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POLITY, GOVERNANCE & LAW

VB-G RAM G ACT, 2025

- **The VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 (Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin)) has replaced which schemes?**
 - Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), 2005
- **Under the VB-G RAM G Act, 2025, the guaranteed wage employment period per rural household has been increased to**
 - 125 days per year
- **What is the financing pattern of VB-G RAM G Act, 2025**
 - It follows a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) model with 60:40 Centre-State sharing for most states.
- **Under VB-G RAM G Act, 2025, the Centre-State funding ratio for North-Eastern and Himalayan states is**
 - 90:10
- **Under the VB-G RAM G Act, 2025, Union Territories without legislatures will receive funding in which ratio?**
 - 100% Central funding
- **Which major change introduced by VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 compared to MGNREGA?**
 - Introduction of state-wise normative allocation decided by the Centre
- **Under VB-G RAM G Act, 2025, expenditure beyond the normative allocation will be the responsibility of**
 - State Government
- **The VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 mandates a pause on scheme works during peak agricultural seasons for**
 - 60 days annually
- **The works under VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 will primarily be planned through**
 - Viksit Gram Panchayat Plans
- **The Viksit Gram Panchayat Plans under VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 are organised around how many themes?**
 - Four themes

These four themes are:

1. Water security
 2. Rural infrastructure
 3. Livelihood-related infrastructure
 4. Extreme-weather mitigation
- **VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 integrates rural planning with which national initiative?**
 - PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan
 - **The VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 aims to address which major issue in rural agriculture?**
 - Disguised unemployment

- **What is expected benefit of VB-G RAM G Act, 2025?**
 - Creation of durable rural assets through planned infrastructure development
- **The VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 focuses on shifting rural workers gradually towards**
 - Non-farm employment opportunities
- **Which digital approaches are proposed under VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 to improve transparency?**
 - Digital tools, spatial planning and AI-based monitoring

NATIONAL JUDICIAL POLICY – DEMAND BY CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIA

- **Who called for the formulation of a National Judicial Policy in December 2025?**
 - Chief Justice of India Justice Surya Kant
- **The primary objective behind the proposed National Judicial Policy is to:**
 - Reduce divergence in judicial decisions across different courts
- **A National Judicial Policy can be best described as:**
 - A common guiding framework for improving the justice delivery system
- **The proposed National Judicial Policy seeks to maintain a balance between:**
 - Judicial efficiency and judicial autonomy
- **According to the given context, the approximate number of pending cases in Indian courts is:**
 - More than 5 crore cases
- **Approximately what percentage of High Court judge positions are vacant as mentioned in the context?**
 - Around 33%
- **The judge-population ratio mentioned in the context is approximately:**
 - 1 judge per 18.7 lakh people
- **One major concern regarding National Judicial Policy is:**
 - Possibility of executive interference in judicial functioning
- **The “one-size-fits-all approach” concern regarding National Judicial Policy arises because:**
 - States differ in caseload, infrastructure, staffing and digital readiness

16TH PRESIDENTIAL REFERENCE (SPECIAL REFERENCE NO. 1 OF 2025) & SUPREME COURT OPINION ON GOVERNORS AND STATE BILLS

- **The 16th Presidential Reference (Special Reference No. 1 of 2025) primarily dealt with:**
 - The constitutional role of the Governor and the President in dealing with State Bills
- **The Supreme Court delivered its opinion on the 16th Presidential Reference on:**
 - 20 November 2025
- **The 16th Presidential Reference arose mainly due to differences over:**
 1. Timelines for assent to State Bills
 2. Pocket veto by Governors

3. Deemed assent to State Bills

Answer: – All three

- **According to the Supreme Court's opinion, the Governor:** – Cannot indefinitely delay or keep a Bill pending through inaction

CENSUS 2027 (INDIA)

- **Census 2027 will be conducted under which legislation?** – Census Act, 1948 and Census Rules, 1990
- **The notification for Census 2027 was issued under which section of the Census Act, 1948?**
– Section 3
- **Which ministry issued the notification for Census 2027?**
– Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)
- **The notification for Census 2027 was issued on:**
– 16 June 2025
- **The Indian Census is regarded as:**
– The world's largest administrative and statistical exercise
- **Census data serves as the primary source of micro-level data up to:**
– Village, town and ward level
- **Which of the following information will be collected during Census 2027?**
 1. Housing conditions
 2. Household amenities
 3. Religion and language
 4. SC/ST data
 5. Migration details

Answer: – All five

- **Census 2027 will collect information related to:**
– Demographic, literacy, educational, economic activity, migration and fertility indicators
- **Phase I of Census 2027 is known as:**
– House-listing and Housing Census
- **Phase I (House-listing and Housing Census) will be conducted during:**
– April to September 2026
- **Phase II of Census 2027 is known as:**
– Population Enumeration
- **Population Enumeration for most parts of India will be conducted in:**
– February 2027
- **The reference date for Census 2027 for most parts of India is:**
– 00:00 hours, 1 March 2027
- **The reference date for Ladakh and snow-bound areas is:**
– 00:00 hours, 1 October 2026

- **Census 2027 will be India's:**
 - First fully digital Census
- **Data for Census 2027 will primarily be collected through:**
 - Mobile applications on Android and iOS
- **CMMS in Census 2027 stands for:**
 - Census Management & Monitoring System
- **Which digital tool will assist Charge Officers during Census 2027?**
 - Houselisting Block (HLB) Creator Web Map
- **Which committee approved caste enumeration in Census 2027?**
 - Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs (CCPA)
- **The decision to include caste enumeration in Census 2027 was taken on:**
 - 30 April 2025
- **Caste data will be collected during which phase of Census 2027?**
 - Population Enumeration Phase
- **Enumerators for Census 2027 will primarily be:**
 - Government teachers appointed by State Governments
- **Appointment and registration of Census functionaries must be completed by:**
 - 15 January 2026

INDIA POST'S FIRST GEN Z-THEMED REVAMPED POST OFFICE

- **Where was India's first Gen Z-themed revamped Post Office inaugurated?**
 - IIT Delhi campus, Hauz Khas.
- **On which date was India's first Gen Z-themed Post Office inaugurated?**
 - 19 November 2025.
- **What unique model was launched for the first time at IIT Delhi Post Office under this initiative?**
 - Student franchise model.
- **How many educational campus post offices does India Post aim to revamp by January 2026?**
 - 46 post offices.

NATIONAL LEGAL SERVICES DAY

- **National Legal Services Day is observed every year on which date in India?**
 - 9 November.
- **Which Article of the Indian Constitution provides for free legal aid?**
 - Article 39A.
- **Article 39A was added to the Constitution by which Constitutional Amendment Act?**
 - 42nd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1976.

- Which Act was enacted to provide free legal services in India?
 - Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
- Under whose guidance was the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 enacted?
 - Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer.
- What is the main objective of National Legal Services Day?
 - To ensure equal access to justice and provide free legal aid to eligible citizens.

DEFENCE & SECURITY

INDIAN MARITIME DOCTRINE 2025 & INDIAN NAVY DAY 2025

- Who released the updated Indian Maritime Doctrine (IMD) 2025?
 - Chief of the Naval Staff
- Indian Maritime Doctrine 2025 is related to -
 - Strategic guidance document of the Indian Navy on maritime security, operations and conflict management
- What was the theme of Indian Navy Day 2025?
 - “Combat Ready, Cohesive, Credible, and Aatmanirbhar Force”
- Indian Navy Day is celebrated every year on:
 - 4 December
- Indian Navy Day is associated with which military operation of the 1971 Indo-Pak war?
 - Operation Trident
- The main event location of Indian Navy Day 2025 was:
 - Shankumugham Beach, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
- The term “No-War, No-Peace” in Indian Maritime Doctrine 2025 refers to:
 - Grey zone between peace and conflict involving hybrid threats and irregular warfare
- Indian Maritime Doctrine 2025 emphasises which approach among the three armed forces?
 - Jointness and interoperability
- Indian Maritime Doctrine 2025 encourages the use of:
 - Uncrewed systems, autonomous platforms and advanced technologies
- India’s maritime vision acronym “MAHASAGAR” stands for:
 - Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions
- The Indian Naval Indigenisation Plan (INIP) covers the period:
 - 2015–2030

DELHI RED FORT BLAST (NOVEMBER 2025), NIA & ANTI-TERROR LAWS

- The investigation into the Red Fort blast (November 2025) was handed over to which agency?
 - National Investigation Agency (NIA)

- **The powers of the National Investigation Agency (NIA) were expanded through:**
 - NIA (Amendment) Act, 2019
- **The Delhi Police registered an FIR under which two legislations after the Red Fort blast?**
 - Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 and Explosive Substances Act
- **Which of the following sections of the UAPA were invoked in connection with the Red Fort blast?**
 1. Section 16 – Terrorist Act
 2. Section 18 – Conspiracy

Answer: – Both 1 and 2

- **Which ministry is the nodal ministry for internal security in India?**
 - Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)

OPERATION SAGAR BANDHU & HAYLI GUBBI VOLCANO ERUPTION

- **Which cyclone prompted India to launch Operation Sagar Bandhu in November 2025?**
 - Cyclone Ditwah.
- **Which neighbouring country was affected by Cyclone Ditwah?**
 - Sri Lanka.
- **What is Operation Sagar Bandhu?**
 - India's Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) mission.
- **What is the meaning of "Sagar Bandhu"?**
 - Ocean Friend.
- **Operation Sagar Bandhu reflects India's role as what in the Indian Ocean Region?**
 - First Responder.
- **Which indigenous aircraft carrier was deployed under Operation Sagar Bandhu?**
 - INS Vikrant.
- **Which stealth frigate was deployed to Colombo during Operation Sagar Bandhu?**
 - INS Udaygiri.
- **Which Indian Air Force aircraft delivered relief supplies to Sri Lanka?**
 - C-130J.
- **Which Indian maritime vision is reflected through Operation Sagar Bandhu?**
 - Vision MAHASAGAR.
- **MAHASAGAR stands for what?**
 - Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions.
- **Approximately how many tonnes of relief material were delivered under Operation Sagar Bandhu?**
 - More than 1,100 tonnes.
- **Which volcano erupted in Ethiopia on 23 November 2025?**
 - Hayli Gubbi Volcano.
- **Hayli Gubbi Volcano is located in which region of Ethiopia?**
 - Afar Rift Valley.

- **Hayli Gubbi Volcano forms part of which volcanic range?**
– Erta Ale Range.
- **Which technology is primarily used by Volcanic Ash Advisory Centres (VAACs) to monitor volcanic ash clouds?**
– Satellite imagery.

VIJAY DIWAS

- **Vijay Diwas is celebrated in India on which date?**
– 16 December.
- **Vijay Diwas commemorates India's victory in which war?**
– Indo-Pakistani War of 1971.
- **The 1971 Indo-Pak War resulted in the creation of which country?**
– Bangladesh.
- **Vijay Diwas is also remembered as which day due to the sacrifices of Indian Armed Forces personnel?**
– Martyrs' Day.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & ORGANISATIONS

AUSTRALIA–CANADA–INDIA TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION (ACITI) PARTNERSHIP, 2025

- **The Australia–Canada–India Technology and Innovation (ACITI) Partnership was launched on:**
– 22 November 2025
- **The ACITI Partnership was launched at:**
– Johannesburg, South Africa
- **The ACITI Partnership was announced on the sidelines of which international summit?**
– G20 Leaders' Summit
- **Which three countries are members of the ACITI Partnership?**
– Australia, Canada and India
- **Which leaders were associated with the announcement of the ACITI Partnership?**
 1. Narendra Modi
 2. Anthony Albanese
 3. Mark Carney

Answer: – All three

- **The primary objective of the ACITI Partnership is to:**
– Strengthen trilateral cooperation in critical and emerging technologies
- **Which of the following are the major focus areas of the ACITI Partnership?**
 1. Green technology

2. Responsible Artificial Intelligence (AI)
3. Critical mineral supply chains

Answer: – 1, 2 and 3

- **The ACITI Partnership aims to support countries in achieving:**
 - Net-zero emissions through sustainable technologies
- **Which renewable energy technologies are specifically highlighted under ACITI?**
 1. Solar energy
 2. Wind energy
 3. Hydrogen energy

Answer: – All three

- **Under ACITI, collaborative research and pilot projects are proposed for:**
 - Clean hydrogen value chains
- **Which of the following are considered critical minerals under the ACITI Partnership?**
 1. Lithium
 2. Cobalt
 3. Rare earth elements

Answer: – All three

- **The ACITI Partnership seeks to strengthen:**
 - Resilient and diversified critical mineral supply chains
- **Which of the following is a focus area of AI cooperation under ACITI?**
 - Responsible and ethical Artificial Intelligence

BHARAT-SRI LANKA SANSKRIT MAHOTSAV

- **Which institutions jointly organised the Bharat-Sri Lanka Sanskrit Mahotsav?**
 - The festival has been jointly organised by the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, the cultural arm of the High Commission of India, Colombo, in collaboration with the Pirivena Education Division of the Ministry of Education, the Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi, and the India-Sri Lanka Foundation.
- **The Bharat-Sri Lanka Sanskrit Mahotsav represents a blend of which three elements?**
 - Diplomacy, academia and heritage.
- **Who inaugurated the Bharat-Sri Lanka Sanskrit Mahotsav?**
 - Santosh Jha (India's High Commissioner) and Dr. Madhura Senevirathna (Sri Lanka's Deputy Minister).
- **What was the key message of the Bharat-Sri Lanka Sanskrit Mahotsav?**
 - Sanskrit remains a living bridge connecting religious, educational and shared intellectual traditions.
- **Spoken Sanskrit workshops during the Mahotsav were organised for whom?**
 - Monk-teachers from more than 250 Pirivenas.
- **Approximately how many Pirivenas participated in the Spoken Sanskrit workshops?**
 - More than 250.
- **Which academic activities were organised during the Mahotsav?**
 - Lectures, seminars and student interaction programmes.

- **The cultural performances organised during the Mahotsav were based on:**
 - Classical Sanskrit themes.
- **Which traditional ritual marked the beginning of the inaugural ceremony?**
 - Lighting of the ceremonial lamp.
- **Who performed Bharatanatyam at the inaugural ceremony?**
 - M. Udula Imesh Silva.
- **M. Udula Imesh Silva is the recipient of which award?**
 - Pratibha Sangam Award.
- **The Bharat–Sri Lanka Sanskrit Mahotsav collaborated with the Pirivena education wing and how many public universities?**
 - 10 public universities.

G20 JOHANNESBURG SUMMIT 2025

- **The 20th G20 Leaders' Summit 2025 was hosted in which city and country?**
 - Johannesburg, South Africa.
- **What was the theme of the G20 Johannesburg Summit 2025?**
 - “Solidarity, Equality, Sustainability.”
- **Which African philosophy was incorporated into the Johannesburg Declaration?**
 - Ubuntu.
- **What does the Ubuntu philosophy emphasize?**
 - Interconnectedness, shared responsibility, and multilateral problem-solving.
- **Which international financial institution created the 25th Executive Board seat for Sub-Saharan Africa?**
 - International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- **What SDR channeling target did the G20 countries exceed?**
 - \$100 billion.
- **What is the primary objective of the G20 Common Framework?**
 - Faster and predictable debt treatment for vulnerable economies.
- **Which financing mechanism was promoted to support climate action and development?**
 - Debt-for-climate and debt-for-development swaps.
- **Which new body was established to address the “African risk premium” in global credit ratings?**
 - Cost of Capital Commission.
- **How much climate finance is estimated to be required for developing countries' NDCs by 2030?**
 - \$5.8–5.9 trillion.
- **What is the objective of Mission 300?**
 - To provide electricity access to 300 million Africans by 2030.
- **Which two institutions support Mission 300?**
 - World Bank and African Development Bank (AfDB).

- **Which international climate agreement was reaffirmed in the Johannesburg Declaration?**
– Paris Agreement.
- **During whose G20 Presidency did the African Union become a permanent member of the G20?**
– India's G20 Presidency (New Delhi, 2023).
- **Which four consecutive G20 Presidencies represented Global South leadership?**
– Indonesia (2022), India (2023), Brazil (2024), and South Africa (2025).

INTERNATIONAL IDEA & CEC GYANESH KUMAR

- **Who was appointed as the Chair of the International IDEA for 2026?**
– Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar.
- **On which date did Gyanesh Kumar formally assume office as Chair of International IDEA?**
– 3 December 2025.
- **Where is the headquarters of International IDEA, where Gyanesh Kumar assumed office?**
– Stockholm, Sweden.
- **India will lead International IDEA in 2026 under which theme?**
– “Democracy for inclusive, peaceful, resilient, and sustainable world.”
- **Which two countries will serve as Vice-Chairs of International IDEA during India's Chairship?**
– Mauritius and Mexico.
- **Which Indian institution has trained more than 3,100 election officials from over 140 countries?**
– India International Institute of Democracy and Election Management (IIIDEM).
- **Approximately how many countries have signed MoUs with IIIDEM?**
– 28 countries.
- **Gyanesh Kumar is the _____ Chief Election Commissioner of India.**
– 26th.
- **International IDEA Chairship strengthens India's global role primarily in which field?**
– Electoral governance and democratic cooperation.
- **Under Gyanesh Kumar's leadership, India is expected to share best practices mainly in which three areas?**
– Technology use, voter inclusion, and countering electoral misinformation.
- **The International IDEA Chairship enhances India's _____ power through democracy-support diplomacy.**
– Soft power.
- **The Chairship will help promote institutional independence of which bodies globally?**
– Election Management Bodies (EMBs).
- **Which emerging digital threats does India aim to address through greater cooperation under International IDEA?**
– Disinformation, deepfakes, and cyber risks.

INDIA AT UNESCO 2025

- **India was re-elected to UNESCO's Executive Board for which term?**
– 2025–2029.
- **How many principal bodies does UNESCO have?**
– Three – General Conference, Executive Board, and Secretariat.
- **Where is the headquarters of UNESCO located?**
– Paris, France.
- **For how many years are members elected to the UNESCO Executive Board?**
– Four years.
- **Which UNESCO body prepares the agenda for the General Conference?**
– The Executive Board.
- **Which UNESCO body examines the biennial programme and budget submitted by the Director-General?**
– The Executive Board.
- **During which UNESCO meeting was Deepavali inscribed on the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) List?**
– 20th Session of the Intergovernmental Committee for Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage.
- **Where was the 20th Session of UNESCO's ICH Committee held in 2025?**
– Red Fort, New Delhi.
- **Deepavali was inscribed as which Indian element on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage List?**
– 16th Indian element.
- **Name the UNESCO Category-1 institute located in New Delhi dedicated to peace and sustainable development.**
– Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development (MGIEP).

ECONOMY, INDUSTRY & FINANCE

INDIA'S MACROECONOMIC PERFORMANCE 2025

- **India's macroeconomic performance in late 2025 was described as which type of economic phase?**
– “Goldilocks” moment.
- **What does the term “Goldilocks” phase indicate in economics?**
– A situation of high growth with low inflation and stable macroeconomic conditions.
- **What was India's real GDP growth rate in Q2 FY 2025–26?**
– 8.2%.
- **What was the real Gross Value Added (GVA) growth rate in Q2 FY 2025–26?**
– 8.1%.

- Which institution revised India's FY 2025–26 GDP growth forecast upward to 7.3%?
– Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- Which sectors mainly contributed to India's GVA growth in Q2 FY 2025–26?
– Industry and services sectors.
- Which survey provides monthly unemployment data in India?
– Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS).
- CPI inflation declined from 4.26% in January 2025 to what level in June 2025?
– 2.10%.
- What was India's Wholesale Price Index (WPI) inflation rate in November 2025?
– -0.32%.
- What was the RBI policy repo rate after the reduction in 2025?
– 5.25%.
- What were the major factors behind India's disinflation in 2025?
– Food price corrections and easing price pressures.
- What was the value of India's merchandise exports in November 2025?
– US\$ 38.13 billion.
- What was India's total exports (merchandise + services) in November 2025?
– US\$ 73.99 billion.
- How much did India's services exports contribute in November 2025?
– US\$ 35.86 billion.
- What was the level of India's foreign exchange reserves at the end of November 2025?
– US\$ 686.2 billion.
- What was India's current account deficit (CAD) as a percentage of GDP in Q2 FY 2025–26?
– 1.3% of GDP.
- By what percentage did gross FDI inflows increase during April–September 2025–26?
– 19.4%.
- The Viksit Bharat vision aims to transform India into which category of economy by 2047?
– High middle-income economy.

NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION (NIC) 2025

- Which ministry released the National Industrial Classification (NIC) 2025?
– Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI).
- On which date was NIC 2025 officially released?
– 18 November 2025.
- During which event was the National Industrial Classification (NIC) 2025 launched?
– Culmination Ceremony of the 75th Anniversary of the National Sample Survey (NSS) and World Statistics Day 2025.
- At which city was NIC 2025 released?
– Udaipur, Rajasthan.

- **NIC 2025 replaces which previous version of the National Industrial Classification?**
 - NIC 2008.
- **What major structural change has been introduced in the coding system of NIC 2025?**
 - Shift from a 5-digit coding structure to a 6-digit coding structure.
- **Which indigenous healthcare system has been specifically recognised in NIC 2025?**
 - Ayush-based healthcare.
- **Which traditional industry has been newly recognised in NIC 2025?**
 - Handloom industry.
- **Name any two emerging sectors included in NIC 2025.**
 - Renewable energy and FinTech.
- **Which committee guided the revision of NIC 2025?**
 - Expert Committee for Revision of Economic Classifications (ECREC).
- **Which sectors have been given new classes to represent enhanced intermediation services in NIC 2025?**
 - Power, retail, logistics, healthcare, education, real estate, and food services.
- **Which international framework has been considered while expanding green economy coverage in NIC 2025?**
 - System of Environmental-Economic Accounting (SEEA).
- **Name any two digital economy activities that have been given distinct classes under NIC 2025.**
 - Cloud infrastructure and blockchain.
- **What is the technology-agnostic approach adopted in NIC 2025?**
 - Classification of activities without distinguishing between traditional and modern production techniques.
- **What is the primary purpose of the National Industrial Classification (NIC)?**
 - To provide a standardized framework for collecting, organizing, and publishing economic data.
- **Name any four major applications of NIC codes in India.**
 - Company registration, GST filings, labour surveys, and economic censuses.
- **In which year was India's first Standard Industrial Classification introduced?**
 - 1962.
- **Which NIC versions were released before NIC 2025?**
 - 1970, 1987, 1990, 1998, 2004, and 2008.

REGIONAL RURAL BANKS (RRBS) – NEW COMMON LOGO 2025

- **Which ministry unveiled the new common logo for Regional Rural Banks (RRBs)?**
 - Ministry of Finance, Government of India.
- **On which date was the new common logo for RRBs launched?**
 - 18 December 2025.

- **What is the primary objective behind introducing a common logo for all RRBs?**
 - To create a single unified brand identity for all Regional Rural Banks.
- **What does the dark blue colour in the new RRB logo symbolize?**
 - Finance and trust.
- **What does the green colour in the new RRB logo represent?**
 - Life and growth.
- **Which three major objectives are reflected through the colours of the new RRB logo?**
 - Financial inclusion, agricultural development, and sustainable rural growth.
- **Under which Act do Regional Rural Banks function?**
 - Regional Rural Banks Act, 1976.
- **Which committee recommended the establishment of Regional Rural Banks?**
 - Narasimham Working Group (1975).
- **Which was the first Regional Rural Bank established in India?**
 - Prathama Bank.
- **Where was India's first Regional Rural Bank established?**
 - Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh.
- **Which bank sponsored Prathama Bank?**
 - Syndicate Bank.
- **What is the guiding principle of the RRB amalgamation programme?**
 - One State, One RRB.
- **Which phase of RRB amalgamation was initiated in 2025?**
 - Phase IV.
- **How many Regional Rural Banks remain after the completion of all phases of amalgamation?**
 - 28.
- **From how many Regional Rural Banks has the total number been reduced through amalgamation?**
 - 196.
- **What is the Priority Sector Lending (PSL) target for Regional Rural Banks?**
 - 75% of Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC).
- **What type of credit is primarily provided by Regional Rural Banks?**
 - Short-term and medium-term credit for agriculture and allied activities.

UDYOG SAMAGAM 2025 & BRAP 2024

- **Which department organised the second edition of Udyog Samagam 2025?**
 - Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).
- **On which date was Udyog Samagam 2025 organised?**
 - 11 November 2025.
- **Where was the second edition of Udyog Samagam 2025 held?**
 - New Delhi.

- **How many States and Union Territories participated through their Industries & Commerce Ministers in Udyog Samagam 2025?**
 - 14 States/UTs.
- **Which reform initiative was reviewed during Udyog Samagam 2025?**
 - Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) 2024.
- **How many reform areas were identified under BRAP 2024 for recognising States and UTs?**
 - 25 reform areas.
- **Which two States were recognised as top performers for excellence in five reform areas under BRAP 2024?**
 - Uttarakhand and Punjab.
- **Name any four States recognised as top achievers in four reform areas under BRAP 2024.**
 - Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Kerala, and Telangana. (Others include Jammu & Kashmir, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jharkhand, and Chhattisgarh.)
- **Which States were honoured for top performance in three reform areas under BRAP 2024?**
 - Maharashtra, Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Odisha, and Uttar Pradesh.
- **Which three States were recognised as top achievers in two reform areas?**
 - Gujarat, Karnataka, and Tripura.
- **Which two States were honoured for excellence in one reform area under BRAP 2024?**
 - Goa and Meghalaya.
- **Which organisation announced the BRAP 2024 State Categories?**
 - Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).
- **What is the purpose of introducing BRAP 2024 State Categories?**
 - To reflect a broader and more comprehensive scope of ease of doing business and compliance reforms.
- **Which category includes States and UTs with established business systems?**
 - ‘Y’ Category (Fast Movers).
- **Name any four States classified as Fast Movers under the ‘Y’ Category.**
 - Odisha, Punjab, Andhra Pradesh, and Rajasthan. (Others include Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, Assam, Uttarakhand, Jammu & Kashmir, and Karnataka.)
- **Name any four States classified as Aspirers under the ‘Y’ Category.**
 - West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, and Gujarat. (Others include Uttar Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Telangana, Jharkhand, Himachal Pradesh, Goa, Bihar, and Delhi.)
- **Which category comprises North-Eastern States and UTs with developing business systems?**
 - ‘X’ Category.
- **What status was assigned to all States and UTs under the ‘X’ Category?**
 - Aspirational.
- **What minimum score is required for a State or UT to be recognised as a Top Achiever under BRAP 2024?**
 - More than 90% marks.
- **Besides high scores, what other major criteria are required for Top Achiever status under BRAP 2024?**
 - Consistent implementation of reforms, fully operational digital and institutional systems, and strong user authentication and verification mechanisms.

SIXTEENTH FINANCE COMMISSION (16TH FC)

- **Who is the Chairman of the Sixteenth Finance Commission (16th FC)?**
– Dr. Arvind Panagariya.
- **On which date did the Sixteenth Finance Commission submit its report to the President of India?**
– 17 November 2025.
- **For which period will the recommendations of the 16th Finance Commission be applicable?**
– 2026–2031 (from 1 April 2026).
- **What are the two main types of tax devolution recommended by the Finance Commission?**
– Vertical Devolution and Horizontal Devolution.
- **Which constitutional institution recommends the principles governing grants-in-aid from the Centre to the States?**
– Finance Commission.
- **On which date did the Union Cabinet approve the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the 16th Finance Commission?**
– 29 November 2024.

KERALA DECLARED 'EXTREME POVERTY-FREE'

- **Which became the first Indian state to be declared 'Extreme Poverty-Free'?**
– Kerala.
- **Who declared Kerala as an 'Extreme Poverty-Free' state?**
– Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan.
- **On which occasion was Kerala declared 'Extreme Poverty-Free'?**
– Kerala Piravi (Kerala Formation Day).
- **On which date was Kerala officially declared 'Extreme Poverty-Free'?**
– 1 November 2025.
- **Which project was launched to eliminate extreme poverty in Kerala?**
– Extreme Poverty Eradication Project (EPEP).
- **In which year was the Extreme Poverty Eradication Project (EPEP) approved by the Kerala Cabinet?**
– 2021.
- **Which women's self-help movement played a key role in implementing EPEP?**
– Kudumbashree.
- **How many individuals were identified as extremely poor under the survey?**
– 1,03,099 individuals from 64,006 families.
- **Which four core determinants were considered while preparing micro plans under EPEP?**
– Food, health, housing, and income.
- **Which housing scheme provided houses to homeless families identified under EPEP?**
– LiFE Mission.

- **Under which employment scheme were many identified families provided livelihood opportunities?**
 - Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS).
- **According to the World Bank, what is the revised international extreme poverty line (effective June 2025)?**
 - \$3.00 per day (2021 PPP).

TRADE INTELLIGENCE & ANALYTICS (TIA) PORTAL

- **Who launched the Trade Intelligence & Analytics (TIA) Portal?**
 - Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal.
- **On which date was the Trade Intelligence & Analytics (TIA) Portal launched?**
 - 18 November 2025.
- **Where was the Trade Intelligence & Analytics (TIA) Portal launched?**
 - New Delhi.
- **Which department initiated the development of the TIA Portal?**
 - Department of Commerce.
- **What is the main objective of the Trade Intelligence & Analytics (TIA) Portal?**
 - To provide transparent trade data and enable evidence-based policymaking.
- **The TIA Portal provides trade insights related to how many countries?**
 - More than 220 nations.
- **Which global trade database is integrated into the TIA Portal?**
 - UN Comtrade.
- **Which dashboard of the TIA Portal tracks the performance of PLI commodities?**
 - PLI Commodities Dashboard.
- **The Critical Minerals Dashboard of TIA Portal covers how many critical minerals?**
 - More than 30 critical minerals.
- **Which index is used in the TIA Portal to assess India's export alignment with partner countries' import needs?**
 - Trade Complementarity Index.
- **Which index identifies products in which India has a competitive advantage?**
 - Revealed Comparative Advantage (RCA) Index.
- **Which index measures the strength of bilateral trade relations between countries?**
 - Trade Intensity Index.
- **Which sector groups are expected to benefit from the TIA Portal apart from large enterprises?**
 - Importers, exporters, startups, and MSMEs.
- **The TIA Portal is developed as a centralized digital hub for what purpose?**
 - Consolidating diverse trade databases and providing integrated trade analytics.

REPORTS & INDICES

COMMITMENT TO DEVELOPMENT INDEX (CDI) 2025

- Which country topped the Commitment to Development Index (CDI) 2025?
– Sweden
- How many countries were ranked in the Commitment to Development Index (CDI) 2025?
– 38 countries
- What was India's overall rank in the Commitment to Development Index (CDI) 2025?
– 36th rank
- What was India's income-adjusted rank in CDI 2025?
– 29th rank
- Which pillar was India's strongest performance area in CDI 2025?
– Environment
- What rank did India secure in the Environment pillar of CDI 2025?
– 8th rank
- India ranked lowest in which two pillars of CDI 2025?
– Trade and Development Finance (38th rank each)
- What was India's rank in the Health pillar of CDI 2025?
– 26th rank
- The Commitment to Development Index (CDI) assesses countries across how many policy pillars?
– Eight policy pillars
- Which CDI pillar evaluates the quality and generosity of foreign aid?
– Development Finance
- Which CDI pillar focuses on FDI policies and financial openness?
– Investment
- Which CDI pillar assesses welcoming migrants and refugees?
– Migration
- Which CDI pillar evaluates market access and tariff barriers?
– Trade
- Which CDI pillar measures climate action and global public goods?
– Environment
- Which CDI pillar focuses on global health support and IP flexibility?
– Health
- Which CDI pillar includes peacekeeping and arms control?
– Security
- What major global trend was highlighted by CDI 2025?
– Decline in development finance by wealthy countries despite rising fossil fuel subsidies.

- Which country ranked highest among the major economies in CDI 2025?
– Germany
- What does CDI highlight regarding development responsibility?
– Development responsibility extends beyond aid to include climate, trade, technology and security.

G20 GLOBAL INEQUALITY REPORT 2025

- The G20 Global Inequality Report 2025 is the first-ever inequality assessment prepared for whom?
– G20 Leaders.
- Which country's G20 Presidency commissioned the G20 Global Inequality Report 2025?
– South Africa.
- Who chaired the Extraordinary Committee of Independent Experts on Global Inequality?
– Joseph Stiglitz.
- Which Indian economist was a member of the expert committee that prepared the report?
– Jayati Ghosh.
- The G20 Global Inequality Report 2025 was released alongside which summit?
– G20 Johannesburg Summit 2025.
- The report draws data primarily from which three institutions?
– World Inequality Lab, World Bank, and IMF.
- According to the report, inequality is mainly driven by what factors?
– Policy choices and institutions.
- Approximately what percentage of countries have a Gini coefficient greater than 0.4?
– About 83%.
- Which region has one of the world's highest Gini coefficients (around 0.61)?
– Sub-Saharan Africa.
- Since 2000, what share of newly created global wealth has been captured by the top 1%?
– About 41%.
- Approximately what share of global income is received by the richest 10%?
– About 54%.
- Approximately what share of global wealth is owned by the richest 10%?
– About 74%.
- According to the report, how many people globally face moderate or severe food insecurity?
– About 2.3 billion people.
- In India, the top 1% owned approximately what share of national wealth by 2022–23?
– About 40.1%.
- By 2022–23, India's top 1% earned what percentage of national income?
– 22.6%.
- Which institution cautioned that India's consumption-based Gini coefficient underestimates actual inequality?
– World Bank.

- According to World Inequality Database, India's income Gini coefficient is approximately?
– Around 61.
- Which global body has been proposed on the lines of IPCC to monitor inequality?
– International Panel on Inequality (IPI).

WORLD URBANIZATION PROSPECTS (WUP) 2025

- Which organisation released the World Urbanization Prospects (WUP) 2025 Revision?
– United Nations (UN).
- Which UN department published the World Urbanization Prospects (WUP) 2025 Report?
– UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA).
- According to WUP 2025, which city has become the world's most populous city?
– Jakarta, Indonesia.
- What is the estimated population of Jakarta according to WUP 2025?
– Around 42 million.
- Which city ranked second in the world's most populous cities ranking according to WUP 2025?
– Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- Which city slipped to third position in the WUP 2025 global city ranking?
– Tokyo, Japan.
- Which new methodology has been adopted by the UN for defining urban areas in WUP 2025?
– Degree of Urbanization (DEGURBA).
- The DEGURBA methodology is based on which major criteria?
– Geospatial and population density criteria.
- Earlier UN urban rankings mainly relied on what type of boundaries?
– Country-specific administrative boundaries.
- How many of the world's ten most populous cities are located in Asia according to WUP 2025?
– Nine cities.
- How many megacities were present globally in 2025 according to the report?
– 33 megacities.
- Approximately what percentage of the world's population currently lives in urban areas according to WUP 2025?
– 45%.
- What percentage of the global population is projected to live in urban areas by 2050?
– Around 68%.
- Which region dominates the global megacity landscape according to WUP 2025?
– Asia.
- Name any three challenges associated with Jakarta's rapid urban growth.
– Infrastructure stress, flooding, air pollution, land subsidence, and governance challenges.

- The revised UN urban methodology aims to provide more realistic tools for achieving which goals?
 - Sustainable, resilient, and inclusive urban development.

ENVIRONMENT, ECOLOGY & CLIMATE

NITI AAYOG REPORT – “WATER BUDGETING IN ASPIRATIONAL BLOCKS”

- Which organisation released the report titled “Water Budgeting in Aspirational Blocks”?
 - NITI Aayog in collaboration with GIZ India
- The report “Water Budgeting in Aspirational Blocks” focuses on:
 - Enhancing local-level water security and improving water resource planning
- The “Water Budgeting in Aspirational Blocks” report is aligned with which vision?
 - Viksit Bharat@2047
- The report provides analysis of water availability and demand across how many Aspirational Blocks?
 - 18 Aspirational Blocks
- The Aspirational Blocks covered under the Water Budgeting report are spread across:
 - 11 States and one Union Territory
- Water budgeting considers water demand from which of the following sectors?
 1. Human consumption
 2. Livestock
 3. Agriculture
 4. Industry

Answer: – All four

- Which of the following sources are considered while preparing water budgets?
 1. Runoff
 2. Groundwater
 3. Surface water
 4. Inter-basin transfers

Answer: – All four

- Varuni platform is related to:
 - Digital water planning and data integration at block level
- The primary objective of the Varuni platform is to identify:
 - Gaps between water demand and water supply
- Conjunctive water use refers to:
 - Integrated use of surface water and groundwater resources
- Why are dynamic water budgets recommended?
 - Because rainfall variability, droughts and floods continuously change water availability conditions

- **The overall aim of “Water Budgeting in Aspirational Blocks” report is:**
 - To strengthen sustainable water management through scientific planning, digital technology and community participation

UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT ASSEMBLY (UNEA-7) 2025

- **Where was the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-7) held?**
 - Nairobi, Kenya.
- **What was the theme of UNEA-7 (2025)?**
 - “Advancing sustainable solutions for a resilient planet”.
- **Who was the President of UNEA-7?**
 - H.E. Abdullah bin Ali Al-Amri (President of Environment Authority of Oman).
- **How many resolutions and decisions were adopted during UNEA-7?**
 - 11 resolutions and 3 decisions along with a Ministerial Declaration.
- **Which country’s resolution on ‘Strengthening the Global Management of Wildfires’ was adopted at UNEA-7?**
 - India.
- **Which report highlighted the projected increase in global wildfires by 2030, 2050 and 2100?**
 - UNEP’s report “Spreading Like Wildfire”.

COP30 (BELÉM, BRAZIL)

- **COP30 was held in which city and country?**
 - Belém, Brazil.
- **was organized under which international convention?**
 - United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
- **COP30 was held from which dates in 2025?**
 - 10 November to 21 November 2025.
- **What was the central theme of COP30’s approach?**
 - Implementation-first climate action.
- **The COP30 Global Climate Action Agenda (GCAA) was based on which two frameworks?**
 - Marrakech Partnership and Global Stocktake response.
- **What is the name of the main political outcome of COP30?**
 - Belém Package.
- **The term “Mutirão” used in COP30 refers to what concept?**
 - Community working together for a shared purpose.
- **How many activation groups were created under COP30 Global Climate Action Agenda?**
 - 30 activation groups.
- **Which facility was launched by Brazil for tropical forest conservation financing at COP30?**
 - Tropical Forest Forever Facility (TFFF).

- Which pledge at COP30 aimed to quadruple sustainable fuel use by 2035?
- Belém 4x Pledge.

GLOBAL METHANE STATUS REPORT 2025

- The Global Methane Status Report 2025 was released by which organisation?
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in collaboration with Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC).
- The Global Methane Status Report 2025 was launched during which international climate summit?
- COP30, Belém, Brazil.
- On which date was the Global Methane Status Report 2025 released?
- 17 November 2025.
- The Global Methane Pledge (GMP) was launched at which COP?
- COP26 (2021).
- What is the target of the Global Methane Pledge?
- To reduce global methane emissions by at least 30% below 2020 levels by 2030.
- Is the Global Methane Pledge a legally binding agreement?
- No, it is a non-binding agreement.
- As of April 2025, how many countries and the European Commission had joined the Global Methane Pledge?
- 159 countries and the European Commission.
- Which three sectors contribute the largest share of anthropogenic methane emissions?
- Agriculture (42%), Energy (38%), and Waste (20%).
- Which sector has the highest technical potential for methane reduction by 2030?
- Energy sector (around 72% of technical mitigation potential).
- What percentage of global methane emissions are contributed by G20+ countries?
- About 65%.
- Under current policies, methane emissions by 2030 are projected to be approximately how much higher than 2020 levels?
- About 5% higher.
- According to the report, current commitments (NDCs + methane plans) could reduce methane emissions by approximately how much by 2030?
- Around 8% below 2020 levels.
- How much annual investment is estimated to be required for full technical methane reduction by 2030?
- About US\$127 billion per year.
- Full technical methane reduction could prevent approximately how many premature deaths annually?
- More than 180,000 premature deaths.
- India is the world's which largest methane emitter according to the report?
- Third-largest methane emitter.

- **What are the major sources of methane emissions in India?**
 - Agriculture, waste, and fossil fuels.
- **Approximately how much methane does India emit annually (2023 estimate)?**
 - About 31 million tonnes per year.
- **Which agricultural activity is a major methane source in India?**
 - Rice cultivation.
- **Which practices are suggested to reduce methane emissions from rice cultivation?**
 - Improved rice water management techniques.
- **Which gas is considered a powerful short-term climate forcer and precursor of ground-level ozone?**
 - Methane (CH₄).

EMISSIONS GAP REPORT 2025

- **Which organisation released the Emissions Gap Report 2025?**
 - United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
- **What is the title of UNEP's Emissions Gap Report 2025?**
 - “Off Target – Continued collective inaction puts global temperature goal at risk.”
- **On which date was the Emissions Gap Report 2025 released?**
 - 4 November 2025.
- **According to the report, what temperature overshoot is very likely within the next decade?**
 - 1.5°C global warming overshoot.
- **What warming level is projected under full implementation of current NDCs?**
 - Around 2.3–2.5°C by the end of this century.
- **What warming level is projected under current policies?**
 - Around 2.8°C by the end of this century.
- **What was the global net anthropogenic greenhouse gas emission level in 2024?**
 - 57.7 GtCO₂e.
- **By what percentage did global GHG emissions increase in 2024 compared to 2023?**
 - About 2.3%.
- **Which sector contributed the largest share to the increase in 2024 emissions?**
 - Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF).
- **What was the estimated emissions gap for 2030 under a 1.5°C pathway?**
 - Around 20 GtCO₂e per year.
- **According to UNEP, how much emission reduction is required by 2035 for a 1.5°C pathway?**
 - Around 55% reduction from 2019 levels.
- **How much reduction do current conditional NDCs provide by 2035?**
 - Around 15% reduction from 2019 levels.
- **Which climate action approach does UNEP warn against excessive dependence on?**
 - Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR).

- **How many countries had submitted or announced new NDCs with 2035 targets by 30 September 2025?**
– Around 60 parties.
- **What is India's long-term net-zero target year?**
– 2070.
- **What emissions intensity reduction target has India set in its updated NDC?**
– 45% reduction in emissions intensity of GDP by 2030 from 2005 levels.
- **What share of India's cumulative electric power installed capacity is targeted from non-fossil sources by 2030?**
– About 50%.
- **Which agreement's 10-year anniversary was highlighted by the Emissions Gap Report 2025?**
– Paris Agreement (2015).
- **What does NDC stand for in climate negotiations?**
– Nationally Determined Contributions.
- **Which greenhouse gas emission source showed a major rise due to land clearing and forest-related activities?**
– LULUCF (Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry).

WORLD SOIL DAY 2025

- **World Soil Day is observed annually on which date?**
– 5 December.
- **What is the theme of World Soil Day 2025?**
– “Healthy Soils for Healthy Cities.”
- **In which year did the United Nations General Assembly officially declare 5 December as World Soil Day?**
– 2013.

INTERNATIONAL CHEETAH DAY 2025

- **International Cheetah Day is observed every year on which date?**
– 4 December.
- **International Cheetah Day was started in which year and by whom?**
– 2010, by Dr. Laurie Marker, founder of Cheetah Conservation Fund.
- **What is the objective of International Cheetah Day?**
– To raise awareness and promote global cooperation for cheetah conservation.
- **What is the theme/message of International Cheetah Day 2025?**
– “Restore Landscapes, Rewild the Future.”

INTERNATIONAL BIOSPHERE RESERVE DAY

- **International Biosphere Reserve Day is observed every year on which date?**
– 3 November.

- **Which organisation designates Biosphere Reserves?**
 - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).
- **Biosphere Reserves act as what for sustainable development and conservation?**
 - Living laboratories for sustainable development.
- **What is the main objective of Biosphere Reserves?**
 - Conservation of biodiversity along with sustainable use of natural resources and community welfare.
- **India's Biosphere Reserves represent which types of ecosystems?**
 - Mountains, forests, coasts, and islands.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

ISRO'S LVM3-M6 MISSION & BLUEBIRD BLOCK-2 SATELLITE

- **Which launch vehicle was used by ISRO to launch the BlueBird Block-2 satellite?**
 - LVM3 (Launch Vehicle Mark-3).
- **On which date was the LVM3-M6 mission launched?**
 - 24 December 2025.
- **Which organisation's satellite was launched under the LVM3-M6 mission?**
 - AST SpaceMobile (AST & Science, LLC), USA.
- **What is the name of the communication satellite launched by ISRO/NSIL under LVM3-M6 mission?**
 - BlueBird Block-2.
- **What was the approximate weight of the BlueBird Block-2 satellite launched by LVM3?**
 - 6,100 kg.
- **From which launch site was the LVM3-M6 mission launched?**
 - Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC SHAR), Sriharikota.
- **The LVM3-M6 mission was the how many successful mission of the LVM3 launch vehicle?**
 - Ninth successful mission.
- **The LVM3-M6 mission marked which launch from Sriharikota?**
 - 104th launch from Sriharikota.
- **Which company is developing the BlueBird satellite constellation?**
 - AST SpaceMobile.
- **What type of connectivity is provided by AST SpaceMobile's satellite network?**
 - Direct-to-smartphone satellite connectivity.
- **What is the approximate size of the phased array antenna of BlueBird Block-2 satellite?**
 - 223 square metres.
- **Which Indian company signed the commercial launch agreement with AST SpaceMobile?**
 - NewSpace India Limited (NSIL).
- **What is the commercial arm of ISRO responsible for space business activities?**
 - NewSpace India Limited (NSIL).

- **In which orbit was the BlueBird Block-2 satellite placed?**
– Low Earth Orbit (LEO).
- **What is the main advantage of Low Earth Orbit (LEO) for satellite communication?**
– Lower communication delay and improved link feasibility.

HANSA-3 (NG) INDIGENOUS TRAINER AIRCRAFT

- **Which organisation developed the indigenous HANSA-3 (NG) trainer aircraft?**
– CSIR-National Aerospace Laboratories (CSIR-NAL), Bengaluru.
- **Who launched the production version of HANSA-3 (NG) aircraft?**
– Dr. Jitendra Singh.
- **On which date was the production version of HANSA-3 (NG) launched?**
– 29 November 2025.
- **Where was the production version of HANSA-3 (NG) launched?**
– CSIR-NAL, Bengaluru.
- **Which company will manufacture the HANSA-3 (NG) two-seater aircraft?**
– M/s Pioneer Clean Amps.
- **Where is the manufacturing facility for HANSA-3 (NG) being established?**
– Kuppam, Andhra Pradesh.
- **What is the annual production capacity planned for HANSA-3 (NG) aircraft?**
– 100 aircraft annually.
- **For which type of pilot training is HANSA-3 (NG) designed?**
– Private Pilot Licence (PPL) and Commercial Pilot Licence (CPL) training.
- **What type of airframe does HANSA-3 (NG) have?**
– All-composite airframe.
- **Which aircraft is being developed by CSIR-NAL as a 19-seater Light Transport Aircraft?**
– SARAS Mk2.
- **What is the main purpose of the Iron Bird Facility developed for SARAS Mk2?**
– Full system integration, ground testing, and validation of aircraft subsystems.

INDIA'S INDIGENOUS TNPB-BASED GENE EDITING TECHNOLOGY

- **Which Indian institute developed the indigenous TnpB-based genome editing platform for plants?**
– ICAR-Central Rice Research Institute (CRRI), Cuttack.
- **The indigenous TnpB-based genome editing platform is mainly designed for which field?**
– Plant genome editing.
- **What type of protein is used as the core editing tool in India's indigenous plant genome editing platform?**
– TnpB protein.
- **What is the full form of TnpB?**
– Transposon-associated protein B.

- **TnpB proteins are found in which mobile genetic elements?**
 - IS200/IS605 transposons.
- **What is the approximate size of TnpB protein used in ICAR-CRRI's genome editing platform?**
 - About 408 amino acids.
- **TnpB is approximately how much smaller than Cas9/Cas12a genome editors?**
 - About one-third the size of Cas9/Cas12a.
- **Which Indian institute developed the BIRSA-101 gene therapy for sickle cell disease?**
 - CSIR-Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (CSIR-IGIB), New Delhi.
- **BIRSA-101 is based on which indigenous genome editing platform?**
 - enFnCas9 platform.
- **BIRSA-101 is India's first indigenous CRISPR-based therapy for which disease?**
 - Sickle cell disease.
- **Which organisation partnered with CSIR-IGIB for development of BIRSA-101 therapy?**
 - Serum Institute of India, Pune.
- **Which RNA molecule guides TnpB for targeted DNA editing?**
 - ω RNA (omega RNA) or reRNA.
- **Which sequence motif is recognised by TnpB instead of PAM?**
 - TAM (Transposon-associated motif).
- **Which enzyme domain enables DNA cutting activity in TnpB?**
 - RuvC-like endonuclease domain.
- **Which rice varieties were unveiled as India's first genome-edited rice varieties?**
 - DRR Dhan 100 (Kamala) and Pusa DST Rice 1.
- **Where is the National Genome Editing & Training Centre (NGETC) located?**
 - National Agri-Food Biotechnology Institute (NABI), Mohali, Punjab.
- **In which year was the National Genome Editing & Training Centre inaugurated?**
 - 2023.
- **What is the major advantage of TnpB compared to Cas9/Cas12a systems?**
 - Smaller size, easier delivery, and reduced dependence on foreign intellectual property.
- **Which crop has been a major focus of ICAR's genome editing research?**
 - Rice.
- **India's indigenous gene editing developments support which national initiative?**
 - Atmanirbhar Bharat.

INDIA INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE FESTIVAL (IISF) 2025

- **When was the India International Science Festival (IISF) launched?**
 - 2015.
- **Where will the 11th edition of IISF 2025 be held?**
 - Panchkula, Haryana.
- **What is the theme of India International Science Festival (IISF) 2025?**
 - "Vigyan Se Samruddhi: for Atmanirbhar Bharat".

- **Which ministry/organisation is associated with organising the India International Science Festival?**
 - Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) and coordinated by Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM) Pune.
- **Name the major focus areas of IISF 2025.**
 - Artificial Intelligence, Bio-Economy, New Age Technology, Quantum Technology, Gene Editing, Space Applications and integration of Traditional Knowledge with Modern Science.

EMERGING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION CONCLAVE (ESTIC) 2025

- **Where was the Emerging Science and Technology Innovation Conclave (ESTIC) 2025 inaugurated?**
 - Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
- **When was the first edition of ESTIC held?**
 - 3–5 November 2025.
- **Which organisation led the organisation of ESTIC 2025?**
 - Department of Science and Technology (DST) in collaboration with ARCI, Hyderabad.
- **What was the theme of ESTIC 2025?**
 - “Viksit Bharat 2047 – Pioneering Sustainable Innovation, Technological Advancement and Empowerment.”
- **Which start-up developed India’s first indigenous MRI scanner?**
 - VoxelGrids (Zoho-backed start-up).

HEALTH

WHO GLOBAL TUBERCULOSIS REPORT 2025

- **When was the WHO Global Tuberculosis Report 2025 released?**
 - 12 November 2025.
- **Which organisation releases the Global Tuberculosis Report?**
 - World Health Organization (WHO).
- **According to WHO TB Report 2025, which disease is the leading cause of death from a single infectious agent globally?**
 - Tuberculosis (TB).
- **How many people developed tuberculosis globally in 2024 according to the WHO report?**
 - 10.7 million people.
- **Which country accounted for the highest share of global TB cases in 2024?**
 - India (around 25% of global TB cases).
- **What percentage of global TB cases occurred in people living with HIV in 2024?**
 - About 5.8%.
- **What was the global reduction in TB incidence between 2015 and 2024?**
 - About 12%.

- **How many TB deaths were reported globally in 2024?**
– About 1.23 million deaths.
- **Which region reported the highest share of global TB cases in 2024?**
– WHO South-East Asia Region (34%).
- **By how much has India reduced TB incidence between 2015 and 2024?**
– 21% reduction (from 237 per lakh population in 2015 to 187 per lakh population in 2024).

NATIONAL CANCER AWARENESS DAY 2025

- **National Cancer Awareness Day is observed every year on which date in India?**
– 7 November.
- **National Cancer Awareness Day was first celebrated in which year?**
– 2014.
- **Who announced the observance of National Cancer Awareness Day in India?**
– Dr. Harsh Vardhan, former Union Health Minister.
- **National Cancer Awareness Day is observed on 7 November to commemorate whose birth anniversary?**
– Madame Marie Curie.
- **Madame Curie was born on which date and where?**
– 7 November 1867, Warsaw, Poland.
- **Which elements were discovered by Marie Curie and Pierre Curie?**
– Radium and Polonium.
- **Marie Curie received the Nobel Prize for contributions in which field?**
– Physics and Chemistry (for research on radioactivity).

ART, CULTURE & HISTORY

KASHI TAMIL SANGAMAM (KTS) 4.0

- **Kashi Tamil Sangamam (KTS) 4.0 was held in:**
– Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh), with additional events and its grand valedictory function concluding in Rameswaram (Tamil Nadu)
- **Kashi Tamil Sangamam (KTS) 4.0 was organised from:**
– 2–15 December 2025
- **The valedictory ceremony of Kashi Tamil Sangamam 4.0 was held on:**
– 30 December 2025
- **The valedictory ceremony of Kashi Tamil Sangamam 4.0 was graced by:**
– Vice President C. P. Radhakrishnan
- **The theme of Kashi Tamil Sangamam 4.0 was:**
– “Let Us Learn Tamil – Tamil Karkalam”
- **Kashi Tamil Sangamam is aligned with which national initiative?**
– Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB)

- **Kashi Tamil Sangamam is primarily anchored by:**
 - Ministry of Education
 - **Which institutions are the principal knowledge partners of Kashi Tamil Sangamam?**
 1. IIT Madras
 2. Banaras Hindu University (BHU)
- Answer: – Both 1 and 2**
- **Tamil Karkalam programme aims to:**
 - Teach Tamil language in schools of Varanasi
 - **Approximately how many Tamil teachers were deployed in Varanasi schools under Tamil Karkalam?**
 - 50
 - **Tamil Karpom programme involved:**
 - Study tour of Uttar Pradesh students to Tamil Nadu
 - **Around how many students participated in Tamil Karpom?**
 - 300 college students
 - **Sage Agastya Vehicle Expedition (SAVE) retraced the civilisational route between:**
 - Tenkasi and Kashi
 - **During KTS 4.0, Tolkappiyam was highlighted for:**
 - Its translation into multiple Indian and foreign languages

150TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF BHAGWAN BIRSA MUNDA

- **Janjatiya Gaurav Divas is observed every year on:**
 - 15 November
- **Janjatiya Gaurav Divas 2025 commemorated the:**
 - 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda
- **Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh was observed during:**
 - 15 November 2024 to 15 November 2025
- **Which ministry is the nodal ministry for Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh?**
 - Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- **Which religious sect was founded by Birsa Munda?**
 - Birsait
- **The slogan associated with Birsa Munda is:**
 - “Abua Raj Setar Jana, Maharani Raj Tundu Jana”

DHWAJAROHAN UTSAV AT SHRI RAM JANMBHOOMI MANDIR, AYODHYA

- **On which date was the Dharma Dhawaja hoisted at Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Mandir, Ayodhya?**
 - 25 November 2025
- **Who hoisted the Dharma Dhawaja on the Shikhara of Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Mandir?**
 - Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- **The Dhawajrohan Utsav at Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Mandir marked:**
 - Formal completion of the temple construction

- **The Dharma Dhawja hoisted at Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Mandir is of which shape?**
 - Right-angled triangular
- **What are the dimensions of the Dharma Dhawja of Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Mandir?**
 - 10 feet in height and 20 feet in length
- **Which colour is associated with the Dharma Dhawja of Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Mandir?**
 - Saffron
- **The saffron colour of the Dharma Dhawja represents:**
 - Sun Dynasty (Suryavansh) and ideals of Ram Rajya
- **Which of the following symbols are depicted on the Dharma Dhawja?**
 1. Radiant Sun
 2. Om
 3. Kovidara Tree

Answer: – All three

- **The symbol ‘Om’ on the Dharma Dhawja represents:**
 - Spiritual connection between humanity and the divine
- **The Kovidara Tree symbol on the Dharma Dhawja represents:**
 - Ancient wisdom and strength
- **The flag hoisting ceremony at Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Mandir was performed during:**
 - Abhijit Muhurta
- **Which of the following personalities are associated with the Sapta Mandir visited during the Ayodhya programme?**
 1. Maharishi Vashistha
 2. Maharishi Vishvamisra
 3. Maharishi Agastya

Answer: – All three

- **The term “mental slavery” mentioned during the event refers to:**
 - Colonial-era mindset and inferiority complex

WAVES ANIMATION BAZAAR AND INDIA JOY 2025

- **Where was the WAVES Animation Bazaar and 8th edition of India Joy 2025 inaugurated?**
 - Hyderabad, Telangana.
- **Which sectors were the focus areas of WAVES Animation Bazaar and India Joy 2025?**
 - Films, e-sports, VFX, animation, OTT, comics and emerging digital entertainment sectors.
- **Which institute is planned to be established in Hyderabad to promote creative technologies?**
 - Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICT).

WORLD TELEVISION DAY 2025

- **World Television Day is celebrated every year on which date?**
 - 21 November.
- **World Television Day was proclaimed by which organisation?**
 - United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

- **In which year did the UN General Assembly proclaim World Television Day?**
– 1996.
- **What is the objective of World Television Day?**
– To recognize television as an important medium of information, education, knowledge, and public opinion formation.
- **Which Indian organisations organised World Television Day 2025 celebrations?**
– Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and Prasar Bharati.

AWARDS & HONOURS

DR. BHUPEN HAZARIKA NATIONAL AWARDS

- **The Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika National Awards 2025 were conferred in which city?**
– Guwahati, Assam.
- **Who conferred the Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika National Awards 2025?**
– Jyotiraditya Scindia, Union Minister for Communications and Development of North Eastern Region.
- **The Dr. Bhupen Hazarika National Awards celebrate the cultural heritage of which region of India?**
– North East India.

MANOHAR PARRIKAR YUVA SCIENTIST AWARD 2025

- **Who received the Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award 2025?**
– Dr Sai Gautam Gopalakrishnan.
- **Dr Sai Gautam Gopalakrishnan is associated with which institution?**
– Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru.
- **Dr Gopalakrishnan received the award for research in which field?**
– Computational Materials Science.
- **Who presented the Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award 2025?**
– Goa Chief Minister Dr Pramod Sawant.

BOOKER PRIZE 2025

- **Who won the Booker Prize for Fiction 2025?**
– David Szalay.
- **Which novel won David Szalay the Booker Prize 2025?**
– Flesh.
- **David Szalay is associated with which countries?**
– Canada, Hungary, and Britain.
- **What is the prize money awarded with the Booker Prize 2025?**
– £50,000.

CHAMPIONS OF THE EARTH AWARD 2025

- **Who received the UNEP Champions of the Earth Award 2025?**
– Supriya Sahu.
- **Supriya Sahu is associated with which state government?**
– Tamil Nadu.
- **Which organisation presents the Champions of the Earth Award?**
– United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
- **In which year was the Champions of the Earth Award established?**
– 2005.
- **The Champions of the Earth Award is considered as the United Nations' highest honour in which field?**
– Environmental conservation and protection of the planet.

SPORTS

SPORTS CURRENT AFFAIRS

- **Which country won the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025?**
– India. (India won the 2025 title, beating South Africa in the final; Australia lost to India in the semi-final.)
- **Which country hosted the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025?**
– India.
- **Who won the Ballon d'Or 2025 (Men's Football)?**
– Ousmane Dembélé.
- **Who won the Ballon d'Or Féminin 2025?**
– Aitana Bonmatí.
- **Which country won the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2025?**
– North Korea.
- **Which country hosted the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2025?**
– Morocco.
- **Who won the Formula One World Drivers' Championship 2025?**
– Lando Norris.
- **Which team won the Formula One Constructors' Championship 2025?**
– McLaren.
- **Which Indian won the men's singles title at the Syed Modi India International 2025?**
– Lakshya Sen.
- **Which Indian badminton player won the women's singles title at the Syed Modi India International 2025?**
– Unnati Hooda.
- **Which city hosted the Syed Modi India International 2025?**
– Lucknow.

- Which country hosted the Asian Archery Championships 2025?
– Bangladesh.
- Who won the World Athletics Female Athlete of the Year 2025?
– Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone (USA).]
- Which city hosted the ISSF World Cup Final 2025?
– Doha, Qatar.
- Which country hosted the World Para Athletics Championships 2025?
– India (New Delhi).
- Which country hosted the Men's Hockey Asia Cup 2025?
– India.
- Which Indian city hosted the World Para Athletics Championships 2025?
– New Delhi.
- Which country won the Men's Hockey Asia Cup 2025?
– India.

UP SPECIAL

UTTAR PRADESH ELECTRONICS COMPONENT MANUFACTURING POLICY, 2025

- What is the targeted investment under the Uttar Pradesh Electronics Component Manufacturing Policy, 2025?
– ₹5,000 crore.
- For how many years will the Uttar Pradesh Electronics Component Manufacturing Policy, 2025 remain effective?
– Six years (from 1 April 2025).
- The Uttar Pradesh Electronics Component Manufacturing Policy, 2025 aims to promote the manufacturing of how many key electronic components?
– Eleven.
- What is the primary objective of the Uttar Pradesh Electronics Component Manufacturing Policy, 2025?
– To develop Uttar Pradesh as a major electronics component manufacturing hub, reduce import dependence, and strengthen Atmanirbhar Bharat.

UTTAR PRADESH EXPORT PROMOTION POLICY, 2025

- What is the export target set under the Uttar Pradesh Export Promotion Policy, 2025 to be achieved by 2030?
– US\$50 billion.
- What is the total outlay of the Uttar Pradesh Export Promotion Policy, 2025?
– ₹882 crore.

- **Under the Uttar Pradesh Export Promotion Policy, 2025, the number of registered exporters is targeted to increase by what percentage?**
– 50%.
- **The Uttar Pradesh Export Promotion Policy, 2025 aims to promote exports beyond traditional products by giving emphasis to which sectors?**
– Education, medical value, tourism, transport & logistics, and hospitality.

INDIA'S FIRST TEMPERED GLASS MANUFACTURING UNIT

- **India's first tempered glass manufacturing unit for mobile devices was inaugurated in which city?**
– Noida, Uttar Pradesh.
- **Under which brand will the tempered glass manufactured at India's first such unit be marketed?**
– "Engineered by Corning".
- **What is the major significance of India's first tempered glass manufacturing unit in Noida?**
– It promotes domestic manufacturing of mobile components, reduces import dependence, and strengthens Atmanirbhar Bharat.

SOLAR PANELS BETWEEN RAILWAY TRACKS

- **Where were India's first solar panels installed between railway tracks?**
– Banaras Locomotive Works (BLW), Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.
- **What is the peak power generation capacity of the solar panel project installed between railway tracks at BLW?**
– 15 kW.
- **Approximately how many units of electricity are generated per day by the solar panels installed between railway tracks at BLW?**
– About 67 units per day.
- **What is the primary objective of installing solar panels between railway tracks at Banaras Locomotive Works?**
– To promote renewable energy and support Indian Railways' climate and sustainability goals.

INDIA'S FIRST FOREST UNIVERSITY

- **India's first Forest University will be established in which city of Uttar Pradesh?**
– Gorakhpur.
- **India's first Forest University is proposed to be established near which conservation centre?**
– Jatayu Conservation & Breeding Centre.
- **What is the initial budget allocation by the Uttar Pradesh Government for establishing India's first Forest University?**

– ₹50 crore.

- **What is the primary objective of establishing India's first Forest University in Gorakhpur?**
 - To develop skilled manpower for forestry and wildlife conservation, and promote research on biodiversity, climate change, and sustainable natural resource management.

27TH DIVYA KALA MELA 2025

- **Where was the 27th Divya Kala Mela 2025 organized?**
 - Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- **The 27th Divya Kala Mela 2025 was organized primarily to promote the empowerment of which section of society?**
 - Divyangjan (Persons with Disabilities).
- **Approximately how many Divyang artisans, craftsmen, artists, and entrepreneurs participated in the 27th Divya Kala Mela 2025?**
 - Around 100 participants from 18 States/UTs.
- **Where was the first Divya Kala Mela organized in 2022?**
 - New Delhi.

INDIA'S FIRST RIVER CELL

- **India's first River Cell has been approved for establishment in which city?**
 - Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh.
- **Which organization approved the establishment of India's first River Cell?**
 - National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG).
- **What is the funding pattern for India's first River Cell in Gorakhpur?**
 - 90% by NMCG and 10% by the Municipal Corporation.
- **What is the primary objective of establishing India's first River Cell?**
 - To promote river conservation, flood management, water-source revival, and sustainable urban-river management.

LUCKNOW IN UNESCO CREATIVE CITIES NETWORK (UCCN)

- **Lucknow was included in UNESCO's Creative Cities Network (UCCN) under which category?**
 - Gastronomy.
- **On which date was Lucknow included in UNESCO's Creative Cities Network (UCCN)?**
 - 31 October 2025.
- **With the inclusion of Lucknow, how many Indian cities are part of UNESCO's Creative Cities Network (UCCN)?**
 - Nine.
- **Which new category was added to UNESCO's Creative Cities Network (UCCN) in 2025?**
 - Architecture.

INDIA'S FIRST HYDROGEN WATER TAXI

- **India's first hydrogen-powered water taxi was launched on which river?**
– River Ganga (Varanasi).
- **Which company built India's first hydrogen-powered water taxi?**
– Cochin Shipyard Limited.
- **What is the passenger carrying capacity of India's first hydrogen-powered water taxi?**
– 50 passengers.
- **What is the primary significance of India's first hydrogen-powered water taxi?**
– It promotes eco-friendly inland water transport and sustainable tourism on the Ganga.

APPROVAL FOR TWO STATE UNIVERSITIES

- **Which two new State Universities have been approved by the Uttar Pradesh Government in 2025?**
– Swami Shukdevanand University (Shahjahanpur) and Kashi Naresh University (Bhadohi).
- **In which academic session are Swami Shukdevanand University and Kashi Naresh University expected to commence?**
– Academic session 2026–27.
- **Swami Shukdevanand University will be established by upgrading institutions managed by which organization?**
– Mumukshu Ashram Trust.
- **Kashi Naresh University will be developed by upgrading which institution?**
– Kashi Naresh Government Post Graduate College, Bhadohi.

INAUGURATION OF 'RASHTRA PRERNA STHAL'

- **Who inaugurated the 'Rashtra Prerna Sthal' in Uttar Pradesh in December 2025?**
– Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- **Where is the 'Rashtra Prerna Sthal' located?**
– Basant Kunj Yojana, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- **What is the main purpose of 'Rashtra Prerna Sthal'?**
– To commemorate the heritage, ideals and contributions of national leaders.
- **The 'Rashtra Prerna Sthal' features 65-ft bronze statues of which leaders?**
– Dr. Syama Prasad Mukherjee, Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya and Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

NOIDA – TEMPERED GLASS MANUFACTURING FACILITY

- **Where was India's first tempered glass manufacturing facility for mobile devices inaugurated?**
– Noida, Uttar Pradesh.

- Which Union Minister inaugurated India's first tempered glass manufacturing facility in Noida on 30 August 2025?
– Ashwini Vaishnaw.
- India's first tempered glass manufacturing facility for mobile devices was established by which company in partnership with Corning Incorporated (USA)?
– Optiemus Electronics.

MISSION SHAKTI 5.0

- Who launched Mission Shakti 5.0 in Uttar Pradesh in September 2025?
– Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath.
- What was the theme of Mission Shakti 5.0 launched in Uttar Pradesh?
– “Sashakt Nari – Samriddha Pradesh”.
- What is the main objective of Mission Shakti 5.0?
– To promote women's safety, dignity, health, self-reliance and empowerment.

KHURJA – CERAMIC WASTE PARK

- Where is the world's first Ceramic Waste Park developed from ceramic waste located?
– Khurja, Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh.
- What is the name of the world's first Ceramic Waste Park opened in Khurja?
– Anokhi Duniya – Ceramic Waste Park.
- The Anokhi Duniya – Ceramic Waste Park has been developed using which material?
– Ceramic waste.

FIRST BATCH OF BRAHMOS MISSILES

- Where was the first batch of BrahMos missiles flagged off in Uttar Pradesh?
– BrahMos Integration & Testing Facility Centre, Lucknow.
- Who flagged off the first batch of BrahMos missiles produced at the Lucknow facility?
– Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath.
- When was the first batch of BrahMos missiles flagged off from Lucknow?
– 18 October 2025.

TITANIUM & SUPERALLOY MATERIALS PLANT

- Where was the Titanium & Superalloy Materials Plant dedicated to the nation in 2025?
– Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- Which company established the Titanium & Superalloy Materials Plant in Lucknow?
– PTC Industries.
- What is the annual production capacity of the Titanium & Superalloy Materials Plant established by PTC Industries?
– Over 6,000 tonnes.

DEORIA – KISAN MELA & INTEGRATED PACK HOUSE

- **Where was the Integrated Pack House inaugurated in Uttar Pradesh in October 2025?**
– Pathardewa, Deoria.
- **Who inaugurated the Integrated Pack House at Pathardewa, Deoria?**
– Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan.

JARHARA – ANIMAL BIRTH CONTROL (ABC) TRAINING CENTRE

- **Where has India's first Animal Birth Control (ABC) Training Centre been established?**
– Jarhara, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- **India's first Animal Birth Control (ABC) Training Centre has been established in collaboration with which organisations?**
– Lucknow Municipal Corporation, Animal Welfare Board of India, Government of Uttar Pradesh, and Humane World for Animals India.
- **What is the main objective of the Animal Birth Control (ABC) Training Centre?**
– To provide training for scientific and humane management of animal birth control programmes.

PLEDGE PARK SCHEME

- **When were the amendments to the UP Building & Development By-laws approved by the Uttar Pradesh Cabinet?**
– 14 November 2025.
- **What is the main objective of the UP Building & Development By-laws (Amendment), 2025?**
– To promote industrial investment through flexible infrastructure norms.
- **Under the amended provisions, what minimum approach road width is permitted for Green/Orange category industries?**
– 7 metres.

BAGHPAT – KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- **Where was the Skill India Centre inaugurated in Baghpat district in November 2025?**
– Baraut.
- **The Skill India Centre at Baraut was established in collaboration with which organisations?**
– National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and Redington Foundation.
- **How many youth and women are targeted to be trained through the Skill India Centre at Baraut?**
– 600 youth and women.

19TH NATIONAL JAMBOREE OF BHARAT SCOUTS & GUIDES, 2025

- **Where was the 19th National Jamboree of Bharat Scouts & Guides, 2025 organized?**
– Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- **During which period was the 19th National Jamboree of Bharat Scouts & Guides, 2025 held?**
– 23–29 November 2025.
- **What was the theme of the 19th National Jamboree of Bharat Scouts & Guides, 2025?**
– “Developed Youth – Developed India.”

AYODHYA – WORLD CLASS TEMPLE MUSEUM

- **When was the World Class Temple Museum project in Ayodhya approved by the Uttar Pradesh Cabinet?**
– 2 December 2025.
- **Over how much area will the World Class Temple Museum be developed in Ayodhya?**
– 52.102 acres.
- **Which organisation will undertake the construction and operation of the World Class Temple Museum in Ayodhya?**
– Tata Sons through its CSR fund.

UTTAR PRADESH CLEAN AIR MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (UPCAMP)

- **What is the full form of UPCAMP?**
– Uttar Pradesh Clean Air Management Project.
- **How much financial assistance was approved by the World Bank for UPCAMP in December 2025?**
– US\$299.66 million.
- **Which sectors are the primary focus areas of the Uttar Pradesh Clean Air Management Project (UPCAMP)?**
– Transport, agriculture, and industry.

INDIA’S FIRST INDIGENOUS HYDROGEN FUEL CELL PASSENGER SHIP

- **Where was India’s first indigenous Hydrogen Fuel Cell Passenger Ship launched for commercial service?**
– Namohat, Varanasi.
- **Who launched the commercial service of India’s first indigenous Hydrogen Fuel Cell Passenger Ship?**
– Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal.
- **Which organisation built India’s first indigenous Hydrogen Fuel Cell Passenger Ship?**
– Cochin Shipyard Limited.

GAUTAM BUDDHA NAGAR – MICRO-FOREST INITIATIVE

- **Where was the Micro-Forest with an orchard and pollinator garden inaugurated in Gautam Buddha Nagar?**
– PM Shri Navodaya Vidyalaya, Gautam Buddha Nagar.
- **Under which campaign was the Micro-Forest Initiative developed?**
– Special Campaign 5.0.
- **How much barren land was transformed into an environmental learning site under the Micro-Forest Initiative?**
– 3,200 sq. m. of barren land.

