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## 1. Asia's largest Shelly Wave Basin Research Facility.

IIT Madras has recently launched Asia's largest and state-of-the-art Shelly Wave Basin Research Facility, developed with the aim of giving new direction to the technical and research needs in coastal and marine engineering. The facility is located at the Thaiyur campus of IIT Madras and will help in solving complex problems related to Indian ports, waterways and coastal structures.



## 2. Cashless Treatment Scheme for Road Accident Victims

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari recently announced the Cashless Treatment Scheme for Road Accident Victims, which is an important step to deal with the rising number of road accidents and provide financial relief to the victim families. Under this scheme, medical expenses of up to Rs 1.5 lakh will be covered for 7 days after the accident. It will be mandatory to report the accident to the police within 24 hours.



## 3. India-US to work together on anti-submarine warfare sonobuoy amid growing threat from China in the Indian Ocean.

Amid growing threats in the sea, India and the US have struck an important defense deal. The two countries have decided to jointly build anti-submarine warfare sonobuoys, which will be helpful in increasing the power of India's navy. This decision has been taken in view of the growing threat of Chinese warships and submarines in the Indian Ocean.



## 4. Henley Passport Index 2025 - India drops from 80th to 85th

According to the Henley Passport Index 2025, India's passport has dropped from 80th place last year to 85th. India's passport holders can travel visa-free to 57 countries. Singapore has retained the status of the world's most powerful passport, while the United States passport has dropped from 7th place to 9th. Afghanistan's passport remains the weakest in the world.



## 5. Rabbit Fever.

Rabbit fever, also known as tularemia, is a rare and sometimes life-threatening infectious disease caused by the bacteria *Francisella tularensis*. It is found primarily in rabbits, hares and rodents and can spread to humans through contact with infected animals, bites or contaminated water. Tularemia can be treated with antibiotics, but there is no vaccine available in the US.



## 6. Assam launches Gunotsav 2025: 14 lakh students to be assessed.

The Assam government on 6 January 2025 launched the first phase of its flagship educational assessment programme "Gunotsav 2025". The programme aims to assess and improve the quality of education across the state. The initiative, based on the theme "Ensuring Quality Education", will be implemented in three phases. It aims to reach 14.11 lakh students and 16,056 schools.



## 7. IREDA receives 'Excellent' rating for fourth consecutive year.

Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA) has received 'Excellent' rating in Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) execution for the fourth consecutive year. This rating is given under the performance appraisal system organized by the Government of India, which evaluates the performance of public sector companies.



## 8. Chhattisgarh links forest ecosystem to Green GDP.

Chhattisgarh has become the first state in India to link its forest ecosystem to Green GDP. This initiative highlights the importance of biodiversity conservation and climate change mitigation along with the economic and ecological values of forests. Through this, steps are being taken towards the broader goals of sustainable development while promoting economic growth.



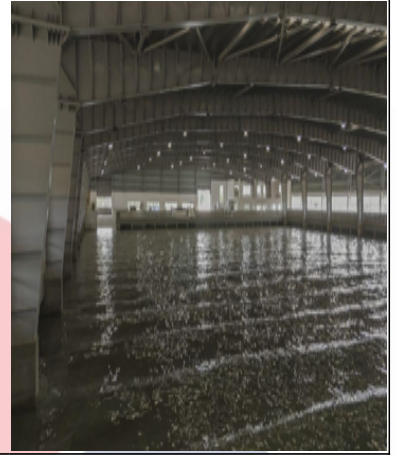


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**1. Which institute recently launched Asia's largest Shelly Wave Basin Research Facility?**

- A - IIT Delhi  
B - IIT Madras  
C - IIT Kanpur  
D - IIT Guwahati

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**2. What is the maximum medical expense provided under the cashless treatment scheme for road accident victims?**

- A - Rs 1 lakh  
B - Rs 1.5 lakh  
C - Rs 2 lakh  
D - Rs 5 lakh

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari announced a cashless treatment scheme for road accident victims, which will cover medical expenses up to Rs 1.5 lakh for 7 days after the accident. The accident has to be reported to the police within 24 hours. In hit-and-run cases, the family of the deceased will get a compensation of Rs 2 lakh.



**3. Recently, India has signed an agreement with the US for which anti-submarine will be produced for the Indian Navy?**

- A - Warfare Sonobuoy  
B - Warfare Fighter  
C - Chetak 3D  
D - Ujjwal

India and the US have jointly decided to build anti-submarine warfare sonobuoys, which will increase the strength of India's navy. This decision has been taken in view of the increasing threat of Chinese warships and submarines in the Indian Ocean. Sonobuoy is a special device that can be released into the sea and it catches the sound of submarines and sends accurate information.



**4. What is the ranking of India according to the Henley Passport Index 2025?**

- A - 80  
B - 85  
C - 89  
D - 91

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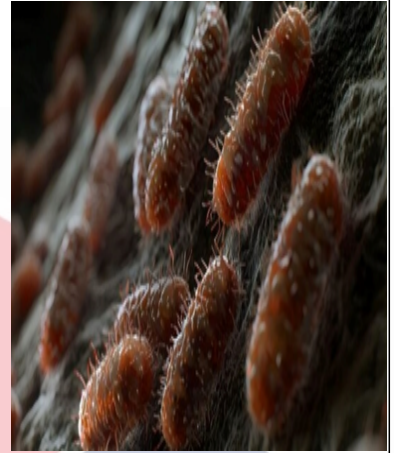


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**5. In which country is the outbreak of "Tularemia or Rabbit Fever" infection being seen?**

- A - America  
B - Uganda  
C - China  
D - Iran

Tularemia, also known as rabbit fever, is a rare but dangerous disease caused by *Francisella tularensis* bacteria. It is mainly found in rabbits, hares and rodents and spreads to humans through contact with infected animals, tick bites, polluted water or dust. Its symptoms include fever, skin lesions, respiratory problems, eye irritation, sore throat and mouth ulcers.



**6. Recently, in which state "Gunotsav-2025" has been launched to improve the quality of education?**

- A - Assam  
B - Tripura  
C - Meghalaya  
D - Manipur

The Assam government launched the first phase of the "Gunotsav 2025" program on 6 January 2025. It aims to evaluate and improve the quality of education across the state. The initiative will be implemented in three phases, with a target of reaching 14.11 lakh students and 16,056 schools.



**7. When was the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited established?**

- A - 1986  
B - 1987  
C - 1988  
D - 1989

Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA) has received 'Excellent' rating for the fourth consecutive year, given under the performance appraisal system organized by the Government of India. IREDA received this honor for its high efficiency, efficient implementation of projects and contribution to the renewable energy sector.



**8. Which state has recently linked its forest ecosystem to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP)?**

- A - Chhattisgarh  
B - Mizoram  
C - Rajasthan  
D - Delhi

Chhattisgarh has become the first state in India to link its forest ecosystem to Green GDP. The initiative highlights the economic and ecological values of forests, the importance of biodiversity conservation and climate change mitigation. Green GDP is a modified version of traditional GDP that incorporates the environmental costs of economic activities, such as natural resource depletion, environmental degradation and pollution.





## One Liner

1. Asia's largest shallow wave basin research facility has been designed by - **National Coastal Research and Technology Centre (NTC PWC)**
2. Union Road Transport Minister is - **Nitin Gadkari**
3. Anti-submarine warfare sonobuoy will be produced under - **Make in India**
4. Indian passport holders can travel to how many countries of the world without visa requirement - **57**
5. 'Rabbit Fever' is known by what other names - **Tularemia**
6. Recently, Gunotsav-2025 has been launched by the Assam government, its objective is - **Improvement in the quality of education**
7. What is the motto of IREDA - **'Sadaiv Urja'**
8. Which economist gave the concept of GDP - **Simon Kuznets**
9. Who released the special songs dedicated to Maha Kumbh 2025 - **Ashwini Vaishnav**
10. Which was the first route of Vande Bharat Express - **Delhi-Varanasi**

