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MODULE 01

Science & Technology

4 ITEMS

1 Which university's professors were featured in Stanford University's list of the world's top 2% scientists? Davangere University KEY B.C. Prasannakumar, D.G. Prakasha, U.S. Mahabaleshwar, and Govindappa Mellappa appeared for a fifth consecutive year	↗
2 By which year does Pakistan aim to achieve its first lunar landing? 2035 KEY Pakistan's first astronaut will embark on a space mission from China on November 25	↗
3 Which material was developed by IISER Thiruvananthapuram scientists to store and transport hydrogen and methane? magnesium hydridomethylzincate KEY Heating the compound to 80-110° C releases both gases	↗

MODULE 01

Science & Technology

4 ITEMS

- 4 Which team from IIIT Dharwad won a ₹2 lakh prize at the ISRO Robotics Challenge–URSC (IRoC-U) 2026?



Team Icarus

KEY The team secured fourth place and developed an autonomous quadcopter for simulated Mars environments
STATIC GK ISRO HQ: Bengaluru, Karnataka; under Department of Space

MODULE 02

Reports & Rankings

4 ITEMS

- 5 What was India's rank in the Global Hunger Index 2026?



100th

KEY India scored 24.1 among 122 countries

- 6 Who was ranked among the World's Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University and Elsevier?



Allam Srinivasa Rao

KEY Ranked 2,144 among 3,23,282 scientists for research in Applied Physics

- 7 Which country recorded the poorest performance in South Asia in the 2026 Global Hunger Index?



Pakistan

KEY Pakistan's undernourishment moved from low to medium since 2018

- 8 According to the Living Planet Report 2026, by what percentage did monitored wildlife populations decline between 1970 and 2022?



73 percent

KEY Report released by WWF to highlight the need for resilience in energy, food, and finance systems

MODULE 03

Government Schemes

2 ITEMS

- 9 What is the new name of the National Social Assistance Programme approved by the Union Cabinet?



Pradhan Mantri Samajik Sahayata Yojana

KEY Scheme benefits 3.20 crore people across 36 States and Union territories

- 10 Which organization, in collaboration with Deloitte India, released a framework for data centre approvals?



NITI Aayog

KEY Framework released on October 14, 2026, to link approvals to verified infrastructure
STATIC GK NITI Aayog replaced the Planning Commission on 1 January 2015; chaired by the Prime Minister

MODULE 04

Appointments

5 ITEMS

- 11 Who is the newly appointed Governor of Odisha?



Braj Mohan Ram

KEY He is a Dalit leader and a three-time former BJP MP from Jharkhand

Appointments

5 ITEMS

12 Who was appointed as the full-time Governor of Tamil Nadu?



Rajendra Arlekar

KEY

Appointed by President Droupadi Murmu via a Rashtrapati communique on October 12, 2026

13 Who was elected as the Chair of the UNESCO IOCINDIO Sub-Commission in Bali?



T. M. Balakrishnan Nair

KEY

He is the Director of the Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS)

STATIC GK

UNESCO was founded in 1945; HQ: Paris

14 Who was appointed by Donald Trump as the White House press secretary?



Katie Zacharia

KEY

Attended Pepperdine University and Pepperdine Caruso School of Law

15 Who was appointed as a Deputy Election Commissioner in the Election Commission of India?



Prakash Rajpurohit

KEY

IAS officer of the 2010 batch replacing Sanjay Kumar

STATIC GK

ECI is a constitutional body under Article 324

Sports

1 ITEM

16 Who set a national record of 54.75 seconds in the women's 400m hurdles at the 2026 Asian Games?



Vithya Ramraj

KEY

Won bronze medal and broke P.T. Usha's 1984 Los Angeles Olympics record

Important Days

1 ITEM

17 Which country wastes the most food per person according to the UN and FAO?



Maldives

KEY

Maldives wastes 260kg of food per person annually

STATIC GK

FAO was founded in 1945; HQ: Rome

Awards & Honours

5 ITEMS

18 Who was awarded the 2026 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for discoveries regarding optogenetics?



Karl Deisseroth, Peter Hegemann, and Georg Nagel

KEY

Research involved light-gated ion channels and collaboration with BITS Pilani, Hyderabad

STATIC GK

Har Gobind Khorana shared the 1968 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine (genetic code)

19 Who will be awarded the 2026 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences?



Robert Hall and Michael Woodford

KEY

Awarded for developing macroeconomic models based on microeconomic foundations

STATIC GK

The economics Nobel was set up by Sveriges Riksbank in 1968; Indian laureates: Amartya Sen (1998), Abhijit Banerjee (2019)

Awards & Honours

5 ITEMS

20 Who was awarded the inaugural FIFA Peace Prize – Football Unites the World?

**Donald Trump**

KEY Awarded by FIFA President Gianni Infantino in Washington, DC

STATIC GK FIFA was founded in 1904; HQ: Zurich

21 Who was awarded the Hillary Rodham Clinton Award by Hillary Rodham Clinton?

**Reema Nanavaty**

KEY Nanavaty is the Director of Self-Employed Women's Association of India (SEWA)

22 Who won the IPS Association's Sword of Honour among the trainees at the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy?

**Kuhoo Garg**

KEY The academy will hold a passing-out parade for the 78th batch on October 17, 2026.

Laws, Bills & Verdicts

3 ITEMS

23 Which policy did the Supreme Court cite regarding the impermissibility of mid-stream fee hikes?

**National Education Policy, 2020**

KEY Fees were 711% higher than general academic programs according to National Sample Survey Office

STATIC GK Supreme Court of India was established under Article 124 of the Constitution

24 Which body proposed a ban on added sucrose and fructose in products for infants up to six months old?

**FSSAI**

KEY Draft Food Safety and Standards (Foods for Infant Nutrition) Amendment Regulations, 2026

25 What is the proposed maximum residue limit for acetamiprid in tea by FSSAI?

**20 mg/kg**

KEY Draft Food Safety and Standards (Contaminants, Toxins and Residues) Amendment Regulations, 2026

Economy & Budget

10 ITEMS

26 What was the percentage of India's Wholesale Price Index-based inflation in September?

**11.39 per cent**

KEY Inflation rose from 9.92 per cent in August driven by food, manufactured items, and fuel prices

27 Which institution introduced measures to stabilize the Indian rupee against the dollar?

**Reserve Bank of India**

KEY Measures aim to curb speculative activity and corporate demand for hedging

STATIC GK RBI was established on 1 April 1935 under the RBI Act, 1934; HQ: Mumbai

28 Which ministry did the IMF back after India shifted its GDP base year to 2022-23?

**MoSPI**

KEY Shifted GDP base year from 2011-12 to 2022-23

STATIC GK IMF was set up at Bretton Woods in 1944; HQ: Washington, D.C.

Economy & Budget

10 ITEMS

29 Which entity was approved by the Cabinet Committee to acquire a 60.72 per cent stake in IDBI Bank? ↗

Fairfax Financial Holdings

KEY Acquisition approved for Rs 52,878 crore

30 What is the total outlay approved by the Union Cabinet for the Productivity Linked Bonus to non-gazetted railway employees? ↗

₹2009.61 crore

KEY Bonus of 78 days approved for 11,40,770 railway employees

31 What is the Foreign Exchange Risk Reserve requirement introduced by RBI for derivatives over \$2 million? ↗

20%

KEY RBI also reduced transaction limits to \$5 million and banned rebooking cancelled contracts

32 Which institution extended derivative transaction curbs to support the rupee against high oil prices? ↗

Reserve Bank of India

KEY Curbs and foreign-exchange risk reserve scopes were widened to counter foreign outflows

33 What was the reported growth rate of India's economy in the April-June quarter according to PM Modi? ↗

7.8%

KEY Foreign-exchange reserves exceeded \$700 billion with current account deficit reduced to about half a per cent.

34 Which institution intervened to prevent the Indian rupee from breaching 96? ↗

RBI

KEY Intervention occurred as rupee fluctuated between 95.76 and 95.9850

35 For which three oil companies did the RBI open a special dollar window? ↗

Indian Oil, Bharat Petroleum, and Hindustan Petroleum

KEY Window opened to manage currency requirements amid high overseas yields and hedging costs

Defence

5 ITEMS

36 What is the value of the contract signed by the Ministry of Defence for Varunastra torpedoes? ↗

₹1,543 crore

KEY Contracts signed in New Delhi to promote self-reliance and indigenous capabilities

37 Which vessel will the Indian Navy commission as the first indigenous Multi-Purpose Vessel in Karwar? ↗

INS Samarthak

KEY Built by Larsen & Toubro under the Make in India initiative

38 Which initiative was launched by the Indian Army to provide rice for defence personnel? ↗

Bharat Rice

KEY Indian Army signed a 5-year MoU with FCI to use its warehousing infrastructure

MODULE 11

Defence

5 ITEMS

- 39 Which vessel was inducted into the Indian Navy as its third anti-submarine warfare shallow water craft? ↗

INS Mangrol

KEY Built by Cochin Shipyard Limited with over 80% indigenous content

- 40 By which year does the Indian Navy aim to build 230 surface combatants and submarines? ↗

2037

KEY The goal requires a shift toward indigenous marine propulsion and Atmanirbharta.

MODULE 12

National & State News

4 ITEMS

- 41 Which hospital performed India's first pediatric ABO-incompatible kidney transplant? ↗

Aster CMI Hospital

KEY Performed on a 15-year-old boy and a 21-year-old male using APKD software

- 42 In which city of West Bengal was the ₹6,000 crore phenol and acetone plant inaugurated? ↗

Haldia

KEY Facility features India's first on-purpose propylene plant

- 43 Which site in Narayanpet district was submitted by India to UNESCO's Tentative List? ↗

Mudumal Megalithic Menhirs

KEY Telangana Department of Heritage invited tenders for a ₹39.97 lakh excavation at the site.

- 44 Which dam project became India's first to enter the World Book of Records? ↗

Srisaillam Dam Project

KEY Construction began in 1960 and was completed in 1980 for irrigation and hydel power

MODULE 13

International

1 ITEM

- 45 Which act did President Donald Trump reverse by lifting oil sanctions on October 9? ↗

Lindsey Graham Act

KEY Russia was invited to sell 1.8 million tonnes of diesel

MODULE 14

Summits & Agreements

5 ITEMS

- 46 Who will represent India at the SCO Council of Heads of Government meeting in Dushanbe? ↗

Rajnath Singh

KEY Meeting scheduled for October 19 and 20 in Tajikistan

STATIC GK SCO was founded in 2001; secretariat: Beijing

- 47 Which country's first tranche of a bilateral trade deal was finalised in Delhi? ↗

U.S.

KEY Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal stated the deal is in the final contours and legal drafting.

Summits & Agreements

5 ITEMS

- 48 In which month is the free trade agreement between India and the European Union expected to be inked?



December

KEY

Agreement is expected to come into force from February or March next year

- 49 Which declaration was signed during the first BIMSTEC Home Ministers meeting hosted by India?



Delhi Declaration

KEY

Signed on October 13, 2026, to counter radicalisation, terrorism, and illicit financing

STATIC GK

BIMSTEC was founded in 1997; secretariat: Dhaka

- 50 When did the India-UK Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) come into force?



July 15, 2026

KEY

Agreement aims to boost sectors like vehicles, whisky, salmon, and defence

Environment & Wildlife

1 ITEM

- 51 Which species is the world's largest known juniper located in Stanislaus National Forest?



Bennett Juniper

KEY

Standing 24 metres tall with a 389 centimetres diameter trunk

Obituaries

3 ITEMS

- 52 Which award did conservationist Cheruvayal Raman receive in 2023?



Padma Shri

KEY

Preserved traditional paddy seeds like Kunnumkulamban and Kunkumasali

STATIC GK

Padma awards were instituted in 1954

- 53 Who was the founder and Chairman Emeritus of Nagarjuna Construction Company (NCC) Limited?



Alluri Venkata Satyanarayana Raju

KEY

Received the Padma Shri in 2010 under the Trade and Industry category

- 54 Which actor and Honorary Lieutenant Colonel of the Territorial Army recently passed away?



Nana Patekar

KEY

He underwent three years of military training at Belagavi for his film Prahaar: The Final Attack

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