



Current GK – 28 Mar 2026 – Answer Key

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Section: GK

Q1. Which Indian Chess players won the Global Chess League (GCL) 2025 Season 3 title?

- A) Viswanathan Anand and Vidit Gujrathi
B) **R Praggnanandhaa and Anish Giri**
C) Pentala Harikrishna and Arjun Erigaisi
D) Nihal Sarin and D Gukesh

Explanation: Alpine SG Pipers, led by Indian Grandmasters R Praggnanandhaa and Anish Giri, won the Global Chess League (GCL) 2025 Season 3 title in Mumbai. They defeated defending champions Triveni Continental Kings in the finals, winning 4–2 in the first match and 4.5–1.5 in the second to secure their maiden GCL title.

Q2. The Bihar government recently approved the installation of the first Grain ATM machines in which city as a pilot project?

- A) Gaya
B) Muzaffarpur
C) Bhagalpur
D) **Patna**

Explanation: Bihar approved the first three grain ATM machines in Patna as a pilot project. Grain ATM, also called Annapurti, is an automated machine dispensing wheat or rice. The technology was developed by the World Food Programme in collaboration with the Food Corporation of India and state governments. Machines operate 24x7 and can be solar-powered. They use internet connectivity to access the Public Distribution System database and the profile of Below Poverty Line cardholders.

Q3. बिम्बिसार ने अवन्ती नरेश प्रद्योत के यहाँ कौन सा वैद्य भेजा था?

- A) **जीवक**
B) कालाशोक
C) उदयिन
D) इनमें से कोई नहीं

Explanation: बिम्बिसार ने अवन्ती नरेश प्रद्योत के यहाँ अपने राजवैद्य जीवक को भेजा था। बिम्बिसार हर्यक वंश का राजा था और संस्थापक भी था।

Q4. Which state government has launched the "From Manhole to Machine Hole"™ scheme to replace manual sewer cleaning with machines?

A) Kerala

B) Maharashtra

C) Karnataka

D) Tamil Nadu

Explanation: Maharashtra launched "From Manhole to Machine Hole"™, a state-level scheme to replace manual labor with machines in sewer cleaning. The program is overseen by the Social Justice and Special Assistance Department, ensuring worker safety and welfare. A procurement committee, led by Principal Secretary Harshadeep Kamble, defines technical specifications, eligibility, and supplier approvals for robotic machines. Machines will be deployed across 29 municipal corporations, managed locally for operation, maintenance, and monitoring over five years. The initiative aligns with the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013, ensuring legal backing and worker rights.

Q5. निम्नलिखित में से किस अवधि में आग से पकी हुई ईंटों और छिद्रित छत टाइलों का नियमित उपयोग देखा गया?

A) कण्व वंश

B) शुंग

C) सातवाहन

D) कुषाण

Explanation: सातवाहनों की भौतिक संस्कृति उत्तरी सामग्री के साथ-साथ स्थानीय दक्कन तत्वों का मिश्रण थी। दक्कन के लोगों ने सिक्कों, जली हुई ईंटों, कुओं, लेखन की कला आदि का उपयोग उत्तरी लोगों से सीखा। आग से पके हुए ईंटों का नियमित उपयोग और फ्लैट, छिद्रित छत टाइलों का उपयोग होता था जिसके परिणामस्वरूप निर्माण की लंबी अवधि होती थी।

Q6. What is the name of the scheme implemented by the government through the Tea Board for development and promotion of tea across India?

A) National Tea Mission

B) Tea Productivity Mission

C) Integrated Plantation Development Scheme

D) Tea Development & Promotion Scheme

Explanation: The Government of India, through the Tea Board of India, is implementing the Tea Development & Promotion Scheme (TDPS) in Assam to boost tea production, quality, exports, and small grower income. From 2021–22 to 2025–26, ₹152.76 crore was allocated and ₹150.20 crore was used in Assam. The scheme supported replantation in 437.42 hectares, formed 318 Self Help Groups (SHGs), 143 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), and 26 Farmer Producer Companies (FPCs). It helped set up 31 mini tea factories, converted 30.32 hectares to organic tea, and ran 1,343 capacity-building programmes. Indian tea exports rose from USD 751.07 million (2021–22) to USD 923.89 million (2024–25).

Q7. Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) Prachand has been developed by which organization?

- A) Bharat Dynamics Limited
B) Defence Research and Development Organisation
C) Indian Space Research Organisation
D) **Hindustan Aeronautics Limited**

Explanation: Recently, the President of India undertook a sortie in the indigenous Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) Prachand at Air Force Station Jaisalmer, Rajasthan. It is an indigenously developed Light Combat Helicopter made by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited. It is the only attack helicopter in the world capable of landing and taking off at 5,000 metres (16,400 feet). It has advanced stealth features, armoured protection and night attack capability. It has crash-resistant landing gear for better survivability. It reduces radar and Infrared (IR) signature and has a countermeasure dispensing system against enemy missiles.

Q8. SabhaSaar, an AI-enabled voice-to-text meeting summarisation tool, was launched by which ministry?

- A) Ministry of Finance
B) Ministry of Rural Development
C) **Ministry of Panchayati Raj**
D) Ministry of Agriculture

Explanation: The Ministry of Panchayati Raj launched SabhaSaar, an Artificial Intelligence (AI) enabled voice-to-text meeting summarisation tool, on 14 August 2025. SabhaSaar is available to all States and Union Territories and is being adopted for Gram Sabha and Panchayat meetings. As of 29 January 2026, 1,11,486 Gram Panchayats have used SabhaSaar for automated meeting summarisation. The Ministry has promoted awareness through standard operating procedures and physical and virtual training sessions. SabhaSaar runs on AI and cloud infrastructure provided through the IndiaAI Compute Portal under the IndiaAI Mission of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).

Q9. What is the rank of India in the Network Readiness Index 2025 (NRI 2025)?

- A) 43rd
B) 44th
C) **45th**
D) 47th

Explanation: India improved its rank by four places to 45th in the Network Readiness Index (NRI) 2025, released on 4 February 2026. The index assesses 127 economies across four pillars: Technology, People, Governance, and Impact, using 53 indicators. The report is prepared by the Portulans Institute, a non-profit research body based in Washington DC. India's score increased from 53.63 in 2024 to 54.43 in 2025 out of 100. India ranked 1st in telecom investment, Artificial Intelligence (AI) publications, Information and Communication Technology (ICT) exports, and e-commerce laws. It ranked 2nd in Fibre to the Home (FTTH) subscriptions and internet traffic, showing strong digital growth.

Q10. World Civil Defence Day is observed annually on which day?

A) March 1

B) March 2

C) March 3

D) March 4

***Explanation:** World Civil Defence Day is observed annually on March 1st to raise global awareness about the importance of civil protection, disaster prevention, and preparedness. It was established by the International Civil Defence Organisation (ICDO) in 1990. It honors personnel who manage emergencies and highlights the role of citizens in safety, disaster management, and resilience against natural or man-made crises.*



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