



Current GK – 03 May 2026 – Answer Key

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Section: GK

Q1. Which state government has launched the Gaj Rakshak App to monitor elephants and prevent man-elephant conflict?

A) Madhya Pradesh

B) Uttar Pradesh

C) Jharkhand

D) Bihar

Explanation: Madhya Pradesh launched the Gaj Rakshak App to monitor elephants and prevent man-elephant conflict. It was developed in collaboration with Madhya Pradesh Forest Department, Wildlife Conservation Trust, and Kalpvag Company. It provides real-time information on elephant location, movement, and behaviour. It sends timely alerts to villages via WhatsApp, SMS, voice calls, push notifications, sirens, and offline mode. It enables elephant monitors to share photos, location, and herd details within a 10 km radius. It covers Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve and nearby districts: Shahdol, Anuppur, Umaria, Sidhi, Singrauli, Satna, Dindori.

Q2. The 3D-printed Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) project is led by which institute?

A) Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi

B) Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune

C) Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay

D) Indian Space Research Organization

Explanation: Recently, Indian scientists began developing indigenously manufactured Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) using 3D-printing technology. The initiative is part of Mission Mausam, a ₹2,000 crore programme under the Ministry of Earth Sciences to strengthen weather observation and forecasting. The first batch of 3D-printed AWS will be installed in major cities, starting with Delhi, from February. The project is led by the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune. AWS automatically measure and transmit weather data like temperature, wind, humidity, and rainfall, reducing operational costs.

Q3. Which state/UT is the host of 2nd Khelo India Beach Games 2026?

- A) Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu** B) Tamil Nadu
C) Lakshadweep D) Maharashtra

Explanation: The 2nd Khelo India Beach Games officially began on 5th January 2026 at Ghoghla Beach in Diu. More than 2,100 athletes are participating across eight different sports in the event. The games are being organised by the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, under the technical supervision of the Sports Authority of India and national sports federations. The event will be held from 5th to 10th January 2026. There are six medal sports: Beach Soccer, Beach Volleyball, Beach Sepak Takraw, Beach Kabaddi, Pencak Silat, and Open Water Swimming. Two events, Mallakhamb and Tug of War, are included as non-medal events.

Q4. Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary is located in which state?

- A) Tamil Nadu B) Kerala
C) Andhra Pradesh D) Karnataka

Explanation: The Flamingo Festival recently attracted many families to Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary, which is located near Sullurpeta in Andhra Pradesh. It is located close to Pulicat Lake, the second-largest salt lake in India. The sanctuary is an important breeding site for the spot-billed pelican. It has rich vegetation, including Barringtonia swamp forests and southern dry evergreen scrub.

Q5. INS Sahyadri, that was recently seen in news, belongs to which class of Indian Navy warships?

- A) Nilgiri Class **B) Shivalik Class**
C) Talwar Class D) Kolkata Class

Explanation: Recently, INS Sahyadri, an indigenous stealth frigate of the Indian Navy, made a port call at Kemaman Port in Malaysia. It is the third ship of the Shivalik Class Guided Missile Stealth Frigates built by Mazagon Dock Limited, Mumbai. The ship was indigenously designed, constructed, and commissioned in 2012. INS Sahyadri is equipped with advanced weapons and sensors to detect and neutralize threats from air, surface, and subsurface. It has a displacement of 6,800 tons and a surface speed of 32 knots. The ship belongs to the Eastern Fleet of the Indian Navy based in Visakhapatnam.

Q6. Adi Kumbeswarar Temple, that was recently seen in news, is located in which state?

- A) Maharashtra
B) **Tamil Nadu**
C) Karnataka
D) Kerala

Explanation: The recent kumbabishekam (consecration) of the Adi Kumbeswarar Temple in Tamil Nadu highlighted its unique stone nagaswaram, a rare ancient wind instrument. The temple is located in Kumbakonam, Thanjavur district, Tamil Nadu, and is dedicated to Lord Shiva as Adi Kumbeswarar in lingam form. It is a major example of Dravidian architecture. It was originally built during the Chola period (9th century CE) and later renovated by the Nayak rulers. It is one of the 12 Shiva temples linked to the Mahamaham festival, held every 12 years.

Q7. Who have been awarded the Nobel Prize in Economics 2025?

- A) Paul Krugman, Milton Friedman, Ben Bernanke
B) Ragnar Frisch, Jan Tinberge
C) Simon Johnson, James Robinson, Daron Acemoglu
D) **Joel Mokyr, Philippe Aghion, Peter Howitt**

Explanation: Joel Mokyr, Philippe Aghion, and Peter Howitt won the 2025 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences. The award, formally called the Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel, is worth 11 million Swedish crowns (\$1.2 million). Their work explains how innovation and creative destruction drive economic growth, replacing old products and methods with new ones. Sustained growth over the last two centuries has lifted millions out of poverty and improved living standards.

Q8. Which organization has released the Annual Groundwater Quality Report 2025?

- A) Central Water Commission (CWC)
B) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
C) Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
D) **Central Ground Water Board (CGWB)**

Explanation: The Annual Ground Water Quality Report 2025 was released by the Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) under the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India. The report analysed around 15,000 groundwater samples collected across India in 2024. 13–15% of total samples showed uranium contamination, exceeding Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) drinking water limits. In Delhi, 24 out of 83 samples exceeded uranium parameters; contamination was above 30 parts per billion (PPB) in pre- and post-monsoon samples. Northwestern India—Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, parts of Rajasthan, and Uttar Pradesh—emerged as uranium contamination hotspots due to geogenic factors, groundwater depletion, and aquifer characteristics.

Q9. Deen Dayal Lado Lakshmi Yojana (DDLKY) was launched by which state government?

A) Rajasthan

B) Gujarat

C) Haryana

D) Punjab

Explanation: The Haryana government will release a consolidated quarterly amount under the Deen Dayal Lado Lakshmi Yojana (DDLKY) instead of monthly payments of Rs 2,100. The scheme was launched on 25 September 2025, coinciding with Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay's birth anniversary, with a budget of Rs 5,000 crore. It provides financial assistance to married and unmarried women aged 23–60 years with annual income up to Rs 1 lakh through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

Q10. The 30 kW Wide Band Gap (WBG)-based Integrated Drive System was launched by which ministry?

A) Ministry of Heavy Industries

B) Ministry of Power

C) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways

D) **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology**

Explanation: An indigenously developed 30 kiloWatt Wide Band Gap based Integrated Drive System for Electric Vehicles was launched by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology in Chennai. It was developed by Centre for Development of Advanced Computing Thiruvananthapuram with Indian Institute of Technology Madras and Lucas TVS under National Mission on Power Electronics Technology. It was launched by the Secretary of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology at IIT Madras. The 30 kiloWatt system suits electric passenger vehicles like compact cars and fleet mobility. It reduces import dependence on semiconductor-based Electric Vehicle powertrain systems.



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