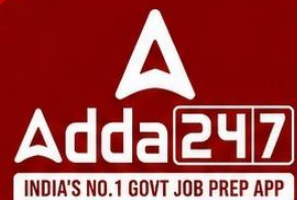


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Q1. Nita Ambani received the AAPI Humanitarian Award during the 44th Annual Convention & Scientific Assembly held in which city?

- (a) New York
- (b) Chicago
- (c) Tampa
- (d) San Francisco

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer: (c) Tampa

Solution:

- Nita Ambani received the AAPI Humanitarian Award and the Key to the City of Tampa in July 2026.
- The honours were presented during the 44th Annual Convention & Scientific Assembly of the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin held in Tampa.
- She was recognized for her philanthropic contributions to healthcare, education, sports, culture, and community development.

Information Booster:

- The AAPI Humanitarian Award is the highest honour conferred by the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin.
- It recognizes exceptional contributions to public welfare and humanitarian service.
- The Key to the City of Tampa was presented by Jane Castor.
- It is a symbolic civic honour awarded to individuals who have made an extraordinary contribution to society and humanity.

Additional Knowledge:

- Nita Ambani leads the Reliance Foundation, which works in the areas of:
 - Healthcare
 - Education
 - Rural transformation
 - Sports development
 - Arts and culture
 - Community empowerment
- The recognition reflects the growing global acknowledgment of Indian philanthropic leadership and its contribution to inclusive development.

Q2. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi's visit to India in July 2026?

1. The visit took place from 1 to 3 July 2026 for the 16th India–Japan Annual Summit.
2. During the summit, India and Japan announced 16 key outcomes to expand cooperation in areas such as AI, clean energy, critical minerals, and biotechnology.
3. The Japan–India Joint Economic Forum witnessed the inauguration of Maruti Suzuki's fourth vehicle manufacturing facility at Kharkhoda, Haryana.
4. Indian and Japanese companies signed 129 Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) worth ₹1 lakh crore.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Ans.(d)

Sol. Answer

(d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Solution

Explanation

- Statement 1 is correct because Sanae Takaichi visited India from 1–3 July 2026 to attend the 16th India–Japan Annual Summit.
- Statement 2 is correct as both countries announced 16 key outcomes covering cooperation in Artificial Intelligence (AI), economic security, clean energy, critical minerals, mobility, biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, and financial services.
- Statement 3 is correct because the Japan–India Joint Economic Forum witnessed the inauguration of Maruti Suzuki’s fourth vehicle manufacturing facility at Kharkhoda.
- Statement 4 is correct since Indian and Japanese companies signed 129 MoUs worth ₹1 lakh crore.

Information Booster

- Host: Narendra Modi
- Venue of Summit: Hyderabad House, New Delhi

Major Outcomes:

- 16 key cooperation initiatives
- 129 India–Japan business MoUs worth ₹1 lakh crore
- Announcement of the 4th India–Japan 2+2 Ministerial Meeting in Tokyo
- Announcement of the first India–Japan defence co-development project involving the UNICORN system for the Indian Navy

Additional Knowledge

- The Japan External Trade Organization promotes trade and investment between Japan and partner countries.
- India and Japan are Special Strategic and Global Partners with cooperation in:
 - Infrastructure
 - High-speed rail
 - Defence and maritime security
 - Semiconductors
 - Critical technologies
 - Clean energy
- The 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue involves the Foreign and Defence Ministers of both countries and focuses on strategic and security cooperation.

Q3. The ‘VIJAY’ transformation roadmap, unveiled in July 2026 by the Chief of the Army Staff (COAS), stands for Vigilance, Innovation, Jointness and Integration, Aatmanirbharta, and _____.

- (a) Youth First
- (b) Yodha First
- (c) Yojana First
- (d) Yatra First

Ans.(b)

Sol. Answer: (b) Yodha First

Solution:

- Dhiraj Seth, the 31st Chief of the Army Staff (COAS) of the Indian Army, unveiled the VIJAY transformation roadmap in July 2026.

- The roadmap is designed to build a technology-driven, future-ready, self-reliant, and multi-domain capable force.

- It aligns with the Ministry of Defence's Decade of Transformation (2023–2032) initiative.

Information Booster: The VIJAY framework consists of five pillars:

- V – Vigilance (border security and emerging threats).
- I – Innovation and Transformation (modern doctrine and technology-driven warfare).
- J – Jointness and Integration (tri-services synergy and whole-of-nation approach for Viksit Bharat 2047).
- A – Aatmanirbharta (self-reliant defence capabilities).
- Y – Yodha First (human capital development through training, skilling, and welfare of Agniveers, veterans, and Veer Naris).

Additional Knowledge:

- The roadmap was developed under the direction of the Chief of the Army Staff (COAS) and will be implemented across all operational commands of the Indian Army.
- It emphasizes digital transformation, indigenous defence technologies, joint military operations, and enhanced operational readiness to address future security challenges.

Q4. Keiko Fujimori, who won Peru's Presidential Election 2026, is the leader of which political party?

- (a) Peru Libre
- (b) Popular Force
- (c) Popular Action
- (d) Broad Front

Ans.(b)

Sol. Answer: (b) Popular Force

Solution:

- Keiko Fujimori won Peru's 2026 presidential election after a closely contested runoff.
- She is the leader of the Popular Force party.
- She is scheduled to assume office on 28 July 2026, succeeding José María Balcázar.
- With this victory, she becomes Peru's 10th President in a decade.

Information Booster:

- Keiko Fujimori is the daughter of former Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori.
- She served as the First Lady of Peru from 1994 to 2000 during her father's presidency.
- She was elected as a Member of Congress for Lima for the period 2006–2011.

Additional Knowledge:

- Keiko Fujimori has led the Popular Force party since 2010.
- She contested Peru's presidential elections four times: 2011, 2016, 2021, and 2026.
- She is one of the leading figures of the Fujimorism political movement in Peru.

Q5. AgniKul Cosmos signed an MoU with ICEYE to develop and launch which type of satellite systems?

- (a) Navigation satellites
- (b) Communication satellites
- (c) Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) satellites
- (d) Weather satellites

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer: (c) Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) satellites

Solution:

- Agnikul Cosmos signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with ICEYE in July 2026.
- The partnership aims to co-develop, launch, and operate an end-to-end Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) Earth observation ecosystem from India.
- The agreement was signed during the Bharat Innovates Summit held in Nice.
- The collaboration seeks to strengthen India's indigenous space capabilities and reduce dependence on foreign systems.

Information Booster:

- Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) satellites:
- Use radar instead of optical cameras.
- Capture high-resolution images regardless of cloud cover or day-night conditions.
- The partnership will:
- Establish satellite manufacturing in India.
- Launch satellites using AgniKul's indigenous rockets.
- Develop a repeatable satellite-to-launch model for Indian and global customers.

Additional Knowledge:

- Applications of SAR satellites:
- Disaster management.
- Border surveillance.
- Environmental monitoring.
- Defence and security.
- Agnikul Cosmos was established in 2017 and is based at Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- ICEYE specializes in SAR satellite technology for continuous Earth observation.

Q6. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved a USD 230 million loan for the modernization of water supply and sanitation infrastructure in which Indian city?

- (a) Bengaluru
- (b) Hyderabad
- (c) Chennai
- (d) Pune

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer: (c) Chennai

Solution:

- Asian Development Bank approved a USD 230 million loan (approximately ₹1,920 crore) for the Chennai Urban Water and Sanitation Modernisation Project.
- The project aims to modernize and expand the water supply and sanitation infrastructure in Chennai.
- It is aligned with the Government of India's AMRUT 2.0 and Urban Challenge Fund initiatives to strengthen urban infrastructure.

Information Booster:

- The project includes:
- Construction of 170 km of water pipelines.
- Upgradation of 7 water pumping stations.
- Modernization of 38 sewer pumping stations.
- Performance-based contracts to improve operational efficiency and sustainability.

Additional Knowledge:

- A major feature of the project is the introduction of a ring-main water distribution system.
- With this initiative, Chennai will become the first Indian city to implement a comprehensive ring-main water distribution network across its urban water system.
- The project supports improved water security, efficient distribution, and sustainable urban infrastructure development.

Q7. Air India signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in July 2026 with which company to strengthen India's Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) ecosystem?

- (a) Rolls-Royce
- (b) Lufthansa Technik
- (c) SIA Engineering Company
- (d) Boeing

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer: (c) SIA Engineering Company (SIAEC)

Solution:

- Air India signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with SIA Engineering Company (SIAEC) in July 2026.
- The partnership aims to strengthen India's Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) ecosystem and position the country as a global aviation MRO hub.
- The MoU was signed in Mumbai, Maharashtra by Campbell Wilson and Chin Yau Seng.

Information Booster:

- The collaboration aims to:
- Leverage SIAEC's technical and MRO expertise.
- Enhance Air India's maintenance capabilities.
- Explore a potential joint venture (JV) for India's growing aviation market.
- The partnership builds on earlier collaborations, including:
- A 12-year Inventory Technical Management (ITM) agreement for the Airbus A320 fleet (February 2024).
- SIAEC's role in developing Air India's Bengaluru base maintenance facility (May 2024).

Additional Knowledge:

- SIA Engineering Company is part of the Singapore Airlines Group.
- Singapore Airlines holds a 25.1% stake in Air India.
- Air India was founded by J. R. D. Tata in 1932 as Tata Airlines, was nationalized in 1953, and was reacquired by the Tata Group in January 2022.
- Following its merger with Vistara, Air India is co-owned by Tata Sons (74.9%) and Singapore Airlines (25.1%).

Q8. According to the Sustainable Development Report (SDR) 2026, what was India's rank among 167 countries?

- (a) 89th
- (b) 94th
- (c) 99th
- (d) 104th

Ans.(b)

Sol. Answer: (b) 94th

Solution:

- The 11th edition of the Sustainable Development Report (SDR) 2026, released by the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network, ranked India 94th among 167 countries.
- India scored 68.3 out of 100, achieving its highest-ever ranking in the report.
- India improved from 99th place in 2025 to 94th in 2026.
- Since 2015, India has climbed 18 places, from 112th to 94th, making it one of the fastest-improving economies in SDG performance.

Information Booster:

- Top three countries in SDR 2026:

1. Finland – 87.4
2. Sweden – 86.3
3. Denmark – 85.7

- India, however, ranked below Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, and Sri Lanka in South Asia.

Additional Knowledge:

- According to the report:
- Only 33.3% of India's Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) targets are expected to be achieved by 2030.
- Major challenges remain in 13 of the 17 SDGs, particularly:
- Zero Hunger (SDG 2)
- Good Health and Well-being (SDG 3)
- Gender Equality (SDG 5)
- Sustainable Cities and Communities (SDG 11)
- Climate Action (SDG 13)
- Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions (SDG 16)
- India recorded notable progress in Affordable and Clean Energy (SDG 7) and Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure (SDG 9) through expanded electricity access, internet usage, and broadband connectivity.

Q9. Which of the following Indian business leaders is NOT a founding member of the ITU's AI for Good Global Commission, launched in July 2026?

- (a) Mukesh Ambani
- (b) Sunil Bharti Mittal
- (c) Lakshmi N. Mittal
- (d) Nandan Nilekani

Ans.(d)

Sol. Answer: (d) Nandan Nilekani

Solution:

- The International Telecommunication Union launched the AI for Good Global Commission in July 2026 in Geneva.
- The Commission has 44 founding members and aims to strengthen global AI governance, inclusion, and innovation.
- The Indian business leaders among the founding members are:
- Mukesh Ambani
- Sunil Bharti Mittal
- Lakshmi N. Mittal

- Therefore, Nandan Nilekani is not among the founding members.

Information Booster:

- Objective: To ensure AI serves as a force for global good by promoting:
 - Trust in AI.
 - Digital inclusion.
 - Equitable access to AI technologies.
 - Reduction of the global digital divide.
- Leadership:
 - Co-Chairs:
 - Paul Kagame
 - Marc Benioff
 - Vice-Chair: Doreen Bogdan-Martin.

Additional Knowledge:

- Other prominent members include:
 - Jensen Huang
 - Brad Smith
 - Andy Jassy
 - Julie Sweet
 - Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala
- The International Telecommunication Union is the United Nations' specialized agency for information and communication technologies (ICTs).

Q10. The report "Strategic Roadmap for Making Ayurveda Global", released by NITI Aayog in July 2026, aims to transform Ayurveda into a globally recognized healthcare system by which year?

- (a) 2030
- (b) 2035
- (c) 2047
- (d) 2050

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer: (c) 2047

Solution:

- NITI Aayog released the report "Strategic Roadmap for Making Ayurveda Global" in July 2026.
- The report was prepared in collaboration with PricewaterhouseCoopers.
- It presents a phased strategy to transform Ayurveda into a globally recognized, evidence-based healthcare system by 2047, in line with the Viksit Bharat@2047 vision.
- The report was launched by Ashok Kumar Lahiri in New Delhi.

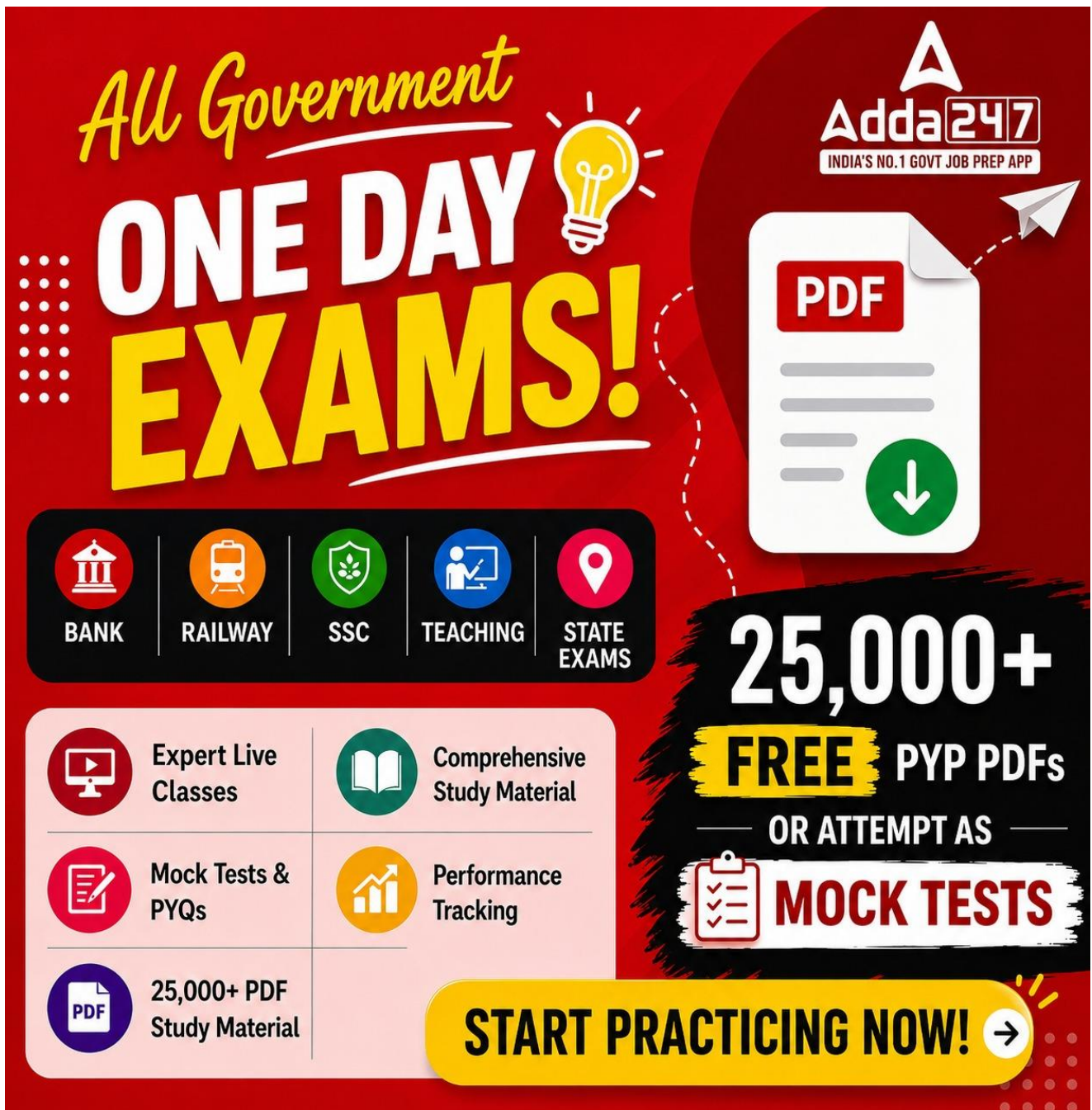
Information Booster:

- Objective:
 - Strengthen research and innovation.
 - Promote regulatory alignment.
 - Improve education and skill development.
 - Boost exports.
 - Enhance international collaborations.
- The roadmap is based on three pillars:
 - Availability – Global workforce, exports, research & development, education.

- Acceptability – Regulation, insurance coverage, collaborations, adaptability.
- Propagation – Branding, global visibility, medical value travel, and international engagement.

Additional Knowledge:

- The report was launched in the presence of:
- M. Srinivas.
- Rajesh Kotecha.
- The Ministry of AYUSH is responsible for promoting Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homoeopathy in India and globally.



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