



# Current GK – 29 Mar 2026 – Answer Key

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## Section: GK

**Q1. Forest Rights Act (FRA) Cells have been sanctioned under which scheme?**

- A) Van Dhan Yojana  
B) **Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyaan**  
C) Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana  
D) Aspirational Districts Programme

*Explanation: The Central Government has expanded the mandate of Forest Rights Act (FRA) Cells to strengthen implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006 at State and Union Territory levels. FRA Cells were sanctioned under the Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyaan (DAJGUA). The objective is to provide technical and administrative support without interfering in statutory decision-making. They help in recognition of Individual Forest Rights (IFR) and Community Forest Rights (CFR). They assist Gram Sabhas and claimants in preparing claim documents and collecting evidence. They support digitisation of land records and tracking of claims.*

**Q2. Khangchendzonga National Park is located in which state?**

- A) **Sikkim**  
B) Assam  
C) Meghalaya  
D) Tripura

*Explanation: The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) recently rated Khangchendzonga National Park in Sikkim as "good" in its global review of natural World Heritage sites. It is located in Sikkim. The park is part of the Khangchendzonga Biosphere Reserve (KBR), India's first "mixed" UNESCO World Heritage Site, recognized in 2016 for natural and cultural significance. It has 18 glaciers, the largest being Zemu Glacier, one of Asia's largest.*

**Q3. Which institution released the report titled 'Achieving Efficiencies in MSME Sector through Convergence of Schemes'?**

- A) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)  
B) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)  
C) **NITI Aayog**  
D) Ministry of MSME

*Explanation: NITI Aayog released the report 'Achieving Efficiencies in MSME Sector through Convergence of Schemes' to strengthen government support for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). It provides a roadmap to improve MSME outcomes by streamlining scheme implementation, enhancing inter-ministerial coordination, and boosting financial, skill, marketing, and innovation support. The report evaluates existing central and state MSME schemes, examines convergence levels, and identifies best practices from India and abroad.*

#### Q4. Where was the 47th All India Public Relations Conference-2025 held?

- A) Kolkata  
B) Hyderabad  
C) Chennai  
D) Dehradun

*Explanation: Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh Dhami inaugurated the 47th All India Public Relations Conference-2025 at Hotel Emerald Grand, Dehradun, on December 13. The conference, organised by the Public Relations Society of India (PRSI), runs from December 13 to 15, with participation from Public Relation and communication professionals nationwide, including delegates from Russia. The theme is "Viksit Bharat @2047: Development as well as Heritage," focusing on Public Relation's role in nation-building, combating misinformation, and fostering credible government-public communication.*

#### Q5. Which institute developed the Raman Driven Spin Noise Spectroscopy (RDSNS) technique?

- A) Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru  
B) Raman Research Institute (RRI), Bengaluru  
C) Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai  
D) National Physical Laboratory (NPL), Delhi

*Explanation: Scientists at the Raman Research Institute (RRI), Bengaluru have developed a novel, non-invasive technique to measure the local density of cold atoms in real time without disturbing their quantum state. The method, called Raman Driven Spin Noise Spectroscopy (RDSNS), overcomes limitations of conventional atom-imaging methods used in cold atom experiments. Cold atoms, cooled near absolute zero, are crucial for quantum computing, quantum sensing, and precision measurement, but traditional detection methods like absorption and fluorescence imaging are often destructive or slow.*

#### Q6. Exercise JAIMEX 25 is conducted between India and which country?

- A) Egypt  
B) Japan  
C) Australia  
D) Maldives

*Explanation: INS Sahyadri, commanded by Captain Rajat Kumar, is participating in the Japan-India Maritime Exercise (JAIMEX) 25. Exercise JAIMEX 25 is conducted between India and Japan. JAIMEX 25 was held from 16-17 October in the west of Kyushu, involving Japanese Ship (JS) Asahi, JS Oumi, a submarine, 2nd Artillery Brigade (Japan Ground Self Defence Force - JGSDF), and Western Aircraft Control and Warning Wing (Japan Air Self Defence Force - JASDF). The exercise aimed to enhance tactical capabilities, interoperability, and multi-layered defence cooperation between the Indian Navy, Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF), JGSDF, and JASDF.*

#### Q7. किस ब्राह्मण ग्रंथ में पत्नि को पति का आधा भाग बताया गया है?

- A) शतपथ ब्राह्मण  
B) गोपथ ब्राह्मण  
C) ऐतरेय ब्राह्मण  
D) पंचविश ब्राह्मण

*Explanation: शतपथ ब्राह्मण में पत्नि को पति की अर्धांगिनी बताया गया है।*

**Q8. Nalsarovar Bird Sanctuary is located in which state?**

- A) Gujarat**
- B) Karnataka**
- C) Kerala**
- D) Madhya Pradesh**

*Explanation: Nalsarovar Bird Sanctuary recorded over five lakh birds of about 200 species in the latest census, showing a 21% rise from 4.12 lakh birds in 2024. The increase is mainly due to no boating, reduced tourist movement, and very low noise pollution over the last two years. It is located around 64 kilometres west of Ahmedabad in Gujarat. "Nal Sarovar" means Tap Lake and it is a natural shallow lake with muddy lagoons and 36 small islets.*

**Q9. Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) scheme is administered by which ministry?**

- A) Ministry of Commerce and Industry**
- B) Ministry of Finance**
- C) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises**
- D) Ministry of Home Affairs**

*Explanation: The Government of India has extended the Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) scheme until March 31, 2026. RoDTEP scheme, started in 2021, refunds embedded duties, taxes, and levies on exported goods that are not reimbursed under other schemes. The scheme had earlier been available until February 5, 2025 and was restored in May 2025 for Advance Authorization (AA) holders, Export-Oriented Units (EOUs), and Special Economic Zone (SEZ) units. The scheme applies to Domestic Tariff Area (DTA) units, AA holders, SEZ units, and EOUs up to March 31, 2026. It is administered by the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance.*

**Q10. What is the primary objective of the Global Virus Network (GVN)?**

- A) To promote global trade of antiviral drugs**
- B) To prevent and control global viral threats**
- C) To conduct vaccine trials for WHO**
- D) To manage hospital-based infection control systems**

*Explanation: The Global Virus Network (GVN) has recently expanded by adding three new Centers of Excellence in the Americas. This move strengthens its global response to emerging viral threats. GVN is a voluntary consortium of virology laboratories and scientists working to prevent and control viral diseases worldwide. It represents over 25 countries with experts covering every class of human virus. No single institution can handle all viral areas, so GVN unites global expertise. It brings top medical virologists together to tackle major scientific problems. Its strength lies in global collaboration, deep research, and commitment to solving viral challenges.*



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