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National & State News

- **Vanijya Bhawan and Udyog Bhawan Inauguration:** Union Commerce and Industry Minister Shri Piyush Goyal inaugurated the new Vanijya Bhawan and Udyog Bhawan in Jaipur, Rajasthan.
- **India's Manufacturing Sector GVA Growth:** India's corporate manufacturing Gross Value Added (GVA) expanded by 9.28% during FY 2024–25 (FY25).

Govt Schemes & Policies



- **Capex Support Scheme for Critical Minerals:** The Union Cabinet approved a Capex Support Scheme with an outlay of ₹2,814 crore to boost the domestic processing of critical minerals, specifically Lithium and Nickel
- **VISTAR Scheme Approval:** The Union Cabinet approved the ₹4,371-crore VISTAR (Visionary Initiative for Statistical Transformation and Advanced Modernisation) scheme to overhaul and modernise India's statistical ecosystem..
- **Viability Gap Funding (VGF) for Grid Energy Storage:** The Cabinet approved a ₹14,500 crore Viability Gap Funding Scheme to develop 92 Gigawatt-hours (GWh) of grid-scale energy storage capacity across India by FY 2030–31.

Banking & Financial News



- **NPCI Launches NTSL:** The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) launched NPCI Tech Solutions Limited (NTSL**)** as its 4th wholly-owned subsidiary to focus on emerging technology domains like AI and Blockchain.
- **SEBI Review of IGP Framework:** The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) formed a specialized working group to review the Innovators Growth Platform (IGP) framework to ease capital access for start-ups.

International News



- **Bahamas Joins International Solar Alliance:** The Bahamas formally joined the International Solar Alliance (ISA) as its 116th member nation.
- **India's $500-Million Credit Line to Guyana:** India announced a $500 million Line of Credit (LoC) for Guyana to support infrastructure, roads, healthcare, and defence projects.

Awards & Honours



- **Sharjah International Book Fair (SIBF) 2026 Winners:** Nirmala Lakshman won the Best International Non-Fiction Award for The Tamils: A Portrait of a Community.

Appointments

- **MD & CEO of NPCI Tech Solutions Limited (NTSL):** Vishal Kanvaty has been appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of NPCI Tech Solutions Limited.

Summits & Conferences

- **1st International Maize Conference 2026:** The inaugural International Maize Conference called for enhanced crop productivity, innovative breeding, and farmer-centric agricultural research.

MoUs & Agreements



- **IICA Partners with IAMC:** The Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) signed an MoU with the International Arbitration and Mediation Centre (IAMC) to bolster India's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) framework and improve Ease of Doing Business.
- **Government of Odisha & J-PAL South Asia:** The Government of Odisha signed an MoU with Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) South Asia to advance evidence-based policy formulation.

Science & Tech

- **TRAI Launches Network Anubhav Platform:** The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) launched the "Network Anubhav" platform to systematically capture consumer feedback and evaluate network service quality

Defence News



- **Two-Year Extension under Agnipath Scheme:** The Union Cabinet approved a two-year service extension for Agniveers under the Agnipath scheme

Important Days

- **International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict:** Observed annually on November 6.

Practice Questions

Q1. What is the total financial outlay approved by the Union Cabinet for the VISTAR scheme aimed at modernising India's statistical system?

(a) ₹2,814 crore

(b) ₹4,371 crore

(c) ₹14,500 crore

(d) ₹500 crore

Answer: (b) ₹4,371 crore

Q2. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) of NPCI Tech Solutions Limited (NTSL)?

(a) Piyush Goyal

(b) Nirmala Lakshman

(c) Vishal Kanvaty

(d) N.S. Raja Subramani

Answer: (c) Vishal Kanvaty

Q3. The Bahamas recently joined the International Solar Alliance (ISA) as its _____ member nation**.**

(a) 110th

(b) 114th

(c) 116th

(d) 120th

Answer: (c) 116th

Q4. Under the revised Agnipath scheme, what is the duration of the approved "Second Tour of Duty" service extension for Agniveers?

(a) 1 year

(b) 2 years

(c) 3 years

(d) 5 years

Answer: (b) 2 years

Q5. India announced a $500-million Line of Credit (LoC) for infrastructure, health, and defence projects in which country?

(a) Guyana

(b) Maldives

(c) Sri Lanka

(d) Mauritius

Answer: (a) Guyana

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