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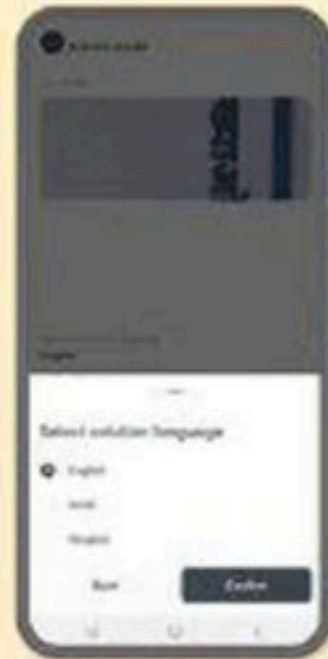
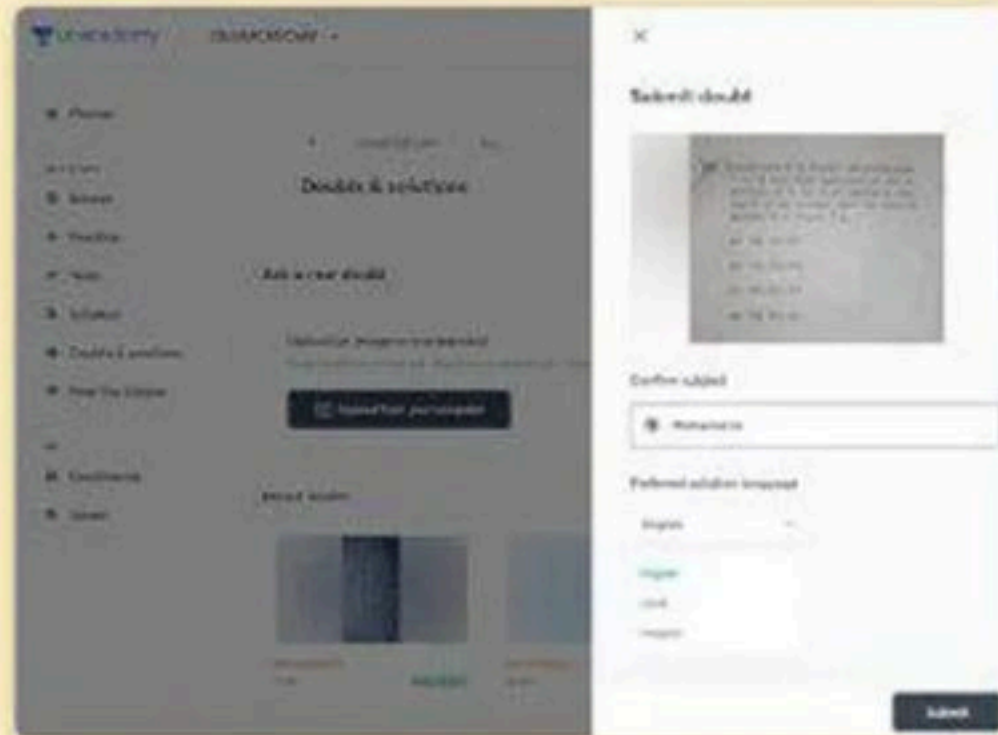
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# NOVEMBER 2021 - CURRENT AFFAIRS

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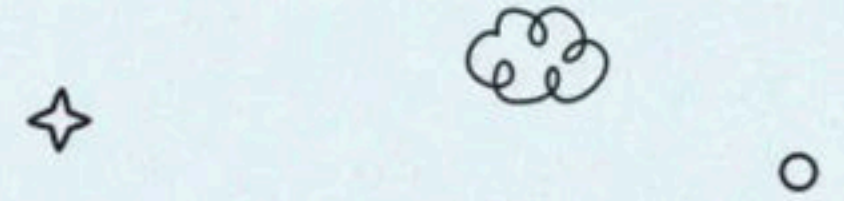
## ABOUT ME

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At COP26, PM Modi has announced India's commitment to achieving net-zero carbon by

- A. 2047
- B. 2050
- C. 2060
- D. 2070





Correct answer: D

At Glasgow, India upscaled its renewable energy ambitions, pledged to reduce the carbon intensity of its economy by 2030 and announced that it will be a net-zero emissions economy by 2070.



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Mannu Bhandari passed away recently. She was a/an

- a. Actress
- b. Novelist
- c. Cricketer
- d. Politician



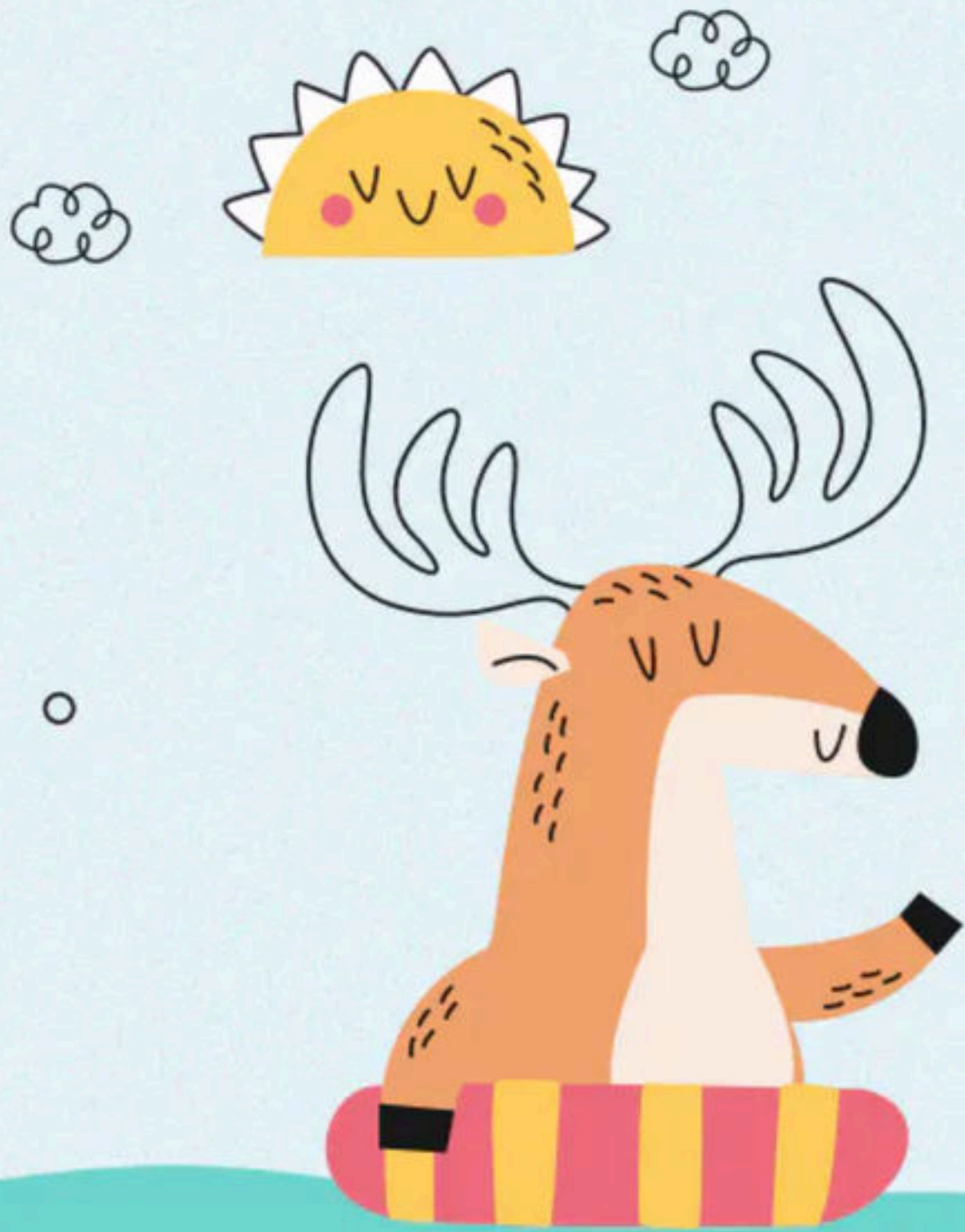


Correct answer: B

She was a Hindi novelist known for her novels Aapki Banti, Mahabhoj and Yahi Sach Hai.

there is a chapter 'Ek kahani Yeh bhi' in CBSE Class 10 - Hindi Kshitiz.





The name of Habibganj Railway station has been changed to Rani Kamlapati station. This is situated in

- A. Varanasi
- B. Bhopal
- C. Ahmedabad
- D. Patna



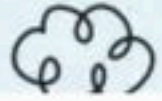
Correct answer: B

PM Modi inaugurated the station which has been redeveloped at around Rs 100 cr with private participation.

### **Who was Rani Kamlapati?**

She was the widow of Nizam Shah whose Gond dynasty ruled the then Ginnorgarh, 55 km from Bhopal. In the 18th century, Nizam Shah built the famous seven-storeyed Kamlapati Palace in Bhopal.





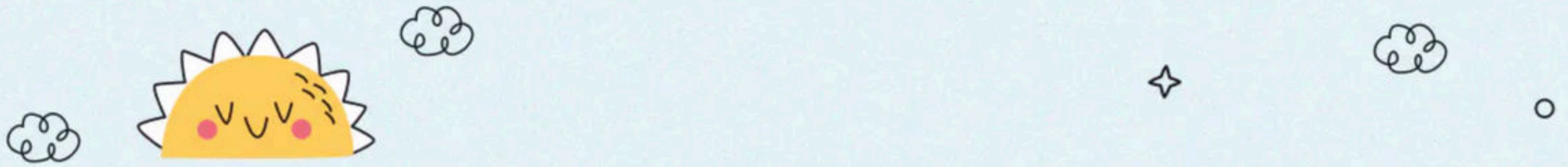
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PM Modi met Pope of the Vatican during his visit on G20 annual summit. Who is the current Pope?

- A. Paul IV
- B. John Paul II
- C. Pope Pius XII
- D. Pope Francis

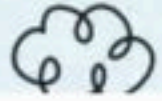




Correct answer: D

When PM Modi called on Pope Francis head of the sovereign of the Vatican City State, he had become the fifth Indian Prime Minister to have visited the head of Roman Catholics, the largest religious denomination in the world.





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Mesh is a project that includes the ability to allow holoportation is of

- A. Google
- B. Facebook
- C. Microsoft
- D. Apple





## C. Microsoft

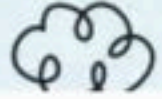
These are the following projects by renowned companies to provide teleportation and holoportation bringing mixed reality to life.

Google - Project Starline

Facebook - Metaverse or Meta

Microsoft - Mesh





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Recently, Parag Parekh has been appointed the CEO of twitter.  
Find among the following which is NOT a correct match?

CEO - Company

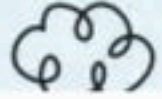
1. Satya Nadella - Microsoft
2. Sundar Pichai - Google
3. Shantanu Narayen - Adobe
4. B G Naresh - IBM



Correct answer: D

Chairman & CEO - Arvind Krishna





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Which country first detected the Omicron variant of Coronavirus?

- A. Brazil
- B. South Africa
- C. Russia
- D. England



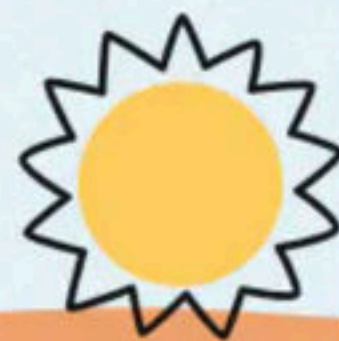
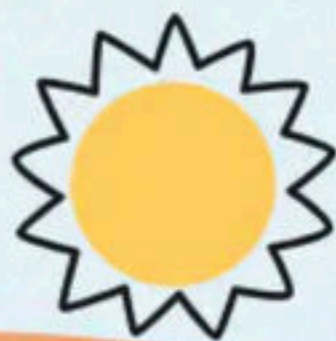


Correct answer: B

WHO has classified a new variant of SARS-CoV-2 Omicron as a 'variant of concern'.

It belongs to lineage named B.1.1.529

Omicron has been derived from the 16th letter of the Greek alphabet.





PM Modi laid the foundation stone of Noida International Airport at **Jewar, UP**. This project is being constructed by the company based in

- A. India
- B. Switzerland
- C. France
- D. Israel





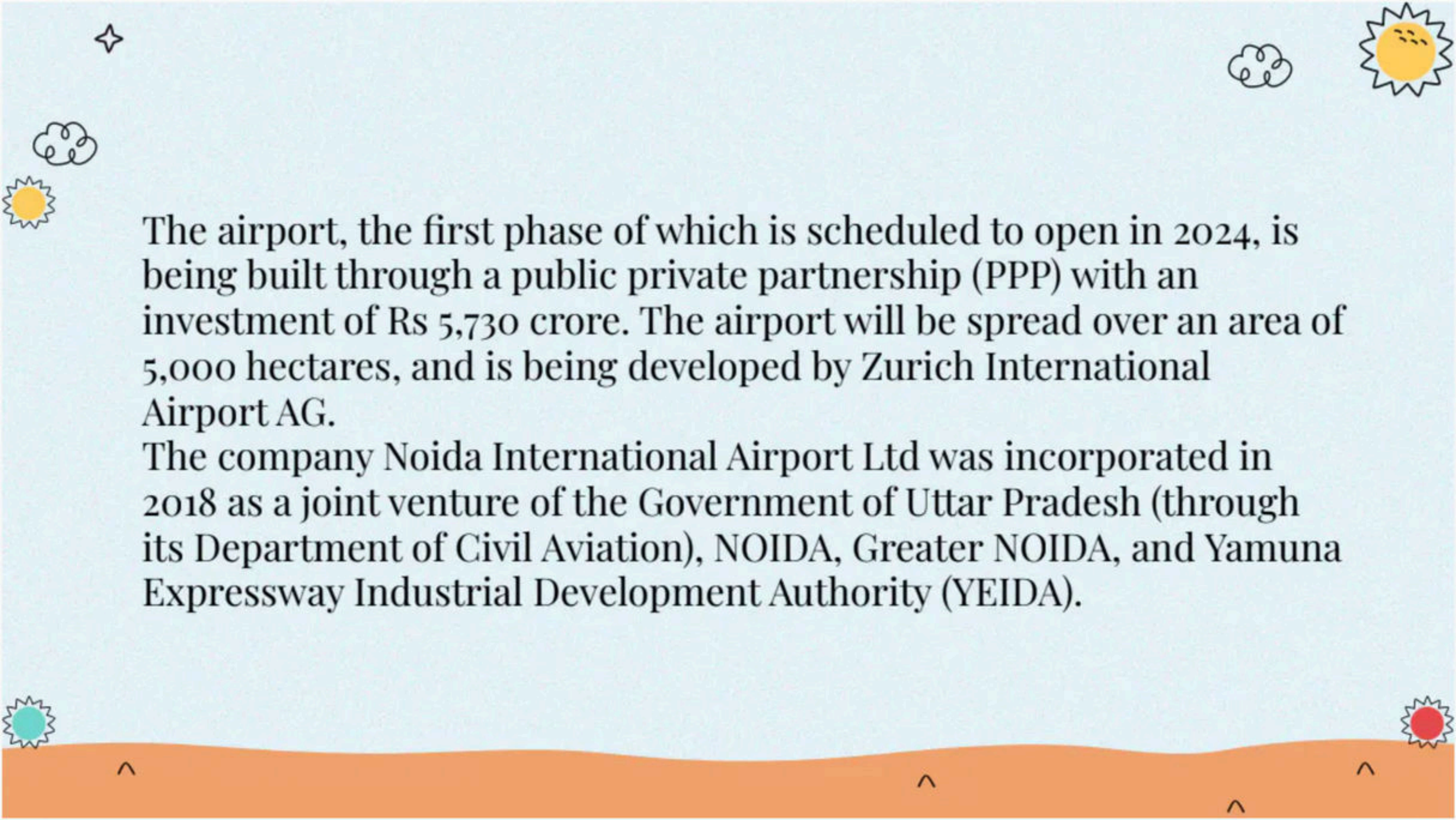
Correct answer: B

Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of the Noida International Airport (NIA) at Jewar, Uttar Pradesh on Thursday.

The project is part of the government's plan to expand existing airports and build new ones to both air traffic and growth of regional air traffic in the congested metros.

Imminent saturation of the existing Indira Gandhi International Airport in Delhi presents a case for a second airport in the National Capital Region to handle the future traffic projections.





The airport, the first phase of which is scheduled to open in 2024, is being built through a public private partnership (PPP) with an investment of Rs 5,730 crore. The airport will be spread over an area of 5,000 hectares, and is being developed by Zurich International Airport AG.

The company Noida International Airport Ltd was incorporated in 2018 as a joint venture of the Government of Uttar Pradesh (through its Department of Civil Aviation), NOIDA, Greater NOIDA, and Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA).



A concession agreement was signed in 2020 with the concessionaire, Yamuna International Airport Private Limited (YIAPL), an SPV of the bid-winner Zurich International Airport AG.

In 2019, the Swiss company offered a bid of Rs 400.97 per passenger and emerged as the winner, outbidding infrastructure players such as the Adani Group.

In early December last year, Zurich Airport International selected a consortium consisting of Nordic, Grimshaw, Haptic, and STUP as the architects to design the passenger terminal of the airport.





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Xiomara Castro has become the first woman president of

- A. Haiti
- B. Hawaii
- C. Honduras
- D. Bahamas





correct answer: C





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Virgil Abloh passed away at age 41 because of cancer. He was a

- A. Fashion designer
- B. Singer
- C. Footballer
- D. Basketball player





Correct answer: A



Virgil Abloh a leading designer whose ground-breaking fusions of streetwear and high couture made him one of the celebrated tastemakers in fashion and beyond, has died of cancer.

He was 41. Abloh's death was announced by the luxury group LVMH (Louis Vuitton Moët Hennessy) and Abloh's own Off- White label, which he founded in 2013.



Abloh was the artistic director for Vuitton's Louis menswear, but his ubiquitous, consumer-friendly presence in culture was wide-ranging and dynamic.

In 2018, Abloh became the first Black artistic director of men's wear at Louis Vuitton in the French design house's storied history.







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Which Indian city has become one of 49 cities worldwide to join the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN)?

- A. Jodhpur
- B. Surat
- C. Srinagar
- D. Lucknow





Correct answer: C

SRINAGAR has become one of 49 cities worldwide to join the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN). With this, the UCCN is now an exclusive club of 295 cities from across 90 countries that invest in culture and creativity—crafts and folk art, design, film, gastronomy, literature, media arts, and music to advance sustainable urban development.



Five Indian cities are already in the list— Mumbai (film), Hyderabad (gastronomy), Chennai (music), Varanasi (music) and Jaipur (crafts and folk art).





Kashmir is famous for handicraft products - such as textiles, carpets, crewel embroidery, silverware, tourism, papier-mache.

The best quality shawls in the world are still made of Pashmina.





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How many conventional diesel-electric submarines classified as SSKs does India have currently?

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 15
- D. 16



✦ Correct answer: D

After the commission of INS Vela, India has 16 conventional diesel electric submarines as SSKS, and one nuclear ballistic submarine, classified as SSBN.

Of the SSKS, four are Shishumar Class, which were bought and then built in India in collaboration with the Germans starting 1980s; eight are Kilo Class or Sindhughosh Class bought from Russia (including erstwhile USSR) between 1984 and 2000; and four are Kalvari Class Scorpene submarines built at India's Mazagon Dock in partnership with France's Naval Group, earlier called DCNS.

The SSBN, INS Arihant, is a nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine, built indigenously. A second SSBN, **INS Arighat**, an upgraded version of Arihant, is likely to be commissioned within the next few months.

Most of India's submarines are over 25 years old, and many are getting refitted.



## What is the history of India's submarine acquisition?

India got its first submarine, INS Kalvari of the Foxtrot Class, from the USSR in December 1967. By 1969, it had four of those. During the 1971 war with Pakistan, the submarines were baptised into war.

Between 1971-74, India bought four more Foxtrot Class submarines. The eight Foxtrot submarines were a "good number at that point of time" and were "doing a great job, as contemporary as we could operate at that time", said Commodore (retired) Anil Jai Singh, who commanded four submarines, served in the Directorates of Naval Plans and Submarine Acquisition at Naval Headquarters, and was involved in drafting the Navy's 30-year submarine construction plan.





After 1974, India did not get new submarines for a decade. In 1981, it signed a contract to buy two Type 209 submarines from West Germany.

While two others were to be assembled at Mazgaon Dock. These formed the **Shishumar Class**, the first of which was commissioned in 1986. submarines built in India were also commissioned.

Parallely, Russia offered India its Kilo Class submarines. Singh, who was in the commissioning crew the first Kilo Class submarine India got, INS **Sindhughosh** in 1986, said it was "probably the first time these boats were seen in the West".





Between 1986 and 1992, India got eight submarines from the USSR and the two from Germany. In 1992 and 1994, two German sub-adding up to 12 new submarines in eight years from 1986.

India bought two more Kilo Class submarines from Russia in 1999 and 2000, taking the total submarine fleet to around 20. Soon after, the older Foxtrots started getting decommissioned.

Of the ten Kilo Class submarines, INS Sindhurakshak sank off Mumbai after explosions caused by fire. Last year India gifted INS Sindhuvir to Myanmar.





## REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

The LEADS - Logistics Ease Across Different States 2021 Index was recently published by Ministry of Commerce & Industry. Which of the following states has topped this index?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Gujrat
- C. Haryana
- D. Assam





correct answer: B

- Gujarat, Haryana and Punjab were emerged as best performing states with respect to mobility of goods and efficiency of logistics chain.
- The index of 2021 provided ranking to states on the basis of logistics infrastructure.



LEADS 2021 has analysed domestic and EXIM logistics ecosystem across the states.





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which of the following states celebrates its statehood day on 9 November?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Uttar Pradesh
- C. Uttarakhand
- D. Maharashtra





correct answer: C

Uttarakhand Foundation Day is being observed on November 9. The day is celebrated annually to mark the formation of 27<sup>th</sup> state of India.



○ State of Uttarakhand is known as 'Land of Gods'. It has very rich natural resources like glaciers, snow-clad mountain peaks, rivers and dense forests. It also has four most sacred and revered Hindu temples called as Char Dham of Uttarakhand namely Badrinath, Kedarnath, Gangotri and Yamunotri.





Recently toxic foam was formed on the water surface of Yamuna. The main toxic component is

- A. Nitrate
- B. Phosphate
- C. sulphate
- D. carbon dioxide





Correct answer: B

Phenomenon of froth formation takes place on several lakes and streams. These Foam bubbles are produced on the decomposition of organic matter.



- Major reason behind froth formation is presence of phosphates and surfactants in untreated sewage generating from Delhi, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh. Phosphates and Surfactants components comprise of 1 percent of the froth, while 99 percent is air and water.





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HARBINGER 2021- Innovation for Transformation' is the first global hackathon conducted by

- A. ISRO
- B. Ministry of Defence
- C. DRDO
- D. RBI





Correct answer: D

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) organised its first global hackathon called '**HARBINGER 2021–Innovation for Transformation**' focusing on digital payments.

- Through this hackathon, RBI seeks ideas on easy-to-use, innovative, non-mobile digital payment solutions to convert small-ticket cash transactions into digital mode to remove physical act of payment. It also seeks to develop alternate authentication mechanism for digital payments. Under the hackathon, RBI will also seek social media analysis monitoring tool to detect digital payment fraud and disruption.





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When is Legal Services Day observed in India?

- A. 5 November
- B. 9 November
- C. 12 November
- D. 15 November





correct answer: B

The National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) celebrates Legal Services Day on November 9 annually in India.





## ABOUT NALSA

NALSA was constituted in 1995 in accordance with the Legal Services Authorities Act 1987.

It undertook the activities like free legal aid and advice to the needy. ✨

- It disposes off the cases through mediation and amicable settlement.

NALSA was set up with the objective of minimizing the backlogs of courts in India and afford access to justice for the needy. ○





Consider the following statements about the Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme MPLAD scheme.

1. The MPLAD scheme was launched in 1993.
2. The scheme is under the control of Ministry of Rural Development and Planning.
3. Under MPLADS scheme, MPs are entitled to spend Rs 5 crore annually.
4. MPLAD funds cannot be used to implement any other scheme.



Find the correct statement(s).

- A. Only 1
- B. 1 and 3
- C. 1, 2 and 4
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4





## WHY IN NEWS?

correct answer: b

- The MPLAD scheme was suspended in April 2020 and its funds were subsumed in the consolidated fund of India.
- It was suspended for two financial years that is, 2020-21 and 2021-22. ✨
- However, as the covid-19 pandemic situation has improved and economy is recovering, Government announced a partial rollback.
- ● Till further announcement, MPs will get Rs 2 crore annually, instead of approved Rs 5 crore.





## ABOUT THE SCHEME

The MPLAD scheme was launched in 1993.

It enables Members of Parliament (MPs) to recommend development works within their constituencies.



- The scheme emphasis on creation of durable community assets on the basis of locally felt need. Durable assets of national priorities and community needs include primary education, drinking water, roads, public health and sanitation etc.





Initially the scheme was under the control of Ministry of Rural Development and Planning. However, it was transferred to the **Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation in October, 1994.**

- Under MPLADS scheme, MPs are entitled to spend Rs 5 crore annually.
- MPLAD funds can also be used to implement schemes like Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Sansad Aadarsh Gram Yojana, Accessible India Campaign (Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan) and conservation of water through rain water harvesting etc.
- On the line of MPLADS, several states have launched schemes called Member of Legislative Assembly Local Area Development Scheme (MLALADS).





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when is World Science day observed?

- A. 9 November
- B. 10 November
- C. 15 November
- D. 20 November





correct answer: B

World Science Day for Peace and Development is observed on November 10, every year to highlight importance and relevance of science in our daily lives.

2021 Theme- **'Building Climate-Ready Communities'**





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Which country has joined the International Solar Alliance as a member country in November?

- A. Spain
- B. The USA
- C. New Zealand
- D. Iran





correct answer: B

United States of America (USA) became the 101st member country to join International Solar Alliance (ISA).



- USA joined ISA as member country to accelerate the global adoption of solar energy.
- This announcement was made at UNFCCC COP26 on November 10, 2021.





## ABOUT ISA

ISA is an alliance of 124 countries. It was initiated by India.

Most of the member countries are sunshine countries, lying either partly or completely between Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn.



- This alliance was launched with the objective of working for efficient consumption of solar energy and reduce dependence on fossil fuels.

It was first proposed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in November 2015. It is a treaty-based inter-governmental organization. It is the largest grouping of states across the world.





**ISA has headquarters in Gurugram, India.** Its foundation stone was laid by Narendra Modi, and French President Francois Hollande in 2016.



Countries that do not lie within the Tropics can also join ISA and enjoy all benefits as other members. However, they do not get voting rights.





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World's longest bi-lane road tunnel called "Sela Tunnel" is being built in

- A. Ladakh
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Arunachal Pradesh
- D. Bihar





correct answer : C



World's longest bi-lane road tunnel called "Sela Tunnel" is being built on Balipara-Charduar-Tawang (BCT) road by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO), under Project Vartak.

It is being constructed on 317km long BCT road. The BCT road connects East Kameng, West Kameng, and Tawang districts of Arunachal Pradesh to the rest of India.



- Sela Tunnel is an under-construction road tunnel, being constructed at 3,000 metres. It is being built to provide all-weather connectivity between Guwahati in Assam and Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh. It is being excavated below the 4,200 metres Sela Pass on NH 13 section of Trans-Arunachal Highway system.





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e-AMRIT portal was launched at the ongoing COP26 Summit in Glasgow, UK. It has been developed to improve \_\_\_\_\_

- A. transportation
- B. drinking water
- C. education
- D. sanitation





correct answer: A  
e-AMRIT portal stands for “**Accelerated e-Mobility Revolution for India’s Transportation**”.

○ This web portal was developed by NITI Aayog in association with the UK government as part of India-UK Joint Roadmap 2030.

The e-AMRIT portal was launched with the aim of creating awareness regarding electric mobility in India. It has been developed as a ‘one-stop site’ containing all the information regarding adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) in India.





what is India's rank in Climate Change Performance Index 2022?

- A. 10th
- B. 25th
- C. 50th
- D. 55th





correct answer: A



German-watch in collaboration with Climate Action Network (CAN) and New Climate Institute, published the “Climate Change Performance Index 2022” on November 10.

- In the index, India maintained its 10th rank.
- India continued to be among top-performing countries within G20.



It analyses countries in four categories comprising of 14 indicators:

1. Greenhouse gas emissions (40 per cent of total score),
2. Renewable energy (20 per cent),
3. Energy use (20 per cent) and
4. Climate policy (20 per cent).





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11 November - National Education Day is observed to mark the birth anniversary of

- A. Dr. Homi J Bhabha
- B. Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam
- C. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad
- D. Dr B R Ambedkar





Correct answer: C

National Education Day is celebrated on November 11, to mark the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.

Maulana Abul Azad was an Indian independence activist, writer, Islamic theologian, and a senior leader of Indian National Congress (INC).



- He became the First Minister of Education of Independent India and served from 1947 to 1958 in Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's cabinet.

At 35, he became the youngest person to serve as President of INC in 1923.







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COP26 was hosted by Glasgow, Scotland. which country is going to host COP27 in 2022?

- A. Peru
- B. China
- C. Egypt
- D. Brazil





correct answer: C

During COP26 conference in Glasgow, it was decided that Egypt will host COP27 United Nations Climate Change Conference in 2022.

- Egypt will host the conference in Red Sea resort of Sharm El-Sheikh.
- Apart from that, the **United Arab Emirates (UAE)** was selected to host **COP28** international climate conference in the year 2023.





## ABOUT UNFCCC

- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was signed at the United Nations Conference on Environment & Development in 1992.
- United Nations Conference on Environment & Development is also known as Rio Summit, Rio Conference or Earth Summit.
- UNFCCC is the parent treaty of the 2015 Paris Agreement as well as 1997 Kyoto Protocol.
- UNFCCC is headquartered in Bonn, Germany.





Shakti is an Army exercise between India and

- A. Srilanka
- B. USA
- C. France
- D. Israel





correct answer: c

- the sixth edition of Shakti 2021 was conducted from November 15 to November 26 in Frejus, France.





Crisis in Sahel region was in news recently. This is located in

- A. Pakistan
- B. África
- C. Gulf Countries
- D. China





correct answer: B



On November 12, 2021, UN peacekeeping chief warned that crisis in Africa's Sahel region is volatile because Insecurity & instability are undermining prospects for development and many lives are being lost every day because of terrorist attacks

- Sahel region of Africa is located between Sahara in the north and Sudanian savanna in the south. It is having a semi-arid climate and stretches across south-central latitudes of Northern Africa in between Atlantic Ocean and Red Sea.



G5 Sahel force was set up by five African nations namely, Chad, Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger and Mauritania. The force was set up in 2017 for fighting the growing terrorist threat in vast Sahel region.





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Padma Vibhushan Babasaheb Purandare took his last breath on November 15, 2021. He was a/an

- A. Writer
- B. Singer
- C. Social Activist
- D. Politician





correct answer: A

Babasaheb Purandare was a celebrated historian, author, and theatre personality.

His full name was Balwant Moreshwar Purandare.

He was famous for his work on Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. The author wrote several books on Shivaji Maharaj, his administration as well the forts from Shivaji's era.





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where is World's largest solar power park located?

- A. Madhya Pradesh
- B. Rajasthan
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Uttar Pradesh





correct answer: B

Bhadla Solar Park, located in Rajasthan, is the World's largest solar power park.

- It spans over 14,000 acres.
- The Park comprises of 10 million solar panels at the park. These solar panels contribute to an operational capacity of 2245 MW.

Park has a total capacity of 2245 MW. It had witnessed the lowest bid for solar power in India at Rs 2.44 per kilowatt-hour.





## RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY

National Thermal Power Corporation Limited announced the commissioning of the 115 MW of capacity at this solar park on February 22, 2017.

Currently, its full capacity is of 2,245 MW, making it world's largest solar park, with its investment rising to Rs 100 billion.





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We observed the first National Audit Diwas on

- A. 10 November
- B. 14 November
- C. 16 November
- D. 22 November





correct answer: C

Prime Minister, Narendra Modi addressed the event of first Audit Diwas on November 16, 2021.

- First edition of the Audit Diwas was celebrated to mark the historic origins of the institution of CAG and the contribution made by it to the governance, transparency and accountability.






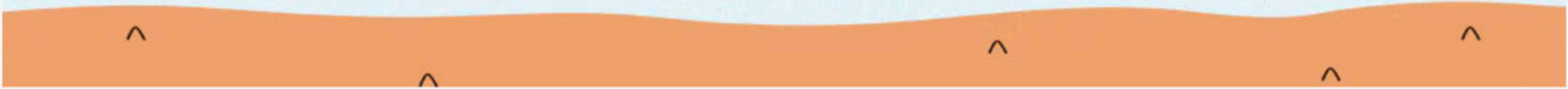
## ABOUT CAG

CAG is the Constitutional Authority in India. It was established in accordance with **Article 148** of the Constitution of India. CAG is empowered to Audit all receipts and expenditure of the central as well as state governments.

The CAG is the statutory auditor of Government-owned corporations. It conducts supplementary audit of government companies, where Government is having an equity share of 51 per cent.

Reports of the CAG are laid before Parliament or Legislatures. They are being taken up for discussion by Public Accounts Committees (PACs) and Committees on Public Undertakings (COPUs).

The CAG has been ranked at 9<sup>th</sup> place in the order of precedence. It enjoys same status as the sitting judge of Supreme Court.





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“Kaiser-i-Hind” has been approved the state butterfly of

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Assam
- C. Kerala
- D. Arunachal Pradesh





Correct answer: D

State Cabinet of Arunachal Pradesh, headed by Chief Minister Pema Khandu, approved “Kaiser-i-Hind” as state butterfly on November 13, 2021.



- Kaiser-i-Hind is scientifically known as *Teinopalpus imperialis*. In literal terms, it means Emperor of India. The butterfly is having a wingspan of 90–120 mm.

International Union for Conservation of Nature has red-listed the Kaiser-i-Hind.





Duare Ration scheme was in news in November. It has been launched in

- A. Uttarakhand
- B. West Bengal
- C. Assam
- D. Goa





correct answer: B

Chief Minister of West Bengal, Mamata Banerjee, inaugurated the “Duare Ration Scheme” on November 16, 2021.

- The Duare Ration (ration at doorstep) scheme is going to benefit around 10 crore people of the state.





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November 16 is observed as International Year of

- A. Humanity
- B. Unity
- C. sanitation
- D. Tolerance





correct answer: D

The International Day of Tolerance is observed every year on November 16.

- This day was declared by United Nations with the aim of creating public awareness on dangers of intolerance.





The theme of National Press Day was

- A. Information as a Public Good
- B. Who is Not Afraid of Media?
- C. Journalism without Fear or Favour
- D. Keeping Power in Check





correct answer: B

National Press Day is observed every year on November 16, to commemorate the presence of responsible and independent press in India



- National Press Day is celebrated in India as a day to commemorate the establishment of the Press Council of India.

Theme for National Press Day 2021 is 'Who is Not Afraid of Media?'





REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

Indian Railways has opened the first Pod retiring rooms for passengers at which station?

- A. New Delhi
- B. Mumbai
- C. Ahmedabad
- D. Indore





correct answer: B

Indian Railways has opened the first Pod retiring rooms for passengers of Indian Railways as well as common people, at the Mumbai Central station.



- As per senior Western Railway (WR) official, one is required to pay Rs 999 for 12 hours and Rs 1,999 for 24 hours to stay in this pod hotel.
- Pod hotel or capsule hotel comprise of small bed-sized capsules and provide affordable overnight accommodation.





## ABOUT POD HOTELS

- Pod hotels are a significant feature of international tourism in Japan. It allows travellers to find accommodation at cheaper rates as compared to conventional hotels.





The theme of World Toilet Day - 19 November 2021 was

- A. Valuing toilets
- B. Sustainable sanitation and climate change
- C. Leaving No One Behind
- D. When nature calls





Correct answer: A

World Toilet Day is observed on November 19, every year to raise awareness on importance of toilets and sanitation in our daily lives.

- Around 3.6 billion people across the world don't have access to a proper toilet.

Theme 2021- "Valuing toilets".





## REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

Which of the following articles in the Constitution gives the power to Parliament and State legislatures to repeal law(s)?

- A. Article 215
- B. Article 224
- C. Article 245
- D. Article 129





**correct answer: C**

- A. Article 215: High Courts to be courts of record
- B. Article 224 : Appointment of additional and acting Judges.
- C. Article 245 : Extent of laws made by Parliament and by the Legislatures of States
- D. Article 129 : Supreme Court to be a court of record





Article 245 of the Constitution which gives Parliament the power to make laws also gives the legislative body the power to repeal them through the Repealing and Amending Act. The Act was first passed in 1950 when 72 Acts were repealed.



### PROCESS OF REPEALING A LAW

Laws is repealed in two ways:

1. Through an ordinance : If an ordinance is not approved within 6 months of reassembly of parliament
2. Through legislation: Article 245 empowers the legislatures and Parliament.





The last time the Repealing and Amending provision was invoked was in 2019 when the Union government sought to repeal 58 obsolete laws.

The Repealing and Amending (Amendment) Bill is passed through the same procedure as any other Bills. It will have to cleared by both Houses of Parliament and the President would give his assent to make it a law.





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India's "Best Marine District" award 2021 was given to

- A.** Kochi
- B.** Balasore
- C.** Paradip
- D.** Munnar





Correct answer: B

On the occasion of **World Fisheries Day on November 21, 2021**, Balasore district in Odisha received India's "Best Marine District" award.

India has target to achieve Rs 1 lakh crore revenue from fisheries sector including marine products. India aims to produce 22 million metric tonnes of fish by 2024-25.





World Television Day is observed on

- A. 20 November
- B. 21 November
- C. 25 November
- D. 28 November





correct answer: B

World Television Day is observed on November 21 across the globe, to highlight the importance of television beyond an electronic tool. The day is not about celebrating the tool, but rather the philosophy represented by Television.

- ● During 80s, television helped in uniting India because many people used to gather in front of a single screen to watch iconic TV shows like Buniyaad, Hum Log, Ramayan, and Mahabharat.





## WHO INVENTED TELEVISION?

Television was invented in 1924 by a Scottish engineer, John Logie Baird.

In India, Television was introduced with the assistance of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) on September 15, 1959, in New Delhi.





REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

November 20 is observed as World \_\_\_\_\_ Day

- A. Children
- B. Youth
- C. Water
- D. Wildlife





correct answer: A

World Children's Day is observed on November 20, to promote feeling of togetherness among children.

Theme, 2021: **'A Better Future for Every Child'**





Which country hosted G7 Summit in November 2021?

- A. Rome
- B. Germany
- C. UK
- D. Brazil





correct answer: C

United Kingdom held the G7 Presidency in 2021.





Domestic exercise 'Sagar Shakti - 21' was conducted at

- A. Kutch
- B. Pune
- C. Visakhapatnam
- D. Jodhpur





correct answer: A

The Sagar Shakti Exercise was held from November 19 to 22, 2021 in creek sector of the Kutch peninsula along Sir Creek line.

- The exercise witnessed participation of the Indian Army, Indian Air Force, Indian Navy, Indian Coast Guard, Gujarat Police, Border Security Force, and the Marine Police.





## ABOUT SIR CREEK

Sir Creek was originally called as Ban Ganga. It is a 96-km tidal estuary in uninhabited marshlands of Indus River Delta, at the border between India and Pakistan.

The creek separates Gujarat state in India from Sindh province of Pakistan. ✨

- It flows into the Arabian Sea.





REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

NITI Aayog launched “Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Urban Index and Dashboard 2021-22”. Which city has topped it?

- A. Gandhinagar
- B. Shimla
- C. Gangtok
- D. Indore





correct answer: B

NITI Aayog launched “Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Urban Index and Dashboard 2021-22”. Shimla has topped the list of cities by scoring highest on the index.



- ● Coimbatore - 2nd
- Chandigarh - 3rd

Bottom ten urban areas in the index are: Faridabad, Kolkata, Agra, Kohima, Jodhpur, Patna, Guwahati, Itanagar, Meerut and Dhanbad.





## ABOUT THE INDEX

The SDG Urban Index & Dashboard (2021-22) was launched by NITI Aayog on November 23, 2021.

It ranks 56 urban areas on 77 SDG indicators across targets like zero hunger, ending poverty, quality education, good health and wellbeing, gender equality etc in the SDG framework.



The index and dashboard will help in strengthening SDG localization as well as institute robust SDG monitoring at the city level.



The index highlights strengths and gaps of ULB-level data, monitoring as well as reporting systems





Bharat Gaurav scheme is related to

- A. Inland Waterways
- B. Railways
- C. Roadways
- D. Airways





correct answer: B



**Indian Railways** has launched a new scheme called “Bharat Gaurav Scheme” on November 23, 2021.

Under this scheme, private tour operators can take trains on lease from railways and run these trains on any circuit of their choice.



- ● Private operators would also get the freedom to decide routes, fares and quality of services on the trains.
- For this purpose, railways have earmarked 3033 ICF coaches, roughly equal to 150 trains.
- ● Anyone including from trusts, societies, consortia and even state governments can apply to lease these trains and run them on special theme-based tourism circuits.





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When was “Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) launched?

- A. 2015
- B. 2018
- C. 2019
- D. 2020





Correct answer: D

PMGKAY was launched by government in **March 2020**, amid the outbreak of Covid-19.

○ Under this scheme, government started distribution of additional free-of-cost food-grains (rice/wheat) to around 80 crore beneficiaries of National Food Security Act (NFSA) (Antyodaya Anna Yojana & Priority Households) at the scale of 5 kgs per person per month.

○ So far, department has allocated about 600 Lakh Metric tonne food-grains to the states/UTs, which is equivalent to around Rs 2.07 lakh crores in food subsidy.





## WHY IN NEWS?

On November 24, 2021, central government has extended “Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) for four months. Phase 5 of the PMGKAY scheme started from December 2021 and end in March 2022.





The 15th edition of the biennial trilateral coast guard exercise between India, The Maldives and Sri Lanka was held in Maldives. It is called

- A. Dosti
- B. Yaari
- C. Saathiya
- D. Padosi





correct answer: A

- Year 2021 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> year of Dosti Trilateral Coast Guard Exercise.



- ● The Dosti Coast Guard Exercise was first launched in 1991. These exercises were bilateral earlier, involving Indian coast guard and Maldives Coast Guards. Sri Lanka joined these exercises in 2012 for the first time. Since then, it has become trilateral exercise.





REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

National Milk Day is observed on

- A. 19 November
- B. 21 November
- C. 26 November
- D. 28 November





correct answer: C



The National Milk Day is celebrated on November 26, every year.

The day is celebrated to honor **Dr. Verghese Kurien**, who is the father of India's White Revolution. It marks his birth anniversary.



- Dr Verghese Kurien is known as 'Father of the White Revolution' in India. Dr Kurien played a significant role in formation of Amul. It broke the local trade cartel 65 years ago.

This, it paved way for dairy co-operative sector to flourish in Gujarat. Dr Kurien served the Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF) in between 1973 to 2006.





Government of Andhra Pradesh, Union government and the World Bank have signed legal agreements for (SALT) project. What does L stand for?

- A. Livelihood
- B. Livestock
- C. Language
- D. Learning





correct answer: D

Government of Andhra Pradesh, Union government and the World Bank have signed legal agreements for a loan of \$250 million for the “**Supporting Andhra’s Learning Transformation (SALT)** project”.

- ● SALT project aims to improve the quality of learning for more than 50 lakh students in the state of Andhra Pradesh.
- Under this project, a one-year preschool-level course will be introduced in 3,500 schools in tribal blocks.
- Project has been launched with a five-year limit, starting from 2021-22 ○





# SALT PROJECT

SALT is the first of its kind innovative projects to train teachers, facilitate State-level assessment and establish an effective education management & information system.

It will help in providing universal access to quality education in the state.

- It will also support Andhra Pradesh in fulfilling its vision of transforming government schools into vibrant institutions which will focus on foundational learning for children.





STREET is a tourism project of

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Kerala
- C. Bihar
- D. J&K





Correct answer: B

Kerala Tourism has launched “STREET Project” at select spots across seven districts, in order to take tourism deep into the interiors and hinterland of the state.

- STREET is an acronym for “**Sustainable, Tangible, Responsible, Experiential, Ethnic, Tourism hubs**”.





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Kuno National Park is located in

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Odisha
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Chhattisgarh





correct answer: C

The Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh is set to get 13 African cheetahs in 2022.

Supreme Court expert committee had selected Kuno National Park as the habitat for African cheetah in January 2021.





Barbados has become the World's newest republic. It was a slave society of which colony?

- A. French
- B. British
- C. Spanish
- D. Italian





correct answer: B

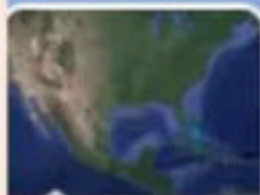
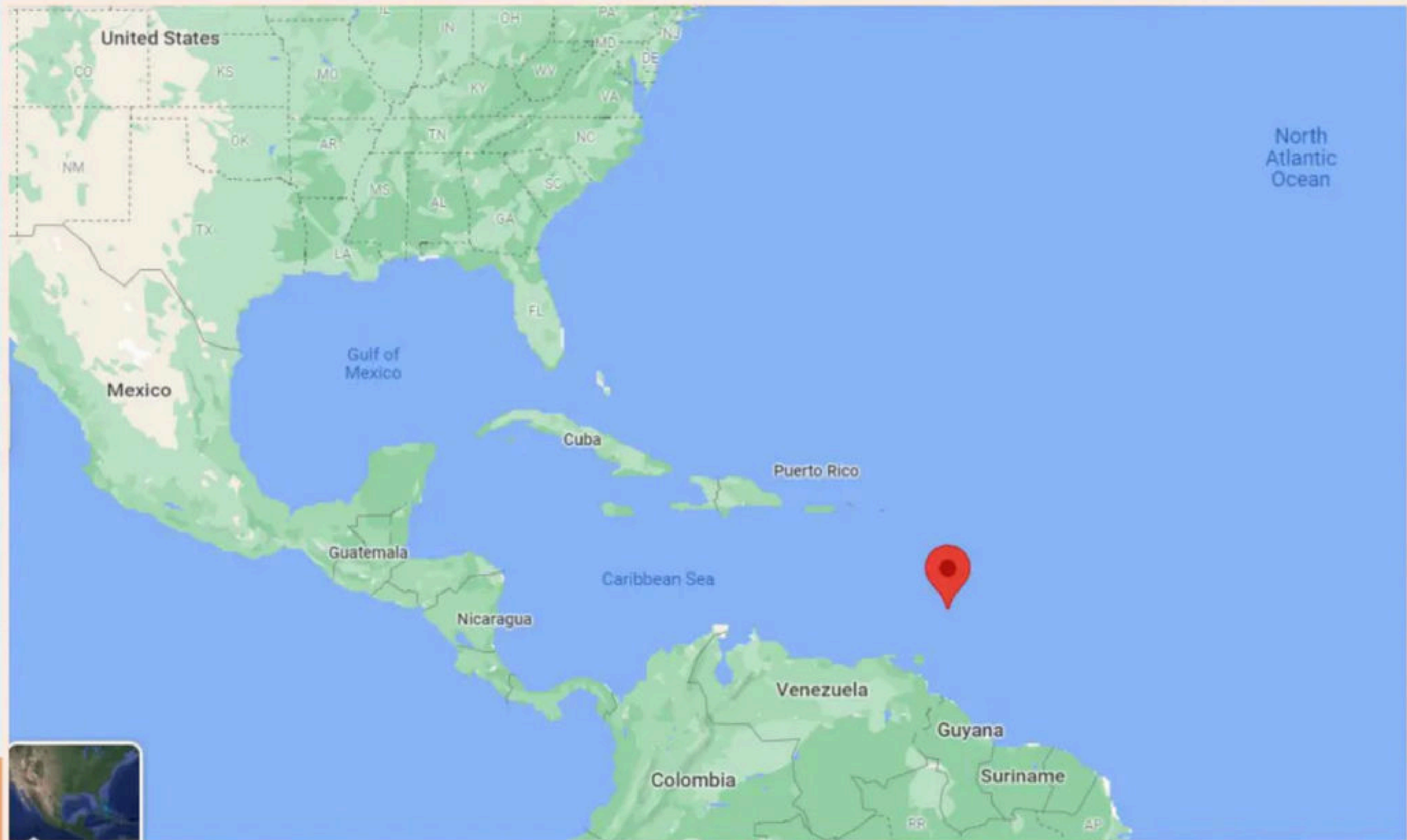
Barbados has become the World's newest republic, around 400 years after it became a British colony.

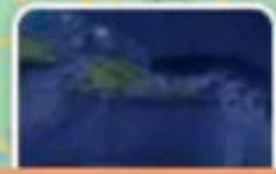
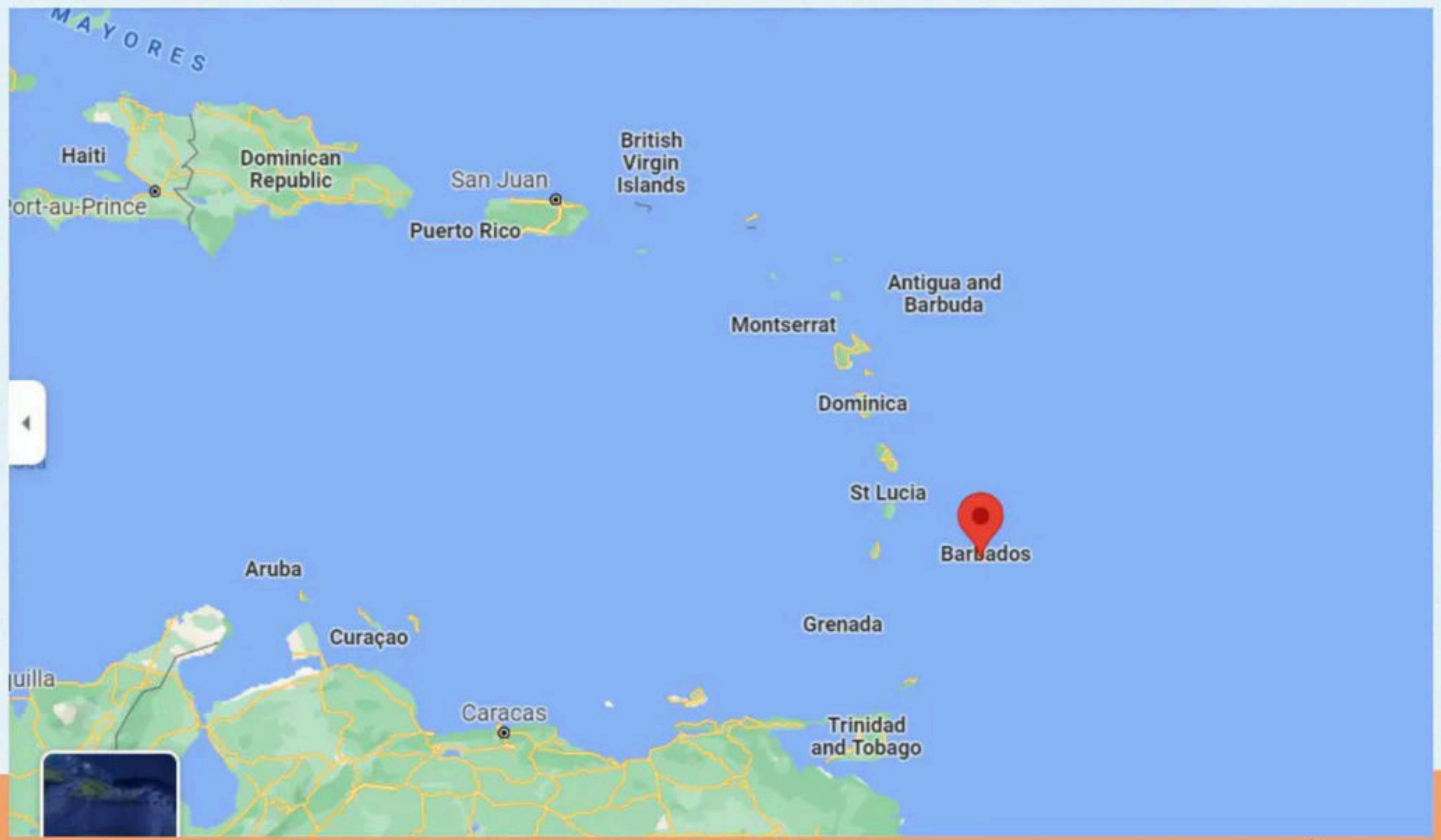


- Barbados, the Caribbean Island nation, removed Queen Elizabeth II as the head of the state.
- Dame Sandra Prunella Mason, took over as the President of Barbados.

Barbados is said to have been made a 'slave society' by the British. It first became an English colony in 1625. It gained its independence in 1966.  
Capital : Bridgetown









## NOTE

There are still many countries which consider the Queen of England the constitutional monarch of it.

There are 15 Commonwealth realms: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, The Bahamas, Belize, Canada, Grenada, Jamaica, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, the Solomon Islands, Tuvalu, and the United Kingdom.

Countries like India, South Africa, Guyana, The Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria, Kenya etc. used to be Former realms and Dominions that are now republics.





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Cherry Blossom is a famous flower festival of

- A. Meghalaya
- B. Sikkim
- C. Assam
- D. Manipur





correct answer: A  
Shillong's famous Cherry Blossom Festival 2021 was held from November 25 to 27, 2021 in Meghalaya.





Blue-Flag tag was in news in November. This certification is awarded by an organisation based in

- A. England
- B. Denmark
- C. Germany
- D. China





correct answer: B

The #BlueFlagtag or Blue Flag certification is one of the world's most recognised voluntary eco-labels. It is awarded to #beaches, marinas and sustainable boating tourism operators.



- The certification is awarded by the Denmark-based non-profit Foundation for Environmental Education or FEE. It is awarded annually to beaches and marinas in FEE member countries.

Total 10 beaches in India have received this tag.





## WHY IN NEWS?

Eden beach in Puducherry and Kovalam Beach in Tamil Nadu have been certified the Blue flag tag.





REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

Syukuro Manabe, Klaus Hasselmann and Giorgio Parisi have been awarded with 2021 Nobel Prize in

- A. Chemistry
- B. Physics
- C. Medicine
- D. Economics





correct answer: B

The Nobel Prize for Physics has been awarded to three scientists for groundbreaking contributions to the understanding of complex physical systems.



- Syukuro Manabe and Klaus Hasselmann were cited for their work in **“the physical modeling of Earth’s climate, quantifying variability and reliably predicting global warming”**.

The second half of the prize was awarded to Giorgio Parisi for “the discovery of the interplay of disorder and fluctuations in physical systems from atomic to planetary scales.”





## NOBEL PRIZE 2021



**CHEMISTRY:** Benjamin List of the Max Planck Institute and David MacMillan of Princeton University have received Nobel Prize in Chemistry. They were cited for their work in developing a new way for building molecules known as “**asymmetric organocatalysis.**”

**PEACE:** The journalists Maria Ressa of the Philippines and Dmitry Muratov of Russia, for their **fight to safeguard freedom of expression.** ✨

- Ms Ressa in 2012 co-founded Rappler, a news website that has focused critical attention on President Rodrigo Duterte's controversial, murderous anti-drug campaign.

○ Mr Muratov was one of the founders of the independent Russian newspaper Novaya Gazeta in 1993. Novaya Gazeta is the most independent newspaper in Russia today, with a fundamentally critical attitude towards power.







**Literature:** Abdulrazak Gurnah, first African to win Nobel Literature since 2003. His work focuses on colonialism and the trauma of the refugee experience

- **Economics:** David Card, Joshua Angrist and Guido Imbens for pioneering research on the labour market impacts of minimum wage, immigration and education, and for creating the scientific framework to allow conclusions to be drawn from such studies that can't use traditional methodology.



They used 'natural experiments' for their study.





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The 1st summit for Democracy was hosted by which country in 2021?

- A. UK
- B. USA
- C. China
- D. Rússia





correct answer: B





Traditional reed mats known as Waguw belong to

- A. Ladakh
- B. J&K
- C. Mizoram
- D. Sikkim





correct answer: B  
Traditional reed mats made in Kashmir that are locally known as Waguw have made a comeback after a gap of 20 years.



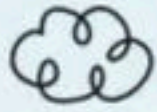


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ReTuna is World's first recycling mall established in

- A. China
- B. Germany
- C. Switzerland
- D. Sweden





correct answer: D

ReTuna is the world's first recycling mall. The mall is located in a small Swedish town called Eskilstuna. The mall sells only recycled items.







REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

World's largest Carbon capturing plant 'Orca' has become operational in September 2021. It is based in

- A. Finland
- B. Denmark
- C. Norway
- D. Iceland





Correct answer: D

The **Orca Plant in Iceland** is the world's largest carbon-capturing plant that sucks carbon dioxide directly from the air and turns it into stones.

- The plant permanently removes carbon dioxide from the air and can pull 4,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> every year.





Nusantara is going to be the new capital of which Asian country?

- A. Maldives
- B. Taiwan
- C. Philippines
- D. Indonésia





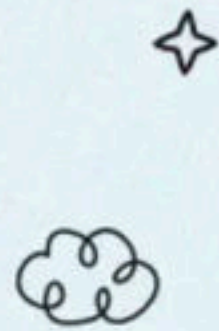
Correct answer: D

On January 18, Indonesia's Parliament approved a bill to relocate the country's capital from Jakarta to a new city to be built on the island of Borneo, named as Nusantara. The work of shifting will be done in 2022-45.



The decision followed growing concerns about the long-term sustainability of Jakarta. Jakarta has been the capital city since Indonesia independence. The city has 10 million and suffered from issues of over-crowding and heavy urbanisation. The city lies on the island of Java and has started sinking.





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Arif Khan is related to which sport?

- A. Lawn Tennis
- B. Badminton
- C. Cycling
- D. Sking





correct answer: D

Arif Khan, 31, a young Alpine Skier from the Kashmir valley, represented India at the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics.

Mr. Khan, the son of a ski tour operator from a hilly pocket of north Kashmir's Baramulla had been preparing for the last four years to realise his dream to participate in the Winter Olympics.



He finished at 45th position in giant slalom event .

In 2011, he had won two gold medals - in the slalom and giant slalom Alpine Skiing - at the South Asian Winter Games, the only edition held thus far







what is the name of Russia's first movie to be shot in space?

- A. Horizon
- B. Crystal
- C. Challenge
- D. Gorbachev





correct answer: C

Russian actor Yulia Peresild and director Klim Shipenko have finished shooting the space part of the movie 'Challenge' and returned to the Earth according to the schedule to make the world's first movie in orbit.



- Similar project was announced in 2020 by Hollywood starring Tom Cruise with the help of NASA and SpaceX.





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Norovirus (NoV) was first discovered in 1968 in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Niger
- B. USA
- C. South Africa
- D. Brazil





correct answer: B

Norovirus was first discovered in the US city Novak, South Dakota in 1968. Later several similar stomach infections were found and together they became NoroVirus.

It causes vomiting and diarrhoea in children and adults.

It is generally curable except in certain cases.





REFERRAL/UNLOCK CODE: PALLAVIYT

India's first Food museum has been inaugurated in

- A. Kochi
- B. Thanjavur
- C. Chennai
- D. Surat





correct answer: B

Thanjavur in Tamil Nadu has a new site in town, India's first food museum.

Established by the Food Corporation of India, this museum gives visitors a tour of agriculture, cuisines and food distribution systems in India.

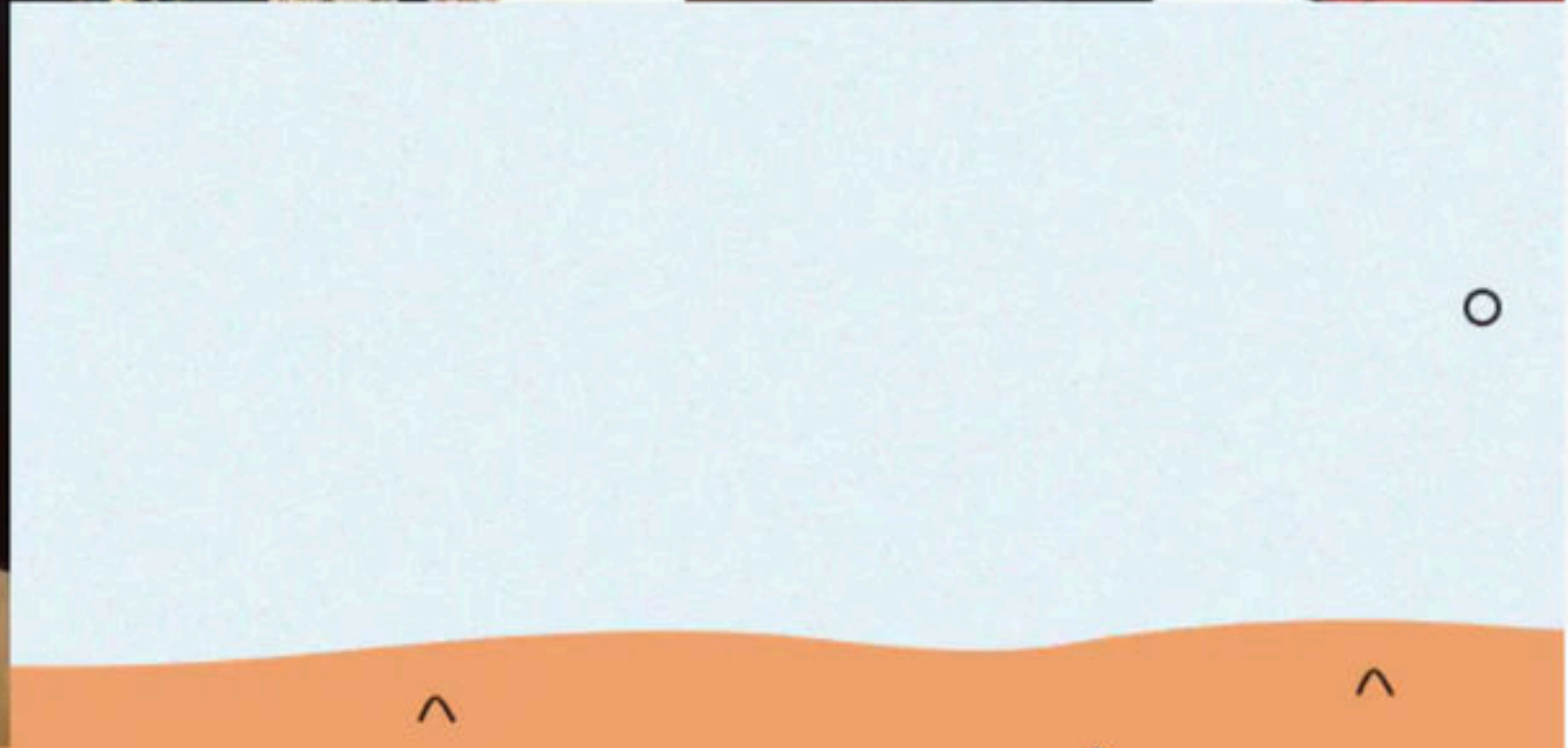
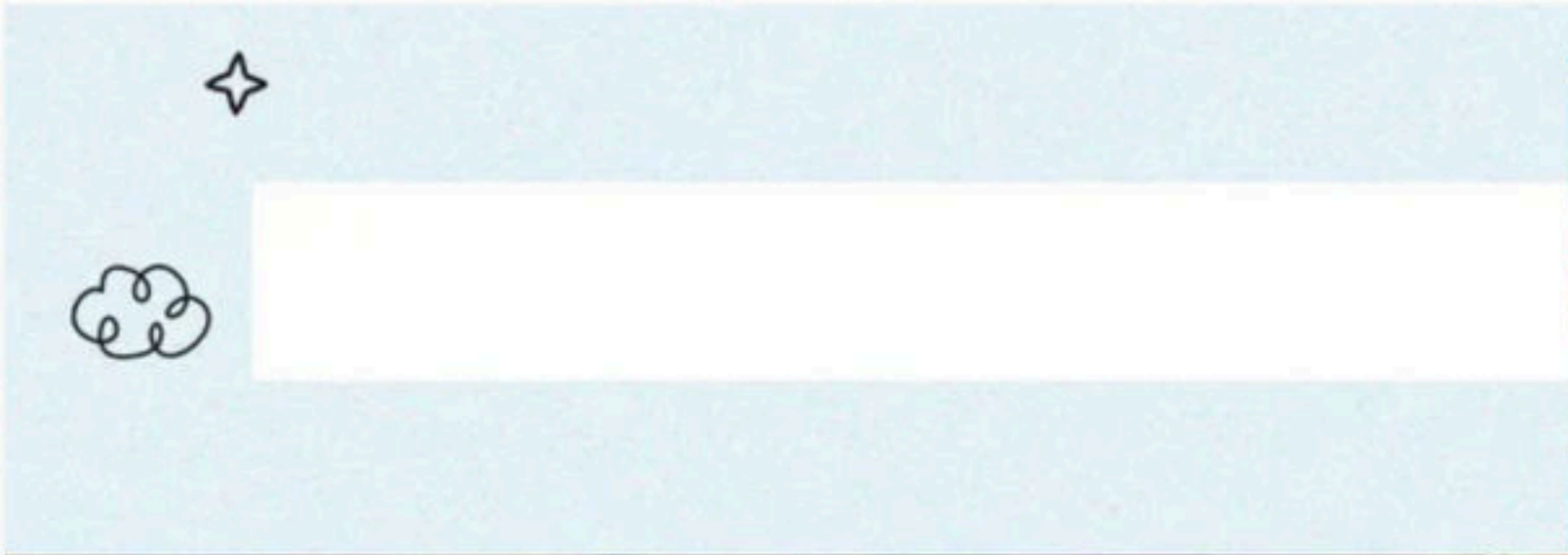


Using touch screens, virtual reality sets, projector screens and other interactables, visitors can journey through the process of food cultivation in the country and better understand what goes on our plates.



The museum which occupies a total of 1,860 square feet of space and was built at a cost of ₹1.1 crore, is a must visit for those interested in learning about India's culinary journey.





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