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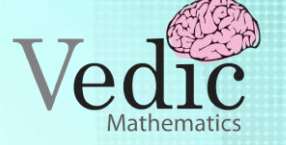
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## NATIONAL NEWS

### Plan for Conducting Census of India 2027 Approved By Union Cabinet



Under the leadership of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi Union Cabinet approved the proposal to conduct Census of India 2027 at a cost of Rs 11,718.24 crore . This will be India's 16th national census and the first completely digital census, bringing major changes in how data is collected, stored, and shared. Census 2027 aims to produce faster, cleaner, and more accessible data for policy-making.

### Benefits of Census 2027

- The entire population of India will be covered under this exercise.
- The shift to digital methods will make data clean, machine-readable, and easy to access.





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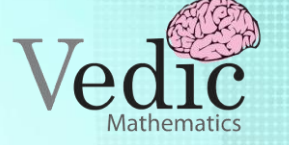
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- Through Census as a Service (CAAS), ministries will receive data in actionable formats for better policy-making.
- Data dissemination will also become faster and more user-friendly, with tools that allow people to access information down to the village or ward level.

“CoalSETU window” in the existing NRS (Non-Regulated Sector) Linkage Policy. It aims to make coal available for any industrial use and export through a long-term auction mechanism.

#### Key Points:-

- A separate auction window is being added to the NRS Linkage Auction Policy of 2016.
- Through the CoalSETU window, any domestic buyer requiring coal can participate in the auction for long-term linkages.
- However, coking coal will not be offered under this window.

## NATIONAL NEWS

**Cabinet Approves CoalSETU Window for Fair Coal Access and Efficient Resource Use**



The Union Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved a major new policy called CoalSETU to bring more transparency, fairness, and efficiency to India's coal allocation system. The policy introduces a new

## APPOINTMENTS

**Meta India Appoints Aman Jain as Head of Public Policy**



Meta India has announced the appointment of Aman Jain as its new Head of Public Policy, marking an







important leadership move as the company strengthens its engagement with India's digital and regulatory landscape. Jain will take charge early next year and is expected to play a key role in shaping Meta's policy approach in one of its most important global markets.

#### Key Points:-

- He will report to Simon Milner, Vice President of Policy for the Asia Pacific region.
- He will also become part of Meta's India leadership team.
- He will guide policy discussions around key areas such as digital safety, data governance, competition, artificial intelligence, and platform accountability.



The match, played at the ICC Academy Ground, Dubai, saw Suryavanshi dominate from the start, showcasing his extraordinary form and cementing his position as India's next big cricketing superstar.

#### Key Points:-

- This was his second Youth ODI hundred, after scoring his first earlier in England.
- He now has six centuries in 2025 across formats.
- He recently smashed his first Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy century—an unbeaten 108 off 61 balls for Bihar.

## SPORTS

### U-19 Asia Cup 2025, Vaibhav Suryavanshi Smashes 171 as India Dominate UAE

India's 14-year-old batting prodigy Vaibhav Suryavanshi delivered another jaw-dropping performance as he hammered a scintillating 171 off 95 balls in the opening match of the Under-19 Asia Cup 2025 against the United Arab Emirates (UAE).

## BANKING/ECONOMY

### DBS Named Global Bank of the Year 2025 by The Banker

In December 2025, DBS Bank, headquartered in Singapore, was honoured as the Global Bank of the Year





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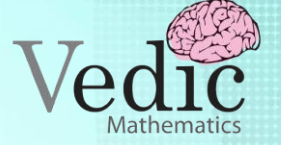
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2025 by The Banker, a prestigious publication of the Financial Times Group. The award was presented during the annual Bank of the Year Awards 2025 ceremony held in London, United Kingdom.



This marks DBS's third global win in this category, after securing the title previously in 2018 and 2021—underscoring its rising influence and consistent excellence in the global banking sector.

(RBI) to establish a dedicated Digital Payments Intelligence Platform



. The new entity, named the Indian Digital Payment Intelligence Corporation (IDPIC), aims to improve fraud detection and prevention across public sector banks.

## BANKING/ECONOMY

### SBI and Bank of Baroda Receive RBI Nod to Establish Digital Payments Fraud Detection Platform

In a significant step toward strengthening India's digital banking security, the State Bank of India (SBI) and Bank of Baroda (BoB) have received approval from the Reserve Bank of India

## STATE NEWS

### Polling stations in Tamil Nadu







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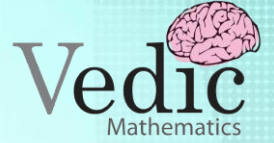
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Tamil Nadu has a total of 75,035 polling stations after the rationalization process. This is an increase of 6,568 from the earlier 68,467 stations. After the rationalization process, a total of 6,648 stations were created and 80 were merged. While the location was changed for 2,509 polling stations, re-arrangement of sections was undertaken in 7,752.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi appealed to citizens to actively participate in the "Your Capital, Your Rights" campaign, a national initiative aimed at helping citizens recover forgotten and unclaimed financial resources, including dormant bank deposits, unclaimed insurance payments, pending dividends, and other financial assets that have remained unclaimed for years.

**Q.2. Where was the State-Level Watershed Festival 2025 recently held?**

- A. Imphal
- B. Itanagar
- C. Naga Solidarity Park, Kohima
- D. Aizawl

2. C

**DETAILED ANALYSIS OF RECENT CURRENT AFFAIRS: MULTIPLE CHOICE FORMAT**

**Q.1. The recent "Your Capital, Your Rights" initiative is aimed at what?**

- A. Digital Subsidies
- B. Unclaimed Financial Assets
- C. Direct Tax Refunds
- D. Pension Reforms

1. B

The central government launched the State-Level Watershed Festival 2025 and Mission Watershed Revitalization at the Naga Solidarity Park in Kohima. The program aims to conserve natural water sources, improve soil health, and help villagers manage water sources better. It highlights the importance of ancient water systems and inspires people to work together for long-term water security.





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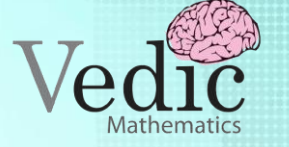
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**Q.3. Who recently inaugurated the steel-cutting ceremony of India's first fully electric green tug?**

- A. Nitin Gadkari
  - B. Sarbananda Sonowal
  - C. Ashwini Vaishnav
  - D. Piyush Goyal
3. B

India has taken a major step towards clean and modern port operations. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal virtually inaugurated the steel-cutting ceremony of the country's first fully electric green tug. This project is part of a national effort to make India's ports cleaner, greener, and future-ready.

**Q.4. India's first hydrogen-powered train was recently developed according to which standard?**

- A. BHEL
  - B. ISRO
  - C. RDSO
  - D. DRDO
4. C

India's first hydrogen-powered train has been built to specifications set by the Research, Design and Standards

Organization (RDSO). This project is a key part of the "Hydrogen for Heritage" initiative and is aligned with India's goal of achieving net-zero carbon emissions.

**Q.5. Which organization recently released the study "India's Employment Prospects: Pathways to Jobs"?**

- A. NITI Aayog
  - B. World Bank
  - C. NCAER
  - D. ILO
5. C

Manish Sabharwal, Vice Chairman of the National Council of Applied Economic Research, released a study titled "India's Employment Prospects: Pathways to Jobs." Authored by Professor Farzana Afridi and her team of researchers at NCAER, the report emphasizes the role of skilling and small enterprises as key drivers of job creation in the country. Furthermore, it underscores the need to address barriers to increasing workforce participation and both the quality and quantity of labor productivity, the NCAER report said.







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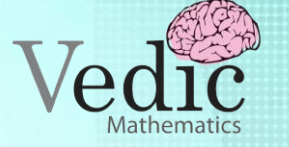
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**Q.6. Which organization recently released the Asian Development Outlook December 2025?**

- A. IMF
  - B. World Bank
  - C. Asian Development Bank
  - D. OECD
6. C

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has released the "Asian Development Outlook (ADO) December 2025 Report", which primarily updates economic growth projections for the Asia-Pacific region and India, and raises India's FY26 forecast to 7.2% from 6.5%.

**Q.7. The recent IndusInd Bank Jio-BP Mobility+ credit card is based on which network?**

- A. Visa
  - B. Mastercard
  - C. RuPay
  - D. Amex
7. C

IndusInd Bank, in partnership with Jio-BP, has launched a new credit card, IndusInd Bank Jio-BP Mobility+. This card is specifically designed for customers who want to earn increased

rewards on fuel spend and a variety of benefits on lifestyle expenses. Powered by the RuPay network, this card will cater to the country's growing digital customer base.

**Q.8. What is the new brand promise of Ageas Federal Life Insurance recently?**

- A. Life First
  - B. Har Wada Mumkin - Promises Made Possible
  - C. Secure Tomorrow
  - D. Trust for Life
8. B

Ageas Federal Life Insurance's new brand promise is "Har Vaada Mumkin", meaning 'Every Promise is Possible', which reflects the company's commitment to protection, purpose and fulfillment of its customer promises, with Sachin Tendulkar also launching the new identity and featuring as the brand ambassador in the new campaign.

**Q.9. Recently, Amazon announced to invest over \$35 billion in India by which year?**

- A. 2027
- B. 2028
- C. 2030





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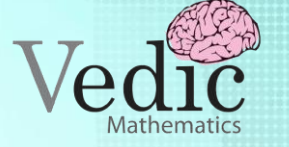
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D. 2032

9. C

Amazon recently announced that it will invest over \$35 billion in India by 2030. This is part of a larger expansion aimed at strengthening artificial intelligence capabilities, boosting exports, and deepening its overall presence in one of the world's fastest-growing tech markets.

**Q.10. India's first salary-based credit card was recently launched with which bank?**

- A. UCO Bank
- B. City Union Bank
- C. IDFC First Bank
- D. Canara Bank

10. B

India's first salary-focused credit card, "Level Up Credit Card", designed for salaried individuals with "Salary Day Bonus", was recently launched by SalarySea in partnership with City Union Bank (CUB).

**Q.11. What was the recent foreign investment limit in AU Small Finance Bank?**

A. 51%

B. 60%

C. 74%

D. 100%

11. C

AU Small Finance Bank announced that it has received approval from the Department of Financial Services to increase its foreign investment limit to a maximum of 74%. The decision aims to create additional capacity for foreign participation within the existing regulatory framework. This development came as the bank's shares fell in the latest trading session.

**Q.12. In which country was the CITES COP20 conference 2025 recently held?**

- A. Kazakhstan
- B. Uzbekistan
- C. Mongolia
- D. Azerbaijan

12. B

The 20th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP20) of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) concluded in Samarkand, Uzbekistan. CITES, also known as the Washington Convention, is a multilateral treaty for







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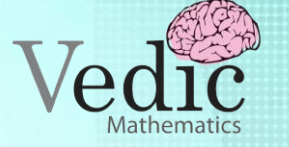
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the conservation of endangered plants and animals.

**Q.13. The new spider species recently discovered in Meghalaya are part of which biodiversity hotspot?**

- A. Western Ghats
- B. Himalaya
- C. Indo-Burma
- D. Sundaland

13. C

The new spider species discovered in Meghalaya (such as Asemonia dentis and Colletes nongwar) are part of the Indo-Burma mega hotspot, highlighting the rich biodiversity of Northeast India and the ecological importance of the region, which still holds many unknown species.

**Q.14. When will India host the first Commonwealth Kho-Kho Championship?**

- A. January 2026
- B. February 2026
- C. March 2026
- D. April 2026

14. C

India is set to host the Commonwealth Kho-Kho Championship for the first time from March 9 to 14, 2026. More than 24



Commonwealth countries are expected to participate, marking a historic moment for the traditional Indian sport of Kho-Kho.

**Q.15. Which organization recently released the World Inequality Report 2026?**

- A. World Bank
- B. IMF
- C. World Inequality Lab
- D. UNDP

15. C

The World Inequality Report 2026 was released by the World Inequality Lab, a research center at the Paris School of Economics co-directed by renowned economists Thomas Piketty and Lucas Chancel. The report provides data on global income, wealth, gender, and climate inequality.




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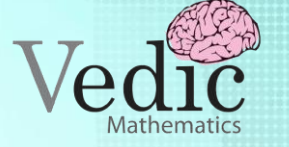
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## HISTORICAL AND TECHNICAL EVENTS OF 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025

**1398: Mongol emperor Timurlang captured Delhi.**



Timur attacked India in 1398 AD during the reign of Nasiruddin Mahmud, the last ruler of the Tughlaq dynasty. This attack proved fatal for the Tughlaq dynasty. Due to which the Tughlaq dynasty was destroyed.

Timur attacked India in 1398 AD. He crossed the Indus and captured Multan and easily conquered Delhi.

**1803: East India Company captured Odisha.**



The Marathas ruled over entire Odisha for a few years and finally handed over Angul and the entire region of Odisha to the British East India Company in 1803 AD and thus began the British era in the history of Angul. During the British rule, the rulers mainly followed the instructions of the Company in ruling the state.

When Odisha was formed, there were only 5 districts. The state was established on 1 April 1936. After this, many other districts were created over the years. Odisha has an area of more than 154468 square kilometers.







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**1777: France recognizes American independence.**



On December, 1777, the French Foreign Minister, Charles Gravier, Count of Vergennes, officially acknowledged the United States as an independent nation. The leaders of the American Revolution were colonial separatist leaders who originally sought greater autonomy as British subjects, but later gathered to support the Revolutionary War, which ended British colonial rule over the colonies.

**1907: Ugyen Wangchuck becomes the first king of Bhutan.**



Ugyen Wangchuck established the monarchy in 1907, although he had been more or less the de facto ruler for more than a decade. On December 1907, Ugyen Wangchuck was elected unanimously by the representatives of the people, officials and clergy and enthroned as the first hereditary king of Bhutan at Punakha Dzong.

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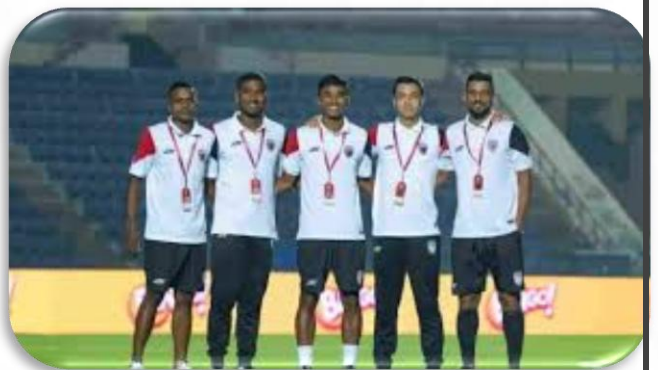
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**1996: National Football League launched.**

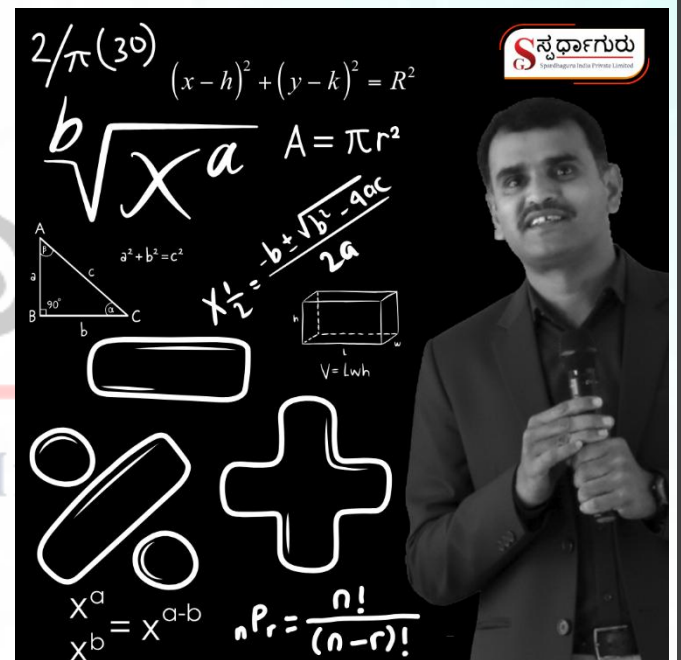


The 1996-97 National Football League, also known as the Philips National League for sponsorship reasons, was the inaugural season of the National Football League. The tournament began on December 1996 and ended on 16 March 1997. Philips India was the main sponsor of the tournament and the total prize money was announced as ₹1.5 crore; the winner would receive ₹35 lakh. Twelve teams participated in the competition.

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➤ Square roots  
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➤ HCF & LCM  
➤ Simplification  
➤ Percentage  
➤ Profit & loss  
➤ simple interest  
➤ Compound interest  
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