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Key Highlights of Today's Current Affairs:

- India to Host 2029 Champions Trophy & Co-host 2031 ODI World Cup
- Telangana to Host 8th Khelo India Youth Games
- India Wins Ninth Men's Under-19 Asia Cup
- India Wins 10 Medals at Dakar 2026 Youth Olympics
- SpaceX Catches Starship Spacecraft Mid-air
- National Press Day 2026
- World Diabetes Day 2026
- First International Day of the Mediterranean Diet
- Barefoot College Founder Sanjit "Bunker" Roy Passes Away

India Re-elected to ITU Council (2027–2030)

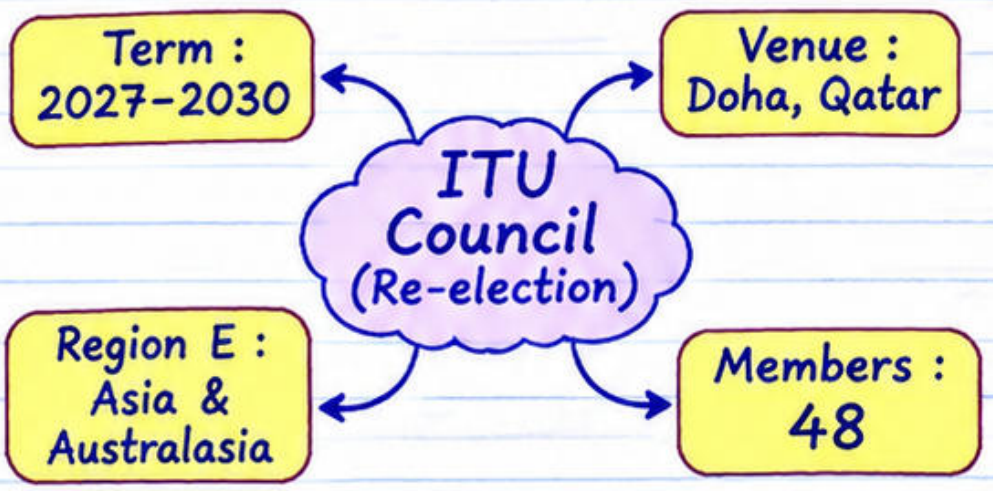
Key Highlights

- India was re-elected to the **International Telecommunication Union (ITU)** Council.
- Term : **2027–2030 (4 years).**
- Election held at : ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 (PP-26).
- Venue : **Doha, Qatar.**
- India was elected from Region E – **Asia and Australasia.**
- ITU Council has **48 members.**
- The Council oversees ITU activities, policies and strategic plans between Plenipotentiary Conferences.

International Telecommunication Union

ITU – At a Glance

Full Form	International Telecommunication Union
Established	1865
Headquarters	Geneva, Switzerland
Organisation	UN specialised agency
Sector	Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs)



Quick Revision

- ✓ ITU = UN specialised agency.
- ✓ Est. : 1865
- ✓ HQ : Geneva, Switzerland
- ✓ Term : 2027–2030 (4 years)
- ✓ Venue (PP-26) : Doha, Qatar

Original MCQ – Q1

India has been re-elected to the ITU Council for 2027–2030 at the **ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 (PP-26).** Where was this conference held ?

1. Bucharest, Romania
2. Geneva, Switzerland
3. Doha, Qatar
4. Dubai, UAE
5. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Correct Answer : 3. Doha, Qatar

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Jay Shah Re-elected ICC Chair

Key Highlights

- Jay Shah was re-elected unopposed as ICC Chair.
- This is his second term.
- ICC Board meeting venue : Bali, Indonesia.
- He will oversee cricket's return to the Olympics at the Los Angeles 2028 Games.
- Cricket's only previous Olympic appearance was at the Paris Games in 1900.

ICC
International Cricket Council

ICC – At a Glance

Full Form	International Cricket Council
Formation	15 June 1909
Headquarters	Dubai, UAE
Chairman	Jay Shah

Cricket at Olympics – Timeline

1900 Paris Games (only previous appearance) → 2028 Los Angeles Games (return of cricket)

Original MCQ – Q2

Jay Shah was re-elected unopposed as ICC Chair for a second term at an ICC Board meeting held in which city ?

1. Dubai
2. Bali
3. Singapore
4. Colombo
5. Kuala Lumpur

Correct Answer : 2. Bali

Karnataka Bank Appoints Interim MD & CEO

Key Highlights

- Karnataka Bank appointed Biji Sreekrishnavilas Sankaranarayanan (Biji S. S.) as interim Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer.
- Tenure : Two months.
- Raghavendra Srinivas Bhat's term was scheduled to end on 15 November 2026.

Karnataka Bank®

Karnataka Bank – At a Glance

Founded	18 February 1924
Headquarters	Mangalore, Karnataka
Chairman	P. Pradeep Kumar

Leadership Update

Raghavendra Srinivas Bhat (Term end : 15 Nov 2026) → Biji S. S. (Interim MD & CEO (Tenure : 2 months))

Original MCQ – Q3

Who has been appointed interim MD and CEO of Karnataka Bank for two months ?

1. Raghavendra Srinivas Bhat
2. Srikrishnan H
3. Sekhar Rao
4. Biji S S
5. P Pradeep Kumar

Correct Answer : 4. Biji S S

SEBI Forms Panel to Review IPO Rules

Key Highlights

- SEBI formed a **10-member** sub-group of its Primary Market Advisory Committee **(PMAC)**.
- Chairperson : **Ashish Chauhan.**
- He is the MD & CEO of the National Stock Exchange **(NSE).**
- Purpose : Review specified provisions of the **SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018.**

SEBI
भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड
Securities and Exchange Board of India

SEBI – At a Glance

Formed	12 April 1988
Statutory Status	30 January 1992
Chairperson	Tuhin Kanta Pandey
Headquarters	Mumbai, Maharashtra

Panel Formation & Scope

SEBI → Primary Market Advisory Committee (PMAC) → 10-Member Sub-group → Chairperson : Ashish Chauhan (MD & CEO, NSE)

SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018 – Areas to be Reviewed

- IPO — Initial Public Offerings (IPOs)
- Follow-on Public Offers (FPOs)
- Preferential Issues
- Qualified Institutional Placements (QIPs)

Original MCQ – Q4

SEBI has formed a 10-member sub-group of its Primary Market Advisory Committee (PMAC) to review the **SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018.** Who heads it ?

1. Ashish Chauhan
2. Sundararaman Ramamurthy
3. Ananth Narayan
4. Tuhin Kanta Pandey
5. Vikram Limaye

Correct Answer : 1. Ashish Chauhan

India's Wholesale Inflation Rises to 12.29%

Key Highlights

- India's Wholesale Price Index (WPI)-based inflation reached **12.29%** in **October 2026.**
- In September 2026, it was **11.39%.**
- This was the **second consecutive month** of double-digit wholesale inflation.

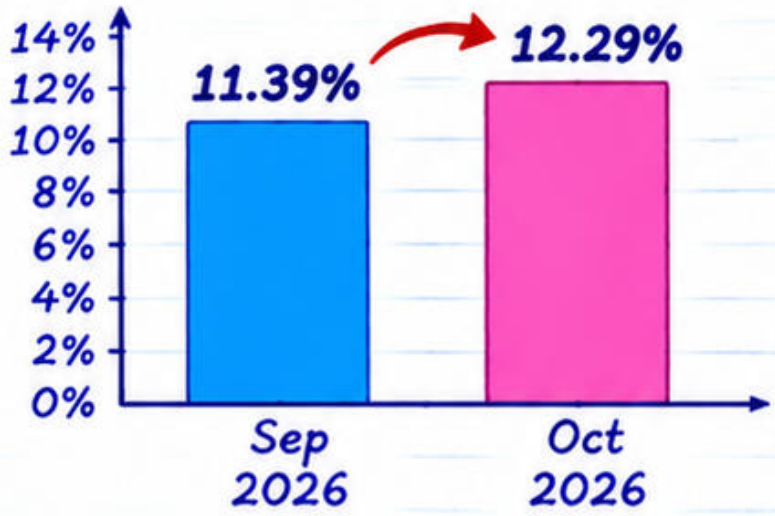


WPI Inflation (Oct 2026)
12.29%

Reasons for the Increase (Higher Prices of)

- Fuel and Power
- Primary Articles
- Manufactured Products

WPI Inflation – Comparison



About DPIIT

- Full Form : Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade.
- Role : Releases the **WPI inflation data.**
- Ministry : Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Original MCQ – Q5

What was India's Wholesale Price Index (WPI)-based inflation in **October 2026** ?

1. 11.39%
2. 10.86%
3. 13.12%
4. 9.94%
5. 12.29%

Correct Answer : 5. 12.29%

Ranivas Mound Declared Archaeological Site

Key Highlights

- The Central Government declared **Ranivas (Raniwas) Mound** an archaeological site of national importance.
- Location : **Kesariya, East Champaran** district, **Bihar.**
- Area : **1.63 acres.**
- Ownership : **Bihar Government.**
- Declaration made under **Section 4(3)** of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains **(AMASR) Act, 1958.**



Ranivas (Raniwas) Mound

Important Facts – At a Glance

Site	Ranivas (Raniwas) Mound
Location	Kesariya
District	East Champaran
State	Bihar
Area	1.63 acres
Act	AMASR Act, 1958
Section	4(3)

Location – In Map



About AMASR Act, 1958



- **Full Form** : Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958.
- **Section 4(3)** : Allows the Central Government to declare a site of "national importance".

Original MCQ – Q6

The Ranivas (Raniwas) Mound at Kesariya, recently declared an archaeological site of national importance, is in which **district of Bihar** ?

1. West Champaran
2. Vaishali
3. East Champaran
4. Nalanda
5. Gaya

Correct Answer : 3. East Champaran

India Post Honours Biogas Pioneer Ram Bux Singh

Key Highlights

- The Department of Posts released a commemorative postage stamp honouring **Ram Bux Singh (1925–2016).**
- He was known for pioneering work in **biogas technology** and rural renewable energy.



Stamp Released By

- **Ramdas Athawale** – Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment.
- **Col Akhilesh Kumar Pandey** – Chief Postmaster General, Delhi Circle.

Major Contributions

- **1957** : Inaugurated one of India's earliest successful gobar gas plants at **Sitapur, Uttar Pradesh.**
- Served for **16 years** as Officer-in-Charge of Asia's first Gobar Gas Research Station at **Ajitmal, Uttar Pradesh.**
- Contributed to renewable energy initiatives in more than **15 countries.**



About Biogas Technology

- ✓ A clean and renewable energy source.
- ✓ Produced from organic waste (e.g., cow dung).
- ✓ Used for cooking, lighting and rural energy needs.

Contribution Timeline

1957 — Gobar gas plant at Sitapur (UP)

→ **16 years** — Officer-in-Charge, Asia's first Gobar Gas Research Station (Ajitmal, UP)

→ **15+ countries** — Supported renewable energy initiatives

Original MCQ – Q7

India Post released a commemorative postage stamp honouring **Ram Bux Singh (1925–2016).** He is known for his pioneering work in which field ?

1. Solar energy
2. Biogas technology
3. Wind energy
4. Organic farming
5. Micro-hydel power

Correct Answer : 2. Biogas technology

India Targets Top 10 Shipbuilding Nations by 2030

Key Highlights

- Union Minister **Sarbananda Sonowal** addressed the India Shipbuilding Investment Conclave 2026.
- Venue : **New Delhi.**
- Organised by : **Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.**
- He launched **"Naukosh"**, a digital portal for the shipbuilding and ship repair industry.



India's Shipbuilding Targets



2030 ➡ Top 10 shipbuilding nations

2047 ➡ Top 5 shipbuilding nations

"Naukosh" Portal



- A digital portal for the shipbuilding and ship repair industry.

CSL – Damen MoU

COCHIN SHIPYARD LIMITED (CSL)



DAMEN
Damen Shipyards Group (Netherlands)

MoU Purpose

- Local design and construction of specialised vessels.
- Includes vessels such as **tugs.**



Five proposed greenfield coastal shipbuilding clusters.



Projected investment opportunity : Nearly **US$10 billion.**

Original MCQ – Q8

Which digital portal for the shipbuilding and ship repair industry was launched by Union Minister **Sarbananda Sonowal** at the India Shipbuilding Investment Conclave 2026 ?

1. Sagarmala
2. Sagar Setu
3. Jalyaan
4. Naukosh
5. MAITRI

Correct Answer : **4. Naukosh**

PM Modi Attends ASEAN-India & East Asia Summits

Key Highlights

- PM Narendra Modi participated in:
  → 23rd ASEAN-India Summit
  → 21st East Asia Summit.
- Venue : Manila, Philippines.
- The Philippines hosted both meetings under its ASEAN Chairmanship for 2026.
- Reviewed the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership, including the ASEAN-India Plan of Action 2026-2030.



The Summits

23rd ASEAN-India Summit		21st East Asia Summit

Important Points

- 2026 : ASEAN-India Year of Maritime Cooperation.
- 2027 : 35 years of dialogue relations and five years of the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.



ASEAN - At a Glance

Full Form	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
Established	1967
Headquarters	Jakarta, Indonesia
Secretary-General	Kao Kim Hourn
Members	11
11th Member	Timor-Leste

ASEAN Members (11)



Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam and Timor-Leste.

Key Timeline



2026 — ASEAN-India Year of Maritime Cooperation → **2027** — 35 years of dialogue relations & 5 years of Comprehensive Strategic Partnership

Original MCQ - Q9

In which city did PM Narendra Modi attend the 23rd ASEAN-India Summit and the 21st East Asia Summit ?

1. Kuala Lumpur
2. Jakarta
3. Vientiane
4. Dili
5. Manila

Correct Answer : 5. Manila

India to Host 2029 Champions Trophy and Co-host 2031 ODI World Cup

Key Highlights

- India will host the **2029 Men's Champions Trophy.**
- India will co-host the **2031 Men's ODI World Cup.**
- Co-host country : **Bangladesh.**



Tournament Details

Tournament	Year	Host
Men's Champions Trophy	2029	India
Men's ODI World Cup	2031	India and Bangladesh

Key Takeaways

- ✔ Champions Trophy (2029) → Hosted by India.
- ✔ ODI World Cup (2031) → Co-hosted by India and Bangladesh.

Tournament Timeline



2029
Men's Champions Trophy (Host : India)

→

2031
Men's ODI World Cup (Host : India & Bangladesh)



Original MCQ – Q10

India will co-host the **2031 Men's ODI World Cup** with which country ?

1. Bangladesh
2. Sri Lanka
3. Pakistan
4. UAE
5. Nepal

Correct Answer : 1. Bangladesh

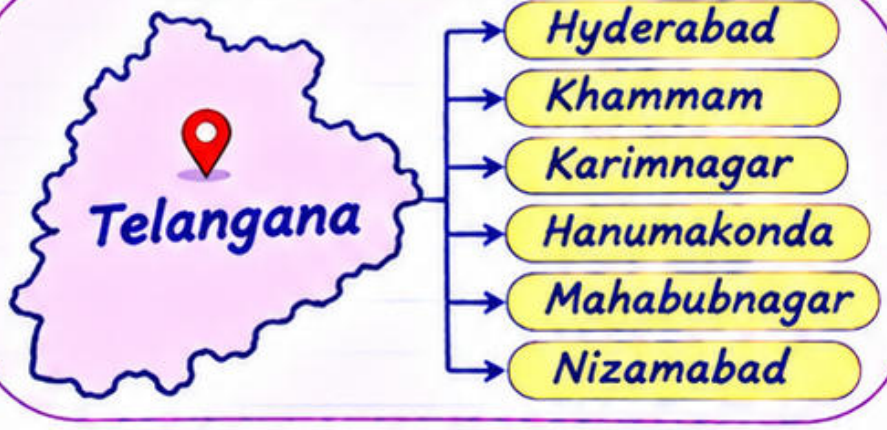
Telangana to Host 8th Khelo India Youth Games

Key Highlights

- 8th Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) will be held in **Telangana.**
- Dates : **11–22 December 2026.**
- Logo and mascot unveiled by :
  - → Union Sports Minister **Dr Mansukh Mandaviya.**
  - → Telangana Chief Minister **A. Revanth Reddy.**
- Mascot : **Neelamani.**
- Tagline : **"Khel Ka Junoon, Telangana Ki Jaan Aur Pehchaan."**



Six Host Cities



New Events

Softball



Competitive sport debut.

Sailing & Karra Samu



Demonstration event debuts.

Static GK – Telangana

Capital	Hyderabad
Chief Minister	Revanth Reddy
Governor	Shiv Pratap Shukla
National Parks	Kasu Brahmananda Reddy, Mahavir Harina Vanasthali, Mrugavani
Tiger Reserves	Amrabad, Kawal



Original MCQ – Q11

What is the **mascot** of the 8th Khelo India Youth Games, to be held in **Telangana** ?

1. Ujjwala
2. Veera
3. Neelamani
4. Tejas
5. Ashtalakshmi

Correct Answer : 3. Neelamani

India Wins Ninth Men's Under-19 Asia Cup Title

Key Highlights

- India defeated Pakistan in the final of the **2026 Men's Under-19 Asia Cup.**
- Venue : **Al Amerat Cricket Ground, Oman.**
- India won by **one wicket** off the final ball.
- This was India's record-extending **ninth title.**
- India's first title since **2021.**



Ninth Title for India



- ✓ Record-extending **ninth** U-19 Asia Cup title.
- ✓ First title since **2021.**

Final Match Details



Tournament	:	Men's Under-19 Asia Cup 2026
Venue	:	Al Amerat Cricket Ground, Oman
Result	:	India defeated Pakistan
Margin	:	Won by one wicket (off the final ball)

Key Players

Category	Name
India Captain	Lakshya Raichandani
Player of the Match	Mohit Ulva
Player of the Tournament	Aaryavir Sehwag



Original MCQ – Q12

India defeated Pakistan to win a record **ninth Men's Under-19 Asia Cup** title in **2026.** In which country was the final played ?

1. UAE
2. Oman
3. Sri Lanka
4. Qatar
5. Bangladesh

Correct Answer : 2. Oman

India Wins 10 Medals at Dakar 2026 Youth Olympics

Key Highlights

- India won **10 medals** at the **2026 Summer Youth Olympic Games.**
- Venue : **Dakar, Senegal.**
- This was India's **second-best performance.**
- India's best performance was **13 medals** at the **2018 Youth Olympics.**



Medal Tally – India (2026)

Medal	Number
Gold	2
Silver	3
Bronze	5
Total	10



Performance Comparison

2018 Youth Olympics	2026 Youth Olympics
13 Medals	10 Medals

- 2026 : **Second-best** performance (10 medals).
- 2018 : **Best performance** (13 medals).

Flag Bearers

Ceremony	Athlete	Sport
Opening	Dhinidhi Desinghu	Swimming
	Dev Ruparelia	Badminton
Closing	Ambekar Meetei	Boxing
	Gunjan	Boxing



Original MCQ – Q13

What was India's medal tally at the **2026 Summer Youth Olympic Games** in Dakar, Senegal ?

1. 3 Gold, 2 Silver, 5 Bronze
2. 2 Gold, 4 Silver, 4 Bronze
3. 1 Gold, 4 Silver, 5 Bronze
4. 2 Gold, 3 Silver, 5 Bronze
5. 3 Gold, 3 Silver, 4 Bronze

Correct Answer :
4. 2 Gold, 3 Silver, 5 Bronze

SpaceX Catches Starship Spacecraft Mid-air

Key Highlights

- SpaceX successfully caught its **Starship upper-stage spacecraft mid-air.**
- Technology : Giant mechanical **"chopstick arms".**
- Location : **Starbase, Texas, USA.**
- Achieved during Starship's **15th test flight.**



Mission Details

Test Flight	15th
Mission Duration	Approximately 22.5 hours
Earth Orbits	14
Satellites Deployed	26 Starlink satellites
Recovery Location	Launch tower above Launch Pad 2, Starbase

How It Happened ?



1. Starship launches (Test Flight)
2. Returns to Starbase
3. Caught mid-air by "chopstick arms"



Key Takeaways

- ✓ **15th test flight** of Starship.
- ✓ Mission duration : **~22.5 hours.**
- ✓ Completed **14 Earth orbits.**
- ✓ Deployed **26 Starlink satellites.**
- ✓ Caught using giant **"chopstick arms"** at **Starbase, Texas, USA.**

Original MCQ – Q14

SpaceX caught its Starship upper-stage spacecraft mid-air using **"chopstick arms"** at **Starbase, Texas,** for the first time. This was achieved during which test flight of Starship ?

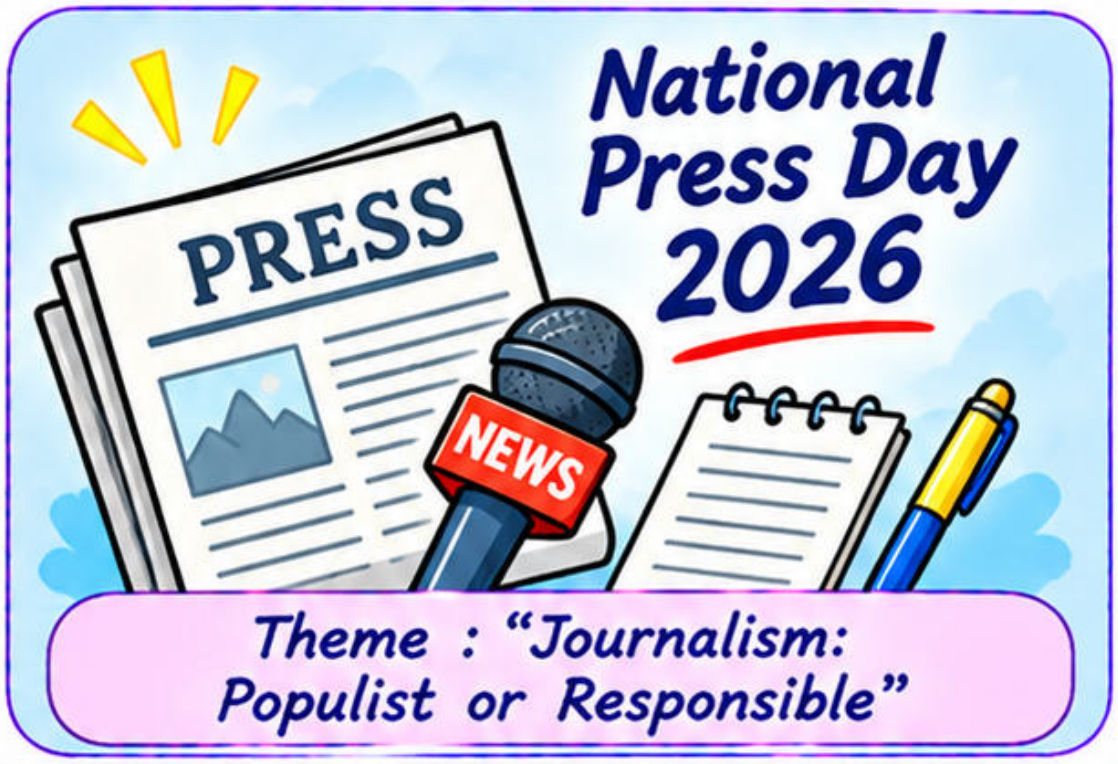
1. 12th
2. 13th
3. 14th
4. 16th
5. 15th

Correct Answer : 5. 15th

National Press Day 2026

Key Highlights

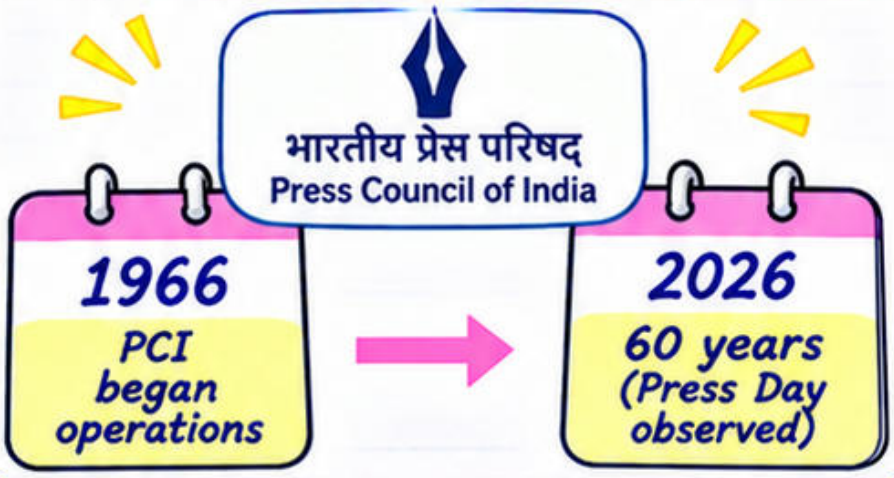
- India observed National Press Day on **16 November 2026.**
- Theme : **"Journalism: Populist or Responsible".**
- The day commemorates the beginning of operations of the **Press Council of India (PCI).**
- PCI began operations on **16 November 1966.**



Quick Revision

Particular	Information
Observance	National Press Day
Date	16 November
Year PCI Began Operations	1966
Theme 2026	"Journalism: Populist or Responsible"

Press Council of India (PCI)





Theme 2026

"Journalism: Populist or Responsible"



Original MCQ – Q15

National Press Day (16 November) commemorates the Press Council of India beginning its operations in which year ?

1. 1966
2. 1956
3. 1965
4. 1975
5. 1978

Correct Answer : 1. 1966

World Diabetes Day 2026

Key Highlights

- World Diabetes Day is observed on **14 November.**
- **Purpose :**
  - → Raise awareness about diabetes.
  - → Promote early diagnosis.
  - → Improve access to treatment.
- Theme for **2026–2027** : **"Early Action on Diabetes".**
- The day marks the birthday of **Sir Frederick Banting.**
- He co-discovered insulin in **1921.**



Quick Revision

Particular	Information
Day	World Diabetes Day
Date	14 November
Theme	Early Action on Diabetes
Scientist	Sir Frederick Banting
Insulin Co-discovery	1921

Sir Frederick Banting



Original MCQ – Q16

World Diabetes Day (**14 November**) marks the birthday of which scientist, who co-discovered insulin in **1921** ?

1. Charles Best
2. John Macleod
3. Sir Frederick Banting
4. James Collip
5. Paul Langerhans

Correct Answer :
3. Sir Frederick Banting

First International Day of the Mediterranean Diet

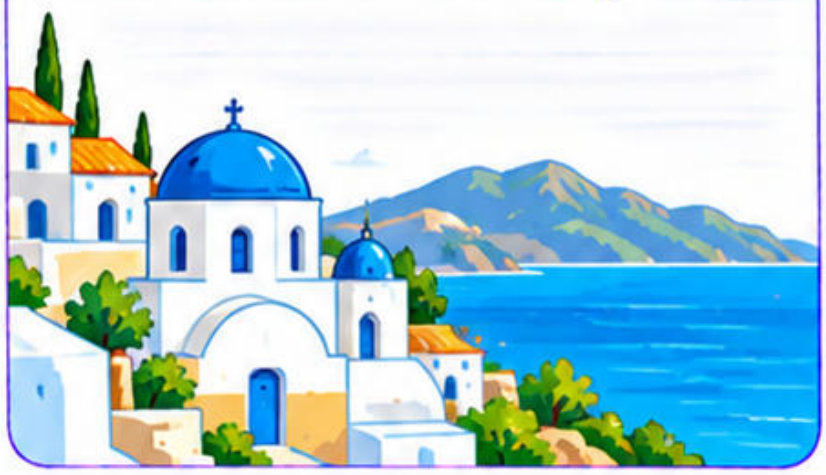
Key Highlights

- The first International Day of the Mediterranean Diet was observed on **16 November 2026.**
- It promotes :
  - → Nutritious food.
  - → Sustainable agriculture.
  - → Traditional food cultures.



About Mediterranean Diet

- The Mediterranean diet refers to traditional eating practices associated with the Mediterranean Sea region.



Diet Components

Foods Emphasised

- ✓ Whole grains
- ✓ Pulses
- ✓ Vegetables
- ✓ Fruits
- ✓ Nuts
- ✓ Olive oil

Consumed in Smaller Amounts

- Dairy products
- Meat



Original MCQ – Q17

On which date was the **first International Day of the Mediterranean Diet** observed ?

1. 14 November 2026
2. 16 November 2026
3. 15 November 2026
4. 17 November 2026
5. 18 November 2026

Correct Answer : 2. 16 November 2026

Barefoot College Founder Sanjit "Bunker" Roy Passes Away

Key Highlights

- Social activist and educator **Sanjit "Bunker" Roy** passed away.
- He worked for more than **five decades** in:
  - → Rural development
  - → Women's empowerment
  - → Community self-reliance



Sanjit "Bunker" Roy

"A life dedicated to rural people, empowerment and sustainable change.

Barefoot College

- Founded by Sanjit "Bunker" Roy
- Year **1972**
- Original name Social Work and Research Centre (SWRC)
- Location Tilonia, Ajmer district, Rajasthan

Training Areas

Barefoot College trains rural communities in:

- Solar energy
- Water conservation
- Education
- Livelihood skills
- Healthcare

Training Areas



Original MCQ – Q18

Sanjit "Bunker" Roy, who recently passed away, founded Barefoot College (Social Work and Research Centre) in **1972** at which place?

1. Jaipur, Rajasthan
2. Ralegan Siddhi, Maharashtra
3. Sevagram, Maharashtra
4. Tilonia, Rajasthan
5. Bhuj, Gujarat

Correct Answer : 4. Tilonia, Rajasthan