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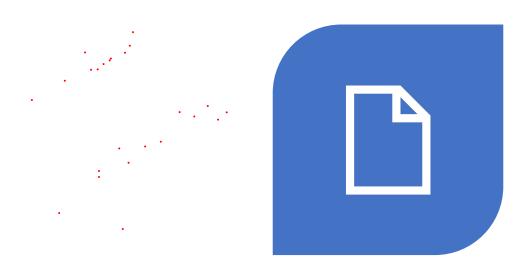








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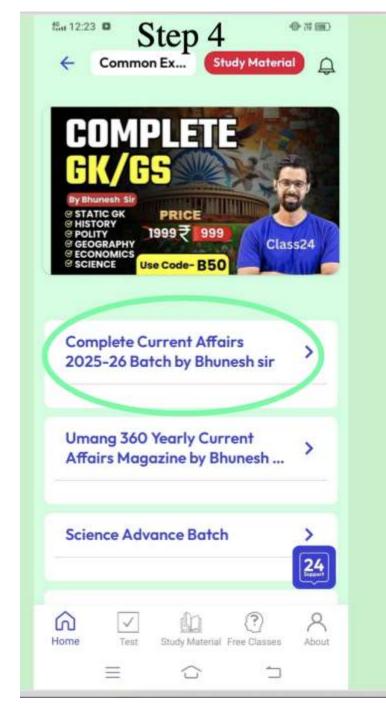
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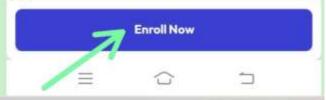






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Modi opens Rashtra Prerna Sthal in Lucknow

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brings to life the spirit of selfless leadership and good governance

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Senior leader, three other Maoists killed in Odisha The Hindu Bureau HILUDANESWAR/HYDERARAD

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angladesh should be a "secure" home for all communities cutting across religious and regional differences, said the acting chairman of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP), Tarique Rahman, on Thursday following his return home after nearly 18 years of exile in the United Kingdom. Addressing a mammoth rally in Dhaka, Mr. Rahman made a strong pitch for restoration of law and order and cautioned against "spies of the hege-

"People from the hills as well as the plains live here. That apart, we have people belonging to Islam, Buddhist, Christian and Hindu faiths and for them we want to build a secure Bangladesh," Mr. Rahman said in a speech delivered in Bengali at a public meeting in Dhaka's Purvachal neighbourhood. His strongest criticism was reserved for deposed Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, who had fled to India after be-

monic powers".



Back home: Tarique Rahman, BNP acting chairman and son of former Prime Minister Khaleda Zia, waving to supporters after arriving in Dhaka from the U.K. on Thursday. AFP

ing ousted in a "studentpeople" uprising in July-August 2024.

"In 2024, people of all sections of society came together to preserve this country's freedom and sovereignty, similar to the way they worked in 1971 to earn our freedom," said Mr. Rahman, announcing that he had a "plan" to place the country — marred by instability after

the fall of Ms. Hasina's government – back on track.

"Spies of hegemonic powers are currently engaged in conspiracies in various ways. We must remain patient. We must exercise restraint," Mr. Rahman further said.

Earlier, Mr. Rahman reached Dhaka from London in a Biman Bangladesh flight and was greeted by hundreds of thousands of his supporters on the streets of Dhaka. He called Chief Adviser of the interim government, Mohammed Yunus, and thanked him for his support.

Mr. Rahman did not target the interim government or any other political stakeholders who will compete with his party in the February 2026 election in his speech, but, in an oblique criticism of the prevailing law and order situation, he said, "Today Bangladesh wants to get its freedom of expression back. They want to get their democratic rights."

Mr. Rahman's arrival in Dhaka was preceded by days of violence that intensified after the death of Islamist youth leader Sharif Osman Hadi.

Escalating attacks

The death of Hadi on December 18 was followed by escalating attacks on minority Hindu community of the country. Offices of two prominent newspapers were also burnt down. The BNP had strongly condemned the attacks, especially the brutal lynching of Dipu Chandra Das that took place in Mymensingh hours after Mr. Hadi's death.

In view of the worsening security situation in the country, Mr. Rahman called for protecting the administrative machinery of Bangladesh and said, "We must preserve law and order in this country at any cost and must remain

calm and composed in the face of any provocation." Mr. Rahman was accompanied from the Hazrat Shah Jalal International Airport till the venue of the rally at July 36 Expressway by the members of the BNP Standing Committee –Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir, Amir Khosru Mahmud Choudhury, Gayeshwar Chandra Roy, Salauddin Ahmed and Iqbal Hasan Mahmud Tuku.

Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami's Ameer Dr. Shafiqur Rahman and leader of Islami Andolan Bangladesh, Mufti Syed Mohammed Rezaul Karim have welcomed Mr. Rahman's return to Bangladesh's political landscape. Leaders of the newly launched National Citizen Party (NCP) have also greeted Mr. Rahman on his return home.

On the occasion of his return, the BNP launched the campaign for the February 12, 2026 election highlighting the role of Mr. Rahman's father General Ziaur Rahman in introducing major economic initiatives and foreign policy changes during his tenure

in the late 1970s. The BNP narrative gave General Zia the credit for announcing the Independence of Bangladesh on March 26, 1971 hours after the Pakistani forces launched Operation Searchlight on March 25, 1971 to kill freedom fighters in the erstwhile East Pakistan

In his speech, Mr. Rahman compared the fall of Ms. Hasina's government on August 5, 2024 with November 7, 1975 when General Zia had become the de facto ruler of Bangladesh after the "civil-military uprising" in the chaotic situation that followed the assassination of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and most of his family members.

In the election propaganda videos launched on Thursday, the BNP presented Sheikh Mujib as a totalitarian leader who was responsible for the launch of Rakshi Bahini, a militia that targeted his opponents and showed video footage of the severe famine of 1974 which they blamed on the economic policies of the Mujib administration.

- Tarique Rahman, Acting Chairman of Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP), returned to Bangladesh after nearly 18 years in exile in the UK.
 - → BNP के कार्यकारी अध्यक्ष तारिक रहमान लगभग 18 वर्षों के निर्वासन के बाद यूके से बांग्लादेश लौटे।
- He addressed a massive public rally in **Dhaka**, signalling revival of opposition politics.
 - → ढाका में विशाल रैली को संबोधित कर उन्होंने विपक्षी राजनीति की वापसी का संकेत दिया।

Core Statement: Inclusive Bangladesh

- He stated that Bangladesh should be a secure home for all communities.
 - → उन्होंने कहा कि बांग्लादेश सभी समुदायों के लिए सुरक्षित घर होना चाहिए।
- · Communities mentioned included Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists and Christians.
 - → मुस्लिम, हिंदू, बौद्ध और ईसाई समुदायों को शामिल बताया गया।

Law and Order Emphasis

- Strong demand for restoration of law and order and democratic rights.
 - → कानून-व्यवस्था और लोकतांत्रिक अधिकारों की बहाली पर ज़ोर दिया गया।
- · Emphasised freedom of expression and political participation.
 - → अभिव्यक्ति की स्वतंत्रता और राजनीतिक भागीदारी पर बल दिया गया।

Context of Violence

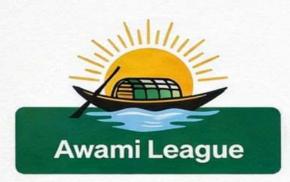
- His return came amid days of violence across Bangladesh.
 - → उनकी वापसी बांग्लादेश में कई दिनों की हिंसा की पृष्ठभूमि में हुई।
- Violence intensified after the death of Islamist youth leader Sharif Osman Hadi.
 - → इस्लामवादी युवा नेता शरीफ उस्मान हादी की मृत्यु के बाद हिंसा बढ़ी।
- · Attacks were reported on minority Hindu localities and media offices.
 - → अल्पसंख्यक हिंदू इलाकों और मीडिया कार्यालयों पर हमले हुए।

BNP's Stand on Violence

- BNP condemned attacks on minorities and called for calm and restraint.
 - → BNP ने अल्पसंख्यकों पर हमलों की निंदा की और संयम की अपील की।

Political Messaging

- Tarique Rahman warned against "spies of hegemonic powers".
 - → तारिक रहमान ने "प्रभुत्वशाली शक्तियों के जासूसों" के प्रति चेतावनी दी।
- He avoided direct confrontation with the interim government.
 - → उन्होंने अंतरिम सरकार पर सीधा हमला करने से परहेज़ किया।



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Core Ideology: Bengali nationalism and secularism.

A centre-left party with a civillan-led, mass movement background.



Originated during the Pakistan period, leading the language and independence movements.

Led the 1971 Liberation War.

This foundational role is central to its political identity.



Over 20 years in power.

Key terms 1996-2001, and 2009 to present.

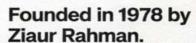






Core Ideology: Bangladeshi nationalism and Islamic values

A centre-right, conservative party appealling to the urban middle class.



Emerged from military rule to counter the Awami League's dominance.

Did not exist during the 1971 Liberation War.

Historically maintained closer ties to the military establishment.



Approximately 15 years in power.

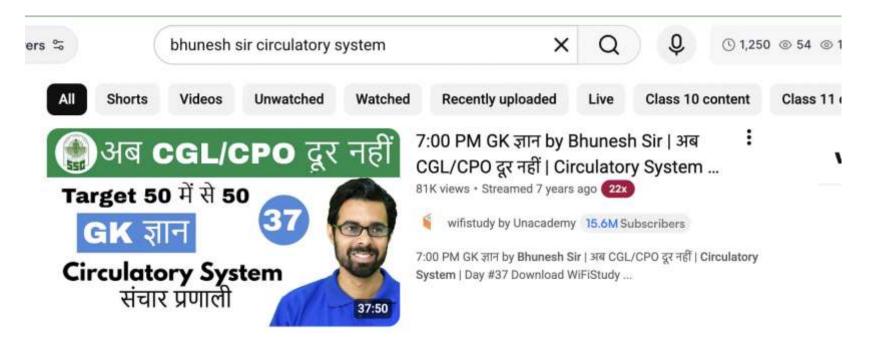
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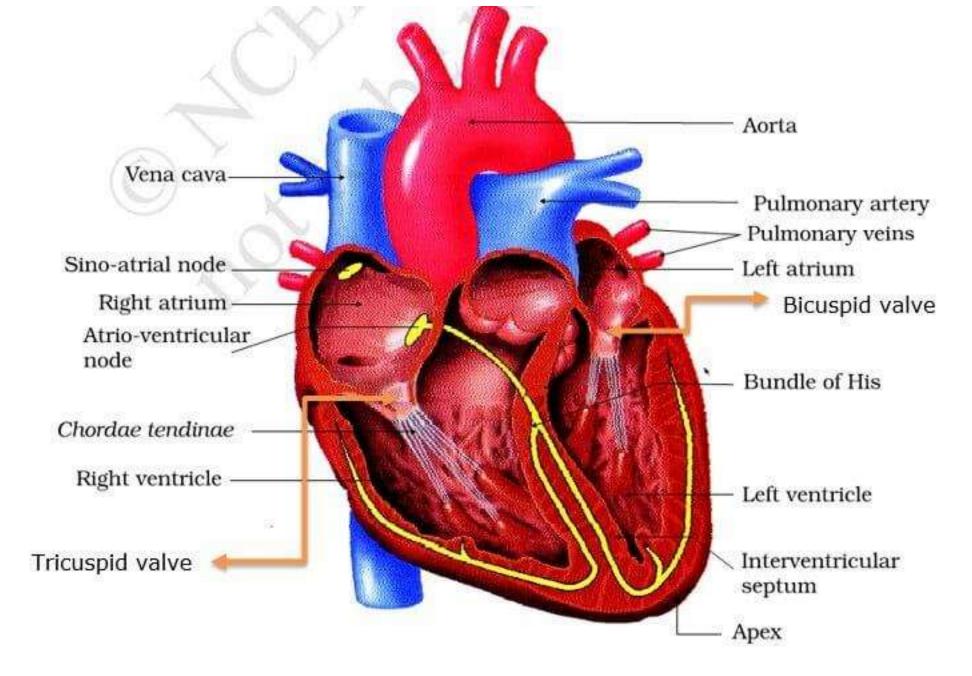


'Most 2023 deaths due to circulatory system diseases'

NEW DELHI

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Section of a human heart

- Diseases of the circulatory system were the leading cause of medically certified deaths in India in 2023.
 - → परिसंचरण तंत्र से जुड़ी बीमारियाँ 2023 में भारत में चिकित्सकीय रूप से प्रमाणित मौतों का सबसे बड़ा कारण रहीं।
- They accounted for 36.4% of all medically certified deaths.
 - → इनका योगदान कुल चिकित्सकीय प्रमाणित मौतों में 36.4% रहा।
- Data released by the Office of the Registrar General of India.
 - → यह आंकड़े भारत के रजिस्ट्रार जनरल कार्यालय द्वारा जारी किए गए।

Comparison with Previous Year

- The share of circulatory disease deaths declined compared to 2022.
 - → 2022 की तुलना में पिरसंचरण रोगों से मौतों का अनुपात घटा है।
- In 2022, over 40% of certified deaths were due to such diseases.
 - → 2022 में 40% से अधिक प्रमाणित मौतें इन्हीं बीमारियों से हुई थीं।

Nature of Circulatory Diseases

- Major contributors included heart diseases and pulmonary circulation disorders.
 - → प्रमुख कारणों में हृदय रोग और फुफ्फुसीय पिरसंचरण विकार शामिल रहे।
- These conditions caused more than half of circulatory-system-related deaths.
 - → इन बीमारियों से परिसंचरण तंत्र से जुड़ी आधे से अधिक मौतें हुईं।

Age-wise Pattern

- Deaths due to circulatory diseases were highest among people aged above 70 years.
 - → 70 वर्ष से अधिक आयु वर्ग में इन बीमारियों से सबसे अधिक मौतें हुईं।
- The 55–64 age group recorded the second-highest incidence.
 - → 55–64 वर्ष आयु वर्ग में दूसरा सबसे अधिक प्रभाव देखा गया।
- From 15 years onwards, circulatory diseases became the leading cause of death.
 - → 15 वर्ष की आयु के बाद से परिसंचरण रोग मृत्यु का प्रमुख कारण बन गए।

Medical Certification Coverage

- Only 22% of total registered deaths in India were medically certified in 2023.
 - → 2023 में भारत में कुल पंजीकृत मौतों में से केवल 22% का चिकित्सकीय प्रमाणन हुआ।
- This figure was 0.3 percentage points lower than 2022.
 - → यह आंकड़ा 2022 की तुलना में 0.3 प्रतिशत अंक कम था।

Inter-State Variation

- Medical certification efficiency varied widely across States and UTs.
 - → राज्यों और केंद्रशासित प्रदेशों में चिकित्सकीय प्रमाणन की दक्षता अलग-अलग रही।
- Regions with over 50% medically certified deaths included:
 - → जिन क्षेत्रों में 50% से अधिक मौतों का चिकित्सकीय प्रमाणन हुआ, वे हैं:
 - Andaman & Nicobar Islands → अंडमान व निकोबार
 - Chandigarh → चंडीगढ़
 - Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu → दादरा-नगर हवेली व दमन-दीव
 - Delhi, Goa, Lakshadweep → दिल्ली, गोवा, लक्षद्वीप

Wider Health Concern

- Studies indicate a rise in heart attacks among younger population in India.
 - → अध्ययनों से भारत में युवाओं में हार्ट अटैक बढ़ने का संकेत मिलता है।
- Nearly 50% of heart attacks in Indian men occur below 50 years of age.
 - → भारतीय पुरुषों में लगभग 50% हार्ट अटैक 50 वर्ष से कम आयु में होते हैं।

- •Circulatory diseases are part of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs).
- •NCD burden is linked to **SDG-3**: **Good Health and Well-Being**.
- → NCDs इव एसर ढ्रुल्ल श्रम्भइवढ् चढ़-3 ढ्रुल्सम्प्रव प्रह
- Low medical certification affects public health planning and mortality estimation.

With reference to the "Annual Report on Medical Certification of Cause of Death, 2023", consider the following statements:

- 1. Diseases of the circulatory system were the leading cause of medically certified deaths in India in 2023.
- 2. The proportion of deaths due to circulatory diseases increased in 2023 compared to 2022.
- 3. Deaths due to circulatory system diseases were highest among people aged above 70 years.
- 4. Less than one-fourth of registered deaths in India were medically certified in 2023.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

Options:

- (a) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

National Intelligence Grid linked to NPR with details of 119 crore residents: govt.

Vijaita Singh NEW DELHI

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On December 9, the Ministry informed the Lok Sabha that an Organised Crime Network Database was being developed on NATGRID's IT platform to facilitate secure data-sharing between the National Investigation Agency (NIA) and the State Anti-Terror Squads (ATS). The reply said that upgraded NAT-GRID tools, particularly "Gandiva", are supporting multi-source data collection and analysis.

The Hindu reported on December 7 that NATGRID is, on an average, getting nearly 45,000 requests a month. The platform, ac-

Tying it up

Upgraded NATGRID tools support multi-source data collection and analysis

- One such tool is 'Gandiva' used for facial recognition and entity resolution
- Details of all family members of a suspect or a person of interest, if available in NPR, could be accessed through the platform



The data for NPR were first collected in 2010 with the first phase of the 2011 Census. PTI

■ 3 categories of access requests: non-sensitive, sensitive, and highly sensitive

cessible only to security agencies, became operational last year after being conceptualised in 2009 in the aftermath of the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks.

The data for NPR, which stores information family wise, were first collected in 2010 with the first phase of the 2011 Census and was last updated in 2015 through door-to-door enumeration. It was to be updated further during the 2021 Census, which has been delayed by the CO-VID-19 pandemic.

Census 2027

On December 12, when the Union Cabinet approved the proposal for conducting Census 2027 at a cost of ₹11,718 crore, there was no separate allocation for the NPR. Earlier on July 29, the government informed the Lok Sabha that no decision had been taken to update the NPR during the forthcoming Census exercise.

The NPR is the first step for the creation of a countrywide National Register of Citizens (NRC).

Elaborating about "Gandiva", a State police official said the details of all family members of a suspect or a person of interest if available in NPR could be accessed through the platform. Gandiva can be used for facial recognition and entity resolution.

Asked about privacy concerns as the police and security agencies can access almost all kinds of data about a citizen without even having to register a first information report, the official said, "Each query is logged in the system. The purpose of the information being sought has to be stated and the senior police officers have an oversight. There are several checks and balances."

The Ministry has asked the States to liberally use the platform.

Aspect	National Population Register (NPR)	National Register of Citizens (NRC)	Census of India
Purpose	To create a database of usual residents of India	To identify Indian citizens	To collect population, social & economic data
Nature	Resident register	Citizenship register	Statistical exercise
Legal Basis	Citizenship Act, 1955 & Citizenship Rules, 2003	Citizenship Act, 1955	Census Act, 1948
Who is Covered	All usual residents (citizens + non-citizens)	Only Indian citizens	Entire population residing in India
Citizenship Proof Required	X No	✓ Yes	X No
Key Question	"Who lives in India?"	"Who is an Indian citizen?"	"How many people live in India and how?"
First Introduced	2010	Assam NRC: 1951 (updated 2019)	1872 (first non-synchronous census)
Frequency	Not fixed	One-time / as notified	Every 10 years
Last Major Exercise	Updated in 2015 (nationwide)	Assam NRC published in 2019	Census 2011 (Census 2021 delayed)
Relation with Others	Considered first step towards NRC	May use NPR data as base	Census data can support NPR
Data Confidentiality	Individual-level database	Individual citizenship status	Anonymous, aggregated data
Administrative Authority	Registrar General of India (RGI)	Registrar General of India (RGI)	Registrar General of India (RGI)
UPSC Focus Area	Governance, privacy, internal security	Citizenship, constitutional issues	Population, social justice, planning

What is the issue?

- National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID) has been linked with the National Population Register (NPR).
 - → राष्ट्रीय खुफिया ग्रिड (NATGRID) को राष्ट्रीय जनसंख्या रजिस्टर (NPR) से जोड़ा गया है।
- NPR contains family-wise details of about 119 crore residents of India.
 - → NPR में भारत के लगभग 119 करोड़ निवासियों का परिवार-आधारित विवरण है।
- Information was shared by the government in Lok Sabha.
 - → यह जानकारी सरकार द्वारा लोकसभा में दी गई।

About NATGRID

- NATGRID is a secure intelligence-sharing platform for police and security agencies.
 - → NATGRID पुलिस और सुरक्षा एजेंसियों के लिए एक सुरक्षित खुफिया साझा मंच है।
- It enables real-time access to multiple government and private databases.
 - → यह सरकारी व निजी डेटाबेस तक रीयल-टाइम पहुंच प्रदान करता है।
- Conceptualised in 2009 after the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks.
 - → 26/11 मुंबई आतंकी हमलों के बाद 2009 में इसकी परिकल्पना की गई।
- Accessible only to authorised security agencies.
 - → यह केवल अधिकृत सुरक्षा एजेंसियों के लिए सुलभ है।

About NPR

- National Population Register is a database of usual residents, not citizens.
 - → NPR सामान्य निवासियों का डेटाबेस है, नागरिकों का नहीं।
- Data first collected in 2010 during Census 2011 first phase.
 - → आंकड़े पहली बार 2010 में जनगणना 2011 के प्रथम चरण में एकत्र किए गए।
- Last updated in 2015 through door-to-door enumeration.
 - → अंतिम अद्यतन 2015 में घर-घर गणना द्वारा हुआ।
- Proposed update in Census 2021 was delayed due to COVID-19.
 - → जनगणना 2021 में प्रस्तावित अद्यतन कोविड-19 के कारण टल गया।

MATGRID-NPR Linkage

- NATGRID can access NPR family details of suspects or persons of interest.
 - → NATGRID संदिग्धों या रुचिकर व्यक्तियों के NPR पारिवारिक विवरण तक पहुंच सकता है।
- This helps in faster investigation and intelligence gathering.
 - → इससे तेज़ जांच और खुिफया संग्रह संभव होता है।
- Government clarified that:
 - → सरकार ने स्पष्ट किया कि:
 - Every query is logged → हर पूछताछ दर्ज होती है
 - Purpose must be stated → उद्देश्य बताना अनिवार्य है
 - Senior officers provide oversight → विरष्ठ अधिकारियों की निगरानी रहती है

Upgraded NATGRID Tools

- Upgraded tools enable multi-source data collection and analysis.
 - → उन्नत उपकरण बहु-स्रोत डेटा संग्रह और विश्लेषण में सक्षम हैं।
- Key tool: "Gandiva"
 - → प्रमुख उपकरण: "गांडीव"
 - Used for facial recognition → चेहरे की पहचान के लिए
 - Used for entity resolution → विभिन्न डेटाबेस में पहचान मिलान के लिए

Categories of Access Requests

- NATGRID processes requests under three categories:
 - → NATGRID तीन श्रेणियों में अनुरोधों को वर्गीकृत करता है:
 - Non-sensitive → गैर-संवेदनशील
 - Sensitive → संवेदनशील
 - Highly sensitive → अत्यधिक संवेदनशील

Law-Enforcement Integration

- An Organised Crime Network Database is being developed on NATGRID's IT platform.
 - → NATGRID के आईटी प्लेटफॉर्म पर संगठित अपराध नेटवर्क डेटाबेस विकसित किया जा रहा है।
- · Enables secure data-sharing between:
 - → निम्न के बीच सुरक्षित डेटा साझा होता है:
 - National Investigation Agency (NIA)
 - State Anti-Terror Squads (ATS)

NPR, NRC and Census Context

- NPR is described as the first step towards the National Register of Citizens (NRC).
 - → NPR को राष्ट्रीय नागरिक रजिस्टर (NRC) की पहली कड़ी बताया गया है।
- National Register of Citizens aims to identify Indian citizens.
 - → NRC का उद्देश्य भारतीय नागरिकों की पहचान करना है।
- For Census 2027 (₹11,718 crore):
 - ⇒ जनगणना 2027 (₹11,718 करोड़) के लिए:
 - No separate allocation for NPR → NPR के लिए अलग बजट नहीं
 - No decision yet on NPR update → NPR अद्यतन पर कोई निर्णय नहीं

Privacy & Governance Concerns

- Concerns raised about access to citizen data without FIR registration.
 - → बिना FIR के नागरिक डेटा तक पहुंच पर निजता संबंधी चिंताएं उठीं।
- Government response emphasised checks, balances, and oversight.
 - → सरकार ने नियंत्रण, संतुलन और निगरानी व्यवस्था पर ज़ोर दिया।

With reference to the National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID), consider the following statements:

- 1. NATGRID allows real-time access to multiple databases for authorised security agencies.
- 2. National Population Register is a citizenship register prepared under the Citizenship Act.
- 3. "Gandiva", associated with NATGRID, is used for facial recognition and entity resolution.
- 4. NPR was comprehensively updated during Census 2021.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

Options:

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 2 and 4 only

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herjee's long-standing po-sition on Jammu and Kashmir.

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Aravallis row: BJP. Cong. trade charges over mining data

The Hindu Bureau

The war of words herween the government and the Opposition over the Are-valli hills continued on Phursday, with the Con-gress alleging that a redefi-nition of the Aravallis would leave more than 10% of the hill range un-protected and open to missing and mining and other activities.

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the Congress claim that over 30% of the Aravallia would lose protection un-der the redefinition. "You and your coturis are ruttled because we have tossed a total ban on mining in the Arayallia from Gujarat to Delhi."

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the mountain range.
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RLM rebellion BJP president

tional Democratic Alliance (NDA) partner, had indi-rectly expressed disappointment over the party choosing Mr. Kushwaha's son Deepak Prakash, who is not yet a member of eith er House of the State Legis lature, to be the Pandsayar Rai Minister in Chief Minis

appointed Bharatiya Janati Party (RJP) national work ing president Niin Nabis

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mar Gupta, the former state president of RLM's business cell, along with seven office-bearers re-

intensifies. MLAs meet

Speculation of dissent in the Upendra Kaulwaha-led Rashtriya Lok Morcha be-gan doing the rounds yet again in Bihar after two MLAs skipped an event hosted by the party presi-

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Carrying the red flag into the next century

As the Communist Party of India marks a century of political engagement, its legacy invites reflection on the task to rebuild India on the foundations of equality, secularism, and justice



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n December 26, 2028, the Cammuniat Party of fidia turns 190. This centenary is not mere-by the marking of time for a politi-cal party but a moment of histori-

cal reflection on a movement that professedly shaped India's freedom strongle, its vision for the fu-ture of the station, and its accial and economic vision. From its ear-liest years, the GPI gave votes to the revolutionary slogan "inquish Ziridabat", coined by Maniana Hasrat Mohani – who chaired the Reception Committee of the historic Kanpur Conference — and im-mortalised by Bhagat Singh and bis mortained by Bhagai Single and bis-contrades. Through communita ac-tivists, this sall for revolutionary neck and currier of the country, leccoming a living expression of re-sistance, hope and patriotims. The statence, hope and patriotims. The rale and escight to answer a funda-mental question confronting the rational movement. Develops for partners, the CSP has emissioned. Rhout social and economic transformation would leave the masses trapped in old and new forms of

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vius committee to building a feet-hationary party rooted in Marxint theory and Indian realities.

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It was through mass struggles that communist politics acquired its despest roots. The GPI led his-toric movements for land and dig-nity, including the Telangama armed struggle against foulad op-pression, the Tebbaga movement n Bengal that asserted peasunts rights over their produce, the Pun-napra-Veyalar struggle in Karala against landlord tyranny, and the signine landlord tyramy, and the militarit land struggles of the Thanjavur delta. In industrial centres and Paulachery, the trade uniter movement under communita leadership won major fabous victories, securing rights, wages, and The CPI delctively radicalised the agenda of the national struggles. At a time when dominion sisten was being debanted as a possible compromise, the communities in

amend on compete independence and They were among the variest and most consistent advocates of the demand for a Constitution Assemb-ly, arguing that only a sovereign body elected by the pioopic could frame a democratic Constitution. This democratic Constitution. India's transition to indeper lence. The party placed structural eforms at the centre of the freedom struggle, arguing that Inde-pendence without land reforms, labour rights, and social equality would merely replace foreign rule ers with indigenous elites.
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Independence in 1947 did not and the CPTs struggle. It marked the beginning of a new phase fothe beginning of a new phase to-cused on diamenthing feudal struc-tures, resisting monopolistic cap-talism, and deepening democracy. The party led historic peasurs struggles against landlordism and played a decisive role in advancing and reforms in fetties such as Kerland reforms in fixing such as Ker-lah, Tamil Sadu, West Bengal, Trip-tura, and Blue. In parliamental, the CPI championed public owner-sting of key suctors at the senoming and consistently abocated the na-mal consistently abocated the na-trance, and other core industries, arguing that strategic resources must serve national development and accide welfare rather than private accomulation.

The CFF was also a strong defender of federalism and linguistic and cultural diversity, are nightening India's democratic fabric. Its commitment to social justice found ex-pression in its defence of the rights of Dalta, Advasia, minorities, and of folis, Advasts, minerities, and women, as well as its steadiest ad-berence to socularism and rational thought. Across decades, the red flag symbolised reform, progress, and resistance to reactionary forc-

Today, as the CPI enters its second century, India confronts grave challenges. Communalism and emerging fascism threaten the nountations of the Republic. Re-norms growth has been accompa-nied by massive unemployment, precarity, and widening inequal-ties.

For the Left, the challenge is to

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Historic event: Modi

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"The Rashtriya Prerna Sthal is an inspirational memorial dedicated to the lives, ideals, and invaluable heritage of our country's greatest figures. I felt immense pride and spiritual satisfaction inaugurating it in Lucknow on Good Governance Day. Atal ji's birth anniversary is also a day to celebrate good governance. Today, we are expanding the legacy of good governance created by the BJP-led National De-



Prime Minister Narendra Modi with U.P. Governor Anandiben Patel, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, U.P. Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and others at the inauguration in Lucknow on Thursday. Pli

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"The National Prema Sthal embodies the spirit that has guided India to self-respect, unity, and service. The statues of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya, and Atal Bihari Vajpayee give us the message that every step and every effort should be dedicated to nation-building," Mr. Modi said.

He said the state-of-theart lotus-shaped museum at the venue brings to life the spirit of selfless leadership and good governance. "It will continue to inspire future generations to embrace and embody the ideals of our leaders," Mr. Modi said.

The Prime Minister said the land on which the Prerna Sthal has been built had, for decades, accumulated a mountain of gar-

bage across over 30 acres, which had been cleared in the past three years.

Addressing the gathering, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said the country's progress over the past decade was guided by the principle of taking pride in India's leadership, heritage and values, a theme consistently emphasised by the Prime Minister. "Leaders such as Syama Prasad Mukherjee, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya and former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee had played a decisive role in shaping Independent India's sense of identity, self-respect and national purpose," said Mr.

Referring to Mukherjee, the Defence Minister said his political struggle was centred on safeguarding India's unity and integrity. He noted that the abrogation of Article 370 reflected

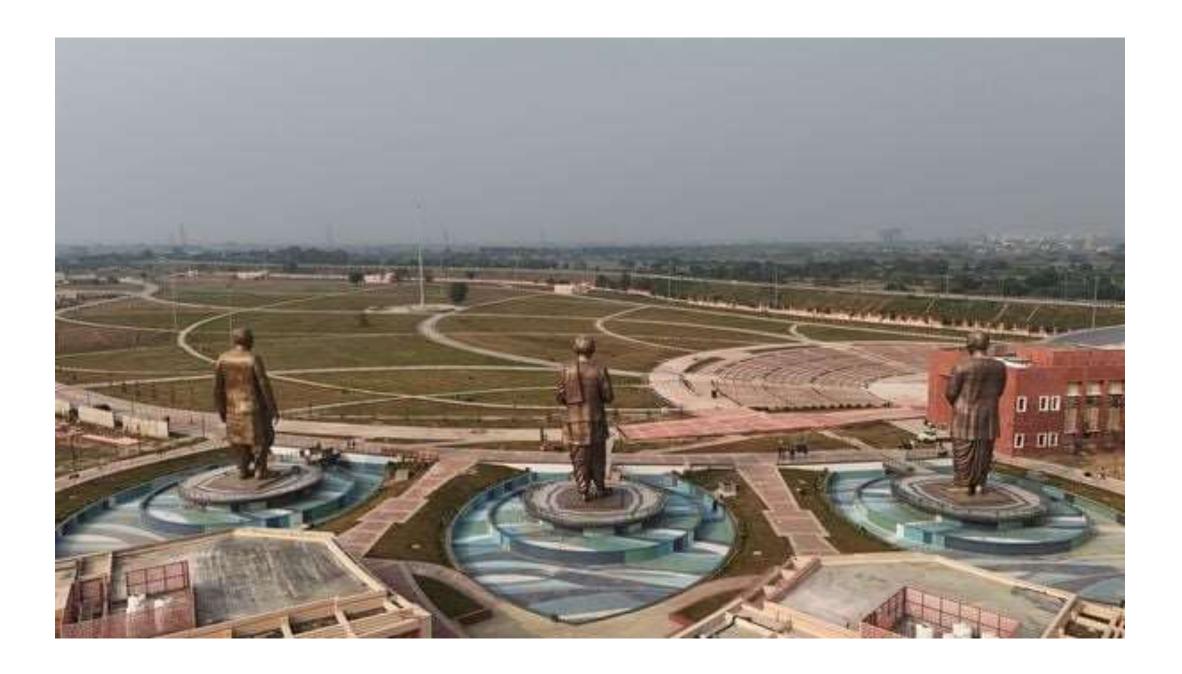
the fulfilment of Dr. Mukherjee's long-standing position on Jammu and Kashmir.

Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath said "the legacies of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee ji, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya ji and Atal ji had provided India with a new national vision". Welcoming Mr. Modi, he added, "It is a matter of pride that the Rashtra Prema Sthal, the grand statues of the three towering leaders and the museum are being dedicated to the nation in Lucknow by the Prime Minister.*

He described Mr. Modi as a strong proponent of the vision of "Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat" (One India, Great India), and a leader committed to Antyodaya by giving concrete shape to the "ideals of good governance envisioned by Vajpayee.







Aspect

Name

Location

Inaugurated by

Area

Purpose

Leaders Honoured

Architectural Feature

Budget / Cost

Funding Source

Details

Rashtra Prerna Sthal

Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh (near Gomti river)

Narendra Modi

Spread over **65+ acres**

Memorial dedicated to national leaders who shaped India's politicalideological foundations

Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Deendayal Upadhyaya, Shyama Prasad Mukherjee

Lotus-shaped complex with towering bronze statues

! Official consolidated budget figure has NOT been publicly disclosed

Government of Uttar Pradesh (state-funded memorial project)

Aspect	Atal Bihari Vajpayee	Deendayal Upadhyaya	Shyama Prasad Mukherjee
Primary Identity	Statesman, PM, poet	Ideologue, philosopher	Nationalist leader, party founder
Major Books / Writings	Meri Ikkyavan Kavitayen; Sankalp Kaal; Amar Aag Hai; Baap Re Baap (poetry & essays)	Integral Humanism (Ekatma Manav Darshan) (lectures compiled); writings in Panchjanya & Organiser	Speeches & essays compiled later; writings on nationalism & integration (no single authored book canon)
Nature of Writings	Poetry, reflections on nationhood, politics	Systematic socio-economic philosophy	Political speeches, policy positions
Core Idea Propounded	Democratic nationalism, consensus politics	Integral Humanism (human-centric development)	National unity, sovereignty, cultural nationalism
Famous Slogans / Lines	"Raj Dharma"; "Insaniyat, Jamhooriyat, Kashmiriyat"	"Antyodaya" (uplift of the last person)	"Ek Vidhan, Ek Nishan, Ek Pradhan"
Key Contributions	Coalition governance; Pokhran-II; infrastructure & diplomacy	Ideological foundation of Bharatiya Jana Sangh	Integration of J&K opposition to Article 370
Awards / Honours	Bharat Ratna (2015) ; Padma Vibhushan (1992)	No civilian awards during lifetime	No civilian awards during lifetime
Commemoratio ns	Atal Tunnel; Atal Pension Yojana; Good Governance Day	Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana; Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana	Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Rurban Mission; commemorative stamps
Institutional Legacy	Modern Indian statesmanship	Ideological backbone of Indian right- of-centre thought	Foundation of Bharatiya Jana Sangh

- Narendra Modi inaugurated the Rashtra Prerna Sthal in Lucknow.
 - → प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने लखनऊ में राष्ट्र प्रेरणा स्थल का उद्घाटन किया।
- · The memorial is spread over more than 65 acres near the Gomti river.
 - → यह स्मारक गोमती नदी के पास 65 एकड़ से अधिक क्षेत्र में फैला है।

Purpose of the Memorial

- · The memorial honours the life and ideals of Atal-era leaders and ideologues.
 - → यह स्मारक अटल युग के नेताओं और विचारकों के जीवन व आदर्शों को समर्पित है।
- · It is dedicated to:
 - → यह समर्पित है:
 - Atal Bihari Vajpayee
 - · Deendayal Upadhyaya
 - · Shyama Prasad Mukherjee

Architectural Features

- The memorial is lotus-shaped, reflecting the BJP's election symbol.
 - → स्मारक कमल के आकार का है, जो भाजपा के चुनाव चिन्ह को दर्शाता है।
- It has three towering bronze statues of the leaders.
 - → इसमें तीनों नेताओं की ऊँची कांस्य प्रतिमाएँ स्थापित हैं।

4 Historical & Symbolic Context

- The inauguration coincided with the 101st birth anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee.
 - → उद्घाटन अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी की 101वीं जयंती के अवसर पर हुआ।
- The day was also observed as Good Governance Day.
 - → यह दिन सुशासन दिवस के रूप में भी मनाया गया।

Prime Minister's Message

- PM stated that the memorial represents self-respect, unity, and service.
 - → प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि यह स्मारक आत्मसम्मान, एकता और सेवा का प्रतीक है।
- He said the site would inspire future generations towards nation-building.
 - → उन्होंने कहा कि यह स्थल भावी पीढ़ियों को राष्ट्र निर्माण के लिए प्रेरित करेगा।

Governance & Ideological Emphasis

- The memorial highlights ideals of good governance and selfless leadership.
 - → स्मारक सुशासन और निस्वार्थ नेतृत्व के आदर्शों को उजागर करता है।
- Leaders like Mukherjee and Upadhyaya were credited for strengthening India's unity and integrity.
 - → मुखर्जी और उपाध्याय को भारत की एकता और अखंडता मजबूत करने का श्रेय दिया गया।

With reference to the Rashtra Prerna Sthal recently inaugurated in Lucknow, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a lotus-shaped memorial spread over more than 65 acres.
- 2. It is dedicated to Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Deendayal Upadhyaya, and Shyama Prasad Mukherjee.
- 3. The inauguration coincided with the birth anniversary of Jawaharlal Nehru.
- 4. The memorial seeks to promote ideals of good governance and national unity.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

Options:

- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4



Aspect	Details (English → 外來表	
Announcement	Russia has announced plans to install a power plant on the Moon within the next decade. — इ ढू ड्रूं १ प्रमुङ्ड् इट्र इ खूद्करक्ष्रहघश्रा व चह्न द्वाप्रमुङ्ह इप्राप्तु इह खूक्क इह दुक्र इह प्राप्तु इह	
Responsible Agency	The project is led by Roscosmos , Russia's state space corporation. → ग्रण हुष्रग्रह्म प्रव र ढू ड् श्तरुष्ठप्रतः इन्त्र्रहह इह्मि√ईनाइन्द्र े विध्ववद्गस्त्रस्रवारः इह न्व घण्डणाइ	
The lunar power plant is proposed to be operational by 2036 . → ट्रक्क उ न्क्रीट्र द्वच्नाइ घ्रष्ट्र इव इbव्रज णह		
Nature of Power Plant	Though not explicitly named, it involves a nuclear-based power component . → स्द्रूं H इ ह द्रू ह्रास्त्रक्षक्षक्षक्षक्ष्राच्या प्रमास क्रिक्ट कर्मिक्स क्रिक्ट ह्रास्त्रक्षक्ष क्रिक्ट हु ट्रक्लस्य प्रमास	
International Cooperation	The project is linked to a joint lunar research facility with China . → ग्रण हुष्रप्रकृत द्हुरु दूवळ द्रमक्क द्कुरु १ ९ स्ट्राश्वर क्कुरु दूकु देक्काह प्र ह	
Associated Project	lt will support the International Lunar Research Station (ILRS) . → ग्रण्य श्वल्घ्रघ्र ा स् ग्र्य द्कृह १ ९ स्ट्रह्रवरू क्ट्रूट ७ (ILRS) इ्झा ढ्राक्क्र व्ह्र्णवह	
Purpose	To provide power for lunar rovers, scientific observatories and permanent infrastructure. $ ightarrow$ द्कः इस्त्राघ, ऋकिष्ट् ऋद्रवस्त्रह्न रुघ विग्रह धिक्षग्रविद्ध स्त्राहुः इस्त्र र नृत्राहन्त्रष्ट इघष्त्रह	
Strategic Significance	Marks a shift from short-term missions to long-term human presence on the Moon . → १ ह्ड्क्रेग्राड् १श्रकग्रा द्का द्कुव्हत्व्रह्क्रायड् द्क्क क्ष्ट्सांश्रेल्ड्ह् इन्छ □वच्चव्रञ्जवद्वाल्ड्	
Global Context	Reflects intensifying space competition among major powers. → ब्रद्धा ट्ट्सङ्ख्ह्इ □ह्नद् □प्रत शत्रहम्माङ्ट्रकान्द्	

Fact

Nuclear power in space

Lunar Night Challenge

ILRS

India's relevance

Explanation (English → 外來表

Nuclear energy is preferred where solar power is unreliable (long lunar nights). → न्प्रक्रांट्अप्र र न्क्रां १अअ८ढ़ ष्ह्रग प्रां(द्क्र घक्राः), अप्रक्रांट्यक्रांच्य न्क्रांट्र प्रक्रांट्र प्रक्र प्रक्र

One lunar night lasts ~14 Earth days. → द्करफ़्राइह ङ्ड् एक्र चएकए 14 हुम्ह्हऋ इझड़ह एक्क्रह एक्क्र

ILRS is an alternative to NASA-led Artemis programme. → ILRS, NASA इङ्ख्या इत्र अव्रह् स् जुद्धाः

India is exploring long-term lunar presence after Chandrayaan missions. → द्काग्रह श्राव्य प्रमाह्ड विद क्रिक्ट क्रिक क्रिक्ट क्रिक्ट क्रिक्ट क्रिक्ट क्रिक क्रिक क्रिक क्रिक्ट क्रिक क्

Mission / Country

USA – SNAP Program (1960s)

USSR - RORSAT

NASA – RTGs

China – ILRS Plan

Achievement (English → 外來表

Nuclear-powered satellites used during Cold War. → ट्रहल अप्र इङ् क्राध्नक हमसम्बद्धार न्त्रब्रक्षहरू इण्ड

Nuclear-powered systems used in Voyager, Curiosity rover. → ऋष्ट्रिय इस्मार्थ व्ह इस्मार्थ व्हर्ण इस्मार्थ व्हर्ण इस्मार्थ व्हर्ण इस्मार्थ व्हर्ण व

China plans permanent lunar base in 2030s. → द्हरू 2030 इङ्ट्र र स्क्रीयहर्क १ इङ्ड्ह ग्रह्म प्राप्त प्र प्राप्त प्राप्त प्राप्त प्र प्राप्त प्र प्त

Question:

With reference to Russia's plan to establish a power plant on the Moon, consider the following statements:

- 1. The project is led by Roscosmos and is linked to a joint lunar research initiative with China.
- 2. The proposed lunar power facility is aimed at supporting long-term human and robotic presence on the Moon.
- Solar energy alone is sufficient for uninterrupted power supply on the Moon, eliminating the need for nuclear sources.
- **4.** The project reflects increasing geopolitical competition in outer space.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

India Tests K-4 Intermediate-Range Ballistic Missile from INS Arighaat

Aspect	Details	
What happened	India successfully tested the K-4 intermediate-range ballistic missile from its nuclear-powered submarine INS Arighaat . → क्रक्रारू ष्ड्रह्घरक्रास्त्रद्वक्रारू हुण्डस्हाNS १ष्ठघट्वढ़ द्व्ह्र K-4 खेख व्यक्तहुल्ह उक्कारक्ष्य श्राबद्धवरूप इव ढ्रा च हघहरूर् श्र्ह ग्रवह	
Date & Location	Test conducted in Bay of Bengal , off the coast of Visakhapatnam . → हंघहत्त्र् ाम्प्रवच इह ढ्वन्रहरक् श्राट्रवढ्वहर्ुुष्त्र त्र्ब इङ्हत्वढ् श्र्हग्रवण्ग्रवह	
Missile Type	K-4 is a submarine-launched ballistic missile (SLBM) with solid fuel. → K-4 ङ्ङ् भ्रह्म् हार अक्राह्र हुङ् ब्रह्म् ल क्रिकासकेड् श्राव्यंवरूच (SLBM) प्राह्व	
Range	Capable of striking targets up to 3,500 km . → ग्राप्र चएक्रए 3,500 श्र्हरग्रह ल्ड् चढ़ क्र्क्ट्रप्डूरक्ट्रलग्र प्र ह	
Payload Capacity	Can carry a nuclear payload up to ~2 tonnes . → ग्रण च्रण्करण 2 इष्ट ह्ड् इव ह्झरक्राक्ष्त्रह ूद्रमः च्र्ड्न्व ढूड् ल्ह्न प्रह	
Strategic Objective	Strengthens the sea-based leg of India's nuclear deterrence . → क्रक्रफ़्ट ड्ह ढ्र क्र फ्हरू हेप्सफ़्क्स्स ब्रुअल्फ्झ्स्स्र ्ल्यबल्व इ्झ रक्र फ़्क्ट इंग्लव फ़्स्स	
Nuclear Doctrine Link	Enhances the credibility of India's nuclear triad . → क्रक्रफ़्र ड्ह ह्घरफ़्र फ् रफ़्रफ्,ह्रग ल्याल्व ड्ह श्राटिट ष्ह्रगल्व □प्रवल्व प्रह्र	
Operational Status	Multiple trials are required before full operational deployment . → हम्रुब त्युवत्स्त्र दूह् हपाउम्हु इ ह हम्रुह्न्स्र घ ञ्र\$ इ प्यमृङ्ग्रह	
Official Stand	No detailed public statement issued by the Ministry of Defence . → घल्द्र र ब्र ह्मज्य विद्याश्वाकि ० ४१ ड्वाप्रस् □ गत्राष्ट्र ल्वास्ह रूणक्षाश्कृ गत एगतह	

	Fact	Explanation
	Nuclear Triad	India's nuclear triad consists of land-based missiles, aircraft, and submarine-launched missiles. — क्रक्रफ़्ट्र इह ह्घरफ़्रफ़्र्र्स्स्ट्र्स्ट्र्स्स् ह्य ल्प्रवृत्व रक्ष्ट्र्ज्य, ज्ज्रक्रक्र घ ढ्रक्क्रफ्ट्र प्रक्र्ज़्ज़्ज़, ज्ज्रक्क्रक्त प्रक्र्ज़्ज़्ज़्ज़्त्र प्रक्र्ज़्ज़्ज़्त्र प्रक्र्ज़्ज़्ज़्त्र प्रक्र्ज़्ज़्ज़्त्र प्रक्र्ज़िक्त प्रक्रिक्त प्रक्रिक प्रक्रिक्त प्रक्रिक्त प्रक्रिक्त प्रक्रिक्त प्रक्रिक्त प्रक्रिक प्रक्रिक्त प्रक्रिक प्रक्र प्रक्रिक प्रक्र प्रक्र प्रक्रिक प्रक्र
	SLBM Advantage	SLBMs provide second-strike capability due to stealth of submarines.
	K-Series	K-series missiles are developed under India's secretive Advanced Technology Vessel (ATV) programme . \rightarrow K-क्रब्ह् ग्रवश्वस्ब्र्क्ट्रATV ड्वग्रह्स् ख ड्ड् श्त्रत्पन्नरुक्त्र श्राड्शढ्र हह एह णुह्ह
	INS Arighaat	INS Arighaat is the successor to INS Arihant. → INS १ष्रघत्त्रङ, INS १ष्रघणक इङ्गात्रव इह हुण्सस्हणाह
	Policy Context	Supports India's No First Use (NFU) nuclear doctrine. $ ightarrow$ ग्रण क्रक्रज़ ड्ह "ह्णच्र्हृब्द्ध्यः ९ इघड्ड्" इह ष्ह्रक्ष्ट्र ड्झाढ्राब्क्षः ड्रूव प्रद्ध

Year / Mission Achievement

2016	First successful test of K-4 SLBM from submerged pontoon. → म्ज़ाह् इन्ह्रींक्रु ⊔छ्रक्रक्र्ट्र K-4 ड्व ह्प्पच्चव्र ्व च हघ्रह्रन्र ह
2018	INS Arihant conducted deterrence patrol with K-15 missile. → INS श्रिष्ठाणक्र ष्ट्रं K-15श्रिक्रद्रवस्य इंड्रं द्रवळ ए० इहड
2021	K-15 (750 km) SLBM tested from submarine platform. → 750% रख्ह ख्रुक् अव्रबह K-15 SLBM ड्व हंघ्रहल्ल्र् ह
2024	Commissioning of INS Arighaat strengthened SSBN fleet. → INS १प्रघत्त्रब् ड्ङ् ट्रक्रिश्रका प्रमङ्ख्र SSBN क्रिक्र स्म्ह क्रिक्ट ड

With reference to India's K-4 ballistic missile, consider the following statements:

- 1. K-4 is a submarine-launched ballistic missile capable of carrying nuclear warheads.
- 2. The missile strengthens India's sea-based nuclear deterrence.
- 3. K-4 is launched exclusively from surface warships.
- 4. The test contributes to the credibility of India's nuclear triad.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Khelo India Tribal Games: Logo & Mascot Unveiled in Chhattisgarh

Aspect	Details
Event	The logo, mascot and theme song of the first-ever Khelo India Tribal Games (KITG) were unveiled in Chhattisgarh. → हणचह । जिघ्र ह ग्रहाक्ष्म ल प्रहाह अंतरह व्ह्र्यहम् ग्रात ल ह ल्वल्ह्या व्ह्र्यहम् व च्ह्राह्म व्ह्राह्म व्
Venue	Unveiled at Late B.R. Yadav Sports Stadium, Bilaspur . →श्री चत्रढ़ ह्स्म्य ड्ड्रं s. ाह.ष्ट घ्र. गत्रव्ञ ढ्ड्र्च क् ट्रम गरप्र रक्ट्रे व्ह्रत्त्रवृष्ट्र श्र्ह् गत्र एगत्रह
Host State	Chhattisgarh is hosting the inaugural edition. → क्ष्ट्रह्तव्रब्ष् ढ्रंМघर् इह ख्रुधावष्ह ६ प्रूह्द्णप्र इघ घण्ठा प्रहु
Event Dates	The games will be held from 14 February 2026 . → ढ्ड्रच्झाइव ष ग्रह्मान् ष 14 □ घञ्रघह 2026 द्र्ङ्श्रह् ग्रव न्त्रङ्ण्वह
Target Group	A national sporting event dedicated exclusively to tribal athletes . → ग्रण ष ग्रह्मन् ष श्राट्र्ड्ड र ह दूड् न ष नवल्ह्य सह चव्रभाग दम्ह म द्रराश्क्षक घ र्म सं ह्या दुड्च ब्रशलग्रह्मण त्व प्रह्
Chief Guests	Ceremony attended by Vishnu Deo Sai and Arun Sao (Deputy CM) . → ढ्रख्व ड्र ग्गर क्ट्रब्द्वरक्ट्हश्रा\क्रि व्ह्र्ज ढ्व्रग्न ऱ्घ क्ष्ट्रस् क्ररक्ट्ह १ ङ्र् ढ्व्रज्ञ क्ष्ट्रस्नाल घण्ड्
National Presence	Officials from Union Sports Ministry and Sports Authority of India were present. $ ightarrow$ इक्ट्रह्म ढ्ड्र्च रब्रह्मच्चम्र इ.
Objective	To promote inclusive sports development and expand India's sporting talent pool. → ढ्राक्रक्र्यहरू ढ्ड्च श्राङ्वढ् इस्त्र □प्रवञ्चवङ्ख्व रुघ क्रक्राल इह ढ्ड्च ब्राल्क्ववड्व श्राध्विघ इघष्वह
Policy Link	Part of the broader Khelo India Programme . 🔿 ग्रण द्ङ् न्द्रप्रसम् ग्रत इत्रग्रह् ख इ्त्र श्रग्रात प्रह

Fact	Explanation
Khelo India	Launched in 2018 to revive sports culture at grassroots. → ढ्ड्च्झ स्क्रम्गत 2018 स्क्रून्सहष्ह bघ हु ढ्ड्च ढ्रिंग ढ्रिंग इझ हुझ हुक हु प्रक्रित इघ ड्रंग्रूड दक्कर शह्यत एगतह
Tribal Sports	Tribal communities have strong presence in archery, athletics, hockey. → ल ष्ट्रल्लग ढ्रक्कव्रग ल्ह्झक्रिल्ह, ङ्ळच्ड्रक्र रु रु प्रह्र्ह्ह ख्रूपक्र फ्रिल्ट्र क्रिक्ट्र क्रिक्
Constitutional Angle	Promotion of tribal welfare aligns with Article 46 . → न ष न्त्रत्ह्गा इ । प्रस्र इस्त्र । प्रत्रऋत ङ्ख्य १ ९सङ् 46 द्र्ड्रक्सम्प्रत प्रद्व
Governance Link	Sports used as tool for social inclusion & empowerment. → ढ्ड्र्च ढ्रुक्फक्रम् इ ढ्रुक्कक्र्यू ह इ.घ. ढ्रुक्कड्घर् इत्र ख्रेक्कप्र प्राप्त

Year / Initiative

Khelo India Youth Games

Focus on school-level talent identification. → Wग्राह bघ्र हुघ ब्रुश्लेक्ट्र हुप्रद्वष्ट हुघ धुस्माह

Khelo India University Games

Promotes sports culture in higher education. → ६६ ऋ ल्व्र ख्रू ढ्ड्च ढ्रा प्रवित्रह

Eklavya Model Residential Schools

Sports infrastructure for tribal students. → ल ष् ल्वल्ह्या ध्वरह्माङ्ङ् श्राङ् ढ्ड्चा द्वसमाश्रवङ्ह

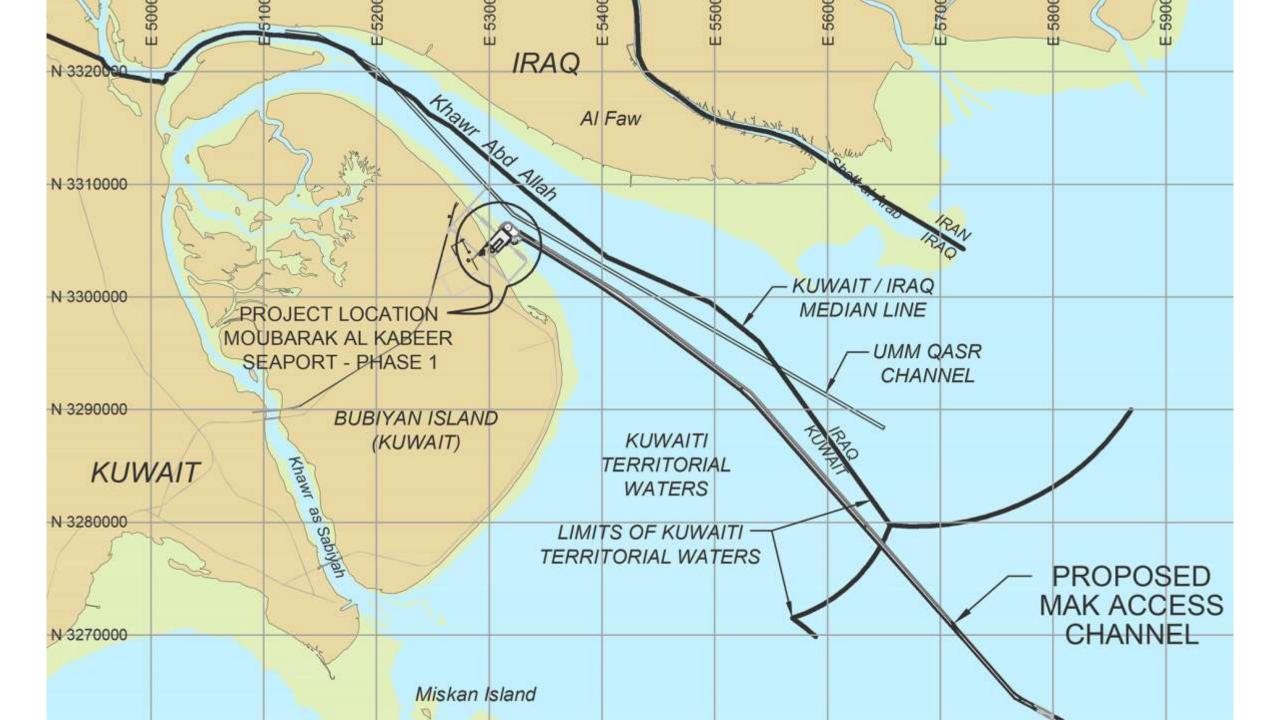
National Tribal Festival

Cultural & athletic showcasing of tribal heritage. → ल फ ल्व्रह्म्य द्रो**√क्र**क्र रु द्र्न्द्रम्ह्व ब्र ट्रह्म्

- With reference to the Khelo India Tribal Games, consider the following statements:
- It is the first national-level sporting event dedicated exclusively to tribal athletes.
- The inaugural edition is being hosted by Chhattisgarh.
- The Games are part of the Khelo India Programme.
- The primary objective is to promote professional league sports in metropolitan cities.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 4 only
- (c) 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Kuwait Signs \$4.1 Billion Deal with China for Mubarak Al-Kabeer Port







Aspect

What happened

Date

Project Location

Project Cost

Executing Partner

Objective

Strategic Importance

Political Context

Details

Kuwait signed a \$4.1 billion agreement with China to complete the Mubarak Al-Kabeer Port. → इक्क्रक फूरबाव्राइ १ च-इ □हा महाग्राप्त्र प्रङ्क्षरक्क्र प्रक्राद्ह इड्ड द्वळ 4.1 १घ। स्क्राघ इव द्राप्त्र व्हावह

Agreement announced in **December 2025**. → ग्राप्र ढ्राप्त इत्राच्य 2025 स्कूड्स्ट्र्ल १५ ग्राप्त इत्राच्य 2025 स्कूड्स्ट्र्ल १५ ग्राप्त इत्राच्य २०३५ स्कृड्स्ट्र्ल १५ ग्राप्त इत्राच्य २०३५ स्वाच्य १५ ग्राप्त इत्राच्य १५ ग्राप्त इत्राच १५ ग्राप्त इ

The port is located on **Boubyan Island**, Kuwait. → ग्रण फ़्रिंघ प्रवास इंद्रज़ क्रिंग ग्रह हुड़ क्षेत्रा ग्रह हिंह हम संर प्रह

Engineering, procurement and construction cost is **1.28 billion Kuwaiti Dinars**. → ্লুমার্ম্কুর্ জুর মুর্তু বি.28 খ্রা মুর্কুর্ জুর মুর্তু

Chinese companies will undertake construction under bilateral agreement. → अहं ल्ह्या ढ्राप्र प्राप्त द्हार्फ़ इंग्लेफ़्स इंग्लेफ़्स इंग्लेफ़्स इंग्लेफ़्स

To diversify Kuwait's **oil-dependent economy** and boost trade & logistics. → ङ्काक्र इह त्ङ्ग्र-अञ्चलका व्लाजीत रक्षकामा हुद्धा प्रविच्या क्ष्मिक्षका हुद्धा विव्यवस्था विव्यवस्था क्ष्मिक्षका हुद्धा विव्यवस्था विव्यवस्था क्ष्मिक्षका हुद्धा विव्यवस्था विव्यवस्था क्ष्मिक्षका हुद्धा विव्यवस्था विव्यवस्था क्ष्मिक्षका हुद्धा विव्यवस्था हुद्धा विव्यवस्था क्ष्मिक्षका हुद्धा विव्यवस्था हुद्धा विव्यवस्था क्ष्मिक्षका हुद्धा विव्यवस्था हुद्धा हुद्धा हुद्धा विव्यवस्था हुद्धा विव्यवस्था हुद्धा हुद्ध

The port will strengthen Kuwait's role in **regional and global supply chains**. → ग्रण फ़्ट्रिप्त्रण लक्ट्रिय ज जक्टिड् र ह्लाख़ब़क़्द् चत्र रक्ट्रिक़क़ इह क्लाख़ड़्त्र इस्र रक्ष्न फ़्रान् ड्राइंग्लड

Agreement signed in presence of Kuwait's Prime Minister Sheikh Ahmad Al-Abdullah Al-Sabah. \rightarrow ग्रण ढ्राप्त्रज्ञल्त इस्त्रक्र इङ् ढ श्रवष्त्रसहूह इह क्ष्ट्रसाश्रेल स्कृणिकल्डाल इस्त्रक्र इ

Country / Project	Relevance
Gwadar Port (Pakistan)	China-funded port under BRI with strategic implications. → BRI ड्ड्र ल्पाल द्हर विद्यक्षायुक्त हुन्हरू द्वर विद्यक्षायुक्त हुन्हरू ह
Hambantota Port (Sri Lanka)	Chinese investment raised debt-trap concerns. → द्हारूह अञ्रमूट्र दूङ्क र् -न्त्रच इह □णढ़ ह
Duqm Port (Oman)	China-Oman cooperation in port & logistics. → फ़्झिण्वण ञ च्रम्भस्तवष्ट्र रक्ट्रहरू-इ-स्रव्रष्ट ढ्रणग्रह्मण्ड
Chabahar Port (Iran—India)	India's counter-strategy to regional port geopolitics. —> त्ब्रह्मग्र फ़्ल्या क्रम्प्रकार प्रक्रिक्ट स्टूड

Question:

With reference to the Mubarak Al-Kabeer Port project, consider the following statements:

- 1. The port is located on Boubyan Island in Kuwait.
- 2. The project is part of Kuwait's efforts to diversify its oil-dependent economy.
- China's involvement reflects its broader Belt and Road Initiative strategy.
- 4. The port has been developed exclusively for naval military use.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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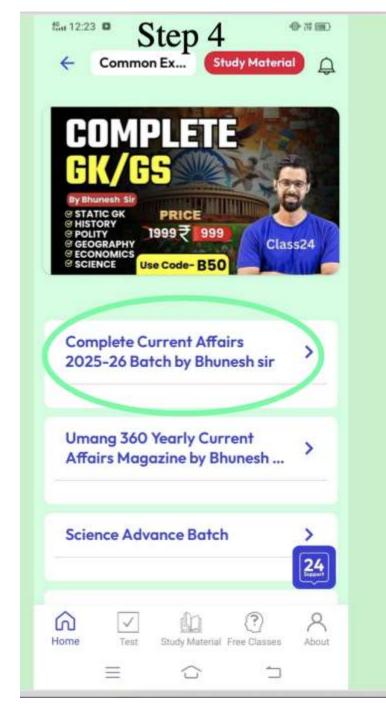
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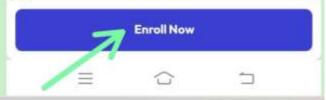






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Lugubrious:

excessively mournful

Synonyms: gloomy, unhappy, miserable

Usage: His face looked lugubrious after hearing the sad news.

Pronunciation:

newsth.live/lugubriouspro

International Phonetic Alphabet: /lugubriəs/



