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History, Art and Culture

State Emblem of India

Home Ministry asked state governments to prevent misuse of State Emblem of India.

- It is the official seal of the Government of India, and an adaptation from the Sarnath Lion Capital of Asoka.
- **Structure** - Lion Capital showing 3 Lions mounted on the abacus,
 - Centre - Dharma Chakra.
 - Right - Bull.
 - Left - Galloping horse.
- **Motto** - Satyameva Jayate (in Devanagari script), inscribed below the profile of Lion Capital.
- **Respective Act** - Prohibition of Improper Use Act, 2005.

Geography

Indo- Bangladesh Border

- India and Bangladesh have a border that spans 4,096.7 km, making it the longest land border India has with any neighboring country.
- **Bordering States** - West Bengal, Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura & Mizoram.
- **Fencing** -A total of 3,141 kilometers has been fenced along the India-Bangladesh border, which encompasses all eastern states, from the total 4,156.
- Over 800 km of the India- Bangladesh border still needs fencing.

Polity & Governance

Gyan Bharatam Mission

Union Budget 2025-26, announced new Gyan Bharatam Mission.

- **Launched in** - 2003.
- **Launched by** - Ministry of Tourism and Culture.
- **Aim** - To preserve and digitize India's rich manuscript heritage, ensuring knowledge accessibility for future generations.
- **Purposes** - Documentation and conservation of our manuscript heritage with academic institutions, museums, libraries and private collectors.
- It will be undertaken to cover more than 1 crore manuscripts.

Atal Tinkering Laboratories (ATLs)

50,000 (ATLs) will be set up in government schools in next 5 years.

- **Launched in** - 2016.
- **Umbrella scheme** - Atal Innovation Mission (AIM).
- **Nodal Ministry** - NITI Aayog.
- **Vision** - Cultivate one million children in India as Neoteric Innovators.
- **ATL** - It provides activity-based learning in the identified schools across the country where young minds can give shape to their ideas for societal problems.

National Bamboo Mission (NBM)

- **Launched in** - 2018.
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
- **Objectives** - It provides assistance to both the government & private sectors for the propagation and cultivation of,
 - Bamboo in non-forest land
 - Bamboo treatment
 - Establishment of markets
 - Incubation centers
 - Value added product development & processing
 - Development of tools & equipments.
- **Funded by** - Both Centre and State government for all states except North Eastern & Hilly states.

Soil Health Card (SHC) Scheme

- **Launched in** - 2014.
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
- **Umbrella scheme** - Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY).
- **SHC** - A massive programme of soil sampling, testing and generation of SHCs.
- Assist State Governments to issue soil health cards to all farmers in the country.

Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM)

- **Launched in** - 2010.
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Rural Development.
- **Aim** - To reduce poverty by enabling poor households to access gainful self-employment and skilled wage employment resulting in sustainable and livelihood options for the poor.
- **NRLM** - It was renamed as Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM) in 2016.
- **Funded by** - Both central and state governments.

International Relations and Issues

India's Contribution to UN Regular Budget

- The UN Regular Budget is the ***annual budget*** for the UN.
- The General Assembly approves the budget, which is funded by contributions from member states.
- It funds agencies like the World Food Programme, the UN Refugee Agency, and the children's fund (UNICEF).
- India has paid USD 37.64 million for the 2025 United Nations Regular Budget.
- India is now on the "honour roll" of ***35 member states*** that paid their assessments fully and on time.

Agriculture

Central Rice Research Institute (CRRI)

- **Established in** - 1946.
- **Established at** - Bidhyadharapur, Cuttack, Odisha.
- **Under** - Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).
- **CRRI** - It is committed to provide the *highest quality analysis of rice* conforming to international standards.
- **3 sub-stations at** - Hazaribag (Jharkhand), Gerua (Assam), and Naira (Andhra Pradesh).
- **Accredited from** - National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) under the *standard for chemical testing*.

Security

Indian Army to Use Bamboo Based Composites

- **Purpose** - For High Altitude Bunker Construction.
- **MOU** - Signed between Indian Army's 4 Corps and IIT Guwahati.
- It will replace traditional materials for high altitude bunkers.



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