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1. NATIONAL & GOVERNANCE (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 01

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE

Make in India Initiative Completes 12 Years

The Make in India initiative completed **12 years** on 25 September 2026. Launched in 2014, the initiative seeks to strengthen India's manufacturing, investment, innovation and export capabilities.

- Launch date: 25 September 2014.
- Make in India 2.0 covers 27 sectors.
- Manufacturing sectors covered: 15.
- Services sectors covered: 12.
- Major objective: Develop India as a global manufacturing, design and innovation hub.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Launch date: 25 September 2014; Manufacturing sectors covered: 15.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE

DDU-GKY 2.0 Marks 12th Anniversary

The Deen Dayal Upadhyaya-Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) marked its 12th anniversary on 25 September 2026. Around 70,000 rural youth across 24 States and Union Territories are expected to begin skill training under DDU-GKY 2.0 from October 2026.

- Launched: 25 September 2014.
- Ministry: Ministry of Rural Development.
- Budget allocation for 2026-27: **₹750 crore**.
- Expected October 2026 batches: 2,015.
- Expected trainees: Around 70,000 across 24 States/UTs.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Launched: 25 September 2014; Ministry: Ministry of Rural Development.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE

PFRDA Issues Operational Guidelines for NPS Swasthya

The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) issued operational guidelines for NPS Swasthya, a health-linked pension scheme combining retirement savings with access to healthcare benefits under the National Pension System.

- Entry age: **18-70 years**.
- Renewal permitted up to a maximum age of **85 years**, subject to applicable terms.
- Family floater: Subscriber, spouse and maximum two dependent children.
- Parents are excluded from the stated family-floater coverage.
- The scheme comprises an NPS Swasthya Investment Account and a Super Top-up.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Entry age: 18-70 years; Family floater: Subscriber, spouse and maximum two dependent children.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE

Kurukshetra ITI Cluster Gets ₹320 Crore Under PM-SETU

The National Steering Committee under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship approved a **₹320 crore** Strategic Investment Plan for the Kurukshetra ITI Cluster in Haryana under the PM-SETU Scheme.

- Approved investment: **₹320 crore**.
- Location: Kurukshetra, Haryana.
- Cluster comprises 7 Government ITIs.
- Cumulative investment across 10 ITI clusters: **₹2,491 crore**.
- PM-SETU stands for Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability Transformation through Upgraded ITIs.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Approved investment: ₹320 crore; Location: Kurukshetra, Haryana.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE

ICAI Issues SSA 5000 for Sustainability Assurance

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) issued SSA 5000 - General Requirements & Framework for Sustainability Assurance Engagements to align Indian sustainability-assurance practices with global standards.

- Standard: SSA 5000.
- Effective from: 1 April 2027.
- Aligned with: IAASB's ISSA 5000.
- ICAI established: 1949.
- ICAI headquarters: New Delhi.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Standard: SSA 5000; Effective from: 1 April 2027.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**FSSAI Proposes Restrictions on Non-Milk Products Being Sold as Paneer**

The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) proposed draft regulations restricting analogue products made from non-milk constituents from using the word "Paneer" in their nomenclature, labelling or marketing.

- Proposal: Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Amendment Regulations, 2026.
- Products affected: Analogue products not derived from milk.
- Objective: Prevent consumers from being misled.
- A new provision has been proposed under Regulation 2.1.1.
- Products registered under the "Analogue in Dairy Context" category would have to stop using "Paneer" if the proposal becomes effective.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Proposal: Food Safety and Standards (Prohibition and Restrictions on Sales) Amendment Regulations, 2026; Products affected: Analogue products not derived from milk.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**7th Nadi Utsav Focuses on Yamuna River**

The 7th Nadi Utsav was inaugurated in New Delhi with a special focus on the history, culture, environment and biodiversity of the Yamuna River. Organiser: Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA).

- Focus river: Yamuna.
- Number of exhibitions: 6.
- The festival explores the Yamuna's history, environment, biodiversity and living heritage.
- The six exhibitions remain open until 30 September 2026.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Organiser: Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA); Focus river: Yamuna.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**India Launches First LNG-Powered Train from Sabarmati**

On 27 September 2026, Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah flagged off India's first LNG-powered train from Sabarmati Railway Station in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, as part of efforts to reduce diesel consumption and railway emissions.

- Launch location: Sabarmati Railway Station, Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- Fuel technology: Diesel-LNG dual-fuel system.
- LNG can replace nearly 40% of diesel consumption in the converted system.
- Two 1,400 HP Driving Power Cars were converted for dual-fuel operation.
- LNG stands for Liquefied Natural Gas.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Launch location: Sabarmati Railway Station, Ahmedabad, Gujarat; Fuel technology: Diesel-LNG dual-fuel system.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**India's First Port-Based E-Methanol Facility to Come Up at Kandla**

The foundation stone for India's first port-based e-methanol production facility was laid at Deendayal Port Authority, Kandla, Gujarat on 26 September 2026. The project is being developed with Assam Petro-Chemicals Limited.

- Total proposed investment: ₹2,300 crore.
- Planned production capacity: 150 tonnes per day.
- Joint venture capital ratio: 76:24 between DPA and APCL.
- Location: Kandla, Gujarat.
- Deendayal Port was formerly known as Kandla Port.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Total proposed investment: ₹2,300 crore; Planned production capacity: 150 tonnes per day.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**Four Indian Ports Notified as Mega Ports**

The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways notified four facilities — JNPT, Paradip Port, Deendayal Port and Mundra Port — as India's first mega ports under the Indian Ports Act, 2025.

- Mega-port status validity: **5 years**, subject to review.
- Bulk-port criterion: annual cargo throughput of 150 MMT.
- Container-port criterion: **7.5 million** TEUs.
- Mundra Port is the only private-sector port among the four.
- Other ports: JNPT, Paradip and Deendayal.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Mega-port status validity: 5 years, subject to review; Bulk-port criterion: annual cargo throughput of 150 MMT.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**Make in India Completes 12 Years**

The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) marked **12 years** of the Make in India initiative on 25 September 2026, highlighting its role in manufacturing, investment and industrial development.

- Make in India launched: 25 September 2014.
- Nodal department: DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- Coverage: 27 sectors.
- Sector breakup: 15 manufacturing and 12 service sectors.
- Core approach: Minimum Government, Maximum Governance.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Make in India launched: 25 September 2014; Nodal department: DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**Government Approves Interest-Free Assistance for Andhra Pradesh FCV Tobacco Growers**

The Government of India approved a one-time interest-free loan of ₹50,000 per barn for Flue-Cured Virginia tobacco growers in Andhra Pradesh to provide working-capital support.

- Assistance: ₹50,000 per barn.
- Expected beneficiaries: nearly 44,000 growers.
- Total estimated outlay: around ₹220 crore.
- Payment mechanism: Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).
- FCV tobacco is mainly cultivated in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Assistance: ₹50,000 per barn; Expected beneficiaries: nearly 44,000 growers.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**NHAI Issues Guidelines for Sustainable High-Speed National Highway Corridors**

The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) issued guidelines for upcoming four- and six-lane high-speed access-controlled National Highways, focusing on technology-led construction, seamless tolling, drainage and environmental sustainability.

- NHAI constituted under the NHAI Act, 1988.
- Administrative ministry: Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.
- Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Guidelines cover Greenfield and Brownfield access-controlled highways.
- Automated and Intelligent Machine-aided Construction technology is to be used for embankments and pavements.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Administrative ministry: Ministry of Road Transport and Highways; Headquarters: New Delhi.

☐ GOVERNMENT SCHEMES**Government Launches Livestock Insurance Portal**

Union Minister Rajiv Ranjan Singh launched the Livestock Insurance Portal in New Delhi on 28 September 2026 to digitise and streamline livestock-insurance services for farmers.

- Launch date: 28 September 2026.
- Implementing department: Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying.
- Languages: Hindi, English and 11 regional languages.
- Administrative ministry: Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying.
- Services include policy issuance, claims, monitoring and reporting.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Launch date: 28 September 2026; Implementing department: Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying.

☐ GOVERNMENT SCHEMES**Assam Announces Enhanced Orunodoi Assistance and Development Projects**

The Assam Cabinet approved an enhanced ₹1,500 payment for Orunodoi beneficiaries for October 2026 while also clearing wetland, agriculture and industrial-development measures. Special October payment: ₹1,500.

- Orunodoi launched: 2020.
- Scheme focus: poverty alleviation and women's empowerment.
- It operates as a Direct Benefit Transfer programme in Assam.
- The cabinet approved the Assam Sustainable Wetland and Integrated Fisheries Transformation (SWIFT) project.
- SWIFT has an outlay of ₹796.88 crore, including ADB financing.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Special October payment: ₹1,500; Orunodoi launched: 2020.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**Arogya Manthan 2026 Marks 8 Years of AB PM-JAY and 5 Years of ABDM**

Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda inaugurated Arogya Manthan 2026 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, commemorating **8 years** of Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana and 5 years of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission.

- Organiser: National Health Authority (NHA).
- Venue: Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- AB PM-JAY milestone: **8 years**.
- ABDM milestone: **5 years**.
- Focus: India's health assurance and digital health ecosystem.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Organiser: National Health Authority (NHA); Venue: Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**India's First Port-Based E-Methanol Plant to Come Up at Kandla**

Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal and other dignitaries laid the foundation stone for India's first port-based e-methanol production facility at Deendayal Port Authority, Kandla in Gujarat. The project has an estimated investment of **₹2,300 crore**.

- Location: Deendayal Port Authority, Kandla, Gujarat.
- Total capacity: 150 tonnes per day.
- Estimated investment: **₹2,300 crore**.
- Joint initiative: DPA and Assam Petro-Chemicals Ltd.
- Funding ratio of DPA and APCL: 76:24.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Location: Deendayal Port Authority, Kandla, Gujarat; Total capacity: 150 tonnes per day.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**India Notifies First Four Mega Ports**

The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways notified India's first four ports under the 'Mega Port' classification: Deendayal Port, Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Paradip Port and Mundra Port.

- Mega Ports notified: 4.
- Bulk-port threshold: **150 million** metric tonnes annual cargo throughput.
- Container-port threshold: **7.5 million** TEUs annually.
- Status validity: **5 years**.
- Mundra is the only private-sector port among the four.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Mega Ports notified: 4; Bulk-port threshold: 150 million metric tonnes annual cargo throughput.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**CJI Surya Kant Inaugurates India's First Victim Rights Centre in Patna**

Chief Justice of India Justice Surya Kant inaugurated India's first Victim Rights Centre (VRC) at the Bihar State Legal Services Authority premises in Patna to provide integrated legal, medical, psychological and social assistance to victims.

- Location: Patna, Bihar.
- Institution: Bihar State Legal Services Authority (BSLSA).
- Model: Single-window victim support mechanism.
- Support includes legal, medical, psychological and social assistance.
- Beneficiaries include vulnerable victims, witnesses and dependants of prisoners.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Location: Patna, Bihar; Institution: Bihar State Legal Services Authority (BSLSA).

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**TRAI Launches Digital Connectivity Rating Platform**

The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) launched the Digital Connectivity Rating (DCR) Platform for viewing, verifying and comparing the digital connectivity ratings of properties.

- TRAI established: 1997.
- Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Framework: Rating of Properties for Digital Connectivity Regulations, 2024.
- The platform connects Property Managers, DCR Agencies and consumers.
- Users can search properties by name, location or certificate ID.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: TRAI established: 1997; Headquarters: New Delhi.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**AFSPA Extended in Parts of Manipur, Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh**

The Ministry of Home Affairs extended the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act in specified areas of Manipur, Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh for six months from 1 October 2026 following a review of the security situation.

- Law: Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958.
- Extension period: 6 months.
- Effective from: 1 October 2026.
- Section 3 deals with declaration of a disturbed area.
- Nodal ministry: Ministry of Home Affairs.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Law: Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958; Extension period: 6 months.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**DDU-GKY Completes 12 Years of Rural Skill Development**

The Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) completed **12 years** on 25 September 2026. The placement-linked rural skilling programme operates under the Ministry of Rural Development's DAY-NRLM framework.

- Launch: 25 September 2014.
- Target group: Rural youth aged 15-**35 years**.
- Candidates trained: More than **18.47 lakh**.
- Candidates placed: More than **12.43 lakh**.
- Union Budget 2026-27 allocation: **₹750 crore**.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Launch: 25 September 2014; Target group: Rural youth aged 15-35 years.

☐ GOVERNMENT SCHEMES**Centre Approves Interest-Free Working Capital for Andhra Pradesh Tobacco Growers**

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry approved a one-time ₹50,000 per barn interest-free working-capital assistance for Flue-Cured Virginia tobacco growers in Andhra Pradesh. Assistance: ₹50,000 per barn.

- Estimated financial intervention: Around **₹220 crore**.
- Beneficiaries: Approximately 44,000 growers.
- Payment mode: Direct Benefit Transfer.
- Tobacco Board headquarters: Guntur, Andhra Pradesh.
- The support is intended as interest-free working capital for FCV tobacco growers.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Assistance: ₹50,000 per barn; Estimated financial intervention: Around ₹220 crore.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**UIDAI Launches Five Initiatives on 17th Aadhaar Day**

On 29 September 2026, the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) launched five initiatives during the Aadhaar Samvaad stakeholders' conference in Kolkata, West Bengal, marking the 17th Aadhaar Day.

- Aadhaar Samvaad was held in Kolkata, West Bengal.
- The first Aadhaar number was issued on 29 September 2010.
- UIDAI functions under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- The event marked the 17th Aadhaar Day.
- The five initiatives include Face Authentication for ePDS and SWIK Portal 2.0.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Aadhaar Samvaad was held in Kolkata, West Bengal; The first Aadhaar number was issued on 29 September 2010.

☐ POLITY & GOVERNANCE**Air Ayodhya Receives NOC to Operate Under UDAN**

Regional airline Air Ayodhya, promoted by Megamax Aviation Private Limited, received a No Objection Certificate from the Ministry of Civil Aviation to operate under the UDAN regional connectivity scheme.

- Initial focus: underserved regions of Uttar Pradesh.
- Proposed initial aircraft: Cessna Grand Caravan EX.
- The next regulatory step is obtaining an Air Operator Certificate from DGCA.
- The airline plans to connect tier-2 and tier-3 cities, pilgrimage centres and tourism hubs.
- UDAN stands for Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Initial focus: underserved regions of Uttar Pradesh; Proposed initial aircraft: Cessna Grand Caravan EX.

☐ **POLITY & GOVERNANCE****UPSC Marks 100 Years of Institutional Journey**

The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) marked **100 years** of its institutional journey, highlighting its long-standing role in recruitment to India's higher civil services. UPSC is a constitutional body.

- It conducts the Civil Services Examination, NDA, CDS and Engineering Services Examination, among others.
- It advises the government on recruitment, appointments and specified disciplinary matters.
- The milestone marks **100 years** of the institution's journey.
- UPSC occupies a central place in India's merit-based public recruitment framework.
- Its constitutional status protects the institutional framework governing recruitment to major public services.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: It conducts the Civil Services Examination, NDA, CDS and Engineering Services Examination, among others; It advises the government on recruitment, appointments and specified disciplinary matters.

☐ **POLITY & GOVERNANCE****Government Notifies New Fuel-Efficiency Norms for Passenger Vehicles**

The government notified new fuel-efficiency norms for passenger vehicles as part of efforts to reduce fuel consumption and emissions while encouraging manufacturers to improve vehicle efficiency.

- Sector: Passenger vehicles.
- Primary focus: Fuel efficiency.
- Objective: Lower fuel consumption and associated emissions.
- The norms encourage improvements in vehicle energy performance.
- Fuel-efficiency standards establish performance requirements for vehicle manufacturers.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Sector: Passenger vehicles; Primary focus: Fuel efficiency.

☐ **REPORTS & INDICES****WHO-UNICEF Report Flags School Sanitation Gap in India**

A WHO-UNICEF report titled "Progress on Drinking Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools 2015-25" reported that around **50 million** Indian children had no sanitation service at school in 2025, the highest number reported for any country.

- Report released jointly by WHO and UNICEF.
- Children globally without school sanitation service: **244 million**.
- India accounted for around **50 million**.
- Children globally without school hygiene service: **362 million**.
- India accounted for around **20 million** children without school hygiene service.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Children globally without school sanitation service: 244 million; Children globally without school hygiene service: 362 million.

☐ **REPORTS & INDICES****MoSPI Releases Trial Index of Services Production for July 2026**

The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation released the Sub-Sectoral Trial Index of Services Production (ISP) for July 2026, using 2024-25 as its base year and covering 19 service sub-sectors.

- Base year: 2024-25.
- Coverage: 19 service sub-sectors.
- Positive year-on-year growth: 17 of 19 sub-sectors.
- Double-digit growth: 10 sub-sectors.
- ISP is designed to capture short-term changes in the volume of output of the formal services sector.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Base year: 2024-25; Coverage: 19 service sub-sectors.

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2. BANKING & FINANCE (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 02

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE**
RBI Revises REIT and InvIT Valuation Norms

The Reserve Bank of India issued revised directions on 22 September 2026 governing valuation of units of REITs and InvITs held by regulated financial institutions.

- Directions issued: 22 September 2026.
- Effective: Immediately.
- REIT: Real Estate Investment Trust.
- InvIT: Infrastructure Investment Trust.
- The revised framework seeks to eliminate ambiguity and create uniform valuation practices.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Directions issued: 22 September 2026; Effective: Immediately.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE**
Samvridhhi Inclusive Secures RBI In-Principle Approval as PA-Online

Samvridhhi Inclusive Growth Network (SIGN), a subsidiary of MOS Utility Limited, secured RBI's in-principle authorisation to operate as an Online Payment Aggregator (PA-Online). Company: Samvridhhi Inclusive Growth Network Pvt. Ltd.

- Abbreviation: SIGN.
- Headquarters: Kolkata, West Bengal.
- Following final authorisation, SIGN can offer online payment aggregation to merchants.
- Proposed payment modes include UPI, QR payments, cards and net banking.
- The service particularly targets rural, semi-urban and underserved markets.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Company: Samvridhhi Inclusive Growth Network Pvt. Ltd; Abbreviation: SIGN.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE**
PayGlocal Gets IFSCA In-Principle Approval for GIFT City PSP

Cross-border payments company PayGlocal secured in-principle approval from IFSCA to establish a Payment Service Provider in GIFT City, Gandhinagar. Regulator: International Financial Services Centres Authority.

- Location: GIFT City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- Company founded: 2021.
- Headquarters: Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- The proposed entity can undertake account issuance, e-money accounts, merchant acquisition and cross-border money transfers.
- PayGlocal already holds RBI authorisation as a Payment Aggregator-Cross Border for inward and outward transactions.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Regulator: International Financial Services Centres Authority; Location: GIFT City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE**
SBI Card Launches FD-Backed Advantage SBI Card on YONO

SBI Card launched a fully digital facility through the SBI YONO platform enabling eligible customers to obtain an Advantage SBI Card backed by a fixed deposit.

- Product: Advantage SBI Card.
- Type: Fixed Deposit-backed secured credit card.
- Approximate digital application time: 10 minutes.
- The FD serves as collateral for the credit facility.
- Four card variants are covered: SBI Card ELITE, SBI Card PRIME, SimplyCLICK SBI Card and SimplySAVE SBI Card.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Product: Advantage SBI Card; Type: Fixed Deposit-backed secured credit card.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE**
OECD Raises India's FY27 GDP Growth Forecast to 7.1%

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) raised India's GDP growth forecast for FY 2026-27 to 7.1%, an increase of 80 basis points from its earlier projection of 6.3%.

- FY27 India GDP forecast: 7.1%.
- Previous forecast: 6.3%.
- FY28 forecast: 6.5%.
- FY27 inflation projection: 4.7%.
- Global GDP growth estimate for 2026: 2.9%.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: FY27 India GDP forecast: 7.1%; Previous forecast: 6.3%.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE****NTPC and EDF Power Solutions Form 50:50 Joint Venture**

NTPC Limited and EDF Power Solutions India signed a 50:50 joint venture agreement to develop and operate low-carbon energy projects in India and neighbouring countries.

- Joint venture shareholding: 50:50.
- Indian partner: NTPC Limited.
- Foreign partner: EDF Power Solutions India, subsidiary of France's EDF.
- NTPC established: 1975.
- NTPC headquarters: New Delhi.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Joint venture shareholding: 50:50; Indian partner: NTPC Limited.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE****FPIs Withdraw ₹17,131 Crore from Indian Equities in September**

Foreign Portfolio Investors recorded a net equity outflow of ₹17,131 crore in September 2026 according to reported depository data. Net reported equity outflow: ₹17,131 crore.

- Stock-exchange sales: ₹25,682 crore.
- Primary-market investment: ₹8,551 crore.
- FPI stands for Foreign Portfolio Investor.
- Primary-market buying partly offset secondary-market selling.
- Geopolitical uncertainty was cited as one factor affecting investor risk appetite.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Net reported equity outflow: ₹17,131 crore; Stock-exchange sales: ₹25,682 crore.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE****Nirmala Sitharaman Launches IITM Unicorn Frontier Fund-I**

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman launched the IITM Unicorn Frontier Fund-I, an Alternative Investment Fund created through collaboration involving Unicorn India Ventures, IIT Madras and the IIT Madras Research Park.

- Fund type: Alternative Investment Fund (AIF).
- Total target corpus: ₹1,000 crore.
- First close: ₹450 crore.
- Startup investment range: ₹5-20 crore.
- Launch venue: Bengaluru, Karnataka.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Fund type: Alternative Investment Fund (AIF); Total target corpus: ₹1,000 crore.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE****NMDC Commissions ₹5,427 Crore Integrated Project in Chhattisgarh**

State-owned NMDC Ltd commissioned an integrated iron-ore processing, slurry-pipeline and pellet-making project worth ₹5,427 crore in the Bastar region of Chhattisgarh. Project investment: ₹5,427 crore.

- Slurry pipeline length: 135 km.
- Pipeline transport capacity: 15 MTPA.
- Pellet plant capacity: 2 MTPA.
- NMDC is a Navratna PSU under the Ministry of Steel.
- The processing plant is located at Bacheli.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Project investment: ₹5,427 crore; Slurry pipeline length: 135 km.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE****Uttar Pradesh Targets ₹5 Lakh Crore Annual Exports by 2030**

Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal highlighted Uttar Pradesh's plan at the UP International Trade Show to raise annual exports from about ₹2 lakh crore to ₹5 lakh crore by 2030.

- Event: UP International Trade Show.
- Venue: Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh.
- Current export level cited: Around ₹2 lakh crore.
- 2030 export target: ₹5 lakh crore.
- Long-term state economy ambition: USD 1 trillion.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Event: UP International Trade Show; Venue: Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE**
JNPA Secures India's First Blue Financing for Shore Power

Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) partnered with the International Finance Corporation to secure what describes as India's first blue financing for shore-power infrastructure, through a USD **70 million** financing arrangement.

- Lender: International Finance Corporation (IFC).
- Instrument: USD-linked External Commercial Borrowing.
- No sovereign guarantee is involved.
- Shore Power Supply is also called cold ironing.
- It enables ships at berth to use land-based electricity instead of onboard diesel auxiliary engines.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Lender: International Finance Corporation (IFC); Instrument: USD-linked External Commercial Borrowing.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE**
Bank of India Introduces User-Level Programmable CBDC

Bank of India launched User-Level Programmable Central Bank Digital Currency with Auto-Issuance, allowing users to automate recurring Digital Rupee (eINR) transfers while specifying how the funds may be used.

- Platform: Bank of India CBDC platform.
- Technology developed by Montran India.
- Unveiled at Global FinTech Fest 2026 in Mumbai.
- The feature supports recurring, purpose-bound Digital Rupee payments.
- Users can set a fixed amount and frequency for transfers to a beneficiary's CBDC wallet.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Platform: Bank of India CBDC platform; Platform: Bank of India CBDC platform.

☐ **BANKING & FINANCE**
SEBI Approves PRIM Route and Independent Fund Managers Category

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) approved the Portfolio Managers Route for Investing in Mutual Fund Units, or PRIM, along with a new Independent Fund Managers category and changes to settlement and investment norms.

- PRIM allows investment in direct mutual fund schemes through portfolio managers.
- Minimum ticket size for existing PMS players using PRIM: ₹**25 lakh**.
- PMS players may invest up to 10% of client AUM in investment-grade unlisted debt securities.
- SEBI also created a new category of Independent Fund Managers.
- A 60-day window was approved for entities to apply for settlement after receiving a notice.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Minimum ticket size for existing PMS players using PRIM: ₹25 lakh; PRIM allows investment in direct mutual fund schemes through portfolio managers.


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Section 03

☐ **ECONOMY**
ADB Raises India's FY27 GDP Growth Forecast to 7%

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) raised India's GDP growth forecast for FY2026-27 by 40 basis points, from 6.6% to 7%, in its Asian Development Outlook September 2026.

- FY27 GDP forecast: 7%.
- Previous forecast: 6.6%.
- Revision: +40 basis points.
- FY28 forecast: 7.1%.
- FY27 inflation forecast: 5%.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: FY27 GDP forecast: 7%; Previous forecast: 6.6%.

☐ ECONOMY**India's Semiconductor Demand Projected at USD 150 Billion by 2030**

India's annual semiconductor demand is projected to reach approximately USD **150 billion** by 2030, according to projections cited from the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.

- Projected 2030 demand: Around USD **150 billion**.
- 2026 market estimate: Around USD **64 billion**.
- Earlier 2030 estimate: Around USD **103.4 billion**.
- Key ecosystem segments: Semiconductor fabs and OSAT/ATMP facilities.
- The higher projection reflects rapid growth in electronics manufacturing and semiconductor consumption.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Projected 2030 demand: Around USD 150 billion; 2026 market estimate: Around USD 64 billion.

☐ ECONOMY**Maruti Suzuki Commissions First Green Hydrogen Plant at Manesar**

Maruti Suzuki India commissioned its first 300 kW green hydrogen plant at its Manesar manufacturing facility in Haryana on 25 September 2026. Location: Manesar, Haryana.

- Technology: Green hydrogen electrolyser.
- Planned green-energy investment by FY31: ₹**925 crore**.
- The pilot plant uses surplus solar power generated at the facility.
- Green hydrogen will be blended with natural gas for process-fuel applications.
- The company also plans a 10-tonne-per-day biogas plant at Kharkhoda.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Location: Manesar, Haryana; Technology: Green hydrogen electrolyser.

☐ ECONOMY**Microsoft Opens India South Central Cloud Region in Hyderabad**

Microsoft launched its India South Central cloud region in Hyderabad on 24 September 2026 as Telangana announced a target of 5 GW hyperscale data-centre capacity by 2029.

- Location: Hyderabad, Telangana.
- India South Central is Microsoft's 4th cloud region in India.
- Telangana 2029 target: 5 GW hyperscale data-centre capacity.
- Potential investment cited: USD **30 billion**.
- The infrastructure is optimised for AI-scale computing and high-density GPUs.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Location: Hyderabad, Telangana; Telangana 2029 target: 5 GW hyperscale data-centre capacity.

☐ ECONOMY**MoSPI and MSME Ministry Join Hands to Strengthen Statistical Business Register**

The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and MoSPI signed an MoU to institutionalise data sharing for strengthening India's Statistical Business Register (SBR). Data will be drawn from the Udyam Registration ecosystem.

- Information will be exchanged through Application Programming Interfaces.
- The initiative will strengthen the National Statistical Business Register.
- It aims to improve coverage, consistency and reliability of business statistics.
- An SBR is a centralised database of businesses, enterprises and establishments.
- It can support selection of samples for economic surveys.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Information will be exchanged through Application Programming Interfaces; The initiative will strengthen the National Statistical Business Register.

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4. SUMMITS, MOUS & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 04

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

4th UP International Trade Show Begins in Greater Noida

The 4th Uttar Pradesh International Trade Show (UPITS) 2026 is being organised from 25-29 September 2026 at the India Expo Centre & Mart in Greater Noida.

- Venue: India Expo Centre & Mart, Greater Noida.
- Dates: 25-29 September 2026.
- Organisers: Government of Uttar Pradesh and IEM.
- The trade show showcases Uttar Pradesh's industrial capabilities and indigenous products.
- It connects exporters, buyers, investors, entrepreneurs and trade organisations.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Venue: India Expo Centre & Mart, Greater Noida; Dates: 25-29 September 2026.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Delhi Airport Rises to 28th in OAG Megahubs 2026 Ranking

Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport rose 11 places to rank 28th in the OAG Megahubs 2026 international airport connectivity ranking. Delhi Airport's 2026 rank: 28th.

- World's most connected international airport: Istanbul Airport.
- Second: London Heathrow Airport.
- Third: Amsterdam Schiphol Airport.
- Istanbul Airport was connected with 337 global destinations.
- Asia-Pacific contributed eight airports to the world's top 20 megahubs.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Delhi Airport's 2026 rank: 28th; World's most connected international airport: Istanbul Airport.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

IEA Projects India's Electrification Rate at 32% by 2035

The International Energy Agency (IEA), in its Electrification Special Report 2026, projected India's electrification rate to increase from 19% to 32% by 2035. Current/base rate cited: 19%.

- 2035 projection: 32%.
- Report: Electrification Special Report 2026.
- Major driver: Transport electrification and EV adoption.
- Accelerated electrification could reduce global energy-import bills by more than USD **400 billion** by 2035.
- India could save nearly 30% of its 2025 energy-import expenditure.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Current/base rate cited: 19%; 2035 projection: 32%.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

14th EAS and 23rd ASEAN-India Economic Meetings Held in Manila

An Indian delegation participated in the 14th East Asia Summit Economic Ministers' Meeting and 23rd ASEAN-India Economic Ministers Consultation in Manila, Philippines, on 24 September 2026.

- Venue: Manila, Philippines.
- Indian delegation led by: Nitin Kumar Yadav, Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce.
- India-ASEAN trade in 2025-26: USD **128.38 billion**.
- ASEAN share of India's global trade: 10.55%.
- Discussions focused on the review of the ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA).

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Venue: Manila, Philippines; Indian delegation led by: Nitin Kumar Yadav, Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

UK Launches No III Space Effects Squadron

The United Kingdom launched the No III Space Effects Squadron on 23 September 2026 to protect satellite infrastructure and counter hostile activities in space. Unit: No III Space Effects Squadron.

- Service: Royal Air Force.
- Parent structure: UK Space Command.
- UK Space Command established: 2021.
- The squadron will support protection of satellites used for communications, navigation and missile-warning functions.
- Its responsibilities include electronic-warfare capabilities against hostile space activity.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Unit: No III Space Effects Squadron; Service: Royal Air Force.

☐ INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

India Ranks 31st in WEF Travel and Tourism Development Index 2026

India ranked 31st in the World Economic Forum's Travel and Tourism Development Index 2026, improving by nine positions, while Japan ranked first globally. India's rank: 31st.

- India's overall score: 4.42.
- Top-ranked country: Japan with a score of 5.27.
- Top five: Japan, USA, Spain, Australia and France.
- The index assessed 110 economies.
- India improved by 9 positions.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: India's rank: 31st; India's overall score: 4.42.

☐ INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

India Calls for Restraint and De-escalation at UN General Assembly

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar, addressing the 81st United Nations General Assembly, highlighted the impact of ongoing conflicts and called for restraint, de-escalation and protection of civilians.

- Forum: 81st UN General Assembly.
- Indian representative: External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar.
- India reiterated support for a two-state solution in West Asia.
- India also stressed uninterrupted energy and commerce flows.
- India called for restraint and de-escalation amid ongoing international conflicts.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Forum: 81st UN General Assembly; Indian representative: External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar.

☐ INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Five Indian Sites Added to UNESCO World Heritage Tentative List

Five Indian heritage properties were added to the UNESCO World Heritage Tentative List in September 2026. Four are located in Madhya Pradesh, while the fifth is a transnational India-South Africa proposal based on the evolution of Mahatma Gandhi's Satyagraha.

- India's Tentative List increased to 78 sites.
- Four of the five newly listed properties are in Madhya Pradesh.
- The fifth is the transnational Sites of Satyagraha proposal involving India and South Africa.
- A Tentative List contains properties a country may nominate for the World Heritage List.
- Udayagiri Caves: Gupta-period rock-cut sacred complex.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Udayagiri Caves: Gupta-period rock-cut sacred complex; Bagh Cave Paintings: group of nine Buddhist rock-cut caves along the Baghni River.

☐ INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

G20 Trade Ministers Meet in Milwaukee

The United States hosted a G20 Trade Ministers' Meeting in Milwaukee, bringing representatives together to discuss international trade and economic cooperation. Host country: United States.

- Host city: Milwaukee.
- Focus: International trade and economic cooperation.
- The G20 is a major forum for international economic cooperation.
- Trade and investment form an important part of its broader economic agenda.
- The Milwaukee meeting brought trade-related issues into focus within the G20 framework.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Host country: United States; Host city: Milwaukee.


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5. DEFENCE & SECURITY (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 05

☐ **DEFENCE & SECURITY****INS Trishul Participates in 24th India-France Exercise VARUNA**

Indian Navy guided-missile frigate INS Trishul arrived at Toulon, France, on 22 September 2026 to participate in the 24th edition of bilateral maritime exercise VARUNA.

- Countries: India and France.
- Venue: Toulon, France.
- INS Trishul: Talwar-class guided-missile frigate.
- The exercise includes harbour and sea phases.
- Activities include operational interactions, cross-deck visits and PASSEX drills.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Countries: India and France; Venue: Toulon, France.

☐ **DEFENCE & SECURITY****Indian Air Force Hosts Tarang Shakti 2026 at Jodhpur**

The Indian Air Force commenced the second edition of multinational air exercise Tarang Shakti 2026 at Air Force Station Jodhpur, Rajasthan, from 26 September to 12 October 2026.

- Venue: Air Force Station Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
- Duration: 26 September-12 October 2026.
- Participating/observer representation: **40 countries**.
- Inaugural Tarang Shakti edition: 2024.
- Eight friendly foreign countries are participating with air assets.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Venue: Air Force Station Jodhpur, Rajasthan; Duration: 26 September-12 October 2026.

☐ **DEFENCE & SECURITY****TDB Grants ₹200 Crore for Reusable Agnibaan Launch Vehicle**

The Technology Development Board signed an agreement with Chennai-based Agnikul Cosmos to provide **₹200 crore** for development of the reusable Agnibaan RLV. Financial assistance: ₹200 crore.

- Funding route: Optionally Convertible Debentures under the RDI Fund.
- Target: advance technology from TRL-4 and above to TRL-8.
- Company: Agnikul Cosmos, Chennai.
- Propulsion: semi-cryogenic liquid propulsion system.
- The project focuses on a reusable launch architecture for repeat missions.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Financial assistance: ₹200 crore; Funding route: Optionally Convertible Debentures under the RDI Fund.

☐ **DEFENCE & SECURITY****India-Kazakhstan Joint Military Exercise KAZIND-2026 Begins**

The 9th edition of the India-Kazakhstan Joint Military Exercise KAZIND-2026 began at Oskemen, Kazakhstan, with a focus on interoperability and joint counter-terrorism operations. Duration: 28 September-11 October 2026.

- Venue: Oskemen, Kazakhstan.
- Indian contingent: 60 personnel.
- Main Indian Army component: Garhwal Rifles personnel.
- Training focuses on joint counter-terrorism operations.
- Activities cover semi-urban and mountainous terrain.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Venue: Oskemen, Kazakhstan; Duration: 28 September-11 October 2026.

☐ **DEFENCE & SECURITY****Indian Navy Participates in 24th Exercise VARUNA in France**

Indian Naval Ship INS Trishul reached Toulon, France, to participate in the 24th edition of the bilateral India-France maritime exercise VARUNA. Participants: Indian Navy and French Navy.

- Host location: Toulon, France.
- Bilateral naval drills began in 1993 and adopted the VARUNA name in 2001.
- The exercise includes harbour and sea phases.
- Activities include cross-deck visits, operational interactions and coordinated drills.
- VARUNA aims to enhance maritime interoperability and professional exchange.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Participants: Indian Navy and French Navy; Host location: Toulon, France.

☐ DEFENCE & SECURITY**PRAHAAR Counter-Terrorism Framework and Extradition Portal Launched**

Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the PRAHAAR - Counter Terrorism Policy and Strategy Conference in New Delhi and outlined a seven-pillar counter-terrorism framework while launching an Extradition Portal for inter-agency coordination.

- PRAHAAR is described as a national counter-terrorism policy and strategy framework.
- Approach: Intelligence-led and proactive.
- Framework: 7 pillars.
- The Extradition Portal connects MHA, MEA, CBI and state agencies.
- The seven pillars are Prevention, Response, Aggregating Internal Capacities, Human Rights, Attenuating Conditions for Terrorism, Aligning International Efforts, and Recovery and Resilience.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Approach: Intelligence-led and proactive; Framework: 7 pillars.

☐ DEFENCE & SECURITY**DRDO and CSIR-CGCRI to Develop Lightweight Bulletproof Glass**

The DRDO partnered with CSIR-Central Glass and Ceramic Research Institute on a ₹50 crore, four-year project to develop indigenous advanced lightweight bulletproof glass for armoured vehicles.

- Project investment: ₹50 crore.
- Technology: Glass-ceramic transparent armour.
- Target: Multi-shot protection against AK-47-class threats.
- Standards targeted: BIS Level V and VI.
- The material integrates nanocrystals within a glass matrix.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Project investment: ₹50 crore; Technology: Glass-ceramic transparent armour.

☐ DEFENCE & SECURITY**Indian Navy Plans Induction of 18 Warships**

The Indian Navy plans a record induction of 18 warships, reflecting accelerated fleet expansion and modernisation aimed at strengthening India's maritime capabilities and operational readiness.

- Planned induction: 18 warships.
- Organisation: Indian Navy.
- Focus: Fleet expansion and modernisation.
- Objective: Strengthen maritime security and operational reach.
- New warships can enhance surveillance and operational reach.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Planned induction: 18 warships; Organisation: Indian Navy.

☐ DEFENCE & SECURITY**India and Republic of Korea Hold 10th Defence Industry JCM**

India and the Republic of Korea held the 10th Joint Committee Meeting on Defence Industries and Logistics Cooperation in New Delhi on 29 September 2026 to review bilateral defence-industrial cooperation.

- Indian co-chair: Dinesh Mahur.
- Korean co-chair: Kim Il Dong.
- Focus: Defence production, industry cooperation and logistics.
- Indian industry participants included L&T and BEML.
- Korean participants included Hanwha Aerospace, Korean Air, Hanwha Systems and Korea Aerospace Industries.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Indian co-chair: Dinesh Mahur; Korean co-chair: Kim Il Dong.

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6. SCIENCE, TECH & SPACE (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 06

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

DRDO Signs Deep-Tech Pact for Indigenous 20 mK Dilution Refrigerator

DRDO signed its first high-value deep-tech project agreement under the Technology Development Fund with Zero mK India Private Limited for indigenous development of a 20 mK dilution refrigerator for quantum applications.

- Technology: 20 mK Dilution Refrigerator.
- 20 mK equals approximately 0.02 Kelvin.
- Scheme: Technology Development Fund.
- Deep-tech corpus: ₹500 crore.
- Partner: Zero mK India Private Limited.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Technology: 20 mK Dilution Refrigerator; Scheme: Technology Development Fund.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

IIST Shibpur and TCS Establish AI Centre of Excellence

IIST Shibpur and Tata Consultancy Services signed an MoU to establish a state-of-the-art Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence. Institution: IIST Shibpur, West Bengal. Knowledge Partner: TCS.

- Venue: High-Performance Computing Lab, Electrical Engineering Department.
- Focus: Artificial Intelligence.
- Focus areas include Natural Language Processing, Computer Vision, Image Processing and Data Analytics.
- The centre will support internships, research, innovation and AI startups.
- The initiative aims to bridge academia and industry and build a future-ready workforce.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Institution: IIST Shibpur, West Bengal; Knowledge Partner: TCS.

SPACE

ISRO and ESA Extend Space Cooperation Until 2032

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and European Space Agency (ESA) extended their Cooperative Agreement for five years until 8 January 2032. Extended until: 8 January 2032.

- Agreement in force since: January 2002.
- ISRO signatory: Dr V. Narayanan.
- ESA signatory: Dr Josef Aschbacher.
- Exchange took place in Paris, France.
- New areas include human and robotic exploration, space weather and sustainable outer-space activities.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Extended until: 8 January 2032; Agreement in force since: January 2002.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

NASA Selects PRIMA as First Probe Explorers Mission

NASA selected PRIMA — Probe far-Infrared Mission for Astrophysics — as the inaugural mission under its Probe Explorers class. Target launch: 2033. Planned science duration: **5 years**.

- Telescope size: 1.8 metres.
- Project cost cap: USD **1.2 billion**, excluding specified additional costs.
- PRIMA will study the universe in far-infrared wavelengths.
- Science goals include studying the formation of planets, stars, galaxies and black holes.
- The mission will also investigate the cosmic origins of water and accumulation of heavy elements.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Target launch: 2033; Planned science duration: 5 years.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

IIT Delhi Develops India's First Indigenous Working Micro-GPU

Researchers at IIT Delhi developed India's first working and demonstrable indigenous micro-Graphics Processing Unit, aimed at reducing dependence on imported GPU technology for embedded graphics and display applications.

- Developer: Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT Delhi.
- Design language: Register Transfer Language (RTL).
- Prototype platform: Spartan-7 FPGA.
- Future architecture: 8-16 core vector-style GPU.
- ASIC roadmap: 65 nm proof-of-concept.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Developer: Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT Delhi; Design language: Register Transfer Language (RTL).

☐ **SPACE****TDB Supports GalaxEye's Indigenous OptoSAR Satellite Technology**

The Technology Development Board signed an agreement with GalaxEye Space Solutions to provide ₹63.84 crore for indigenous next-generation OptoSAR multisensor satellite technology. TDB assistance: ₹63.84 crore.

- Total approved project cost: ₹247.69 crore.
- Funding mechanism: Optionally Convertible Debentures under the RDI Fund.
- Technology: OptoSAR, combining SAR and Electro-Optical imaging.
- Target progression: TRL-6 to TRL-9.
- Synthetic Aperture Radar enables imaging through cloud cover and at night.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: TDB assistance: ₹63.84 crore; Total approved project cost: ₹247.69 crore.

☐ **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY****Commercial PLA-Based Biodegradable Plastic Launched under BioE3 Framework**

Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh launched commercial use of Polylactic Acid-based biodegradable plastic under the BioE3 Policy, supporting indigenous sustainable biomanufacturing. BIRAC grant: ₹75 crore.

- Pilot R&D facility capacity: 100 TPA.
- Location: Kumbhi, Uttar Pradesh.
- BioE3: Biotechnology for Economy, Environment and Employment.
- PLA is a thermoplastic polyester derived from renewable feedstocks.
- The facility will convert sugar-based renewable feedstock into lactic acid and biopolymers.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: BIRAC grant: ₹75 crore; Pilot R&D facility capacity: 100 TPA.

☐ **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY****CSIR Launches Five Regional-Language Science Magazines**

Union Minister of State Dr Jitendra Singh launched five regional-language popular science magazines published by CSIR-NIScPR during the 85th Foundation Day of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research.

- Occasion: 85th Foundation Day of CSIR.
- Publisher: CSIR-NIScPR.
- Languages: Assamese, Bengali, Marathi, Tamil and Telugu.
- Number of new magazines: 5.
- Launch venue: New Delhi.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Occasion: 85th Foundation Day of CSIR; Publisher: CSIR-NIScPR.

☐ **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY****India Crosses 1,000-km Quantum-Secure Communication Milestone**

India crossed the 1,000-km milestone in quantum-secure communication, strengthening the country's efforts to develop highly secure communication infrastructure based on quantum technologies. Milestone: More than 1,000 km of quantum-secure communication.

- Key technology: Quantum Key Distribution (QKD).
- The development supports India's broader quantum-technology ecosystem.
- Potential applications include government, defence, banking and critical infrastructure.
- Quantum communication applies principles of quantum physics to secure information transmission.
- QKD can be used to establish encryption keys while helping detect interception attempts.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Milestone: More than 1,000 km of quantum-secure communication; Key technology: Quantum Key Distribution (QKD).

☐ **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY****Tata Communications Launches Cybersecurity CoE at SASTRA University**

Tata Communications launched a Centre of Excellence in Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics at SASTRA Deemed University in Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu, on 30 September 2026. Location: Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu.

- Project outlay: ₹3.5 crore.
- Partners: Tata Communications and SASTRA Deemed University.
- Focus: Cybersecurity and digital forensics.
- The centre will support research and capacity building in the digital domain.
- It aims to train specialised manpower to address cyber vulnerabilities.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Location: Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu; Project outlay: ₹3.5 crore.

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7. ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 07

☐ ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY**New Plant Species Begonia neelamorum Discovered in Arunachal Pradesh**

A new flowering plant species named Begonia neelamorum was formally reported from Keyi Panyor district in Arunachal Pradesh. Species: Begonia neelamorum. Location: Keyi Panyor district, Arunachal Pradesh.

- Habitat area reported: Around 3 sq km.
- Elevation: Around 1,000 metres.
- Conservation status: Provisionally Data Deficient (DD).
- The species was found along the Keyi River.
- Its type specimen was collected on 24 May 2026.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Species: Begonia neelamorum; Location: Keyi Panyor district, Arunachal Pradesh.

☐ ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY**India and JICA Launch Forest Management Capacity Enhancement Project**

Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav launched a workshop for the Capacity Enhancement for Effective Forest Management Project in New Delhi in collaboration with JICA. Project duration: 2025-26 to 2031-32.

- Total outlay: ₹537.10 crore.
- JICA contribution: ₹440.42 crore.
- Government of India share: ₹96.68 crore.
- Coverage: States and Union Territories across India.
- The programme will strengthen the capabilities of frontline forest personnel.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Project duration: 2025-26 to 2031-32; Total outlay: ₹537.10 crore.

☐ ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY**India Issues First PRAMAAN Forest Certificates**

Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav handed over India's first PRAMAAN certificates under the Indian Forest and Wood Certification Scheme in New Delhi on 29 September 2026, marking the transition of the certification framework to field-level implementation.

- Implementing institution: Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal.
- APFDC received certification for plantations covering 33,000 hectares.
- Bamboo farmer Govind Mohapatra was also among the first recipients.
- PRAMAAN covers Forest Management, Trees Outside Forests and Chain of Custody.
- Certification uses independent third-party audits rather than self-declaration.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Implementing institution: Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal; Implementing institution: Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal.

☐ ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY**Gujarat Reorganises Porbandar Forest Division for Asiatic Lions**

The Gujarat government reorganised the Porbandar Forest Division to strengthen management and rehabilitation of Asiatic lions in and around Barda Wildlife Sanctuary, following their natural return to the landscape after a long absence.

- Species: Asiatic Lion.
- Key landscape: Barda Wildlife Sanctuary, Gujarat.
- The restructured forest division contains 7 ranges.
- Two Assistant Conservators of Forests have been provisioned for management.
- The Porbandar Forest Division will operate under the Junagadh Wildlife Circle.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Species: Asiatic Lion; Key landscape: Barda Wildlife Sanctuary, Gujarat.

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8. APPOINTMENTS & PERSONS IN NEWS (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 08

☐ APPOINTMENTS
Mandeep K. Bhandari Appointed CBSE Chairperson

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet approved the appointment of Mandeep K. Bhandari, a 2001-batch IAS officer, as Chairperson of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).

- Appointee: Mandeep K. Bhandari.
- Service: 2001-batch IAS officer.
- Previous major role: Principal Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu & Kashmir.
- Appointment approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.
- Bhandari succeeds the arrangement under which Lokhande Prashant Sitaram held additional charge.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Appointee: Mandeep K. Bhandari; Service: 2001-batch IAS officer.

☐ APPOINTMENTS
Abhiram Singh Yadav Elected to ICC Chief Executives' Committee

Abhiram Singh Yadav of Persatuan Cricket Indonesia was elected as an Associate Member representative to the ICC Chief Executives' Committee on 28 September 2026. Body: ICC Chief Executives' Committee.

- Category: Associate Member representative.
- Associate seats on CEC: 3.
- Next elections: June 2027.
- ICC headquarters: Dubai, UAE.
- Yadav fills the position vacated by Gurumurthy Palani.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Body: ICC Chief Executives' Committee; Category: Associate Member representative.

☐ APPOINTMENTS
Dinesh Pant and Girija Subramanian Join IRDAI as Whole-Time Members

Former LIC Managing Director Dinesh Pant and former New India Assurance CMD Girija Subramanian assumed charge as Whole-Time Members of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI).

- Dinesh Pant: Whole-Time Member (Actuary).
- Girija Subramanian: Whole-Time Member (Distribution).
- Tenure: **5 years**, or until age 65, or further orders, whichever is earlier.
- IRDAI headquarters: Hyderabad, Telangana.
- IRDAI established under the IRDA Act, 1999.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Dinesh Pant: Whole-Time Member (Actuary); Girija Subramanian: Whole-Time Member (Distribution).

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9. AWARDS, HONOURS & BOOKS (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 09

☐ AWARDS & HONOURS
Mizoram Farmer ZT Lalrithangi Selected Among FAO's 100 Women Heroes

ZT Lalrithangi, a strawberry grower from Sangau village in Mizoram's Lawngtlai district, was selected among the FAO's "100 Women Heroes in Agrifood Systems and Rural Development".

- Awardee: ZT Lalrithangi, also known as Pi Mari-i.
- Recognition: FAO 100 Women Heroes.
- Global selections: 100 women.
- Nominations: More than 600 from **131 countries**.
- She is one of two women selected from India.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Awardee: ZT Lalrithangi, also known as Pi Mari-i; Recognition: FAO 100 Women Heroes.

☐ AWARDS & HONOURS**Shantanu Moitra Selected for National Lata Mangeskar Samman 2026**

Music composer Shantanu Moitra was selected for the National Lata Mangeskar Samman 2026 by the Madhya Pradesh Culture Department. Recipient: Shantanu Moitra. Award: National Lata Mangeskar Samman.

- Prize: ₹5 lakh and citation.
- Award instituted: 1984.
- State: Madhya Pradesh.
- The award recognises excellence in light music and alternates between music direction and playback singing.
- The 2026 honour is for music direction.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Recipient: Shantanu Moitra; Award: National Lata Mangeskar Samman.

☐ BOOKS & AUTHORS**Vice-President Releases 'Vishwasanchar Hindutva Ka'**

Vice-President C. P. Radhakrishnan released the book "Vishwasanchar Hindutva Ka", published by Saptahik Vivek, at Uprashtrapati Bhawan in New Delhi on 24 September 2026. Book: Vishwasanchar Hindutva Ka.

- Released by: Vice-President C. P. Radhakrishnan.
- Publisher: Saptahik Vivek.
- Venue: Uprashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.
- The book examines cultural heritage, identity and the movement and exchange of ideas across regions.
- The release coincides with the centenary period of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, founded in 1925.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Book: Vishwasanchar Hindutva Ka; Released by: Vice-President C. P. Radhakrishnan.

☐ AWARDS & HONOURS**Lalit Kala Akademi Announces 20 Awards at 65th National Exhibition of Art**

The Lalit Kala Akademi announced 20 awards during the 65th National Exhibition of Art on 27 September 2026, recognising artists across painting, sculpture, drawing and printmaking.

- Awards announced: 20.
- Artworks received: 6,175.
- Participating artists: 2,495.
- Representation: 27 States and Union Territories.
- Lalit Kala Akademi established: 1954.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Awards announced: 20; Artworks received: 6,175.

☐ AWARDS & HONOURS**Roxy Mathew Koll and Neelima Satyam Among AGU 2026 Awardees**

Indian scientists Roxy Mathew Koll and Neelima Satyam were named among 43 American Geophysical Union 2026 awardees for contributions to Earth and space sciences. Awarding organisation: American Geophysical Union (AGU).

- Total awardees reported: 43.
- Awards ceremony: December 2026, San Francisco, USA.
- Roxy Mathew Koll is associated with the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune.
- Neelima Satyam is a professor at IIT Indore.
- Roxy Mathew Koll was selected for the Pavel S. Molchanov Climate Communications Prize.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Awarding organisation: American Geophysical Union (AGU); Total awardees reported: 43.

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10. SPORTS (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 10

☐ **SPORTS****Kamaljeet and Suruchi Inder Singh Win Asian Games Shooting Gold**

Indian shooters Kamaljeet and Suruchi Inder Singh won gold in the 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team event at the 2026 Asian Games. Event: 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team.

- Indian pair: Kamaljeet and Suruchi Inder Singh.
- Final score: 484.6.
- Qualification score: 587.
- The medal was India's second gold of the Games, .
- South Korea won silver.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Event: 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team; Indian pair: Kamaljeet and Suruchi Inder Singh.

☐ **SPORTS****India Finishes 10th at WorldSkills Shanghai 2026 with 26 Medals and Awards**

India secured 10th position at the 48th WorldSkills Competition in Shanghai, China, held from 22-27 September 2026, winning six silver medals and 20 Medallions for Excellence.

- India's rank: 10th.
- Medallions for Excellence: 20.
- Indian competitors: 70 across 63 skills.
- WorldSkills is widely known as the Olympiad of Skills.
- Smriti Nambiar won silver in Bakery and received India's Best of Nation recognition.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: India's rank: 10th; Medallions for Excellence: 20.

☐ **SPORTS****Dhiraj Bommadevara Sets Recurve Qualification Record**

Indian archer Dhiraj Bommadevara scored 698 out of 720 in men's recurve qualification in Japan on 27 September 2026, surpassing the previous mark of 690.

- Previous record: 690.
- Previous record holder: Lee Woo Seok of South Korea.
- Venue: Okazaki City, Japan.
- India qualified second in the men's recurve team rankings.
- The recurve mixed team of Dhiraj and Kumkum Mohod secured the second seed.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Previous record: 690; Previous record holder: Lee Woo Seok of South Korea.

☐ **SPORTS****Baranica Elangovan Wins India's First Asian Games Women's Pole Vault Medal**

Baranica Elangovan won bronze in the women's pole vault with a clearance of 4.15 metres, becoming the first Indian woman to win an Asian Games medal in the event.

- Asian Games host: Aichi-Nagoya, Japan.
- Gold: Misaki Morota of Japan.
- Silver: Chungue Neu of China.
- Elangovan shared bronze with Kazakhstan's Polina Ivanova.
- Both cleared 4.15 metres.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Asian Games host: Aichi-Nagoya, Japan; Gold: Misaki Morota of Japan.

☐ **SPORTS****Sawan Barwal Wins Asian Games Marathon Silver**

Indian athlete Sawan Barwal won silver in the men's marathon at the 2026 Asian Games, recording 2:11:36 and giving India its first Asian Games marathon medal since 1982.

- Gold medallist: Ichitaka Yamashita of Japan.
- Gold-medal time: 2:10:51.
- India's previous Asian Games marathon medal came in 1982.
- Barwal improved his own national record.
- The silver was India's fourth Asian Games marathon medal.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Gold medallist: Ichitaka Yamashita of Japan; Gold-medal time: 2:10:51.

☐ SPORTS

India Wins Silver and Bronze at 46th Chess Olympiad 2026

India won silver in the Open section and bronze in the Women's section at the 46th Chess Olympiad in Samarkand, Uzbekistan, while retaining the Nona Gaprindashvili Trophy for the best combined performance.

- Edition: 46th Chess Olympiad.
- Venue: Samarkand, Uzbekistan.
- Dates: 15-27 September 2026.
- Open gold: Uzbekistan; Open silver: India.
- Women's gold: China; Women's bronze: India.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Edition: 46th Chess Olympiad; Venue: Samarkand, Uzbekistan.

☐ SPORTS

India's Asian Games Campaign Adds Multiple Medals

Indian athletes continued to win medals at the Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Asian Games, with notable performances in kabaddi, athletics, shooting and squash. Asian Games edition: 20th.

- Host: Aichi Prefecture and Nagoya, Japan.
- Indian men's kabaddi team: Gold.
- Indian women's kabaddi team: Gold.
- Sawan Barwal: Silver in men's marathon.
- Ancy Sojan Edappilly won women's long-jump silver with a best jump of 6.53 metres.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Asian Games edition: 20th; Host: Aichi Prefecture and Nagoya, Japan.

☐ SPORTS

India to Host Asian Pencak Silat Championships 2027 in Goa

The Indian Pencak Silat Federation announced that India will host the 4th Junior and 11th Senior Asian Pencak Silat Championship at Manohar Parrikar Stadium in Goa in April 2027.

- Venue: Manohar Parrikar Stadium, Goa.
- Dates: 19-23 April 2027.
- Junior edition: 4th.
- Senior edition: 11th.
- International body: PERSILAT.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Venue: Manohar Parrikar Stadium, Goa; Dates: 19-23 April 2027.



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11. STATE AFFAIRS (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 11

☐ STATE AFFAIRS

Punjab Notifies 8% Dearness Allowance Hike

The Punjab Government notified an 8% increase in Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief for state employees and pensioners on 24 September 2026. Effective from: 1 September 2026.

- Approximate beneficiaries: **8 lakh**.
- The revision covers state government employees, pensioners and eligible family pensioners.
- The enhanced allowance is payable with the September salary.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Effective from: 1 September 2026; Approximate beneficiaries: 8 lakh.

☐ STATE AFFAIRS

Delhi Launches PM Surya Ghar Portal

Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta launched the Delhi PM Surya Ghar portal under the Seva Sankalp Abhiyan to facilitate residential rooftop-solar installations. Maximum combined subsidy: ₹1.56 lakh for systems up to 3 kW.

- Central contribution: ₹78,000.
- Delhi Government contribution: ₹78,000.
- National scheme: PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana.
- Domestic consumers using up to 400 units monthly can install eligible systems with zero upfront payment under the mechanism described in .
- The portal integrates national and Delhi solar-policy information.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Maximum combined subsidy: ₹1.56 lakh for systems up to 3 kW; Central contribution: ₹78,000.

☐ STATE AFFAIRS**Mizoram Holds First Pluck & Pay Festival**

Mizoram organised its first-ever Pluck & Pay Festival in Khawzawl district from 23-25 September 2026. District: Khawzawl. Villages: Tualte and Chawngtlai. Dates: 23-25 September 2026.

- Type: Agro-tourism initiative.
- Visitors harvest fresh produce directly from participating farms and pay producers.
- The festival was jointly organised by Mizoram's Tourism Department and the Deputy Commissioner's office.
- The initiative seeks to link agriculture with tourism and direct farmer income.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: District: Khawzawl; Villages: Tualte and Chawngtlai.

☐ STATE AFFAIRS**West Bengal Makes GeM Mandatory for Government Procurement**

The West Bengal Government mandated use of the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) for procurement of goods and services by state departments and organisations under its administrative control.

- Platform: Government e-Marketplace.
- GeM launched: August 2016.
- Nodal Union Ministry: Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- State: West Bengal.
- The mandate covers state departments, subordinate offices and controlled organisations.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Platform: Government e-Marketplace; GeM launched: August 2016.

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12. IMPORTANT DAYS (DETAILED DIGEST)

Section 12

☐ IMPORTANT DAYS**World Rose Day 2026 - September 22**

World Rose Day, also called the Day for the Welfare of Cancer Patients, was observed on 22 September 2026. Purpose: Support cancer patients, survivors and caregivers.

- Date: 22 September.
- The observance is associated with the memory of Melinda Rose.
- The rose symbolises hope and compassion.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Date: 22 September; Purpose: Support cancer patients, survivors and caregivers.

☐ IMPORTANT DAYS**National Ayurveda Day 2026 - September 23**

India observed the 11th National Ayurveda Day on 23 September 2026 with national celebrations organised in Nagpur, Maharashtra. 2026 Theme: "Ayurveda for a Healthier Tomorrow".

- Date: 23 September.
- First observed: 28 October 2016.
- Nodal Ministry: Ministry of AYUSH.
- National Ayurveda Day was originally linked to Dhanvantari Jayanti.
- The Government fixed 23 September as its permanent annual date in May 2025, .

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Date: 23 September; 2026 Theme: "Ayurveda for a Healthier Tomorrow".

☐ IMPORTANT DAYS**World Tourism Day 2026 - September 27**

World Tourism Day was observed on 27 September 2026 with the theme "Digital Agenda and Artificial Intelligence to Redesign Tourism". El Salvador hosted the official global celebrations.

- Date: 27 September every year.
- First global observance: 1980.
- The date commemorates adoption of UNWTO statutes on 27 September 1970.
- 2026 focus: digital transformation and Artificial Intelligence in tourism.
- India highlighted digital-tourism initiatives including the National Digital Tourism Stack.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Date: 27 September every year; First global observance: 1980.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Observed by: International Maritime Organization (IMO); 2026 date: 24 September.

Exam Pointer: Static GK: Date: 25 September; 2026 theme: "Empowering Pharmacists for Healthier Futures".

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Solve before checking the answer key

- ☐ **Q8. What numerical figure is highlighted in the current-affairs coverage of DDU-GKY Completes 12 Years of Rural Skill Development?**
A) ₹800 crore
B) ₹850 crore
C) ₹950 crore
D) ₹750 crore
- ☐ **Q9. What numerical figure is highlighted in the current-affairs coverage of Centre Approves Interest-Free Working Capital for Andhra Pradesh Tobacco Growers?**
A) ₹50,000
B) ₹100,000
C) ₹150,000
D) ₹250,000
- ☐ **Q10. What numerical figure is highlighted in the current-affairs coverage of OECD Raises India's FY27 GDP Growth Forecast to 7.1%?**
A) 8.1%
B) 7.1%
C) 9.1%
D) 10.1%
- ☐ **Q11. What numerical figure is highlighted in the current-affairs coverage of FPIs Withdraw ₹17,131 Crore from Indian Equities in September?**
A) ₹67,131 crore
B) ₹117,131 crore
C) ₹17,131 crore
D) ₹217,131 crore
- ☐ **Q12. What numerical figure is highlighted in the current-affairs coverage of Nirmala Sitharaman Launches IITM Unicorn Frontier Fund-I?**
A) ₹51,000 crore
B) ₹101,000 crore
C) ₹201,000 crore
D) ₹1,000 crore
- ☐ **Q13. What numerical figure is highlighted in the current-affairs coverage of NMDC Commissions ₹5,427 Crore Integrated Project in Chhattisgarh?**
A) ₹5,427 crore
B) ₹55,427 crore
C) ₹105,427 crore
D) ₹205,427 crore
- ☐ **Q14. What numerical figure is highlighted in the current-affairs coverage of Uttar Pradesh Targets ₹5 Lakh Crore Annual Exports by 2030?**
A) ₹52 lakh
B) ₹2 lakh
C) ₹102 lakh
D) ₹202 lakh
- ☐ **Q15. What numerical figure is highlighted in the current-affairs coverage of SEBI Approves PRIM Route and Independent Fund Managers Category?**
A) ₹75 lakh
B) ₹125 lakh
C) ₹25 lakh
D) ₹225 lakh

Answers & Explanations Key

- Q1. Correct Option: [A]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹750 crore** in its discussion of DDU-GKY 2.0 Marks 12th Anniversary.
- Q2. Correct Option: [B]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹320 crore** in its discussion of Kurukshetra ITI Cluster Gets ₹320 Crore Under PM-SETU.
- Q3. Correct Option: [C]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **40%** in its discussion of India Launches First LNG-Powered Train from Sabarmati.
- Q4. Correct Option: [D]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹2,300 crore** in its discussion of India's First Port-Based E-Methanol Facility to Come Up at Kandla.
- Q5. Correct Option: [A]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹50,000** in its discussion of Government Approves Interest-Free Assistance for Andhra Pradesh FCV Tobacco Growers.
- Q6. Correct Option: [B]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹1,500** in its discussion of Assam Announces Enhanced Orunodoi Assistance and Development Projects.
- Q7. Correct Option: [C]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹2,300 crore** in its discussion of India's First Port-Based E-Methanol Plant to Come Up at Kandla.
- Q8. Correct Option: [D]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹750 crore** in its discussion of DDU-GKY Completes 12 Years of Rural Skill Development.
- Q9. Correct Option: [A]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹50,000** in its discussion of Centre Approves Interest-Free Working Capital for Andhra Pradesh Tobacco Growers.
- Q10. Correct Option: [B]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **7.1%** in its discussion of OECD Raises India's FY27 GDP Growth Forecast to 7.1%.
- Q11. Correct Option: [C]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹17,131 crore** in its discussion of FPIs Withdraw ₹17,131 Crore from Indian Equities in September.
- Q12. Correct Option: [D]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹1,000 crore** in its discussion of Nirmala Sitharaman Launches IITM Unicorn Frontier Fund-I.
- Q13. Correct Option: [A]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹5,427 crore** in its discussion of NMDC Commissions ₹5,427 Crore Integrated Project in Chhattisgarh.
- Q14. Correct Option: [B]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹2 lakh** in its discussion of Uttar Pradesh Targets ₹5 Lakh Crore Annual Exports by 2030.
- Q15. Correct Option: [C]** **Explanation:** The supplied current affairs coverage records **₹25 lakh** in its discussion of SEBI Approves PRIM Route and Independent Fund Managers Category.

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