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What is the theme of World Water Day 2026?

- A Water for Peace
- B Water and Gender ✓
- C Groundwater: Making the Invisible Visible
- D Valuing Water

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

World Water Day 2026 carries the theme Water and Gender with the campaign slogan Where water flows, equality grows. The 2025 theme was Water for Peace.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

World Water Day has been observed on March 22 every year since 1993, designated by UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES/47/193 in December 1992. It is coordinated by UN-Water.

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The 2026 Stockholm Water Prize was awarded to Professor Kaveh Madani. Which institution does he head?

- A Stockholm International Water Institute
- B World Water Council
- C **UN University Institute for Water, Environment and Health ✓**
- D International Water Management Institute

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

Professor Kaveh Madani is the Director of the United Nations University Institute for Water, Environment and Health (UNU-INWEH). At 44, he is the youngest laureate in the prize history.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

The Stockholm Water Prize, established in 1991 by the Stockholm Water Foundation, is often called the Nobel Prize of Water. It is presented annually by H.M. King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden during World Water Week in Stockholm.

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The NdFeB rare earth magnet pilot plant inaugurated in March 2026 is located at which institution?

A CSIR-National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi

B IREL, Aluva, Kerala

C ARCI, Hyderabad ✓

D DMRL, Hyderabad

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

The pilot plant was inaugurated at the International Advanced Research Centre for Powder Metallurgy and New Materials (ARCI) in Hyderabad, an autonomous body under the Department of Science and Technology.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

NdFeB (Neodymium-Iron-Boron) magnets are the strongest permanent magnets commercially available, essential for EVs, wind turbines, MRI machines, and defence systems. China controls over 90% of global rare earth magnet manufacturing.

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The Lipulekh Pass, through which India-China border trade is set to resume, is located in which state?

A Himachal Pradesh

B Sikkim

C Arunachal Pradesh

D Uttarakhand ✓

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

Lipulekh Pass is in Pithoragarh district, Uttarakhand, at an altitude of about 5,334 metres. It connects Dharchula (India) to Taklakot/Purang in the Tibet Autonomous Region.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

India has three designated border trade points with China: Lipulekh (Uttarakhand), Shipki La (Himachal Pradesh), and Nathu La (Sikkim). The Lipulekh pass is also a route for Kailash Mansarovar Yatra pilgrims.

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The National Dental Commission (NDC), constituted in March 2026, replaces which body?

- A Medical Council of India
- B National Medical Commission
- C Indian Dental Association
- D Dental Council of India ✓

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

The NDC replaces the Dental Council of India (DCI), which was established in 1949 under the Dentists Act, 1948. With the NDC Act coming into force, the Dentists Act, 1948 stands repealed.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

This reform mirrors the 2020 replacement of the Medical Council of India (MCI) by the National Medical Commission (NMC) under the NMC Act, 2019. Both reforms aim to improve transparency and education quality in healthcare.

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According to the India BioEconomy Report 2026, what was the size of India bioeconomy in 2025?

A \$100.5 billion

B \$165.7 billion

C \$195.3 billion ✓

D \$300 billion

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

India bioeconomy reached a record \$195.3 billion in 2025, growing 18% from \$165.7 billion in 2024. It contributes 4.8% to national GDP. The \$300 billion figure is the 2030 target.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) under the Ministry of Science and Technology releases the annual India BioEconomy Report. BIRAC (Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council) has funded over 5,000 biotech startups.

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India was awarded hosting rights for which edition of the World Indoor Athletics Championships to be held in Bhubaneswar?

 A 2026

 B 2027

 C 2028 ✓

 D 2030

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

India will host the 2028 World Indoor Athletics Championships (22nd edition) at the Kalinga Stadium Complex in Bhubaneswar, Odisha. The event is scheduled for March 3-5, 2028.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

India will be the 4th Asian nation to host the event after Japan (1999), Qatar (2010), and China (2025). The Kalinga Stadium previously hosted the 2018 and 2023 Hockey World Cups.

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The Jal Jeevan Mission, about which a parliamentary committee raised sustainability concerns, was launched in which year?

 A 2014

 B 2017

 C 2019 ✓

 D 2021

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

The Jal Jeevan Mission was launched on August 15, 2019 by PM Narendra Modi with the objective of providing Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) to every rural household. Its deadline has been extended to 2028.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

JJM operates under the Ministry of Jal Shakti. The new digital framework Sujalam Bharat assigns a unique Sujal Gaon ID to map water systems from source to tap.

Related scheme: Atal Bhujal Yojana for groundwater management.

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Prosopis juliflora, against which the Madras High Court issued eradication directions, was originally introduced in Tamil Nadu to address which problem?

- A Soil erosion in coastal areas
- B Firewood shortage in drier regions ✓
- C Desertification of agricultural land
- D Fodder scarcity for livestock

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

 **EXPLANATION**

Prosopis juliflora was introduced in Tamil Nadu in 1959 to combat firewood shortage in the drier southern areas. It is now classified as one of the worst invasive alien species.

 **CONCEPT NOTE**

Prosopis juliflora is listed among the 100 Worst Invasive Alien Species globally by IUCN. Its deep taproots (up to 50 m) drain groundwater, and seeds spread through livestock dung. Other major invasive species in India include Lantana camara, water hyacinth, and Parthenium.

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Which country was identified as having the highest number of methane super-emitting events from satellite monitoring of oil and gas facilities?

- A Russia
- B United States
- C Turkmenistan ✓
- D Saudi Arabia

ANSWER & ANALYSIS

✓ EXPLANATION

Satellite imagery identified Turkmenistan as having 184 out of 1,005 super-emitting events globally, making it the country with the highest number of methane super-emitters in the oil and gas sector.

💡 CONCEPT NOTE

Methane is the second most important greenhouse gas after CO₂, with a global warming potential 80 times that of CO₂ over 20 years. MethaneSAT and other satellite instruments (GHGSat, EMIT, Tanager-1) are used to detect and quantify point sources.

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