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Net neutrality means:

नेट तटस्थता का मतलब है:



- B. Education data on the internet should be treated equally
- C. All traffic on the internet should be treated discriminately
- D. None

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Indian Institutes of Information Technology Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2020 says formation of 5 IIITs, which of the following does not belong to this list?

भारतीय सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान कानून (संशोधन) विधेयक, 2020 में कहा गया है कि 5 आईआईआईटी का गठन, निम्नलिखित में से कौन-सा इस सूची से संबंधित (नहीं)है?

- A. Surat

 B. Bhopal

 C. Agartala





Banking Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2020, will bring which institution under the direct supervision of the RBI?

बैंकिंग विनियमन (संशोधन) विधेयक, 2020 में आरबीआई की सीधी निगरानी में किस संस्थान को लाया जाएगा?

- A. NPCI
- B. Commercial banks
- Cooperative banks
- D. Regional Rural banks



In recent Which neighbour of India introduced 20th Amendment Bill, to increase power of President?

हाल ही में भारत के किस पड़ोसी ने राष्ट्रपति की शक्ति बढ़ाने के लिए 20वां Gotzbaya Rajpakshe संशोधन विधेयक पेश किया?

- China
- B. Pakistan
- Sri lanka
- D. Nepal





Environment Pollution Control Authority (EPCA) is appointed by ?

पर्यावरण प्रदूषण नियंत्रण प्राधिकरण (ईपीसीए) द्वारा नियुक्त किया जाता है?

- A. Environment Ministry
- B. Health Ministry

C. CPCE

D Supreme Court



India and Nepal unveiled a website for all information related to education projects under GOI- assisted post-earthquake reconstruction initiatives in Nepal. Which institute developed the Website?

भारत और नेपाल ने नेपाल में भूकंप के बाद पुनर्निर्माण पहलों में भारत सरकार की सहायता से शिक्षा परियोजनाओं से संबंधित सभी सूचनाओं के लिए एक वेबसाइट का अनावरण किया ।

किस संस्थान ने वेबसाइट विकसित की?



- A. Central Mechanical Engineering Research Institute (CMERI)
- B. Advanced Materials and Processes Research Institute (AMPRI)
- C. Central Electrochemical Research Institute (CECRI)
- D. Gentral Building Research Institute (CBRI)

Answer – Central Building Research Institute (CBRI)



Which is 1st country in the world that plans to introduce Climatic Financial Report for companies to tackle the climate crisis?

दुनिया में पहला देश कौन सा है जो जलवायु संकट से निपटने के लिए कपनियों के लिए जलवायु वितीय रिपोर्ट पेश करने की योजना बना रहा है?

A. Iceland

Band New Zealand

C. Germany

D. Spain

Answer – New Zealand



Bajaj Finserv has entered into healthcare sector by launching health tech solutions business "Bajaj Finserv Health Ltd (BFHL)" recently. Where is the HQ of Bajaj Finserv located?

बजाज फिनसर्व ने हाल है में हैल्थ टेक सॉल्यूशंस बिजनेस "बजाज फिनसर्व हेल्थ लिमिटेड (बीएफएचएल) लॉन्च करके हेल्थकेयर सेक्टर में प्रवेश किया है। बजाज फिनसर्व का मुख्यालय कहां स्थित है?

A. New Delhi

B Pune

C. Noida

D. Patna

Answer - Pune





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India's iCreate has signed MoU with which country's start-up nation central to collaborate in tech innovation & start-ups?

भारत के आईक्रिएट ने तकनीकी नवाचार और स्टार्ट-अप में सहयोग करने के लिए किस देश के स्टार्ट-अप राष्ट्र केंद्रीय के साथ समझौता ज्ञापन पर

हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

A. Iran

B. Georgia

C. Israel

D. Russia



Answer -Israel



What is the capital of Belarus?

बेलारूस की राजधानी क्या है?

A. Kyiv

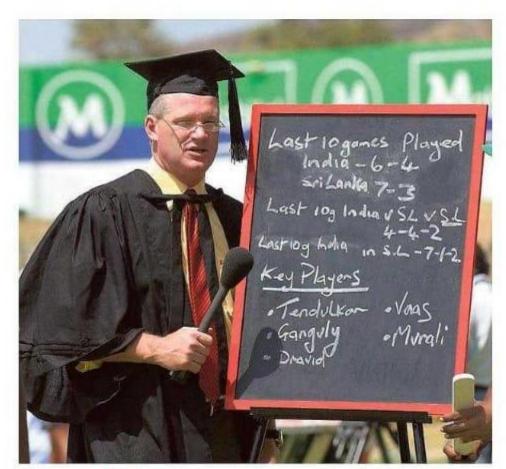
B. Minsk

C. Oslo

D. Lisbon

Answer – Minsk

Professor Deano — the entertainer in the box



Living his role: Dean Jones was thorough in his analysis. • AFP

He could put a smile on the viewer's face with his sense of humour

P.K. AJITH KUMAR KOZHIKODE

The IPL lost one of its side attractions on Thursday. Dean Jones' untimely demise has robbed the tournament of one of its most perceptive and entertaining commentators.

It may be no exaggeration to say that Jones the commentator had more followers in India than back home in Australia. Remember how he used to dress up as an academician during his stint as Professor Deano for NDTV?

He extended Australia's long tradition of excellent cricketers-turned-commentators. The likes of Ian Chappell, Richie Benaud and Bill Lawry elevated Channel 9 and now Brett Lee, Jones' colleague on Star Sports Dugout, is a delight too.

Jones, however, had to live through one terrible phase when he was sacked by Ten Sports after he made an insensitive description of Hashim Amla during the second Test between Sri Lanka and Australia at Colombo in 2006. He regretted his mistake and was able to win back the broadcaster's faith.

Jones could put a smile on the viewer's face, with his sense of humour. He would also showcase his knowledge of Hindi, like if 52 was needed for victory, he would say: "They now need to make baawan."

Scott Styris, former New Zealand all-rounder and now a fine analyst, always managed to bring the best out of Jones. During a recent IPL broadcast, Styris was talking to Lee about the speed of pace bowlers. "I was happy with my bowling," Styris said. "The batsmen were also happy with your bowling," quipped Jones.

It is hard to believe Jones is no more. You will be missed, Deano!

Jnanpith presented to Malayalam 'Mahakavi' Akkitham



Akkitham Achuthan Namboothiri

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PALAKKAD

Malayalam literature witnessed a golden moment on Thursday when the Jnanpith award announced in November last year was handed over to poet Akkitham Achuthan Namboothiri at a special function held at his house at Kumaranallur in the district. Minister for Cultural Affairs
A.K. Balan presented the
Jnanpith, the country's highest literary award, to Akkitham. Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan inaugurated the
function through
videoconferencing.

Kerala and Malayalis across the world had celebrated it when Akkitham became the sixth writer to bring Jnanpith to Malayalam literature in November last year. The CO-VID-19 lockdown delayed the award ceremony.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister highlighted the virtuous character of Akkitham, who is widely considered the tallest among the living Malayalam poets. The man who introduced "meaningful modernism" several decades ago in Malayalam poetry, Akkitham is the only living poet being called 'Mahakavi' (meaning great poet) in Malayalam.

Akkitham has contributed such seminal works as Pathalathinte Muzhakkam, Irupatham Noottandinte Ithihasam, and Balidarshanam. He has nearly four dozen works to his credit. Among them are anthologies of poems, stories, dramas and essays. He worked for nearly three decades with All India Radio as script writer and editor. His work Balidarshanam won the State and Central Sahitya Akademi awards in 1972-73.





Jnanpith Award (2019 & 2018)

Eminent Malayalam poet Akkitham has been chosen for the 55th Jnanpith Award for his outstanding contribution to Malayalam language and Poetry.

Amitab Ghosh is honoured with the 54th Jnanpith Award for his contribution to English Literature and also became the 1st English language writer in the list as all previous winners of the prestigious award have been writers in Indian languages.



Jnanpith Award is a literary award presented by the Bharatiya Jnanpith organization to Indian writers every year.

This was instituted in 1961 and is given only to Indian writers who write in Indian languages and English.



Facts About Jnanpith Award

The winner is given a cash prize of Rs. 11 lakh and a bronze replica of Goddess Saraswati, the Hindu goddess of learning.

► The first recipient of the award was (Malayalam) writer G Sankara Kurup in 1965 for his novel 'Odakkuzhal' (The Bamboo Flute).



► The first woman writer to be awarded this award was Ashapoorna Devi, a Bengali writer, in 1976.

The organization which presents this award was founded in 1944 by industrialist and philanthropist Sahu Shanti Prasad Jain.





PHARMACY COUNCIL OF INDIA

(Statutory body under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India)

CELEBRATING

WORLD PHARMACIST DAY 25TH SEPTEMBER | 2020

THIS WORLD PHARMACIST DAY LET US PLEDGE TO TRANSFORM GLOBAL HEALTH

Pharmacy Council of India Celebrates World Pharmacist Day 2020!

World Pharmacist Day honours the contribution of pharmacists to the field of • Manufacture of safe and effective medicines medicine and patient care, especially during the present coronavirus pandemic with the theme Transforming Global Health highlighting the role of pharmacists and illuminate the important part they play in improving the health of patients.

Bridging the Gap Between Patients and Doctors

There are over one million registered pharmacists in India who work around the clock in hospitals, outpatient clinics and other healthcare settings, acting as a responsibility of filling out prescriptions, pharmacists also address patient concerns, explain interactions between drugs and food, and share valuable tips on

In a country like India with a population of over a billion, pharmacists are the most accessible healthcare providers that work closely with patients on general health. performing consultations and prescribing OTC medications for minor ailments, and counselling patients. Since most pharmacists work behind the scenes, they often do not get the recognition and gratitude they deserve for their contributions to the fields of medicine and patient care.

Key areas pharmacists are involved in:

- Patient education and support

Pharmacists and COVID-19

Pharmacies were the only establishments that remained open even during the strictest of lockdowns in the initial days of the pandemic. Since then, pharmacists have played a crucial role by performing frontline duties for communities, even though

Pharmacists continue to provide vital support in COVID-19 by delivering medications misconceptions about COVID-19 treatment.

Together with doctors, nurses, physicians and ICU staff at government and private hospitals, pharmacists have been managing drug shortages, participating in the development of protocols for treatment, exploring new drugs to treat COVID-19 and

On this day, we honour the contributions of all pharmacists supporting the healthcare system.

- To realise the vision of 'Access to Medicines for All', the Pharmacy Council of India supports the Government of India's 'Jan Aushadi' scheme.
- The Pharmacists of India are proud to collaborate with the Government in its initiatives for developing a Atmanirbhar Bharat.

TOWARDS A "ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT"















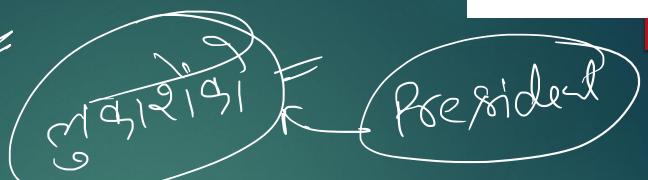
IN BRIEF



Belarus President sworn in amid protests

UKRAINE

President Alexander
Lukashenko of Belarus
assumed his sixth term on
Wednesday during an
unannounced inauguration
ceremony, after weeks of
mass protests against his
re-election, which opposition
activists say was 'rigged'. AP



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'Bio-decomposer technique will curb stubble burning pollution'

CM will meet Javadekar to discuss effective implementation

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT NEW DELHI

Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal visited the Indian Agricultural Research Institute on Thursday to see the biodecomposer technique of converting crop stubble into compost, which is deemed a cost-effective way to deal with air pollution caused due to crop stubble burning.

The technology, called 'Pusa Decomposer', involves making a liquid formulation using decomposer capsules and readily available inputs, fermenting it over 8-10 days and then spraying the mixture on fields with crop stubble to ensure speedy bio-decomposition of the stubble.

Mr. Kejriwal said that this technique will decrease the use of fertilisers and increase the productivity of the farm soil.

He also said that he would meet the Union Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar to discuss the efficient and ef-



Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute on Thursday. • SHIV KUMAR PUSHPAKAR

vered with smoke due to stubble burning in the neighbouring States by the farmers. We visited the Pusa Agricultural Institute today and spoke to its director. They have developed a new and innovative technique, under which they give four capsules, with the help of which the farmers can prepare 25 litre of liquid mixture with jaggery and chickpea flour, which is sufficient to cover 1 hectare of land," he said.

"When the farmer sprays the liquid mix on the stubble, burning and it also destroys the useful bacteria and fungi in the soil, apart from causing harm to the environment. This improves the fertility and productivity of the soil as the stubble works as manure and compost for the crops and lesser fertiliser consumption is required in the future," he also said.

The cost of the capsule, Mr. Kejriwal said, is very less and the Delhi government would soon be getting a proposal with all the important details. The technique, he



G4 seeks time-bound reform of Security Council

India, Brazil, Japan and Germany agree to work with like-minded countries for 'concrete outcomes'

SRIRAM LAKSHMAN

WASHINGTON

Foreign Ministers from the Group of 4 – India, Brazil, Japan and Germany – a group that is seeking permanent membership of the UN Security Council (UNSC), met virtually on Wednesday to further their objective. The four countries stressed delivering concrete outcomes, in writing and within a time frame.

"Participated in #G4 Foreign Ministers Meeting that called for a decisive push for UNSC reforms during #UN75. Unanimous call for textbased negotiations in a fixed time frame. Reformed Multilateralism guides India's approach to the United Nations," External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar tweeted.

His counterparts at the G4 meeting were Motegi Toshimitsu (Japan), Niels Annen, (Minister of State representing German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas) and Ernesto Araújo (Brazil).

The Ministers reaffirmed their common resolve to "finally take decisive steps towards the early and comprehensive reform of the Security Council that was envisaged by Heads of State and Government in the 2005 World Summit," as per a joint press statement released by the Ministry of External Affairs.

The G4 will work with "other reform-minded countries and groups" to start text-based negotiations (TBN) without delay and seek "concrete outcomes" during the 75th session of the UN General Assembly, which has just begun and

lasts until next September.

"G4 Ministers reiterated support for each other's membership to the UNSC "given the capacity and willingness to take on major responsibilities with regard to the maintenance of international peace and security", the statement said.

India, which, in January, will commence a two-year non-permanent term on the UNSC, has long sought a permanent seat at the Council and is a proponent of other UNSC reforms – such as increasing the number of per-

manent (currently five) and non-permanent (currently 10) seats and ensuring greater representation for Africa.

"Africa needs to be represented in both the permanent and non-permanent categories of membership of a reformed and expanded Security Council to correct the historical injustice against this continent with regard to its under-representation in the Security Council," the G4 countries said.

India is a proponent of text-based negotiations at the UN.



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TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 23

The Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG), in a report tabled in Parliament on Wednesday, said Dassault Aviation — the maker of Rafale fighter aircraft — had so far not confirmed the transfer of high technology for jet engine.

In a statement, CAG said in the offset contract related to the 36 Rafale jets, Dassault

PART OF RAFALE DEAL

- CAG said in the offset contract under Rafale deal, Dassault had proposed to discharge 30 per cent of its offset obligation by offering technology to the DRDO
- But till date, the vendor has not confirmed the transfer of the technology, CAG said

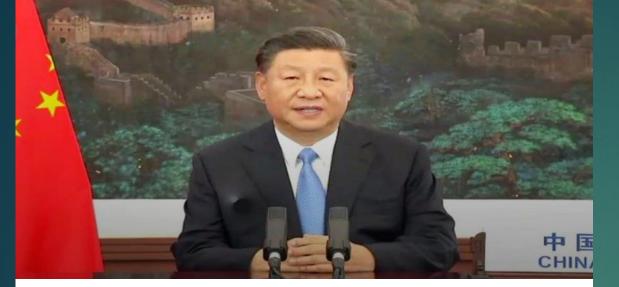
sile maker MBDA had initially proposed (in September 2015) to discharge 30 per cent of their offset obligation by offering high technology to the DRDO.

"The DRDO wanted technical assistance for the indigenous development of its engine (Kaveri) for the light combat aircraft. Till date, the vendor has not confirmed the transfer of this technology," CAG said. "Offset obligation"

is the stipulated share of work that the foreign manufacturer is obligated to get done in India.

The CAG report, Management of Defence Offsets, said it was found in many cases that foreign vendors made offset commitments to qualify for the main supply contract, but were later not earnest about fulfilling these commitments. The CAG statement cited the example of Rafale for this.





China pledges to reach carbon neutrality before 2060

Speaking to the United Nations General Assembly via video on Tuesday, President Xi Jinping announced that China plans to have its carbon emissions peak before 2030 and achieve carbon neutrality before 2060. Climate experts are expressing cautious optimism about the announcement, which suggests a stronger ambition to reduce carbon emissions from the world's largest emitter.



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Making the language of the law comprehensible

A plea was filed by the citizens who protested against the publication of the draft EIA notification in only English and Hindi, on the grounds that such a policy excludes a large number of Indians who do not speak Hindi or English from participating in the public consultation process.

They demanded that the draft be published in 22 Indian Languages.



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कानून की भाषा को समझने योग्य बनाना

ईआईए अधिसूचना के मसौदे को केवल अंग्रेजी और हिंदी में प्रकाशित करने का विरोध करने वाले नागरिकों द्वारा एक याचिका दायर की गई थी, इस आधार पर कि इस तरह की नीति में बड़ी संख्या में ऐसे भारतीय शामिल नहीं हैं जो सार्वजनिक परामर्श प्रक्रिया में भाग लेने से हिंदी या अंग्रेजी नहीं बोलते हैं। उन्होंने मांग की कि इस मसौदे को 22 भारतीय भाषाओं में प्रकाशित किया जाए।





The Official Languages Act (1963) requires the publication of the law in only English and Hindi.

As a result, the central government, de facto, ends up excluding non-English and non-Hindi speaking citizens from the law-making process only because of their linguistic identity.



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राजभाषा अधिनियम, 1963 में केवल अंग्रेजी और हिंदी में कानून के प्रकाशन की आवश्यकता है। परिणामस्वरूप, केंद्र सरकार वास्तविक रूप से गैर-अंग्रेजी और गैर-हिंदी भाषी नागरिकों को केवल उनकी भाषाई पहचान के कारण कानून बनाने की प्रक्रिया से दूर कर देती है।



Authoritative Texts (Central Laws) Act, 1973:

There exists a central law called the Authoritative Texts (Central Laws) Act, 1973 that creates a legal mechanism to recognise authoritative translations of all central laws into languages mentioned in Schedule VIII to the Constitution of India.



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आधिकारिक ग्रंथ (केंद्रीय कानून) अधिनियम, 1973:

आधिकारिक ग्रंथों (केंद्रीय कानून) अधिनियम, 1973 नामक एक केंद्रीय कानून मौजूद है जो भारत के संविधान के लिए अनुसूची आठवीं में उल्लिखित भाषाओं में सभी केंद्रीय कानूनों के आधिकारिक अनुवादों को मान्यता देने के लिए एक कानूनी तंत्र बनाता है।



NIA empowered to probe drug-related offences

The government has empowered the National Investigation Agency (NIA) to investigate offences under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act. — 1985

सरकार ने राष्ट्रीय जांच एजेंसी (एनआईए) को नारकोटिक ड्रग्स एंड साइकोट्रोपिक पदार्थ (एनडीपीएस) अधिनियम के तहत अपराधों की जांच करने का अधिकार दिया है।



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As per a notification issued by the Revenue Department in the Ministry of Finance, NIA officers of inspector rank and above have been vested with the same powers as an officer in charge of a police station under the 1985 NDPS law.

वित्त मंत्रालय में राजस्व विभाग द्वारा जारी अधिसूचना के अनुसार, निरीक्षक रैंक और उससे अधिक के एनआईए अधिकारियों को 1985 एनडीपीएस कानून के तहत एक पुलिस स्टेशन के प्रभारी अधिकारी के रूप में एक समान शक्तियां निहित हैं।