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1. Me-Gong Festival

This festival, held in the West Garo Hills of Meghalaya, has the important objective of preserving and promoting the rich cultural heritage of the Garo tribe. International and national artists make this festival more special with their performances. Along with this, traditional games, handloom, and handicraft exhibition are the features of this event, which provide an opportunity to showcase local culture and art.



2. 'Hamara Samvidhan Hamara Swabhiman'

An event will be organized to celebrate the successful organization of 'Hamara Samvidhan Hamara Samman' during the Maha Kumbh on 24 January 2025 in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh. The program will be organized at Parmarth Triveni Pushp located at Arail Ghat. The 'Hamara Samman' campaign was launched by the Vice President on 24 January 2024 at Dr. BR Ambedkar International Center in New Delhi.



3. Khelo India Winter Games 2025

Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurated Khelo India Winter Games 2025. The sporting event began with Khelo India Winter Games 2025 in Ladakh. Its first phase will be held in Ladakh from 23 to 27 January, which includes sports like ice hockey and ice skating. 19 teams will participate in the first phase, including states, union territories and institutional organizations.



4. Deendayal Upadhyaya Landless Agricultural Labourers Welfare Scheme

The Chhattisgarh government has launched the 'Deendayal Upadhyaya Landless Agricultural Labourers Welfare Scheme', which will benefit more than 5.62 lakh landless agricultural labourers of the state. Under this scheme, financial assistance of Rs 10,000 will be provided to each beneficiary annually. A total budget of Rs 562 crore has been allocated for the scheme.



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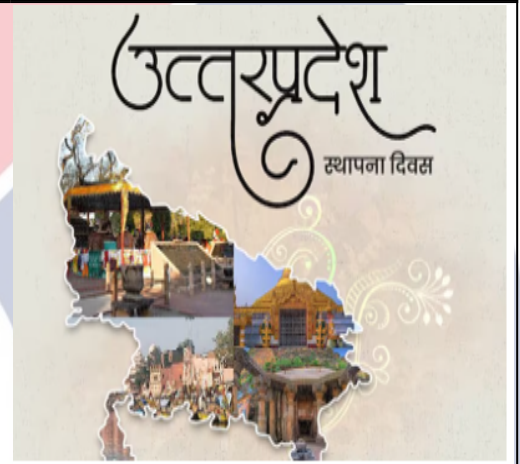
5. India ranked fourth in Global Firepower Index 2025

According to the Global Firepower Index 2025, India has been ranked as the fourth most powerful military in the world, after the United States, Russia and China. Bhutan has been ranked at the bottom of the list at 145th. There is no change in the ranking of the top four countries compared to the ranking of last year 2024. Pakistan, which was ranked 9th in 2024, has slipped to 12th place in 2025.



6. Uttar Pradesh Foundation Day

On 24 January 2025, Uttar Pradesh will celebrate its 76th Foundation Day. The main theme of this year's "Uttar Pradesh Day" is "Development and Heritage: Uttar Pradesh on the Path of Progress". In the Vedic period, this region was known as Brahmarshi Desh or Madhya Desh, while in the Mughal period it was divided under administrative governors. After independence in 1947, it was known as the United Province.



7. Foundation Day of Manipur, Tripura and Meghalaya

Manipur, Tripura and Meghalaya celebrated their foundation day on 21 January. This day reflects the historical, cultural and political importance of these three north-eastern states. Manipur and Tripura were formerly independent princely states, which merged with India in October 1949. Initially they were union territories, but on 21 January 1972, they got the status of a full state.



Meghalaya, Manipur, Tripura

Foundation day

8. Minimum Support Price of Raw Jute approved

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has fixed the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of raw jute at Rs 5,650 per quintal for the marketing season 2025-26. This price is Rs 315 per quintal higher than the 2024-25 season. In the year 2014-15, the MSP of raw jute was Rs 2,400 per quintal. MSP is the rate at which the government buys their crop from the farmers.



5. What is the rank of India in the Global Firepower Index 2025?

- A - Fourth
B - Fifth
C - Second
D - Sixth

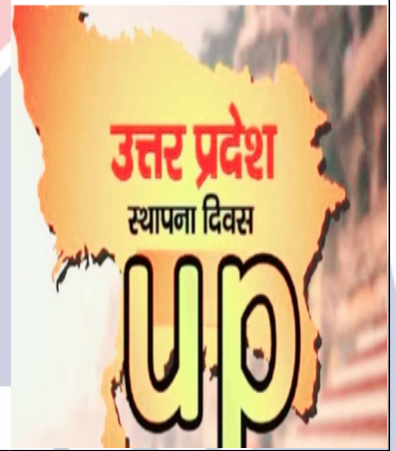
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6. Which foundation day will Uttar Pradesh celebrate in the year 2025?

- A - 77th
B - 75th
C - 76th
D - 78th

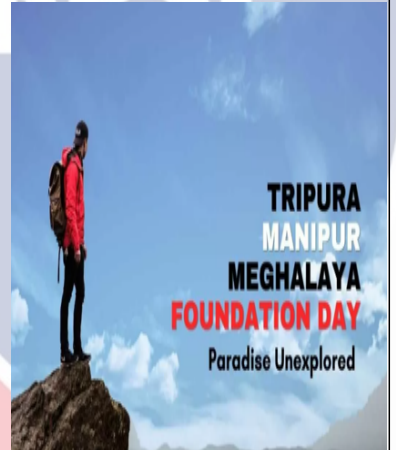
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7. When was Meghalaya given full statehood?

- A - Year – 1970
B - Year – 1972
C - Year – 1974
D - Year – 1975

Manipur, Tripura and Meghalaya celebrated their foundation day on 21st January, which signifies the historical, cultural and political significance of these states. Manipur and Tripura were earlier independent princely states which merged with India in 1949 and got full statehood on 21st January 1972. Meghalaya became an autonomous state of Assam in 1970 and got full statehood on 21st January 1972.



8. What is the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of raw jute for marketing season 2025-26?

- A - ₹ 5450 per quintal
B - ₹ 5650 per quintal
C - ₹ 5750 per quintal
D - ₹ 5800 per quintal

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One Liner

1. In which state is the Me-Gong festival celebrated - **Meghalaya**
2. Under the Deendayal Upadhyaya Landless Agricultural Labourers Welfare Scheme run by the Chhattisgarh government, how much financial assistance will be provided to each beneficiary annually - **₹ 10,000 annually**
3. When is the Indian Constitution Day celebrated - **26 November**
4. When did the Khelo India Winter Games start? - **In the year-2020**
5. According to the Global Firepower Index-2025, which country is at the bottom - **Bhutan - 145th place**
6. What is the main theme of the 'Uttar Pradesh Day' event of the year 2025 - **"Uttar Pradesh on the path of development and heritage progress"**
7. When was the foundation day of Banipur, Tripura and Meghalaya celebrated? - **On 21 January**
8. What is the theme of the joint tableau of the three armies for the first time in the Republic Day Parade 2025 - **"Strong and Safe India"**
9. Which ministry is organizing the 'Lok Samvardhan Parv' from 27 January to 2 February 2025 in New Delhi - **Ministry of Minority Affairs**
10. Where did Union Culture and Tourism Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat inaugurate the 'Bhagwat' exhibition - **Prayagraj**

