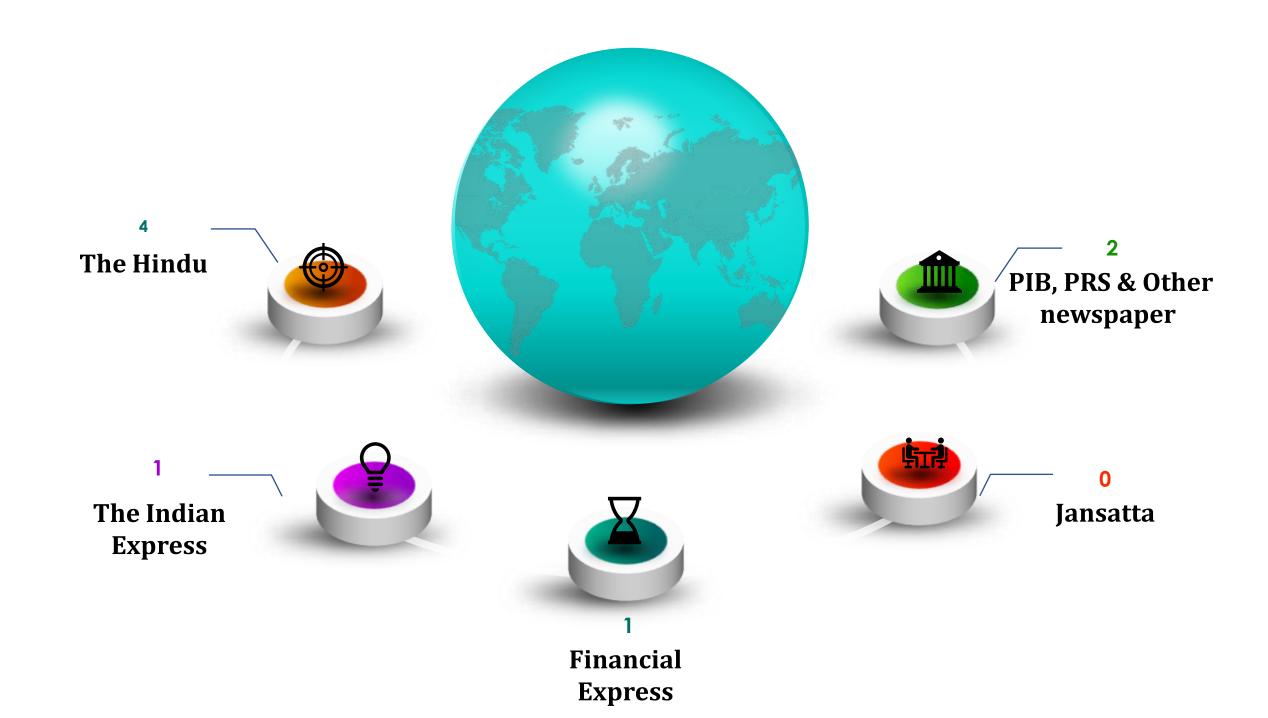
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10 MCQ QUIZ

MCQ

- India and Qatar have recently elevated their bilateral relations to which level?
- क्रव्रघल रुघ इल्घ ष्ड्र प्रवच प्रह खूरु १ हष्ड्र श्रेहल्हग ढ्वाक्ट्स इझ श्र्ह ढ् bघ लड़ 🛘 प्रवग्रव प्रदेश
- A. Economic Partnership / ष श्रव्ह्राङ्क्राप्ट्र
 - B. Strategic Partnership / घ्रर् ष्ह्रऋं ढूर्विप्ड्व्ब्रघ्ह
 - C. Free Trade Partnership / रब्स्ह ाव्रहेवघ ढूवेंप्ड्व्वघ्रह
 - D. Diplomatic Alliance / घ्रक्र एश्रग्रह ए १ 🖼 🕏

- Qatar is one of the largest suppliers of which resource to India?
- इं ल्घ क्रवघल इंझे श्र्हे दें दें खेंद्रवें हें वें दें 🛮 दें 🗖 वेंद्रे 🗆 वेंद्र हें स्क्रें हें हें हों की
- A. Crude Oil / इ स्त्र ल्ड्य
 - B. Natural Gas (LNG) / ब्र्वझक्कान्ड प्यूट्ट (LNG)
 - C. Uranium / ग्राह्म ग्राख
 - D. **Gold / दुहरूव**

- What is the purpose of India's Biannual Transparency Report (BTR)?
- क्रव्रघल इह श्रोजवश्र्म्ह्र ह्वघल्श्रट्बल्व प्रघह्म्ब्र (BTR) इव क्ष्म्ह्र प्रव प्रम्
- A. To report progress on sustainable development goals (SDGs) / ढ्र ल्ल श्राङ्त्रढ्र चड्रम्म (SDG) ड्रह इण्अल ड्रह प्रघ्रह्मम्ब्र व्हृष्ट्र
 - B. To track greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and climate actions / इहरूणप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्र्रं कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्र्रं कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्र्रं कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्र्रं कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र विक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्र्रं कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्र्रं कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्र्रं कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्रिंद्र कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्रिंद्र कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र एप्ट्रं (GHG) क्ष्रिंद्र कृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र कृष्णप्रकृष्णप्रक्रिंद्र कृष्णप्रकृष्णप
 - C. To promote carbon credit trading / ङ्क्राष्ट्रहरू ट्रङ्गाम् ङ् ाक्रह्तव्रघ ङ्झा । प्रवञ्जव ङ्रुष्ट्र
 - D. To regulate industrial pollution / ज़्राह्म ह ज़्ह्र हुझ अरु ग्रह्म हु

- Under which international agreement is India preparing its first Biannual Transparency Report (BTR)?
- क्रव्रघल १ हण्त्र हणचत्र श्रोजक्षेष्ठ्रह् ह्वघ्रक्षेट्रब्रुव प्रघात्रम् । BTR)श्रह् ढ् १त्रहण्या स्ट्रा द्राचन श्रोजक्षेष्ठ्रह् ह्वघ्रक्षेट्रब्रुव प्रघात्रम् प्राप्त प्रम्
- A. Kyoto Protocol / ड्राइस इस्ट्राइएच
 - B. Paris Agreement 2015 / हिम्रोर्ट्रे दुख्य प्ञल्ब 2015
 - C. Montreal Protocol / ख़्ख्यांच्र इस्ह्रह्
 - D. Glasgow Climate Pact ी स्त्रवढ़ एस्त्र ने चे अवस्त्र ढ्राञ्च

- India's total greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions fell by what percentage in 2020 due to COVID-19 lockdowns?
- COVID-19 चर्छ् म्त्रक्ष् इङ् इत्रघर् 2020 ख्रुक्रक्रवघल इङ् इक्ष्म इहण्यत्रक्ष्ट्र प्रमुद्ध (GHG) क्ष्रूं क्ष्रुष्ट् लेष्ट्र लेष्ट्र क्ष्रुल्ट्र ल इह्न अएघत्रज्ञ हे हे है
- A. **5.1**%
 - B. **7.93**%
 - C. 10.2%
 - D. **12.5**%

- What major concern was raised regarding the water quality at Sangam during the Maha Kumbh?
- खणत्र इक्ष्म्र् इङ् व्याप्रकः द्राणया ख्रुष्ट्रन् च एक्ष्म् अङ्गुत्र इङ्ग च्रुङ्ग प्रह्म अस्कृत प्रत व्हर
- A. High levels of toxic metals /श्राष्ट्रम् १व्राह्म् त्र इव क्ष्यः bघ B. Dangerous levels of fecal bacteria / ख्रायः न्ह्युव्रक्ष्यः इव ढ् ल्घण्वड् bघ
 - C. Excessive industrial pollution / १ ड्रुअ२ इ क्रिक्र्स्ट्र इंद्रिक्र्स्ट्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्र इंद्रिक्ट्र इंद्र इंद्र

- Which organization has been monitoring pollution levels in the Ganga and Yamuna rivers?
- A. National Green Tribunal (NGT) / घ्रत्र मुझ्य प्राप्त्रघाल १४४१ इ घर् (NGT) B. Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) / ड्क्ट्रब्य इ क्ट्रब्र्स् अरु ग्रह्स् इस्ब्र (CPCB)
 - C. Ministry of Jal Shakti / न च ट्रसङ ख्राद्वचग्र
 - D. World Health Organization (WHO) / 納取C 蚜g 读契字 (WHO)

- Which company has recently posted job openings in Mumbai and Delhi for its expansion in India?
- श्रुढ् इत्रहण्ह ष्ड्रणक्रच णह ख्रुक्कक्रक्रम् र प्रमु १ हण्ड्र श्रुक्क इत्र श्रुव इत्र श्रुव इत्र श्रुव इत्र श्रुह्म ख्रुक्क ष्ट्रा प्रमुख्य इह त्झ्राइ र विक्रुक्क प्रमुख्य हुन् श्रुव इत्र श्रुव इत्र श्रुव इत्र श्रुव इ
- A. Apple / ङ्गींच
 - B. **Tesla / ਫ਼ਰੇਂ**ਹ੍ਰਕ
 - C. Amazon / १ रहध ५
 - D. Microsoft / ख्रिक्र-हुझ्रढ्छे

- Which new educational reform has CBSE announced starting from 2026?
- CBSE ष्ट्रं 2026 द्र्ह्रं इंग्रष्ट द्वत ए ग्रव ट्रिश्नेश्ट्रं द्वित्तेत्रघ चव्रफा इंघष्ट्रं इंह्र त्झेहर्व
- A. Class 10 board exams will be held twice a year / ड् ल्व्र 10 ड्ह इस्प्रज़ हम्रह्ल्व्र ढ्वच ख्रुष्ट्स □व्रघ़ ७ ग्रह्मास् ल ड्ह न्वङ्ण्ह
 - B. Introduction of open-book exams for Class 12 / इ ल्रा 12 इङ् श्राङ् इ हष्-क्ष्म हम्रह्ला द्वार पहारह

 - D. Implementation of Al-based grading system / ङ्ष्ट ह-ष्ट १व्रष्ठघ्रह्र इङ्गान्नप्र इ.स्वचह चव्रफा प्रह्मह

- UNESCO has launched which campaign to promote gender balance in STEM fields?
- STEM त्झुह्म रक्क् चक्र्भ इंट्रह्म अड़ ग्रवे प्रदेश प्रवाधित हुन्द्र हुड़् अग्राङ् UNESCO प्रवाधित हुन्द्र १अक्र ग्रवेष्ट्र अड़् ग्रवे प्रदेश प्रवाधित हैं ।
- A. Women in Science Leadership Initiative /श्राविष् प्रज़्रह्र स्कूरक्रिणाच्रवङ्ग हणुच
 - B. Imagine a World with More Women in Science / इ ह्रष्ट्र इफ्ट्र इड्ड् इक्क्र ग्रव न्णव्यक्षित्रक्रि रक्क्र १८११ इं रक्ष्रभग्रचव्रक्ष प्रस्त्र
 - C. Global Women in STEM Movement / ऋट्र स्निभग्रज्ञ STEM र्वे प्रमण्डित स्वाप्त क्रिया प्रमण्डित स्वाप्त क्रिया प्रमण्डित स्वाप्त क्रिया प्रमण्डित स्वाप्त स्
 - D. Breaking Barriers for Women in Science /श्राव्रीष्ट्रिक्ष्याच्या राष्ट्रिक्षा व्याप्त व्यापत व्याप्त व्याप्त व्यापत व्या

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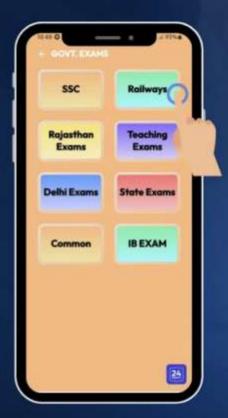
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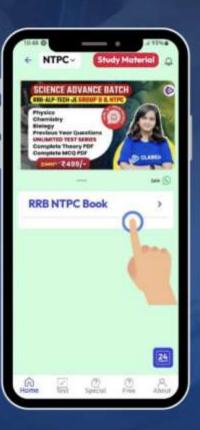
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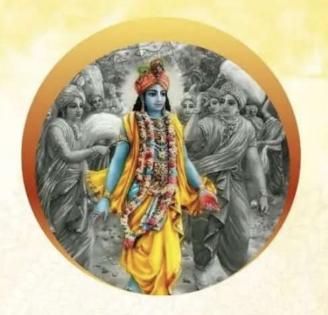
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From 2026, CBSE to hold Class X Boards twice a yr

To Unveil Draft Rules On Mon For Public Opinion

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New Delhi: Hit by the Covid pandemic, albeit later than intended, CBSE will roll out twice-a-year board exams for class X from 2026 and introduce the CBSE Global Curriculum for 260 foreign schools affiliated to it from 2026-2027.

The education ministry heldadiscussion, led by minister Dharmendra Pradhan, with CBSE officials and heads of National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) and Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS), where draft schemes, set for public consultation on next Monday, were thoroughly deliberated.

Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has announced plans to implement multiple board exams annually, allowing students to take their exams twice and retain their best score. This reform aligns with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which emphasises flexibility and a studentcentric approach.

According to a ministry official, "The initiative aims at reducing the high-pressure, one-time examination system and provide students with an opportunity to improve their performance



Are You Ready. Chalkboard on a wooden background

without the stress of a single high-stakes test. By offering multiple attempts, CBSE seeks to create a more supportive learning environment that prioritizes conceptual understanding over rote memorisation."

The policy advocates for competency-based

evaluations over traditional summative assessments, shifting focus to formative learning and skill mastery. "CBSE is encouraging a shift towards formative learning. where students can focus on skill mastery and self-improvement rather than mere exam performance. This model also aligns with global best practices, such as the SAT system in the US, which allows students to take tests multiple times and submit their best scores," said the official.

The move also supports

NEP's goal of inclusivity, accommodating students facing challenges such as exam anxiety or illness. Providing multiple attempts ensures students from diverse backgrounds have a fair chance to showcase their abilities. CBSE is also scaling up teacher training to ensure a smooth transition toward this progressive assessment model.

Pradhan emphasised that the new format is a crucial step towards a stress-free learning environment. "Examination improvement and reform is a key step towards this. This reform will help mitigate exam-related stress and ensure a more balanced evaluation system," he said.

In addition, CBSE will launch its Global Curriculum for foreign schools in 2026-2027.

- Starting from 2026, CBSE will conduct Class X board exams twice a year, allowing students to retain their best scores.
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- This initiative is aligned with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which promotes flexibility and a student-centric approach. ग्रण हण्रच घ्रव्रमिस्य अट्र ल्व ष्ह्रअल (NEP) 2020 हुङ् १ ९५० ह एम्र ल्झ च्रद्धसम्हरू रूघ ध्वद्र-हुळ्अलल (असहस्र हुझ 🗆 प्रवञ्च हुल्ह एम्र

- The move aims to reduce stress caused by single high-stakes exams and promote conceptual understanding over rote learning. स्ट्रंड इंग्लंड इंग्लंड
- CBSE is also introducing a Global Curriculum for 260 foreign-affiliated schools from 2026-27.

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- Benefits of the Change | □ ৃ মুব্রস্ক হুড় মুব্রক্ক
- Students can take exams twice and choose their best score, similar to the SAT system in the US.
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- The focus will shift from summative assessments to formative learning and skill mastery.
 - ह्प्रहल्त्र ब्र्वचह ड्झा ढ्खाड् ख्याव्रह् ९ (summative assessments) ढ्ड् प्रब्वड्घ ड्ञट्च अञ्चड्वढ् ऱ्घ १ ञश्वघर्वडूड् (conceptual) ढ्खर् ड्ह इ. घ. च्ड न्वग्रव न्वङ्ण्वड

 The change supports inclusivity, especially for students facing exam anxiety or illness.

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 CBSE will provide teacher training to ensure a smooth transition to this new format.

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- Government's Perspective | ढ्रघड्वघ ड्व *«*श्रेमड्झ्स्
- The draft scheme will be released for public consultation next Monday before final implementation.
 - स्टू गृह्म एव इव खढ़्ज़व्व १ ए ग्रह् ढ़्ह्मायअवघ इ्ह्न ढ़व्ऋाश इ ह अह ग्रव न्वङ्ण्वह

Kerala's Plan to Grant Industry Status to Tourism

 The Kerala government is planning to grant 'industry status' to tourism, a long-standing demand of the tourism and hospitality sector.

Granting industry status

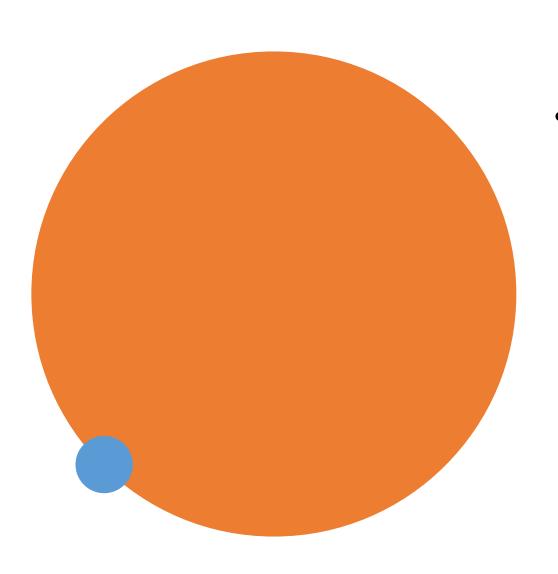
- It provides benefits like reduced power tariffs, water tariffs, and property taxes, promoting investment and job creation.
- The **Ministry of Tourism** has launched a handbook which aims to serve as a guide to States/UTs to support efforts of States/UTs in granting and implementing 'industry status' for the tourism and hospitality sector.

Objectives and Need

The tourism sector, which employs 5 lakh people directly and 20 lakh indirectly, has struggled due to natural disasters, the COVID-19 pandemic, and a major landslide in 2024.

The recent move aims to boost investment and development in the sector, which contributes around 10% to the State's GDP.

- – India's tourism sector, rich in heritage, culture, and diversity, is emerging as a global favorite and a key driver of economic growth.
 - The tourism sector's contribution to GDP regained the prepandemic level of 5 per cent in FY23. The tourism sector created 7.6 crore jobs in FY23.



- The Travel and Tourism
 Development Index 2024 (TTDI)
 ranked India at 39th among 119
 countries in the 2024 report
 published by the World Economic
 Forum.
 - The Union Budget 2025-26 has allocated ₹2541.06 crore to enhance infrastructure, skill development, and travel facilitation

SAKSHAM Campaign

• Indian Oil Corporation Limited and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited launched a 14-day awareness campaign called **SAKSHAM**.

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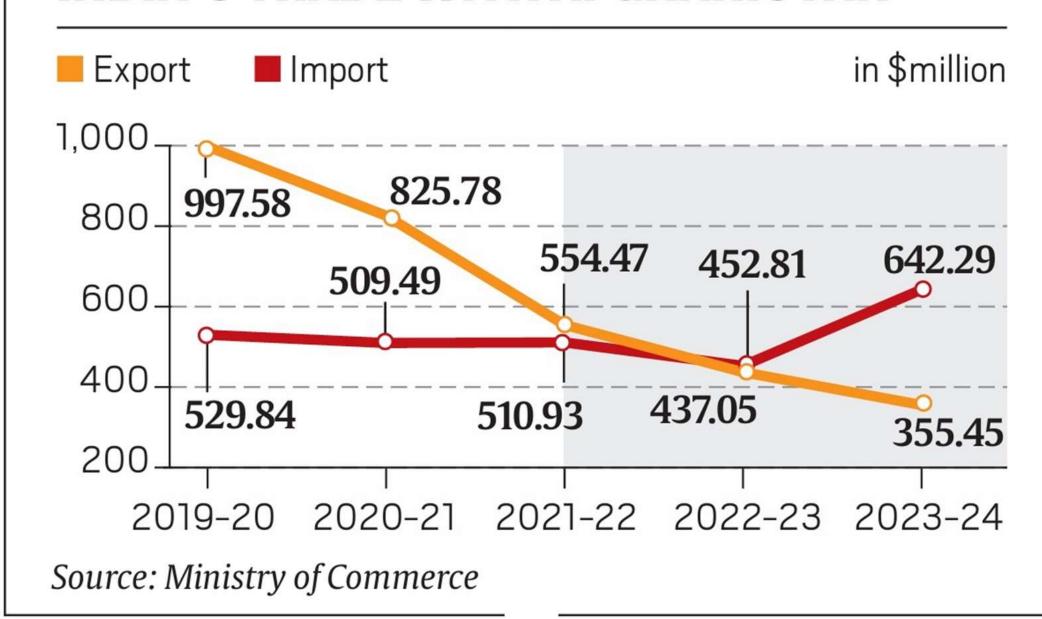
- The campaign was launched on green energy and fuel conservation.
- It aims to raise awareness about fuel conservation and the judicious use of petroleum products to ensure a safer environment and sustainable energy resources for future generations.
- The idea is to convince consumers to switch to cleaner fuels and bring in behavioural change to use fossil fuel intelligently.

India's Trade with Afghanistan and Nepal

 India recorded an unusual trade deficit with Afghanistan in the year 2023-24. In another development, soybean oil imports from Nepal surged 14-fold (April-November 2024), possibly due to rule-of-origin (RoO) violations

- Afghanistan: Bilateral Trade
 Trends: India's exports to Afghanistan fell from USD 825.78 million in 2020-21 to USD 355.45 million in 2023-24, while imports rose from USD 509.49 million in 2020-21 to a record USD 642.29 million in 2023-24.
 - Before this, the last time India saw a trade deficit (USD 0.73 million) with Afghanistan was in 2000-01.

INDIA'S TRADE WITH AFGHANISTAN







Imports: Agricultural products like **figs, asafoetida, raisins, apples,** garlic, saffron, almonds, onions, pomegranates, and walnuts dominate.



Exports: Mainly medicines, vaccines, soybean meal, and garments.



Key Products: In **2023-24**, Afghanistan was the primary supplier of **asafoetida**, **raisins**, **and garlic**.

In 2023-24, Afghanistan became India's **3rd-largest apple supplier**, (surpassed Italy and the US) after **Iran and Turkey**.

- Nepal: India's total soybean oil imports rose by 19% to nearly USD 3 billion (April-November 2024) from USD 2.5 billion in 2023.
 - Rule-of-Origin Violation: Nepal imports 98% crude edible oil, refines it, and exports it to India indicating duty structure exploitation.
 - Nepal enjoys a 30% tariff advantage over other exporters due to the Nepal-India
 Treaty of Trade (2009), allowing duty-free exports to India.



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Satvika Mahajan

NEW DELHI

ekha Gupta, a firsttime MLA from Shalimar Bagh, has been chosen as the new Delhi Chief Minister, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) said after its legislature party meeting at its national headquarters on Wednesday evening.

Ms. Gupta, 50, will be the fourth woman to head the government in the Union Territory.

The announcement comes nearly 10 days after the BJP returned to power in the national capital after 26 years, winning 48 of the 70 seats in the Assembly election. The party is yet to announce its picks for ministerial berths.

Ms. Gupta, a three-time municipal councillor who



Starting big: CM-designate Rekha Gupta with party leaders at the BJP office in New Delhi on Wednesday. SHASHI SHEKHAR KASHYAP

was active in student politics, was a surprise choice. She beat a number of probable candidates, including Parvesh Verma who had defeated Aam Aadmi Party chief Arvind Kejriwal in the New Delhi constituency, three-term MLA and former Leader of the Opposi-

tion Vijender Gupta, and former Delhi BJP president Satish Upadhyay.

Lieutenant-Governor V.K. Saxena invited Ms. Gupta to form the government after she met him at his residence following the legislature party meeting, accompanied by senior BJP leaders, to stake claim to it.

The oath-taking ceremony, set to take place at Ramlila Maidan on Thursday, will be attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Chief Ministers of NDA-ruled States.

Approved by consensus

Ms. Gupta's selection by the legislature party was overseen by two central observers – senior MP Ravi Shankar Prasad, and former Haryana MLA O.P. Dhankar. BJP sources said that nine proposals were made in her favour, and all were approved by consensus.

Speaking to presspersons after the meeting, Ms. Gupta expressed her gratitude to the top leadership of the party for trusting her with the responsibility. "I pledge that I will work with full honesty, integrity and dedication for the welfare, empowerment and overall development of every citizen of Delhi. I am fully committed to this important opportunity to take Delhi to new heights," Ms. Gupta said.

Three MLAs supported her claim to become the leader of the Delhi BJP's legislative party.

The meeting was attended by all 48 MLAselect, as well as Delhi BJP chief Virendra Sachdeva and other senior Delhi BJP leaders.

In this month's Assembly election, Ms. Gupta defeated three-time AAP MLA Bandana Kumari by a margin of 29,595 votes.

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POLITICAL JOURNEY

Defeated AAP's Bandana Kumari from Shalimar Bagh assembly constituency by 29,595 votes

First-Time MLA

- > Was elected MCD 2 councillor in 2007, 2012 and 2022
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- Elected Delhi University Students' Union president in 1996



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FIRST REACTION

I am fully committed to this important opportunity to take Delhi to new heights. I express my heartfelt gratitude to all the top leadership for trusting me and entrusting me with the responsibility of the post of chief minister. This trust and support of yours has given me new energy and inspiration"

 Rekha Gupta, a first-time MLA from Shalimar Bagh, has been chosen as Delhi's new Chief Minister by the BJP.

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BJP to focus on aid for Rekha Gupta, a grassroots leader who has served in key organisational roles

Shalimar Bagh MLA-elect defeated AAP's Bandana Kumari by 29,595 votes in the Delhi election, she says her selection as CM is a matter of pride for every woman in the country and BJP will fulfit all commitments made by it to people of Delhi

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the BIP pick after 48 MLAs from the party unanimous-ly elected her the leader of Della HIP Legislature Party. Accepting the role, Ms. Gupta said: "It is a matter



of pride for every woman in the country. We will ha-fil all commitments made by the BIP in Delbi. It will be my life's purpose." Defeating Bandana Ko mari, a three-time MLA from Shalimar Bagh and a

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tur's Mahila Morcha, and and she went on to become the DUSU president the ful-lowing year. Beforeing to her as a fighter, several MP leaders who served with Ms. Gupta

bearer of the BJP's York Morcha wing. However, her journey in politics has not been with-out losses — the Chief Mi-nister-dealgnate concessed from Shalimar Bagb in the 2015 and 2020 Assembly polls unsuccessfully. as councillors said she would fight for women's rights. She raised the need for tollets for women.

'Message to AAP'
Born in Johana, Haryona,
the HJP's pick has been a
clear message to the AAP.
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was referred to as a 'temporary CM', and now the BIP has come with a strong

the lead up to the 2025 As-sembly polls, Ms. Gupta had promised to make a 'Viksit Delhi' that a 'Viksit secretary of the Delhi University Students' Union Bharat' deserves as its cap-ital.

says CEC after taking charge

The Hindu Bureau NEW DELIN

Gyanesh Kumar assumed office as the 26th Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) of India on

Wednesday. "First step for nation building is voting. Therebuilding is voting. There-fore, every cilizen of India who has completed in years of age should be-come an elector and should always vote," he said after taking charge. "Election Commission

Modi to visit poll-bound Bihar on February 24

Amarnath Towary

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address a meet-ing at bhagalpur in poll-bound Bihar on February 24 and release financial as tance to farmers. He is likely to suvell de-

The Assembly election

The Assembly election is sland to be held in the State in October-November. The Perine Minister's visit would "certainly kick-otart the poll campaign for the party in Bibae," and a senior State BP leader, preferring anonymity.

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ber Assembly.
"The Prime Minister will also unveil several deve-lopment projects worth more than \$2,000 cross for the region. In the Union Budget, 2029-26, signifi-cant resources have been allocated for Bihar's deve-

War games



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Will govt. respond to U.S. SEC's request in probe against Adanis, asks Congress

The Hindu Hureau

The Congress on Wednes-day asked whether the Na-rendra Modi government would respond to the U.S. Securities and Exchanges Commission's request in the engoing probe against the Aslant Group since the Prime Minister had already declared the Adami issue to be a "personal matter"

The comment came af-ter the SEC told a federal judge in New York that its efforts to serve its complaint on industrialist Gau-tam Adam and Sagar Adam in the alleged bribery scheme are "ongoing" and that it has sent a request for assistance to the Indian outberlies.

authorities.
"The Prime Minister has already declared the Mudant issue to be a personal matter. Will be oblige the MOC," asked Congress leader fairam Ramesh.

In a separate post on X, Mr. Ramesh said the talk of reciprocal tariffs by U.S. President Donald Trump was calling into question a

cist. He wondered wheth-er his "good friend in New Delhi" would stand up to it when national sovereignty was at stake.

Call for GST 2.0
"The Congress has long been calling for a GST 2.0 that will make GST a truly Good and Simple Tax, as it was intended to be. It has called for the barest minimum of rates and vastly re-formed compliance rules,"

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Supreme Court puts off hearing pleas challenging law on CEC appointment

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case as important as this one ought not to be ad-journed solely due to the unevallability of the Solicitor-General. Mr. Rhushan said any one of the 17 law officers in the Supreme Court could appear for the Union government. Advisors Kalseswaram

Advirente Kalenewaran Raj, intervening in the cuse, until the discussion would be centred on a five-judge Benich judgment de-judge Benich judgment de-ference in March 3022 in Annos Baramed versus Union of India, which had included the Chief Justice of India as a member of the high powered selection committee involved in the appointments of CEC and ICS. The politimers like activist Jaya Thakur, represented by advocate Varun Thakur, have argued that the Chief Dection Commissioner and other Election

Act of 2023 was introduced to dilute the said judgment. Petitioners have prima-

rily challenged the validity of Section 7(0) of the sta-lute. The provision manand ECS on the recommen-dation of a selection com-mittee of the Prime Minis-ter, the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sub-ha, and a Union Calobinet Minister to be nominated by the Prime Minister. The statute, in short, had re-placed the CR on the selecplaced the CH on the selection panel with a Union Mi hand in appointments to the Election Commission of India.

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The case raises the pivo-tal legal question whether the Parliament can chrome-vent a Constitution Bench Judgment without giving explicit reasons for doing so.

in January, when the case came up, Justice Rant had highlighted that the test regarding the validity of the 2023 Act would hinge on whether the top court's authority to pro-nounce binding decisions under Article 181 of the Comatination could it be. between the court's opi-nion and exercise of legis-

'Double-engine government has produced double disasters for Bihar'

Stating that the NDAs confidence ahead of the Bihar Assembly polls is misplaced, the CPI(ML) general secretary says the ruling coalition had only marginally scraped through in the 2020 polls, with Nitish Kumar failing to deliver on his promises this time round; he further says his party only needs to fonge a organic unity of the ongoing struggles in the State to put up a good figh-

PATERIAL WAY

Dipankar Bhattacharya

Sobbana K. Nair

ith the Commu-niar Parry of In-dia (Marylet-Leninte), gearing up for its first public meeting ahead of the Bihar Assembly elec-tion, the party's general so-cretary, Dipankar, Bhatta-sharya, speaks on the charya, speaks on the political situation in the State Excerpts: With the recent Budget announcements and the plank of "double engine", the NDA is exuding confidence about the Bihar

I think the NDA's confi-dence is quite misplaced, if your look at the 2020 As-somidy shecken, the NDA only marginally scraped through, in Dolla, a highly popular Aum Audou Party government which go vermed on core leaues like electricity, water, health

election after being in pow-er for more than a decade. In Bihar, we have a nonpower for 20 years now, which is essentially a NDA

You had talked about

the 2024 election. The RJD had the worst strike rate in the grand alliance. They contested

23 seats winning only four. In the RJD going to be a liability for you?

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The CPIONL) is organizing a rally on March 2, probably your first big event opening the campaign. What will be your message for the State?

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Knives are out for the Congress after defeats in three Assembly elections. How crucial is the the Congress's

If the RIP is to be ousted, it is not possible with a weak Congress, A stronger and amergined Congress is in the interest not just of the Congress party but of all who want political change in India.

War games



Sharing expertise: Military personnel during the third edition of the India-Egypt joint special forces exercise 'CYCLONE-III' at the Mahajan Field Firing Range in Rajasthan. The drill is aimed at strengthening joint operational capabilities, a statement said. @PRODEFGAU/X

Exercise Name	Participating Countries	Branch	Date	Location	Description
Malabar 2024	India, USA, Japan, Australia	Navy	October 8 18, 2024	Visakhapatnam, Bay of Bengal	Annual naval exercise focusing on anti-submarine warfare, air defense, and joint operations. The 2024 edition included complex drills and advanced tactical exercises.
Tarang Shakti 2024	India, France, Germany, Spain, UK, Australia, Japan, USA, Singapore, UAE, Sri Lanka, Greece	Air Force	August 6 – September 14, 2024	Sulur and Jodhpur Air Force Stations	India's largest multinational air exercise, conducted in two phases, involving over 150 aircraft. The exercise aimed to enhance interoperability and showcase indigenous aviation platforms.
SIMBEX 2024	India, Singapore	Navy	October 23–29, 2024	Visakhapatnam, Bay of Bengal	Annual bilateral naval exercise emphasizing maritime combat exercises such as firing drills, tracking exercises, and coordinated tactical maneuvers.

Milan 2024	India and 50 other nations	Navy	February 2024	Visakhapatnam	Biennial multilateral naval exercise aimed at enhancing professional interaction between friendly navies. The 2024 edition was the largest, with participation from 50 nations.
Pitch Black 2024	Australia, Canada, France, India, Indonesia, Germany, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand, UK, USA, Brunei, Fiji, Italy, Spain, Papua New Guinea, Philippines	Air Force	July 12 – August 2, 2024	Australia	Biennial multinational air combat exercise hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force, focusing on large-force employment warfare. The 2024 edition was the largest since its inception.
La Perouse 2025	France, Australia, Canada, USA, India, Malaysia, UK, Singapore	Navy	January 16–24, 2025 ↓	Malacca, Sunda, and Lombok Straits	Multinational naval exercise led by France, aiming to enhance maritime cooperation among participating navies.

Breaking down sovbean trade



Karen Braun

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China significantly reduced its reliance on U.S. asophears during the first trade war in 2018, though that was largely possible at the time state of the significantly desired freed demand. But for U.S. exporters, the pre-trade war levels China over the last three cliental years have fallen 12% from the 2018/2017 average. China Abo during this time, in 12% from the 2018/2017 average. China Abo during this time, lived exports to China by Rocal exports to China by Risk, less than the 61% rise in the country's total shipsteeds.

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just 7% in the latest three years, though the volumes have risen over the last decade. U.S. say experts to the KU have also risen in

U.B. any exports to the KU have also risen in recent years, though the average volunes remain slightly lower than those from Brazil. However, and the stress of the stress of the SZ-8 tillion hat year, could be in jeopardy. Brussels in exported on Wednesday to publish a policy potentially test-tening agricultural imports of the stress of

diversity among the U.S. customers might be its only present advantage over Brazil's booming business. The future of U.S. say exports could become less worrisone if domestic demand were to escalate in a manuer implied by the aggressive befored mandates floated a few years ago. But those plane, much like the tariff

that those plants, much use the carri-discussions, are in a helding pattern for now. This means that if the upcoming U.S. soy crop is need sufficiently large, next season's shipments could be squeezed further. The author is a market analyst for Scuters)

Edinburgh to Ernakulum: Strategies for wooing investors

India still has a lot to do to foster a vibrant and fair market system that creates economic opportunities and drives sustainable growth, a necessary first step is a 'rights-based approach', which holds institutions and powerful people accountable for their responsibilities to those with less power

NEWS ANALYSIS

P.M.Mathes

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agencies.

For this to happen, there need to be new reforms and legislations that sequent Investor Meet. This will help to enhance investor confidence and foster genuine competition between States. (The author is a Senior Fellow & Director at the In-stitute of Small Enterprises and Development)

U.S. tariffs threat a 'shock' to Canadian firms

Agenus France: Presse

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Trump's SEC pick shifts power from investors to boardrooms

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Agence France-Presse

MONTREAL

Donald Trump's threats of import tariffs have sent shockwaves through Canada, forcing businesses to question their dependence on the U.S.—a reassessment that is creating headaches for many sectors.

"It was an absolute shock," Matthew Holmes, vice president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, told AFP. "There's an incredible anxiety that comes from the unpredictability and the uncertainty."

"It got everybody talking in Canada about (how) we can't trust this partnership anymore," he added.

Earlier this month U.S. President Trump announced 25% tariffs on Canadian and Mexican im-



Palliative move: Mr. Trump's 30-day tariff reprieve has done little to reassure Canadian businesses. REUTERS

ports, then granted a 30-day reprieve.

The pause, however, has done little to reassure Canadian businesses that send more than 75% of Canada's exports to the U.S., and who worry that a trade war would lead to a reces-

sion and hundreds of thousands of job losses.

Canada must prepare for the tariffs by removing barriers to trade between provinces and diversify its export markets, Mr. Holmes said. "We need to be ready and have the infrastructure and relationships and start building those out now."

Otherwise, he said, Canadian businesses will be "really, really screwed."

'No quick fix'

According to a recent survey, nine out of 10 Canadians agree on the need to lessen Canada's trade reliance on the U.S.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau recently hosted a summit in Toronto that brought business leaders together to discuss ways of growing the Canadian economy, including removing internal trade barriers, diversifying export markets and boosting productivity.

Provincial governments and business leaders, he told delegates, must "step up and push hard" to make Canada more competitive, while acknowledging that it has been easy to just sell to the country's southern neighbor. But that may be easier said than done, according to Robert Gillezeau, a professor at the University of Toronto.

"The two economies are extremely interconnected with over a trillion dollars in trade between the two countries," he told AFP, pointing to their close proximity and "longstanding good relations" for how ties developed.

"For some sectors, it'll be a little bit easier" to disentangle from the United States, Mr. Gillezeau said.

For others, "it's going to be a mess," he added. "You can't just snap your fingers and take that integrated industry and have it work with someone else or have it become fully domestic... There is no quick fix."

The food industry is a case in point.

"We've frozen our purchases of some American goods and we're looking elsewhere for alternatives," explains Mike Bono of Can-Am Food Services.

But it is not possible for the company—which is one of the largest distributors of fruits and vegetables in Quebec and Ontario with nearly 3,000 customers including restaurants and hotels—to find substitutes for its American offerings.

The removal of interprovincial trade barriers was flagged in a report as a way to boost Canada's economy as far back as 1940.

Ottawa led efforts to dismantle them in 2017 but hundreds of exceptions were kept in an agreement signed by the provinces.

- Shock to Canadian Businesses
- Donald Trump announced a **25% tariff** on Canadian and Mexican imports.
- Businesses in Canada are concerned about dependency on the U.S. and uncertainty in trade.
- Matthew Holmes, Vice President of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, termed it an "absolute shock."

Economic Consequences

Over **75% of Canadian exports** go to the U.S.

A trade war could result in recession and job losses.

A 30-day reprieve was granted, but it did little to reassure businesses.

Need for Canada to Diversify Trade

Canada must:

- Remove internal trade barriers.
- Diversify **export markets**.
- Improve productivity.

Business leaders emphasize the need for **infrastructure and alternative trade relation**

Interconnection Between the U.S. and Canada

The two economies trade over a trillion dollars annually.

Robert Gillezeau, University of Toronto, says **disentangling** from the U.S. will be difficult.

Challenges in the Food Industry

Some companies are looking for alternative suppliers instead of U.S. goods.

Large distributors, like Can-Am Food Services, struggle to find alternatives.

- 1. Canadian PM Justin Trudeau hosted a business summit to discuss solutions.
- 2. Interprovincial trade barriers need to be removed for a stronger economy.
- 3. Ottawa failed to fully dismantle these barriers despite past efforts.

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ABL DHABI

Abu Dhabi rejects displacement of Palestinians, says UAE President



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to set up a summit with Mr. Trump, which both men have said they want.

Vietnam Parliament approves \$8-billion railway link to China



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VATICAN CITY

Pope Francis 'breathing on his own' despite pneumonia: Vatican



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Trump tells 'dictator' Zelenskyy to move fast for peace or lose Ukraine

President Donald Trump calls Ukrainian President a dictator without elections; the latter responds to Trump's claims by stating that Trump is living in a 'disinformation space', U.S. President also mentions possibility of meeting Putin this month

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Foreign Minister Andrii Ny-biha said no one could force his country to give in. "We will defend our right to exist," Mr. Sybiha said

Mr. Zelenskyy's five-year term was supposed to end in 2024 but presidential and parliamentary elec-tions cannot be held under martial law, which Ukraine imposed in February 2022 in response to Russia's

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Afghan refugees face arrests, eviction in twin cities of Pak.

Associated Press

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Bangladesh campus skirmish leaves over 150 students injured

Agence France Press

More than 180 students have been injured in Bangladesh during clashes at a university campus, a sign of serious discord between

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Final journey



Alleged drug kingpin fatally shot inside Sri Lankan court



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Ganemule Sanjeeva, al-legeslly a drug dealer, was draf at close range, just when he entered the dock at the Catomba Magistrates Court during a bail hear-ing, according to media reports. Sanjeeva was criti-cally injured in the incident and rushed to a

shocking incident during proceedings exposing a se-rious security failure drew wide media attention in the island nation

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Brazil's Bolsonaro charged over alleged coup that included 'a plan to poison Lula'

Associated Press

Brusil's prosecutor general on Tuesday formally charged former President charged former President fair Hobbenson with at-lempting a comp to stay in office after his 2022 elec-tion defeat, in a plot that included a plan to poison his maccessor and current President Luis tractic tails da Silva and kill a Supreme Court hake. Court judge. Prosecutor-General Pau-

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'Green and Yellow Dag-ger,'" Mr. Gonet wrote in a 272-page indictment. "The plan was conceived and ta-ken to the knowledge of the President."

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Ready to free all hostages together in phase two of Gaza truce, says Hamas

Agence France-Presse

Hamas signalled on Wed-nesday that it was willing to free all remaining hos-

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first phase, 19 Israeli hos tages have been releases by militants so far in exchange for more than 1,100 Palestinian prisoners freed from Israeli jails in a serie

HANOI

Vietnam Parliament approves \$8-billion railway link to China



AFP

Vietnam's Parliament has approved an \$8 billion rail link to China, designed to boost trade and connectivity between the two countries. The 390-km line will connect Haiphong to Lao Cai, running through key manufacturing hubs and the capital, Hanoi. It is part of Vietnam's "Two Corridors, One Belt" initiative.

Railway Link	Connecting Countries	Route & Key Cities	Purpose/Significance
China-Europe Railway Express	China → Europe (Multiple)	Chongqing, Xi'an, Chengdu, Wuhan → Germany, Poland, etc.	Freight transport, part of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI).
China-Mongolia Railway	China → Mongolia	Erenhot (China) → Zamyn- Üüd (Mongolia) → Ulaanbaatar	Key trade route for coal, minerals, and goods.
China-Russia Railway	China → Russia	Manzhouli, Suifenhe → Moscow, Vladivostok	Trade of energy, machinery, and consumer goods.
China-Kazakhstan Railway	China → Kazakhstan	Alashankou, Khorgos → Almaty, Nur-Sultan	Major cargo route linking China with Central Asia.
China-Laos Railway	China → Laos	Kunming → Luang Prabang → Vientiane	Enhances regional trade and tourism.

China-Vietnam Railway	China → Vietnam	Nanning, Kunming → Hanoi	Supports cross-border trade and passenger travel.
China-North Korea Railway	China → North Korea	Dandong → Pyongyang	Limited use due to sanctions but supports trade and diplomacy.
China-Myanmar Railway (Proposed)	China → Myanmar	Kunming → Mandalay → Yangon (Under development)	To enhance China-Myanmar connectivity under BRI.
China-Pakistan Railway (Proposed)	China → Pakistan	Kashgar → Gwadar (Part of CPEC)	To strengthen trade via the China- Pakistan Economic Corridor.

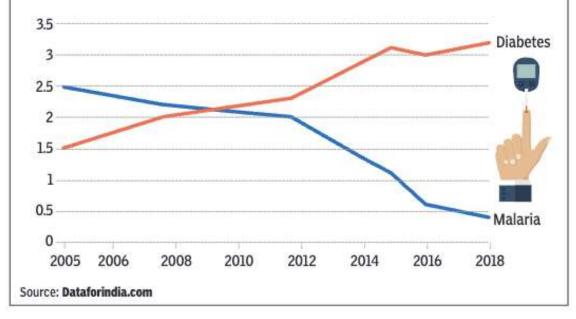
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STATOISTICS A slice of life in numbers

DIABETES 8 TIMES DEADLIER THAN MALARIA NOW

Just 20 years ago, malaria killed more Indians than diabetes did, and now diabetes kills eight times as many people as malaria. This doesn't mean that we can take our foot off the malaria-prevention pedal yet, but it does signal a big shift in the future of Indian health

Share of Indian deaths, by cause (in %)



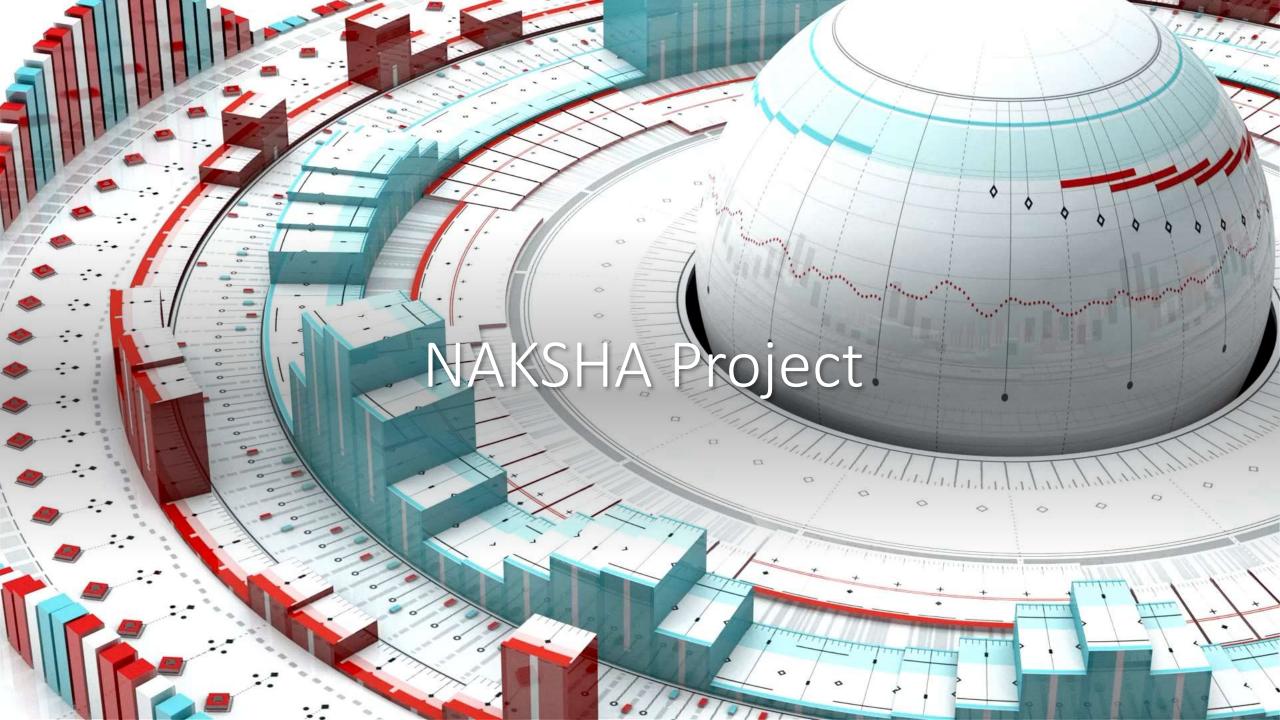
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Textile Industry



- Bharat Tex 2025, India's largest global textile event, was held in New Delhi, showcasing India's textile advancements and global trade potential.
- The Indian government aims to triple textile exports from ₹3 lakh crore to ₹9 lakh crore by 2030, leveraging sustainability, innovation, and policy support.

- Overview of India's Textile Sector:
- 6th Largest Exporter: India holds 8.21% share in global textile trade (2023-24).
- Employment Generator: Provides direct jobs to 45 million
 people and indirect livelihood to over 100 million, including rural and
 women workers.
- Export Markets: USA and EU account for 47% of India's textile exports.
- Government Initiatives: ₹10,683 crore allocated under Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme to boost manufacturing.



The National Geospatial
 Knowledge-based Land Survey of
 Urban Habitations (NAKSHA) pilot
 project is set to launch in 152
 Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) across
 26 States and 3 Union Territories
 (UTs).



- What is NAKSHA?
- NAKSHA (National Geospatial Knowledge-based Land Survey of Urban Habitations) is a geospatial technology-driven land survey initiative aimed at creating and updating land records in urban areas to ensure transparency, efficiency, and accuracy in property ownership documentation.
- Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India

• <u>Implemented by:</u> Department of Land Resources, in collaboration with Survey of India, and National Informatics Centre Services Inc. (NICSI).

India's 1st Vertical Bifacial Solar Plant

 Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs inaugurated India's first vertical bi-facial solar plant installation at Okhla Vihar Metro station.

About

• The inauguration was done in the **5th International Conference** on Green Metro Systems – The Future of Urban Mobility here.

Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj

- The birth anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj was commemorated globally on 19th February, reflecting his enduring legacy and influence.
- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj: Born on 19th February 1630, at Shivneri Fort, Pune was a visionary leader from the Bhonsle clan and the founder of the Maratha Empire, known for resisting the Mughal Empire and striving for self-rule.

Major Battles:

- Battle of Pratapgad, Battle of Pavan Khind, Sacking of Surat,
 Battle of Purandar, Battle of Sinhagad, and Battle of Sangamner.
- The Wagh nakh, was used by Shivaji to kill Afzal Khan in the 1659 Battle of Pratapgad.

- Titles:
- Chhatrapati, Shakakarta, Kshatriya Kulavantas, and Haindava Dharmodhhaarak. Administration:
- Centralized administration with the Ashtapradhan (Council of Eight Ministers), abolished the Jagirdari System, implemented the Ryotwari System, and built a strong naval force for coastal defense.

 Shivaji is renowned for his innovative guerrilla warfare tactics, which influenced subsequent rulers and shaped the Maratha Military Landscapes.

Word of the day

Explicate:

make plain and comprehensible; elaborate on theories and hypotheses

Synonyms: explain, develop, formulate

Usage: His teacher explicated the complex theory to him.

Pronunciation: newsth.live/explicatepro

International Phonetic Alphabet: /ˈɛk.splɪˌkeɪt/

The Real Name of _____Is the Longest City Name in the World
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This makes it the longest city name in the world!

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 - D. Uttarakhand / क्ष्युप्रव्रद्त्रम्

- What is the main goal of the 'SAKSHAM' campaign launched by Indian Oil and BPCL?
- स्त्रम् ग्रष्ट छ ग्रच इप । । हह्हदूहङ्च विघ्रत ट्रस्ट श्रह् इ एङ् 'द्रह्र्य १श्रक्रग्रव़ष् इत रक्का क्ष्मु क्ष्मुक्की प्रत प्रमु
- A. Promoting green energy and fuel conservation / प्राष्ट्राहर र निक्रा रू घ हन्ने ए दुन्नग्रहरू, इंझ्य 🛘 प्रविञ्चव व्हुष्ट्रव
 - B. Encouraging electric vehicles (EVs) adoption / स्म्रह्माम्ह अवर्णाङ्गा (EVs) इझ १ हष्त्र इझ इझट्रिक्साल इ घष्त्र

 - D. Banning the use of fossil fuels / न्हज़व्रा हक्ष एड्झा इड्ड क्ष्ट्र ग्रह्मा हम्र

- Which country has imposed a 25% tariff on Canadian and Mexican imports, affecting businesses in Canada?
- श्रह ढ़ व्हंट एड़ इं एवम्वह □ अढ़वग इं केंक्रिअंट एस घण्ड़ एआई? प्रों श्रम ढूँ ढुंड़ इं एवम्वह □ अढ़वग इं केंक्रिअंट एस घण्ड़ एआई?
- A. United Kingdom / ग्राह्नवर्स्ड्र अङ्त्रण म्ख
 - B. United States / दुअब्बर्क घृतृ १ रहाओं इत्र
 - C. China / दहर
 - D. Germany / न्रक्रांह

- Who has been appointed as the new Chief Minister of Delhi?
- श्रूँह इह एह रक्क्सरक्रम्ह इड़ र ह रक्क्श्रह दुड़ श्रूष्ट अह ग्रव एग्रव एम्ने
- A. Atishi Marlena / তপ্সন্ হুদ্ধ স্পর্ক্রা
 - B. Bandana Kumari / फ़्रिल्प इक्सप्रवाहरू
 - C. Rekha Gupta / घ्रुड़ प्रेंग्र
 - D. Ankita Sharma 🎢 श्रेत्रश्रह ल्व ट्रस्रक्र

- Which event showcased India's textile advancements and aimed to triple textile exports by 2030?
- इंग्लं द्व प्रह्मा ए क्रव्रघल इंह्न इंह्न क्रिलं एक्स्व इंघ्लं इंघलं प्रम् इंघ 2030 लड़ इंह्न क्रिलं गुक्र इंड्न ल्हण एक्स्व इंघलं इंघलं स्वरं लव एक्स
- A. India Textiles Expo 2025 / स्क्रम् ग्रव ब्हुञ्ड्वरः इङ्ह्स 2025
 - B. Bharat Tex 2025 / ক্লব্লয়ন্ত ভূজ় 2025
 - C. Global Fabric Summit 2025 / स्ह्या च ाच्रुश्रम् इ ट्रुश्रस्त्र 2025
 - D. Make in India Textile Fair / रख़्ह रू स्क्रम् ग्रेव ब्हुञ्ब्वरू च □ड्ग्रघ

- What is the objective of the 'NAKSHA' project?
- 'NAKSHA' हेष्रघग्रहरू एवं इव क्ष्रेष्ट्र प्रव प्रमे
- A. Developing a digital land survey system /श्रम्श्रम् इ. प्रस्त्रप्र द्रिज्ञालर् इ.र्वचह श्रव्रहश्रद्ध इ. इ.घ्रष्ट्र
 - B. Mapping historical monuments in India / क्रव्रघ्र खूरु च्अल्प्रव्यक्रम् इ nव्रघड्डम इव ख्रव्रष्ट्रपुद्ध इघष्व
 - C. Enhancing forest and wildlife conservation / अष् ङ्घ औन्ह्रञ ढ्राग्रहरू इझ 🛘 प्रवञ्जव व्हुष्व
 - D. Promoting satellite-based weather forecasting / क्ष्रह्रण र १वष्रघ्र् रक्रद्रख ह्ल्फ्रक्रक्रक्र इझा □ प्रवञ्चव व्हुष्व

- Where was India's first vertical bi-facial solar plant inaugurated?
- क्रव्रघल इव हणचव अक्षेत्रहं च । वस-। इंक्ष्ट्र गच ढ्ञघ ढ्राग्रह्म इणक्रा क्ष्ट्रत्व ब्ष्ट्र अहं गव एंगवं?
- - B. Okhla Vihar Metro Station / इन द चून श्रेन्नणक्रम खम्मुह्म क्ट्र ए

 - D. Chennai Central Station / देक्ट क्रूब्स्स्रा क्ट्रेंड्

- What was the significance of 19th February in Indian history?
- 19 🛮 घञघह क्रवघल्हग स्ऋण्यवद् रक्ष्य्र इसारायपुट्ट स्सूब प्रारी
- A. Birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose / ष्ड्रेल्व्रन्ह द्धक्रवड्ड द्क्षन इह न ग्रक्तह

 - C. Birth anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj / ६ द्रुह्श्रल श्रूट अव्रन्ह खणक्रक्र इह न ग्रहेन्ह
 - D. Formation of Indian National Army (INA) / क्रव्रघल्ह्य घ्रवी देह्य दूड्ड् (INA) इव एभ्रष्ट

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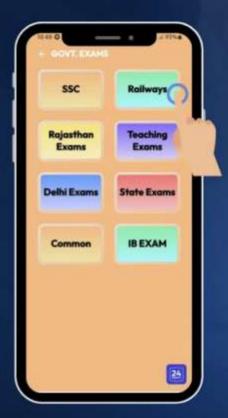
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