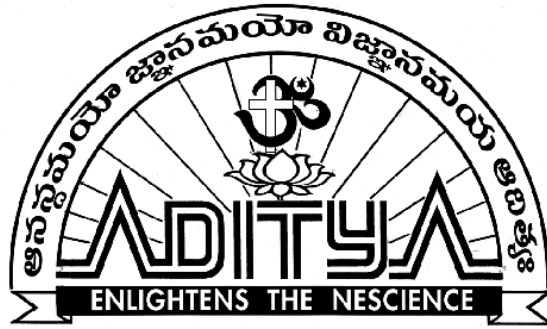


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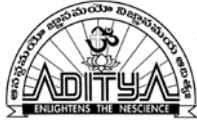
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1. Who was appointed as India's next Ambassador to Mexico in July 2026?
(a) Vikram Misri (b) Ngulkham Jathom Gangte (c) Sanjeev Jain
(d) P. Kumaran (e) S. Jaishankar Ans. b
2. Under which legal provisions was the winding up of Paytm Payments Bank ordered by the Delhi High Court?
(a) RBI Act, 1934 and FEMA, 1999
(b) Banking Regulation Act, 1949 and Companies Act, 2013
(c) Banking Companies Act, 1970 and Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016
(d) Companies Act, 1956 and Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007
(e) Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and SEBI Act, 1992 Ans. b
3. What is the name of the newly launched co-branded credit card by Google Pay and SBI Card?
(a) Google Pay Platinum SBI Card (b) Google Pay Rewards Card
(c) Google Pay Flex SBI Card (d) Google Pay Cashback Card
(e) Google Pay Signature SBI Card Ans. c
4. The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has granted a Certificate of Registration to ProTec General Insurance Ltd., a joint venture between the M Pallonji Group and True North's Divya Sehgal, enabling it to commence general insurance business. ProTec General Insurance became the _____ insurance company to receive an IRDAI licence in the calendar year
(a) First (b) Second (c) Third (d) Fourth (e) Fifth Ans. d
5. Which international financial institution approved an USD 850 million loan to support India's PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana?
(a) World Bank (b) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
(c) Asian Development Bank (ADB) (d) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
(e) New Development Bank (NDB) Ans. c
6. The Government of Chhattisgarh launched the DWEEPTI Yojana in July 2026 to promote women-led solar entrepreneurship across the state. What does the acronym DWEEPTI stand for?
(a) Development of Women Entrepreneurs in Energy and Power Technology Initiative
(b) Decentralised Women Empowerment on Energy and Policy for Transformative Inclusion
(c) Digital Women Empowerment through Energy Policy and Technology Initiative
(d) Distributed Women Energy Enterprise and Public Transformation Initiative
(e) Decentralised Welfare and Energy Empowerment Programme for Tribal Inclusion Ans. b
7. Which shipyard delivered the indigenously built Diving Support Vessel (DSV) 'Nipun' to the Indian Navy?
(a) Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) (b) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL)
(c) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE) (d) Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL)
(e) Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) Ans. d
8. Ajinkya Rahane, who recently announced his retirement, is associated with which sport?
(a) Hockey (b) Football (c) Cricket (d) Tennis (e) Badminton Ans. c
9. Who has assumed charge as the General Manager (GM) of the Integral Coach Factory (ICF)?
(a) Shraddha Joshi Raj (b) Manish Agarwal (c) Satish Kumar
(d) Ashwini Vaishnav (e) Vinai Kumar Saxena Ans. b
10. Whose tenure has the Central Government extended as the Chairperson of the International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)?
(a) T. Rabi Sankar (b) K. Rajaraman (c) M. Nagaraju
(d) Sanjay Malhotra (e) Ajay Seth Ans. b
11. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Alluri Sitarama Raju International Airport in which state?
(a) Telangana (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Odisha (e) Karnataka Ans. c
12. The Union Cabinet has approved the Pradhan Mantri Surya Sarovar Yojana (PM-SSY) with a total outlay of Rs.5,070 crore to promote floating solar photovoltaic (PV) projects with Energy Storage Systems (ESS). PM-SSY aims to develop how much floating solar photovoltaic capacity?
(a) 2,000 MW (b) 3,500 MW (c) 4,000 MW (d) 5,000 MW (e) 7,500 MW Ans. d
13. The Union Cabinet has approved the continuation of the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) Scheme from 2026–27 to 2030–31. What is the total financial outlay approved for the PM-KISAN Scheme during 2026–27 to 2030–31?
(a) Rs. 2.50 lakh crore (b) Rs.2.75 lakh crore (c) Rs.3.15 lakh crore
(d) Rs.3.50 lakh crore (e) Rs.4.15 lakh crore Ans. c

14. Bajaj Finserv has approved its entry into which business, subject to IRDAI approval?
 (a) Mutual Fund Business (b) Reinsurance Business (c) Stock Broking Business
 (d) Pension Fund Business (e) Asset Reconstruction Business Ans. b
15. World Wide Web Day is observed every year on which date?
 (a) 31 July (b) 1 August (c) 5 August (d) 4 August (e) 3 August Ans. b
16. National Mountain Climbing Day is observed every year on:
 (a) 31 July (b) 1 August (c) 5 August (d) 3 August (e) 4 August Ans. b
17. What was the total GST collection in India for July 2026?
 (a) Rs.1,83,065 crore (b) Rs.1,95,420 crore (c) Rs.2,11,205 crore
 (d) Rs.2,25,000 crore (e) Rs.2,31,150 crore Ans. c
18. The Union Government released an additional tax devolution instalment of Rs.1,09,019 crore to State Governments, over and above the regular monthly transfer scheduled for 10 August. Which state received the highest share of the additional tax devolution?
 (a) Bihar (b) Maharashtra (c) Madhya Pradesh
 (d) Uttar Pradesh (e) West Bengal Ans. d
19. The Maldives has launched real-time cross-border fund transfers to India by integrating its _____ instant payment system with India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI).
 (a) RuPay (b) Favara (c) PayNow (d) Shraddha Now (e) Faster Payments Ans. b
20. Which Australian university has inaugurated its first international campus in India?
 (a) University of Melbourne (b) Monash University (c) University of New South Wales
 (d) Australian National University (e) University of Sydne Ans. c
21. IBM has partnered with which Indian AI company to develop Sovereign AI solutions in India?
 (a) Krutrim AI (b) Sarvam (c) Haptik (d) Yellow.ai (e) CoRover AI Ans. b
22. Exercise ROTOR CLAP III was conducted at which Field Firing Range in Jaisalmer district of Rajasthan?
 (a) Mahajan Field Firing Range (b) Pokhran Field Firing Range (c) Babina Field Firing Range
 (d) Chandan Field Firing Range (e) Suratgarh Field Firing Range Ans. b
23. The Union Cabinet has approved an expanded Khelo India Scheme and enhanced Assistance to National Sports Federations (ANSFs) with a combined outlay of Rs.36,441 crore for the period:
 (a) 2025–26 to 2029–30 (b) 2026–27 to 2030–31 (c) 2027–28 to 2031–32
 (d) 2024–25 to 2028–29 (e) 2028–29 to 2032–33 Ans. b
24. Which Indian tennis pair clinched the men's doubles title at the Bonn Open 2026 by defeating Scott Duncan of England and Adam Heinonen of Sweden in the final?
 (a) Rohan Bopanna and Yuki Bhambri (b) Ramkumar Ramanathan and Vijay Sundar Prashanth
 (c) Rithvik Bollipalli and Sumit Nagal (d) Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan and N. Sriram Balaji
 (e) Leander Paes and Mahesh Bhupathi Ans. b
25. Asmita Dey and Harsh Singh created history by winning India's first-ever judo gold medals at the Commonwealth Games 2026 held in Glasgow, Scotland. Asmita Dey won the gold medal in which women's judo category at the Commonwealth Games 2026?
 (a) 44kg category (b) 48kg category (c) 52kg category (d) 57kg category (e) 63kg category Ans. b
26. Nirmal "Nimsdai" Purja, who recently died in an avalanche, was a renowned mountaineer from which country?
 (a) India (b) Nepal (c) Bhutan (d) Tibet (e) Pakistan Ans. b
27. World Breastfeeding Week is observed every year during which period?
 (a) 2–9 August (b) 1–7 August (c) 7–14 August (d) 5–12 August (e) 1–7 September Ans. b
28. Who has assumed charge as the Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (DCAS) of the Indian Air Force?
 (a) Air Marshal Awadhesh Kumar Bharti (b) Air Marshal Tejpal Singh
 (c) Air Chief Marshal Shraddha Joshi Raj (d) Air Marshal Nagesh Kapoor
 (e) Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari Ans. b
29. Varsha Ashok Aglawe has become the first woman to head which organisation?
 (a) Geological Survey of India (GSI) (b) Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) (c) Survey of India
 (d) Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
 (e) Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Ans. a
30. Which ministry organised the GI and Beyond 2.0 Summit?
 (a) Ministry of Commerce and Industry (b) Ministry of Culture
 (c) Ministry of Textiles (d) Ministry of MSME
 (e) Ministry of Rural Development Ans. c
31. What was the total number of UPI transactions processed in July 2026, marking an all-time monthly high?
 (a) 20.66 billion transactions (b) 21.72 billion transactions (c) 23.66 billion transactions
 (d) 25.88 billion transactions (e) 29.88 billion transactions Ans. c

32. Shivalik Small Finance Bank has recently completed the acquisition and merger of which Delhi-based housing finance company in a deal worth nearly ₹109 crore?
 (a) Aavas Financiers Ltd. (b) PNB Housing Finance Ltd.
 (c) Aptus Value Housing Finance India Ltd. (d) ManiBhavnam Home Finance India Pvt. Ltd.
 (e) India Shelter Finance Corporation Ltd. Ans. d
33. Which regulatory body recently imposed penalties totaling Rs.1.48 crore on Zee Entertainment Enterprises Ltd. (ZEEL) and its promoters?
 (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) (b) Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA)
 (c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) (d) Competition Commission of India (CCI)
 (e) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) Ans. c
34. Which state government has recently signed a tripartite agreement with Digital Bharat Nidhi (DBN), the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), and BSNL for the rollout of the Rs.3,384.82-crore amended BharatNet Programme?
 (a) Andhra Pradesh (b) Odisha (c) Telangana (d) Chhattisgarh (e) Jharkhand Ans. b
35. Indian badminton player Tanvi Sharma recently won her maiden BWF World Tour title by clinching which tournament?
 (a) China Open Super 1000 (b) Thailand Open Super 500 (c) Taipei Open Super 300
 (d) Malaysia Masters Super 500 (e) Indonesia Open Super 1000 Ans. c
36. At the Commonwealth Games 2026, which Indian athlete, who is also the reigning Olympic champion, won the silver medal in the men's javelin throw event with a season's best throw of 85.83 metres?
 (a) Kishore Jena (b) Rohit Yadav (c) Neeraj Chopra (d) Shivpal Singh (e) Yash Vir Singh Ans. c
37. Which Indian city officially received the Commonwealth Games Flag and the Host Baton during the closing ceremony of the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games?
 (a) Ahmedabad (b) Mumbai (c) New Delhi (d) Hyderabad (e) Bengaluru Ans. a
38. The Xtreme Weather Grade (XWG) Diesel has been jointly developed by the Indian Army and which of the following organisations?
 (a) Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) (b) Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)
 (c) Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) (d) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)
 (e) Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) Ans. c
39. General Vishwa Nath Sharma, who recently passed away, served as which Chief of the Army Staff (COAS) of India?
 (a) 12th (b) 13th (c) 14th (d) 15th (e) 16th Ans. c
40. A book on the life and legacy of S.N.N. Sankaralinga Iyer was released, highlighting his entrepreneurial journey and contributions to India's banking and cement industries. S.N.N. Sankaralinga Iyer was the founder of which of the following institutions?
 (a) Indian Bank and ACC Cement (b) Indo Commercial Bank and India Cements
 (c) Canara Bank and UltraTech Cement (d) Punjab National Bank and Dalmia Cement
 (e) Both a and d Ans. b
41. Who has been appointed as the Executive Director (ED) of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?
 (a) Swati Sharma (b) Meena Hemchandra (c) Shraddha Joshi Raj
 (d) Deepak Kumar (e) Monisha Chakraborty Ans. e
42. Who has been appointed as India's next Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Iran?
 (a) Sanjeev Jain (b) Amit Kumar (c) Pavan Kapoor (d) Vikram Misri (e) Vishwesh Negi Ans. e
43. Glaw Lake, recently declared India's 101st Ramsar Site, is located in which state?
 (a) Sikkim (b) Arunachal Pradesh (c) Assam
 (d) Meghalaya (e) Nagaland Ans. b
44. HDFC Bank recently launched 'Max for Seniors' and 'Max for Her' under which savings account portfolio?
 (a) Smart Savings (b) Savings Plus (c) Savings Max (d) DigiSave (e) Insta Savings Ans. c
45. Karnataka Bank has launched 'KBL Finsurance', a comprehensive digital insurance portal to streamline the creation, tracking, and monitoring of insurance business leads across its branch network. The 'KBL Finsurance' platform is powered by which fintech company?
 (a) Perfios (b) SprintMoney (c) Razorpay (d) M2P Fintech (e) FinBox Ans. b
46. The Government of India has announced the sale of up to what percentage stake in LIC through the Offer for Sale (OFS) route?
 (a) 2.50% (b) 4.00% (c) 5.00% (d) 6.54% (e) 10.00% Ans. d
47. Jagadguru Kripalu University, which was recently inaugurated by President Droupadi Murmu, is located in which state?
 (a) Odisha (b) Bihar (c) Jharkhand (d) West Bengal (e) Uttar Pradesh Ans. a
48. The Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) recently signed a Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) with the Government of which city to strengthen urban development and smart mobility initiatives?
 (a) London (b) Tokyo (c) Moscow (d) Paris (e) Singapore Ans. c

49. The Pacific Island nation of Nauru has officially changed its name to the Republic of Nauru, aligning with the spelling and pronunciation in its national language. Before gaining independence in 1968, Nauru was administered by which country?
 (a) New Zealand (b) United Kingdom (c) Australia
 (d) France (e) Japan Ans. c
50. Justice M.S. Liberhan, who recently passed away at the age of 87, is best known for heading which inquiry commission?
 (a) Sarkaria Commission (b) Nanavati Commission (c) Liberhan Commission
 (d) Punchhi Commission (e) Shah Commission Ans. c
51. The Ministry of Ayush recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which organisation to promote AI-driven innovation in the Ayush sector?
 (a) NITI Aayog (b) Digital India Corporation (c) India
 (d) ISRO (e) DRDO Ans. c
52. Cloves Syndrome Awareness Day is observed annually on which date?
 (a) 1 August (b) 2 August (c) 3 August (d) 4 August (e) 5 August Ans. c
53. National Watermelon Day is observed annually on which date?
 (a) 1 August (b) 2 August (c) 3 August (d) 4 August (e) 5 August Ans. c
54. Who has officially assumed charge as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of IndiGo, India's largest airline?
 (a) Pieter Elbers (b) Willie Walsh (c) Campbell Wilson
 (d) Alan Joyce (e) Ishika Bansal Ans. b
55. The Reserve Bank of India's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) kept the policy repo rate unchanged at what percentage in its August 2026 meeting?
 (a) 5.00% (b) 5.25% (c) 5.50% (d) 5.75% (e) 5.35% Ans. b
56. The Department of Posts released a commemorative postage stamp on 3 August 2026 to mark the birth centenary of Satish Gujral, which was unveiled by Union Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia at Bikaner House, New Delhi. The commemorative postage stamp released on the birth centenary of Satish Gujral was designed by whom?
 (a) Raseel Gujral Ansal (b) Jyotiraditya M. Scindia (c) Anuj Kumar
 (d) Satish Gujral (e) India Post Design Cell Ans. c
57. Union Textiles Minister Giriraj Singh inaugurated the Centre of Excellence for Handloom Technology (CoE-HT) at which institution?
 (a) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay (b) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras
 (c) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi (d) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur
 (e) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur Ans. c
58. Union Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan dedicated India's first indigenous vaccine against which disease affecting pigs?
 (a) Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) (b) Classical Swine Fever (CSF) (c) African Swine Fever (ASF)
 (d) Avian Influenza (e) Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) Ans. c
59. Esri India signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which Navratna Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) to collaborate on defence projects?
 (a) Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) (b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
 (c) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) (d) BEMIL Limited (e) both a and b Ans. c
60. Harshita Jakhar became the first Indian woman cyclist to feature at which prestigious international cycling event?
 (a) Giro d'Italia Women (b) UCI Road World Championships (c) Tour de France Femmes
 (d) Vuelta a España Femenina (e) UCI Track Cycling World Championships Ans. c
61. Dr D.Y. Patil, who passed away, had served as the Governor of which two Indian states?
 (a) Maharashtra and Gujarat (b) Karnataka and Goa (c) Tripura and Bihar
 (d) Odisha and Jharkhand (e) Punjab and Haryana Ans. c
62. The Government has extended the tenure of Dr. T.V. Somanathan as:
 (a) Finance Secretary (b) Home Secretary (c) Defence Secretary
 (d) Cabinet Secretary (e) Foreign Secretary Ans. d
63. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of Air India?
 (a) Campbell Wilson (b) Natarajan Chandrasekaran (c) Tewolde Gebremariam
 (d) Ilker Ayci (e) Pieter Elbers Ans. c
64. According to the India Celebrity Brand Valuation Report 2025, who emerged as India's most valued celebrity brand?
 (a) Sunny Leone (b) Ranveer Singh (c) Shah Rukh Khan
 (d) Amitabh Bachchan (e) Deepika Padukone Ans. c

65. With reference to the RBI's Draft Guidelines for 'On Tap' Licensing of Urban Co-operative Banks (UCBs), consider the following statements:
 1. The RBI proposes to resume issuing fresh licences for UCBs after a gap of two decades.
 2. Only existing multi-state Credit Co-operative Societies (CCSs) with at least 10 years of operations are eligible to apply.
 3. The minimum deposit size required for eligibility is Rs.15,000 crore.
 Which of the statements given 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) None of the above Ans. a
66. The Ministry of Tourism, in collaboration with the Ministry of Culture and Netflix, organised a special event at the National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi, to mark 10 years of Netflix in India. During the event, the Ministry of Tourism integrated the 'As Seen on Netflix' section with which of the following digital platforms?
 (a) Digital India (b) PM Gati Shakti (c) Incredible India (d) India Stack (e) MyGov India Ans. c
67. The Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) participated in the 10th Anniversary Meeting of the South-East Asia Regulatory Network (SEARN), which was held in:
 (a) New Delhi, India (b) Dhaka, Bangladesh (c) Kathmandu, Nepal
 (d) Colombo, Sri Lanka (e) Bangkok, Thailand Ans. c
68. In August 2026, India marked how many years since the provisions of Article 370 were made inoperative?
 (a) 5 years (b) 6 years (c) 7 years (d) 8 years (e) 10 years Ans. c
69. On 6 August 2026, the world marked how many years since the atomic bombing of Hiroshima?
 (a) 75 years (b) 78 years (c) 80 years (d) 81 years (e) 85 years Ans. d
70. Who is the author of the book Bringing the Cheetah Back to India?
 (a) Shashi Tharoor (b) Prashant Agrawal (c) Jairam Ramesh
 (d) Amitav Ghosh (e) Sanjeev Sanyal Ans. d
71. National Handloom Day is observed every year in India on:
 (a) 5 August (b) 6 August (c) 7 August (d) 8 August (e) 9 August Ans. c
72. The International Day of Awareness of the Special Development Needs and Challenges of Landlocked Developing Countries is observed every year on:
 (a) 5 August (b) 6 August (c) 7 August (d) 8 August (e) 9 August Ans. b
73. What is the name of the new digital platform that the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) is set to launch for tracking inoperative EPF accounts?
 (a) EPF Mitra Portal (b) E-PRAAPTI (c) UAN Connect Portal
 (d) EPF Digital Access Portal (e) e-Shram EPF Portal Ans. b
74. Which of the following correctly represents India's medal tally at the Commonwealth Games 2026?
 (a) 13 Gold, 17 Silver, 9 Bronze (b) 17 Gold, 13 Silver, 9 Bronze (c) 13 Gold, 9 Silver, 17 Bronze
 (d) 9 Gold, 17 Silver, 13 Bronze (e) 15 Gold, 14 Silver, 10 Bronze Ans. a
75. Who has been recommended as the new Managing Director of Muthoot Finance Limited?
 (a) Alexander George (b) George Alexander Muthoot (c) Thomas John Muthoot
 (d) M.G. George Muthoot (e) Alexander Mathew Ans. a
76. Union Minister for Culture and Tourism Gajendra Singh Shekhawat launched the Har Ghar Tiranga 2026 campaign to be observed from 9–17 August 2026 across India and among the Indian diaspora. Har Ghar Tiranga was first launched in which year under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav?
 (a) 2020 (b) 2021 (c) 2022 (d) 2023 (e) 2024 Ans. c
77. What is the total outlay approved for the GOBARDHAN National Circular Bioenergy Scheme?
 (a) Rs.18,500 crore (b) Rs.20,731 crore (c) Rs.23,731 crore
 (d) Rs.25,000 crore (e) Rs.27,500 crore Ans. c
78. Who has taken charge as the Acting Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC)?
 (a) Praveen Kumar Srivastava (b) Vivek Joshi (c) A.S. Rajeev
 (d) Sanjay Malhotra (e) Rajiv Gauba Ans. c
79. Which Indian state is set to establish the country's first Rail-Tech Park, aimed at creating a dedicated ecosystem for railway equipment, components, and specialised engineering products?
 (a) Gujarat (b) Odisha (c) Maharashtra (d) Karnataka (e) Tamil Nadu Ans. b
80. Which country will host the first Global South Film Festival next year?
 (a) Brazil (b) Russia (c) India (d) Vietnam (e) South Africa Ans. c
81. What was the net profit reported by State Bank of India (SBI) in Q1 FY27?
 (a) Rs.19,160 crore (b) Rs.20,121 crore (c) Rs.21,121 crore
 (d) Rs.22,121 crore (e) Rs.23,121 crore Ans. c
82. Which bank has received RBI approval to establish a wholly owned subsidiary for stock broking activities?
 (a) Yes Bank (b) IndusInd Bank (c) Axis Bank (d) Federal Bank (e) Kotak Mahindra Bank

- Ans. b
83. Which Indonesian ministry has partnered with the IIT Madras Global Research Foundation (IITM Global)?
 (a) Ministry of Education (b) Ministry of Science and Technology
 (c) Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology (d) Ministry of Industry
 (e) Ministry of Digital Development Ans. d
84. Which three countries signed the Mecca Joint Defence Agreement?
 (a) Pakistan, Iran and Türkiye (b) Saudi Arabia, UAE and Pakistan
 (c) Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and Türkiye (d) Türkiye, Qatar and Saudi Arabia
 (e) Pakistan, Egypt and Saudi Arabia Ans. c
85. Which company has introduced India's first satellite-guided precision navigation system for helicopters?
 (a) Bharat Electronics Limited (b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (c) Bharat Dynamics Limited
 (d) Indian Space Research Organisation (e) Airports Authority of India Ans. b
86. Who has been awarded the prestigious COSPAR Vikram Sarabhai Medal 2026 for outstanding contributions to space research in developing countries?
 (a) Anil Bhardwaj (b) Annapurni Subramaniam (c) Gurbax Singh Lakhina
 (d) K. Sivan (e) U.R. Rao Ans. b
87. Which Bengaluru-based space company has unveiled India's first privately built 800 kN FFSC rocket engine?
 (a) Skyroot Aerospace (b) Agnikul Cosmos (c) Astrobase Space Technologies
 (d) Pixxel (e) Bellatrix Aerospace Ans. c
88. Which Indian Grandmaster won the Grand Chess Tour St. Louis Rapid & Blitz title in 2026?
 (a) D. Gukesh (b) Arjun Erigaisi (c) R. Praggnanandhaa
 (d) Vidit Gujrathi (e) Pentala Harikrishna Ans. c
89. Who broke the Indian Under-20 National Record in the men's 400 metres at the World Athletics U20 Championships?
 (a) Anil Kumar (b) Mohammed Ashfaq (c) Amoj Jacob
 (d) Muhammad Anas (e) Arokia Rajiv Ans. b
90. Recently, retired England's John Turner is associated with which sport?
 (a) Football (b) Hockey (c) Cricket (d) Tennis (e) Athletics Ans. c
91. National Javelin Day is observed in India on which date?
 (a) 5 August (b) 6 August (c) 7 August (d) 8 August (e) 9 August Ans. c
92. India recently crossed which milestone in installed non-fossil fuel-based electricity capacity?
 (a) 200 GW (b) 250 GW (c) 300 GW (d) 350 GW (e) 500 GW Ans. c
93. Where was the 11th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting held?
 (a) New Delhi (b) Mumbai (c) Bhopal (d) Jaipur (e) Lucknow Ans. c
94. Which department under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry signed strategic MoUs with key industry leaders and ecosystem enablers to strengthen India's startup ecosystem?
 (a) Department of Financial Services (DFS)
 (b) Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)
 (c) Department of Economic Affairs (DEA)
 (d) Department of Science and Technology (DST)
 (e) Department of Telecommunications (DoT) Ans. b
95. Who chaired the CEO Round Table held during the India Medical Device Conference 2026 in New Delhi, where discussions focused on strengthening India's medical device sector?
 (a) Mansukh Mandaviya (b) Jagat Prakash Nadda (c) Piyush Goyal
 (d) Dharmendra Pradhan (e) Ashwini Vaishnaw Ans. b
96. Who inaugurated the new office complex of the National Urban Cooperative Finance and Development Corporation (NUCFDC) in Mumbai?
 (a) Piyush Goyal (b) Amit Shah (c) Nirmala Sitharaman
 (d) Ashwini Vaishnaw (e) Devendra Fadnavis Ans. b
97. Which Indian weightlifter won a silver medal in the women's 45kg category at the Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships?
 (a) Parishmita Gogoi (b) Titli Maji (c) Mirabai Chanu
 (d) Bindyarani Devi (e) Harshada Garud Ans. b
98. Justice Abha Nayar Patel has become the first woman of Indian origin to be appointed as a Judge of the Supreme Court of which country?
 (a) Uganda (b) Kenya (c) Zambia (d) Tanzania (e) Ghana Ans. c
99. Who has been granted a one-year extension as the Director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED)?
 (a) Shraddha Joshi Raj (b) Rahul Navin (c) Ishika Bansal
 (d) Tuhin Kanta Pandey (e) Vikram Dev Dutt Ans. b

100. Which state government has announced a monthly pension of Rs.10,000 for 325 people who were jailed for participating in protests during the Emergency?
(a) Bihar (b) West Bengal (c) Odisha (d) Jharkhand (e) Assam Ans. b
101. India completed its first-ever sea export of GI-tagged Mithila Makhana to which country?
(a) USA (b) Australia (c) Japan (d) UAE (e) Singapore Ans. b
102. Who became the first Indian to win the Korea Masters women's singles title?
(a) PV Sindhu (b) Aakarshi Kashyap (c) Ashmita Chaliha (d) Anmol Kharb (e) Malvika Bansod Ans. c
103. When is the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples observed annually?
(a) 5 August (b) 7 August (c) 9 August (d) 12 August (e) 15 August Ans. c
104. Who launched the 'Har Ghar Tiranga Abhiyan' in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands?
(a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Om Birla (d) Rajnath Singh (e) C. P. Radhakrishnan Ans. e
105. Where is the Indian Navy-US Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Exercise 2026 being conducted?
(a) Visakhapatnam (b) Mumbai (c) Kochi (d) Chennai (e) Port Blair Ans. d
106. Who won the silver medal in the men's 65 kg category at the Asian Junior Weightlifting Championships?
(a) Hoang Thach (b) Maharajan Arumugapandian (c) Jeremy Lalrinnunga (d) Achinta Sheuli (e) Vikas Thakur Ans. b
107. World Lion Day is observed annually on which date?
(a) 8 August (b) 9 August (c) 10 August (d) 11 August (e) 12 August Ans. c
108. World Steelpan Day is observed annually on which date?
(a) 9 August (b) 10 August (c) 11 August (d) 12 August (e) 13 August Ans. b
109. The 80th Independence Day celebrations will have a special focus on the 150th anniversary of which song?
(a) Sare Jahan Se Achha (b) Jana Gana Mana (c) Vande Mataram (d) Ae Mere Watan Ke Logon (e) Kadam Kadam Badhaye Ja Ans. c
110. Which Indian-origin chess player created history at the 2026 British Chess Championships by becoming Britain's youngest-ever Women's Chess Champion at the age of 11?
(a) Sharddha Joshi Raj (b) Bodhana Sivanandan (c) Ishika Bansal (d) Vaishali Rameshbabu (e) Harika Dronavalli Ans. b
111. The Union Government introduced the Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026 in the Lok Sabha, proposing to officially change the name of the state from "Kerala" to "Keralam." Which Article of the Constitution of India provides the Parliament with the power to alter the name, area or boundaries of existing states?
(a) Article 1 (b) Article 2 (c) Article 3 (d) Article 4 (e) Article 5 Ans. c
112. Who has been appointed as the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Islands?
(a) Gyanesh Bharti (b) Shraddha Joshi Raj (c) Ishika Bansal (d) Sanjay Malhotra (e) Anil Kumar Ans. a
113. The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has initiated the phasewise implementation of which numbering series to help consumers distinguish genuine service and transactional calls from potentially fraudulent calls?
(a) 1401-series (b) 1555-series (c) 1616-series (d) 1601-series (e) 1701-series Ans. d
114. Which bird has India donated to the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG), including a rare white-feathered male, as a symbol of the country's rich natural heritage and commitment to biodiversity conservation?
(a) Indian Roller (b) Indian Peacock (c) Sarus Crane (d) Himalayan Monal (e) Great Indian Bustard Ans. d
115. According to the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), what was India's unemployment rate for persons aged 15 years and above during the April-June 2026 quarter?
(a) 4.8% (b) 5.0% (c) 5.4% (d) 5.8% (e) 6.1% Ans. c
116. SBI Life Insurance has entered into a strategic corporate agency tie-up with which bank to expand access to life insurance solutions in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh?
(a) Bank of Baroda (b) J & K Bank (c) Punjab National Bank (d) HDFC Bank (e) Canara Bank Ans. b
117. Who among the following Indian physicists was named a recipient of the 2026 Dirac Medal by the Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP)?
(a) Deepak Dhar (b) Ashoke Sen (c) C. N. R. Rao (d) S. N. Bose (e) Vikram Sarabha Ans. a
118. Who has become the first woman to graduate from the Indian Air Force's elite Fighter Combat Leader course after completing advanced combat flying training?
(a) Avani Chaturvedi (b) Shraddha Joshi Raj (c) Bhawana Kanth (d) Ishika Bansal (e) Shivangi Singh Ans. c

119. Which organisation has been conferred the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) Award for the Maximum Number of Orders Value to Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs)?
 (a) ISRO (b) DRDO (c) HAL (d) BHEL (e) BEL Ans. b
120. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Executive Director of LIC International?
 (a) Veena Khan (b) Shraddha Joshi (c) Pooja Vaibhav Bhardwaj
 (d) Ishika Bansal (e) Kavita Singh Ans. a
121. Who has been awarded the prestigious INAE Young Engineer Award 2026 for her contributions to engineering?
 (a) Dr. Akanksha Tyagi (b) Dr. Shraddha Joshi Raj (c) Dr. Ishika Bansal
 (d) Dr. Neha Verma (e) Dr. Kavita Rao Ans. a
122. International Youth Day is observed every year on 12 August to highlight the challenges and opportunities faced by young people worldwide. What is the theme of International Youth Day 2026?
 (a) Youth for a Sustainable Future (b) Different Contexts, Common Aspirations
 (c) Youth and Global Development (d) Empowering Youth for Tomorrow
 (e) Youth for a Better World Ans. b
123. Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan recently released scholarship and fellowship funds for agriculture students across the country. Through which platform were these funds released?
 (a) DigiLocker (b) UMANG Portal (c) National Scholarship Portal
 (d) MyGov Portal (e) e-Kranti Portal Ans. c
124. Assam recently achieved a significant milestone in wildlife conservation with the world's first-ever release of which captive-bred species?
 (a) Red-headed vulture (b) Egyptian vulture (c) Slender-billed vulture
 (d) Himalayan griffon (e) Bearded vulture Ans. c
125. What is the name of the AI-powered supercomputing facility inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at IIT Delhi's Sonapat campus?
 (a) Param Shakti (b) Param Pragya (c) Param Gang
 (d) Param Bharat (e) Param Vikas Ans. b
126. How many gold medals did India win at the 23rd International Linguistics Olympiad (IOL) 2026 held in Bucharest, Romania?
 (a) None (b) One (c) Two (d) Three (e) Four Ans. b
127. Who has been elected by Hungary's Parliament as the country's next President in the latest development?
 (a) Viktor Orban (b) Peter Magyar (c) Andras Baka (d) Katalin Novak (e) Ferenc Gyurcsany Ans. c
128. Which country's Parliament has voted to abolish the death penalty and replace it with life imprisonment with aggravated hard labour?
 (a) Jordan (b) Lebanon (c) Egypt (d) Syria (e) Iraq Ans. b
129. The Central Government has sanctioned an additional Rs.1,000 crore for electric two-wheelers (e2Ws) under the PM E-DRIVE scheme to continue incentives for the segment. Until which month and year have incentives for electric two-wheelers under the PM E-DRIVE scheme been extended?
 (a) July 2027 (b) December 2027 (c) March 2028
 (d) July 2028 (e) March 2029 Ans. c
130. Which two organisations have signed an MoU to accelerate the commercialisation and global market access of India's Geographical Indication (GI) products?
 (a) Ministry of Textiles and DPIIT (b) Ministry of MSME and DPIIT
 (c) Ministry of Commerce and RBI (d) Ministry of Agriculture and NABARD
 (e) Ministry of Culture and Ministry of Tourism Ans. b
131. What is the name of the new open-weight AI model launched by Meta?
 (a) Llama Spark (b) Muse Glimmer (c) Meta Nova (d) Atlas AI (e) Orion Meta Ans. b
132. What is the name of the Indian Navy's second Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessel (NGOPV) launched by GRSE in August 2026?
 (a) Sanghmitra (b) Shruti (c) Samudra (d) Shachi (e) Shikha Ans. b
133. India and the United States are strengthening their cooperation in lunar exploration through which international framework?
 (a) International Space Station Programme (b) Artemis Accords
 (c) Outer Space Treaty (d) Lunar Gateway Agreement
 (e) Mars Exploration Accord Ans. b
134. What is the title of former President Ram Nath Kovind's autobiography?
 (a) My Journey in Public Life (b) Triumph of the Indian Republic: My Life, My Struggles
 (c) The Story of My Presidency (d) India and My Life Journey
 (e) My Years in Public Service Ans. b

135. On which date is World Biofuel Day observed annually?
(a) 5 August (b) 8 August (c) 10 August (d) 12 August (e) 15 August Ans. c
136. What is the estimated cost of the Kavach Version 4.0 project?
(a) Rs.195 crore (b) Rs.245 crore (c) Rs.295 crore (d) Rs.350 crore (e) Rs.450 crore Ans. c
137. Which Vietnamese company has signed a contract with SpaceX to launch its first satellites?
(a) Viettel Space (b) VinSpace (c) VietnamSat
(d) VNSat Technologies (e) FPT Space Ans. b
138. Who launched the new initiative for the disbursement of scholarship and fellowship funds to agriculture students through the National Scholarship Portal (NSP)?
(a) Narendra Singh Tomar (b) Shivraj Singh Chouhan (c) Dharmendra Pradhan
(d) Piyush Goyal (e) Both a and b Ans. b
139. Which major authority has recently approved the proposal for developing the Desert Zoological Park and Night Safari project at Deesa in Gujarat's Banaskantha district, which aims to create Asia's first desert-themed drivethrough night safari?
(a) National Board for Wildlife (b) Central Zoo Authority (c) Wildlife Institute of India
(d) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(e) National Biodiversity Authority Ans. b
140. Who has been selected for the post of Vice-Chancellor at the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Public Service and Innovation (AIPSI) in Mauritius?
(a) Dr. Bhooma VG (b) Dr. Shraddha Joshi Raj (c) Dr. Ishika Bansal
(d) Dr. Anjali Menon (e) Dr. Renu Kapoor Ans. a
141. Ladakh has organised its first-ever Black-necked Crane Festival primarily to highlight the importance of conservation and the region's role in protecting the habitat of this endangered bird. In which Union Territory is the festival being held?
(a) Jammu and Kashmir (b) Ladakh (c) Chandigarh
(d) Puducherry (e) Lakshadweep Ans. b
142. Which organisation suspended the recognition of the Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI) due to governance-related deficiencies?
(a) Ministry of Home Affairs (b) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
(c) Sports Authority of India (d) Indian Olympic Association (e) NITI Aayog Ans. b
143. Which ministry is organising the special programme 'Srijan: Voices from the Loom' to celebrate the contributions and inspiring journeys of women weavers in India's handloom sector?
(a) Ministry of Culture (b) Ministry of Textiles
(c) Ministry of Women and Child Development (d) Ministry of Rural Development
(e) Ministry of MSME Ans. b
144. Union Home Minister Amit Shah recently launched the 'Gramin Gyan Setu' app, which aims to integrate and connect libraries across which Lok Sabha constituency of Gujarat?
(a) Ahmedabad West (b) Gandhinagar (c) Surat (d) Vadodara (e) Rajkot Ans. b
145. Who inaugurated IIHT SUTRA 2026, the first national conclave of the Indian Institutes of Handloom Technology (IIHTs), aimed at strengthening education, research and innovation in the handloom sector?
(a) Piyush Goyal (b) Giriraj Singh (c) Sarbananda Sonowal
(d) Jyotiraditya Scindia (e) Dharmendra Pradhan Ans. b
146. Former Chinese Premier Zhu Rongji, who was known for his blunt and outspoken style of leadership, passed away at the age of 97. During which period did he serve as the Premier of China?
(a) 1989–1995 (b) 1993–1998 (c) 1998–2003 (d) 2000–2005 (e) 2003–2008 Ans. c
147. According to the latest Consumer Price Index (CPI) data released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), what was India's retail inflation rate in July 2026?
(a) 3.95% (b) 4.15% (c) 4.38% (d) 4.45% (e) 4.84% Ans. d
148. International Left-Handers Day is observed annually on which date to celebrate left-handed people and raise awareness about their experiences and challenges?
(a) 10 August (b) 11 August (c) 12 August (d) 13 August (e) 14 August Ans. d
149. World Organ Donation Day is observed annually to raise awareness about the importance of organ donation and encourage people to contribute to lifesaving transplantation programmes. On which date is it observed?
(a) 10 August (b) 11 August (c) 12 August (d) 13 August (e) 14 August Ans. d
150. India celebrated its 80th Independence Day on which date in 2026?
(a) 14 August 2026 (b) 15 August 2026 (c) 16 August 2026
(d) 26 January 2026 (e) 2 October 2026 Ans. b

151. Where was the Meeting of Heads of BRICS Competition Authorities held on 8 August 2026?
 (a) Jaipur, Rajasthan (b) New Delhi, Delhi (c) Udaipur, Rajasthan
 (d) Bengaluru, Karnataka (e) Mumbai, Maharashtra Ans. c
152. Which state announced that India's first government-driven Artificial Intelligence University would be established there?
 (a) Telangana (b) Karnataka (c) Maharashtra (d) Tamil Nadu (e) Andhra Pradesh Ans. b
153. Under which scheme did the Karnataka Cabinet approve ₹5 lakh annual family health cover for state pensioners and their families?
 (a) Karnataka Arogya Scheme (b) Sandhya Kiran Scheme (c) Jeevan Jyoti Scheme
 (d) Pension Health Suraksha Scheme (e) Karnataka Swasthya Scheme Ans. b
154. What was the first-quarter revenue achieved by India Post in Q1 FY2026– 27?
 (a) Rs.3,009 crore (b) Rs.3,509 crore (c) Rs.4,009 crore (d) Rs.4,509 crore (e) Rs.5,009 crore Ans. c
155. Which company was named India's most valuable tyre brand in 2026?
 (a) Apollo Tyres (b) CEAT (c) JK Tyre (d) MRF Tyres (e) Bridgestone India Ans. d
156. Natarajan Chandrasekaran is set to step down as Executive Chairman of Tata Sons upon completion of his term on which date?
 (a) 20 February 2026 (b) 20 January 2027 (c) 20 February 2027
 (d) 20 March 2027 (e) 31 December 2027 Ans. c
157. Which organisation approved India's first indigenous, fully commercial Earth Observation constellation under the PPP model?
 (a) ISRO (b) DRDO (c) IN-SPACE (d) NSIL (e) DoT Ans. c
158. Which Bengali filmmaker, whose 1996 directorial debut Damu won the National Film Award, died at the age of 71?
 (a) Aparna Sen (b) Raja Sen (c) Mrinal Sen
 (d) Buddhadeb Dasgupta (e) Goutam Ghose Ans. b
159. India launched its first-ever Guide to Grasslands and Other Open Natural Ecosystems (ONEs) at which event?
 (a) COP15 of UNFCCC (b) COP17 of UNCCD (c) COP16 of UNFCCC
 (d) COP28 of UNFCCC (e) COP18 of UNCCD Ans. b
160. The Qatar-India Postal Remittance Service is based on which technology/platform?
 (a) RuPay (b) SWIFT (c) PostTransfer powered by UPI
 (d) IMPS (e) Bharat BillPay Ans. c
161. RBI imposed a monetary penalty of how much on IndusInd Bank for regulatory non-compliance?
 (a) Rs.25.20 lakh (b) Rs.49.50 lakh (c) Rs.59.20 lakh (d) Rs.69.20 lakh (e) Rs.79.20 lakh Ans. c
162. Who took charge as the new CEO of NITI Aayog for a two-year term?
 (a) B.V.R. Subrahmanyam (b) Anurag Jain (c) Amitabh Kant
 (d) Rajiv Gauba (e) T.V. Somanathan Ans. b
163. India and Armenia signed an MoU on 17 August 2026 to deepen cooperation primarily in which field?
 (a) Space exploration (b) Nuclear energy (c) Defence industrial cooperation
 (d) Agriculture (e) Renewable energy Ans. c
164. Where did the eighth India-US Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Exercise 2026 conclude?
 (a) Mumbai (b) Visakhapatnam (c) Kochi (d) Chennai (e) Goa Ans. c
165. Exercise MAITREE-XV 2026 is a bilateral military exercise between India and which country?
 (a) Myanmar (b) Thailand (c) Vietnam (d) Indonesia (e) Malaysia Ans. b
166. Who was conferred the honorary rank of General of the Nepal Army by Nepal President Ramchandra Paudel?
 (a) General Upendra Dwivedi (b) General Manoj Pande (c) General Dhiraj Seth
 (d) General Anil Chauhan (e) General Bipin Rawat Ans. c
167. Who received the Dronacharya Award 2025 in Athletics?
 (a) Tejaswin Shankar (b) Parveer Singh (c) Muhammed Ajmal V
 (d) Akhil Sheoran (e) Arvind Singh Ans. b
168. Who won the Esports World Cup Chess Title 2026 for the second consecutive year?
 (a) Denis Lazavik (b) Hikaru Nakamura (c) Fabiano Caruana
 (d) Magnus Carlsen (e) Ian Nepomniachtchi Ans. d
169. National award-winning sculptor and master craftsman Chandrashekhar Y. Shilpi passed away at the age of:
 (a) 65 years (b) 70 years (c) 72 years (d) 75 years (e) 80 years Ans. d
170. Under the UP Mukhyamantri Yuva Swarojgar Yojana 2026, what is the maximum loan amount available for industrial/manufacturing units?
 (a) Rs.10 lakh (b) Rs.15 lakh (c) Rs.20 lakh (d) Rs.25 lakh (e) Rs.30 lakh Ans. d
171. Vizhinjam International Seaport, which has started full-fledged EXIM operations, is located in which state?
 (a) Tamil Nadu (b) Kerala (c) Karnataka (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Goa Ans. b

172. What was the balance of the PM CARES Fund as of March 31, 2025?
 (a) Rs.6,452.06 crore (b) Rs.7,173 crore (c) Rs.7,846.65 crore
 (d) Rs.8,452.06 crore (e) Rs.9,452.06 crore Ans. d
173. Tata Power signed a Master Research Agreement (MRA) with which institution to accelerate innovation in clean energy and advanced power technologies?
 (a) IIT Delhi (b) IIT Madras (c) IIT Bombay (d) IIT Kanpur (e) IIT Kharagpur Ans. c
174. The 'Vidyarthi Sahayahasta' scheme was announced by which state government?
 (a) Kerala (b) Karnataka (c) Tamil Nadu (d) Maharashtra (e) Telangana Ans. b
175. Who was re-elected as the President of Zambia for a second five-year term?
 (a) Hakainde Hichilema (b) Edgar Lungu (c) Michael Sata
 (d) Levy Mwanawasa (e) Rupiah Banda Ans. a
176. What FY27 GDP growth rate has India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) estimated for India?
 (a) 6.2% (b) 6.4% (c) 6.6% (d) 6.7% (e) 6.8% Ans. e
177. Which bank launched the 'YES Essence' credit card specifically designed for women?
 (a) HDFC Bank (b) ICICI Bank (c) Axis Bank (d) YES Bank (e) Kotak Mahindra Bank Ans. d
178. Who has been appointed as the new Chairperson of Airtel Payments Bank?
 (a) Shabnam Sinha (b) Arundhati Bhattacharya (c) Renu Sud Karnad
 (d) Naina Lal Kidwai (e) Chanda Kochhar Ans. a
179. How many Indian peacekeepers, including 6 women and 7 Staff Officers, were awarded the UN Medal in Juba, South Sudan?
 (a) 150 (b) 180 (c) 200 (d) 210 (e) 250 Ans. d
180. Sadbhavana Diwas is observed on August 20 to commemorate the birth anniversary of which former Prime Minister of India?
 (a) Indira Gandhi (b) Rajiv Gandhi (c) Jawaharlal Nehru
 (d) Lal Bahadur Shastri (e) Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ans. b
181. What is the theme of World Humanitarian Day 2026?
 (a) Humanitarian Action for Peace (b) Together for Humanity
 (c) Honouring fallen humanitarians and calling for greater protection of health care
 (d) Humanity Beyond Borders
 (e) Protecting People, Protecting Peace Ans. c
182. What is the theme of World Photography Day 2026?
 (a) Photography for Humanity (b) Capturing the Future
 (c) Lens of Life (d) Home (e) Photography and Culture Ans. d
183. Where was the first Kaushal Mahotsav 2026 in West Bengal held?
 (a) Kolkata Stadium (b) Salt Lake Stadium (c) Balurghat Stadium
 (d) Eden Gardens (e) Siliguri Stadium Ans. c
184. The 12th BRICS Communications Ministers Meeting 2026 was held in which city?
 (a) Jaipur (b) Chennai (c) Pune (d) Gurugram (e) Visakhapatnam Ans. c
185. Which two countries signed a Memorandum of Arrangement on Maritime Security Cooperation on 19 August 2026?
 (a) India and France (b) India and Australia (c) India and Japan
 (d) India and South Korea (e) India and Indonesia Ans. c
186. PhonePe PulsePro signed an MoU with which ministry to support the PM GatiShakti mission?
 (a) Ministry of Finance (b) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
 (c) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (d) Ministry of Communications
 (e) Ministry of Skill Development Ans. c
187. India and the Asian Development Bank signed a loan agreement worth how much for upgrading Chennai's water system?
 (a) \$190 million (b) \$200 million (c) \$210 million (d) \$230 million (e) \$250 million Ans. d
188. Who was elected as the 23rd President of Bangladesh?
 (a) Tarique Rahman (b) Oli Ahmad (c) Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir
 (d) Ahsan Iqbal (e) Muhammad Yunus Ans. c
189. Who was selected for the 47th Sarala Puraskar?
 (a) Ashutosh Parida (b) Sarala Das (c) Ahsan Iqbal
 (d) Sowcar Janaki (e) L. V. Prasad Ans. a
190. What is the name of the fastest known securely orbiting star discovered in the Milky Way?
 (a) S101 (b) S201 (c) S301 (d) S401 (e) S501 Ans. c

191. Indian Akshay Urja Day is observed annually on which date?
(a) 15 August (b) 18 August (c) 20 August (d) 21 August (e) 25 August Ans. c
192. World Mosquito Day is observed on which date?
(a) 19 August (b) 20 August (c) 21 August (d) 22 August (e) 25 August Ans. b
193. World Senior Citizens Day is observed annually on which date?
(a) 20 August (b) 21 August (c) 22 August (d) 25 August (e) 30 August Ans. b
194. Veteran actress Sowcar Janaki, who died at the age of 94, had acted in more than how many films?
(a) 200 films (b) 300 films (c) 350 films (d) 400 films (e) 500 films Ans. d
195. Former Congress MP Sajjan Kumar represented which Lok Sabha constituency?
(a) South Delhi (b) Outer Delhi (c) North Delhi (d) East Delhi (e) West Delhi Ans. b
196. India hosted the Eighth BRICS Youth Energy Summit 2026 virtually on which date?
(a) August 15, 2026 (b) August 16, 2026 (c) August 17, 2026
(d) August 18, 2026 (e) August 19, 2026 Ans. c
197. Who inaugurated 'MALHAR 2026', a youth-centric, monsoon-themed celebration of Indian classical music?
(a) C. P. Radhakrishnan (b) S. Jaishankar (c) Sergey Lavrov
(d) Anand Mahindra (e) Somanath Sreedhara Panicker Ans. a
198. For how many years did India and Mauritius sign the sales and purchase agreement for petroleum products?
(a) 3 years (b) 4 years (c) 5 years (d) 7 years (e) 10 years Ans. c
199. S. Jaishankar was scheduled to co-chair which session of the India-Russia Inter-Governmental Commission on Trade, Economic, Scientific, Technological and Cultural Cooperation?
(a) 25th session (b) 26th session (c) 27th session (d) 28th session (e) 29th session Ans. c
200. What is the name of the AI-powered multi-currency travel card launched by Wizzmon Financial Services Ltd and Oman Air?
(a) Wizz Travel Card (b) Wizz Voyager (c) Oman Multi Card
(d) Wizz Global Pay (e) Voyager Plus Ans. b
201. Who was appointed as a part-time, non-official director on the RBI Central Board in August 2026?
(a) Denis Manturov (b) Somanath Sreedhara Panicker (c) Navin Ramgoolam
(d) C. P. Radhakrishnan (e) Sergey Lavrov Ans. b
202. What was the name of the third Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft delivered by Cochin Shipyard Limited to the Indian Navy?
(a) INS Arnala (b) INS Androth (c) Mangrol (d) INS Mahe (e) INS Kiltan Ans. c
203. Which football club defeated Mohun Bagan Super Giant 4–1 to claim the Durand Cup title in August 2026?
(a) Bengaluru FC (b) East Bengal FC (c) FC Goa (d) Mumbai City F (e) Kerala Blasters FC Ans. b
204. International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition is observed annually on which date?
(a) August 15 (b) August 21 (c) August 23 (d) August 26 (e) August 29 Ans. c
205. What was the theme of India's 3rd National Space Day 2026?
(a) Space for Sustainable Development
(b) Towards Viksit Bharat: Innovating, Collaborating and Aspiring to Global Space Leadership
(c) India's Journey to the Moon
(d) Space Technology for New India
(e) Innovating Space for Humanity Ans. b
206. Which country's highest civilian award is the Nishan-e-Imtiaz mentioned in the news?
(a) India (b) Bangladesh (c) Pakistan (d) Afghanistan (e) Sri Lanka Ans. c
207. In August 2026, the Government of Maharashtra signed an MoU with which German state to strengthen cooperation in investment, innovation and skill development?
(a) Bavaria (b) Hesse (c) Saxony (d) Brandenburg (e) Hamburg Ans. b
208. The Odisha Government launched the 'Bidesh Sikhyabruti' scheme primarily to provide financial assistance for higher education abroad to which students?
(a) Women students only (b) Minority students (c) SC and ST students
(d) OBC students (e) Economically weaker students only Ans. c
209. Who launched Operation Economic Outcast against Iran in 2026?
(a) U.S. Secretary of State (b) U.S. Defense Secretary (c) U.S. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent
(d) U.S. National Security Advisor (e) U.S. Commerce Secretary Ans. c
210. Which of the following countries was NOT among the five African countries where WHO confirmed the end of poliovirus type 2 outbreaks?
(a) Burundi (b) Ghana (c) Uganda (d) Nigeria (e) Guinea-Bissau Ans. d
211. Which credit card will Punjab National Bank offer specifically to Army officers under its MoU with the Indian Army?
(a) PNB Parakram Credit Card (b) PNB LUXURA Metal Credit Card (c) PNB Rakshak Credit Card
(d) PNB Defence Elite Card (e) PNB Army Pride Card Ans. b

212. Who was crowned Miss Universe India 2026?
 (a) Manika Vishwakarma (b) Vaishnavi Gannesh (c) Anushri Satavlekar
 (d) Kaziah Liz Mejo (e) Sadhvi Sail Ans. d
213. The first 100% indigenous AK-203 rifle, named 'Sher', was test-fired at which facility?
 (a) Korwa Ordnance Facility, Amethi (b) INS Kunjali, Kochi (c) DRDO Facility, Hyderabad
 (d) Ordnance Factory, Kanpur (e) HAL Facility, Bengaluru Ans. a
214. Who won the 2026 Dutch Grand Prix at Zandvoort?
 (a) George Russell (b) Kimi Antonelli (c) Lewis Hamilton (d) Lando Norris (e) Charles Leclerc Ans. d
215. Which Indian Grandmaster won the Kanizsa Open 2026 in Hungary?
 (a) Gukesh D (b) Arjun Erigaisi (c) Pranesh M
 (d) R Praggnanandhaa (e) Harshavardhan G.B. Ans. c
216. The India Open Super 750 badminton tournament will be shifted to which city for the 2028 edition?
 (a) Patna (b) Guwahati (c) Bengaluru (d) Hyderabad (e) Pune Ans. b
217. By which year does India aim to establish its own space station, according to the news?
 (a) 2030 (b) 2032 (c) 2035 (d) 2040 (e) 2047 Ans. c
218. Sophie Adenot became the first woman from which country to conduct a spacewalk?
 (a) Germany (b) Italy (c) France (d) Spain (e) Belgium Ans. c
219. Women's Equality Day is observed annually on which date?
 (a) 8 March (b) 15 August (c) 26 August (d) 5 September (e) 24 October Ans. c
220. In 2026, Onam culminated on which day?
 (a) August 15 (b) August 17 (c) August 24 (d) August 26 (e) August 30 Ans. d
221. Who launched the book 'Africa Before America' in August 2026?
 (a) Arindam Chaudhuri (b) Ramachandra Guha (c) Chetan Bhagat
 (d) Amish Tripathi (e) Shashi Tharoor Ans. a
222. The second edition of the India-New Zealand Defence Strategic Dialogue was held in which city on August 24, 2026?
 (a) Auckland (b) Wellington (c) Christchurch (d) Mumbai (e) New Delhi Ans. b
223. What was the consolidated net profit of Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) in FY 2025- 26?
 (a) Rs.6,820 crore (b) Rs.8,750 crore (c) Rs.9,500 crore (d) Rs.10,176 crore (e) Rs.13,500 crore Ans. d
224. Satish Golcha has been appointed as the next Director General of which organisation?
 (a) Border Security Force (b) Central Reserve Police Force (c) Delhi Home Guards
 (d) National Security Guard (e) Delhi Police Ans. c
225. Dolly Parton, who recently passed away at the age of 80, was best known as a legend of which music genre?
 (a) Jazz (b) Classical (c) Country Music
 (d) Electronic Music (e) Reggae Ans. c
226. Which film marked Kuku Kohli's directorial debut?
 (a) Suhaag (b) Haqeeqat (c) Anari No. 1
 (d) Phool Aur Kaante (e) Yeh Dil Aashiqanaa Ans. d
227. Vibha Padalkar has been re-appointed as the MD & CEO of HDFC Life for another five-year term effective from:
 (a) August 25, 2026 (b) September 1, 2026 (c) September 12, 2026
 (d) October 1, 2026 (e) December 12, 2026 Ans. c
228. Treesa Jolly and Gayatri Gopichand won which medal in the women's doubles event at the Badminton World Championships?
 (a) Gold (b) Silver (c) Bronze (d) Platinu (e) No medal Ans. c
229. International Dog Day 2026 was observed on which date?
 (a) August 15 (b) August 20 (c) August 24 (d) August 26 (e) August 30 Ans. d
230. The Himachal Pradesh Forest Department signed a five-year MoU with which institution to realise the state's forest and pastoral economy potential?
 (a) IIT Delhi (b) Indian School of Business (c) IIM Ahmedabad
 (d) NITI Aayog (e) Forest Research Institute Ans. b
231. The All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) introduced the "GARBHINI MITRA" Course for which academic session?
 (a) 2024-25 (b) 2025-26 (c) 2026-27 (d) 2027-28 (e) 2028-29 Ans. c
232. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's four-day visit beginning on 28 August 2026 includes which of the following destinations?
 (a) Uzbekistan and Kyrgyz Republic (b) Kazakhstan and Tajikistan (c) Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan
 (d) Kyrgyz Republic and Turkmenistan (e) Tajikistan and Uzbekistan Ans. a
233. The 'Lokmata Ahilyabai Matrushakti Yatra' scheme launched by the Uttar Pradesh government provides free bus travel to women aged:
 (a) 50 years and above (b) 55 years and above (c) 60 years and above
 (d) 65 years and above (e) 70 years and above Ans. c

234. Air India has entered into an interline partnership with which airline to strengthen air connectivity between India and Bhutan?
 (a) Bhutan Airlines (b) Drukair-Royal Bhutan Airlines (c) Buddha Air
 (d) Nepal Airlines (e) SriLankan Airlines Ans. b
235. Who has been appointed as the Vice President and Auditor General of the World Bank Group?
 (a) Indermit Gill (b) Ajay Banga (c) Yuko Keicho (d) Mari Pangestu (e) Carmen Reinhart Ans. c
236. R. Praggnanandhaa became the first Indian to win which of the following titles?
 (a) FIDE World Cup (b) Grand Chess Tour (c) World Rapid Championship
 (d) Candidates Tournament (e) Chess Olympiad Ans. b
237. 'Samarthak', the first indigenous Multi-Purpose Vessel (MPV) received by the Indian Navy, was constructed by:
 (a) Hindustan Shipyard Limited (b) Cochin Shipyard Limited (c) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers
 (d) Larsen & Toubro (e) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ans. d
238. DRDO successfully tested its indigenous Military Combat Parachute System (MCPS) from an altitude of:
 (a) 18,000 feet (b) 20,000 feet (c) 22,000 feet (d) 25,000 feet (e) 30,000 feet Ans. c
239. Who launched the biographical novel 'Kaho Kalidasa!' in New Delhi on 25 August 2026?
 (a) Dharmendra Pradhan (b) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat (c) Ashwini Vaishnav
 (d) Kiren Rijiju (e) Piyush Goyal Ans. b
240. National Sports Day in India is celebrated every year on 29 August to commemorate the birth anniversary of:
 (a) Milkha Singh (b) Balbir Singh Sr. (c) Major Dhyan Chand
 (d) PT Usha (e) Kapil Dev Ans. c
241. World Sanskrit Day, also known as Vishva Samskrita Dinam, is observed on which occasion?
 (a) Chaitra Purnima (b) Shravana Amavasya (c) Shravana Purnima
 (d) Kartika Purnima (e) Vaishakha Purnima Ans. c
242. Yayoi Kusama, who recently passed away at the age of 97, was a famous artist from which country?
 (a) South Korea (b) China (c) Japan (d) Thailand (e) Vietna Ans. c
243. Gujarat has launched which pioneering programme for athletes?
 (a) Sports AI Programme (b) Sports Genomics Programme
 (c) National Athlete Health Programme (d) Sports Psychology Mission
 (e) Gujarat Sports Research Mission Ans. b
244. India and Uzbekistan elevated their relationship to which level?
 (a) Strategic Economic Partnership (b) Comprehensive Economic Partnership
 (c) Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (d) Special Strategic Partnership
 (e) Global Strategic Partnership Ans. c
245. Who has been named the next Director and CEO of TVS Motor Company?
 (a) K N Radhakrishnan (b) Peyman Kargar (c) Sudarshan Venu
 (d) Venu Srinivasan (e) Ralf Speth Ans. b
246. Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred with which highest Uzbek honour for foreign leaders?
 (a) Order of Zayed (b) Order of the Nile (c) Oliy Darajali Do'stlik Order
 (d) Order of the Druk Gyalpo (e) Order of Excellence Ans. c
247. India signed a \$93 million deal with the United States to procure approximately how many Javelin missile rounds?
 (a) 50 (b) 75 (c) 100 (d) 125 (e) 150 Ans. c
248. Who won the PSA Budapest Squash Open title in Hungary?
 (a) Balazs Farkas (b) Eain Yow Ng (c) Veer Chotrani
 (d) Velavan Senthilkumar (e) Saurav Ghosal Ans. d
249. King Harald V of Norway, who passed away at the age of 89, became king in which year?
 (a) 1989 (b) 1990 (c) 1991 (d) 1992 (e) 1993 Ans. c
250. King Oyo Nyimba Kabamba Iguru Rukidi IV became King of Tooro at what age?
 (a) One year (b) Two years (c) Three year (d) Four years (e) Five years Ans. c
251. International Day Against Nuclear Tests is observed annually on which date?
 (a) August 26 (b) August 27 (c) August 28 (d) August 29 (e) August 30 Ans. d
252. The Gaj Gaurav Award 2026 was conferred for outstanding contribution to which area?
 (a) Tiger Conservation (b) Elephant Conservation (c) Forest Restoration
 (d) Wetland Conservation (e) Rhino Conservation Ans. b
253. The first India-Kuwait Joint Defence Committee meeting was held in which city?
 (a) Kuwait City (b) Mumbai (c) New Delhi (d) Bengaluru (e) Hyderabad Ans. c

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