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1. Consider the following statements regarding India's GDP growth reported for April-June 2026:

1. Real GDP growth was reported at 7.8%.
 2. The RBI's revised projection for the quarter was 6.7%.
- A) 2 only
B) Both 1 and 2
C) Neither 1 nor 2
D) 1 only

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- India grew 7.8% in the April-June 2026 quarter. The reported 6.7% figure was the RBI's full-year growth projection, while its quarterly expectation was 7%. Hence statement 1 is correct and statement 2 is incorrect.

2. Consider the following statements about August 2026 GST collections:

1. Gross GST revenue rose 14.8% year-on-year.
 2. Net GST revenue after refunds rose by a larger percentage than gross GST revenue.
- A) 1 only
B) 2 only
C) Both 1 and 2
D) Neither 1 nor 2

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported gross GST revenue of ₹1,99,853 crore, up 14.8% year-on-year, while net GST revenue rose 8.3%. Thus the first statement is correct and the second reverses the reported growth rates.

3. Consider the following statements about the proposed Shunya air taxi:

1. It is an electric vertical take-off and landing aircraft.
 2. It is being developed by Sarla Aviation with Tata Elxsi providing engineering support.
- A) Neither 1 nor 2
B) Both 1 and 2
C) 1 only
D) 2 only

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported that Sarla Aviation and Tata Elxsi are collaborating on Shunya, an eVTOL aircraft. Sarla Aviation leads platform design, development and type certification, while Tata Elxsi contributes aerospace, software and flight-critical digital engineering.

4. Consider the following statements about India's August 2026 manufacturing PMI:

1. It fell to 52.8.
 2. It was below the reported long-run average of 54.2.
 3. Employment in manufacturing fell for the first time in about two-and-a-half years.
- A) 1 and 2 only
B) 2 and 3 only
C) 1 and 3 only
D) 1, 2 and 3

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported the HSBC India Manufacturing PMI at 52.8 in August, down from 53.5 in July and below the long-run average of 54.2. Employment also contracted for the first time in two-and-a-half years. All three statements are correct.

5. With reference to August 2026 GST revenue, consider:

1. Gross GST revenue was ₹1,99,853 crore.
 2. Revenue from imports increased 29% year-on-year.
 3. Domestic transaction revenue increased 29% year-on-year.
- A) 1, 2 and 3
B) 1 and 2 only
C) 2 and 3 only
D) 1 and 3 only

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported gross GST revenue of ₹1,99,853 crore. Import-related revenue rose 29% to ₹62,604 crore, while domestic transaction revenue rose 9.3% to ₹1,37,249 crore. Therefore statements 1 and 2 are correct.

6. Consider the following about the Supreme Court's NEET-protest order:

1. The Court invoked Article 142.
 2. The order was stated to be based on the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case.
 3. The Court permitted Delhi Police to pursue the FIR against 2,873 persons with serious criminal antecedents.
- A) 1, 2 and 3
B) 2 and 3 only
C) 1 and 3 only
D) 1 and 2 only

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported that the Supreme Court invoked its special powers under Article 142 and said the order should not be treated as a precedent because of the peculiar facts. It also allowed Delhi Police to proceed against 2,873 persons at Jantar Mantar with serious criminal antecedents. All three are correct.

7. Consider the following statements about Chhattisgarh's mineral strategy:

1. The state aims to cover exploration through recycling within the state.
 2. The eighth critical-mineral auction tranche includes 20 blocks across seven states.
 3. Five blocks in that tranche are in Chhattisgarh.
- A) 1, 2 and 3
B) 1 and 2 only
C) 2 and 3 only
D) 1 and 3 only

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The Indian Express reported that Chhattisgarh seeks a complete mineral value chain covering exploration, mining, processing, value addition, advanced manufacturing and recycling. The eighth tranche has 20 blocks across seven states, including five in Chhattisgarh. All three statements are correct.

8. Consider the following statements about the August 2026 manufacturing PMI:

1. The index was 52.8.
 2. July's reading was 53.5.
 3. The August reading was below the long-run average of 54.2.
 4. It represented the strongest manufacturing expansion in five years.
- A) 2 and 3 only
 B) 1, 2, 3 and 4
 C) 1, 2 and 3 only
 D) 1 and 4 only

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported 52.8 in August against 53.5 in July and a long-run average of 54.2. The reading represented the weakest improvement in manufacturing health in five years, not the strongest. Hence 1, 2 and 3 are correct.

9. Consider the following about August 2026 GST revenue:

1. Gross revenue was ₹1,99,853 crore.
 2. Net revenue after refunds was ₹1,68,057 crore.
 3. Refunds rose 67.9% year-on-year.
 4. Import revenue fell year-on-year.
- A) 1, 2, 3 and 4
 B) 1 and 2 only
 C) 2 and 4 only
 D) 1, 2 and 3 only

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported gross GST of ₹1,99,853 crore, net GST of ₹1,68,057 crore and refunds of ₹31,795 crore, up 67.9%. Import revenue increased 29%, so statement 4 is incorrect. The first three are correct.

10. Consider the following statements about Shunya:

1. It is designed for six passengers and one pilot.
2. Its planned range is over 300 km.
3. It uses vertical take-off and landing with fixed-wing cruising.
4. Its first test flight was already completed in August 2026.

- A) 1 and 2 only
B) 1, 2 and 3 only
C) 2, 3 and 4 only
D) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported Shunya as a six-seater plus one pilot eVTOL with a range above 300 km and fixed-wing cruise after vertical take-off. The first flight was targeted within 18–24 months, so it had not already been completed.

11. Consider the following about Chhattisgarh's critical-mineral potential:

1. Lithium and rare earth elements were associated with Katghora and Bastar.
2. Graphite, vanadium and gallium were associated with Balrampur.
3. Phosphorite was associated with Balod.
4. Nickel, chromium and glauconite were associated with Mahasamund.

- A) 1, 2, 3 and 4
B) 1 and 2 only
C) 2 and 3 only
D) 1, 2 and 3 only

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The Indian Express specifically listed these mineral-resource locations: lithium and rare earth elements in Katghora and Bastar; graphite, vanadium and gallium in Balrampur; phosphorite in Balod; and nickel, chromium and glauconite in Mahasamund. All four statements are correct.

12. Assertion (A): India's manufacturing PMI remained in expansion territory in August 2026.

Reason (R): A PMI reading above 50 generally indicates expansion, and India's August reading was 52.8.

A) A is true, but R is false.

B) A is false, but R is true.

C) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.

D) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported an August PMI of 52.8. The standard PMI interpretation places readings above 50 in expansion territory. Therefore both statements are true and the reason directly explains the assertion, even though the pace of improvement weakened.

13. Assertion (A): The Supreme Court's NEET-protest order does not automatically establish a general precedent for future cases.

Reason (R): The Court expressly stated that its order was based on the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case.

A) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.

B) A is true, but R is false.

C) A is false, but R is true.

D) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported that the Supreme Court expressly said the order should not be treated as a precedent because of the peculiar facts and circumstances. That qualification directly supports the assertion. The case also involved Article 142, but the non-precedential statement is the key point.

14. Assertion (A): The Centre's onion intervention was aimed at moderating consumer prices.

Reason (R): The government expanded subsidised onion sales at ₹35 per kg to 19 cities using mobile vans.

A) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.

B) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.

C) A is true, but R is false.

D) A is false, but R is true.

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported that crop damage and supply concerns pushed onion prices higher, prompting the Centre to expand ₹35-per-kg sales to 19 cities through mobile vans. The intervention was explicitly intended to ease consumer pressure, so the reason explains the assertion.

15. Assertion (A): India's August 2026 GST growth reflected both domestic and import-related revenue expansion.

Reason (R): Domestic transaction revenue rose 9.3%, while import revenue rose 29% year-on-year.

- A) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- B) A is true, but R is false.
- C) A is false, but R is true.
- D) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported a 14.8% rise in gross GST revenue and identified growth in both domestic transactions and imports. Domestic transaction revenue rose 9.3%, while import revenue increased 29%. These components directly support the assertion.

16. Match List I with List II:

List I

- 1. GST collections
- 2. Manufacturing PMI
- 3. Shunya
- 4. Critical-mineral auction

List II

- A. eVTOL aircraft
- B. ₹1,99,853 crore gross revenue
- C. 20 blocks in eighth tranche
- D. 52.8 in August

- A) 1-A, 2-B, 3-D, 4-C
- B) 1-B, 2-C, 3-A, 4-D
- C) 1-B, 2-D, 3-A, 4-C
- D) 1-D, 2-B, 3-C, 4-A

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The reported facts map as follows: GST collections—₹1,99,853 crore; manufacturing PMI—52.8; Shunya—eVTOL; critical-mineral eighth tranche—20 blocks. Therefore 1-B, 2-D, 3-A, 4-C is the correct mapping.

17. Match the entity with the reported role:

List I

1. Tata Elxsi
2. Sarla Aviation
3. CSIR-NPL
4. CAG

List II

- A. Engineering support for Shunya
- B. Shunya platform developer
- C. Time and frequency metrology
- D. Audit institution

A) 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D

B) 1-B, 2-A, 3-D, 4-C

C) 1-C, 2-D, 3-A, 4-B

D) 1-D, 2-C, 3-B, 4-A

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

• The Times of India reported Tata Elxsi's engineering role and Sarla Aviation's leadership of Shunya's platform development and certification. CSIR-NPL is associated with national time-and-frequency metrology in the current-affairs context, while CAG is the audit institution. Hence A is correct.

18. Match the location with the mineral reported from it:

List I

1. Katghora/Bastar
2. Balrampur
3. Balod
4. Mahasamund

List II

A. Phosphorite

B. Nickel, chromium and glauconite

C. Lithium and rare earth elements

D. Graphite, vanadium and gallium

A) 1-C, 2-D, 3-A, 4-B

B) 1-D, 2-B, 3-C, 4-A

C) 1-B, 2-C, 3-D, 4-A

D) 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

• The Indian Express listed lithium and rare earth elements at Katghora and Bastar, graphite/vanadium/gallium at Balrampur, phosphorite at Balod, and nickel/chromium/glauconite at Mahasamund. Thus 1-C, 2-D, 3-A, 4-B is correct.

19. Match the GST figure with its context:

List I

1. ₹1,99,853 crore
2. ₹1,68,057 crore
3. ₹62,604 crore
4. ₹31,795 crore

List II

- A. Net GST revenue
- B. Gross GST revenue
- C. Import-related gross revenue
- D. Refunds
- A) 1-A, 2-B, 3-D, 4-C
- B) 1-B, 2-A, 3-C, 4-D
- C) 1-C, 2-D, 3-A, 4-B
- D) 1-D, 2-C, 3-B, 4-A

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported ₹1,99,853 crore gross GST, ₹1,68,057 crore net after refunds, ₹62,604 crore from imports and ₹31,795 crore in refunds. The correct mapping is 1-B, 2-A, 3-C, 4-D.

20. Match the event with the reported institution or venue:

List I

1. NEET protest FIR order
2. BRICS Summit 2026
3. SCO leaders' summit
4. Critical-mineral auction roadshow

List II

- A. Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi
- B. Bishkek
- C. Supreme Court of India
- D. Chhattisgarh roadshow
- A) 1-D, 2-A, 3-C, 4-B
- B) 1-A, 2-C, 3-B, 4-D
- C) 1-C, 2-D, 3-A, 4-B
- D) 1-C, 2-A, 3-B, 4-D

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The Supreme Court handled the NEET-protest FIR matter; BRICS 2026 is scheduled at Bharat Mandapam; the SCO leaders' summit reporting centred on Bishkek; and the mineral auction roadshow was addressed by Chhattisgarh CM Vishnu Deo Sai. Thus 1-C, 2-A, 3-B, 4-D.

21. Which of the following pairs is correctly matched?

1. PMI 52.8 — August 2026 manufacturing
2. GST ₹1,99,853 crore — August gross collection
3. Shunya — Conventional petrol helicopter
4. E-Ret Sangwari — concessional sand supply for PMAY beneficiaries

- A) 1, 2, 3 and 4
B) 1, 2 and 4 only
C) 1 and 3 only
D) 2 and 4 only

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported PMI 52.8 and gross GST of ₹1,99,853 crore. Shunya is an electric eVTOL, not a petrol helicopter. The Indian Express reported E-Ret Sangwari as a portal facilitating concessional sand supply to PMAY beneficiaries. Hence 1, 2 and 4 are correct.

22. Which of the following pairs is correctly matched?

1. ₹35/kg — Centre's subsidised onion sale
2. 19 cities — expanded onion-sale coverage
3. 18–24 months — target window for Shunya's first flight
4. 300 km — maximum officially fixed range of Shunya

- A) 1, 2, 3 and 4
B) 1 and 2 only
C) 2 and 3 only
D) 1, 2 and 3 only

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The onion intervention was reported at ₹35 per kg across 19 cities, while Shunya's first flight was targeted within 18–24 months. The aircraft was designed for a range of over 300 km, so 300 km is not a stated maximum. Therefore 1, 2 and 3 are correct.

23. Which of the following pairs is correctly matched?

1. ₹16,000 crore-plus — Chhattisgarh mineral revenue
2. ₹400 crore — approximate mineral revenue when Chhattisgarh was formed
3. Five blocks — Chhattisgarh's share in the eighth mineral-auction tranche
4. Seven states — number of blocks in the eighth tranche

A) 2, 3 and 4 only

B) 1, 2, 3 and 4

C) 1 and 2 only

D) 1, 2 and 3 only

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The Indian Express reported mineral revenue rising from around ₹400 crore at state formation to more than ₹16,000 crore. The eighth tranche contains 20 blocks across seven states, with five in Chhattisgarh. Thus statement 4 is wrong because seven is the number of states, not blocks.

24. Which of the following pairs is correctly matched?

1. Article 142 — Supreme Court's extraordinary powers
2. PMI above 50 — generally indicates expansion
3. GST Council — constitutional body created by the GST framework
4. eVTOL — aircraft capable of vertical take-off and landing

A) 1 and 2 only

B) 2 and 4 only

C) 1, 2 and 4 only

D) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- Article 142 and the PMI interpretation are directly relevant to the reported stories, and eVTOL denotes electric vertical take-off and landing in the Shunya story. The GST Council is a constitutional body under Article 279A, so all four statements are correct.

25. Which of the following pairs is correctly matched?

1. E-Ret Sangwari — sand supply through a portal
2. Tin Portal — transparency for tribal tin communities
3. Balrampur — graphite, vanadium and gallium potential
4. Balod — lithium and rare earth elements

- A) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- B) 1 and 2 only
- C) 2 and 3 only
- D) 1, 2 and 3 only

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The Indian Express reported E-Ret Sangwari for concessional sand supply and the Tin Portal for fair prices and transparency among tribal tin communities. Balrampur was associated with graphite, vanadium and gallium. Lithium and rare earth elements were associated with Katghora and Bastar, not Balod. Hence 1, 2 and 3 are correct.

26. Study the following data:

- | Indicator | Reported August 2026 value |
- | Gross GST revenue | ₹1,99,853 crore |
- | Manufacturing PMI | 52.8 |
- | Gross import GST revenue | ₹62,604 crore |

Which conclusion is best supported?

- A) GST collections and PMI measure the same economic variable.
- B) Tax collections showed strong nominal growth while manufacturing activity remained in expansion territory but slowed.
- C) Manufacturing contracted because PMI was below 100.
- D) Import GST revenue was lower than domestic transaction revenue because imports fell.

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported strong GST growth alongside a PMI of 52.8. Since PMI above 50 indicates expansion, the manufacturing sector was expanding, though at a weaker pace. The GST figures measure tax revenue, while PMI measures business activity, so they are distinct indicators.

27. Study the following Chhattisgarh mineral table:

Location	Reported mineral potential
Katghora/Bastar	Lithium and rare earth elements
Balrampur	Graphite, vanadium, gallium
Balod	Phosphorite
Mahasamund	Nickel, chromium, glauconite

Which row is correctly interpreted?

- A) Balrampur — phosphorite only
- B) Katghora/Bastar — tin only
- C) Balod — rare earth elements
- D) Mahasamund — nickel, chromium and glauconite

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The Indian Express supplied this location-wise mineral mapping. Mahasamund was specifically linked with nickel, chromium and glauconite. The other options substitute minerals reported for different districts or omit the reported mineral groups.

28. Study the following figures from the August 2026 GST report:

Component	YoY change
Gross GST	+14.8%
Net GST	+8.3%
Domestic transactions	+9.3%
Imports	+29%

Which component recorded the highest year-on-year growth?

- A) Gross GST
- B) Net GST
- C) Import-related revenue
- D) Domestic transactions

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported 14.8% growth in gross GST, 8.3% in net GST, 9.3% in domestic transactions and 29% in import-related revenue. Therefore import-related revenue had the highest year-on-year growth among the listed components.

29. A student sees a PMI reading of 52.8 and concludes that India's manufacturing sector contracted because the number is below

100. Which interpretation is appropriate?

- A) A PMI of 52.8 indicates exactly 52.8% growth in factory output.
- B) The conclusion is incorrect; a PMI above 50 generally indicates expansion.
- C) The conclusion is correct because only a PMI above 100 indicates expansion.
- D) The PMI cannot be interpreted without GDP data.

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported an August PMI of 52.8 and described the sector as still improving, though at its weakest pace in five years. PMI is a diffusion index: readings above 50 generally indicate expansion, while the magnitude is not a direct percentage growth rate.

30. A district official wants to align local mineral policy with the strategy announced by Chhattisgarh's Chief Minister. Which activity best fits the reported approach?

- A) Only extraction of raw ore for shipment outside the state
- B) Exploration, mining, processing, value addition, advanced manufacturing and recycling within the state
- C) Only import substitution through agricultural subsidies
- D) Only retail trading of minerals without processing

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The Indian Express reported Chhattisgarh's plan for a complete mineral value chain within the state, extending from exploration and mining to processing, value addition, advanced manufacturing and recycling. The objective is to attract investment and create downstream industries and employment.

31. A consumer in a city covered by the Centre's expanded onion intervention wants to know the policy mechanism. Which statement best reflects the reported measure?

- A) Subsidised onions are being sold at ₹35 per kg through mobile vans in 19 cities.
- B) The government is giving farmers a ₹35-per-kg procurement bonus.
- C) The measure applies only to sugar mills.
- D) The government fixed all onion exports at zero.

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported that the Centre expanded its ₹35-per-kg onion sale programme to 19 cities amid supply concerns caused by crop damage. Mobile vans are being used to improve access. The measure is a consumer-side market intervention, not an export ban or procurement bonus.

32. An aviation regulator reviewing the Shunya project asks which combination correctly describes the proposed aircraft and development plan.

- A) Six passengers, no pilot, 30-km range and immediate commercial launch
- B) Ten passengers, two pilots, conventional vertical helicopter propulsion and 1,000-km range
- C) Six passengers plus one pilot, eVTOL configuration, over 300-km range and first flight targeted within 18–24 months
- D) Four passengers, one pilot, fixed-wing take-off only and a 50-km range

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported Shunya as a six-seater plus one pilot electric VTOL aircraft with a range above 300 km and fixed-wing cruise. Its first flight was targeted in 18–24 months, after which certification activities were expected. Thus option C captures the reported specifications.

33. The 7.8% GDP figure reported for April-June 2026-27 refers to which standard national-account concept?

- A) The annual inflation rate
- B) The fiscal deficit as a percentage of GDP
- C) The current-account balance
- D) The quarterly growth rate of real GDP

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

34. Which institution is the source of the RBI growth projection discussed alongside India's 7.8% Q1 GDP growth?

- A) NITI Aayog
- B) Finance Commission
- C) Reserve Bank of India
- D) SEBI

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

35. What does a PMI reading of 52.8 most directly indicate when interpreted using the standard diffusion-index threshold?

- A) Deflation of 52.8%
- B) Expansion in manufacturing activity, though at a slower pace
- C) A 52.8% contraction in output
- D) A 52.8% increase in employment

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

36. Which type of transaction contributed to the sharper 29% year-on-year rise in August 2026 GST revenue?

- A) Domestic retail transactions
- B) State GST transfers
- C) GST refunds
- D) Imports

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

37. Which body is constitutionally associated with recommending GST-related matters to the Union and States?

- A) Inter-State Council
- B) GST Council
- C) Finance Commission
- D) NITI Aayog

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

38. Article 142 of the Constitution, invoked by the Supreme Court in the NEET-protest matter, enables the Court to:

- A) Pass orders necessary for doing complete justice in a matter before it
- B) Make annual financial allocations
- C) Amend the Constitution by simple majority
- D) Appoint governors of states

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

39. The Supreme Court's statement that the NEET-protest order should not be treated as a precedent is best understood as a caution that:

- A) The Court had no jurisdiction
- B) The FIRs were converted into civil cases
- C) Article 142 is unconstitutional
- D) The ruling was tied to the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

40. What does eVTOL stand for in the Shunya air-taxi story?

- A) Emergency Vertical Transport Operations and Logistics
- B) Electric Vehicle Through Open Lanes
- C) Electric Vertical Take-Off and Landing
- D) Electronic Vehicle Transport Over Land

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

41. Which feature distinguishes an eVTOL aircraft such as Shunya from a conventional fixed-wing aircraft?

- A) It can take off and land vertically
- B) It cannot use electric propulsion
- C) It must operate only from runways
- D) It is incapable of forward cruise

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

42. In the Shunya project, type certification most directly relates to:

- A) Fixing ticket prices
- B) Regulatory approval of the aircraft design for operation
- C) Determining passenger demand
- D) Allocating airport parking spaces

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

43. Which of the following is a downstream activity in a mineral value chain?

- A) Satellite imaging alone
- B) Geological reconnaissance
- C) Initial prospecting
- D) Advanced manufacturing using processed mineral inputs

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

44. Why are rare earth elements considered strategically important in the context of mineral policy?

- A) They have no industrial applications
- B) They are exclusively agricultural nutrients
- C) They are important inputs in several high-technology and strategic applications
- D) They are used only as construction aggregates

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

45. Which of the following was associated with Katghora and Bastar in the Chhattisgarh report?

- A) Coal and lignite
- B) Lithium and rare earth elements
- C) Phosphorite and tin
- D) Nickel and chromium only

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

46. Which mineral group was associated with Balrampur?

- A) Phosphorite and glauconite
- B) Nickel and chromium only
- C) Lithium and rare earth elements
- D) Graphite, vanadium and gallium

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

47. Which mineral was specifically associated with Balod?

- A) Phosphorite
- B) Lithium
- C) Gallium
- D) Vanadium

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

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48. Which combination was associated with Mahasamund?

- A) Graphite and gallium
- B) Phosphorite and tin
- C) Nickel, chromium and glauconite
- D) Lithium and rare earth elements

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

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49. The eighth tranche of critical and strategic mineral auctions reported in September 2026 contained how many blocks?

- A) 20
- B) 7
- C) 5
- D) 35

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

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50. In the eighth mineral-auction tranche, five blocks were located in which state?

- A) Odisha
- B) Jharkhand
- C) Chhattisgarh
- D) Madhya Pradesh

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

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51. Chhattisgarh's mineral revenue was reported to have risen from around ₹400 crore at state formation to:

- A) Around ₹4,000 crore
- B) More than ₹16,000 crore
- C) Exactly ₹40,000 crore
- D) Less than ₹1,000 crore

Correct Answer is : B

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52. The E-Ret Sangwari portal launched in Chhattisgarh was linked to which beneficiary-related service?

- A) Export of critical minerals
- B) Sale of imported electronics
- C) Gold monetisation
- D) Concessional sand supply for PMAY beneficiaries

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

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53. The Tin Portal launched by Chhattisgarh was intended primarily to improve:

- A) GST refunds
- B) Fair prices and transparency for tribal communities associated with tin
- C) Urban property registration
- D) Railway ticketing

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

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54. The subsidised onion price announced in the Centre's expanded intervention was:

- A) ₹35 per kg
- B) ₹45 per kg
- C) ₹50 per kg
- D) ₹25 per kg

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

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55. The Centre expanded the ₹35-per-kg onion sale to how many cities?

- A) 29
- B) 9
- C) 12
- D) 19

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

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56. The onion price intervention was reported in the context of crop damage caused partly by:

- A) Cyclone landfall on the west coast
- B) Locust invasion
- C) Heavy rains and associated crop damage
- D) Drought alone

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

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57. Which diseases were cited as affecting sugarcane in the report on rising sugar prices?

- A) Red Rot and Top Borer
- B) Rust and Smut
- C) Blast and Wilt
- D) Bollworm and Stem Borer

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

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58. India's estimated sugar production for the 2025-26 season was reported at approximately:

- A) 206 LMT
- B) 306 LMT
- C) 343 LMT
- D) 406 LMT

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

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59. The initial sugar-production projection made by sugarcane-growing states was about:

- A) 443 LMT
- B) 206 LMT
- C) 306 LMT
- D) 343 LMT

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

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60. The all-India average retail sugar price reported by TOI was approximately:

- A) ₹54.24 per kg
- B) ₹59.24 per kg
- C) ₹64.24 per kg
- D) ₹44.24 per kg

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

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61. The average retail sugar price was reported to be approximately how much higher than a year earlier?

- A) 48.63%
- B) 38.63%
- C) 18.63%
- D) 28.63%

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

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62. Which economic mechanism best describes the sugar-price pressure reported in the story?

- A) Currency appreciation alone
- B) Lower input costs with higher exports
- C) Excess supply and weak demand
- D) Reduced supply coinciding with stronger festive demand

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

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63. The August 2026 manufacturing PMI fell from July's:

- A) 53.5
- B) 55.5
- C) 51.2
- D) 52.5

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

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64. The August manufacturing PMI was below which long-run average reported by TOI?

- A) 52.8
- B) 53.5
- C) 54.2
- D) 50.0

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

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65. Employment in India's manufacturing sector in August 2026 was reported to have:

- A) Fallen for the first time in about two-and-a-half years
- B) Risen at the fastest pace in five years
- C) Remained unchanged for five years
- D) Doubled year-on-year

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

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66. The August manufacturing slowdown was associated with weaker output and:

- A) A complete halt in exports
- B) Higher government capital expenditure
- C) Slower new orders
- D) A sharp rise in employment

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

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67. Which organisation's survey index was identified as the HSBC India Manufacturing PMI?

- A) CAG
- B) HSBC
- C) SEBI
- D) NITI Aayog

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

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68. The first test flight target for Shunya was reported as being within:

- A) 5–7 years
- B) 3–6 months
- C) 6–9 months
- D) 18–24 months

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

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69. Which combination best describes Tata Elxsi's role in the Shunya collaboration?

- A) Regulating airworthiness independently of the aviation authorities
- B) Engineering support covering avionics, software integration, testing, verification, validation and certification
- C) Manufacturing all batteries and motors
- D) Operating the future taxi fleet

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

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70. Which combination best describes Sarla Aviation's role in Shunya?

- A) Design, development and type certification of the Shunya platform
- B) Only software coding
- C) Only passenger-ticket sales
- D) Only airport construction

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

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71. The reported range of Shunya was designed to be:

- A) Exactly 300 km and no more
- B) Over 1,500 km
- C) Below 100 km
- D) Over 300 km

Correct Answer is : D

Explanation :

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72. Why is fixed-wing cruising significant in an eVTOL design such as Shunya?

- A) It prevents vertical take-off
- B) It makes the aircraft a conventional helicopter
- C) It can provide efficient forward flight after vertical take-off
- D) It eliminates the need for flight controls

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The reported detail is taken from the September 2026 current-affairs coverage. The key distinction in this question is the specific fact or concept used in the news story; the other options represent adjacent but incorrect institutions, figures or definitions.

73. Which one of the following best explains why a PMI reading can fall while the economy can simultaneously report strong quarterly GDP growth?

- A) PMI and GDP are different indicators with different coverage, timing and construction methods.
- B) PMI is a measure of tax revenue while GDP is a measure of inflation.
- C) GDP is calculated only from manufacturing orders.
- D) PMI automatically determines the national GDP growth rate.

Correct Answer is : A

Explanation :

- The September reporting showed a strong 7.8% quarterly GDP figure alongside a manufacturing PMI slowdown to 52.8. PMI is a survey-based diffusion index focused on business conditions in manufacturing, whereas GDP measures economy-wide value added. Different indicators can therefore move at different speeds.

74. A policy brief proposes that Chhattisgarh should stop at mineral extraction and export raw ore. Which reported policy direction would this proposal fail to capture?

- A) The plan to eliminate mineral recycling
- B) The stated ambition to build a complete in-state value chain from exploration through advanced manufacturing and recycling
- C) The state's plan to expand only agricultural procurement
- D) The plan to use mineral revenue exclusively for tourism

Correct Answer is : B

Explanation :

- The Indian Express reported that Chhattisgarh wants a complete mineral value chain covering exploration, mining, processing, value addition, advanced manufacturing and recycling. A raw-ore export model would therefore capture only the upstream portion of the strategy and miss its downstream industrial objectives.

75. Which of the following is the most appropriate inference from the August 2026 GST data?

- A) Higher gross GST automatically proves that every sector expanded equally.
- B) A rise in import GST necessarily means India's trade deficit disappeared.
- C) Tax revenue growth can reflect changes in both domestic transactions and imports, and therefore should not be equated mechanically with real GDP growth.
- D) GST revenue and GDP are identical measures.

Correct Answer is : C

Explanation :

- The Times of India reported 14.8% growth in gross GST, with domestic transaction revenue up 9.3% and import revenue up 29%. These are tax-revenue measures, not direct measures of real output. The data can indicate economic activity and compliance trends but cannot by themselves establish uniform sectoral growth or GDP growth.