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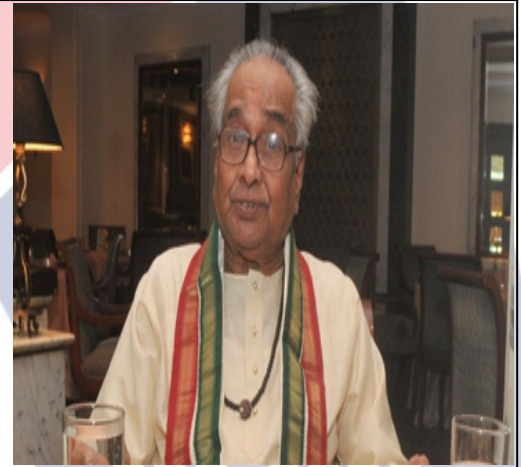
## 1. Saras Livelihood Fair

Saras Livelihood Fair - 2025 is being organized from 21 February to 10 March at Shilp Haat, Noida. Its objective is to help rural artisans and craftsmen to promote their livelihood and inclusive growth. This fair is playing an important role in taking forward the 'Vocal for Local' campaign and the vision of 'Developed India' by the year 2047.



## 2. Death of Odissi dancer Mayadhar Raut

Odissi dancer Mayadhar Raut died on 22 February 2025 at his residence in Delhi at the age of 92. He was born on 6 July 1933 in Odisha. He started training in Gotipua dance at the age of 7 and performed on stage for the first time in 1944. He is known as the father of Odissi dance. He reorganized Odissi dance on the basis of classical principles and played an important role in its revival.



## 3. "Death Anniversary of Veer Savarkar"

Veer Savarkar, i.e. Vinayak Damodar Savarkar's death anniversary is celebrated on 26 February. He completed his unique sacrifice for the nation by sacrificing his life. He was born on 28 May 1883 in Bhagur village of Nashik. His mother Radhabai died when he was only 9 years old. To play an active role in the freedom struggle, he formed a secret society called 'Mitra Mela' and in 1905, he burnt foreign clothes in Pune in protest against the partition of Bengal.



## 4. Sunil Bharti Mittal gets Britain's prestigious "Knighthood" honour

Bharti Enterprises founder and chairman Sunil Bharti Mittal recently received the insignia of "Knight Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire" (KBE). This honour was given to him by British High Commissioner Lindy Cameron in New Delhi on behalf of King Charles-III. It is one of the highest civilian honours given by Britain and is the second highest rank of the "Order of the British Empire".





## 5. Friedrich Merz becomes new Chancellor of Germany

A major political change has taken place in Germany, with Christian Democratic Union (CDU) leader Friedrich Merz set to become the country's next chancellor. His party, along with the Christian Social Union (CSU), won the 2025 federal elections, leading to a change in leadership after the tenure of Olaf Scholz. At the age of 69, Merz will be the oldest person to hold the post since Konrad Adenauer in 1949.



## 6. Accident insurance scheme for school children launched in Rajasthan

The Rajasthan government has launched the Shiksha Sanjeevani Insurance Scheme to provide accident insurance to school children. This is the first scheme of its kind in the state, which will provide personal accident insurance coverage of Rs 1 lakh to Rs 1.3 lakh to children enrolled in government schools and their parents.



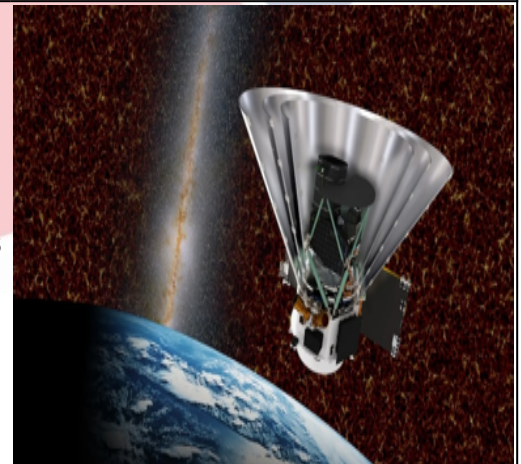
## 7. DRDO and Indian Navy successfully test fired NASM-SR missile at Chandipur

The Indian Navy successfully test fired the indigenously developed Naval Anti-Ship Missile - Short Range (NASM-SR) in collaboration with DRDO on 25 February 2025. The test was conducted from the Indian Navy's Sea King MK-42 B helicopter from the Integrated Test Range at Chandipur, Odisha. It is the country's first indigenous air-launched anti-ship missile system, capable of hitting targets flying above the sea waves.



## 8. SPHEREx Space Telescope

NASA will launch the SPHEREx space telescope through SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket. Its full name is "Spectrophotometer for the History of the Universe, Epoch of Reionization and Ice Explorer". This telescope will survey space in optical and near-infrared light and its mission duration will be two years. Its main objective is to uncover the mysteries of the origin of the universe by mapping the distribution of galaxies.



1. From when to when is Saras Aajeevika Mela - 2025 being organized ?

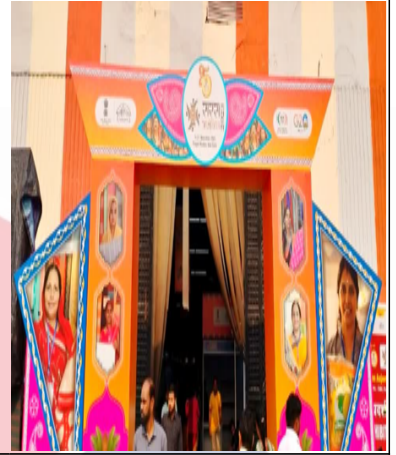
A - 21 February to 10 March

B - 21 February to 6 March

C - 26 February to 9 March

D - 27 February to 6 March

Saras Aajeevika Mela - 2025 is being organized from 21 February to 10 March at Shilp Haat in Noida, which aims to empower rural artisans and craftsmen. This fair is taking forward the 'Vocal for Local' and 'Developed India 2047' vision. Its fifth edition has been organized by the Ministry of Rural Development, with the theme "Development of the Built Capacity of Lakhpati Didi".



2. Mayadhar Raut was the great Acharya of which classical dance?

A - Kathak

B - Kuchipudi

C - Odissi

D - Bharatnatyam

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3. When is Veer Savarkar's death anniversary celebrated ?

A - 16 August

B - 26 January

C - 26 February

D - 6 March

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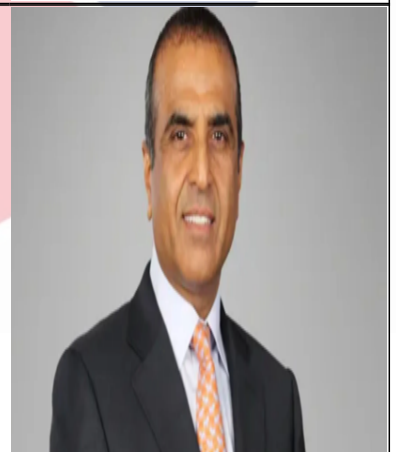
A - Gautam Adani

B - Aman Gupta

C - Sudha Murthy

D - Sunil Bharti Mittal

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## One Liner

1. What is the theme of Saras Aajeevika Mela 2005 - **"Development of the destiny capacity of Lakhpati Didi"**
2. Which Odissi dancer has died recently - **"Mayadhar Raut"**
3. When did Veer Savarkar become the President of Hindu Mahasabha - **In 1937**
4. What can people who are given the title of KBE by the British Emperor use - **Sir (male) Dame (female)**
5. Recently, Friedrich Geerz became the new Chancellor of Germany, he belongs to which party - **"Christian Democratic Union" (CDU)**
6. Which insurance company and direction will operate the Rajasthan Government's Shiksha Sanjeevani Bima Yojana - **Zurich Kotak Company, SBI, and Vander Cement**
7. What is the name of the indigenously developed air-launched anti-ship missile system - **"Naval Anti-Ship Missile Short Range (NASM-SR)"**
8. With which rocket will NASA launch the SPHEREx space telescope - **"With Falcon-9 rocket"**
9. Who founded the secret society named 'Mitra Mela' - **Veer Savarkar**
10. Which ministry is organizing Saras Aajeevika Mela - 2025 - **Ministry of Rural Development in collaboration with National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj**

