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Aparchit 16 October English Super Current Affairs MCQ with Facts 2025

By Aparchit Exam Warriors/Kumar Kaushal Sir

Q.1. DBS was named "Safest Bank in Asia" for 2025 by which publication?

- A) Euromoney
- B) The Banker
- C) Global Finance
- D) The Asian Banker

Answer : C

- ✓ DBS Bank was once again named "Safest Bank in Asia" for the 17th consecutive year in 2025 by Global Finance magazine.
- ✓ DBS also maintained its position as the 2nd Safest Commercial Bank globally and ranked 12th on the list of the World's Safest Banks for the fourth year in a row.
- ✓ The rankings are based on an evaluation of the long-term foreign currency ratings from Fitch, Moody's, and Standard & Poor's for the 500 largest banks worldwide.
- ✓ According to Global Finance, these rankings reinforce DBS's strong risk management, robust balance sheet, and solid financial performance.
- ✓ About Development Bank of Singapore (DBS) Bank
- ✓ Founded : 1968
- ✓ Headquarters : Singapore
- ✓ Chairman : Peter Seah
- ✓ CEO : Piyush Gupta
- ✓ DBS Bank India' CEO : Rajat Verma

Q.2. In addition to being the Safest Bank in Asia in 2025, where did DBS rank on the "World's 50 Safest Commercial Banks" list?

- A) 1st
- B) 2nd
- C) 12th
- D) 17th

Answer : B

- ✓ In the 2025 rankings, DBS held the position of 2nd on the "World's 50 Safest Commercial Banks" list.



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Q.3. The rankings for the world's safest banks are determined by evaluating banks' long-term foreign currency ratings from major credit rating agencies. Which of the following agencies are used for this evaluation?

- A) Fitch, Moody's, and Standard & Poor's
- B) S&P Global, Fitch, and AM Best
- C) Moody's, A.M. Best, and JCR
- D) Standard & Poor's, Morningstar, and Fitch

Answer : A

- ✓ According to Global Finance, the annual rankings are based on an evaluation of the long-term foreign currency ratings from Fitch, Moody's, and Standard & Poor's.

Q.4. According to the latest Henley Passport Index 2025 report, which country has the world's most powerful passport?

- A) Japan
- B) Germany
- C) Singapore
- D) South Korea

Answer : C

Q.5. As per the latest Henley Passport Index 2025, what is India's ranking?

- A) 77th
- B) 80th
- C) 85th
- D) 90th

Answer : C

Q.6. How many destinations can Indian passport holders access visa-free or with a visa-on-arrival, according to the latest Henley Passport Index 2025?

- A) 57
- B) 59
- C) 62
- D) 65

Answer : A

- ✓ In the Henley Passport Index for October 2025, Singapore has regained the top position, while India's rank has dropped to 85th.
- ✓ The AI reference in the prompt likely refers to news summaries or articles on the index that were generated or enhanced by artificial intelligence.
- ✓ Singapore holds the most powerful passport, offering visa-free or visa-on-arrival access to 193 destinations.



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- ✓ India's passport ranking has declined significantly in 2025. It fell from 80th at the start of the year and 77th in a mid-year update to its current 85th position.
- ✓ Visa-free access: Indian passport holders can travel to 57 countries without a prior visa, a decrease from 62 destinations in 2024.
- ✓ India's neighbors, including Pakistan (103rd), Bangladesh (100th), and Nepal (101st), continue to hold much lower rankings, while Bhutan (92nd) is positioned slightly higher

Q.7. For the first time in nearly 20 years, the United States has fallen out of the top 10 in the Henley Passport Index. What is its current rank in the latest 2025 report?

- A) 15th B) 11th
C) 12th D) 13th

Answer : C

- ✓ **US falls out of top 10:** For the first time in the index's history, the United States has dropped out of the top 10, landing in 12th place. It now provides visa-free access to 180 countries, tied with Malaysia.
- ✓ **Asian dominance:** South Korea (2nd) and Japan (3rd) rank highly, with visa-free access to 190 and 189 destinations, respectively, demonstrating Asia's strong presence in global mobility rankings.
- ✓ **European leaders:** Several European nations continue to feature prominently. Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Spain, and Switzerland are tied for 4th place, and a host of other European countries round out the top 10.
- ✓ **Lowest rank:** Afghanistan remains at the bottom of the list, with visa-free access to only 24 countries.
- ✓ **What is the Henley Passport Index?**
- ✓ The Henley Passport Index is a global ranking system that measures the strength of a country's passport based on the number of destinations its holders can enter without a visa.
- ✓ The index is published by the firm Henley & Partners.
- ✓ It uses exclusive data from the International Air Transport Association (IATA).
- ✓ The index is updated quarterly to reflect changes in global visa policies.
- ✓ **INDIA'S RANK IN VARIOUS INDEXES 2025**
- ✓ **Global Peace Index 2025**
- ✓ TOP : Iceland
- ✓ 2nd : Ireland



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- ✓ 3rd : New Zealand
- ✓ 4th : Austria
- ✓ 5th : Switzerland
- ✓ INDIA : 115
- ✓ **Energy Transition Index 2025**
- ✓ Top : Sweden
- ✓ 2nd : Finland
- ✓ 3rd : Denmark
- ✓ 4th : Norway
- ✓ 5th : Switzerland
- ✓ INDIA : 71
- ✓ Released By : World Economic Forum (WEF)
- ✓ **Global Gender Gap Index 2025**
- ✓ Published By : World Economic Forum (WEF)
- ✓ Top : Iceland
- ✓ 2nd : Finland
- ✓ 3rd : Norway
- ✓ 4th : United Kingdom
- ✓ 5th : New Zealand
- ✓ INDIA : 131
- ✓ India's parity score of 64.4% is below the global average of 68.8%.
- ✓ In South Asia, India ranks fifth.
- ✓ **World Press Freedom Index 2025**
- ✓ Released By : Reporters without Borders
- ✓ TOP : Norway
- ✓ 2nd : Estonia
- ✓ 3rd : Netherlands
- ✓ 4th : Sweden
- ✓ 5th : Finland
- ✓ INDIA : 151



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- ✓ **Human Development Report 2025**
- ✓ Released By : United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- ✓ TOP : Iceland
- ✓ 2nd : Norway
- ✓ 3rd : Switzerland
- ✓ 4th : Denmark
- ✓ 5th : Germany
- ✓ INDIA : 130 with a score of 0.685
- ✓ **Corruption Perception Index 2024**
- ✓ TOP : Denmark
- ✓ 2nd : Finland
- ✓ 3rd : Singapore
- ✓ 4th : New Zealand
- ✓ 5th : Luxembourg
- ✓ INDIA : 96th
- ✓ Released By : Transparency International
- ✓ **Global Firepower Index 2025.**
- ✓ TOP : USA
- ✓ 2nd : Russia
- ✓ 3rd : China
- ✓ INDIA : 4th
- ✓ 5th : South Korea
- ✓ **Network Readiness Index 2024**
- ✓ Published By : Portulans Institute and the Saïd Business School at the University of Oxford.
- ✓ TOP : United States
- ✓ 2nd : Singapore
- ✓ 3rd : Finland
- ✓ 4th : Sweden
- ✓ 5th : South Korea
- ✓ INDIA : 49



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Q.8. Recently, five beaches in Maharashtra received the international Blue Flag certification.

- A) Shrivardhan, Nagaon, Parnaka, Guhagar, and Ladghar
- B) Juhu, Alibag, Ganpatipule, Diveagar, and Murud
- C) Tarkali, Devbag, Vengurla, Guhagar, and Harihareshwar
- D) Kashid, Varsoli, Kihim, Bordi, and Dahanu

Answer : A

- ✓ Five beaches in Maharashtra received the prestigious Blue Flag certification.
- ✓ Shrivardhan and Nagaon are located in the Raigad district.
- ✓ Parnaka is located in the Palghar district.
- ✓ Guhagar and Ladghar are located in the Ratnagiri district.
- ✓ **About Blue Flag Certification**
- ✓ The Blue Flag programme is a globally recognised eco-label awarded to beaches, marinas, and tourism boats that meet high standards in environmental management, safety, accessibility, water quality and environmental education.
- ✓ The Blue Flag certification is awarded by Denmark's Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) to beaches that meet 33 criteria related to cleanliness, beauty, and environmental sustainability.
- ✓ The programme was initiated in France in 1985, focusing initially on European beaches.
- ✓ It expanded globally in 2001, becoming one of the world's most recognized voluntary eco-awards.
- ✓ Once w jury representing UNEP, United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO), FEE, and IUCN.
- ✓ **Blue Flag Beaches of India**
- ✓ Shivrajpur (Gujarat)
- ✓ Golden Beach (Odisha)
- ✓ Ghoghla (Diu)
- ✓ Kasarkod and Padubidri (Karnataka)
- ✓ Kappad and Chal (Kerala)
- ✓ Rushikonda (Andhra Pradesh)
- ✓ Radhanagar (Andaman & Nicobar Islands)
- ✓ Kovalam (Tamil Nadu)



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- ✓ Eden Beach (Puducherry)
- ✓ Minicoy Thundi and Kadmat (Lakshadweep).
- ✓ Chandrabhaga beach on the Konark coast of Odisha is not only India's but also Asia's first beach to get the Blue Flag certification.
- ✓ India launched its own eco-label, Beach Environment and Aesthetics Management Services (BEAMS), in 2018 under the Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM).

Q.9. Which country gives Blue Flag certification?

- A) Norway
- B) United States
- C) Denmark
- D) United Kingdom

Answer : C

Q.10. What is the name of the special salary package offered by Bank of India to BSF personnel under the new MoU?

- A) Soldier Salary Package
- B) Protector Salary Scheme
- C) Rakshak Salary Package
- D) Border Guard Salary Account

Answer : C

- ✓ Bank of India Signs MoU with Border Security Force to Extend Rakshak Salary Package Benefits.
- ✓ Bank of India, one of India's leading public sector banks, announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Border Security Force to extend the BOI Rakshak Salary Package to BSF Personnel and Veterans.
- ✓ The MoU covers special benefits including enhanced free comprehensive Personal Accident Insurance Cover (PAI), attractive offers on Debit and Credit Cards and a host of other offers.

Q.11. Which of the following is NOT a new enhancement added to the Tele MANAS app?

- A) Multilingual User Interface
- B) Emergency Module
- C) Virtual Reality Therapy
- D) Chatbot feature 'Asmi'

Answer : C

- ✓ The Tele-MANAS app enhances the National Tele Mental Health Programme with features like a multilingual interface in 10 regional languages plus English and Hindi, a chatbot named 'Asmi' for information, and an emergency module for crisis support.



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- ✓ The app also includes accessibility features for visually impaired users and provides self-care tools and video consultations.
- ✓ **Key features of the Tele-MANAS App**
- ✓ **Multilingual Interface:**
- ✓ Available in English, Hindi, and 10 regional languages (Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Tamil, Telugu, Odia, and Punjabi).
- ✓ **Chatbot:**
- ✓ Includes a chatbot named 'Asmi' to provide users with instant information and guidance on mental health.
- ✓ **Emergency Module:**
- ✓ Incorporates an emergency response module to offer timely guidance and support during mental health crises.
- ✓ **Accessibility:**
- ✓ Features have been added to improve accessibility for visually impaired users and other vulnerable groups.
- ✓ **Resources:**
- ✓ Provides self-care tips, stress management strategies, and tools to recognize early distress signals.
- ✓ **Video Consultation:**
- ✓ Allows for enhanced video consultation services with trained mental health professionals across India.
- ✓ Bollywood actor Deepika Padukone has been designated as India's first Mental Health Ambassador by the Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.
- ✓ Her role is to raise awareness, reduce stigma, and encourage people to seek support for mental health concerns

Q.12. The Tele MANAS app is now available in how many regional languages?

- A) 5
- B) 7
- C) 10
- D) 15

Answer : C

- ✓ The Tele MANAS program was launched by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW).



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- ✓ The Union Budget 2022 announced the National Tele Mental Health Programme, with the MoHFW entrusted to guide its implementation.
- ✓ The program, which aims to provide free 24/7 mental health services across the country, was officially launched in October 2022.
- ✓ Available in English, Hindi, and 10 regional languages (Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Tamil, Telugu, Odia, and Punjabi).

Q.13. Which of the following statements is NOT true regarding the postal ballot facility provided by the ECI for the Bihar Assembly elections in October 2025?

- A) Electors above the age of 85 years can opt for the postal ballot facility by submitting Form 12D.
- B) Persons with disabilities (PwD) with a benchmark disability certificate of less than 40% are also eligible for the postal ballot.
- C) Electors working in essential services like fire, health, and electricity can avail the postal ballot facility.
- D) For elderly voters and PwD, designated polling teams will visit their homes to collect their ballots.

Answer : B

- ✓ The Election Commission of India (ECI) has announced that eligible voters over 85, persons with benchmark disabilities (PwD), and service voters will be able to use a postal ballot for the Bihar Assembly Elections, scheduled to be held in two phases on November 6 and 11, 2025.
- ✓ This provision is made under Section 60(c) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, to ensure greater inclusivity and accessibility.
- ✓ **Eligibility and procedure**
- ✓ **Elderly and PwD voters:** Electors aged 85 years or older and those with benchmark disabilities are eligible. They must apply using Form 12D through their Booth Level Officer (BLO) within five days of the election notification. For those who opt for it, polling teams will visit their homes to collect votes, accompanied by security and videography, and candidates can send representatives to observe.
- ✓ **Service voters:** This includes armed forces and state police personnel, as well as Indian government employees posted abroad. They will receive their ballots electronically via the Electronically Transmitted Postal Ballot System (ETPBS) after the list of candidates is finalized, with the Department of Post covering return postage costs.



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- ✓ **Statement (A) is true:** The ECI has notified that electors above the age of 85 years can use the postal ballot facility by submitting Form 12D.
- ✓ **Statement (B) is NOT true:** The facility is specifically for PwD electors with a benchmark disability of 40% or more, as certified by a competent authority. Electors with less than a 40% benchmark disability are not eligible for this service.
- ✓ **Statement (C) is true:** The postal ballot facility has been extended to electors engaged in essential services, which include fire services, healthcare, and electricity supply, among others.
- ✓ **Statement (D) is true:** To collect the ballots from eligible elderly and PwD voters, designated polling teams are sent to the voters' homes.

Q.14. Which of the following facilities are provided by the Election Commission of India (ECI) to ensure ease of voting for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)?

- A) Optional home voting facility for PwDs with 40% benchmark disability
- B) Separate queue at polling stations
- C) Accessible Voter Information Slips (VIS) and Braille features on EVMs
- D) All of the above

Answer : D

- ✓ The Election Commission of India has implemented a multi-pronged strategy to ensure accessible and inclusive elections for PwDs. The measures include:
- ✓ **Optional Home Voting:** For the first time in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections, an optional home voting facility through postal ballot was introduced for PwDs with 40% benchmark disability.
- ✓ **Separate Queue:** PwD electors and senior citizens are given priority for entering polling booths and have a separate queue.
- ✓ **Braille Features:** Accessible Voter Information Slips (VIS) with Braille features are issued, and EVMs are equipped with Braille features for visually impaired persons.
- ✓ **Transport and Wheelchairs:** Free transport, pick-and-drop facilities, and wheelchairs are provided. These can be requested through the Divyang (Saksham) module.
- ✓ **Accessible Polling Stations:** All polling stations are located on the ground floor with ramps of a proper gradient.
- ✓ **Exclusive Polling Stations:** Some polling stations are exclusively managed by PwD officials.



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- ✓ **Companion Facility:** Visually impaired persons can take a companion to assist them in casting their vote

Q.15. The Divyang (Saksham) module on ECINET is designed to assist which group of people?

- A) Senior citizens
- B) Election officials
- C) Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)
- D) First-time voters

Answer : C

Q.16. What is one of the facilities that a PwD elector can request via the Divyang (Saksham) module on ECINET?

- A) Free food at the polling station
- B) A dedicated security guard
- C) Transport and wheelchair assistance
- D) Priority access to vote by postal ballot

Answer : B

Q.17. ECINET is a new digital platform that combines multiple apps and services from the Election Commission of India. Which older app is now part of ECINET's functions?

- A) cVIGIL
- B) Voter Helpline App
- C) Saksham App
- D) All of the above

Answer : D

- ✓ The Election Commission of India (ECI) has issued directions for improving voting access for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in multiple elections, most recently in October 2025 for the Bihar Legislative Assembly election.
- ✓ These directions are part of the ECI's long-term strategic plan for "Accessible Elections," which aims to enhance electoral participation for PwDs.
- ✓ Facilities and initiatives for PwDs
- ✓ **Home voting facility:** Eligible PwD voters with a benchmark disability of 40% or more can opt to vote via a postal ballot from their residence. This is an optional, technology-supported service that was introduced and expanded for the Lok Sabha 2024 elections.
- ✓ **Accessible polling stations:** The ECI mandates that all polling stations must be located on the ground floor or be accessible by a proper ramp with the correct gradient for wheelchair users.



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- ✓ Priority access: PwD electors and senior citizens are given priority for entering polling booths, so they do not have to wait in the regular queue.
- ✓ **Transport and wheelchairs:** Free transport facilities are provided for PwDs on election day. They can request pick-up and drop-off services or a wheelchair by registering on the Divyang (Saksham) Module of the ECINET platform.
- ✓ **Braille features: The ECI provides:**
 - ✓ Voter Information Slips (VIS) with Braille features for voters with visual impairment.
 - ✓ Braille dummy ballot sheets at all polling stations, which allow visually impaired voters to cast their vote independently using Braille features on the EVM ballot unit.
- ✓ **Assistance for visually impaired:** Under Rule 49N of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, a visually impaired voter can take a companion to assist them in the polling booth if needed.
- ✓ **PwD-managed polling stations:** In some elections, including the recent Bihar assembly election, the ECI has set up polling stations that are exclusively managed by PwD staff.
- ✓ Voter awareness and education: Voter awareness materials are created in accessible formats, including audio and high-contrast text, to educate PwD voters. The ECI also engages PwD ambassadors and volunteers from organizations like NCC and NSS to promote voter awareness.
- ✓ Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016: The ECI's actions align with Section 11 of this Act, which mandates accessible polling stations and electoral materials

Q.18. Which of the following is an acceptable alternative photo identity document for voting, as permitted by the Election Commission of India?

- A) Student Identity Card
- B) Ration Card
- C) Aadhaar Card
- D) All of the above

Answer : C

- ✓ Voters can use 12 alternative photo IDs apart from EPIC to cast their vote.
- ✓ The Election Commission of India (ECI) announced that electors on the voter list can now use any one of twelve alternative photo identity documents in addition to the Electors' Photo Identity Card (EPIC) to exercise their right to vote.
- ✓ This move aims to facilitate voter identification and prevent impersonation at polling stations.



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- ✓ EPICs, issued under the Representation of the People Act, 1951, and the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960, have already reached nearly 100 percent of electors in Bihar and in the eight Assembly constituencies going to by-elections.
- ✓ The Commission has directed all Chief Electoral Officers to ensure that EPICs are delivered to new voters within 15 days of the final publication of the electoral rolls
- ✓ For voters whose names appear on the electoral rolls but who are unable to present their EPIC, the ECI, through a notification dated October 7, 2025, has permitted the use of alternative documents such as Aadhaar Card, MNREGA Job Card, bank or post office passbooks with photographs, health insurance smart cards under Ministry of Labour schemes or Ayushman Bharat, driving licenses, PAN cards, smart cards issued by the Registrar General of India under NPR, Indian passports, pension documents with photographs, service identity cards issued by government or public sector employers, official identity cards of MPs, MLAs, and MLCs, and the Unique Disability ID (UDID) card.

Q.19. How many digits are in an Election Photo Identity Card (EPIC) number?

- A) 12
- B) 10
- C) 16
- D) 8

Answer : B

- ✓ An EPIC number is a 10-digit alphanumeric code assigned to every registered voter in India by the Election Commission of India (ECI).
- ✓ The number is printed on the voter's Election Photo Identity Card (EPIC), also known as a voter ID card, and is essential for voting and accessing other electoral services.

Q.20. What is the primary purpose of the strategic partnership between Bharti Airtel and IBM?

- A) To expand Bharti Airtel's mobile network coverage to new countries.
- B) To integrate IBM's software technologies and AI capabilities into Airtel Cloud.
- C) To build new data centers for mobile data storage only.
- D) To develop a new smartphone for the Indian market.

Answer : B

- ✓ Bharti Airtel Announces a Strategic Partnership with IBM to Augment Airtel Cloud.



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- ✓ Through this partnership, Airtel Cloud customers will be able to deploy the IBM Power systems portfolio as-a-Service, including the latest-generation IBM Power11 autonomous, AI-ready servers for mission-critical applications in regulated industries like banking, healthcare, government and others.
- ✓ The Power11 hybrid platform will also support critical enterprise workloads including IBM Power AIX, IBM i, Linux and SAP Cloud ERP.

Q.21. The Global AgXelerate platform was launched to connect agricultural innovators primarily from which country with international markets?

- A) Brazil
- B) United States
- C) Netherlands
- D) India

Answer : D

- ✓ India launches global AgXelerate platform to connect agri-innovators with global markets.
- ✓ This new initiative is designed to seamlessly connect local agricultural pioneers with international markets, engaging a network of startups, incubators, and investors from around the world.

Q.22. Which two organizations were key in launching the Global AgXelerate platform in October 2025?

- A) The World Bank and the International Monetary Fund
- B) BioSTL and AgVaya
- C) The United Nations and the World Trade Organization
- D) Amazon Web Services and Microsoft

Answer : B

- ✓ BioSTL and AgVaya Launch Global AgXelerate to Link Agri Startups, Investors and Farmers Worldwide.
- ✓ The capital investments and technology ecosystems platform, launched by AgVaya and BioSTL, with support from the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICRIER) and Federation of Seed Industry of India, will link startups, incubators and investors from the US, Brazil, UK, Netherlands, Israel, Argentina and Australia to create market pathways for science-based solutions in regenerative agriculture.
Global agricultural markets are projected to reach USD 12 trillion by 2033, driven by regenerative agriculture, agri-biotech and precision-farming innovations.



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Q.23. Who is the author of the book, Ready, Relevant and Resurgent II: Shaping a Future Ready Force?

- A) The Defence Minister of India
- B) General Anil Chauhan, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)
- C) The Director General of the Centre for Joint Warfare Studies
- D) The Defence Secretary

Answer : B

- ✓ Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh, released a book titled 'Ready, Relevant and Resurgent II: Shaping a Future Ready Force' authored by Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan.
- ✓ General Anil Chauhan is a four-star general of the Indian Army, who is the current and 2nd Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) of the Indian Armed Forces.

Q.24. Which city has been recommended to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Abuja, Nigeria
- C) Ahmedabad, India
- D) Glasgow, Scotland

Answer : C

- ✓ **Ahmedabad recommended for 2030 Commonwealth Games**
- ✓ The Commonwealth Sport Executive Board (2025) has recommended Ahmedabad, Gujarat, as the host city for the 2030 Centenary Commonwealth Games, bringing the prestigious event back to India after 20 years.
- ✓ **2030 Host Recommendation:**
- ✓ Ahmedabad has been recommended as the proposed host city, defeating Nigeria's Abuja in the evaluation process.
- ✓ The final decision will be taken at the Commonwealth Sport General Assembly in Glasgow on November 26, 2025.
- ✓ **Historical Evolution:**
- ✓ Began as British Empire Games (1930) → later renamed Commonwealth Games (1978).
- ✓ First hosted in 1930 in Hamilton, Canada, the Commonwealth Games will see its 24th edition play out in 2030.



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- ✓ India hosted once before, the 2010 New Delhi Games, marking a milestone in its sporting journey despite organisational challenges.

Q.25. Which is the main venue that will be used for the 2030 Commonwealth Games in Ahmedabad?

- A) Sardar Patel Stadium B) Narendra Modi Stadium
C) Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium D) A new stadium built specifically for the games

Answer : B

- ✓ **India's Proposal and Infrastructure Readiness:**
- ✓ Ahmedabad's proposal showcased modern sports complexes like the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Sports Enclave and the Narendra Modi Stadium, alongside new aquatics and football arenas.
- ✓ The bid aligns with India's "Viksit Bharat 2047" vision and aims to position Gujarat as a global sports capital.

UPCOMING SPORTS VENUE IN NEWS 2025

- New Delhi will host the Badminton World Championships in August 2026
- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has awarded the England and Wales Cricket Board the hosting rights of the next three editions of the World Test Championship (WTC) finals in 2027, 2029 and 2031.
- Brazil has won the bid to host the 10th edition of the FIFA Women's World Cup 2027.
- FIFA announced that the USA will host the 2031 Women's World Cup, with the UK hosting in 2035.
- Meghalaya will host the 39th edition of the National Games in February/March 2027
- India is set to host the BRICS Youth Council Entrepreneurship Working Group Meeting from March 3-7, 2025, under the theme "Youth Entrepreneurship for Sustainable Growth."
- For the first time, India will host the World Boxing Cup Final and the World Boxing Congress in 2025 in New Delhi
- World Para Athletics has also awarded the World Para Athletics Grand Prix to New Delhi. It will be held at the Jawahar Lal Nehru Stadium from 11-13 March 2025.
- Union Territory of Ladakh and the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir will jointly host the Khelo India Winter Games 2025.



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- Bihar will host the Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) and Khelo India Para Games (KIPG) in 2025.
- The Olympic Winter Games Milano Cortina 2026 will take place from February 6 to 22, 2026. The Paralympic Winter Games will take place from March 6 to 15, 2026
- Men's Cricket Asia Cup: India to host 2025 and Bangladesh 2027 edition
- International Olympic Committee (IOC) announced that the French Alps will host the Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2030.
- Saudi Arabia to host first 'Olympics Esports Games' in 2025
- Uttar Pradesh government agrees to raise ₹80cr for 2025 edition of MotoGP Bharat
- India will host the FIH Hockey Men's Junior World Cup in December 2025.
- Australia and Uzbekistan confirmed as 2026 and 2029 AFC Women's Asian Cup hosts.
- Brazil was declared the host of the 2027 Women's World Cup at the FIFA.
- India will host the BWF World Junior Championships 2025 at the National Centre of Excellence in Guwahati.
- Saudi Arabia will host the 2034 Asian Games in Riyadh, its capital city.
- Saudi Arabia is to host the 2034 Men's FIFA World Cup.
- England will host the 2027 World Test Championship (WTC) final in June, marking the fourth consecutive time

Q.26. Consider the following statements regarding the Akash Missile System, recently seen in the news:

- 1. It is a short-range surface-to-air missile (SAM) system.**
- 2. It was indigenously designed and developed by India's Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).**

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 only B) 2 only
C) Both 1 and 2 D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : B

- ✓ India is learnt to have pitched for the supply of the Akash missile system to Brazil, as the Defence Minister recently held wide-ranging talks with Brazilian Vice-President Geraldo Alckmin in New Delhi.



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✓ About Akash Missile System:

- ✓ It is a **short-range surface-to-air missile (SAM) system**.
- ✓ It is designed to protect vulnerable areas, points, and assets from a range of aerial threats, including fighter aircraft, cruise missiles, drones, and helicopters.
- ✓ It was indigenously designed and developed by India's Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and is produced by Hyderabad-based Bharat Dynamics Ltd. (BDL).
- ✓ The missile is 5.87 meters long, 350 millimeters in diameter, and weighs 710 kilograms.
- ✓ It features a solid-fuel, ramjet propulsion system, capable of reaching speeds of Mach 2.5 to 3.5 (up to 4,200 km/h).
- ✓ It covers a range of 4.5 km to 25 km and can engage aerial threats flying between 100 meters and 20 kilometers in altitude.

DRDO IN NEWS 2025

- DRDO in collaboration with the Strategic Forces Command (SFC), has carried out the successful launch of Intermediate Range Agni-Prime Missile from a Rail based Mobile launcher system.
- This next-generation missile is designed to travel up to 2000 kilometers.
- DRDO conducted two consecutive successful flight-tests of Pralay missile from Dr APJ Abdul Kalam island off the coast of Odisha.
- The missile has a range of 150-500 km and can be launched from a mobile launcher.
- The Air Defence unit of the Indian Army conducted a successful user trial of the DRDO developed air defence system, Akash Prime, in Ladakh at an altitude of 15,000 feet.
- DRDO has successfully conducted the final user trial of the indigenously developed Extended Range Anti-Submarine Rocket (ERASR) from the Indian Naval Ship (INS) Kavaratti.
- The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has successfully tested its Long-Range Glide Bomb, Gaurav, off the coast of Odisha. The smart bomb was dropped from the Indian Air Force's Su-30 MK-I fighter plane.
- DRDO has successfully carried out flight-trials of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Launched Precision Guided Missile (ULPGM)-V3 at the National Open Area Range (NOAR) test range in Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh.
- DRDO and Indian Air Force (IAF) successfully conducted the flight-test of indigenous Beyond



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Visual Range Air-to-Air missile (BVRAAM) 'Astra' equipped with indigenous Radio Frequency (RF) Seeker from Su-30 Mk-I platform off the coast of Chandipur, Odisha, on 11 July 2025.

- Astra is a Beyond-Visual-Range Air-to-Air missile (BVRAAM) with a range exceeding 100 kms.
- Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)
- Founded : 1 January 1958
- Headquarters : New Delhi
- Motto : "Strength's Origin is in Knowledge"
- Chairman : Sameer V Kamat

STATIC GK Based Current Affairs MCQs 16 October 2025

Q.1. Which of the following card type cannot be used for cash withdrawal at PoS terminals?

- A) VISA Debit Cards
- B) MasterCard
- C) Credit Card
- D) Rupay Card

Answer : C

Q.2. Where is the headquarters of Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology (IDBRT) located?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Chennai
- C) Hyderabad
- D) Delhi

Answer : C

Q.3. Who regulates a company based Infrastructure Debt Fund (IDF)?

- A) RBI
- B) SEBI
- C) NABARD
- D) NHB

Answer : A

Q.4. Who regulates a trust based Infrastructure Debt Fund (IDF)?

- A) RBI
- B) SEBI
- C) NABARD
- D) NHB

Answer : B



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Q.5. In 1969, those banks were nationalized whose deposits were more than _.

- A) Rs 100 crore
- B) Rs 200 crore
- C) Rs 50 crore
- D) Rs 10 crore

Answer : C

- ✓ The Government nationalised 14 banks (with effect from the midnight of 19 July 1969) with deposits of over Rs.50 crore by promulgating the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Ordinance, 1969.

Q.6. In 1980, those banks were nationalized whose deposits were more than _.

- A) Rs 500 crore
- B) Rs 100 crore
- C) Rs 200 crore
- D) Rs 50 crore

Answer : C

- ✓ Six banks, viz, Andhra Bank, Corporation Bank, New Bank of India, Oriental Bank of Commerce, Punjab and Sind Bank, and Vijaya Bank with deposit liabilities of Rs.200 crore and above were nationalised in April 1980

Q.7. What is the minimum paid up capital requirement for a bank to be eligible for inclusion in the Second Schedule to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934?

- A) Rs 50 lakh
- B) Rs 10 lakh
- C) Rs 15 lakh
- D) Rs 5 lakh

Answer : D

- ✓ A scheduled bank is one that is listed in the second schedule of RBI Act, 1934. Banks having paid up capital of at least Rs 5 lakh are eligible for inclusion in the Second Schedule to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.

Q.8. How many types of Priority Sector Lending Certificates are there in India?

- A) 3
- B) 4
- C) 5
- D) 6

Answer : B

- ✓ Four type- PSLC Agriculture, PSLC SF/MF, PSLC Micro Enterprises and PSLC General



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Q.9. The range of Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR) that RBI can prescribe can vary between 0% to ____ %.

- A) 20
- B) 30
- C) 40
- D) 50

Answer : C

Q.10. What is the maximum compensation under the Banking Ombudsman Scheme of RBI?

- A) Rs 10 lakh
- B) Rs 5 lakh
- C) Rs 20 lakh
- D) Rs 1 lakh

Answer : C



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