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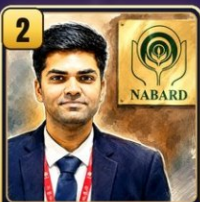
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**87**

Exam Ready MCQs

**218**questions they were  
picked from**9**

topics covered

**15 min**

per topic, timed

**1****Time a topic**

About nine seconds a question. Pen and paper, no peeking.

**2****Check it**

Answers and explanations follow each topic. Mark every miss.

**3****Log the score**

Write it in the tracker below, topic by topic.

**4****Retake misses**

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# Banking & Finance

29 must-know MCQs · Q1–29 · about 5 minutes

**Q1 · 5 & 6 February 2026**

**SEBI has proposed reducing the Z-score in commodity derivatives stress testing from 10 to 5 mainly because:**

- A. Market volatility has declined permanently
- B. A Z-score of 10 overstates extreme risk
- C. International norms mandate it
- D. Clearing corporations requested higher risk
- E. It reduces reporting requirements

**Q2 · 7 February 2026**

**In February 2026, the RBI kept the repo rate unchanged at:**

- A. 4.50%
- B. 4.90%
- C. 5.00%
- D. 5.25%
- E. 5.50%

**Q3 · 7 February 2026**

**As per RBI's proposal, the maximum compensation for victims of small-value cyber frauds is:**

- A. ₹10,000
- B. ₹15,000
- C. ₹20,000
- D. ₹25,000
- E. ₹50,000

**Q4 · 8 & 9 February 2026**

**India signed Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) cooperation MoUs with how many countries?**

- A. 15
- B. 18
- C. 20
- D. 23
- E. 25

**Q5 · 10 February 2026**

**As per RBI's 2026 directions, banks must provide collateral-free loans up to what amount to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs)?**

- A. ₹10 lakh
- B. ₹15 lakh
- C. ₹20 lakh
- D. ₹25 lakh
- E. ₹30 lakh

**Q6 · 11 February 2026**

**The Standing Deposit Facility (SDF) rate currently stands at:**

- A. 5.25%
- B. 5%
- C. 5.50%
- D. 4.75%
- E. 6%

**Q7 · 11 February 2026**

**RBI has proposed increasing unsecured loan exposure limit for UCBs to:**

- A. 25% of total assets
- B. 15% of total advances
- C. 20% of total advances
- D. 30% of total advances
- E. 10% of total assets

**Q8 · 11 February 2026**

**SEBI is considering reducing the monitoring threshold for IPO/QIP proceeds to:**

- A. ₹75 crore
- B. ₹25 crore
- C. ₹90 crore
- D. ₹50 crore
- E. ₹60 crore

**Q9 · 11 February 2026**

**Which NBFCs may be exempted from RBI registration under draft norms?**

- A. Asset size above ₹5,000 crore
- B. Asset size below ₹1,000 crore with no public funds and no customer interface
- C. Deposit-taking NBFCs
- D. Listed NBFCs
- E. NBFCs with public deposits

**Q10 · 12 February 2026**

**SEBI's new framework mandates exchanges to maintain installed IT capacity of at least:**

- A. Equal to projected peak load
- B. 1.5 times projected peak load
- C. 2 times projected peak load
- D. 3 times projected peak load
- E. 4 times projected peak load

**Q11 · 13 February 2026**

**Under RBI's proposed recovery norms, which of the following is considered a prohibited practice?**

- A. Issuing legal notice
- B. Calling during permitted hours
- C. Engaging registered recovery agents
- D. Publicly shaming borrowers
- E. Sending written reminders

**Q12 · 14 February 2026**

**The ₹10,000 crore Startup India Fund 2.0 will be operated by:**

- A. RBI
- B. SEBI
- C. NABARD
- D. SIDBI
- E. NITI Aayog

**Q13 · 14 February 2026**

**The Lead Bank Scheme (LBS) was introduced in:**

- A. 1956
- B. 1969
- C. 1982
- D. 1991
- E. 2005

**Q14 · 14 February 2026**

**As per RBI's new norms, banks can finance up to what percentage of the total acquisition value?**

- A. 50%
- B. 60%
- C. 70%
- D. 75%
- E. 90%

**Q15 · 15 & 16 February 2026**

**The Urban Challenge Fund (UCF) requires what minimum percentage of project cost to be raised from market sources?**

- A. 25%
- B. 40%
- C. 50%
- D. 60%
- E. 75%

**Q16 · 15 & 16 February 2026**

**Under RBI's restored Default Loss Guarantee (DLG) framework, fintech guarantees are generally capped at approximately:**

- A. 2%
- B. 5%
- C. 10%
- D. 15%
- E. 25%

**Q17 · 15 & 16 February 2026**

**As per RBI's new M&A financing rules, the maximum bank financing allowed for acquisition funding is:**

- A. 50%
- B. 60%
- C. 70%
- D. 75%
- E. 90%

**Q18 · 17 February 2026**

**The Urban Challenge Fund requires cities to raise at least what percentage of project funding through market mechanisms such as bonds and PPPs?**

- A. 25%
- B. 40%
- C. 50%
- D. 60%
- E. 75%

**Q19 · 17 February 2026**

**The proposal to widen the banking reform committee's mandate is primarily due to:**

- A. Complete privatisation of public sector banks
- B. Dominance of cooperative banks
- C. Diversification of financial intermediation beyond banks
- D. Decline in NBFC activity
- E. Merger of all financial regulators

**Q20 · 17 February 2026**

**The Reserve Bank of India recently amended the External Commercial Borrowing (ECB) framework by:**

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3
- D. 1 only
- E. 3 only

**Q21 · 17 February 2026**

**"UPI One World" launched by NPCI is primarily intended for:**

- A. Domestic inter-bank settlements
- B. Government subsidy transfers
- C. Foreign visitors without Indian bank accounts
- D. Cryptocurrency trading
- E. International SWIFT transfers

**Q22 · 17 February 2026**

**RBI's recent tightening of collateral rules for capital market intermediaries includes:**

- A. Zero collateral requirement
- B. 100% secured loans with 40% haircut on equity collateral
- C. Removal of margin trading norms
- D. Allowing unlimited leverage
- E. Eliminating bank lending to brokers

**Q23 · 18 February 2026**

**Under RBI's draft forex norms, the Net Overnight Open Position (NOOP) limit for authorised dealers is capped at:**

- A. 10% of total capital
- B. 15% of Tier I capital
- C. 20% of total capital
- D. 25% of total capital
- E. 40% of Tier II capital

**Q24 · 19 February 2026**

**Under RBI's acquisition financing norms, the post-acquisition Debt–Equity ratio is capped at:**

- A. 1:1
- B. 2:1
- C. 3:1
- D. 4:1
- E. 5:1

**Q25 · 22 & 23 February 2026**

**Participatory Notes (P-Notes) allow foreign investors to invest in Indian markets without directly registering with:**

- A. RBI
- B. SEBI
- C. Ministry of Finance
- D. IRDAI
- E. NPCI

**Q26 · 25 February 2026**

**According to RBI's revised broker funding norms, banks' exposure to capital markets is capped at what percentage of their net worth?**

- A. 10%
- B. 15%
- C. 20%
- D. 25%
- E. 30%

**Q27 · 26 February 2026**

**The Asian Development Bank signed a financing agreement worth up to USD 108 million with which housing finance company?**

- A. HDFC Ltd
- B. LIC Housing Finance
- C. Aavas Financiers
- D. PNB Housing Finance
- E. Can Fin Homes

**Q28 · 28 February 2026**

**What percentage of India's international trade is currently conducted in rupees as part of the rupee internationalisation process?**

- A. About 2%
- B. About 5%
- C. About 10%
- D. About 15%
- E. About 20%

**Q29 · 28 February 2026****India's foreign exchange reserves declined to approximately what level in February 2026?**

- A. \$650 billion
- B. \$690 billion
- C. \$723 billion
- D. \$780 billion
- E. \$820 billion

**ANSWERS — BANKING & FINANCE**

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**Q1. SEBI has proposed reducing the Z-score in commodity derivatives stress testing from 10 to 5 mainly because:****Answer** B) A Z-score of 10 overstates extreme risk

SEBI noted that a Z-score of 10 captures extremely rare events and may lead to overly conservative and capital-intensive risk norms.

**Q2. In February 2026, the RBI kept the repo rate unchanged at:****Answer** D. 5.25%

The RBI maintained the policy repo rate at 5.25% amid stable macroeconomic conditions.

**Q3. As per RBI's proposal, the maximum compensation for victims of small-value cyber frauds is:****Answer** D. ₹25,000

RBI proposed compensation up to ₹25,000 for victims of cyber frauds involving transactions below ₹50,000.

**Q4. India signed Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) cooperation MoUs with how many countries?****Answer** D. 23

In February 2026, India signed DPI cooperation agreements with 23 countries to share components of India Stack such as digital identity and payments.

**Q5. As per RBI's 2026 directions, banks must provide collateral-free loans up to what amount to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs)?****Answer** C) ₹20 lakh

RBI directed banks to extend collateral-free loans up to ₹20 lakh to all Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs), with flexibility to increase up to ₹25 lakh for good borrowers.

**Q6. The Standing Deposit Facility (SDF) rate currently stands at:**

**Answer** B. 5%

The SDF rate is 5%, acting as the floor of the LAF corridor and is 25 basis points below the repo rate.

**Q7. RBI has proposed increasing unsecured loan exposure limit for UCBs to:**

**Answer** C. 20% of total advances

RBI draft norms propose raising the unsecured loan cap for UCBs to 20% of total advances from the previous 10% of total assets.

**Q8. SEBI is considering reducing the monitoring threshold for IPO/QIP proceeds to:**

**Answer** D. ₹50 crore

SEBI is examining reducing the monitoring threshold from ₹100 crore to ₹50 crore to enhance oversight and investor protection.

**Q9. Which NBFCs may be exempted from RBI registration under draft norms?**

**Answer** B. Asset size below ₹1,000 crore with no public funds and no customer interface

RBI proposes exempting small NBFCs (below ₹1,000 crore assets) that do not accept public funds and have no customer interface. These will be classified as Unregistered Type I NBFCs.

**Q10. SEBI's new framework mandates exchanges to maintain installed IT capacity of at least:**

**Answer** C) 2 times projected peak load

SEBI has mandated that exchanges and clearing corporations in the commodity derivatives segment maintain IT capacity of at least 2x the projected peak load to ensure resilience and system stability.

**Q11. Under RBI's proposed recovery norms, which of the following is considered a prohibited practice?**

**Answer** D) Publicly shaming borrowers

RBI prohibits harsh recovery practices such as threatening language, repeated calls, intimidation, and public humiliation of borrowers or their relatives.

**Q12. The ₹10,000 crore Startup India Fund 2.0 will be operated by:**

**Answer** D. SIDBI

The Fund of Funds Scheme (FFS) under Startup India is operated by SIDBI (Small Industries Development Bank of India). The government invests in AIFs, which then invest in startups.

**Q13. The Lead Bank Scheme (LBS) was introduced in:**

**Answer** B. 1969

The Lead Bank Scheme was introduced in 1969 to improve banking penetration and financial inclusion. Each district was assigned a Lead Bank to coordinate credit expansion.

**Q14. As per RBI's new norms, banks can finance up to what percentage of the total acquisition value?**

**Answer D.** 75%

RBI permits banks to finance up to 75% of the total acquisition value for takeovers of listed and unlisted non-financial companies, subject to safeguards.

**Q15. The Urban Challenge Fund (UCF) requires what minimum percentage of project cost to be raised from market sources?**

**Answer C)** 50%

Under the Urban Challenge Fund (UCF), at least 50% of the project cost must be mobilised through market sources such as municipal bonds, bank loans, and PPPs. The Central Government provides 25% assistance to encourage market-linked funding and reduce dependence on grants.

**Q16. Under RBI's restored Default Loss Guarantee (DLG) framework, fintech guarantees are generally capped at approximately:**

**Answer B)** 5%

Default Loss Guarantees in digital lending partnerships are usually capped at around 5% of the loan portfolio. This allows limited risk-sharing between fintechs and NBFCs.

**Q17. As per RBI's new M&A financing rules, the maximum bank financing allowed for acquisition funding is:**

**Answer D)** 75%

RBI guidelines allow banks to finance up to 75% of acquisition costs, while the acquirer must contribute at least 25% equity, ensuring shared financial responsibility.

**Q18. The Urban Challenge Fund requires cities to raise at least what percentage of project funding through market mechanisms such as bonds and PPPs?**

**Answer C)** 50%

Under the Urban Challenge Fund, the Centre funds 25% of project cost, while cities must raise at least 50% via municipal bonds, loans, or PPPs. This promotes fiscal discipline and market-based urban financing.

**Q19. The proposal to widen the banking reform committee's mandate is primarily due to:**

**Answer C)** Diversification of financial intermediation beyond banks

India's financial system is no longer purely bank-centric. Credit increasingly flows through NBFCs, fintech platforms, capital markets, insurance and pension systems. Hence, reforms must address the broader financial ecosystem.

**Q20. The Reserve Bank of India recently amended the External Commercial Borrowing (ECB) framework by:**

**Answer A)** 1 and 3 only

The RBI removed the all-in-cost cap and expanded eligible participants under the new ECB regime. However, on-lending for real estate business remains prohibited as a prudential safeguard.

**Q21. "UPI One World" launched by NPCI is primarily intended for:**

**Answer** C) Foreign visitors without Indian bank accounts

UPI One World is a prepaid wallet facility designed for foreign visitors to enable seamless UPI-based digital payments in India without requiring an Indian bank account.

**Q22. RBI's recent tightening of collateral rules for capital market intermediaries includes:**

**Answer** B) 100% secured loans with 40% haircut on equity collateral

RBI mandated fully secured loans and imposed a minimum 40% haircut on shares pledged as collateral to reduce systemic risk and excessive leverage in capital markets.

**Q23. Under RBI's draft forex norms, the Net Overnight Open Position (NOOP) limit for authorised dealers is capped at:**

**Answer** D. 25% of total capital

RBI proposed that authorised dealers must maintain NOOP limits up to 25% of total capital (Tier I + Tier II) to manage foreign exchange risk exposure.

**Q24. Under RBI's acquisition financing norms, the post-acquisition Debt–Equity ratio is capped at:**

**Answer** C. 3:1

RBI guidelines cap the post-acquisition Debt–Equity ratio at 3:1 on a continuous basis to prevent excessive leverage and reduce systemic risk.

**Q25. Participatory Notes (P-Notes) allow foreign investors to invest in Indian markets without directly registering with:**

**Answer** B) SEBI

P-Notes are offshore derivative instruments issued by SEBI-registered FPIs to overseas investors who do not wish to directly register with SEBI.

**Q26. According to RBI's revised broker funding norms, banks' exposure to capital markets is capped at what percentage of their net worth?**

**Answer** C. 20%

Under the new RBI broker funding guidelines, banks' capital market exposure cannot exceed 20% of their net worth. The rules also require 100% collateral for most broker exposures and restrict funding for proprietary trading activities.

**Q27. The Asian Development Bank signed a financing agreement worth up to USD 108 million with which housing finance company?**

**Answer** C. Aavas Financiers

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) signed a financing agreement worth USD 108 million with Aavas Financiers to support affordable housing finance in India and expand home loan access for low-income households.

**Q28. What percentage of India's international trade is currently conducted in rupees as part of the rupee internationalisation process?**

**Answer** B. About 5%

India has started a gradual process of rupee internationalisation. Currently, about 5% of India's international trade is invoiced or settled in rupees, reflecting early progress in reducing dependence on the US dollar.

**Q29. India's foreign exchange reserves declined to approximately what level in February 2026?**

**Answer** C. \$723 billion

According to RBI data, India's forex reserves declined by about \$2.11 billion to around \$723.6 billion for the week ending February 20, 2026, mainly due to changes in foreign currency assets.

EXAM READY · TOPIC 2 OF 9

# Schemes & Government

14 must-know MCQs · Q30–43 · about 3 minutes

**Q30 · 1 & 2 February 2026****The Biopharma SHAKTI initiative has been allocated an outlay of:**

- A. ₹5,000 crore over 3 years
- B. ₹7,500 crore over 5 years
- C. ₹10,000 crore over 5 years
- D. ₹12,000 crore over 4 years
- E. ₹15,000 crore over 6 years

**Q31 · 5 & 6 February 2026****Denotified Tribes (DNTs) were originally classified under which colonial-era law?**

- A. Indian Penal Code, 1860
- B. Criminal Tribes Act, 1871
- C. Government of India Act, 1935
- D. Police Act, 1861
- E. Land Revenue Act, 1887

**Q32 · 7 February 2026****Under the relaxed norms for deep tech start-ups, the maximum permissible age is:**

- A. 10 years
- B. 12 years
- C. 15 years
- D. 18 years
- E. 20 years

**Q33 · 10 February 2026****Under the Pulse Self-Reliance Mission, the government will provide subsidy up to \_\_\_\_\_ per pulse mill.**

- A. ₹10 lakh
- B. ₹15 lakh
- C. ₹20 lakh
- D. ₹25 lakh
- E. ₹30 lakh

**Q34 · 14 February 2026****Parliamentary privileges of Members of Parliament are provided under which Article of the Constitution?**

- A. Article 356
- B. Article 105
- C. Article 370
- D. Article 280
- E. Article 324

**Q35 · 15 & 16 February 2026****APEDA was established under which Act?**

- A. Foreign Trade Act, 1992
- B. APEDA Act, 1985
- C. Agriculture Export Promotion Act, 1986
- D. Food Safety Act, 2006
- E. Essential Commodities Act, 1955

**Q36 · 20 February 2026****The India–UK Offshore Wind Taskforce was launched under which framework?**

- A. Act East Policy
- B. International Solar Alliance
- C. Vision 2035
- D. Make in India 2.0
- E. National Green Hydrogen Mission

**Q37 · 20 February 2026****Article 105 of the Constitution of India deals with:**

- A. Powers of the President
- B. Emergency provisions
- C. Powers and privileges of Parliament
- D. Distribution of legislative subjects
- E. Election of Vice-President

**Q38 · 21 February 2026****The SANKALP Scheme was launched by which ministry?**

- A. Ministry of Labour and Employment
- B. Ministry of Education
- C. Ministry of Rural Development
- D. Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- E. Ministry of MSME

**Q39 · 21 February 2026****The National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) was established under which Article of the Constitution?**

- A. Article 324
- B. Article 338
- C. Article 338A
- D. Article 340
- E. Article 356

**Q40 · 22 & 23 February 2026****The “One Plant Per Day” resolution was originally launched in 2021 with what objective?**

- A. Urban landscaping reform
- B. Industrial afforestation
- C. Personal daily sapling plantation commitment
- D. Carbon tax implementation
- E. Rural irrigation expansion

**Q41 · 24 February 2026**

**With reference to the National Monetisation Pipeline (NMP 2.0), consider the following statements:**

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1 only
- E. 1, 2 and 3

**Q42 · 24 February 2026**

**In asset monetisation under NMP 2.0, which of the following best describes the model adopted?**

- A. Complete privatisation of public enterprises
- B. Disinvestment through stock markets
- C. Leasing operational rights for a fixed period while retaining ownership
- D. Foreign direct investment in greenfield projects only
- E. Public distribution of assets

**Q43 · 26 February 2026**

**The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) celebrated its 29th Foundation Day in which year?**

- A. 2024
- B. 2025
- C. 2026
- D. 2027
- E. 2028

**ANSWERS — SCHEMES & GOVERNMENT**

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| <b>Q30</b> C | <b>Q31</b> B | <b>Q32</b> E | <b>Q33</b> D | <b>Q34</b> B |
| <b>Q35</b> B | <b>Q36</b> C | <b>Q37</b> C | <b>Q38</b> D | <b>Q39</b> C |
| <b>Q40</b> C | <b>Q41</b> B | <b>Q42</b> C | <b>Q43</b> C |              |

**Q30. The Biopharma SHAKTI initiative has been allocated an outlay of:**

**Answer** C. ₹10,000 crore over 5 years

Biopharma SHAKTI is a flagship initiative with an allocation of ₹10,000 crore spread over five years to strengthen biologics, biosimilars, and regulatory capacity.

**Q31. Denotified Tribes (DNTs) were originally classified under which colonial-era law?**

**Answer** B) Criminal Tribes Act, 1871

DNTs were historically branded as “criminal tribes” under the Criminal Tribes Act, 1871, which was repealed in 1952.

**Q32. Under the relaxed norms for deep tech start-ups, the maximum permissible age is:**

**Answer** E. 20 years

The government has extended the maximum age limit for deep tech start-ups from 10 years to 20 years.

**Q33. Under the Pulse Self-Reliance Mission, the government will provide subsidy up to \_\_\_\_\_ per pulse mill.**

**Answer D)** ₹25 lakh

The mission proposes establishment of 1,000 pulse mills across the country with government subsidy support of up to ₹25 lakh per mill to promote processing and value addition.

**Q34. Parliamentary privileges of Members of Parliament are provided under which Article of the Constitution?**

**Answer B.** Article 105

Article 105 of the Constitution provides privileges and immunities to Members of Parliament, including freedom of speech in Parliament. Article 194 provides similar powers for State Legislatures.

**Q35. APEDA was established under which Act?**

**Answer B)** APEDA Act, 1985

APEDA (Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority) was established under the APEDA Act, 1985 and became operational in 1986 to promote agricultural exports from India.

**Q36. The India–UK Offshore Wind Taskforce was launched under which framework?**

**Answer C.** Vision 2035

The India–UK Offshore Wind Taskforce was launched under Vision 2035 to accelerate offshore wind energy development through bilateral cooperation.

**Q37. Article 105 of the Constitution of India deals with:**

**Answer C.** Powers and privileges of Parliament

Article 105 provides for the powers, privileges and immunities of Parliament and its members. Article 194 provides similar provisions for State Legislatures.

**Q38. The SANKALP Scheme was launched by which ministry?**

**Answer D.** Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship

SANKALP (Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion) was launched in 2018 to strengthen short-term skill training and improve industry linkage.

**Q39. The National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) was established under which Article of the Constitution?**

**Answer C.** Article 338A

NCST is a constitutional body established under Article 338A through the 89th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2003 to protect and promote the rights of Scheduled Tribes.

**Q40. The “One Plant Per Day” resolution was originally launched in 2021 with what objective?**

**Answer C)** Personal daily sapling plantation commitment

The initiative began as a personal pledge to plant at least one sapling daily and aims to transform it into a nationwide mass afforestation movement.

**Q41. With reference to the National Monetisation Pipeline (NMP 2.0), consider the following statements:**

**Answer** B. 2 and 3 only

NMP 2.0 monetises brownfield assets through leasing while ownership remains with the government. It helps mobilise funds for infrastructure without increasing direct budgetary spending.

**Q42. In asset monetisation under NMP 2.0, which of the following best describes the model adopted?**

**Answer** C. Leasing operational rights for a fixed period while retaining ownership

Asset monetisation involves granting operational rights to private entities for a fixed concession period while ownership remains with the government.

**Q43. The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) celebrated its 29th Foundation Day in which year?**

**Answer** C. 2026

The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) was established in 1997 under the TRAI Act. It celebrated its 29th Foundation Day in 2026, highlighting its role in regulating telecom services and protecting consumer interests in the telecom sector.

EXAM READY · TOPIC 3 OF 9

# Economy

12 must-know MCQs · Q44–55 · about 2 minutes

**Q44 · 1 & 2 February 2026**

**The Manufacturing Strategy in Union Budget 2026–27 marks a shift from which growth model to which new approach?**

- A. Import substitution to export promotion
- B. MSME-led growth to service-led growth
- C. Assembly-led growth to deep manufacturing
- D. Labour-intensive growth to capital-intensive growth
- E. Public sector-led growth to private sector-led growth

**Q45 · 1 & 2 February 2026**

**Which of the following sectors is NOT included among the seven strategic manufacturing sectors identified in Budget 2026–27?**

- A. Biopharma
- B. Semiconductors
- C. Electronics Components
- D. Renewable Energy Equipment
- E. Rare Earths

**Q46 · 1 & 2 February 2026**

**Under the New Income Tax Act, 2025, what is the revised deadline for filing revised or belated returns?**

- A. 31 December of the assessment year
- B. 31 January of the following year
- C. 31 March of the following year
- D. 30 June of the following year
- E. No time limit

**Q47 · 3 & 4 February 2026**

**Low utilisation of the RDI Fund so far is mainly due to:**

- A. Lack of innovative startups
- B. Budgetary constraints
- C. Absence of private sector interest
- D. Limited number of second-level fund managers
- E. Legal restrictions on fund deployment

**Q48 · 5 & 6 February 2026**

**The India–USA Trade Deal 2026 primarily aims to achieve which of the following?**

- A. Establish a free trade area
- B. De-escalate trade tensions and realign energy sourcing
- C. Promote defence manufacturing cooperation
- D. Introduce a common digital currency
- E. Replace WTO trade rules

**Q49 · 12 February 2026**

**In CPI 2025, India secured which rank and score respectively?**

- A. 96th rank, 38 score
- B. 91st rank, 39 score
- C. 88th rank, 42 score
- D. 100th rank, 35 score
- E. 85th rank, 40 score

**Q50 · 13 February 2026**

**What weight has been assigned to "Contribution to GDP" in horizontal devolution by the 16th Finance Commission?**

- A. 5%
- B. 15%
- C. 12.5%
- D. 10%
- E. 7.5%

**Q51 · 15 & 16 February 2026**

**Under the Overseas Direct Investment (ODI) framework, an Indian company can generally invest abroad up to:**

- A. Twice its net worth
- B. Three times its net worth
- C. Four times its net worth or \$1 billion (whichever is lower)
- D. Unlimited amount
- E. Only \$500 million

**Q52 · 22 & 23 February 2026**

**India's new CPI base year has been revised to:**

- A. 2011
- B. 2012
- C. 2020
- D. 2024
- E. 2025

**Q53 · 27 February 2026**

**The updated CPI classification system adopted by India is based on which international standard?**

- A. System of National Accounts (SNA)
- B. COICOP 2018
- C. Basel III Framework
- D. IFRS Standards
- E. WTO Trade Classification

**Q54 · 28 February 2026**

**India's GDP growth rate in Q3 FY26 under the new GDP series was reported at approximately:**

- A. 6.5%
- B. 7.0%
- C. 7.8%
- D. 8.5%
- E. 9.2%

**Q55 · 28 February 2026**

**India's fiscal deficit by January 2026 reached approximately what percentage of the FY26 target?**

- A. 52%
- B. 63%
- C. 71%
- D. 80%
- E. 88%

**ANSWERS — ECONOMY**

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| <b>Q44</b> C | <b>Q45</b> D | <b>Q46</b> C | <b>Q47</b> D | <b>Q48</b> B |
| <b>Q49</b> B | <b>Q50</b> D | <b>Q51</b> C | <b>Q52</b> D | <b>Q53</b> B |
| <b>Q54</b> C | <b>Q55</b> B |              |              |              |

**Q44. The Manufacturing Strategy in Union Budget 2026–27 marks a shift from which growth model to which new approach?**

**Answer** C. Assembly-led growth to deep manufacturing

Budget 2026–27 explicitly shifts focus from basic assembly operations to deep manufacturing with emphasis on technology depth, supply-chain resilience, and global competitiveness.

**Q45. Which of the following sectors is NOT included among the seven strategic manufacturing sectors identified in Budget 2026–27?**

**Answer** D. Renewable Energy Equipment

The seven sectors include Biopharma, Semiconductors, Electronics Components, Rare Earths, Chemicals, Capital Goods & Containers, and Textiles & Sports Goods. Renewable energy equipment is not listed as a standalone sector.

**Q46. Under the New Income Tax Act, 2025, what is the revised deadline for filing revised or belated returns?**

**Answer** C. 31 March of the following year

The deadline has been extended from 31 December to 31 March, encouraging voluntary corrections and reducing litigation.

**Q47. Low utilisation of the RDI Fund so far is mainly due to:**

**Answer** D. Limited number of second-level fund managers

Fund deployment depends on downstream investment decisions by approved fund managers, whose selection is still ongoing.

**Q48. The India–USA Trade Deal 2026 primarily aims to achieve which of the following?**

**Answer** B) De-escalate trade tensions and realign energy sourcing

The 2026 India–USA Trade Deal focuses on ending trade friction, restoring market access, and shifting India's energy sourcing away from Russian oil towards the US and others.

**Q49. In CPI 2025, India secured which rank and score respectively?**

**Answer B)** 91st rank, 39 score

In CPI 2025, India ranked 91st out of 182 countries with a score of 39 out of 100, improving 5 places and 1 point compared to the previous year.

**Q50. What weight has been assigned to “Contribution to GDP” in horizontal devolution by the 16th Finance Commission?**

**Answer D)** 10%

The 16th Finance Commission introduced a new horizontal devolution criterion giving 10% weight to a State's contribution to GDP. This rewards economically productive States while maintaining overall tax devolution at 41%.

**Q51. Under the Overseas Direct Investment (ODI) framework, an Indian company can generally invest abroad up to:**

**Answer C)** Four times its net worth or \$1 billion (whichever is lower)

As per the Overseas Investment framework under FEMA, Indian companies can invest abroad up to four times their net worth or \$1 billion, whichever is lower, subject to compliance conditions.

**Q52. India's new CPI base year has been revised to:**

**Answer D)** 2024

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) base year has been revised to 2024 to better reflect current consumption patterns using updated HCES data and COICOP 2018 classification.

**Q53. The updated CPI classification system adopted by India is based on which international standard?**

**Answer B.** COICOP 2018

The revised CPI uses COICOP (Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose) 2018, expanding consumption categories from six to twelve to better represent current spending patterns.

**Q54. India's GDP growth rate in Q3 FY26 under the new GDP series was reported at approximately:**

**Answer C.** 7.8%

According to data released under the new GDP base year series (2022–23), India's GDP growth slowed slightly to around 7.8% in the third quarter of FY26 compared to the previous quarter.

**Q55. India's fiscal deficit by January 2026 reached approximately what percentage of the FY26 target?**

**Answer B.** 63%

Data from the Controller General of Accounts showed that India's fiscal deficit reached about 63% of the annual FY26 target by the end of January 2026, indicating improved fiscal management compared to the previous year.

EXAM READY · TOPIC 4 OF 9

# Reports & Indices

9 must-know MCQs · Q56–64 · about 2 minutes

**Q56 · 10 February 2026****According to the USGBC LEED List 2025 (outside USA), India ranked:**

- A. 1st
- B. 2nd
- C. 3rd
- D. 4th
- E. 5th

**Q57 · 10 February 2026****In the RBI Consumer Confidence Survey (January 2026), a Current Situation Index (CSI) below 100 indicates:**

- A. Strong optimism
- B. Neutral sentiment
- C. Pessimistic sentiment
- D. Inflation control
- E. High employment growth

**Q58 · 11 February 2026****India's rank in the Network Readiness Index (NRI) 2025 is:**

- A. 49th
- B. 52nd
- C. 45th
- D. 39th
- E. 41st

**Q59 · 12 February 2026****The base year of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is proposed to be revised from 2012 to:**

- A. 2022
- B. 2023
- C. 2024
- D. 2025
- E. 2026

**Q60 · 13 February 2026****What is the base year of the newly released Consumer Price Index (CPI) series?**

- A. 2022
- B. 2011
- C. 2024
- D. 2012
- E. 2020

**Q61 · 14 February 2026****India's rank in the Henley Passport Index – February 2026 is:**

- A. 85
- B. 80
- C. 70
- D. 75
- E. 65

**Q62 · 25 February 2026****The States' Electricity Transition (SET) Report 2026 was jointly released by which organizations?**

- A. World Bank and IMF
- B. IEEFA and Ember
- C. ADB and UNDP
- D. NITI Aayog and TERI
- E. SEBI and RBI

**Q63 · 25 February 2026****According to the SET Report 2026, which states have emerged as leaders in EV adoption and green hydrogen development?**

- A. Gujarat, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu
- B. Karnataka, Kerala, Himachal Pradesh
- C. Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan
- D. Punjab, Haryana, Delhi
- E. Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand

**Q64 · 27 February 2026****The Government of India revised the base year of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) to which year?**

- A. 2015
- B. 2018
- C. 2020
- D. 2024
- E. 2025

**ANSWERS — REPORTS & INDICES**

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| <b>Q56</b> B | <b>Q57</b> C | <b>Q58</b> C | <b>Q59</b> C | <b>Q60</b> C |
| <b>Q61</b> D | <b>Q62</b> B | <b>Q63</b> C | <b>Q64</b> D |              |

**Q56. According to the USGBC LEED List 2025 (outside USA), India ranked:****Answer** B) 2nd

In the 2025 LEED rankings (outside USA), Mainland China ranked 1st while India climbed to 2nd position with over 16 million Gross Square Meters (GSM) of certified space.

**Q57. In the RBI Consumer Confidence Survey (January 2026), a Current Situation Index (CSI) below 100 indicates:****Answer** C) Pessimistic sentiment

The CSI stood at 98.1 in January 2026. A value below 100 reflects pessimism about the current economic conditions among consumers.

**Q58. India's rank in the Network Readiness Index (NRI) 2025 is:**

**Answer** C. 45th

India improved to 45th rank in NRI 2025 with a score of 54.43, reflecting better digital and ICT preparedness.

**Q59. The base year of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is proposed to be revised from 2012 to:**

**Answer** C) 2024

The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) is revising the CPI base year from 2012 to 2024 to reflect updated consumption patterns and modern data collection practices.

**Q60. What is the base year of the newly released Consumer Price Index (CPI) series?**

**Answer** C) 2024

The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) released a new CPI series with 2024 as the base year, replacing the earlier 2012 base year. The revision reflects updated consumption patterns based on the Household Consumption Expenditure Survey (HCES) 2023–24.

**Q61. India's rank in the Henley Passport Index – February 2026 is:**

**Answer** D. 75

In February 2026, India ranked 75th globally with access to 56 destinations. It improved from 80th (January 2026) and 85th (2025).

**Q62. The States' Electricity Transition (SET) Report 2026 was jointly released by which organizations?**

**Answer** B. IEEFA and Ember

The States' Electricity Transition (SET) Report 2026 was jointly released by the Institute for Energy Economics and Financial Analysis (IEEFA) and Ember. The report analysed 21 Indian states representing about 95% of India's power demand.

**Q63. According to the SET Report 2026, which states have emerged as leaders in EV adoption and green hydrogen development?**

**Answer** C. Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan

The SET Report 2026 identified Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, and Rajasthan as leading states in electric vehicle adoption and green hydrogen development, indicating their progress toward a clean electricity transition.

**Q64. The Government of India revised the base year of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) to which year?**

**Answer** D. 2024

India updated the Consumer Price Index (CPI) base year to 2024, reflecting modern consumption patterns and aligning with the COICOP 2018 classification system for better inflation measurement.

EXAM READY · TOPIC 5 OF 9

# Agriculture & Rural

8 must-know MCQs · Q65–72 · about 2 minutes

**Q65 · 5 & 6 February 2026****Which of the following sectors is explicitly excluded from tariff liberalisation under the India–USA Trade Deal 2026?**

- A. Pharmaceuticals
- B. Information Technology
- C. Dairy
- D. Electronics
- E. Coal

**Q66 · 8 & 9 February 2026****Under the 10,000 FPOs Scheme, which support is provided to strengthen FPO balance sheets?**

- A. Interest subvention
- B. Crop insurance subsidy
- C. Matching equity grant
- D. Direct income transfer
- E. MSP guarantee

**Q67 · 11 February 2026****The MSP scheme for Minor Forest Produce (MFP) was launched in:**

- A. 2015–16
- B. 2010–11
- C. 2017–18
- D. 2013–14
- E. 2012–13

**Q68 · 13 February 2026****RBI has proposed inclusion of which of the following under eligible farm loan expenses?**

- A. Foreign agricultural tours
- B. Luxury farmhouses
- C. Real estate purchase
- D. Soil testing and weather tools
- E. Vehicle imports

**Q69 · 14 February 2026****The proposed Credit–Deposit (C/D) ratio for rural and semi-urban branches is:**

- A. 40%
- B. 50%
- C. 60%
- D. 70%
- E. 80%

**Q70 · 21 February 2026**

**Shalimar Wheat-3 (SW-3), developed for Kashmir, is particularly noted for:**

- A. Saltwater tolerance
- B. Late maturity
- C. High resistance to drought only
- D. Biofortification with higher iron and zinc content
- E. Genetically modified traits

**Q71 · 24 February 2026**

**Which of the following factors contribute to rising pesticide toxicity in India?**

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 3 and 4 only
- D. 1 and 4 only
- E. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**Q72 · 25 February 2026**

**The APB100 benchmark evaluates Asian companies based on their management of risks related to which supply chain sector?**

- A. Textile supply chains
- B. Electronics manufacturing
- C. Protein supply chains
- D. Mining and metals
- E. Renewable energy

**ANSWERS — AGRICULTURE & RURAL**

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| <b>Q65</b> C | <b>Q66</b> C | <b>Q67</b> D | <b>Q68</b> D | <b>Q69</b> C |
| <b>Q70</b> D | <b>Q71</b> C | <b>Q72</b> C |              |              |

**Q65. Which of the following sectors is explicitly excluded from tariff liberalisation under the India–USA Trade Deal 2026?**

**Answer** C) Dairy

Sensitive sectors such as dairy and staple agricultural crops are excluded to protect domestic farmers and food security.

**Q66. Under the 10,000 FPOs Scheme, which support is provided to strengthen FPO balance sheets?**

**Answer** C. Matching equity grant

The scheme provides a matching equity grant up to ₹15 lakh per FPO (₹2,000 per farmer) to improve financial strength and creditworthiness.

**Q67. The MSP scheme for Minor Forest Produce (MFP) was launched in:**

**Answer** D. 2013–14

The MSP for MFP scheme was launched in 2013–14 to protect tribal gatherers from distress sales and middlemen exploitation.

**Q68. RBI has proposed inclusion of which of the following under eligible farm loan expenses?**

**Answer** D) 2.5 crore tonnes

India produces around 2.5 crore tonnes of pulses annually, while demand is approximately 3 crore tonnes. The gap is met through imports, leading to farmer concerns.

**Q69. The proposed Credit-Deposit (C/D) ratio for rural and semi-urban branches is:**

**Answer** C. 60%

RBI has proposed that banks aim to maintain a 60% Credit-Deposit ratio in rural and semi-urban areas to improve credit flow and reduce regional disparities.

**Q70. Shalimar Wheat-3 (SW-3), developed for Kashmir, is particularly noted for:**

**Answer** D. Biofortification with higher iron and zinc content

SW-3 is an early-maturing variety resistant to yellow rust and biofortified with higher iron (Fe), zinc (Zn) and about 12% protein, making it nutritionally superior.

**Q71. Which of the following factors contribute to rising pesticide toxicity in India?**

**Answer** C. 1, 3 and 4 only

Rising toxicity is driven by intensive agriculture, high-potency chemicals and pest resistance. Large-scale adoption of integrated pest management would reduce toxicity, not increase it.

**Q72. The APB100 benchmark evaluates Asian companies based on their management of risks related to which supply chain sector?**

**Answer** C. Protein supply chains

The APB100 benchmark, released by Asia Research and Engagement (ARE), evaluates 100 major Asian companies based on how they manage environmental, social, and governance (ESG) risks in protein supply chains, including meat, dairy, poultry, and seafood sectors.

EXAM READY · TOPIC 6 OF 9

# Science & Environment

8 must-know MCQs · Q73–80 · about 2 minutes

**Q73 · 10 February 2026****The India–AI Impact Summit 2026 is guided by which three Sutras?**

- A. Growth, Governance, Globalisation
- B. Peace, Prosperity, Power
- C. People, Planet, Progress
- D. Inclusion, Innovation, Investment
- E. Security, Stability, Sustainability

**Q74 · 10 February 2026****Project Tiger, recently in news for its Golden Jubilee, was launched in:**

- A. 1969
- B. 1972
- C. 1973
- D. 1975
- E. 1980

**Q75 · 15 & 16 February 2026****The AI Impact Summit 2026 is being hosted at which venue?**

- A. Vigyan Bhavan
- B. Bharat Mandapam
- C. India Habitat Centre
- D. Pragati Maidan Hall No. 1
- E. Rashtrapati Bhavan

**Q76 · 18 February 2026****AI Mission 2.0 includes expansion of common compute infrastructure through procurement of:**

- A. 5,000 GPUs
- B. 10,000 CPUs
- C. 15,000 TPUs
- D. 20,000 GPUs
- E. 50,000 servers

**Q77 · 20 February 2026****BioAsia 2026 was held in which city?**

- A. Bengaluru
- B. Mumbai
- C. New Delhi
- D. Hyderabad
- E. Chennai

**Q78 · 21 February 2026**

**The M.A.N.A.V. vision presented at the India AI Impact Summit 2026 primarily focuses on:**

- A. Military use of Artificial Intelligence
- B. Profit-driven AI development
- C. Human-centric and ethical AI governance
- D. Complete automation of governance
- E. Replacing human labour with AI

**Q79 · 24 February 2026**

**With reference to PRAHAAR, India's first national counter-terrorism doctrine, consider the following statements:**

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 1, 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 4 only
- D. 2 and 4 only
- E. 1, 3 and 4 only

**Q80 · 28 February 2026**

**India's first semiconductor ATMP plant inaugurated in 2026 is located in which state?**

- A. Karnataka
- B. Gujarat
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Tamil Nadu
- E. Telangana

**ANSWERS — SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENT**

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| <b>Q73</b> C | <b>Q74</b> C | <b>Q75</b> B | <b>Q76</b> D | <b>Q77</b> D |
| <b>Q78</b> C | <b>Q79</b> A | <b>Q80</b> B |              |              |

**Q73. The India–AI Impact Summit 2026 is guided by which three Sutras?**

**Answer** C) People, Planet, Progress

The India–AI Impact Summit 2026, hosted in New Delhi, is guided by the Three Sutras — People, Planet, and Progress — and operationalised through Seven Chakras focusing on responsible AI implementation.

**Q74. Project Tiger, recently in news for its Golden Jubilee, was launched in:**

**Answer** C) 1973

Project Tiger was launched in 1973 as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to conserve tigers and their habitats using a core–buffer strategy.

**Q75. The AI Impact Summit 2026 is being hosted at which venue?**

**Answer** B) Bharat Mandapam

The AI Impact Summit 2026 is being held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. It is the fourth edition of the global summit and the first hosted in a Global South country.

**Q76. AI Mission 2.0 includes expansion of common compute infrastructure through procurement of:**

**Answer** D. 20,000 GPUs

Under AI Mission 2.0, the government plans to procure 20,000 additional GPUs to strengthen the national common compute cluster, supporting start-ups, academia and researchers.

**Q77. BioAsia 2026 was held in which city?**

**Answer** D. Hyderabad

The 23rd edition of BioAsia 2026 was held in Hyderabad, Telangana, known as the “Vaccine Capital of the World” and a major biotechnology hub.

**Q78. The M.A.N.A.V. vision presented at the India AI Impact Summit 2026 primarily focuses on:**

**Answer** C. Human-centric and ethical AI governance

M.A.N.A.V. (PM Narendra Modi’s Human-Centric AI Odyssey) emphasizes ethical, inclusive, transparent and accountable AI development with human values at its core.

**Q79. With reference to PRAHAAR, India’s first national counter-terrorism doctrine, consider the following statements:**

**Answer** A. 1 and 3 only

PRAHAAR is issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, not Defence. It promotes a proactive, intelligence-driven approach and includes recovery as one of its seven pillars. It also addresses emerging threats like cyber networks and drones.

**Q80. India’s first semiconductor ATMP plant inaugurated in 2026 is located in which state?**

**Answer** B. Gujarat

India’s first semiconductor ATMP (Assembly, Test, Mark, and Package) plant by Micron Technology was inaugurated in Sanand, Gujarat. The facility strengthens India’s semiconductor manufacturing ecosystem and supports the country’s ambition to become a major player in the global electronics supply chain.

EXAM READY · TOPIC 7 OF 9

# Misc GA

3 must-know MCQs · Q81–83 · about 2 minutes

Q81 · 8 &amp; 9 February 2026

**Which port became India's first to deploy an advanced Anti-Drone System in 2026?**

- A. Kandla Port
- B. Paradip Port
- C. Jawaharlal Nehru Port
- D. V.O. Chidambaranar Port
- E. Visakhapatnam Port

Q82 · 20 February 2026

**The Privileges Committee of the Lok Sabha consists of how many members?**

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 15
- D. 18
- E. 20

Q83 · 24 February 2026

**An EPF account becomes inoperative after:**

- A. No contribution for 12 months
- B. Member resigns from employment
- C. Member turns 58 and does not withdraw the balance
- D. Three years of inactivity
- E. Employer closes the establishment

## ANSWERS — MISC GA

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**Q81. Which port became India's first to deploy an advanced Anti-Drone System in 2026?**

**Answer** D. V.O. Chidambaranar Port

V.O. Chidambaranar Port (Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu) became India's first port to initiate an advanced RF and radar-based Anti-Drone (C-UAS) system.

**Q82. The Privileges Committee of the Lok Sabha consists of how many members?**

**Answer** C. 15

The Privileges Committee in the Lok Sabha consists of 15 members nominated by the Speaker. It examines cases of breach of privilege or contempt of the House.

**Q83. An EPF account becomes inoperative after:**

**Answer** C. Member turns 58 and does not withdraw the balance

After the 2016 amendment, an EPF account becomes inoperative only after the member attains 58 years and fails to withdraw the balance. Mere inactivity does not make it inoperative.

EXAM READY · TOPIC 8 OF 9

# International

3 must-know MCQs · Q84–86 · about 2 minutes

Q84 · 12 February 2026

**PLASTINDIA 2026 was held at which venue?**

- A. Pragati Maidan
- B. Bharat Mandapam
- C. Vigyan Bhawan
- D. India Expo Centre
- E. Yashobhoomi

Q85 · 12 February 2026

**India was named 'Country of the Year' at BIOFACH 2026 held in:**

- A. Paris, France
- B. Geneva, Switzerland
- C. Berlin, Germany
- D. Nuremberg, Germany
- E. Rome, Italy

Q86 · 24 February 2026

**The Amending Protocol to the India–France Double Taxation Avoidance Convention provides which of the following changes?**

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1 and 3 only
- E. 1, 2 and 3

## ANSWERS — INTERNATIONAL

Q84 B

Q85 D

Q86 B

**Q84. PLASTINDIA 2026 was held at which venue?****Answer B)** Bharat Mandapam

The 12th International Plastics Exhibition — PLASTINDIA 2026 — was held from February 5–10, 2026, at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

**Q85. India was named 'Country of the Year' at BIOFACH 2026 held in:****Answer D)** Nuremberg, Germany

BIOFACH, the world's leading organic trade fair, is held annually in Nuremberg, Germany. In 2026, India was designated as the 'Country of the Year'.

**Q86. The Amending Protocol to the India–France Double Taxation Avoidance Convention provides which of the following changes?**

**Answer** B. 1 and 2 only

The amended protocol grants full taxing rights on capital gains to the source country and removes the MFN clause. Dividend taxation is now 5% (for  $\geq 10\%$  shareholding) and 15% otherwise, not a uniform 10%.

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# Appointments & Awards

1 must-know MCQs · Q87–87 · about 2 minutes

Q87 · 25 February 2026

**The UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation were established in which year?**

- A. 1985
- B. 1995
- C. 2000
- D. 2005
- E. 2010

## ANSWERS — APPOINTMENTS & AWARDS

Q87 C

**Q87. The UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation were established in which year?**

**Answer** C. 2000

The UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation were established in 2000. The award recognises outstanding heritage conservation projects across the Asia-Pacific region and promotes technical excellence, cultural authenticity, and community participation in heritage protection.

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