

International News

1. 26th SCO Council of Heads of State Summit Held in Bishkek

- **Detailed Explanation:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the 26th Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit held in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic. During the summit, India emphasized the necessity of uncompromising measures against cross-border terrorism and urged member states to eliminate double standards in tackling terror funding and sanctuaries. On the sidelines, PM Modi held bilateral talks with Russian President Vladimir Putin (focusing on energy, trade, and peaceful resolution to the conflict in Ukraine) and Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian (focusing on the Chabahar Port, West Asian stability, and freedom of navigation).

• Key Exam Takeaways:

- **SCO Headquarters:** Beijing, China
- **2026 Summit Host:** Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic
- **Exam Practice Question: Where was the 26th SCO Council of Heads of State Summit held in 2026?**

- (A) Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- (B) Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic
- (C) Astana, Kazakhstan
- (D) Dushanbe, Tajikistan

- **Answer:** (B) Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic

2. Canada Raises Financial Requirements for International Student Permits

- **Detailed Explanation:** Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) officially implemented revised financial proof requirements for international student study permit applicants starting

September 1, 2026. To offset rising living costs, single applicants must now demonstrate \$24,617 in available cost-of-living funds—an increase of \$553 over the previous threshold—in addition to first-year tuition and travel expenses.

Exam Practice Question: Which nation officially implemented higher living-cost proof requirements for international student permits effective September 1, 2026?

- (A) Australia
- (B) United Kingdom
- (C) Canada
- (D) Germany

- **Answer:** (C) Canada

National News

1. Bihar and Jharkhand Sign Historic Sone River Water-Sharing Agreement

- **Detailed Explanation:** The state governments of Bihar and Jharkhand signed a landmark bilateral agreement resolving a 25-year-old inter-state water dispute over the Sone River basin. Facilitated in the presence of Union Home Minister Amit Shah, the agreement establishes a modernized framework for water distribution, canal maintenance, and irrigation allocation along the Indrapuri Barrage network.

• Key Exam Takeaways:

- **Sone River Origin:** Amarkantak Plateau, Madhya Pradesh (a major right-bank tributary of the Ganges).

Exam Practice Question: Which two states signed a historic pact in September 2026 to resolve a 25-year dispute over Sone River water sharing?

- (A) Bihar and West Bengal



- (B) Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh
- (C) Bihar and Jharkhand
- (D) Uttar Pradesh and Bihar

○ **Answer:** (C) Bihar and Jharkhand

2. Jammu & Kashmir to Host 'Rang-e-Cinema' International Film Festival

- **Detailed Explanation:** The Department of Information and Public Relations (DIPR) of Jammu and Kashmir announced 'Rang-e-Cinema', the Union Territory's first-ever international film festival, scheduled for September 7–10 in Srinagar. The festival will showcase 135 shortlisted entries across 41 participating countries to foster local cinema talent and revive cultural tourism in the Kashmir valley.

Economics & Banking

1. India's Q1 FY27 GDP Growth Surges to 7.8%

- **Detailed Explanation:** According to official data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO), India's real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) registered a robust growth rate of 7.8% in the first quarter (Q1: April–June 2026). Driven by strong performance in the manufacturing, construction, and services sectors, the growth beat the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) benchmark projections despite global economic volatility and elevated geopolitical tensions.

Exam Practice Question: What was India's real GDP growth rate recorded in Q1 (April–June) of FY 2026-27?

- (A) 6.7%
- (B) 7.2%
- (C) 7.8%
- (D) 8.1%

○ **Answer:** (C) 7.8%

2. IPPB Celebrates 9th Foundation Day; Launches DakPay Sound Box & Digital Platforms

- **Detailed Explanation:** India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) marked its 9th Foundation Day on September 1, 2026. To accelerate last-mile financial inclusion, IPPB launched the **DakPay Sound Box** for micro-merchants and unveiled dedicated **Digital Mutual Fund** and **Digital Insurance Technology Platforms**. Operating under the Department of Posts with 1.65 lakh post offices nationwide, IPPB has reached over 13.25 crore customers.
- **Key Exam Takeaways:**
 - **IPPB Launch Year:** September 1, 2018 (Wholly owned by Govt. of India)
 - **Parent Department:** Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications

Exam Practice Question: Which payment bank launched the 'DakPay Sound Box' alongside digital mutual fund and insurance platforms on its 9th Foundation Day in September 2026?

- (A) Airtel Payments Bank
- (B) Paytm Payments Bank
- (C) India Post Payments Bank
- (D) Fino Payments Bank

○ **Answer:** (C) India Post Payments Bank

Defense News

1. Indian Navy Commissions Diving Support Vessel INS Nipun

- **Detailed Explanation:** The Indian Navy officially commissioned INS Nipun, a specialized Diving Support and Submarine Rescue Vessel (DSRV) belonging to the Nistar Class. Built with advanced deep-diving capabilities, dynamic positioning systems, and side-scan sonars, INS Nipun is



designed to carry out deep-sea submarine search and rescue operations, underwater salvage, and Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) missions.

Exam Practice Question: What type of naval vessel is INS Nipun, commissioned by the Indian Navy in September 2026?

- (A) Nuclear-powered Attack Submarine
- (B) Diving Support and Submarine Rescue Vessel
- (C) Stealth Guided-missile Destroyer
- (D) Offshore Patrol Vessel

○ **Answer:** (B) Diving Support and Submarine Rescue Vessel

2. Historic Milestone: AVM Shakti Sharma Becomes First Non-Medical Female 2-Star Officer

• **Detailed Explanation:** Air Vice Marshal (AVM) Shakti Sharma made history by becoming the first non-medical female officer to attain a two-star rank in the Indian Defence Services. Previously, two-star and three-star ranks among female officers were restricted to the Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS).

• **Key Appointments in Defence (September 2026):**

- **Air Marshal Sandeep Thareja:** Director General Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAfMS)
- **Air Marshal KAA Sanjeeb:** Air Officer-in-Charge Maintenance (AOM), IAF
- **Surgeon Vice Admiral Manish Honwad:** Director & Commandant, Armed Forces Medical College (AFMC), Pune

Govt Schemes, MoUs & Digital Initiatives

- **Extension of NMMSS Deadline:** The Ministry of Education extended the application deadline for the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS 2026-27) to September 30, 2026. NMMSS awards scholarships to meritorious students from economically weaker sections to reduce dropouts at class 8.
- **Kavach 4.0 Protection on Indian Railways:** Northern Railway approved ₹170 Crore to implement the 'Kavach 4.0' Automatic Train Protection (ATP) system across the remaining 712 km route of the Moradabad division.
- **BHASHINI Sangam Workshop in Nepal:** The Digital India BHASHINI Division conducted 'BHASHINI Sangam' in Nepal to promote cross-border deployment of open-source multilingual AI models and language translation technologies.
- **India-Uzbekistan Strategic Partnership:** India and Uzbekistan signed a bilateral energy agreement establishing a long-term supply framework for uranium export to India and set a \$5 Billion bilateral trade target by 2030.

Sports News

1. Vaibhav Sooryavanshi Creates History in Duleep Trophy

• **Detailed Explanation:** 15-year-old Bihar cricketer Vaibhav Sooryavanshi became the youngest player in Duleep Trophy history to score a half-century, reaching 50 runs off 42 balls at the age of 15 years and 157 days. He broke the 57-year-old record set by Laxman Singh in 1969 (who scored a half-century at 16 years and 23 days).

2. Ankur Bhattacharjee Wins Maiden WTT Title

- Detailed Explanation:** Indian table tennis player Ankur Bhattacharjee secured his maiden World Table Tennis (WTT) Men's Singles title in Czechia. He also clinched the Men's Doubles gold medal alongside partner Akash Pal.

Important Days, Art & Culture, and Anniversaries

Event / Day	Date / Details	Key Significance
World Coconut Day	September 2	Celebrated annually to highlight coconut's role in poverty reduction, nutrition, and sustainable agriculture. (Organized by International Coconut Community - ICC).
NCERT 66th Foundation Day	September 1	Celebrated by the Ministry of Education in New Delhi. NCERT was established in 1961.
P.A. Sangma Birth Anniversary	September 1	Floral tributes paid in Parliament to former Lok Sabha Speaker Shri P.A. Sangma.

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AyurVarta Dialogue Series	Launched Sept 1	Digital dialogue series launched by the All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) to engage global experts ahead of Ayurveda Day.

National News

Q1. India rejected the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) ruling regarding which bilateral treaty dispute in late August 2026?

- A) Ganges Water Sharing Treaty
- B) Indus Waters Treaty 1960
- C) Teesta Water Sharing Agreement
- D) Mahakali Treaty 1996

- Answer: B) Indus Waters Treaty 1960**
- Detailed Explanation:** India officially rejected the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) ruling in The Hague concerning the 1960 Indus Waters Treaty with Pakistan. India reiterated that the tribunal was "illegally constituted" and lacked jurisdiction over India's sovereign hydroelectric projects, including the Ratle and Kishanganga plants. India maintains that disputes must be addressed under the treaty's specified three-tier mechanism rather than unilateral court arbitrations.

Q2. The Union Government introduced the first National Standards for Mortuaries in September 2026. What infrastructure requirement is mandated under these new guidelines?

- A) Complete privatization of forensic units

B) Prohibition of basement morgues and a minimum 2,000 sq. ft. operating area

C) Mandatory installation of solar-powered cold storages only

D) Restriction of autopsy facilities to AIIMS-level institutes

- **Answer: B) Prohibition of basement morgues and a minimum 2,000 sq. ft. operating area**
- **Detailed Explanation:** India's Ministry of Health released the first national standards for mortuaries under the Clinical Establishment Act. The guidelines ban underground/basement morgues due to drainage and hygiene risks and mandate a standard post-mortem block with at least 2,000 sq. ft. of operational area, dedicated viscera storage, administrative offices, and proper waiting halls for families.

Q3. Indian Railways approved ₹170 crore for deploying Kavach Version 4.0 across 712 route kilometers in which division?

A) Lucknow Division

B) Moradabad Division

C) Prayagraj Division

D) Ambala Division

- **Answer: B) Moradabad Division**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Indian Railways sanctioned ₹170 crore to install the upgraded Kavach Version 4.0 across 712 km of Northern Railway's Moradabad Division. Kavach is an indigenous Automatic Train Protection (ATP) system developed by the Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO). Version 4.0 provides enhanced real-time track safety, automated braking, and signal-passed-at-danger (SPAD) prevention.

International News

Q4. Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, to attend which multilateral summit?

A) 18th BRICS Summit

B) 26th Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit

C) G20 Leaders' Summit

D) East Asia Summit

- **Answer: B) 26th Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit**
- **Detailed Explanation:** PM Modi undertook a Central Asian tour to attend the 26th SCO Summit in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. During the address, India outlined three core pillars for regional cooperation within SCO: **Security, Connectivity, and Opportunity**. India emphasized that regional connectivity projects must strictly respect sovereign territorial integrity.

Q5. The 4th Indo-German Environment Forum was hosted in September 2026 in which city?

A) Berlin

B) Frankfurt

C) New Delhi

D) Bengaluru

- **Answer: C) New Delhi**
- **Detailed Explanation:** The 4th Indo-German Environment Forum convened in New Delhi. Bilateral discussions focused on climate change mitigation, biodiversity conservation, circular economy, and accelerating clean energy transitions under the Indo-German Partnership for Green and Sustainable Development (GSDP).

Economics & Banking

Q6. According to official data from MoSPI, India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth rate for Q1 FY27 (April-June 2026) was recorded at:

- A) 6.7%
- B) 7.2%
- C) 7.8%
- D) 8.4%

• **Answer: C) 7.8%**

- **Detailed Explanation:** India's GDP grew by **7.8%** in the first quarter of FY 2026-27. Drive factors included robust manufacturing growth (9.7%), electricity output (9.2%), and financial/real estate services (9.8%). Agriculture expanded by 3.5% aided by favorable kharif sowing, while Private Final Consumption Expenditure (PFCE) rose 7.9%.

Q7. SEBI revised Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) regulations on September 1, 2026, reducing the minimum investment lot size to:

- A) ₹1,000
- B) ₹2,500
- C) ₹5,000
- D) ₹10,000

• **Answer: C) ₹5,000**

- **Detailed Explanation:** Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) reduced the minimum trading/application lot size for Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) from ₹10,000 to **₹5,000**. The step aims to boost liquidity and make real estate fractional ownership accessible to retail investors.

Q8. NPCI International Payments Ltd (NIPL) enabled UPI payments for Indian travelers in

Uzbekistan through integration with which system?

- A) UzCard
- B) UZQR
- C) CentralQR
- D) TashkentPay

• **Answer: B) UZQR**

- **Detailed Explanation:** NIPL partnered with Uzbekistan's National Interbank Processing Centre to enable Indian tourists to make seamless person-to-merchant (P2M) payments in Uzbekistan by scanning local **UZQR** codes directly from their Indian bank app via UPI.

Q9. India recorded a 62% jump in coconut product exports in FY26, reaching ₹7,038.35 crore. What is India's share in global coconut production?

- A) 18.25%
- B) 25.10%
- C) 31.24%
- D) 40.50%

• **Answer: C) 31.24%**

- **Detailed Explanation:** India is the world's largest coconut producer, contributing **31.24%** of global output. Four southern states—Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and Andhra Pradesh—account for over 91% of domestic production. Value-added items like virgin coconut oil, coconut water, and activated carbon drove export expansion.

Government Schemes

Q10. The Government of India notified the 'Semicon 2.0' scheme on August 31, 2026. What is the total budgetary outlay allocated for this phase?

- A) ₹76,000 crore

- B) ₹95,000 crore
- C) ₹1,27,500 crore
- D) ₹1,50,000 crore

• **Answer: C) ₹1,27,500 crore**

• **Detailed Explanation:** The Union Government launched **Semicon 2.0** with a total outlay of **₹1,27,500 crore**. Supervised by the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM), it covers six pillars: design, fab setup, ATMP/OSAT, equipment & raw materials, R&D, and skill talent development.

Q11. Which strategic initiative was launched to establish standardized, science-based practices in the ornamental fisheries sector?

- A) Mission Rangeen Machhli 2031
- B) PM Matsya Sampada Yojana 2.0
- C) Aqua Cluster Mission 2030
- D) Blue Economy Action Plan

• **Answer: A) Mission Rangeen Machhli 2031**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Vice President C. P. Radhakrishnan launched the **Mission Rangeen Machhli 2031 Strategic Action Plan**. Designed under the Department of Fisheries, it addresses broodstock management, breeding, hatcheries, quarantine, health standards, and traceability for commercial aquarium species.

MoUs & Agreements

Q12. Bihar and Jharkhand signed an MoU in New Delhi to resolve a 25-year-old inter-state water dispute over which river?

- A) Damodar River
- B) Sone River
- C) Subarnarekha River
- D) Kosi River

• **Answer: B) Sone River**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Bihar and Jharkhand resolved a 25-year-old dispute by signing an agreement on sharing Sone River waters. Signed in the presence of Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Jal Shakti Minister C.R. Patil, it secures irrigation and drinking water for Bihar's Bhojpur/Gaya region and Jharkhand's Palamu/Garhwa districts.

Q13. MoSPI signed an MoU with which educational institute to develop an AI-driven framework for estimating Household Consumption Expenditure?

- A) IISc Bengaluru
- B) Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology
- C) BITS Pilani
- D) IIT Kharagpur

• **Answer: B) Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology**

• **Detailed Explanation:** The Capacity Development Division of MoSPI partnered with Thapar Institute to build artificial intelligence and machine learning models to analyze socioeconomic trends and consumption expenditure datasets.

Q14. The Department of Social Justice & Empowerment signed an MoU with which organization for the "Creating Intergenerational Bonding" initiative?

- A) Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission
- B) Isha Foundation
- C) Art of Living Foundation
- D) Akshaya Patra Foundation

• **Answer: A) Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission**

• **Detailed Explanation:** DoSJE partnered with Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission to launch a school-based program in

200 pilot schools. It fosters intergenerational connections between students and senior citizens using co-learning games, certified teacher training, and bilingual resource kits.

Q15. PNGRB signed an MoU with Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) to accelerate the deployment of which technology?

- A) Smart PNG (Piped Natural Gas) Meters
- B) Solar EV Charging Stations
- C) Compressed Bio-Gas Generators
- D) Hydrogen Blend Pipeline Sensors

- **Answer: A) Smart PNG (Piped Natural Gas) Meters**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) and EESL joined hands to standardize demand aggregation and deploy smart domestic PNG meters across City Gas Distribution (CGD) networks nationwide.

Defense & Security

Q16. To expand Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul (MRO) capabilities, a new facility was established to overhaul 80 tanks annually for which armored models?

- A) Vijayanta and T-55
- B) T-72 and T-90
- C) Arjun Mk-1A and T-90
- D) Zorawar and T-72

- **Answer: B) T-72 and T-90**
- **Detailed Explanation:** India established a dedicated MRO unit capable of overhauling 80 T-72 and T-90 main battle tanks annually. Combined with the Heavy Vehicles Factory (HVF) at Avadi (150 tanks/year), total domestic overhaul capacity now matches

the Indian Army's requirement of ~230 tanks per year.

Q17. Tata Advanced Systems Limited (TASL) partnered with Javelin Joint Venture (JJV) for the co-production of which defense equipment in India?

- A) HIMARS Rocket Systems
- B) Javelin Anti-Tank Guided Missiles (ATGM)
- C) NASAMS Air Defense Batteries
- D) Stryker Armored Vehicles

- **Answer: B) Javelin Anti-Tank Guided Missiles (ATGM)**
- **Detailed Explanation:** TASL signed an MoU with JJV (a Raytheon & Lockheed Martin joint venture) to explore setting up a final assembly, integration, and component manufacturing plant in India for the Javelin All-Up-Round (AUR) anti-tank missile system.

Q18. What is the core objective of the Theaterisation military reform currently being prioritized by the Indian Armed Forces?

- A) Full conversion of infantry into mechanized forces
- B) Integration of Army, Navy, and Air Force assets under unified geographical commands
- C) Mandatory enlistment through Agnipath scheme only
- D) Complete replacement of imported hardware with indigenous drones

- **Answer: B) Integration of Army, Navy, and Air Force assets under unified geographical commands**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Theaterisation is India's most ambitious structural defense reform. It seeks to amalgamate single-service resources of the Army, Navy, and Air Force into unified integrated theatre



commands under operational commanders to maximize joint combat effectiveness.

Science, Tech & AI

Q19. On its 43rd Foundation Day, C-DOT launched 14 indigenous products focused on which emerging technologies?

- A) Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) and Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC)
- B) Autonomous Radar Navigation
- C) Deep-sea Mining Submersibles
- D) 6G Satellite Transceivers

- **Answer: A) Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) and Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC)**
- **Detailed Explanation:** C-DOT unveiled 14 indigenous Quantum Products designed to safeguard communication infrastructure from potential quantum computing decryption threats.

Q20. Which institute set up the 'Foundation for Quantum Computing Innovation' (FQCI) as a Quantum Computing Thematic Hub under the National Quantum Mission?

- A) IIT Bombay
- B) IISc Bengaluru
- C) IIT Delhi
- D) TIFR Mumbai

- **Answer: B) IISc Bengaluru**
- **Detailed Explanation:** IISc Bengaluru established FQCI (a Section 8 non-profit entity) to operate as the Quantum Computing T-Hub under the National Quantum Mission (NQM). It provides shared facilities for superconducting circuits, photonic quantum systems, and neutral atom research.

Q21. Vice President C.P. Radhakrishnan launched 'Gnani Artha', a sovereign AI stack. Which company developed this technology?

- A) Sarvam AI
- B) GNANI AI
- C) Krutrim AI
- D) Soken AI

- **Answer: B) GNANI AI**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Developed by Bengaluru-based GNANI AI, 'Gnani Artha' is a sovereign enterprise AI stack. It utilizes the Evon v3.3 foundational model (30 billion parameters supporting 11 Indian languages) alongside the Plexus agentic platform.

Sports News

Q22. Lionel Messi announced his retirement from international football on August 31, 2026. How many FIFA Ballon d'Or titles has he won?

- A) 5
- B) 6
- C) 7
- D) 8

- **Answer: D) 8**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Argentine football icon Lionel Messi officially retired from international football. His career features a record **8 FIFA Ballon d'Or** awards, 4 UEFA Champions League titles, 2 Copa América titles (2021, 2024), and the 2022 FIFA World Cup title.

Q23. Who was awarded the Men's Indian Footballer of the Year at the FPAI Indian Football Awards 2026?

- A) Sunil Chhetri
- B) Lallianzuala Chhangte

C) Sahal Abdul Samad

D) Subhasish Bose

• **Answer: B) Lallianzuala Chhangte**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Mizoram winger Lallianzuala Chhangte was named Men's Indian Footballer of the Year, while Punjab's Manisha Kalyan bagged the Women's Player of the Year honor.

Q24. Northeast India's first Swimming National Centre of Excellence (NCoE) is being set up in which state through a tripartite agreement?

A) Manipur

B) Assam

C) Meghalaya

D) Nagaland

• **Answer: B) Assam**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Sports Authority of India (SAI), Swimming Federation of India, and Assam authorities executed a pact to establish Northeast India's first Swimming NCoE in Guwahati, Assam, to train elite aquatic athletes.

Awards & Honors

Q25. Which Singaporean diplomat was conferred the Ramon Magsaysay Award 2026 for his contributions to international diplomacy and UNCLOS?

A) Tommy Koh

B) Kishore Mahbubani

C) Bilahari Kausikan

D) Chan Heng Chee

• **Answer: A) Tommy Koh**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Professor Tommy Koh (Singapore) received the 2026 Ramon Magsaysay Award for his leadership during UNCLOS negotiations. He was honored

alongside democracy activist Bo Kyi (Myanmar) and social entrepreneur Runa Khan (Bangladesh).

Books, Authors & Publications

Q26. The technical booklet titled "Quantum Product Series" was published by which government R&D organization?

A) ISRO

B) C-DOT

C) DRDO

D) CSIR

• **Answer: B) C-DOT**

• **Detailed Explanation:** C-DOT published the booklet to consolidate its research accomplishments in Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQC) and Quantum Key Distribution (QKD).

Important Days & Themes

Q27. World Coconut Day is observed annually on which date?

A) September 1

B) September 2

C) September 5

D) September 8

• **Answer: B) September 2**

• **Detailed Explanation:** World Coconut Day is commemorated on **September 2** by the International Coconut Community (ICC) to highlight the socio-economic and nutritional significance of coconuts globally.

Q28. What was the official theme for the International Day for People of African Descent observed on August 31, 2026?

A) Building Equal Futures

B) Expanding the Human Rights of People of African Descent

C) Justice, Reparation, and Inclusion

D) Global Unity for Diaspora Communities

• **Answer: B) Expanding the Human Rights of People of African Descent**

• **Detailed Explanation:** August 31 marked the 6th observance of the International Day for People of African Descent. The 2026 theme focused on "Expanding the Human Rights of People of African Descent".

the British House of Commons in 1892 representing Finsbury Central for the Liberal Party. He propounded the famous "Drain of Wealth" theory detailing economic exploitation under British rule.

Q29. The year 2026 marks which milestone anniversary of the UN Convention on Enforced Disappearances (observed August 30)?

A) 10th Anniversary

B) 15th Anniversary

C) 20th Anniversary

D) 25th Anniversary

• **Answer: C) 20th Anniversary**

• **Detailed Explanation:** August 30 marked the 20th anniversary of the UN Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. The 2026 slogan was "Victims first. Actions now."

Art, Culture & History

Q30. Dadabhai Naoroji, born in early September 1825, authored 'Poverty and Un-British Rule in India'. He was the first Indian elected to which body?

A) Imperial Legislative Council

B) British House of Commons

C) Constituent Assembly

D) Viceroy's Executive Council

• **Answer: B) British House of Commons**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Dadabhai Naoroji ("Grand Old Man of India") was elected to

