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Aparchit 17 December English Super Current Affairs MCQ with Facts 2025

By Aparchit Exam Warriors/Kumar Kaushal Sir

Q.1. What is the name of India's first indigenous 64-bit dual-core microprocessor unveiled in December 2025?

- A) SHAKTI
- B) VIKRAM 3201
- C) DHRUV64
- D) AJIT

Answer : C

- ✓ India Unveils 1st Indigenous 64-bit Dual-Core Microprocessor 'DHRUV64'.
- ✓ Government of India unveiled 'DHRUV64', India's 1st indigenous built 1.0 Giga Hertz (GHz), 64-bit dual-core microprocessor, marking a significant milestone in strengthening India's self-reliant microprocessor ecosystem.
- ✓ **About DHRUV64.**
- ✓ This newly launched semiconductor chip was developed by the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Research and Development (R&D) organisation under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), under the Microprocessor Development Programme (MDP).
- ✓ DHRUV64 has been developed with modern architectural features that offer higher efficiency, improved multitasking capability and enhanced reliability.
- ✓ The DHRUV64 processor is designed for seamless integration with diverse hardware and, with modern fabrication technologies, is suitable for Fifth Generation(5G), automotive, consumer electronics, industrial automation, and Internet of Things (IoT) applications.
- ✓ The launch of DHRUV64 is part of the GoI's Digital India RISC-V(Reduced Instruction Set Computer) (DIR-V) programme which aims to create a complete portfolio of RISC-V-based microprocessors in India.
- ✓ DHRUV64 is the 3rd processor to be fabricated under DIR-V, following the THEJAS32, 1st chip fabricated at Silterra facility in Malaysia; and THEJAS64, manufactured locally at Semiconductor Lab (SCL) in Mohali, Punjab.

Q.2. DHRUV64, India's first 1.0 GHz 64-bit microprocessor, was developed by which organization?

- A) ISRO
- B) C-DAC
- C) IIT Madras
- D) DRDO

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Answer : B

- ✓ This newly launched semiconductor chip was developed by the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Research and Development (R&D) organisation under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), under the Microprocessor Development Programme (MDP).
- ✓ **Other Indigenous Microprocessors.**
- ✓ **SHAKTI (2018):** It was developed by Indian Institute of Technology-Madras (IIT-M), Chennai, Tamil Nadu(TN). It is specifically designed for strategic, space, and defence applications;
- ✓ **AJIT(2018):** It was developed by IIT-Bombay (IIT-B), Mumbai(Maharashtra), is a microprocessor designed for industrial and robotics applications;
- ✓ **VIKRAM (2025):** It was developed by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) in partnership with SCL, is designed for space applications like: navigation, guidance, and mission operations;
- ✓ **THEJAS64 (2025):** It was developed by C-DAC for industrial automation.
- ✓ **Next-Gen Variants:** After the successful launch of DHRUV64, C-DAC is currently working on the development of Dhanush and Dhanush+, System on a Chip (SoC) variants which are under development.

Q.3. Which bank recently received RBI approval for its group entities to acquire up to a 9.5% stake?

A) Axis Bank

B) ICICI Bank

C) IndusInd Bank

D) AU Small Finance Bank

Answer : C

- ✓ RBI Approves HDFC Bank Group to Acquire Up to 9.5% Stake in IndusInd Bank.
- ✓ Reserve Bank of India (RBI) approved HDFC Bank Limited, along with its group entities, to acquire an aggregate holding of up to 9.5% of the paid-up share capital or voting rights in IndusInd Bank Limited.
- ✓ The approval has been granted under the RBI (Commercial Banks – Acquisition and Holding of Shares or Voting Rights) Directions, 2025, with non-compliance leading to automatic lapse of permission.
- ✓ The approval is valid for one year, from 15 December 2025 to 14 December 2026, and the aggregate holding must not exceed 9.50% at any time.

STAKES IN NEWS 2025

- SBI and Amundi India Holding hold 61.91% and 36.36% stake in SBIFML respectively.
- Mahindra & Mahindra sold its entire 3.5% stake in RBL Bank for Rs. 6.78 billion



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- Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) increased its holdings in Tata Consumer Products to 8.65% and in Dabur India to 6.99%.
- Punjab National Bank (PNB) sold a 10% stake in Canara HSBC Life Insurance through an Offer for Sale (OFS) during the company's IPO, reducing its stake from 23% to 13%.
- New York-based Blackstone is set to invest approximately ₹6,197 crore (around \$705 million) to acquire a 9.99% stake in Federal Bank.
- Abu Dhabi's International Holding Company (IHC) is acquiring a 41.2% stake in the Indian company Sammaan Capital (formerly Indiabulls Housing Finance) for ₹8,850 crore (\$1 billion).
- Japanese bank SMBC increased its stake in YES Bank from 20% to 24.22% by acquiring an additional 4.22% through an off-market purchase from CA Basque Investments, a Carlyle Group affiliate.
- Swiggy has sold its entire 12% stake in Rapido for ₹2,399 crore to two existing investors, Prosus and WestBridge Capital.
- Saudi Aramco is likely to take a 20% stake in Bharat Petroleum Corporation's (BPCL) planned Ramayapatnam refinery-cum-petrochemical complex (RcPC) in Andhra Pradesh
- JSW Paints will acquire a 75% stake in Akzo Nobel India for approximately Rs 9,000 crore, which includes brands like Dulux.
- Carlyle Group sold a 2.6% stake in YES Bank for ₹1,775 crore in June 2025.

Q.4. Which international organization recently approved an \$846 million loan to modernize 650 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and 5 National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) in India?

- A) World Bank B) New Development Bank (NDB)
C) Asian Development Bank (ADB) D) International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Answer : C

- ✓ Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a USD 846 million(Mn) (about Rs.7,000 crore) loan to India to boost skills and employability by modernising Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) under a flagship national programme.



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- ✓ The funding supports the “Supporting Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability Transformation through Upgraded ITIs Program (PM-SETU)”. It aims to build a future ready workforce for manufacturing and emerging technology sectors, aligned with Skill India and Make in India priorities.
- ✓ The programme aims to modernise 650 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) across 12 states using a hub-and-spoke cluster model. It focuses on upgrading infrastructure, training equipment, and digital systems to deliver industry-aligned, demand-driven courses.
- ✓ It proposes to upgrade 5 National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) into Centres of Excellence for advanced trainer development, thereby improving the quality and capacity of instructors nationwide.

Q.5. Which entity recently received in-principle approval from SEBI to launch a mutual fund transaction platform, as a strategic step before entering the equity market?

- A) Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX)
- B) Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)
- C) National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange (NCDEX)
- D) National Stock Exchange (NSE)

Answer : C

- ✓ SEBI Approves NCDEX to Launch a Mutual Fund Platform.
- ✓ National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange Limited (NCDEX) received in-principle approval from the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) to launch a Mutual Fund (MF) transaction platform.
- ✓ SEBI's approval allows NCDEX to set up a platform where investors can easily buy and sell MF units, after meeting regulatory requirements.
- ✓ The National Commodity Clearing Limited (NCCL), a wholly owned subsidiary of NCDEX, will handle the backend processing such as Clearing through validating trade details and Settlement which ensures money moves from investor to MF and units are allocated appropriately.
- ✓ The MF platform will be independent of the trading infrastructure of NCDEX for commodities or future stock trading systems. It can roll out faster without depending on the equity system.

SEBI IN NEWS 2025

- SEBI has suggested the exclusion of zero-coupon zero principal (ZCZP) bonds for determining the eligibility of basic services demat accounts (BSDA) of small investors.



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- SEBI has overhauled RPT norms, shifting from a flat ₹1,000 crore limit to tiered, turnover-based thresholds capped at ₹5,000 crore, while easing disclosures for smaller transactions.
- The government has appointed Sandip Pradhan as a whole-time member of SEBI for three years, replacing Ashwani Bhatia.
- SEBI extended the deadline for the complete roll out of algorithm trading rules for retail investors to April 01, 2026.
- SEBI introduced special relaxations for Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in which the government already holds 90% or more equity.
- SEBI has revised the norms for InvITs, primarily by lowering the minimum investment for privately placed InvITs from ₹1 crore to ₹25 lakh
- SEBI was held in Mumbai, Maharashtra, where the board approved compliance relaxations for Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) investing solely in Indian Government Securities (G-secs) to simplify their onboarding process.
- SEBI has eased compliance norms for Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) who invest exclusively in government securities (G-Secs) under the Fully Accessible Route (FAR).
- SEBI introduced a new framework for co-investments within the Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) structure
- SEBI has mandated minimum investment threshold or ticket size of Rs 1 crore for the issuance of Securitised Debt Instruments (SDIs) for the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)-regulated originators and unregulated entities engaged in securitization activities.
- SEBI launched the SWAGAT-FI (Single Window Automatic & Generalised Access for Trusted Foreign Investors) framework in September 2025 to simplify the entry and regulatory processes for certain foreign investors.
- SEBI launched the "SEBI Check" tool on October 1, 2025, to verify UPI IDs and bank accounts for payments to registered market intermediaries
- SEBI is working with the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to create a remote, secure Know Your Customer (KYC) system for non-resident Indians (NRIs)
- SEBI has launched two new initiatives, Validated UPI Handles and the SEBI Check tool, to improve payment security for investors .



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- Validated UPI handles include an exclusive “@valid” suffix and a visual indicator like a green "thumbs-up" icon to confirm authenticity.
- Walmart-owned fintech giant PhonePe has filed draft papers with SEBI for an IPO, expected to raise around ₹12000 crore.
- SEBI has tightened rules for intraday index options trading by introducing a new net position limit of ₹5,000 crore per entity, which is significantly higher than the previous end-of-day limit of ₹1,500 crore. The gross intraday position limit remains unchanged at ₹10,000 crore
- SEBI approves LIC's reclassification as a public shareholder in IDBI Bank, with voting rights capped at 10% and stake cut to 15% within two years.
- The government, which owns 45.48%, and LIC, which holds 49.24%, together plan to sell a 60.7% stake.
- Quant Mutual Fund received approval from the SEBI to launch India's first Specialised Investment Fund (SIF), named the QSIF Equity Long-Short Fund.
- SEBI detailing a mechanism for monitoring and enforcing the minimum ₹10 lakh investment threshold in Specialized Investment Funds (SIFs).
- SEBI, in collaboration with BSE, CDSL, NSDL, and KFinTech, launched a Securities Market Hackathon at Global Fintech Fest 2025.
- SEBI has approved the use of the NPCI's e-KYC Setu system for registered intermediaries to perform Aadhaar-based digital KYC
- Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) and SEBI to Launch Pilot 'Niveshak Shivir' in Pune to Empower Investors and Streamline Grievance Redressal and Unclaimed Dividend Claims.
- Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI):
 - It is the regulatory body for securities and commodity markets in India established in 1988.
 - It is the regulator of the Capital market and Commodities market in India.
 - The first SEBI chairman was Dr S A Dave (1988-90)
 - Headquarters : Mumbai
 - 11th Chairperson : Tuhin Kanta Pandey



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Q.6. Jose Antonio Kast has been elected as the new president of which country in December 2025?

- A) Argentina
- B) Brazil
- C) Chile
- D) Ecuador

Answer : C

- ✓ Jose Antonio Kast Rist Elected as the 38th President of Chile.
- ✓ José Antonio Kast Rist of Chile's Republican Party elected as the 38th President of Chile after winning the presidential runoff with about 58% of the vote, defeating left-wing candidate Jeannette Jara, and will assume office on March 11, 2026, succeeding centre-left President Gabriel Boric.
- ✓ About Chile.
- ✓ Capital : Santiago
- ✓ Currency : Peso
- ✓ President : Jose Antonio Kast

NEWLY APPOINTED PRESIDENTS IN NEWS 2025

- Jose Antonio Kast : Chile
- Samia Suluhu Hassan : Tanzania
- Catherine Connolly : Ireland
- Karol Nawrocki : Poland
- Lee Jae-myung : South Korea
- Irfaan Ali : Guyana
- Daniel Noboa : Ecuador
- Joseph Aoun : Lebanon
- Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah: Namibia
- Maia Sandu : Moldova
- Konstantinos Tasoulas : Greece
- Mikheil Kavelashvili : Georgia
- John Mahama : Ghana



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Q.7. Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director (MD) of the State Bank of India (SBI), effective December 15, 2025?

- A) C.S. Setty
B) Vinay M. Tonse
C) Bhanu Pratap Sharma
D) Ravi Ranjan

Answer : D

- ✓ ACC Approved Appointment of Ravi Ranjan as MD of SBI.
- ✓ The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), chaired by Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi, has approved the proposal of Department of Financial Services (DFS), Ministry of Finance (MoF), for the appointment of Ravi Ranjan as Managing Director (MD) of State Bank of India (SBI), India's largest Public Sector Bank (PSB).
- ✓ Rajiv Ranjan, who was previously serving as Deputy MD (DMD) of SBI, succeeded Vinay M. Tonse whose tenure expired on November 30, 2025.
- ✓ the appointment of Ranjan as new MD of SBI with effect from December 15, 2025.
- ✓ As per the official notification, issued by DFS in exercise of powers under the State Bank of India (SBI Act, 1955), Ranjan will hold this post until his superannuation on September 30, 2028, or until further orders, whichever is earlier.
- ✓ After assuming charge as MD of SBI, Ranjan is now responsible for the risk management, compliance and Stressed Assets Resolution Group (SARG).
- ✓ Ranjan started his career as banker by joining the SBI as Probationary Officer (PO) in 1991.

Q.8. Who was sworn in as the Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) of India in December 2025?

- A) Heeralal Samariya
B) Raj Kumar Goyal
C) Yashvardhan Kumar Sinha
D) Bimal Julka

Answer : B

- ✓ Former IAS Officer Raj Kumar Goyal Sworn in as Chief Information Commissioner.
- ✓ Former Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer Raj Kumar Goyal was sworn in as the 13th Chief Information Commissioner of the Central Information Commission (CIC) for three years, with President Droupadi Murmu administering the oath of office and secrecy at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi, Delhi.
- ✓ Goyal succeeded Heeralal Samariya, who demitted office in September 2025.



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- ✓ Following his swearing-in, Goyal administered the oath to eight newly appointed Information Commissioners (ICs), completing the Central Information Commission's full bench of one Chief Information Commissioner and ten ICs for the first time since 2016.
- ✓ The appointments were recommended by a three-member committee as mandated by the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005.
- ✓ The committee comprised Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi (Chairperson), Union Minister Amit Shah, Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), and the Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi.
- ✓ Eligibility: Candidates must be eminent professionals, free from political or profit-linked roles, and are ineligible for reappointment.
- ✓ **About Central Information Commission (CIC).**
- ✓ CIC is a statutory body under the provisions of the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005.
- ✓ Founded : 2005
- ✓ Headquarters : New Delhi
- ✓ It functions as the apex authority for adjudicating appeals and complaints related to access to information from central public authorities.
- ✓ Its jurisdiction extends over all Central Public Authorities, including Union Ministries, Departments, and Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs).

Q.9. Which country developed the AH-64E Apache Attack Helicopter?

A) Russia

B) China

C) United States

D) France

Answer : C

- ✓ Indian Army recently received the final batch of three AH-64E Apache attack helicopters, completing its six-unit fleet at the 451 Army Aviation Squadron based in Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
- ✓ **About AH-64E Apache Attack Helicopter:**
- ✓ It is the world's most advanced multi-role combat helicopter.
- ✓ It is widely used for advanced reconnaissance, precision strikes, and close air support missions globally.
- ✓ **Country of Origin: United States of America**
- ✓ **Manufacturer: Boeing**
- ✓ It is also known as the Apache Guardian.



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- ✓ The AH-64E attack helicopter is the latest version of the Apache used by the US Army.
- ✓ **Other purchasers:** India, Egypt, Greece, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, South Korea, Kuwait, Netherlands, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, UAE, and UK.
- ✓ Apache for Indian defence forces: The Indian Air Force has a fleet of 22 AH-64E Apache attack helicopters.
- ✓ **Features:**
- ✓ **Max Speed:** 300 kph
- ✓ It is a heavily armed, twin-engine ground-attack helicopter.

Q.10. What is the primary manufacturer of the AH-64E Apache?

- A) Lockheed Martin B) Boeing
C) Sikorsky D) Airbus

Answer : B

Q.11. Which ancient Sanskrit treatise on performing arts was the subject of an academic program during the 20th UNESCO session?

- A) Arthashastra B) Natyashastra
C) Bhagavad Gita D) Vedas

Answer : B

- ✓ India hosted the 20th Session of the UNESCO Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) from December 8 to 13, 2025, in New Delhi.
- ✓ During this session, the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) organized an academic program titled "Natyashastra – Synthesis of Theory and Praxis".
- ✓ **About Natyashastra:**
- ✓ It is an ancient Sanskrit treatise on performing arts.
- ✓ The title is a combination of two Sanskrit words – Natya and Shastra.
- ✓ Natya refers to the technique of dance and drama, and shastra refers to science.
- ✓ It was composed by the sage Bharata Muni.
- ✓ It has been dated to between the second century BCE and the second century CE.
- ✓ It is the earliest known treatise on performative arts in South Asia.



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- ✓ It comprises verses detailing drama (natya), performance (abhinaya), music (sangita), emotions (bhava), and aesthetic experience (rasa).
- ✓ One of the text's most profound contributions is the articulation of the concept of Rasa, the essential emotional essence that lies at the heart of any great work of art.
- ✓ Bharata Muni identified eight primary Rasas - Shringara (love), Hasya (humor), Karuna (compassion), Raudra (anger), Veera (heroism), Bhayanaka (fear), Bibhatsa (disgust), and Adbhuta (wonder).
- ✓ He also explained how the skilled performer, through the skillful deployment of bhava (emotional expression), could evoke these sentiments in the audience.
- ✓ UNESCO added Natyashastra to its Memory of the World Register, recognizing its global cultural significance.

Q.12. In which country is the Arun-3 Hydropower Project located?

- A) India
- B) Nepal
- C) Bhutan
- D) Bangladesh

Answer : B

- ✓ The Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of SJVN recently visited the 900 MW Arun-3 hydroelectric project (HEP) in Nepal to review the status of construction and assess progress across key components of the project.
- ✓ **About Arun-3 Hydropower Project:**
- ✓ It is a 900 MW run-of-the-river hydropower project located on the Arun River in the Nepal.
- ✓ Arun is a tributary of the Kosi River in Nepal.
- ✓ Once completed, it will be the biggest hydroelectric facility in Nepal.
- ✓ SJVN Arun-III Power Development Company (SAPDC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of India's Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam (SJVN), is developing the project on a build-own-operate-transfer (BOOT) basis.
- ✓ SJVN is a joint venture between the Government of India and the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- ✓ The project will provide surplus power to India, strengthening economic linkages with Nepal.
- ✓ The power from the project shall be exported from Dhalkebar in Nepal to Muzaffarpur in India.



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Q.13. What does SAMBHAV stand for in the context of the Indian Army's communication system?

- A) Secure Army Mobile Bharat Version
- B) Strategic AI & Modern Battle-Aware Vision
- C) Satellite-Aided Mobile Battlefield Vehicle
- D) Secure Advanced Military Hardware & Applications Version

Answer : A

- ✓ Indian Army showcased a wide range of homegrown technologies Ekam AI and SAMBHAV project during Vijay Diwas celebration.
- ✓ **Ekam AI and SAMBHAV**
- ✓ **About Ekam AI:**
- ✓ It is a fully indigenous and secure artificial intelligence platform designed for sensitive environments.
- ✓ **Features of Ekam AI:**
- ✓ It enables users to analyse information, manage documents, and support decision-making without dependence on foreign software or external cloud systems.
- ✓ It allows personnel at different levels to leverage AI-enabled support without requiring specialised technical expertise.
- ✓ **Significance:** It ensures complete data security and sovereignty. It also marks a significant step towards building trusted national digital systems.
- ✓ **About SAMBHAV:**
- ✓ It is a portable communication system that provides mobile connectivity using satellite support.
- ✓ **Features:** The system can be deployed quickly in remote or disaster-affected areas, improving communication for both soldiers and civilians.
- ✓ **Significance:** The project highlights how defence innovation can also strengthen national communication infrastructure.
- ✓ **What is Vijay Diwas?**
- ✓ Vijay Diwas is commemorated on December 16 every year to honor the victory of the Indian armed forces over Pakistan in the 1971 war which led to the liberation of Bangladesh.



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Q.14. Which indigenous AI platform, often mentioned alongside SAMBHAV, is designed for sensitive environments to support decision-making without reliance on foreign software?

- A) Ekam AI
- B) Agni AI
- C) Rakshak AI
- D) Sena AI

Answer : A

Q.15. Which institution has been designated as India's first Yoga-Ayurveda Cluster Centre under the Ministry of Culture's Gyan Bharatam Mission?

- A) All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi
- B) University of Patanjali, Haridwar
- C) Gujarat Natural Farming Science University, Halol
- D) Keraleeya Ayurveda Samajam, Kerala

Answer : B

- ✓ University of Patanjali Named India's First Yoga-Ayurveda Cluster Centre.
- ✓ University of Patanjali in Haridwar(Uttarakhand) became India's first Yoga and Ayurveda focused 'Cluster Center' under the Gyan Bharatam Mission (GBM), a flagship initiative of the Ministry of Culture.
- ✓ The initiative preserves ancient Indian knowledge systems through research, digitization, and institutional mentoring.
- ✓ This recognition was formalized through an Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed in the presence of Yogaguru Swami Ramdev, Chancellor of University of Patanjali; Dr. Anirban Dash, Director of GBM, among others, during a ceremony held in Haridwar, Uttarakhand.
- ✓ Gyan Bharatam Mission safeguards India's intellectual heritage, particularly manuscripts and traditional knowledge, through conservation, research, and dissemination.
- ✓ So far, 33 MoUs, including 20 cluster centers (of which 8 are universities) were signed under GBM.

Q.16. Which two countries signed the recent Reciprocal Exchange of Logistics Support (RELOS) pact?

- A) India and USA
- B) Russia and China
- C) India and Russia
- D) Japan and Australia

Answer : C



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- ✓ Russia President Vladimir Putin Signs Into Federal Law Key Military Pact With India.
- ✓ Russia president Vladimir Putin signed into federal law a major military cooperation agreement with India, formalising the Reciprocal Exchange of Logistics Support (RELOS) pact, following its ratification by both houses of Russia's Parliament.
- ✓ The military pact will come into effect once India and Russia complete the exchange of their ratification instruments.
- ✓ **About Reciprocal Exchange of Logistics Support (RELOS) pact.**
- ✓ The RELOS was ratified by the State Duma, Russia's lower house of parliament, on December 2, 2025, followed by approval from the Federation Council, Russia's upper house, on December 8, 2025.
- ✓ The RELOS agreement establishes a framework for the movement and deployment of military formations, the docking of warships in each other's ports, and the use of airspace and airfield infrastructure by military aircrafts from both nations.
- ✓ It is intended to be applied during joint military exercises and training activities, as well as in situations involving humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations.
- ✓ **About Russia.**
- ✓ Capital : Moscow
- ✓ Currency : Ruble
- ✓ Prime Minister : Mikhail Mishustin
- ✓ President : Vladimir Putin

Q.17. In December 2025, to which country did Indian Navy Chief Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi embark on a four-day official visit?

- A) United States
- B) Japan
- C) Brazil
- D) Sri Lanka

Answer : C

- ✓ Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi, Chief of Naval Staff (CNS) of the Indian Navy (IN), visited Brazil from December 9 to 12, 2025 to enhance maritime cooperation, professional exchanges, and capacity-building with the Brazilian Navy.
- ✓ During his visit to Brazil, CNS Tripathi held high-level bilateral meetings with senior leaders of Brazil, including Celso Amorim, Chief Advisor to the President of Brazil; Brazilian Defence Minister Jose Mucio



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Monteiro, among others, to review the full spectrum of bilateral defence and maritime security cooperation, and coordination across the South Atlantic and Indo-Pacific regions.

- ✓ **CNS Tripathi visited key BN facilities:** the Itaguai Naval Complex and the amphibious helicopter carrier NAM Atlantico (A140).
- ✓ Also, he attended the passing-out parade of 140 midshipmen at Brazilian Naval Academy in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- ✓ A key highlight of CNS Tripathi's visit was the signing of a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the IN, the BN and Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) to exchange information on the maintenance of Scorpene-class submarines and other naval vessels.
- ✓ The new tripartite MoU will be valid for a period of 10 years from the date of signing and may be extended through mutual written consent.

Q.18. Which Indian organization became the first from India to win the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Standards Association (IEEE SA) Corporate Award 2025?

Options:

- A) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
- B) Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)
- C) Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT)
- D) National Informatics Centre (NIC)

Answer : C

- ✓ C-DoT Becomes First Indian Organization to Win IEEE SA Corporate Award 2025.
- ✓ Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DoT), under Ministry of Communications, became the first Indian organization to receive the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Standards Association (IEEE SA) Corporate Award 2025.
- ✓ With this achievement, C-DoT became one of only five organizations worldwide to have received the award.
- ✓ The IEEE SA Corporate Award, presented by IEEE SA, recognizes organizations that make outstanding contributions to the development and advancement of global technical standards.



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- ✓ The award recognises C-DoT's pioneering role in advancing IEEE standards through the development of high-speed wireless broadband technologies and innovative rural 5G solutions that expand reliable connectivity to remote and underserved regions of India.
- ✓ Sandeep Agarwal, a scientist at C-DoT, also received the IEEE Standards Medallion for his contributions to rural broadband standardisation.

STATIC GK Based Current Affairs MCQs 17 December 2025

Q.1. What is the capital and currency of Chile?

- A) Buenos Aires, Peso
- B) Santiago, Peso
- C) Lima, Sol
- D) Montevideo, Peso

Answer : B

Q.2. The Central Information Commission (CIC) was constituted under which Act?

- A) The Official Secrets Act, 1923
- B) The Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985
- C) The Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005
- D) The Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013

Answer : C

Q.3. According to the Natyashastra, who is traditionally considered the author of this ancient treatise on performing arts?

- A) Kalidasa
- B) Bharata Muni
- C) Abhinavagupta
- D) Bhasa

Answer : B

Q.4. What are the capital and currency of Jordan?

- A) Cairo, Egyptian Pound
- B) Amman, Jordanian Dinar
- C) Damascus, Syrian Pound
- D) Beirut, Lebanese Lira

Answer : B



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Q.5. Ratanmahal Wildlife Sanctuary is located in which district of India?

- A) Panchmahal, Gujarat
- B) Dahod, Gujarat
- C) Vadodara, Gujarat
- D) Udaipur, Rajasthan

Answer : B

Q.6. Where is the Saranda Forest located?

- A) Odisha
- B) Chhattisgarh
- C) Jharkhand
- D) West Bengal

Answer : C

Q.7. In which Indian state are the Cotigao and Netravali Wildlife Sanctuaries located?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Kerala
- C) Goa
- D) Maharashtra

Answer : C

Q.8. Dudhsagar Falls is located in which Indian state?

- A) Maharashtra
- B) Karnataka
- C) Goa
- D) Kerala

Answer : C

- ✓ Dudhsagar Falls, meaning 'Sea of Milk', is a famous tiered waterfall in the Western Ghats, located on the Mandovi River, forming the border of Goa and Karnataka known for its milky appearance and rich biodiversity within the Bhagwan Mahaveer Sanctuary.



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Q.9. In which state is Bhagwan Mahavir National Park located?

A) Karnataka

B) Maharashtra

C) Goa

D) Kerala

Answer : C

Q.10. Kali Tiger Reserve is located in which Indian state?

A) Maharashtra

B) Kerala

C) Karnataka

D) Tamil Nadu

Answer : C



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