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QUIZ 1 OF 3

1 October 2026

15 questions · Economy 4 · Reports 3 · Banking 2 · Schemes 2

Q1

The 2026 southwest monsoon ended with rainfall at what percentage of the Long Period Average (LPA)?

- A. 92%
- B. 87%
- C. 94%
- D. 83%
- E. 96%

Q2

According to the Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) 2024–25 released by MoSPI, the average wage per factory worker rose 5.3% to:

- A. ₹1.63 lakh
- B. ₹3.04 lakh
- C. ₹2.05 lakh
- D. ₹2.28 lakh
- E. ₹2.52 lakh

Q3

Under SEBI's approved reforms for Portfolio Management Services (PMS), PMS providers can invest up to what share of client AUM in investment-grade unlisted debt?

- A. 10%
- B. 5%
- C. 15%
- D. 20%
- E. 25%

Q4

India's net FDI in July 2026 rose to its highest level since May 2021. What was the net FDI figure for the month?

- A. US\$14.58 billion
- B. US\$13.4 billion
- C. US\$9.7 billion
- D. US\$5.82 billion
- E. US\$7.35 billion

Q5

Which institution launched India's first blue bond?

- A. Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA)
- B. National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID)
- C. Sagarmala Finance Corporation Ltd. (SMFCL)
- D. Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- E. India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd. (IIFCL)

Q6

Which bank launched a dedicated Global Capability Centre (GCC) Banking vertical, supported by its International Banking Unit at GIFT City?

- A. IndusInd Bank
- B. HDFC Bank
- C. Axis Bank
- D. Kotak Mahindra Bank
- E. Yes Bank

Q7

The Status of Policing in India Report (SPIR) 2026, which mapped cybercrime exposure and police redressal, was published jointly by:

- A. NCRB and BPR&D
- B. I4C and NCRB
- C. PRS Legislative Research and ADR
- D. Lokniti–CSDS and Common Cause
- E. Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative and NITI Aayog

Q8

According to the Moody's Ratings global demographics report, India may become a 'super-aged' society (21% of the population aged 65+) by which year?

- A. 2049
- B. 2047
- C. 2055
- D. 2075
- E. 2065

Q9

Under the third phase of Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE-III) norms, a battery electric vehicle counts as how many vehicles for the fleet-efficiency calculation?

- A. Two
- B. Three
- C. Four
- D. Five
- E. One and a half

Q10

Green Energy Corridor Phase III, approved by the Union Cabinet, aims to integrate up to how much renewable energy into the electricity grid by FY2032–33?

- A. 100 GW
- B. 175 GW
- C. 135 GW
- D. 150 GW
- E. 90 GW

Q11

The 23rd ASEAN-India Economic Ministers Consultation and the 14th East Asia Summit-Economic Ministers' Meeting were held in:

- A. Manila
- B. Jakarta
- C. Kuala Lumpur
- D. Hanoi
- E. Vientiane

Q12

Indian spacetechnology company TakeMe2Space plans to launch India's first networked orbital data-centre mission in which year?

- A. 2026
- B. 2027
- C. 2030
- D. 2028
- E. 2029

Q13

Which airline was named the World's Best Airline in the 2026 Skytrax World Airline Awards?

- A. Qatar Airways
- B. Cathay Pacific
- C. Emirates
- D. All Nippon Airways
- E. Singapore Airlines

Q14

V.S. Rathanvel of Tamil Nadu, who achieved the title during the 3rd Guwahati Smart City International Open 2026, became India's:

- A. 98th Grandmaster
- B. 99th Grandmaster
- C. 100th Grandmaster
- D. 97th Grandmaster
- E. 101st Grandmaster

Q15

World Environmental Health Day, observed on 26 September, is coordinated by which organisation?

- A. World Health Organization (WHO)
- B. United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- C. International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH)
- D. International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
- E. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

ANSWERS — 1 OCTOBER 2026

Q1 B	Q2 D	Q3 A	Q4 E	Q5 C
Q6 A	Q7 D	Q8 E	Q9 B	Q10 C
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Q1. The 2026 southwest monsoon ended with rainfall at what percentage of the Long Period Average (LPA)?

Answer B. 87%

The 2026 southwest monsoon ended at 87% of the LPA, with India receiving about 759.4 mm against the LPA of 868.6 mm. According to the India Meteorological Department (IMD), the 13% deficit was the largest in more than a decade. A strong El Niño in the Pacific was one of the factors associated with the deficient monsoon.

Q2. According to the Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) 2024–25 released by MoSPI, the average wage per factory worker rose 5.3% to:

Answer D. ₹2.28 lakh

ASI 2024–25 reported 2.7 lakh factories and 1.67 crore workers, with the average wage per factory worker rising 5.3% to ₹2.28 lakh. ₹3.04 lakh was Jharkhand's average wage (despite a 5.2% fall), while ₹1.63 lakh was Bihar's average wage after a 16.7% increase.

Q3. Under SEBI's approved reforms for Portfolio Management Services (PMS), PMS providers can invest up to what share of client AUM in investment-grade unlisted debt?

Answer A. 10%

SEBI allowed PMS providers to invest up to 10% of client AUM in investment-grade unlisted debt, subject to conditions and client consent. They will also be allowed to invest client funds in direct mutual fund schemes and Specialised Investment Funds (SIFs). SEBI also approved changes to settlement proceedings, including formula-based settlement amounts and a fast-track mechanism for certain violations.

Q4. India's net FDI in July 2026 rose to its highest level since May 2021. What was the net FDI figure for the month?

Answer E. US\$7.35 billion

India's net FDI rose to US\$7.35 billion in July 2026, the highest since May 2021, while gross FDI inflows stood at US\$14.58 billion. During April–July 2026, net FDI reached US\$13.4 billion compared with US\$9.7 billion a year earlier. Communication, financial services and computer services were among the major sectors receiving equity inflows.

Q5. Which institution launched India's first blue bond?

Answer C. Sagarmala Finance Corporation Ltd. (SMFCL)

Sagarmala Finance Corporation Ltd. (SMFCL) launched India's first blue bond, aiming to raise ₹600 crore with a ₹500 crore green-shoe option. The 10-year bond will support maritime lending, greenfield ports and coastal road projects. Blue bonds are debt instruments used to finance projects linked to marine and water-related sustainability.

Q6. Which bank launched a dedicated Global Capability Centre (GCC) Banking vertical, supported by its International Banking Unit at GIFT City?

Answer A. IndusInd Bank

IndusInd Bank launched a dedicated GCC Banking vertical combining digital banking, employee banking, commercial cards, FEMA/capital-account solutions and foreign-currency banking. Its International Banking Unit at GIFT City will support cross-border banking requirements. India's GCC ecosystem has grown significantly, with 2,117 GCCs reported.

Q7. The Status of Policing in India Report (SPIR) 2026, which mapped cybercrime exposure and police redressal, was published jointly by:

Answer D. Lokniti–CSDS and Common Cause

SPIR 2026 was published jointly by Lokniti–CSDS and Common Cause, based on a 16-state survey of 8,306 citizens. It noted that cybercrime cases rose 17.9%, from 86,420 in 2023 to 1,01,928 in 2024, while overall registered crime fell by about 6%. Only 49% of cybercrime victims surveyed filed a formal police complaint.

Q8. According to the Moody's Ratings global demographics report, India may become a 'super-aged' society (21% of the population aged 65+) by which year?

Answer E. 2065

India entered the 'ageing' category around 2024, when its 65+ population crossed 7%. It may become 'aged' (14%) by 2049 and 'super-aged' (21%) by 2065. The report also noted that over 70% of the world's population lives in countries with fertility at or below replacement level.

Q9. Under the third phase of Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE-III) norms, a battery electric vehicle counts as how many vehicles for the fleet-efficiency calculation?

Answer B. Three

The CAFE-III norms notified by the government will apply from 1 April 2027 to 31 March 2032. They tighten fleet-level fuel-efficiency requirements and provide incentives for EVs, hybrids, flex-fuel vehicles and other cleaner technologies. Under the framework, a battery electric vehicle counts as three vehicles for the fleet-efficiency calculation.

Q10. Green Energy Corridor Phase III, approved by the Union Cabinet, aims to integrate up to how much renewable energy into the electricity grid by FY2032–33?

Answer C. 135 GW

Green Energy Corridor Phase III has an outlay of over ₹1.86 lakh crore and aims to integrate up to 135 GW of renewable energy by FY2032–33. Around ₹1.36 lakh crore is allocated for intra-state transmission systems. A dedicated ₹50,000 crore component will support 50 GWh of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS).

Q11. The 23rd ASEAN–India Economic Ministers Consultation and the 14th East Asia Summit–Economic Ministers' Meeting were held in:

Answer A. Manila

India participated in both meetings in Manila, where discussions covered trade, investment, energy security, industrial clusters and regional economic cooperation. India called for a balanced and trade-facilitative review of the ASEAN–India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA). India–ASEAN trade reached US\$128.38 billion in 2025–26.

Q12. Indian spacetech company TakeMe2Space plans to launch India's first networked orbital data-centre mission in which year?

Answer D. 2028

TakeMe2Space plans to launch the mission in 2028, with two satellites of about 100 kg each on a SpaceX Falcon 9. Each satellite is planned to carry NVIDIA Thor GPUs, 100 TB storage and 1.5 kW power. The project aims to enable in-orbit computing and data processing across satellites.

Q13. Which airline was named the World's Best Airline in the 2026 Skytrax World Airline Awards?

Answer E. Singapore Airlines

Singapore Airlines was named the World's Best Airline in the 2026 Skytrax awards, with Qatar Airways second and Cathay Pacific third. Air India was the highest-ranked Indian airline at 57th globally. IndiGo ranked 61st and was recognised as the Best Low-Cost Airline in India & South Asia.

Q14. V.S. Rathavel of Tamil Nadu, who achieved the title during the 3rd Guwahati Smart City International Open 2026, became India's:

Answer B. 99th Grandmaster

V.S. Rathavel became India's 99th Grandmaster after crossing the required 2,500 Elo rating. The achievement came during the 3rd Guwahati Smart City International Open 2026. In another chess milestone, Indian-origin British player Bodhana Sivanandan became the youngest Woman Grandmaster (WGM) at age 11.

Q15. World Environmental Health Day, observed on 26 September, is coordinated by which organisation?

Answer C. International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH)

World Environmental Health Day is observed on 26 September and is coordinated by the International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH). The 2026 theme was 'Environmental Health: Standing with Science to Protect Communities'. The same date also marks World Contraception Day and the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons.

QUIZ 2 OF 3

2 October 2026

15 questions · Schemes 4 · Banking 3 · Sci & Env 3 · International 2

Q1

National Coastal Mission 2.0 (NCM 2.0), a Central Sector Scheme administered by MoEFCC for 2025–26 to 2030–31, has an outlay of:

- A. ₹567 crore
- B. ₹767 crore
- C. ₹867 crore
- D. ₹1,767 crore
- E. ₹676 crore

Q2

The National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM), the technical arm for coastal management, is located in:

- A. Kochi
- B. Visakhapatnam
- C. Chennai
- D. Panaji
- E. Bhubaneswar

Q3

Air Ayodhya, which received an NOC from the Ministry of Civil Aviation to operate under RCS-UDAN, is operated by:

- A. Megamax Aviation
- B. Fly91
- C. Star Air
- D. FlyBig
- E. Alliance Air

Q4

According to the WHO–UNICEF report on drinking water, sanitation and hygiene in schools (2015–25), around how many Indian children lacked access to sanitation services at school in 2025, the highest number globally?

- A. 20 million
- B. 30 million
- C. 35 million
- D. 50 million
- E. 65 million

Q5

UIDAI launched five new initiatives at Aadhaar Samvaad, marking the 17th Aadhaar Day, in which city?

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

Q6

Under the MoMSME–MoSPI MoU to strengthen the Statistical Business Register (SBR), which data will be shared with MoSPI through APIs?

- A. Udyam Registration data
- B. GSTN return data
- C. EPFO payroll data
- D. MCA21 company filings
- E. e-Shram registration data

Q7

DRDO is developing indigenous lightweight bulletproof glass for armoured vehicles with which CSIR laboratory?

- A. CSIR-NAL
- B. CSIR-NPL
- C. CSIR-CMERI
- D. CSIR-CGCRI
- E. CSIR-NML

Q8

Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) partnered with which institution for India's first blue financing for shore power infrastructure?

- A. Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- B. International Finance Corporation (IFC)
- C. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
- D. New Development Bank (NDB)
- E. Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

Q9

Apple Pay was launched in India initially with Visa and Mastercard credit cards issued by which bank?

- A. HDFC Bank
- B. ICICI Bank
- C. Axis Bank
- D. State Bank of India
- E. Kotak Mahindra Bank

Q10

Which bank launched user-level programmable CBDC with auto-issuance, allowing users to schedule recurring Digital Rupee (₹) payments?

- A. State Bank of India
- B. Bank of Baroda
- C. Canara Bank
- D. Punjab National Bank
- E. Bank of India

Q11

The Green Energy Corridor Phase-III (GEC-III) scheme will support India's goal of how much installed non-fossil fuel capacity by 2035?

- A. 500 GW
- B. 600 GW
- C. 700 GW
- D. 900 GW
- E. 1,000 GW

Q12

The second edition of the ASEAN-India Maritime Exercise (AIME-2026) commenced at:

- A. Subic Bay, Philippines
- B. Changi, Singapore
- C. Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam
- D. Sattahip, Thailand
- E. Surabaya, Indonesia

Q13

The Sengol, presented to Jawaharlal Nehru in August 1947 and now installed beside the Lok Sabha Speaker's chair, was commissioned by:

- A. Dharmapuram Adheenam
- B. Madurai Adheenam
- C. Kanchi Kamakoti Peetham
- D. Sringeri Sharada Peetham
- E. Thiruvaduthurai Adheenam

Q14

The International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste is observed on:

- A. 16 October
- B. 29 September
- C. 28 September
- D. 5 June
- E. 22 March

Q15**How many awards were announced by the Lalit Kala Akademi at its 65th National Exhibition of Art?**

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

ANSWERS — 2 OCTOBER 2026

Q1 B	Q2 C	Q3 A	Q4 D	Q5 E
Q6 A	Q7 D	Q8 B	Q9 C	Q10 E
Q11 D	Q12 A	Q13 E	Q14 B	Q15 C

Q1. National Coastal Mission 2.0 (NCM 2.0), a Central Sector Scheme administered by MoEFCC for 2025–26 to 2030–31, has an outlay of:**Answer** B. ₹767 crore

The Union Environment Minister launched implementation guidelines for NCM 2.0, a ₹767 crore Central Sector Scheme covering nine coastal States and four Union Territories. It subsumes NCM 1.0 (2021–22 to 2025–26) and aims to protect coastal and marine ecosystems and sustainably harness India's Blue Economy. Its five pillars are Blue Economy growth, coastal risk reduction, climate adaptation and mitigation, capacity building and effective project management.

Q2. The National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM), the technical arm for coastal management, is located in:**Answer** C. Chennai

NCSCM, Chennai, serves as the technical arm for sustainable coastal management. Coastal regulation is governed by the CRZ Notification, 2019, with zones CRZ-I to IV. The Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Project has been World Bank-supported since 2010.

Q3. Air Ayodhya, which received an NOC from the Ministry of Civil Aviation to operate under RCS-UDAN, is operated by:**Answer** A. Megamax Aviation

Air Ayodhya, operated by Megamax Aviation, aims to connect Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities, pilgrimage centres and tourism hubs in Uttar Pradesh. Operations are planned with Cessna Grand Caravan EX aircraft, later expanding to larger aircraft. The airline plans to build a 50-aircraft fleet by 2036.

Q4. According to the WHO-UNICEF report on drinking water, sanitation and hygiene in schools (2015–25), around how many Indian children lacked access to sanitation services at school in 2025, the highest number globally?**Answer** D. 50 million

The report, released under the JMP-WASH programme, found that around 50 million Indian children lacked school sanitation services in 2025. Globally, 244 million children lacked school sanitation services. About 20 million Indian children also lacked hygiene services at school.

Q5. UIDAI launched five new initiatives at Aadhaar Samvaad, marking the 17th Aadhaar Day, in which city?

Answer E. Kolkata

UIDAI launched the initiatives at Aadhaar Samvaad in Kolkata on 29 September 2026. They include Face Authentication for ePDS, SWIK Portal 2.0, the Sub-AUA/Sub-KUA (LITE) Framework, a New Token Management System and a revamped UIDAI website. Aadhaar Day commemorates the issuance of the first Aadhaar number on 29 September 2010.

Q6. Under the MoMSME–MoSPI MoU to strengthen the Statistical Business Register (SBR), which data will be shared with MoSPI through APIs?

Answer A. Udyam Registration data

MoMSME and MoSPI signed an MoU under which Udyam Registration data will be shared with MoSPI through APIs. The data will help improve the coverage, consistency and reliability of business statistics. The SBR is a regularly updated database of businesses and economic units used for statistical purposes.

Q7. DRDO is developing indigenous lightweight bulletproof glass for armoured vehicles with which CSIR laboratory?

Answer D. CSIR–CGCRI

DRDO and CSIR–CGCRI are working on a ₹50-crore, four-year project using glass-ceramic technology and nanocrystals. The project aims for multi-shot protection against AK-47-class threats. Initial trials successfully stopped TAR rounds at around 695 m/s.

Q8. Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) partnered with which institution for India's first blue financing for shore power infrastructure?

Answer B. International Finance Corporation (IFC)

JNPA partnered with IFC for USD 70 million (about ₹672 crore) of blue financing through a 10-year ECB loan. Shore Power Supply (SPS) allows ships at berth to use electricity from the grid instead of diesel engines. The project will help reduce fuel consumption and port-related emissions.

Q9. Apple Pay was launched in India initially with Visa and Mastercard credit cards issued by which bank?

Answer C. Axis Bank

Apple Pay launched in India with Axis Bank-issued Visa and Mastercard credit cards. Transactions use tokenisation and can be authenticated through Face ID, Touch ID or a device passcode. The initial service supports cards but not UPI or RuPay cards.

Q10. Which bank launched user-level programmable CBDC with auto-issuance, allowing users to schedule recurring Digital Rupee (e₹) payments?

Answer E. Bank of India

Bank of India launched user-level programmable CBDC with auto-issuance, letting users schedule recurring e₹ payments with fixed amounts and frequencies. Users can also specify the purpose for which the recipient can use the funds. Applications include allowances, education expenses and other recurring purpose-bound payments.

Q11. The Green Energy Corridor Phase-III (GEC-III) scheme will support India's goal of how much installed non-fossil fuel capacity by 2035?

Answer D. 900 GW

GEC-III, with an outlay of ₹1,86,405 crore and central financial support of ₹54,082 crore, will support India's goal of 900 GW installed non-fossil capacity by 2035. It will enable evacuation of up to 135 GW of renewable energy and deploy 50 GWh of Battery Energy Storage Systems, with completion planned by FY 2032-33. The nodal ministry is the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE).

Q12. The second edition of the ASEAN-India Maritime Exercise (AIME-2026) commenced at:

Answer A. Subic Bay, Philippines

AIME-2026 commenced at Subic Bay, Zambales, in the Philippines, with INS Sahyadri and INS Kulish deployed alongside naval assets of ASEAN member states. It is a multilateral joint naval exercise between the Indian Navy and ASEAN maritime forces. The inaugural edition was hosted by Singapore in May 2023.

Q13. The Sengol, presented to Jawaharlal Nehru in August 1947 and now installed beside the Lok Sabha Speaker's chair, was commissioned by:

Answer E. Thiruvaduthurai Adheenam

The Sengol was commissioned by the Thiruvaduthurai Adheenam, a centuries-old non-Brahmin Saivite mutt in Tamil Nadu, and crafted by Madras jewellers Vummidi Bangaru Chetty. It was preserved for decades at the Allahabad Museum and installed in the new Parliament building in May 2023. NCERT has now included it in its newly released Class 9 Social Science textbook.

Q14. The International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste is observed on:

Answer B. 29 September

The day is observed on 29 September; the UN General Assembly established it in 2019 and the first observance was held on 29 September 2020. The 2026 theme was 'Transformative Potential of Reducing Food Loss and Waste'. 28 September is the International Day for Universal Access to Information.

Q15. How many awards were announced by the Lalit Kala Akademi at its 65th National Exhibition of Art?

Answer C. 20

The 65th National Exhibition of Art, held at Rabindra Bhavan, New Delhi, showcased 6,175 artworks by 2,495 artists. The Lalit Kala Akademi announced 20 awards across visual art forms. Major categories included painting, sculpture, drawing, printmaking and mixed media.

QUIZ 3 OF 3

3 October 2026

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Q1

The GOBARdhan Central Sector Scheme, launched to accelerate India's Compressed Biogas (CBG) sector from FY2026–27 to FY2035–36, has an outlay of:

- A. ₹13,731 crore
- B. ₹20,000 crore
- C. ₹23,731 crore
- D. ₹27,371 crore
- E. ₹32,731 crore

Q2

India's first Female Farmer Worker Conference, held in New Delhi during the UN International Year of the Woman Farmer 2026, was organised by:

- A. Bharatiya Kisan Sangh (BKS)
- B. Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
- C. NABARD
- D. Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA)
- E. Ministry of Rural Development

Q3

Mahila Kisan Diwas, which coincides with the International Day of Rural Women, is observed on:

- A. 16 October
- B. 8 March
- C. 23 December
- D. 15 October
- E. 1 October

Q4

Under MoHUA's PRAGATI-50 initiative, a Swachh Bharat Test Bed & Innovation Centre will be established with CSIR-CMERI at:

- A. Kanpur
- B. Durgapur
- C. Indore
- D. Pune
- E. Bhopal

Q5

The Ministry of Finance kept Small Savings Scheme interest rates unchanged for Q3 FY27. For how many consecutive quarters have the rates now remained unchanged?

- A. 8
- B. 10
- C. 12
- D. 16
- E. 14

Q6

Which insurer launched 'VIBE', a health insurance product aimed at Gen Z customers aged 18–35 years?

- A. HDFC ERGO
- B. Star Health
- C. Niva Bupa
- D. ICICI Lombard
- E. Care Health Insurance

Q7

The Competition Commission of India approved BNP Paribas Cardif's proposal to acquire a 26% stake in IndiaFirst Life Insurance from:

- A. Warburg Pincus
- B. Bank of Baroda
- C. Union Bank of India
- D. Carlyle Group
- E. KKR

Q8

BHASHINI, which developed CAG-BHASHINI Anuvaad for the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, supports how many Indian text languages?

- A. 22
- B. 23
- C. 36
- D. 35
- E. 30

Q9

The Intelligent Traffic Management System (ITMS) for Delhi, approved by the Cabinet at an estimated cost of ₹1,789.52 crore, will cover how many traffic corridors?

- A. 24
- B. 32
- C. 36
- D. 52
- E. 42

Q10

India Energy Week 2027, the first edition to be hosted in eastern India, will be held in:

- A. Bhubaneswar
- B. Kolkata
- C. Guwahati
- D. Patna
- E. Ranchi

Q11

According to the HSBC Global Entrepreneurial Wealth Report 2026, which was the most preferred relocation destination for Indian entrepreneurs?

- A. Singapore
- B. United Arab Emirates
- C. France
- D. United Kingdom
- E. United States

Q12

RBI approved Anup Kumar Saha as the next MD & CEO of which bank, succeeding Ashok Vaswani?

- A. South Indian Bank
- B. IndusInd Bank
- C. Federal Bank
- D. Kotak Mahindra Bank
- E. Bandhan Bank

Q13

Fatima Ezzahra El Mansouri has been appointed as the first woman Prime Minister of which country?

- A. Tunisia
- B. Algeria
- C. Jordan
- D. Egypt
- E. Morocco

Q14

World Rabies Day, observed on 28 September, commemorates the death anniversary of:

- A. Edward Jenner
- B. Robert Koch
- C. Louis Pasteur
- D. Alexander Fleming
- E. Jonas Salk

Q15

Zuppa signed an MoU with which body to establish indigenous drone training labs at Army Regimental Centres for training Agniveers?

- A. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- B. Tamil Nadu Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Corporation (TNUAVC)
- C. Drone Federation of India
- D. Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA)
- E. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)

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Q1 C	Q2 A	Q3 D	Q4 B	Q5 E
Q6 D	Q7 A	Q8 C	Q9 E	Q10 B
Q11 A	Q12 D	Q13 E	Q14 C	Q15 B

Q1. The GOBARdhan Central Sector Scheme, launched to accelerate India's Compressed Biogas (CBG) sector from FY2026–27 to FY2035–36, has an outlay of:

Answer C. ₹23,731 crore

The Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas launched the GOBARdhan scheme with an outlay of ₹23,731 crore; the nodal ministry is the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas. It offers capital assistance of up to ₹2 crore per TPD of installed CBG capacity for eligible greenfield plants. Its credit guarantee covers up to 85% of outstanding defaults, with an exposure cap of ₹20 crore (₹25 crore for women-led enterprises).

Q2. India's first Female Farmer Worker Conference, held in New Delhi during the UN International Year of the Woman Farmer 2026, was organised by:

Answer A. Bharatiya Kisan Sangh (BKS)

The conference was organised by the Bharatiya Kisan Sangh to recognise women's contributions to agriculture and rural livelihoods. It sought to establish women's formal identity as farmers and facilitate their access to land rights and credit. 2026 is the UN International Year of the Woman Farmer, proposed by India and adopted by the UNGA.

Q3. Mahila Kisan Diwas, which coincides with the International Day of Rural Women, is observed on:

Answer D. 15 October

Mahila Kisan Diwas is observed on 15 October, the same day as the International Day of Rural Women. Women constitute roughly one-third of the agricultural workforce but own only about 14% of operational holdings. Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) is implemented under DAY-NRLM.

Q4. Under MoHUA's PRAGATI-50 initiative, a Swachh Bharat Test Bed & Innovation Centre will be established with CSIR-CMERI at:

Answer B. Durgapur

PRAGATI-50 was launched under SBM-U 2.0 to develop 50 clean role-model cities across 24 States using KPI-based monitoring and technology-enabled governance. A Swachh Bharat Test Bed & Innovation Centre will be set up at Durgapur with CSIR-CMERI. A new cohort of sanitation and waste-management startups was also launched with IIT Kanpur.

Q5. The Ministry of Finance kept Small Savings Scheme interest rates unchanged for Q3 FY27. For how many consecutive quarters have the rates now remained unchanged?

Answer E. 14

Small Savings Scheme rates for October–December 2026 (Q3 FY27) were kept unchanged, making it 14 consecutive quarters without a change. The last revision was made in Q4 FY24. SSS instruments are government-backed savings products administered mainly through Post Offices and designated banks.

Q6. Which insurer launched 'VIBE', a health insurance product aimed at Gen Z customers aged 18–35 years?

Answer D. ICICI Lombard

ICICI Lombard launched VIBE, combining hospitalisation, outpatient care, mental-health support, fitness benefits and wellness rewards. It offers six variants with coverage from ₹7 lakh to ₹1 crore. The product uses the company's IL TakeCare digital ecosystem.

Q7. The Competition Commission of India approved BNP Paribas Cardif's proposal to acquire a 26% stake in IndiaFirst Life Insurance from:

Answer A. Warburg Pincus

BNP Paribas Cardif is acquiring the 26% stake in IndiaFirst Life Insurance from Warburg Pincus. After the transaction, the shareholding is expected to be Bank of Baroda 65%, BNP Paribas Cardif 26% and Union Bank of India 9%. CCI is India's statutory competition regulator under the Competition Act, 2002.

Q8. BHASHINI, which developed CAG-BHASHINI Anuvaad for the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, supports how many Indian text languages?

Answer C. 36

BHASHINI supports 36 Indian text languages, 23 Indian voice languages and 35 international languages. It was launched in 2022 under the National Language Translation Mission as an initiative of MeitY. CAG-BHASHINI Anuvaad is an AI-powered multilingual translation solution for official and audit-related documents.

Q9. The Intelligent Traffic Management System (ITMS) for Delhi, approved by the Cabinet at an estimated cost of ₹1,789.52 crore, will cover how many traffic corridors?

Answer E. 42

The Delhi ITMS project will cover 42 traffic corridors at an estimated cost of ₹1,789.52 crore. It will be implemented in three phases over 24 months, followed by five years of operation and maintenance. It aims to improve traffic management, urban mobility and transport infrastructure.

Q10. India Energy Week 2027, the first edition to be hosted in eastern India, will be held in:

Answer B. Kolkata

India Energy Week 2027 will be held in Kolkata from 28–31 January 2027. Its theme is 'Unlocking Innovation. Securing Energy. Shaping Tomorrow.' The event will focus on oil and gas, LNG, hydrogen, biofuels, petrochemicals, AI and digitalisation.

Q11. According to the HSBC Global Entrepreneurial Wealth Report 2026, which was the most preferred relocation destination for Indian entrepreneurs?

Answer A. Singapore

Around 74% of Indian entrepreneurs surveyed planned to relocate or secure overseas residency, with Singapore the most preferred destination, followed by France, the UK and the US. Around 99% were adopting or planning to adopt AI in business. Major AI-related concerns included data privacy, employee resistance and integration with legacy systems.

Q12. RBI approved Anup Kumar Saha as the next MD & CEO of which bank, succeeding Ashok Vaswani?

Answer D. Kotak Mahindra Bank

Anup Kumar Saha will take charge as MD & CEO of Kotak Mahindra Bank on 1 January 2027 for a three-year term, succeeding Ashok Vaswani. Separately, Mahesh Muralidhar Pai became MD & CEO of South Indian Bank from 1 October 2026, succeeding P. R. Seshadri.

Q13. Fatima Ezzahra El Mansouri has been appointed as the first woman Prime Minister of which country?

Answer E. Morocco

Morocco's King Mohammed VI appointed Fatima Ezzahra El Mansouri as Prime Minister, making her the country's first woman PM. She belongs to the Authenticity and Modernity Party (PAM). Morocco follows a constitutional monarchy with a bicameral Parliament.

Q14. World Rabies Day, observed on 28 September, commemorates the death anniversary of:

Answer C. Louis Pasteur

World Rabies Day commemorates the death anniversary of Louis Pasteur, developer of the first successful rabies vaccine. The day was established in 2007 by the Global Alliance for Rabies Control. The 2026 theme was 'Stronger Together'.

Q15. Zuppa signed an MoU with which body to establish indigenous drone training labs at Army Regimental Centres for training Agniveers?

Answer B. Tamil Nadu Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Corporation (TNUAVC)

Zuppa and TNUAVC signed an MoU to set up indigenous drone training labs at Army Regimental Centres to train Agniveers and defence personnel in UAV operations. Zuppa plans to train and certify over 2,000 personnel in three years. Training will cover drone flying, simulation, maintenance, safety, mission planning and DGCA regulations.

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