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Key Highlights of Today's Current Affairs:

1. Appointment of Sashikumar Sreedharan as President of Sarvam AI
2. Delhi's first Yamuna River Cruise Service
3. Assam's First Defence Manufacturing Park
4. India's Unemployment Rate declines to 5.1%
5. Bank of Baroda inaugurates new Head Office in Guyana
6. MobiKwik subsidiary receives RBI approval as NBFC
7. Blackstone's ₹5,000 crore investment in IIFL Finance
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17. Book – Belonging: A Journey of Love

Topic 1 : Sashikumar Sreedharan appointed President of Sarvam AI

- Indian Artificial Intelligence company Sarvam AI appointed Sashikumar Sreedharan as its President and Chief Business Officer (CBO).
- Founded : August 2023.
- Headquarters : Bengaluru, Karnataka.

Sarvam AI – Profile

Particular	Information
Company	Sarvam AI
Appointee	Sashikumar Sreedharan
Positions	President & CBO
Founded	August 2023
Headquarters	Bengaluru, Karnataka

MCQ - 1

Who was appointed as the President and Chief Business Officer of Sarvam AI?

(1) Sashikumar Sreedharan
(2) Aravind Srinivas
(3) Nandan Nilekani
(4) Bhavish Aggarwal
(5) Sridhar Vembu

Answer : 1. Sashikumar Sreedharan

Topic 2 : Delhi launches first Yamuna River Cruise Service

- Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated Delhi's first recreational cruise service on the Yamuna River.
- Name : Namo Yamuna Cruise Safari.
- Route : Sonia Vihar to Jagatpur, Delhi.
- Project led by : Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI).
- Yamuna is designated as National Waterway-110 under the National Waterways Act, 2016.

Namo Yamuna Cruise Safari



Delhi | National Waterway-110

IWAI – Important Facts

- **Full Form :** Inland Waterways Authority of India
- **Role :** Statutory authority responsible for India's waterways
- **Established :** 27 October 1986
- **Headquarters :** Noida, Uttar Pradesh

MCQ - 2

In which state/Union Territory was India's first recreational cruise service, 'Namo Yamuna Cruise Safari', launched?

(1) Uttar Pradesh
(2) Haryana
(3) Delhi
(4) Uttarakhand
(5) Punjab

Answer : 3. Delhi

Topic 1 : Assam to Establish Its First Defence Manufacturing Park

- Assam Government, led by Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma, approved the state's first Defence Manufacturing Park.
- Location: Nellie in Morigaon district, near Jagiroad.
- The project aims to :
  (1) Strengthen defence manufacturing in Northeast India.
  (2) Create employment opportunities.
  (3) Improve the supply of military equipment near India's eastern borders.

Location to Remember

ASSAM
↓
Morigaon District
↓
Nellie
↓
Near Jagiroad



First Defence Manufacturing Park of Assam

MCQ - 3

At which location in Assam will the state's first Defence Manufacturing Park be established?

(1) Jagiroad in Morigaon
(2) Nellie in Morigaon
(3) Dispur in Kamrup Metropolitan
(4) Dibrugarh in Dibrugarh
(5) Tezpur in Sonitpur

Answer : 2. Nellie in Morigaon

Topic 2 : India's Unemployment Rate Declines to 5.1%

- Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) released the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) Quarterly Bulletin for July-September 2026.
- India's overall Unemployment Rate declined to 5.1%.
- Previous quarter (April-June 2026): 5.4%.

Important Statistical Comparison

Indicator	Previous Quarter	Current Quarter
Unemployment Rate (UR)	5.4%	5.1%
Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR)	54.6%	55.5%
Worker Population Ratio (WPR)	51.7%	52.7%

Additional Facts:

- Estimated employed population aged 15 years and above: 57.9 crore.
- PLFS launched: 2017.
- Conducted by: National Statistical Office (NSO).
- Purpose: Measures employment and unemployment conditions in India.

MCQ - 4

Which ministry released the PLFS Quarterly Bulletin reporting India's unemployment rate of 5.1% during July-September 2026?

(1) MoLE (2) MoF (3) MCA
(4) MSDE (5) MoSPI

Answer : 5. MoSPI

1. Bank of Baroda inaugurates new Head Office in Guyana

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Bank of Baroda

- Bank of Baroda (Guyana) Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda, inaugurated:
  - New Head Office
  - Georgetown Branch
  - Heritage Centre
- Location: Georgetown, Guyana
- Inaugurated by: Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali, President of Guyana
- Present: Debadatta Chand, MD & CEO of Bank of Baroda
- Bank of Baroda is the only Indian bank operating in Guyana. It has two branches in the country.

Exam Facts

Particular	Information
Bank	Bank of Baroda
Country	Guyana
Capital/Location mentioned	Georgetown
President of Guyana	Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Alii
BoB MD & CEO	Debadatta Chand
Branches in Guyana	2

Original MCQ – Q5

In which country did Bank of Baroda inaugurate its new Head Office?

1. Suriname
2. Trinidad and Tobago
3. Guyana
4. Mauritius
5. Fiji

Correct Answer: 3. Guyana

2. MobiKwik subsidiary receives RBI approval to operate as NBFC

MobiKwik™

- One MobiKwik Systems Limited announced that its wholly owned subsidiary received a Certificate of Registration from RBI.
- Subsidiary: MobiKwik Financial Services Private Limited (MFSPL).
- Approval: To operate as a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC).
- Regulatory authority: Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

Remember

MFSPL → RBI Certificate of Registration → NBFC

Original MCQ – Q6

Which subsidiary of One MobiKwik Systems Limited received RBI approval to operate as an NBFC?

1. MobiKwik Payments Pvt. Ltd.
2. MobiKwik Capital Services Ltd.
3. MobiKwik Digital Finance Ltd.
4. MobiKwik Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.
5. MobiKwik Fintech Pvt. Ltd.

Correct Answer: 4. MobiKwik Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.

3. Blackstone to invest ₹5,000 crore in IIFL Finance

Blackstone

- Global investment firm Blackstone agreed to invest ₹5,000 crore in IIFL Finance.
- Equity stake: 15.57%.
- IIFL Finance is an Indian Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC).

Blackstone – Important Facts

Particular	Information
Founded	1985
Headquarters	New York City, US
Chairman & CEO	Stephen Schwarzman

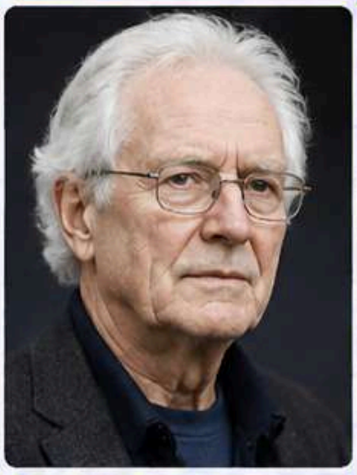
Original MCQ – Q7

How much did Blackstone agree to invest in IIFL Finance in exchange for an equity stake?

1. ₹4,000 crore
2. ₹4,500 crore
3. ₹5,500 crore
4. ₹6,000 crore
5. ₹5,000 crore

Correct Answer: 5. ₹5,000 crore

1. M. John Harrison wins 2026 Booker Prize



M. John Harrison
(81)

Winner – 2026
Booker Prize

- British author M. John Harrison (81) won the 2026 Booker Prize.
- Winning novel: The End of Everything.
- Genre: Dystopian satire novel.
- He became the oldest-ever winner in Booker Prize history.
- Award presented at: Old Billingsgate, London.
- Book length: 198 pages.
- It was the shortest book on the 2026 shortlist.

Booker Prize – Static GK

Particular	Information
Established	1969
Origin	United Kingdom
Organised by	Booker Prize Foundation
Prize Money	£50,000
About	Awarded annually for outstanding fiction originally written in English and published in the UK and/or Ireland.
Authors	Authors from any country can win.

Original MCQ – Q8

Who won the 2026 Booker Prize for the dystopian satire novel The End of Everything?

1. M. John Harrison
2. Salman Rushdie
3. Paul Lynch
4. Kazuo Ishiguro
5. Ian McEwan

Correct Answer: 1. M. John Harrison

2. 28th Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM 2026)

The Commonwealth

- The 28th CHOGM 2026 was held in St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda.
- Theme: Accelerating Partnerships and Investment for a Prosperous Commonwealth.
- Summit Chair: Gaston Browne, Prime Minister of Antigua and Barbuda.
- It is generally held once every two years.
- Host country rotates among Commonwealth member nations.

Commonwealth of Nations – Important Facts

Particular	Information
Founded	1931
Total Members	56
56th Member	Togo
Headquarters	London, United Kingdom
Secretary-General	Shirley Ayorkor Botchwey

Original MCQ – Q9

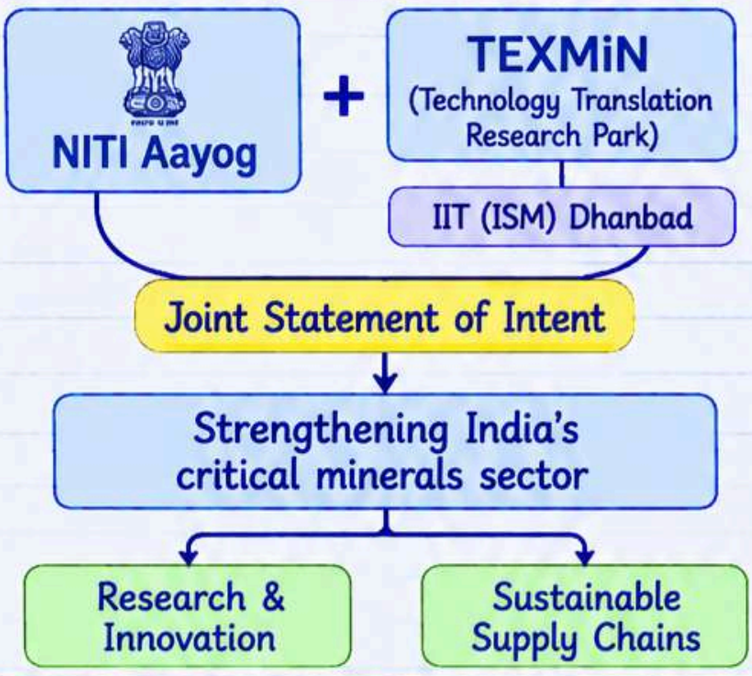
Which edition of the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) was held in St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda, in 2026?

1. 26th
2. 27th
3. 29th
4. 28th
5. 30th

Correct Answer: 4. 28th

NITI Aayog & Texmin: Critical Minerals

1. NITI Aayog and TEXMiN sign agreement



- NITI Aayog and TEXMiN (Technology Translation Research Park) at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad, Jharkhand, signed a Joint Statement of Intent.
- Purpose: Strengthen India's critical and strategic minerals sector.

Main Objectives

1. Promote indigenous technologies.
2. Encourage research and innovation.
3. Develop sustainable supply chains for critical minerals.
4. Support the National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM).
5. Support the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat and Viksit Bharat 2047.

2. Role of TEXMiN

Develops technologies involving:

- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Drones
- Robotics
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Automation



These technologies aim to make mining safer and more efficient.

3. National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM)

- Approved by Union Cabinet: 29 January 2025.
- Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Mines.
- Implementation Period: FY 2024–25 to 2030–31.
- Duration: 7 years.
- Outlay: ₹34,300 crore.

Objective:

Reduce India's dependence on imported critical minerals through:

- Domestic exploration.
- Mining and processing.
- Recycling.
- Acquisition of mineral assets abroad.

4. NITI Aayog – Important Facts

Particular	Information
Formed	1 January 2015
Headquarters	New Delhi
Chairperson	Narendra Modi
Vice Chairperson	Ashok Kumar Lahiri
CEO	Anurag Jain

NITI Aayog is the Government of India's apex public policy think tank. It is responsible for policy formulation, cooperative federalism and monitoring development programmes.

5. Original MCQ – Q10

Which organisation signed a Joint Statement of Intent with TEXMiN at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad to strengthen India's critical and strategic minerals sector?

1. NASSCOM
2. DRDO
3. NITI Aayog
4. ISRO
5. Ministry of Mines

Correct Answer: 3. NITI Aayog

Sports & Youth Olympic Games

1. Shourya Ambure wins historic bronze



SHOURYA AMBURE



- State : Maharashtra
- Event : Women's 100m Hurdles
- Timing : 13.59 seconds
- Record : Indian Under-18 National Record
- First Indian female track-and-field medal winner at the Youth Olympic Games

- Shourya Ambure, from Maharashtra, became the first Indian female athlete to win a track-and-field medal at the Youth Olympic Games.
- She won bronze in the Women's 100m Hurdles.
- Event: 2026 Youth Olympic Games in Senegal.
- Timing: 13.59 seconds.
- Achievement: New Indian Under-18 national record.

Original MCQ – Q11

From which Indian state did the first Indian female athlete to win a track-and-field medal at the Youth Olympic Games, Shourya Ambure, belong?

1. Gujarat
2. Maharashtra
3. Karnataka
4. Haryana
5. Punjab

Correct Answer: 2. Maharashtra

2. Youth Olympic Games – Important Facts

- International multi-sport event for athletes aged 15–18 years.
- Organised by: International Olympic Committee (IOC).
- Held every four years.

YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

Particular	Information
Summer Youth Olympics 2026	Dakar, Senegal
Winter Youth Olympics 2028	Dolomites and Valtellina, Italy
2026 Edition	Fourth edition
Mascot	Ayo
Motto	Africa Welcomes, Dakar Celebrates

Defence, Culture & Important Personalities

1. Exercise Sahayata Setu 2026



EXERCISE SAHAYATA SETU 2026

Air Force Station Jamnagar, Gujarat

- Indian Air Force (IAF) will conduct the Annual Joint Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Exercise 2026.
- Exercise Name: Exercise Sahayata Setu.
- Venue: Air Force Station Jamnagar, Gujarat.

Indian Participants

- Indian Air Force
- Indian Army
- Indian Navy
- Indian Coast Guard
- NDMA

International Participants

- Sri Lanka
- Nepal
- Indonesia
- Malaysia
- Bangladesh

Key Point

A joint exercise by Indian Armed Forces with international partners for humanitarian assistance.

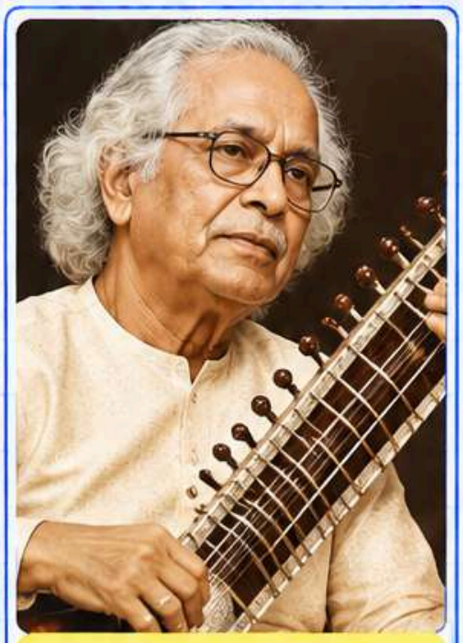
Original MCQ – Q12

What is the name of the Indian Air Force's Annual Joint Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Exercise 2026?

1. Vayu Shakti
2. Sahayata Setu
3. Samudra Sahayog
4. Jal Rahat
5. Suraksha Kavach

Correct Answer: 2. Sahayata Setu

2. Sitar Maestro Pandit Manilal Nag passes away



Pandit Manilal Nag
(1930 – 2026)

- Renowned Indian sitar maestro Pandit Manilal Nag passed away.
- He was a celebrated exponent of the Bishnupur Gharana.
- Bishnupur Gharana is a tradition of Hindustani classical music known for its strong Dhrupad influence.
- Honoured with Padma Shri in 2020.
- He became the first musician from the Bishnupur Gharana to receive the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award.

Original MCQ – Q13

Who was the renowned Indian sitar maestro and celebrated exponent of the Bishnupur Gharana who passed away recently?

1. Ravi Shankar
2. Nikhil Banerjee
3. Pandit Manilal Nag
4. Vilayat Khan
5. Buddhadev Dasgupta

Correct Answer: 3. Pandit Manilal Nag

CBN Foundation Day & World Radiography Day

1. Central Bureau of Narcotics celebrates 77th Foundation Day

- Central Bureau of Narcotics (CBN) celebrated its 77th Foundation Day on 6 November 2026.
- Celebration venue: CBN Headquarters, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh.

Central Bureau of Narcotics – Static GK	
Particular	Information
Organisation	Central Bureau of Narcotics
Established	6 November 1950
Headquarters	Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh
Ministry	Ministry of Finance
Department	Department of Revenue
Role	Drug control and regulatory agency

Original MCQ – Q14

Which Foundation Day did the Central Bureau of Narcotics (CBN) celebrate in 2026?

1. 75th 2. 76th 3. 78th 4. 77th 5. 79th

★ Correct Answer: 4. 77th

2. World Radiography Day – 8 November

- Observed annually on **8 November.**
- Commemorates the discovery of X-rays by German physicist **Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen.**
- Discovery date: **8 November 1895.**
- Recognises the contribution of radiographers and radiological technologists to:
  1. Medical diagnosis.
  2. Treatment.
  3. Patient safety.

Important Date Card

8 NOVEMBER

WORLD RADIOGRAPHY DAY



- X-rays discovered by Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen.
- Discovery date: 8 November 1895.
- Focus: Medical diagnosis, treatment and patient safety.

Original MCQ – Q15

On which date is World Radiography Day observed annually?

1. 7 November 2. 8 November 3. 10 November 4. 9 November 5. 11 November

★ Correct Answer: 2. 8 November

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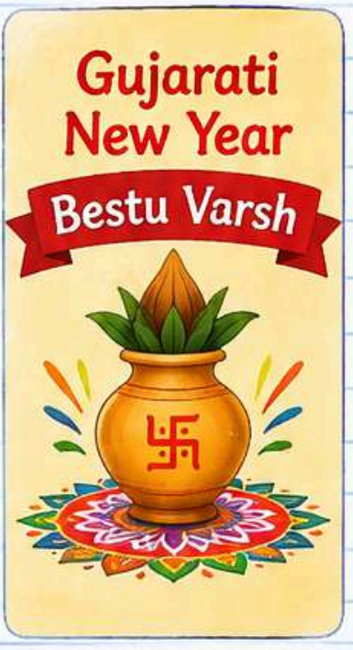
Bestu Varsh & Book: Belonging

1. Gujarati New Year – Bestu Varsh

- Gujarati community across the world celebrated its traditional New Year on **10 November 2026.**
- Also known as:
  - **Bestu Varas**
  - **Nutan Varsh**
- Marks the beginning of **Vikram Samvat 2083.**
- Celebrated on **Kartik Shukla Pratipada,** the first day of the bright fortnight of Kartik month.

Festival Fact Card

Festival	: Gujarati New Year
Other Names	: Bestu Varas / Nutan Varsh
Celebration Date	: 10 November 2026
Vikram Samvat	: 2083
Tithi	: Kartik Shukla Pratipada



Original MCQ – Q16

On which date was Gujarati New Year, popularly known as Bestu Varas or Nutan Varsh, celebrated in 2026?

1. 8 November 2026 2. 9 November 2026 3. 11 November 2026
4. 12 November 2026 5. 10 November 2026

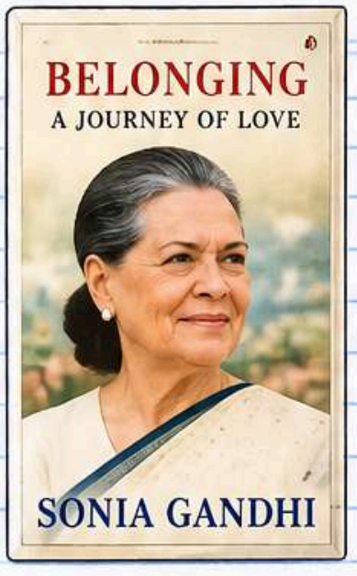
★ **Correct Answer:**
5. 10 November 2026

2. Book – Belonging: A Journey of Love

- Title: **Belonging: A Journey of Love**
- Author: **Sonia Gandhi**
- Publisher: **HarperCollins**

Book Information

Title	: Belonging: A Journey of Love
Author	: Sonia Gandhi
Publisher	: HarperCollins



Original MCQ – Q17

Who is the author of the book Belonging: A Journey of Love, published by HarperCollins?

1. Shashi Tharoor 2. Priyanka Gandhi Vadra 3. Jairam Ramesh
4. Sonia Gandhi 5. Manmohan Singh

★ **Correct Answer:**
4. Sonia Gandhi

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