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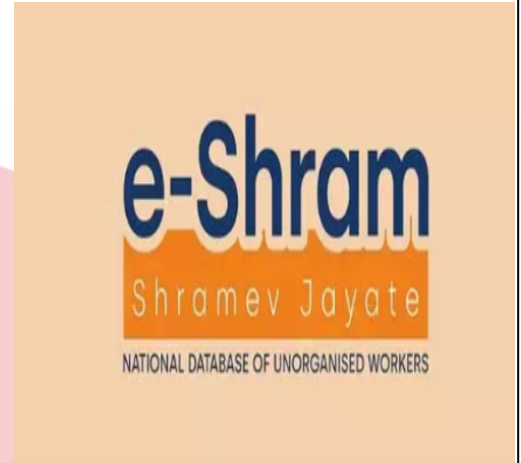


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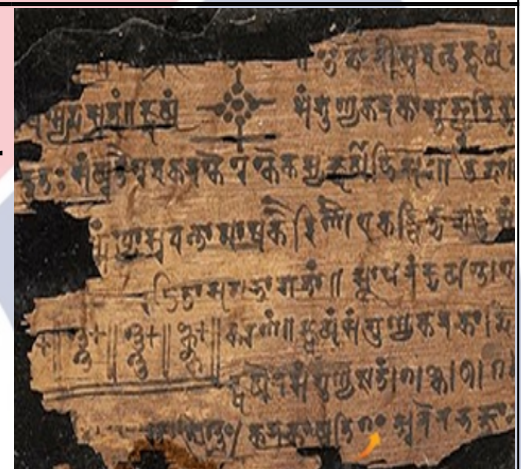
1. Number of workers on e-Shram portal.

So far, 30.58 crore unorganized sector workers have been registered on the e-Shram portal of the Central Government. More than 1.23 crore workers registered in the year 2024, adding an average of 33,700 new workers per day. The e-Shram portal was launched by the Ministry of Labor and Employment on 26 August 2021. It aims to create a national database of unorganized workers so that they can avail the benefits of various government schemes.



2. Gyan Bharatam Mission.

The Union Budget 2025-26 launched the 'Gyan Bharatam Mission', which aims to preserve India's ancient manuscript heritage. It is a Central Sector Scheme, under which more than one crore manuscripts held by academic institutions, museums, libraries and private collectors will be surveyed and documented. A budget of ₹60 crore has been allocated for this mission and it will be adjusted with the National Manuscript Mission (NMM).



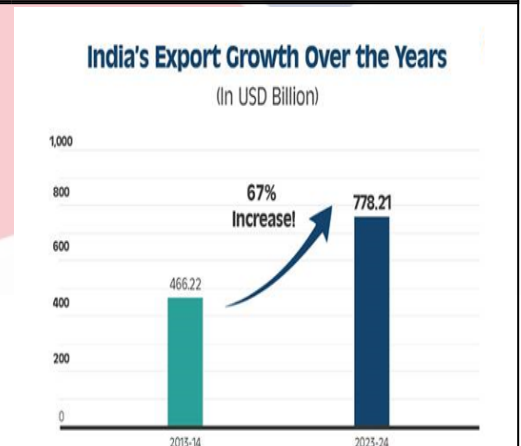
3. Bart De Wever sworn in as Belgium's new Prime Minister.

Bart De Wever was sworn in as Belgium's Prime Minister on 3 February 2025. He took over from Alexander De Croo, who was the caretaker Prime Minister after the June 2024 general election. The process of forming a government in Belgium is complicated, as the country is divided into the Dutch-speaking Flanders and French-speaking Walloon communities.



4. Indian exports at historic high of US\$ 778.21 billion in 2023-24.

India's total exports (goods and services) reached a historic high of US\$ 778.21 billion in 2023-24 from US\$ 776.3 billion in 2022-23. Compared to 2013-14, exports have increased by 67%. Total merchandise exports from India in 2023-24 stood at US\$ 437.10 billion and services sector exports at US\$ 341.11 billion. The growth in services exports was mainly led by strong performance of IT, financial and business services.



5. Maharashtra to set up country's first AI university.

Maharashtra is going to set up India's first Artificial Intelligence (AI) university, which will promote AI education, research and innovation. A task force of experts from academia, industry and government has been formed for the project. The university aims to promote AI research, technological innovation, skill development and AI policy making, thereby making Maharashtra a hub of AI education and innovation globally.



6. Avaada and Casale collaborate on 1,500 TPD green ammonia plant in Odisha.

Avaada Group has announced setting up a 1,500 tonnes per day (TPD) green ammonia plant in Gopalpur, Odisha in partnership with Casale. The project focuses on developing a zero-carbon process and using renewable energy sources. The plant will be powered entirely by renewable energy and reduce carbon emissions in industrial processes. Casale will provide the Green Ammonia Process License, Basic Engineering Package and technical support for the project.



7. WhatsApp-based 'Man Mitra' to provide 161 government services in Andhra Pradesh.

The Andhra Pradesh government has launched a WhatsApp governance initiative called 'Mana Mitra', which will enable citizens to easily access 161 government services through WhatsApp. The service was launched by IT Minister Nara Lokesh in Amaravati. The initiative has been developed in collaboration with Meta and will be enhanced with blockchain and AI technology in the future.



8. International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation 2025.

The International Day of Zero Tolerance against Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) was observed on February 6, 2025. The practice involves the partial or complete removal of the female genitals for non-medical reasons, which is internationally recognised as a violation of human rights. It is prevalent in 30 countries mainly in Africa and the Middle East, but also seen in Asia, Europe, America and Australia due to migrant communities.



1. How many workers of the unorganized sector are registered on the e-Shram portal of the Central Government recently?

- A - 20.58 crore
B - 25.58 crore
C - 30.58 crore
D - 35.58 crore

So far 30.58 crore unorganized workers have been registered on the e-Shram portal, in which 1.23 crore new workers joined in 2024. On an average, 33,700 workers are registering every day. This portal was launched on 26 August 2021 by the Ministry of Labor and Employment, with the aim of creating a national database of unorganized workers and providing them the benefits of government schemes.



2. When was the National Manuscript Mission started

- A - Year 2021
B - Year 2003
C - Year 2010
D - Year 2009

'Gyan Bharatam Mission' was launched in the Union Budget 2025-26, which aims to preserve and digitize more than one crore ancient manuscripts. A budget of ₹60 crore has been allocated for this, and it will be adjusted with the National Manuscript Mission (NMM).



3. Who has recently been sworn in as the new Prime Minister of Belgium

- A - Bart De Wever
B - Niaz Sheikh
C - Glenn Maxwell
D - Joe Burton

Bart De Wever was sworn in as the Prime Minister of Belgium on 3 February 2025, replacing Alexander De Croo. Belgian politics is complex, as it is divided into Dutch-speaking Flanders and French-speaking Walloon communities. No party won a majority in the June 2024 election, and a five-party coalition took seven months to form.



4. What was the total export from India in the year 2023 - 24.

- A - 778.21
B - 701.20
C - 600
D - 670.30

India's total exports in 2023-24 reached US\$ 778.21 billion, an increase of 67% compared to 2013-14. This includes merchandise exports of US\$ 437.10 billion and services exports of US\$ 341.11 billion. The United States (17.90%) remained India's largest export destination, followed by UAE, Netherlands and China were the major markets.



5. Recently, in which state has the opening of the country's first AI University been announced?

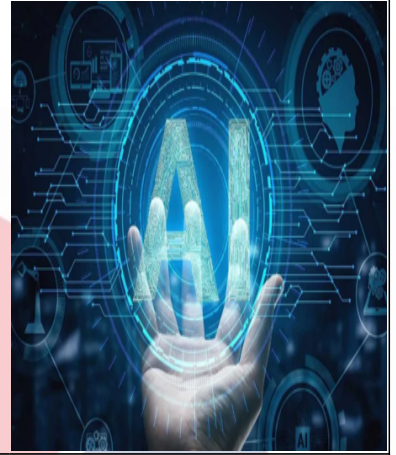
A - Gujarat

B - Maharashtra

C - Tamil Nadu

D - Odisha

Maharashtra will establish India's first Artificial Intelligence (AI) University, which will promote AI education, research and innovation. A task force has been formed for this, which includes experts from education, industry and government sector. The aim of this university is to encourage AI research, technological innovation, skill development and policy making, making Maharashtra a global AI education and innovation hub.



6. Recently, Avaada Group has signed an agreement with Casale for cooperation on 1500 TPD Green Ammonia Plant in which state of the country?

A - Odisha

B - Chhattisgarh

C - Tamil Nadu

D - Rajasthan

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7. Recently, which state government has launched WhatsApp based 'Man Mitra' initiative to provide government services?

A - Andhra Pradesh

B - Karnataka

C - Telangana

D - Uttar Pradesh

The Andhra Pradesh government launched the 'Mana Mitra' WhatsApp governance initiative, which will enable citizens to easily access 161 government services. It was launched by IT Minister Nara Lokesh in Amaravati. This service has been developed in collaboration with Meta and Andhra Pradesh has become the first state in the world to do so.



8. International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation 2025 was observed on?

A - 6 February

B - 7 February

C - 8 January

D - 5 February

The International Day of Zero Tolerance against Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) was observed on 6 February 2025. This non-medical practice is a violation of human rights and is mainly practiced in 30 countries in Africa and the Middle East, but has also been seen in other regions due to migrant communities.



International Day of Zero Tolerance for
Female Genital Mutilation



One Liner

1. Recently, how many government schemes will be made available by the Andhra Pradesh government under the WhatsApp-based Man Mitra initiative? - **161**
2. Female genital mutilation is mainly found in which region globally? - **30 countries in Africa and the Middle East**
3. With which group has Casale collaborated on a 1500 TPD green ammonia plant in Odisha? - **Avada Group**
4. Which experts are included in the task force of the first AI based university announced in Maharashtra. - **Connected to education, industry and government**
5. What was the total merchandise export from India in 2023-24? - **437.10 billion US dollars**
6. What is the capital of Belgium? - **Brussels**
7. The nodal agency of the National Manuscript Mission is - **Indira Gandhi National Center for the Arts**
8. When was the e-Shram Portal launched - **26 August 2021**
9. The “Chandrayaan to Elections” initiative has been started by whom? - **Indian Elections Commission**
10. Recently the Government of India has launched which new visa category for foreign nationals. - **'Ayush' Visa**

