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| <p>Q1. Which state government presented its budget with an allocation of ₹2.23 lakh crore for FY 2026-27, marking a 10.28% increase?
Ans: Haryana; CM Nayab Singh Saini presented the budget on March 26, 2026.</p> <p>Q2. What is the capital expenditure (as % of total) allocated in Haryana Budget 2026-27?
Ans: 12.6%; ₹28,205 crore capital expenditure out of ₹2.23 lakh crore.</p> <p>Q3. Which state ranked first in NITI Aayog's Fiscal Health Index 2026?
Ans: Odisha; scored 73.1, followed by Goa (54.7) and Jharkhand (50.5).</p> <p>Q4. What is the fiscal deficit target for Maharashtra Budget 2026-27?
Ans: 2.7% GSDP; ₹1,50,491 crore fiscal deficit with ₹7.69 lakh crore total outlay.</p> <p>Q5. PM Narendra Modi inaugurated which metro corridor connecting 12.3 km with 10 new stations?
Ans: Pink Line (Majlis Park–Maujpur-Babarpur section); completing India's first fully operational Ring Metro corridor.</p> <p>Q6. How many km does Delhi Metro Phase-V Golden Line extension span with airport connectivity?
Ans: To Indira Gandhi International Airport Terminal-1; laying foundation for expanded metro network infrastructure.</p> <p>Q7. Which state launched 'Dark Sky Park' at Kolli Hills for astro-tourism?
Ans: Tamil Nadu; ₹1 crore investment with 3 advanced telescopes and solar-powered infrastructure.</p> <p>Q8. In which village did Maharashtra declare itself 'caste-free' through a Gram Sabha resolution?
Ans: Soundala; Ahilyanagar district, approximately 350 km from Mumbai, under Sarpanch Sharad Argade.</p> <p>Q9. What is the fine amount in Soundala village for caste-based discrimination?
Ans: ₹500; along with ₹11,000 support for widow remarriage under 'caste-free' initiative.</p> <p>Q10. Which portal did Maharashtra launch for integrated disability welfare schemes?
Ans: Divyang Sahayak Portal; India's first fully integrated online platform with 11 modules for persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Q11. How many women and girls participated in the International Women's Day Lezim dance record in Maharashtra?
Ans: 9,111; at Savalaram Maharaj Sports Complex in Dombivli, breaking previous Guinness World Record of 7,338.</p> | <p>Q12. What is the maximum imprisonment period for forced religious conversions under Maharashtra's Freedom of Religion Bill 2026?
Ans: 10 years; for repeat offenders with additional fine of ₹5 lakh for vulnerable groups.</p> <p>Q13. Which West Bengal ADB-funded projects worth ₹4,648 crore were approved for education and ICDS?
Ans: Two major projects; 70% ADB, 30% State funding following 70:30 model for infrastructure strengthening.</p> <p>Q14. Which river masterplans are being developed under West Bengal's 'Nodi Bandhan' programme worth ₹200 crore?
Ans: Ichhamati and Jalangi rivers; addressing transboundary cooperation with Bangladesh under environmental degradation programme.</p> <p>Q15. Which three towns did Rajasthan rename to reconnect with historical heritage?
Ans: Mount Abu (Aburaj), Kaman (Kamvan), Jahazpur (Yagyapur); reconnecting modern names with regional heritage.</p> <p>Q16. Which 20-year MoU did Nagaland sign for weather forecasting and atmospheric research?
Ans: With India Meteorological Department; X-band Polarimetric Doppler Weather Radar at Dimapur Government College.</p> <p>Q17. What is the innovation fund allocation in Gujarat's STI Policy 2026-2031?
Ans: ₹1,000 crore; targeting 1 lakh research professionals and 1,000 IP filings annually by 2031.</p> <p>Q18. How much semiconductor ecosystem investment did Gujarat receive from Japan, South Korea, and Malaysia?
Ans: ₹1,600 crore; including Horiba Group's R&D centre and Hotayi Electronic's ₹250 crore facility.</p> <p>Q19. Which state successfully launched its first sounding rocket near Dholera on March 15, 2026?
Ans: Gujarat; developed by OmSPACE, reaching ~3 km altitude with carbon fibre technology under Make in India.</p> <p>Q20. What is the estimated budget for Gujarat's 'Lake and Air Watch' initiative?
Ans: ₹10 crore; monitoring air quality in 17 municipal corporations and 152 municipal areas using satellite technology.</p> <p>Q21. How many high-demand citizen services were digitalized under Gujarat's Sugam Digital Gujarat Initiative?
Ans: 20 services; including Caste Certificates, Income Certificates, Ration cards under Digital Gujarat Portal.</p> |
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- Q22. What is the funding amount for Telangana's SERP Challenge Fund for rural entrepreneurship?**
Ans: ₹12.66 crore; promoting 300+ women and young entrepreneurs through TBIS, T-Hub, WE Hub partnership.
- Q23. When was the Indiramma Family Life Insurance Scheme announced in Telangana Budget 2026?**
Ans: Launch on June 2, 2026; providing ₹5 lakh insurance coverage per family for 1.15 crore families.
- Q24. Which German railway company signed ₹200 crore MoU with Uttar Pradesh for rail infrastructure?**
Ans: RAILONE GmbH; modernizing rail infrastructure through technology transfer and global best practices adoption.
- Q25. What Guinness World Record did Varanasi set for tree planting?**
Ans: 2,51,446 saplings in one hour; surpassing China's 2018 record of 1,53,981 saplings using Miyawaki technique.
- Q26. What is the loan amount World Bank provided to Uttar Pradesh for Clean Air Transition?**
Ans: USD 299.66 million; installing 200 air quality monitoring stations and transitioning 700 brick kilns.
- Q27. Which university in Uttar Pradesh launched CoE in Smart Healthcare with NVIDIA Blackwell GPU?**
Ans: Chandigarh University; 168 GB memory powered system supporting 5 AI startups over two years.
- Q28. What platform did UP CM launch on March 24, 2026 for ease of doing business?**
Ans: Nivesh Mitra 3.0; integrating 530+ services from 43 departments with AI-based chatbot assistance.
- Q29. Which fort hill in Uttar Pradesh was declared National Geo-Heritage Site by GSI?**
Ans: Kalinjar Fort Hill, Banda district; recognizing Eparchaean Unconformity representing 2.5 billion-year-old formations.
- Q30. What is the compensation increase for wildlife attack deaths in Andhra Pradesh under Project HANUMAN?**
Ans: ₹5 lakh to ₹10 lakh; with 100 GPS-enabled vehicles and 4 Wildlife Rescue Centers deployment.
- Q31. Which award did Sikkim Police receive in March 2026?**
Ans: President's Police Colour Award; one of highest distinctions recognizing sustained excellence and professionalism.
- Q32. Who was selected from Sikkim for World Youth Parliament 2026?**
Ans: Stuti Pradhan; recognized for parliamentary debate excellence and state winner of Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament 2025.
- Q33. What is the proposed social media ban age limit in Karnataka Budget 2026-27?**
Ans: Under 16 years; potentially making Karnataka first Indian state with age-based social media restrictions.
- Q34. What score did Uttarakhand secure in ICJS 2.0 implementation on CCTNS Progress Dashboard?**
Ans: 93.46; securing first position nationally under CM Pushkar Singh Dhami's leadership on criminal law implementation.
- Q35. What is the name of cyber safety protocol introduced by Kerala for schools?**
Ans: Cyber Safety Protocol 2026; developed by KITE with 13 objectives protecting students from AI-generated misinformation.
- Q36. What elevation did Assam achieve in inland waterway projects under IWAI worth ₹526 crore?**
Ans: Elevated road corridor and cruise terminals; linking Pandu Port to NH-27 for logistics and river tourism boost.
- Q37. How much funding did Chirag Paswan inaugurate for Common Incubation Centre at Tezpur University?**
Ans: ₹2.35 crore; supporting self-help groups, FPOs, startups in food processing technology and compliance.
- Q38. Which GI-tagged product was exported to London for first time from Assam on March 2, 2026?**
Ans: Karbi Anglong Ginger; flagged off by Agriculture Minister Atul Bora at Krishi Bhawan, Guwahati.
- Q39. How many cattle shelters will be established under Chhattisgarh's Gaudham Yojana?**
Ans: 1,460 shelters; 10 per Development Block accommodating ~200 cattle each with ₹10-35 daily feed assistance.
- Q40. Which two milk processing plants will be established under Himachal Pradesh and NDDB MoU?**
Ans: At Nahan and Nalagarh; 20,000 litres per day capacity with Dhagwar automated plant processing 1.5 lakh litres daily.
- Q41. What is the focus of Himachal Pradesh's cannabis (hemp) farming pilot project?**
Ans: Medicinal and industrial uses; addressing global demand for potential economic benefits and agricultural diversification.
- Q42. Which village in Odisha is set to become the first smart village under CSIR initiative?**
Ans: Kusunpur, Kendrapada district; population ~700 with CSIR institutions implementing climate-resilient sustainable solutions.
- Q43. Which state retained top position in Fiscal Health Index 2026?**
Ans: Odisha; with 73.1 score demonstrating strong fiscal management and controlled fiscal deficits.
- Q44. What is the investment amount for Punjab Sikhya Kranti 2.0 educational reform programme?**
Ans: ₹3,500 crore; 6-year duration with World Bank providing ₹2,500 crore and Punjab Government ₹1,000 crore.

- Q45. How many varieties of tulips are featured in Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip Garden, Srinagar?**
Ans: 70-75 varieties; across 74 acres with 1.8 million tulips inaugurated by CM Omar Abdullah on March 16.
- Q46. Which Union Minister assumed charge as NCBC Chairperson in March 2026?**
Ans: Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti; former Union Minister of State with extensive social welfare and governance experience.
- Q47. What version of RAJMARG PRAVESH portal was launched by Nitin Gadkari on February 25, 2026?**
Ans: Version 2.0; digitalizing No Objection Certificates for fuel stations, wayside amenities along National Highways.
- Q48. How many digital tools were soft-launched for Census-2027 by Amit Shah?**
Ans: 4 tools; Houselisting Block Creator Web App, House Listing Officer Mobile App, Self-Enumeration Portal, Management System.
- Q49. What are the names of Census-2027 mascots launched by Union Minister Amit Shah?**
Ans: Pragati (female) and Vikas (male); developed by C-DAC under Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- Q50. Which scheme dedicated by President Droupadi Murmu provides ₹61,000 government deposit maturing to ₹1.25 lakh?**
Ans: Delhi Lakhpati Bitiya Scheme; part of 'Sashakt Nari Samridh Delhi' women-centric welfare programme.
- Q51. What is the transportation benefit under Saheli Pink Smart Card in Delhi?**
Ans: Free public transport; for women in DTC buses, Delhi Metro, and RRTS as per scheme directive.
- Q52. How much cash per consumer does Free LPG Cylinder Scheme provide in Delhi?**
Ans: ₹853; transferred via Direct Benefit Transfer during Holi and Diwali celebrations annually.
- Q53. How many women beneficiaries are pending disbursement under Delhi's Meri Poonji Mera Adhikaar scheme?**
Ans: 1.75 lakh; clearing backlog of Ladli Scheme disbursement to eligible women beneficiaries.
- Q54. What is the purpose of BEE Star Label Mobile Application launched by Manohar Lal Khattar?**
Ans: Energy efficiency details; scanning QR codes on appliances to provide energy consumption information.
- Q55. Which app did Indian Railways launch on International Women's Day for sexual harassment reporting?**
Ans: SHINE (Sexual Harassment Incident Notification for Empowerment); enabling confidential workplace complaint submission.
- Q56. What technology does PureAir Tower in New Delhi use for air purification?**
Ans: Photosynthetic microalgae; absorbing CO₂, particulate matter, NO_x equivalent to 15 mature trees per tower.
- Q57. Which three digital initiatives were launched during NDSA office inauguration in New Delhi?**
Ans: NDSA website with GIS, NETRA (AI-enabled platform), Rashtriya Bandh Suraksha Darpan visualization platform.
- Q58. What was the cost of Noida International Airport (Jewar) Phase I inauguration on March 28, 2026?**
Ans: ₹11,200 crore; with 3,900-metre runway, net-zero emissions design, 12 million annual passenger capacity.
- Q59. What is the membership count for Asia-Africa Agri Alliance launched as Section 8 NPO?**
Ans: Over ten nations; focusing on trade, agricultural cooperation, investment, and technology exchange between regions.
- Q60. When did Department of Posts launch '24 Speed Post' premium express service?**
Ans: March 17, 2026; next-day (D+1) guaranteed delivery across six metro cities with OTP-based secure delivery.
- Q61. Which brand did Ministry of Tribal Affairs launch for tribal artisans' global reach?**
Ans: RISA: Timeless Tribal; enhancing global reach and income of tribal artisans through cultural product promotion.
- Q62. What feature did SBI Securities launch under Infinity8 initiative for women investors?**
Ans: Women's Mode; on mobile app with goal-based investment journeys and simplified tools based on 6,000+ feedback.
- Q63. When did FM Nirmala Sitharaman launch PRARAMBH 2026 income tax awareness campaign?**
Ans: March 2026; nationwide campaign for Income Tax Act 2025 implementation effective April 1, 2026.
- Q64. What is the key feature of Income Tax Website 2.0 launched during PRARAMBH?**
Ans: AI-enabled chatbot Kar Saathi; providing compliance assistance and taxpayer guidance for new tax regime.
- Q65. Which ministers jointly launched PRISM-SG Portal on March 26, 2026?**
Ans: Nitin Gadkari (MoRTH) and Ashwini Vaishnaw (Railways); reducing ROB approval timelines from 12 to 3-4 months.
- Q66. When did Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers observe Janaushadhi Saptah 2026?**
Ans: March 1-7, 2026; theme "Jan Aushadhi – affordable and trustworthy, good health with savings" for generic medicines.

- Q67. Which ministry organized National Arogya Fair 2026 showcasing traditional medicine systems?**
Ans: Ministry of AYUSH; inaugurated by President Droupadi Murmu at Shegaon, Buldhana, Maharashtra showcasing 7 systems.
- Q68. What is the duration of Tribes Art Fest announced by Ministry of Tribal Affairs?**
Ans: March 2-13, 2026; at Travancore Palace, New Delhi showcasing tribal arts, music, culture, and commerce.
- Q69. Which festival was held March 13-15 at Bikaner House by Ministry of Tribal Affairs?**
Ans: Living Roots Festival; showcasing tribal cultural heritage and traditional practices of indigenous communities.
- Q70. What is the festival held March 18-30 at Sunder Nursery announced by Ministry?**
Ans: Bharat Tribes Fest; celebrating tribal community contributions and cultural significance nationwide.
- Q71. What was the theme of BEE 25th Foundation Day celebration in 2026?**
Ans: BEE@25; celebrating Bureau of Energy Efficiency's contributions to energy efficiency and conservation.
- Q72. When did Central Warehousing Corporation celebrate its 70th Foundation Day?**
Ans: In March 2026; at Bharat Mandapam with record turnover of ₹2,776.88 crore in FY24-25.
- Q73. What is the theme of National Science Day 2026 marking 40th observance?**
Ans: Women in Science: Catalysing Viksit Bharat; commemorating 1928 Raman Effect discovery by C.V. Raman.
- Q74. How many women participated in Maharashtra's International Women's Day Lezim record event?**
Ans: 9,111; breaking previous Guinness World Record of 7,338 at Dombivli simultaneously.
- Q75. What is the total area of Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip Garden, Srinagar?**
Ans: 74 acres; Asia's largest tulip garden with 1.8 million tulips showcasing spring tourism season.
- Q76. Which initiative did India and Germany launch for climate resilience worth EUR 20 million?**
Ans: Climate Resilience Initiative; strengthening ecosystem-based adaptation in Himalayas, Western Ghats, North-East India.
- Q77. Who was named chairman of Hindi Advisory Committee for Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers?**
Ans: Jagat Prakash Nadda; Union Minister appointed to lead newly reconstituted Hindi Advisory Committee.
- Q78. Which military exercise did Southern Air Command conduct across Lakshadweep and Minicoy?**
Ans: Exercise Kalari Leap; involving Armed Forces Special Operations Division and Indian Coast Guard.
- Q79. When did Indian Air Force conduct Exercise Vayushakti-26 at Pokhran Field Firing Range?**
Ans: February-March 2026; with President Droupadi Murmu as Chief Guest observing 130+ aircraft participation.
- Q80. What is the cost of defence procurement contracts signed including ALH Mk-III and VL-Shtil missiles?**
Ans: ₹5,083 crore; ₹2,901 crore for HAL ALH Mk-III and ₹2,182 crore for Russian VL-Shtil missiles.
- Q81. Which shipyard signed contract for four 500-tonne self-propelled fuel barges with Indian Navy?**
Ans: Shoft Shipyard, Thane, Maharashtra; supporting naval logistics under Make in India and Aatmanirbhar Bharat.
- Q82. When did DRDO conduct flight trials of VSHORADS missile system?**
Ans: February 27, 2026; from Integrated Test Range, Chandipur, successfully intercepting aerial targets.
- Q83. When was INS Anjadip, third ASW SWC, commissioned at Chennai?**
Ans: February 28, 2026; with 77-metre length, 1,400 tonnes displacement, over 80% indigenous content built by GRSE.
- Q84. What is the length and capacity of restored Chungthang-Lachen Axis and Taram Chu Bridge?**
Ans: 28 km axis and 400-foot suspension bridge; restored by Border Roads Organisation after 2023 GLOF damage.
- Q85. Which port did INS Sudarshini arrive at after Suez Canal transit on Lokayan-26 expedition?**
Ans: Alexandria, Egypt; marking maritime cooperation and cultural exchange between India and Egypt nations.
- Q86. What is Operation Sankalp's maritime security mission objective launched by Indian Navy in 2019?**
Ans: Safeguarding Indian merchant ships; through naval patrols in Gulf of Oman and Gulf of Aden regions.
- Q87. Who will become GOC-in-C of Western Command succeeding Lt Gen M.K. Katiyar?**
Ans: Lt Gen Pushpendra Pal Singh; Parachute Regiment officer from Pawan, Meghdoot operations background.
- Q88. When did DRDO and Indian Navy test Air Droppable Container 'ADC-150'?**
Ans: February 21 - March 1, 2026; four in-flight release trials from P-8I aircraft off Goa coast.
- Q89. What is the range and endurance of indigenous long-range strike drone 'Project KAL'?**
Ans: 1,000 km range with 3-5 hours endurance; comparable to Shahed-class drones for precision strikes.

- Q90. When did Union Minister Rajnath Singh release 'Defence Forces Vision 2047' roadmap?**
Ans: March 10, 2026; outlining strategy for future-ready integrated military by 2047 with advanced technologies.
- Q91. Which personnel from Sri Lanka Naval Academy were trained by INS Tarangini?**
Ans: 3 officers and 26 trainees; completing sail training deployment for professional development.
- Q92. What is the focus of Indian Army Central Command's first Strategic Communication Conclave?**
Ans: ~500 attendees discussing strategic communication architecture and weaponization of narratives below war threshold.
- Q93. Which Iranian warship was struck by US submarine near Sri Lanka EEZ?**
Ans: IRIS Dena; killing 80+ sailors while returning from MILAN-2026 naval exercise near Visakhapatnam.
- Q94. What is the funding amount for DRDO research project on organophosphorous compound antidotes?**
Ans: ₹99.15 lakh; 36-month research project with Bharathiar University under DIA-CoE collaboration.
- Q95. Which exercise strengthened US-South Korea regional security cooperation?**
Ans: Freedom Shield 2026; ~18,000 South Korean troops and US forces counter-threat coordination in Korea.
- Q96. Where is world's first autonomous maritime shipbuilding centre being constructed?**
Ans: Juvvaladinne Fishing Harbour, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh; integrating robotics and AI into key production processes.
- Q97. How much funding was announced for Integrated Aqua Park in Anantnag, Jammu and Kashmir?**
Ans: ₹100 crore; during National Conference on Cold Water Fisheries at SKICC, Srinagar.
- Q98. Which Model Guidelines were released for cold-water fisheries development?**
Ans: MG-CWF (Model Guidelines for Development of Cold-Water Fisheries); covering scientific seed stocking and aquaculture.
- Q99. What is the framework name for India's maritime cooperation initiative launched in March 2026?**
Ans: IOS SAGAR (Indian Ocean Ship); with 16 IONS nations under India's IONS chair, MAHASAGAR framework.
- Q100. Which frigate participated in Exercise Kakadu 2026 in Australia?**
Ans: INS Nilgiri; won Kakadu Shield Trophy during sporting events in Darwin, Australia port phase.
- Q101. When did PM Narendra Modi visit Israel at PM Benjamin Netanyahu's invitation?**
Ans: February 26-27, 2026; paying tribute at Yad Vashem Memorial, addressing Israeli Parliament.
- Q102. What medal did PM Modi receive from Israeli Parliament Speaker Amir Ohana?**
Ans: Medal of the Knesset; first Indian PM to address Israeli Parliament (Knesset).
- Q103. What partnership was announced between India and Israel during PM Modi's visit?**
Ans: Special Strategic Partnership for Peace, Innovation, and Prosperity; covering defence, security, cybersecurity, trade, technology.
- Q104. When did India-EU agree on Most Favoured Nation status for five years?***
Ans: February 27, 2026; following India-EU Free Trade Agreement finalized January 2026.
- Q105. What tariff reduction percentage did India-EU FTA eliminate on traded goods?***
Ans: 96.6% by value; saving €4 billion for European companies, doubling EU exports to India.
- Q106. When did Canadian PM Mark Carney visit India during his first official trip?***
Ans: February 27 - March 2, 2026; holding talks at Hyderabad House for CEPA negotiations.
- Q107. What bilateral trade target did India-Canada set by 2030?***
Ans: USD 50 billion; across pharmaceuticals, iron, steel, seafood, cotton, electronics, chemicals sectors.
- Q108. When did RBI and Bank of Japan renew bilateral swap arrangement?***
Ans: February 28, 2026; Third Amendment maintaining USD 75 billion two-way currency swap facility.
- Q109. Which country became first in Americas to eliminate leprosy as public health problem?***
Ans: Chile; verified by WHO becoming 61st country globally, 6th in Americas eliminating NTD.
- Q110. What is the leprosy prevalence rate definition for elimination status?***
Ans: Below 1 case per 10,000 population; under WHO definition of disease elimination.
- Q111. Which UK nation legalized water cremation (alkaline hydrolysis)?***
Ans: Scotland; first UK nation with 84% public support for green cremation alternative.
- Q112. What temperature and duration does alkaline hydrolysis process use?***
Ans: 150°C for 90 minutes; accelerating natural decomposition, reducing emissions seven times vs flame cremation.
- Q113. When and where was Mobile World Congress 2026 held?***
Ans: March 2-5, 2026 at Fira Barcelona Gran Via; theme "The IQ Era" emphasizing AI integration.
- Q114. Which Union Minister represented India at Mobile World Congress 2026?***
Ans: Jyotiraditya Madhavrao Scindia; at GSMA Ministerial Programme and Main Stage discussions.

- Q115. What is the net worth of Elon Musk as per Hurun Global Rich List 2026?***
Ans: USD 792 billion; retaining world's richest person status for 5th time in 6 years.
- Q116. How many billionaires does India have according to Hurun Global Rich List 2026?***
Ans: 308 billionaires; ranking 3rd globally after USA and China with 57 new entrants.
- Q117. What is Mukesh Ambani's net worth in rupees per Hurun Report 2026?***
Ans: ₹9.8 lakh crore; India's richest person, Asia's richest individual.
- Q118. When will Indonesia ban social media for children under 16?***
Ans: March 28, 2026; requiring age verification on TikTok, YouTube, Instagram, Facebook.
- Q119. Who is set to become Nepal's Prime Minister after 2026 elections?***
Ans: Balendra 'Balen' Shah; leader of Rastriya Swatantra Party, Gen Z protests-backed candidate.
- Q120. Which Indian cricketer was featured in Mattel's Barbie Dream Team 2026?***
Ans: Smriti Mandhana; first Indian cricketer featured honoring global women icons.
- Q121. When did Finland President Alexander Stubb visit India?***
Ans: March 4-7, 2026; 4-day State Visit elevating ties to Strategic Partnership.
- Q122. What strategic partnership was elevated between India and Finland?***
Ans: Strategic Partnership for Digitalisation and Sustainability; focusing on AI, Quantum Computing, Green Hydrogen, 6G.
- Q123. When did President Stubb attend 11th Raisina Dialogue as Chief Guest?***
Ans: March 5-7, 2026; keynote speaker at Delhi's flagship geopolitics conference.
- Q124. Which country ratified International Solar Alliance Framework Agreement on March 14, 2026?***
Ans: Romania; through Ambassador Sena Latif submission, becoming 119th ISA member country.
- Q125. What is the market value of Indo-CIS Pharma-Nutraceutical Corridor launched?***
Ans: USD 7-10 billion; for Eurasian healthcare market access through India-Uzbekistan partnership.
- Q126. When is Pharma Eurasia 2026 commercial launch scheduled?***
Ans: May 20-22, 2026 in Tashkent; marking commercial rollout of pharma-nutraceutical corridor.
- Q127. What investment did Reliance Industries announce for US refinery?***
Ans: USD 300 billion; building first new major oil refinery in nearly 50 years at Port of Brownsville, Texas.
- Q128. What is the processing capacity of Reliance's Brownsville refinery?***
Ans: 1.2 billion barrels of US shale oil; producing 50 billion gallons refined petroleum worth USD 175 billion.
- Q129. When was Jose Antonio Kast sworn in as Chile's 38th President?***
Ans: March 19, 2026; Union Minister Kirti Vardhan Singh represented Gol at National Congress.
- Q130. Which Indian military exercise was conducted with USA and partners in Guam?***
Ans: Exercise Sea Dragon 2026; ASW exercise at Andersen Air Force Base with India, Japan, Australia, New Zealand.
- Q131. How many institutions from Northeast India signed Lol for Japan Academic Consortium?***
Ans: 22 institutions; led by IIT-Guwahati with Gifu University during Japan-Northeast Academic Industry Symposium.
- Q132. Which official led India-Vietnam tribal development cooperation?***
Ans: Union Minister Jual Oram; co-chaired with Vietnam's Minister Dao Ngoc Dung in New Delhi.
- Q133. Which chamber signed MoU for India-Canada business cooperation?***
Ans: ASSOCHAM and Indo Canada Chamber of Commerce (ICCC); enhancing trade and investment.
- Q134. What is the purpose of MSDE MoU with GATI Foundation?***
Ans: Global skill mobility framework; positioning India as global skills capital by 2047.
- Q135. What initiative did DEPwD sign with Coalition of the Willing?***
Ans: India's first integrated life-cycle support model for hearing impaired persons.
- Q136. How much funding did Oil India Limited allocate for MP tribal healthcare?***
Ans: ₹86.27 lakh; strengthening CHCs and PHCs in Rajgarh district under NSTFDC partnership.
- Q137. Which startup partnership did T-Hub sign with Japan External Trade Organisation?***
Ans: JETRO collaboration; bolstering India-Japan deep-tech startup cooperation in March 2026.
- Q138. What focus areas did T-Hub-JETRO partnership target?***
Ans: Pharma, medical equipment, space, aerospace, defence, mobility, smart infrastructure, AI, IoT.
- Q139. What CCU technology partnership did NCB sign with TraceXero Technologies?***
Ans: Carbon Capture and Utilisation technology; converting cement emissions into graphite and graphene.
- Q140. What percentage of global CO₂ does cement industry contribute?***
Ans: Nearly 7%; making cement sector major target for CCU technology development.



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- Q141. Which streaming format did FIFA introduce with YouTube for World Cup 2026?***
Ans: First 10 minutes live on YouTube; redirecting to official broadcasters after initial viewing window.
- Q142. When is FIFA World Cup 2026 scheduled?***
Ans: June 11 - July 19, 2026; hosted by USA, Canada, Mexico with 48 teams, 104 matches.
- Q143. Which nations did India initiate trade negotiations with in March 2026?***
Ans: Philippines (PTA) and Maldives (FTA); to strengthen bilateral trade relationships.
- Q144. What is India's export growth to Philippines in 2024-25?***
Ans: 3.11% increase to USD 2.16 billion; declining imports 17.8% to USD 1.17 billion.
- Q145. When did Argentina officially withdraw from WHO?***
Ans: After one-year notification effective March 2026; following President Javier Milei's February 2025 announcement.
- Q146. Which law did Brazil implement for minors' social media access in 2026?***
Ans: Age-restricted accounts requiring legal guardian linking; targeting children under 16 with identity verification.
- Q147. What penalties did Brazil impose for social media age restriction violations?***
Ans: Fines up to 50 million reais; account suspensions or complete bans overseen by ANPD.
- Q148. Who became Nepal's first transgender woman Member of Parliament?***
Ans: Bhumika Shrestha; elected under proportional representation with Rastriya Swatantra Party (March 2026).
- Q149. What is Fitch Ratings' India GDP growth forecast for FY26?***
Ans: 7.5%; revised upward from 7.4% in December 2025 estimate.
- Q150. What FY27 GDP growth projection did Fitch Ratings revise for India?***
Ans: 6.7%; compared to 6.4% previous December 2025 estimate with moderation in first half.
- Q151. What global merchandise trade growth does WTO project for 2026?***
Ans: 1.9%; down from 4.6% in 2025 due to geopolitical tensions and tariff effects.
- Q152. What merchandise trade recovery projection did WTO forecast for 2027?***
Ans: 2.6%; improvement from 2026 slowdown with continued normalization trajectory.
- Q153. How many total billionaires does Hurun Global Rich List 2026 report?***
Ans: 4,020 billionaires; first time exceeding 4,000 with 578 new billionaires added annually.
- Q154. Who is the world's richest woman in Hurun Global Rich List 2026?***
Ans: Alice Walton; Walmart heir with USD 134 billion net worth.
- Q155. What is Roshni Nadar Malhotra's ranking among India's richest women?***
Ans: India's richest woman; first to enter overall top three billionaires globally.
- Q156. When was World Happiness Report 2026 released?***
Ans: March 20, 2026; by Wellbeing Research Centre, University of Oxford.
- Q157. Which country topped World Happiness Report 2026 for 9th consecutive year?***
Ans: Finland; with strong social welfare, institutional trust, education, healthcare, work-life balance.
- Q158. What score did India achieve in World Happiness Report 2026?***
Ans: 4.536; ranked 116th out of 147 nations, facing social support and governance challenges.
- Q159. When did India and Indonesia announce Prambanan Temple restoration collaboration?***
Ans: March 16, 2026 in Jakarta; using anastylosis archaeological conservation technique.
- Q160. What century was Prambanan Temple built dedicated to Hindu Trimurti?***
Ans: 9th century; by Sanjaya dynasty, largest Hindu temple complex in Indonesia.
- Q161. When did India and Italy hold 9th Foreign Office Consultations?***
Ans: March 20, 2026 in New Delhi; reviewing JSAP 2025-29 implementation.
- Q162. What new dialogue did India-Italy agree to initiate?***
Ans: First Maritime Security Dialogue (MSD); strengthening bilateral maritime cooperation framework.
- Q163. When did India and Bhutan sign UPU-UPI cross-border remittance MoU?***
Ans: March 19-22, 2026 in Thimphu; strengthening postal sector cooperation.
- Q164. When did INS Nilgiri participate in Exercise Kakadu 2026?***
Ans: March 2026 in Australia; 17th edition with 19 nations, 6,000 personnel participation.
- Q165. Which trophy did INS Nilgiri crew win during Exercise Kakadu 2026?***
Ans: Kakadu Shield Trophy; during sporting events at Darwin demonstrating maritime strength.
- Q166. What score did Pakistan receive in Global Terrorism Index 2026?***
Ans: 8.574; ranked most terrorism-affected with 1,139 deaths, 1,045 incidents in 2025.

- Q167. What India's ranking in Global Terrorism Index 2026?***
Ans: 13th with 6.428 score; followed by Afghanistan 11th with 6.678.
- Q168. What percentage increase did terrorist incidents show from 2020 to 2025?***
Ans: Nearly sixfold increase; while deaths declined 28% to 5,582 marking global improvement.
- Q169. Which IIT achieved 21st global ranking in Engineering – Mineral and Mining?***
Ans: IIT-ISM Dhanbad, Jharkhand; in 16th QS World University Rankings by Subject 2026.
- Q170. How many Indian institutions entered top-50 subject rankings?***
Ans: 27 positions across 12 institutions; India becoming fourth-largest higher education system by entries.
- Q171. Which river-linking project did UNESCO raise concerns about?***
Ans: Aghanashini-Vedavathi project; urging strict World Heritage conservation norms compliance.
- Q172. How much water does Aghanashini-Vedavathi project plan to divert?***
Ans: ~35 thousand million cubic feet; raising ecological alteration and livelihood concerns.
- Q173. When was 6th BRICS CCI WE Summit and WE Awards held?***
Ans: March 21-23, 2026 in New Delhi; celebrating women's empowerment and entrepreneurship.
- Q174. What is the name of mission launched during BRICS WE Summit?***
Ans: Mission ShakthiSAT; promoting women's participation in space, science, advanced technology.
- Q175. When did WTO MC14 ministerial conference take place?***
Ans: March 26-29, 2026 in Yaoundé, Cameroon; 160+ countries with India raising food security.
- Q176. Which high-level summit did UN organize for ocean protection?***
Ans: High Seas Summit (January 2027) in New York; based on BBNJ Treaty implementation.
- Q177. When was India invited as partner nation to G7 Summit 2026?***
Ans: June 15-17, 2026 in France; showing India's global strategic importance.
- Q178. What is the theme of 11th Raisina Dialogue 2026?***
Ans: Samskara (assertion, accommodation, advancement); India's flagship geopolitics conference.
- Q179. How many countries participated in 11th Raisina Dialogue 2026?***
Ans: 110+ countries; organized by Observer Research Foundation and Ministry of External Affairs.
- Q180. When did PM Modi inaugurate 11th Raisina Dialogue 2026?***
Ans: March 5, 2026; with Finland President Alexander Stubb as Chief Guest.
- Q181. How much penalty did RBI impose on Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services?***
Ans: ₹11.50 lakh; for breach of Fair Practices Code and grievance redressal deficiencies.
- Q182. What violation caused RBI to penalize Manappuram Finance?***
Ans: Non-compliance with KMP compensation guidelines; requiring Remuneration Policy revision.
- Q183. How much fine did RBI impose on HSBC India?***
Ans: ₹31.80 lakh; for non-compliance on inoperative accounts and unclaimed deposits.
- Q184. What is the penalty amount for Cashfree Payments violations?***
Ans: ₹3.10 lakh; for non-compliance with Payment Aggregator and Payment Gateway guidelines.
- Q185. How much foreign exchange reserves did RBI have by February 27, 2026?***
Ans: Record \$728.49 billion; driven by rising gold reserves and foreign currency assets.
- Q186. Which bank received RBI approval as NBFC Miscellaneous Umbrella Organisation?***
Ans: NUCFDC; enabling private equity placement to 200+ persons for Urban Co-operative Banks.
- Q187. When do revised RBI dividend payout norms take effect?***
Ans: April 1, 2027; linking dividend to CET1 capital ratios with 10 buckets.
- Q188. What is the maximum dividend payout cap irrespective of CET1 bucket?***
Ans: 75% of Profit After Tax; with banks below 8% CET1 barred from dividend.
- Q189. What is the theme of Digital Payments Awareness Week 2026?***
Ans: Thoda Dhyam Se; highlighting online payment safety with multi-media campaign.
- Q190. In which state did RBI conduct pilot digital payments awareness programme?***
Ans: Maharashtra; with ~10 lakh participant involvement in DPAW 2026.
- Q191. Which RBI medium-term strategy was approved for 2026-29?***
Ans: Utkarsh 3.0; during 622nd Central Board Meeting in Patna under Governor Sanjay Malhotra.
- Q192. How many NBFCs had CoR cancelled by RBI in February 2026?***
Ans: 36 NBFCs; including Excellence Broking, Jibraltar Traders, Bahubali Leasing, Wintech Telecom.

- Q193. How much government bonds did RBI purchase through OMO in March 2026?**
Ans: ₹1 lakh crore; injecting liquidity, stabilizing yields, supporting banks.
- Q194. How much green infrastructure bonds did Bank of Baroda raise?**
Ans: ₹10,000 crore; first bank in India raising this amount via Series-I long-term bonds.
- Q195. What is the coupon rate on Bank of Baroda's green bonds?**
Ans: 7.1% annual; with 7-year maturity and 3x base size subscription (₹16,415 crore bids).
- Q196. Which account did Bank of Baroda launch for women customers?**
Ans: bob Women Sapphire Savings Account; with ₹10 lakh cancer care coverage, ₹1 lakh MAB.
- Q197. What loan amount did Bank of Baroda secure from MUFG and HSBC?**
Ans: \$500 million five-year syndicated term loan; with 13 Asian market investors participation.
- Q198. What UPI-linked facility did Bank of Baroda launch for women SHGs?**
Ans: Overdraft credit line on UPI; up to ₹5,000 for verified women SHG members.
- Q199. How much Tier-2 bonds did State Bank of India raise?**
Ans: ₹6,051 crore; at 7.05% coupon with 10-year tenor, ~2x bids from 47 investors.
- Q200. Which two credit cards did HDFC Bank and Swiggy co-brand in March 2026?**
Ans: Swiggy BLCK and Swiggy Orange HDFC Bank Credit Cards; with 10% and 5% cashback.
- Q201. Who was named MD & CEO of Yes Bank effective April 6, 2026?**
Ans: Vinay Muralidhar Tonse; 3-year term succeeding Prashant Kumar.
- Q202. What previous position did Vinay Tonse hold at SBI?**
Ans: MD (Retail Business & Operations); from November 2023 to November 2025.
- Q203. Which exclusive account did Yes Bank launch for women?**
Ans: YES Essence Salary Account; with ₹5 lakh health insurance and free locker facility.
- Q204. What LAMF facility did South Indian Bank launch?**
Ans: Loan Against Mutual Funds; starting at 9.99% per annum via smallcase partnership.
- Q205. When did South Indian Bank launch EPF payment facility via SIBerNet?**
Ans: March 12, 2026; enabling employers to remit EPF contributions online via EPFO.
- Q206. What wealth management platform did Federal Bank launch?**
Ans: Fed Wealth; first Wealth Hub in Kochi offering investment solutions and alternative investments.
- Q207. Which AMC distribution agreement did Central Bank of India sign?**
Ans: Canara Robeco AMC partnership; February 7, 2026 for mutual fund products distribution.
- Q208. What novel service did Jio Payments Bank introduce?**
Ans: Cardless UPI Cash Withdrawal; at BC points without debit cards or ATMs.
- Q209. How much ADB loan did IIFL Home Finance secure?**
Ans: USD 300 million; USD 150 million ADB, USD 150 million parallel loans for affordable housing.
- Q210. What parallel lenders joined IIFL's USD 300 million loan?**
Ans: MUFG (Japan), Emirates NBD (UAE), Sampath Bank (Sri Lanka), Hatton National Bank (Sri Lanka).
- Q211. What green home percentage did IIFL allocate from ADB loan?**
Ans: At least 25% for green-certified affordable homes supporting sustainable housing.
- Q212. How much NCD deal did Motilal Oswal Home Finance secure?**
Ans: USD 100 million; in March 2026 with ADB for affordable housing finance expansion.
- Q213. When did NHB launch 'Gruh Sugam Portal'?**
Ans: March 26, 2026; digitalizing home loan access for defence personnel, paramilitary, government employees.
- Q214. How much funding did German DEG and Citi provide to Shriram Finance?**
Ans: USD 76 million; DEG USD 46 million, Citi ₹260 crore for financial inclusion.
- Q215. What funding focus did Shriram receive from DEG and Citi?**
Ans: MSMEs, women borrowers, Electric Vehicles, underserved areas for inclusive mobility.
- Q216. When did L&T Finance become UNGC signatory?**
Ans: March 2026; aligning with UNGC principles on human rights, labour, environment.
- Q217. Which insurance partnership did Axis Max Life sign?**
Ans: Saarathi Finance for MSME credit-linked insurance; group credit life protection.
- Q218. What requirement did RBI relax for AU Small Finance Bank?**
Ans: NOFHC requirement applies only if bank establishes additional group financial services entity.
- Q219. How much investment did Avenir announce for Sammaan Capital acquisition?**
Ans: ₹8,850 crore; acquiring 41.23% stake, expandable to 63.36% via open offer.
- Q220. What status was Avenir acquiring of Sammaan Capital pending?**
Ans: SEBI approval; Avenir Abu Dhabi-based investment company for acquisition finalization.

- Q221. How much mutual fund market size does SEBI regulate?**
Ans: ₹81 lakh crore; with major industry reforms addressing solution-oriented discontinuation.
- Q222. What exit load did SEBI introduce for Life Cycle Funds?**
Ans: 3% (1 year), 2% (2 years), 1% (3 years); incentivizing longer holding periods.
- Q223. What minimum tenure does SEBI mandate for Life Cycle Funds?**
Ans: 5 years; maximum 30 years in multiples of 5 with automatic glide path strategy.
- Q224. When did SEBI permit mutual funds intraday borrowing operations?**
Ans: April 1, 2026; with formal policies for unit repurchase, interest, dividend payments.
- Q225. What borrowing limit did SEBI set for mutual funds intraday operations?**
Ans: Not exceeding guaranteed same-day receivables from Gol, RBI, CCIL, specified securities.
- Q226. How many nominees can SEBI allow per demat/MF account?**
Ans: Maximum 4 nominees; capping previous unlimited nomination structure.
- Q227. What social impact fund investment limit did SEBI reduce?**
Ans: ₹2 lakh to ₹1,000 for individuals; promoting grassroots social impact investing.
- Q228. How many fraudulent apps did SEBI report removing?**
Ans: 1.3 lakh+ misleading apps; including 66 fake trading apps under fraud prevention.
- Q229. What initiative did SEBI launch for app verification?**
Ans: Verified App Label initiative; displaying verified badge on Google Play Store.
- Q230. Which index-based hybrid fund did Edelweiss AMC launch?**
Ans: Edelweiss Nifty LargeMidcap250 Plus 8–13 yr G-sec 70:30 Index Fund; India's first fully passive hybrid.
- Q231. What asset allocation does Edelweiss hybrid index fund maintain?**
Ans: 70% equities, 30% government securities; with automatic monthly rebalancing.
- Q232. When is Edelweiss hybrid fund NFO scheduled?**
Ans: March 18 - April 01, 2026; minimum investment ₹100 with ₹1 multiples.
- Q233. When did Lakshya AMC receive SEBI approval?**
Ans: March 2026; sponsored by Wealth First Portfolio Managers, first AMC in Ahmedabad.
- Q234. Which gold ETF ranked 6th globally in fund inflows?**
Ans: Nippon India ETF Gold BeES; only Indian ETF in global top 10 with USD 1,085.2 million inflows.
- Q235. How much gold does Nippon India Gold ETF hold?**
Ans: 36.2 tonnes; with 6.6 tonnes gold equivalent recent inflows.
- Q236. When did Bharti Airtel and Google launch secure RCS messaging?**
Ans: February 2026; with AI-powered spam filters through Google Messages on Android.
- Q237. What features did Airtel-Google RCS platform introduce?**
Ans: Real-time identity validation, multi-tiered threat detection, malicious domain filtering.
- Q238. Which AI-backed app did Jio Finance launch?**
Ans: Finsider; agentic AI platform offering hyper-personalized financial services.
- Q239. How many payment-related features does Jio Finance's Finsider app offer?**
Ans: Loans, credit cards, insurance, UPI, FDs, digital gold, mutual funds, tax planning, savings accounts.
- Q240. When did Gnani.ai and Razorpay launch agentic AI collections platform?**
Ans: February 27, 2026; enabling real-time UPI payments during live calls.
- Q241. What conversion rate did PayU-GoKwik C2C stack address?**
Ans: Checkout drop-offs and payment failures; through integrated conversion intelligence.
- Q242. When was CRED authorized as Payment Aggregator by RBI?**
Ans: March 2026; under Payment and Settlement Systems Act enabling direct merchant onboarding.
- Q243. What world-first did Razorpay unveil at FTX 2026?**
Ans: AI-Powered Agent Studio; built using Claude Agent SDK from Anthropic.
- Q244. What abandoned cart recovery percentage did Razorpay's Agent Studio target?**
Ans: Agentic AI for abandoned cart recovery, subscription recovery, dispute resolution.
- Q245. Which AI did PayU partner for multilingual voice payments?**
Ans: CoRover.ai's BharatGPT; supporting 100+ Indian languages and dialects.
- Q246. Which travel fintech launched Scapia Pay app?**
Ans: Scapia; in-application UPI with RuPay credit card rewards integration.
- Q247. When did PhonePe launch RuPay 'On-The-Go' national common mobility card?**
Ans: March 2026; contactless transit payments with ₹2,000 max chip balance.
- Q248. How many countries does NPCI operate UPI acceptance?**
Ans: 8+ countries; UAE, Singapore, Bhutan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, France, Mauritius, Qatar.

- Q249. When did IRDAI propose Ind AS adoption for all insurers?***
Ans: Effective April 1, 2026; with parallel reporting FY26, retrospective from FY27.
- Q250. Which two insurance entities received IRDAI final approval?**
Ans: Allianz Jio Reinsurance (50:50 JV), Kiwi General Insurance (WestBridge Capital); total 35 general insurers.
- Q251. What health restoration feature did Shriram General Insurance launch?**
Ans: Shri Health Suraksha 2.0; unlimited restoration within policy year with 250% cumulative bonus.
- Q252. What percentage growth rate did health insurance sector show?**
Ans: Around 9%; with total premiums ₹1.2 lakh crore+ in 2024-25.
- Q253. What claims paid ratio improvement did health insurance show?**
Ans: 87.50% in 2024-25; up from 66% in 2022-23 for faster claim settlement.
- Q254. Who was appointed MD & CEO of HDFC ERGO General Insurance?**
Ans: Parthanil Ghosh; effective April 16, 2026 (subject to IRDAI approval).
- Q255. How long is Parthanil Ghosh's insurance sector experience?**
Ans: 16+ years; with 30+ years total financial services background.
- Q256. When will Lloyd's of London launch operations in GIFT City?**
Ans: March 2026; establishing statutory insurance and reinsurance entity under IFSCA review.
- Q257. What is Sri Lanka's first Blue Bond dual listing location?**
Ans: NSE IX at GIFT City, Gujarat; DFCC Bank Plc LKR 3 billion bond (February 2026).
- Q258. Which Cyprus-based firm became first overseas NSE IX listing?**
Ans: Ellinas Finance; dual listing with Cyprus Stock Exchange for equity issuance.
- Q259. What services does Ellinas Finance provide in lending portfolio?**
Ans: Private equity funding, investor services, business financing across Cyprus and beyond.
- Q260. How many exchanges globally can India INX Global Access connect to?**
Ans: 135+ exchanges in 33 countries; with HSBC IBU referral-based access model.
- Q261. What is the remittance limit under Liberalised Remittance Scheme via India INX?**
Ans: USD 250,000 per FY; RBI's regulatory limit for overseas investment access.
- Q262. When will Pine Labs launch stablecoin-backed prepaid card?**
Ans: By April 2026; across 9 countries excluding India, China due to regulatory restrictions.
- Q263. How many countries will receive Pine Labs' stablecoin prepaid card?**
Ans: 9 countries in Middle East, Africa, Southeast Asia; real-time stablecoin-local currency conversion.
- Q264. What GDP series change did NSO implement for FY26 figures?**
Ans: 2011-12 base → 2022-23 base year; presenting revised growth estimates with quarterly coverage.
- Q265. What is India's real GDP growth at new 2022-23 base for FY26?**
Ans: 7.6%; at ₹322.58 lakh crore with 8.6% nominal growth of ₹345.47 lakh crore.
- Q266. What CAD percentage did India record in Q3 FY26?**
Ans: 1.3% of GDP; \$13.2 billion vs \$11.3 billion in Q3 FY25.
- Q267. What merchandise trade deficit did India record in Q3 FY26?**
Ans: \$93.6 billion; vs \$79.3 billion in Q3 FY25 showing increased import surge.
- Q268. What remittance inflows did India receive in Q3 FY26?**
Ans: \$36.9 billion; sustaining diaspora contribution to external stability.
- Q269. How much total exports did India achieve in Apr-Feb 2025-26?**
Ans: \$790.86 billion; 5.79% growth with merchandise exports \$402.93 billion.
- Q270. What services exports growth did India record in Apr-Feb period?**
Ans: 10.23% increase to \$387.93 billion; strong services sector performance.
- Q271. What was India's merchandise trade deficit in Apr-Feb 2025-26?**
Ans: \$310.60 billion; increased from \$261.80 billion in previous comparable period.
- Q272. What services trade surplus did India achieve in Apr-Feb?**
Ans: \$200.96 billion; offsetting merchandise deficit through services strength.
- Q273. How many FTAs has India signed covering how many countries?**
Ans: 9 FTAs covering 38 countries; including EU, EFTA, UK, Oman, New Zealand, USA.
- Q274. When did India sign trade agreement with USA?**
Ans: February 7, 2026; interim trade agreement as comprehensive negotiation progresses.
- Q275. What MPS at listing did Ministry of Finance revise?**
Ans: 5% to 2.5%; facilitating large-scale IPOs while maintaining market liquidity.

- Q276. How many MPS categories did revised framework expand to?**
Ans: From 3 to 6 categories; based on post-issue capital size stratification.
- Q277. When does CBIC's EMI Scheme operate?**
Ans: April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2028; clearing goods without immediate Customs duty.
- Q278. What monthly payment mode does EMI Scheme enable?**
Ans: Monthly deferred import duty payment; under Deferred Payment of Import Duty Rules 2016.
- Q279. When did RBI approve SBI MF's stake acquisition in RBL, Bandhan Bank?**
Ans: March 2026; up to 9.99% paid-up share capital within one-year completion period.
- Q280. What authorities approved State Street's Groww acquisition?**
Ans: Competition Commission (March 2026); for State Street Global Advisors Inc. acquisition.
- Q281. What investment did Meta make in Reliance Enterprise Intelligence?**
Ans: ₹256.6 crore; acquiring 30% stake at ₹10 per share for 25.65 crore shares.
- Q282. What is the focus of Reliance Enterprise Intelligence?**
Ans: Enterprise AI solutions and digital intelligence capabilities; strengthening AI infrastructure.
- Q283. How many PMJDY accounts were opened by February 2026?**
Ans: 57.78 crore; with ₹2,94,702 crore deposits, 55.8% women accounts.
- Q284. What maximum loan limit does Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana provide?**
Ans: Up to ₹20 lakh per unit; with ₹39.48 lakh crore sanctions for 57.26 crore loans.
- Q285. When did CGSMFI-2.0 scheme become effective?**
Ans: March 20, 2026; facilitating increased MFI credit flow with 60% guarantee cover.
- Q286. How many borrowers are expected to benefit from CGSMFI-2.0?**
Ans: ~36 lakh borrowers; through Member Lending Institution support until June 30, 2026.
- Q287. What validity did MCGS-MSME scheme introduction announce?**
Ans: January 2025 launch with March 2026 revisions; continuous enhancement for MSME credit.
- Q288. What guarantee percentage does MCGS-MSME provide?**
Ans: 60% guarantee to MLIs; for loans up to ₹100 crore for plant machinery purchase.
- Q289. What is the inflation target for 2026-31 period?**
Ans: 4% unchanged; under Flexible Inflation Targeting framework with 2-6% tolerance band.
- Q290. How much GDP growth did CRISIL project for FY27?**
Ans: 7.1%; down from 7.6% FY26 due to inflation and external challenges.
- Q291. What retail inflation did CRISIL forecast for FY27?**
Ans: 4.3%; up from 2.5% FY26 reflecting cost pressures.
- Q292. How much industrial CapEx did CRISIL project for FY27-FY31?**
Ans: ~₹9.1 lakh crore annually; supporting growth and investment pipeline.
- Q293. What FY27 GDP forecast did Nomura lower to?**
Ans: 7%; from previous 7.1% citing West Asia conflict risks to energy.
- Q294. What inflation did Nomura forecast for FY27?**
Ans: 4.5%; raised 70 bps from 3.8% reflecting cost pressures.
- Q295. What CAD percentage did Nomura project for FY27?**
Ans: 1.6% of GDP; from previous 1.2% due to external headwinds.
- Q296. What CY26 GDP growth did Goldman Sachs lower?**
Ans: 5.9%; from 7% pre-Iran war scenario impacting energy supply risks.
- Q297. What CY26 CPI inflation did Goldman Sachs forecast?**
Ans: 4.6%; vs 3.9% previous estimate reflecting cost escalation.
- Q298. What CAD percentage did Goldman Sachs project for CY26?**
Ans: 2% of GDP; widening from previous estimates due to import pressures.
- Q299. How much did S&P Global lift India FY27 forecast?**
Ans: 40 basis points to 7.1%; with 20 bps improvements for FY28, FY29.
- Q300. What CPI inflation did S&P Global forecast for FY27?**
Ans: 4.3%; up from 2.5% FY26 reflecting inflation trajectory.
- Q301. What FY27 GDP did OECD revise downward?**
Ans: 6.1%; from 6.2% citing global uncertainty in 'Testing Resilience' report.
- Q302. What global growth did OECD lower for 2026?**
Ans: 2.9%; in 2026 and 3% for 2027 from 3.1% previous.
- Q303. What FY27 GDP did ASSOCHAM project?**
Ans: Above 7%; driven by strong demand and rising investments.
- Q304. How much did India's retail inflation jump in February 2026?**
Ans: 3.21%; from 2.74% in January showing food, clothing pressures.
- Q305. What food weight change did CPI series implement?**
Ans: From 45.86% to 36.75%; with 2024 base year food weight reduction.

- Q306. What WPI inflation did NSO report for February 2026?**
Ans: 2.13%; fourth consecutive month of increases driven by food, manufacturing.
- Q307. What core sector growth did India achieve in February 2026?**
Ans: 2.3%; with steel 7.2%, cement 9.3% but crude, natural gas declined.
- Q308. How many merchant bankers did NSE select for its IPO?**
Ans: 20 structured competitive merchant bankers; approved by NSE IPO Committee.
- Q309. How many law firms did NSE appoint for IPO?**
Ans: 8 leading firms; covering legal and regulatory aspects of IPO process.
- Q310. When did Nashik Municipal Corporation list Green Municipal Bond?**
Ans: March 9, 2026 on NSE, Mumbai; Maharashtra's first ULB green bond.
- Q311. What fund allocation did Nashik bond focus on?**
Ans: Renewable energy, waste management, clean transportation, water, climate resilience.
- Q312. What platform did HDFC Securities launch for F&O trading?**
Ans: NxtOption; simplifying advanced options trading for retail investors.
- Q313. What strategies does NxtOption enable trading?**
Ans: Straddles, strangles, iron condors; with Greek analytics dashboard.
- Q314. What is the effective date of Income Tax Act 2025 digital taxation framework?**
Ans: April 1, 2026; with Significant Economic Presence threshold ₹2 crore.
- Q315. What SEP user threshold did Income Tax Act 2025 define?**
Ans: 3 lakh users; as alternative SEP definition alongside ₹2 crore threshold.
- Q316. How much World Bank loan did Uttar Pradesh secure?**
Ans: USD 299.66 million; for Clean Air Transition Programme with 10-year maturity.
- Q317. How many air quality monitoring stations will World Bank-funded UP project install?**
Ans: 200 new air quality monitoring stations; across UP urban areas.
- Q318. How many JICA ODA loan agreements were signed?**
Ans: Four agreements worth ₹16,420 crore; for healthcare, agriculture, metro projects.
- Q319. How much did JICA allocate for Bengaluru Metro Rail Phase 3?**
Ans: 102,480 million JPY; covering 44.65 km elevated metro extension.
- Q320. How much did IFC provide to DCM Shriram via sustainability-linked NCDs?**
Ans: USD 90 million; for downstream chemicals expansion and agri-business capex.
- Q321. How much did public sector banks earn from third-party financial products?**
Ans: Over ₹28,000 crore in last 5 years; from insurance, MF, credit cards, demat.
- Q322. Which public bank earned highest from third-party product sales?**
Ans: SBI with ₹17,043.49 crore; significantly ahead of Punjab National Bank.
- Q323. How much have private banks earned from minimum balance penalties?**
Ans: Over ₹11,000 crore in FY2022-23 to FY2024-25; HDFC Bank ₹3,800 crore+.
- Q324. Which bank did not charge minimum balance penalties?**
Ans: SBI; waived penalties since March 2020 for all account categories.
- Q325. How much did Mahindra & Mahindra Financial face as RBI penalty?**
Ans: ₹11.50 lakh; under RBI Act Section 58G for Fair Practices Code violations.
- Q326. What compliance requirement did Manappuram Finance need?**
Ans: KMP compensation guidelines compliance with Remuneration Policy mandatory deferral.
- Q327. How much forex reserves has India accumulated by Feb 27, 2026?**
Ans: Record \$728.49 billion; driven by gold and foreign currency asset growth.
- Q328. How many digital lending apps has MeitY blocked for fraud?**
Ans: RBI launched DLA directory July 1, 2025; MeitY can block fraudulent apps.
- Q329. How much open market operations did RBI conduct?**
Ans: ₹1 lakh crore government bonds purchase in March 2026; injecting liquidity.
- Q330. What is the new MPS at listing in revised framework?**
Ans: 2.5%; down from 5%, facilitating large IPOs while maintaining liquidity.
- Q331. How many merchant bankers did NSE select for IPO process?**
Ans: 20 competitive merchant bankers; approved for structured selection.
- Q332. What is bank dividend payout cap under revised RBI norms?**
Ans: 75% irrespective of CET1 bucket; with tiered payout structure.
- Q333. When do revised dividend norms become effective?**
Ans: April 1, 2027; with immediate implementation for new dividend policies.
- Q334. How many NBFC licenses did RBI cancel?**
Ans: 36 NBFCs; 16-24 February 2026 with 9 voluntary surrenders.



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- Q335. What is the maximum dividend payout for banks above 20% CET1?**
Ans: Up to 100% of adjusted PAT; subject to overall 75% cap.
- Q336. What borrowing limit percentage does SEBI allow for mutual funds?**
Ans: Not exceeding guaranteed same-day receivables; from Gol, RBI, CCL, specified securities.
- Q337. What is the nomination capping under SEBI streamlined norms?**
Ans: Maximum 4 nominees per demat/MF account; down from unlimited structure.
- Q338. How many SEBI board members sit as Whole-Time Members?**
Ans: 4 WTM's post-KV Ramana Murthy appointment; alongside chairperson and 4 part-time members.
- Q339. What is the minimum MAB for bob Women Sapphire Savings Account?**
Ans: ₹1 lakh; exclusive women-only account with comprehensive health benefits.
- Q340. How much health insurance does bob Women Sapphire offer?**
Ans: ₹10 lakh cancer care coverage for ages 18-60; free doctor consultations for 6 family members.
- Q341. What syndicated loan did Bank of Baroda secure?**
Ans: \$500 million five-year term loan; via IFSC Banking Unit in GIFT City.
- Q342. How many institutional investors participated in BoB syndicated loan?**
Ans: 13 investors across Asian markets; Taiwan, South Korea, Japan, Singapore.
- Q343. What is the maximum OD limit under BoB UPI credit line for women SHGs?**
Ans: ₹5,000; accessible via UPI for verified women SHG members with PMJDY accounts.
- Q344. When did SBI raise Tier-2 Basel III bonds?**
Ans: March 2026; ₹6,051 crore at 7.05% coupon 10-year tenor with 5-year call.
- Q345. How many qualified institutional investors bid for SBI bonds?**
Ans: 47 qualified institutional investors; pension, provident funds, mutual funds, banks.
- Q346. What cashback does Swiggy BLCK HDFC Card offer?**
Ans: 10% on Swiggy, max 5% on entertainment/travel/e-commerce; ₹48,000 annual savings.
- Q347. What membership benefit does Swiggy Orange HDFC Card include?**
Ans: 12-month Swiggy One BLCK membership; with 5% Swiggy cashback.
- Q348. When does Yes Bank appoint Vinay Tonse as MD & CEO?**
Ans: April 6, 2026; 3-year term succeeding Prashant Kumar.
- Q349. Which RCS spam feature did Airtel-Google introduce?**
Ans: AI-powered spam filters, real-time identity validation, multi-tiered threat detection.
- Q350. What payment methods does Razorpay Agent Studio automate?**
Ans: Abandoned cart recovery, subscription recovery, settlement reconciliation, dispute resolution.
- Q351. How many Indian languages does BHASHINI support?**
Ans: 36 Indian languages; with 23 voices and 35 international languages support.
- Q352. What governance assurance did Reliance provide on green ammonia supply?**
Ans: Samsung C&T long-term SPA USD 3 billion; 15-year supply from FY2028-29.
- Q353. How many GPUs did Chandigarh University CoE obtain?**
Ans: 168 GB memory NVIDIA Blackwell architecture; enabling high-end AI research.
- Q354. What is Bharat Petroleum's LPG ATM innovation?**
Ans: India's first LPG ATM; round-the-clock automated cylinder distribution in Gurugram.
- Q355. What payment methods does LPG ATM enable?**
Ans: UPI and debit card digital payments; with Mobile OTP customer verification.
- Q356. What approval timeline reduction does PRISM-SG Portal achieve?**
Ans: From ~12 months to 3-4 months; for Road Over Bridge approvals and inspections.
- Q357. Who was appointed as Iran's interim Supreme Leader on March 1, 2026?**
Ans: Ayatollah Alireza Araf; Deputy AoE Chairman serving until Assembly appoints successor.
- Q358. What interim leadership structure did Iran implement?**
Ans: Three-member Interim Leadership Council; President Pezeshkian, Chief Justice Mohseni-Ejei, Ayatollah Araf.
- Q359. Who was appointed President of Jio Platforms International Business?**
Ans: Dan Bailey; 35+ years experience from Schroders, Citi, Morgan Stanley, Deutsche Bank TMT.
- Q360. When did ACC reappoint Dr Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi as DCGI?**
Ans: March 2026 for second tenure extension; 1-year contract from February 1, 2026.
- Q361. How many governors were appointed by President Murmu on March 6, 2026?**
Ans: 9 governors/LGs across states and UTs; including Bihar, Maharashtra, Telangana reshuffles.
- Q362. Who became Governor of Bihar replacing Arif Mohammed Khan?**
Ans: Lt Gen Syed Ata Hasnain; as per President's appointment directive.

- Q363. Which state got new Governor Jishnu Dev Varma?**
Ans: Maharashtra; transferred from Telangana, replacing departing incumbent.
- Q364. Who assumed charge as Director General of Naval Armament?**
Ans: B.P. Singh; 1994 batch INAS officer with 30+ years experience.
- Q365. When did Børge Brende step down as WEF President and CEO?**
Ans: March 1, 2026; Alois Zwinggi appointed interim successor.
- Q366. What was Børge Brende's previous international role?**
Ans: Norwegian Minister of Foreign Affairs (2013-2017); Minister Trade, Industry (2004-2005).
- Q367. Who was appointed Chief Justice of Madras High Court?**
Ans: Justice Sushrut Arvind Dharmadhikari; under Article 217(1) Constitution.
- Q368. How many Chief Justices has Madras HC had including Dharmadhikari?**
Ans: 55th Chief Justice; established August 1862.
- Q369. What background does Justice Dharmadhikari have?**
Ans: Standing Counsel for Gol, IT Department, RBI (2000-2015); Judge Kerala, Madhya Pradesh HCs.
- Q370. When did RBI approve Ketan Merchant as interim CEO of Fino Payments Bank?**
Ans: March 2026; succeeding arrested Rishi Gupta for up to 4 months.
- Q371. Who was appointed interim CFO of Fino Payments Bank?**
Ans: Anup Agarwal; effective March 6, 2026 for up to 4 months.
- Q372. When did Lt Gen Dhiraj Seth assume Vice Chief of Army Staff?**
Ans: April 1, 2026; as GOC-in-C Southern Command, replacing Lt Gen P.P. Singh.
- Q373. What is Lt Gen Dhiraj Seth's commission year?**
Ans: December 1986; Armoured Corps officer with Mathura XXI Strike Corps command.
- Q374. When did Phanindranath Kakarla assume CEO & MD of ARCIL?**
Ans: March 8, 2026; following board-approved succession plan from Pallav Mohapatra.
- Q375. What previous role did Kakarla hold at ARCIL?**
Ans: President (joined April 2, 2025); transitioning to CEO & MD position.
- Q376. When did Rahul Bhatia become interim CEO of IndiGo?**
Ans: March 2026; following Pieter Elbers resignation as airline faces operational challenges.
- Q377. Who became first woman Chief of functional nuclear power plant in India?**
Ans: RM Nachammai; Chief Superintendent Kaiga Generating Station Units 3&4 March 15, 2026.
- Q378. How many years of nuclear experience does RM Nachammai have?**
Ans: 35+ years; in nuclear plant operations, Electrical & Electronics Engineer background.
- Q379. Which cricketer was appointed Uniqlo brand ambassador in India?**
Ans: Jasprit Bumrah; Indian fast bowler with LifeWear philosophy campaign focus.
- Q380. When was KV Ramana Murty appointed SEBI Whole-Time Member?**
Ans: March 2026; 3-year tenure from assumption date, 1991-batch IDAS officer.
- Q381. What was KV Ramana Murty's previous finance role?**
Ans: Additional Controller General of Defence Accounts in MoD; part-time SEBI board member.
- Q382. Who was appointed Co-opted Member of ICAI's SRSB?**
Ans: CA P.V. Narayana Rao; March 23, 2026 for term 2026-27.
- Q383. Which state appointed Manjeet Singh as Special Observer for Assembly elections?**
Ans: Assam; 1988-batch IAS officer (Rajasthan cadre) for April 9, 2026 elections.
- Q384. When are Assam Assembly elections and vote counting scheduled?**
Ans: April 9, 2026 elections; May 4, 2026 vote counting date.
- Q385. Who was appointed Chairman of reconstituted Hindi Advisory Committee?**
Ans: Jagat Prakash Nadda; Union Minister with Vice-Chairperson Anupriya Patel.
- Q386. When did Atanu Chakraborty resign from HDFC Bank as Part-Time Chairman?**
Ans: March 19, 2026; citing ethical concerns and differences over bank practices.
- Q387. Who was appointed interim Part-Time Chairman of HDFC Bank?**
Ans: Keki Mistry; for 3-month duration, current Kedaara Capital Operating Advisor.
- Q388. What is Keki Mistry's experience background?**
Ans: Four decades in housing finance, banking, financial services; HDFC Life Chairman.
- Q389. When was Vikram Doraiswami appointed as India's Ambassador to China?**
Ans: March 2026; 1992-batch IFS officer strengthening India-China diplomatic ties.
- Q390. Which state did City Union Bank appoint Ravindra Jadeja as brand ambassador?**
Ans: Kumbakonam, Tamil Nadu-headquartered bank; 2-year agreement March 16, 2026.
- Q391. What is the appointment duration of Ravindra Jadeja as CUB brand ambassador?**
Ans: 2-year agreement; through Baseline Ventures India Private Limited management.

- Q392. When did Balendra Shah become Nepal's youngest Prime Minister?**
Ans: March 27, 2026 at age 35; RSP party with 182/275 seats majority.
- Q393. Who did Balendra Shah succeed as Nepal's Prime Minister?**
Ans: Sushila Karki (Interim PM); after RSP's March 5, 2026 election victory.
- Q394. Who assumed NCBC Chairperson role in March 2026?**
Ans: Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti; former Union Minister of State for social welfare.
- Q395. Who was appointed NCBC Member alongside Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti?**
Ans: Mrs Kiran Umesh Mahalle; former Amravati Municipal Corporation Mayor.
- Q396. When did T.N. Natarajan take charge as SAIL Director (Commercial)?**
Ans: March 2026; with 32+ years experience transforming marketing strategy.
- Q397. When did Krishna Kumar Thakur assume NMDC Director (Personnel)?**
Ans: March 2026; with 20+ years HR experience in large-scale organizations.
- Q398. Who took charge as NCSC Member in March 2026?**
Ans: Dr Partha Biswas; Ph.D Defence & Strategic Studies, post-doctoral ICSSR fellow JNU.
- Q399. Which cricketer was appointed BHIM Payments App brand ambassador?**
Ans: MS Dhoni; by NPCI BHIM Services Limited for digital payments promotion.
- Q400. When did Jose Joseph Kattoor assume South Indian Bank Part-Time Chairmanship?**
Ans: March 23, 2026; 3-year term following RBI approval, succeeding V.J. Kurian.
- Q401. What was Jose Joseph Kattoor's previous role?**
Ans: RBI Executive Director (retired 2023); Enforcement, Corporate Strategy, Currency Management departments.
- Q402. Which musician was appointed Yamaha Music India brand ambassador?**
Ans: A.R. Rahman; March 2026 for Yamaha Corporation Japan's musical instrument promotion.
- Q403. How many global leaders were featured in TIME Women of the Year 2026?**
Ans: 16 global leaders; including Safeena Husain, Reshma Kewalramani, Reshma Saujani.
- Q404. What is Safeena Husain's non-profit organization name?**
Ans: Educate Girls; recognized for education advocacy and women empowerment.
- Q405. When is TIME Women of the Year Leadership Forum scheduled?**
Ans: March 10, 2026 at Los Angeles; honoring distinguished 16 global women leaders.
- Q406. Which airport won 2025 Airport Service Quality Award for Best Arrivals?**
Ans: Mangaluru International Airport; second consecutive year (2024, 2025) recognition.
- Q407. How many airports globally were selected in best arrivals category?**
Ans: Only 6 airports worldwide; based on real-time passenger feedback assessment.
- Q408. When is Airport Experience Summit 2026 scheduled for award presentation?**
Ans: August 31 - September 4, 2026 in Istanbul; ASQ awards ceremony.
- Q409. Who became first Indian economist to win University of Chicago Alumni Award?**
Ans: Dr K.V. Subramanian; since award establishment in 1941.
- Q410. What positions did KV Subramanian hold in government?**
Ans: Chief Economic Advisor (2018-2021); IMF Executive Director; ISB Finance Professor.
- Q411. Who was appointed Laureus Ambassador after Olympic achievements?**
Ans: Simone Biles; 7-time Olympic gold medallist, most decorated gymnast in history.
- Q412. How many Laureus Sportswoman of the Year Awards did Simone Biles win?**
Ans: Four-time winner; first woman appointed as Laureus Ambassador.
- Q413. Which sport team earned first-ever Laureus World Team of the Year nomination?**
Ans: India women's national cricket team; following ICC Women's World Cup 2025 victory.
- Q414. What Guinness World Record achievement did Bokaro Steel Plant earn?**
Ans: BIS certification for 4 new steel grades ISC 440-550 LA; expanding HSLA production.
- Q415. What electrical steel type did Bokaro produce for first time?**
Ans: 0.5 mm IS 18316 LS Grade NGO Electrical Steel; 1,100 tonnes for EV motors.
- Q416. Which actress won Best Actress at Telangana Gaddar Film Awards?**
Ans: Rashmika Mandanna; for Telugu film "The Girlfriend" (2025) role as Bhooma Devi.
- Q417. What celebrates did Mattel's Barbie Dream Team 2026 honor?**
Ans: International Women's Day; with global female role models' dolls in likenesses.
- Q418. How many Oscar categories were honored at 98th Academy Awards 2026?**
Ans: 24 categories; at Dolby Theatre Hollywood on March 15, 2026.
- Q419. Which film won 6 Oscars at 98th Academy Awards?**
Ans: One Battle After Another; directed by Paul Thomas Anderson, winning Best Picture.

- Q420. Who became first woman to win Best Cinematography Oscar?**
Ans: Autumn Durald Arkapaw; historic achievement in 98th Academy Awards 2026.
- Q421. What is the new Oscar category introduced at 98th Awards?**
Ans: Achievement in Casting; inaugural winner Cassandra Kulukundis for "One Battle After Another".
- Q422. How many nominations did "Sinners" receive at Oscars 2026?**
Ans: 16 nominations; most nominations of the ceremony (vs 6 wins for "One Battle After Another").
- Q423. Who won Best Actor at 98th Academy Awards?**
Ans: Michael B. Jordan; for role in "Sinners" film.
- Q424. Who won Best Actress at Oscars 2026?**
Ans: Jessie Buckley; for "Hamnet" becoming first Irish actress to win award.
- Q425. What achievement did Jawed Ashraf receive on March 18, 2026?**
Ans: France's Legion of Honour Commandeur rank; first Indian Ambassador with this honour.
- Q426. Who presented France's Legion of Honour to Jawed Ashraf?**
Ans: Thierry Mathou, French Ambassador; in presence of NSA Ajit Doval, New Delhi.
- Q427. Who was conferred Honorary Knight Commander of Order of British Empire?**
Ans: Natarajan Chandrasekaran, Tata Sons Chairman; March 2026 for India-UK business relations.
- Q428. Who presented Chandrasekaran's KBE honour?**
Ans: Lindy Cameron, British High Commissioner; on behalf of King Charles III.
- Q429. How many previous Indian recipients have received KBE honour?**
Ans: Limited recipients; including Jamshed Irani (1997), Ratan Tata (2009), Ravi Shankar (2001).
- Q430. Who was named 2026 Stockholm Water Prize Laureate?**
Ans: Kaveh Madani; Director UN University Institute, age 44, youngest recipient in 35-year history.
- Q431. What achievement earned Kaveh Madani Stockholm Water Prize?**
Ans: Water governance and crisis management contributions; first UN official, first former politician.
- Q432. Which institution won 'Initiative of the Year' award at Central Banking Awards?**
Ans: Reserve Bank of India; for '.bank.in' domain rollout combating cyber frauds.
- Q433. When did RBI launch '.bank.in' domain?**
Ans: February 2025; exclusive domain for RBI-licensed banks only.
- Q434. Who was appointed IDRBT registrar for domain rollout?**
Ans: Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology; sole registrar.
- Q435. Which BCCI award did Roger Binny receive?**
Ans: Colonel C.K. Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award; joint recipient with Rahul Dravid.
- Q436. Who won Best International Cricketer (Men) Polly Umrigar Award?**
Ans: Shubman Gill; 983 Test runs, 490 ODI runs in 2024-25 season.
- Q437. How many ODI centuries did Smriti Mandhana score in 2025?**
Ans: 5 centuries; winning Best International Cricketer (Women) award fifth time.
- Q438. Who won Best International Debut award in BCCI Naman Awards 2026?**
Ans: Harshit Rana (Men) and N Sree Charani (Women); recognizing breakthrough performances.
- Q439. How many volcanic summits did Bhupathiraju Anmish Varma climb for Guinness Record?**
Ans: 7 volcanic summits; in 92 days 4 hours 45 minutes (male category record).
- Q440. Where did Bhupathiraju start and conclude volcanic summits expedition?**
Ans: Mount Elbrus (Oct 23, 2024) to Mount Sidley, Antarctica (Jan 23, 2025).
- Q441. When was Guinness World Record officially recognized for Bhupathiraju?**
Ans: February 6, 2026; certificate presentation March 17, 2026 in Delhi.
- Q442. Which Indian actress received Women Empowerment Award at House of Commons UK?**
Ans: Rituparna Sengupta; National Film Awardee honored during International Women's Day event.
- Q443. What National Film Award did Rituparna Sengupta win?**
Ans: Best Actress for "Dahan" (1998) directed by Rituparno Ghosh.
- Q444. When did Kalpana Soren receive Women Empowerment Trailblazer Award?**
Ans: March 2026 at BRICS CCI WE Summit; for grassroots empowerment contributions.
- Q445. What is Kalpana Soren's political position?**
Ans: Member of Legislative Assembly from Gandeypur, Jharkhand; recognized for women-led development.
- Q446. Which bank received National Award for SHG-Bank Linkage 2024-25?**
Ans: Karnataka Grameena Bank (KGB); extended ₹2,835 crore to 80,904 SHGs.
- Q447. Who presented the SHG-Bank Linkage award?**
Ans: Shivraj Singh Chouhan, Union Minister; at National Conference in Hyderabad, Telangana.
- Q448. How much did SBI earn from third-party financial products in 5 years?**
Ans: ₹17,043.49 crore; highest among public sector banks.

- Q449. What is Shah Rukh Khan's net worth in Hurun Rich List 2026?**
Ans: USD 1.3 billion; making debut in billionaire list with self-made wealth.
- Q450. What sources comprise Shah Rukh Khan's billionaire wealth?**
Ans: Red Chillies Entertainment, brand endorsements, film distribution rights.
- Q451. How many women billionaires globally were self-made in Hurun Report 2026?**
Ans: 150 self-made women billionaires; combined wealth USD 470 billion.
- Q452. In how many decades did self-made women billionaires double in count?**
Ans: Last decade; from 75 (2015) to 150 (2026), reflecting entrepreneurship growth.
- Q453. Who is world's richest self-made woman per Hurun Report?**
Ans: Diane Hendricks, age 78 (USA); USD 24 billion net worth from ABC Supply.
- Q454. Which country dominates self-made women billionaires ranking?**
Ans: China with 78; accounting for more than half of global 150 count.
- Q455. What did R Vairamuthu receive for literary excellence?**
Ans: 60th Jnanpith Award 2025; third Tamil writer after Akilan, Jayakanthan.
- Q456. What is the Jnanpith Award cash prize amount?**
Ans: ₹11 lakh; including Vagdevi statue and citation for outstanding literary contribution.
- Q457. When was Sahitya Akademi Award 2025 announced?**
Ans: March 2026; recognizing excellence in 24 Indian languages with 24 award winners.
- Q458. How much cash award does each Sahitya Akademi winner receive?**
Ans: ₹1 lakh; with engraved copper plaque originally designed by Satyajit Ray.
- Q459. What book earned William Dalrymple Mark Lynton History Prize 2026?**
Ans: "The Golden Road: How Ancient India Transformed the World"; reframing global history.
- Q460. How much prize money does Mark Lynton History Prize offer?**
Ans: USD 10,000; for outstanding historical writing with scholarly excellence emphasis.
- Q461. Which animated film won Best Director at New York Short Animation Festival 2026?**
Ans: CHYIMI; directed by Partha Sarathi Mahanta, senior Assam police officer.
- Q462. When was Kailash Satyarthi's book 'Karuna: The Power of Compassion' launched?**
Ans: March 2026; by SMGC with Harper Collins India, with Justice Surya Kant present.
- Q463. What concept did Satyarthi introduce in 'Karuna' book?**
Ans: Compassion Quotient (CQ); scientific approach to measure and increase individual compassion.
- Q464. Which Bengali writer was selected for Saraswati Samman 2025?**
Ans: Ramkumar Mukhopadhyay; for novel 'Hara Parbati Katha' (2020).
- Q465. When is Saraswati Samman 2025 award presented?**
Ans: March 2026; 35th edition recognizing 10-year published works.
- Q466. How much is Saraswati Samman cash prize?**
Ans: ₹15 lakh; with citation and plaque for outstanding literary contributions.
- Q467. How many languages are covered by Sahitya Akademi Awards?**
Ans: 24 Indian languages; representing Constitution Schedule VIII linguistic diversity.
- Q468. What award distribution showed for Sahitya Akademi 2025?**
Ans: 8 poetry, 4 novels, 6 short stories, 2 essays, 2 memoirs, 1 autobiography, 1 criticism.
- Q469. Which cricket match did India win with 96-run victory margin?**
Ans: T20 World Cup final 2026; defeated New Zealand 255/5 to 159 at Ahmedabad.
- Q470. Who was named Player of the T20 World Cup 2026 series?**
Ans: Sanju Samson; 89-run match-winning knock in final.
- Q471. How many sixes did Sanju Samson hit in T20 World Cup final?**
Ans: 8 sixes; along with 5 fours in 46-ball 89-run match-winning innings.
- Q472. What is India's T20 World Cup title count?**
Ans: 3 titles; 2007, 2024, 2026 becoming first team to successfully defend title.
- Q473. How much prize money did India win?**
Ans: USD 3 million (₹27.48 crore); combined with ICC prize money.
- Q474. How much BCCI cash reward did Team India receive?**
Ans: ₹131 crore; distributed among players, coaching, support staff, selectors.
- Q475. Which Oscars category did Priyanka Chopra present?**
Ans: Best International Feature Film; alongside Spanish actor Javier Bardem.
- Q476. What feature did one Oscars-winning film demonstrate?**
Ans: One Battle After Another; won Best Picture with 6 Oscars total.
- Q477. What is India's sports economy valuation in 2025?**
Ans: \$2.13 billion (₹18,864 crore); 4% YoY growth from ₹16,633 crore 2024.

- Q478. What percentage of Indian sports economy does cricket contribute?**
Ans: ~89% (₹16,704 crore); dominating nation's sports economy significantly.
- Q479. What is India's sports economy media spending share?**
Ans: 51% of total market; largest contributor to sports economy revenue.
- Q480. When did China become India's third-largest export destination?**
Ans: February 2026; with exports increasing 32.4% to \$1.67 billion.
- Q481. How many sixes did Shubman Gill score to break T20 WC record?**
Ans: Multiple centuries in various formats; scoring 983 Test, 490 ODI runs in 2024-25.
- Q482. How many times did Smriti Mandhana win Best International Cricketer award?**
Ans: 5 times; creating record as consistent performer in Women's cricket.
- Q483. What distinction did Deepti Sharma achieve?**
Ans: Highest wicket-taker in Women's ODIs; recognized at BCCI Naman Awards 2026.
- Q484. How much has Mumbai contributed as billionaire hub?**
Ans: 95 billionaires; largest city contributor to India's 308 billionaire count.
- Q485. What healthcare sector distinction did Hurun Report highlight?**
Ans: 53 new billionaires from healthcare sector; highest among all sectors.
- Q486. What gender representation does Hurun Report show for women billionaires?**
Ans: 481 women (14%); up from 13.4% in 2025 on Forbes list.
- Q487. When did Border Roads Organisation inaugurate three inland waterways projects?**
Ans: February 26, 2026 at Dibrugarh, Assam; on National Waterway-2 (Brahmaputra).
- Q488. What are the three inland waterway projects inaugurated?**
Ans: Bogibeel Customs & Immigration Complex, Dhubri Customs & Immigration Complex, renovated IWAI Heritage Building.
- Q489. When did Southern Air Command conduct Exercise Kalari Leap?**
Ans: February 2026 across Lakshadweep, Minicoy archipelago in Arabian Sea.
- Q490. Which military units participated in Exercise Kalari Leap?**
Ans: Armed Forces Special Operations Division (AFSOD) and Indian Coast Guard (ICG).
- Q491. What aircraft did IAF deploy in Exercise Kalari Leap?**
Ans: AN-32 transport, Mi-17V5 helicopters, Su-30MKI fighter jets for operations.
- Q492. When did Indian Air Force conduct Exercise Vayushakti-26?**
Ans: February 2026 at Pokhran Field Firing Range, Jaisalmer, Rajasthan.
- Q493. How many aircraft participated in Exercise Vayushakti-26?**
Ans: Over 130 aircraft; including Rafale, Su-30 MKI, Mirage-2000, MiG-29, Jaguar, Hawk, transport aircraft.
- Q494. Who attended Exercise Vayushakti-26 as Chief Guest?**
Ans: President Droupadi Murmu; accompanied by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.
- Q495. What unique feature marked Exercise Vayushakti-26?**
Ans: First time defined operational storyline; simulated live combat theatre with day-and-night operations.
- Q496. What defence contract cost did Ministry of Defence announce?**
Ans: ₹5,083 crore; for ALH Mk-III and VL-Shtil missiles procurement.
- Q497. How much did HAL contract for ALH Mk-III helicopters cost?**
Ans: ₹2,901 crore; 6 Advanced Light Helicopters (Maritime Role) for Indian Coast Guard.
- Q498. What missile contract did Russia sign with India?**
Ans: ₹2,182 crore for VL-Shtil surface-to-air missiles with associated equipment.
- Q499. What signature event occurred at Indian Navy contract signing?**
Ans: 4 self-propelled 500-tonne fuel barge contract with Shoft Shipyard, Thane.
- Q500. Which integration requirement does fuel barge support?**
Ans: Indian Navy logistics operations; supplying fuel to INS and submarines in harbours.
- Q501. When did Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh inaugurate Central Facility for Recombinant Cells and Sensors?**
Ans: March 1, 2026 at BRIC-RGCB, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala as National Science Day event.
- Q502. What is the capital outlay for Central Facility for Recombinant Cells?**
Ans: ₹60 crore; supporting drug discovery, Medical Genomics, Agri-Genomics research.
- Q503. What is the total outlay for cGMP facility at BRIC-RGCB?**
Ans: ₹80 crore in two phases; supporting pharmaceutical and biomedical manufacturing.
- Q504. Who authored "Quantum Physics: One Hundred Magical Years" released by Minister Singh?**
Ans: V.P.N. Nampoori; highlighting quantum physics research and history developments.

- Q505. When did Dr Jitendra Singh launch India's first State Innovation Mission?**
Ans: March 2026 at Agartala, Tripura; at Hapania International Exhibition Center.
- Q506. What is the focus of Tripura's State Innovation Mission?**
Ans: Long-term institutional framework for inclusive, robust, region-specific innovation ecosystems.
- Q507. What initiative did Tripura CM Dr Manik Saha launch?**
Ans: T-NEST (Tripura: Nurturing Entrepreneurship and Startups); first premier incubation hub.
- Q508. What is District Innovator Fellowship in Tripura?**
Ans: One of India's first DIF programs; identifying and supporting grassroots innovators.
- Q509. What policy announcement did Tripura government make?**
Ans: State Artificial Intelligence Policy; promoting AI-based development and digital transformation.
- Q510. When did Delhi CM Rekha Gupta launch 'CM Jan Sunwai Portal'?**
Ans: March 2026; centralized grievance redressal platform with mobile application.
- Q511. How many submission channels does CM Jan Sunwai Portal offer?**
Ans: 4 channels; online portal, mobile app, helpline 1902, offline at CMO.
- Q512. What three-tier mechanism does grievance portal implement?**
Ans: Grievance Redressal Officer, Appellate Authority, Final Appellate Authority structure.
- Q513. What coverage tracking feature does portal provide?**
Ans: Unique reference ID for complaint tracking; SMS updates at every stage of resolution.
- Q514. When did DRDO conduct VSHORADS flight trials?**
Ans: February 27, 2026 from Integrated Test Range, Chandipur, Odisha coast.
- Q515. What is VSHORADS designed to neutralize?**
Ans: Low-altitude aerial threats; fighter aircraft, helicopters, UAVs, drones.
- Q516. How many flight trials did VSHORADS successfully complete?**
Ans: 3 consecutive flight trials; successfully intercepting and destroying target simulations.
- Q517. When was INS Anjadip commissioned?**
Ans: February 28, 2026 at Chennai Port, Tamil Nadu by Admiral Dinesh Kumar Tripathi.
- Q518. What is INS Anjadip's length and displacement specifications?**
Ans: 77 metres length, 1,400 tonnes displacement with water-jet propulsion reaching 25 knots.
- Q519. What indigenous content percentage does INS Anjadip feature?**
Ans: Over 80%; built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE), Kolkata.
- Q520. What role does INS Anjadip serve?**
Ans: Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW SWC); "Dolphin Hunter" nickname.
- Q521. When did Secretary MeitY launch 30 kW integrated drive system for EVs?**
Ans: March 2026 at IIT Madras, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- Q522. What technology does EV drive system use?**
Ans: Wide Band Gap (WBG)-based; Silicon Carbide MOSFET power modules integration.
- Q523. What motor architecture does IDS employ?**
Ans: Interior Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motor (IPMSM); with SiC power electronics.
- Q524. What is the power density benefit of new EV drive system?**
Ans: High power-density compact unit; reducing import dependency on EV powertrains.
- Q525. When did Maharashtra launch Saksham Skill Census?**
Ans: March 2026 at RD National College, Bandra West, Mumbai.
- Q526. What is India's first Saksham Skill Census focus?**
Ans: AI-powered skill evaluation for youth aged 18-40 years; improving employability.
- Q527. How many youth were surveyed in initial Saksham phase?**
Ans: 55,000 houses; in H-West ward of Mumbai with hyperlocal skill mapping.
- Q528. What technology does Saksham Skill Census employ?**
Ans: Advanced AI technology and Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping.
- Q529. When did IBM launch Sangam Infrastructure Innovation Center?**
Ans: March 2026 at India Systems Development Lab (ISDL), Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- Q530. What is Sangam center's primary focus?**
Ans: Advanced infrastructure engineering and AI development; collaborative innovation hub.
- Q531. Who leads Sangam center operations?**
Ans: Virendra Somwanshi; experienced wealth management professional appointed as center lead.
- Q532. What partnership model does Sangam employ?**
Ans: Bringing together IBM architects, ISDL specialists, partners, ISVs, GSIs ecosystem.
- Q533. When did Ministry of Culture launch Indian Culture Portal Version 2.0?**
Ans: March 2026 at Kartavya Bhawan, New Delhi by Secretary Vivek Aggarwal.
- Q534. What is ICP 2.0's architecture improvement?**
Ans: React-based frontend and Drupal backend; modern architecture improving speed, scalability.
- Q535. What AI chatbot does ICP 2.0 integrate?**
Ans: Bharti; connected to Bhashini platform supporting 22 Indian languages.
- Q536. How many cultural categories are curated in ICP 2.0?**
Ans: 46 curated cultural categories; with 3D walkthroughs and 360-degree virtual tours.

- Q537. Which two new earthworm species were discovered in Silent Valley National Park?**
Ans: Moniligaster girishi and Drawida reynoldsi; increasing India's moniligastrid count to 95.
- Q538. Where is Silent Valley National Park located?**
Ans: Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve (NBR) of Western Ghats, Kerala.
- Q539. What journal published the earthworm species discovery?**
Ans: Peer-reviewed journal Zootaxa; in March 2026.
- Q540. How many Western Ghats moniligastrid earthworms exist?**
Ans: 70 out of 95 total species; concentrated in Western Ghats biodiversity hotspot.
- Q541. Which new blind fish species was discovered in Assam?**
Ans: Gitchak nakan; aquifer-dwelling (phreatobitic) fish in hand-dug well.
- Q542. Where was Gitchak nakan discovered in Assam?**
Ans: Assam village hand-dug well; first aquifer-dwelling fish in Northeast India.
- Q543. What is the maximum size of Gitchak nakan fish?**
Ans: 2 centimetres; miniature fish with translucent body lacking skin pigment.
- Q544. What unique skull feature does Gitchak nakan lack?**
Ans: Skull roof covering; brain covered only by skin rather than bone.
- Q545. What geological age fossils were found showing earliest animals?**
Ans: 541 million-year-old Precambrian rocks; with evidence of soft-bodied sea sponges.
- Q546. What chemical biomarkers indicated earliest animal presence?**
Ans: Steranes; molecular biomarkers from sterols associated with demosponges.
- Q547. Which journal published earliest animal discovery findings?**
Ans: Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences; MIT and research collaboration.
- Q548. What technology did scientists use for ancient animal detection?**
Ans: Google Earth Engine data processing; Sentinel-2 optical, Sentinel-1 SAR imagery analysis.
- Q549. When did ISRO and ESA sign Earth observation missions agreement?**
Ans: March 2026; virtually signed ESA-ISRO arrangement for joint calibration.
- Q550. What is the FLEX mission focus area?**
Ans: Fluorescence Explorer satellite; measuring chlorophyll fluorescence for vegetation health.
- Q551. How long does FLEX mission monitor global vegetation?**
Ans: Comprehensive Earth observation; supporting climate monitoring and vegetation studies.
- Q552. When did AquaAirX introduce AVATAAR amphibious drone?**
Ans: March 2026; India's first amphibious drone for air-underwater ISR operations.
- Q553. What acronym is AVATAAR?**
Ans: Amphibious Vehicle for Autonomous Tactical Aerial & Aquatic Reconnaissance.
- Q554. What sensors does AVATAAR drone carry?**
Ans: Imaging sonar, Doppler Velocity Logger, acoustic communication modem, LED lights, cameras, USBL.
- Q555. What Technology Readiness Level has AVATAAR achieved?**
Ans: TRL-6; functional prototype tested in operational environments.
- Q556. When did USA Air Force test Minuteman III ICBM?**
Ans: February 2026; designated GT-255/Glory Trip 255 from Vandenberg Space Force Base.
- Q557. What distance did Minuteman III missile travel in test?**
Ans: ~4,200 miles; striking target zone near Kwajalein Atoll, Marshall Islands.
- Q558. What is Minuteman III's operational range?**
Ans: ~6,000 miles; with travel speed exceeding Mach 23.
- Q559. How many Minuteman III missiles remain on alert in USA?**
Ans: ~400 missiles; deployed across Montana, North Dakota, Wyoming.
- Q560. When did researchers develop sunlight-driven plastic waste conversion?**
Ans: March 2026 at University of Waterloo, Canada; converting plastic to acetic acid.
- Q561. What conversion technology does plastic-to-acetic method employ?**
Ans: Photocatalysis system; using sunlight as primary energy source.
- Q562. What conversion temperature does plastic waste method require?**
Ans: Room temperature; without extreme heat or toxic chemicals.
- Q563. Which plastic types were tested in conversion method?**
Ans: Polyethylene (PE), PET, polypropylene (PP), polyvinyl chloride (PVC).
- Q564. What is global annual acetic acid production volume?**
Ans: Over 17 million tonnes; primarily using fossil fuels (natural gas, coal).
- Q565. When did Union Minister review OTEC plant in Lakshadweep?**
Ans: March 2026; examining seawater intake, deep-sea pipeline, turbine systems.
- Q566. What technology does OTEC plant utilize?**
Ans: Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion; temperature difference between warm surface and cold deep water.

- Q567. What implementing ministry supports OTEC plant project?**
Ans: Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) and National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT).
- Q568. What depth does OTEC pipeline draw seawater from?**
Ans: >1,000 metres; bringing cold seawater for desalination and power generation.
- Q569. What desalination capacity does OTEC plant target?**
Ans: 100 cubic metres/day; producing drinking water using deep-sea water.
- Q570. What is the OTEC pipeline length in Lakshadweep?**
Ans: 8 km; high-density polyethylene pipeline for seawater intake operations.
- Q571. When was IISc Moonshot Project on Brain Co-Processors launched?**
Ans: March 2026; funded by Pratiksha Trust under Senapathy Gopalakrishnan initiative.
- Q572. What is brain co-processor's primary function?**
Ans: Decode neural signals, process via AI, send feedback to brain; enhancing/restoring brain function.
- Q573. What patient group is first-phase brain co-processor targeting?**
Ans: Stroke survivors; developing non-invasive neural co-processor for sensorimotor feedback.
- Q574. What second-phase brain co-processor focuses on?**
Ans: Minimally invasive co-processor; restoring sensorimotor coordination in chronic MCA stroke.
- Q575. How many IISc faculty support brain research initiatives?**
Ans: 20+ faculty members; in Brain, Computation and Data Science initiative.
- Q576. When did SEBI form high-level technology roadmap panel?**
Ans: March 2026; chaired by Dr D B Phatak, IIT Bombay Professor Emeritus.
- Q577. What panel purpose does SEBI technology roadmap serve?**
Ans: Preparing short-term and long-term technology roadmaps for securities market ecosystem.
- Q578. What SEBI surveillance tool was developed internally?**
Ans: SEBI Sudarshan; real-time system monitoring unauthorized digital market activity.
- Q579. What AI-based SEBI system reviews market advertisements?**
Ans: SEBI R(AI)DAR; reviewing securities market advertisements for compliance.
- Q580. When did Forest Survey of India halt Anavaran deforestation alerts?**
Ans: March 2026; ending fortnightly alerts via AI-based portal system.
- Q581. How long did Anavaran portal operate?**
Ans: January 2024 - October 2025; providing near-real-time deforestation alerts.
- Q582. What satellite imagery did Anavaran use?**
Ans: Sentinel-2 optical imagery; Sentinel-1 SAR data for forest cover detection.
- Q583. How many deforestation alerts did Anavaran issue total?**
Ans: 12,351 alerts; averaging 561/month between January 2024-October 2025.
- Q584. Which states recorded highest deforestation alerts?**
Ans: Punjab, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, Uttarakhand, Assam, Tripura.
- Q585. When did ISRO conduct CE20 cryogenic engine hot test?**
Ans: March 2026; 165-second sea-level hot test at IPRC, Mahendragiri, Tamil Nadu.
- Q586. What thrust did CE20 engine test achieve?**
Ans: 22 tonne thrust; enhanced from previous 19-tonne operations.
- Q587. What protection system was used in CE20 test?**
Ans: Nozzle Protection System (NPS); controlling flow separation effects.
- Q588. What LVM3 stage will updated CE20 support?**
Ans: Cryogenic Stage C32 development; enhancing LVM3 payload capability.
- Q589. How many hot tests has tested CE20 completed?**
Ans: 20 hot tests record; enabling multiple technology qualifications on single engine.
- Q590. When did Gujarat launch its first sounding rocket?**
Ans: March 15, 2026 at Bavaliyari village near Dholera.
- Q591. Which company developed Gujarat's sounding rocket?**
Ans: Omspace Rocket and Exploration Private Limited (OSRE); Ahmedabad-based.
- Q592. What altitude did Gujarat sounding rocket reach?**
Ans: Nearly 3 kilometres; single-stage sub-orbital rocket achievement.
- Q593. What payload did Gujarat sounding rocket carry?**
Ans: Mini-satellite for weather data collection; built with carbon fibre advanced composites.
- Q594. What approvals did Gujarat rocket launch receive?**
Ans: Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe); supporting Gujarat Spacetechnology Policy.
- Q595. When did IIT Guwahati develop MXene-based material?**
Ans: March 2026; for hydrogen fuel production and seawater desalination.
- Q596. What is MXene-based material's hydrogen evolution performance?**
Ans: 12 millivolts overpotential; outperforming platinum-based catalysts.
- Q597. What desalination rate did MXene-based Janus evaporator achieve?**
Ans: 3.2 kilograms per square metre per hour; operating 5 days continuously.

- Q598. What drinking water standards did MXene desalination meet?**
Ans: International standards; demonstrating sustainable water treatment capability.
- Q599. What publication featured IIT Guwahati's MXene research?**
Ans: "Advanced Functional Materials" journal; demonstrating material's dual capabilities.
- Q600. When did India test indigenous Floating LiDAR Buoy System?**
Ans: March 2026 off Muttom, Tamil Nadu coast by National Institute of Ocean Technology.
- Q601. What is Floating LiDAR Buoy's measurement altitude?**
Ans: Up to 300 metres above sea level; providing comprehensive wind profile data.
- Q602. What advantage does floating LiDAR provide vs traditional tools?**
Ans: Measures wind profiles unlike traditional coastal towers; comprehensive real-time data.
- Q603. What benefit reduces dependency on imported technology?**
Ans: Indigenous development supporting India's self-reliance in scientific innovation.
- Q604. What weather applications does floating LiDAR support?**
Ans: Enhanced forecasting accuracy, cyclone tracking, climate change studies support.
- Q605. What renewable energy applications benefit from floating LiDAR?**
Ans: Offshore wind energy modeling, assessment, optimization of generation.
- Q606. When did Reliance Industries sign green ammonia supply deal?**
Ans: March 2026; binding SPA with Samsung C&T for 15-year supply.
- Q607. What is the green ammonia supply value?**
Ans: Over USD 3 billion; marking largest off-take agreement globally.
- Q608. When does green ammonia supply commence?**
Ans: Second half of FY2028-29; fully integrated clean energy ecosystem in India.
- Q609. What mission does green ammonia supply align with?**
Ans: National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM); achieving net-zero emissions by 2035.
- Q610. What is the global context of green ammonia market?**
Ans: First in series of global offtake agreements; supporting clean energy transition.
- Q611. When did Shipping Corporation sign green vessel contract?**
Ans: March 2026 with Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited.
- Q612. What vessel type is SCI constructing?**
Ans: Green methanol dual-fuel Platform Supply Vessel (PSV); 3,000 Deadweight Tonnage.
- Q613. Why is green methanol vessel significant?**
Ans: First alternative-fuel vessel in SCI fleet; India's first methanol dual-fuel PSV.
- Q614. What dual-fuel technology does PSV employ?**
Ans: Methanol dual-fuel capability; operating on conventional marine fuel and green methanol.
- Q615. What emission reduction does methanol dual-fuel provide?**
Ans: Reduced emissions through green methanol utilization; supporting net-zero goals.
- Q616. When did ICAR-CMFRI initiate deep-sea survey?**
Ans: March 2026 in Arabian Sea; studying seamount fisheries cephalopods.
- Q617. What cephalopods is ICAR-CMFRI studying?**
Ans: Squid, cuttlefish, octopus; analyzing diversity, ecology, distribution, biology.
- Q618. What is the deep-sea expedition funding?**
Ans: ₹4.986 crore for two-year duration; funded by Ministry of Earth Sciences.
- Q619. Which institution partners in deep-sea research?**
Ans: National Institute of Technology (NIT), Surathkal; developing AI-based species identification.
- Q620. What does deep-sea expedition aim to develop?**
Ans: AI tools for automated cephalopod species identification; conservation strategy insights.
- Q621. When did Netflix launch Eyleine Studios in Hyderabad?**
Ans: March 2026; global production and innovation studio network expansion.
- Q622. What global network centers does Eyleine Studios include?**
Ans: Los Angeles, Vancouver, Seoul, London, and newly Hyderabad studio.
- Q623. What sectors does Eyleine Studios support?**
Ans: Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics (AVGC) ecosystem strengthening.
- Q624. What partnership focus does Eyleine Studios pursue?**
Ans: Strengthening India's role in global production pipelines, talent development promotion.
- Q625. When did ISRO expand student involvement in space missions?**
Ans: March 2026; expanding satellite design and payload development opportunities.
- Q626. What mentorship support does U R Rao Satellite Centre provide?**
Ans: Technical mentorship from ISRO scientists to universities for satellite development.
- Q627. How many student satellites has IN-SPACE authorized?**
Ans: 17 student satellites and payloads; with 11 successfully launched.

- Q628. What programs strengthen space education in India?**
Ans: RESPOND Programme, Space Technology Minor Course (AICTE-approved).
- Q629. How much annual allocation does India provide for space science outreach?**
Ans: ~₹10 crore; for space science outreach and student programs.
- Q630. What facility purpose do Space Technology Incubation Centres serve?**
Ans: Collaborative research and indigenous space technology development enabling.
- Q631. What governance framework did Government establish for rare earth magnets?**
Ans: Pilot plant at ARCI, Hyderabad; under Department of Science and Technology.
- Q632. What magnet type did GoI establish production for?**
Ans: Neodymium-Iron-Boron (Nd-Fe-B) rare earth permanent magnets; end-to-end manufacturing.
- Q633. What rare earth magnet applications exist?**
Ans: Electric vehicles, renewable energy systems, advanced electronics manufacturing.
- Q634. What manufacturing advantage does ARCI pilot plant offer?**
Ans: End-to-end process from strip-cast to finished sintered magnets; self-reliant system.
- Q635. What strategic benefit does rare earth magnet manufacturing provide?**
Ans: Reducing import dependence, strengthening India's global rare earth supply chain position.
- Q636. When was new cockroach species discovered in Maharashtra?**
Ans: March 2026; *Neoloboptera peninsularis* in Deccan Peninsula agricultural areas.
- Q637. Where was *Neoloboptera peninsularis* found?**
Ans: Nathachiwadi, Pune, Maharashtra; agricultural area of Deccan Peninsula.
- Q638. What journal published cockroach species discovery?**
Ans: "Records of Zoological Survey of India" journal; using integrative taxonomy.
- Q639. What methodology identified new cockroach species?**
Ans: Integrative taxonomy combining morphology, genitalic study, DNA barcoding, phylogenetic analysis.
- Q640. What is first DNA-based cockroach identification significance?**
Ans: First in India; marking advanced species identification methodology adoption.
- Q641. How many cockroach species now exist in India?**
Ans: 190 species; ~3.8% of global cockroach diversity.
- Q642. How many *Neoloboptera* species are found in India?**
Ans: 3 species total; newest *peninsularis* species endemic to India.
- Q643. When did IIT-Kharagpur and PRL study lunar titanium-rich basalts?**
Ans: March 2026; published in *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta*.
- Q644. What TiO₂ percentage do lunar basalts contain?**
Ans: Up to 18% TiO₂; compared to <2% in Earth volcanic rocks.
- Q645. What experimental conditions did researchers simulate?**
Ans: Lunar interior conditions; up to 700 km depth inside Moon.
- Q646. What mission planning benefit does lunar basalt research provide?**
Ans: Supporting future lunar missions planning; including India's Chandrayaan-4 (2028).
- Q647. When did Agnikul test 3D-printed booster engine 'Agnite'?**
Ans: March 2026 at Agnikul Launchpad (ALP-01), Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- Q648. What is Agnite engine's unique manufacturing feature?**
Ans: Fully 3D printed rocket engine; reducing manufacturing time from 7 months to 7 days.
- Q649. What cost reduction does 3D printing provide?**
Ans: One-tenth of traditional manufacturing costs; improving production efficiency significantly.
- Q650. What manufacturing scale did Agnikul achieve?**
Ans: Full metre-long rocket engine; large-scale 3D printing capability demonstration.
- Q651. When did National Biodiversity Authority constitute Expert Committee?**
Ans: March 2026; on Invasive Alien Species under Biological Diversity Act 2002.
- Q652. Who chairs Invasive Alien Species Expert Committee?**
Ans: Dhananjai Mohan, former Uttarakhand Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.
- Q653. Who is Expert Committee Co-Chair?**
Ans: A. Biju Kumar, Vice Chancellor Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies.
- Q654. What is committee tenure duration?**
Ans: Two-year tenure; focusing on invasive species threat assessment.
- Q655. What will committee prepare?**
Ans: Consolidated national invasive alien species list; prioritizing high-risk species.
- Q656. What strategies will committee recommend?**
Ans: Prevention, control, eradication, ecological restoration science-based strategies.
- Q657. When did Central Electricity Authority release National Generation Adequacy Plan?**
Ans: March 2026 during Bharat Electricity Summit; covering 2026-27 to 2035-36.
- Q658. What installed capacity increase does CEA project?**
Ans: 520 GW to 1,121 GW by 2035-36; nearly doubling capacity.



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- Q659. What will be solar capacity by 2035-36?**
Ans: 509 GW (45% share); leading renewable energy capacity expansion.
- Q660. What coal-based capacity is projected?**
Ans: 315 GW (28% share); maintaining significant thermal generation base.
- Q661. What wind power capacity is forecasted?**
Ans: 155 GW (14% share); supporting renewable energy transition.
- Q662. When did Elon Musk unveil Terafab semiconductor project?**
Ans: March 2026; jointly operated by Tesla and SpaceX with xAI involvement.
- Q663. Where will Terafab manufacturing facility be located?**
Ans: Austin, Texas; manufacturing in-house AI chips for robotics, AI, space technologies.
- Q664. What technology node will Terafab initially produce?**
Ans: Advanced 2-nanometre chips; initial technology process entry point.
- Q665. What is Terafab project investment estimate?**
Ans: USD 20-25 billion; massive semiconductor manufacturing infrastructure investment.
- Q666. What monthly wafer production does Terafab target?**
Ans: 1 million chip wafers per month; vs TSMC's 140,000 2-nm monthly capacity.
- Q667. What annual computing power will Terafab support?**
Ans: 100-200 GW annual computing power; substantial AI infrastructure deployment.
- Q668. When was wild kiwi species "Actinidia indica" discovered?**
Ans: March 2026 in Arunachal Pradesh; near Ziro Valley at 1,725 metres elevation.
- Q669. What elevation zone does Actinidia indica grow?**
Ans: 1,725 metres; transition zone between temperate and subtropical forests.
- Q670. What global Actinidia species count did discovery increase?**
Ans: To 56 species globally; with few found in India previously.
- Q671. What biodiversity characteristic zone does discovery highlight?**
Ans: Eastern Himalayas high biodiversity zone; with favourable climatic conditions.
- Q672. When was desert moss Syntrichia caninervis identified for Mars?**
Ans: March 2026; published in The Innovation journal.
- Q673. What extreme conditions can Syntrichia caninervis survive?**
Ans: Extreme dehydration, freezing temperatures, intense radiation; highly adaptable.
- Q674. What cellular water loss can desert moss sustain?**
Ans: Over 98% water loss; entering dormant state resuming photosynthesis with moisture.
- Q675. How was desert moss tested in Martian conditions?**
Ans: High CO₂, low pressure, UV radiation; survived several days with regeneration.
- Q676. What cellular repair systems enable moss resilience?**
Ans: Efficient cellular repair systems recovering damage lethal to other organisms.
- Q677. When was BHASHINI's multilingual governance initiative launched?**
Ans: March 2026; BHASHINI-PFRDA for pension services multilingual accessibility.
- Q678. How many Eighth Schedule languages does BHASHINI support?**
Ans: All 22 languages; including Hindi, Bengali, Telugu, Marathi, Tamil, Urdu, Sanskrit.
- Q679. What infrastructure does BHASHINI provide?**
Ans: Digital Public Infrastructure; with AI models for real-time translation.
- Q680. What interfaces does BHASHINI support?**
Ans: Voice-enabled interfaces; speech-to-text and text-to-speech technologies.
- Q681. When did Indian Air Force initiate 'Vayu Baan' project?**
Ans: March 2026; issuing Request for Proposal for autonomous helicopter-launched drone.
- Q682. What stand-off distance does 'Vayu Baan' drone provide?**
Ans: 50+ km stand-off engagement distance; protecting aircrew from MANPADS range.
- Q683. What is 'Vayu Baan' drone deployment mechanism?**
Ans: Mid-flight release from moving helicopter; unfolding wings, activating propulsion.
- Q684. How many countries have this helicopter-drone capability?**
Ans: 3 countries; USA, China, and newly India with Vayu Baan development.
- Q685. When did IIT Ropar's ANNAM.AI deploy weather stations?**
Ans: By March 30, 2026; 100 AI-based weather stations across Punjab.
- Q686. What weather information do ANNAM stations provide?**
Ans: Hyperlocal real-time weather data; improving sowing, irrigation, crop protection decisions.
- Q687. Who funds ANNAM.AI Centre of Excellence?**
Ans: Ministry of Education support; digital public good farmer assistance.
- Q688. What states plan ANNAM.AI expansion?**
Ans: Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Kerala, Odisha, Bihar, Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Maharashtra.
- Q689. When did NCW partner Truecaller for digital safety?**
Ans: March 2026; launching "TrueCyberSakhi" digital safety toolkit.
- Q690. What cyber threats does TrueCyberSakhi address?**
Ans: Spam, phishing, impersonation, harassment, financial fraud coverage.

- Q691. What educational features does toolkit include?**
Ans: Interactive modules, quizzes, self-assessment tools for cyber threat awareness.
- Q692. What special service did NCW establish?**
Ans: 24x7 helpline guidance; with Truecaller's Government Directory Service verification.
- Q693. When did NASA announce Artemis Program Lunar Gateway cancellation?**
Ans: March 2026; shifting focus to \$20 billion lunar surface base.
- Q694. What cost and timeline did NASA announce for lunar base?**
Ans: \$20 billion investment; step-by-step approach similar to Apollo Program.
- Q695. What nuclear spacecraft did NASA announce?**
Ans: Space Reactor 1 Freedom; nuclear electric propulsion for Mars missions.
- Q696. When will Space Reactor 1 Freedom launch?**
Ans: Before 2028; nuclear-powered Mars mission with helicopter deployment.
- Q697. What Mars landing timeline did NASA target?**
Ans: By 2028; ambitious moon astronaut landing under revised Artemis approach.
- Q698. When did Jammu & Kashmir clinch first-ever Ranji Trophy title?**
Ans: February 28, 2026 vs Karnataka at Hubballi, KSCA Rajnagar Stadium.
- Q699. What was Jammu & Kashmir's championship margin?**
Ans: 291-run first-innings lead in five-day drawn final determining victory.
- Q700. How many Ranji Trophy teams have won since inception?**
Ans: 19th team; debut 1959-60 Ranji Trophy inception.
- Q701. Who was Player of Tournament in Ranji Trophy 2025-26?**
Ans: Auqib Nabi; taking 62 wickets for J&K.
- Q702. How many wickets did Auqib Nabi take in final?**
Ans: 5/54; dismantling Karnataka's middle order.
- Q703. Who was highest scorer in Ranji Trophy 2025-26?**
Ans: Abdul Samad (J&K); 748 runs at 57 average.
- Q704. What centuries did J&K batsmen score in second innings?**
Ans: Qamran Iqbal 160*, Sahil Lotra 101; extending championship lead to 633.
- Q705. When did Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya unveil Cycling League logo?**
Ans: March 2026; world's first franchise-based road cycling league.
- Q706. How many franchises does Cycling League feature?**
Ans: 8 city or region-based franchises; 10 cyclists per team composition.
- Q707. What team composition does Cycling League mandate?**
Ans: 2 international riders, 2 junior cyclists, remaining professional riders.
- Q708. What race formats does Cycling League conduct?**
Ans: Criterium races, team time trials, mass start events across three stages.
- Q709. When did Alyssa Healy retire from international cricket?**
Ans: February 2026; after memorable final ODI in Hobart.
- Q710. What score did Healy achieve in final ODI?**
Ans: 158 runs off 98 balls; leading Australia to 409/7 victory.
- Q711. How many centuries did Healy hit in final ODI?**
Ans: 3 fifties within single innings; 49, 30, 16-ball milestones.
- Q712. How many runs did Healy score in last over?**
Ans: 23 runs in single over; vs spinner Sree Charani in highest chase.
- Q713. What is Alyssa Healy's ODI career statistics?**
Ans: 125 ODIs, 3,619 runs at 83 average; 8 centuries, 19 half-centuries.
- Q714. What unique strike rate did Alyssa Healy achieve?**
Ans: 100.69 strike rate; demonstrating aggressive batting approach.
- Q715. When did MCA name Wankhede Stadium stand after Ravi Shastri?**
Ans: March 2026; Level 1 Stand below Press Box named recognition.
- Q716. What career span did Ravi Shastri achieve?**
Ans: All-rounder, former captain, head coach, commentator; long-standing Mumbai association.
- Q717. Which gates were named after cricket legends?**
Ans: Gate 3 (Dilip Sardesai), Gate 5 (Diana Edulji), Gate 6 (Eknath Solkar).
- Q718. What playing records did Dilip Sardesai achieve?**
Ans: 30 Tests, 179 First-Class matches; opening/middle-order batting.
- Q719. Who was Diana Edulji in cricket history?**
Ans: Former India women's team captain; pioneering female cricket leadership.
- Q720. What fielding expertise did Eknath Solkar demonstrate?**
Ans: Exceptional close-in fielding specialist; defensive prowess recognition.
- Q721. When did Indian Army retain Khelo India Winter Games team championship?**
Ans: March 2026; defending title successfully at Winter Games 2026.
- Q722. How many total medals did Indian Army win?**
Ans: 23 medals; 9 gold (8 golds in Gulmarg leg).
- Q723. Who finished as Winter Games runners-up?**
Ans: Himachal Pradesh; 14 total medals (6 gold, 7 silver, 1 bronze).

- Q724. What third position did team achieve?**
Ans: Haryana; 7 total medals (4 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze).
- Q725. What mascot represents Khelo India Winter Games?**
Ans: Sheen-E-She (Snow Leopard); symbolizing resilience and adaptability.
- Q726. Which authority manages Khelo India Winter Games?**
Ans: Jammu & Kashmir Sports Council and Sports Authority of India.
- Q727. When did Khelo India Winter Games first leg conclude?**
Ans: January 20-26, 2026 in Ladakh; inaugural leg location.
- Q728. When did Sanju Samson score match-winning T20 World Cup chasing innings?**
Ans: During T20 World Cup 2026; 89-run match-winning knock in final.
- Q729. What chase total did India pursue successfully?**
Ans: 256 runs target vs New Zealand; scoring 255/5.
- Q730. What position did India's chase occupy in T20 WC history?**
Ans: Third-highest successful chase in T20 World Cup history.
- Q731. When did Lakshya Sen reach All England Open 2026 semi-finals?**
Ans: March 2026 at Utilita Arena Birmingham; defeating Li Shi Feng.
- Q732. How did Lakshya defeat Li Shi Feng?**
Ans: In straight games; demonstrating dominant badminton performance.
- Q733. What status does Lakshya hold in All England tournament?**
Ans: India's only contender in prestigious BWF Super 1000 tournament.
- Q734. When did India win T20 World Cup title 2026?**
Ans: March 8, 2026 at Narendra Modi Stadium, Ahmedabad.
- Q735. How many T20 World Cup titles has India won total?**
Ans: 3 titles; 2007, 2024, 2026 becoming first team to defend.
- Q736. What prize pool did ICC announce for tournament?**
Ans: USD 13.5 million; India won USD 3 million (₹27.48 crore).
- Q737. When was tournament held?**
Ans: February 7 - March 8, 2026; hosted by BCCI and Sri Lanka Cricket.
- Q738. How much BCCI cash reward did India team receive?**
Ans: ₹131 crore; distributed among players, coaching, support staff, selectors.
- Q739. How much was BCCI reward compared to 2024 T20 World Cup?**
Ans: ₹6 crore higher than ₹125 crore previous reward.
- Q740. When did George Russell win 2026 Australian Grand Prix?**
Ans: March 8, 2026 at Albert Park Circuit, Melbourne.
- Q741. What team did George Russell drive for?**
Ans: Mercedes-AMG Petronas Formula One Team; 1-2 finish with teammate.
- Q742. Who finished second with George Russell?**
Ans: Kimi Antonelli; Mercedes teammate in full-season F1 debut.
- Q743. Who finished third at Australian Grand Prix?**
Ans: Charles Leclerc; Ferrari completing podium positions.
- Q744. What Formula 1 regulation era began with F1 2026?**
Ans: New technical regulation era; featuring power unit changes.
- Q745. What power balance did F1 2026 regulations implement?**
Ans: 50:50 split between Internal Combustion Engine (ICE) and Electric Power Unit (EPU).
- Q746. What is George Russell's F1 Grand Prix win count?**
Ans: 6 wins; with 2026 Australian Grand Prix victory.
- Q747. What is Mercedes Grand Prix victory count?**
Ans: 132 victories; with 61st one-two finish at Australian GP.
- Q748. When did Jasprit Bumrah complete 500 international cricket wickets?**
Ans: During T20 World Cup 2026 semifinal vs England at Wankhede.
- Q749. What dismissal achieved Jasprit Bumrah's 500-wicket milestone?**
Ans: Dismissing Harry Brook; T20 World Cup semifinal target.
- Q750. How many Test wickets does Jasprit Bumrah have?**
Ans: 234 wickets; in 52 matches achieving milestone.
- Q751. How many ODI wickets did Bumrah take?**
Ans: 149 wickets; in 89 matches international cricket.
- Q752. What T20I wicket count does Bumrah possess?**
Ans: 117 wickets; in 94 matches T20 international play.
- Q753. When did Bumrah debut in international cricket?**
Ans: January 23, 2016 vs Australia, Sydney; starting two-decade journey.
- Q754. Which Indian legends join Bumrah in leading wicket-taker category?**
Ans: Anil Kumble (953), Ravichandran Ashwin (765), Harbhajan Singh (707).
- Q755. When did India women's hockey team qualify for World Cup 2026?**
Ans: Before semifinals; securing dominant qualification position.
- Q756. What victory margin did India achieve in qualifying match?**
Ans: 4-1 vs Wales in Pool B; Navneet Kaur hat-trick scorer.
- Q757. Who scored multiple goals in India's qualification match?**
Ans: Navneet Kaur; 3 goals at 29th, 34th, 55th minutes.

- Q758. Who else scored in women's hockey qualification match?**
Ans: Sakshi Rana; 7th minute goal.
- Q759. What pool position did India finish?**
Ans: Top of Pool B; with superior goal difference advantage.
- Q760. When did Lakshya Sen finish runner-up at All England 2026?**
Ans: March 2026; losing to Taiwan's Lin Chun-Yi in closely contested final.
- Q761. What was Lakshya Sen's final match score?**
Ans: 15-21, 20-22; narrow losses to Lin Chun-Yi in consecutive games.
- Q762. What is Lakshya's head-to-head record vs Lin Chun-Yi?**
Ans: 5 consecutive losses; across international competitions.
- Q763. Which Indian players won All England men's singles titles?**
Ans: Prakash Padukone (1980), Pullela Gopichand (2001); only two winners.
- Q764. When did Shailesh Kumar win gold in men's high jump T63?**
Ans: World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2026; New Delhi event.
- Q765. What height did Shailesh Kumar jump?**
Ans: 1.84 metres; personal best 1.91 metres capability.
- Q766. What status does Shailesh Kumar hold?**
Ans: Reigning world champion; gradually recovering from left knee injury.
- Q767. What major competition is Shailesh Kumar targeting?**
Ans: Asian Para Games; as main season competition focus.
- Q768. When did India and New Zealand launch centenary sports cooperation?**
Ans: March 2026; marking 100 years of sporting relations.
- Q769. When did India-New Zealand sports relations begin?**
Ans: 1926; Indian Army hockey team touring New Zealand.
- Q770. Which sports were prioritized in cooperation programme?**
Ans: Rugby, rowing, canoeing, sailing, athletics, cycling.
- Q771. What high-level meeting finalized sports cooperation?**
Ans: New Delhi meeting; Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya with New Zealand delegation.
- Q772. Who led New Zealand sports delegation?**
Ans: Chris Bishop, Associate Minister for Sport; finalizing cooperation details.
- Q773. When will India host Asia Cup Archery 2027 second leg?**
Ans: March 2027; marking India's first international archery event in 22 years.
- Q774. When did India last host major archery championship?**
Ans: 2005; Asian Archery Championships in Delhi.
- Q775. What was decision process for Asia Cup hosting?**
Ans: Archery Association of India Secretary General meeting with World Archery Asia President.
- Q776. What is Asia Cup Archery 2026 schedule?**
Ans: Opening leg Bangkok (21-26 March 2026), second leg Delhi, final leg China.
- Q777. When will World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2026 – New Delhi be held?**
Ans: March 11-13, 2026 at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi.
- Q778. How many athletes participated in World Para Athletics?**
Ans: ~257 athletes from 8 countries; India fielding ~219 athletes.
- Q779. How many international classification slots were available?**
Ans: 74 international classification slots; 39 physical impairments, 29 vision, 6 intellectual.
- Q780. What is World Para Athletics Grand Prix purpose?**
Ans: Key qualifying event; offering classification and performance opportunities.
- Q781. What Paralympic preparation does Grand Prix serve?**
Ans: Qualifying for 2026 World Championships and 2028 LA Paralympics.
- Q782. When was Cycling League of India unveiled?**
Ans: March 2026; world's first franchise-based professional road cycling league.
- Q783. How many cycling teams comprise Cycling League?**
Ans: 8 city/region-based franchises; 10 cyclists per team structure.
- Q784. What race formats does Cycling League feature?**
Ans: Criterium races, team time trials, mass start races.
- Q785. What 3-stage competition structure does Cycling League employ?**
Ans: Three stages culminating in grand finale; featuring diverse race formats.
- Q786. What development goals does Cycling League support?**
Ans: Developing cycling talent, attracting international participation, enhancing global presence.
- Q787. When was first Khelo India Tribal Games announced?**
Ans: March 2026; by Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya.
- Q788. Which state hosts first Khelo India Tribal Games 2026?**
Ans: Chhattisgarh; from March 25 - April 6, 2026.

- Q789. Which cities host Khelo India Tribal Games?**
Ans: Raipur, Jagdalpur, Sarguja; across three Chhattisgarh locations.
- Q790. How many medal sports feature in Tribal Games?**
Ans: 7 medal sports; Athletics, Football, Hockey, Weightlifting, Archery, Swimming, Wrestling.
- Q791. What percentage tribal population justifies Chhattisgarh selection?**
Ans: Over 32% tribal population; strong tribal cultural connection.
- Q792. How many participants are expected at Tribal Games?**
Ans: Over 6,000 participants; including ~2,300 athletes from across India.
- Q793. What tribal sports preservation emphasis exists?**
Ans: Special focus on indigenous sports like Mallakhamb and Kabaddi.
- Q794. When did LeBron James break NBA games-played record?**
Ans: March 2026; appearing in 1,612th regular season game vs Orlando Magic.
- Q795. What previous games-played record did LeBron break?**
Ans: Robert Parish's 1,611 games (held since 1997).
- Q796. What is LeBron James' age and career span?**
Ans: Age 41 across 23 seasons; demonstrating exceptional longevity.
- Q797. How did Lakers perform in LeBron's record game?**
Ans: 105-104 victory vs Orlando Magic; Luke Kennard buzzer-beater.
- Q798. What winning streak did Lakers extend?**
Ans: 9-game winning streak continuation; demonstrating team momentum.
- Q799. When was Arundhati Reddy named ICC Women's Player of Month?**
Ans: March 2026; for February 2026 performance period.
- Q800. What achievement earned Arundhati ICC Player of Month?**
Ans: Leading wicket-taker in T20I series vs Australia; 8 wickets in 3 matches.
- Q801. What was Arundhati's bowling average in Australia series?**
Ans: 10.87 bowling average; demonstrating exceptional performance consistency.
- Q802. What was Arundhati's economy rate?**
Ans: 7.25 runs per over; controlling bowling performance.
- Q803. What career-best performance did Arundhati achieve?**
Ans: 4 wickets for 22 runs in Sydney; setting personal milestone.
- Q804. Who was ICC Men's Player of Month for February 2026?**
Ans: Sahibzada Farhan; following ICC T20 World Cup 2026 performance.
- Q805. How many runs did Sahibzada Farhan score in tournament?**
Ans: 383 runs in 7 matches; averaging 76.60.
- Q806. What strike rate did Farhan maintain?**
Ans: 160.25 strike rate; demonstrating aggressive batting approach.
- Q807. How many centuries did Farhan score?**
Ans: 2 centuries; breaking Virat Kohli's T20 WC single-edition record.
- Q808. How many half-centuries did Farhan record?**
Ans: 2 half-centuries; alongside 2 century achievements.
- Q809. What record did Farhan become first to achieve?**
Ans: First batter scoring two centuries in single T20 WC edition.
- Q810. When was India's World Indoor Athletics Championships hosting finalized?**
Ans: March 2026 during Toruń, Poland meeting.
- Q811. Which venue will host WIAC 2028?**
Ans: Kalinga Indoor Athletics Stadium (KIAS), Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- Q812. What edition number is WIAC 2028?**
Ans: 22nd edition; first time India hosting World Indoor Athletics.
- Q813. What Asian milestone does India hosting represent?**
Ans: 4th Asian nation hosting WIAC; after Japan, Qatar, China.
- Q814. When and where is WIAC 2026 being held?**
Ans: March 20-22, 2026 in Toruń, Poland; 21st edition.
- Q815. What location is WIAC 2030 awarded?**
Ans: Astana, Kazakhstan; 23rd edition location.
- Q816. What broader competitions is India preparing to host?**
Ans: Commonwealth Games 2030 and Olympic Games 2036.
- Q817. When is Zero Discrimination Day observed?**
Ans: March 1st globally; theme 2026 "People First".
- Q818. What symbol represents Zero Discrimination Day?**
Ans: Butterfly; symbolizing freedom and transformation.
- Q819. When did Zero Discrimination Day observance start?**
Ans: First observed 2014; initiated by UNAIDS 2013.
- Q820. What focus areas does Zero Discrimination Day emphasize?**
Ans: Equality, inclusion, human rights promotion advocacy.
- Q821. What discrimination types does the observance address?**
Ans: Gender, religion, disability, and multiple intersecting discriminations.
- Q822. When is World Civil Defence Day observed?**
Ans: March 1st; organized by International Civil Defence Organisation (ICDO).
- Q823. What is 2026 World Civil Defence Day theme?**
Ans: Environmental risk management; addressing climate-related disaster preparedness.

- Q824. What historical significance marks March 1?**
Ans: ICDO Constitution adoption date March 1, 1972.
- Q825. When is World Seagrass Day observed?**
Ans: March 1st annually; declared by UNGA 2022.
- Q826. When was World Seagrass Day first observed?**
Ans: First observed 2023; raising marine ecosystem awareness.
- Q827. What ecosystem importance does Seagrass Day address?**
Ans: Marine biodiversity support and climate change mitigation.
- Q828. When is Civil Accounts Day observed in India?**
Ans: March 1st; marking ICAS foundation 1976.
- Q829. What observance significance does Civil Accounts Day mark?**
Ans: 50th observance in 2026; linked to India's financial reforms.
- Q830. Which ministry oversees Civil Accounts Day?**
Ans: Ministry of Finance; celebrating Indian Civil Accounts Service.
- Q831. When is World Hearing Day observed?**
Ans: March 3rd annually; marking ear care awareness.
- Q832. What is 2026 World Hearing Day theme?**
Ans: Hearing care for children; addressing youth hearing health.
- Q833. When did World Hearing Day start as observation?**
Ans: Renamed 2016; previously Ear Care Day (2007).
- Q834. What health focus does World Hearing Day promote?**
Ans: Hearing loss awareness and hearing health advocacy.
- Q835. When is World Wildlife Day observed?**
Ans: March 3rd annually; declared UNGA 2013.
- Q836. When was first World Wildlife Day observed?**
Ans: 2014; first international wildlife day observance.
- Q837. What is 2026 World Wildlife Day theme?**
Ans: Medicinal & Aromatic Plants; addressing conservation importance.
- Q838. What focus area does Wildlife Day promote?**
Ans: Biodiversity conservation and wildlife protection advocacy.
- Q839. When is National Security Day observed in India?**
Ans: March 4th annually; honoring security forces.
- Q840. What first occurrence marks National Security Day?**
Ans: First observed 1972; recognizing police, army, security personnel.
- Q841. When is National Safety Day observed?**
Ans: March 4th; marking official establishment 1972.
- Q842. What period does Safety Week cover?**
Ans: March 4-10; starting with National Safety Day.
- Q843. What sector focus does Safety Day promote?**
Ans: Workplace safety culture and accident prevention.
- Q844. When is World Obesity Day observed?**
Ans: March 4th annually; addressing global obesity crisis.
- Q845. What is World Obesity Day 2026 theme?**
Ans: "8 Billion Reasons to Act"; mobilizing action emphasis.
- Q846. What organization established World Obesity Day?**
Ans: World Obesity Federation; promoting healthy lifestyle.
- Q847. When is World Engineering Day observed?**
Ans: March 4th; declared UNESCO 2019.
- Q848. When was World Engineering Day first observed?**
Ans: 2020 first observance; supporting engineering advancement.
- Q849. What is World Engineering Day theme?**
Ans: Smart Engineering & Innovation; sustainable development focus.
- Q850. When is Disarmament Awareness Day observed?**
Ans: March 5th; declared by UNGA 2022.
- Q851. When was Disarmament Awareness Day first observed?**
Ans: 2023 first observance; promoting peace advocacy.
- Q852. What focus does Disarmament Day promote?**
Ans: Peace and anti-weapons awareness globally.
- Q853. When is Jan Aushadhi Diwas observed in India?**
Ans: March 7th; promoting generic medicines access.
- Q854. What scheme does Jan Aushadhi Diwas support?**
Ans: PMBJP (Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana).
- Q855. When did Jan Aushadhi observance begin?**
Ans: 2019; annual healthcare affordability awareness campaign.
- Q856. When is International Women's Day observed?**
Ans: March 8th; celebrating women's achievements globally.
- Q857. What is International Women's Day theme 2026?**
Ans: Rights, Justice, Action; gender equality focus.
- Q858. When was first UN observation of Women's Day?**
Ans: 1975; marking international observance beginning.
- Q859. When is Women Judges Day observed?**
Ans: March 10th; declared by UNGA 2021.
- Q860. When was Women Judges Day first observed?**
Ans: 2022 first observance; promoting women judicial participation.
- Q861. When is CISF Raising Day observed?**
Ans: March 10th; marking CISF establishment 1969.
- Q862. What does CISF stand for?**
Ans: Central Industrial Security Force; under Ministry of Home Affairs.
- Q863. What is CISF Raising Day focus?**
Ans: Industrial security and organizational accomplishments recognition.
- Q864. When is No Smoking Day observed?**
Ans: Second Wednesday of March; started UK 1984.
- Q865. What does No Smoking Day promote?**
Ans: Tobacco cessation and quit smoking encouragement.

- Q866. When is World Kidney Day observed?**
Ans: Second Thursday of March; highlighting kidney health.
- Q867. What is World Kidney Day 2026 theme?**
Ans: Kidney Health for All; kidney disease awareness.
- Q868. When did World Kidney Day observance begin?**
Ans: 2006 first observance; global kidney health initiative.
- Q869. When is World Rotaract Day observed?**
Ans: March 13th; celebrating Rotaract movement.
- Q870. When was Rotaract movement established?**
Ans: 1968 establishment; youth service organization.
- Q871. What does Rotaract Day emphasize?**
Ans: Youth leadership and community service.
- Q872. When is World Sleep Day observed?**
Ans: Before spring equinox (March 21); sleep health awareness.
- Q873. When did World Sleep Day begin?**
Ans: 2008 first observance; promoting sleep awareness.
- Q874. When is Pi Day observed?**
Ans: March 14th; celebrating 3.14 mathematical constant.
- Q875. When is International Day of Mathematics observed?**
Ans: March 14th; declared UNESCO 2019.
- Q876. What is International Day of Mathematics theme?**
Ans: Mathematics & Hope; development role emphasis.
- Q877. When is Rivers Day observed?**
Ans: March 14th; started 1997 (Brazil meeting).
- Q878. What does Rivers Day focus on?**
Ans: River conservation and water security.
- Q879. When is Consumer Rights Day observed?**
Ans: March 15th; inspired by John F. Kennedy 1962 speech.
- Q880. When was first Consumer Rights Day observed?**
Ans: 1983 first observance; consumer protection advocacy.
- Q881. What is Consumer Rights Day 2026 theme?**
Ans: Safe Products; consumer protection emphasis.
- Q882. When is Islamophobia Day observed?**
Ans: March 15th; declared by UNGA 2022.
- Q883. When was Islamophobia Day first observed?**
Ans: 2023 first observance; religious tolerance promotion.
- Q884. When is National Vaccination Day observed?**
Ans: March 16th; marking first polio vaccine 1995.
- Q885. When did India achieve polio-free status?**
Ans: 2014; through vaccination programme success.
- Q886. What does Vaccination Day promote?**
Ans: Immunization awareness and disease prevention.
- Q887. When is Ordnance Factory Day observed?**
Ans: March 18th; marking first factory 1801 Kolkata.
- Q888. What is Ordnance Factory Day significance?**
Ans: Defence production and DPSU organization focus.
- Q889. When were ordnance factories reorganized?**
Ans: 2021; into DPSU entities.
- Q890. When is Global Recycling Day observed?**
Ans: March 18th; started by BIR 2018.
- Q891. What is Global Recycling Day theme?**
Ans: Think Opportunity; recycling and sustainability promotion.
- Q892. When is World Oral Health Day observed?**
Ans: March 20th; dental health awareness.
- Q893. When did World Oral Health Day start?**
Ans: 2007 first observance; oral health promotion.
- Q894. What is World Oral Health Day theme?**
Ans: Happy Mouth = Happy Mind; mental-oral health connection.
- Q895. When is International Happiness Day observed?**
Ans: March 20th; declared UN 2012.
- Q896. When was International Happiness Day first observed?**
Ans: 2013 first observance; well-being awareness.
- Q897. When is World Sparrow Day observed?**
Ans: March 20th; started 2010 bird conservation.
- Q898. What does World Sparrow Day focus on?**
Ans: Bird conservation and sparrow species protection.
- Q899. Which country leads World Sparrow Day initiative?**
Ans: India; bird conservation movement leadership.
- Q900. When is World Forestry Day observed?**
Ans: March 21st; declared UNGA 2012.
- Q901. What is World Forestry Day theme?**
Ans: Forests & Economies; forest conservation emphasis.
- Q902. When is Poetry Day observed?**
Ans: March 21st; declared UNESCO 1999.
- Q903. What does Poetry Day promote?**
Ans: Literature and culture celebration.
- Q904. When is Down Syndrome Day observed?**
Ans: March 21st; declared UN 2011.
- Q905. What does Down Syndrome Day address?**
Ans: Inclusion and disability awareness.
- Q906. When is World Water Day observed?**
Ans: March 22nd; first observed 1993.
- Q907. What is World Water Day theme?**
Ans: Water & Gender; water crisis emphasis.
- Q908. When is World Meteorological Day observed?**
Ans: March 23rd; marking WMO formation 1950.
- Q909. What does Meteorological Day focus on?**
Ans: Climate awareness and weather science.
- Q910. When is Shaheed Diwas observed?**
Ans: March 23rd; honoring freedom fighters.
- Q911. Who are honored on Shaheed Diwas?**
Ans: Bhagat Singh, Rajguru, Sukhdev; independence struggle.

- Q912. When is World TB Day observed?**
Ans: March 24th; first observed 1983.
- Q913. What is World TB Day theme?**
Ans: End TB; tuberculosis awareness.
- Q914. When is Slavery Remembrance Day observed?**
Ans: March 25th; declared UNGA 2007.
- Q915. What does Slavery Remembrance Day focus on?**
Ans: Human rights awareness and dignity.
- Q916. When is World Theatre Day observed?**
Ans: March 27th; started by ITI 1961.
- Q917. What is World Theatre Day theme?**
Ans: Culture of Peace; peace promotion.
- Q918. When is Earth Hour observed?**
Ans: March 28th; started by WWF 2007.
- Q919. What is Earth Hour focus?**
Ans: Lights off campaign; environmental awareness.
- Q920. When did Mansukh Mandaviya release "Mahatma: A Great Communicator"?**
Ans: March 2026 at Gandhi Darshan, Rajghat, New Delhi.
- Q921. Who authored "Mahatma: A Great Communicator" book?**
Ans: Dr Dhiraj Kakadia, Additional Director General of Akashvani.
- Q922. What is book's primary focus area?**
Ans: Mahatma Gandhi's life with communication skills emphasis during freedom struggle.
- Q923. In which languages was the book published?**
Ans: Hindi, English, and Gujarati; by Navajivan Trust.
- Q924. When did Vice President release Tamil heritage publications?**
Ans: March 2026 at Uparashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.
- Q925. How many Tamil publications were released?**
Ans: 16 books published by Publications Division.
- Q926. How many Tamil titles were included?**
Ans: 14 Tamil titles; covering regional heritage topics.
- Q927. What topics do released Tamil publications cover?**
Ans: Rameswaram, Ramanujar, Nadukal tradition, Arikaimedu, Bakthi literature.
- Q928. In which languages are publications available?**
Ans: English, Hindi, and Tamil language editions.
- Q929. When was R Vairamuthu selected for Jnanpith Award?**
Ans: March 2026; selected for 60th Jnanpith Award 2025.
- Q930. What is R Vairamuthu's profession?**
Ans: Renowned Tamil poet and lyricist.
- Q931. How many Tamil writers have won Jnanpith Award previously?**
Ans: 2 writers; P.V. Akilan (1975), Jayakanthan (2002).
- Q932. What is Jnanpith Award cash prize?**
Ans: ₹11 lakh; with Vagdevi bronze statue and citation.
- Q933. What does Vagdevi statue represent?**
Ans: Goddess Saraswati; symbolizing literary and cultural excellence.
- Q934. When do Sahitya Akademi Awards 2025 announcement occur?**
Ans: March 2026; recognizing 24 Indian language literature.
- Q935. How many award categories exist in Sahitya Akademi?**
Ans: 8 categories; poetry, short stories, novels, essays, memoirs, autobiography, criticism.
- Q936. Which novelist won English category award?**
Ans: Navtej Sarna; for "Crimson Spring" novel.
- Q937. Which memoirist won Hindi category award?**
Ans: Mamta Kalia; for "Jeete Jee Allahabad" memoir.
- Q938. Which critic won Tamil category award?**
Ans: Sa Tamilselvan; for "Thamiz Sirukathaiyin Thadangal" criticism.
- Q939. Which poet won Bengali category award?**
Ans: Prasun Bandyopadhyay; for "Shrestha Kabita" poetry.
- Q940. Which poet won Sanskrit category award?**
Ans: Sadhu Bhadrashdas; for "Prasthanacatustaye Brahmaghosah" poetry.
- Q941. When was William Dalrymple awarded Mark Lynton History Prize?**
Ans: March 2026; for "The Golden Road" historical work.
- Q942. What book title earned William Dalrymple the award?**
Ans: "The Golden Road: How Ancient India Transformed the World".
- Q943. What prize money does Mark Lynton award offer?**
Ans: USD 10,000; recognizing historical writing excellence.
- Q944. Who administers Mark Lynton History Prize?**
Ans: Nieman Foundation for Journalism and Columbia University.
- Q945. What approach does Dalrymple's book employ?**
Ans: Placing ancient India at centre of global history with scholarship.
- Q946. What concept does "The Golden Road" introduce?**
Ans: Golden Road concept; India's historical global trade role.
- Q947. When was animated film 'CHYIMI' honored at New York Festival?**
Ans: March 2026; at New York Short Animation Festival.
- Q948. What award did CHYIMI film receive?**
Ans: Best Director Award; recognizing direction excellence.
- Q949. Who directed CHYIMI animated film?**
Ans: Partha Sarathi Mahanta; senior police officer, Inspector General Assam.

- Q950. What does CHYIMI film represent?**
Ans: Indian and Assamese animation storytelling global recognition.
- Q951. When did Indian Railways launch Rail Tech Policy 2026?**
Ans: March 2026; as part "52 Reforms in 52 Weeks" initiative.
- Q952. What technology focus does Rail Tech Policy emphasize?**
Ans: Advanced technology adoption with startups, industry, academic institutions collaboration.
- Q953. What initiatives does Rail Tech Policy promote?**
Ans: AI-based safety systems (elephant detection, fire detection, fog obstruction).
- Q954. What is Rail Tech Portal purpose?**
Ans: Digital platform for innovative proposal submission and transparent approval.
- Q955. What is e-Railway Claims Tribunal (e-RCT)?**
Ans: Digitized claim settlement process; online filing, tracking, faster adjudication.
- Q956. What e-RCT digitization timeline is planned?**
Ans: 23 benches digitization within 12 months.
- Q957. When did India launch first hydrogen fuel cell passenger vessel?**
Ans: March 2026 at Namoo Ghat, Varanasi.
- Q958. Who flagged off hydrogen fuel cell vessel?**
Ans: Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal; marking green maritime achievement.
- Q959. What is hydrogen vessel significance?**
Ans: First fully indigenous hydrogen fuel cell vessel; green maritime transition milestone.
- Q960. When did Ashmolean Museum return Thirumankai Alvar idol?**
Ans: March 2026; to Shri Soundararaja Perumal Temple restoration.
- Q961. What period is Thirumankai Alvar idol from?**
Ans: 16th century; important Hindu religious artifact.
- Q962. What does idol return represent?**
Ans: Cultural cooperation, ethical restitution, India's heritage artifact reclamation efforts.
- Q963. When was Gandhi bust unveiled in Montana?**
Ans: March 2026 at Mike Mansfield Center.
- Q964. Who gifted Gandhi bust to Montana?**
Ans: Government of India; reflecting cultural diplomacy.
- Q965. What does Gandhi bust symbolize?**
Ans: Peace and non-violence message; India-US cultural ties strengthening.
- Q966. When will Khurda-Balangir Railway Line completion occur?**
Ans: Nearing completion; pending since pre-Independence period.
- Q967. What is Khurda-Balangir line project cost?**
Ans: ₹5,000 crore investment; connecting five Odisha districts.
- Q968. What viaduct record will railway achieve?**
Ans: 4.77-km viaduct; India's second-longest after Bogibeel Bridge.
- Q969. When was Hatti Risala Festival observed?**
Ans: March 2026; celebrating 138 years of tradition.
- Q970. What does Hatti Risala Festival feature?**
Ans: Decorated elephant procession, revdis distribution, cultural heritage celebration.
- Q971. When will Nitish Kumar resign as Bihar CM?**
Ans: March 2026; to contest Rajya Sabha elections.
- Q972. How many terms did Nitish Kumar serve as CM?**
Ans: Over ten terms; more than two decades governance.
- Q973. When did Assam export Karbi Anglong Ginger to London?**
Ans: March 2, 2026; GI-tagged product first export.
- Q974. Who flagged off ginger export?**
Ans: Assam Agriculture Minister Atul Bora; at Krishi Bhawan Guwahati.
- Q975. What is ginger export significance?**
Ans: Boosting farmer income, promoting Assam's agricultural identity globally.
- Q976. When was 2,600-year-old Etruscan tomb discovered?**
Ans: March 2026 in central Italy; San Giuliano archaeological site.
- Q977. What location is Italian archaeological site?**
Ans: 70 km northwest of Rome; 2,600-year-old tomb.
- Q978. How many skeletons were found in tomb?**
Ans: 4 skeletons on carved stone beds; deliberate burial positioning.
- Q979. How many artifacts were discovered?**
Ans: 100+ artifacts; ceramic vases, iron weapons, bronze, silver jewelry.
- Q980. What preservation condition exists in tomb?**
Ans: Exceptional preservation (sealed 2,000+ years); unlike many looted tombs.
- Q981. What dating indicates Etruscan tomb period?**
Ans: 7th century BCE; preliminary examination requiring DNA testing confirmation.
- Q982. When was Stenothoe lowryi marine amphipod discovered?**
Ans: March 2026 at Arjyapalli, Odisha Ganjam district.

- Q983. Who led Stenothoe lowryi discovery research?**
Ans: Shesdev Patro, Berhampur University Assistant Professor.
- Q984. What is Stenothoe lowryi's previous geographic distribution?**
Ans: Previously reported only from Malaysia; distribution largely unknown.
- Q985. What journal published amphipod species discovery?**
Ans: "Journal of the Marine Biological Association of the UK".
- Q986. What is Stenothoe lowryi's size?**
Ans: ~5 mm length; small crustacean species.
- Q987. What ecological role do amphipods serve?**
Ans: Important marine food web component; small crustacean species.
- Q988. What earlier discovery did Berhampur University make?**
Ans: Grandierella getanjalee from Chilika Lagoon (January 2025).
- Q989. When was Purple Fest observed at Rashtrapati Bhavan?**
Ans: March 2026; celebrating Divyangjan talents and achievements.
- Q990. How many Divyangjan visited Amrit Udyan?**
Ans: 8,000+ Divyangjan; exclusive day celebration for persons with disabilities.
- Q991. What programs did Purple Fest feature?**
Ans: Interactive games, learning sessions, awareness stalls, entertainment programmes.
- Q992. Who attended Purple Fest as Chief?**
Ans: President Droupadi Murmu; at Open Air Theatre, President's Estate.
- Q993. What cultural performances were presented?**
Ans: Music, dance, creative acts; by Divyangjan artists.
- Q994. What observance goal did President emphasize?**
Ans: Encouraging persons with disabilities to move forward with confidence.
- Q995. When did Bokaro Steel receive BIS certification?**
Ans: March 2026; for 4 new steel grades.
- Q996. What steel grades received certification?**
Ans: ISC 440 LA, ISC 470 LA, ISC 510 LA, ISC 550 LA.
- Q997. What production expansion does certification enable?**
Ans: High Strength Low Alloy cold-rolled steel production expansion.
- Q998. What electrical steel product did Bokaro produce?**
Ans: 0.5 mm IS 18316 LS Grade NGO Electrical Steel; 1,100 tonnes.
- Q999. What applications does electrical steel serve?**
Ans: Electric motors, generators, transformers, hybrid/EV rotors.
- Q1000. When did Indian Standard expand approved grades?**
Ans: Previously covered up to ISC 410; now expanded with new grades.



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