

1. INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **Supreme Court of India Hosts BRICS Chief Justices' Forum 2026 in New Delhi**
 - **Details:** India hosted the 3-day BRICS Chief Justices' Forum 2026 in New Delhi from September 4 to 6, 2026. The forum brought together Chief Justices, Presidents of Supreme Courts, and judicial delegations from BRICS member states and partner countries.
 - **Key Agenda:** Enhancing judicial cooperation, digitizing court proceedings, integrating AI in case management, and environmental jurisprudence.
 - **Exam Takeaway:** The forum emphasized cross-border judicial transparency and the rule of law within the expanded BRICS bloc.
- **Bank of Canada Unveils New \$20 Banknote Featuring King Charles III**
 - **Details:** The Bank of Canada officially revealed the design of its new polymer \$20 banknote featuring King Charles III, replacing the portrait of Queen Elizabeth II.
 - **Exam Takeaway:** Canada is a Commonwealth realm that maintains the British monarch as its official head of state.
- **Nvidia Acquires Open-Source AI Platform Hugging Face for \$12.93 Billion**
 - **Details:** Semiconductor giant Nvidia reached a definitive agreement to acquire Hugging Face for \$12.93 billion. The move strengthens Nvidia's positioning across the open-source artificial intelligence model ecosystem.

2. NATIONAL NEWS

- **Launch of CSS Shield Initiative for Central Secretariat Service**

- **Details:** Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh launched the **CSS Shield Initiative** in New Delhi.
- **Guiding Principle:** "Contribute for Family, Support with Dignity".
- **Objective:** Provides institutional financial aid and child education scholarships to families of deceased Central Secretariat Service (CSS) officers.
- **ICAR Launches Geospatial Soil Moisture Mapping Portal**
 - **Details:** The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) launched an advanced geospatial soil moisture mapping portal to bolster real-time drought monitoring.
 - **Key Features:** Combines satellite telemetry with ground-based IoT sensors to deliver district-level soil advisories and early warnings for dry spells.
- **Naga King Chilli (Raja Mircha) Highlighted for Agri-Exports**
 - **Details:** Nagaland's Raja Mircha (*Capsicum chinense*), one of the world's hottest chillies, was highlighted in national news.
 - **Exam Pointer:** Received its Geographical Indication (GI) tag in **2008**, becoming Nagaland's first GI product.

3. ECONOMICS & BANKING

- **RBI Revises Limit for Offline Digital Transactions to ₹1,000**
 - **Details:** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) increased the upper limit for individual offline digital payment transactions from ₹500 to ₹1,000.
 - **Objective:** Accelerates financial inclusion and contactless digital payment adoption in rural and low-connectivity regions without requiring immediate internet connection or



Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) per transaction.

- **ECLGS 5.0 Update (Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme)**
 - **Implementation Agency:** National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company (NCGTC).
 - **Performance:** As of late August 2026, guarantees worth ₹2,50,024 crore had been sanctioned (out of the target ₹2.55 lakh crore), with MSMEs securing **97.3%** of total guarantee accounts.
- **IndusInd Bank & Razorpay Launch AI Account Manager 'RAY'**
 - **Details:** Launched an AI-driven conversational account manager on WhatsApp to assist MSMEs with real-time merchant settlement, current account statements, and GST-compliant invoices.

4. SPORTS

- **2026 Women's FIH Hockey World Cup Title**
 - **Winner:** Argentina won their 3rd Women's Hockey World Cup title by defeating host Netherlands in a penalty shootout at Wagener Stadium, Amsterdam.
 - **Past Titles:** Argentina previously won in 2002 and 2010.
- **Roger Federer Inducted into Tennis Hall of Fame**
 - **Details:** 20-time Grand Slam champion Roger Federer was formally inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame (Class of 2026) at Newport, Rhode Island, USA.
- **TN Olympic City Infrastructure Project**
 - **Details:** Announcement made for establishing a state-of-the-art **TN Olympic City** in Chennai, Tamil Nadu, aimed at housing world-class training facilities to host international sporting tournaments.

5. APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

- **Surgeon Vice Admiral Dilip Raghavan**
 - **Appointment:** Assumed charge as **Director General Hospital Services (Armed Forces)**.
 - **Role:** Oversees tertiary care military hospitals and health infrastructure under the Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS).

6. AWARDS & HONORS

- **National Teachers' Awards 2026**
 - **Conferred By:** President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
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- **Awardees: 48 school teachers** selected through a 3-stage district/state/national process across 27 States, 7 UTs, and Central Educational Organizations.

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- **Ig Nobel Prize 2026 Announced in Zurich**
 - **Venue:** Hosted in Zurich, Switzerland (first time outside the USA).
 - **Key Indian Highlight (Chemistry Prize):** Awarded to an international team including researchers from **InStem Bengaluru** for discovering that protein crystals found in Pacific beetle cockroach milk contain over 3 times the energy of cow's milk.

7. BOOKS & AUTHORS

- **Karuna: The Power of Compassion**
 - **Author:** Nobel Peace Laureate **Kailash Satyarthi** (Founder of Bachpan Bachao Andolan).
 - **Publisher:** HarperCollins India.



- **Core Theme:** Serves as a manifesto for global compassion and child protection movements.
- **The Second Orbit: Belief of a Man... Dreams of 1.4 Billion Hearts**
- **Released By:** Air Chief Marshal Amar Preet Singh.

8. DEFENSE NEWS

- **Testing of Indigenous 'Khagantak-243' Glide Bomb**
- **Details:** The Indian Air Force (IAF) successfully flight-tested the indigenous **Khagantak-243** long-range precision-guided standoff glide bomb.
- **Range & Feature:** Offers stand-off capabilities exceeding 180 km with satellite-guided precision navigation.
- **Exercise Samudra Shakti 2026**
- **Participating Forces:** Indian Navy & Indonesian Navy.
- **Type:** Bilateral Maritime Exercise featuring anti-submarine warfare (ASW) drills and cross-deck helicopter operations in the Indo-Pacific.

9. GOVT SCHEMES & MOUS

- **Govt Scheme: "Mission Rangeen Machhli 2031"**
- **Launched By:** Vice President C. P. Radhakrishnan in Lakshadweep.
- **Objective:** Focuses on developing ornamental fisheries, marine bio-entrepreneurship, and employment generation for island women self-help groups.
- **MoU: DFPD and Food Corporation of India (FCI)**

- **Signatories:** Department of Food & Public Distribution (DFPD) and FCI for FY 2026–27.
- **Objective:** Sets annual performance benchmarks for real-time inventory tracking, reduction in transit losses, and complete digitization of procurement centers under PM-GKAY.

10. IMPORTANT DAYS

Date	Event / Observance	Theme / Significance
September 5	National Teachers' Day	Birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan (India's 1st Vice President & 2nd President).
September 5	International Vulture Awareness Day 2026	Observed on the 1st Saturday of September. Highlights vultures as ecosystem scavengers preventing anthrax and rabies.
September 8	International Literacy Day (Upcoming)	UNESCO-led initiative promoting functional literacy worldwide.

11. ART, CULTURE & FESTIVALS

- **India-France Strategic Cultural Bilateral**
 - **Details:** PM Narendra Modi addressed a global gathering marking the dedication of a BAPS Hindu Temple in France, celebrating the upcoming **2026 India-France Year of Innovation**.
- **Western Ghats Ecological Discovery: Impatiens sahyadrica**
 - **Details:** Botanists highlighted Impatiens sahyadrica, a rare wild balsam endemic to the evergreen moist forests of the Western Ghats.
 - **Significance:** Functions as an environmental bio-indicator species sensitive to micro-climatic disruptions.

12. BIRTH & DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

- **Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan (Birth Anniversary - Sept 5)**
 - **Role:** Eminent philosopher, scholar, 1st Vice-President of India (1952-1962), and 2nd President of India (1962-1967).
 - **Honors:** Awarded the Bharat Ratna in 1954 (inaugural batch).
- **Pramukh Swami Ji Maharaj Homage**
 - **Details:** National tributes paid honoring his contributions to Indian spiritual heritage and international socio-cultural integration.

PRACTICE EXAM MCQs WITH ANSWERS

Q1. What is the newly revised upper limit set by the RBI for individual offline digital transactions in low-connectivity areas?

- (A) ₹200
- (B) ₹500
- (C) ₹1,000

(D) ₹2,000

Correct Answer: (C) ₹1,000

Explanation: RBI enhanced the transaction cap for offline digital payments to ₹1,000 per transaction to boost digital inclusion across internet-deprived regions.

Q2. Which country won the 2026 Women's FIH Hockey World Cup title?

- (A) Netherlands
- (B) Argentina
- (C) Australia
- (D) Germany

Correct Answer: (B) Argentina

Explanation: Argentina defeated host Netherlands in a penalty shootout in Amsterdam to secure their 3rd Women's Hockey World Cup title.

Q3. Which institution implements the Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS 5.0)?

- (A) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- (B) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- (C) National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company (NCGTC)
- (D) NABARD

Correct Answer: (C) National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company (NCGTC)

Explanation: NCGTC acts as the operating agency providing government-backed credit guarantees under ECLGS 5.0.

Q4. "Mission Rangeen Machhli 2031", launched in Lakshadweep, is associated with which sector?

- (A) Inland Inland Tilapia Farming
- (B) Ornamental Fisheries Development

(C) Deep-sea Tuna Processing

(D) Coral Reef Regeneration

Correct Answer: (B) Ornamental Fisheries Development

Explanation: Launched by VP C. P. Radhakrishnan, the mission targets sustainable growth in ornamental fisheries and local livelihoods in Lakshadweep.

Q5. Samudra Shakti is a bilateral maritime exercise conducted between India and which nation?

(A) Japan

(B) Indonesia

(C) Sri Lanka

(D) France

Correct Answer: (B) Indonesia

Explanation: Exercise Samudra Shakti is executed between the Indian Navy and the Indonesian Navy to strengthen maritime security in the Indo-Pacific region.

International News

Q1. Who was crowned Miss World 2026 at the grand finale held in Vietnam on September 5, 2026?

(A) Krystyna Pyszková

(B) Joheirry Mola Dominguez

(C) Karolina Bielawska

(D) Victoria Kjaer Theilvig

Answer: (B) Joheirry Mola Dominguez

Detailed Explanation: Joheirry Mola Dominguez of the Dominican Republic was crowned Miss World 2026 on September 5, 2026, in Vietnam. She competed against candidates from 111 countries to secure the prestigious international title.

Q2. Regarding the UN General Assembly resolution to correct world map projections, what was India's official stance reiterated in September 2026?

(A) Inclusion of disputed maritime zones in the Indian Ocean

(B) Mandating Mercator projection maps for all UN publications

(C) Depicting Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh as per India's official map

The Hindu

(D) Creation of a new UN geographic monitoring body

Answer: (C) Depicting Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh as per India's official map

Detailed Explanation: Following a UN resolution aimed at correcting historical distortions caused by the 16th-century Mercator map projection, India's Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) asserted on September 6, 2026, that any proposed UN world map must depict Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh strictly in accordance with India's official map, warning that inaccurate representations remain unacceptable.

Q3. Which two US envoys were tasked in early September 2026 with diplomatic peace negotiations in Moscow and Kyiv to mediate the Russia-Ukraine conflict?

(A) Antony Blinken and William Burns

(B) Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner

(C) Jake Sullivan and John Kirby

(D) Keith Kellogg and Richard Grenell

Answer: (B) Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner

Detailed Explanation: US Special Envoy Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner travelled to

Moscow and Kyiv to present a new diplomatic peace initiative aimed at resolving the Russia-Ukraine conflict. In response to these scheduled diplomatic engagements, a temporary 72-hour pause in strikes on Kyiv was announced.

National News

Q4. Vice-President Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan undertook a four-day official visit from September 6 to 9, 2026, to which group of Indian states?

(A) Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, and Jammu & Kashmir

(B) Assam, Meghalaya, Manipur, and Arunachal Pradesh

Press Release: Press Information Bureau

(C) Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and Andhra Pradesh

(D) Odisha, West Bengal, Jharkhand, and Bihar

• **Answer: (B) Assam, Meghalaya, Manipur, and Arunachal Pradesh**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Vice-President C. P. Radhakrishnan commenced a four-day visit across four North-Eastern states—Assam, Meghalaya, Manipur, and Arunachal Pradesh. During the first leg in Guwahati, he attended the Golden Jubilee of Geetanagar College and the Convocation Ceremony of Srimanta Sankaradeva University of Health Sciences (SSUHS).

Q5. Who was appointed as the Chairperson of the 31-member Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) constituted to examine the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Amendment (FCRA) Bill, 2026?

(A) Bhartruhari Mahtab

(B) Tejasvi Surya

(C) Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal

(D) Nishikant Dubey

• **Answer: (C) Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla constituted a 31-member Joint Parliamentary Committee (21 from Lok Sabha and 10 from Rajya Sabha) to examine the FCRA Amendment Bill, 2026. Senior BJP MP Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal was appointed as the Committee's Chairperson to oversee scrutiny regarding foreign funding transparency and NGO operations.

Q6. What was the central focus of the 6th RISE Conclave addressed by Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh in September 2026?

(A) Expansion of deep-sea mining exploration

(B) Highlighting Tier-2 and Tier-3 startup powerhouses and an Industry-R&D Partnership Model

(C) Primary school digital infrastructure implementation

(D) Privatization of state electricity boards

• **Answer: (B) Highlighting Tier-2 and Tier-3 startup powerhouses and an Industry-R&D Partnership Model**

• **Detailed Explanation:** At the 6th RISE Conclave, Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh called for bringing industry partners into R&D projects from day one to accelerate commercialization. The conclave spotlighted India's growing Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities as crucial engines for biotechnology, critical minerals, and space-tech startup ecosystems.

Economics & Banking

Q7. According to Vortexa energy tracking data reported in September 2026, India accounted for approximately what share of European diesel transit via the Bab-el-Mandeb route?



- (A) 25%
- (B) 40%
- (C) 60%
- (D) 85%

• **Answer: (C) 60%**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Amid supply disruptions from Russian and traditional US sources, India emerged as a leading diesel exporter to Europe, supplying nearly 60% of the ~200,000 barrels per day transiting through the Bab-el-Mandeb sea route.

Q8. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) granted approval to the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) to increase its stake up to 9.99% in which major private lender?

- (A) Axis Bank
- (B) ICICI Bank
- (C) IndusInd Bank
- (D) Kotak Mahindra Bank

• **Answer: (B) ICICI Bank**

• **Detailed Explanation:** LIC received RBI approval allowing it to acquire up to a 9.99% equity stake in ICICI Bank within a one-year window (valid until September 2027). LIC has previously held similar permission for raising its holding in HDFC Bank.

Q9. Under which legislative initiative did the Ministry of Consumer Affairs notify the Legal Metrology (Indian Standard Time) Rules, 2026?

- (A) "One Nation, One Grid"
- (B) "One Nation, One Time"
- (C) "Digital India Synchronization"
- (D) "National Frequency Mission"

• **Answer: (B) "One Nation, One Time"**

• **Detailed Explanation:** The Central Government notified the Legal Metrology

(Indian Standard Time) Rules, 2026, marking a major step towards the "One Nation, One Time" initiative. It aims to standardize precise time synchronization across telecom networks, financial systems, cyber infrastructure, and power grids using official IST generated by NPL-CSIR.

Defence News

Q10. What was the total valuation of capital acquisition proposals approved by the Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) chaired by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on September 7, 2026?

- (A) ₹45,000 Crore
- (B) ₹78,000 Crore
- (C) ₹1.10 Lakh Crore
- (D) ₹2.50 Lakh Crore

• **Answer: (C) ₹1.10 Lakh Crore**

• **Detailed Explanation:** The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) granted Acceptance of Necessity (AoN) for capital acquisitions worth approximately ₹1.10 lakh crore across the Army, Navy, and Air Force. To boost self-reliance (Aatmanirbharta), nearly 98% of this total procurement value will be sourced from Indian domestic defense industries.

Q11. What is the primary feature of the "DEFSAC" system approved as part of modernizing identity authentication for Indian Armed Forces personnel?

- (A) Satellite tracking wristbands
- (B) Biometric DNA database
- (C) Interoperable RFID-based smart cards replacing paper identities
- (D) Iris scanner checkpoints at all border posts

• **Answer: (C) Interoperable RFID-based smart cards replacing paper identities**

- **Detailed Explanation:** The Defence Forces Secure Access Card (DEFSAC) system introduces secure, interoperable RFID-enabled smart cards to replace conventional paper-based defense identity credentials, enhancing physical access security and digital identity authentication across defense establishments.

Q12. CSIR-CRRI recently demonstrated a landmark 60% Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP) technology on which national highway?

- (A) NH-44
- (B) NH-716
- (C) NH-66
- (D) NH-27

• **Answer: (B) NH-716**

- **Detailed Explanation:** CSIR-Central Road Research Institute (CSIR-CRRI) in collaboration with industry partners successfully demonstrated 60% RAP technology on NH-716. This high-percentage recycling technology reduces the requirement for fresh bitumen and aggregates, advancing sustainable and eco-friendly road infrastructure buildout.

Government Schemes & MoUs

Q13. The Department of Food & Public Distribution (DFPD) signed an MoU with the Food Corporation of India (FCI) for FY 2026-27 to link performance parameters directly to which web portal?

- (A) Anna Vitran Portal
- (B) Depot Darpan Portal
- (C) FCI GatiShakti Portal
- (D) PM-POSHAN Tracker

• **Answer: (B) Depot Darpan Portal**

- **Detailed Explanation:** The DFPD and FCI signed an MoU for FY 2026-27 setting target-based metrics for foodgrain supply chain efficiency, storage loss reduction, and modernization. A key portion of these performance metrics is evaluated through the Depot Darpan Portal, which monitors infrastructure and operational efficiency across grain storage depots.

Q14. Which investment platform was launched by Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh to bridge biotechnology startups with private venture capital?

- (A) Bio-Bridge India
- (B) BIO-NIVESH
- (C) Biotech Capital Hub
- (D) BIRAC Catalyst 2026

• **Answer: (B) BIO-NIVESH**

- **Detailed Explanation:** The Ministry of Science & Technology launched "BIO-NIVESH," a strategic matchmaking platform that connects biotech entrepreneurs with institutional investors, venture capitalists, and industry partners to scale up lab-to-market translation.

Q15. Government e-Marketplace (GeM) signed an MoU with which entity in September 2026 to promote public procurement of recycled and upcycled textile goods?

- (A) Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)
- (B) Textiles Committee
- (C) National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT)
- (D) Cotton Corporation of India

• **Answer: (B) Textiles Committee**

- **Detailed Explanation:** GeM partnered with the Textiles Committee via an MoU to

streamline public procurement of recycled and upcycled textile products. Using a hub-and-spoke model, it onboarded MSMEs, women artisans, and recyclers onto the GeM platform while maintaining standardization and sustainability standards.

Q16. The Odisha State Disaster Management Authority (OSDMA) signed strategic MoUs with which two organizations to upgrade its disaster framework?

- (A) ISRO and World Bank
- (B) UNDP and CivicDataLab
- (C) UNESCO and IIT Kharagpur
- (D) UNICEF and NITI Aayog

- **Answer: (B) UNDP and CivicDataLab**
- **Detailed Explanation:** OSDMA signed MoUs with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and CivicDataLab to leverage data analytics, artificial intelligence, and open-data infrastructure for enhanced climate resilience, disaster preparedness, and rapid response mechanisms.

Appointments

Q17. Who was appointed as the new Chairperson of the National Commission for Safai Karamcharis (NCSK) on September 6, 2026?

- (A) Kaishab Bihari
- (B) Manoj Kumar Balmiki
- (C) Bhagwat Prasad Makwana
- (D) Ravi Ramu Kalose

- **Answer: (C) Bhagwat Prasad Makwana**
- **Detailed Explanation:** The Central Government reconstituted the leadership of the National Commission for Safai Karamcharis (NCSK) on September 6, 2026,

appointing Bhagwat Prasad Makwana as Chairperson and Kaishab Bihari as Vice-Chairperson for a tenure extending through March 31, 2028.

Q18. Who currently serves as the Director General of the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT), which recently launched the "Agentic AI for Everyone" initiative?

- (A) Sudeep Shrivastava
- (B) Dr. Madan Mohan Tripathi
- (C) Anshul Sonak
- (D) Shashi Shekhar Vempati

- **Answer: (B) Dr. Madan Mohan Tripathi**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Under DG Dr. Madan Mohan Tripathi, NIELIT collaborated with MeitY, CBFC, and Intel India to launch capacity-building courses on "Agentic AI for Everyone" and "Engineering Agentic AI Systems," equipping students with low-code/no-code AI automation skills.

Q19. As announced by the Ministry of Law and Justice on September 5, 2026, Justice Ravindra V. Ghuge was appointed to head which High Court?

- (A) Bombay High Court
- (B) Calcutta High Court
- (C) Chhattisgarh High Court
- (D) Rajasthan High Court

- **Answer: (B) Calcutta High Court**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Union Minister for Law and Justice Arjun Ram Meghwal announced judicial appointments designating Justice Ravindra V. Ghuge to head the Calcutta High Court along with judicial elevations across several other state High Courts.

Awards & Honors

Q20. How many school teachers were conferred the National Teachers Awards 2026 by President Droupadi Murmu on Teachers' Day (September 5, 2026)?

- (A) 30
- (B) 48
- (C) 75
- (D) 100

• **Answer: (B) 48**

• **Detailed Explanation:** President Droupadi Murmu presented the National Teachers Awards 2026 to 48 selected school teachers during a ceremony held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, recognizing their outstanding contributions to primary and secondary education transformation.

Q21. What was the gender composition among the 48 school teachers awarded the National Teachers Award 2026?

- (A) 24 Male, 24 Female
- (B) 26 Male, 22 Female
- (C) 30 Male, 18 Female
- (D) 20 Male, 28 Female

• **Answer: (B) 26 Male, 22 Female**

• **Detailed Explanation:** The 48 recipients of the 2026 National Teachers Awards represented 27 states, 7 Union Territories, and 6 central educational organizations, comprising 26 male teachers and 22 female teachers selected through a rigorous three-stage screening process.

Q22. Besides school teachers, how many educators from Higher Education Institutions were honored under the National Awards to Teachers 2026 scheme?

- (A) 10

(B) 21

(C) 35

(D) 50

• **Answer: (B) 21**

• **Detailed Explanation:** On Teachers' Day 2026, the Ministry of Education and MoSDE separately recognized 21 higher education faculty members and 13 teachers from skill training polytechnics and ITIs for excellence in research, innovation, and skill pedagogy.

Sports News

Q23. Which badminton player achieved a historic three-peat victory by winning the Women's Singles title at the LI-NING China Masters 2026 on September 6, 2026?

- (A) Tomoka Miyazaki
- (B) An Se Young
- (C) Chen Yu Fei
- (D) Tai Tzu Ying

• **Answer: (B) An Se Young**

• **Detailed Explanation:** South Korea's Olympic champion An Se Young defeated Japan's Tomoka Miyazaki 21-17, 21-6 at the China Masters 2026. This marked her 7th title of the 2026 season and made her the first player to win the China Masters Women's Singles title three consecutive times.

Q24. Which pair secured their maiden HSBC BWF World Tour Super 750 Women's Doubles title at the China Masters 2026?

- (A) Bao Li Jing and Cao Zi Han
- (B) Sumire Nakade and Miyu Takahashi
- (C) Hirota Sayaka and Sakuramoto Ayako
- (D) Chen Qing Chen and Jia Yi Fan



- **Answer: (B) Sumire Nakade and Miyu Takahashi**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Japanese duo Sumire Nakade and Miyu Takahashi defeated China's Bao Li Jing and Cao Zi Han 21-18, 21-18 to capture the Women's Doubles title at the Super 750 China Masters 2026 in their debut appearance.

Q25. Where are the upcoming 2026 Asian Games scheduled to be held in late September 2026?

- (A) Hangzhou, China
- (B) Aichi-Nagoya, Japan
- (C) Doha, Qatar
- (D) Bangkok, Thailand

- **Answer: (B) Aichi-Nagoya, Japan**
- **Detailed Explanation:** The 20th Asian Games (2026) are hosted in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan. Top Asian athletes, including world champions in badminton, track and field, and gymnastics, participated in final tune-up tournaments in early September ahead of the multi-sport event.

Important Days & Anniversaries

Q26. National Teachers' Day in India is celebrated annually on September 5 to commemorate the birth anniversary of which eminent philosopher and President?

- (A) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- (B) Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- (C) Dr. Zakir Husain
- (D) Rajendra Prasad

- **Answer: (B) Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan**
- **Detailed Explanation:** September 5 marks the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan (born 1888), India's second President, renowned scholar, and

philosopher. Since 1962, India has observed September 5 as National Teachers' Day to honor educators.

Q27. The International Day of Charity, observed globally on September 5, marks the death anniversary of which Nobel Peace Prize laureate?

- (A) Nelson Mandela
- (B) Mother Teresa
- (C) Wangari Maathai
- (D) Shirin Ebadi

- **Answer: (B) Mother Teresa**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Officially designated by the United Nations General Assembly in 2012, the International Day of Charity is observed on September 5 to commemorate the passing of Mother Teresa (5 September 1997), who devoted her life to humanitarian work through the Missionaries of Charity.

Q28. September 5 marks the birth anniversary of freedom fighter V. O. Chidambaram Pillai (VOC). What landmark Swadeshi institution did he establish during the Indian independence movement?

- (A) Swadeshi Steam Navigation Company
- (B) Tamil Nationalist Cotton Mills
- (C) Bharat Insurance Corporation
- (D) Swadeshi Salt Works

- **Answer: (A) Swadeshi Steam Navigation Company**
- **Detailed Explanation:** Born on September 5, 1872, V. O. Chidambaram Pillai (popularly called "Kappalottiya Thamizhan") founded the Swadeshi Steam Navigation Company in 1906 to challenge the monopoly of British shipping enterprises between Tuticorin and Colombo.



Art, Culture & Science

Q29. What is the primary objective of CSIR's "CAQM Standard Framework" guidelines issued for public works departments in early September 2026?

- (A) Digital map creation for rural villages
- (B) Paving and greening of urban roads to mitigate dust pollution
- (C) Rainwater harvesting mandates for commercial buildings
- (D) Solar panels installation on public roofs

• **Answer: (B) Paving and greening of urban roads to mitigate dust pollution**

• **Detailed Explanation:** CSIR-CRRI organized training workshops for PWD Delhi engineers detailing the Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) standard framework. The framework prioritizes paving unpaved road shoulders and urban greening to suppress PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ road dust emissions.

Q30. Srimanta Sankaradeva University of Health Sciences (SSUHS), whose convocation was attended by the Vice-President on September 6, 2026, is situated in which city?

- (A) Dibrugarh
- (B) Guwahati
- (C) Tezpur
- (D) Silchar

• **Answer: (B) Guwahati**

• **Detailed Explanation:** Srimanta Sankaradeva University of Health Sciences is a health science state university located in Guwahati, Assam. Established in 2009, it is the only health university regulating medical education across Assam.

