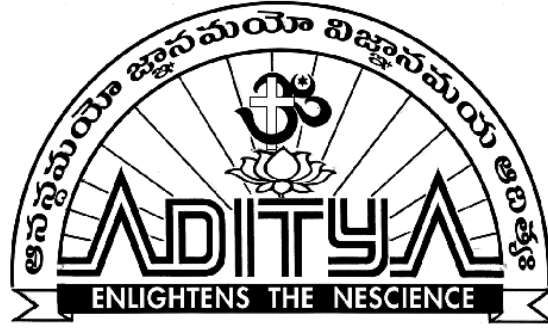


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1. Who has been appointed as the part-time Chairman of IndusInd Bank?
(a) Shiavni Tyagi (b) Arijit Basu (c) Aditya Puri
(d) Anshika Nigam (e) Shivam Choudhary Ans. b
2. The Reserve Bank of India imposed monetary penalties on Union Bank of India, Central Bank of India, Bank of India and Pine Labs for regulatory noncompliance. What are the respective penalty amounts?
(a) Rs. 95.40 lakh, Rs. 63.60 lakh, Rs. 58.50 lakh, Rs. 3.10 lakh
(b) Rs. 63.60 lakh, Rs. 95.40 lakh, Rs. 58.50 lakh, Rs. 3.10 lakh
(c) Rs. 58.50 lakh, Rs. 63.60 lakh, Rs. 95.40 lakh, Rs. 3.10 lakh
(d) Rs. 95.40 lakh, Rs. 58.50 lakh, Rs. 63.60 lakh, Rs. 3.10 lakh
(e) Rs. 100 lakh, Rs. 50 lakh, Rs. 25 lakh, Rs. 5 lakh Ans. a
3. Consider the following statements regarding government borrowing for FY 2026–27:
1. Ministry of Finance India plans to borrow Rs. 4.20 lakh crore in the first half of FY 2026–27.
2. This borrowing is about 40% of the total borrowing target.
3. The total borrowing target is Rs. 8.09 lakh crore.
Which of the above is/are CORRECT?
(a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 (e) All are incorrect Ans. e
4. Consider the following statements regarding the WMA limit for FY 2026–27:
1. Reserve Bank of India has set the WMA limit at ₹2.5 lakh crore for H1.
2. The limit is applicable for April–September 2026.
3. WMA interest rate is aligned with the Reverse Repo Rate.
4. Overdraft interest rate is Repo Rate plus 2.5%.
5. Both WMA and overdraft rates are fixed independently of RBI policy rates.
Which of the above is/are INCORRECT?
(a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only (c) 3, 4 and 5 only (d) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only (e) All are correct Ans. c
5. Jio Financial Services Limited and Allianz Group have launched their reinsurance joint venture Allianz Jio Reinsurance Limited, which has started operations after receiving approval from _____.
(a) SEBI (b) RBI (c) IRDIA (d) Ministry of Finance (e) NABARD Ans. c
6. Which Indian Navy ship arrived at Maputo as part of its deployment?
(a) INS Vikramaditya (b) INS Kolkata (c) INS Trikand
(d) INS Chennai (e) INS Arihant Ans. c
7. Which Indian Navy sailing vessel arrived at Sète under the Lokayan-26 expedition?
(a) INS Shraddha (b) INS Tarini (c) INS Sudarshini (d) INS Vikrant (e) INS Chakra Ans. c
8. Where was the IMEX TTX 2026 (IONS Maritime Exercise Tabletop Exercise 2026) conducted by the Indian Navy?
(a) Kochi at Maritime Warfare Centre under Southern Naval Command
(b) Mumbai Naval Dockyard under Western Naval Command
(c) Visakhapatnam Naval Base under Eastern Naval Command
(d) Goa Naval Training Area
(e) Chennai Harbour Command Ans. a
9. Who was honoured with the Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award at the Hockey India Annual Awards 2025?
(a) Hardik Singh (b) Navneet Kaur (c) PR Sreejesh (d) Zafar Iqbal (e) Manpreet Singh Ans. d
10. Who won the Miami Open 2026 women's singles title?
(a) Coco Gauff (b) Iga Swiatek (c) Anshika Nigam (d) Aryna Sabalenka (e) Ons Jabeur Ans. d
11. Who won the Japanese Grand Prix at Suzuka?
(a) Max Verstappen (b) Lewis Hamilton (c) Charles Leclerc (d) Kimi Antonelli (e) Lando Norris Ans. d

12. Who was Vijaypat Singhania associated with as Chairman?
 (a) Tata Group (b) Reliance Industries (c) Aditya Birla Group
 (d) Raymond Group (e) Mahindra Group Ans. d
13. Which country is the first Southeast Asian nation to prohibit under-16 users from accessing platforms such as YouTube, TikTok, Facebook, Instagram, Threads, X, Bigo Live, and Roblox to protect them from online risks and harmful content?
 (a) Thailand (b) Malaysia (c) Indonesia (d) Philippines (e) Vietnam Ans. c
14. The United Nations has established a high-level task force to tackle humanitarian and trade disruptions caused by rising tensions in the Strait of Hormuz. Who is leading the UN Hormuz task force as Under Secretary-General?
 (a) Achim Steiner (b) Jorge Moreira da Silva (c) Rebeca Grynspan
 (d) Gilbert Houngbo (e) Qu Dongyu Ans. b
15. Odisha Day (Utkal Divas) is celebrated annually on which date?
 (a) March 30 (b) March 31 (c) April 1 (d) April 2 (e) April 3 Ans. c
16. Prevention of Blindness Week is observed annually during which period?
 (a) April 1–7 (b) April 2 – 8 (c) April 3–9 (d) April 1–8 (e) April 3–10 Ans. a
17. Which company launched the new campaign for Johnnie Walker Luxe Blended Water featuring Virat Kohli?
 (a) ITC Ltd (b) United Spirits Ltd (c) Hindustan Unilever
 (d) Tata Consumer Products (e) Nestle India Ans. b
18. Consider the following statements regarding small savings schemes (April– June 2026):
 1. Senior Citizens Savings Scheme offers 8.2% interest.
 2. Sukanya Samriddhi Account offers 8.2% interest.
 3. Public Provident Fund offers 8.5% interest.
 Which of the above is/are CORRECT?
 (a) Only 1 and 2 (b) Only 2 and 3 (c) Only 1 and 3 (d) All 1, 2 and 3 (e) Only 2 Ans. a
19. Who has been named 'Para Archer of the Year 2025' by World Archery?
 (a) Deepika Kumari (b) Sheetal Devi (c) Jyothi Surekha Vennam
 (d) Harvinder Singh (e) Rakesh Kumar Ans. b
20. India's industrial growth (IIP) rose to what percentage in February 2026?
 (a) 4.8% (b) 5.0% (c) 5.2% (d) 5.5% (e) 6.0% Ans. c
21. According to ICRA, India's GDP growth is projected to be what in FY 2026 – 27?
 (a) 5.8% (b) 6.0% (c) 6.5% (d) 7.0% (e) 7.5% Ans. c
22. What was the amount of penalty imposed on Airtel Payments Bank Ltd by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for non-compliance with financial disclosure norms?
 (a) Rs. 25 lakh (b) Rs. 30.87 lakh (c) Rs. 31.80 lakh (d) Rs. 35 lakh (e) Rs. 40 lakh Ans. c
23. Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw announced successful oscillation trials of India's first hydrogen-powered train, marking a major step in green transportation. The hydrogen-powered train has been developed by which organization?
 (a) BEML (b) Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd (c) GAIL
 (d) HAL (e) Integral Coach Factory Ans. e
24. The Delhi Government signed an MoU with which organization to boost the media and entertainment sector?
 (a) Doordarshan (b) Prasar Bharati (c) NFDC
 (d) Filmfare (e) CBFC Ans. b
25. The National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCB) recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which company to enhance skill development in India's construction sector?
 (a) ACC Ltd (b) UltraTech Cement Ltd (c) Ambuja Cement Ltd
 (d) Dalmia Bharat Ltd (e) Shree Cement Ltd Ans. b
26. India signed a working arrangement with which organization to strengthen aviation manufacturing and safety standards?
 (a) United Nations (b) European Union (c) World Bank (d) ASEAN (e) NATO Ans. b
27. Which Indian cricketer has become the first Indian international to join Major League Cricket (MLC) in the USA?
 (a) Virat Kohli (b) Rohit Sharma (c) Ravichandran Ashwin
 (d) Jasprit Bumrah (e) KL Rahul Ans. c

28. World Autism Awareness Day is observed on which date?
 (a) 1 April (b) 2 April (c) 3 April (d) 4 April (e) 5 April Ans. b
29. On which date is International Fact-Checking Day observed?
 (a) 1 April (b) 2 April (c) 3 April (d) 4 April (e) 5 April Ans. b
30. International Children's Book Day is observed on which date?
 (a) 1 April (b) 2 April (c) 3 April (d) 4 April (e) 5 April Ans. b
31. Who has been appointed as the new Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA)?
 (a) Faiz Ahmed Kidwai (b) Vir Vikram Yadav (c) Shraddha Joshi
 (d) Anil Kumar Sinha (e) Sanjay Malhotra Ans. b
32. Uchral Nyam-Osor became the new Prime Minister of which country?
 (a) Kazakhstan (b) Mongolia (c) Uzbekistan (d) Kyrgyzstan (e) Turkmenistan Ans. b
33. Who has been appointed as the new Vice Chief of the Army Staff?
 (a) Shraddha Joshi Raj (b) Upendra Dwivedi (c) Lieutenant General Dhiraj Seth
 (d) Bipin Rawat (e) Anil Chauhan Ans. c
34. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited?
 (a) R.K. Singh (b) Burra Vamsi Rama Mohan (c) Pankaj Agarwal
 (d) Alok Kumar (e) Anil Kumar Ans. b
35. Who is the author of the book 'Tides of Time'?
 (a) Arundhati Roy (b) Sudha Murty (c) Chetan Bhagat (d) Amish Tripathi (e) Shashi Tharoor Ans. b
36. Who has been appointed as the Director of BRIC-NCCS, Pune?
 (a) Dr Manisha Inamdar (b) Dr Shraddha Joshi Raj (c) Dr Thomas Pucadyil
 (d) Dr Randeep Guleria (e) Dr K. VijayRaghavan Ans. c
37. Chandrikapersad Santokhi, who recently passed away, was the former President of which country?
 (a) Guyana (b) Suriname (c) Trinidad and Tobago (d) Jamaica (e) Brazil Ans. b
38. Where did Pankaj Advani win his maiden National 9-ball pool championship title?
 (a) Mumbai (b) Delhi (c) Ludhiana (d) Jaipur (e) Kolkata Ans. c
39. The Ministry of Defence signed a Rs. 1,950 crore contract with which company for mountain radars?
 (a) HAL (b) BEL (c) DRDO (d) BHEL (e) ISRO Ans. b
40. Which vessel has been inducted as the fourth and final Survey Vessel (Large) of the Indian Navy?
 (a) INS Sandhayak (b) INS Nirdeshak (c) INS Ikshak (d) INS Sanshodhak (e) INS Shakti Ans. d
41. What is the name of the Tri-Service exercise conducted by India?
 (a) Exercise Trishul Shakti (b) Exercise Sagar Raksha (c) Exercise Coastal Shield
 (d) Exercise Dweep Shakti (e) Exercise Vajra Prahar Ans. d
42. The Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers, will host the 9th edition of India Pharma 2026 on 13–14 April in New Delhi, in collaboration with FICCI and IPA. What is the theme of India Pharma 2026?
 (a) Health for All India (b) Make in India Pharma Growth
 (c) Discover in India: Leapfrogging Life-Sciences Innovation (d) Digital Healthcare Revolution
 (e) Pharma Export Mission Ans. c
43. Which museum was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Koba, Gandhinagar, on Mahavir Jayanti?
 (a) Mahatma Gandhi Museum (b) Samrat Ashoka Museum (c) Samrat Samprati Museum
 (d) Jain Heritage Museum (e) Gujarat Cultural Museum Ans. c
44. Where was the Keynes Semicon OSAT facility inaugurated by PM Modi?
 (a) Hyderabad, Telangana (b) Bengaluru, Karnataka (c) Sanand, Gujarat
 (d) Pune, Maharashtra (e) Noida, Uttar Pradesh Ans. c
45. What is the name of the mascot of Nyaya Setu AI Chatbot?
 (a) Diya (b) Aarohi (c) Dishika (d) Nyaya (e) Shakti Ans. c
46. Who has been appointed as the new CEO of IndiGo?
 (a) Pieter Elbers (b) Willie Walsh (c) Shraddha Joshi Raj
 (d) Ajay Singh (e) Sanjiv Kapoor Ans. b

47. What was the total gross GST collection in March 2026?
 (a) Rs. 1.5 lakh crore (b) Rs. 1.83 lakh crore (c) Rs. 2 lakh crore
 (d) Rs. 2.5 lakh crore (e) Rs. 3 lakh crore Ans. c
48. Which organisation signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya (GSV) to train youth in key aviation sectors such as Aviation Engineering and Aviation Management?
 (a) Airports Authority of India (b) Air India (c) Directorate General of Civil Aviation
 (d) ISRO (e) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited Ans. c
49. The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has extended the deadline for OTT SIM-binding to which date?
 (a) June 30, 2026 (b) September 30, 2026 (c) December 31, 2026
 (d) March 31, 2027 (e) January 1, 2027 Ans. c
50. Ashwini Bhide became the first woman to head which civic body?
 (a) Delhi Municipal Corporation (b) Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation
 (c) Pune Municipal Corporation (d) Chennai Corporation
 (e) Kolkata Municipal Corporation Ans. b
51. Which company announced a strategic collaboration with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and Sanatan AI to launch an entrepreneurship initiative in India's spiritual services sector, including EVbased "Shop on Wheels" across Panchayats?
 (a) MakeMyTrip (b) Yatra (c) Easy Trip Planners Limited
 (d) IRCTC (e) Thomas Cook Ans. c
52. Which Indian player won the girls' junior top honour at the Asian Squash Federation Awards 2025?
 (a) Joshna Chinappa (b) Dipika Pallikal (c) Shraddha Joshi
 (d) Sunayna Kuruvilla (e) Anahat Singh Ans. e
53. India launched its first Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessel (NGOPV), 'Shachi' (Yard 1280), at Goa Shipyard Limited, marking a major boost to indigenous naval capabilities. The NGOPV programme includes the construction of how many vessels?
 (a) 5 (b) 7 (c) 9 (d) 11 (e) 15 Ans. d
54. The Indian Navy inducted 'Malwan', the second Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW SWC), boosting coastal defence capabilities. Which shipyard built the ASW SWC 'Malwan'?
 (a) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders (b) Garden Reach Shipbuilders (c) Cochin Shipyard Limited
 (d) Hindustan Shipyard (e) both a and c Ans. c
55. Which state's Panchayats won top honours in the Deen Dayal Upadhyay and Nanaji Deshmukh Panchayat Satat Vikas Puraskar 2025, highlighting achievements in development, healthcare, and women empowerment?
 (a) Assam (b) Tripura (c) Manipur (d) Odisha (e) Bihar Ans. b
56. NASA launched the Artemis II mission, marking the first crewed lunar flyby in over 50 years since the Apollo era. Which launch vehicle was used for the Artemis II mission?
 (a) Falcon Heavy (b) PSLV (c) GSLV (d) Space Launch System (e) Ariane 5 Ans. d
57. International Carrot Day is celebrated on which date?
 (a) 2 April (b) 3 April (c) 4 April (d) 5 April (e) 6 April Ans. c
58. International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action is observed on which date?
 (a) 1 April (b) 2 April (c) 3 April (d) 4 April (e) 5 April Ans. d
59. Which bank has received RBI approval to acquire up to 74% stake in RBL Bank?
 (a) HSBC (b) Emirates National Bank of Dubai (c) Standard Chartered
 (d) DBS Bank (e) Citibank Ans. b
60. Which state government signed a Letter of Intent with Starlink India to pilot satellite-based internet services in remote hill regions to improve connectivity across key sectors?
 (a) Assam (b) Meghalaya (c) Manipur (d) Nagaland (e) Sikkim Ans. b
61. Lok Sabha Passes Bill Declaring Amaravati as Sole Capital of Andhra Pradesh. What is the name of the Bill passed to recognise Amaravati as the sole capital?
 (a) Andhra Pradesh Capital Bill, 2026 (b) State Reorganisation Bill, 2026
 (c) Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation (Amendment) Bill, 2026 (d) Amaravati Development Bill, 2026
 (e) Capital Region Authority Bill, 2026 Ans. c

62. Which of the following insurance companies has NOT been designated as a Domestic Systemically Important Insurer (D-SII) by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India for FY 2025–26?
1. Life Insurance Corporation of India
 2. National Insurance Company Limited
 3. The New India Assurance Company Limited
 4. General Insurance Corporation of India
 5. HDFC Life Insurance Company Limited
- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 2, 3 and 4 (c) 3 and 4 (d) 1, 2 and 3 (e) 2 and 5 Ans. e
63. The Reserve Bank of India has approved Emirates National Bank to acquire up to 74% stake in RBL Bank, potentially converting it into a foreign bank. Emirates NBD is based in which country?
- (a) Saudi Arabia (b) Qatar (c) United Arab Emirates (d) Kuwait (e) Bahrain Ans. c
64. How many transactions were recorded by Unified Payments Interface in March 2026?
- (a) 20.39 billion (b) 21.50 billion (c) 22.64 billion (d) 23.10 billion (e) 24.00 billion Ans. c
65. India's defence exports reached a record ₹38,424 crore in FY 2025–26, marking a 62.66% increase from ₹23,622 crore in the previous year, as per the Ministry of Defence. What share of defence exports was contributed by Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs)?
- (a) 45.16% (b) 50.00% (c) 52.75% (d) 54.84% (e) 60.20% Ans. d
66. Who won the women's 9-ball pool National Championship, ending a nineyear title drought?
- (a) Shraddha Joshi Raj (b) Chitra Magimairaj (c) Pankaj Advani
(d) Vidya Pillai (e) Ameer Kamani Ans. b
67. The National Council of Educational Research and Training has recently been granted the status of "Institution deemed to be University" by the Ministry of Education on the advice of the University Grants Commission. Under which specific category has this status been conferred?
- (a) General category (b) Special category (c) Distinct category
(d) Autonomous category (e) Research category Ans. c
68. According to recent data released by GSMA Intelligence, Bharti Airtel has crossed 650 million global subscribers and operates across India and Africa. What is its current global rank in terms of mobile subscriber base, considering that China Mobile holds the top position worldwide?
- (a) 1st (b) 2nd (c) 3rd (d) 4th (e) 5th Ans. b
69. In April 2026, how many railway stations have been transferred from the East Coast Railway Zone to the South Coast Railway Zone?
- (a) 5 (b) 6 (c) 7 (d) 8 (e) 9 Ans. c
70. Deendayal Port Authority has regained the top position among India's major ports in FY 2025–26 by handling a record 160.11 million tonnes (MT) of cargo. Which port was overtaken by Deendayal Port Authority?
- (a) Mumbai Port Authority (b) Paradip Port Authority (c) Chennai Port Authority
(d) Visakhapatnam Port Authority (e) Cochin Port Authority Ans. b
71. The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has signed an agreement with which of the following to display authorised Aadhaar centres on the Mappls App in April 2026?
- (a) Blinkit (b) MapmyIndia (c) Rapido (d) Amazon (e) ISRO Ans. b
72. The Bhu Bharati portal, an integrated land record management system aimed at simplifying land registration and related services, has been launched by which state government?
- (a) Government of Andhra Pradesh (b) Government of Karnataka (c) Government of Telangana
(d) Government of Maharashtra (e) Government of Odisha Ans. c
73. Which police force has been awarded the President's Police Colour in April 2026?
- (a) Odisha Police (b) Uttar Pradesh Police (c) Goa Police
(d) Kerala Police (e) Punjab Police Ans. a
74. Thailand will host the IMF-World Bank Annual Meetings from 12–18 October 2026 in Bangkok at the Queen Sirikit National Convention Center. The country is returning as host after 35 years, having last hosted the meetings in 1991. What is the theme of the IMF-World Bank Annual Meetings 2026 in Thailand?
- (a) Strengthening Global Finance
(b) Inclusive Growth and Innovation
(c) Thailand's New Horizons: Empowering People, Building Resilience
(d) Sustainable Development for Future
(e) Global Economic Transformation Ans. c

75. As part of a major defence collaboration, GE Aerospace delivered an F404 - IN20 engine to Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) for use in the Tejas Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) MK1A. Which numbered engine has been delivered by GE Aerospace to HAL in this context?
 (a) 3rd (b) 4th (c) 5th (d) 6th (e) 7th Ans. d
76. INS Sunayna was flagged off as part of which mission by the Indian Navy?
 (a) Operation Samudra Setu (b) Mission SAGAR (c) IOS SAGAR
 (d) Operation Sankalp (e) Indo-Pacific Mission Ans. c
77. National Maritime Day in India is observed on which date?
 (a) 2 April (b) 5 April (c) 7 April (d) 10 April (e) 8 April Ans. b
78. International Day of Conscience is observed every year on 5 April to promote peace, tolerance, inclusion, and understanding among people across the world. What is the theme of International Day of Conscience 2026?
 (a) Peace for All (b) Global Harmony (c) Reinventing Peace with Youth
 (d) Unity in Diversity (e) Future of Peace Ans. c
79. _____ batter Rassie van der Dussen has announced his retirement from international cricket, ending a successful career as a key white-ball performer for the Proteas.
 (a) Australia (b) South Africa (c) England (d) New Zealand (e) West Indies Ans. b
80. Consider the following statements regarding Khelo India Tribal Games 2026:
 1. The event was hosted by Chhattisgarh.
 2. Karnataka emerged as the overall champion.
 3. The official mascot was "Morveer".
 Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?
 (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 (e) all are correct Ans. e
81. The International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action, observed on 4 April, highlights global efforts to prevent harm caused by landmines and explosive remnants of war. What is the theme for the year 2026 for the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action?
 (a) Safe World for All (b) Peace and Development (c) Invest in Peace; Invest in Mine Action
 (d) Mine-Free Future 2030 (e) Global Safety First Ans. c
82. What is the name of the AI-powered chatbot introduced by the Income Tax Department to provide real-time assistance to taxpayers on the new portal?
 (a) Tax Sathi (b) e-Friend (c) Kar Saathi (d) Income Bot (e) Digital Helper Ans. c
83. The Central Government has mandated petrol pumps to supply E20 fuel as part of India's clean energy transition strategy. What is the minimum octane rating required for E20 fuel under the new government mandate?
 (a) 91 RON (b) 92 RON (c) 93 RON (d) 95 RON (e) 98 RON Ans. d
84. The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, in collaboration with which of the following, has developed the India SDG Dashboard?
 (a) International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
 (b) International Monetary Fund
 (c) United Nations Resident Coordinator Office
 (d) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
 (e) World Trade Organization Ans. c
85. From which classes has India introduced the new AI and Coding Education curriculum under the recent education reform initiative?
 (a) Class 1 to 5 (b) Class 6 to 10 (c) Class 3 to 8 (d) Class 9 to 12 (e) Class 5 to 10 Ans. c
86. The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways signed a Plan of Implementation with the KOICA. to strengthen skill development in India's shipbuilding and marine sector. KOICA stands for which organisation?
 (a) Korea International Cooperation Agency (b) Korean International Construction Authority
 (c) Korea Industrial Cooperation Association (d) Korean Investment and Commerce Agency
 (e) Korean International Construction Agency Ans. a
87. Which country is Min Aung Hlaing associated with, who recently became President?
 (a) Thailand (b) Vietnam (c) Myanmar (d) Cambodia (e) Malaysia Ans. c
88. Who has been appointed as the new Information and Broadcasting Secretary?
 (a) Chanchal Kumar (b) Shraddha Joshi (c) Rohit Kansal (d) Bhuvnesh Kumar (e) Sanjay Jaju Ans. a

89. Who has taken additional charge as Chairman and Managing Director of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)?
 (a) Krishna Kumar Singh (b) Parul Tyagi (c) N. Chandrasekaran
 (d) Shraddha Joshi (e) Nisha Ans. a
90. Under the new Olympic eligibility policy, which group of athletes has been barred from competing in women's events?
 (a) Junior athletes (b) Para-athletes (c) Drug addicted athletes
 (d) Transgender women (e) Amateur players Ans. d
91. Who became Britain's top-rated female chess player as per FIDE April 2026 rankings?
 (a) Shraddha Joshi (b) Koneru Humpy (c) Judit Polgar
 (d) Hou Yifan (e) Bodhana Sivanandan Ans. e
92. The Election Commission of India has introduced the "Know Your Candidates" (KYC) module to enhance transparency in elections. This module, which provides detailed information about candidates such as criminal background, assets, and educational qualifications, is available on which platform?
 (a) DigiLocker (b) ECINet (c) UMANG (d) MyGov (e) eCourts Ans. b
93. Indian Railways earned a record revenue from scrap disposal in FY 2025–26 amounting to:
 (a) Rs. 5,501 crore (b) Rs. 6,000 crore (c) Rs. 6,711 crore (d) Rs. 7,070 crore (e) Rs. 6,735 crore Ans. e
94. NITI Aayog, under the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), has launched the ATL Sarthi initiative and Mentor India Academy in Telangana to strengthen schoollevel innovation. The initiative aims to provide structured mentorship and institutional support to Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs), helping students convert ideas into practical solutions. How many ATLs are covered under this initiative in Telangana?
 (a) 300 (b) 325 (c) 350 (d) 379 (e) 400 Ans. d
95. The 'School Chalen Hum' Campaign was launched by which state government?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Rajasthan (c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Gujarat (e) Bihar Ans. c
96. The vibrant festival of Rongali Bihu is celebrated across Assam, marking the Assamese New Year and the arrival of spring with music, dance, and traditional customs. Rongali Bihu is also known by which other name?
 (a) Magh Bihu (b) Kati Bihu (c) Bohag Bihu (d) Pongal (e) Baisakhi Ans. c
97. The Puri Police in Puri launched the "Puri Police Assistant" WhatsApp chatbot to enhance citizen services and accessibility. Which organisation supported the development of this chatbot?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) HDFC Bank (c) ICICI Bank
 (d) Punjab National Bank (e) Axis Bank Ans. d
98. What is the revised GDP growth forecast for India for FY 2026–27 as per Moody's?
 (a) 5.5% (b) 5.8% (c) 6.0% (d) 6.5% (e) 6.8% Ans. c
99. Which bank recently crossed the milestone of ₹30 lakh crore in total global business (deposits + advances) for the first time, reaching Rs. 30.78 lakh crore as of March 2026, with strong growth in both deposits and advances?
 (a) Bank of Baroda (b) Punjab National Bank (c) State Bank of India
 (d) Canara Bank (e) Union Bank of India Ans. a
100. Microsoft has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with a private university in India to set up an Artificial Intelligence (AI) Skill Centre aimed at enhancing students' digital capabilities, employability, and industry readiness. With which university has Microsoft partnered for this initiative?
 (a) Lovely Professional University (b) Amity University (c) Chandigarh University
 (d) Manipal University (e) Sharda University Ans. c
101. The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) recently celebrated the 47th Raising Day of which project in Bikaner, Rajasthan?
 (a) Project Himank (b) Project Arunank (c) Project Chetak (d) Project Shivalik (e) Project Beacon Ans. c
102. Which Indian Navy ship recently arrived at Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania as part of its deployment in the South-West Indian Ocean Region?
 (a) INS Vikrant (b) INS Kolkata (c) INS Chennai (d) INS Trikand (e) INS Shivalik Ans. d
103. Which of the following countries participated in the anti-submarine warfare exercise 'Sea Dragon 2026'?
 (a) India, China, Russia, Japan (b) India, USA, Japan, Australia, New Zealand
 (c) India, UK, France, Germany, USA (d) India, South Korea, Japan, Canada
 (e) India, Brazil, USA, Australia Ans. b

104. World Health Day is observed every year on 7 April to raise awareness about global health issues and promote well-being for all. What is the theme of World Health Day 2026?
 (a) Health for All (b) Global Wellness (c) Together for health. Stand with science
 (d) Healthy World (e) Science for Life Ans. c
105. PM Narendra Modi has virtually launched Karmayogi Sadhana Saptah 2026 at the Dr Ambedkar International Centre, marking 5 years of Mission Karmayogi, a major civil services reform and training initiative. The programme was organised by which body?
 (a) NITI Aayog (b) UPSC (c) Capacity Building Commission
 (d) Ministry of Home Affairs (e) Department of Personnel Ans. c
106. International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDSDP) is observed every year on 6 April to promote peace, inclusion, and social development through sports. What is the theme of IDSDP 2026?
 (a) Power of Sports (b) Sports for Unity (c) Sport: Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers
 (d) Play for Peace (e) Global Sports Movement Ans. c
107. The Reserve Bank of India, in its latest monetary policy, projected India's real GDP growth for FY 2026–27 while maintaining a neutral stance. What is the estimated growth rate?
 (a) 7.6% (b) 6.5% (c) 6.9% (d) 5.8% (e) 7.2% Ans. c
108. The Tri-Service seminar 'Ran Samwad' was held on April 9–10 in Bengaluru, focusing on evolving warfare strategies. 'Ran Samwad' seminar was organised by which ministry?
 (a) Ministry of Home Affairs (b) Ministry of External Affairs (c) Ministry of Defence
 (d) Ministry of Science & Technology (e) Ministry of Finance Ans. c
109. Jitendra Singh inaugurated the BIRAC-BioNEST Incubation Centre at Central Food Technology and Research Institute in _____, boosting India's food innovation ecosystem.
 (a) Mysuru (b) Hyderabad (c) Bengaluru (d) Chennai (e) Pune Ans. a
110. The "Gen Z Vote" awareness song was launched by Gyanesh Kumar in Kochi to strengthen democratic participation. What is the primary objective of this initiative?
 (a) Increasing voter turnout among first-time voters
 (b) Promoting voter awareness about electoral rights and duties
 (c) Encouraging youth (Gen Z) to actively participate in elections
 (d) Reducing voter apathy in urban areas
 (e) Strengthening inclusive and participatory electoral process Ans. c
111. Barnawapara Wildlife Sanctuary has reintroduced blackbucks into the Rampur grassland, marking a significant step toward biodiversity conservation and ecological restoration. Barnawapara Wildlife Sanctuary is located in which state?
 (a) Madhya Pradesh (b) Odisha (c) Jharkhand (d) Chhattisgarh (e) Maharashtra Ans. d
112. Which state government has launched the Mukhyamantri Annapurna Yojana (MAPY), a major food security initiative aimed at providing additional free rice to over 10 million vulnerable families under the public distribution system?
 (a) Bihar (b) Jharkhand (c) West Bengal (d) Odisha (e) Chhattisgarh Ans. d
113. Which state government launched the 'Safe Mobility Program' aimed at empowering women by providing employment opportunities and ensuring safer transportation for women and girls?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan (d) Uttar Pradesh (e) Bihar Ans. d
114. The Bodleian Libraries at the University of Oxford have launched a nationwide UK tour of the Shikshapatri to mark its 200th anniversary. Who composed the Shikshapatri?
 (a) Swami Vivekananda (b) Adi Shankaracharya (c) Ramanujacharya
 (d) Sahajanand Swami (e) Dayanand Saraswat Ans. d
115. Reserve Bank of India has cancelled the licence of Shirpur Merchants' Cooperative Bank due to inadequate capital and poor earning prospects, effective April 6, 2026. Depositors of the bank are insured up to what amount by DICGC?
 (a) Rs. 1 lakh (b) Rs. 2 lakh (c) Rs. 3 lakh (d) Rs. 4 lakh (e) Rs. 5 lakh Ans. e
116. Razorpay has partnered with which company to enable payment integration in AI applications?
 (a) Google (b) Microsoft (c) Amazon (d) OpenAI (e) Meta Ans. d
117. Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India has granted R1 approval to the M Pallonji Group for launching a new general insurance venture in partnership with which bank and Divya Sehgal?
 (a) HDFC Bank (b) ICICI Bank (c) Axis Bank (d) SBI (e) Federal Bank Ans. e

118. Geetanjali Om Parkash created history by becoming the first Indian to win which prestigious global title in 2026?
 (a) Mrs Universe 2026 (b) Mrs World 2026 (c) Mrs International World Classic 2026
 (d) Miss Earth 2026 (e) Mrs Asia Pacific 2026 Ans. c
119. Menaka Guruswamy has become India's first openly queer what?
 (a) Judge (b) Minister (c) Governor
 (d) Member of Parliament (e) Chief Justice Ans. d
120. Blanka Vlašić has been appointed as the International Event Ambassador for which event?
 (a) Mumbai Marathon 2026 (b) World 10K Bengaluru 2026 (c) Delhi Half Marathon 2026
 (d) Asian Games (e) Commonwealth Games 2026 Ans. b
121. NewSpace India Limited (NSIL) signed an MoU with which company for solar panel collaboration?
 (a) Skyroot Aerospace (b) Bellatrix Aerospace (c) Dhruva Space
 (d) Agnikul Cosmos (e) Pixxel Ans. c
122. Which stadium unveiled the "Rahul Dravid End" and "Anil Kumble End"?
 (a) Wankhede Stadium (b) Eden Gardens (c) M. Chinnaswamy Stadium
 (d) Arun Jaitley Stadium (e) Narendra Modi Stadium Ans. c
123. Bank of Baroda launched "bob SAMVAD", an AI-powered multilingual conversational platform to enhance customer interaction at bank branches. The platform enables real-time, two-way communication in 22 languages. In the first phase, bob SAMVAD will be rolled out across how many states?
 (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6 (e) 7 Ans. c
124. Which company has launched a co-branded credit card in partnership with the State Bank of India, offering benefits such as zero joining fee for the first year and availability on RuPay and Visa platforms?
 (a) Amazon Pay (b) Paytm (c) PhonePe (d) Google Pay (e) Mobikwik Ans. c
125. In April 2026, which organization has revised India's FY 2026–27 GDP growth forecast to 6.2%?
 (a) World Bank (b) IMF (c) Morgan Stanley (d) RBI (e) ADB Ans. c
126. What is the name of the autobiography launched by former CBI Director R.K. Raghavan?
 (a) A Life in Service (b) Duty Beyond Time (c) Inside the Investigation
 (d) Journey of Justice (e) A Road Well Travelled Ans. e
127. Under which initiative did INS Sunayna arrive at Malé, Maldives during its operational deployment?
 (a) SAGAR Bharat Mission (b) IOS SAGAR Initiative (c) Samudra Setu Mission
 (d) Neighbourhood First Policy (e) Indo-Pacific Vision Ans. b
128. Where will the second edition of the Rugby Premier League (RPL) be held in June 2026?
 (a) Mumbai (b) Delhi (c) Hyderabad (d) Bengaluru (e) Chennai Ans. c
129. Who won the gold medal in the 10m air pistol mixed team event at the ISSF World Cup held in Granada, Spain, and also created a junior world record with a total score of 487.7 points?
 (a) Manu Bhaker and Saurabh Chaudhary (b) Palak Gulia and Mukesh Nelavalli
 (c) Anjum Moudgil and Rudranksh Patil (d) Elavenil Valarivan and Deepak Kumar
 (e) Heena Sidhu and Abhishek Verma Ans. b
130. Consider the following statements about the Artemis II record:
 1. It travelled about 4.07 lakh km from Earth.
 2. It became the farthest human travel from Earth.
 3. The previous record was set by the Apollo 11 mission.
 4. It carried 5 astronauts on board.
 Which of the statements is/are correct?
 (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only (c) 1, 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 4 only (e) 1, 2, 3 and 4 Ans. d
131. The Government of India has signed an MoU to establish an aviation security testing centre with which two institutions?
 (a) ISRO and DRDO (b) BCAS and IIT Delhi (c) Bureau of Civil Aviation Security and RRU
 (d) CISF and NIA (e) HAL and BEL Ans. c
132. The National Council of Educational Research and Training has reconstituted its National Syllabus and Teaching Learning Material Committee (NSTC) following observations by the Supreme Court of India. The reconstitution of NSTC was prompted by observations related to which subject?
 (a) Mathematics (b) Science (c) Social Science (d) English (e) Economics Ans. c

133. To Lam was elected as the President of which country?
 (a) Thailand (b) Cambodia (c) Vietnam (d) Laos (e) Indonesia Ans. c
134. World Health Day is observed every year on 7 April to raise awareness about global health issues. World Health Day is observed every year on which date?
 (a) 5 April (b) 6 April (c) 9 April (d) 7 April (e) 10 April Ans. d
135. Bhuvneshwar Kumar became the first fast bowler to achieve which milestone in the Indian Premier League?
 (a) 100 wickets (b) 150 wickets (c) 200 wickets (d) 250 wickets (e) 300 wickets Ans. c
136. Murali Sreeshankar won the men's long jump at the Indian Athletics Series 2026 with a best effort of:
 (a) 7.91 m (b) 8.00 m (c) 8.15 m (d) 8.25 m (e) 7.80 m Ans. c
137. Divya Singh, a cyclist from Uttar Pradesh, completed the Everest Base Camp expedition, showcasing remarkable endurance. In how many days did she complete this journey?
 (a) 10 days (b) 12 days (c) 14 days (d) 16 days (e) 18 days Ans. c
138. The World Bank has revised India's FY27 growth forecast to what percentage?
 (a) 6.1% (b) 6.3% (c) 6.6% (d) 6.8% (e) 7.0% Ans. c
139. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of BPCL?
 (a) Sanjay Khanna (b) Suresh Kumar (c) R.K. Singh (d) Alok Sharma (e) Amitabh Kant Ans. a
140. Which Indian diplomat has been re-elected to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR) for the term 2027–2030?
 (a) Ruchira Kamboj (b) Shraddha Joshi (c) Preeti Saran
 (d) Syed Akbaruddin (e) Harsh Vardhan Shringla Ans. c
141. The Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY), launched in 2015, has completed 11 years on 8 April, and has been highlighted by Prime Minister Narendra Modi as a major driver of self-employment and youth entrepreneurship across the country. What is the maximum collateral-free loan limit under PM Mudra Yojana?
 (a) Rs. 10 lakh (b) Rs. 15 lakh (c) Rs. 20 lakh (d) Rs. 25 lakh (e) Rs. 30 lakh Ans. c
142. India has recently withdrawn its proposal to host which Conference of the Parties (COP) summit under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)?
 (a) COP 28 (b) COP 29 (c) COP 30 (d) COP 33 (e) COP 31 Ans. d
143. An Indian Army contingent has been deployed to participate in a joint special forces exercise with Egypt. What is the name of this exercise?
 (a) Exercise Vajra Prahar (b) Exercise Cyclone-IV (c) Exercise Desert Eagle
 (d) Exercise Mitra Shakti (e) Exercise Surya Kiran Ans. b
144. KreditBee has entered the unicorn club after raising \$280 million, achieving a valuation of _____. With this, the company has become the first unicorn of Financial Year 2026–27.
 (a) \$1.0 billion (b) \$1.2 billion (c) \$1.5 billion (d) \$2.0 billion (e) \$2.5 billion Ans. c
145. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has approved a Rs. 14,105.83 crore hydropower project named Kalai-II Hydro Electric Project (HEP) in Arunachal Pradesh with an installed capacity of 1,200 MW. On which river will this project be constructed?
 (a) Brahmaputra River (b) Lohit River (c) Shraddha River
 (d) Teesta River (e) Siang River Ans. b
146. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved the Kamala Hydro Electric Project in which state?
 (a) Assam (b) Sikkim (c) Arunachal Pradesh
 (d) Meghalaya (e) Nagaland Ans. c
147. Which organisation has launched the 'Arogya Van' initiative?
 (a) Ministry of Environment (b) NITI Aayog (c) National Highways Authority of India
 (d) Forest Survey of India (e) CPWD Ans. c
148. In which Indian state will the proposed airports at Warangal and Adilabad be developed to improve regional connectivity?
 (a) Karnataka (b) Maharashtra (c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Telangana (e) Chhattisgarh Ans. d
149. With which foreign company has NTPC signed an MoU to explore nuclear power projects in India?
 (a) Rosatom (b) Électricité de France (c) Westinghouse Electric
 (d) General Electric (e) Siemens Energy Ans. b

150. Greece has announced a ban on social media access for children under 15 years, with the restriction set to come into effect from _____, aiming to regulate digital usage among minors.
 (a) 1 June 2026 (b) 1 December 2026 (c) 1 January 2027
 (d) 1 January 2028 (e) 1 May 2026 Ans. c
151. Senior leader Mohsina Kidwai passed away, marking the end of a long and significant political career in Indian public life. Mohsina Kidwai was associated with which political party?
 (a) BJP (b) CPI(M) (c) Indian National Congress
 (d) AAP (e) JD(U) Ans. c
152. Who has been appointed as the new Chairperson of NASSCOM Foundation?
 (a) Rostow Ramanan (b) UB Pravin Rao (c) Salil Parekh
 (d) Shraddha Joshi (e) Kris Gopalakrishnan Ans. b
153. World Homoeopathy Day is observed on April 10 every year to mark the birth anniversary of Samuel Hahnemann, the founder of Homoeopathy. What is the theme of World Homoeopathy Day 2026?
 (a) Homoeopathy for Universal Health (b) Integrating Homoeopathy in Public Health
 (c) Homoeopathy for a Healthier Future (d) Homoeopathy for Sustainable Health
 (e) Holistic Healing through Homoeopathy Ans. d
154. National Safe Motherhood Day is observed every year on 11 April in India to raise awareness about maternal health and safe pregnancy practices. National Safe Motherhood Day is observed to mark the birth anniversary of whom?
 (a) Sarojini Naidu (b) Indira Gandhi (c) Kasturba Gandhi (d) Mother Teresa (e) Annie Besant Ans. d
155. Jallianwala Bagh Massacre Remembrance Day is observed on which date?
 (a) 10 April (b) 11 April (c) 12 April (d) 13 April (e) 14 April Ans. d
156. Asha Bhosle, the legendary playback singer, passed away at the age of 92 at Breach Candy Hospital in Mumbai. Asha Bhosle was awarded which of the following honours in 2000?
 (a) Padma Shri (b) Padma Bhushan (c) Dadasaheb Phalke Award
 (d) Bharat Ratna (e) Sahitya Akademi Award Ans. c
157. India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI), developed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), completed how many years of operation in 2026?
 (a) 5 years (b) 7 years (c) 8 years (d) 10 years (e) 12 years Ans. d
158. Who has been appointed as the MD & CEO of the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)?
 (a) Shraddha Joshi (b) Vibhor Jain (c) Amitabh Kant (d) Renu Gupta (e) Sanjeev Sanyal Ans. b
159. For the first time since independence, the Constitution of India has been released in Devanagari script for which of the following languages?
 (a) Urdu (b) Punjab (c) Sindhi (d) Gujarati (e) Marathi Ans. c
160. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director Designate of Cholamandalam MS General Insurance (Chola MS)?
 (a) V. Suryanarayanan (b) Rajive Kumaraswami (c) Shraddha Joshi
 (d) Ajay Piramal (e) Sanjiv Mehta Ans. b
161. Who has been appointed as the MD & CEO of Indian Digital Payment Intelligence Corporation (IDPIC)?
 (a) Shraddha Joshi (b) K. Satyanarayana Raju (c) Rajnish Kumar
 (d) Amitabh Chaudhry (e) Uday Kotak Ans. b
162. Abu Hasem Khan Chowdhury, popularly known as 'Dalu Babu', was associated with which political party?
 (a) Bharatiya Janata Party (b) Indian National Congress (c) CPI(M)
 (d) Trinamool Congress (e) Samajwadi Party Ans. b
163. C. D. Gopinath, former India cricketer, passed away recently and was the last surviving member of India's first-ever Test victory in 1952. Against which country did India secure its first-ever Test victory?
 (a) Australia (b) England (c) Pakistan (d) South Africa (e) New Zealand Ans. b
164. Laura Cardoso created history by becoming the first player to take 9 wickets in a T20 International match. Laura Cardoso represents which country?
 (a) South Africa (b) Australia (c) Brazil (d) England (e) India Ans. c
165. 'Operation Him Setu', launched by the Indian Army to evacuate stranded tourists after landslides disrupted road connectivity in Lachen and nearby areas, was conducted in which Indian state?
 (a) Arunachal Pradesh (b) Himachal Pradesh (c) Uttarakhand
 (d) Sikkim (e) Jammu & Kashmir Ans. d

166. Which two key Indian agencies have recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance coordination, data sharing, and intelligence inputs in order to effectively tackle cyber fraud and financial crimes in the country?
 (a) RBI and SEBI (b) CBI and NIA (c) FIU-IND and I4C (d) ED and RBI (e) SEBI and IRDAI Ans. c
167. Which global technology company has recently launched the advanced AI model 'Muse Spark' as part of its strategy to strengthen its position in the artificial intelligence race and move towards superintelligence?
 (a) Google (b) Microsoft (c) Meta Platforms (d) Amazon (e) Apple Ans. c
168. Which company became the first FMCG firm in India to cross ₹1 lakh crore turnover in FY 2025–26?
 (a) Nestle India (b) ITC Limited (c) Amul (d) Britannia (e) Dabur Ans. c
169. Punjab National Bank (PNB) has signed an MoU with which platform to enhance financial access and provide credit support to sellers?
 (a) Amazon India (b) Government e-Marketplace (GeM) (c) Flipkart
 (d) Reserve Bank of India (e) Securities and Exchange Board of India Ans. b
170. Which bank has recently launched the 'Aspire' banking programme along with a dedicated debit card for premium customers?
 (a) HDFC Bank (b) ICICI Bank (c) State Bank of India
 (d) DBS Bank India (e) Axis Bank Ans. d
171. The Ministry of Coal has recognised Insurance Surety Bonds (ISBs) as an alternative to bank guarantees (BGs) for bid and performance security. The recognition of ISBs follows amendments in which rules?
 (a) Companies Act 2013 (b) RBI Act 1934 (c) General Financial Rules (GFR), 2017
 (d) SEBI Regulations (e) Banking Regulation Act Ans. c
172. Consider the following statements about 'Utkarsh 2029' of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI):
 1. It is a medium-term strategy framework for the period April 2026 to March 2029.
 2. It replaces the earlier Shraddha 2.0 (2023–2025) framework.
 3. It aims to expand Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) and promote cross-border payments.
 4. It includes 'Global India' as one of its key pillars.
 Which of the statements given above are CORRECT?
 (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only (c) 1, 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4 (e) 1 and 4 only Ans. c
173. What is ADB's projected GDP growth rate of India for FY 2026–27?
 (a) 7.6% (b) 6.5% (c) 6.9% (d) 7.3% (e) 6.2% Ans. c
174. According to the latest data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO), what was India's retail inflation rate (CPI-based) in March, marking a 13-month high?
 (a) 3.2% (b) 3.4% (c) 3.6% (d) 3.1% (e) 3.8% Ans. b
175. Which bank has recently launched its first dedicated retail banking product, 'Smart Save Account', to expand its presence in the retail segment?
 (a) HDFC Bank (b) ICICI Bank (c) Axis Bank (d) CSB Bank (e) State Bank of India Ans. d
176. 'bob World Lite', launched through a partnership between Reliance Jio and Bank of Baroda, is primarily designed to cater to which category of users in order to promote financial inclusion?
 (a) Smartphone users in metro cities (b) Corporate banking customers (c) Feature phone users
 (d) Only NRI customers (e) High-net-worth individuals Ans. c
177. Consider the following statements regarding Poshan Pakhwada 2026:
 1. It is the 8th edition of the nationwide nutrition awareness campaign.
 2. It is observed from April 9 to April 23, 2026.
 3. It is implemented by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
 4. It focuses on early childhood development and nutrition awareness.
 5. The theme of 2026 is "Maximizing Brain Development in the First Six Years of Life."
 Which of the statements given above are correct?
 (a) 1, 2 and 4 only (b) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only (c) 2 and 3 only
 (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only (e) All of the above Ans. b
178. Who inaugurated the Unnat Krishi Mahotsav in Madhya Pradesh?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Nitin Gadkari (c) Rajnath Singh
 (d) Shivraj Singh Chouhan (e) Mohan Yadav Ans. c

179. Which state police has launched the AI-based tool 'NARIT AI', designed to strengthen narcotics investigations under the NDPS Act, 1985?
 (a) Maharashtra Police (b) Gujarat Police (c) Punjab Police
 (d) Rajasthan Police (e) Uttar Pradesh Police Ans. b
180. Which organization has launched the world's first global university for wildlife and veterinary sciences?
 (a) WWF (b) Vantara (c) ICAR (d) FAO (e) UNESCO Ans. b
181. Deakin University of Australia has signed a strategic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which Indian state government to advance applied artificial intelligence and innovation through the AIKAM hub?
 (a) Karnataka (b) Maharashtra (c) Telangana (d) Gujarat (e) Andhra Pradesh Ans. c
182. Tata Power has partnered with which organisation for upskilling in wind turbine O&M?
 (a) NTPC (b) BHEL (c) CORE (d) SECI (e) NHPC Ans. c
183. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL), an Indian defence public sector undertaking, has acquired a controlling stake in which of the following companies as part of its first international expansion deal?
 (a) Cochin Shipyard Limited (b) Hindustan Shipyard Limited
 (c) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (d) Colombo Dockyard PLC
 (e) Larsen & Toubro Shipyard Ans. d
184. Who was Jim Whittaker, who recently passed away?
 (a) First Indian to climb Everest (b) First American to summit Mount Everest
 (c) First British explorer of Everest (d) First Nepalese climber
 (e) First Asian mountaineer Ans. b
185. International Day of Human Space Flight is observed every year on which date?
 (a) 10 April (b) 11 April (c) 12 April (d) 13 April (e) 14 April Ans. c
186. Which company launched the new AI model "Muse Spark"?
 (a) Google (b) Microsoft (c) Meta Platforms (d) Amazon (e) Apple Ans. c
187. Who has become the first BJP Chief Minister of Bihar?
 (a) Jitendra Kumar (b) Vijay Kumar Sinha (c) Samrat Choudhary
 (d) Dilip Jaiswal (e) Shivraj Singh Chouhan Ans. c
188. Which two entities have collaborated to launch the limited-edition FIFA World Cup 2026 Pixel Credit Card along with a 'Spend & Win' campaign offering match packages and merchandise?
 (a) Mastercard & State Bank of India (b) Visa & HDFC Bank (c) RBI & ICICI Bank
 (d) NPCI & Axis Bank (e) Paytm & Yes Bank Ans. b
189. The Reserve Bank of India has returned the application of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank seeking conversion into a universal bank. As per RBI guidelines, what is the minimum net worth requirement for a Small Finance Bank (SFB) to be eligible for conversion into a universal bank, based on the latest audited financials?
 (a) Rs. 500 crore (b) Rs. 750 crore (c) Rs. 1,000 crore (d) Rs. 1,500 crore (e) Rs. 2,000 crore Ans. c
190. Which ministry granted approval to the National Stock Exchange (NSE) for reserving the name 'National Coal Exchange of India Limited' for its proposed coal exchange venture?
 (a) Ministry of Finance (b) Ministry of Coal (c) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
 (d) Ministry of Commerce and Industry (e) NITI Aayog Ans. c
191. The Ministry of Labour & Employment has signed MoUs with Porter and Gigin Technologies to enhance employment opportunities and strengthen digital job matching through which government platform?
 (a) e-Shram Portal (b) Skill India Portal (c) National Career Service Portal
 (d) DigiLocker (e) PM Gati Shakti Portal Ans. c
192. Birkbeck, University of London, has received approval to establish its global campus in which of the following Indian cities, enabling students to pursue international degrees at significantly lower cost?
 (a) Mumbai (b) New Delhi (c) Hyderabad (d) Bengaluru (e) Chennai Ans. d
193. Which edition of the India-Uzbekistan Joint Military Exercise 'DUSTLIK' is being conducted in April 2026 at the Gurumsaray Training Area in Uzbekistan?
 (a) 5th (b) 6th (c) 7th (d) 8th (e) 9th Ans. c
194. A life-size bronze statue recently unveiled at Westlake Square Park in Seattle, marking the first installation hosted by a US city government, is of which eminent Indian personality?
 (a) Swami Vivekananda (b) Rabindranath Tagore (c) Mahatma Gandhi
 (d) Subhas Chandra Bose (e) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Ans. a

195. The World Bank has released how much amount for Phase-I of the Amaravati Capital Development Project?
 (a) \$200 million (b) \$250 million (c) \$340 million (d) \$500 million (e) \$800 million Ans. c
196. Artemis II successfully returned to Earth with a splashdown in the Pacific Ocean, marking the first crewed lunar mission in over 50 years after the Apollo Program. What is the name of the Orion capsule used in Artemis II?
 (a) Endeavour (b) Discovery (c) Challenge (d) Freedom (e) Integrity Ans. e
197. Who has been elected as the new President of Iraq?
 (a) Mohammed Al-Sudani (b) Nizar Amedi (c) Haider Al-Abadi
 (d) Barham Salih (e) Adel Abdul-Mahdi Ans. b
198. Who has been re-elected as the President of Djibouti?
 (a) Mohamed Farah Samatar (b) Ismail Omar Guelleh (c) Hassan Sheikh Mohamud
 (d) Abiy Ahmed (e) Uhuru Kenyatta Ans. b
199. PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the Delhi–Dehradun Economic Corridor, a major infrastructure project aimed at boosting connectivity and development. What is the total length of the Delhi–Dehradun Economic Corridor?
 (a) 150 km (b) 180 km (c) 201 km (d) 213 km (e) 250 km Ans. d
200. What is India's revised GDP growth forecast for FY 2026–27 by the IMF?
 (a) 6.0% (b) 6.2% (c) 6.5% (d) 6.8% (e) 6.5% Ans. c
201. RBI has cancelled the licence of National Urban Cooperative Bank Ltd, Pratapgarh. Which organisation provides deposit insurance to bank customers in India?
 (a) LIC (b) RBI (c) DICGC (d) SEBI (e) NABARD Ans. c
202. Which of the following regulatory authorities approved PPFAS Asset Management to act as a sponsor for a pension fund under the National Pension System (NPS)?
 (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
 (b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
 (c) Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)
 (d) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)
 (e) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) Ans. c
203. The Dr. Ambedkar Foundation organised the 136th Birth Anniversary celebration of Dr B. R. Ambedkar on April 14, 2026, at Prerna Sthal, Parliament House premises in New Delhi. Under which Ministry was the event organized?
 (a) Ministry of Culture (b) Ministry of Finance
 (c) Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (d) Ministry of Education
 (e) Ministry of Defence Ans. c
204. Infosys has appointed which tennis player as its Global Brand Ambassador?
 (a) Novak Djokovic (b) Rafael Nadal (c) Carlos Alcaraz (d) Roger Federer (e) Andy Murray Ans. c
205. Who has been appointed as the Secretary General of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)?
 (a) Jyoti Vij (b) Anil Kumar (c) Anant Swarup (d) Rajiv Kumar (e) Sunil Bharti Ans. c
206. Who has been appointed as the first woman in the history of Australia to lead its Army as Chief of Army?
 (a) Mary Johnson (b) Susan Coyle (c) Emma Williams (d) Lisa Brown (e) Kate Wilson Ans. b
207. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Guru Bhairavaikya Mandira at Sri Kshetra Adichunchanagiri in Mandya district, Karnataka, and offered prayers at the site. The memorial is dedicated to Sri Sri Sri Dr Balagangadharanatha Mahaswamiji, the 71st pontiff of the Adichunchanagiri Math, recognising his contributions in education, healthcare, and social service. The Guru Bhairavaikya Mandira is built in which architectural style?
 (a) Mughal Style (b) Indo-Islamic Style (c) Dravidian Style
 (d) Modern Glass Style (e) Gothic Style Ans. c
208. Which institute has become the first CCRAS institute to achieve ISO 15189:2022 accreditation in Biochemistry and Haematology?
 (a) AIIMS New Delhi (b) CARI Bengaluru (c) NIMHANS Bengaluru
 (d) ICMR Delhi (e) PGIMER Chandigarh Ans. b
209. On which date is World Chagas Disease Day observed annually?
 (a) 10 April (b) 12 April (c) 14 April (d) 16 April (e) 18 April Ans. c
210. Which company signed a brand endorsement deal with Smriti Mandhana?
 (a) Puma (b) Nike (c) Agilitas Sports (d) Adidas (e) Reebok Ans. c

211. International Wellness Day is observed on which date?
 (a) 17 April (b) 10 April (c) 15 April (d) 16 April (e) 18 April Ans. c
212. Sonam Wangchuk, who recently passed away, was associated with which profession?
 (a) Scientist (b) Politician (c) Indian Army Officer
 (d) Sports person (e) Journalist Ans. c
213. Who won the gold medal in the compound women's final at the World Archery Para Series in Bangkok?
 (a) Sheetal Devi (b) Payal Nag (c) Deepika Kumari (d) Jyoti Surekha (e) Sakshi Malik Ans. b
214. Amelia Kerr has won the ICC Women's Player of the Month for March for her exceptional all-round display. Amelia Kerr is associated with which country?
 (a) New Zealand (b) England (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) India Ans. a
215. Who among the following were named the Leading Men's and Women's Cricketers in the World for 2025 by Wisden Cricketers' Almanack?
 (a) Joe Root and Smriti Mandhana (b) Steve Smith and Ellyse Perry
 (c) Mitchell Starc and Deepti Sharma (d) Ben Stokes and Harmanpreet Kaur
 (e) Kane Williamson and Meg Lanning Ans. c
216. Which company announced the acquisition of Globalstar?
 (a) Google (b) Amazon (c) Microsoft (d) Meta (e) Apple Ans. b
217. Which of the following organisations has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate on preserving and showcasing India's democratic and national heritage?
 (a) Reserve Bank of India and SEBI (b) India Post and Prime Ministers Museum & Library
 (c) NITI Aayog and UGC (d) ISRO and DRDO (e) LIC and SBI Ans. b
218. The Telangana government has recently declared cancer as a notifiable disease, requiring mandatory reporting of cases by healthcare institutions within a specified time frame. Within how many days must such cases be reported?
 (a) 7 days (b) 15 days (c) 30 days (d) 45 days (e) 60 days Ans. c
219. India's wholesale inflation rose to what percentage in March, reaching a three-month high?
 (a) 2.5% (b) 3.1% (c) 3.9% (d) 4.5% (e) 5.2% Ans. c
220. In April 2026, which company's subsidiary received RBI's in-principle approval to start a Primary Dealer business?
 (a) Bajaj Finance (b) Shriram Finance (c) HDFC Bank
 (d) ICICI Bank (e) L&T Finance Ans. b
221. China has overtaken the United States to become India's largest trading partner in 2025–26, with bilateral trade reaching USD 151.1 billion. What was the total bilateral trade between India and China in 2025–26?
 (a) USD 120 billion (b) USD 135 billion (c) USD 151.1 billion
 (d) USD 165 billion (e) USD 180 billion Ans. c
222. Which state government has launched Project Sanjeevani to pilot India's first fully integrated trauma care and highway rescue protocol?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Telangana (c) Karnataka (d) Gujarat (e) Tamil Nadu Ans. b
223. Which state government has signed an MoU to develop an Indo-Taiwan Industrial Park in the Sanand–Dholera region?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Gujarat (c) Tamil Nadu (d) Karnataka (e) Andhra Pradesh Ans. b
224. Which team won the 16th Hockey India Sub-Junior Women's National Championship?
 (a) Haryana (b) Punjab (c) Jharkhand (d) Odisha (e) Maharashtra Ans. c
225. Who emerged as the winner of the FIDE Women's Candidates Tournament 2026 held in Cyprus?
 (a) Koneru Humpy (b) R. Vaishali (c) Harika Dronavalli (d) Ju Wenjun (e) Hou Yifan Ans. b
226. In a significant move to strengthen India's financial security framework, which two organisations signed a comprehensive Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to improve information sharing and coordination in the financial sector?
 (a) RBI and SEBI (b) DoT and SEBI (c) FIU and PFRDA
 (d) Ministry of Finance and IRDAI (e) NITI Aayog and RBI Ans. c
227. Under the 'Water Forward' initiative launched by the World Bank Group, by which year is the target set to ensure water security for over 1 billion people globally?
 (a) 2025 (b) 2027 (c) 2028 (d) 2030 (e) 2035 Ans. d

228. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare chaired the 1st BRICS Health Working Group (HWG) Meeting 2026 in New Delhi, bringing together member countries to discuss cooperation in public health. What is the theme of India's BRICS Chairmanship in 2026?
 (a) Health for All (b) Digital Transformation (c) Global Unity and Peace
 (d) Economic Growth and Trade (e) Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability
 Ans. e
229. The 173rd anniversary of India's first passenger train (celebrated in 2026) marks the train that ran between which two places?
 (a) Mumbai – Pune (b) Bori Bunder – Thane (c) Delhi – Agra
 (d) Kolkata – Howrah (e) Chennai – Bengaluru
 Ans. b
230. India achieved a record export performance in the financial year 2025–26, reflecting steady growth in its global trade. What was the total export value of India during this period?
 (a) \$800 billion (b) \$820 billion (c) \$825 billion (d) \$840 billion (e) \$860 billion
 Ans. e
231. India's unemployment rate reached a five-month high in March 2026. What was the unemployment rate recorded during this period?
 (a) 4.5% (b) 4.7% (c) 4.9% (d) 5.1% (e) 5.5%
 Ans. d
232. Life Insurance Corporation of India launched two mobile apps—MyLIC and Super Sales Saathi—to enhance digital services and customer experience. The MyLIC mobile application is primarily designed for whom?
 (a) Insurance agents (b) Government officials (c) Intermediaries
 (d) Policyholders (e) Bank employees
 Ans. d
233. The Nari Shakti Vandan Adhinyam is related to which Constitutional Amendment?
 (a) 101st Amendment (b) 103rd Amendment (c) 105th Amendment
 (d) 106th Amendment (e) 108th Amendment
 Ans. d
234. World Hemophilia Day is observed every year on 17 April to raise awareness about hemophilia and other inherited bleeding disorders. What is the theme of World Hemophilia Day 2026?
 (a) Health for All (b) Blood Safety First (c) Care for Rare Diseases
 (d) Treatment for All (e) Diagnosis: First Step to Care
 Ans. e
235. With which institute has the Punjab government partnered to develop an AI-based system for real-time crime tracking and analysis?
 (a) IIT Delhi (b) IIT Bombay (c) NIT Jalandhar (d) IISc Bengaluru (e) IIT Ropar
 Ans. e
236. Kharungpat, where the sanctuary is planned, is located in which state?
 (a) Assam (b) Meghalaya (c) Nagaland (d) Manipur (e) Tripura
 Ans. d
237. What is the total Central Assistance under the Urban Challenge Fund (UCF)?
 (a) Rs. 50,000 crore (b) Rs. 75,000 crore (c) Rs. 1 lakh crore (d) Rs. 2 lakh crore (e) Rs. 1.5 lakh crore
 Ans. c
238. The Government of India has constituted a high-level body named the Artificial Intelligence Governance and Economic Group (AIGEG) to guide the country's AI governance strategy and policy framework. Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the AIGEG?
 (a) Jitin Prasada (b) Nirmala Sitharaman (c) Ashwini Vaishnaw
 (d) Piyush Goyal (e) Narendra Modi
 Ans. c
239. The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved a 2% hike in Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR) for Central government employees and pensioners. From which date will the revised Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR) be effective?
 (a) 1 July 2025 (b) 1 October 2025 (c) 1 January 2026 (d) 1 April 2026 (e) 1 March 2026
 Ans. c
240. Which organisation has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with C-DAC to collaborate in advanced technologies, digital transformation, and capacity building?
 (a) Broadcast Engineering Consultants India Limited (b) Indian Space Research Organisation
 (c) Defence Research and Development Organisation (d) National Informatics Centre
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited
 Ans. a
241. World Liver Day is observed annually on 19 April to raise awareness about liver health and related diseases. What is the theme of World Liver Day 2026?
 (a) Solid Habits, Strong Liver (b) Liver Care First
 (c) Healthy Liver for All (d) Prevent Liver Diseases
 (e) Liver Health Matters
 Ans. a

242. Oscar Schmidt, who recently passed away, was associated with which sport?
 (a) Football (b) Cricket (c) Hockey (d) Tennis (e) Basketball Ans. e
243. The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has banned the use of which of the following leaves and their extracts in health supplements due to safety concerns, allowing only root-based usage?
 (a) Tulsi (b) Neem (c) Ashwagandha (d) Aloe vera (e) Mint Ans. c
244. Who has been named Person of the Year 2026 by the Harvard South Asian Association?
 (a) Alia Bhatt (b) Shraddha Joshi (c) Sayani Gupta (d) Kangana Ranaut (e) Vidya Balan Ans. c
245. World Heritage Day is observed annually on 18 April to raise awareness about the importance of protecting cultural and natural heritage. What is the theme of World Heritage Day 2026?
 (a) Sustainable Heritage for Future
 (b) Protecting Cultural Identity
 (c) Emergency Response for Living Heritage in Contexts of Conflicts and Disasters
 (d) Heritage and Climate Change
 (e) Digital Preservation of Heritage Ans. c
246. Gautam Adani has overtaken Mukesh Ambani to become Asia's richest person, with a net worth of _____.
 (a) \$85.2 billion (b) \$88.5 billion (c) \$90.8 billion (d) \$92.6 billion (e) \$95.0 billion Ans. d
247. In a significant step to curb rising digital frauds in India, which two organisations signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to tackle telecom-linked financial scams?
 (a) RBI and SEBI (b) Ministry of Finance and RBI (c) DoT and SEBI
 (d) NITI Aayog and RBI (e) Ministry of IT and SEBI Ans. c
248. _____ fast bowler, Rubel Hossain has announced his retirement from international cricket after a decade-long career with 159 matches across formats.
 (a) India (b) Pakistan (c) Bangladesh (d) Sri Lanka (e) Afghanistan Ans. c
249. Badminton star Viktor Axelsen has announced his retirement from professional badminton after an illustrious career. Viktor Axelsen belongs to which country?
 (a) China (b) Japan (c) Denmark (d) India (e) Malaysia Ans. c
250. Who appointed K. S. Somashekhar as Secretary in the Rajya Sabha Secretariat?
 (a) Droupadi Murmu (b) Narendra Modi (c) C. P. Radhakrishnan
 (d) Jagdeep Dhankhar (e) Om Birla Ans. c
251. Ajit Agarkar will continue as Chairman of the Senior Selection Committee, as the Board of Control for Cricket in India has extended his contract. For how long has Ajit Agarkar's contract been extended?
 (a) 6 months (b) 1 year (c) 2 years (d) 3 years (e) 5 years Ans. b
252. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has recently taken an important step in strengthening AI governance in India by constituting a new expert body. Which ministry is responsible for forming the Technology and Policy Expert Committee (TPEC)?
 (a) Ministry of Finance (b) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
 (c) Ministry of Commerce and Industry (d) Ministry of Science and Technology
 (e) Ministry of Home Affairs Ans. b
253. PM Narendra Modi will inaugurate the 594-km-long Ganga Expressway on April 29 in Hardoi. The Ganga Expressway connects which two cities?
 (a) Lucknow – Jaipur (b) Delhi – Prayagraj (c) Meerut – Prayagraj
 (d) Varanasi – Delhi (e) Noida – Jaipur Ans. c
254. Consider the following statements regarding PMGSY-III extension:
 1. It has been extended till March 2028.
 2. The total outlay has been increased to ₹83,977 crore.
 3. Phase I of PMGSY was launched in 2000.
 Which of the above statements is/are CORRECT?
 (a) Only 1 and 2 (b) Only 2 and 3 (c) Only 1 and 3 (d) All 1, 2 and 3 (e) Only 1 Ans. d
255. All India Council for Technical Education launched the 3rd edition of AICTE-VAANI to promote Indian languages in technical education and bridge the language gap. What does VAANI stand for?
 (a) Vision for Advancement of National Institutions
 (b) Vibrant Advocacy for Advancement and Nurturing of Indian Languages
 (c) Value Addition and National Integration
 (d) Virtual Access for Academic Network in India
 (e) Vocational Advancement and Innovation Ans. b

256. The Government of Meghalaya approved the Meghalaya Official Languages Ordinance, 2026, granting _____ full official language status alongside English.
- (a) Khasi and Manipuri (b) Garo and Assamese (c) Khasi and Garo
(d) Bengali and Garo (e) Hindi and Khasi Ans. c
257. Recently, a major step towards sustainable railway operations was achieved as one of India's railway depots was declared the country's first "water-neutral" facility. In this context, which of the following depots has been recognised as India's first water-neutral railway depot?
- (a) Shakur Basti Depot (b) Kankaria Coaching Depot (c) Perambur Depot
(d) Howrah Depot (e) Bandra Depot Ans. b
258. At the National ECHO Youth Innovation Summit 2026 held in Hyderabad, a young innovator from Kerala was honoured with the WWF National Award for developing an AI-based application aimed at environmental conservation. Who among the following received this award?
- (a) Rahul Nair (b) N. Alim Yusuf (c) Shraddha Joshi (d) Ankit Verma (e) Rohit Sharma Ans. b
259. Which two organisations signed an MoU for sustainable land management and ecological research in India?
- (a) Indian Space Research Organisation and Indian Council of Agricultural Research
(b) Space Applications Centre and Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment
(c) NITI Aayog and TERI
(d) ISRO Telemetry Tracking and Command Network and ATREE
(e) National Remote Sensing Centre and ICAR Ans. b
260. Chinese Language Day is observed on which date every year?
- (a) 18 April (b) 19 April (c) 20 April (d) 21 April (e) 22 April Ans. c
261. World Creativity and Innovation Day is observed every year on 21 April to promote the role of creativity and innovation in all aspects of human development. What is the theme of World Creativity and Innovation Day 2026?
- (a) Innovation for Digital India (b) Creativity for Education Reform
(c) Harnessing Creativity for Global Progress (d) Innovation for Climate Action
(e) Creativity for Youth Empowerment Ans. c
262. From where was the Indian Army's first blue-water sailing expedition "Samudra Sahas" flagged off?
- (a) Goa (b) Kochi (c) Mumbai (d) Visakhapatnam (e) Chennai Ans. c
263. Where was the first edition of the biannual Naval Commanders' Conference 2026 held?
- (a) Mumbai (b) Kochi (c) Visakhapatnam (d) New Delhi (e) Goa Ans. d
264. Which company has been authorised to develop the Kochi-Kanyakumari Thoothukudi Natural Gas Pipeline (KTPL)?
- (a) Reliance Industries Limited (b) Adani Group (c) Indian Oil Corporation Limited
(d) Bharat Petroleum (e) HPCL Ans. c
265. Dinesh Trivedi has been appointed as India's High Commissioner to which country?
- (a) Sri Lanka (b) Nepal (c) Bangladesh (d) Bhutan (e) Myanmar Ans. c
266. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate India's first greenfield integrated refinery-cum-petrochemical complex in Rajasthan. The refinery is located in which place of Rajasthan?
- (a) Jaipur (b) Jodhpur (c) Udaipur (d) Pachpadra (e) Bikaner Ans. d
267. Which ministry launched the initiative 'Vishwa Sutra – Weaves of India for the World'?
- (a) Ministry of Commerce (b) Ministry of Textiles (c) Ministry of Culture
(d) Ministry of Tourism (e) Ministry of MSME Ans. b
268. Which organisation has launched the AI-powered chatbot 'Abhay' to help citizens?
- (a) Reserve Bank of India (b) Central Bureau of Investigation
(c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (d) National Investigation Agency
(e) Enforcement Directorate Ans. b
269. The NPCI-backed National Payments Corporation of India (BHIM app) has introduced a new feature that allows users to check their CIBIL score directly within the app. What is the range of CIBIL score in India?
- (a) 100 to 500 (b) 200 to 800 (c) 300 to 900 (d) 400 to 1000 (e) 500 to 1200 Ans. c
270. Which fintech company has partnered with AU Small Finance Bank to launch India's first LED-powered co-branded credit card?
- (a) CheQ (b) PhonePe (c) Paytm Payments Bank (d) Google Pay (e) BharatPe Ans. a

271. India's Eight Core Industries recorded a 0.4% contraction in March, marking the first decline in the last five months, as per data released by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry. Which of the following is NOT part of the Eight Core Industries?
 (a) Coal (b) Steel (c) Cement (d) Automobile (e) Electricity Ans. d
272. What was the total revenue achieved by India Post in FY 2025–26?
 (a) Rs. 13,500 crore (b) Rs. 14,200 crore (c) Rs. 15,296 crore (d) Rs. 16,012 crore (e) Rs. 17,500 crore Ans. c
273. By which year have India and South Korea set a target to increase their bilateral trade to 50 billion dollars?
 (a) 2027 (b) 2028 (c) 2029 (d) 2030 (e) 2032 Ans. d
274. Earth Day is observed every year on which date?
 (a) April 21 (b) April 22 (c) April 23 (d) April 24 (e) April 25 Ans. b
275. Ahana has launched an RBI reporting solution for _____ built on its proprietary Data Model to streamline reporting across core banking, treasury, and digital systems.
 (a) Commercial banks (b) Regional Rural Banks (c) Co-operative banks
 (d) Payment banks (e) Small finance banks Ans. c
276. Consider the following statements regarding Miss India 2026:
 1. Shraddha Joshi was crowned Miss India 2026.
 2. She represented Rajasthan.
 3. The event marked the 61st edition of Miss India.
 4. Rajnandini Pawar was the first runner-up and represented Maharashtra.
 Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 (a) Only 1 and 3 (b) Only 3 and 4 (c) Only 2 and 4 (d) All 1, 2, 3 and 4 (e) None of the above Ans. b
277. NITI Aayog launched the anthology "Divya Bharat: A Window to the Soul of India", released by Vice Chairman Suman Bery in New Delhi. The anthology "Divya Bharat" is primarily related to which sector?
 (a) Agriculture (b) Education (c) Tourism (d) Defence (e) Health Ans. c
278. Which scheme has been approved by the Union Cabinet to provide maritime insurance coverage in India?
 (a) Bharat Shipping Insurance Scheme (b) Maritime India Guarantee Scheme
 (c) Bharat Maritime Insurance Pool (d) India Cargo Protection Scheme
 (e) National Marine Coverage Plan Ans. c
279. How much loan has the World Bank approved for the implementation of the Rajasthan Highway Modernisation Project aimed at improving road infrastructure and safety?
 (a) \$150 million (b) \$175 million (c) \$200 million (d) \$225 million (e) \$250 million Ans. d
280. By how much did CSR spending by companies listed on the National Stock Exchange (NSE) main board increase in FY 2024–25 compared to the previous financial year?
 (a) 18% (b) 20% (c) 22% (d) 23% (e) 25% Ans. d
281. Aronyak Ghosh has recently become India's which number Grandmaster?
 (a) 93rd (b) 94th (c) 95th (d) 96th (e) 97th Ans. c
282. Samridh Gram Initiative has been nominated for which international recognition under the Enabling Environment category?
 (a) UNDP Human Development Award 2026
 (b) World Summit on the Information Society Prizes 2026
 (c) Global Innovation Index Award 2026
 (d) UNESCO Digital Literacy Prize 2026
 (e) World Bank Development Award 2026 Ans. b
283. India's economy is projected to grow by how much in 2026 as per the UN?
 (a) 5.8% (b) 6.0% (c) 6.4% (d) 6.8% (e) 7.2% Ans. c
284. Karnataka Bank has partnered with which company to enhance digital payment solutions?
 (a) Paytm (b) Razorpay (c) Pine Labs (d) PhonePe (e) CCAvenue Ans. c
285. State Bank of India aims to expand its balance sheet to what percentage of India's GDP by 2030?
 (a) 15% (b) 18% (c) 20% (d) 25% (e) 30% Ans. d
286. Reserve Bank of India launched the fourth edition of its global hackathon titled "HaRBinger – Innovation for Transformation". What is the theme of RBI's HaRBinger hackathon?
 (a) Digital India for All: Powered by Identity, Integrity, and Inclusivity
 (b) Secure Banking: Powered by Identity, Integrity, and Inclusivity
 (c) Financial Inclusion 2030: Powered by Identity, Integrity, and Inclusivity
 (d) Smart Banking Systems: Powered by Identity, Integrity, and Inclusivity
 (e) Cashless Economy: Powered by Identity, Integrity, and Inclusivity Ans. b

287. The Securities and Exchange Board of India recently reduced the minimum investment limit for Social Impact Funds from Rs. 2 lakh to what amount in order to promote retail participation in the Social Stock Exchange (SSE)?
 (a) Rs. 500 (b) Rs. 1,000 (c) Rs. 5,000 (d) Rs. 10,000 (e) Rs. 50,000 Ans. b
288. How much financial support has the Government of India approved for Alliance Air?
 (a) Rs. 250 crore (b) Rs. 350 crore (c) Rs. 460 crore (d) Rs. 500 crore (e) Rs. 600 crore Ans. c
289. After nearly four decades, a female Black Panther has been introduced at Indira Gandhi Zoological Park, which is the third-largest zoo in India. It is located in which state?
 (a) Telangana (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Karnataka (e) Odisha Ans. c
290. Umiam Lake, which was recently seen in the news, is located in which state?
 (a) Assam (b) Meghalaya (c) Tripura (d) Nagaland (e) Manipur Ans. b
291. Which state has notified the Jaagat Jot Sri Guru Granth Sahib Satkar (Amendment) Act, 2026, to enforce stricter punishment for acts of sacrilege?
 (a) Haryana (b) Punjab (c) Rajasthan (d) Uttar Pradesh (e) Himachal Pradesh Ans. b
292. Bhupender Yadav announced Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary as a Ramsar site, taking India's total to 99. It is located in which district of Uttar Pradesh?
 (a) Hapur (b) Kanpur (c) Aligarh (d) Agra (e) Meerut Ans. c
293. The Suwari Festival is primarily celebrated in which state?
 (a) West Bengal (b) Assam (c) Odisha (d) Bihar (e) Tripura Ans. b
294. HDFC Life Insurance Company has approved the extension of Padalkar as Managing Director & CEO. The tenure extension of Vibha Padalkar has been approved for how many years?
 (a) 3 years (b) 4 years (c) 5 years (d) 6 years (e) 7 years Ans. c
295. Who has been appointed as the next CEO of Apple, effective September 1, 2026?
 (a) Tim Cook (b) Sundar Pichai (c) John Ternus (d) Satya Nadella (e) Craig Federighi Ans. c
296. World Earth Day is observed every year on April 22 to raise awareness about environmental protection and sustainability. What is the theme of World Earth Day 2026?
 (a) Save Our Planet (b) Green Earth, Clean Future (c) Our Power, Our Planet
 (d) One Earth, One Future (e) Act for Climate Ans. c
297. Six women from different countries have been awarded the 2026 Goldman Environmental Prize for their grassroots work to fight climate change and protect biodiversity. For the first time since its inception in 1989 by philanthropists Richard and Rhoda Goldman, all recipients are women representing Nigeria, South Korea, the UK, Papua New Guinea, the USA, and Colombia. The Goldman Environmental Prize is also known as?
 (a) Green Nobel Prize (b) Earth Protection Award (c) Climate Action Medal
 (d) Biodiversity Shield Award (e) Global Environment Honor Ans. a
298. The Ministry of Minority Affairs signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which institution to promote skill development among minority youth under the PM VIKAS scheme?
 (a) IIT Delhi (b) IIT Kanpur (c) IIT Patna (d) IIM Bangalore (e) NIT Patna Ans. c
299. Union Minister of Jal Shakti, C. R. Patil, launched the 9th edition of India International Water Week (IIWW-2026), India's flagship global water event. What is the theme of IIWW-2026?
 (a) Water for All (b) Clean Water Mission
 (c) Climate Resilient Water Management (d) Sustainable River Development
 (e) Blue Economy Growth Ans. c
300. World Book and Copyright Day is observed annually on 23 April to promote reading, publishing, and the protection of intellectual property rights. What is the theme of World Book and Copyright Day 2026?
 (a) Books for Future (b) Read for Growth (c) Reading for All
 (d) Knowledge is Power (e) Read, Make Your Star Shine Ans. e
301. What was the growth rate of India's textile exports in FY 2025–26 compared to FY 2024–25?
 (a) 1.5% (b) 2.1% (c) 2.8% (d) 3.5% (e) 4.2% Ans. b
302. Atal Pension Yojana (APY) has crossed 9 crore enrollments, showing its wide reach. In FY 2025–26, it added over 1.35 crore subscribers, the highest ever. In which year was APY launched?
 (a) 2012 (b) 2013 (c) 2014 (d) 2015 (e) 2016 Ans. d
303. English Language Day is observed every year on which date?
 (a) 21 April (b) 22 April (c) 23 April (d) 24 April (e) 25 April Ans. c

304. Union Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia released revised guidelines for the TDIP Scheme with an outlay of Rs. 203 crore to boost telecom innovation. The scheme will be implemented during which period?
 (a) 2026–29 (b) 2026–30 (c) 2026–31 (d) 2026–32 (e) 2026–28 Ans. c
305. Which company became the first fintech to join RBI's Centralised Payment System (CPS)?
 (a) Paytm (b) Pay Point India (c) PhonePe (d) Razorpay (e) BharatPe Ans. b
306. The Ministry of Defence signed contracts worth approximately Rs. 975 crore for the procurement of which equipment?
 (a) Missile Defence System (b) TRAWL Assembly (c) Radar Surveillance Units
 (d) Armoured Vehicles (e) Drone Systems Ans. b
307. Dr Gopalrao Patil, a former Rajya Sabha member and renowned paediatrician, passed away at the age of 94 in Latur, Maharashtra. What was the name of the educational institution founded by Dr Gopalrao Patil?
 (a) Dr. Ambedkar Shikshan Sanstha (b) Shiv Chhatrapati Shikshan Sanstha
 (c) Latur Education Society (d) Maharashtra Vidya Mandal
 (e) Shahu Maharaj Foundation Ans. b
308. Where has OmegaBall been introduced in India for the first time?
 (a) IIT Delhi (b) IIT Bombay (c) IISc Bengaluru (d) IIT Madras (e) NIT Trichy Ans. d
309. Who is the author of the book "Do You Know Your Hinduism?"
 (a) Arundhati Roy (b) Amish Tripathi (c) Rajmohan Gandhi
 (d) Shashi Tharoor (e) Ramachandra Guha Ans. c
310. Indian Navy's INS Sunayna, deployed under the IOS SAGAR initiative, arrived at Jakarta, Indonesia after earlier port calls in Thailand (Phuket) and the Maldives (Malé). INS Sunayna is which type of vessel?
 (a) Aircraft Carrier (b) Submarine (c) Offshore Patrol Vessel
 (d) Destroyer (e) Frigate Ans. c
311. Who has won the men's title at the HCL Squash PSA Challenger Tour?
 (a) Jeongmin Ryu (b) Harleen Tan (c) Suraj Kumar Chand
 (d) Ruqaiya Othman (e) Mohamed ElShorbagy Ans. c
312. Which bank's licence has been cancelled by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?
 (a) Airtel Payments Bank (b) India Post Payments Bank (c) Paytm Payments Bank Limited
 (d) Fino Payments Bank (e) Jio Payments Bank Ans. c
313. International Day of Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace is observed on which date?
 (a) 22 April (b) 23 April (c) 24 April (d) 25 April (e) 26 April Ans. c
314. World Immunisation Week is observed from 24 to 30 April every year to promote vaccination awareness. What is the theme of World Immunisation Week 2026?
 (a) Vaccines for All (b) Immunization for Life
 (c) Humanly Possible: Saving Lives Through Immunization (d) Protecting Future Generations
 (e) For every generation, vaccines work Ans. e
315. International Girls in ICT Day is observed on which date?
 (a) 21 April (b) 22 April (c) 23 April (d) 24 April (e) 25 April Ans. c
316. Bhagwandas Raikwar, who passed away recently, was associated with which field?
 (a) Classical Music (b) Literature (c) Martial Arts (d) Politics (e) Science Ans. c
317. Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis inaugurated the Centre of Excellence for Heat Resilience and Sustainable Cooling (COE-HRSC) to tackle climate change and heatwaves. The Centre of Excellence for Heat Resilience and Sustainable Cooling (COE-HRSC) is located at which institution?
 (a) IIT Bombay (b) IIM Ahmedabad (c) IIM Nagpur (d) IISc Bengaluru (e) IIT Delhi Ans. c
318. Jio Financial Services has partnered with which company to form an insurance joint venture?
 (a) AXA (b) Allianz (c) Zurich (d) MetLife (e) Prudential Ans. b
319. Which country has recently selected its first batch of foreign astronauts, including candidates from Pakistan, for future space missions?
 (a) USA (b) Russia (c) China (d) Japan (e) India Ans. c
320. In April 2026, which country has allowed visa-free airport transit for Indian nationals?
 (a) Germany (b) France (c) Italy (d) Spain (e) Netherlands Ans. b

321. Nadenla Bhaskar Rao was the co-founder of which political party?
 (a) Indian National Congress (b) Bharatiya Janata Party (c) Telugu Desam Party
 (d) Janata Dal (e) YSR Congress Party Ans. c
322. Consider the following statements regarding Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) targets:
 1. 1% blending target is set for 2027.
 2. 2% blending target is set for 2028.
 3. 5% blending target is set for 2032.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 (e) None Ans. a
323. The Government of India has notified new recruitment rules for the post of Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI). The upper age limit for the DCGI post has been increased to what?
 (a) 55 years (b) 56 years (c) 57 years (d) 58 years (e) 60 years Ans. d
324. Who has been appointed as Whole-time Director of AU Small Finance Bank?
 (a) Sanjiv Chadha (b) Vivek Tripathi (c) Rajneesh Karnatak
 (d) Atanu Kumar Das (e) Shyam Srinivasan Ans. b
325. Who has been appointed as the new Chairperson of NASSCOM?
 (a) Sindhu Gangadharan (b) Srikanth Velamakanni (c) Salil Parekh
 (d) Nandan Nilekani (e) Rajesh Gopinathan Ans. b
326. Rajneesh Karnatak, whose tenure was recently extended by 3 years, is associated with which bank?
 (a) Bank of Baroda (b) Punjab National Bank (c) Bank of India
 (d) Canara Bank (e) Union Bank of India Ans. c
327. Who has been appointed as the interim CEO of Noida International Airport?
 (a) Christoph Schnellmann (b) Nitu Sarma (c) Rajiv Bansal
 (d) Shraddha Joshi (e) Sanjeev Kapoor Ans. b
328. The 'Fair Practice Code', recently seen in news, is associated with which sector?
 (a) Agriculture (b) Banking and financial services (c) Education
 (d) Telecom (e) Defence Ans. b
329. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a monetary penalty of Rs. 41.8 lakh on which bank for non-compliance with regulatory guidelines, including Know Your Customer (KYC) norms and failure in risk categorisation review?
 (a) HDFC Bank (b) ICICI Bank (c) Bandhan Bank (d) Axis Bank (e) Yes Bank Ans. c
330. Central Cottage Industries Corporation of India (CCIC) launched its first heritage designer collection, "Soul Threads", highlighting India's rich artisanal legacy. CCIC functions under which ministry?
 (a) Ministry of Commerce (b) Ministry of Culture (c) Ministry of Textiles
 (d) Ministry of MSME (e) Ministry of Tourism Ans. c
331. International Finance Corporation (IFC), the private-sector arm of the World Bank Group, aims to increase its annual investments in India to \$10 billion by which year?
 (a) 2029 (b) 2030 (c) 2031 (d) 2031 (e) 2034 Ans. b
332. Indian Railway Finance Corporation (IRFC) has agreed to provide a loan of how much to the Telangana government for the Hyderabad Metro takeover?
 (a) Rs. 10,615 crore (b) Rs. 12,615 crore (c) Rs. 13,615 crore (d) Rs. 15,615 crore (e) Rs. 18,615 crore Ans. c
333. World Liver Day is observed every year on April 19 to raise awareness about liver health and related diseases. What is the theme of World Liver Day 2026?
 (a) Healthy Liver, Healthy Life (b) Liver Care for All (c) Solid Habits, Strong Liver
 (d) Fight Liver Diseases (e) Save Your Liver Ans. c
334. The Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope, a next-generation observatory designed to study exoplanets, dark matter, and dark energy, has been unveiled by which organisation?
 (a) ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation) (b) ESA (European Space Agency)
 (c) SpaceX (d) NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration)
 (e) CNSA (China National Space Administration) Ans. d
335. The Ministry of Home Affairs received an indigenous AI-based satellite imaging system, 'Prajna', to enhance real-time decision-making for security agencies. The 'Prajna' system has been developed by which organisation?
 (a) ISRO (b) DRDO (c) BEL (d) HAL (e) BARC Ans. b

336. India has been selected by which organization for the Women's Development Programme (Commercial Strategy 2026)?
 (a) IOC (b) FIFA (c) BCCI (d) UEFA (e) AIFF Ans. b
337. Who won the Laureus World Sportsman of the Year Award 2026?
 (a) Novak Djokovic (b) Lionel Messi (c) Carlos Alcaraz (d) Max Verstappen (e) Kylian Mbappé Ans. c
338. World Day for Animals in Laboratories is observed on which date?
 (a) 22 April (b) 23 April (c) 24 April (d) 25 April (e) 26 April Ans. c
339. INS Nireekshak reached which port during its visit to Sri Lanka?
 (a) Hambantota Port (b) Colombo Port (c) Galle Port (d) Trincomalee Port (e) Jaffna Port Ans. b
340. National Panchayati Raj Day is observed annually on 24 April to promote grassroots democracy in India. What is the theme of National Panchayati Raj Day 2026?
 (a) Gram Vikas Mission (b) Digital Panchayat (c) Sashakt Panchayat, Sarvangeen Vikas
 (d) Rural Empowerment Drive (e) Sabka Gaon, Sabka Vikas Ans. c
341. Which institution has extended a \$100 million loan to the Africa Finance Corporation (AFC) to support infrastructure development?
 (a) Reserve Bank of India (b) World Bank (c) Export-Import Bank of India
 (d) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (e) International Monetary Fund Ans. c
342. In April 2026, India approved a withdrawal of Rs. 30 billion for which country under the SAARC Currency Swap Framework?
 (a) Sri Lanka (b) Nepal (c) Maldives (d) Bangladesh (e) Bhutan Ans. c
343. World Malaria Day is observed on 25 April every year to raise awareness about malaria prevention, control, and eradication efforts worldwide. What is the theme of World Malaria Day 2026?
 (a) Zero Malaria Starts with Me: Now We Can. Now We Must.
 (b) End Malaria for Good: Now We Can. Now We Must.
 (c) Driven to End Malaria: Now We Can. Now We Must.
 (d) Ready to Beat Malaria
 (e) Malaria-Free World: Now We Can. Now We Must. Ans. c
344. World Penguin Day is observed annually on which date?
 (a) 22 April (b) 25 April (c) 23 April (d) 24 April (e) 26 April Ans. b
345. World Intellectual Property Day is observed on 26 April every year to promote awareness about the role of intellectual property (IP) in innovation and creativity. What is the theme of World Intellectual Property Day 2026?
 (a) Innovation for Future (b) IP and Technology
 (c) IP and Sports: Ready, Set, Innovate (d) Creative Economy
 (e) Digital Innovation Ans. c
346. Turkey has recently banned the use of social media for children below what age?
 (a) 13 years (b) 14 years (c) 15 years (d) 16 years (e) 18 years Ans. c
347. Chief of Army Staff General Upendra Dwivedi has been inducted into the International Hall of Fame of the US Army War College in Pennsylvania. He has become the _____ Chief of the Indian Army to receive this honour.
 (a) First (b) Second (c) Third (d) Fourth (e) Fifth Ans. c
348. Under which deployment did INS Sudarshini arrive in Spain?
 (a) Samudra Yatra (b) Lokayan 26 (c) Ocean Mission 25
 (d) Varuna Deployment (e) Neer Sagar Mission Ans. b
349. Project DANTAK is an initiative of which organisation?
 (a) Indian Railways (b) Border Security Force (c) Border Roads Organisation
 (d) National Highways Authority of India (e) DRDO Ans. c
350. Veteran Indian _____ Raghu Rai passed away at the age of 83.
 (a) Painter (b) Photographer (c) Journalist (d) Writer (e) Director Ans. b
351. The five-year biodiversity project launched by the Ministry of Environment will be implemented during which period?
 (a) 2024–2028 (b) 2025–2030 (c) 2023–2027 (d) 2026–2031 (e) 2022–2026 Ans. b

352. World Tapir Day is observed annually on which date?
 (a) 25 April (b) 26 April (c) 27 April (d) 28 April (e) 29 April Ans. c
353. Who has been reappointed as MD & CEO of Karur Vysya Bank?
 (a) Shyam Srinivasan (b) B. Ramesh Babu (c) Amitabh Chaudhry
 (d) Sandeep Bakhshi (e) Uday Kotak Ans. b
354. Which of the following is NOT a newly appointed full-time member of NITI Aayog?
 (a) K V Raju (b) Shraddha Joshi (c) Abhay Karandikar (d) M Srinivas (e) Gobardhan Das Ans. b
355. What is "Mythos", recently seen in the news?
 (a) A new digital payment system launched by the RBI
 (b) An AI platform posing potential risks to the banking sector
 (c) A cryptocurrency developed by SBI
 (d) A government AI chat bot for financial inclusion
 (e) A cybersecurity law introduced by Parliament Ans. b
356. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has proposed a draft notification to declare 408.7 sq km around Barasingha Wildlife Sanctuary as an Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ). It is located in which state?
 (a) Bihar (b) Madhya Pradesh (c) Uttar Pradesh
 (d) Rajasthan (e) Uttarakhand Ans. c
357. Which state government has launched the CM-INSPIRE Scheme to provide financial support to youth preparing for the UPSC Civil Services Examination?
 (a) Assam (b) Meghalaya (c) Manipur (d) Tripura (e) Nagaland Ans. b
358. Who has inaugurated an Adani Vikas Kendra in Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh, to empower women through garment production and skill development?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Jyotiraditya Scindia
 (d) Shivraj Singh Chouhan (e) Gautam Adani Ans. c
359. Who released the commemorative postage stamp for Shri Ram College of Commerce?
 (a) Droupadi Murmu (b) Narendra Modi (c) Amit Shah
 (d) Nirmala Sitharaman (e) Arvind Kejriwal Ans. b
360. Gopalrao Patil, noted paediatrician and former Rajya Sabha MP (1994 – 2000), has passed away. Patil was associated with which political party?
 (a) Indian National Congress (b) Bharatiya Janata Party (c) Samajwadi Party
 (d) Bahujan Samaj Party (e) Aam Aadmi Party Ans. b
361. Who became the first man in history to complete an official marathon in under two hours, achieving this remarkable feat at the London Marathon 2026?
 (a) Eliud Kipchoge (b) Kenenisa Bekele (c) Sebastian Sawe
 (d) Mo Farah (e) Wilson Kipsang Ans. c
362. Punjab National Bank (PNB) has partnered with which company to enable credit-based UPI payments?
 (a) Paytm (b) Kiwi (c) Phonepe (d) Razorpay (e) BharatPe Ans. b
363. Which institute has launched Asia's first UNESCO Chair on Gender Inclusion and Skill Development, strengthening India's role in global gender and skilling initiatives?
 (a) University of Delhi (b) Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
 (c) Symbiosis Skills and Professional University (d) Jawaharlal Nehru University
 (e) Banaras Hindu University Ans. c
364. Who has authored the book "The Curious and the Classified: Unearthing Military Myths and Mysteries"?
 (a) Bipin Rawat (b) Manoj Mukund Naravane (c) Dalbir Singh Suhag
 (d) Deepak Kapoor (e) V. K. Singh Ans. b
365. Which municipal body in India won the 4th Gender Equality Mobilisation (GEM) Award presented by UNIDO for its initiative promoting women empowerment and environmental sustainability?
 (a) Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (b) Guntur Municipal Corporation
 (c) Vijayawada Municipal Corporation (d) Chennai Corporation
 (e) Pune Municipal Corporation Ans. b
366. When is International Chernobyl Disaster Remembrance Day observed?
 (a) 24 April (b) 25 April (c) 26 April (d) 27 April (e) 28 April Ans. c
367. When is World Design Day observed every year?
 (a) 25 April (b) 26 April (c) 27 April (d) 28 April (e) 29 April Ans. c
368. When is World Day for Safety and Health at Work observed?
 (a) 26 April (b) 27 April (c) 30 April (d) 29 April (e) 28 April Ans. e

369. Who has been appointed as India's next High Commissioner to Bangladesh?
 (a) Piyush Goyal (b) Shraddha Joshi (c) Dinesh Trivedi (d) Nisha Singh (e) Amit Shah Ans. c
370. India and New Zealand have signed a historic Free Trade Agreement (FTA), marking a significant boost to bilateral economic relations. Under the FTA, India will get what kind of access for exports to New Zealand?
 (a) 50% duty-free access (b) 75% duty-free access (c) 100% duty-free access
 (d) No duty benefit (e) Limited sectoral access Ans. c
371. Recently, which Indian fintech company received approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to operate as a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC), enabling it to expand its lending business?
 (a) Paytm Payments Bank (b) PhonePe Pvt Ltd (c) One MobiKwik Systems Limited
 (d) Razorpay Software Pvt Ltd (e) BharatPe Fintech Pvt Ltd Ans. c
372. P. V. Sindhu has been appointed as a member of the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Council with voting rights. What is the tenure of P.V. Sindhu as Chair of the BWF Athletes' Commission?
 (a) 2024–2026 (b) 2025–2028 (c) 2026–2029 (d) 2023–2027 (e) 2026–2030 Ans. c
373. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and the National Biodiversity Authority launched a biodiversity project in Tamil Nadu and Meghalaya. The project will be implemented during which period?
 (a) 2024–2028 (b) 2025–2030 (c) 2023–2027 (d) 2026–2031 (e) 2025–2029 Ans. b
374. India's industrial output growth slowed to what percentage in March 2026?
 (a) 3.5% (b) 4.1% (c) 5.1% (d) 6.0% (e) 4.8% Ans. b
375. International Jazz Day is celebrated on which date?
 (a) 28 April (b) 29 April (c) 30 April (d) 1 May (e) 2 May Ans. c
376. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has launched the nationwide investor awareness initiative 'Mission Jagrook' during the Foundation Day celebration of which organisation?
 (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
 (c) National Stock Exchange (NSE) (d) Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)
 (e) Ministry of Finance Ans. b
377. 'Mission SAKSHAM', launched by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), is a nationwide capacity-building initiative designed to strengthen which of the following sectors in India?
 (a) Commercial Banking Sector (b) Rural Banking Sector
 (c) Urban Cooperative Banking Sector (d) Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs)
 (e) Insurance Sector Ans. c
378. UNESCO has added 12 new sites to its Global Geoparks Network, strengthening efforts to protect geological heritage and promote sustainable development. After the latest expansion, how many UNESCO Global Geopark sites are there worldwide?
 (a) 210 (b) 225 (c) 230 (d) 241 (e) 250 Ans. d
379. International Sculpture Day is celebrated on which date?
 (a) 27 April (b) 28 April (c) 29 April (d) 30 April (e) 1 May Ans. c
380. International Dance Day is celebrated on which date?
 (a) 27 April (b) 28 April (c) 30 April (d) 29 April (e) 26 April Ans. d
381. Which organization inaugurated the X-band Doppler Weather Radar at Mahabaleshwar?
 (a) ISRO (b) IMD (c) IITM Pune (d) DRDO (e) Ministry of Earth Sciences Ans. c
382. Which state will host the SAFF Women's Championship 2026 for the first time?
 (a) Kerala (b) Goa (c) Maharashtra (d) Karnataka (e) Tamil Nadu Ans. b
383. Renowned spiritual leader Muni Narayana Prasad passed away in Thiruvananthapuram at the age of 87. Muni Narayana Prasad was the head of which organisation?
 (a) Ramakrishna Mission (b) Chinmaya Mission (c) ISKCON
 (d) Art of Living (e) Narayana Gurukulam Ans. e
384. World Day for Safety and Health at Work is observed on which date?
 (a) 26 April (b) 27 April (c) 28 April (d) 29 April (e) 30 April Ans. c
385. DRDO Chairman Dr. Samir V. Kamat unveiled Advanced Armoured Platforms (Tracked and Wheeled) at a DRDO laboratory in Ahilyanagar, Maharashtra. These platforms have been developed by which organisation?
 (a) ISRO (b) HAL (c) DRDO (d) BEL (e) BDL Ans. c
386. India will host the _____ India-Africa Forum Summit (IAFS-IV) in New Delhi, marking its return after a 10-year gap.
 (a) Second (b) Third (c) Fourth (d) Fifth (e) Sixth Ans. c
387. Who has been appointed as the Vice-Chairman of NITI Aayog?
 (a) Arvind Panagariya (b) Rajiv Kumar (c) Ashok Lahiri
 (d) Bibek Debroy (e) Ramesh Chand Ans. c

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