recognising data centres as strategic infrastructure.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The policy aims to position Gujarat as a leading digital infrastructure hub, attract domestic and global investment, reduce project costs and expand India's data centre capacity.



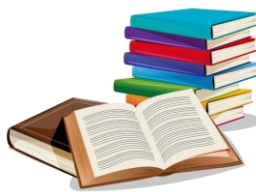
Important Terms Explained:

- **Hyperscale Data Centres:** Large facilities designed to provide extensive computing, storage and networking capacity for cloud platforms, artificial intelligence applications and digital services.



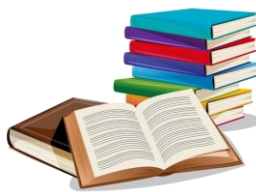
Important Terms Explained:

- **Artificial Intelligence Infrastructure:** The computing systems, data storage facilities, high-speed networks and specialised processors required to develop and operate artificial intelligence applications.



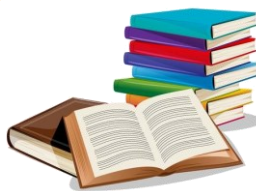
Important Terms Explained:

- **Capital Subsidy:** Financial assistance provided by the government to reduce the initial investment cost of establishing an eligible project.



Important Terms Explained:

- **SGST Reimbursement:** The repayment of eligible **State Goods and Services Tax** paid by an investor according to the conditions prescribed under a government incentive policy.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Special Investment Region:** A specially planned industrial area developed with integrated infrastructure, investment facilitation and business-friendly regulations.



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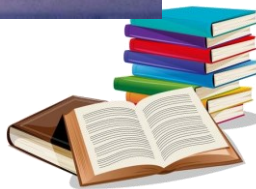
Parameter	Details
Policy name	Viksit Gujarat – Data Centre Policy 2026-29.
Launch date	July 10, 2026.
Launch location	Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
Launching authority	Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel.
Target sectors	Data centres, artificial intelligence infrastructure, cloud computing and digital services.
Fiscal incentives	Capital subsidies, interest subsidies, power tariff support, tax reimbursements and stamp duty exemptions.
Power advantage	Gujarat has approximately 69 GW of installed power capacity, including nearly 47 GW of renewable energy capacity.
Infrastructure advantage	Dholera Special Investment Region, GIFT City, industrial corridors and logistics networks support large digital projects.



➤ **What is the maximum pump-set capacity supported under the UP Nishulk Boring Yojana 2026?**

- A) 2 HP
- B) 3 HP
- C) 5 HP
- D) 7 HP
- E) 10 HP

Answer
C) 5 HP.



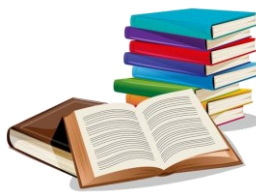
Event and Location:

- **Event:** The **Uttar Pradesh** government is set to implement the UP **Nishulk Boring Yojana 2026** to provide free agricultural borewells and subsidised pump sets to eligible farmers.
- **Location:** **Uttar Pradesh.**
- **Date:** **July 10, 2026.**



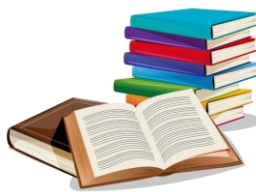
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The scheme provides free borewell installation and assistance for pump sets of up to 5 HP after verification of applicants' eligibility, land records and supporting documents.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The scheme aims to improve irrigation access, reduce dependence on monsoon rainfall, increase crop productivity and lower irrigation infrastructure costs for small and marginal farmers.



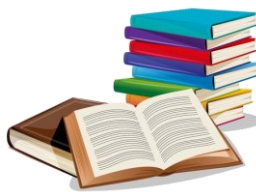
Important Terms Explained:

- **Free Borewell Installation:** It refers to the installation of an agricultural boring facility without charging eligible farmers the standard construction cost.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Pump Set Subsidy:** It is government financial assistance that reduces the cost of purchasing or installing a pump used to draw groundwater for irrigation.



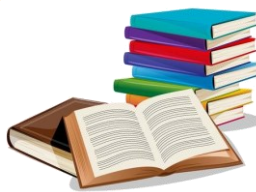
Important Terms Explained:

- **Small Farmer:** Under the scheme, a small farmer is an eligible cultivator with a landholding of up to **2** hectares.
- **Marginal Farmer:** Under the scheme, a marginal farmer is an eligible cultivator with a landholding of up to **1** hectare.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Khasra and Khatauni:** These are official land records used to verify agricultural land ownership, plot details and cultivation rights.



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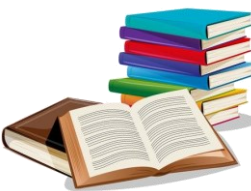
Parameter	Details
Scheme name	UP Nishulk Boring Yojana 2026.
Initiation year	The scheme was originally introduced in 1985.
Implementing authority	Government of Uttar Pradesh through the Minor Irrigation Department.
Target beneficiaries	Small and marginal farmers, with applicable provisions for SC and ST farmers.
Major benefit	Free agricultural borewell installation and assistance for pump sets of up to 5 HP.
Key eligibility	The applicant must be a permanent resident of Uttar Pradesh and must not already possess an agricultural borewell.
Required documents	Aadhaar card, land records, bank passbook, domicile certificate, photograph and applicable caste certificate.
Application process	Farmers must apply through the Uttar Pradesh Minor Irrigation Department portal and undergo document and land verification.



➤ Where was the International Centre for Civilizational Studies “Manas and Mahabharata” inaugurated?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Bishkek
- C) Tashkent
- D) Astana
- E) Dushanbe

Answer
B) Bishkek.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India and Kyrgyzstan inaugurated the **International Centre for Civilizational Studies “Manas and Mahabharata”** to promote comparative research and cultural cooperation.
- **Location:** Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



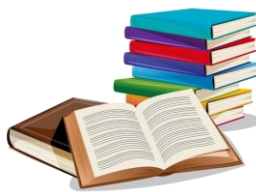
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The centre will facilitate comparative studies of the **Manas and Mahabharata** epics, interdisciplinary research, joint academic projects, faculty exchanges and collaborative educational programmes.



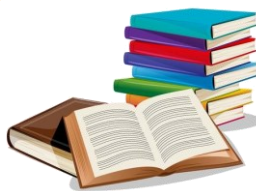
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to strengthen cultural dialogue, humanitarian diplomacy, academic cooperation and mutual understanding between the civilizational traditions of **India and Kyrgyzstan**.



Important Terms Explained:

- **International Centre for Civilizational Studies:** A research institution established to promote comparative studies of civilizations, cultural traditions, literature, history, philosophy and international relations.



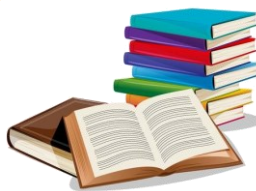
Important Terms Explained:

- **Manas Epic:** The national epic of Kyrgyzstan that narrates the life and achievements of the hero Manas and occupies a central place in Kyrgyz cultural identity.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Mahabharata:** An ancient Indian epic that presents narratives concerning duty, ethics, governance, conflict and the civilizational traditions of India.



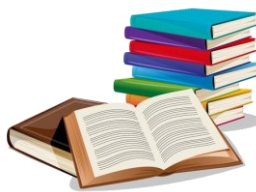
Important Terms Explained:

- **Cultural Diplomacy:** The use of literature, heritage, education, arts and cultural exchanges to strengthen relations and mutual understanding between countries.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Humanitarian Diplomacy:** Diplomatic engagement focused on human welfare, cultural cooperation, education and people-to-people connections.



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Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Centre name	International Centre for Civilizational Studies “Manas and Mahabharata”.
Location	Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.
Establishing institutions	Manas National Academy and the Centre for Studies of International Relations, New Delhi.
Primary focus	Comparative research on the Manas and Mahabharata epic traditions.
Academic cooperation	Trilateral agreements were signed with seven leading universities in Kyrgyzstan.
Major publication	The first Hindi translation of the Kyrgyz national epic Manas was released.
Translators	Professor Hem Chandra Pande and Professor Ramakant Dwivedi prepared the Hindi translation.
Strategic significance	The initiative strengthens India-Kyrgyzstan cultural diplomacy, research collaboration and academic exchanges.

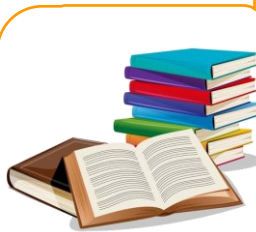


► What regulatory mechanism has India introduced to promote sustainable fishing in the Exclusive Economic Zone and high seas?

- A) Marine Export Permit
- B) Letter of Authorisation
- C) Coastal Fishing Licence
- D) Blue Economy Certificate
- E) Deep-Sea Access Pass

Answer

B) Letter of Authorisation.



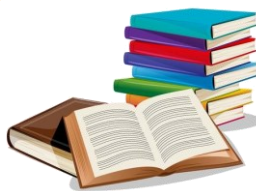
Event and Location:

- **Event:** India launched a new **Letter of Authorisation** regime to enable sustainable fishing in the **Exclusive Economic Zone** and high seas.
- **Location:** India's **Exclusive Economic Zone** and adjoining high-seas areas.
- **Date:** July 10, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The regime authorises eligible Indian fishing vessels to undertake regulated fishing and related operations beyond coastal waters through a simplified and transparent approval system.



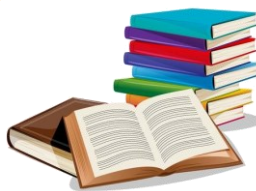
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to promote sustainable deep-sea fishing, increase fishermen's incomes, reduce pressure on coastal fisheries, create employment and strengthen India's seafood exports and **Blue Economy**.



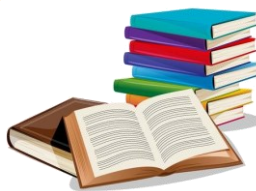
Important Terms Explained:

- **Letter of Authorisation:** A regulatory approval that permits eligible Indian fishing vessels to undertake fishing and associated operations in specified maritime areas.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Exclusive Economic Zone:** A maritime zone extending up to **200** nautical miles from a country's baseline, within which the coastal state has rights over natural resources.



Important Terms Explained:

- **High-Seas Fishing:** Fishing conducted in marine areas beyond national jurisdiction, generally involving specialised vessels, equipment and international conservation requirements.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Blue Economy:** The sustainable use of ocean resources for economic growth, livelihoods, employment and protection of marine ecosystems.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Fish Farmer Producer Organisations:** Collective bodies formed by fishers and fish farmers to improve production, market access, bargaining power and access to institutional support.



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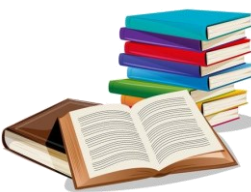
Parameter	Details
Initiative name	Letter of Authorisation regime for sustainable high-seas fishing.
Launch date	July 10, 2026.
Launching authority	Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar.
Operational coverage	India's Exclusive Economic Zone and open-sea fishing areas.
Primary beneficiaries	Indian fishermen, fishing cooperatives and Fish Farmer Producer Organisations.
Marine resource base	India has a coastline exceeding 11,000 kilometres and an Exclusive Economic Zone of nearly 24 lakh square kilometres.
Economic objective	The regime seeks to raise fishermen's incomes and strengthen exports of high-value marine products.
Related state initiative	Odisha launched the Deep Sea Fishing Mission 2026–2036 with an allocation of ₹2,295.45 crore.



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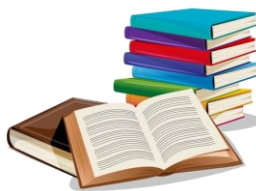
- **Sourav Ganguly is popularly known as “Dada” in Indian cricket.**
- **Female higher education enrolment increased by 42.2% between 2014-15 and 2023-24.**
- **Federal Bank received its first international issuer credit rating from S&P Global Ratings.**



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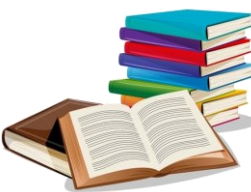
- **Samriddh Gram was declared the Global Winner under the Enabling Environment category.**
- **Awikli is designed to provide continuous basal insulin coverage for an entire week.**
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi received a ceremonial welcome at Government House in Melbourne.**
- **India and Australia announced 18 agreements and initiatives during the third annual summit.**
- **PACTS seeks to convert scientific research into practical technological and commercial applications.**
- **Gujarat launched the policy to become a major destination for hyperscale data centres and cloud-based services.**
- **The centre will support research in history, literature, philosophy and international relations.**



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- The scheme seeks to provide reliable groundwater-based irrigation to eligible farmers in Uttar Pradesh.
- The new authorisation system seeks to shift part of India's fishing activity from overexploited coastal waters to deeper marine areas.



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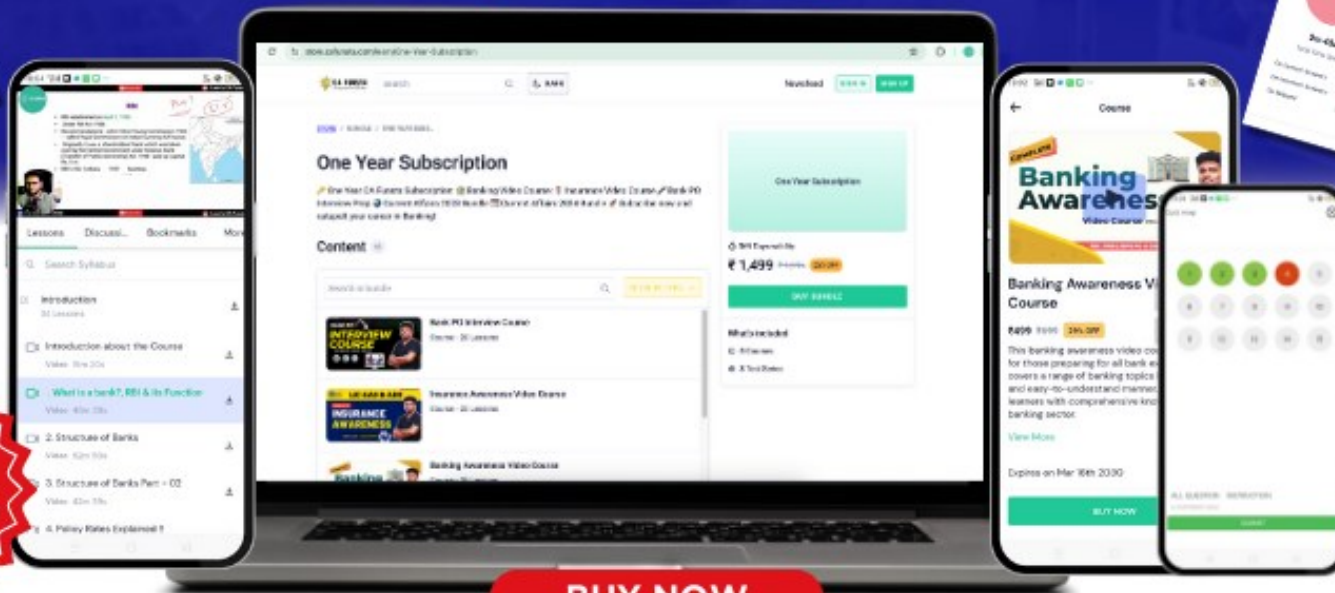
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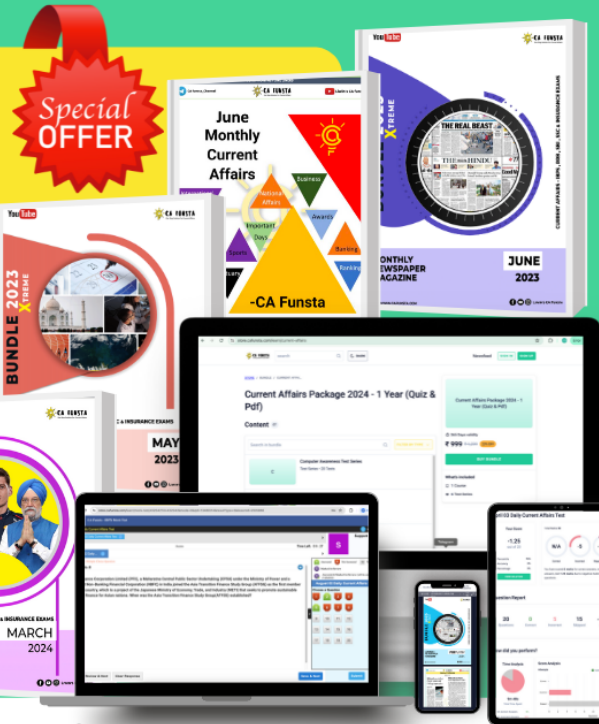
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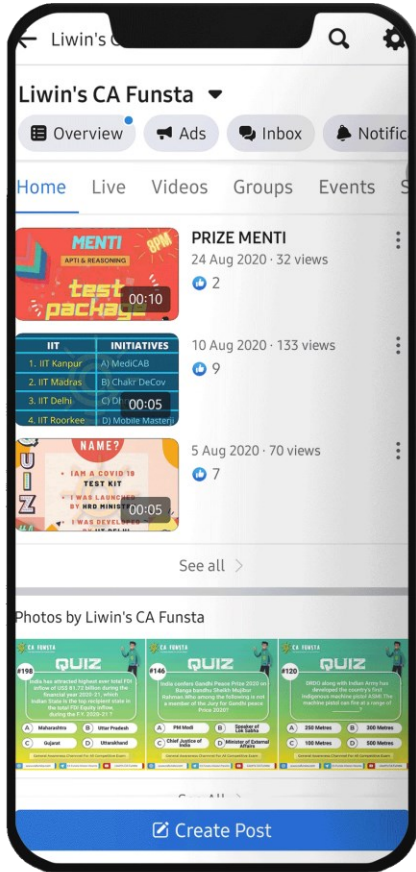
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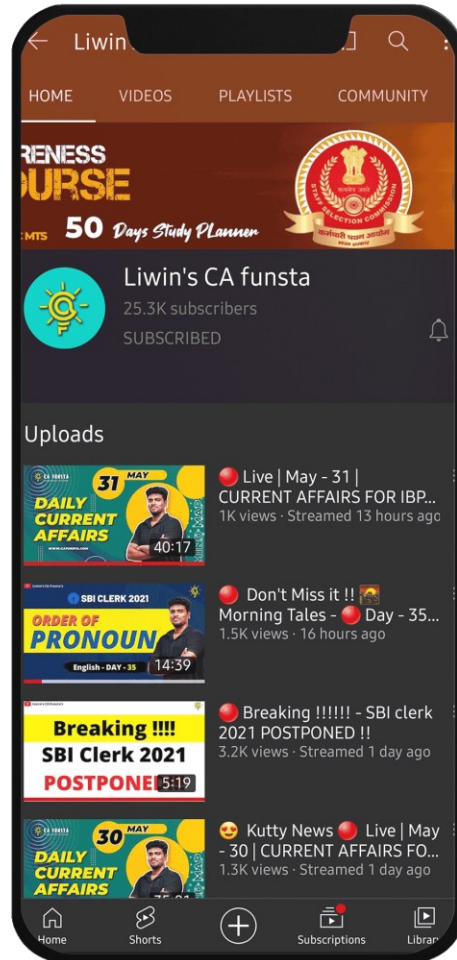


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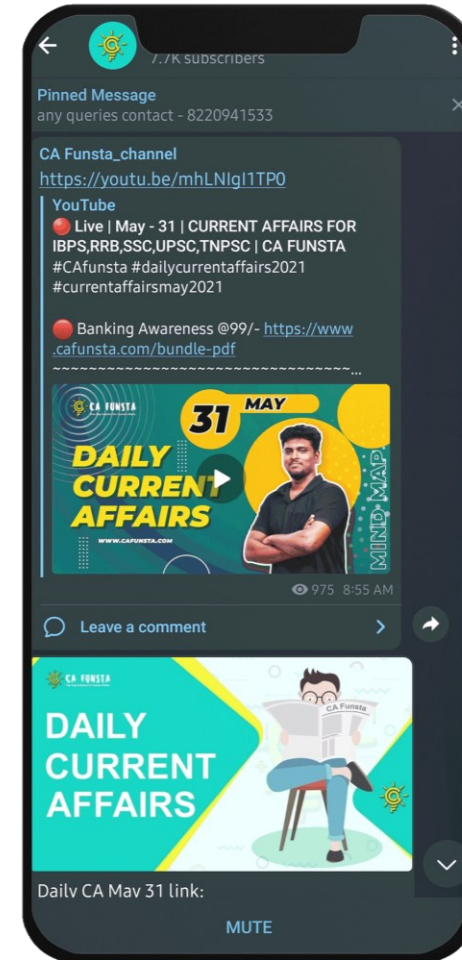
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