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## 1. 7th Foundation Day of NESTS

The National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) recently celebrated its 7th Foundation Day. The event was held at Akashvani Bhavan, Delhi. NESTS was established in the year 2019 under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. Its main objective is to provide quality education to tribal students. This institution establishes and operates Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) across the country.



## 2. Mizoram government launches 'Hantlangpui' cleanliness campaign

A year-long cleanliness campaign called 'Hantlangpui' has been launched in Aizawl, the capital of Mizoram. This campaign is being conducted in collaboration with Aizawl Municipal Corporation (AMC), Department of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation and Central Youth Mizo Association (CYMA). Its main objective is to keep Aizawl clean and beautiful in all seasons.



## 3. Telangana Government's 'Uttam Rice Scheme'

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has launched the Uttam Rice Distribution Scheme under the Public Distribution System (PDS). The scheme was launched on the occasion of Ugadi festival in Huzur Nagar of Suryapet district. This is the first program of its kind in India in which high quality rice will be given free of cost to eligible citizens. The scheme aims to provide food security to the people with dignity.



## 4. IIT Madras Pravartak completes training of first batch of cyber commandos

Amid rising cyber crimes, IIT Madras Pravartak Technology Foundation successfully completed the training of the first batch of cyber commandos on 1 April 2025. The initiative aims to equip law enforcement officers across the country with advanced cyber security technologies. The "Cyber Commando Program" is a flagship initiative of the Union Ministry of Home Affairs aimed at empowering India's cyber security capabilities.





## 5. The capital is leading in installing solar power plants at railway stations

Rajasthan has become the leading state in the country in installing solar power plants at railway stations. Solar power plants have been installed at 275 railway stations in the state, which is the highest in any state. After this, Maharashtra has such plants at 270 stations. This information was given by the Union Railway Minister. So far, solar power plants have been installed at a total of 2249 railway stations across the country.



## 6. Microsoft signed an agreement with Maharashtra to set up three AI centers

With the aim of promoting Digital India and AI in state administration, the Maharashtra government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Microsoft Corporation. Under this, three Artificial Intelligence (AI) Centers of Excellence will be set up in Mumbai, Pune and Nagpur. This initiative has been taken to make governance more efficient, transparent and people-centric. Microsoft will train state employees in the use of its Co-Pilot AI platform.



## 7. Actor, director, producer Manoj Kumar passes away

Veteran actor, producer and director of Hindi cinema Manoj Kumar passed away on 4 April 2025 in Mumbai. He was born in 1937 in Abbottabad (now in Pakistan) as Harikrishnan Goswami. He adopted the name 'Manoj Kumar' to enter the film world. His first film 'Fashion' was released in 1957. He got recognition from the 1965 film 'Gumnaam'. In 1967, he made the patriotic film 'Upkar' inspired by the slogan 'Jai Jawan Jai Kisan', which made him famous as 'Bharat Kumar'.



## 8. The Lok Sabha passed the "Waqf (Amendment) Bill, 2025" to amend the Waqf Act, 1995.

The Lok Sabha has repealed the Muslim Waqf Act, 1923 by approving the Muslim Waqf (Repeal) Bill, 2024. With this, the main provisions of the Waqf (Amendment) Bill, 2025 have been implemented. The main objective of this bill is to better manage Waqf assets, empower stakeholders and establish an efficient management system. Now only legally owned property will be included in Waqf.





**1. When was the National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) established?**

- A - Year 2019**  
C - Year 2020

- B - Year 2018  
D - Year 2021

The National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) celebrated its 7th Foundation Day at Akashvani Bhavan, Delhi. Established in the year 2019 under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, this institution aims to provide quality education to tribal students. NESTS is running 477 Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) across the country, in which more than 1.38 lakh students are studying and 9,075 teachers and staff are working.



**2. 'Hantlangpui' cleanliness campaign is related to which state?**

- A - Nagaland**  
C - Mizoram

- B - W. Bengal  
D - Assam

A year-long cleanliness campaign called 'Hantlangpui' has been launched in Aizawl, the capital of Mizoram. It is being run in collaboration with Aizawl Municipal Corporation, Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation Department and Central Youth Mizo Association (CYMA).

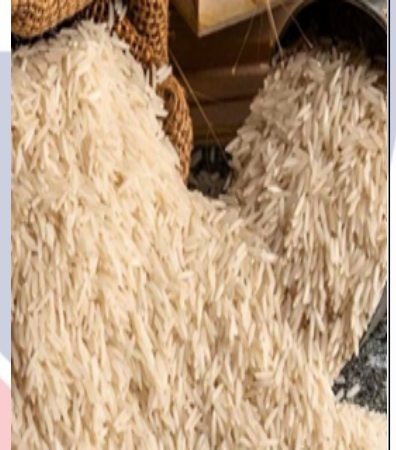


**3. Recently, the 'Uttam Chawal' scheme was launched by which state government?**

- A - Tamil Nadu**  
C - Karnataka

- B - Kerala**  
D - Telangana

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy launched the Uttam Rice Distribution Scheme in Huzur Nagar of Suryapet district on the occasion of Ugadi festival. This is the first such scheme in India in which high quality rice will be given to eligible citizens for free. Under this, every eligible ration card holder will get 6 kg of Uttam rice per person per month.



**4. Which institute has completed the training of the first batch of cyber commandos to prevent cyber crimes?**

- A - IIT Delhi**  
C - IIT Madras

- B - IIT Kanpur  
D - IIT Kharagpur

IIT Madras Pravartak Technology Foundation completed the training of the first batch of cyber commandos on 1 April 2025. It is an initiative of the Union Home Ministry, aimed at equipping law enforcement officials with advanced cyber security techniques. In this six-month residential program, 37 officers were trained in digital forensics, ethical hacking, cyber threat intelligence and live attack simulation.





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**5. As of February 2025, which state of India has installed solar power plants at the highest number of railway stations?**

- A - Madhya Pradesh  
B - Rajasthan  
C - Chhattisgarh  
D - Jharkhand

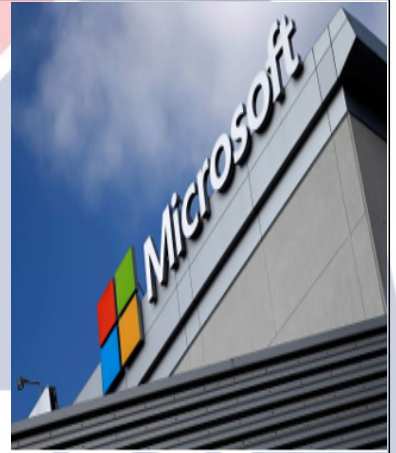
Rajasthan has become the leading state in the country by installing solar power plants at 275 railway stations, followed by Maharashtra. So far, such plants have been installed at 2249 stations across the country. In the financial year 2024-25, India added 25 GW of additional renewable energy, including 6 GW of solar power.



**6. Recently, Microsoft has signed an agreement with which state government to set up three AI centers?**

- A - Maharashtra  
B - Odisha  
C - Delhi  
D - Punjab

The Maharashtra government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Microsoft to promote Digital India and AI. Under this, three AI centers of excellence will be set up in Mumbai, Pune and Nagpur. Microsoft will train state employees on its Co-Pilot AI platform.



**7. Recently, famous Hindi film actor Manoj Kumar has passed away, when was he given the Dadasaheb Phalke Award?**

- A - Year 2011  
B - Year 2015  
C - Year 2016  
D - Year 2017

Famous Hindi cinema actor, producer and director Manoj Kumar passed away on 4 April 2025 in Mumbai. He was born in 1937 in Abbottabad (now in Pakistan). He started his film career with the name 'Manoj Kumar' in 1957 with the film 'Fashion'. In 1967, he got the title of 'Bharat Kumar' from the patriotic film 'Upkaar'.



**8. "Waqf (Amendment) Act - 2025" will amend which Act of Waqf?**

- A - Waqf Act - 1995  
B - Waqf Act - 1996  
C - Waqf Act - 1997  
D - Waqf Act - 1998

The Lok Sabha has passed the Muslim Waqf (Repeal) Bill, 2024, repealing the old law of 1923 and implementing the provisions of the Waqf (Amendment) Bill, 2025. The new law aims to ensure transparent and efficient management of Waqf properties. Now only property with legitimate ownership can be declared as Waqf.



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## One Liner

1. National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) works under which ministry?  
- **"Ministry of Tribal Affairs"**
2. Recently, the Mizoram government has launched a cleanliness campaign under what name to beautify the capital Aizawl? - **" Hantlangpui"**
3. Ugadi festival is mainly celebrated in which region? - **In South India**
4. "Cyber Commando Program" is an initiative of which ministry of the Government of India? - **"Union Home Ministry"**
5. Indian Railways has set a target of setting up 20 gigawatt solar power plants on its vacant land by when? - **"By the year 2030"**
6. In which cities of Maharashtra, Microsoft Corporation will help the state government to set up Artificial Intelligence (AI) centers? - **"Mumbai, Nagpur and Pune"**
7. Recently, in which city did famous Hindi film actor, director Manoj Kumar die? - **"Mumbai"**
8. Under the Waqf Amendment Act 2025, who has the right to create a Waqf? - **Only the legal owner of the property**
9. Who has been recently appointed to the Managing Director Advisory Council of IMF?  
- **N. Chandrasekaran**
10. Prime Minister Narendra Modi was recently given a guard of honor before the sixth BIMSTEC conference? - **"Thailand"**

