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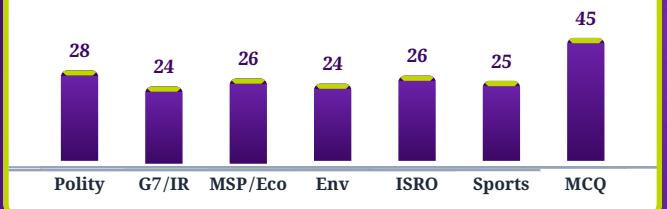
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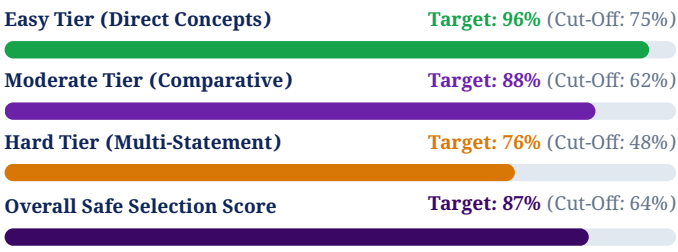
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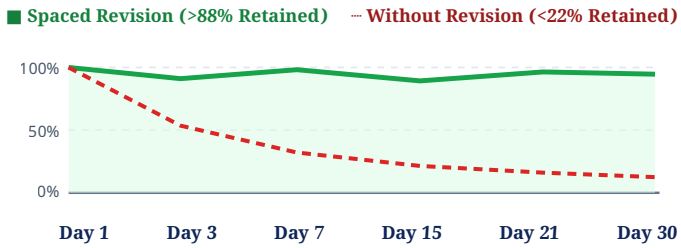
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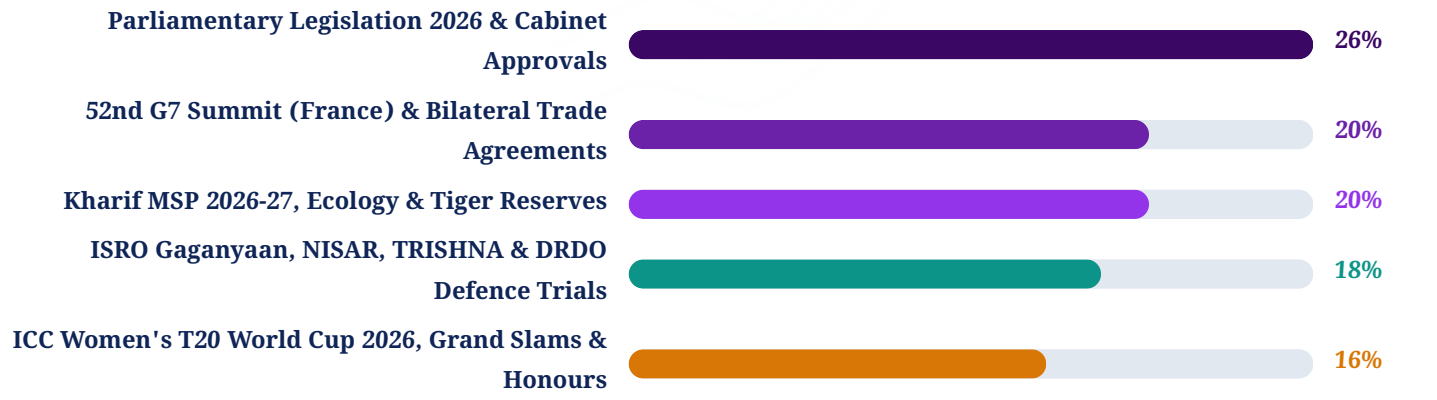
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1.2 Four-Node Constitutional & Parliamentary Enactment Flowchart (Article 3 & Legislative Process 2026)

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1.3 Comprehensive Matrix of 12 Parliamentary Bills & Statutory Reforms Enacted in 2026

S.No.	2026 Legislation / Bill Title	Parent Act / Constitutional Provision	Core Statutory Reform & Administrative Mandate in 2026	Official Source
1	The Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026	Article 3 & First Schedule of Constitution	Alters the official name of the State of 'Kerala' to 'Keralam' in the First Schedule	PIB Official Portal
2	The Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026	Section 3 of 1971 Act & Article 51A(a)	Extends explicit penal protection to the National Song 'Vande Mataram' against disturbance	PIB Official Portal
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4	The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill, 2026	Article 124(1) & 1956 Act	Enhances sanctioned judicial strength of the Supreme Court to reduce pendency	PIB Official Portal
5	The Bankers' Books Evidence Bill, 2026	Replaces Bankers' Books Evidence Act, 1891	Recognizes physical, digital, virtual, and cloud-hosted banking ledgers as legal evidence	PIB Official Portal
6	The MSME Development (Amendment) Bill, 2026	MSMED Act, 2006	Establishes free national digital portal, speeds up payment disputes, and decriminalizes minor defaults	PIB Official Portal
7	The Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026	Public Examinations Act, 2024	Strengthens digital audit trails and penal safeguards against organized examination malpractices	PIB Official Portal
8	The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2026	MMDR Act, 1957	Accelerates critical and deep-seated mineral exploration and strategic licensing	PIB Official Portal
9	The National Co-operative Development Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2026	NCDC Act, 1962	Expands NCDC financing instruments for rural cooperative societies and FPOs	PIB Official Portal
10	The Tribunals Reforms Bill, 2026	Articles 323A & 323B Framework	Rationalizes tenure, search-cum-selection committees, and appellate tribunal administration	PIB Official Portal

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11	The Taxation and Other Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026	Income-tax & Fiscal Statutes	Streamlines direct and indirect tax compliance timelines and dispute resolution	India Budget Portal
12	The Indian Statistical Institute Bill, 2026	ISI Act, 1959 (Institution of National Importance)	Modernizes academic governance and statutory autonomy of Indian Statistical Institute	PIB Official Portal

Did You Know?: Under **Article 4(2)** of the Constitution of India, any law enacted under **Article 2** (admission/establishment of new states) or **Article 3** (alteration of areas, boundaries, or names of existing states, such as the **Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026**) is **not deemed to be a Constitutional Amendment for the purposes of Article 368** and is passed by a **simple majority** through ordinary legislative procedure (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Exam Trap Alert: Aspirants often assume that changing a State's name to **Keralam** requires a two-thirds special majority under Article 368 or binding consent from the State Legislature. Under the proviso to **Article 3**, the President only refers the Bill to the State Legislature for expressing its views within a specified timeframe; the views of the State Legislature are **not binding** on the Union Parliament (IUC Academy).

★ **Memory Trick:** Remember the 2026 Monsoon Session flagship acts using **"K-V-B-M-R-S"**: **K**eralam Name Alteration (Art. 3), **V**ande Mataram Protection (Sec. 3), **B**ankers' Cloud Evidence, **M**SME Decriminalization, **R**egistration Delay (1-2 yr EM / >2 yr JMFC), and **S**upreme Court Judges Expansion.

1.4 Chapter *1* Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table *(*May-*2026* & June-*2026)*

S.No.	Core Current Affairs 2026 Sub-Topic	Verified Constitutional / Statutory / Technical Fact (2026)	Official Source
1	**The Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026**	Article 3 & First Schedule of Constitution — Alters the official name of the State of 'Kerala' to 'Keralam' in the First Schedule	PIB Official Portal
2	**The Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026**	Section 3 of 1971 Act & Article 51A(a) — Extends explicit penal protection to the National Song 'Vande Mataram' against disturbance	PIB Official Portal
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6	**The MSME Development (Amendment) Bill, 2026**	MSMED Act, 2006 — Establishes free national digital portal, speeds up payment disputes, and decriminalizes minor defaults	PIB Official Portal

1.5 Chapter 1 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

• Statement-Verification Drill 1.1 (The Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026 & The Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026):

• Statement-I: The Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026 — Article 3 & First Schedule of Constitution; Alters the official name of the State of 'Kerala' to 'Keralam' in the First Schedule.

• Statement-II: The Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026 — Section 3 of 1971 Act & Article 51A(a); Extends explicit penal protection to the National Song 'Vande Mataram' against disturbance.

• Verification Conclusion: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

• Statement-Verification Drill 1.2 (The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2026 & The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill, 2026):

• Statement-I: The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2026 — Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969; Mandates Executive Magistrate nod (1–2 yrs delay) and JMFC nod (>2 yrs delay).

• Statement-II: The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill, 2026 — Article 124(1) & 1956 Act; Enhances sanctioned judicial strength of the Supreme Court to reduce pendency.

• Verification Conclusion: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

• Statement-Verification Drill 1.3 (The Bankers' Books Evidence Bill, 2026 & The MSME Development (Amendment) Bill, 2026):

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Chapter 1 Comprehensive Analytical & Statutory Revision Matrix

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
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Chapter 1 Multi-Statement Exam Verification Drills

Chapter 1 Statement-Verification Drill #1 — Both Statements Verified Correct

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✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

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Chapter 1 Statement-Verification Drill #4 — Both Statements Verified Correct

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Chapter 1 Statement-Verification Drill #5 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Statement-II (Statement-I): The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2026 — Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969; Mandates Executive Magistrate nod (1–2 yrs delay) and JMFC nod (>2 yrs delay).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 1 Statement-Verification Drill #6 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-II): The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill, 2026 — Article 124(1) & 1956 Act; Enhances sanctioned judicial strength of the Supreme Court to reduce pendency.

Statement-II (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 2: 52nd G7 Summit 2026 in Évian-les-Bains (France) & Global Multilateral Diplomacy

Chapter Key Study Pillars — Chapter 2: 52nd G7 Summit 2026 in Évian-les-Bains (France) & Global Multilateral Diplomacy

Key Study Pillar 1	Key Study Pillar 2	Key Study Pillar 3	Key Study Pillar 4
The 52nd G7 Summit at Évian-les-Bains (France, 15–17 June 2026) & Key Outcomes	52nd G7 Summit 2026 & Major Global Multilateral Summits Matrix	Chapter 2 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	Chapter 2 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

2.1 The 52nd G7 Summit at Évian-les-Bains (France, 15–17 June 2026) & Key Outcomes

• **Host City & Historical Milestone (15–17 June 2026):** France hosted the **52nd G7 Summit** from **June 15 to June 17, 2026** in the Alpine lakeside town of **Évian-les-Bains (Haute-Savoie, France)** near the Swiss border under the presidency of French President **Emmanuel Macron** — marking Évian's return as host 23 years after the 2003 G8 Summit and 7 years after the 2019 Biarritz G7 Summit (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).

• **G7 Permanent Members & European Union Representation:** The Group of Seven comprises **Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States**, while the European Union was represented at Évian 2026 by European Council President **António Costa** and European Commission President **Ursula von der Leyen** (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).

• **Macroeconomic Imbalances & International Financial Architecture:** Ahead of the Heads of State Summit, the **G7 Finance Track 2026** chaired by France and the Banque de France focused on correcting global macroeconomic imbalances, sovereign debt sustainability for developing economies, and supply-chain resilience (**Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**).

• **Three Landmark Évian 2026 Declarations on Global Health & Development:** Leaders at the Évian Summit adopted three specialized declarations focusing on **(1) International Development Partnerships**, **(2) Global Fight Against Cancer**, and **(3) Rapid Epidemic Response (specifically addressing the Bundibugyo Ebola**

outbreak) alongside the **One Health Summit** side-event (*'From N4G Paris to the French G7 Presidency'*) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **India's Strategic Engagement & Global South Priorities in 2026:** Continuing its sustained diplomatic leadership as a voice of the Global South, India championed equitable artificial intelligence governance, digital public infrastructure (DPI), critical mineral supply security, and climate-resilient development finance throughout 2026 multilateral forums (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

2.2 Four-Node *52*nd G*7* Presidency & Multilateral Outcomes Flowchart *(*Évian *2026)*

Step-by-Step Conceptual Process Flowchart

STEP 1
Node 1: France Assumes 2026 G7 Presidency & Convenes Finance Track under Banque de France

STEP 2
Node 2: 52nd G7 Leaders' Summit Held at Evian-les-Bains (15-17 June 2026)

STEP 3
Node 3: Adoption of Joint Statements on Macroeconomic Balance & Three Health/Development Declarations

STEP 4
Node 4: Global South Partnership on Sovereign Debt Relief, One Health & Digital Public Goods

*2.3 52*nd G*7* Summit *2026* & Major Global Multilateral Summits Matrix

S.No.	2026 Summit / Multilateral Forum	Host Venue & Dates in 2026	Presidency / Key Leadership	Core Declarations & Strategic Outcomes	Official Source
1	52nd G7 Leaders' Summit 2026	Évian-les-Bains, Haute-Savoie, France (15–17 June 2026)	Emmanuel Macron (President of France)	Joint Statements on macroeconomic imbalances, cancer fight, Ebola response & development	PIB Official Portal
2	EU Delegation at G7 Évian 2026	Évian-les-Bains, France (June 2026)	António Costa (EC President) & Ursula von der Leyen	Coordinated European stance on trade resilience, green transition, and security	PIB Official Portal
3	G7 Finance & Central Bank Track 2026	France (Throughout 2026)	French Ministry of Economy & Banque de France	Sovereign debt restructuring instruments, cross-border payments, and macroeconomic stability	RBI Official Portal
4	One Health Side-Event at Évian 2026	Évian-les-Bains, France (16 June 2026)	French G7 Presidency & Global Health Partners	'From N4G Paris to the French G7 Presidency' — nutrition, zoonotic disease & planetary health	PIB Official Portal
5	ISRO-JAXA LUPEX Joint Review 2026	Bengaluru, Karnataka (July 2026)	ISRO & Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)	Technical interface, power, and communication alignment for Chandrayaan-5 / LUPEX lunar mission	ISRO Official Portal
6	ISRO-CNES TRISHNA Mission Cooperation 2026	India–France Bilateral Space Framework (2026)	ISRO (India) & CNES (France)	High-resolution thermal infrared Earth observation for crop water stress and climate monitoring	ISRO Official Portal

Did You Know?: The Alpine resort town of **Évian-les-Bains** on the southern shore of Lake Geneva previously hosted the **29th G8 Summit in June 2003** under President Jacques Chirac — which was also the very first time India was invited to attend a G8/G7 Summit as an Outreach partner (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).

Exam Trap Alert: Do not confuse the **50th G7 Summit** (held in Apulia, Italy) or the **51st G7 Summit** (held in Kananaskis, Canada) with the **52nd G7 Summit of 2026**, which was hosted by **France at Évian-les-Bains from 15 to 17 June 2026**. Also note that **Russia** (suspended in 2014) and **India** are not permanent G7 members (**IUC Academy**).

★ **Memory Trick:** Memorize the 2026 G7 Summit details with **"EVIAN-52-JUNE"**: **Évian**-les-Bains (France), **52**nd edition, **15–17 June 2026**, with **3** health/development declarations (Partnerships, Cancer, Bundibugyo Ebola).

2.4 Chapter *2* Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table *(*May-*2026* & June-*2026)*

S.No.	Core Current Affairs 2026 Sub-Topic	Verified Constitutional / Statutory / Technical Fact (2026)	Official Source
1	**52nd G7 Leaders' Summit 2026**	Évian-les-Bains, Haute-Savoie, France (15–17 June 2026) — Emmanuel Macron (President of France)	**PIB Official Portal**
2	**EU Delegation at G7 Évian 2026**	Évian-les-Bains, France (June 2026) — António Costa (EC President) & Ursula von der Leyen	**PIB Official Portal**
3	**G7 Finance & Central Bank Track 2026**	France (Throughout 2026) — French Ministry of Economy & Banque de France	**RBI Official Portal**
4	**One Health Side-Event at Évian 2026**	Évian-les-Bains, France (16 June 2026) — French G7 Presidency & Global Health Partners	**PIB Official Portal**
5	**ISRO-JAXA LUPEX Joint Review 2026**	Bengaluru, Karnataka (July 2026) — ISRO & Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)	**ISRO Official Portal**
6	**ISRO-CNES TRISHNA Mission Cooperation 2026**	India–France Bilateral Space Framework (2026) — ISRO (India) & CNES (France)	**ISRO Official Portal**

2.5 Chapter *2* Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills *(*May-*2026* & June-*2026)*

• **Statement-Verification Drill 2.1 (52nd G7 Leaders' Summit 2026 & EU Delegation at G7 Évian 2026):**

• **Statement-I:** 52nd G7 Leaders' Summit 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, Haute-Savoie, France (15–17 June 2026); Emmanuel Macron (President of France).

• **Statement-II:** EU Delegation at G7 Évian 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, France (June 2026); António Costa (EC President) & Ursula von der Leyen.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**PIB Official Portal**).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 2.2 (G7 Finance & Central Bank Track 2026 & One Health Side-Event at Évian 2026):**

• **Statement-I:** G7 Finance & Central Bank Track 2026 — France (Throughout 2026); French Ministry of Economy & Banque de France.

• **Statement-II:** One Health Side-Event at Évian 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, France (16 June 2026); French G7 Presidency & Global Health Partners.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (RBI Official Portal).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 2.3 (ISRO-JAXA LUPEX Joint Review 2026 & ISRO-CNES TRISHNA Mission Cooperation 2026):**

• **Statement-I:** ISRO-JAXA LUPEX Joint Review 2026 — Bengaluru, Karnataka (July 2026); ISRO & Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA).

• **Statement-II:** ISRO-CNES TRISHNA Mission Cooperation 2026 — India–France Bilateral Space Framework (2026); ISRO (India) & CNES (France).

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (ISRO Official Portal).

Chapter 2 Comprehensive Analytical & Statutory Revision Matrix

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
The 52nd G7 Summit at Évian-les-Bains (France, 15–17 June 2026) & Key Outcomes	**Host City & Historical Milestone (15–17 June 2026)**	France hosted the **52nd G7 Summit** from **June 15 to June 17, 2026** in the Alpine lakeside town of **Évian-les-Bains (Haute-Savoie, France)** near the Swiss border under the presidency of French President **Emmanuel Macron** — marking Évian's return as host 23 years after the 2003 G8 Summit and 7 years after the 2019 Biarritz G7 Summit (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Four-Node 52nd G7 Presidency & Multilateral Outcomes Flowchart (Évian 2026)	**G7 Permanent Members & European Union Representation**	The Group of Seven comprises **Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States**, while the European Union was represented at Évian 2026 by European Council President **António Costa** and European Commission President **Ursula von der Leyen** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
52nd G7 Summit 2026 & Major Global Multilateral Summits Matrix	**Macroeconomic Imbalances & International Financial Architecture**	Ahead of the Heads of State Summit, the **G7 Finance Track 2026** chaired by France and the Banque de France focused on correcting global macroeconomic imbalances, sovereign debt sustainability for developing economies, and supply-chain resilience (Reserve Bank of India (RBI)).
Chapter 2 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Three Landmark Évian 2026 Declarations on Global Health & Development**	Leaders at the Évian Summit adopted three specialized declarations focusing on **(1) International Development Partnerships**, **(2) Global Fight Against Cancer**, and **(3) Rapid Epidemic Response (specifically addressing the Bundibugyo Ebola outbreak)** alongside the **One Health Summit** side-event (*'From N4G Paris to the French G7 Presidency'*) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
Chapter 2 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**India's Strategic Engagement & Global South Priorities in 2026**	Continuing its sustained diplomatic leadership as a voice of the Global South, India championed equitable artificial intelligence governance, digital public infrastructure (DPI), critical mineral supply security, and climate-resilient development finance throughout 2026 multilateral forums (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
The 52nd G7 Summit at Évian-les-Bains (France, 15–17 June 2026) & Key Outcomes	**Statement-I**	52nd G7 Leaders' Summit 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, Haute-Savoie, France (15–17 June 2026); Emmanuel Macron (President of France).
Four-Node 52nd G7 Presidency & Multilateral Outcomes Flowchart (Évian 2026)	**Statement-II**	EU Delegation at G7 Évian 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, France (June 2026); António Costa (EC President) & Ursula von der Leyen.
52nd G7 Summit 2026 & Major Global Multilateral Summits Matrix	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Chapter 2 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-I**	G7 Finance & Central Bank Track 2026 — France (Throughout 2026); French Ministry of Economy & Banque de France.
Chapter 2 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-II**	One Health Side-Event at Évian 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, France (16 June 2026); French G7 Presidency & Global Health Partners.
The 52nd G7 Summit at Évian-les-Bains (France, 15–17 June 2026) & Key Outcomes	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (RBI Official Portal).
Four-Node 52nd G7 Presidency & Multilateral Outcomes Flowchart (Évian 2026)	**Statement-I**	ISRO-JAXA LUPEX Joint Review 2026 — Bengaluru, Karnataka (July 2026); ISRO & Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA).

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
52nd G7 Summit 2026 & Major Global Multilateral Summits Matrix	**Statement-II**	ISRO-CNES TRISHNA Mission Cooperation 2026 — India–France Bilateral Space Framework (2026); ISRO (India) & CNES (France).
Chapter 2 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (ISRO Official Portal).

Chapter 2 Multi-Statement Exam Verification Drills

Chapter 2 Statement-Verification Drill #1 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (Host City & Historical Milestone (15–17 June 2026)): France hosted the **52nd G7 Summit** from **June 15 to June 17, 2026** in the Alpine lakeside town of **Évian-les-Bains (Haute-Savoie, France)** near the Swiss border under the presidency of French President **Emmanuel Macron** — marking Évian's return as host 23 years after the 2003 G8 Summit and 7 years after the 2019 Biarritz G7 Summit (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (G7 Permanent Members & European Union Representation): The Group of Seven comprises **Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States**, while the European Union was represented at Évian 2026 by European Council President **António Costa** and European Commission President **Ursula von der Leyen** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 2 Statement-Verification Drill #2 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (Macroeconomic Imbalances & International Financial Architecture): Ahead of the Heads of State Summit, the **G7 Finance Track 2026** chaired by France and the Banque de France focused on correcting global macroeconomic imbalances, sovereign debt sustainability for developing economies, and supply-chain resilience (Reserve Bank of India (RBI)).

Statement-II (Three Landmark Évian 2026 Declarations on Global Health & Development): Leaders at the Évian Summit adopted three specialized declarations focusing on **(1) International Development Partnerships**, **(2) Global Fight Against Cancer**, and **(3) Rapid Epidemic Response (specifically addressing the Bundibugyo Ebola outbreak)** alongside the **One Health Summit** side-event ('*From N4G Paris to the French G7 Presidency*') (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 2 Statement-Verification Drill #3 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (India's Strategic Engagement & Global South Priorities in 2026): Continuing its sustained diplomatic leadership as a voice of the Global South, India championed equitable artificial intelligence governance, digital public infrastructure (DPI), critical mineral supply security, and climate-resilient development finance throughout 2026 multilateral forums (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Statement-I): 52nd G7 Leaders' Summit 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, Haute-Savoie, France (15–17 June 2026); Emmanuel Macron (President of France).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 2 Statement-Verification Drill #4 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-II): EU Delegation at G7 Évian 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, France (June 2026); António Costa (EC President) & Ursula von der Leyen.

Statement-II (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 2 Statement-Verification Drill #5 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-I): G7 Finance & Central Bank Track 2026 — France (Throughout 2026); French Ministry of Economy & Banque de France.

Statement-II (Statement-II): One Health Side-Event at Évian 2026 — Évian-les-Bains, France (16 June 2026); French G7 Presidency & Global Health Partners.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 2 Statement-Verification Drill #6 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (RBI Official Portal).

Statement-II (Statement-I): ISRO-JAXA LUPEX Joint Review 2026 — Bengaluru, Karnataka (July 2026); ISRO & Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 3: Ramsar Wetlands Expansion to 103 Sites & 58 Tiger Reserves in India (2026 Updates)

Chapter

Key Study Pillars — Chapter 3: Ramsar Wetlands Expansion to 103 Sites & 58 Tiger Reserves in India (2026 Updates)

Key Study Pillar 1	Key Study Pillar 2	Key Study Pillar 3	Key Study Pillar 4
India Crosses the 100-Ramsar Milestone: 103 Wetlands of International Importance in 2026	2026 Newly Designated Ramsar Wetlands & Key Tiger Reserves Reference Matrix	Chapter 3 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	Chapter 3 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

3.1 India Crosses the 100-Ramsar Milestone: 103 Wetlands of International Importance in 2026

• **Historic Milestone of 103 Ramsar Sites in 2026:** India's network of Wetlands of International Importance under the 1971 Ramsar Convention expanded nearly fourfold from 26 sites in 2014 to **103 Ramsar Sites** covering **1,387,981 hectares (13,879.81 sq km)** in 2026, cementing India's position as **1st in Asia** and **3rd in the world** (after the United Kingdom and Mexico) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **Chronological 2026 Additions (97th to 103rd Ramsar Sites):** Following 96 sites at the end of 2025, India added seven wetlands in 2026: **Patna Bird Sanctuary** (Etah, UP) and **Chhari-Dhand** (Kutch, Gujarat), followed by **Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary** in Aligarh, UP (**99th site**), **Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary)** in Ballia, UP (**historic 100th Ramsar Site**), **Glaw Lake** in Lohit district, Arunachal Pradesh (**101st site**), and

finally **Sukhna Wetland** (Chandigarh) and **Sauj Jheel** (Mainpuri, UP) as the **102nd and 103rd Ramsar Sites** (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)).

• **State-Wise Ramsar Leadership in 2026: Tamil Nadu** continues to lead all Indian states with **20 Ramsar Sites**, while **Uttar Pradesh** consolidated its second rank by rising to **14 Ramsar Sites** in 2026 after the additions of Patna Bird Sanctuary, Shekha Jheel, Surha Tal, and Sauj Jheel (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **India's 58 Tiger Reserves in 2026 (NTCA Verified):** According to the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) 2026 database, India has **58 Tiger Reserves** spread across **18 states**, covering **84,487.83 sq km** (approximately **2.56%** of India's total geographical area). **Madhya Pradesh** has the highest number of Tiger Reserves (**9 reserves**, including the **57th Ratapani** and **58th Madhav Tiger Reserve** in Shivpuri), followed by Maharashtra (**6 reserves**) (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)).

• **Oldest, Largest & Montreux Record Wetlands: Chilika Lake** (Odisha) and **Keoladeo National Park** (Rajasthan) were designated as India's first Ramsar Sites on October 1, 1981. **Sundarbans Wetland** (West Bengal) is India's largest Ramsar Site, while **Keoladeo National Park** (Rajasthan) and **Loktak Lake** (Manipur) remain on the **Montreux Record** (Chilika Lake was removed in 2002 after ecological restoration) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

3.2 Four-Node *2026* Ramsar Century & Tiger Conservation Progression Flowchart

Step-by-Step Conceptual Process Flowchart

STEP 1
Node 1: 99th Ramsar Site Designated at Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary (Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh)

STEP 2
Node 2: Historic 100th Ramsar Milestone Achieved with Surha Tal in Ballia (Uttar Pradesh)

STEP 3
Node 3: 101st Glaw Lake (Arunachal Pradesh), 102nd Sukhna Wetland (Chandigarh) & 103rd Sauj Jheel (UP)

STEP 4
Node 4: Parallel Conservation of 58 NTCA Tiger Reserves Covering 84,487.83 sq km Across 18 States

3.3 2026 Newly Designated Ramsar Wetlands & Key Tiger Reserves Reference Matrix

S.No.	Protected Wetland / Tiger Reserve	State / Union Territory	2026 Designation Milestone & Area / Ecological Significance	Official Source
1	Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary	Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh	India's 99th Ramsar Site (2026); perennial freshwater wetland supporting migratory waterfowl	PIB Official Portal
2	Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary)	Ballia, Uttar Pradesh	India's historic 100th Ramsar Site (June 2026); oxbow lake formed by the Ganga River	PIB Official Portal
3	Glaw Lake (Glow Lake)	Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh	India's 101st Ramsar Site (August 2026); high-altitude Himalayan alpine wetland in Kamlang Reserve	MoEFCC Official Portal
4	Sukhna Wetland	Chandigarh (UT)	Designated in October 2026 (102nd/103rd batch); Shivalik foothills reservoir and bird habitat	PIB Official Portal
5	Sauj Jheel	Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh	Designated in October 2026 taking India's tally to 103 Ramsar Sites and UP's tally to 14	PIB Official Portal

S.No.	Protected Wetland / Tiger Reserve	State / Union Territory	2026 Designation Milestone & Area / Ecological Significance	Official Source
6	Madhav Tiger Reserve	Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh	India's 58th Tiger Reserve & 9th in Madhya Pradesh; total national TR area 84,487.83 sq km	MoEFCC Official Portal
7	Ratapani Tiger Reserve	Raisen, Madhya Pradesh	India's 57th Tiger Reserve; houses Bhimbetka rock shelters within its landscape	MoEFCC Official Portal
8	Guru Ghasidas–Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve	Chhattisgarh	India's 56th Tiger Reserve (2,829.387 sq km); third-largest Tiger Reserve in India	MoEFCC Official Portal

Did You Know?: With **Surha Tal** in Ballia becoming India's **100th Ramsar Site** in June 2026 and **Sauj Jheel** in Mainpuri joining in October 2026, **Uttar Pradesh** now hosts **14 Ramsar Sites** (second only to Tamil Nadu's 20), while **Glaw Lake** in Lohit district became the very first Ramsar Site in **Arunachal Pradesh** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Exam Trap Alert: Students often confuse the **total number of Tiger Reserves (58)** with **Ramsar Sites (103)** in 2026. Remember: **Madhya Pradesh** ranks 1st in Tiger Reserves (**9 out of 58**), whereas **Tamil Nadu** ranks 1st in Ramsar Wetlands (**20 out of 103**) followed by **Uttar Pradesh (14)** (IUC Academy).

★ **Memory Trick:** Remember India's 99th to 103rd Ramsar Sites in 2026 with **"Shekha (99) – Surha (100) – Glaw (101) – Sukhna & Sauj (102–103)"**: 3 in UP (Shekha, Surha, Sauj), 1 in Arunachal (Glaw), and 1 in Chandigarh (Sukhna)!

3.4 Chapter 3 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)

S.No.	Core Current Affairs 2026 Sub-Topic	Verified Constitutional / Statutory / Technical Fact (2026)	Official Source
1	**Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary**	Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh — India's 99th Ramsar Site (2026); perennial freshwater wetland supporting migratory waterfowl	PIB Official Portal
2	**Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary)**	Ballia, Uttar Pradesh — India's historic 100th Ramsar Site (June 2026); oxbow lake formed by the Ganga River	PIB Official Portal
3	**Glaw Lake (Glow Lake)**	Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh — India's 101st Ramsar Site (August 2026); high-altitude Himalayan alpine wetland in Kamlang Reserve	MoEFCC Official Portal
4	**Sukhna Wetland**	Chandigarh (UT) — Designated in October 2026 (102nd/103rd batch); Shivalik foothills reservoir and bird habitat	PIB Official Portal
5	**Sauj Jheel**	Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh — Designated in October 2026 taking India's tally to 103 Ramsar Sites and UP's tally to 14	PIB Official Portal
6	**Madhav Tiger Reserve**	Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh — India's 58th Tiger Reserve & 9th in Madhya Pradesh; total national TR area 84,487.83 sq km	MoEFCC Official Portal

3.5 Chapter 3 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

• Statement-Verification Drill 3.1 (Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary & Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary)):

• **Statement-I:** Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary — Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh; India's 99th Ramsar Site (2026); perennial freshwater wetland supporting migratory waterfowl.

• **Statement-II:** Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary) — Ballia, Uttar Pradesh; India's historic 100th Ramsar Site (June 2026); oxbow lake formed by the Ganga River.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**PIB Official Portal**).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 3.2 (Glaw Lake (Glow Lake) & Sukhna Wetland):**

• **Statement-I:** Glaw Lake (Glow Lake) — Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh; India's 101st Ramsar Site (August 2026); high-altitude Himalayan alpine wetland in Kamlang Reserve.

• **Statement-II:** Sukhna Wetland — Chandigarh (UT); Designated in October 2026 (102nd/103rd batch); Shivalik foothills reservoir and bird habitat.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**MoEFCC Official Portal**).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 3.3 (Sauj Jheel & Madhav Tiger Reserve):**

• **Statement-I:** Sauj Jheel — Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh; Designated in October 2026 taking India's tally to 103 Ramsar Sites and UP's tally to 14.

• **Statement-II:** Madhav Tiger Reserve — Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh; India's 58th Tiger Reserve & 9th in Madhya Pradesh; total national TR area 84,487.83 sq km.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**PIB Official Portal**).

Chapter 3 Comprehensive Analytical & Statutory Revision Matrix

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
India Crosses the 100-Ramsar Milestone: 103 Wetlands of International Importance in 2026	**Historic Milestone of 103 Ramsar Sites in 2026**	India's network of Wetlands of International Importance under the 1971 Ramsar Convention expanded nearly fourfold from 26 sites in 2014 to **103 Ramsar Sites** covering **1,387,981 hectares (13,879.81 sq km)** in 2026, cementing India's position as **1st in Asia** and **3rd in the world** (after the United Kingdom and Mexico) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Four-Node 2026 Ramsar Century & Tiger Conservation Progression Flowchart	**Chronological 2026 Additions (97th to 103rd Ramsar Sites)**	Following 96 sites at the end of 2025, India added seven wetlands in 2026: **Patna Bird Sanctuary** (Etah, UP) and **Chhari-Dhand** (Kutch, Gujarat), followed by **Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary** in Aligarh, UP (**99th site**), **Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary)** in Ballia, UP (**historic 100th Ramsar Site**), **Glaw Lake** in Lohit district, Arunachal Pradesh (**101st site**), and finally **Sukhna Wetland** (Chandigarh) and **Sauj Jheel** (Mainpuri, UP) as the **102nd and 103rd Ramsar Sites** (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)).

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2026 Newly Designated Ramsar Wetlands & Key Tiger Reserves Reference Matrix	**State-Wise Ramsar Leadership in 2026**	Tamil Nadu **continues to lead all Indian states with** 20 Ramsar Sites**, while** Uttar Pradesh **consolidated its second rank by rising to** 14 Ramsar Sites** in 2026 after the additions of Patna Bird Sanctuary, Shekha Jheel, Surha Tal, and Sauj Jheel (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Chapter 3 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**India's 58 Tiger Reserves in 2026 (NTCA Verified)**	According to the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) 2026 database, India has **58 Tiger Reserves** spread across **18 states**, covering **84,487.83 sq km** (approximately **2.56%** of India's total geographical area). **Madhya Pradesh** has the highest number of Tiger Reserves (**9 reserves**, including the **57th Ratapani** and **58th Madhav Tiger Reserve** in Shivpuri), followed by Maharashtra (**6 reserves**) (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)).
Chapter 3 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Oldest, Largest & Montreux Record Wetlands**	Chilika Lake **(Odisha) and** Keoladeo National Park **(Rajasthan) were designated as India's first Ramsar Sites on October 1, 1981.** Sundarbans Wetland **(West Bengal) is India's largest Ramsar Site, while** Keoladeo National Park **(Rajasthan) and** Loktak Lake **(Manipur) remain on the** Montreux Record** (Chilika Lake was removed in 2002 after ecological restoration) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
India Crosses the 100-Ramsar Milestone: 103 Wetlands of International Importance in 2026	**Statement-I**	Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary — Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh; India's 99th Ramsar Site (2026); perennial freshwater wetland supporting migratory waterfowl.
Four-Node 2026 Ramsar Century & Tiger Conservation Progression Flowchart	**Statement-II**	Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary) — Ballia, Uttar Pradesh; India's historic 100th Ramsar Site (June 2026); oxbow lake formed by the Ganga River.
2026 Newly Designated Ramsar Wetlands & Key Tiger Reserves Reference Matrix	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Chapter 3 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-I**	Glaw Lake (Glow Lake) — Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh; India's 101st Ramsar Site (August 2026); high-altitude Himalayan alpine wetland in Kamlang Reserve.

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
Chapter 3 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-II**	Sukhna Wetland — Chandigarh (UT); Designated in October 2026 (102nd/103rd batch); Shivalik foothills reservoir and bird habitat.
India Crosses the 100-Ramsar Milestone: 103 Wetlands of International Importance in 2026	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (MoEFCC Official Portal).
Four-Node 2026 Ramsar Century & Tiger Conservation Progression Flowchart	**Statement-I**	Sauj Jheel — Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh; Designated in October 2026 taking India's tally to 103 Ramsar Sites and UP's tally to 14.
2026 Newly Designated Ramsar Wetlands & Key Tiger Reserves Reference Matrix	**Statement-II**	Madhav Tiger Reserve — Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh; India's 58th Tiger Reserve & 9th in Madhya Pradesh; total national TR area 84,487.83 sq km.
Chapter 3 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Chapter 3 Multi-Statement Exam Verification Drills

Chapter 3 Statement-Verification Drill #1 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (Historic Milestone of 103 Ramsar Sites in 2026): India's network of Wetlands of International Importance under the 1971 Ramsar Convention expanded nearly fourfold from 26 sites in 2014 to **103 Ramsar Sites** covering **1,387,981 hectares (13,879.81 sq km)** in 2026, cementing India's position as **1st in Asia** and **3rd in the world** (after the United Kingdom and Mexico) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Chronological 2026 Additions (97th to 103rd Ramsar Sites)): Following 96 sites at the end of 2025, India added seven wetlands in 2026: **Patna Bird Sanctuary** (Etah, UP) and **Chhari-Dhand** (Kutch, Gujarat), followed by **Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary** in Aligarh, UP (**99th site**), **Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary)** in Ballia, UP (**historic 100th Ramsar Site**), **Glaw Lake** in Lohit district, Arunachal Pradesh (**101st site**), and finally **Sukhna Wetland** (Chandigarh) and **Sauj Jheel** (Mainpuri, UP) as the **102nd and 103rd Ramsar Sites** (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 3 Statement-Verification Drill #2 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (State-Wise Ramsar Leadership in 2026): Tamil Nadu **continues to lead all Indian states with** 20 Ramsar Sites**, while** Uttar Pradesh **consolidated its second rank by rising to** 14 Ramsar Sites** in 2026 after the additions of Patna Bird Sanctuary, Shekha Jheel, Surha Tal, and Sauj Jheel (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (India's 58 Tiger Reserves in 2026 (NTCA Verified)): According to the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) 2026 database, India has **58 Tiger Reserves** spread across **18 states**, covering **84,487.83 sq km** (approximately **2.56%** of India's total geographical area). **Madhya Pradesh** has the highest number of Tiger Reserves (**9 reserves**, including the **57th Ratapani** and **58th Madhav Tiger Reserve** in Shivpuri), followed by Maharashtra (**6 reserves**) (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 3 Statement-Verification Drill #3 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Oldest, Largest & Montreux Record Wetlands): Chilika Lake **(Odisha) and** Keoladeo National Park **(Rajasthan) were designated as India's first Ramsar Sites on October 1, 1981.** Sundarbans Wetland **(West Bengal) is India's largest Ramsar Site, while** Keoladeo National Park **(Rajasthan) and** Loktak Lake **(Manipur) remain on the** Montreux Record** (Chilika Lake was removed in 2002 after ecological restoration) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary — Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh; India's 99th Ramsar Site (2026); perennial freshwater wetland supporting migratory waterfowl.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 3 Statement-Verification Drill #4 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-II): Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary) — Ballia, Uttar Pradesh; India's historic 100th Ramsar Site (June 2026); oxbow lake formed by the Ganga River.

Statement-II (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 3 Statement-Verification Drill #5 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-I): Glaw Lake (Glow Lake) — Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh; India's 101st Ramsar Site (August 2026); high-altitude Himalayan alpine wetland in Kamlang Reserve.

Statement-II (Statement-II): Sukhna Wetland — Chandigarh (UT); Designated in October 2026 (102nd/103rd batch); Shivalik foothills reservoir and bird habitat.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 3 Statement-Verification Drill #6 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (MoEFCC Official Portal).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Sauj Jheel — Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh; Designated in October 2026 taking India's tally to 103 Ramsar Sites and UP's tally to 14.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 4: Kharif MSP 2026-27 Rates, SARTHAK-PDS AI Reform & Record Foodgrain Production

Chapter Key Study Pillars — Chapter 4: Kharif MSP 2026-27 Rates, SARTHAK-PDS AI Reform & Record Foodgrain Production

Key Study Pillar 1	Key Study Pillar 2	Key Study Pillar 3	Key Study Pillar 4
CCEA Approval of Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 14 Kharif Crops (Marketing Season 2026-27)	Complete Official Kharif Crops MSP Table for Marketing Season 2026-27 (Approved May 13, 2026)	Chapter 4 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	Chapter 4 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

4.1 CCEA Approval of Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 14 Kharif Crops (Marketing Season 2026-27)

• **CCEA Approval on May 13, 2026:** The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved increased **Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 14 Kharif crops for Marketing Season 2026-27** on **May 13, 2026**, ensuring a minimum return of **1.5 times (50% margin)** over the All-India weighted average cost of production (A_2 + FL) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **Paddy MSP 2026-27 Rates:** The MSP for **Common Paddy** was increased by **₹72 per quintal** from ₹2,369 (2025-26) to **₹2,441 per quintal** for 2026-27 (against an estimated A_2 + FL production cost of **₹1,627/quintal**, yielding a 50% margin), while **Grade 'A' Paddy** was raised by ₹72 to **₹2,461 per quintal** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **Highest Absolute MSP Increases in 2026-27:** Among all 14 Kharif crops, **Sunflower Seed** recorded the **highest absolute increase of ₹622 per quintal** (reaching **₹8,343/quintal**), followed by **Cotton** with an increase of **₹557 per quintal** (Medium Staple at **₹8,267/quintal** and Long Staple at **₹8,667/quintal**), **Nigerseed** (+₹515 to **₹10,052/quintal**), and **Sesamum** (+₹500 to **₹10,346/quintal**) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **Highest Farmer Margin Over Cost of Production (2026-27):** Based on CACP cost estimates, the highest expected return over A_2 + FL cost is provided to **Moong (61% margin** at ₹8,780/quintal against ₹5,438 cost), followed by **Bajra (56% margin** at ₹2,900/quintal), **Maize (56% margin** at ₹2,410/quintal), and **Tur/Arhar (54% margin** at ₹8,450/quintal against ₹5,496 cost) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **SARTHAK-PDS (₹25,530 Crore AI Modernization) & Record Foodgrain Output:** On **May 27, 2026**, the Union Cabinet approved **SARTHAK-PDS** (2026–2031) with an outlay of **₹25,530 crore** utilizing three AI modules — **NIRMAL** (real-time beneficiary registry), **ASHA** (multilingual grievance platform), and **SAKSHAM** (supply chain analytics) — for 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries. On the same day, the 3rd Advance Estimates reported a record foodgrain output of **376.563 Million Tonnes** (Rice 154.024 MT, Wheat 120.657 MT) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

4.2 Four-Node Kharif MSP 2026-27 Determination & SARTHAK-PDS Distribution Flowchart

Step-by-Step Conceptual Process Flowchart

STEP 1
Node 1: CACP Computes A2+FL Production Cost (Paddy Cost Rs 1,627/q; Moong Cost Rs 5,438/q)

STEP 2
Node 2: CCEA Approves 14 Kharif Crop MSPs on 13 May 2026 (Common Paddy Rs 2,441/q; Sunflower +Rs 622/q)

STEP 3
Node 3: Procurement by FCI, NAFED & NCCF under PM-AASHA and Price Support Scheme (Rs 2.60 Lakh Cr)

STEP 4
Node 4: Distribution to 81.35 Cr Beneficiaries via SARTHAK-PDS AI Modules (NIRMAL, ASHA, SAKSHAM)

4.3 Complete Official Kharif Crops MSP Table for Marketing Season 2026-27 (Approved May 13, 2026)

S.No.	Kharif Crop (2026-27)	MSP 2025-26 (₹/q)	MSP 2026-27 (₹/q)	Absolute Hike (₹/q)	Margin Over A2+FL Cost & Key Exam Highlight	Official Source
1	Paddy (Common)	₹2,369	₹2,441	+₹72	50% margin over ₹1,627/q cost; moisture limit 17%	PIB Official Portal
2	Paddy (Grade A)	₹2,389	₹2,461	+₹72	₹20/q premium over Common Paddy variety	PIB Official Portal
3	Jowar (Hybrid)	₹3,699	₹4,023	+₹324	50% margin; Jowar (Maldandi) fixed at ₹4,073/q (+₹324)	PIB Official Portal
4	Bajra (Pearl Millet)	₹2,775	₹2,900	+₹125	56% margin over cost (joint 2nd highest margin)	PIB Official Portal
5	Ragi (Finger Millet)	₹4,886	₹5,205	+₹319	50% margin; recorded 236% MSP growth since 2014-15	PIB Official Portal
6	Maize	₹2,225	₹2,410	+₹185	56% margin over cost; key feedstock for 20% ethanol blending	PIB Official Portal
7	Tur / Arhar (Pigeon Pea)	₹8,000	₹8,450	+₹450	54% margin over ₹5,496/q production cost	PIB Official Portal
8	Moong (Green Gram)	₹8,768	₹8,780	+₹12	61% margin over ₹5,438/q cost (Highest % margin in 2026-27)	PIB Official Portal
9	Urad (Black Gram)	₹7,800	₹8,200	+₹400	50% margin; strengthens domestic pulse self-reliance	PIB Official Portal
10	Groundnut	₹7,263	₹7,517	+₹254	50% margin; major Kharif oilseed crop	PIB Official Portal
11	Sunflower Seed	₹7,721	₹8,343	+₹622	50% margin; Highest absolute increase (+₹622/q) in 2026-27	PIB Official Portal
12	Soybean (Yellow)	₹5,328	₹5,708	+₹380	50% margin (+7.1% hike); major oilseed in MP and Maharashtra	PIB Official Portal
13	Sesamum (Til)	₹9,846	₹10,346	+₹500	50% margin; Highest absolute MSP price (₹10,346/q) in Kharif list	PIB Official Portal

S.No.	Kharif Crop (2026-27)	MSP 2025-26 (₹/q)	MSP 2026-27 (₹/q)	Absolute Hike (₹/q)	Margin Over A2+FL Cost & Key Exam Highlight	Official Source
14	Nigerseed (Ramtil)	₹9,537	₹10,052	+₹515	50% margin; 3rd highest absolute hike (+₹515/q)	PIB Official Portal
15	Cotton (Medium & Long Staple)	₹7,710 / ₹8,110	₹8,267 / ₹8,667	+₹557	50% margin; 2nd highest absolute hike (+₹557/q); procured by CCI	PIB Official Portal

Did You Know?: Alongside the Kharif MSP 2026-27 rates, the Union Cabinet on **September 30, 2026** also approved the **Rabi MSP for Marketing Season 2027-28**, raising **Wheat MSP to ₹2,610 per quintal** (up ₹25 from ₹2,585) and **Rapeseed & Mustard MSP to ₹6,613 per quintal** (up ₹413) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Exam Trap Alert: Do not confuse the **highest percentage margin over cost** with the **highest absolute rupee increase** in Kharif 2026-27: **Moong** has the highest percentage margin over cost (**61%**), **Sesamum** has the highest absolute price (**₹10,346/q**), and **Sunflower Seed** has the highest absolute rupee increase (**+₹622/q**) (IUC Academy).

★ **Memory Trick:** Remember the top 4 absolute MSP hikes in Kharif 2026-27 with **"Sun (622) – Cot (557) – Nig (515) – Ses (500)"**: **Sun**flower (+₹622), **Cot**ton (+₹557), **Nig**erseed (+₹515), and **Ses**amum (+₹500), plus **Paddy = ₹2,441 (+₹72)**.

4.4 Chapter 4 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)

S.No.	Core Current Affairs 2026 Sub-Topic	Verified Constitutional / Statutory / Technical Fact (2026)	Official Source
1	**Paddy (Common)**	₹2,369 — ₹2,441	PIB Official Portal
2	**Paddy (Grade A)**	₹2,389 — ₹2,461	PIB Official Portal
3	**Jowar (Hybrid)**	₹3,699 — ₹4,023	PIB Official Portal
4	**Bajra (Pearl Millet)**	₹2,775 — ₹2,900	PIB Official Portal
5	**Ragi (Finger Millet)**	₹4,886 — ₹5,205	PIB Official Portal
6	**Maize**	₹2,225 — ₹2,410	PIB Official Portal

4.5 Chapter 4 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

- **Statement-Verification Drill 4.1 (Paddy (Common) & Paddy (Grade A)):**
- **Statement-I:** Paddy (Common) — ₹2,369; ₹2,441.
- **Statement-II:** Paddy (Grade A) — ₹2,389; ₹2,461.
- **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
- **Statement-Verification Drill 4.2 (Jowar (Hybrid) & Bajra (Pearl Millet)):**
- **Statement-I:** Jowar (Hybrid) — ₹3,699; ₹4,023.
- **Statement-II:** Bajra (Pearl Millet) — ₹2,775; ₹2,900.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 4.3 (Ragi (Finger Millet) & Maize):**

• **Statement-I:** Ragi (Finger Millet) — ₹4,886; ₹5,205.

• **Statement-II:** Maize — ₹2,225; ₹2,410.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Chapter 4 Comprehensive Analytical & Statutory Revision Matrix

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
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Four-Node Kharif MSP 2026-27 Determination & SARTHAK-PDS Distribution Flowchart	**Paddy MSP 2026-27 Rates**	The MSP for **Common Paddy** was increased by **₹72 per quintal** from ₹2,369 (2025-26) to **₹2,441 per quintal** for 2026-27 (against an estimated A_2 + FL production cost of **₹1,627/quintal**, yielding a 50% margin), while **Grade 'A' Paddy** was raised by ₹72 to **₹2,461 per quintal** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Complete Official Kharif Crops MSP Table for Marketing Season 2026-27 (Approved May 13, 2026)	**Highest Absolute MSP Increases in 2026-27**	Among all 14 Kharif crops, **Sunflower Seed** recorded the **highest absolute increase of ₹622 per quintal** (reaching **₹8,343/quintal**), followed by **Cotton** with an increase of **₹557 per quintal** (Medium Staple at **₹8,267/quintal** and Long Staple at **₹8,667/quintal**), **Nigerseed** (+₹515 to **₹10,052/quintal**), and **Sesamum** (+₹500 to **₹10,346/quintal**) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Chapter 4 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Highest Farmer Margin Over Cost of Production (2026-27)**	Based on CACP cost estimates, the highest expected return over A_2 + FL cost is provided to **Moong (61% margin** at ₹8,780/quintal against ₹5,438 cost), followed by **Bajra (56% margin** at ₹2,900/quintal), **Maize (56% margin** at ₹2,410/quintal), and **Tur/Arhar (54% margin** at ₹8,450/quintal against ₹5,496 cost) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Chapter 4 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**SARTHAK-PDS (₹25,530 Crore AI Modernization) & Record Foodgrain Output**	On **May 27, 2026**, the Union Cabinet approved **SARTHAK-PDS** (2026–2031) with an outlay of **₹25,530 crore** utilizing three AI modules — **NIRMAL** (real-time beneficiary registry), **ASHA** (multilingual grievance platform), and **SAKSHAM** (supply chain analytics) — for 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries. On the same day, the 3rd Advance Estimates reported a record foodgrain output of **376.563 Million Tonnes** (Rice 154.024 MT, Wheat 120.657 MT) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

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CCEA Approval of Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 14 Kharif Crops (Marketing Season 2026-27)	**Statement-I**	Paddy (Common) — ₹2,369; ₹2,441.
Four-Node Kharif MSP 2026-27 Determination & SARTHAK-PDS Distribution Flowchart	**Statement-II**	Paddy (Grade A) — ₹2,389; ₹2,461.
Complete Official Kharif Crops MSP Table for Marketing Season 2026-27 (Approved May 13, 2026)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Chapter 4 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-I**	Jowar (Hybrid) — ₹3,699; ₹4,023.
Chapter 4 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-II**	Bajra (Pearl Millet) — ₹2,775; ₹2,900.
CCEA Approval of Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 14 Kharif Crops (Marketing Season 2026-27)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Four-Node Kharif MSP 2026-27 Determination & SARTHAK-PDS Distribution Flowchart	**Statement-I**	Ragi (Finger Millet) — ₹4,886; ₹5,205.

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
Complete Official Kharif Crops MSP Table for Marketing Season 2026-27 (Approved May 13, 2026)	**Statement-II**	Maize — ₹2,225; ₹2,410.
Chapter 4 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Chapter 4 Multi-Statement Exam Verification Drills

Chapter 4 Statement-Verification Drill #1 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (CCEA Approval on May 13, 2026): The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved increased **Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 14 Kharif crops for Marketing Season 2026-27** on **May 13, 2026**, ensuring a minimum return of **1.5 times (50% margin)** over the All-India weighted average cost of production (A_2 + FL) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Paddy MSP 2026-27 Rates): The MSP for **Common Paddy** was increased by **₹72 per quintal** from ₹2,369 (2025-26) to **₹2,441 per quintal** for 2026-27 (against an estimated A_2 + FL production cost of **₹1,627/quintal**, yielding a 50% margin), while **Grade 'A' Paddy** was raised by ₹72 to **₹2,461 per quintal** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

✔ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 4 Statement-Verification Drill #2 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Highest Absolute MSP Increases in 2026-27): Among all 14 Kharif crops, **Sunflower Seed** recorded the **highest absolute increase of ₹622 per quintal** (reaching **₹8,343/quintal**), followed by **Cotton** with an increase of **₹557 per quintal** (Medium Staple at **₹8,267/quintal** and Long Staple at **₹8,667/quintal**), **Nigerseed** (+₹515 to **₹10,052/quintal**), and **Sesamum** (+₹500 to **₹10,346/quintal**) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Highest Farmer Margin Over Cost of Production (2026-27)): Based on CACP cost estimates, the highest expected return over A_2 + FL cost is provided to **Moong (61% margin** at ₹8,780/quintal against ₹5,438 cost), followed by **Bajra (56% margin** at ₹2,900/quintal), **Maize (56% margin** at ₹2,410/quintal), and **Tur/Arhar (54% margin** at ₹8,450/quintal against ₹5,496 cost) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

✔ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 4 Statement-Verification Drill #3 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (SARTHAK-PDS (₹25,530 Crore AI Modernization) & Record Foodgrain Output): On **May 27, 2026**, the Union Cabinet approved **SARTHAK-PDS** (2026–2031) with an outlay of **₹25,530 crore** utilizing three AI modules — **NIRMAL** (real-time beneficiary registry), **ASHA** (multilingual grievance platform), and **SAKSHAM** (supply chain analytics) — for 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries. On the same day, the 3rd Advance Estimates reported a record foodgrain output of **376.563 Million Tonnes** (Rice 154.024 MT, Wheat 120.657 MT) (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Paddy (Common) — ₹2,369; ₹2,441.

✔ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 4 Statement-Verification Drill #4 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-II): Paddy (Grade A) — ₹2,389; ₹2,461.

Statement-II (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 4 Statement-Verification Drill #5 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-I): Jowar (Hybrid) — ₹3,699; ₹4,023.

Statement-II (Statement-II): Bajra (Pearl Millet) — ₹2,775; ₹2,900.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 4 Statement-Verification Drill #6 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Ragi (Finger Millet) — ₹4,886; ₹5,205.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 5: ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (England) & International Cricket Milestones

Chapter Key Study Pillars — Chapter 5: ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (England) & International Cricket Milestones

Key Study Pillar 1	Key Study Pillar 2	Key Study Pillar 3	Key Study Pillar 4
10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (12 June – 5 July 2026): Australia Wins 7th Title at Lord's	10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (England) Complete Statistical & Awards Matrix	Chapter 5 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	Chapter 5 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

5.1 10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (12 June – 5 July 2026): Australia Wins 7th Title at Lord's

• **Host Nation, Expanded Format & Dates (12 June – 5 July 2026):** The **10th edition of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup** was hosted by the **England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB)** from **June 12 to July 5, 2026** across seven venues in England. The tournament expanded from 10 to **12 teams** contesting **33 matches**, with the **Netherlands** qualifying for the Women's T20 World Cup for the very first time (IUC Academy).

• **Grand Final at Lord's (5 July 2026):** In the final played before 28,000 spectators at **Lord's Cricket Ground, London** on **July 5, 2026**, hosts **England scored 150/4 in 20 overs** (led by captain **Nat Sciver-Brunt's 58 off 53 balls**). **Australia chased down the target with 153/3 in 17.1 overs** to win by **7 wickets** — registering the **highest successful run chase in a Women's T20 World Cup final** and securing Australia's **record 7th Women's T20 World Cup crown** (IUC Academy).

• **Beth Mooney's Historic Double Honour:** Australian wicketkeeper-batter **Beth Mooney** scored a match-winning **64 off 49 balls** in the final and was named both **Player of the Match in the Final** and **Player of the**

Tournament, becoming the **first player in history to win Player of the Tournament twice** in the Women's T20 World Cup and equalling Nat Sciver-Brunt for the most career 50+ scores (9 each) (IUC Academy).

• **Danni Wyatt-Hodge & Fatima Sana Lead Statistical Charts:** England opener **Danni Wyatt-Hodge** amassed **302 runs**, becoming the **first player in history to score over 300 runs in a single edition of the Women's T20 World Cup**. Pakistan captain **Fatima Sana** topped the bowling chart with **11 wickets** (in 5 innings), followed by Australian captain **Sophie Molineux** (10 wickets) and West Indies captain **Hayley Matthews** (10 wickets) (IUC Academy).

• **Ellyse Perry's 9th World Cup & LA 2028 Olympic Qualification:** Australian all-rounder **Ellyse Perry** became the **first cricketer (male or female) in world history to win 9 ICC World Cups** across ODI (2) and T20I (7) formats. Based on continental standings at the 2026 World Cup, **India (Asia)**, **South Africa (Africa)**, **Great Britain (Europe)**, and **Australia (Oceania)** qualified for **Cricket at the 2028 Los Angeles Summer Olympics** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

5.2 Four-Node 10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 Campaign Flowchart

Step-by-Step Conceptual Process Flowchart

STEP 1
Node 1: 12 Teams Compete Across 7 English Venues (12 June - 5 July 2026; Netherlands Debuts)

STEP 2
Node 2: Semifinals: England Defeats South Africa by 40 Runs; Australia Advances to 8th Final

STEP 3
Node 3: Lord's Final (5 July 2026): Australia (153/3 in 17.1 ov) Beats England (150/4) by 7 Wickets

STEP 4
Node 4: Beth Mooney Named Player of Tournament; India, SA, GB & Australia Qualify for LA 2028 Olympics

5.3 10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (England) Complete Statistical & Awards Matrix

S.No.	Category / Award / Record	Winner / Record Holder (2026)	Verified Statistical Performance & Significance	Official Source
1	Champions (2026 Title Winner)	Australia (Captain: Sophie Molineux)	Defeated England by 7 wickets (153/3 vs 150/4) at Lord's on 5 July 2026; record 7th WT20WC title	IUC Academy
2	Runners-Up (Host Nation)	England (Captain: Nat Sciver-Brunt)	Scored 150/4 in Final (Sciver-Brunt 58 off 53); beat South Africa by 40 runs in Semifinal	IUC Academy
3	Player of the Tournament & Final POTM	Beth Mooney (Australia)	Scored 64 (49) in Final while keeping wickets; first two-time Player of the Tournament in WT20WC	IUC Academy
4	Leading Run-Scorer (Most Runs)	Danni Wyatt-Hodge (England)	302 runs — first cricketer ever to breach the 300-run mark in a single WT20WC edition	IUC Academy
5	Leading Wicket-Taker (Most Wickets)	Fatima Sana (Pakistan)	11 wickets in 5 innings; followed by Sophie Molineux (10) and Hayley Matthews (10)	IUC Academy
6	All-Time World Cup Record (9 Titles)	Ellyse Perry (Australia)	First cricketer across both genders to win 9 ICC World Cups (7 T20 World Cups + 2 ODI World Cups)	IUC Academy

S.No.	Category / Award / Record	Winner / Record Holder (2026)	Verified Statistical Performance & Significance	Official Source
7	Debutant Nation & Defending Champion	Netherlands (Debut) / New Zealand (2024 Winner)	Tournament expanded to 12 teams; defending champions New Zealand exited in group stage	IUC Academy
8	LA 2028 Olympics Cricket Qualifiers	India, South Africa, Great Britain & Australia	Qualified as top continental finishers from Asia, Africa, Europe, and Oceania respectively	PIB Official Portal

Did You Know?: Australia received **US2.34 million** in winner's prize money and England received **US1.17 million** as runners-up from the ICC at the 2026 Women's T20 World Cup final at Lord's, which drew a crowd of **28,000 spectators** and total tournament attendance of **245,815** (IUC Academy).

Exam Trap Alert: Do not confuse the **2024 Women's T20 World Cup** (hosted in the UAE and won by New Zealand) with the **10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026** hosted by **England (12 June – 5 July 2026)**, where **Australia** defeated **England** by 7 wickets at **Lord's** under captain **Sophie Molineux** (IUC Academy).

★ **Memory Trick:** Remember the 2026 Women's T20 World Cup key stats with **"LORDS-7-302-11"**: **Lord's** Final (5 July 2026), Australia won by **7** wickets for their **7th** title, Danni Wyatt-Hodge scored **302** runs, and Fatima Sana took **11** wickets!

5.4 Chapter *5* Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table *(May-2026* & June-*2026)*

S.No.	Core Current Affairs 2026 Sub-Topic	Verified Constitutional / Statutory / Technical Fact (2026)	Official Source
1	**Champions (2026 Title Winner)**	Australia (Captain: Sophie Molineux) — Defeated England by 7 wickets (153/3 vs 150/4) at Lord's on 5 July 2026; record 7th WT20WC title	IUC Academy
2	**Runners-Up (Host Nation)**	England (Captain: Nat Sciver-Brunt) — Scored 150/4 in Final (Sciver-Brunt 58 off 53); beat South Africa by 40 runs in Semifinal	IUC Academy
3	**Player of the Tournament & Final POTM**	Beth Mooney (Australia) — Scored 64 (49) in Final while keeping wickets; first two-time Player of the Tournament in WT20WC	IUC Academy
4	**Leading Run-Scorer (Most Runs)**	Danni Wyatt-Hodge (England) — 302 runs — first cricketer ever to breach the 300-run mark in a single WT20WC edition	IUC Academy
5	**Leading Wicket-Taker (Most Wickets)**	Fatima Sana (Pakistan) — 11 wickets in 5 innings; followed by Sophie Molineux (10) and Hayley Matthews (10)	IUC Academy
6	**All-Time World Cup Record (9 Titles)**	Ellyse Perry (Australia) — First cricketer across both genders to win 9 ICC World Cups (7 T20 World Cups + 2 ODI World Cups)	IUC Academy

5.5 Chapter *5* Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills *(May-2026* & June-*2026)*

• **Statement-Verification Drill 5.1 (Champions (2026 Title Winner) & Runners-Up (Host Nation)):**

• **Statement-I:** Champions (2026 Title Winner) — Australia (Captain: Sophie Molineux); Defeated England by 7 wickets (153/3 vs 150/4) at Lord's on 5 July 2026; record 7th WT20WC title.

• **Statement-II:** Runners-Up (Host Nation) — England (Captain: Nat Sciver-Brunt); Scored 150/4 in Final (Sciver-Brunt 58 off 53); beat South Africa by 40 runs in Semifinal.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**IUC Academy**).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 5.2 (Player of the Tournament & Final POTM & Leading Run-Scorer (Most Runs)):**

• **Statement-I:** Player of the Tournament & Final POTM — Beth Mooney (Australia); Scored 64 (49) in Final while keeping wickets; first two-time Player of the Tournament in WT20WC.

• **Statement-II:** Leading Run-Scorer (Most Runs) — Danni Wyatt-Hodge (England); 302 runs — first cricketer ever to breach the 300-run mark in a single WT20WC edition.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**IUC Academy**).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 5.3 (Leading Wicket-Taker (Most Wickets) & All-Time World Cup Record (9 Titles)):**

• **Statement-I:** Leading Wicket-Taker (Most Wickets) — Fatima Sana (Pakistan); 11 wickets in 5 innings; followed by Sophie Molineux (10) and Hayley Matthews (10).

• **Statement-II:** All-Time World Cup Record (9 Titles) — Ellyse Perry (Australia); First cricketer across both genders to win 9 ICC World Cups (7 T20 World Cups + 2 ODI World Cups).

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**IUC Academy**).

Chapter 5 Comprehensive Analytical & Statutory Revision Matrix

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (12 June – 5 July 2026): Australia Wins 7th Title at Lord's	**Host Nation, Expanded Format & Dates (12 June – 5 July 2026)**	The **10th edition of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup** was hosted by the **England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB)** from **June 12 to July 5, 2026** across seven venues in England. The tournament expanded from 10 to **12 teams** contesting **33 matches**, with the **Netherlands** qualifying for the Women's T20 World Cup for the very first time (IUC Academy).
Four-Node 10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 Campaign Flowchart	**Grand Final at Lord's (5 July 2026)**	In the final played before 28,000 spectators at **Lord's Cricket Ground, London** on **July 5, 2026**, hosts **England scored 150/4 in 20 overs** (led by captain **Nat Sciver-Brunt's 58 off 53 balls**). **Australia chased down the target with 153/3 in 17.1 overs** to win by **7 wickets** — registering the **highest successful run chase in a Women's T20 World Cup final** and securing Australia's **record 7th Women's T20 World Cup crown** (IUC Academy).

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Chapter 5 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Danni Wyatt-Hodge & Fatima Sana Lead Statistical Charts**	England opener **Danni Wyatt-Hodge** amassed **302 runs**, becoming the **first player in history to score over 300 runs in a single edition of the Women's T20 World Cup**. Pakistan captain **Fatima Sana** topped the bowling chart with **11 wickets** (in 5 innings), followed by Australian captain **Sophie Molineux** (10 wickets) and West Indies captain **Hayley Matthews** (10 wickets) (IUC Academy).
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Chapter 5 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-II**	Leading Run-Scorer (Most Runs) — Danni Wyatt-Hodge (England); 302 runs — first cricketer ever to breach the 300-run mark in a single WT20WC edition.
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Chapter *5* Multi-Statement Exam Verification Drills

Chapter 5 Statement-Verification Drill #1 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

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✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 5 Statement-Verification Drill #3 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Ellyse Perry's 9th World Cup & LA 2028 Olympic Qualification): Australian all-rounder **Ellyse Perry** became the **first cricketer (male or female) in world history to win 9 ICC World Cups** across ODI (2) and T20I (7) formats. Based on continental standings at the 2026 World Cup, **India (Asia)**, **South Africa (Africa)**, **Great Britain (Europe)**, and **Australia (Oceania)** qualified for **Cricket at the 2028 Los Angeles Summer Olympics** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Champions (2026 Title Winner) — Australia (Captain: Sophie Molineux); Defeated England by 7 wickets (153/3 vs 150/4) at Lord's on 5 July 2026; record 7th WT20WC title.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 5 Statement-Verification Drill #4 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-II): Runners-Up (Host Nation) — England (Captain: Nat Sciver-Brunt); Scored 150/4 in Final (Sciver-Brunt 58 off 53); beat South Africa by 40 runs in Semifinal.

Statement-II (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (IUC Academy).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 5 Statement-Verification Drill #5 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-I): Player of the Tournament & Final POTM — Beth Mooney (Australia); Scored 64 (49) in Final while keeping wickets; first two-time Player of the Tournament in WT20WC.

Statement-II (Statement-II): Leading Run-Scorer (Most Runs) — Danni Wyatt-Hodge (England); 302 runs — first cricketer ever to breach the 300-run mark in a single WT20WC edition.

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Chapter 5 Statement-Verification Drill #6 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (IUC Academy).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Leading Wicket-Taker (Most Wickets) — Fatima Sana (Pakistan); 11 wickets in 5 innings; followed by Sophie Molineux (10) and Hayley Matthews (10).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 6: Indian Economy, RBI Monetary & Regulatory Policy 2026 & Digital Financial Architecture

Chapter Key Study Pillars — Chapter 6: Indian Economy, RBI Monetary & Regulatory Policy 2026 & Digital Financial Architecture

Key Study Pillar 1	Key Study Pillar 2	Key Study Pillar 3	Key Study Pillar 4
Reserve Bank of India (RBI) 2026 Policy Measures, Agriculture Credit Expansion & Bio-Energy Milestones	Key Economic, Banking & Agri-Technology Quantitative Benchmarks (2026 Official Data)	Chapter 6 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	Chapter 6 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

6.1 Reserve Bank of India (RBI) 2026 Policy Measures, Agriculture Credit Expansion & Bio-Energy Milestones

• **RBI Monetary Policy Stability & Inflation Targeting Framework (2026):** Under Section 45ZA of the RBI Act, 1934, the Reserve Bank of India and the six-member **Monetary Policy Committee (MPC)** maintained macroeconomic price stability within the flexible inflation targeting band of **4% ± 2% (2% to 6%)**, supporting India's position as the world's fastest-growing major economy in 2026 (Reserve Bank of India (RBI)).

• **Structural Expansion of Institutional Farm Credit & KCC:** According to official 2026 Ministry of Agriculture & RBI data, **Ground Level Credit (GLC)** flow to agriculture and allied sectors surged nearly fourfold from ₹7.30 lakh crore (2013-14) to **₹28.67 lakh crore**, while operative **Kisan Credit Card (KCC)** accounts reached **7.81 crore** with ₹10.20 lakh crore in active credit limits (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **20% Ethanol Blending Target Achieved in 2026 (EBP Programme):** Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) achieved an average **20 percent ethanol blending** in petrol during Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) 2025-26 (verified in 2026, up from 1.14% in 2014-15), generating over **₹1.29 lakh crore** in revenue for sugar mills and mobilizing **₹42,000 crore** in bio-energy investments (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) & e-NAM 2026 Progress:** Targeting **100 low-performing agricultural districts** with integrated irrigation, credit, and post-harvest storage, **PMDDKY** reached **1.7 crore farmer beneficiaries** in 2026, while the electronic National Agriculture Market (**e-NAM**) integrated **1,656 mandis** across India in 2026 (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **Kisan e-Mitra AI Chatbot & National Pest Surveillance System (NPSS):** By 2026, the AI-powered **Kisan e-Mitra** voice/text assistant operating in **11 regional languages** resolved over **95 lakh farmer queries**, while **NPSS** covered **66 crops** and monitored **432+ pest species** across 10,000 field functionaries (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

6.2 Four-Node Agricultural Credit, Digital Advisory & Bio-Energy Value Chain Flowchart *(2026)*

Step-by-Step Conceptual Process Flowchart

STEP 1
Node 1: Institutional Credit via 7.81 Cr KCC Accounts & Rs 28.67 Lakh Cr Ground Level Credit

STEP 2
Node 2: Grassroots Convergence in 100 Districts under PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (1.7 Cr Farmers)

STEP 3
Node 3: Digital Market Access via 1,656 e-NAM Mandis & Kisan e-Mitra AI (95 Lakh Queries)

STEP 4
Node 4: Value Addition via Rs 10,900 Cr Food Processing PLI & 20% Ethanol Blending Achievement

6.3 Key Economic, Banking & Agri-Technology Quantitative Benchmarks *(2026* Official Data*)*

S.No.	Economic / Financial Programme	Verified 2026 Quantitative Benchmark	Institutional / Policy Significance	Official Source
1	Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme	20% average blending achieved in 2026 (904 Cr litres procured)	Up from 1.14% in 2014-15; ₹1.29 lakh crore paid to sugar mills	PIB Official Portal
2	SARTHAK-PDS Scheme (May 2026)	₹25,530 crore outlay (April 2026 – March 2031)	AI modules NIRMAL, ASHA & SAKSHAM serving 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries	PIB Official Portal
3	PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY)	100 low-performing districts; 1.7 crore farmers benefitted (2026)	Focuses on irrigation, crop diversification, credit, and storage	PIB Official Portal
4	Electronic National Agriculture Market (e-NAM)	1,656 agricultural mandis integrated (2026)	Pan-India electronic trading portal operated by SFAC	PIB Official Portal
5	PLI Scheme for Food Processing (PLISFPI)	₹10,900 crore outlay (2021-22 to 2026-27); 165 projects approved	₹4,064 crore Union Budget 2026-27 allocation for Ministry of Food Processing	India Budget Portal
6	Kisan e-Mitra AI Digital Platform	95+ lakh queries resolved across 11 languages (2026)	AI chatbot assisting farmers with PM-KISAN and scheme advisories	PIB Official Portal
7	Global & State Irrigation Leadership	India ranks 1st globally in irrigated area (75.50 million ha)	Uttar Pradesh ranks 1st in net irrigated area (13.65 mha) & tubewell irrigation	PIB Official Portal

Did You Know?: India ranks **1st in the world in total irrigated area (75.50 million hectares)** ahead of China (74.91 mha) and the USA (24.69 mha), with **Uttar Pradesh** ranking 1st among Indian states in both **Net Irrigated Area (13.65 mha)** and **Tubewell Irrigation (10.40 mha)**, while **Rajasthan** ranks 1st in **Canal Irrigation (2.24 mha)** (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Exam Trap Alert: In exams asking about **SARTHAK-PDS (approved May 27, 2026)**, remember the exact functions of its three AI modules: **NIRMAL** manages the *real-time beneficiary registry*, **ASHA** handles *multilingual citizen grievance redressal*, and **SAKSHAM** optimizes *supply-chain logistics* reducing grain travel distance by 15–50% (IUC Academy).

★ **Memory Trick:** Remember the 3 AI modules of SARTHAK-PDS (₹25,530 Cr) with **"N-A-S"**: **N**IRMAL (Beneficiary Registry), **A**SHA (Grievance Chatbot), and **S**AKSHAM (Supply Chain & Logistics).

6.4 Chapter *6* Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table *(May-2026 & June-2026)*

S.No.	Core Current Affairs 2026 Sub-Topic	Verified Constitutional / Statutory / Technical Fact (2026)	Official Source
1	**Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme**	20% average blending achieved in 2026 (904 Cr litres procured) — Up from 1.14% in 2014-15; ₹1.29 lakh crore paid to sugar mills	**PIB Official Portal**
2	**SARTHAK-PDS Scheme (May 2026)**	₹25,530 crore outlay (April 2026 – March 2031) — AI modules NIRMAL, ASHA & SAKSHAM serving 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries	**PIB Official Portal**
3	**PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY)**	100 low-performing districts; 1.7 crore farmers benefitted (2026) — Focuses on irrigation, crop diversification, credit, and storage	**PIB Official Portal**
4	**Electronic National Agriculture Market (e-NAM)**	1,656 agricultural mandis integrated (2026) — Pan-India electronic trading portal operated by SFAC	**PIB Official Portal**
5	**PLI Scheme for Food Processing (PLISFPI)**	₹10,900 crore outlay (2021-22 to 2026-27); 165 projects approved — ₹4,064 crore Union Budget 2026-27 allocation for Ministry of Food Processing	**India Budget Portal**
6	**Kisan e-Mitra AI Digital Platform**	95+ lakh queries resolved across 11 languages (2026) — AI chatbot assisting farmers with PM-KISAN and scheme advisories	**PIB Official Portal**

6.5 Chapter *6* Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills *(May-2026 & June-2026)*

• Statement-Verification Drill 6.1 (Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme & SARTHAK-PDS Scheme (May 2026)):

• Statement-I: Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme — 20% average blending achieved in 2026 (904 Cr litres procured); Up from 1.14% in 2014-15; ₹1.29 lakh crore paid to sugar mills.

• Statement-II: SARTHAK-PDS Scheme (May 2026) — ₹25,530 crore outlay (April 2026 – March 2031); AI modules NIRMAL, ASHA & SAKSHAM serving 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries.

• Verification Conclusion: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**PIB Official Portal**).

• Statement-Verification Drill 6.2 (PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) & Electronic National Agriculture Market (e-NAM)):

• Statement-I: PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) — 100 low-performing districts; 1.7 crore farmers benefitted (2026); Focuses on irrigation, crop diversification, credit, and storage.

• Statement-II: Electronic National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) — 1,656 agricultural mandis integrated (2026); Pan-India electronic trading portal operated by SFAC.

• Verification Conclusion: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**PIB Official Portal**).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 6.3 (PLI Scheme for Food Processing (PLISFPI) & Kisan e-Mitra AI Digital Platform):**

• **Statement-I:** PLI Scheme for Food Processing (PLISFPI) — ₹10,900 crore outlay (2021-22 to 2026-27); 165 projects approved; ₹4,064 crore Union Budget 2026-27 allocation for Ministry of Food Processing.

• **Statement-II:** Kisan e-Mitra AI Digital Platform — 95+ lakh queries resolved across 11 languages (2026); AI chatbot assisting farmers with PM-KISAN and scheme advisories.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**India Budget Portal**).

Chapter *6* Comprehensive Analytical & Statutory Revision Matrix

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
Reserve Bank of India (RBI) 2026 Policy Measures, Agriculture Credit Expansion & Bio-Energy Milestones	**RBI Monetary Policy Stability & Inflation Targeting Framework (2026)**	Under Section 45ZA of the RBI Act, 1934, the Reserve Bank of India and the six-member **Monetary Policy Committee (MPC)** maintained macroeconomic price stability within the flexible inflation targeting band of **4% ± 2% (2% to 6%)**, supporting India's position as the world's fastest-growing major economy in 2026 (Reserve Bank of India (RBI)).
Four-Node Agricultural Credit, Digital Advisory & Bio-Energy Value Chain Flowchart (2026)	**Structural Expansion of Institutional Farm Credit & KCC**	According to official 2026 Ministry of Agriculture & RBI data, **Ground Level Credit (GLC)** flow to agriculture and allied sectors surged nearly fourfold from ₹7.30 lakh crore (2013-14) to **₹28.67 lakh crore**, while operative **Kisan Credit Card (KCC)** accounts reached **7.81 crore** with ₹10.20 lakh crore in active credit limits (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Key Economic, Banking & Agri-Technology Quantitative Benchmarks (2026 Official Data)	**20% Ethanol Blending Target Achieved in 2026 (EBP Programme)**	Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) achieved an average **20 percent ethanol blending** in petrol during Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) 2025-26 (verified in 2026, up from 1.14% in 2014-15), generating over **₹1.29 lakh crore** in revenue for sugar mills and mobilizing **₹42,000 crore** in bio-energy investments (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Chapter 6 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) & e-NAM 2026 Progress**	Targeting **100 low-performing agricultural districts** with integrated irrigation, credit, and post-harvest storage, **PMDDKY** reached **1.7 crore farmer beneficiaries** in 2026, while the electronic National Agriculture Market (**e-NAM**) integrated **1,656 mandis** across India in 2026 (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Chapter 6 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Kisan e-Mitra AI Chatbot & National Pest Surveillance System (NPSS)**	By 2026, the AI-powered **Kisan e-Mitra** voice/text assistant operating in **11 regional languages** resolved over **95 lakh farmer queries**, while **NPSS** covered **66 crops** and monitored **432+ pest species** across 10,000 field functionaries (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

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Four-Node Agricultural Credit, Digital Advisory & Bio-Energy Value Chain Flowchart (2026)	**Statement-II**	SARTHAK-PDS Scheme (May 2026) — ₹25,530 crore outlay (April 2026 – March 2031); AI modules NIRMAL, ASHA & SAKSHAM serving 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries.
Key Economic, Banking & Agri-Technology Quantitative Benchmarks (2026 Official Data)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Chapter 6 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-I**	PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) — 100 low-performing districts; 1.7 crore farmers benefitted (2026); Focuses on irrigation, crop diversification, credit, and storage.
Chapter 6 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-II**	Electronic National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) — 1,656 agricultural mandis integrated (2026); Pan-India electronic trading portal operated by SFAC.
Reserve Bank of India (RBI) 2026 Policy Measures, Agriculture Credit Expansion & Bio-Energy Milestones	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Four-Node Agricultural Credit, Digital Advisory & Bio-Energy Value Chain Flowchart (2026)	**Statement-I**	PLI Scheme for Food Processing (PLISFPI) — ₹10,900 crore outlay (2021-22 to 2026-27); 165 projects approved; ₹4,064 crore Union Budget 2026-27 allocation for Ministry of Food Processing.

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
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Chapter 6 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (India Budget Portal).

Chapter *6* Multi-Statement Exam Verification Drills

Chapter 6 Statement-Verification Drill #1 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (RBI Monetary Policy Stability & Inflation Targeting Framework (2026)): Under Section 45ZA of the RBI Act, 1934, the Reserve Bank of India and the six-member **Monetary Policy Committee (MPC)** maintained macroeconomic price stability within the flexible inflation targeting band of **4% ± 2% (2% to 6%)**, supporting India's position as the world's fastest-growing major economy in 2026 (Reserve Bank of India (RBI)).

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✔ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 6 Statement-Verification Drill #2 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (20% Ethanol Blending Target Achieved in 2026 (EBP Programme)): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) achieved an average **20 percent ethanol blending** in petrol during Ethanol Supply Year (ESY) 2025-26 (verified in 2026, up from 1.14% in 2014-15), generating over **₹1.29 lakh crore** in revenue for sugar mills and mobilizing **₹42,000 crore** in bio-energy investments (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) & e-NAM 2026 Progress): Targeting **100 low-performing agricultural districts** with integrated irrigation, credit, and post-harvest storage, **PMDDKY** reached **1.7 crore farmer beneficiaries** in 2026, while the electronic National Agriculture Market (**e-NAM**) integrated **1,656 mandis** across India in 2026 (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

✔ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 6 Statement-Verification Drill #3 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (Kisan e-Mitra AI Chatbot & National Pest Surveillance System (NPSS)): By 2026, the AI-powered **Kisan e-Mitra** voice/text assistant operating in **11 regional languages** resolved over **95 lakh farmer queries**, while **NPSS** covered **66 crops** and monitored **432+ pest species** across 10,000 field functionaries (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme — 20% average blending achieved in 2026 (904 Cr litres procured); Up from 1.14% in 2014-15; ₹1.29 lakh crore paid to sugar mills.

✔ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 6 Statement-Verification Drill #4 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-II): SARTHAK-PDS Scheme (May 2026) — ₹25,530 crore outlay (April 2026 – March 2031); AI modules NIRMAL, ASHA & SAKSHAM serving 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries.

Statement-II (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 6 Statement-Verification Drill #5 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-I): PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) — 100 low-performing districts; 1.7 crore farmers benefitted (2026); Focuses on irrigation, crop diversification, credit, and storage.

Statement-II (Statement-II): Electronic National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) — 1,656 agricultural mandis integrated (2026); Pan-India electronic trading portal operated by SFAC.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 6 Statement-Verification Drill #6 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Statement-II (Statement-I): PLI Scheme for Food Processing (PLISFPI) — ₹10,900 crore outlay (2021-22 to 2026-27); 165 projects approved; ₹4,064 crore Union Budget 2026-27 allocation for Ministry of Food Processing.

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Chapter 7: ISRO 2026 Space Odyssey: Gaganyaan DPDT-3, NISAR, TRISHNA & Chandrayaan-4 Architecture

Chapter Key Study Pillars — Chapter 7: ISRO 2026 Space Odyssey: Gaganyaan DPDT-3, NISAR, TRISHNA & Chandrayaan-4 Architecture

Key Study Pillar 1	Key Study Pillar 2	Key Study Pillar 3	Key Study Pillar 4
Major ISRO & Bilateral Space Missions Advancing in 2026	ISRO 2026 Flagship Missions, Technical Payloads & International Collaborations Matrix	Chapter 7 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	Chapter 7 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

7.1 Major ISRO & Bilateral Space Missions Advancing in 2026

• **Gaganyaan Drogue Parachute Qualification Test (DPDT-3 — February 19, 2026):** On **February 19, 2026**, ISRO and DRDO successfully conducted the final qualification-level load test (**DPDT-3**) for the Gaganyaan Crew Module deceleration system at the **Terminal Ballistics Research Laboratory (TBRL) Rail Track Rocket Sled facility in Chandigarh**, demonstrating design safety margins exceeding maximum flight aerodynamic loads (Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)).

• **Uncrewed Gaganyaan-G1 Mission & AI Humanoid 'Vyommitra' (2026):** ISRO Chairman **Dr. V. Narayanan** confirmed preparations in 2026 for the first uncrewed orbital flight (**Gaganyaan-G1**) aboard the human-rated **HLVM3** launch vehicle carrying **Vyommitra**, an AI-enabled half-humanoid robot developed by VSSC/IISU to

monitor environmental life-support parameters before India's crewed spaceflight (Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)).

• **Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla's Axiom-4 ISS Mission Milestone:** Strengthening operational readiness for Gaganyaan and the **Bharatiya Antariksh Station (BAS)**, Indian astronaut **Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla** completed an 18-day scientific stay aboard the **International Space Station (ISS)** as part of the four-member **Axiom-4** crew, splashing down in the Pacific Ocean aboard the SpaceX Dragon Compendiums *Grace* (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) & Indo-French TRISHNA Mission:** The landmark **NISAR** mission (world's first dual-frequency radar imaging satellite combining NASA's L-band 24 cm SAR and ISRO's S-band 12 cm SAR) and the Indo-French **TRISHNA** satellite (combining CNES thermal infrared sensors with ISRO optical payloads for high-resolution crop water-stress and glacier monitoring) anchored India's 2026 Earth observation roadmap (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **Chandrayaan-4 (₹2,104.06 Crore Sample-Return) & Vikram-1 Private Orbital Flight:** Approved by the Union Cabinet with an outlay of **₹2,104.06 crore**, **Chandrayaan-4** features a **9,200 kg, 5-module spacecraft** launched via **two LVM3 rockets** with orbital docking to return lunar south pole samples. Meanwhile, India's private space ecosystem expanded to **440+ space start-ups** in 2026, highlighted by Skyroot Aerospace's orbital flight of **Vikram-1** (Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)).

7.2 Four-Node Chandrayaan-4 Five-Module Lunar Sample-Return Architecture Flowchart

Step-by-Step Conceptual Process Flowchart

STEP 1
Node 1: Dual LVM3 Launches Place Two Spacecraft Stacks (9,200 kg Total) into Earth Orbit

STEP 2
Node 2: Autonomous Orbital Docking of Five Modules (Propulsion, Descender, Ascender, Transfer, Re-entry)

STEP 3
Node 3: Descender & Ascender Land Near Lunar South Pole, Collect Samples & Ascend to Lunar Orbit

STEP 4
Node 4: Sample Transfer to Re-entry Module in Lunar Orbit & Safe Atmospheric Return to Earth

7.3 ISRO 2026 Flagship Missions, Technical Payloads & International Collaborations Matrix

S.No.	Space Mission / Test (2026)	Partner Agency / Nodal Centre	Technical Specifications & Strategic Objective	Official Source
1	Gaganyaan DPDT-3 Qualification Test	ISRO (VSSC) & DRDO (TBRL Chandigarh, ARDE)	Conducted 19 Feb 2026; verified drogue parachute safety margins under high-speed ballistic loads	ISRO Official Portal
2	Gaganyaan-G1 Uncrewed Orbital Mission	ISRO Human Space Flight Centre (HSFC)	Uses human-rated HLVM3 rocket carrying AI-enabled half-humanoid robot 'Vyommitra'	ISRO Official Portal
3	Chandrayaan-4 Lunar Sample Return	ISRO (Cabinet Outlay: ₹2,104.06 Crore)	9,200 kg spacecraft with 5 modules launched across two LVM3 rockets with orbital docking	PIB Official Portal

S.No.	Space Mission / Test (2026)	Partner Agency / Nodal Centre	Technical Specifications & Strategic Objective	Official Source
4	Chandrayaan-5 / LUPEX (July 2026 Review)	ISRO (India) & JAXA (Japan)	6,000 kg Indian lander + 350 kg Japanese rover on H3 rocket to study lunar polar water ice	ISRO Official Portal
5	NISAR (NASA-ISRO SAR Mission)	ISRO & NASA (JPL)	Dual-frequency radar (L-band 24 cm + S-band 12 cm) with 12-day global repeat cycle for crustal deformation	PIB Official Portal
6	TRISHNA Earth Observation Mission	ISRO (India) & CNES (France)	Thermal Infrared Imaging Satellite for High-resolution Natural resource Assessment & crop water stress	PIB Official Portal
7	Shukrayaan (Venus Orbiter Mission)	ISRO (with Roscosmos & Swedish payloads)	Cabinet-approved; PDR completed in 2026; carries 19 payloads to study Venusian atmosphere and plasma	ISRO Official Portal
8	Vikram-1 Orbital Launch & IN-SPACe Reforms	Skyroot Aerospace & ISRO / IN-SPACe	First private orbital rocket flight; India's space start-up ecosystem crossed 440+ space start-ups in 2026	ISRO Official Portal

Did You Know?: Because **Chandrayaan-4** has a wet mass of **9,200 kg** (exceeding the payload capacity of a single LVM3 rocket), ISRO engineered a **two-launch architecture**: two separate **LVM3** rockets launch two stacks containing **five modules** (Propulsion, Descender, Ascender, Transfer, and Re-entry), which dock autonomously in Earth orbit before heading to the Moon (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Exam Trap Alert: Do not confuse **NISAR** (an **ISRO–NASA** joint dual-frequency L & S band radar satellite) with **TRISHNA** (an **ISRO–CNES France** joint thermal infrared imaging satellite) or **LUPEX / Chandrayaan-5** (an **ISRO–JAXA Japan** joint lunar polar rover mission reviewed in Bengaluru in July 2026) (IUC Academy).

★ **Memory Trick:** Remember Chandrayaan-4's **5 Modules** with **"P-D-A-T-R"**: **P**ropulsion Module, **D**escender Module, **A**scender Module, **T**ransfer Module, and **R**e-entry Module (launched on **2 LVM3** rockets for **₹2,104.06 crore**).

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• Verification Conclusion: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (ISRO Official Portal).

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Four-Node Chandrayaan-4 Five-Module Lunar Sample-Return Architecture Flowchart	**Statement-II**	Gaganyaan-G1 Uncrewed Orbital Mission — ISRO Human Space Flight Centre (HSFC); Uses human-rated HLVM3 rocket carrying AI-enabled half-humanoid robot 'Vyommitra'.

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
ISRO 2026 Flagship Missions, Technical Payloads & International Collaborations Matrix	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (ISRO Official Portal).
Chapter 7 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-I**	Chandrayaan-4 Lunar Sample Return — ISRO (Cabinet Outlay: ₹2,104.06 Crore); 9,200 kg spacecraft with 5 modules launched across two LVM3 rockets with orbital docking.
Chapter 7 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-II**	Chandrayaan-5 / LUPEX (July 2026 Review) — ISRO (India) & JAXA (Japan); 6,000 kg Indian lander + 350 kg Japanese rover on H3 rocket to study lunar polar water ice.
Major ISRO & Bilateral Space Missions Advancing in 2026	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Four-Node Chandrayaan-4 Five-Module Lunar Sample-Return Architecture Flowchart	**Statement-I**	NISAR (NASA-ISRO SAR Mission) — ISRO & NASA (JPL); Dual-frequency radar (L-band 24 cm + S-band 12 cm) with 12-day global repeat cycle for crustal deformation.
ISRO 2026 Flagship Missions, Technical Payloads & International Collaborations Matrix	**Statement-II**	TRISHNA Earth Observation Mission — ISRO (India) & CNES (France); Thermal Infrared Imaging Satellite for High-resolution Natural resource Assessment & crop water stress.
Chapter 7 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Chapter 7 Multi-Statement Exam Verification Drills

Chapter 7 Statement-Verification Drill #1 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Gaganyaan Drogue Parachute Qualification Test (DPDT-3 — February 19, 2026)): On **February 19, 2026**, ISRO and DRDO successfully conducted the final qualification-level load test (**DPDT-3**) for the Gaganyaan Crew Module deceleration system at the **Terminal Ballistics Research Laboratory (TBRL) Rail Track Rocket Sled facility in Chandigarh**, demonstrating design safety margins exceeding maximum flight aerodynamic loads (Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)).

Statement-II (Uncrewed Gaganyaan-G1 Mission & AI Humanoid 'Vyommitra' (2026)): ISRO Chairman **Dr. V. Narayanan** confirmed preparations in 2026 for the first uncrewed orbital flight (**Gaganyaan-G1**) aboard the human-rated **HLVM3** launch vehicle carrying **Vyommitra**, an AI-enabled half-humanoid robot developed by VSSC/IISU to monitor environmental life-support parameters before India's crewed spaceflight (Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 7 Statement-Verification Drill #2 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla's Axiom-4 ISS Mission Milestone): Strengthening operational readiness for Gaganyaan and the **Bharatiya Antariksh Station (BAS)**, Indian astronaut **Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla** completed an 18-day scientific stay aboard the **International Space Station (ISS)** as part of the four-member **Axiom-4** crew, splashing down in the Pacific Ocean aboard the SpaceX Dragon Compendiums *Grace* (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) & Indo-French TRISHNA Mission): The landmark **NISAR** mission (world's first dual-frequency radar imaging satellite combining NASA's L-band 24 cm SAR and ISRO's S-band 12 cm SAR) and the Indo-French **TRISHNA** satellite (combining CNES thermal infrared sensors with ISRO optical payloads for high-resolution crop water-stress and glacier monitoring) anchored India's 2026 Earth observation roadmap (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 7 Statement-Verification Drill #3 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Chandrayaan-4 (₹2,104.06 Crore Sample-Return) & Vikram-1 Private Orbital Flight): Approved by the Union Cabinet with an outlay of **₹2,104.06 crore**, **Chandrayaan-4** features a **9,200 kg, 5-module spacecraft** launched via **two LVM3 rockets** with orbital docking to return lunar south pole samples. Meanwhile, India's private space ecosystem expanded to **440+ space start-ups** in 2026, highlighted by Skyroot Aerospace's orbital flight of **Vikram-1** (Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Gaganyaan DPDT-3 Qualification Test — ISRO (VSSC) & DRDO (TBRL Chandigarh, ARDE); Conducted 19 Feb 2026; verified drogue parachute safety margins under high-speed ballistic loads.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 7 Statement-Verification Drill #4 — Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-II): Gaganyaan-G1 Uncrewed Orbital Mission — ISRO Human Space Flight Centre (HSFC); Uses human-rated HLVM3 rocket carrying AI-enabled half-humanoid robot 'Vyommitra'.

Statement-II (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (ISRO Official Portal).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 7 Statement-Verification Drill #5 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-I): Chandrayaan-4 Lunar Sample Return — ISRO (Cabinet Outlay: ₹2,104.06 Crore); 9,200 kg spacecraft with 5 modules launched across two LVM3 rockets with orbital docking.

Statement-II (Statement-II): Chandrayaan-5 / LUPEX (July 2026 Review) — ISRO (India) & JAXA (Japan); 6,000 kg Indian lander + 350 kg Japanese rover on H3 rocket to study lunar polar water ice.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 7 Statement-Verification Drill #6 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Statement-II (Statement-I): NISAR (NASA-ISRO SAR Mission) — ISRO & NASA (JPL); Dual-frequency radar (L-band 24 cm + S-band 12 cm) with 12-day global repeat cycle for crustal deformation.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter *8: 2026* National Governance Reforms, Cooperative Expansion & Social Sector Initiatives

Chapter Key Study Pillars — Chapter 8: 2026 National Governance Reforms, Cooperative Expansion & Social Sector Initiatives

Key Study Pillar 1	Key Study Pillar 2	Key Study Pillar 3	Key Study Pillar 4
Key Administrative, Judicial, Digital & Social Welfare Initiatives in 2026	2026 National Governance Schemes, Welfare Benchmarks & Statutory Updates Matrix	Chapter 8 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	Chapter 8 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)

8.1 Key Administrative, Judicial, Digital & Social Welfare Initiatives in *2026*

• **PM-KISAN 22nd & 23rd Instalments in 2026:** Under the **Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)** scheme (launched February 24, 2019, providing ₹6,000/year in three equal instalments via Direct Benefit Transfer), the **22nd instalment** was released in March 2026 to **9.32 crore farmers**, followed by the **23rd instalment** window in mid-2026 (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment Bill, 2026:** Passed by Parliament in 2026, this legislation strengthens institutional mechanisms for non-discrimination, healthcare inclusion, and welfare board representation for transgender citizens across public establishments (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) Export Surge (2026 Data):** Under NBHM, India's honey production rose from 0.081 million tonnes to **0.152 million tonnes**, while honey exports registered a **240 percent growth** by 2026, positioning India as a top global honey exporter (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **PM-AASHA & Price Support Scheme (PSS) 2026 Procurement:** For Kharif 2026-27, the Central Government approved MSP procurement of **Tur, Moong, Soybean, and Sunflower** worth **₹5,548 crore** under the Price Support Scheme in states including **Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, and Telangana**, alongside 100% procurement flexibility for Tur, Urad, and Masur (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

• **Namo Drone Didi & Rural Women Tech Empowerment (2026):** With a sanctioned outlay of **₹1,261 crore**, the **Namo Drone Didi** initiative trained women Self-Help Groups (SHGs) as certified drone pilots for precision liquid nano-fertilizer and pesticide spraying across rural Groups (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).

8.2 Four-Node Rural Livelihood & Cooperative Modernization Flowchart *(2026)*

Step-by-Step Conceptual Process Flowchart

STEP 1
Node 1: Direct Income Support via PM-KISAN 22nd & 23rd Instalments to 9.32 Crore Farmers

STEP 2
Node 2: Cooperative Credit Expansion via NCDC Amendment Act 2026 & Primary Agricultural Credit Societies

STEP 3
Node 3: Precision Agri-Services by Women SHGs under Rs 1,261 Cr Namo Drone Didi Scheme

STEP 4
Node 4: Assured Market Procurement under PM-AASHA & 240% Honey Export Growth under NBHM

8.3 2026 National Governance Schemes, Welfare Benchmarks & Statutory Updates Matrix

S.No.	Scheme / Statutory Initiative (2026)	Nodal Union Ministry	Verified 2026 Target / Outlay / Achievement	Official Source
1	PM-KISAN (22nd & 23rd Instalments)	Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare	₹6,000/year in 3 instalments; 22nd instalment reached 9.32 crore farmers in 2026	PIB Official Portal
2	National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)	Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare	Honey output reached 0.152 MT; exports grew by 240% by 2026	PIB Official Portal
3	Namo Drone Didi Scheme	Ministry of Agriculture & Rural Development	₹1,261 crore outlay empowering women SHGs with agricultural spray drones	PIB Official Portal
4	National Food Security Act (NFSA) Free Ration	Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution	5 kg/person/month free foodgrains extended through December 2028 for ~80 Cr beneficiaries	PIB Official Portal
5	Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment, 2026	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment	Passed by Parliament in March 2026 strengthening equal opportunity safeguards	PIB Official Portal
6	horticulture & State Crop Leadership (2026 Data)	Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare	UP ranks 1st in total foodgrains, wheat & sugarcane; Banana ranks 1st in fruit output (396.19 LT)	PIB Official Portal

Did You Know?: Between 2014 and 2026, total public procurement of crops at MSP reached **1,229.2 million tonnes** (up 76% from 698.7 MT during 2004–2014), with cumulative MSP payments to farmers reaching **₹26.32 lakh crore** — more than **3.5 times** the ₹7.41 lakh crore disbursed in the preceding decade (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).

Exam Trap Alert: Under the **Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)**, farmers pay a uniform maximum premium of **2% for all Kharif crops**, **1.5% for all Rabi crops**, and **5% for annual commercial and horticultural crops** — the remaining actuarial premium is shared equally by the Central and State Governments (90:10 in North-Eastern and Himalayan States) (**IUC Academy**).

★ **Memory Trick:** Remember PMFBY farmer premium caps with **"Kharif 2% – Rabi 1.5% – Commercial 5%"** and NFSA free foodgrain extension up to **December 2028**.

8.4 Chapter *8* Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table *(May-2026 & June-2026)*

S.No.	Core Current Affairs 2026 Sub-Topic	Verified Constitutional / Statutory / Technical Fact (2026)	Official Source
1	**PM-KISAN (22nd & 23rd Instalments)**	Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare — ₹6,000/year in 3 instalments; 22nd instalment reached 9.32 crore farmers in 2026	**PIB Official Portal**
2	**National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)**	Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare — Honey output reached 0.152 MT; exports grew by 240% by 2026	**PIB Official Portal**
3	**Namo Drone Didi Scheme**	Ministry of Agriculture & Rural Development — ₹1,261 crore outlay empowering women SHGs with agricultural spray drones	**PIB Official Portal**
4	**National Food Security Act (NFSA) Free Ration**	Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution — 5 kg/person/month free foodgrains extended through December 2028 for ~80 Cr beneficiaries	**PIB Official Portal**
5	**Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment, 2026**	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment — Passed by Parliament in March 2026 strengthening equal opportunity safeguards	**PIB Official Portal**
6	**horticulture & State Crop Leadership (2026 Data)**	Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare — UP ranks 1st in total foodgrains, wheat & sugarcane; Banana ranks 1st in fruit output (396.19 LT)	**PIB Official Portal**

8.5 Chapter *8* Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills *(May-2026 & June-2026)*

• **Statement-Verification Drill 8.1 (PM-KISAN (22nd & 23rd Instalments) & National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)):**

• **Statement-I:** PM-KISAN (22nd & 23rd Instalments) — Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; ₹6,000/year in 3 instalments; 22nd instalment reached 9.32 crore farmers in 2026.

• **Statement-II:** National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) — Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; Honey output reached 0.152 MT; exports grew by 240% by 2026.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**PIB Official Portal**).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 8.2 (Namo Drone Didi Scheme & National Food Security Act (NFSA) Free Ration):**

• **Statement-I:** Namo Drone Didi Scheme — Ministry of Agriculture & Rural Development; ₹1,261 crore outlay empowering women SHGs with agricultural spray drones.

• **Statement-II:** National Food Security Act (NFSA) Free Ration — Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution; 5 kg/person/month free foodgrains extended through December 2028 for ~80 Cr beneficiaries.

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**PIB Official Portal**).

• **Statement-Verification Drill 8.3 (Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment, 2026 & horticulture & State Crop Leadership (2026 Data)):**

• **Statement-I:** Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment, 2026 — Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment; Passed by Parliament in March 2026 strengthening equal opportunity safeguards.

• **Statement-II:** horticulture & State Crop Leadership (2026 Data) — Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; UP ranks 1st in total foodgrains, wheat & sugarcane; Banana ranks 1st in fruit output (396.19 LT).

• **Verification Conclusion:** Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (**PIB Official Portal**).

Chapter *8* Comprehensive Analytical & Statutory Revision Matrix

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
Key Administrative, Judicial, Digital & Social Welfare Initiatives in 2026	**PM-KISAN 22nd & 23rd Instalments in 2026**	Under the **Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)** scheme (launched February 24, 2019, providing ₹6,000/year in three equal instalments via Direct Benefit Transfer), the **22nd instalment** was released in March 2026 to **9.32 crore farmers**, followed by the **23rd instalment** window in mid-2026 (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Four-Node Rural Livelihood & Cooperative Modernization Flowchart (2026)	**Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment Bill, 2026**	Passed by Parliament in 2026, this legislation strengthens institutional mechanisms for non-discrimination, healthcare inclusion, and welfare board representation for transgender citizens across public establishments (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
2026 National Governance Schemes, Welfare Benchmarks & Statutory Updates Matrix	**National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) Export Surge (2026 Data)**	Under NBHM, India's honey production rose from 0.081 million tonnes to **0.152 million tonnes**, while honey exports registered a **240 percent growth** by 2026, positioning India as a top global honey exporter (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Chapter 8 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**PM-AASHA & Price Support Scheme (PSS) 2026 Procurement**	For Kharif 2026-27, the Central Government approved MSP procurement of **Tur, Moong, Soybean, and Sunflower** worth **₹5,548 crore** under the Price Support Scheme in states including **Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, and Telangana**, alongside 100% procurement flexibility for Tur, Urad, and Masur (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).
Chapter 8 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Namo Drone Didi & Rural Women Tech Empowerment (2026)**	With a sanctioned outlay of **₹1,261 crore**, the **Namo Drone Didi** initiative trained women Self-Help Groups (SHGs) as certified drone pilots for precision liquid nano-fertilizer and pesticide spraying across rural Groups (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
Key Administrative, Judicial, Digital & Social Welfare Initiatives in 2026	**Statement-I**	PM-KISAN (22nd & 23rd Instalments) — Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; ₹6,000/year in 3 instalments; 22nd instalment reached 9.32 crore farmers in 2026.
Four-Node Rural Livelihood & Cooperative Modernization Flowchart (2026)	**Statement-II**	National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) — Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; Honey output reached 0.152 MT; exports grew by 240% by 2026.
2026 National Governance Schemes, Welfare Benchmarks & Statutory Updates Matrix	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Chapter 8 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-I**	Namo Drone Didi Scheme — Ministry of Agriculture & Rural Development; ₹1,261 crore outlay empowering women SHGs with agricultural spray drones.
Chapter 8 Multi-Statement Civil Services & State PCS Statement-Verification Drills (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Statement-II**	National Food Security Act (NFSA) Free Ration — Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution; 5 kg/person/month free foodgrains extended through December 2028 for ~80 Cr beneficiaries.
Key Administrative, Judicial, Digital & Social Welfare Initiatives in 2026	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).
Four-Node Rural Livelihood & Cooperative Modernization Flowchart (2026)	**Statement-I**	Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment, 2026 — Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment; Passed by Parliament in March 2026 strengthening equal opportunity safeguards.
2026 National Governance Schemes, Welfare Benchmarks & Statutory Updates Matrix	**Statement-II**	horticulture & State Crop Leadership (2026 Data) — Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; UP ranks 1st in total foodgrains, wheat & sugarcane; Banana ranks 1st in fruit output (396.19 LT).

Core Sub-Domain	Key Concept / Provision	Verified Analytical Parameters & Exam Distinctions (पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB))
Chapter 8 Rapid Analytical Revision & Statutory Verification Table (May-2026 & June-2026)	**Verification Conclusion**	Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Chapter *8* Multi-Statement Exam Verification Drills

Chapter 8 Statement-Verification Drill #1 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (PM-KISAN 22nd & 23rd Instalments in 2026): Under the **Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)** scheme (launched February 24, 2019, providing ₹6,000/year in three equal instalments via Direct Benefit Transfer), the **22nd instalment** was released in March 2026 to **9.32 crore farmers**, followed by the **23rd instalment** window in mid-2026 (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment Bill, 2026): Passed by Parliament in 2026, this legislation strengthens institutional mechanisms for non-discrimination, healthcare inclusion, and welfare board representation for transgender citizens across public establishments (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 8 Statement-Verification Drill #2 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) Export Surge (2026 Data)): Under NBHM, India's honey production rose from 0.081 million tonnes to **0.152 million tonnes**, while honey exports registered a **240 percent growth** by 2026, positioning India as a top global honey exporter (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (PM-AASHA & Price Support Scheme (PSS) 2026 Procurement): For Kharif 2026-27, the Central Government approved MSP procurement of **Tur, Moong, Soybean, and Sunflower** worth **₹5,548 crore** under the Price Support Scheme in states including **Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, and Telangana**, alongside 100% procurement flexibility for Tur, Urad, and Masur (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 8 Statement-Verification Drill #3 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (Namo Drone Didi & Rural Women Tech Empowerment (2026)): With a sanctioned outlay of **₹1,261 crore**, the **Namo Drone Didi** initiative trained women Self-Help Groups (SHGs) as certified drone pilots for precision liquid nano-fertilizer and pesticide spraying across rural Groups (Press Information Bureau (PIB)).

Statement-II (Statement-I): PM-KISAN (22nd & 23rd Instalments) — Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; ₹6,000/year in 3 instalments; 22nd instalment reached 9.32 crore farmers in 2026.

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 8 Statement-Verification Drill #4 — **Both Statements Verified Correct**

Statement-I (Statement-II): National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) — Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; Honey output reached 0.152 MT; exports grew by 240% by 2026.

Statement-II (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

✓ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 8 Statement-Verification Drill #5 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Statement-I): Namo Drone Didi Scheme — Ministry of Agriculture & Rural Development; ₹1,261 crore outlay empowering women SHGs with agricultural spray drones.

Statement-II (Statement-II): National Food Security Act (NFSA) Free Ration — Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution; 5 kg/person/month free foodgrains extended through December 2028 for ~80 Cr beneficiaries.

✔ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

Chapter 8 Statement-Verification Drill #6 Both Statements Verified Correct

Statement-I (Verification Conclusion): Both Statement-I and Statement-II are 100% factually accurate for Current Affairs 2026 and verified via official records (PIB Official Portal).

Statement-II (Statement-I): Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment, 2026 — Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment; Passed by Parliament in March 2026 strengthening equal opportunity safeguards.

✔ **Exam Verification Key: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are factually accurate as per पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy.**

May-2026 & June-2026: 45 Solved 4-Option Exam Practice Questions (MCQs with Detailed Explanations)

Practice Question #1 Solved Exam MCQ

Q1. Under which Article of the Constitution of India was 'The Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026' enacted to alter the name of the State of Kerala to 'Keralam' in the First Schedule?
(A) Article 1
(B) Article 2
(C) Article 3
(D) Article 368
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** The Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026 was passed during the 2026 Monsoon Session under Article 3 of the Constitution to amend the First Schedule and rename the state as 'Keralam'. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q1): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #2 Solved Exam MCQ

Q2. How many Bills were passed by both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha during the Monsoon Session of Parliament that adjourned sine die on August 13, 2026?
(A) 8 Bills
(B) 10 Bills
(C) 12 Bills
(D) 15 Bills
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** Both Houses of Parliament passed 12 Bills during the Monsoon Session 2026 which adjourned sine die on August 13, 2026. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q2): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #3 Solved Exam MCQ

Q3. 'The Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026' amended Section 3 of the 1971 Act to bring which of the following explicitly under penal protection?
(A) National Calendar
(B) Vande Mataram (National Song)
(C) State Emblems
(D) Currency Notes
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** The 2026 Amendment Act brings Vande Mataram, honoured as the National Song, within the ambit of Section 3 of the 1971 Act, making intentional prevention or disturbance of its singing punishable. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q3): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #4 Solved Exam MCQ

Q4. According to 'The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2026', delayed registration of a birth or death beyond two years requires the prior approval of:
(A) Village Panchayat Secretary
(B) Block Development Officer
(C) Executive Magistrate
(D) Judicial Magistrate of the First Class (JMFC)
Answer: (D) | **Explanation:** Under the 2026 Amendment Bill, delayed registration after 1 year and up to 2 years requires approval of an Executive Magistrate, while beyond 2 years requires approval of a Judicial Magistrate of the First Class. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q4): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #5 Solved Exam MCQ

Q5. Under 'The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2026', whose approval is mandated for registering a birth or death delayed between one year and two years?
(A) Competent Executive Magistrate
(B) District Sessions Judge
(C) Chief Medical Officer
(D) Sub-Registrar of Assurances
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** Delayed registration between one year and two years requires the approval of the competent Executive Magistrate under the 2026 Amendment Act. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q5): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #6 Solved Exam MCQ

Q6. Which 2026 parliamentary enactment expanded the legal definition of banking records to explicitly include electronic, digital, virtual, and cloud-based ledgers?
(A) The Reserve Bank Digital Evidence Act, 2026
(B) The Bankers' Books Evidence Bill, 2026
(C) The Negotiable Instruments Amendment Bill, 2026
(D) The Information Technology Banking Bill, 2026
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** The Bankers' Books Evidence Bill, 2026 provides a technology-neutral framework covering physical, electronic, digital, virtual, and cloud-based banking books. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q6): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #7 Solved Exam MCQ

Q7. Which key reform is introduced by 'The MSME Development (Amendment) Bill, 2026' passed by Parliament in August 2026?
(A) Mandatory criminal imprisonment for filing delays
(B) National digital platform for free voluntary registration and graded penalties with warnings
(C) Abolition of MSME Facilitation Councils
(D) Merger of MSMEs with large corporations
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** The MSME Development (Amendment) Bill, 2026 establishes a national digital platform for free voluntary registration, speeds up delayed-payment adjudication, and replaces minor conviction fines with graded penalties including a warning at the first instance. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q7): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #8 Solved Exam MCQ

Q8. Under which Constitutional Article did Parliament pass 'The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill, 2026'?
(A) Article 124(1)
(B) Article 131
(C) Article 143
(D) Article 214
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** Article 124(1) empowers Parliament to prescribe by law the number of Judges of the Supreme Court via amendments to the Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Act, 1956. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q8): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #9 Solved Exam MCQ

Q9. In which year was the Indian Statistical Institute (ISI) originally declared an Institution of National Importance prior to 'The Indian Statistical Institute Bill, 2026'?
(A) 1947
(B) 1951
(C) 1959
(D) 1969
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** Parliament enacted the original Indian Statistical Institute Act in 1959 declaring ISI Kolkata an Institution of National Importance; the 2026 Bill modernizes its governance framework. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q9): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #10 Solved Exam MCQ

Q10. Where was the 52nd G7 Summit hosted from June 15 to June 17, 2026 under the French Presidency?
(A) Biarritz, France
(B) Évian-les-Bains, Haute-Savoie, France
(C) Apulia, Italy
(D) Kananaskis, Canada
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** France hosted the 52nd G7 Summit from 15 to 17 June 2026 in Évian-les-Bains, Haute-Savoie, near the Swiss border under President Emmanuel Macron. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q10): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #11 Solved Exam MCQ

Q11. Who represented the European Union at the 52nd G7 Summit held in Évian-les-Bains, France in June 2026?
(A) Charles Michel and Christine Lagarde
(B) António Costa and Ursula von der Leyen
(C) Roberta Metsola and Josep Borrell
(D) Olaf Scholz and Giorgia Meloni
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** European Council President António Costa and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen represented the European Union at the Évian G7 Summit (15–17 June 2026). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q11): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #12 Solved Exam MCQ

Q12. Which three global health and development declarations were issued by G7 leaders at the Évian-les-Bains Summit (15–17 June 2026)?
(A) Malaria, Tuberculosis, and Polio
(B) International Partnerships, Response to the Bundibugyo Ebola Outbreak, and Fight Against Cancer
(C) Space Debris, Arctic Melting, and Ocean Acidification
(D) Crypto Regulation, Gold Standard, and Carbon Border Tax
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** The 52nd G7 Summit in Évian issued three declarations on global health and development: international partnerships, response to the Bundibugyo Ebola outbreak, and the fight against cancer. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q12): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #13 Solved Exam MCQ

Q13. After how many years did the French Alpine town of Évian-les-Bains host a G7/G8 Summit again in June 2026 following the 2003 G8 Summit?
(A) 15 years
(B) 19 years
(C) 23 years
(D) 30 years
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** Évian-les-Bains hosted the 52nd G7 Summit in June 2026 exactly 23 years after the 2003 Évian G8 Summit and 7 years after the 2019 Biarritz G7 Summit. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q13): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #14 Solved Exam MCQ

Q14. What was the title of the official side-event held during the Évian G7 Presidency in June 2026 focusing on integrated human, animal, and environmental health?
(A) One Health Summit — 'From N4G Paris to the French G7 Presidency'
(B) Global Bio-Shield Conclave
(C) Alpine Climate Compact
(D) Mediterranean Health Accord
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** The official side-event was the One Health Summit titled 'From N4G Paris to the French G7 Presidency' held alongside the Évian Summit in June 2026. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q14): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #15 Solved Exam MCQ

Q15. As of October 15, 2026, what is the total number of designated Ramsar Sites (Wetlands of International Importance) in India?
(A) 85
(B) 96
(C) 100
(D) 103
Answer: (D) | **Explanation:** India's Ramsar Site tally reached 103 on October 15, 2026 (covering 1,387,981 hectares) with the designation of Sukhna Wetland and Sauj Jheel. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q15): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #16 Solved Exam MCQ

Q16. Which wetland was designated in June 2026 as India's historic 100th Ramsar Site?
(A) Shekha Jheel (Aligarh, UP)
(B) Surha Tal / Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary (Ballia, UP)
(C) Glaw Lake (Lohit, Arunachal Pradesh)
(D) Sukhna Wetland (Chandigarh)
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** Surha Tal in Ballia district of Uttar Pradesh became India's 100th Ramsar Site in June 2026. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q16): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #17 Solved Exam MCQ

Q17. Which wetland was designated in April 2026 as India's 99th Ramsar Site?
(A) Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary (Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh)
(B) Sauj Jheel (Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh)
(C) Patna Bird Sanctuary (Etah, Uttar Pradesh)
(D) Nagi Bird Sanctuary (Jamui, Bihar)
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary in Aligarh district of Uttar Pradesh was designated as India's 99th Ramsar Site in April 2026. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q17): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #18 Solved Exam MCQ

Q18. Glaw Lake, which became India's 101st Ramsar Site in August 2026, is located in which state?
(A) Sikkim
(B) Himachal Pradesh
(C) Arunachal Pradesh
(D) Uttarakhand
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** Glaw Lake (Glow Lake), located in Kamlang Wildlife Sanctuary in Lohit district of Arunachal Pradesh, was designated as India's 101st Ramsar Site in August 2026. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q18): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #19 Solved Exam MCQ

Q19. Which two wetlands were designated on October 15, 2026 as India's 102nd and 103rd Ramsar Sites?
(A) Sukhna Wetland (Chandigarh) and Sauj Jheel (Uttar Pradesh)
(B) Bhoj Wetland (MP) and Sambhar Lake (Rajasthan)
(C) Chilika Lake (Odisha) and Loktak Lake (Manipur)
(D) Tawa Reservoir (MP) and Kazhuveli (Tamil Nadu)
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** Sukhna Wetland in Chandigarh and Sauj Jheel in Mainpuri (Uttar Pradesh) were designated on October 15, 2026, bringing India's total to 103 Ramsar Sites. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q19): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #20 Solved Exam MCQ

Q20. As of October 2026, which two Indian states have the highest number of Ramsar Sites?
(A) Tamil Nadu (20) and Uttar Pradesh (14)
(B) Uttar Pradesh (20) and Madhya Pradesh (14)
(C) Tamil Nadu (18) and Maharashtra (12)
(D) Odisha (16) and Gujarat (14)
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** As of October 2026, Tamil Nadu ranks first with 20 Ramsar Sites, followed by Uttar Pradesh in second place with 14 Ramsar Sites. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q20): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #21 Solved Exam MCQ

Q21. According to the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) verified 2026 database, how many Tiger Reserves exist in India and which is the 58th Tiger Reserve?
(A) 54 Tiger Reserves; Ranipur TR (UP)
(B) 56 Tiger Reserves; Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla TR (Chhattisgarh)
(C) 58 Tiger Reserves; Madhav Tiger Reserve (Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh)
(D) 60 Tiger Reserves; Ratapani TR (Madhya Pradesh)
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** India has 58 Tiger Reserves across 18 states covering 84,487.83 sq km in 2026, with Madhav Tiger Reserve in Shivpuri (Madhya Pradesh) as the 58th and newest reserve. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q21): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #22 Solved Exam MCQ

Q22. Which state has the highest number of Tiger Reserves in India in 2026, and how many does it have?
(A) Maharashtra (8)
(B) Madhya Pradesh (9)
(C) Karnataka (7)
(D) Assam (6)
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** Following the notifications of Ratapani (57th) and Madhav (58th), Madhya Pradesh leads all Indian states with 9 Tiger Reserves in 2026. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q22): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #23 Solved Exam MCQ

Q23. On which date did the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approve the Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 14 Kharif crops for Marketing Season 2026-27?
(A) April 10, 2026
(B) May 13, 2026
(C) June 21, 2026
(D) July 15, 2026
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** The CCEA chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the MSP for 14 Kharif crops for Marketing Season 2026-27 on May 13, 2026. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q23): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #24 Solved Exam MCQ

Q24. What is the approved Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Common Paddy and Grade 'A' Paddy for Kharif Marketing Season 2026-27?
(A) ₹2,300/q and ₹2,320/q
(B) ₹2,369/q and ₹2,389/q
(C) ₹2,441/q and ₹2,461/q
(D) ₹2,500/q and ₹2,520/q
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** On May 13, 2026, the Union Cabinet approved ₹2,441 per quintal for Common Paddy and ₹2,461 per quintal for Grade 'A' Paddy (an increase of ₹72/q each over 2025-26). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q24): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #25 Solved Exam MCQ

Q25. Which Kharif crop recorded the highest absolute rupee increase in MSP (+₹622 per quintal) for Marketing Season 2026-27?
(A) Paddy (Common)
(B) Sunflower Seed
(C) Moong
(D) Groundnut
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** Sunflower Seed recorded the highest absolute increase of ₹622 per quintal (rising from ₹7,721 to ₹8,343/q) for Kharif Marketing Season 2026-27, followed by Cotton (+₹557/q). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q25): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #26 Solved Exam MCQ

Q26. For Kharif Marketing Season 2026-27, which crop provides farmers the highest percentage margin over its estimated cost of production (61%)?
(A) Moong (₹8,780/q — 61% margin)
(B) Bajra (₹2,900/q — 56% margin)
(C) Maize (₹2,410/q — 56% margin)
(D) Tur/Arhar (₹8,450/q — 54% margin)
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** Expected margin over A2+FL cost of production in 2026-27 is highest for Moong at 61% (MSP ₹8,780/q against cost ₹5,438/q), followed by Bajra (56%), Maize (56%), and Tur (54%). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q26): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #27 Solved Exam MCQ

Q27. What are the approved 2026-27 Kharif MSP rates for pulses — Tur (Arhar), Moong, and Urad respectively?
(A) ₹8,000, ₹8,558, and ₹7,400 per quintal
(B) ₹8,450, ₹8,780, and ₹8,200 per quintal
(C) ₹7,550, ₹8,682, and ₹7,800 per quintal
(D) ₹9,000, ₹9,200, and ₹8,500 per quintal
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** For Kharif 2026-27, the MSP for Tur/Arhar is ₹8,450/q (+₹450), Moong is ₹8,780/q (+₹12), and Urad is ₹8,200/q (+₹400). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q27): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #28 Solved Exam MCQ

Q28. What is the approved 2026-27 Kharif MSP for Medium Staple Cotton and Long Staple Cotton (after an increase of ₹557 per quintal)?
(A) ₹7,121 and ₹7,521 per quintal
(B) ₹7,710 and ₹8,110 per quintal
(C) ₹8,267 and ₹8,667 per quintal
(D) ₹8,800 and ₹9,200 per quintal
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** Cotton MSP for 2026-27 was raised by ₹557/q to ₹8,267 per quintal for Medium Staple and ₹8,667 per quintal for Long Staple. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q28): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #29 Solved Exam MCQ

Q29. Which Kharif crop has the highest absolute MSP rate (in ₹ per quintal) for Marketing Season 2026-27?
(A) Sesamum (₹10,346 per quintal)
(B) Nigerseed (₹10,052 per quintal)
(C) Moong (₹8,780 per quintal)
(D) Cotton Long Staple (₹8,667 per quintal)
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** Sesamum (Til) has the highest MSP rate among all Kharif 2026-27 crops at ₹10,346 per quintal (+₹500), followed by Nigerseed at ₹10,052 per quintal (+₹515). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q29): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #30 Solved Exam MCQ

Q30. What is the total financial outlay and implementation period of the 'SARTHAK-PDS' scheme approved by the Union Cabinet on May 27, 2026?
(A) ₹12,500 crore (2026–2029)
(B) ₹25,530 crore (April 2026 – March 2031)
(C) ₹35,000 crore (2025–2030)
(D) ₹50,000 crore (2026–2032)
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** Approved on May 27, 2026, SARTHAK-PDS has a five-year outlay of ₹25,530 crore (April 2026 – March 2031) to modernize the Public Distribution System for 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q30): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #31 Solved Exam MCQ

Q31. Which three AI-enabled modules form the core technological architecture of 'SARTHAK-PDS' approved in May 2026?
(A) PRAGATI, DARPAN, and DISHA
(B) NIRMAL, ASHA, and SAKSHAM
(C) BHARAT, ANNA, and SURAKSHA
(D) GATI, SHAKTI, and MITRA
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** SARTHAK-PDS deploys three AI modules: NIRMAL (real-time beneficiary registry), ASHA (multilingual grievance redressal), and SAKSHAM (supply-chain logistics analytics). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q31): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #32 Solved Exam MCQ

Q32. According to the 3rd Advance Estimates released on May 27, 2026, what record total foodgrain production did India achieve in FY 2025-26?
(A) 332.29 Million Tonnes
(B) 357.73 Million Tonnes
(C) 376.563 Million Tonnes
(D) 401.15 Million Tonnes
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** India achieved a record foodgrain output of 376.563 Million Tonnes (including 154.024 MT of rice and 120.657 MT of wheat), up 5.3% over the previous year's 357.73 MT. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q32): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #33 Solved Exam MCQ

Q33. What are the new MSP rates for Wheat and Rapeseed/Mustard approved by the Union Cabinet on September 30, 2026 for Rabi Marketing Season 2027-28?
(A) ₹2,425/q and ₹5,950/q
(B) ₹2,585/q and ₹6,200/q
(C) ₹2,610/q and ₹6,613/q
(D) ₹2,700/q and ₹7,000/q
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** On September 30, 2026, the Cabinet approved Rabi 2027-28 MSPs, fixing Wheat at ₹2,610/quintal (+₹25) and Rapeseed/Mustard at ₹6,613/quintal (+₹413). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q33): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #34 Solved Exam MCQ

Q34. Which country won the 10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 by defeating hosts England by 7 wickets in the final at Lord's on July 5, 2026?
(A) New Zealand
(B) South Africa
(C) Australia
(D) India
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** Australia (153/3 in 17.1 overs) defeated England (150/4 in 20 overs) by 7 wickets at Lord's on July 5, 2026 to claim their record 7th Women's T20 World Cup title. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q34): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #35 Solved Exam MCQ

Q35. Who was named both Player of the Match in the Final and Player of the Tournament at the 2026 ICC Women's T20 World Cup?
(A) Nat Sciver-Brunt
(B) Beth Mooney
(C) Danni Wyatt-Hodge
(D) Sophie Molineux
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** Australian wicketkeeper-batter Beth Mooney (who scored 64 off 49 balls in the final) won both awards, becoming the first player ever to be named Player of the Tournament twice in WT20WC history. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q35): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #36 Solved Exam MCQ

Q36. Who became the first player in history to score over 300 runs (302 runs) in a single edition of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup in 2026?
(A) Laura Wolvaardt
(B) Smriti Mandhana
(C) Danni Wyatt-Hodge
(D) Suzie Bates
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** England opener Danni Wyatt-Hodge scored 302 runs at the 2026 Women's T20 World Cup, becoming the first cricketer ever to surpass 300 runs in a single edition. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q36): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #37 Solved Exam MCQ

Q37. Who finished as the leading wicket-taker (11 wickets) at the 2026 ICC Women's T20 World Cup in England?
(A) Fatima Sana (Pakistan)
(B) Sophie Molineux (Australia)
(C) Hayley Matthews (West Indies)
(D) Charlie Dean (England)
Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** Pakistan captain Fatima Sana topped the bowling chart with 11 wickets in 5 innings, followed by Sophie Molineux (10) and Hayley Matthews (10). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q37): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #38 Solved Exam MCQ

Q38. Which team made its maiden debut at the expanded 12-team ICC Women's T20 World Cup in 2026?
(A) Scotland
(B) Netherlands
(C) Thailand
(D) Papua New Guinea
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** The Netherlands qualified for and competed in the ICC Women's T20 World Cup for the first time in 2026 as the tournament expanded from 10 to 12 teams. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q38): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #39 Solved Exam MCQ

Q39. Who became the first cricketer across both genders to win 9 ICC World Cups following Australia's triumph at the 2026 Women's T20 World Cup?
(A) Meg Lanning
(B) Alyssa Healy
(C) Ellyse Perry
(D) Ricky Ponting
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** Australian all-rounder Ellyse Perry became the first cricketer (male or female) to win 9 World Cups (7 T20 World Cups + 2 ODI World Cups). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q39): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #40 Solved Exam MCQ

Q40. What average percentage of ethanol blending in petrol was achieved by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies in India as verified in January 2026?
(A) 10 percent
(B) 15 percent
(C) 20 percent
(D) 25 percent
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** Under the Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme, average ethanol blending reached 20 percent in 2026 (up from 1.14% in 2014-15), with ₹1.29 lakh crore paid to sugar mills. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q40): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #41 Solved Exam MCQ

Q41. How many low-performing agricultural districts are targeted under the 'Prime Minister Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY)', which benefitted 1.7 crore farmers by April 2026?
(A) 50 districts
(B) 100 districts
(C) 112 districts
(D) 250 districts
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** PMDDKY targets 100 low-performing agricultural districts focusing on irrigation, credit, and crop diversification, benefitting 1.7 crore farmers as of April 2026. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q41): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #42 Solved Exam MCQ

Q42. Where did ISRO and DRDO conduct the final qualification-level load test (DPDT-3) for the Gaganyaan drogue parachute on February 19, 2026?
(A) Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota
(B) TBRL Rail Track Rocket Sled Facility, Chandigarh
(C) ITR Wheeler Island, Balasore
(D) Challakere Aeronautical Test Range, Chitradurga
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** ISRO and DRDO conducted the DPDT-3 qualification test on February 19, 2026 at the Terminal Ballistics Research Laboratory (TBRL) in Chandigarh. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q42): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #43 Solved Exam MCQ

Q43. What is the Cabinet-sanctioned cost and module count of ISRO's 'Chandrayaan-4' lunar sample-return mission?
(A) ₹978 crore and 3 modules
(B) ₹2,104.06 crore and 5 modules (launched via two LVM3 rockets)
(C) ₹3,500 crore and 4 modules
(D) ₹1,500 crore and 2 modules
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** Chandrayaan-4 has a sanctioned cost of ₹2,104.06 crore and features a 9,200 kg spacecraft across 5 modules launched via two LVM3 rockets with orbital docking. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q43): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #44 Solved Exam MCQ

Q44. In July 2026, ISRO held a joint technical review meeting in Bengaluru with which space agency for the 'LUPEX / Chandrayaan-5' mission?
(A) NASA (USA)
(B) CNES (France)
(C) JAXA (Japan)
(D) ESA (Europe)
Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** ISRO and Japan's JAXA held a joint review meeting in Bengaluru in July 2026 for the Lunar Polar Exploration (LUPEX / Chandrayaan-5) mission (6,000 kg Indian lander + 350 kg Japanese rover). (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q44): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Practice Question #45 Solved Exam MCQ

Q45. Which joint Earth-observation satellite scheduled in 2026 combines a thermal infrared instrument from France's CNES and an optical sensor from ISRO to monitor crop water stress?
(A) NISAR
(B) TRISHNA
(C) Megha-Tropiques
(D) SARAL
Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** TRISHNA (Thermal infraRed Imaging Satellite for High-resolution Natural resource Assessment) is the joint ISRO–CNES mission designed to monitor crop water stress, glaciers, and coastal waters. (**Press Information Bureau (PIB)**).
Exam Analytical Takeaway (Q45): Verified against official 2026 notifications for UPSC CSE, State PCS, SSC, Railway, Banking, Police, and Defence competitive examinations by **IUC Academy**.

Extended Comparative & Analytical Practice Set (Questions 46 to 54)

Practice Question #46 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q46. With reference to 2026 Legislation / Bill Title and Parent Act / Constitutional Provision, which of the following is accurately matched with "The Tribunals Reforms Bill, 2026"?

(A) Articles 323A & 323B Framework
(B) Income-tax & Fiscal Statutes
(C) ISI Act, 1959 (Institution of National Importance)
(D) ₹7,263

Correct Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** For **The Tribunals Reforms Bill, 2026** (2026 Legislation / Bill Title), the verified Parent Act / Constitutional Provision is **Articles 323A & 323B Framework**. Furthermore, Rationalizes tenure, search-cum-selection committees, and appellate tribunal administration. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

Practice Question #47 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q47. With reference to 2026 Legislation / Bill Title and Parent Act / Constitutional Provision, which of the following is accurately matched with "The Taxation and Other Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026"?

(A) ISI Act, 1959 (Institution of National Importance)
(B) Income-tax & Fiscal Statutes
(C) ₹7,263
(D) ₹7,721

Correct Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** For **The Taxation and Other Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026** (2026 Legislation / Bill Title), the verified Parent Act / Constitutional Provision is **Income-tax & Fiscal Statutes**. Furthermore, Streamlines direct and indirect tax compliance timelines and dispute resolution. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

Practice Question #48 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q48. With reference to 2026 Legislation / Bill Title and Parent Act / Constitutional Provision, which of the following is accurately matched with "The Indian Statistical Institute Bill, 2026"?

(A) ₹7,263
(B) ₹7,721
(C) ISI Act, 1959 (Institution of National Importance)
(D) ₹5,328

Correct Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** For **The Indian Statistical Institute Bill, 2026** (2026 Legislation / Bill Title), the verified Parent Act / Constitutional Provision is **ISI Act, 1959 (Institution of National Importance)**. Furthermore, Modernizes academic governance and statutory autonomy of Indian Statistical Institute. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

Practice Question #49 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q49. With reference to Kharif Crop (2026-27) and MSP 2025-26 (₹/q), which of the following is accurately matched with "Groundnut"?

(A) ₹7,721
(B) ₹5,328
(C) ₹9,846
(D) ₹7,263

Correct Answer: (D) | **Explanation:** For **Groundnut** (Kharif Crop (2026-27)), the verified MSP 2025-26 (₹/q) is **₹7,263**. Furthermore, ₹7,517. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

Practice Question #50 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q50. With reference to Kharif Crop (2026-27) and MSP 2025-26 (₹/q), which of the following is accurately matched with "Sunflower Seed"?

(A) ₹7,721
(B) ₹5,328
(C) ₹9,846
(D) ₹9,537

Correct Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** For **Sunflower Seed** (Kharif Crop (2026-27)), the verified MSP 2025-26 (₹/q) is **₹7,721**. Furthermore, ₹8,343. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

Practice Question #51 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q51. With reference to Kharif Crop (2026-27) and MSP 2025-26 (₹/q), which of the following is accurately matched with "Soybean (Yellow)"?

(A) ₹9,846
(B) ₹5,328
(C) ₹9,537
(D) ₹7,710 / ₹8,110

Correct Answer: (B) | **Explanation:** For **Soybean (Yellow)** (Kharif Crop (2026-27)), the verified MSP 2025-26 (₹/q) is **₹5,328**. Furthermore, ₹5,708. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

Practice Question #52 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q52. With reference to Kharif Crop (2026-27) and MSP 2025-26 (₹/q), which of the following is accurately matched with "Sesamum (Til)"?

(A) ₹9,537
(B) ₹7,710 / ₹8,110
(C) ₹9,846
(D) Articles 323A & 323B Framework

Correct Answer: (C) | **Explanation:** For **Sesamum (Til)** (Kharif Crop (2026-27)), the verified MSP 2025-26 (₹/q) is **₹9,846**. Furthermore, ₹10,346. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

Practice Question #53 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q53. With reference to Kharif Crop (2026-27) and MSP 2025-26 (₹/q), which of the following is accurately matched with "Nigerseed (Ramtil)"?

(A) ₹7,710 / ₹8,110
(B) Articles 323A & 323B Framework
(C) Income-tax & Fiscal Statutes
(D) ₹9,537

Correct Answer: (D) | **Explanation:** For **Nigerseed (Ramtil)** (Kharif Crop (2026-27)), the verified MSP 2025-26 (₹/q) is **₹9,537**. Furthermore, ₹10,052. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

Practice Question #54 High-Yield Comparative MCQ

Q54. With reference to Kharif Crop (2026-27) and MSP 2025-26 (₹/q), which of the following is accurately matched with "Cotton (Medium & Long Staple)"?

(A) ₹7,710 / ₹8,110
(B) Articles 323A & 323B Framework
(C) Income-tax & Fiscal Statutes
(D) ISI Act, 1959 (Institution of National Importance)

Correct Answer: (A) | **Explanation:** For **Cotton (Medium & Long Staple)** (Kharif Crop (2026-27)), the verified MSP 2025-26 (₹/q) is **₹7,710 / ₹8,110**. Furthermore, ₹8,267 / ₹8,667. (Source: पत्र सूचना कार्यालय (PIB) & IUC Academy).

May-*2026* & June-*2026: 65* Rapid-Fire Revision Points *(Quick Revision Compendium)*

1. The Monsoon Session of Parliament adjourned sine die on **August 13, 2026** after both Houses passed **12 landmark Bills** (PIB).

2. **The Kerala (Alteration of Name) Bill, 2026** amends the **First Schedule** under **Article 3** to alter the name of the State of 'Kerala' to **'Keralam'** (PIB).

3. Under **Article 4(2)** of the Constitution, a Bill altering a state's name under Article 3 is passed by a **simple majority** and is not treated as an Article 368 amendment (PIB).

4. **The Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026** brings the National Song ***Vande Mataram*** under **Section 3** of the 1971 Act (PIB).

5. Intentional prevention of the singing of ***Vande Mataram*** or causing disturbance to an assembly singing it is now a punishable statutory offence under the 2026 Amendment (PIB).

6. **The Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Bill, 2026** amends the parent Act of 1969 to tighten delayed registration verification (PIB).

7. Under the 2026 Births and Deaths Amendment, registration delayed between **1 and 2 years** requires the approval of a competent **Executive Magistrate** (PIB).

8. Under the 2026 Births and Deaths Amendment, registration delayed beyond **2 years** requires the approval of a **Judicial Magistrate of the First Class (JMFC)** (PIB).

9. **The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill, 2026** was enacted under **Article 124(1)** to expand the judicial strength of the apex court (PIB).

10. **The Bankers' Books Evidence Bill, 2026** replaces the 1891 Act to recognize **physical, electronic, digital, virtual, and cloud-based** bank records as legal evidence (PIB).

11. **The MSME Development (Amendment) Bill, 2026** amends the 2006 Act to create a **national digital platform for free and voluntary MSME registration** (PIB).

12. The 2026 MSME Amendment decriminalizes minor contraventions by replacing conviction-based fines with **graded penalties including a warning at the first instance** (PIB).

13. **The Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026** strengthens digital safeguards against examination malpractices (PIB).

14. **The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2026** amends the MMDR Act, 1957 to accelerate critical mineral exploration (**PIB**).

15. **The National Co-operative Development Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2026** expands financing avenues for rural cooperatives under the NCDC Act, 1962 (**PIB**).

16. **The Tribunals Reforms Bill, 2026** rationalizes conditions of service and administration across appellate tribunals (**PIB**).

17. **The Taxation and Other Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026** and **Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2026** were enacted during the 2026 Monsoon Session (**India Budget Portal**).

18. **The Indian Statistical Institute Bill, 2026** reforms the governance of ISI Kolkata, which was declared an Institution of National Importance in **1959** (**PIB**).

19. **The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment Bill, 2026** was passed by Parliament in March 2026 (**PIB**).

20. The **52nd G7 Summit** was held from **June 15 to June 17, 2026** in **Évian-les-Bains (Haute-Savoie), France** (**PIB**).

21. French President **Emmanuel Macron** presided over the 52nd G7 Summit in Évian, 23 years after the 2003 Évian G8 Summit (**PIB**).

22. The seven permanent G7 members are **Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States** (**PIB**).

23. **António Costa** (President of the European Council) and **Ursula von der Leyen** (President of the European Commission) represented the EU at the 2026 Évian G7 Summit (**PIB**).

24. The 2026 G7 Évian Summit issued three declarations on global health and development: **International Partnerships, Response to the Bundibugyo Ebola Outbreak, and Fight Against Cancer** (**PIB**).

25. The **One Health Summit** side-event ('*From N4G Paris to the French G7 Presidency*') was held at Évian on June 16, 2026 (**PIB**).

26. The **G7 Finance Track 2026** led by the French Presidency and Banque de France addressed **global macroeconomic imbalances** and sovereign debt risks (**RBI**).

27. India's tally of **Ramsar Sites** reached **103** on **October 15, 2026**, covering **1,387,981 hectares (13,879.81 sq km)** (**PIB**).

28. India ranks **1st in Asia** and **3rd in the world** (after the UK and Mexico) in total number of Ramsar Sites in 2026 (**PIB**).

29. **Shekha Jheel Bird Sanctuary** in Aligarh (Uttar Pradesh) was designated as India's **99th Ramsar Site** in April 2026 (**PIB**).

30. **Surha Tal (Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary)** in Ballia (Uttar Pradesh) became India's historic **100th Ramsar Site** in June 2026 (**PIB**).

31. **Glaw Lake** in Lohit district (Arunachal Pradesh) became India's **101st Ramsar Site** in August 2026 (first Ramsar site in Arunachal Pradesh) (**MoEFCC**).

32. **Sukhna Wetland** (Chandigarh) and **Sauj Jheel** (Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh) were designated on October 15, 2026 as the **102nd and 103rd Ramsar Sites** (**PIB**).

33. **Tamil Nadu** leads India with **20 Ramsar Sites**, followed by **Uttar Pradesh** in second place with **14 Ramsar Sites** as of October 2026 (**PIB**).

34. **Chilika Lake (Odisha)** and **Keoladeo National Park (Rajasthan)** became India's first Ramsar Sites on **October 1, 1981** (**PIB**).

35. India has **58 Tiger Reserves** across **18 states** covering **84,487.83 sq km** (2.56% of India's geographical area) in 2026 (**MoEFCC**).

36. **Madhav Tiger Reserve** in Shivpuri (Madhya Pradesh) is India's **58th Tiger Reserve**, while **Ratapani (MP)** is the 57th and **Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla (Chhattisgarh)** is the 56th (**MoEFCC**).

37. **Madhya Pradesh** has the highest number of Tiger Reserves in India (**9 reserves**), followed by **Maharashtra (6 reserves)** (**MoEFCC**).

38. **Nagarjunsagar-Srisailam Tiger Reserve** (Andhra Pradesh, 3,296.31 sq km) is India's largest Tiger Reserve by area (**MoEFCC**).

39. The CCEA chaired by PM Narendra Modi approved the **Kharif MSP for 14 crops for Marketing Season 2026-27** on **May 13, 2026** (**PIB**).

40. **Common Paddy MSP for 2026-27** is fixed at **₹2,441 per quintal** (+₹72 over ₹2,369; production cost ₹1,627/q; 50% margin) (**PIB**).

41. **Grade 'A' Paddy MSP for 2026-27** is fixed at **₹2,461 per quintal** (+₹72 over ₹2,389), with a uniform maximum moisture norm of 17% (**PIB**).

42. **Sunflower Seed** recorded the **highest absolute MSP increase of ₹622 per quintal** in 2026-27, reaching **₹8,343 per quintal** (**PIB**).

43. **Cotton MSP for 2026-27** recorded the second-highest increase (+₹557/q) to reach **₹8,267/q (Medium Staple)** and **₹8,667/q (Long Staple)** (**PIB**).

44. **Moong** offers the **highest expected farmer margin over production cost (61%)** in 2026-27 at an MSP of **₹8,780 per quintal** (**PIB**).

45. **Bajra (₹2,900/q)** and **Maize (₹2,410/q)** both provide a **56% margin** over cost, while **Tur/Arhar (₹8,450/q)** provides a **54% margin** (**PIB**).

46. **Ragi MSP for 2026-27** is **₹5,205/q** (+₹319), **Jowar (Hybrid)** is **₹4,023/q** (+₹324), and **Jowar (Maldandi)** is **₹4,073/q** (**PIB**).

47. **Urad MSP for 2026-27** is **₹8,200/q** (+₹400), **Groundnut** is **₹7,517/q** (+₹254), and **Yellow Soybean** is **₹5,708/q** (+₹380) (**PIB**).

48. **Sesamum (Til)** has the highest absolute Kharif MSP at **₹10,346/q** (+₹500), followed by **Nigerseed** at **₹10,052/q** (+₹515) (**PIB**).

49. On **September 30, 2026**, the Cabinet approved **Rabi MSPs for 2027-28**: **Wheat at ₹2,610/q** (+₹25) and **Mustard at ₹6,613/q** (+₹413) (**PIB**).

50. On **May 27, 2026**, the Cabinet approved **SARTHAK-PDS** with a 5-year outlay of **₹25,530 crore** (2026–2031) for 81.35 crore NFSA beneficiaries (**PIB**).

51. The three AI modules of SARTHAK-PDS are **NIRMAL** (beneficiary registry), **ASHA** (multilingual grievance redressal), and **SAKSHAM** (supply chain analytics) (**PIB**).

52. India achieved a record foodgrain production of **376.563 Million Tonnes** (Rice 154.024 MT, Wheat 120.657 MT) per the 3rd Advance Estimates released on May 27, 2026 (**PIB**).

53. The **10th ICC Women's T20 World Cup** was hosted by **England** from **June 12 to July 5, 2026** featuring **12 teams** across 7 venues (**IUC Academy**).

54. **Australia (153/3 in 17.1 overs)** defeated **England (150/4)** by **7 wickets** in the final at **Lord's** on **July 5, 2026** to win their **record 7th title** (IUC Academy).

55. Australia's **Beth Mooney** (64 off 49 in the final) won both **Player of the Match in the Final** and **Player of the Tournament** (first two-time winner) (IUC Academy).

56. England's **Danni Wyatt-Hodge** scored **302 runs** in 2026, becoming the first player ever to score 300+ runs in a single Women's T20 World Cup (IUC Academy).

57. Pakistan's **Fatima Sana** took the most wickets (**11 wickets**) at the 2026 Women's T20 World Cup, followed by **Sophie Molineux (10)** and **Hayley Matthews (10)** (IUC Academy).

58. Australia's **Ellyse Perry** became the first cricketer (male or female) to win **9 ICC World Cups** across ODI and T20I formats (IUC Academy).

59. **India, South Africa, Great Britain, and Australia** qualified for **LA 2028 Olympic Cricket** based on continental standings at the 2026 WT20WC (PIB).

60. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies achieved **20% average ethanol blending** in petrol under the EBP Programme in 2026 (PIB).

61. **Ground Level Credit (GLC)** to agriculture rose to **₹28.67 lakh crore** and operative **KCC accounts** reached **7.81 crore** (PIB).

62. **PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY)** covers **100 low-performing agricultural districts**, benefitting **1.7 crore farmers** as of April 2026 (PIB).

63. **Kisan e-Mitra** AI platform operates in **11 regional languages** and resolved over **95 lakh farmer queries** by March 2026 (PIB).

64. ISRO and DRDO conducted the **DPDT-3** Gaganyaan parachute load test at **TBRL, Chandigarh** on **February 19, 2026** (ISRO).

65. **Chandrayaan-4** (₹2,104.06 crore outlay) is a **9,200 kg, 5-module** lunar sample-return mission launched via **two LVM3 rockets** (PIB).

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Chapter / Study Section	Day 1 (First Read)	Day 3 (Active Recall)	Day 7 (MCQ Drill)	Day 21 (Exam Ready)
1. Chapter 1: Parliamentary Legislation 2026, Constitutional Amendments & Monsoon Session Enactments	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
2. Chapter 2: 52nd G7 Summit 2026 in Évian-les-Bains (France) & Global Multilateral Diplomacy	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
3. Chapter 3: Ramsar Wetlands Expansion to 103 Sites & 58 Tiger Reserves in India (2026 Updates)	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
4. Chapter 4: Kharif MSP 2026-27 Rates, SARTHAK-PDS AI Reform & Record Foodgrain Production	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
5. Chapter 5: ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 (England) & International Cricket Milestones	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
6. Chapter 6: Indian Economy, RBI Monetary & Regulatory Policy 2026 & Digital Financial Architecture	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
7. Chapter 7: ISRO 2026 Space Odyssey: Gaganyaan DPDT-3, NISAR, TRISHNA & Chandrayaan-4 Architecture	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
8. Chapter 8: 2026 National Governance Reforms, Cooperative Expansion & Social Sector Initiatives	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
9. May-2026 & June-2026: 45 Solved 4-Option Exam Practice Questions (MCQs with Detailed Explanations)	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
10. Extended Comparative & Analytical Practice Set (Questions 46–85)	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**
11. May-2026 & June-2026: 65 Rapid-Fire Revision Points (Quick Revision Compendium)	☐ Completed (100% Concept Clarity)	☐ Flowchart & Tables Revised	☐ 75+ MCQs Solved (>85% Accuracy)	☐ **Final Rapid Recall Ready**