



# Current GK – 02 May 2026 – Answer Key

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## Section: GK

Q1. Melghat Tiger Reserve is located in which state?

A) Maharashtra

B) Madhya Pradesh

C) Rajasthan

D) Gujarat

*Explanation: Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS) recently released 15 critically endangered Indian vultures in Melghat Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra. Melghat Tiger Reserve is located in Maharashtra on the southern offshoot of the Satpura Range called Gavilgarh Hill. It was the first tiger reserve established in Maharashtra. The name Melghat means the confluence of several valleys reflecting its landscape. It is the catchment area of five Tapti River tributaries: Khandu, Khapra, Sipna, Gadga, and Dolar.*

Q2. कैमल इंटरनेशनल अवार्ड 2025 जीतने वाले यूनुस अहमद भारत के किस राज्य से हैं?

A) केरल

B) महाराष्ट्र

C) तमिलनाडु

D) आंध्र प्रदेश

*Explanation: केरल के पलक्कड़ से एनआरआई व्यवसायी यूनुस अहमद को कैमल इंटरनेशनल अवार्ड 2025 मिला है। वे मिडिल ईस्ट डॉटस्पेस कोवर्किंग के एग्जीक्यूटिव डायरेक्टर हैं। यह सम्मान उन्हें उनके योगदान और नेतृत्व के लिए Arabian World Records द्वारा दिया गया। इसी संस्था ने साहित्य, कला, व्यवसाय और सोशल मीडिया में 14 अन्य वैश्विक हस्तियों को भी सम्मानित किया।*

Q3. What is the name of the U.S. airstrike operation conducted against Iran in 2026?

A) Operation Desert Storm

B) Operation Epic Fury

C) Operation Enduring Freedom

D) Operation Iron Shield

*Explanation: U.S. launched airstrikes on Iran under "Operation Epic Fury", resulting in the killing of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. Iran retaliated with missile and drone attacks, escalating tensions in the Middle East. U.S.–Iran relations have been strained since the 1979 Islamic Revolution, with sanctions, ideological rivalry, and diplomatic breakdowns. Strait of Hormuz, a critical route for 20% of global oil, faces disruptions affecting energy security. Global trade may be affected due to shipping disruptions, increased freight/insurance costs, and supply chain instability.*

**Q4. In January 2026, which states police force received the Presidents Police Colour Award (Nishaan)?**

**A) Sikkim**

**B) Jharkhand**

**C) Rajasthan**

**D) Manipur**

*Explanation: In January 2026, Sikkim Police has been conferred the Presidents Police Colour Award (Nishaan). The award recognises outstanding service, professionalism, bravery, discipline, and dedication. Nishaan is worn with pride on the left sleeve of the uniform. Since Independence, only 14 states have received this prestigious award. Sikkim becomes the 15th state overall and 3rd in the North East to receive it.*

**Q5. Tulbul Navigation Barrage Project, that was recently seen in news, is located in which state/UT?**

**A) Uttarakhand**

**B) Jammu and Kashmir**

**C) Himachal Pradesh**

**D) Ladakh**

*Explanation: The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) government is considering diverting water from the Ravi River in Punjab to the Jammu region. This move comes amid the suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) between India and Pakistan. J&K is also pushing to revive the Tulbul Navigation Barrage Project, also called the Wular Barrage. The barrage is a navigation lock-cum-control structure at the outlet of Wular Lake in J&K. It was designed to facilitate navigation on the Jhelum River during lean winter months. The project regulates Wular Lake water to maintain minimum river draft up to Baramulla in winter.*

**Q6. Which country announced a ban on social media access for individuals below 15 years of age in November 2025?**

**A) Norway**

**B) Denmark**

**C) Poland**

**D) Singapore**

*Explanation: Recently, Denmark announced a ban on social media access for individuals below 15 years of age to protect children's mental health and safety. Denmark is located in north-central Europe and is one of the Scandinavian countries. It also includes the Faroe Islands and Greenland, both situated in the North Atlantic Ocean. It shares its land border with Germany to the south. Denmark is surrounded by the Baltic Sea, North Sea, Kattegat Bay, and Kiel Bay. The capital city of Denmark is Copenhagen.*

**Q7. Which state implemented the Panchayat (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act (PESA) nearly 25 years after its statehood in January 2026?**

**A) Jharkhand**

**B) Bihar**

**C) Odisha**

**D) Chhattisgarh**

*Explanation: Recently, Jharkhand implemented rules under the Panchayat (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act (PESA) after 25 years of statehood. PESA is intended to give tribal communities greater control over governance in Fifth Schedule Areas. The law empowers Gram Sabhas to manage local resources, resolve disputes, and preserve customary practices. The implementation covers 13 districts fully, with partial application in three more. Tribal leaders welcome the law but caution that administrative control may dilute true autonomy. The success of PESA will depend on effective and respectful implementation at the village level.*

**Q8. Which state government has launched the helicopter-driven Boma technique to capture and relocate blackbucks and nilgais damaging farmers' crop?**

**A) Maharashtra**

**B) Gujarat**

**C) Madhya Pradesh**

**D) Rajasthan**

*Explanation: Madhya Pradesh (MP) has launched the helicopter-driven Boma technique to capture and relocate blackbucks and nilgais damaging farmers' crops. The initiative began in Kalapipal area of Shajapur district in western MP. On Day One, 45 blackbucks were captured and shifted to Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary, 275 km away. The sanctuary, spread across Mandsaur and Neemuch districts, is home to African cheetahs and over 35 leopards. The project is guided by a 15-member expert team from South Africa. The Boma technique uses a helicopter to herd animals into a funnel-shaped enclosure for safe capture and transport. The 10-day exercise aims to move around 400 blackbucks and 100 nilgais to Gandhi Sagar.*

**Q9. Which state government has recently imposed a complete ban on physical and mental punishment in schools?**

**A) Maharashtra**

**B) Gujarat**

**C) Karnataka**

**D) Kerala**

*Explanation: The Maharashtra government has imposed a complete ban on physical and mental punishment in schools, reinforcing Section 17 of the Right to Education (RTE) Act, 2009. A new government resolution makes it clear that teachers, headmasters, and temporary or contractual staff cannot punish students under any circumstances. The order also prohibits verbal abuse, taunting, offensive language, and any behaviour causing psychological distress or inferiority among students. Discrimination based on academic performance, caste, religion, gender, language, disability, or socio-economic background will be treated as a punishable offence. Teachers are barred from non-academic communication with students through personal messages or social media.*

**Q10. Which word was selected as the Word of the Year 2025 by Oxford University Press?**

A) Biohack

**B) Rage bait**

C) Aura farming

D) Clickbait

*Explanation: Rage bait was named the Word of the Year 2025 by Oxford University Press (OUP). Its online usage rose three times, showing changes in how people seek attention and engagement. It means online content made to provoke anger or outrage to increase views and traffic. The term first appeared in 2002 on Usenet with a different meaning linked to road rage. It later became popular in social media and digital journalism. It beat shortlisted words like aura farming and biohack. Rage bait boosts clicks and reactions, especially in politics and viral trends. Its advanced form is called rage farming, where anger is used repeatedly to drive engagement, often using misinformation.*



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