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Implementation of the 'PM-SHRI Scheme' in Rajasthan



Why in News?

- Approval was granted for ₹226.38 crore for all PM-SHRI schools in Rajasthan for the 2026-27 academic session during the Project Approval Board (PAB) meeting of the Union Ministry of Education's Department of School Education and Literacy.



The poster features a green background with white and yellow text. At the top, it displays the Ministry of Education, Government of India logo and the 75th Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav logo. The main title 'PM SHRI Schools' is in large yellow letters, followed by '(PM Schools for Rising India)' in green. Below this, the tagline 'Nurturing well-rounded individuals equipped with 21st century skills' is written in white. On the left, there is a portrait of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. To the right of the portrait, there are four bullet points in white text, each preceded by a yellow horizontal line. The poster is decorated with various white line-art icons representing science, technology, and education.

Ministry of Education
Government of India

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Azadi Ka
Amrit Mahotsav

PM SHRI Schools

(PM Schools for Rising India)

*Nurturing well-rounded individuals equipped with
21st century skills*

More than 14500 Schools across
the country to be upgraded &
developed

To act as exemplar schools & also
offer mentorship to other schools
in their vicinity

To showcase all components of
the National Education Policy 2020

Pedagogy adopted in these
schools will be more experiential,
holistic, integrated & play/toy-
based

To benefit lakhs of students across
the country

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Key Points:

- This is the largest budget allocation to date for PM-SHRI schools in Rajasthan.
- The PM-SHRI schools operating in the state are based on the concept of 'excellent management,' providing students with a practical learning environment and modern educational facilities.
- The 'PM-SHRI Scheme' is being implemented in Rajasthan in two phases.
- **First Phase:** 402 schools in the state were selected.
- **Second Phase:** 237 schools were selected from the state's 33 districts.
- The total of 639 schools selected in the state under this scheme comprises 16 primary, 123 upper primary, 18 secondary, and 482 senior secondary schools.
- Under the Prime Minister Schools for Rising India (PM-SHRI) scheme, schools in Rajasthan are being developed as 'Centres of Excellence.' Digital libraries have been established in 500 of these PM-SHRI schools, and O-Labs have been set up in 142 schools.
- **Related Departments:** At the national level, the 'Department of School Education and Literacy'; and at the state level, the Rajasthan School Education Council and the Education Department.

Prime Minister Schools for Rising India (PM-SHRI)

- **Cabinet Approval:** On September 7, 2022
- **Type:** Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
- **Objective:** To establish 14,500 model schools.
- To foster holistic education, 21st-century skill development, and eco-friendly infrastructure in the selected schools.

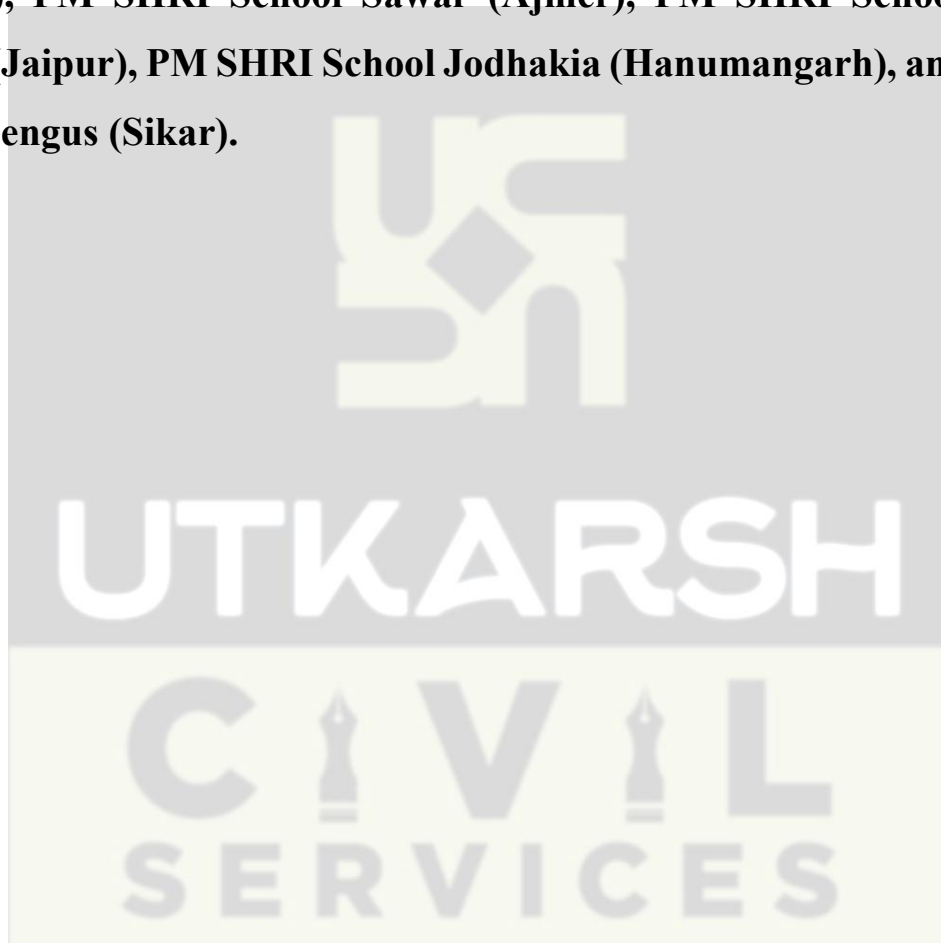
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Facts for Prelims:

- The Rajasthan government released a state-level ranking of all 639 PM-SHRI schools in the state for the first time.
- **Top five PM SHRI schools according to the ranking:** PM SHRI School Dhawa (Jodhpur), PM SHRI School Sawar (Ajmer), PM SHRI School Manpura Machedi (Jaipur), PM SHRI School Jodhakia (Hanumangarh), and PM SHRI School Reengus (Sikar).



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Pilot Project for Dedicated Intervention and Life-Saving STEMI Emergency (DILSE)

Why in News?

- A pilot project for the 'Dedicated Intervention and Life-Saving STEMI Emergency' (DILSE) scheme has been implemented in Community Health Centers (CHCs) and major hospitals in Ajmer and Kota to ensure heart attack patients receive treatment during the 'golden hour' (the initial one hour).

Pilot Project of the

DEDICATED INTERVENTION AND LIFE-SAVING STEMI EMERGENCY (DILSE)

in Rajasthan

Timely Intervention. Proven Care. Saving Lives.



- Saving Lives**
Rapid treatment for STEMI patients through timely intervention.
- Dedicated Care**
Dedicated Cath Labs and trained teams for round-the-clock STEMI care.
- Faster Response**
Streamlined referral and transport system to reduce door-to-balloon time.
- Stronger Network**
Creating a robust STEMI care network across Rajasthan hospitals.

Key Points:

- Under this initiative, heart patients at selected CHCs will undergo Electrocardiograph (ECG) testing and receive treatment via medication and the thrombolysis method.
- Thrombolysis is an emergency medical procedure used to restore normal blood flow by dissolving dangerous blood clots formed in the vessels. It is also known as thrombolytic or fibrinolytic therapy.

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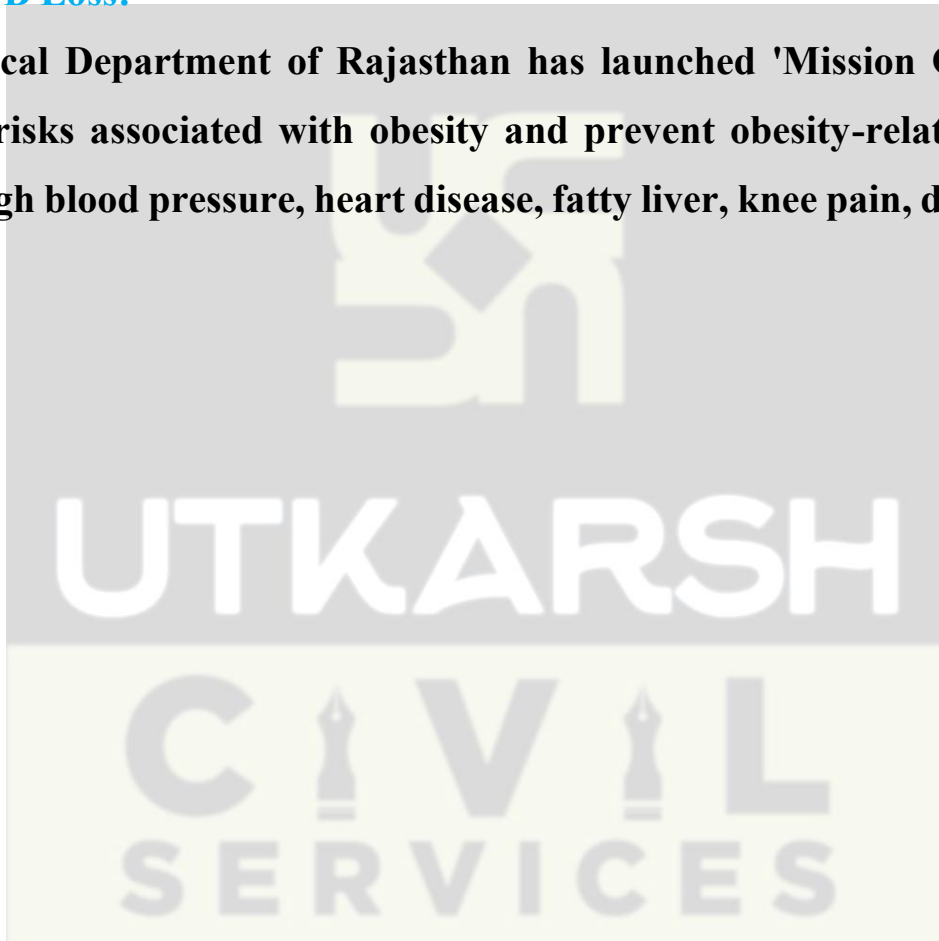


- Twenty-three hospitals in Ajmer and 19 in Kota are participating in this pilot project. Following the pilot phase, the scheme will be implemented across the entire state.

Facts for Prelims:

Mission OB Loss:

- The Medical Department of Rajasthan has launched 'Mission OB Loss' to curb the risks associated with obesity and prevent obesity-related ailments such as high blood pressure, heart disease, fatty liver, knee pain, diabetes, and cancer.



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'Shala Darpan Portal' Developed by the Rajasthan Education Department

Why in News?

- The 'Shala Darpan Portal,' operated by the Rajasthan Education Department with the aim of giving a new direction to education in the digital age, has established itself as a comprehensive educational platform for students.

डिजिटल क्रांति की दिशा में
शिक्षा विभाग
का नवाचार

विद्यार्थियों के भविष्य को उज्ज्वल बनाने में अहम भूमिका निभा रहा 'शाला संवाद'

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विषयवार वीडियो लेक्चर, एनसीईआरटी और आरबीएसई पाठ्यक्रम आधारित ई-कॉन्टेंट, विस्तृत प्रश्न बैंक, दूरदर्शन द्वारा प्रसारित शैक्षणिक कार्यक्रमों की सामग्री और ई-पत्रिकाएँ एक ही प्लेटफॉर्म पर उपलब्ध

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Key Points:

- The integrated Shala Darpan Portal is an online database management system of the School Education Department, Government of Rajasthan.
- **Design and Development:** By the National Informatics Centre (NIC), Rajasthan, for the Rajasthan School Education Council.
- This portal consolidates real-time information regarding all government schools, students, teachers, and education offices in the state at a single location.
- The 'School-Shala Samvad' section of this portal provides diverse and high-quality study material for students from classes 1 to 12.

Interactive Platform 'Talk to Teacher':

- The 'Talk to Teacher' feature of the Shala Darpan Portal serves as an interactive platform for students.
- Through this facility, students can connect directly with teachers and find solutions to study-related problems, doubts, or difficulties.

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HZL's Ecological Restoration Project: Chanderia (Chittorgarh)

Why in News?

- Recently, Hindustan Zinc Limited (HZL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with 'The Energy and Resources Institute' (TERI) to develop an ecological restoration project covering an area of 250 hectares.

Hindustan Zinc partners TERI for 250- hectare ecological restoration project in Rajasthan



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Key Points:

- **Project Development:** At the Chanderia Lead-Zinc Smelter Complex located in Chittorgarh district.
- This initiative aligns with Hindustan Zinc's comprehensive ESG strategy, which encompasses land rehabilitation, biodiversity conservation, water management, and carbon emission reduction.
- An ecological restoration project is a scientific and practical process wherein ecosystems—destroyed, damaged, or degraded due to human activities, pollution, or natural disasters—are rehabilitated and restored to their original natural state.

Other Important Points:

Hindustan Zinc Limited (HZL):

- Hindustan Zinc Limited (HZL) is a Vedanta Group company; it is the world's largest integrated zinc producer and ranks among the top 5 silver producers globally.
- **Establishment:** In Year 1966.
- **Headquarters:** Udaipur (Rajasthan).
- In 2024, the company launched 'EcoZen,' Asia's first 'low-carbon green zinc' brand.
- Hindustan Zinc Limited is the first Indian company to join the 'International Council on Mining and Metals (ICMM)' in 2025.
- Hindustan Zinc was recently ranked as the world's most sustainable metal and mining company for the third consecutive year in the S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment - 2025.



Date Palm Cultivation in the Arid Regions of Rajasthan



Why in News?

- 'Date Palm Day' was celebrated on June 9, 2026, in Jodhpur by the ICAR-Central Arid Zone Research Institute (CAZRI), Jodhpur.



Key Points:

- The primary objective of this event is to promote date palm cultivation in arid regions.
- During the event, CAZRI scientists demonstrated the scientific cultivation, processing, value addition, and characteristics of various advanced date palm varieties suitable for Rajasthan's arid regions, such as Halawy, Barhi, Medjool, Khunezi, and ADP-1.
- **Suitable districts:** Barmer, Bikaner, Jaisalmer, Jodhpur, Nagaur, Jalore, Sri Ganganagar, and Churu.



Facts for Prelims:

- **Central Arid Zone Research Institute (CAZRI), Jodhpur**
- **Establishment:** In the year 1959, under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).
- **Headquarters:** Jodhpur.
- **Regional Research Centres:** Located in Bikaner, Jaisalmer, Pali, Jalore, and Bhuj (Gujarat).
- **Main Objective:** To conduct research for sustainable agriculture, conservation of natural resources, and improvement of rural livelihoods in arid and semi-arid regions.

Key Areas of Work:

- **Land and Water Conservation** – Preventing soil erosion in desert areas and ensuring the efficient use of water.
- **Vegetation Research** – Development of low-water-requirement crops, fodder production, and horticultural practices.
- **Livestock Research** – Breed improvement and management of arid-zone livestock such as camels, sheep, and goats.
- **Technology Development** – Irrigation techniques, rainwater harvesting, and solar energy-based equipment for desert regions.
- **Climate Research** – Studying the impact of climate change in desert areas.



NEWS IN SHORTS



S. No.	News
1.	Vir Chakra for the Group Captain Animesh Patni ■ President Droupadi Murmu conferred the 'Vir Chakra'—India's third-highest wartime gallantry award—upon Indian Air Force Group Captain Animesh Patni, a resident of Kunjed in Baran district, for exceptional valour and strategic leadership during 'Operation Sindoor'. ■ The top three gallantry awards presented for acts of bravery and valour during war are: 1. Param Vir Chakra, 2. Maha Vir Chakra, and 3. Vir Chakra.
2.	16th State-Level Junior Men's Hockey Competition ■ Event: Held in Pali from June 4 to June 7, 2026. ■ Winner: Jaipur defeated Alwar 3-1 in the final. ■ Winner of Third-place match: Hanumangarh defeated Bhilwara.
3.	Sixth Phase of Yuva Sangam ■ Under Yuva Sangam Phase-6, a delegation comprising 47 delegates and 6 coordinators from IIIT Dharwad (Karnataka) have recently arrived at the Malaviya National Institute of Technology in Jaipur. ■ Yuva Sangam is a major youth exchange program conducted under the 'Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat' initiative of the Ministry of Education, Government of India. ■ Its primary objective is to foster national unity and mutual understanding among the country's youth by connecting them with the culture, tourism, and development of other states and union territories.



4.

Project Lakshman Rekha

- Recently, the Anti-Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) of the Rajasthan Police launched 'Project Lakshman Rekha' with the aim of making the state completely drug-free.
- The main objective of this special campaign is to protect youth and students from the trap of drug abuse.
- Under this project, institutional management, teachers, and students are being designated as 'Anti-Drug Warriors'; they will play an active role in keeping the 500-meter area surrounding their respective institutions drug-free.

5.

North Zone National Squash High-Performance Camp: Jaipur

- Recently, The North Zone National Squash High-Performance Camp was organized for the first time at the Rajasthan Squash Academy, located within the Sawai Mansingh (SMS) Stadium in Jaipur.
- **Organizers:** Squash Rackets Federation of India (SRFI), Sports Authority of India (SAI)

6.

Devanshi Sharma: Gold Medal at World Yogasana

Championship 2026

- Jaipur resident Devanshi Sharma won the gold medal in the Senior-B Hand Balance Individual event at the inaugural World Yogasana Championship 2026 held in Ahmedabad.



7.

MoU between MGSU and RKCL

- During the 23rd Foundation Day celebrations of Maharaja Ganga Singh University (MGSU), a significant initiative was taken towards the effective implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP-2020). The university recognized 11 job-oriented training programs (4-credit/120-hour) offered by Rajasthan Knowledge Corporation Limited (RKCL) for the internship of students pursuing undergraduate (UG) courses.
- An MoU was signed between MGSU and RKCL in this regard.
- These RKCL training programs will provide students with audio-visual content, hands-on training, and project opportunities, enabling them to choose programs based on their interests and develop their skills and personalities.

8.

India Food Business Expo – 2026

- **Event:** Held from June 5 to 7, 2026, at the Rajasthan International Centre (RIC), Jaipur.
- **Organizers:** Rajasthan Udyog Vyapar Mahasangh and TPN Solutions.
- **Objective:** To promote business related to food processing, packaging, and the food industry.

9.

Rajasthan League Senior Women's 'A' Division 2025-26

- **Venue:** RUFC Academy, Jaipur.
- **Organizer:** Rajasthan Football Association (RFA).
- **Winning Team:** Zinc Football Academy (ZFA), Zawar (Udaipur).
- **Runner-up Team:** Jaipur City FC.

10.

Two Youths from Rajasthan Featured in 'Forbes-30 Under 30 Asia 2026'

- Two young entrepreneurs from Jaipur, Dhaval Jain and Jai Sharma, have been included in the prestigious 'Forbes-30 Under 30 Asia 2026' list.
- Dhaval Jain and Jai Sharma, together with Aman Kumar from Bihar, founded the health-tech startup "Mev Health" in 2023.





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Food Planet Prize 2026

[THE HINDU]



Why in News?

- The Andhra Pradesh Community-managed Natural Farming (APCNF) program has won the Food Planet Prize 2026.
- The Food Planet Prize was established in 2019 by Sweden's Curt Bergfors Foundation.
- It is considered the world's largest environmental prize dedicated to transforming global food systems.
- The selection of APCNF marks the first time an Indian initiative has received this award.



Key Points:

APCNF Program

- Launched in 2016 through Rythu Sadhikara Samstha (RySS), this program promotes natural farming by reducing reliance on chemical fertilizers and pesticides.

Norway Chess, 2026

[Source: AIR, FIDE, and The Hindu]

Why in News?

- Indian Grandmaster R. Praggnanandhaa Rameshbabu won the Norway Chess 2026 title by defeating German player Vincent Keymer in the 10th and final round, becoming the first Indian to win this prestigious tournament.



Key Points:

- Event:** Held from May 25, 2026, to June 5, 2026, at the Deichman Bjørvika Library in Oslo, Norway.
- Rankings:**
 - Norway Men's Chess, 2026:

Rank	Winner	Country	score
1.	Praggnanandhaa Rameshbabu	India	18
2.	Wesley So	USA	17
3.	Alireza Firouzja	France	15½
4.	Magnus Carlsen	Norway	13
5.	Vincent Keymer	Germany	11
6.	Gukesh Dommaraju	India	8

- Norway Women's Chess, 2026:

Rank	Winner	Country	score
1.	Bibisara Assaubayeva	Kazakhstan	16.5
2.	Zhu Jiner	China	16
3.	Anna Muzychuk	Ukraine	15

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- Pragganandhaa defeated Magnus Carlsen twice in classical games and also defeated the reigning World Champion, D. Gukesh.
- In this tournament, Divya Deshmukh (10 points) and Humpy Koneru (9 points) finished in 5th and 6th place, respectively.



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Boxer Jaismine Lamboria

[Source: AIR]

Why in News?

- Jaismine Lamboria has secured the number one spot in the women's 57 kg weight category in the world boxing rankings.
- Asian Championship gold medalists Priya Ghanghas (60 kg) and Vishwanath Suresh (50 kg) are among the top three in their respective categories.
- Indian boxer Jaismine Lamboria won the featherweight (57 kg) title at the Women's World Boxing Championships held in Liverpool by defeating Paris Olympics silver medalist Julia Szeremeta.



K.S. Bharat

[Source: AIR]



Why in News?

- Wicketkeeper-batter K.S. Bharat has retired from international cricket.
- He represented India in Test cricket.
- Bharat was part of the Indian squad that played the World Test Championship final against Australia in June 2023.



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Economic Developments



Ease of Doing Business: Strengthening India's Business Framework

[PIB]



Why in News?

- India has undertaken comprehensive reforms to create a transparent, technology-driven, and trust-based business ecosystem, thereby boosting investor confidence and enhancing global competitiveness.



Key Points:

Progress in Ease of Doing Business in India

- India's ranking in the World Bank's 'Doing Business' report improved from 142nd in 2014 to 63rd in 2019, reflecting significant improvements in the regulatory environment.
- India's position in the IMD World Competitiveness Ranking improved from 43rd in 2021 to 41st in 2025.
- India has consistently been placed in 'Group A' of the World Bank's Government Technology Maturity Index, reflecting advanced digital governance capabilities.
- The UN E-Government Survey has recognized India's progress in online public services, digital infrastructure, and technology-based governance.

Improvements in Business Entry and Formalization

- **Growth of the Startup Ecosystem:** The 'Startup India' initiative has fostered innovation, entrepreneurship, and job creation through financial support, incubation facilities, and regulatory incentives.

The number of recognized startups rose from 502 in 2016 to over 2.23 lakh by March 2026.

- **Simplification of Company Registration:** The SPICe+ platform has integrated multiple registrations—such as PAN, TAN, GST, EPFO, ESIC, and bank account opening—into a single online application.
- **Formalization of MSMEs:** The 'Udyam Registration' portal has enabled paperless and self-declaration-based registration for MSMEs.

Reforms in Land and Property Administration

- The Digital India Land Records Modernization Programme has digitized land records and land record maps, leading to a reduction in disputes and improved transparency.

The Unique Land Parcel Identification Number (ULPIN) has created a unique digital identity for land parcels, enabling accurate land management.



- The National Generic Document Registration System has streamlined property transactions and boosted Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) by providing a comprehensive user interface for property and document registration.

Simplifying Regulatory Approvals

- **Labour Reforms:** The Labour Codes have consolidated multiple labour laws into a simplified legal framework.
Single registration, single returns, and all-India licensing have reduced compliance costs for businesses.
- The National Single Window System provides an integrated platform for obtaining approvals and clearances from multiple ministries and states.
- **Environmental Clearances:** The PARIVESH portal has digitized clearances related to environment, forests, wildlife, and coastal regulations.

Improving Market Access and Logistics

- The Government e-Marketplace (GeM) has expanded procurement opportunities for MSMEs, startups, women entrepreneurs, and self-help groups through a transparent digital platform. It has fostered inclusive participation in public procurement.
- The Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) has created an open and interoperable digital commerce ecosystem that enables small businesses to compete on equal terms with large e-commerce platforms.
- PM GatiShakti has improved multi-modal connectivity through integrated infrastructure planning.



Facilitating Access to Credit

- **Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana:** The PM MUDRA Yojana has expanded financial inclusion by providing collateral-free loans to micro and small enterprises.
- Credit Assessment Models utilize digital financial data for automated credit evaluation, thereby reducing processing time and improving loan disbursement.
- The Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) has improved liquidity for MSMEs by enabling faster realization of payments from corporate buyers and government entities.

Tax Reforms and Compliance Simplification

- **Goods and Services Tax (GST):** It has replaced multiple indirect taxes with a unified tax structure, creating a common national market. This has reduced the uneven distribution of taxes, improved transparency, and facilitated inter-state trade.
- The e-way bill system has streamlined the movement of goods between states by replacing multiple permits with a single electronic document.

Boosting Cross-Border Trade

- The 'Districts as Export Hubs' initiative aims to boost exports, manufacturing, and employment at the grassroots level.
- ICEGATE (Indian Customs Electronic Gateway) serves as a centralized hub for all electronic exchanges between Indian Customs and the trade community.

It offers a range of services, including e-filing, online submission of amendments, online fee payments, and query resolution.



- The 'Trade Connect' e-platform provides comprehensive international trade-related information and services to all exporters, including Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), facilitating easy access to global markets.

Expanding Digital Public Infrastructure

- The Unified Payments Interface (UPI) has revolutionized digital payments by enabling instant, secure, and low-cost transactions.
- 'EntityLocker' is a digital locker for entities that empowers organizations by providing a secure, cloud-based platform to store, share, and verify digital documents and certificates.

Establishing a Trust-Based Governance Framework

- Under the 'Jan Vishwas' reforms, hundreds of minor business-related offenses have been decriminalized. These reforms have reduced the fear of criminal prosecution for procedural violations and encouraged voluntary compliance.
- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), 2016, established a time-bound framework for insolvency resolution.
Subsequent amendments have improved procedural efficiency, strengthened creditors' rights, and boosted investor confidence.

Challenges

- Land acquisition and contract enforcement face persistent delays due to disputes, procedural complexities, and judicial backlogs.
- Variations in the implementation of reforms across different states and districts create an uneven business environment.
- Logistics costs remain relatively high compared to other competing economies, impacting industrial competitiveness.
- Small and medium enterprises continue to face hurdles in accessing finance, technology, skilled manpower, and global markets.

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- Despite reforms in bankruptcy and regulatory frameworks, the resolution of commercial disputes remains time-consuming.
- Global economic uncertainties and supply chain disruptions continue to pose risks to investment and trade growth.



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Indian Governance and State System

Defence Investiture Ceremony, 2025 (Phase-I)

[Source: PIB]

Why in News?

- On June 8, 2026, the President conferred 7 Kirti Chakras (including 2 posthumous), 15 Vir Chakras (including 3 posthumous), and 29 Shaurya Chakras (including 1 posthumous) upon personnel from the Defence Forces, Central Armed Police Forces, and State/Union Territory Police forces during the first phase of the Defence Investiture Ceremony, 2026, held at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.



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Key Points:

- **Shaurya Chakra:** Colonel Nitesh Bharti Shukla, Major Aditya Pratap Singh, Major Ashish Kumar, Constable/GD Sanjay Tiwari and Constable/GD Fedal Hussain Dar, Mohammad Shafiq, Commander Suraj Parashar, Ram Goyal, Saddam Hussain, Vipin Wilson, Bhoj Ram Sahu, Abhimanyu Singh, Bhargav Kalita, Leishangthem Deepak Singh, Anshul Baltu, Shivkant Yadav, Subedar P.H. Moses, Major Vivek, Manglem Sang Vaiphei, Ghatge Aditya Shrikumar, Yogendra Singh Thakur, Shamsheer Singh, Rahul Singh, Dhurba Jyoti Dutta, Dilna K., and Commander Roopa A.
- **Vir Chakra:** Koshank Lamba, Ranjit Singh Sidhu, Manish Arora, Animesh Patni, Kunal Kalra, Joy Chandra, Sushil Bisht, Sarthak Kumar, Siddhant Singh, Rizwan Malik, Arshvir Singh Thakur, and Satish Kumar.
- **Kirti Chakra:** Meenakshi Sundaram A., Subedar Doleshwar Subba, Arshdeep Singh, Prashant Balakrishnan Nair, and Lalrinawma Sailo.
- **Shaurya Chakra (Posthumous):** Baldev Chand
- **Vir Chakra (Posthumous):** Mohammad Imteyaz, Deepak Chingkhram, and Rifleman Sunil Kumar.
- **Kirti Chakra (Posthumous):** Janjal Pravin Prabhakar and Shashank Tiwari

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Schemes and Policies

Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan: 10 Years Completed

[Source: PIB]

Why in News?

- On June 9, 2026, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare organized a nationwide event titled "PMSMA: Ten Years – A Decade of Care" to mark the completion of 10 years of the Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA).
- Commemorative Coin and Postage Stamp:** To showcase the scheme's decade of service in promoting safe motherhood and improving maternal health services across the country, the Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare released a special commemorative coin worth ₹75 and a postage stamp worth ₹5.



The infographic features a pregnant woman on the left and a portrait of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the right. The central text reads '10 साल सुरक्षित मातृत्व को बढ़ावा देने का एक दशक।' (10 Years of promoting safe motherhood). Below this, it states 'प्रधानमंत्री सुरक्षित मातृत्व अभियान (PMSMA) - सरकारी स्वास्थ्य सुविधाओं में व्यापक प्रसवपूर्व जांच के 10 वर्ष।' (Prime Minister's Safe Motherhood Mission (PMSMA) - 10 years of comprehensive pre-natal checkups in government health facilities). A banner at the bottom says 'आपके नज़दीकी स्वास्थ्य केंद्र पर उपलब्ध निःशुल्क सेवाएं' (Free services available at your nearest health center). The services listed are: विशेषज्ञ द्वारा सेवाएं (Services by specialists), अल्ट्रासाउंड (Ultrasound), उच्च जोखिम गर्भावस्था (HRP) की पहचान एवं प्रबंधन (Identification and management of High Risk Pregnancy), सुरक्षित प्रसव तक उच्च जोखिम गर्भवती महिलाओं की व्यक्तिगत निगरानी व जांच (Personalized monitoring and checkups for high-risk pregnant women until safe delivery), PMSMA सत्र में भाग लेने के लिए गर्भवती महिलाओं को परिवहन हेतु प्रोत्साहन (Incentives for pregnant women to participate in PMSMA sessions for transport), सुरक्षित प्रसव के लिए निकटतम प्रथम रेफरल इकाई (FRU) से संपर्क (Contact the nearest primary referral unit for safe delivery), रक्त व मूत्र की सभी आवश्यक जांच (All necessary blood and urine tests), आयर्न, कैल्शियम गोली एवं 10 टैबलेट्स (Iron, Calcium tablets and 10 tablets), पोषण, संतुलित आहार एवं परिवार नियोजन पर परामर्श (Nutrition, balanced diet and family planning advice).

हर महीने की 9 तारीख को नियमित जांच के लिए अपने नज़दीकी सरकारी स्वास्थ्य केंद्र पर जाएं।

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Key Points:



Need for the Campaign:

- Prior to the launch of the Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA), during 2014–16, India's Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) stood at 130 per lakh live births.
- India is committed to achieving the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) of reducing the maternal mortality ratio to below 70 per lakh births by the year 2030.



Launch: Launched on June 9, 2016.



Objective: To provide assured, comprehensive, and quality Antenatal Care (ANC) services free of cost to all pregnant women on the 9th of every month, especially during the second and third trimesters of pregnancy.



Ministry: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.



Main Goal: Its primary goal is to reduce maternal and neonatal mortality rates by ensuring the early detection and prompt management of high-risk pregnancies.



Key Features:

KEY FEATURES OF PMSMA

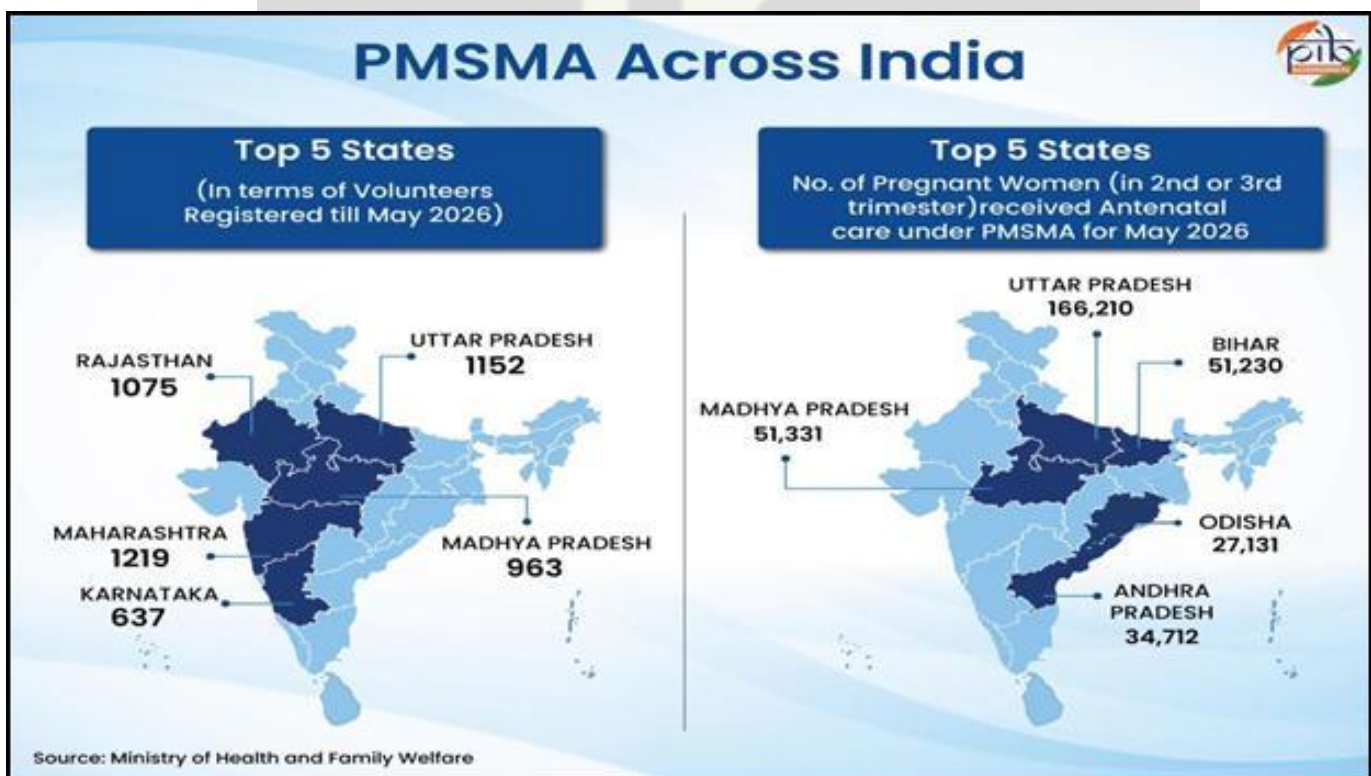
- Monthly antenatal checkups on the 9th of every month at public health facilities.
- Services provided by OBGY specialists, radiologists, physicians, with private sector support.
- Minimum package for every woman: essential investigations (including 2nd trimester ultrasound) and medicines (IFA, calcium).
- Single window system for all ANC services and investigations.
- Special focus on:
 - Unregistered or missed ANC women
 - Dropouts
 - High-risk pregnancies
- Distribution of Mother and Child Protection Cards and safe motherhood booklets.
- High-risk pregnancy identification:
 - Green sticker: no risk
 - Red sticker: high risk



1. **Extended PMSMA (E-PMSMA):** The E-PMSMA strategy was launched in January 2022 to ensure the tracing and tracking of High-Risk Pregnant (HRP) women until safe delivery.
 - **Key features of E-PMSMA:** Name-based line-listing of HRP women, provision for additional PMSMA sessions (up to four times a month), and individualized monitoring of HRP women until a healthy outcome is achieved (up to 45 days postpartum).
 2. **Integration with National Health Policies:** Integration has been established with Janani Suraksha Yojana, Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram, Surakshit Matritva Aashwasan (SUMAN), Poshan Abhiyaan, and Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana.
 3. **Services:** At least one comprehensive and quality antenatal check-up by an obstetrician/gynecologist or access to a Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care facility.
 4. **Emergency Services:** Doctors trained in Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (CEmONC) or Basic Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (BEmONC) available during the second or third trimester.
 5. The service package includes essential blood and urine tests as well as ultrasonography.
 6. Counseling for every pregnant woman regarding nutrition, appropriate birth planning, and preparedness to handle complications.
- **Achievements:**
1. **Antenatal Services:** Upon completing a decade on June 9, 2026, over 75 crore pregnant women have received antenatal services under PMSMA, in addition to routine antenatal check-up services.



2. **Ayushman Arogya Camps at 1.8 lakh Ayushman Arogya Mandirs:** Quality Antenatal Care (ANC) services are being provided at 1.8 lakh Ayushman Arogya Mandirs across the country.
3. **Maternal Mortality Ratio:** India has achieved a reduction of 43 points in the Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR), bringing it down from 130 to 87 maternal deaths per lakh live births between 2014-16 and 2022-24.
4. **Ranking:**



Other important points:

- **Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR):** It is defined as the number of maternal deaths per 100,000 live births during a specific period. Maternal death refers to the death of a woman while pregnant or within 42 days of the termination of pregnancy, from any cause related to or aggravated by the pregnancy or its management, but not from accidental or incidental causes.

BHAVYA Scheme and Portal

[Source: PIB]



Why in News?

- The Union Minister of Commerce and Industry launched the BHAVYA portal in New Delhi to facilitate the operations of the Bharat Audyogik Vikas Yojana (BHAVYA).



Key Points:

Bharat Audyogik Vikas Yojana (BHAVYA):

- **Introduction:** BHAVYA is a centrally approved industrial infrastructure scheme aimed at developing 100 world-class 'plug-and-play' industrial parks equipped with ready-to-use facilities, enabling industries to commence operations quickly without procedural delays.

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- **Launch:** In March 2026
- **Outlay:** ₹33,660 crore
- **Nodal Ministry:** Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- **Objective:** To develop 100 investment-ready 'plug-and-play' industrial parks (ranging from 100 to 1,000 acres) in and around cities, in partnership with states, Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs), and the private sector.
- **Duration:** 6 years (from Financial Year 2026-27 to 2031-32).
- **Implementation Agency:** National Industrial Corridor Development Corporation (NICDC)
- **Eligibility:** Industrial parks ranging from 100 acres (25 acres for North-Eastern and hilly regions) to 1,000 acres will be selected.
- **Objectives:**
 - To accelerate manufacturing-led economic growth.
 - To enhance the 'Ease of Doing Business' through pre-approved infrastructure.
 - To promote cluster-based industrial development and strengthen domestic supply chains.
 - To generate large-scale employment and attract investment.
- **Implementation Mechanism:** Being implemented by the National Industrial Corridor Development Corporation (NICDC)—under the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry—in partnership with states and the private sector.



- **Financial Assistance:** Assistance of up to ₹1 crore per acre will be available for eligible projects, while parks developed in partnership with private developers will receive assistance of up to ₹50 lakh per acre or 50% of the infrastructure cost, whichever is lower.
- **Partnership:** The Government of India will collaborate on infrastructure development through the National Industrial Corridor Development Corporation, which will partner with states under a 51:49 model.
- **Beneficiaries:**
 - **Primary Customers:** Manufacturing units, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), startups, and global investors seeking ready-to-use industrial infrastructure.
 - **Secondary Groups:** Workers, logistics providers, service sector enterprises, and local communities.
- **Key Features:**
 1. **Large-scale industrial parks:** Development of parks ranging from 100 to 1,000 acres across all states and Union Territories.
 2. **Plug-and-play infrastructure:** Pre-approved land, utilities, and clearances enable industries to rapidly transition from planning to production.
 3. **Financial assistance:**
 - Grant of up to ₹1 crore per acre for basic, value-added, and social infrastructure.
 - Support of up to 25% for external connectivity infrastructure.
 4. **Integrated infrastructure ecosystem:**
 - **Core areas:** Roads, drainage, underground utilities, and ICT systems.
 - **Value addition:** Factory premises, testing laboratories, and warehouses.
 - **Social:** Housing and amenities for workers.

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5. **Ease of doing business reforms:**

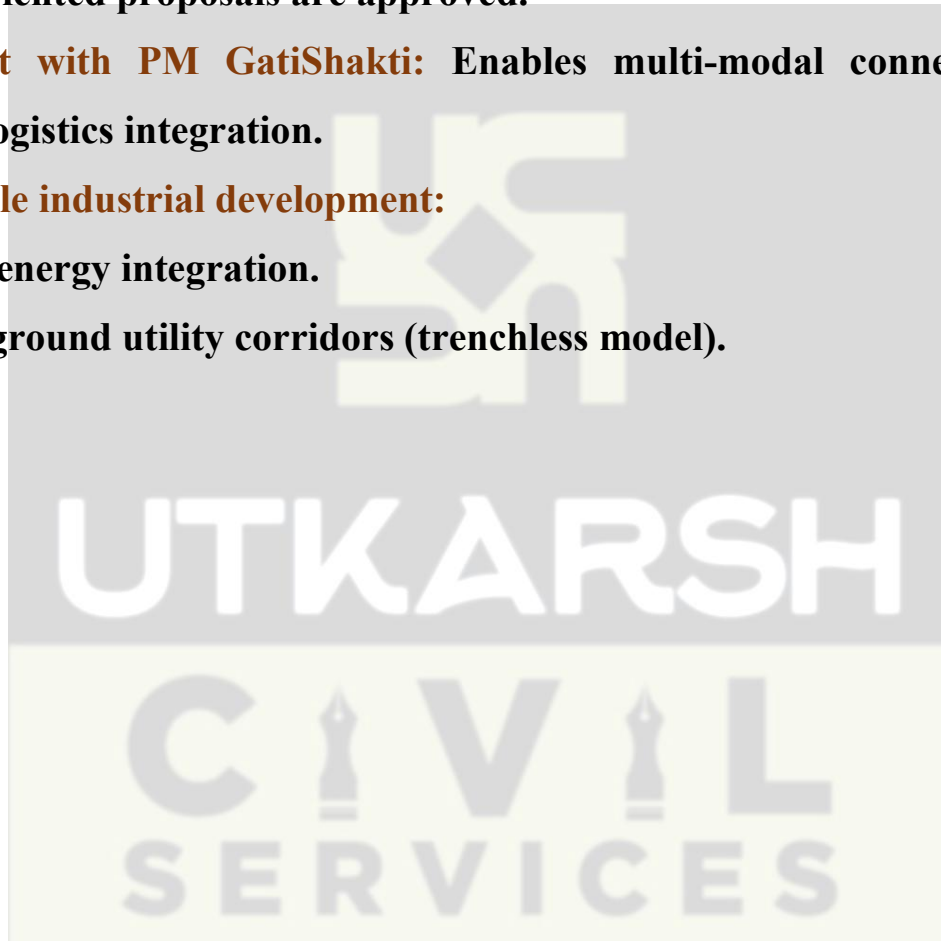
- Single-window clearance system.
- State-led, investor-friendly reforms.

6. **Challenge-based project selection:** Ensures that only investment-ready and reform-oriented proposals are approved.

7. **Alignment with PM GatiShakti:** Enables multi-modal connectivity and efficient logistics integration.

8. **Sustainable industrial development:**

- Green energy integration.
- Underground utility corridors (trenchless model).





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UPI Linked with Nepal's 'National Payments Interface (NPI)'

[AIR]



Why in News?

- A link has been established between India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) and Nepal's National Payments Interface (NPI) to facilitate seamless money transfers between the two countries.



Key Points:

UPI

- **Launch:** Launched on April 11, 2016, by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).
- **Development:** UPI is an instant payment system. It was developed by the NPCI under the regulatory supervision of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- **Boosting the Digital Economy:** UPI accounts for approximately 85% of India's total digital payments and 49% of global real-time payments. Thus, the system promotes financial inclusion.



Qeshm Island

[ECONOMIC TIMES]



Why in News?

- The US attacked surveillance facilities on Qeshm Island.

Qeshm Island:

- **Location:** On the southern edge of the Zagros mountain range, along the southern coast of the Iranian mainland (Hormozgan).
- It is the largest island located in the Persian Gulf, near the Strait of Hormuz.
- It is also known as the "Island of Seven Wonders."

8th Meeting of the India-Indonesia Joint Commission

[Ministry of External Affairs]

Why in News?

- External Affairs Minister Dr. Jaishankar co-chaired the 8th meeting of the India-Indonesia Joint Commission with the Foreign Minister of Indonesia.
- Both countries agreed to enhance cooperation in the fields of defence, maritime security, digital connectivity, and infrastructure.



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Key Points:

Significance of Indonesia for India

- **Policy Alignment:** India's "Act East Policy" and "Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative" align well with Indonesia's "Global Maritime Fulcrum" vision, creating synergy for regional cooperation in areas such as maritime security, connectivity, and economic development.
- **Counterbalancing Influence:** Indonesia's strategic location and growing influence can help counterbalance China's rising dominance in the Indo-Pacific region, which aligns with India's strategic interests.
- **Maritime Security:** Indonesia's strategic location between the Indian and Pacific Oceans makes it a key partner in maintaining maritime security and stability in the region.
- **Counter-terrorism Efforts:** Cooperation in counter-terrorism efforts is essential, given the shared challenges posed by extremism and international crime.
- **Deep-rooted Cultural Ties:** Historical and cultural connections—particularly the influence of Hindu traditions and epics like the Ramayana and Mahabharata—foster strong people-to-people ties between the two nations.
- **Tourism Potential:** Tourism and cultural exchanges between the two countries can be boosted by leveraging these shared cultural roots.