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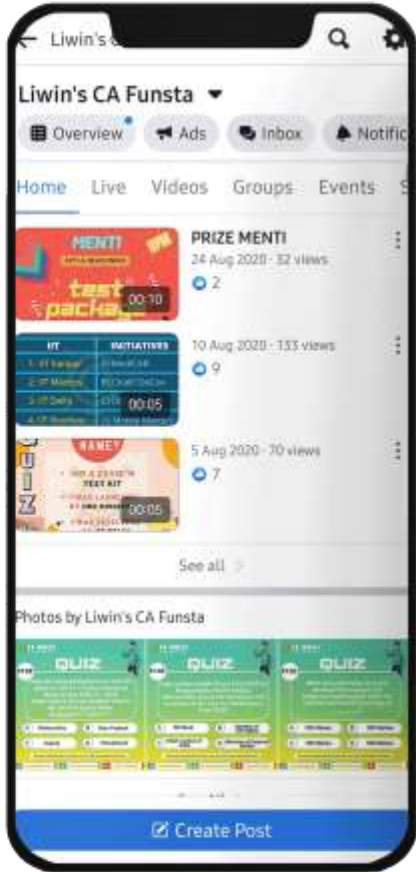


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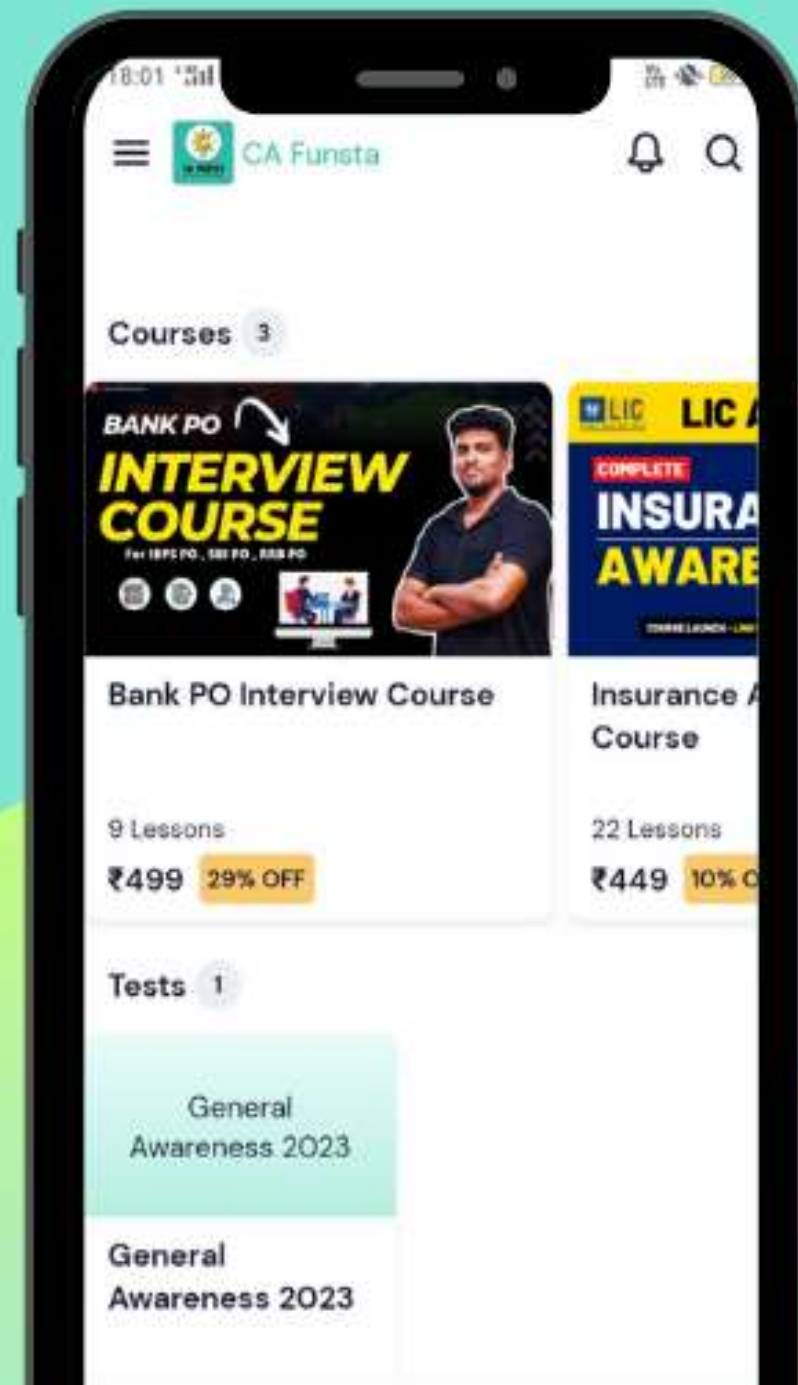
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Important Days



➤ On which date is International Clouded Leopard Day observed every year?

- A) August 2
- B) August 3
- C) August 4
- D) August 5
- E) August 6

Answer
C) August 4.



Important Days



Event and Location:

- **Event: International Clouded Leopard Day 2026** was observed to raise awareness about clouded leopard conservation, while India highlighted its new conservation action plan.
- **Location:** The observance has global relevance, while India's conservation plan primarily focuses on clouded leopard habitats in North-**Eastern India**.
- **Date:** August 4, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India's conservation strategy provides for habitat protection, forest-corridor conservation, scientific monitoring, anti-poaching measures, capacity building, community participation, international cooperation, and climate-resilient planning.



Important Days



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The observance and action plan aim to protect clouded leopard populations, reduce habitat loss and illegal hunting, promote scientific conservation, and involve local communities in safeguarding the species.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **International Clouded Leopard Day:** It is an annual observance held on August 4 to spread awareness about clouded leopards, their ecological importance, and the threats affecting their survival.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Clouded Leopard Conservation Action Plan:** It is India's conservation strategy for protecting clouded leopards through habitat restoration, scientific monitoring, anti-poaching action, community participation, and landscape-level management.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **IUCN Red List:** It is a global system maintained by the **International Union for Conservation of Nature** to assess the extinction risk of species.



Important Days



Important Terms Explained:

- **Species Recovery Programme:** It is a conservation mechanism focused on restoring threatened wildlife populations through targeted protection, monitoring, habitat management, and research.



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Observance	International Clouded Leopard Day is observed annually on August 4.
Beginning	The observance was started in 2018 by The Aspinall Foundation.
First celebration	The first celebration was held at Howletts Wild Animal Park in 2018.
Existing species	The two recognised species are the Mainland Clouded Leopard and the Sunda Clouded Leopard.
Conservation status	Both species are classified as Vulnerable on the IUCN Red List.
Major threats	Habitat destruction, illegal wildlife trade, human-animal conflict, prey decline, and accidental trapping threaten the species.
India's initiative	India unveiled a conservation action plan during the 91st SCNBWL meeting in Coimbatore in July 2026.
Key coverage	The action plan identifies 14 priority landscapes and focuses mainly on North-Eastern India.



➤ Who topped the 2026 Candere Hurun India Women Leaders List?

- A) Rajni Bector
- B) Meena Bindra
- C) Avani Lekhara
- D) Sudha Murty
- E) Suneeta Reddy

Answer
B) Meena Bindra.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** **Meena Bindra**, founder of **BIBA**, secured the first position in the **2026 Candere Hurun India Women Leaders List**.
- **Location:** The ranking covered women leaders across India, with a significant concentration of honourees from **Mumbai and New Delhi**.
- **Date:** August 4, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Hurun India released its annual list recognising **117** women leaders from **12** sectors based on business performance, professional achievements, sporting excellence, digital influence, and social impact.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The list aims to recognise exceptional Indian women who have demonstrated leadership, innovation, influence, and excellence across business, healthcare, media, literature, sports, clean energy, and other sectors.



Ranking Table:

Rank	Entity
1.	Meena Bindra.
2.	Tushara Shankar.
3.	Rajni Bector.
4.	Vaishali Nigam Sinha.
5.	Suneeta Reddy and Preetha Reddy.
6.	Avani Lekhara.
7.	Sudha Murty.
8.	Ananya Birla.
9.	Faye D'Souza.
10.	Kanika Gupta Shori.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Candere Hurun India Women Leaders List:** It is an annual compilation that recognises outstanding Indian women leaders from different sectors based on measurable achievements, influence, and social impact.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Company Valuation:** It refers to the estimated economic worth of a company and is one of the criteria used to assess business leaders in the ranking.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Digital Influence:** It represents the reach and impact of an individual through digital platforms, online communities, and social media engagement.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Paralympian:** It refers to an athlete who participates in the **Paralympic Games**, an international multisport competition for athletes with disabilities.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
List name	The 2026 Candere Hurun India Women Leaders List.
Top-ranked leader	Meena Bindra, founder of BIBA.
Total honourees	The list recognised 117 women leaders.
Sectoral coverage	The honourees represented 12 sectors.
Youngest top-10 leader	Avani Lekhara ranked sixth at 24 years of age.
Evaluation criteria	Company valuation, annual revenue, professional achievements, sporting success, digital influence, and social impact were considered.
Major sectors	Business, healthcare, media, literature, sports, and clean energy were prominently represented.
Geographic concentration	A large number of honourees were based in Mumbai and New Delhi.



➤ Which state recorded the highest number of deceased organ donors in India during 2025?

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



Answer
C) Tamil Nadu.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** **Tamil Nadu** recorded **266** deceased organ donors in **2025** and ranked second nationally in total organ transplants, according to the **NOTTO Annual Report 2025–26**.
- **Location:** The organ donation and transplantation data covered states and **Union Territories** across India.
- **Date:** The report was released during the **16th Indian Organ Donation Day** in **2026** and covered transplantation data for **2025**.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates: The National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation** documented state-wise organ donation, transplantation activity, transplant infrastructure, organ-wise procedures, and gender-based donation patterns for **2025**.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The report and related government initiatives aim to improve organ donation awareness, standardise transplantation practices, expand access to transplant services, and encourage citizens to pledge their organs.



RANKING



Ranking Table:

Rank	Entity
1.	Tamil Nadu.
2.	Telangana.
3.	Karnataka.
4.	Maharashtra.
5.	Gujarat.
1.	Delhi.
2.	Tamil Nadu.
3.	Maharashtra.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Deceased Organ Donation:** It refers to the donation of organs after a person has been declared dead according to prescribed medical and legal procedures.



Important Terms Explained:

- **National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation:**
It is the national-level organisation responsible for coordinating organ and tissue procurement, allocation, transplantation, data collection, and public awareness in India.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Brain-Stem Death:** It is the irreversible loss of all brain-stem functions and may permit organ donation after certification under prescribed medical guidelines.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Swap Transplantation:** It is an arrangement in which incompatible donor-recipient pairs exchange donors with another pair to enable medically compatible transplants.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Jug Jug Jiyo Abhiyaan:** It is a year-long nationwide awareness campaign launched to promote organ donation and encourage individuals to pledge their organs.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Report name	The NOTTO Annual Report 2025–26.
National transplant total	India performed 20,138 organ transplants during 2025, the highest annual total reported.
Leading state in deceased donation	Tamil Nadu led with 266 deceased organ donors.
Leading region in total transplants	Delhi ranked first with 4,564 organ transplants.
Tamil Nadu's transplant position	Tamil Nadu ranked second with 2,796 organ transplants.
Transplant infrastructure	Tamil Nadu had 172 transplant centres, the highest number among Indian states.
Major organ procedures	The report recorded 12,491 living-donor kidney transplants, 1,986 deceased-donor kidney transplants, and 5,154 liver transplants.
Gender pattern	Women constituted 68% of living donors, while men constituted 78% of living recipients.

► What percentage of India's inhabited villages had access to banking services within five kilometres as of August 3, 2026?

- A) 97.92%
- B) 98.75%
- C) 99.12%
- D) 99.92%
- E) 100%

Answer
D) 99.92%.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** India achieved near-universal banking coverage, with **6,00,868** of its **6,01,328** inhabited villages receiving banking services within five kilometres.
- **Location:** Inhabited villages across India.
- **Date:** August 3, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The Government, banks, **Business Correspondents**, and **India Post Payments Bank** are extending banking services to inhabited villages through branches and alternative banking outlets.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The initiative aims to promote financial inclusion, improve rural banking access, connect underserved communities with the formal financial system, and facilitate access to deposits, direct benefit transfers, insurance, and pension services.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana:** It is a financial inclusion scheme that provides access to basic bank accounts, remittance facilities, credit, insurance, pension services, and direct benefit transfers.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Business Correspondents:** They are authorised banking agents who provide basic financial services in locations where opening a full-fledged bank branch may not be economically feasible.



Important Terms Explained:

- **India Post Payments Bank:** It is a payments bank that uses the postal network to provide banking and digital financial services, particularly in rural and remote areas.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Jan Dhan Darshak App:** It is a platform used to identify and display banking service points and assess banking accessibility across inhabited villages.



Important Terms Explained:

- **State Level Bankers' Committees:** These are coordination bodies that work with banks and state governments to monitor banking development and identify areas requiring improved financial access.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	India's achievement of near-universal banking coverage across inhabited villages.
Coverage achieved	Banking services reached 99.92% of inhabited villages.
Villages covered	6,00,868 out of 6,01,328 inhabited villages were served.
Reference date	The Ministry of Finance released the coverage data on August 3, 2026.
Banking network	India had more than 1.81 lakh bank branches, 17.36 lakh Business Correspondents, and 1.65 lakh India Post Payments Bank branches as of July 17, 2026.
PMJDY progress	The scheme had 58.77 crore accounts with deposits of ₹3,12,414 crore as of July 17, 2026.
Branch expansion rule	Eligible banks may open branches without prior RBI approval, subject to opening at least 25% of branches in unbanked rural areas.
Monitoring mechanism	SLBCs and UTLBCs monitor banking outlets and coordinate efforts to improve access in underserved areas.

APPOINTMENTS



➤ Who was appointed Executive Director of the Reserve Bank of India with effect from August 3, 2026?

- A) Monisha Chakraborty
- B) Poonam Gupta
- C) Swaminathan J
- D) Shirish Chandra Murmu
- E) Michael Debabrata Patra

Answer

A) Monisha Chakraborty.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** The Reserve Bank of India appointed **Monisha Chakraborty** as its **Executive Director**.
- **Location:** Reserve Bank of India, India.
- **Date:** August 3, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** **Monisha Chakraborty** will oversee the **Foreign Exchange Department** and the **Financial Markets Regulation Department** in her role as **Executive Director**.
- **Objectives:** The appointment aims to strengthen the **RBI's** leadership in foreign exchange management, financial market regulation, banking supervision, and regulatory compliance.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Executive Director:** An **Executive Director** is a senior **RBI** official responsible for supervising assigned departments and implementing the central bank's policies and regulatory functions.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Foreign Exchange Department:** It is the **RBI** department responsible for matters related to foreign exchange management and the implementation of applicable foreign exchange regulations.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Financial Markets Regulation Department:** It is the **RBI** department responsible for regulating and supervising financial markets under the central bank's jurisdiction.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Department of Supervision:** It is the **RBI** department responsible for monitoring regulated entities, assessing financial soundness, and ensuring compliance with supervisory requirements.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Banking Ombudsman:** It refers to a grievance-redress mechanism for resolving customer complaints concerning banking services.



APPOINTMENTS



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Appointment	Monisha Chakraborty was appointed Executive Director of the Reserve Bank of India.
Effective date	Her appointment took effect on August 3, 2026.
Previous position	She served as Chief General Manager-in-Charge of the Department of Supervision.
Experience	She has more than three decades of experience in central banking.
Departments assigned	She will oversee the Foreign Exchange Department and Financial Markets Regulation Department.
Career areas	Her experience includes banking supervision, foreign exchange management, government and banking accounts, and banking ombudsman functions.
Educational qualification	She holds a bachelor's degree in Economics and a master's degree in Business Economics from the University of Delhi.
Significance	The appointment strengthens senior-level oversight of financial market regulation and foreign exchange management at the RBI.



➤ **At what age did Nathan Thomas set the Guinness World Record as the world's youngest male professor?**

- A) 17 years and 346 days
- B) 18 years and 346 days
- C) 18 years and 362 days
- D) 19 years and 16 days
- E) 19 years and 346 days

Answer

B) 18 years and 346 days.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** **Nathan Thomas** became the world's youngest male professor at the age of **18** years and **346** days, breaking a **306**-year-old **Guinness World Record**.
- **Location:** **Miami Dade College** in **Florida, United States**.
- **Date:** He began teaching the **COP 2270: C for Engineers** course in **August 2023**.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** **Nathan Thomas** was appointed to teach engineering programming, including the **COP 2270: C for Engineers** course, at **Miami Dade College**.
- **Objectives:** His academic role focuses on teaching programming and engineering concepts while supporting students in developing technical knowledge and practical skills.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Youngest Male Professor:** It is a **Guinness World Records** title awarded to the youngest male individual formally appointed to teach at the higher-education level.



Important Terms Explained:

- **COP 2270: C for Engineers:** It is an engineering-oriented programming course that introduces students to the C programming language and its technical applications.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Dual-Enrolment Programme:** It is an academic arrangement that allows a school-age student to pursue college-level courses while continuing earlier stages of education.



Important Terms Explained:

- **STEM:** It refers to the academic and professional fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- **Juris Doctor:** It is a professional postgraduate law degree required for legal education and practice in the **United States**.



AWARDS



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Record holder	Nathan Thomas became the world's youngest male professor.
Record age	He set the record at 18 years and 346 days.
Institution	He was appointed as a lecturer at Miami Dade College in Florida.
Course taught	He taught COP 2270: C for Engineers.
Previous record	Scottish mathematician Colin Maclaurin had held the record for approximately 306 years after becoming a professor at 19.
Academic journey	Thomas entered Miami Dade College at 10 and moved to Florida International University at 14.
Qualifications	He completed bachelor's and master's degrees with distinction in electrical engineering within four years.
Current pursuit	At 21, he was teaching while pursuing a Juris Doctor degree at the University of Miami School of Law.



➤ Who received the COSPAR Vikram Sarabhai Medal 2026 for outstanding contributions to space research?

- A) Tessy Thomas
- B) Ritu Karidhal
- C) Annapurni Subramaniam
- D) Nandini Harinath
- E) Muthayya Vanitha

Answer

C) Annapurni Subramaniam.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Indian astrophysicist **Annapurni Subramaniam** received the **COSPAR Vikram Sarabhai Medal 2026** and became the first Indian woman to win the honour.
- **Location:** The award was announced at the **46th COSPAR Scientific Assembly in Florence, Italy.**
- **Date:** August 3, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The medal is jointly conferred by the Committee on **Space Research** and the **Indian Space Research Organisation** to recognise scientists from developing countries for significant contributions to space research.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The award aims to honour outstanding scientific work, promote international cooperation in space science, and encourage researchers from developing nations.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Committee on Space Research: COSPAR** is an international scientific organisation established in **1958** to promote cooperation and scientific exchange in space research.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Indian Space Research Organisation: ISRO** is India's national space agency and jointly confers the medal with **COSPAR**.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Stellar Populations:** The term refers to groups of stars categorised according to characteristics such as age, chemical composition, and location within a galaxy.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Galaxy Evolution:** It refers to the scientific study of how galaxies form, develop, and change over cosmic time.



Important Terms Explained:

- **COSPAR Scientific Assembly:** It is a biennial international gathering where space scientists present research findings and discuss developments in space science.



AWARDS



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Award recipient	Annapurni Subramaniam received the COSPAR Vikram Sarabhai Medal 2026.
Announcement date	The award was announced on August 3, 2026.
Venue	The announcement was made at the 46th COSPAR Scientific Assembly in Florence, Italy.
Historical distinction	She became the first Indian woman, fourth Indian, and third woman globally to receive the medal.
Awarding bodies	The medal is jointly conferred by COSPAR and ISRO.
Research fields	Her work focuses on stellar populations, star clusters, stellar evolution, and galaxy evolution.
Current positions	She serves as Director of the Indian Institute of Astrophysics and additionally heads the Centre for Nano and Soft Matter Sciences in Bengaluru.
Eligibility criterion	The award mainly considers substantial scientific work completed during the five years preceding the relevant COSPAR Scientific Assembly.

➤ What is the new official name of Nauru according to the supplied article?

- A) Republic of Naoero
- B) Federal State of Nauru
- C) Democratic Republic of Naoero
- D) Pacific Republic of Nauru
- E) Commonwealth of Naoero



Answer

A) Republic of Naoero.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** Nauru officially adopted the name **Republic of Naoero** to reflect the country's traditional spelling and pronunciation in the native language.
- **Location:** The country is located in the **South Pacific Ocean**.
- **Date:** August 4, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The name change was approved through a parliamentary process following consultations, while the government decided not to conduct a public referendum.
- **Objectives:** The renaming aims to restore the island's indigenous identity, preserve its language and culture, strengthen patriotism, and replace the anglicised colonial-era name.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Demonym:** A demonym is the term used to describe the people of a particular country or region, with citizens proposed to be called dei-Naoero.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Country Code:** A country code is an internationally recognised abbreviation used to identify a country in official, administrative, and global systems.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Anglicised Name:** An anglicised name is a word or place name modified to suit English spelling or pronunciation.
- **Indigenous Identity:** It refers to the traditional cultural, linguistic, and historical identity of the original people of a region.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Former official name	The country was previously known as Nauru.
New official name	The country adopted the name Republic of Naoero.
Reason for renaming	The new name reflects the traditional spelling and pronunciation used in the native language.
Approval process	The change was approved through a parliamentary vote after consultations.
New country code	The article states that NRO will replace NRU.
New demonym	Citizens are proposed to be described as dei-Naoero instead of Nauruans.
International recognition	The article states that the United Nations and several countries began updating official records.
Historical significance	The change is presented as an effort to restore cultural heritage and post-colonial identity.



➤ Which wetland became Arunachal Pradesh's first Ramsar Site and India's 101st Ramsar Site?

- A) Loktak Lake
- B) Glaw Lake
- C) Deepor Beel
- D) Rudrasagar Lake
- E) Kolleru Lake

Answer
B) Glaw Lake.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** **Glaw Lake** was designated **Arunachal Pradesh's first Ramsar Site**, raising India's total number of **Ramsar Sites** to **101**.
- **Location:** The lake is situated within the **Kamlang Tiger Reserve and Wildlife Sanctuary in Arunachal Pradesh's Eastern Himalayan** region.
- **Date:** August 3, 2026.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The designation recognises **Glaw Lake** as a wetland of international importance and strengthens its protection through conservation, monitoring, research, and sustainable management measures.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The recognition aims to conserve biodiversity, enhance climate resilience, ensure water security, protect freshwater ecosystems, and support sustainable livelihoods for local communities.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Glaw Lake:** It is a natural freshwater wetland in **Arunachal Pradesh**, surrounded by dense forests and supplied by perennial rivers.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Ramsar Convention:** It is an international treaty adopted in **1971** at Ramsar, Iran, for the conservation and wise use of wetlands and their resources.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Wetland of International Importance:** It is a wetland recognised under the **Ramsar Convention** for its ecological, biological, hydrological, or biodiversity value.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Climate Resilience:** It refers to the ability of ecosystems and communities to withstand, adapt to, and recover from climate-related impacts.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Event name	Designation of Glaw Lake as a Ramsar Site.
National significance	Glaw Lake became India's 101st Ramsar Site.
State significance	It became the first Ramsar Site in Arunachal Pradesh.
Announcement date	The designation was announced on August 3, 2026.
Announcing authority	Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav announced the recognition.
Location	The lake lies within the Kamlang Tiger Reserve and Wildlife Sanctuary in the Eastern Himalayas.
Biodiversity	The site and adjoining areas support more than 150 tree species and 49 orchid species.
Ecological value	The designation supports biodiversity conservation, water security, climate resilience, research, and sustainable livelihoods.



➤ According to the 2026 recruitment reforms, the SSC reduced its recruitment timeline to approximately how many months?

- A) 3–5 months
- B) 6–8 months
- C) 9–11 months
- D) 12–14 months
- E) 15–18 months

Answer
B) 6–8 months.



Event and Location:

- **Event:** The Department of Personnel and Training announced technology-driven recruitment reforms for the **Union Public Service Commission and Staff Selection Commission** to accelerate and secure **Central Government** recruitment.
- **Location:** The reforms apply to **Central Government** recruitment examinations and appointments across India.
- **Date:** The reforms were detailed in a written reply to the **Rajya Sabha** on July **30, 2026**.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The reforms introduce shorter recruitment timelines, computer-based examinations, digital document submission, artificial intelligence-based verification, biometric authentication, transparent answer-key systems, expanded examination centres, and faster certificate verification.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The measures aim to reduce recruitment delays, improve examination integrity, prevent impersonation and errors, increase transparency, enhance accessibility, and provide candidates with a more efficient recruitment experience.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Computer-Based Testing:** It is an examination method in which candidates answer questions electronically at designated test centres, enabling faster evaluation and streamlined recruitment.



Important Terms Explained:

- e-Dossier: It is the **SSC**'s digital system for securely submitting and processing candidates' documents online without extensive physical paperwork.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Artificial Intelligence-Based Attempts Verification:** It is a **UPSC** mechanism that uses artificial intelligence to verify the number of **Civil Services Examination** attempts made by candidates and reduce counting errors.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Biometric Authentication:** It is a security process that verifies candidates through unique physical characteristics, including facial identification, to prevent impersonation during examinations.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Modular Online Application Facility:** It is a **UPSC** digital application system designed to simplify online form submission, reuse candidate information, and minimise procedural delays.



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Reform authority	The Department of Personnel and Training announced the Central Government recruitment reforms.
Announcement date	The measures were detailed in the Rajya Sabha on July 30, 2026.
SSC recruitment timeline	The recruitment cycle was reduced from approximately 15–18 months to 6–8 months.
UPSC recruitment timeline	The recruitment process was reduced from approximately 15 months to 13 months.
SSC digital initiative	The e-Dossier service enables secure online submission of candidate documents.
UPSC security measures	AI-based attempts verification and biometric facial authentication were introduced.
Transparency measures	Provisional answer keys, candidate challenges, final answer keys, results, and marks are made available through transparent processes.
Other appointment reforms	Self-attested documents may support provisional appointments, while caste and character verification must be completed within six months.



QUICK RECALL



- **International Clouded Leopard Day has been observed annually on August 4 since 2018.**
- **Meena Bindra secured the first position in the 2026 women leaders ranking.**
- **Tamil Nadu recorded the highest number of deceased organ donors in India during 2025.**
- **India achieved 99.92% banking coverage across its inhabited villages.**



QUICK RECALL



- **Monisha Chakraborty assumed office as an RBI Executive Director on August 3, 2026.**
- **Nathan Thomas set the world record at the age of 18 years and 346 days.**
- **The COSPAR Vikram Sarabhai Medal was instituted in 1990 in honour of Dr. Vikram Sarabhai.**
- **President David Adeang announced the adoption of the country's traditional name.**
- **Glaw Lake became Arunachal Pradesh's first internationally recognised Ramsar wetland.**
- **Interviews for Group B non-gazetted and Group C posts have remained abolished since January 1, 2016.**



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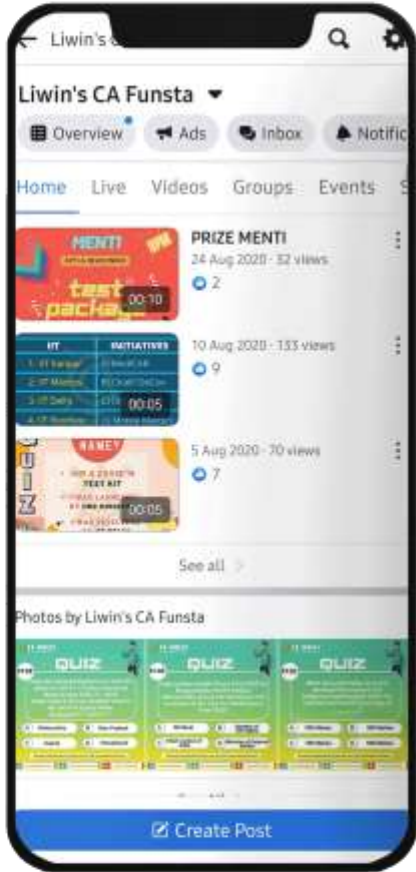
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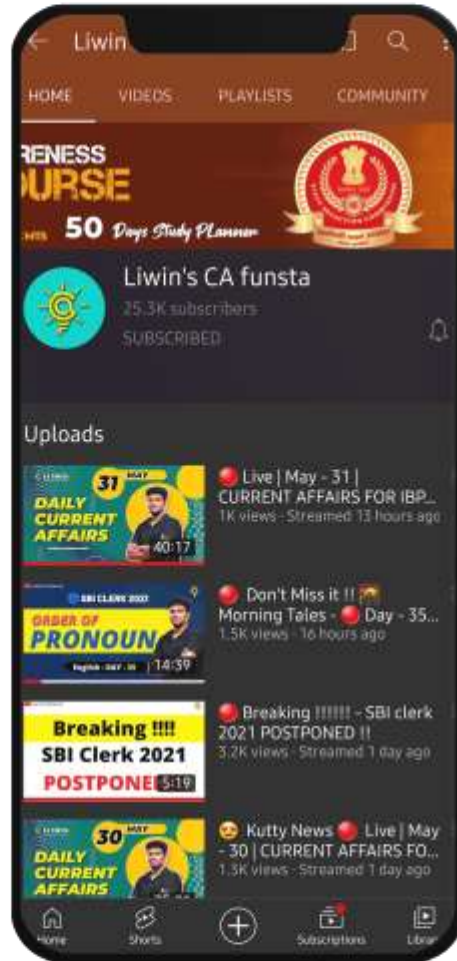


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