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India Current Affairs [Nation & States] MCQs

1. Who has been appointed as the new Director General of Police (DGP) of Uttar Pradesh?

- [A] Prashant Kumar
- [B] Mukul Goel
- [C] Rajeev Krishna
- [D] Devendra Singh

Answer: Rajeev Krishna

Rajeev Krishna has been appointed as the new Director General of Police (DGP) of Uttar Pradesh. He became the first permanent police chief of Uttar Pradesh since 2022. Rajeev Krishna is a 1991-batch IPS officer and had been serving as the acting DGP since May 2025 after succeeding Prashant Kumar. He is also serving as the Director General of the Vigilance Establishment. The last regular DGP of Uttar Pradesh was Mukul Goel, who was removed from the post in 2022. Since 2022, Uttar Pradesh had four acting police chiefs before this appointment.

2. Operation Sheruwali is a multi-agency counter-terrorism operation conducted by which state/UT?

- [A] Chhattisgarh
- [B] Jammu and Kashmir
- [C] Punjab
- [D] Delhi

Answer: Jammu and Kashmir

Security forces are continuing Operation Sheruwali in the Rajouri district of Jammu & Kashmir to target suspected terrorists hiding in the Dorimal-Gambhir Mughlan forest belt. Operation Sheruwali is a large-scale multi-agency counter-terrorism operation conducted in the Manjakote sector of Rajouri district. The operation has been jointly launched by the Indian Army, Jammu and Kashmir Police Special Operations Group, and the Central Reserve Police Force.

3. Mettur Dam, that was recently seen in news, is located in which state?

- [A] Tamil Nadu

[B] Maharashtra

[C] Gujarat

[D] Karnataka

Answer: Tamil Nadu

The opening of the Mettur Dam on the scheduled date may be delayed due to poor water storage and forecasts of a weak southwest monsoon this year. Mettur Dam is located at Mettur in Salem district of Tamil Nadu and is one of the largest dams in India as well as the largest in Tamil Nadu. The dam is built across the Kaveri River at the point where the river enters the plains through a gorge. It is a masonry gravity dam, and the reservoir formed by it is known as the Stanley Reservoir, which contributes about 240 MW of hydroelectric power.

4. According to Prison Statistics Report, which state/UT recorded the highest prison occupancy rate in 2024?

- [A] Uttar Pradesh
- [B] Delhi
- [C] Bihar
- [D] Jammu and Kashmir

Answer: Delhi

The latest Prison Statistics Report 2024 released by the National Crime Records Bureau showed that prison occupancy in India declined to 112.7% in 2024, the lowest in a decade, but overcrowding remains a major issue. India has about 1,333 prisons with a capacity of 4.53 lakh inmates, while the actual prison population exceeded 5.11 lakh in 2024. Overcrowding is mainly driven by the high proportion of undertrial prisoners, who constituted around 73% of the total inmate population in 2024. Delhi recorded the highest prison occupancy rate in the country at 194%, while Delhi and Bihar had the highest share of undertrial prisoners at over 87%.

5. MAHA Water Mission was launched by which ministry?

- [A] Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- [B] Ministry of Jal shakti
- [C] Ministry of Rural Development
- [D] Ministry of Agriculture

**Answer: Ministry of Jal shakti**

Recently, the MAHA (Mission for Advancement in High-impact Areas) Water Mission was jointly launched by Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF) and the Ministry of Jal Shakti to promote innovation and sustainable solutions in the water sector. The mission aims to connect science, entrepreneurship, industry, academia, and grassroots initiatives to strengthen India's long-term water security. It supports innovations from laboratory research to field deployment and focuses on scalable and localised water solutions. The mission focuses on five priority areas: water resource management, drinking water, water quality and ecological health, water-use efficiency and circular economy, and climate resilience.

6. Project UDAYAK is an initiative of which organization?

- [A] Defence Research and Development Organisation
- [B] Indian Railways
- [C] Border Roads Organisation
- [D] National Highways Authority of India

Answer: Border Roads Organisation

Recently, the Border Roads Organisation celebrated the 37th Raising Day of Project UDAYAK. Project UDAYAK is a Border Roads Organisation (BRO) initiative focused on developing strategic road infrastructure in the far-eastern region of India. The project was established on 1 June 1990 at Doomdooma in Assam as part of infrastructure restructuring in the eastern border areas. The name "Udayak," meaning "Rising Sun," reflects the fact that the first rays of sunlight in India fall within the project's area of responsibility.

7. Kadamparai Pumped Storage Hydro Power Plant is located in which state?

- [A] Karnataka
- [B] Kerala
- [C] Tamil Nadu
- [D] Andhra Pradesh

Answer: Tamil Nadu

The Kadamparai Pumped Storage Hydro Power Plant in Tamil Nadu is currently operating at only

25% capacity as it has crossed its design life. It is a 400 MW hydropower project located in the Kadamparai river basin of Tamil Nadu. Commissioned in 1987, it was Tamil Nadu's first pumped storage hydropower unit. The plant is unique in the state for having reversible two-way turbines that can function in both generator and motor modes.

8. What is the name of the operation launched by Gujarat police against mule account cyber frauds?

- [A] Operation Cyber Shield
- [B] Operation Digital Strike
- [C] Operation Mule Hunt 2.0
- [D] Operation Safe Banking

Answer: Operation Mule Hunt 2.0

The Gujarat Police has launched Operation Mule Hunt 2.0 to crack down on mule account networks involved in cyber fraud and money laundering. The operation follows the success of Operation Mule Hunt 1.0, which uncovered cyber frauds worth about ₹2289 crore. A mule account is a bank account used by cybercriminals to receive, transfer, and launder fraudulent money, while the account holder is known as a money mule. Operation Mule Hunt is being conducted under the Cyber Centre of Excellence with the involvement of police commissioners, cyber police stations, and crime branch officials.

9. Which university has become India's first private university to establish an IndiaAI Data Lab?

- [A] Chandigarh University
- [B] Banaras Hindu University
- [C] Delhi University
- [D] Jawahar Lal Nehru University

Answer: Chandigarh University

Chandigarh University has become the first private university in India to establish an IndiaAI Data Lab in collaboration with Intel India. The lab aims to enhance students' employability by providing industry-relevant skills in Artificial Intelligence (AI), Data Science, and emerging technologies. It will offer a simulated apprenticeship platform, enabling students to gain hands-on experience and work on real-



world AI projects. The IndiaAI Data Lab will serve as a hub for research, innovation, hackathons, faculty development, and industry-academia collaboration.

10. Halma is a traditional collective labour practice associated with which tribal community?

- [A] Santhal
- [B] Bhil
- [C] Gond
- [D] Toda

Answer: Bhil

Recently, residents of Borpada village in Jhabua district of Madhya Pradesh revived the Halma tradition to clean and restore a public well. Halma is a traditional collective labour practice of the Bhil community of Madhya Pradesh. It refers to working together voluntarily without wages, contracts, or monetary compensation. The tradition is based on mutual support, ethical commitment, and the belief that community members help one another when needed. Under Halma, people come together to undertake tasks such as house construction, repairing embankments, restoring water bodies, and organizing community events.

11. Which ministry launched the 'Navachar Mantra' initiative to promote grassroots entrepreneurship and innovation?

- [A] Ministry of Science and Technology
- [B] Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- [C] Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- [D] Ministry of MSME

Answer: Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship

The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) launched Navachar Mantra, a national initiative to strengthen grassroots entrepreneurship and support innovators across India. It is implemented by National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development with Foundation for Innovation and Technology Transfer as the technical knowledge partner. The programme aims to identify, nurture, and support grassroots

innovators and early-stage entrepreneurs, especially from Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities, aspirational districts, and underserved regions.

12. Which ministry launched the VYOMA Innovation Challenge to promote multilingual and voice-first AI solutions?

- [A] Ministry of Science and Technology
- [B] Ministry of Communications
- [C] Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- [D] Ministry of Education

Answer: Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

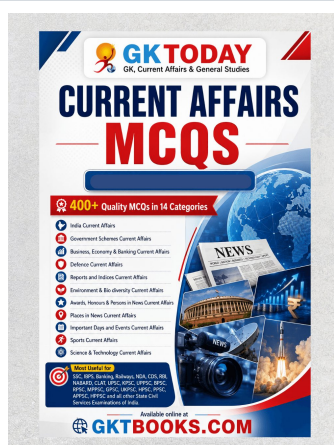
The Digital India BHASHINI Division (DIBD) under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) launched the VYOMA Innovation Challenge. The initiative aims to promote open-source, multilingual, voice-first AI solutions that can function in offline and low-connectivity environments. It has been launched in collaboration with Current AI and Kalpa Impact. The challenge is built around Sunno Sutra, a multilingual, voice-first, open-source handheld AI device developed jointly by BHASHINI and Current AI.

13. What is the name of the operation launched by Gujarat Police against Bangladeshi nationals residing illegally in the state?

- [A] Operation Delta Hunt
- [B] Operation Suraksha
- [C] Operation Chakra
- [D] Operation Vijay

Answer: Operation Delta Hunt

Gujarat Police launched Operation Delta Hunt to identify and take action against Bangladeshi nationals residing illegally in the state. Under the operation, 362 Bangladeshi nationals have been arrested, while over 782 suspected individuals are being questioned. The operation targets illegal immigration networks and individuals considered a threat to national security. Gujarat Police is using technology and human intelligence for the operation and has prepared a database of over 6,200 suspected individuals to support investigations.



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