



# Current GK – 19 May 2026 – Answer Key

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## Section: GK

**Q1. 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).*

**Q2. International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide is observed every year on which day?**

- A) December 8  
B) **December 9**  
C) December 10  
D) December 11

*Explanation: The United Nations' International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime is observed every year on 9 December to honour all victims of genocide worldwide. The day highlights the responsibility of individual states and the global community to prevent genocide, punish perpetrators, and uphold human rights and dignity.*

**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. The Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme is developed by which international organization?**

**A)** United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

**B)** World Meteorological Organization (WMO)

**C)** United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)

**D) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)**

*Explanation: India will soon have over 100 tsunami-ready villages under the Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme in the Indian Ocean region. It is an international community-based programme developed by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). The programme aims to build resilient coastal communities through tsunami awareness and preparedness. Its main objective is to reduce loss of life, livelihoods, and property during tsunamis. Communities must meet 12 indicators covering risk assessment, preparedness, and response. Tsunami-ready villages show hazard mapping, evacuation plans, public display boards, 24-hour warning systems, and regular mock drills.*

**Q5. What is the name of the initiative recently launched by the Ministry of Textiles to promote awareness about handicraft traditions and entrepreneurship?**

**A)** National Handicrafts Development Program

**B) Chaupal Program**

**C)** Craft India Mission

**D)** Kaushal Yojana

*Explanation: As part of National Handicrafts Week, the Ministry of Textiles launched the Chaupal Program nationwide in New Delhi. The program aims to promote handicraft traditions, build entrepreneurship, and form sustainable handicraft clusters under the National Handicrafts Development Program (NHDP). Chaupals will be permanent district-level platforms in 100 handicraft aspirational districts for artisan enrolment, scheme awareness, skill development, and entrepreneurship over the plan period. Chaupal Kits with audio-visual materials and essential equipment were distributed to facilitate workshops, demonstrations, and digital onboarding of artisans.*

**Q6. Which wetland has been designated as the first Ramsar site of Chhattisgarh?**

**A)** Ravishankar Sagar

**B)** Hasdeo Bango Reservoir

**C)** Dudhawa Reservoir

**D) Kopra Reservoir**

*Explanation: Chhattisgarh's Kopra Reservoir in Bilaspur district has been designated a Ramsar Site, becoming the state's first wetland of international importance. Ramsar Sites are wetlands recognised under the Ramsar Convention, headquartered in Gland, Switzerland. The reservoir has both natural and man-made features and supports irrigation, water security, and diverse bird habitats. The proposal was submitted by the state government last month and approved by the Union government. The recognition will boost eco-tourism, local livelihoods, and awareness about wetland conservation.*

### Q7. India Meteorological Department (IMD) functions under which ministry?

- A) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
B) Ministry of Science and Technology  
C) **Ministry of Earth Sciences**  
D) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

*Explanation: India Meteorological Department has forecast above-normal heatwave days across most parts of India from March to May. It was established in 1875. It is the National Meteorological Service of India. It works under the Ministry of Earth Sciences. The headquarter is located in New Delhi, with observation stations across India and Antarctica.*

### Q8. Who received the 2025 World Leader for Peace and Security Award?

- A) Yogi Dinesh Chander  
B) **Sri Sri Ravi Shankar**  
C) Baba Ramdev  
D) Jagdish Vasudev

*Explanation: In November 2025, Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, founder of the Art of Living Foundation, received the 2025 World Leader for Peace and Security Award. The award was presented by the Boston Global Forum (BGF) and the AI World Society (AIWS) at Harvard University, USA. It recognizes his significant contributions to global peace-building, reconciliation, and humanitarian service. The 2025 award marks the 10th anniversary of the award (2015–2025), honoring leaders with moral courage, visionary leadership, and compassion. The focus of the 2025 award is on advancing 21st-century peace through inner harmony, interfaith dialogue, and ethical governance.*

### Q9. Which city is the host of India International Science Festival (IISF) 2025?

- A) Bengaluru  
B) **Chandigarh**  
C) New Delhi  
D) Hyderabad

*Explanation: Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science and Technology; Earth Sciences and Minister of State for PMO, Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), Department of Space, Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Dr. Jitendra Singh launched the curtain raiser for India International Science Festival (IISF) 2025. IISF 2025 will be held from December 6–9, 2025, at Panjab University, Chandigarh with the theme "Vigyan Se Samridhi" Science to Prosperity. The festival showcases India's scientific achievements and promotes public participation in innovation. The event features exhibitions, competitions, B2B meetings, and cultural programs to connect laboratories with society.*

**Q10. What is the name of the traditionally constructed stitched sailing vessel of the Indian Navy that recently returned from Muscat?**

A) INS Tarangini

B) INS Sudarshini

**C) INSV Kaundinya**

D) INS Vikrant

*Explanation: On 02 March 2026, Raksha Rajya Mantri Shri Sanjay Seth flagged-in INSV Kaundinya at Naval Dockyard, Mumbai after her maiden overseas voyage to Muscat, Oman. INSV means Indian Naval Sailing Vessel. The voyage revived India's ancient maritime knowledge and inspires youth towards adventure and innovation. The 20-metre stitched wooden vessel sailed the Arabian Sea without modern reinforcements. Inducted in May 2025, named after legendary mariner Kaundinya, symbolising India's seafaring heritage.*



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