Q1 TRENDING AWARDS

In the November 2026 U.S. midterm elections, who became the first Muslim elected to the U.S. Senate, winning from Michigan?

(a) John James
(b) Abdul El-Sayed
(c) Gary Peters
(d) Mike Rogers

Ans: (b) Abdul El-Sayed

- Democrat Abdul El-Sayed won Michigan's open U.S. Senate seat in November 2026, becoming the first Muslim elected to the Senate.
- He defeated Republican Mike Rogers, a former Congressman and FBI agent.

Asked in exam: RRB NTPC GL CBT-1 (25 Mar 2026)
Who made history in November 2025 as the first Muslim and South Asian American elected Lieutenant Governor of Virginia? Ans: Ghazala Hashmi

Q2 TRENDING AWARDS

In the November 2026 U.S. midterm elections, who became the first Black woman elected Governor of a U.S. state, winning Georgia's gubernatorial race?

(a) Gina Hinojosa
(b) Katie Hobbs
(c) Deb Haaland
(d) Keisha Lance Bottoms

Ans: (d) Keisha Lance Bottoms

- Keisha Lance Bottoms, former Atlanta mayor, became the first Black woman elected governor in the U.S., winning Georgia in November 2026.
- In the same elections, Gina Hinojosa became Texas's first Latina governor, and Deb Haaland became the first female Native American governor, in New Mexico.

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Q3 SCHEMES

In November 2026, the Union Cabinet approved a Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme of how much amount for developing grid-scale energy storage systems in India?

(a) Rs 2,814 crore
(b) Rs 14,500 crore
(c) Rs 97,600 crore
(d) Rs 4,371 crore

Ans: (b) Rs 14,500 crore

- The Union Cabinet approved a Rs 14,500 crore VGF scheme for grid-scale energy storage (2026-27 to 2030-31).
- It aims to support 92 GWh of new energy storage capacity across India.

Asked in exam: SSC CHSL Tier-1 (27 Nov 2025)
In April 2025, the Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi approved the Vibrant Villages Programme - II (VVP-II) as a ____ percent centre funded scheme. Ans: 100

Q4 SCHEMES

The Union Cabinet approved the VISTAR scheme in November 2026 to overhaul India's statistical architecture; what does VISTAR stand for?

(a) Vital Information System for Transparent Analytics and Research
(b) Viksit Bharat Investment in Statistical Technology and Resources
(c) Vision for Integrated Statistical Transformation and Reporting
(d) Viksit Bharat Initiative for Statistical Transformation, Analytics & Research

Ans: (d) Viksit Bharat Initiative for Statistical Transformation, Analytics & Research

- VISTAR stands for Viksit Bharat Initiative for Statistical Transformation, Analytics & Research, approved with a Rs 4,371 crore outlay.
- It covers 2026-27 to 2030-31 and is implemented by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI).

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Q5 SCHEMES

The Union Cabinet approved a capital expenditure support scheme in November 2026 to set up domestic processing facilities for which two critical minerals?

(a) Lithium and nickel
(b) Lithium and cobalt
(c) Nickel and rare earths
(d) Cobalt and copper

Ans: (a) Lithium and nickel

- The Cabinet approved a Rs 2,814 crore scheme to set up domestic processing facilities for lithium and nickel.
- It provides a 30% capital subsidy for four plants, two each for lithium and nickel, over five years.

Asked in exam: SSC Delhi Police Constable (Exe) (20 Dec 2025)
In March 2025, the Union Cabinet approved the Incentive Scheme for promotion of low-value BHIM-UPI P2M transactions for FY 2024-25 with a total outlay of: Ans: ₹1,500 crore

Q6 DEFENCE

In November 2026, the Union Cabinet decided to give Agniveers who are not selected after the initial four-year Agnipath service an extended engagement period of how many additional years?

(a) Five years
(b) Three years
(c) One year
(d) Two years

Ans: (d) Two years

- The Cabinet approved a two-year service extension for the 75% Agniveers not selected after four years, with a route to become regular soldiers.
- The announcement was made by Chief of Defence Staff General N.S. Raja Subramani.
- The Agnipath scheme was originally introduced in June 2022.

Q7 SPACE

ISRO's navigation satellite NVS-03, launched on 30 October 2026, successfully reached which orbit by early November 2026?

(a) Molniya Orbit
(b) Geo Synchronous Orbit
(c) Sun Synchronous Orbit
(d) Low Earth Orbit

Ans: (b) Geo Synchronous Orbit

- NVS-03 reached Geo Synchronous Orbit after four successful orbit manoeuvres with a cumulative LAM engine burn of 6164 seconds.
- It was launched by a GSLV rocket from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota, on 30 October 2026.

Asked in exam: SSC CGL Tier-1 (13 Sep 2025)
What is the primary function of the NVS-02 satellite launched aboard GSLV-F15? Ans: It boosts India's navigation system by offering precise position and timing data.

Q8 SPACE

Which GSLV mission successfully launched the NVS-03 navigation satellite on 30 October 2026, a success described as helping ISRO regain pride?

(a) GSLV-F18
(b) GSLV-F17
(c) GSLV-F19
(d) GSLV-F16

Ans: (a) GSLV-F18

- GSLV-F18 successfully placed NVS-03 into geosynchronous transfer orbit on 30 October 2026 from Sriharikota.
- V. Narayanan is the current Chairman of ISRO. The earlier NVS-02 satellite, launched in January 2025, had faced a valve malfunction during orbit raising.

Asked in exam: SSC Delhi Police Constable (Exe) (22 Dec 2025)
Which satellite was carried as the primary payload by GSLV-F15, designed for enhancing India's navigation capabilities? Ans: NVS-02

Q9 NATIONAL

In November 2026, PM Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated which newly built Pune Metro corridor connecting Maan-Hinjawadi to Shivajinagar?

(a) Pune Metro Line 1
(b) Pune Metro Line 3 (Pink Line)
(c) Pune Metro Line 2
(d) Pune Metro Line 4

Ans: (b) Pune Metro Line 3 (Pink Line)

- PM Modi inaugurated Pune Metro Line 3, the 23.2 km Maan-Hinjawadi-Shivajinagar corridor, also called the Pink Line, in November 2026.
- It was built at a cost of Rs 8,313 crore under the PPP-based DBFOT model by Tata Projects and Siemens.

Asked in exam: RRB NTPC UG CBT-1 (3 Sep 2025)
Which tunnel was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Jammu and Kashmir on 13 January 2025? Ans: Sonamarg tunnel

Q10 NATIONAL

In November 2026, which city became the first city and state capital in India where Commerce and Industry Ministry offices were brought under one roof with the inauguration of Vanijya Bhawan and Udyog Bhawan?

(a) Lucknow
(b) Bhopal
(c) Jaipur
(d) Chandigarh

Ans: (c) Jaipur

- Jaipur became India's first city and state capital to host unified Vanijya Bhawan and Udyog Bhawan buildings for Commerce and Industry Ministry offices.
- Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal virtually inaugurated the complex in November 2026.

Asked in exam: RRB NTPC UG CBT-1 (7 May 2026)
Who presided over the National Level Conclave of Ministers of States/UTs for Minority Welfare held on 13 September 2025, at Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi? Ans: Kiren Rijiju

Q11 SCIENCE & TECH

In November 2026, the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) launched which platform related to telecom services?

(a) Digital Connect platform
(b) Spectrum Share portal
(c) Network Experience platform
(d) Call Quality Index

Ans: (c) Network Experience platform

- TRAI launched the 'Network Experience' platform in November 2026.
- TRAI is the telecom sector regulator headquartered in New Delhi, established in 1997.

Asked in exam: SSC Delhi Police Constable (Exe) (19 Dec 2025)
Who chaired the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) in 2024? Ans: Anil Kumar Lahoti

Q12 SCIENCE & TECH

Researchers at which institute developed a new silicon chip using topological photonics that transmits terahertz waves at 100 Gbps, useful for future 6G networks?

(a) Tata Institute of Fundamental Research
(b) Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru
(c) Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR)
(d) Raman Research Institute

Ans: (c) Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR)

- JNCASR researchers, led by Dr Abhishek Kumar, developed a silicon photonic crystal chip transmitting terahertz waves at up to 100 Gbps using topological photonics.
- JNCASR, an autonomous institute under the Department of Science and Technology, is based in Bengaluru.

Asked in exam: SSC CHSL Tier-1 (25 Nov 2025)
Which super-fast charging battery technology was developed by Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research in 2025? Ans: Sodium-ion battery

Q13 AWARDS

In November 2026, Pia Dandiya, a first-generation Indian-American, won election to the U.S. House of Representatives from which state's congressional district?

(a) Texas's 10th district
(b) California's 17th district
(c) Florida's 22nd district
(d) New Jersey's 8th district

Ans: (c) Florida's 22nd district

- Pia Dandiya won the U.S. House seat from Florida's 22nd congressional district in November 2026, defeating Marine veteran Casey Askar.
- She is a first-generation Indian-American and former high school principal.

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Q14 NATIONAL

A satellite-based assessment in November 2026 showed a 73% reduction in the surface area of which Bhutanese glacial lake after a glacial lake outburst flood (GLOF)?

(a) Sintaphu Tsho
(b) Thorthormi Tsho
(c) Luggye Tsho
(d) Raphstreng Tsho

Ans: (a) Sintaphu Tsho

- Sintaphu Tsho in Bhutan's Gasa district showed a 73% reduction in surface area after the GLOF on 29 October 2026.
- The assessment was done by Suhora Technologies, a Noida-based geospatial intelligence company.
- The flood destroyed facilities at Gasa Tshachu hot spring and triggered flash flood warnings in West Bengal and Assam.

Q15 NATIONAL

In November 2026, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar attended the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) held in which country?

(a) Antigua and Barbuda
(b) Barbados
(c) Jamaica
(d) Trinidad and Tobago

Ans: (a) Antigua and Barbuda

- S. Jaishankar attended CHOGM 2026 held in St.
- John's, Antigua and Barbuda, highlighting India's digital public infrastructure achievements.

Asked in exam: RRB NTPC GL CBT-1 (12 Jun 2025)
In which of the following Australian cities did the Indian External Affairs Minister inaugurate India's 4th consulate in November 2024? Ans: Brisbane

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