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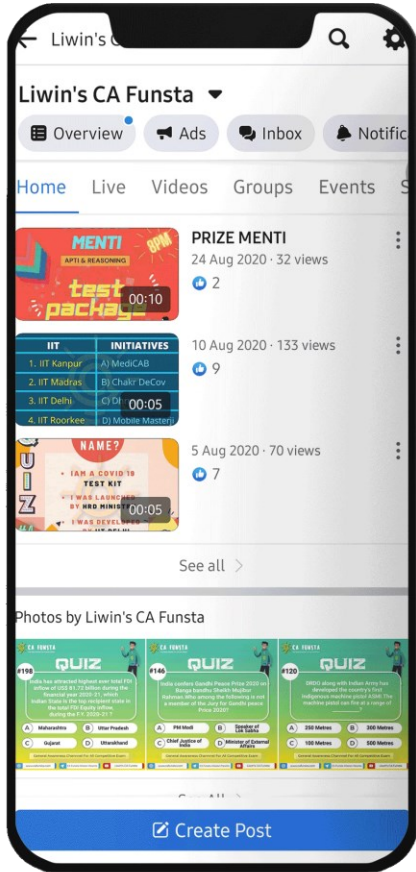


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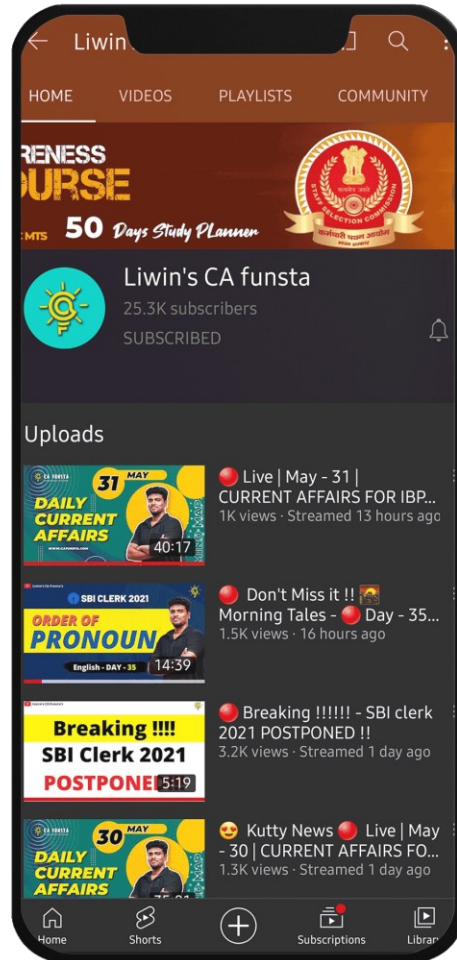
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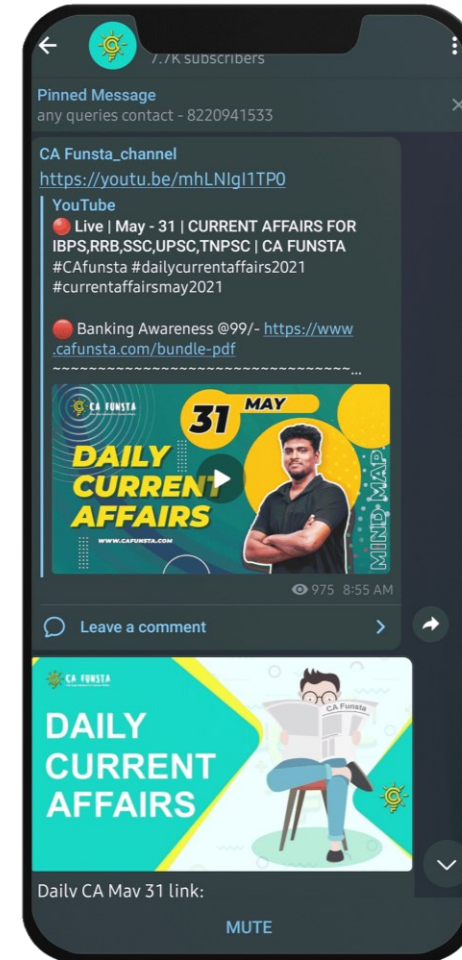
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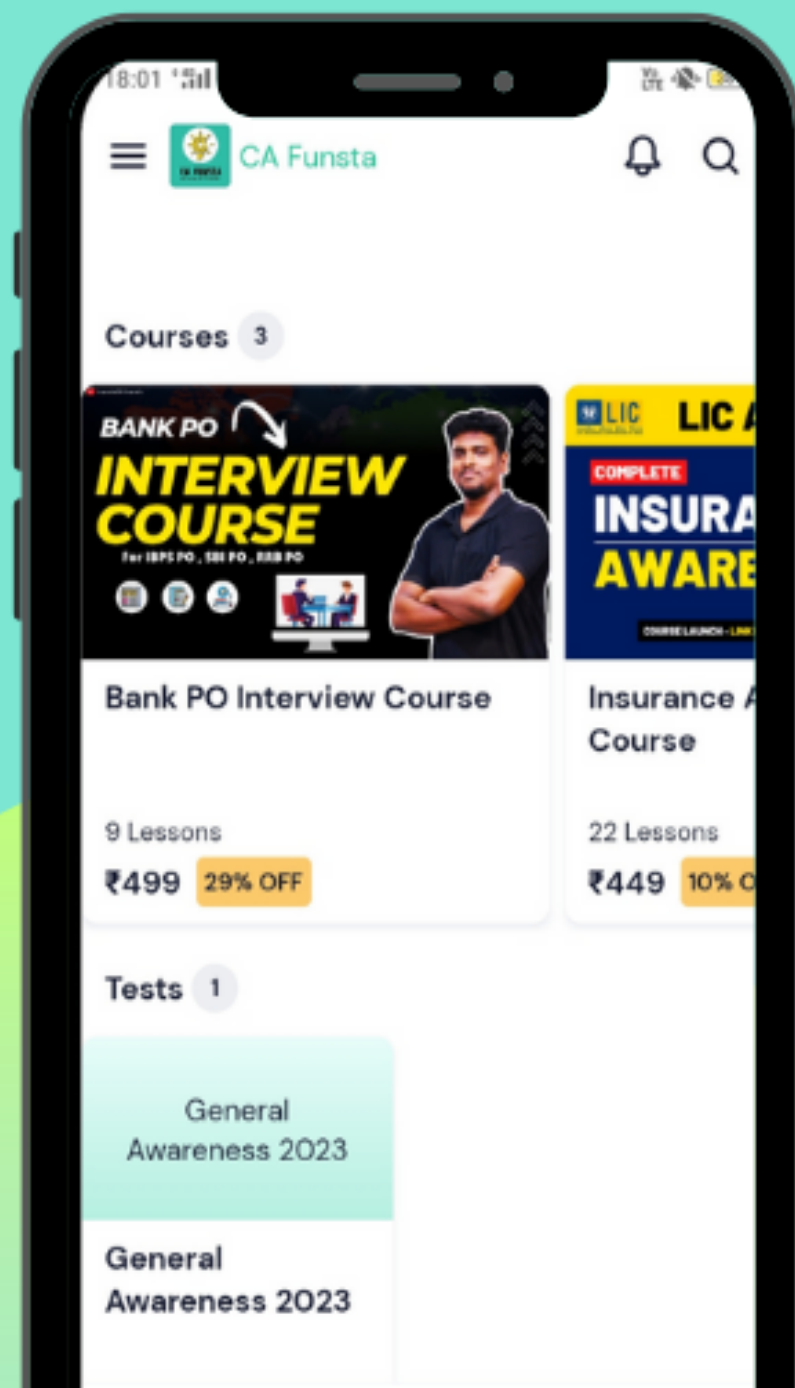
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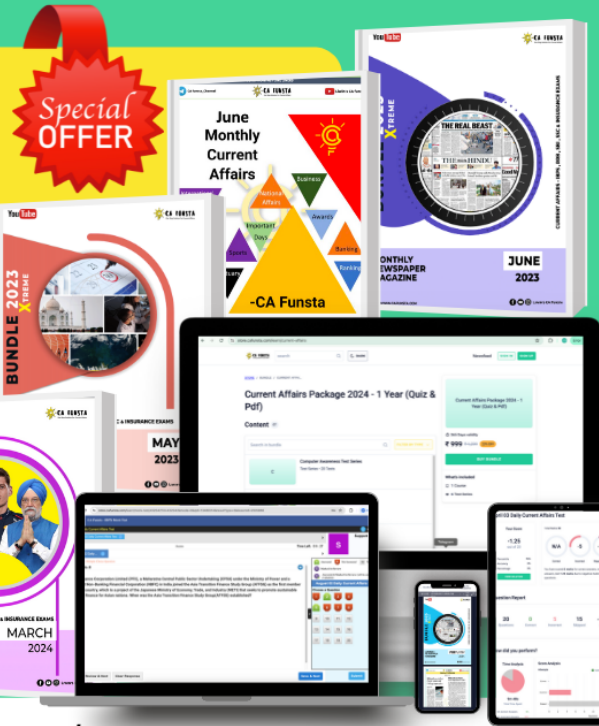


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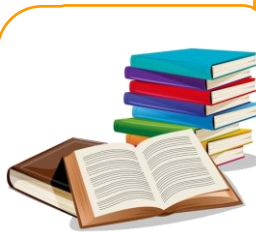
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➤ On which date will Raksha Bandhan 2026 be celebrated?

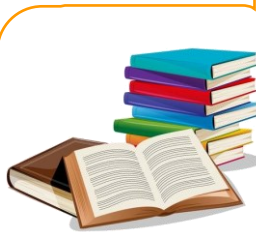
- A) August 26, 2026
- B) August 27, 2026
- C) August 28, 2026
- D) August 29, 2026
- E) August 30, 2026

Answer
C) August 28, 2026.



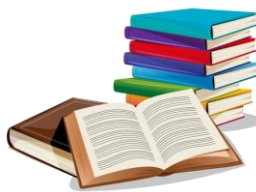
Event and Location:

- **Event: Raksha Bandhan 2026** will celebrate the traditional bond of affection, trust, protection and responsibility among siblings and family members.
- **Location:** The festival is widely celebrated across India, with related **Shravana Purnima** traditions also observed in regions such as **Maharashtra and Odisha** and in Nepal.
- **Date: Raksha Bandhan 2026** will be celebrated on Friday, August **28, 2026**.



Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The festival involves the traditional Rakhi-tying ceremony in which a sister applies tilak, ties a rakhi on her brother's wrist, performs aarati and offers prayers, while the brother traditionally gives a gift and promises protection and support.

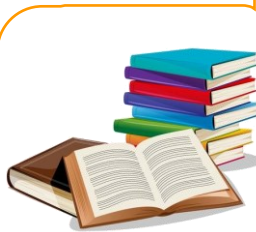


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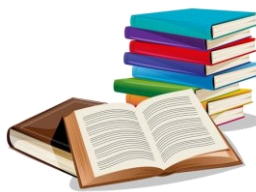
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The festival aims to celebrate affection, mutual trust, care, responsibility and familial bonds, with its modern interpretation increasingly emphasising reciprocal support and equality among siblings.



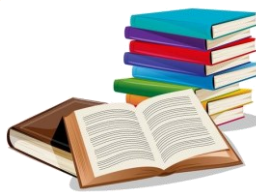
Important Terms Explained:

- **Purnima Tithi:** It refers to the lunar day associated with the full moon in the Hindu calendar, and **Raksha Bandhan** is traditionally observed on the Purnima of the month of Shravana.



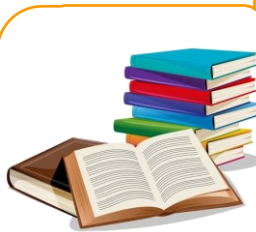
Important Terms Explained:

- **Bhadra:** It is considered an inauspicious period in traditional Panchang calculations during which the Rakhi-tying ceremony is generally avoided.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Shravana Purnima:** It is the full-moon day of the Hindu month of Shravana and is associated with **Raksha Bandhan** as well as several regional religious and cultural observances.

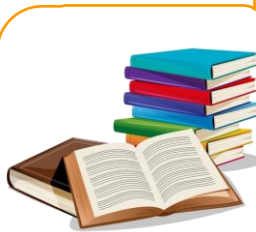


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Important Terms Explained:

- **Rakhi:** It is the sacred or decorative thread tied during **Raksha Bandhan** and symbolises affection, faith, protection, responsibility and mutual support.



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Festival	Raksha Bandhan 2026.
Date	Friday, August 28, 2026.
Purnima Tithi begins	August 27, 2026, at around 9:08 am.
Purnima Tithi ends	August 28, 2026, at around 9:48 am.
Auspicious consideration	Bhadra ends before sunrise on August 28, making the morning suitable for the Rakhi ritual according to Panchang calculations.
Main ritual	A sister traditionally applies tilak, ties a rakhi, performs aarati and prays for her brother's wellbeing.
Core significance	The festival represents affection, protection, trust, responsibility and mutual support within family relationships.
Regional associations	Shravana Purnima is observed as Narali Purnima in Maharashtra, Rakhi or Gamha Purnima in Odisha and Janai Purnima in Nepal.

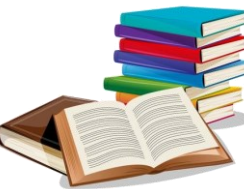
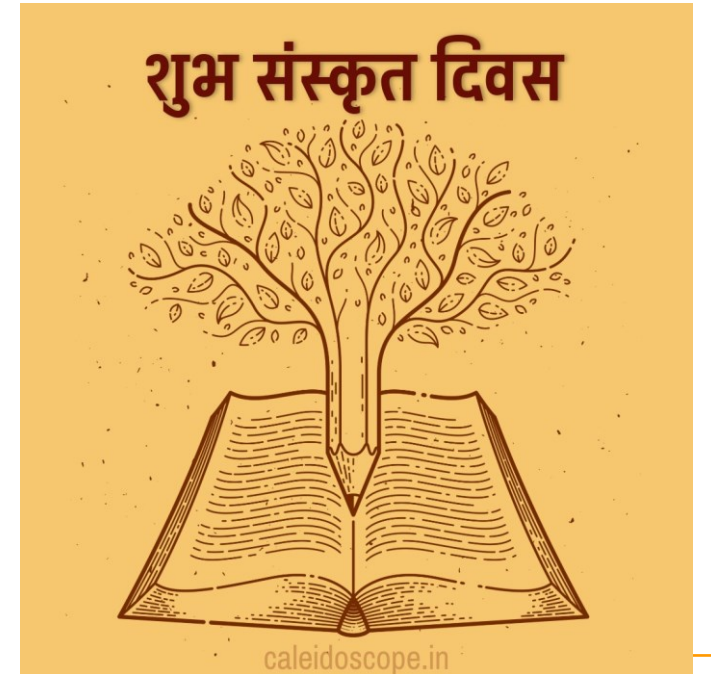


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➤ On which date is World Sanskrit Day 2026 observed?

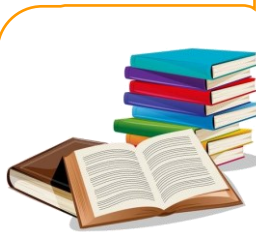
- A) August 25, 2026
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- E) August 29, 2026

Answer
D) August 28, 2026.



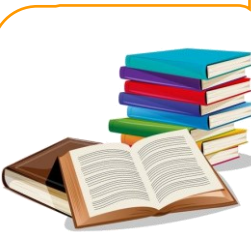
Event and Location:

- **Event: World Sanskrit Day**, also known as **Sanskrit Diwas** or **Vishva Sanskrit Diwas**, is observed to celebrate Sanskrit's cultural, literary and intellectual heritage.
- **Location:** The observance takes place across India through educational institutions, universities and cultural organisations.
- **Date: World Sanskrit Day 2026** is observed on Friday, August **28, 2026**, coinciding with **Shravana Purnima**.



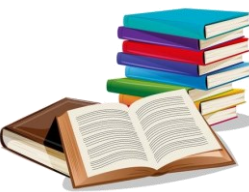
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The observance promotes Sanskrit through shloka recitations, essay competitions, debates, seminars, language activities, scholarships, institutional support, research and manuscript preservation.



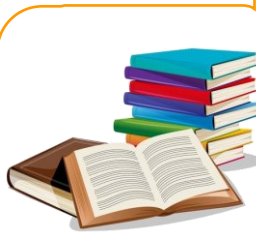
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The day aims to spread awareness about Sanskrit, encourage its study among younger generations and highlight its contributions to Indian literature, philosophy, science, religion and linguistics.



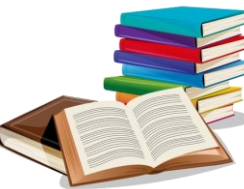
Important Terms Explained:

- **Upakarma:** It is a traditional observance associated with **Shravana Purnima** that marks the renewal or commencement of Vedic studies in certain communities.



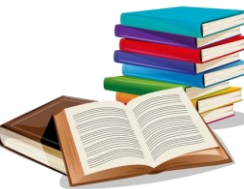
Important Terms Explained:

- **Ashtadhyayi:** It is the influential grammatical work composed by Panini that systematically codified the rules of Sanskrit grammar.



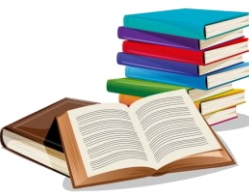
Important Terms Explained:

- **Shastra Chudamani:** It is a government-supported initiative aimed at transmitting traditional Sanskrit knowledge through eminent Sanskrit scholars.



Important Terms Explained:

- **National Education Policy 2020:** It promotes the teaching of Sanskrit in educational institutions and encourages Sanskrit universities to develop as multidisciplinary institutions.



Important Days



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Observance	World Sanskrit Day 2026.
Date	Friday, August 28, 2026.
Traditional occasion	The day coincides with the Purnima of the Shravana month.
Official observance since	Sanskrit Day has been officially observed in India since 1969 following notifications by the Union Ministry of Education.
Main purpose	The observance promotes Sanskrit education, literary heritage and public awareness about the language.
Literary heritage	Sanskrit literature includes the Vedas, Ramayana, Mahabharata, Abhijnanashakuntalam, Raghuvamsha and Kumarasambhava.
Linguistic contribution	Panini's Ashtadhyayi played a major role in systematising Sanskrit grammar.
Government support	Initiatives include scholarships, institutional assistance, Sanskrit research, manuscript preservation and promotion under the National Education Policy 2020.

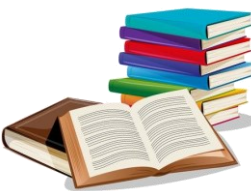


➤ **Who became the first Indian to win the Grand Chess Tour title?**

- A) Viswanathan Anand
- B) Arjun Erigaisi
- C) R Praggnanandhaa
- D) Gukesh D
- E) Vidit Gujrathi

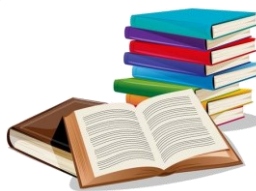
Answer

C) R Praggnanandhaa.



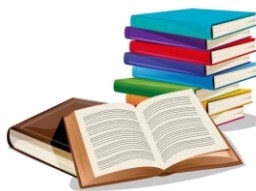
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Indian Grandmaster R Praggnanandhaa became the first Indian to win the **Grand Chess Tour** after defeating **Fabiano Caruana 15-13** in the final.
- **Location:** The decisive matches were played at the **Saint Louis Chess Club in Saint Louis, United States.**
- **Date:** The historic achievement was reported on August **28, 2026.**



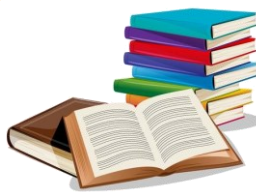
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Praggnanandhaa overturned a six-point deficit against Caruana by winning both rapid games and maintaining his advantage through the blitz phase to secure the title.
- **Objectives:** The competition aimed to determine the **Grand Chess Tour** champion through high-level rapid and blitz contests among leading international chess players.



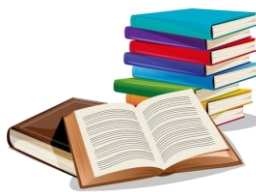
Important Terms Explained:

- **Grandmaster:** It is the highest title awarded to a chess player by the international chess governing body **FIDE**, apart from the title of **World Champion**.



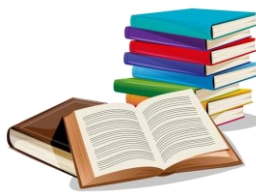
Important Terms Explained:

- **Rapid Chess:** It is a faster form of chess in which players receive significantly less time than in classical chess but more time than in blitz chess.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Blitz Chess:** It is a fast-paced chess format in which each player receives only a few minutes to complete the game.



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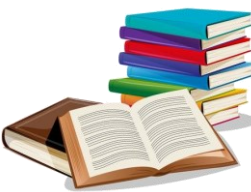
Parameter	Details
Winner	R Praggnanandhaa of India.
Opponent in final	American Grandmaster Fabiano Caruana.
Final score	Praggnanandhaa defeated Caruana 15-13.
Venue	Saint Louis Chess Club, Saint Louis, United States.
Historic achievement	Praggnanandhaa became the first Indian to win the Grand Chess Tour title.
Prize money	Praggnanandhaa received USD 200,000.
Comeback	He entered the decisive day six points behind Caruana before completing a comeback victory.
Qualification	Praggnanandhaa, Caruana and Wesley So qualified for the next edition of the Grand Chess Tour.



- Which lake has been renamed Lake America for US federal purposes through an executive order signed by President Donald Trump?

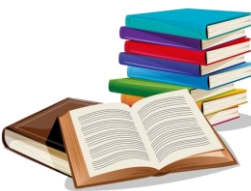
- A) Lake Erie
- B) Lake Superior
- C) Lake Michigan
- D) Lake Ontario
- E) Lake Huron

Answer
D) Lake Ontario.



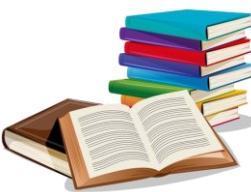
Event and Location:

- **Event:** US President Donald Trump signed an executive order renaming **Lake Ontario** as **Lake America** for all federal purposes within the **United States**.
- **Location:** The lake lies between **New York State** in the **United States** and **Ontario in Canada**.
- **Date:** The executive order was signed on August **27, 2026**.



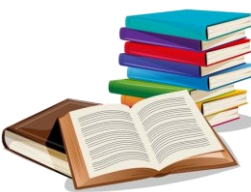
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The order directs the US Department of the Interior to coordinate with the US Board on **Geographic Names** within **30** days, update the **Geographic Names Information System** and use **Lake America** across federal maps, contracts, documents and official references.



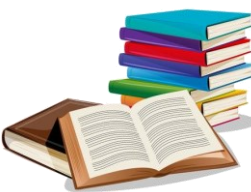
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The renaming is intended to reflect the lake's historical significance to the **United States** and its importance to US commerce, interests, **Great Lakes** preservation and shipping infrastructure.



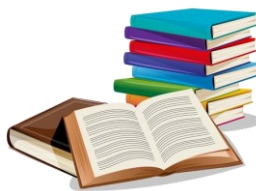
Important Terms Explained:

- **Executive Order:** It is a directive issued by the President of the **United States** to manage operations and policies of the federal government within the scope of presidential authority.



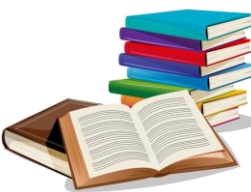
Important Terms Explained:

- **US Board on Geographic Names:** It is the federal body responsible for maintaining uniform geographic name usage across agencies of the **United States** government.



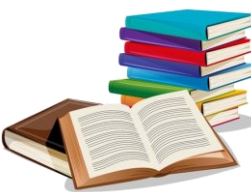
Important Terms Explained:

- **Geographic Names Information System (GNIS):** It is the official US federal database containing names and location information for geographic features.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Water System:** It is a major **North American** inland waterway network linking the **Great Lakes** with the **St. Lawrence River** and supporting shipping, industry, agriculture and water supply.



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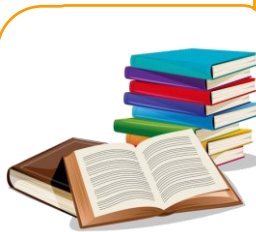
Parameter	Details
Renamed feature	Lake Ontario has been renamed Lake America for US federal purposes.
Order signed by	US President Donald Trump.
Date	August 27, 2026.
Location	The lake lies between New York in the United States and Ontario in Canada.
Implementing authority	The US Department of the Interior will coordinate the federal renaming process.
Implementation timeline	The Secretary of the Interior must coordinate with the US Board on Geographic Names within 30 days.
Federal application	Federal maps, contracts, documents and other official references are required to use Lake America.
Canadian position	Canada will continue to use the historical name Lake Ontario, according to Prime Minister Mark Carney.



➤ How many accounts had been opened under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) as of August 19, 2026?

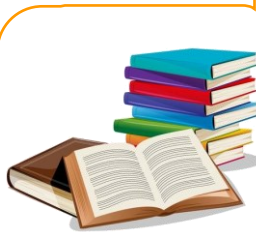
- A) 41.29 crore
- B) 45.95 crore
- C) 52.18 crore
- D) 59.09 crore
- E) 63.17 crore

Answer
D) 59.09 crore.



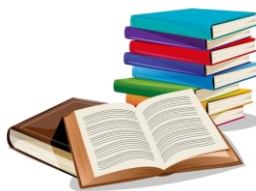
Event and Location:

- **Event:** PM Jan Dhan Yojana completed **12** years with **59.09 crore** accounts and deposits of approximately **₹3.17 lakh** crore.
- **Location:** The financial inclusion scheme operates across India, with a major presence in rural and semi-urban areas.
- **Date:** PMJDY completed **12** years on August **28, 2026**, after being launched on August **28, 2014**.



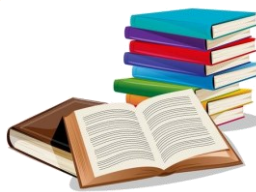
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates: PMJDY** provides unbanked adults with access to basic bank accounts without a minimum balance requirement, along with facilities such as RuPay cards, insurance, pensions, overdrafts, digital payments and government benefit transfers.



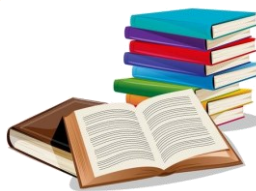
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The scheme aims to achieve universal financial inclusion by connecting underserved citizens, particularly women and people in rural and semi-urban areas, with formal banking and other financial services.



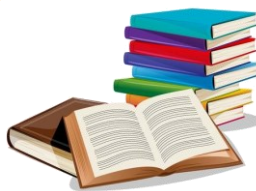
Important Terms Explained:

- **Financial Inclusion:** It refers to ensuring affordable and accessible banking, payments, savings, credit, insurance and pension services for all sections of society, particularly underserved populations.



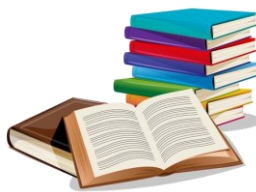
Important Terms Explained:

- **RuPay Card:** It is an Indian payment card that enables account holders to conduct digital transactions and, for eligible **PMJDY** users, provides accident insurance coverage of up to **₹2 lakh** subject to applicable conditions.



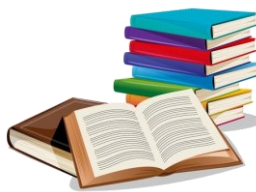
Important Terms Explained:

- **JAM Trinity: Jan Dhan-Aadhaar-Mobile** is an integrated framework that links bank accounts, Aadhaar identity and mobile connectivity to facilitate efficient delivery of government benefits.



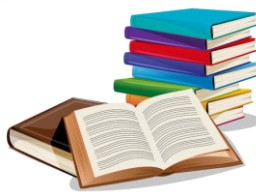
Important Terms Explained:

- **Direct Benefit Transfer:** It is a mechanism through which government subsidies and welfare benefits are transferred directly into eligible beneficiaries' bank accounts, reducing dependence on intermediaries.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Overdraft Facility:** It allows eligible **PMJDY** account holders to withdraw funds beyond their available account balance up to **₹10,000**, subject to applicable conditions.



SCHEMES & INITIATIVES



Tabular Summary:

Parameter	Details
Scheme launched	PM Jan Dhan Yojana was launched on August 28, 2014.
Milestone	The scheme completed 12 years on August 28, 2026.
Total accounts	59.09 crore accounts had been opened as of August 19, 2026.
Total deposits	Deposits stood at ₹3,16,514 crore, or approximately ₹3.17 lakh crore.
Women account holders	Women held 32.92 crore accounts, representing 55.7% of the total.
Rural and semi-urban coverage	45.95 crore accounts, or 77.8% of the total, were in rural and semi-urban areas.
Average balance	The average balance per account reached ₹5,356.
RuPay cards issued	41.29 crore RuPay cards had been issued to PMJDY account holders.



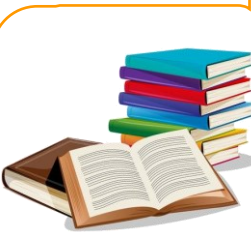
➤ **Where will the 18th BRICS Summit 2026 be held on September 12–13, 2026?**

- A) Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi
- B) Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi
- C) Hyderabad International Convention Centre
- D) Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai
- E) India Habitat Centre, New Delhi



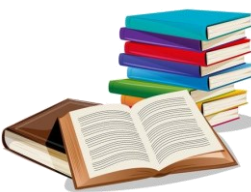
Answer

B) Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.



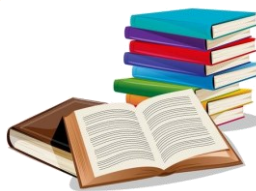
Event and Location:

- **Event:** India will host the **18th BRICS** Summit during its **2026 BRICS** Chairship, bringing together leaders of member countries, partner countries and outreach invitees.
- **Location:** The summit will be held at **Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, India.**
- **Date:** The summit will be held on September **12** and **13, 2026.**



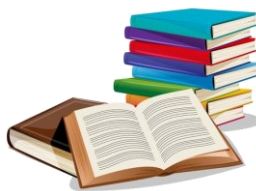
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** India's **2026 BRICS** Chairship focuses on political and security cooperation, economic and financial cooperation, and people-to-people and cultural cooperation through meetings, engagements and collaborative programmes.



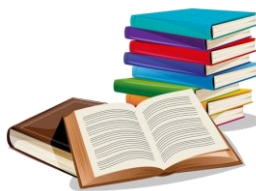
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives: The Chairship** seeks to advance resilience, innovation, cooperation and sustainability while keeping people at the centre of **BRICS** cooperation and promoting practical development-oriented outcomes under the principle of **Humanity First**.



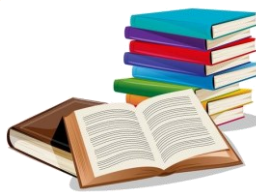
Important Terms Explained:

- **BRICS:** It is a grouping of major emerging economies that promotes cooperation across political, economic, financial, developmental and people-to-people areas.



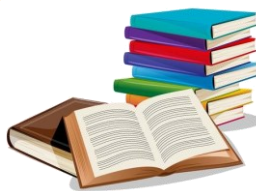
Important Terms Explained:

- **BRICS Chairship:** It refers to the rotating leadership responsibility under which a member country coordinates **BRICS** meetings, priorities, initiatives and the annual summit during its tenure.



Important Terms Explained:

- **People-to-People Cooperation:** It refers to engagement among citizens, cultural organisations, academic institutions, youth, businesses and other groups to strengthen social and cultural links among participating countries.



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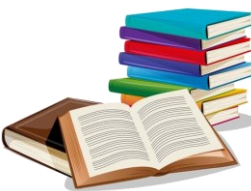
Parameter	Details
Event name	18th BRICS Summit 2026.
Host country	India.
Date	September 12 and 13, 2026.
Venue	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
Chairship theme	“Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability.”
Chairship commencement	India assumed its fourth BRICS Chairship on January 1, 2026.
Previous Indian chairships	India previously chaired BRICS in 2012, 2016 and 2021.
Key significance	The 2026 summit coincides with 20 years of BRICS and follows more than 350 meetings and high-level engagements across over 25 Indian cities.



➤ Which Indian state launched the Startup Mission portal along with Startup Policy 2026 to strengthen its startup ecosystem?

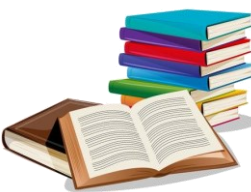
- A) Madhya Pradesh
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Gujarat
- E) Maharashtra

Answer
B) Uttar Pradesh.



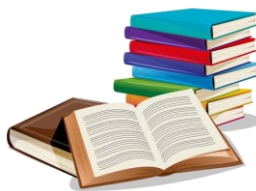
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath launched the UP **Startup Mission** portal and **Startup Policy 2026** to strengthen entrepreneurship, innovation and employment in the state.
- **Location:** The initiatives are applicable across **Uttar Pradesh**.
- **Date:** The launch was announced on August **28, 2026**.



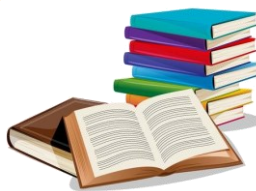
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The UP **Startup Mission** portal will provide startups and entrepreneurs access to government services and opportunities, while the **Startup Policy 2026** will facilitate funding, incubation, research infrastructure, **Centres of Excellence**, land on lease and plug-and-play facilities.



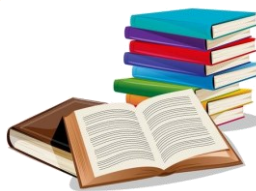
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The initiatives aim to expand **Uttar Pradesh**'s startup ecosystem, promote innovation and entrepreneurship, generate employment and enable the state's youth to convert innovative ideas into successful enterprises.



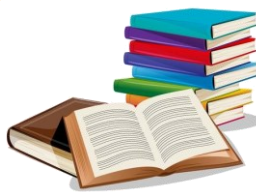
Important Terms Explained:

- **Startup Policy 2026:** It is **Uttar Pradesh's** policy framework designed to support startups through funding, incubation, infrastructure, research assistance and measures for strengthening entrepreneurship and innovation.



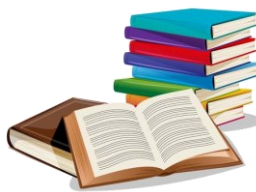
Important Terms Explained:

- **Unicorn:** It is a privately held startup company that achieves a valuation of at least US\$1 **billion**.



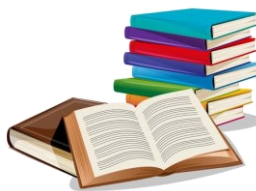
Important Terms Explained:

- **Fund of Funds:** It is an investment mechanism that allocates capital to other investment funds, which in turn invest in eligible startups or enterprises.



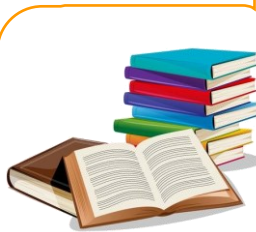
Important Terms Explained:

- **Incubator:** It is an organisation or facility that assists early-stage businesses through mentoring, workspace, technical support, networking and access to funding.



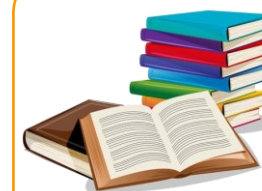
Important Terms Explained:

- **Centres of Excellence:** These are specialised institutions or facilities created to promote advanced research, innovation, skill development and technological applications in selected sectors.



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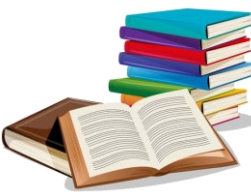
Parameter	Details
Initiatives launched	UP Startup Mission portal and Startup Policy 2026.
State	Uttar Pradesh.
Launch authority	Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath.
Startup ecosystem	Uttar Pradesh has more than 24,000 startups, compared with about 120 before 2017.
Unicorns	The state has eight unicorns.
Startup incentives	More than ₹3.42 crore was distributed to 107 startups.
Incubator support	Nine incubators received ₹1.79 crore in incentives.
Technology focus	Centres of Excellence will be supported in MedTech, drones, quantum computing, space technology, robotics and green hydrogen.



➤ Which city will host India's first dedicated Quantum and AI University Campus?

- A) Hyderabad
- B) Bengaluru
- C) Amaravati
- D) Chennai
- E) Visakhapatnam

Answer
C) Amaravati.



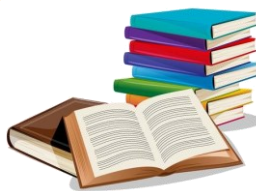
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu approved the establishment of India's first dedicated Quantum and AI **University Campus**, focusing on quantum technology, artificial intelligence, semiconductors and other deep-tech disciplines.
- **Location:** The permanent campus will be established at **Amaravati in Andhra Pradesh**.
- **Date:** The project approval was reported on August **28, 2026**, while academic research and advanced technology skill programmes are expected to begin from September **2026**.



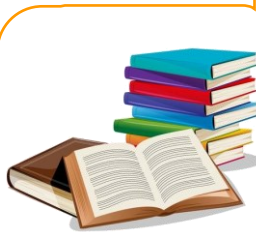
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** The National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) under the **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology** will establish the **8.5-acre** campus at an estimated cost of **₹730.7 crore** over five years, with funding through **Government of India** grants-in-aid.



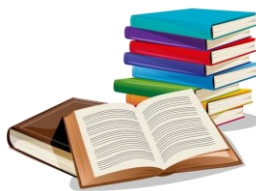
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The project aims to integrate education, research, skill development, innovation and entrepreneurship while developing expertise in quantum computing, artificial intelligence, semiconductor technologies and other advanced technological fields.



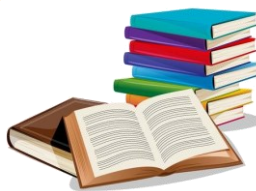
Important Terms Explained:

- **Quantum Computing:** It is an advanced computing technology that uses principles of quantum mechanics to process information through quantum bits or qubits.



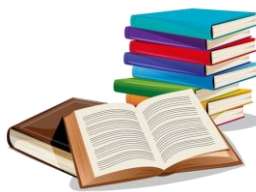
Important Terms Explained:

- **Artificial Intelligence:** It refers to technologies that enable computer systems to perform tasks commonly associated with human intelligence, including learning, reasoning and decision-making.



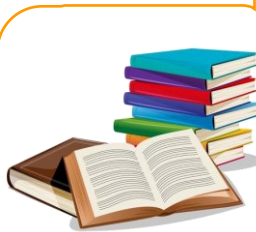
Important Terms Explained:

- **Semiconductor Fabrication:** It is the process of manufacturing semiconductor devices and integrated circuits through highly specialised processes in controlled environments.



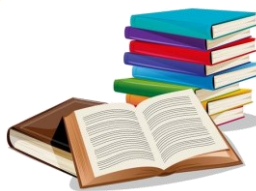
Important Terms Explained:

- **VLSI: Very Large Scale Integration** is the process of integrating a very large number of transistors onto a single semiconductor chip.



Important Terms Explained:

- **ATMP:** Assembly, Testing, **Marking and Packaging** refers to the post-fabrication stages in semiconductor manufacturing in which chips are assembled, tested, marked and packaged for use.



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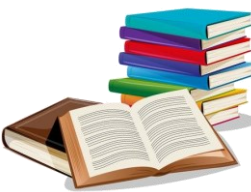
Parameter	Details
Project	India's first dedicated Quantum and AI University Campus.
Location	Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh.
Implementing institution	NIELIT under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
Project cost	₹730.7 crore over a period of five years.
Campus area	The permanent campus will span 8.5 acres.
Learner target	The project aims to train 8,250 learners over five years, including about 1,650 degree students and 6,600 learners through skilling and certification programmes.
Research facility	A 1.2 lakh sq. ft. Quantum Research, Innovation and Incubation Block will support advanced research, semiconductor facilities and startup incubation.
Initial operations	Academic research and skill programmes are expected to begin from September 2026 at a provisional campus of Acharya Nagarjuna University in Guntur.



➤ In which city will Prime Minister Narendra Modi attend the 25th Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit during his August 2026 Central Asia visit?

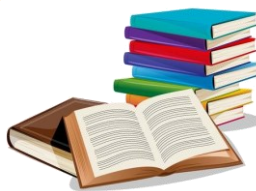
- A) Tashkent
- B) Bishkek
- C) Samarkand
- D) Astana
- E) Dushanbe

Answer
B) Bishkek.



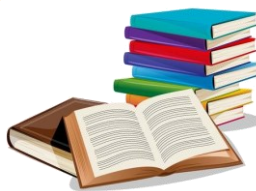
Event and Location:

- **Event:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi will undertake a four-day visit to **Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan** for bilateral engagements and participation in the **25th SCO Summit**.
- **Location:** Modi will visit Uzbekistan before travelling to Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, for the **SCO Summit**.
- **Date:** The visit will begin on August **29, 2026**, with the **SCO Summit** scheduled in Bishkek on August **31, 2026**.



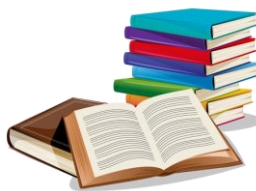
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Mandates:** Prime Minister Modi will hold bilateral talks with **Uzbekistan President Shavkat Mirziyoyev**, participate in the **SCO Summit** and meet **Russian President Vladimir Putin** on the sidelines of the summit.



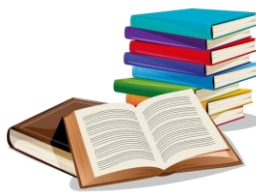
Mandates and Objectives:

- **Objectives:** The visit aims to strengthen India's cooperation with **Central Asian** countries in security, connectivity, trade, investment, defence, energy, education and technology while advancing regional cooperation through the **SCO** framework.



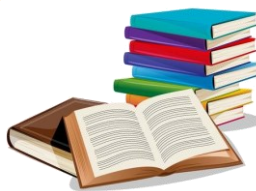
Important Terms Explained:

- **Bilateral Talks:** These are official discussions between two countries aimed at strengthening cooperation and addressing matters of mutual interest.



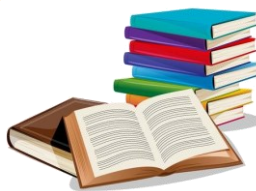
Important Terms Explained:

- **Regional Connectivity:** It refers to transport, trade, digital and infrastructure links that improve movement and economic interaction among countries within a region.



Important Terms Explained:

- **Extremism:** It refers to the adoption or promotion of extreme political, ideological or religious views that may threaten social stability, security or peaceful coexistence.



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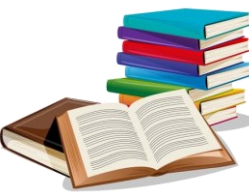
Parameter	Details
Visit	Prime Minister Narendra Modi's four-day visit to Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan.
Visit begins	August 29, 2026.
Uzbekistan visit	Modi will visit Uzbekistan from August 29 to 30, 2026.
SCO Summit venue	Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.
Summit date	August 31, 2026.
Key bilateral engagement	Modi will hold talks with Uzbekistan President Shavkat Mirziyoyev and is scheduled to meet Russian President Vladimir Putin on the sidelines of the summit.
Summit focus	Regional security, terrorism, extremism, connectivity and cooperation will be major areas of discussion.
India's SCO status	India became a full member of the SCO in 2017.



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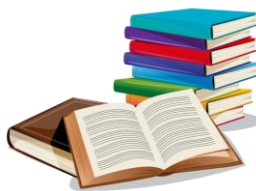
- **Raksha Bandhan 2026 will be celebrated on Friday, August 28, 2026.**
- **World Sanskrit Day 2026 is observed on August 28, coinciding with Shravana Purnima.**
- **R Praggnanandhaa won his first Grand Chess Tour title by defeating Fabiano Caruana 15-13.**



QUICK RECALL



- Donald Trump signed the executive order renaming Lake Ontario as Lake America on August 27, 2026.
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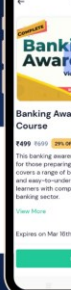


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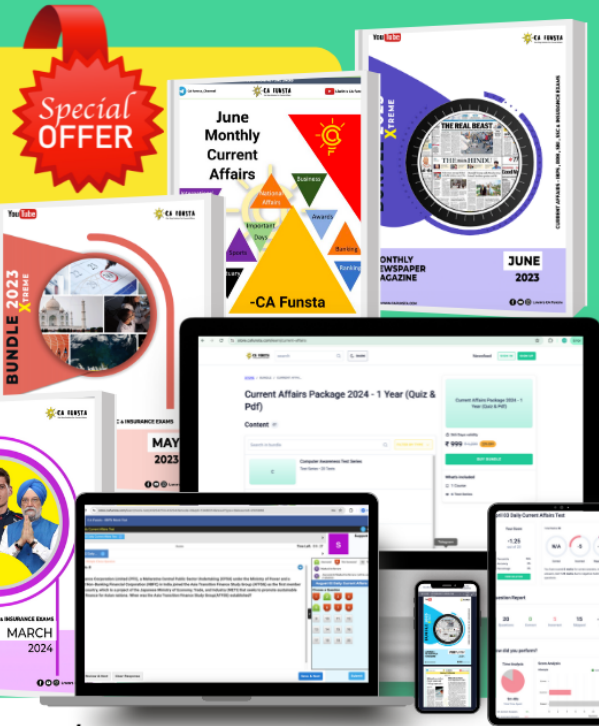


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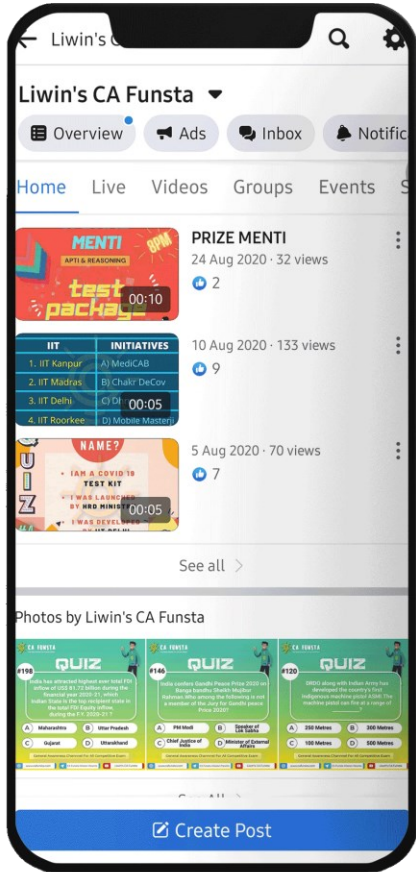
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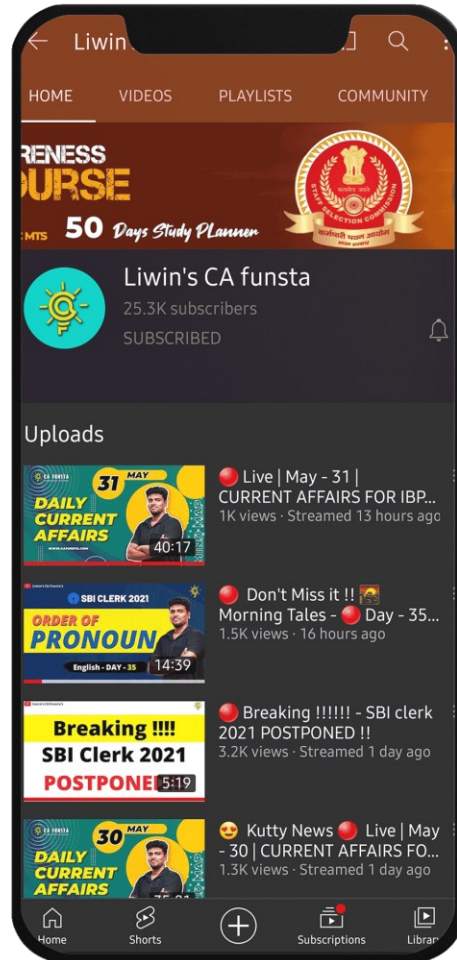


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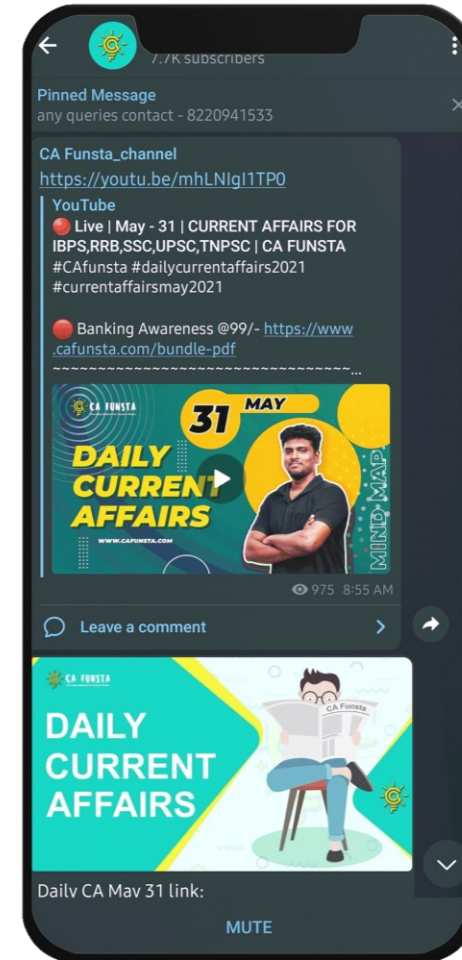
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