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- 21. SJVN is developing a 1,800 MW pumped hydro storage project in Chhattisgarh.
- 22. SEBI launched "Bond Central," a free single database portal for corporate bonds.
- 23. Yes Bank scored 72/100 in sustainability, the highest among Indian banks for the 3rd year.
- 24. SBI is selling its 17.8% stake in Jio Payments Bank to Jio Financial Services for ₹104.5 crore.
- 25. Payment banks in India can accept a maximum ₹2 lakh deposit and cannot offer credit.
- 26. **HDFC Bank** signed an MoU with the Indian Air Force & CSC Academy for **Project HAKK**, supporting IAF veterans.
- 27. **SIDBI** partnered with **Tata Capital** to boost **MSME** financing for machinery, equipment, and working capital.
- 28. Bank of Baroda introduced a 'Merchant Loyalty/Cashback Programme' to enhance CBDC adoption.
- 29. City Union Bank and Chennai Super Kings launched a co-branded credit card in three variants.
- 30. iSPIRT formed the 'Priority Sector Lenders Association of India (PSLAI)' to promote PSL.
- 31. Axis Bank became the first Indian lender to finance aircraft for Air India's pilot training in Amravati.
- 32. Axis Bank partnered with Ashoka University, committing ₹104 crore in CSR grants.
- 33. **RBI** now permits all **NBFCs & HFCs** to invest in security receipts (**SRs**) from **ARCs**.
- 34. Ajay Seth, Secretary of Economic Affairs, took additional charge as Revenue Secretary.
- 35. RBI appointed Ajit Ratnakar Joshi as Executive Director.
- 36. Bank of India signed an MoU with the Indian Army for 'Rakshak Salary Package' (accidental coverage up to ₹1 crore).
- 37. SBI launched 'Asmita,' a collateral-free digital SME loan for women entrepreneurs.
- 38. Fitch Ratings upgraded Union Bank of India and PNB to 'BBB-' Long-Term Issuer Default Rating.

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- 39. **RBI** will issue new ₹100 & ₹200 notes bearing Governor Sanjay Malhotra's signature.
- 40. Rupee112 introduced India's first AI-driven WhatsApp-based loan disbursal service.
- 41. Muthoot Microfin won 2 Gold SKOCH Awards 2025 for digital financial inclusion & insurance.
- 42. Patanjali Ayurved acquired a majority stake in Magma General Insurance.
- 43. PhonePe launched the 'Insuring HEROES' campaign with up to 30% discount on insurance.
- 44. Razorpay expanded into Singapore, marking its second global market.
- 45. Canara HSBC Life Insurance unveiled 'Promise2Protect,' a new term insurance plan.
- 46. SBI Life Insurance introduced two child-centric plans: 'Smart Future Star' & 'Smart Platina Young Achiever.'
- 47. Niva Bupa Health Insurance launched 'Rise' to cater to India's 'Missing Middle.'
- 48. Canara HSBC Life Insurance & GIC Housing Finance tied up for "Group Asset Secure" creditlife product.
- 49. Tesla is set to open its first India showroom in Mumbai.
- 50. Larsen & Toubro (L&T) announced 1-day menstrual leave for its women employees.
- 51. Jindal Power acquired Bhadreshwar Vidyut for ₹500 crore.
- 52. JSW Energy will acquire a 100% stake in KSK Mahanadi Power Company Ltd.
- 53. Zydus Lifesciences purchased an 85.6% stake in France-based Amplitude Surgical for €256.8 million.
- 54. Flipkart cofounder Binny Bansal launched the new startup "Opptra."
- 55. PM Suryaghar Muft Bijlee Yojana, launched in Feb 2024, targets 10 million rooftop solar units by 2027.
- 56. Urban Challenge Fund of ₹1 lakh crore was announced to enhance urban governance & infrastructure.
- 57. Cabinet-approved ropeway projects under **Parvatmala Pariyojana** in **Uttarakhand** cost **₹6,811** crore.
- 58. A new South Coast Railway Zone was approved, making it the 18th zone under Indian Railways.
- 59. Revised Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme has a budget of ₹3,880 crore.
- 60. Revised **Passport Rules 2025** mandate birth certificates as sole proof of DOB for those born on or after **1 Oct 2023**.
- 61. Assam became the first Indian state to have a dedicated satellite (ASSAMSAT).
- 62. Delhi's 'Mahila Samridhi Yojana' offers ₹2,500 monthly assistance to eligible women.
- 63. Gujarat launched India's first cattle semen sorting facility at Banas Dairy, Banaskantha.
- 64. Himachal Pradesh approved a pilot project for cannabis/hemp cultivation.
- 65. Madhav National Park in Madhya Pradesh was declared India's 58th Tiger Reserve.
- 66. India is the world's largest producer, consumer, and importer of pulses.
- 67. Kerala launched the 'Gosamrudhi' insurance scheme for dairy farmers.
- 68. A "National Convention" by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj aims for at least one women-friendly Gram Panchayat per district.
- 69. India is the 3rd-largest operating metro system globally, with 1,000 km operational in 23 cities.
- 70. A 2,800 km LPG pipeline (Kandla–Gorakhpur) is underway, set to be the world's longest.
- 71. AI Kosha, a non-personal dataset repository, was launched under the IndiaAI Mission.
- 72. 'Prayas,' a real-time employment data portal, was introduced by the government.
- 73. MeitY launched the "Aadhaar Good Governance" Portal for broader Aadhaar authentication initiatives.
- 74. India's National Quantum Mission (NQM) has an outlay of ₹6,003 crore.
- 75. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal unveiled "One Nation–One Port Process," "Sagar Ankalan," and the "MAITRI" logo.
- 76. Defence Minister **Rajnath Singh** became the first to visit the IAF's **Institute of Aerospace Medicine** in Bengaluru.
- 77. EAM S. Jaishankar inaugurated a new Indian Consulate in Manchester and a Pravasiya Bharatiya Sahayata Kendra in the UK.

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- 78. At the **97th Academy Awards (Oscars 2025)**, '**Anora**' won Best Picture and **Adrien Brody** won Best Actor for '**The Brutalist**.'
- 79. Knight Frank Wealth Report 2025 shows India has 85,698 HNWIs, ranking 4th globally.
- 80. India ranked the 5th most polluted country in 2024 (IQAir's World Air Quality Report).
- 81. Lancet forecasts over half the world's adults will be overweight or obese by 2050.
- 82. Snapchat's 'Digital Well-Being Index (DWBI)' ranks India highest for the 3rd year in a row.
- 83. In Brand Finance Insurance 100 (2025), LIC is the 3rd strongest insurance brand globally.
- 84. India ranks 3rd in chip design research (2018–2023), per Georgetown University.
- 85. Tuhin Kanta Pandey became the 11th SEBI Chairman, succeeding Madhabi Puri Buch.
- 86. Dr. Mayank Sharma took over as Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA).
- 87. Mark Carney, former central bank governor, replaced Justin Trudeau as the 24th Prime Minister of Canada.
- 88. Koneru Humpy was named Brand Ambassador of the SOG Grandmaster Series by the Skill Online Games Federation.
- 89. Vidya Balan became the first-ever Brand Ambassador of Federal Bank.
- 90. **DRDO** unveiled India's **hypersonic** short-range ballistic missile "**BM-04**," capable of speeds above **Mach 5**.
- 91. SIPRI reported Ukraine as the top arms importer at 8.8% and India second at 8.3%.
- 92. 5 virtual coins (XRP, SOL, ADA, Bitcoin, Ether) were chosen for a new US government crypto reserve.
- 93. PM Modi chaired the 7th National Board for Wildlife meeting at Gir National Park, Gujarat.
- 94. COP16 to the Convention on Biological Diversity will be held in Rome, Italy.
- 95. 'State of India's Environment 2025' by CSE found 2024 to be the warmest year on record.
- 96. India granted ~\$1 million to Lao PDR under the India-UN Development Partnership Fund for rice fortification.
- 97. India won its 3rd ICC Champions Trophy title in 2025, defeating New Zealand in Dubai.
- 98. Rohit Sharma became the first captain to lead in the final of all four major ICC events.
- 99. Achanta Sharath Kamal announced his retirement from table tennis (Arjuna, Padma Shri, Khel Ratna awardee).
- 100. India clinched the 6th Asian Women's Kabaddi Championship in 2025, beating Iran.



- 1. India Grants ~\$1 Million to Lao PDR via India-UN Development Partnership Fund for Rice Fortification Project
- 2. India and Japan Renew \$75 Billion Bilateral Currency Swap Arrangement (BSA) to Strengthen Financial Cooperation
- 3. IFC (Private arm of World Bank) sets up \$250 million 'Climate Investment Fund' focused on green shipping and Maritime Development Fund (₹25,000 Cr)

**3. Appointments & Resignations** 

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## **National Appointments**

1. Ajit Ratnakar Joshi has been appointed as the new RBI Executive Director.

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- 2. N. Chandrasekaran (currently Chairman of Tata Sons) has been appointed as the new Chairman of Ratan Tata Endowment Foundation (RTEF).
- 3. Tuhin Kanta Pandey has been appointed as the 11th SEBI Chairman, succeeding Madhabi Puri Buch, for a 3-year term.
- 4. S. Venkata Mohan has been appointed as the Director of CSIR–National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (CSIR-NEERI), Nagpur.
  - He is a recipient of the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize (2014).
- 5. Manan Kumar Mishra has been re-elected as Chairman of the Bar Council of India (BCI) for a historic 7th term; S. Prabakaran serves as Vice-chairman for a 3rd term.
- 6. Dr Mayank Sharma has taken charge as Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA), succeeding Devika Raghuvanshi.
- 7. Anju Rathi Rana has been appointed as India's first female Law Secretary for a 2-year tenure, replacing Niten Chandra.
- 8. Sumant Kathpalia has received only a 1-year extension (instead of 3) as MD & CEO of IndusInd Bank.
  - IndusInd Bank HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra
  - Tagline: "We Make You Feel Richer"
- 9. Vikas Kaushal has been appointed as Chairman & Managing Director of HPCL (Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited).
- 10. **Himanshu Pathak** has been appointed as **Director-General of ICRISAT** (International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics), succeeding interim DG **Stanford Blade**.
- 11. Justice Joymalya Bagchi has been appointed as a Supreme Court judge, set to become Chief Justice of India for 4 months in 2031.
  - With his appointment, the Supreme Court now has 33 judges out of the sanctioned 34.
- 12. Atul Kumar Goel has become the CEO of Indian Banks' Association, succeeding Sunil Mehta.
- 13. Ajay Bhadoo has been appointed as CEO of Government e-Marketplace (GeM).

## **International Appointments & Elections**

- 1. Badra Gunba has won the Presidential elections in Georgia's breakaway region of Abkhazia.
- 2. Mark Carney, former central bank governor in Canada and England, will replace Justin Trudeau as the 24th Prime Minister of Canada.
- 3. Takashi Nakajima has been named the new President & CEO of Honda Cars India, effective April 1, 2025.

## **Brand Ambassadors**

- 1. Koneru Humpy has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of the SOG Grandmaster Series by the Skill Online Games Federation (SOGF).
  - SOGF HQ: New Delhi | President: Shankar Aggrawal
- 2. Shubman Gill has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador for MRF Tyres.
- 3. MS Dhoni & Sakshi Dhoni have been appointed as the Brand Ambassadors for Garnier Black Naturals.
- 4. Vidya Balan has been appointed as the first-ever Brand Ambassador of Federal Bank.
- 5. Diljit Dosanjh has been appointed as the Global Ambassador of Levi's.



- 6. Saina Nehwal has invested in Naarica (a menstrual hygiene brand) and is serving as its Strategic Partner & Brand Ambassador.
- 7. Salman Khan has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador for GRM Overseas Limited (10X Classic Chakki Fresh Atta).



## **5. Awards, Rewards, Recognition**

## 1. 97th Academy Awards (Oscars 2025)

- Host: Conan O'Brien
- Best Picture: "Anora"
- Best Director: Sean Baker (Anora)
- Best Actress: Mikey Madison (Anora)
- Best Actor: Adrien Brody (The Brutalist)
- Best Supporting Actress: Zoe Saldaña (Emilia Pérez)
- Best Supporting Actor: Kieran Culkin (A Real Pain)
- Best Original Song: "El Mal" (from "Emilia Pérez")
- Best Documentary Short: "The Only Girl in the Orchestra"
- Best Documentary Feature: "No Other Land"
- Best Animated Short: "In the Shadow of the Cypress"
- Best Animated Feature: "Flow"
- Best Original Screenplay: Sean Baker (Anora)
- Best Adapted Screenplay: Peter Straughan (Conclave)
- Best International Feature: "I'm Still Here" (Brazil)
- Best Visual Effects: "Dune: Part Two" (Namit Malhotra's DNEG, 8th Oscar)
- Best Cine matography: "The Brutalist"
- Best Live Action Short: "I'm Not a Robot"
- Best Sound: "Dune: Part Two"

#### Additional Oscar Milestone

• Sean Baker ties Walt Disney's record for 'most Oscars won by an individual' in 4 categories.

## 2. Visitor's Conference 2024–25 & 8th Visitor's Awards

- President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the conference at Rashtrapati Bhavan.
- 8th Visitor's Awards presented in three categories:
  - Innovation: Prof. Saripella Srikrishna (BHU, Quantum Tech)
  - Research: Prof. Ashwini Kumar Nangia (Hyderabad Univ, Pharmaceuticals), Prof. Rina Chakrabarti (Delhi Univ, Aquaculture), Prof. Raj Kumar (Central Univ Punjab, Cancer Research)

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 Technology Development: Dr Venkateswarlu Chintala (Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya, Plastic to Fuel)

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## **3. Key National & International Honors**

#### 1. Jay Shah

- Awarded "Icon of Excellence" at Forbes India Leadership Awards 2025.
- 2. Nithin Kamath (Founder & CEO of Zerodha)
  - Wins EY Entrepreneur of the Year 2024.
- 3. Chinese architect Liu Jiakun
  - Won the "2025 Pritzker Architecture Prize."
  - Previous winners include **Riken Yamamoto** (2024) and **Balkrishna Doshi (India's first** winner, 2018).
- 4. PM Narendra Modi
  - Awarded "Honorary Order of Freedom of Barbados".
  - $\circ \quad \textbf{Barbados: Capital-Bridgetown} \mid PM-Mia \ Mottley \mid President-Sandra \ Mason$
- 5. Uma Sharma
  - Conferred with National Award at 5th BRICS CCI Annual Summit.
  - Summit Theme: "Women Changemakers: Transforming the World, Shaping the Future"
  - Commemorative Book Released: "She for Her" by Rashmi Trived
  - BRICS Chairmanship 2025: Brazil
- 6. Dr Suborno Bose (Chairman of IIHM)
  - Honored with "Lifetime Achievement in Hospitality and Education Through Technology" at Vibrant Bharat Global Summit 2025.
  - Conferred by: Union Tourism Minister Gajendra Shekhawat
  - Minister also launched Dr Bose's book, "Harmonizing Human Touch and AI in Tourism & Hospitality."
- 7. ACM A.M. Turing Award 2024
  - Awarded to Andrew G. Barto and Richard S. Sutton for their work in Reinforcement Learning.
  - Known as the **'Nobel Prize in Computing'**; includes a **\$1 million** prize funded by Google.
- 8. IIT Kharagpur's Suman Chakraborty
  - Wins the "2026 TWAS Award in Engineering & Computer Sciences" from UNESCO.
- 9. Jayshree Vencatesan (Care Earth Trust, Chennai)
  - Becomes the first Indian to bag the Ramsar Award for "Wetland Wise Use", joining 12 other women changemakers in wetlands.
- 10. Mauritius bestows PM Narendra Modi with "Grand Commander of the Order of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean" (Highest civilian award of Mauritius)
  - PM Modi is the first Indian to receive it, marking his 21st international honor.
  - OCI Cards: PM Modi handed over Overseas Citizenship of India to Mauritius President Dharambeer Gokhool and First Lady Vrinda Gokhool.
  - Visit Highlights:
    - Chief Guest for the second time at Mauritius's National Day celebrations (12 March 2025).
    - Gifted **Sangam water**, makhana (from Bihar), and a **Banarasi silk saree** to the First Lady.
    - Visited 'Ayurveda Garden' at the State House in collaboration with the Government of India.

## 4. Knight Frank Wealth Report 2025

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- India has 85,698 HNWIs; ranks 4th globally.
- India's HNWIs (>\$10 million) grew by **6%** (up from 80,686).
- Top 3 nations: USA, China, Japan.
- Indian billionaires' total wealth: **\$950 billion**, ranked **3rd globally**.
- Total billionaires in India: 191 (12% growth in 2024).

## 5. Forbes Highest-Paid Actors 2024

- Highest-Paid Actor: Dwayne Johnson (for the 5th consecutive year).
- Highest-Paid Actress: Nicole Kidman (\$31M).

## 6. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (CSMIA)

• Mumbai's CSMIA wins 'Best Airport (40+ million passengers)' in Asia-Pacific for the 8th year.

## 7. IIFA Digital Awards 2025 (Silver Jubilee Edition)

- Held in **Jaipur**.
- Best Film: Amar Singh Chamkila
- Best Director (Film): Imtiaz Ali (Amar Singh Chamkila)
- Best Actor (Male): Vikrant Massey (Sector 36)
- Best Actress (Female): Kriti Sanon (Do Patti)
- Best Original Story: Kanika Dhillon (Do Patti)
- Best Web Series: Panchayat Season 3
- Best Director (Web Series): Deepak Kumar Mishra (Panchayat Season 3)
- Best Documentary/Docufilm: Yo Yo Honey Singh: Famous

## 8. Sahitya Akademi Awards 2024

- 23 writers honored, including:
  - Gagan Gill (Hindi poet) Poetry collection "Main Jab Tak Aai Bahar" (Hindi)
  - Easterine Kire (Naga author) Novel "Spirit Nights" (English)
  - Sohan Kaul "Psychiatric Ward" (Kashmiri)
  - Paul Kaur "Sun Gunwanta Sun Budhivanta: Itihaas nama Punjab" (Punjabi)



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## 6. Banking, Finance, Insurance & Economic Affairs

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## 1) Economy & Government Reports

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  - Over **80 UPI apps** & **641 banks** are live on UPI (as of January 2025).
- 6. 16% of All Credit Card Spending on RuPay
  - Nearly half of these RuPay credit-card transactions occur via 'Credit on UPI' (NPCI data).
- 7. India's FDI Equity Inflows
  - Dropped 6% YoY to \$10.8 billion in Q3 FY25.
  - Top sectors: Services and Computer Hardware.
- 8. India Becomes Top FDI Source for Dubai
  - Contributed **21.5%** of Dubai's total inflows in 2024.
- 9. **IRCTC and IRFC** 
  - Upgraded to Navratna CPSE status (25th and 26th Navratna CPSEs).
- 10. Arunachal Frontier Highway
- ₹42,000 crore approved by Union Government for the 1,400 km highway, enhancing connectivity along the India–China border in 12 districts of Arunachal Pradesh.
- Arunachal Pradesh: Capital Itanagar, CM Pema Khandu, Governor Lt. Gen. Kaiwalya Trivikram Parnaik.
- 11. MSME Sector
- Contributes 29% of India's GDP and 46% of exports.
- 12. Government Imposes 10% Import Duty on Lentils (Masoor)
- Duty-free yellow pea imports extended by 3 months until May 31, 2025.
- 13. Gyan Bharatam Mission (Union Budget 2025–26)
- Aims to digitize & preserve India's manuscript heritage.
- ₹60 crore allocation.
- Budget for NMM (National Mission for Manuscripts) raised from ₹3.5 crore to ₹60 crore.
- 14. EPFO Retains 8.25% Interest Rate for FY 2024–25
- Expects a surplus of ₹5,300 crore.
- In 2024, the EPF interest rate (8.25%) was the highest in 3 years.
- 15. 98.18% of ₹2000 Notes Returned
- As per RBI, ₹6,471 crore in ₹2000 notes remain with the public.
- Total value withdrawn on May 19, 2023 was ₹3.56 lakh crore.

#### 16. RBI Data: All-India House Price Index (HPI)

• Grew **3.1%** in Q3 FY25 (from 4.3% in Q2).

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- Highest city-wise growth: Kolkata (8.1%); lowest: Kanpur (0.1%).
- 17. RBI Announces Liquidity Measures Totaling ₹1.87 Lakh Crore
- Open Market Operation (OMO) purchases of government securities in two tranches of ₹50,000 crore each.
- USD/INR Buy/Sell swap auction worth ₹87,000 crore (\$10 billion) for 3 years.
- Recent (Jan–Feb 2025) infusion: ~ ₹2.80 lakh crore.
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- 21. Union Government Approvals
- **Rs 42,000 Cr** Arunachal Frontier Highway (1,400 km) to improve border connectivity with China in 12 districts (reiterated for clarity).

## 2) Banking & Finance

- 1. SEBI Launches "Bond Central"
  - A free, centralized **single database portal** for corporate bonds.
  - Developed by the **Online Bond Platform Providers (OBPP) Association** in collaboration with Market Infrastructure Institutions (MIIs).
- 2. Yes Bank: Highest in Sustainability Among Indian Banks
  - Achieved 72/100 score for the 3rd consecutive year (S&P Global CSA & Carbon Disclosure Project).
  - Included in the 'S&P Global Sustainability Yearbook 2025'.
  - Retained A- rating (Leadership Band), excelling in 11 of 17 ESG parameters.
- 3. SBI to Sell 17.8% Stake in Jio Payments Bank
  - Divesting to Jio Financial Services for ₹104.5 crore.
  - Payment banks in India can accept max ₹2 lakh deposit and are not permitted to offer credit. (Examples: Airtel, Fino, India Post, NSDL, Jio Payments Bank.)
- 4. HDFC Bank Signs MoU with Indian Air Force & CSC Academy
  - Launches **Project HAKK (Hawai Anubhavi Kalyan Kendra)** for defense pensioners, supporting **IAF veterans and their families**.
  - Also executed India's **first gold trade** on the India International Bullion Exchange (IIBX), GIFT City, as a 'Special Category Client-Nominated Bank'.
- 5. **SIDBI** 
  - **Partners with Tata Capital** to boost MSME financing (machinery, equipment, working capital).
  - Also signed MoU with Federal Bank to enhance MSME financing.
  - Headquarters: Lucknow | Chairman: Manoj Mittal.

### 6. Bank of Baroda (BoB)

- **Pilot Project** 'Merchant Loyalty/Cashback Programme' to boost **CBDC adoption** via programmable rewards.
- Received BSI's 'ISO 22301:2019 BCMS' Certification for operational resilience & risk management.
- Introduces "Global Women NRE & NRO Savings Account" first-of-its-kind among public-sector banks for women NRIs.
- **Headquarters**: Vadodara, Gujarat | **MD & CEO**: Debadatta Chand | **Tagline**: India's International Bank.
- 7. City Union Bank

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#### 8. Payment Banks in India

- Airtel, Fino, India Post, NSDL, Jio Payments Bank (reiterated).
- 9. **iSPIRT** 
  - Formed the **"Priority Sector Lenders Association of India (PSLAI)"** to promote RBI's Priority Sector Lending (PSL).
  - RBI mandates 40% of Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC) be allocated to PSL (~ ₹64 trillion annually).

#### 10. Axis Bank

- First Indian lender to finance aircraft for Air India's pilot training facility in Amravati.
- HQ: Mumbai | MD & CEO: Amitabh Chaudhry.
- Partnered with Ashoka University, commits ₹104 crore CSR grant to boost PhD, post-doc, and research programs.
- 11. Competition Commission of India (CCI) Approvals
- Ambuja Cements acquires up to 72.8% stake in Orient Cement.
- 12. RBI Permits All NBFCs & HFCs to Invest in Security Receipts (SRs)
- Issued by Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs) under the SARFAESI Act, 2002.
- Previously restricted to non-deposit-taking NBFCs with asset size > ₹50 crore.
- 13. Ajay Seth
- Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs, given additional charge as Revenue Secretary, succeeding Tuhin Kanta Pandey (the new SEBI Chairman).
- 14. RBI Appoints Ajit Ratnakar Joshi as Executive Director

#### 15. Bank of India

- Signs MoU with Indian Army for 'Rakshak Salary Package' benefits to personnel, veterans, and Agniveers.
- Accidental insurance cover up to ₹1 crore; air accidental coverage up to ₹2 crore.
- HQ: Mumbai | CEO: Rajneesh Karnatak | Tagline: Relationship Beyond Banking.
- 16. Axis Bank & CSR
- (Reiterated) Commits **₹104 crore** to Ashoka University.
- 17. SBI Launches 'Asmita'
- A collateral-free digital SME loan product for women entrepreneurs.
- Offers a RuPay-powered 'Nari Shakti' platinum debit card (made from 100% recycled plastic).
- Top women borrowers receive entrepreneurial & management training.
- 18. Fitch Ratings Upgrades Union Bank of India (UBI) & Punjab National Bank (PNB)
- Long-Term Issuer Default Rating (IDR): BBB-.
- Viability Rating: upgraded from b + to bb -.
- Government Support Rating (GSR): BBB-.
- 19. HDFC Bank Renews MoU with Indian Army Veterans Directorate & CSC
- Expands "Project NAMAN" to 26 DIAV locations (initiative to honor veterans).
- 20. RBI to Issue New ₹100 and ₹200 Banknotes
- With Governor Sanjay Malhotra's signature (26th RBI Governor).
- Older notes remain valid.
- 21. Rupee112 Launches India's 1st AI-Driven WhatsApp Loan Disbursal
- Offers unsecured loans from ₹5,000 to ₹1,00,000.
- 22. Avanse Financial Services
- Introduces "SWALAKSH" loan for women studying abroad, offering an interest concession and last 12 EMIs waiver.
- 23. Muthoot Microfin
- Wins 2 Gold SKOCH Awards 2025 for:
  - 'Mahila Mitra' (digital financial inclusion).
  - o 'Griha Raksha Insurance Scheme'.

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 Corporate Excellence Award: "Best Customer Application on Digital Financial Inclusion" for Mahila Mitra.

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- **BFSI Award**: "Best Insurance Scheme" for Griha Raksha.
- 24. Patanjali Ayurved
- Acquires a majority stake in Magma General Insurance, becoming its promoter entity.
- 25. PhonePe
- 'Insuring HEROES' Campaign launched ahead of International Women's Day, offering up to 30% discount.
- Crosses **600 million** registered users; planning an IPO in India after a **74%** revenue jump in FY24.

#### 26. Razorpay

- Expands into **Singapore**, marking its second global market (after Malaysia).
- 27. Swiggy & IRCTC
- Partner to expand food delivery service to 100 railway stations across 20 states.
- 28. Project NAMAN & Project HAKK
- (Reiterated for clarity) HDFC Bank's ongoing initiatives with Indian Air Force & veterans.
- 29. SIDBI & Tata Capital
- (Reiterated) Joint effort to boost MSME financing.
- 30. FM's New Credit Assessment Model
- (Reiterated) For MSMEs using digital footprints.

### 3) Insurance

- 1. Canara HSBC Life Insurance: 'Promise2Protect'
  - A **new term insurance plan** with two variants.
- 2. SBI Life Insurance
  - Unveils two child-centric plans: 'Smart Future Star' and 'Smart Platina Young Achiever'.
  - **CEO**: Amit Jhingran.
- 3. Niva Bupa Health Insurance Launches 'Rise'
  - A product to make quality healthcare affordable for India's 'Missing Middle' (per NITI Aayog definition: incomes too high for government schemes but below premium private insurance).
- 4. Canara HSBC Life Insurance & GIC Housing Finance
  - Tie-up to offer "Group Asset Secure" credit-life product.
- 5. Muthoot Microfin & SKOCH Awards
  - (Already noted under Banking & Finance) Awarded for digital financial inclusion & insurance scheme.

## 4) Corporate & Industry

- 1. **Tesla** 
  - To open its first India showroom in Mumbai.
- 2. Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
  - Introduces 1-day menstrual leave for women employees (among the first in its sector).
- 3. Jindal Power
  - Acquires **Bhadreshwar Vidyut Pvt Ltd** (Gujarat-based thermal power generator) for ₹500 crore.
- 4. JSW Energy Ltd
  - To acquire 100% stake in KSK Mahanadi Power Company Ltd.
- 5. Zydus Lifesciences (Ahmedabad)
  - Acquires 85.6% stake in France-based Amplitude Surgical for €256.8 million (~₹2,430 crore).

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#### 6. Flipkart Cofounder Binny Bansal

- Launches new startup "Opptra" to develop franchise business portfolios in Asia.
- 7. SJVN in Chhattisgarh
  - Developing an 1,800 MW pumped hydro storage project (reiterated for clarity).
- 8. PhonePe, Razorpay, Swiggy
  - $\circ$  (Noted in BFSI/partnership expansions).
- 9. Patanjali Ayurved
  - o (Noted in BFSI/Insurance: stake in Magma General Insurance).

## 5) Technology & Startups

- 1. Foxconn's First Large Language Model: "FoxBrain"
  - (Reiterated for clarity).
- 2. Rupee112
  - (Covered under BFSI: AI-driven WhatsApp loan).
- 3. **Opptra by Binny Bansal** 
  - (Covered under Corporate & Industry).
- 4. Razorpay Expansion
  - (Mentioned under BFSI: second global market is Singapore).

## 6) Appointments

- 1. Naveen Kukreja
  - o Becomes Group President at PB Fintech (parent of Policybazaar & Paisabazaar).
- 2. Santosh Agarwal
  - Takes over as **CEO of Paisabazaar**.
- 3. Ajay Seth
  - Additional charge as **Revenue Secretary**, replacing Tuhin Kanta Pandey (new SEBI Chairman).
- 4. Ajit Ratnakar Joshi
  - Appointed **RBI Executive Director**.

## 7) Notable Studies & Findings

- 1. Report: "From Borrowers to Builders: Women's Role in India's Financial Growth Story"
  - Jointly by TransUnion CIBIL, Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) of NITI Aayog, & MicroSave Consulting (MSC).
  - Key findings:
    - Women borrowers in retail credit grew at 22% CAGR (2019–2024).
    - Women's share in business loans rose by 14%, gold loans by 6% since 2019.

## 8) Other Key Facts

- 1. Union Government Approved
  - o ₹42,000 crore Arunachal Frontier Highway project (reiterated).
- 2. Payment Banks
  - (Reiterated) Airtel, Fino, India Post, NSDL, Jio Payments Bank.
- 3. **RBI** 
  - To issue new ₹100 & ₹200 notes with Governor Sanjay Malhotra's signature.
- 4. MSME Sector
  - $\circ$  Contributes **29%** to GDP and **46%** to exports (reiterated).



## 7. Defence Affairs

#### **1. DEFENCE & TECHNOLOGY INNOVATIONS**

- DRDO & IIT Hyderabad unveiled India's Largest Metal 3D Printing Machine (Large Area Additive Manufacturing) for rocket components.
- DRDO revealed India's hypersonic short-range ballistic missile "BM-04."
  - **Speed**: Hypersonic (Mach 5+)
  - **Range**: 400–1500 km
  - o **DRDO Headquarters**: New Delhi
  - Chairman: Samir V. Kamat

#### 2. MAJOR DEFENCE CONTRACTS

- Ministry of Defence (MoD) inked a \$248 million deal with Russia's Rosoboronexport for 1000 HP engines to power T-72 tanks.
- MoD signed a ₹2,906 crore contract with BEL for the "Ashwini" Low-Level Transportable Radar, designed to track missiles and UAVs.

#### 3. MILITAR Y EXERCISES

- 1. IAF conducted "Exercise Desert Hunt 2025" with Tri-Service Special Forces at Jodhpur.
- 2. Multilateral Naval "Exercise Sea Dragon 2025" commenced off the coast of Guam.
  - Participating Nations: India, US, Australia, Japan, Korea
  - o Indian Deployment: P8I MPRA (Maritime Patrol & Reconnaissance Aircraft)
- 3. **India-Kyrgyzstan** began the 12th joint military exercise **"Khanjar-XII 2025"** at Tokmok (Kyrgyzstan) to bolster counter-terror collaboration.
- 4. **India-Bangladesh** held the 6th "**CORPAT**" and the 4th "**BONGOSAGOR**" exercise in the Bay of Bengal to curb illicit maritime activities.
- 5. A Tri-services amphibious exercise called "Amphex 2025" was conducted in Karwar, Karnataka.

#### 4. SIPRI REPORT

- Ukraine became the top arms importer at 8.8%, while India dropped to second at 8.3%.
- Arms Imports:
  - 1. Ukraine (8.8%)
  - 2. India (8.3%)
  - 3. **Qatar** (6.8%)
  - 4. Saudi Arabia (6.8%)
  - 5. **Pakistan** (4.6%)
- India's Arms Supply: 36% from Russia; it remains the biggest export customer for both Russia and France.
- Arms Exporters:
  - 1. **US** (43%)
  - 2. France (9.6%)
  - 3. **Russia** (7.8%)
  - 4. **China** (5.9%)
  - 5. Germany (5.6%)

#### 5. INTERNATIONAL DEFENCE COOPERATION

• India & Belgium agreed to establish a Defence Task Force.



## **8. International Affairs**

- 5 virtual coins chosen for a new US government strategic crypto reserve: XRP (Ripple) – 3rd biggest crypto (circulating ~\$140 bn) SOL (Solana) – 6th biggest (~\$73 bn) ADA (Cardano) – 8th biggest (~\$31.4 bn) Bitcoin – 1st & largest (~\$1.7 tn in circulation; 1 BTC ~\$86,000) Ether (Ethereum) – 2nd biggest.
   The United Nations designated 2025 as the International Year of Contemport of the statement of the s
- 2. The United Nations designated 2025 as the International Year of Cooperatives, under the theme "Cooperatives Build a Better World
- 3. World Bank: HQ: Washington, D.C.; President: Ajay Banga; MD/CFO: Anshula Kant.
- 4. India assumes Chairmanship of 68th UN Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND) under Ambassador Shambhu S Kumaran
  - Chair: Ambassador Shambhu S Kumaran, India's Permanent Representative (Vienna)
- **5.** India and Ireland to Form Joint Economic Commission (JEC) to Bolster Bilateral Trade, Investment, and Tech Ties



- 1. International Spice Conference 2025: Organized by All India Spices Exporters Forum (AISEF) in Bengaluru, Karnataka
- Theme: "Building Trust Beyond Borders: Transparency, Sustainability, Confidence"
- 2. Mission 300 Africa Energy Summit : Hosted in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
- 3. PM Modi Chairs 7th National Board for Wildlife Meeting at Gir National Park, Gujarat
- 4. World Wildlife Day (March 3, 2025)
- **5.** 16th Asiatic Lion Population Estimation (Lion census) to be conducted in May 2025 in Gir Sanctuary (5-year intervals; last in 2020).
- 6. National Great Indian Bustard Conservation Action Plan introduced for preserving this 'Highly Endangered' bird. Largest population is in Rajasthan.
- 7. 9th National Summit on Good & Replicable Practices and Innovation in Public Healthcare : held in Puri, Odisha
- 8. COP16 to Convention on Biological Diversity: Rome, Italy
- 9. Jyotiraditya Scindia attended MWC 2025, unveiled India Mobile Congress 2025 in Barcelona Event: Mobile World Congress (MWC) 2025, Barcelona, Spain. Theme: "Converge. Connect. Create".
   Launabad: Pharat Pavilian, India Mobile Congress 2025.
  - Launched: Bharat Pavilion, India Mobile Congress 2025.
- **10.** 24th World Sustainable Development Summit 2025 (by TERI) in New Delhi Theme: "Partnerships for Accelerating Sustainable Development and Climate Solutions" 1st International Conference on Carbon Markets ('Prakriti') Inaugurated in New Delhi
- 11. Where was the international conference GRIDCON 2025 inaugurated? Ans: Yashobhoomi, Dwarka

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**10. Miscellaneous** 

### **Important Days:**

1 March: Observed as 11th Zero Discrimination Day (Symbol: Butterfly; Theme: "We Stand Together") 1 March: World Civil Defense Day (Theme: "Civil Defence, Guarantee of Security for the Population") 1 March : 3rd UN World Seagrass Day 1 March : 49th Civil Accounts Day (India) 1 March: International Wheelchair Day. 3 March : World Hearing Day (Theme: "Changing Mindsets: Empower Yourself to Make Ear and Hearing Care a Reality for All!") 3 March: World Wildlife Day (Theme: "Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet") 3 March: 87th National Defense Day (India) 4 March: 6th World Engineering Day (Theme: Unleashing engineers for Sustainable Development Goals) 4 March: 54th National Safety Day (Theme: "Safety & Well-being Crucial for Viksit Bharat") 4 March: World Obesity Day (Theme: "Changing Systems, Healthier Lives.") 4 March: World Day of Fight Against Sexual Exploitation 5 March: International Day for Disarmament 5 March: 3rd International Day for Disarmament & Non-Proliferation 7 March: Jan Aushadhi Diwas. 8 March: International Women's Day (Theme (2025): "For All Women and Girls: Rights. Equality. Empowerment.") 4–10 March: 54th National Safety Week (Theme: "Safety & Well-Being Crucial for Viksit Bharat") 10 March: UN International Day of Women Judges 10 March: 56th Raising Day of Central Industrial Security Force 10–16 March: Digital Payments Awareness Week (Theme (under 'Har Payment Digital' mission): "India Pays Digitally") 11 March: 135th Foundation Day of National Archives of India (NAI) 12 March: No Smoking Day

## **Deaths:**

- Anil Ramanath Joshi (Renowned Gujarati Poet) Passed Away (Received Sahitya Akademi Award in 1990 for essay collection "Statue.")
- 2. Paddy Shivalkar: Former cricketer & Mumbai Ranji coach passed away (CK Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award 2017)
- **3.** Garimella Balakrishna Prasad (renowned Classical Singer) (Received Sangeet Natak Akademi Award in 2020)
- 4. Legendary Chess Grandmaster Boris Spassky Passes Away
- 5. Rose Girone (Eye-witness to WWII Holocaust atrocities), Oldest Holocaust Survivor passed away
- 6. Veteran Odia Actor Uttam Mohanty Dies
- 7. Hollywood Legend Gene Hackman Passes Away (Academy Awards: Nominated 5 times, won 2)

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#### **Books:**

- 1. "Mastering Disruption: A Practical Guide to Understanding New-Age Business Models" Book authored by K Ganesh
- 2. Autobiography "Diyaslai" : authored by Kailash Satyarthi
- 3."Raisina Chronicles" : book authored by S. Jaishankar & Samir Saran
- 4. Book "Bofors Gate" by Chitra Subramanian.
- 5. "Prapancha Charitra (World History)" Book: Authored by Daggubati Venkateswara Rao (originally Telugu, 1990).
- 6. "Space: The India Story" by Dinesh C. Sharma
- 7. "Nalanda: How it changed the World" by Abhay K
- 8. "The Mahatma's Manifesto" by Rajesh Talwar
- 9. "Hearts and Heroes: Lives that Shaped Us" authored by Kulbhushan Kumar
- 10. Kailash Satyarthi's Autobiography "Diyaslai"
- 11. "Nalanda: How It Changed the World" by Abhay K
- 12. "Space: The India Story" by Dinesh C Sharma

## **Important Places:**

- 1. International Pashmina Festival cum Exhibition : Held at Kathmandu, Nepal
- 2. Nagoba Jatara Festival : Celebrated in Telangana
- 3.National Institute of Paragliding & Aero Sports (India's 1st paragliding school) : Located in Himachal Pradesh
- **4.** National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship & Management (NIFTEM) : A new institute opened in Bihar
- 5. Gandhi Sagar Sanctuary located in Madhya Pradesh
- 6. Banni Grasslands : located in Gujarat
- 7. Kuno National Park: Sheopur, MP
- 8. Sikhna Jwhwlao National Park (formerly Chirang-Ripu Elephant Reserve): Assam.
- 9. New species of jumping spiders (Epidelaxia falciformis, Epidelaxia palustris) discovered in Shendurney Wildlife Sanctuary, Kerala.
- 10. New soil nematode species discovered: "Crassolabium dhritiae", Keonjhar, Odisha
- 11. Nyokum Yullo Festival: Arunachal Pradesh.
- 12. India's 1st World Peace Center: Gurugram.
- 13. Madhav Tiger Reserve: Becomes 58th Tiger Reserve in India & 9th in Madhya Pradesh
- 14. 1st Shaurya Vedanam Utsav: Held in Champaran, Bihar
- 15. Festival of Letters 2025 (by Sahitya Akademi) in New Delhi
- Theme: "Indian Literary Traditions"
- 16. Australia-India Sports Excellence Forum: Conducted at GIFT City, Gujarat
- 17. 3 Proposed Reserve Forests in Assam: Talpathar, Mohongpathar & Duarmarah
- 18. Laokhowa-Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary: Assam
- 19. Ali Ai Ligang Festival by the Mishing Tribe in Assam
- 20. North India's 1st Green Hydrogen Plant: Commissioned by Oil India at Solan, Himachal Pradesh
- 21. Denmark Strait Cataract Largest waterfall on Earth (between Iceland & Greenland)
- 22. India's First World Peace Center Inaugurated in Gurugram
- 23. Mizoram Celebrates 'Chapchar Kut' Its Largest, Most Popular Spring Festival

## Miscellaneous:

1. Mount Taranaki : In New Zealand, granted legal rights as a human being

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- 1. Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE)Inks MoU with Indian Army for 130-Ft Single Lane Modular Steel Bridge in Arunachal Pradesh
- 2. India & Thailand Sign Multiple MoUs to Boost Gem & Jewellery Exports, with 15% of India's Exports to Thailand
- **3.** India-Nepal to sign MoU for cooperation in Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) sector. - Nepal: Capital – Kathmandu | President – Ram Chandra Poudel | PM – K.P. Sharma Oli.
- **4.** BPCL & Refroid Technologies launched India's 1st indigenous liquid coolant for AI data centers
- 5. Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) partnered with CII-IGBC for green building financing
- 6. Himachal Pradesh signed MoC with Spray Engineering for India's first integrated API, Green Hydrogen, and 2G Ethanol facility
- 7. India's first commercial semiconductor fab in Dholera (Gujarat) launched via agreement among ISM (India Semiconductor Mission), Tata Electronics Private Limited, and TSMPL (Tata Semiconductor Manufacturing Private Limited)
- 8. Bharti Airtel inks first-of-its-kind pact with Elon Musk's SpaceX to bring Starlink satellite internet to Indian consumers
- **9.** Reliance Jio ties up with SpaceX's Starlink to offer satellite broadband in India, complementing direct SpaceX offerings

(earlier Bharti Airtel also tied up with Starlink)

10. Coal India (CIL) Signs MoU with IIT Hyderabad to Develop Clean Coal Technologies, Setting Up 'CLEANZ'

# **12. National & States Affairs**

## **1. CENTRAL GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES & APPROVALS** PM Suryaghar Muft Bijlee Yojana (Flagship Rooftop Solar Program)

- Launched: February 2024
- **Target: 10 million** rooftop solar units by 2027
- Total Budget: ₹75,021 crore
- Installed (as of 10 March): 1.09 million units
- **Subsidy:** Up to ₹78,000 for installing a 3 KW rooftop solar system
- India's Total Solar Capacity: 212.17 GW (as of January 2024)
- Growth: Rooftop solar installations grew by 86% in 2024, reaching 3.2 GW

#### Urban Challenge Fund

- Announced by PM Modi: ₹1 lakh crore allocated
- **Objective:** Enhance urban governance & infrastructure
- Allocation for AI-driven education & research: ₹500 crore

#### National Gene Bank

• Announced by PM Modi: A facility for plant genetic resource preservation

#### Cabinet-Approved Ropeway Projects under Parvatmala Pariyojana (Uttarakhand)

- Total Cost: ₹6,811 crore
- Projects:
  - Govindghat-Hemkund Sahib (12.4 km) with capacity of 11,000 passengers per day

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#### • Sonprayag–Kedarnath (12.9 km) with capacity of 18,000 passengers per day

#### South Coast Railway Zone

- Approved by Cabinet in Visakhapatnam
- Becomes the 18th Zone under Indian Railways

#### **Revised Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP)**

- Total Budget (2024–2026): ₹3,880 crore
- New Component "Pashu Aushadhi": ₹75 crore allocated till March 2026 to make veterinary medicines affordable
- India has **30.38 crore** bovines (2019 Livestock Census)

#### **Centre Revises Passport Rules (Indian Passport Document Rule 2025)**

- Birth Certificates: Mandatory as sole proof of Date of Birth for those born on or after 1 October 2023
- Residential Address: Will no longer be printed; stored in the barcode for privacy
- Colour-Coded Passports:
  - Blue: Ordinary citizens
  - White: Government officials
  - **Red:** Diplomats
- Expansion of Passport Seva Kendras: From 442 to 600 in the next 5 years

## 2. STATE GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES

#### Assam

• ASSAMSAT: Assam becomes the first Indian state to have a dedicated satellite (ASSAMSAT) for socio-economic projects & border security in collaboration with IN-SPACe and ISRO

#### Bihar

- **Reservation for Women in Transport: 33%** of state transport jobs reserved for women **Delhi** 
  - Mahila Samridhi Yojana:
    - Monthly Financial Assistance: ₹2,500 for eligible women
    - Approved by Delhi Cabinet
    - Chief Minister: Rekha Gupta
    - Lt. Governor: Vinai Kumar Saxena

#### Gujarat

- First Cattle Semen Sorting Facility: Inaugurated by the Chief Minister at Banas Dairy, Banaskantha
- AI-Powered Solar Manufacturing Line: Pralhad Joshi (Minister of New & Renewable Energy) launched India's first AI-powered solar manufacturing line at Goldi Solar, Surat (also noted under Technology)

#### **Himachal Pradesh**

- Pilot Project for Cannabis/Hemp Cultivation: Approved by the state government, involving
  - o Chaudhary Sarwan Kumar Agriculture University, Palampur
  - o Dr Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture, Nauni, Solan

#### Kerala (Ernakulam)

• 'Gosamrudhi' Insurance Scheme: Launched for dairy farmers

#### Madhya Pradesh

- Power Connections for Farmers: Permanent connections at ₹5 only
  - Madhav National Park Declared 58th Tiger Reserve:
    - Also 9th Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh

#### Punjab

• CASO "Yudh Nasheyan Virudh": Punjab Police launched a state-level operation against drug smuggling



• Project Hifazat: Launched to safeguard women and children via the '181' helpline

#### Telangana

- "Digital Tree Aadhaar" in Mukhra (K) Village: Using QR codes for geo-tagged tree data Tripura
  - Mukhyamantri Balika Samridhi Yojana and Mukhyamantri Kanya Atmanirbhar Yojana: Focus on girl-child empowerment

#### Uttarakhand

- Mukhyamantri Ekal Mahila Swarozgar Yojana: Approved financial support up to ₹2 lakh for single women
- Unified Pension Scheme (UPS): Adopted the Central Government's pension initiative
- New Excise Policy 2025 also approved
- Capitals: Dehradun & Gairsain
- Chief Minister: Pushkar Singh Dhami
- Governor: Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh

## **3. AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK**

- India: Largest producer, consumer, & importer of pulses
- Duty-Free Import of Urad Extended: Till March 2026
- Mission for Cotton Productivity:
  - Announced in Union Budget (Feb 2025)
  - ₹2,500 crore over 5 years, with an annual allocation of ₹500 crore
  - Aims to boost India's low average yield of **450 kg/hectare** (global average >800 kg/hectare)
- Gosamrudhi Insurance Scheme (Kerala): Mentioned above under Kerala
- First Cattle Semen Sorting Facility (Gujarat): Mentioned above under Gujarat
- Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme: Revised with ₹3,880 crore budget (detailed above under Cabinet Approvals)

## 4. ENVIRONMENT & WILDLIFE

- Madhav National Park (Madhya Pradesh): Declared India's 58th Tiger Reserve (9th in MP)
- India's First River Dolphin Population Survey: Found 6,324 Gangetic Dolphins
  - Highest state population in Uttar Pradesh: 2,397
- PM Modi Inaugurates 'Vantara' Wildlife Rescue & Conservation Center (Jamnagar, Reliance Industries)
  - **'Prani Mitra' National Award:** Conferred on Krishna Temple Elephant Welfare Trust (under Vantara)

## 5. HEALTH & SOCIAL WELFARE

- Human Milk Bank 'Payodhi' launched by AIIMS New Delhi
- India's National Health Policy Targets Achieved:
  - MMR at 100 (deaths per 1,00,000 live births), reflecting an 83% decline (1990–2020)
  - IMR declined by 69%
  - **U5MR** declined by 75%
- "National Convention" by Ministry of Panchayati Raj (March 2025):
  - Establish at least **one Model Women-Friendly Gram Panchayat per district** (770 districts total)
  - Nationwide 'Mahila Gram Sabha' on 8 March 2025
- Mansukh Mandaviya (Union Minister for Labour & Employment):
  - Launch of state-level 'e-Shram microsites' and 'Occupational Shortage Index' to aid unorganized workers

## 6. WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

- **Bihar:** 33% reservation in transport jobs (mentioned above)
- Delhi: 'Mahila Samridhi Yojana' with monthly ₹2,500 (mentioned above)
- **Punjab:** 'Project Hifazat' with helpline 181 (mentioned above)
- Mukhyamantri Ekal Mahila Swarozgar Yojana (Uttarakhand): Up to ₹2 lakh for single women (mentioned above)
- NITI Aayog & India SME Forum:
  - "A Million Women Arise" to empower women entrepreneurs
  - Women enterprises are **35%** of India's **6 crore** MSMEs
  - Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) launched 2018, shifted to PPP model in 2022
- **PM Modi Hands Over Social Media Accounts to 6 Inspiring Women** on International Women's Day 2025:
  - Vaishali Rameshbabu (Tamil Nadu): Chess Grandmaster
  - Dr Anjlee Agarwal (Delhi): Universal accessibility advocate under 'Sugamya Bharat'
  - Anita Devi (Bihar): "Mushroom Lady of Bihar"
  - Ajaita Shah (Rajasthan): Founder & CEO of Frontier Markets
  - Elina Mishra (Odisha): Scientist promoting women's role in nuclear & space tech
  - Shilpi Soni (Madhya Pradesh): Scientist promoting STEM for women

## 7. INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORT

- India's 3rd-Largest Operating Metro System Globally:
  - Current network: 1,000 km operational in 23 cities, 979 km under construction
  - Set to surpass New York by December 2025 (Delhi Metro reaching 394 km vs NY's 399 km)
  - 1st Metro line in India (Kolkata, 1984): 3.4 km between Esplanade & Bhowanipur
  - Kochi (Kerala): India's 1st city to launch a Water Metro (Dec 2021)
  - India's 1st driverless metro: Delhi Metro's Magenta Line (Dec 2020)
  - India's 1st under-water metro tunnel: Kolkata's Hooghly River tunnel (2024)
- 2,800 Km LPG Pipeline (Kandla–Gorakhpur) by June 2025:
  - World's longest LPG pipeline
  - Cost: **\$1.3 billion**
  - $\circ$   $\;$  India is the 3rd-largest consumer of LPG  $\;$

## 8. TECHNOLOGY & DIGITAL INITIATIVES

- AI Kosha (Non-Personal Datasets Repository):
  - Launched by Union Government for AI model development under IndiaAI Mission
     IndiaAI Mission Outlay: ₹10,370 crore
- New Real-Time Employment Data Portal "Prayas"
  - A government initiative for tracking employment
- MeitY's "Aadhaar Good Governance" Portal (swik.meity.gov.in):
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Launched after rules amended for wider Aadhaar authentication
- Department of Posts Launches "Digital Address Code":
- A geo-coded, interoperable addressing system
- India's National Quantum Mission (NQM):
  - Budget: ₹6,003 crore
  - Aimed at accelerating research and development of quantum technologies
- INOX India Limited (INOXCVA):

Becomes the first Indian Cryogenic Equipment Manufacturer to achieve 'IATF 16949' certification

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## 9. MARITIME & PORTS

- Sarbananda Sonowal (Union Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways):
  - Launches "One Nation-One Port Process", "Sagar Ankalan (LPPI)", "Bharat Global Ports Consortium", "MAITRI" Logo
    - Announces **"India Maritime Week"** scheduled **27–31 October 2025** in Mumbai to celebrate 'Maritime Virasat' and 'Maritime Vikaas'
- "MAITRI" (Master Application for International Trade & Regulatory Interface):
  - Helps operationalize the "Virtual Trade Corridor (VTC)" between India and the UAE

## **10. DEFENSE & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

- Rajnath Singh (Defence Minister):
  - **First** Defence Minister to visit Indian Air Force's Institute of Aerospace Medicine in Bengaluru
- S. Jaishankar (External Affairs Minister):
  - Inaugurated new Indian Consulate in Manchester
  - Launched "Pravasiya Bharatiya Sahayata Kendra" (NRI Help Centre) in the UK (first such centre in that region)

## **11. LAW, EDUCATION & EVENTS**

- Vidhi Pragati: National IP Moot Court Competition on "Artificial Intelligence and Copyright"
  - Inaugurated by **Piyush Goyal**
  - Winners: West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), Kolkata
  - Runner-up: National Law University, Jodhpur
  - Best Memorial: NLSIU Bangalore
  - Best Researcher: HNLU Raipur
- 5th 'Lineman Diwas'
  - Theme: "Seva, Suraksha, Swabhiman"
  - Recognizes frontline power sector workforce
  - Organized by Central Electricity Authority (CEA) + Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd

## **12. MISCELLANEOUS & KEY FACTS**

- India is the largest producer, consumer & importer of pulses.
- Duty-free import of urad is extended till March 2026.
- India emerges as the 3rd-largest operating metro system (detailed above).
- Birth Certificates are now mandatory for passports (for those born on/after 1 October 2023).
- Q&A from the Content:
  - $\circ~$  Till which date has the duty-free import of urad been extended? March 2026
  - What is the name of the human milk bank launched by AIIMS New Delhi? **Payodhi**
  - What is the name of the government's new real-time employment data portal? Prayas

## **13. Persons in News**

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- 1. Anju Rathi Rana Becomes India's First Woman Law Secretary
- 2. Flying Officer Tanushka Singh Becomes First Woman Pilot in IAF's Prestigious Jaguar Fighter Squadron

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- 1. OAG's "Busiest Global Airports by Seats in 2025"
  - Delhi's Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport ranks 8th with 3,613,762 seats.
  - Dubai International Airport retains top spot with 4,782,140 seats (+1% vs Feb 2024).
  - Top 5 Busiest Airports:
    - 1. Dubai International Airport (4,782,140 seats)
    - 2. Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (Georgia, US) 4,568,544 seats
    - 3. Tokyo International (Haneda) Airport (Japan) 4,222,709 seats
    - 4. Shanghai Pudong International Airport (China) 3,993,388 seats
    - 5. London Heathrow Airport (UK) 3,857,036 seats
- 2. "State of India's Environment 2025"
  - Released by: Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) & Down To Earth Magazine
  - Key Finding: 2024 became the warmest year on record, with an average of 1.60°C above the pre-industrial era.
- **3.** "Becoming a High-income Economy in a Generation" (World Bank Country Economic Memorandum)
  - **Requirement:** India must grow at **7.8% on average** over 22 years (till 2047) to reach high-income status under a "business as usual" scenario.
  - Current Average Growth: 7.2% in the last 3 fiscal years.
- 4. "Closing the Gender Gap in GenAI Skills" (Coursera Report)
  - Global GenAI Adoption: India tops with 1.3 million enrollments.
  - India ranks **2nd** globally for GenAI enrollments among **women** (29.6% of total enrollments in India).
  - Women constitute 40% of all Coursera learners in India.
- 5. "World Air Quality Report 2024" (IQAir, Swiss Tech Company)
  - India's Position: 5th most polluted country in 2024 (down from 3rd in 2023).
  - Byrnihat (Meghalaya) is the world's most polluted metropolitan area.
  - **Delhi** remains the most polluted capital city.
  - Most Polluted Country: Chad, followed by Bangladesh, Pakistan, DR Congo, India, Tajikistan.
- 6. Lancet Studies on Overweight & Obesity (Forecast for 2050)
  - Over half of all adults (3.8 billion) and a third of children (746 million) will be overweight or obese by 2050.
  - India will have the 2nd-largest overweight/obese population in 2050 (was 4th in 1990).
- 7. Census & PLFS Data on Indian Muslims' Literacy
  - Literacy rate among Indian Muslims rose from **59.1%** in 2001 to **79.5%** in 2023–24.
  - 6 Notified Minorities: Buddhists, Christians, Jains, Muslims, Parsis, Sikhs.
- 8. "Digital Well-Being Index (DWBI)" by Snapchat
  - India ranks highest for the 3rd consecutive year.



#### 9. "YouGov India Value Rankings 2025"

- Amul is the 3rd most valued brand.
- Top Three Brands: Amazon, Flipkart, Amul.

#### **10. Brand Finance Insurance 100 (2025)**

- LIC is the 3rd strongest insurance brand globally (Brand Strength Index BSI of 88) and 12th in overall brand value.
- **SBI Life** ranks **76th** in overall brand value.
  - **Global Strongest Insurance Brands:** 
    - 1. PZU (Poland) BSI of 94.4
    - 2. China Life Insurance BSI of 93.5
    - 3. **LIC** (**India**) BSI of 88

#### 11. India's Chip Design Research Ranking

- India ranks 3rd globally (2018–2023), as per Georgetown University's Emerging Technology Observatory.
- 12. "Glass-Ceiling Index 2025"
  - Top 5 Countries:
    - 1. Sweden (#1)
    - 2. Iceland
    - 3. Finland
    - 4. Norway
    - 5. Portugal
  - Bottom 3 Countries: Japan (27th), South Korea (28th), Turkey (29th)
- 13. UN FAO Global Forecast (2025)
  - Wheat Production: 796 million tonnes
  - Rice Production: 543 million tonnes (record)
- 14. India's Second Advance Estimates (2024–25)
  - Wheat Production: 115.3 million tonnes
    - Total Foodgrains: 330.92 million tonnes
      - Kharif: 166.39 million tonnes
        - Rabi: 164.53 million tonnes



- 1. Andhra Pradesh Launches 'Talliki Vandanam Scheme' to Provide ₹15,000 for Each School-Going Child (Class I–XII) in 2025-26
- 2. Gujarat Leads Mangrove Afforestation by Covering 19,020 Hectares in 2 Years Under 'MISHTI' Scheme
- 3. MISHTI (Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats & Tangible Incomes) Launch Date: June 5, 2023 (World Environment Day) Ministry: MoEFCC (Environment, Forest & Climate Change) Aim: Expand India's mangrove cover & strengthen coastal livelihoods. Progress:
  19,020 hectares in Gujarat → leading state. Govt's goal: 540 sq. km in 5 years.
- **4.** India's total mangrove cover = 4,992 sq km.(India State of Forest Report 2023)
- 5. PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana
  - crosses 1 million domestic rooftop solar installations, targeting 1 crore households by 2026-27

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- Launch Date: 13 February 2024 by PM Narendra Modi
- Installations: 10.09 lakh (as of 10 March 2025)
- Capacity: 3 GW of rooftop solar (additional 27 GW by March 2027)
- Total Outlay: ₹75,021 Cr
- 6. Under the Annadata Sukhibhava scheme, Andhra Pradesh farmers will get ₹20,000 annually



## 16. Science & Technology

- Centre for Cellular and Molecular Platforms (C-CAMP) an innovation hub by India's Department of Biotechnology and PariSanté Campus (France) – a digital health innovation cluster in France Launch 'Indo French Life Sciences Sister Innovation Hub' Focused on 'One Health' & 'Digital Health Technologies'
- **2.** SpaceX's 3rd Moon-Landing Mission of 2025, 'IM-2', Carries Athena Lander and Drone 'Grace' to Explore Lunar Ice Deposits
- **3.** Bengaluru-based startup Digantara commissions world's 1st commercial space-based surveillance satellite "SCOT"

- SCOT: Space Camera for Object Tracking

- 4. IIT Madras launches 'Bharat Cancer Genome Atlas' with data on 480 breast cancer samples for personalized medicine
- 5. Firefly Aerospace's 'Blue Ghost' Private Lunar Lander Lands on Moon with NASA Payload



**17. Sports & Games** 

#### **ESPORTS**

• Skillhub Online Games Federation (SOGF) and Global Esports Federation (GEF) will host the first-ever Global Esports Tour (GET) in Mumbai from March 15–17, 2025.

#### CRICKET

- 1. India Wins 3rd ICC Champions Trophy (2025) in Dubai
  - **Final Match:** India defeated New Zealand under Rohit Sharma's leadership in the United Arab Emirates (Dubai).
  - India's Overall ICC Titles: 7 total ICC trophies, including 3 Champions Trophy victories (previously in 2002 and 2013).
  - Previous Champions Trophy Wins:
    - 2002 (shared with Sri Lanka under Sourav Ganguly)
    - 2013 (under MS Dhoni)
  - Individual Awards (2025):
    - Player of the Match (Final): Rohit Sharma (India)
    - Player of the Tournament: Rachin Ravindra (New Zealand)
- 2. Rohit Sharma Becomes the Second-Most Successful Indian Captain
  - Second ICC Title for Rohit (after the 2024 T20 World Cup).
  - **Most Successful Indian Captain:** MS Dhoni, with three ICC championships (2007 T20 World Cup, 2011 ODI World Cup, 2013 Champions Trophy).
  - Unique Feat: Rohit is the first captain in international cricket to lead in the final of all four major ICC events.
  - India: First country to win the Champions Trophy three times.
- 3. Virat Kohli Becomes the 7th Indian to Play 300+ ODIs
  - Others above him: Sachin Tendulkar (463), MS Dhoni (347), Rahul Dravid (340), Mohammad Azharuddin (334), Sourav Ganguly (308), Yuvraj Singh (301).
- 4. Steve Smith (Australia) and Mushfiqur Rahim (Bangladesh) Retire from ODI Cricket.
- 5. India Corporate T20 Bash (ICBT20) Launched in Delhi
  - **Features:** 6 Teams.
  - **Brand Ambassador:** Herschelle Gibbs.
- 6. Vidarbha Wins 3rd Ranji Trophy Title (2024–25)
  - Final: Vidarbha defeated Kerala; Danish Malewar was named Man of the Match.
  - **Background:** The Ranji Trophy, started by BCCI in 1934–35, was instituted in honor of K.S. Ranjit Singhji (often called the 'Father of Indian Cricket').

#### BASKETBALL

- 1. India Clinches SABA (South Asian Basketball Association) Women's Championship 2025 Title
  - Score: 107–32 win over the Maldives in New Delhi.
- 2. LeBron James Becomes the First NBA Player to Cross 50,000 Combined Points (Regular Season + Playoffs).

#### KABADDI

- India Clinches the 6th Asian Women's Kabaddi Championship (2025) in Tehran
  - India defeated Iran in the final.
  - India has won 5 out of the 6 editions so far.



#### TENNIS

- 1. Rithvik Bollipalli (India) & Nicolás Barrientos (Colombia)
  - Won the 2025 Chile Open ATP 250 Men's Doubles Title.
- 2. Yuki Bhambri (India) & Alexei Popyrin (Australia)
  - Clinched the Doubles Title at the Dubai Tennis Championships 2025.

#### TABLE TENNIS

- Achanta Sharath Kamal, India's Top Table Tennis Player, Announced Retirement
  - **Major Honors:** Arjuna Award (2004), Padma Shri (2019), Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna (2022).

#### FOOTBALL

- 1. FIFA Bans Pakistan, Russia, and Congo from the 2026 FIFA World Cup
  - Reasons:
    - Pakistan: Administrative issues in the Pakistan Football Federation (PFF).
    - Russia: Geopolitical sanctions.
    - Congo: Third-party interference.
  - Host Nations for 2026: USA, Canada, Mexico (48 teams to participate).
  - FIFA Headquarters: Zurich, Switzerland.
  - **FIFA President:** Gianni Infantino.

#### CHESS

#### 1. Pranav Venkatesh Becomes World Junior Chess Champion 2025

- India's 7th overall World Junior Champion (Open & Girls combined).
- Previous Indian Champions include Viswanathan Anand (1987), Koneru Humpy, Harika Dronavalli, Divya Deshmukh, among others.
- Recent Indian Chess Highlights:
  - D Gukesh, World Champion 2024
  - Aravindh Chithambaram, Prague Masters 2025
- Also Clinches Gold at the "World Junior Open 2025 (U20)" with an unbeaten 9/11 score.
- 2. Indian Grandmaster Pa Iniyan Won the 38th Cannes International Open 2025
  - $\circ$  Defeated V Pranesh in the final round.

#### ATHLETICS

Krishna Jayasankar Broke the Indian Indoor Shot Put Record with a Throw of 16.03m.

#### **MULTI-SPORT EVENTS & SPONSORSHIPS**

- 1. India's 3rd ICC Champions Trophy Victory (noted above under Cricket) no additional duplication, details already included.
- 2. ICC Partners with Unilever for Women's Cricket Sponsorship Through 2027

   Brands involved include Rexona and Dove.
- 3. Khelo India Para Games 2025 Scheduled in New Delhi from March 20–27
  - Competitions across three venues.
  - Haryana topped the previous Khelo India Para Games in 2023.

#### SUMMARY

- Esports : Inaugural Global Esports Tour in Mumbai (Mar 15–17, 2025).
- **Cricket**: India's 3rd Champions Trophy, Rohit Sharma's captaincy record, Virat Kohli's 300+ ODIs, Ranji Trophy, Steve Smith & Mushfiqur Rahim retire, new corporate T20 bash in Delhi.
- Basketball: India wins the SABA Women's Championship; LeBron crosses 50k combined points.

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  - Kabaddi: India secures 6th Asian Women's Kabaddi Championship.
  - **Tennis**: Doubles titles for Rithvik Bollipalli-Nicolás Barrientos and Yuki Bhambri-Alexei Popyrin.
  - Table Tennis: Sharath Kamal announces retirement (Arjuna, Padma Shri, Khel Ratna recipient).
  - Football: FIFA bans Pakistan, Russia, Congo from the 2026 World Cup.
  - Chess: Pranav Venkatesh's World Junior triumph, Pa Iniyan's Cannes Open victory.
  - Athletics: Krishna Jayasankar sets a new indoor shot put record (16.03m).
  - **Sponsorship**: ICC-Unilever deal through 2027.
  - Khelo India Para Games 2025: Scheduled in New Delhi, March 20–27.

**18. Multiple Choice Questions** 

# G.V. Satish (NBCC Director) Sir's Top Picks

- 1. According to the World Bank, how much annual GDP growth does India need to achieve high-income status by 2047?
  - (1)6.5% (2)7.8% (3)8.0% (4)5.9%
- 2. As per NSO data, India's GDP grew by what percentage in October–December 2024? (1)4.2% (2)5.6% (3)6.2% (4)7.0%
- 3. According to the IMF, India's GDP growth is projected at what rate in FY 2025–26? (1)6.5% (2)7.0% (3)5.4% (4)6.0%
- 4. The Indian government's 2nd advance estimate for FY 2024–25 also forecasts what GDP growth percentage?
  - (1)6.0% (2)6.5% (3)7.2% (4)5.8%
- 5. Under PM Mudra Yojana, approximately how much money has been disbursed since April 2015?
  (1)₹31.85 trillion (2)₹25.40 trillion (3)₹15.25 trillion (4)₹10.50 trillion
- 6. In January 2025, what was the highest-ever UPI transaction volume recorded? (1)9.85 billion (2)20.10 billion (3)16.99 billion (4)12.45 billion
- 7. UPI holds what percentage share in India's retail digital payments?
  (1)80% (2)55% (3)65% (4)90%
- 8. What percentage of all credit card spending in India occurs on RuPay?
  (1)20% (2)16% (3)30% (4)12%
- 9. India's FDI equity inflows declined by 6% YoY to \$10.8 billion in which quarter of FY25? (1)Q1 (2)Q2 (3)Q3 (4)Q4
- 10. Which two organizations were upgraded to Navratna CPSE status? (1)IRCTC and IRFC (2)IOCL and BPCL (3)NHAI and PFC (4)REC and ECIL
- 11. How much funding did the Union Government approve for the 1,400 km Arunachal Frontier Highway?
  - (1)₹10,000 crore (2)₹28,000 crore (3)₹42,000 crore (4)₹60,000 crore
- 12. MSMEs contribute what percentage of India's GDP? (1)29% (2)21% (3)33% (4)39%
- 13. The Government imposed a 10% import duty on which item?(1)Wheat (2)Lentils (masoor) (3)Rice (4)Maize
- 14. Which mission, launched under Union Budget 2025–26, aims to digitize India's manuscript heritage?(1)Mission Sahitya (2)Gyan Bharatam Mission (3)Digital Shastra Abhiyan (4)Bharat Pustak Yojana

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- 15. EPFO retained what interest rate for FY 2024–25?
- (1)8.25% (2)7.75% (3)8.10% (4)8.50%
- 16. According to RBI, 98.18% of which denomination of notes have been returned?
  (1)₹500 (2)₹2000 (3)₹100 (4)₹200
- 17. The All-India House Price Index grew by what percentage in Q3 FY25, as per RBI data? (1)2.1% (2)3.1% (3)4.1% (4)5.1%
- 18. RBI announced liquidity measures totaling how much?
  (1)₹1.20 lakh crore (2)₹3.00 lakh crore (3)₹2.10 lakh crore (4)₹1.87 lakh crore
- 19. FM Nirmala Sitharaman introduced a new credit assessment model for MSMEs based on what? (1)Paper documentation (2)Digital footprints (3)Collateral checks (4)Foreign credit ratings
- 20. Which company unveiled its first large language model named "FoxBrain"? (1)Apple (2)Foxconn (3)Google (4)Amazon
- 21. SJVN is developing a 1,800 MW pumped hydro storage project in which state? (1)Maharashtra (2)Chhattisgarh (3)Himachal Pradesh (4)Karnataka
- 22. SEBI launched which free single database portal for corporate bonds?(1)Bond Central (2)Corporate Hub (3)SEBI Bonds Portal (4)Debt Info Central
- 23. Yes Bank scored what rating in sustainability, the highest among Indian banks for the 3rd year? (1)65/100 (2)72/100 (3)80/100 (4)55/100
- 24. SBI is selling its 17.8% stake in Jio Payments Bank to which entity?(1)Reliance Industries (2)Jio Financial Services (3)Paytm (4)Google Pay
- 25. Payment banks in India can accept a maximum deposit of how much?
  (1)₹1 lakh (2)₹10 lakh (3)₹2 lakh (4)₹5 lakh
- 26. HDFC Bank signed an MoU with the Indian Air Force & CSC Academy for which project? (1)Project SAFAL (2)Project HAKK (3)Project VEER (4)Project MISSION
- 27. SIDBI partnered with which company to boost MSME financing for machinery and working capital? (1)Reliance Capital (2)Tata Capital (3)Bajaj Finserv (4)Aditya Birla Finance
- 28. Bank of Baroda introduced which program to enhance CBDC adoption?
  (1)Digital Cashback Program (2)Merchant Loyalty/Cashback Programme (3)BoB Pay Rewards
  (4)Bharat Rewards
- 29. City Union Bank launched a co-branded credit card in partnership with which IPL team?
  (1)Mumbai Indians (2)Royal Challengers Bangalore (3)Chennai Super Kings (4)Kolkata Knight Riders
- 30. iSPIRT formed which association to promote Priority Sector Lending (PSL)?
  (1)Lenders Federation of India (2)Priority Sector Lenders Association of India (PSLAI) (3)PSL
  Alliance (4)India Credit Council (ICC)
- 31. Which bank became the first Indian lender to finance aircraft for Air India's pilot training in Amravati?
  - (1)Axis Bank (2)SBI (3)ICICI Bank (4)HDFC Bank
- 32. Axis Bank partnered with which university, committing ₹104 crore in CSR grants? (1)Delhi University (2)Ashoka University (3)JNU (4)IIT Bombay
- 33. RBI now permits all NBFCs & HFCs to invest in what financial instrument issued by ARCs? (1)Equity shares (2)Security receipts (SRs) (3)Commercial paper (4)Certificates of deposit
- 34. Who took additional charge as Revenue Secretary while serving as Secretary of Economic Affairs? (1)Ajay Seth (2)Tuhin Kanta Pandey (3)Rajiv Gauba (4)Subhash Chandra Garg
- 35. RBI appointed which individual as Executive Director?
  - (1)Nitin Chugh (2)Ajit Ratnakar Joshi (3)Rajeshwar Rao (4)A.K. Dixit
- 36. Bank of India signed an MoU with the Indian Army for which salary package offering coverage up to ₹1 crore?

(1)Veer Salary Package (2)Rakshak Salary Package (3)Sena Salary Package (4)Jai Jawan Package

37. SBI launched which collateral-free digital SME loan product for women entrepreneurs?(1)Uday (2)Shakti (3)Asmita (4)Pragati

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- 38. Which credit rating agency upgraded Union Bank of India and PNB to 'BBB-' Long-Term Issuer Default Rating?
  - (1)Moody's (2)CRISIL (3)Fitch Ratings (4)Standard & Poor's
- 39. RBI will issue new ₹100 & ₹200 notes bearing the signature of which Governor? (1)Shaktikanta Das (2)Urjit Patel (3)Raghuram Rajan (4)Sanjay Malhotra
- 40. Which firm introduced India's first AI-driven WhatsApp-based loan disbursal service? (1)Rupee112 (2)PayLater (3)CredBot (4)LoanBuddy
- 41. Muthoot Microfin won 2 Gold SKOCH Awards 2025 for digital financial inclusion and what else? (1)Housing Finance (2)Micro Insurance (3)Insurance (4)Rural Employment
- 42. Patanjali Ayurved acquired a majority stake in which insurance company? (1)ICICI Lombard (2)Future Generali (3)Magma General Insurance (4)Bajaj Allianz General
- 43. PhonePe launched which campaign offering up to 30% discount on insurance? (1)Insuring HEROES (2)Protect India (3)Insurance Sahay (4)Smart Cover
- 44. Razorpay expanded into which country as its second global market? (1)United Kingdom (2)Malaysia (3)Singapore (4)Canada
- 45. Canara HSBC Life Insurance unveiled which new term insurance plan? (1)SureSecure (2)Promise2Protect (3)LifeCover+ (4)Udayak
- 46. SBI Life Insurance introduced which two child-centric plans?
  (1)Smart Future Star & Smart Platina Young Achiever (2)ChildGrow & ChildSecure (3)Future Care & Platina Protect (4)Young Star & Bright Future
- 47. Niva Bupa Health Insurance launched which product targeting India's 'Missing Middle'? (1)ProtectMax (2)Niva Suraksha (3)Rise (4)Bupa Assist
- 48. Canara HSBC Life Insurance & GIC Housing Finance tied up for which credit-life product? (1)HomeCover+ (2)Smart Secure (3)Group Asset Secure (4)Property Shield
- 49. Which electric vehicle manufacturer is set to open its first India showroom in Mumbai?(1)Rivian (2)Tesla (3)BYD (4)Lucid Motors
- 50. Larsen & Toubro announced which new policy for its women employees?(1)Hybrid Work (2)1-day menstrual leave (3)Extended maternity leave to 12 months (4)6-hour flexible shifts
- 51. Jindal Power acquired which company for ₹500 crore?(1)Bhadreshwar Vidyut (2)Adhunik Power (3)KSK Energy (4)Essar Power
- 52. JSW Energy will acquire a 100% stake in which power company? (1)PTC Energy (2)KSK Mahanadi Power Company Ltd (3)NTPC JV (4)Reliance Power
- 53. Zydus Lifesciences purchased an 85.6% stake in which France-based company for €256.8 million?
  (1)Pierre Fabre (2)Sanofi France (3)Amplitude Surgical (4)Ipsen
- 54. Flipkart cofounder Binny Bansal launched which new startup? (1)TechLeap (2)Opptra (3)NovaKart (4)EdgeX
- 55. PM Suryaghar Muft Bijlee Yojana, launched in Feb 2024, targets how many rooftop solar units by 2027?
  - (1)5 million (2)10 million (3)15 million (4)20 million
- 56. Which fund of ₹1 lakh crore was announced to enhance urban governance & infrastructure?
  (1)Urban Challenge Fund (2)City Development Fund (3)Metropolis Mission Fund (4)Urban Renewal Grant
- 57. Ropeway projects under Parvatmala Pariyojana in Uttarakhand cost how much? (1)₹2,500 crore (2)₹4,800 crore (3)₹6,811 crore (4)₹9,000 crore
- 58. Which new railway zone was approved, making it the 18th zone under Indian Railways?
  (1)East Coast Railway Zone (2)Konkan Railway Zone (3)South Coast Railway Zone (4)Central Coastal Railway Zone
- 59. The revised Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme has a budget of how much? (1)₹2,100 crore (2)₹3,880 crore (3)₹5,000 crore (4)₹6,200 crore
- 60. Revised Passport Rules 2025 mandate birth certificates for those born on or after which date? (1)1 March 2023 (2)1 October 2023 (3)1 January 2024 (4)1 April 2024

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- 61. Which state became the first to have a dedicated satellite named ASSAMSAT?(1)Punjab (2)Odisha (3)Assam (4)West Bengal
- 62. Delhi's Mahila Samridhi Yojana offers how much monthly assistance to eligible women? (1)₹1,000 (2)₹2,500 (3)₹3,000 (4)₹5,000
- 63. Which state launched India's first cattle semen sorting facility at Banas Dairy in Banaskantha? (1)Gujarat (2)Rajasthan (3)Uttar Pradesh (4)Maharashtra
- 64. Himachal Pradesh approved a pilot project for the cultivation of which plant? (1)Saffron (2)Cannabis/Hemp (3)Jute (4)Green Tea
- 65. Madhav National Park in Madhya Pradesh was declared which number Tiger Reserve in India? (1)55th (2)56th (3)58th (4)60th
- 66. India is the world's largest producer, consumer, and importer of which crop? (1)Pulses (2)Wheat (3)Tea (4)Spices
- 67. Which state launched the 'Gosamrudhi' insurance scheme for dairy farmers? (1)Tamil Nadu (2)Kerala (3)Bihar (4)Karnataka
- 68. The "National Convention" by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj aims for at least one what per district?
  (1)Model Smart Village (2)Women-friendly Gram Panchayat (3)Digitalized Panchayat Office
  (4)Solar-powered Panchayat
- 69. India is the 3rd-largest operating metro system globally, with how many km operational in 23 cities? (1)800 km (2)1,000 km (3)1,200 km (4)2,000 km
- 70. A 2,800 km LPG pipeline (Kandla–Gorakhpur) is set to be the world's longest. This pipeline covers which product?

(1)Natural Gas (2)Crude Oil (3)LPG (4)Aviation Fuel

- 71. Which non-personal dataset repository was launched under the IndiaAI Mission?(1)AI Bharat (2)AI Kosha (3)Data Dharma (4)Bhavishya AI
- 72. What is the name of the real-time employment data portal introduced by the government? (1)Prayas (2)Rozgar (3)Kaushal (4)Samriddhi
- 73. MeitY launched which portal for broader Aadhaar authentication initiatives?(1)DigiAadhaar (2)Aadhaar Good Governance (3)eAadhaar Sampark (4)Aadhaar Connect
- 74. India's National Quantum Mission (NQM) has an outlay of how many crore rupees? (1)₹3,500 crore (2)₹4,210 crore (3)₹6,003 crore (4)₹7,500 crore
- 75. Which Union Minister unveiled "One Nation–One Port Process," "Sagar Ankalan," and the "MAITRI" logo?

(1)Nitin Gadkari (2)Sarbananda Sonowal (3)Piyush Goyal (4)Mansukh Mandaviya

- 76. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh became the first to visit which IAF institute in Bengaluru?
  (1)Institute of Aerospace Medicine (2)Air Force Technical College (3)Air Force Station Yelahanka
  (4)Flight Simulation Training Centre
- 77. EAM S. Jaishankar inaugurated a new Indian Consulate in Manchester and what else in the UK?
  (1)India-UK Trade Fair (2)Pravasiya Bharatiya Sahayata Kendra (3)Gandhi Cultural Centre
  (4)Swachh Bharat Overseas Initiative
- 78. At the 97th Academy Awards (Oscars 2025), which film won Best Picture?(1)The Brutalist (2)Emilia Pérez (3)Anora (4)Conclave
- 79. According to the Knight Frank Wealth Report 2025, India ranks which place globally in number of HNWIs?

(1)2nd (2)3rd (3)4th (4)5th

- 80. As per IQAir's World Air Quality Report, India is the \_\_\_\_ most polluted country in 2024. (1)3rd (2)5th (3)7th (4)10th
- 81. Which publication forecasts over half the world's adults will be overweight or obese by 2050?(1)WHO Bulletin (2)The Lancet (3)UNICEF Report (4)UNESCO Study
- 82. Snapchat's 'Digital Well-Being Index (DWBI)' ranks which country highest for the 3rd year in a row?
  - (1)China (2)USA (3)India (4)Brazil
- 83. In Brand Finance Insurance 100 (2025), which company is the 3rd strongest insurance brand globally?

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(1)SBI Life (2)LIC (3)ICICI Prudential (4)HDFC Life

- 84. India ranks 3rd in chip design research (2018–2023), according to which university's study?
  (1)Stanford University (2)Harvard University (3)Georgetown University (4)MIT
- 85. Who became the 11th SEBI Chairman, succeeding Madhabi Puri Buch? (1)Ajay Seth (2)Tuhin Kanta Pandey (3)S. Jaishankar (4)Deepak Parekh
- 86. Dr. Mayank Sharma took over as Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA), succeeding whom?
  - (1)Devika Raghuvanshi (2)K. Srinivasan (3)S. Venkataraman (4)Rajeev Kapoor
- 87. Mark Carney replaced Justin Trudeau to become the \_\_\_\_\_ Prime Minister of Canada. (1)21st (2)22nd (3)24th (4)25th
- 88. Koneru Humpy was named Brand Ambassador of the SOG Grandmaster Series by which federation? (1)All India Chess Federation (2)Skill Online Games Federation (3)Global Gaming Alliance (4)E-Sports India Federation
- 89. Vidya Balan became the first-ever Brand Ambassador of which bank?(1)Federal Bank (2)Canara Bank (3)Kotak Mahindra Bank (4)Union Bank of India
- 90. DRDO unveiled India's hypersonic short-range ballistic missile named what? (1)Agni-Alpha (2)BM-04 (3)Shaurya II (4)Shakti-2
- 91. SIPRI reported Ukraine as the top arms importer at 8.8%, and which country second at 8.3%? (1)Saudi Arabia (2)China (3)India (4)Australia
- 92. 5 virtual coins (XRP, SOL, ADA, Bitcoin, Ether) were chosen for a new US government reserve related to what?

(1)E-Bonds (2)Crypto Reserve (3)Virtual Dollar Scheme (4)Digital Taxation

- 93. PM Modi chaired the 7th National Board for Wildlife meeting at which national park?
  (1)Corbett National Park (2)Gir National Park (3)Kaziranga National Park (4)Ranthambore National Park
- 94. COP16 to the Convention on Biological Diversity will be held in which city? (1)Rome, Italy (2)Paris, France (3)Tokyo, Japan (4)Sydney, Australia
- 95. 'State of India's Environment 2025' by CSE found which year to be the warmest on record? (1)2023 (2)2024 (3)2025 (4)2021
- 96. India granted about \$1 million to Lao PDR under which fund for rice fortification?
  (1)India-UN Development Partnership Fund (2)WHO India Aid Fund (3)UNICEF India Fund
  (4)SAARC Food Security Fund
- 97. India won its 3rd ICC Champions Trophy title in 2025, defeating which team in Dubai?(1)Australia (2)New Zealand (3)England (4)South Africa
- 98. Rohit Sharma became the first captain to lead in the final of all four major events of which organization?

(1)FIFA (2)BCCI (3)ICC (4)IOC

99. Which Indian table tennis legend announced retirement (he is an Arjuna, Padma Shri, and Khel Ratna awardee)?

(1)Sharath Kamal (2)Sathiyan Gnanasekaran (3)Manika Batra (4)Soumyajit Ghosh

100. India clinched the 6th Asian Women's Kabaddi Championship in 2025 by defeating which nation?(1)Pakistan (2)Sri Lanka (3)Iran (4)Japan



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#### Answers Answers March 1 to 15 (MCQs G V Satish picks )

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# తల్లిదండ్రులకు మరియు విద్యార్థులకు ముఖ్య గమనిక

ఇటీవల కొందరు విద్యాద్ధులు సరియైన విచారణ చెయ్యకుండా ఎదో ఒక Coaching Institute లో Join అయ్యి, అక్కడ కూర్చోవడానికి కనీసం Benches కూడా లేవని, ఏ ఒక్క Subject కూడా సరిగ్గా Explain చెయ్యరని, Teachers వారి వద్దనున్న Answers Screen పై చూపించి చదువుతున్నారని, ఏదైనా ఒక సందేహం వస్తే Class లో అడిగె అవకాశమే లేదని, teacher ఒక Shed లో వుండి విద్యాద్ధులు మరొక shed లో కూర్చొని ఒక Radio లో Answers వింటున్నట్లుగా ఉందని, Teachers కనీసం విద్యాద్ధుల ముఖము కూడా చూడకుండా Answers చదువుతున్నారని, అక్కడ Coaching సరిగ్గా లేదని, పెరే ఏదైనా మంచి Coaching Center లో Join అవుదామని, Nandyal Banking Coaching Center వద్దకు వచ్చి Fees లో రాయితీ ఇవ్వమని మనవి చేస్తున్నారు. ఇది మాకు చాలా భారంగా ఉంది .

కనుక తల్లిదండ్రులు విద్యార్థులను ఏ Coching Institute లో సైన చేర్పించే ముందు అన్ని విషయాలు (Digital Class, Benches, Faculty Qualification, Class లో doubt అడిగే అవకాశం.....) విచారించి సరియైన Coaching Institute ఐన Nandyal Banking Coaching Center లో చేర్పించవలసినదిగా కోరుచున్నాము.

ఇట్లు G V Satish (SBI PO, Interview Panel Member) Director NBCC

## ತಂದೆ - ತಾಯಿ ಮತ್ತು ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಸೂಚನೆ

ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ಕೆಲವು ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಸರಿಯಾದ ವಿಚಾರಣೆ ಮಾಡದೆ ಯಾವದೋ ಒಂದು Coaching Institute ನಲ್ಲಿ join ಆಗಿ , ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಕುಳಿತುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ Bench ಗಳೂ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ,ಯಾವುದೇ ಒಂದು Subject ಅನ್ನೂ ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ explain ಮಾಡುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು,ಅಲ್ಲಿ Teachers ಅವರ ಕಡೆ ಇರುವ Answers ಅನ್ನೂ screen ಮೇಲೆ ತೋರಿಸಿ ಸುಮ್ಮನೆ ಓದುತ್ತಾರೆ ಎಂದು, ಯಾವುದೇ ಒಂದು ಸಂದೇಹ ಬಂದರೆ class ನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೇಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶವೇ ಇಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು, Teacher ಒಂದು shed ನಲ್ಲಿ ಇದ್ದು ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಇನ್ನೊಂದು shed ನಲ್ಲಿ ಕುಳಿತುಕೊಂಡು ಒಂದು Radio ದಲ್ಲಿ Answers ಕೇಳಿದ ಹಾಗೆ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ ಎಂದು, Teachers ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಮುಖವನ್ನೂ ನೋಡದೆ Answers ಓದುತ್ತಾರೆ ಎಂದು,ಅಲ್ಲಿ Coaching ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ ಇಲ್ಲವೆಂದು, ಬೇರೆ ಯಾವುದಾದರು ಒಳ್ಳೆಯ Coaching Institute ನಲ್ಲಿ join ಆಗಬೇಕೆಂದು NBCC ಕಡೆಗೆ ಬಂದು Fees ನಲ್ಲಿ ರಿಯಾಯಿತಿ ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಮನವಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದು ನಮಗೆ ತುಂಬಾ ಭಾರವೆನಿಸುತ್ತಿದೆ.

ಅದಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ತಂದೆ-ತಾಯಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ಯಾವುದೇ Coaching Institute ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇರಿಸುವ ಮುನ್ನ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ವಿಷಯಗಳನ್ನು (Digital Class, Benches, Faculty Qualification, Class ನಲ್ಲಿ doubt ಕೇಳುವ ಅವಕಾಶ......) ವಿಚಾರಿಸಿ ಸರಿಯಾದ Coaching Institute ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇರಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದು ಮನವಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

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- 1. According to the IMF, India's GDP growth for FY 2025–26 is projected at: (1)5.0% (2)5.5% (3)6.0% (4)6.5%
- 2. As per RBI data, which city recorded the highest growth (8.1%) in the All-India House Price Index (HPI) for Q3 FY25?
  - (1)Mumbai (2)Kolkata (3)Kanpur (4)Delhi
- 3. What is the maximum deposit limit allowed for Payment Banks in India? (1)₹50,000 (2)₹1 lakh (3)₹2 lakh (4)₹10 lakh
- 4. Which Yojana has disbursed ₹31.85 trillion since April 2015 to support micro and small enterprises? (1)PM Jan Dhan Yojana (2)PM Mudra Yojana (3)Stand-Up India (4)Start-up India
- 5. Which two Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) were recently upgraded to Navratna status? (1)IRCON and IRCTC (2)IRCTC and IRFC (3)IRFC and ONGC (4)BHEL and SAIL
- 6. India's share of Dubai's total FDI inflows in 2024 (making it Dubai's top FDI source) was: (1)10.5% (2)17.6% (3)21.5% (4)28.3%
- 7. Which government portal aims to offer a free, single-point database for corporate bonds? (1)Bond Market One (2)Bond Central (3)CorporateBondIndia (4)SebiBond Portal
- 8. Which bank scored the highest in sustainability among Indian banks, as per S&P Global CSA and Carbon Disclosure Project?
  - (1)SBI (2)ICICI Bank (3)Yes Bank (4)HDFC Bank
- 9. Which bank introduced the 'Asmita' collateral-free digital SME loan product for women entrepreneurs?
  - (1)SBI (2)Bank of Baroda (3)Axis Bank (4)Punjab National Bank
- 10. Under the Union Budget 2025–26, the "Gyan Bharatam Mission" was launched primarily to:
  (1)Digitize & preserve India's manuscript heritage (2)Provide universal primary education (3)Launch AI-based education apps (4)Fund new engineering colleges
- 11. Which bank signed an MoU with the Indian Army for the 'Rakshak Salary Package', offering accidental insurance cover up to ₹1 crore?

(1)Bank of India (2)Union Bank of India (3)Indian Bank (4)Axis Bank

- 12. Which rating agency upgraded the Long-Term Issuer Default Rating (IDR) of Union Bank of India and PNB to 'BBB-'?
  - (1)Moody's (2)Fitch Ratings (3)CRISIL (4)Standard & Poor's
- 13. "FoxBrain" is the first Large Language Model launched by: (1)Google (2)Microsoft (3)Foxconn (4)Apple
- 14. Which private lender became the first Indian bank to finance aircraft for Air India's pilot training facility in Amravati?

(1)Axis Bank (2)ICICI Bank (3)Kotak Mahindra Bank (4)Federal Bank

- 15. Which initiative by HDFC Bank supports Indian Air Force veterans and their families? (1)Project Asmita (2)Project NAMAN (3)Project HAKK (4)Project Avenger
- 16. As per the World Bank, India needs which annual GDP growth to achieve high-income status by 2047?

(1)6.5% (2)7.2% (3)7.8% (4)8.2%

17. According to NSO data, India's GDP grew at what rate in Q3 FY 2024–25 (October–December 2024)?

(1)5.6% (2)6.0% (3)6.2% (4)6.8%

- 18. The Indian government's 2nd advance estimate for GDP growth in FY 2024–25 stands at: (1)5.9% (2)6.3% (3)6.5% (4)7.0%
- 19. Which figure best represents the highest-ever monthly UPI transaction volume in January 2025?
  (1)10.5 billion transactions (2)14.2 billion transactions (3)16.99 billion transactions (4)19.8 billion transactions
- 20. What percentage of all credit card spending in India (as per recent data) takes place on the RuPay network?

(1)8% (2)16% (3)25% (4)32%

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- 21. Approximately what share of RuPay credit card transactions occur via 'Credit on UPI'? (1)20% (2)30% (3)~50% (4)~75%
- 22. India's FDI equity inflows dropped year-on-year by what percentage in Q3 FY25? (1)2% (2)6% (3)10% (4)12%
- 23. In Q3 FY25, which two sectors were the top recipients of India's FDI equity inflows?
  (1)Automobile & Pharma (2)Services & Computer Hardware (3)Telecom & FMCG (4)Aviation & Real Estate
- 24. What was the total value of India's FDI equity inflows in Q3 FY25, after a 6% YoY drop? (1)\$8.2 billion (2)\$10.8 billion (3)\$12.5 billion (4)\$14.7 billion
- 25. Which highway project, worth ₹42,000 crore, was approved to improve connectivity along the India–China border in 12 districts of Arunachal Pradesh?
  (1)Brahmaputra Expressway (2)Arunachal Frontier Highway (3)Trans-Himalayan Corridor (4)Northeast Border Expressway
- 26. Which Indian state has Itanagar as its capital, Pema Khandu as Chief Minister, and Lt. Gen. Kaiwalya Trivikram Parnaik as Governor?
  - (1)Assam (2)Arunachal Pradesh (3)Manipur (4)Meghalaya
- 27. What percentage of India's GDP is contributed by the MSME sector, according to the given data? (1)10% (2)29% (3)36% (4)46%
- 28. MSMEs account for what percentage of India's total exports? (1)29% (2)36% (3)40% (4)46%
- 29. The Indian government imposed a 10% import duty on which product, while extending duty-free status for yellow peas until May 31, 2025?
  - (1)Wheat (2)Lentils (Masoor) (3)Corn (4)Soybeans
- 30. In 2024, the EPF interest rate (8.25%) was the highest in how many years?(1)2 years (2)3 years (3)5 years (4)7 years
- 31. According to RBI, what percentage of ₹2000 notes have been returned since their withdrawal announcement?
  - $(1)90.2\% \ (2)92.5\% \ (3)98.18\% \ (4)99.7\%$
- 32. How much value (in ₹) of the ₹2000 notes remains with the public, as per the latest RBI data? (1)₹2,500 crore (2)₹4,200 crore (3)₹6,471 crore (4)₹10,000 crore
- 33. Which city reported the lowest growth (0.1%) in the All-India House Price Index for Q3 FY25?(1)Kolkata (2)Kanpur (3)Bengaluru (4)Pune
- 34. Which institution announced liquidity measures totaling ₹1.87 lakh crore through OMO purchases and a USD/INR buy/sell swap auction worth ₹87,000 crore?
  (1)NABARD (2)RBI (3)SEBI (4)EXIM Bank
- 35. Until which date has duty-free yellow pea import been extended by the Indian government? (1)March 31, 2025 (2)April 30, 2025 (3)May 31, 2025 (4)June 30, 2025
- 36. Who announced a new credit assessment model for MSMEs using digital footprints to evaluate their creditworthiness?(1)Prime Minister Narendra Modi (2)RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra (3)Finance Minister Nirmala

(1)Prime Minister Narendra Modi (2)RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra (3)Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman (4)NITI Aayog Vice Chairperson

- 37. SJVN is developing a 1,800 MW Pumped Hydro Storage Project in which Indian state?(1)Madhya Pradesh (2)Odisha (3)Chhattisgarh (4)Maharashtra
- 38. Which bank launched the 'Merchant Loyalty/Cashback Programme' pilot project to boost CBDC adoption via programmable rewards?
  - (1)HDFC Bank (2)Axis Bank (3)Bank of Baroda (4)Punjab National Bank
- 39. Which public-sector bank introduced the "Global Women NRE & NRO Savings Account," claiming it as a first-of-its-kind offering for women NRIs?
- (1)Bank of India (2)Punjab National Bank (3)Bank of Baroda (4)Union Bank of India
  40. Which bank partnered with Chennai Super Kings to launch a co-branded credit card in three variants?
  (1)City Union Bank (2)Indian Bank (3)Federal Bank (4)IDFC FIRST Bank

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41. Under PM Suryaghar Muft Bijlee Yojana, what is the subsidy amount for installing a 3 KW rooftop solar system?

(1)Up to ₹50,000 (2)Up to ₹78,000 (3)Up to ₹1,00,000 (4)Up to ₹25,000

- 42. Which of the following statements is true about the Urban Challenge Fund announced by PM Modi?
  (1)It has an outlay of ₹1 lakh crore for rural development. (2)It aims to enhance urban governance and infrastructure. (3)It allocates ₹5,000 crore for AI-driven education & research. (4)It is exclusively for women-led startups in agriculture.
- 43. The National Gene Bank announced by PM Modi primarily serves which purpose?
  (1)Preserving plant genetic resources (2)Storing nuclear waste (3)Banking services for farmers (4)Genetic modification of livestock
- 44. Which new railway zone was approved by the Cabinet and became India's 18th Railway Zone?
  (1)North Western Railway Zone
  (2)South Coast Railway Zone
  (3)West Central Railway Zone
  (4)East Coast Railway Zone
- 45. Under the Revised Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP), which new component has been introduced?

(1)Pashu Poshan (2)Pashu Aushadhi (3)Gau Raksha (4)Gau Doot

- 46. According to the Indian Passport Document Rule 2025, which document is mandatory as proof of Date of Birth for those born on or after 1 October 2023?
  (1) And hear Court (2) School Leaving Court Forth Court Forth Court (4) DAN Court
  - (1)Aadhaar Card (2)School Leaving Certificate (3)Birth Certificate (4)PAN Card
- 47. In the new passport rules, which address-related change has been made?(1)Only office address will be printed (2)Residential address is removed from the passport booklet(3)Both permanent and temporary addresses are printed (4)Two addresses can be included upon request
- 48. Which colour passport is issued to diplomats as per the revised rules?(1)Blue (2)Red (3)White (4)Green
- 49. ASSAMSAT, India's first dedicated state satellite, was launched by which state government in collaboration with IN-SPACe and ISRO?

(1)Kerala (2)Assam (3)Gujarat (4)Maharashtra

- 50. The state of Bihar has recently announced 33% reservation for women in which sector?(1)Banking jobs (2)Industrial sector (3)Teaching positions (4)State transport jobs
- 51. The Mahila Samridhi Yojana, providing ₹2,500 monthly financial assistance to eligible women, was approved by which state's Cabinet?
  (1) Purish (2) Dalhi (2) Harmon (4) Utter Prodech

(1)Punjab (2)Delhi (3)Haryana (4)Uttar Pradesh

- 52. Which state inaugurated India's first cattle semen sorting facility at Banas Dairy, Banaskantha? (1)Rajasthan (2)Gujarat (3)Maharashtra (4)Punjab
- 53. The AI-powered solar manufacturing line at Goldi Solar, Surat, was launched by which Union Minister?

(1)Nirmala Sitharaman (2)Mansukh Mandaviya (3)Piyush Goyal (4)Pralhad Joshi

- 54. Himachal Pradesh's pilot project for Cannabis/Hemp cultivation involves which universities? (1)Chandigarh University and Punjab Agricultural University (2)Chaudhary Charan Singh University and Dr. Y.S. Parmar University (3)Chaudhary Sarwan Kumar Agriculture University, Palampur, and Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture, Nauni (4)Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) and Jawaharlal Nehru University
- 55. The 'Gosamrudhi' Insurance Scheme for dairy farmers was launched in which district of Kerala? (1)Kollam (2)Ernakulam (3)Wayanad (4)Thrissur
- 56. Madhav National Park has been declared India's 58th Tiger Reserve. In which state is it located? (1)Rajasthan (2)Maharashtra (3)Karnataka (4)Madhya Pradesh
- 57. Which state launched a state-level operation against drug smuggling called "Yudh Nasheyan Virudh"?

(1)Haryana (2)Punjab (3)Uttar Pradesh (4)West Bengal

58. Project Hifazat, aiming to safeguard women and children via the '181' helpline, was launched by which state?

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(1)Punjab (2)Delhi (3)Odisha (4)Telangana

- 59. Digital Tree Aadhaar, using QR codes for geo-tagged tree data, is an initiative of which state? (1)Kerala (2)Tamil Nadu (3)Telangana (4)Karnataka
- 60. Mukhyamantri Balika Samridhi Yojana and Mukhyamantri Kanya Atmanirbhar Yojana, focusing on girl-child empowerment, belong to which state?

(1)Tripura (2)Assam (3)Gujarat (4)Rajasthan

61. Which state approved financial support up to ₹2 lakh for single women under Mukhyamantri Ekal Mahila Swarozgar Yojana?

(1)Chhattisgarh (2)Uttarakhand (3)Madhya Pradesh (4)Himachal Pradesh

62. The Unified Pension Scheme (UPS), adopted by Uttarakhand, aligns with which government's pension initiative?

(1)The US Government's 401(k) (2)The European Union Pension Model (3)The Central Government's pension initiative (4)The World Bank's micro-pension initiative

- 63. As of 2024, India's total solar capacity stands at approximately: (1)50 GW (2)112 GW (3)212 GW (4)300 GW
- 64. India is the largest producer, consumer, and importer of which agricultural product? (1)Pulses (2)Wheat (3)Sugarcane (4)Rice
- 65. Till which date has duty-free import of Urad been extended?(1)March 2024 (2)March 2026 (3)December 2025 (4)December 2026
- 66. The Mission for Cotton Productivity aims to boost India's low average yield of around 450 kg/hectare compared to the global average of over:

(1)600 kg/hectare (2)700 kg/hectare (3)800 kg/hectare (4)1,000 kg/hectare

- 67. India's First River Dolphin Population Survey found how many Gangetic Dolphins in the country? (1)2,397 (2)5,500 (3)6,324 (4)10,124
- 68. Which state was found to have the highest population of these Gangetic Dolphins?(1)Bihar (2)Uttar Pradesh (3)West Bengal (4)Assam
- 69. The 'Vantara' Wildlife Rescue & Conservation Center was inaugurated in which city? (1)Jamnagar (2)Varanasi (3)Hyderabad (4)Bengaluru
- 70. The 'Prani Mitra' National Award was conferred on which organization under the Vantara initiative?
  (1)Blue Cross of India (2)Wildlife Trust of India (3)People for Animals (4)Krishna Temple Elephant Welfare Trust
- 71. Human Milk Bank 'Payodhi' was launched by which institution?(1)PGIMER Chandigarh (2)AIIMS New Delhi (3)Fortis Hospital, Delhi (4)JIPMER Puducherry
- 72. India's National Health Policy has achieved an MMR of 100 (deaths per 1,00,000 live births). By what percentage did the MMR decline from 1990–2020?
  (1)50% (2)66% (3)83% (4)90%
- 73. The "National Convention" by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj in March 2025 aims to establish at least one Model Women-Friendly Gram Panchayat per:
  (1)State (2)District (3)Block (4)Village
- 74. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister for Labour & Employment, announced the launch of:
  (1)e-Shram microsites and Occupational Shortage Index (2)Mid-Day Meal scheme for unorganized workers (3)National Drone Policy for agriculture (4)NREGA-based micro-loans
- 75. NITI Aayog in partnership with the India SME Forum launched the initiative "A Million Women Arise" to empower:

(1)Women in rural healthcare (2)Women entrepreneurs (3)Women in the Indian Police Services (4)Women in the armed forces

76. Which of the following is not one of the six women whose social media accounts were handed over by PM Modi on International Women's Day 2025?
(1) Vairbali Parroalt also (Chang Crandwarter). (2) Anita Dari ("Markur and Lador of Dihar"). (2) Eline

(1)Vaishali Rameshbabu (Chess Grandmaster) (2)Anita Devi ("Mushroom Lady of Bihar") (3)Elina Mishra (Scientist) (4)Hima Das (Indian sprinter)

77. India is set to become the world's 3rd-largest operating metro system, surpassing which city by December 2025?

(1)London (2)New York (3)Tokyo (4)Shanghai

- 78. Which was India's first city to have a Metro line (inaugurated in 1984)?(1)Delhi (2)Kolkata (3)Chennai (4)Mumbai
- 79. Delhi Metro's Magenta Line is known for being India's first:(1)Underground metro (2)Driverless metro (3)Underwater metro (4)Double-decker metro
- 80. Which Indian city launched the country's first Water Metro in December 2021?(1)Mumbai (2)Visakhapatnam (3)Kochi (4)Goa
- 81. By June 2025, India aims to complete the world's longest LPG pipeline, from Kandla to Gorakhpur. How long is it?
  - (1)2,000 km (2)2,400 km (3)2,800 km (4)3,200 km
- 82. AI Kosha is a repository of what type of datasets for AI model development? (1)Personal data (2)Non-personal datasets (3)Industrial design patents (4)Historical archives
- 83. Under the IndiaAI Mission, the outlay for AI development is:
  (1)₹2,500 crore (2)₹75,021 crore (3)₹10,370 crore (4)₹1 lakh crore
- 84. The new real-time employment data portal launched by the government is called: (1)Prayaas (2)Prayas (3)Prakash (4)Pragati
- 85. Meit Y's "Aadhaar Good Governance" Portal (swik.meity.gov.in) was launched after rules were amended to enable:

(1)Wider Aadhaar authentication (2)Faster passport issuance (3)Mandatory Aadhaar for all bank transactions (4)New driving license format

- 86. The Department of Posts has launched which system for a geo-coded, interoperable addressing mechanism?
  - (1)PostID (2)Digital Address Code (3)ePost Locator (4)Bharat GeoCode
- 87. India's National Quantum Mission (NQM) has a budget outlay of:
  (1)₹1,000 crore (2)₹2,500 crore (3)₹6,003 crore (4)₹10,370 crore
- 88. INOX India Limited (INOXCVA) is the first Indian Cryogenic Equipment Manufacturer to achieve which certification?
  - (1)ISRO Quality Seal (2)IATF 16949 (3)NASA Supplier Accreditation (4)CE Marking
- 89. Under One Nation–One Port Process, announced by Sarbananda Sonowal, which application helps operationalize the Virtual Trade Corridor between India and the UAE?
  (1)PRASHASAN (2)SAMBHAV (3)MAITRI (4)SAGARMALA
- 90. "India Maritime Week" will be celebrated in Mumbai during:
  (1)5–9 July 2025 (2)10–14 January 2025 (3)1–5 June 2025 (4)27–31 October 2025
- 91. Rajnath Singh became the first Defence Minister to visit which Indian Air Force institution?
  (1)Air Force Station Hindan (2)Institute of Aerospace Medicine, Bengaluru (3)Air Force Technical College, Jalahalli (4)College of Air Warfare, Secunderabad
- 92. The new Indian Consulate in Manchester and the "Pravasiya Bharatiya Sahayata Kendra" in the UK were inaugurated by:
  - (1)Rajnath Singh (2)Amit Shah (3)S. Jaishankar (4)Nirmala Sitharaman

93. Vidhi Pragati is a National IP Moot Court Competition on:
(1)Traditional Knowledge Rights (2)Artificial Intelligence and Copyright (3)Space Law and Satellite Patents (4)Trade Secrets in Pharmaceuticals

- 94. The winners of Vidhi Pragati Moot Court Competition were from:
  (1)National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bangalore (2)National Law University, Jodhpur (3)West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), Kolkata (4)Hidayatullah National Law University (HNLU), Raipur
- 95. 5th 'Lineman Diwas' was organized on the theme "Seva, Suraksha, Swabhiman" by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in collaboration with:
  (1)Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd (2)BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd (3)Reliance Power (4)Adani Transmission
- 96. Which state's New Excise Policy 2025 was approved alongside the Unified Pension Scheme? (1)Madhya Pradesh (2)Uttarakhand (3)Andhra Pradesh (4)Chhattisgarh

97. Who is the Governor of Uttarakhand? (1) Anandiben Patel (2) Kiran Bedi (3) Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh (4) Baby Rani Maurya 98. Which state has two capitals: Dehradun and Gairsain? (1)Jammu & Kashmir (2)Assam (3)Uttarakhand (4)Himachal Pradesh 99. Which of the following statements is true regarding pulses in India? (1)India is the second-largest producer of pulses globally. (2)India neither imports nor exports pulses. (3)India is the largest producer, consumer, and importer of pulses. (4)Pulses are not consumed in India on a large scale. 100. What is the name of the Human Milk Bank launched by AIIMS New Delhi? (1)Prayaas (2)Pushti (3)Payodhi (4)Prerna 101. Which country received approximately USD 1 million from India via the India-UN Development Partnership Fund for the Rice Fortification Project? (1)Thailand (2)Lao PDR (3)Indonesia (4)Cambodia 102. India renewed a USD 75 billion Bilateral Currency Swap Arrangement (BSA) with which nation to strengthen financial cooperation? (1)Japan (2)United States (3)Germany (4)France 103. Which institution set up a USD 250 million 'Climate Investment Fund' focusing on green shipping? (1)IFC (Private arm of World Bank) (2)IMF (3)ADB (4)AIIB 104. What is the corpus of the Maritime Development Fund mentioned alongside the USD 250 million **Climate Investment Fund?** (1)₹15,000 crore (2)₹25,000 crore (3)₹35,000 crore (4)₹45,000 crore 105. Who was appointed as the new Executive Director of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)? (1)N. Chandrasekaran (2)Tuhin Kanta Pandey (3)Ajit Ratnakar Joshi (4)S. Venkata Mohan 106. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Ratan Tata Endowment Foundation (RTEF)? (1)T. V. Narendran (2)N. Chandrasekaran (3)Ratan Tata (4)Ajay Piramal 107. Tuhin Kanta Pandey has been appointed as the \_\_\_\_ Chairman of SEBI, succeeding Madhabi Puri Buch. (1)9th (2)10th (3)11th (4)12th 108. Which city is home to CSIR-NEERI, whose new Director is S. Venkata Mohan? (1)Nagpur (2)Pune (3)Mumbai (4)Bhopal 109. Manan Kumar Mishra has been re-elected as Chairman of the Bar Council of India (BCI) for a historic term. (1)5th (2)6th (3)7th (4)8th 110. Who succeeded Devika Raghuvanshi as Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA)? (1)Tuhin Kanta Pandey (2)Dr Mayank Sharma (3)Sumant Kathpalia (4)Ajay Bhadoo 111. Who became India's first female Law Secretary, replacing Niten Chandra? (1)Anju Rathi Rana (2)Devika Raghuvanshi (3)Sakshi Dhoni (4)Vidya Balan 112. Sumant Kathpalia, who received only a 1-year extension as MD & CEO, is associated with which bank? (1)HDFC Bank (2)IndusInd Bank (3)Yes Bank (4)Axis Bank 113. Which person has taken charge as Chairman & Managing Director of HPCL (Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited)? (1) Ajav Bhadoo (2) Tuhin Kanta Pandey (3) Vikas Kaushal (4) Himanshu Pathak 114. Who succeeded interim DG Stanford Blade to become Director-General of ICRISAT? (1)Himanshu Pathak (2)Anju Rathi Rana (3)S. Venkata Mohan (4)Atul Kumar Goel 115. Which judge has been appointed to the Supreme Court and is set to become Chief Justice of India for 4 months in 2031? (1)Justice Joymalya Bagchi (2)Justice Surya Kant (3)Justice D. Y. Chandrachud (4)Justice Vikram Nath 116. Who has become the CEO of Indian Banks' Association, succeeding Sunil Mehta? (1)Himanshu Pathak (2)V. G. Kannan (3)Atul Kumar Goel (4)Nitin Kamath 117. Ajay Bhadoo has been appointed as CEO of which government platform?

## (1)GeM (Government e-Marketplace) (2)MyGov (3)DigiLocker (4)eNAM 118. Badra Gunba has won the Presidential elections in which breakaway region? (1)Abkhazia (2)Transnistria (3)Catalonia (4)Nagorno-Karabakh 119. Mark Carney, a former central bank governor in Canada and England, will replace which person as the 24th Prime Minister of Canada? (1)Boris Johnson (2)Justin Trudeau (3)Stephen Harper (4)Rishi Sunak 120. Takashi Nakajima has been named the new President & CEO of which car manufacturer in India, effective April 1, 2025? (1)Toyota (2)Honda Cars India (3)Nissan (4)Suzuki 121. Koneru Humpy was appointed as the Brand Ambassador of the SOG Grand master Series by which federation? (1)Skill Online Games Federation (SOGF) (2)Global Esports Federation (GEF) (3)All India Chess

- Federation (4)World Chess Federation 122. Which cricketer has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador for MRF Tyres? (1)Virat Kohli (2)Shubman Gill (3)Rohit Sharma (4)MS Dhoni
- 123. Which couple has been appointed as the Brand Ambassadors for Garnier Black Naturals?
  (1)Virat Kohli & Anushka Sharma (2)MS Dhoni & Sakshi Dhoni (3)Vicky Kaushal & Katrina Kaif (4)Saif Ali Khan & Kareena Kapoor
- 124. Vidya Balan has become the first-ever Brand Ambassador of which bank? (1)Federal Bank (2)ICICI Bank (3)Kotak Mahindra Bank (4)Canara Bank
- 125. Which singer-actor has been appointed as the Global Ambassador of Levi's? (1)Badshah (2)Diljit Dosanjh (3)Guru Randhawa (4)Harrdy Sandhu
- 126. Which badminton star has invested in Naarica (a menstrual hygiene brand) and is also serving as its Strategic Partner & Brand Ambassador?
- (1)PV Sindhu (2)Saina Nehwal (3)Ashwini Ponnappa (4)Jwala Gutta 127. Salman Khan has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador for which product of GRM Overseas
  - Limited? (1)10X Basmati Rice (2)10X Classic Chakki Fresh Atta (3)10X Instant Dosa Mix (4)10X
- Multigrain Atta 128. Which comedian hosted the 97th Academy Awards (Oscars) in 2025? (1)Jimmy Kimmel (2)Ellen DeGeneres (3)Conan O'Brien (4)Trevor Noah
- 129. Which film won the Best Picture award at the 97th Academy Awards (Oscars) 2025?
  (1)The Brutalist (2)Emilia Pérez (3)Flow (4)Anora
- 130. Sean Baker won the Oscar for Best Director in 2025 for directing which film?(1)Conclave (2)Anora (3)Flow (4)The Brutalist
- 131. Who won the Best Actress award at the 97th Academy Awards for the movie 'Anora'? (1)Mikey Madison (2)Zoe Saldaña (3)Nicole Kidman (4)Rachel Zegler
- 132. Adrien Brody won the 2025 Best Actor Oscar for his performance in which film?(1)Emilia Pérez (2)The Brutalist (3)A Real Pain (4)Dune: Part Two
- 133. Which actress won the Best Supporting Actress Oscar for her role in 'Emilia Pérez'? (1)Margot Robbie (2)Rooney Mara (3)Zoe Saldaña (4)Penélope Cruz
- 134. Kieran Culkin won Best Supporting Actor for his role in which 2025 Oscar-nominated movie? (1)Conclave (2)Emilia Pérez (3)A Real Pain (4)Anora
- 135. Which song from the film 'Emilia Pérez' won the Oscar for Best Original Song?(1)"El Mal" (2)"Amor de Luz" (3)"Caminos" (4)"Tiempo"
- 136. Which documentary short won the Oscar for Best Documentary Short in 2025?
  (1)"No Other Land" (2)"In the Shadow of the Cypress" (3)"The Only Girl in the Orchestra"
  (4)"T'm Not a Robot"
- 137. Which documentary feature won the Oscar for Best Documentary Feature in 2025?(1) "I'm Still Here" (2) "No Other Land" (3) "Flow" (4) "Conclave"
- 138. Which animated short won the Oscar for Best Animated Short at the 97th Academy Awards? (1) "Flow" (2) "I'm Not a Robot" (3) "No Other Land" (4) "In the Shadow of the Cypress"

#### NANDYAL BANKING COACHING CE CC NGO's Colony, Nandyal - 518501 139. Which film won the Oscar for Best Animated Feature in 2025? (1)Dune: Part Two (2)Flow (3)Conclave (4)A Real Pain 140. The Oscar for Best Original Screenplay in 2025 was awarded to Sean Baker for which film? (1)The Brutalist (2)Anora (3)Emilia Pérez (4)Conclave 141. Who won the 2025 Oscar for Best Adapted Screenplay for 'Conclave'? (1)Peter Straughan (2)Sean Baker (3)Greta Gerwig (4)Taika Waititi 142. Which country's film "I'm Still Here" won the Best International Feature at the 97th Academy Awards? (1)Brazil (2)India (3)Mexico (4)Italy 143. Which movie's visual effects team (Namit Malhotra's DNEG) won the Oscar for Best Visual Effects, marking their 8th Oscar? (1)Dune: Part Two (2)Flow (3)The Brutalist (4)Emilia Pérez 144. Which film won the 2025 Oscar for Best Cinematography? (1) A Real Pain (2) The Brutalist (3) Flow (4) Anora 145. Which film won the Oscar for Best Live Action Short in 2025? (1)I'm Not a Robot (2)In the Shadow of the Cypress (3)No Other Land (4)El Mal 146. Which film won the Oscar for Best Sound in 2025? (1)Flow (2)Emilia Pérez (3)Dune: Part Two (4)Conclave 147. Which filmmaker tied Walt Disney's record for 'most Oscars won by an individual in 4 categories' at the 97th Academy Awards? (1)Steven Spielberg (2)Sean Baker (3)James Cameron (4)Martin Scorsese 148. The 8th Visitor's Awards were presented by President Droupadi Murmu in how many categories? (1)One (2)Two (3)Three (4)Four 149. Which professor from BHU was honored in the 'Innovation' category at the 8th Visitor's Awards for Ouantum Tech? (1)Prof. Saripella Srikrishna (2)Prof. Ashwini Kumar Nangia (3)Prof. Rina Chakrabarti (4)Prof. Raj Kumar 150. Who received the 'Icon of Excellence' award at Forbes India Leadership Awards 2025? (1)Jay Shah (2)Tuhin Kanta Pandey (3)Gautam Adani (4)Mukesh Ambani 151. Which founder & CEO won the EY Entrepreneur of the Year 2024? (1)Vijay Shekhar Sharma (Paytm) (2)Ritesh Agarwal (OYO) (3)Nithin Kamath (Zerodha) (4)Byju Raveendran (Byju's) 152. The 2025 Pritzker Architecture Prize was awarded to which Chinese architect? (1)Liu Jiakun (2)Ma Yansong (3)Wang Shu (4)Zhang Yonghe 153. PM Narendra Modi was awarded which honor by Barbados? (1)Honorary Order of Freedom of Barbados (2)Honorary Knight Commander of Barbados (3)Padma Vibhushan of Barbados (4)Bharat Ratna of Barbados 154. Uma Sharma was conferred with a National Award at the 5th BRICS CCI Annual Summit 2025, whose theme was \_\_\_\_? (1)"Women Changemakers: Transforming the World, Shaping the Future" (2)"BRICS Beyond Boundaries" (3)"Collaboration for Growth" (4)"Towards Global Harmony" 155. Which country holds the BRICS Chairmanship in 2025? (1)Russia (2)India (3)South Africa (4)Brazil 156. Dr Suborno Bose (Chairman of IIHM) was honored with 'Lifetime Achievement in Hospitality and Education Through Technology' at which summit? (1)Vibrant Bharat Global Summit 2025 (2)India Economic Summit (3)Global Skills Summit (4)UNESCO Education Forum 157. Andrew G. Barto and Richard S. Sutton won the ACM A.M. Turing Award 2024 for their work in what field? (1)Quantum Computing (2)Reinforcement Learning (3)Cryptography (4)Neural Networks for Vision

158. Which Indian professor from IIT Kharagpur won the '2026 TWAS Award in Engineering & Computer Sciences'?

(1)Suman Chakraborty (2)Ashok Mishra (3)Soumitra Dutta (4)H. C. Verma

- 159. Which conservationist became the first Indian to bag the Ramsar Award for "Wetland Wise Use"? (1)Jayshree Vencatesan (2)Sunita Narain (3)Vandana Shiva (4)Medha Patkar
- 160. Mauritius bestowed PM Narendra Modi with its highest civilian award, known as \_\_\_\_?
  (1)Grand Commander of the Order of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean (2)Honorary Companion of the Star of Mauritius (3)Order of Sahitya Sagar (4)National Award of Mauritius
- 161. During PM Modi's visit to Mauritius, which date's National Day celebrations did he attend as Chief Guest for the second time?

(1)15 August 2025 (2)26 January 2025 (3)12 March 2025 (4)2 October 2025

- 162. According to the Knight Frank Wealth Report 2025, India ranks \_\_\_\_ globally in terms of HNWIs (with 85,698 HNWIs).
  - (1)2nd (2)3rd (3)4th (4)5th
- 163. As per Knight Frank Wealth Report 2025, the total wealth of Indian billionaires is ranked \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  globally at USD 950 billion.
  (1)1st (2)2nd (3)3rd (4)4th
- 164. According to Forbes Highest-Paid Actors 2024, who remains the highest-paid actor for the 5th consecutive year?

(1)Leonardo DiCaprio (2)Brad Pitt (3)Dwayne Johnson (4)Chris Hemsworth

165. Which actress topped the Forbes Highest-Paid Actress list for 2024 with earnings of USD 31 million?

(1)Scarlett Johansson (2)Jennifer Lawrence (3)Nicole Kidman (4)Sandra Bullock

- 166. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (CSMIA), in Mumbai, won 'Best Airport (40+ million passengers)' in Asia-Pacific for the \_\_\_\_\_ consecutive year.
  (1)5th (2)6th (3)7th (4)8th
- 167. Which film won Best Film at the 2025 IIFA Digital Awards (Silver Jubilee Edition) held in Jaipur? (1)Panchayat Season 3 (2)Amar Singh Chamkila (3)Sector 36 (4)Do Patti
- 168. Who was named Best Director (Film) at the 2025 IIFA Digital Awards for 'Amar Singh Chamkila'? (1)Imtiaz Ali (2)Meghna Gulzar (3)Aanand L. Rai (4)Neeraj Ghaywan
- 169. Which actor won the Best Actor (Male) award at the 2025 IIFA Digital Awards for 'Sector 36'? (1)Rajkummar Rao (2)Kartik Aaryan (3)Vikrant Massey (4)Vicky Kaushal
- 170. Who received the Best Actress (Female) award at the 2025 IIFA Digital Awards for 'Do Patti'? (1)Deepika Padukone (2)Kriti Sanon (3)Kiara Advani (4)Alia Bhatt
- 171. Which web series won the Best Web Series award at the 2025 IIFA Digital Awards?(1)Mirzapur Season 3 (2)Panchayat Season 3 (3)The Family Man Season 3 (4)Paatal Lok Season 2
- 172. Who directed Panchayat Season 3, winning Best Director (Web Series) at the 2025 IIFA Digital Awards?

(1)Deepak Kumar Mishra (2)Raj & DK (3)Anurag Kashyap (4)Shoojit Sircar

173. Which documentary/docufilm won the Best Documentary/Docufilm award at the 2025 IIFA Digital Awards?

(1)The Last Tiger (2)Breaking Barriers (3)Yo Yo Honey Singh: Famous (4)Saroj Khan: The Choreographer

174. Which Hindi poet won a Sahitya Akademi Award in 2024 for the poetry collection "Main Jab Tak Aai Bahar"?

(1)Gagan Gill (2)Sohan Kaul (3)Paul Kaur (4)Easterine Kire

- 175. "Spirit Nights" (English) is a novel by \_\_\_\_\_ that won a Sahitya Akademi Award in 2024. (1)Kiran Desai (2)Shashi Deshpande (3)Easterine Kire (4)Chetan Bhagat
- 176. Which writer was recognized for the work "Psychiatric Ward" (Kashmiri), receiving the Sahitya Akademi Award 2024?

(1)Vikram Bhat (2)Basharat Peer (3)Sohan Kaul (4)Nund Rishi

- 177. Who authored "Sun Gunwanta Sun Budhivanta: Itihaasnama Punjab" (Punjabi), honored by Sahitya Akademi in 2024?
  - (1)Navtej Bharati (2)Paul Kaur (3)Surjit Patar (4)Gurdial Singh
- 178. DRDO & IIT Hyderabad unveiled India's Largest Metal 3D Printing Machine for rocket components, called \_\_\_\_?
  - (1)Large Area Additive Manufacturing (2)Giga Fabricator (3)Titan Forge (4)Hyper Print
- 179. Name India's newly revealed hypersonic short-range ballistic missile with a speed of Mach 5+: (1)Astra Mark-II (2)BrahMos-H (3)BM-04 (4)Shaurya III
- 180. The Ministry of Defence (MoD) signed a USD 248 million deal with Russia's Rosoboronexport for 1000 HP engines to power which tanks?
  - (1)Arjun Mk1 (2)T-72 (3)T-90 Bhishma (4)T-14 Armata
- 181. MoD signed a ₹2,906 crore contract with BEL for which Low-Level Transportable Radar? (1)Ashwini (2)Rohini (3)Swathi (4)Arudhra
- 182. Which air force conducted "Exercise Desert Hunt 2025" with Tri-Service Special Forces at Jodhpur? (1)Indian Air Force (2)US Air Force (3)Royal Air Force (UK) (4)French Air Force
- 183. Name the multilateral naval exercise in 2025 off the coast of Guam that included India, US, Australia, Japan, and Korea.
  - (1)Sea Dragon 2025 (2)RIMPAC 2025 (3)Indo-Pacific Shield (4)Malabar 2025
- 184. Which country hosted the 12th joint military exercise "Khanjar-XII 2025" with India? (1)Kazakhstan (2)Mongolia (3)Kyrgyzstan (4)Uzbekistan
- 185. The 6th "CORPAT" and 4th "BONGOSAGOR" exercise to curb illicit maritime activities was held between India and which country?
  - (1)Sri Lanka (2)Myanmar (3)Maldives (4)Bangladesh
- 186. Where was the Tri-services amphibious exercise "Amphex 2025" conducted?(1)Kochi, Kerala (2)Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh (3)Karwar, Karnataka (4)Port Blair, Andaman Islands
- 187. According to the latest SIPRI report, which country became the top arms importer at 8.8%, surpassing India?

(1)Ukraine (2)Qatar (3)Pakistan (4)Saudi Arabia

- 188. As per SIPRI, which country remains India's biggest arms supplier at 36%?(1)US (2)France (3)Russia (4)Israel
- 189. Name the top global arms exporter with a 43% share, as per SIPRI. (1)Russia (2)China (3)US (4)France
- 190. India and which European country agreed to establish a Defence Task Force for enhanced cooperation?
  - (1)Belgium (2)Italy (3)Germany (4)Poland
- 191. Which cryptocurrency is 1st in circulation (~USD 1.7 trillion) and was included in the US government's strategic crypto reserve?
  (1)Ether (Ethereum) (2)Bitcoin (3)XRP (Ripple) (4)SOL (Solana)
- 192. Which year was declared by the United Nations as the International Year of Cooperatives with the theme "Cooperatives Build a Better World"?
  - (1)2023 (2)2024 (3)2025 (4)2026
- 193. India assumes Chairmanship of the 68th UN Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND) under which Ambassador as Permanent Representative in Vienna?
  (1)Shambhu S Kumaran (2)T. S. Tirumurti (3)Syed Akbaruddin (4)S. Jaishankar
- (1)Shallolid S Kullarah (2)1. S. Firumurti (3)Syed Akbaruddin (4)S. Jaishalkar
   194. India and Ireland decided to form which body to bolster bilateral trade, investment, and tech ties?
   (1)Joint Economic Commission (JEC) (2)India-Ireland Trade Council (3)Bilateral Coordination Committee (4)Strategic Economic Forum
- 195. The International Spice Conference 2025, organized by All India Spices Exporters Forum (AISEF), was held in which city?

(1)Chennai, Tamil Nadu (2)Bengaluru, Karnataka (3)Kochi, Kerala (4)Hyderabad, Telangana

196. 'Mission 300 Africa Energy Summit' was hosted in Dar es Salaam. In which country is Dar es Salaam located?

(1)Kenya (2)Tanzania (3)Uganda (4)Zambia

- 197. The 7th National Board for Wildlife Meeting was chaired by PM Modi at which National Park? (1)Gir National Park (2)Kaziranga National Park (3)Jim Corbett National Park (4)Ranthambore National Park
- 198. World Wildlife Day is observed on which date? (1)March 1 (2)March 3 (3)March 5 (4)March 7
- 199. The 16th Asiatic Lion Population Estimation will be conducted in May 2025 in which sanctuary? (1)Kaziranga (2)Gir Sanctuary (3)Ranthambore (4)Pench
- 200. Which bird is the focus of the newly introduced National Great Indian Bustard Conservation Action Plan, considered 'Highly Endangered'?

(1)Great Indian Bustard (2)Indian Vulture (3)Sarus Crane (4)Himalayan Quail

201. The 9th National Summit on Good & Replicable Practices and Innovation in Public Healthcare was held in which city?

(1)Puri, Odisha (2)Jaipur, Rajasthan (3)Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh (4)Nashik, Maharashtra

- 202. Where will COP16 to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) be held? (1)Geneva, Switzerland (2)Rome, Italy (3)Tokyo, Japan (4)Nairobi, Kenya
- 203. Which union minister attended MWC 2025 and unveiled India Mobile Congress 2025 in Barcelona? (1)Jyotiraditya Scindia (2)Piyush Goyal (3)Nitin Gadkari (4)Ashwini Vaishnaw
- 204. The 24th World Sustainable Development Summit 2025, organized by TERI, was held in which city?

(1)Mumbai (2)New Delhi (3)Bengaluru (4)Chennai

205. Which major conference on carbon markets, called 'Prakriti,' was inaugurated in New Delhi in 2025?

(1)1st International Conference on Carbon Markets (2)Global Carbon Summit (3)India Climate Exchange Summit (4)World Emissions Forum

206. GRIDCON 2025 was inaugurated at Yashobhoomi in Dwarka. In which city is Yashobhoomi located?

(1)Kolkata (2)New Delhi (3)Lucknow (4)Bangalore

207. Which renowned Gujarati poet and 1990 Sahitya Akademi Award winner for the essay collection "Statue" passed away?

(1)Anil Ramanath Joshi (2)Suresh Joshi (3)Varsha Adalja (4)Niranjan Bhagat

208. Paddy Shivalkar, the former cricketer and Mumbai Ranji coach who passed away, received which Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017?

(1)Polly Umrigar Lifetime Achievement Award (2)BCCI Lifetime Achievement Award (3)CK Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award (4)Col. C.K. Nayudu Trophy

209. Garimella Balakrishna Prasad, who passed away, was a renowned classical singer and received which award in 2020?

(1)Padma Shri (2)Sangeet Natak Akademi Award (3)Padma Bhushan (4)Lifetime Achievement Award by AIR

- 210. Which legendary Chess Grandmaster, famously the 10th World Champion, recently passed away? (1)Anatoly Karpov (2)Boris Spassky (3)Garry Kasparov (4)Vladimir Kramnik
- 211. Rose Girone, the oldest Holocaust survivor who passed away, was an eyewitness to atrocities in which global conflict?
  - (1)World War I (2)World War II (3)Cold War (4)Vietnam War
- 212. Veteran Odia actor \_\_\_\_\_ died, having contributed significantly to Odia cinema. (1)Uttam Mohanty (2)Bijay Mohanty (3)Sarat Pujari (4)Sadhu Meher
- 213. Which Hollywood legend, with 5 Oscar nominations and 2 wins, passed away (per the given content)?
  - (1)Jack Nicholson (2)Al Pacino (3)Gene Hackman (4)Robert De Niro

# 214. The International Pashmina Festival cum Exhibition was recently held in which neighboring country

of India?

(1)Bangladesh (2)Sri Lanka (3)Nepal (4)Bhutan

215. Nagoba Jatara Festival is celebrated in which Indian state?(1)Maharashtra (2)Karnataka (3)Telangana (4)Andhra Pradesh

216. In which Indian state is the National Institute of Paragliding & Aero Sports located? (India's 1st paragliding school)

(1)Uttarakhand (2)Himachal Pradesh (3)Sikkim (4)Meghalaya

217. Which new institute named NIFTEM (National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship & Management) has been opened in which state?
(1) Biber (2) Durish (2) Litter Products (4) Karala

(1)Bihar (2)Punjab (3)Uttar Pradesh (4)Kerala

- 218. Gandhi Sagar Sanctuary is located in which Indian state?(1)Rajasthan (2)Madhya Pradesh (3)Gujarat (4)Maharashtra
- 219. Banni Grasslands, known for their unique ecology, are located in which Indian state? (1)Rajasthan (2)Maharashtra (3)Gujarat (4)Karnataka
- 220. Kuno National Park, the site of several wildlife conservation initiatives, is in which district/state?
  (1)Sundarbans, West Bengal (2)Sheopur, Madhya Pradesh (3)Kevadia, Gujarat (4)Wayanad, Kerala
- 221. Which National Park in Assam was formerly known as Chirang-Ripu Elephant Reserve, now called Sikhna Jwhwlao National Park?

(1)Manas National Park (2)Dibru-Saikhowa National Park (3)Sikhna Jwhwlao National Park (4)Nameri National Park

222. A new species of jumping spiders, Epidelaxia falciformis and Epidelaxia palustris, was discovered in which wildlife sanctuary of Kerala?

(1)Silent Valley National Park (2)Shendurney Wildlife Sanctuary (3)Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary (4)Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary

223. Which new soil nematode species, "Crassolabium dhritiae," was discovered in Keonjhar, located in which Indian state?

(1)Odisha (2)Chhattisgarh (3)Bihar (4)Jharkhand

- 224. Nyokum Yullo Festival is celebrated in which northeastern state of India? (1)Assam (2)Meghalaya (3)Arunachal Pradesh (4)Manipur
- 225. Where in India was the country's first World Peace Center inaugurated? (1)Gurugram (2)Varanasi (3)Pune (4)Hyderabad
- 226. Which area has become India's 58th Tiger Reserve and the 9th in Madhya Pradesh?(1)Panna Tiger Reserve (2)Pench Tiger Reserve (3)Madhav Tiger Reserve (4)Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve
- 227. The 1st Shaurya Vedanam Utsav was recently held in Champaran, located in which Indian state? (1)Uttar Pradesh (2)Bihar (3)Jharkhand (4)West Bengal
- 228. Which annual literary event, the Festival of Letters 2025, was organized by Sahitya Akademi in which city?

(1)Kolkata (2)Mumbai (3)New Delhi (4)Jaipur

- 229. Australia-India Sports Excellence Forum was conducted at GIFT City, located in which Indian state? (1)Maharashtra (2)Gujarat (3)Karnataka (4)Tamil Nadu
- 230. Name one of the 3 proposed Reserve Forests in Assam as mentioned in the content. (1)Ranthali (2)Talpathar (3)Bamuni Hills (4)Sindhikhati
- 231. Laokhowa-Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary is located in which Indian state? (1)Assam (2)West Bengal (3)Odisha (4)Bihar
- 232. Ali Ai Ligang Festival is celebrated by the Mishing Tribe in which Indian state?(1)Tripura (2)Assam (3)Nagaland (4)Mizoram
- 233. Where was North India's first Green Hydrogen Plant commissioned by Oil India?
  (1)Solan, Himachal Pradesh (2)Dehradun, Uttarakhand (3)Jammu, J&K (4)Shimla, Himachal Pradesh

234. The Denmark Strait Cataract, the Earth's largest waterfall, lies between Greenland and which other country?

(1)Iceland (2)Canada (3)Norway (4)Scotland

- 235. Mizoram celebrates which spring festival, considered its largest and most popular? (1)Chapchar Kut (2)Lai Haraoba (3)Wangala (4)Pang Lhabsol
- 236. Mount Taranaki, granted legal rights as a human being, is located in which country? (1)Australia (2)New Zealand (3)Fiji (4)Canada
- 237. Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE) inked an MoU with the Indian Army to construct a 130-ft Single Lane Modular Steel Bridge in which Indian state?
  - (1)Arunachal Pradesh (2)Meghalaya (3)Jammu & Kashmir (4)Sikkim
- 238. India & Thailand signed multiple MoUs to boost gem & jewellery exports, noting that 15% of India's gem exports go to which country?(1)UAE (2)Thailand (3)USA (4)Hong Kong
- 239. India & Nepal plan to sign an MoU for cooperation in the WASH sector. What is the capital of Nepal?
  - (1)Pokhara (2)Biratnagar (3)Kathmandu (4)Janakpur
- 240. BPCL & Refroid Technologies launched India's first indigenous liquid coolant for which sector's data centers?
  - (1)AI (2)Blockchain (3)e-Commerce (4)Quantum
- 241. Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) partnered with CII-IGBC for financing which type of building projects? (1)Affordable Housing (2)Smart Cities (3)Green Buildings (4)SEZs
- 242. Which state government signed a Memorandum of Cooperation with Spray Engineering for India's first integrated API, Green Hydrogen, and 2G Ethanol facility?(1)Gujarat (2)Himachal Pradesh (3)Maharashtra (4)Karnataka
- 243. India's first commercial semiconductor fab in Dholera (Gujarat) was launched via agreement among ISM (India Semiconductor Mission), Tata Electronics, and which other entity?
  (1)Samsung Semiconductor (2)Intel Corporation (3)TSMPL (Tata Semiconductor Manufacturing Private Limited) (4)Qualcomm India
- 244. Bharti Airtel signed a pact with Elon Musk's SpaceX to bring which satellite internet service to Indian consumers?
  - (1)OneWeb (2)Starlink (3)Kuiper (4)Iridium
- 245. Coal India (CIL) and IIT Hyderabad are setting up 'CLEANZ' to develop which type of technologies?

(1)Smart Grid (2)Solar PV Storage (3)Clean Coal Technologies (4)Electric Vehicle Batteries

246. Flying Officer Tanushka Singh became the first woman pilot in IAF's prestigious \_\_\_\_\_ Fighter Squadron.

(1)Mirage 2000 (2)Sukhoi-30MKI (3)Rafale (4)Jaguar

- 247. Which airport ranks 8th with 3,613,762 seats in OAG's "Busiest Global Airports by Seats in 2025"?
  (1)Indira Gandhi International Airport (Delhi) (2)Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (Mumbai) (3)Kempegowda International Airport (Bengaluru) (4)Hong Kong International Airport
- 248. "State of India's Environment 2025" report was released by which organization, along with Down To Earth magazine?
  (1) Control for State of Least (COEF) (2) TEPL (2) WHELL is (4) NUTLATION.
  - (1)Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) (2)TERI (3)WWF India (4)NITI Aayog
- 249. According to "World Air Quality Report 2024" by IQAir, which country was the most polluted in 2024?

(1)Bangladesh (2)Pakistan (3)Chad (4)India

250. India won the 3rd ICC Champions Trophy (2025) in Dubai by defeating which cricket team in the final?

(1)Australia (2)New Zealand (3)England (4)Pakistan

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