# The Current Affairs Quiz

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## Friday, 30 October 2026

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**(E)** Recep Tayyip Erdoğan

**2. The PM VGSY has been approved with the objective of strengthening which institutions?**
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**(C)** Municipal Corporations
**(D)** State Finance Commissions
**(E)** Zila Parishads exclusively

**3. Which conference was held in Yerevan, Armenia, from 19 to 30 October 2026, to advance global biodiversity conservation efforts?**
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**(A)** Sumana Ramanan **(B)** Jahnavi Phalkey
**(C)** Nirupama Rao **(D)** Narayani Basu
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**10. Which country honoured Indian pilot Captain Smit Machchhar with the First Class Order of Zayed II in October 2026?**
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**Bhupesh Kumar,** Chief Mentor, Career Planner Alliance Club is felicitated for his outstanding contribution in the field of education by His Excellency **Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar,** Governor of Bihar.

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(A) साइमन स्टिएल (B) क्रिस बोवेन
(C) एंटोनियो गुटेरेस (D) मुरात कुरुम
(E) रेसेप तैयप एर्दोगन

**2. PM VGSY को किन संस्थाओं को मजबूत करने के उद्देश्य से मंजूरी दी गई है?**
(A) जिला योजना समितियां (B) ग्राम पंचायतें
(C) नगर निगम (D) राज्य वित्त आयोग
(E) केवल जिला परिषदें

**3. वैश्विक जैव विविधता संरक्षण प्रयासों को आगे बढ़ाने के लिए, 19 से 30 अक्टूबर 2026 तक आर्मेनिया के येरेवन में कौन सा सम्मेलन आयोजित किया गया था?**
(A) CBD COP-17 (B) UNCCD COP-17
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**4. 'ए मैन फॉर ऑल सीजन्स: द लाइफ ऑफ के. एम. पणिक्कर' - जिसे 2026 NIF बुक प्राइज़ के लिए शॉर्टलिस्ट किया गया है - के लेखक कौन हैं?**
(A) सुमना रमणन (B) जाह्नवी फालके
(C) निरुपमा राव (D) नारायणी बसु
(E) अक्षय मुकुल

**5. हाल ही में, छत्तीसगढ़ की पहली राज्य तितली के रूप में किस तितली प्रजाति को प्रस्तावित किया गया है?**
(A) कॉमन बैंडेड पीकॉक (B) स्पॉट स्वॉर्डटेल
(C) ऑरेंज ओकलीफ (D) ब्लू मॉर्मन
(E) मालाबार ट्री निम्फ

**6. अक्टूबर 2026 में गोवा शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड द्वारा लॉन्च किया गया INS सृष्टि किस प्रकार का नौसैनिक पोत है?**
(A) फ्लीट सपोर्ट शिप
(B) ऑफशोर पेट्रोल वेसल
(C) लैंडिंग शिप टैंक
(D) गाइडेड-मिसाइल डिस्ट्रॉयर
(E) एंटी-सबमरीन वारफेयर क्राफ्ट

**7. सैन्य मामलों के विभाग (DMA) में अतिरिक्त सचिव का पद किसने संभाला है, और ऐसा करने वाले वे भारतीय वायु सेना के पहले अधिकारी बन गए हैं?**
(A) एयर मार्शल आशुतोष दीक्षित
(B) एयर मार्शल नागेश कपूर
(C) एयर मार्शल संदीप सिंह
(D) एयर मार्शल विक्रम गौर
(E) एयर मार्शल अमर प्रीत सिंह

**8. 'जनजातीय गौरव पखवाड़ा 2026' पूरे देश में किस अवधि के दौरान मनाया जाएगा?**
(A) 1–7 नवंबर 2026 (B) 1–15 नवंबर 2026
(C) 7–15 नवंबर 2026 (D) 15–22 नवंबर 2026
(E) 1–5 नवंबर 2026

**9. अक्टूबर 2026 में शुरू हुए 'अभ्यास गरुड़ शक्ति' के 11वें संस्करण में कौन से दो देश भाग ले रहे हैं?**
(A) भारत और मलेशिया (B) भारत और थाईलैंड
(C) भारत और इंडोनेशिया (D) भारत और सिंगापुर
(E) भारत और वियतनाम

**10. अक्टूबर 2026 में किस देश ने भारतीय पायलट कैप्टन स्मित मच्छार को 'फर्स्ट क्लास ऑर्डर ऑफ ज़ायद II' से सम्मानित किया?**
(A) संयुक्त अरब अमीरात (B) ओमान
(C) सऊदी अरब (D) इज़राइल
(E) कतर

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# The General Studies Quiz

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## BIOLOGY

**1. Which enzyme joins DNA fragments by forming phosphodiester bonds?**
(A) DNA helicase
(B) DNA ligase
(C) RNA polymerase
(D) Restriction endonuclease

**2. Which cellular structure is primarily responsible for producing ATP through oxidative phosphorylation?**
(A) Golgi apparatus
(B) Mitochondrial inner membrane
(C) Nuclear envelope
(D) Lysosomal membrane

**3. Which type of cell division reduces the chromosome number by half?**
(A) Mitosis
(B) Binary fission
(C) Meiosis
(D) Budding

**4. Which feature distinguishes prokaryotic cells from typical eukaryotic cells?**
(A) Presence of a plasma membrane
(B) Presence of cytoplasm
(C) Absence of a membrane-bound nucleus
(D) Presence of ribosomes

**5. Which organelle is chiefly responsible for the digestion of cellular waste and worn-out organelles in animal cells?**
(A) Lysosome
(B) Nucleolus
(C) Centrosome
(D) Chloroplast

**6. Which process allows a cell to engulf large solid particles such as bacteria?**
(A) Pinocytosis
(B) Phagocytosis
(C) Exocytosis
(D) Simple diffusion

**7. Which protein is a major component of microfilaments in the cytoskeleton?**
(A) Tubulin
(B) Actin
(C) Keratin
(D) Histone

**8. What is the principal role of histone proteins in eukaryotic cells?**
(A) Breaking down glucose
(B) Packaging DNA into chromatin
(C) Synthesising membrane lipids
(D) Transporting oxygen

**9. Which process produces two genetically similar daughter cells from one parent cell in a typical somatic cell?**
(A) Meiosis
(B) Mitosis followed by cytokinesis
(C) Crossing over
(D) Fertilisation

**10. Which organelle is responsible for photosynthesis in plant cells?**
(A) Mitochondrion
(B) Chloroplast
(C) Lysosome
(D) Golgi apparatus

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# ASEAN-India Relations

**Brief Facts for Competitive Examinations**

Shared Region | Shared Prosperity | A Secure and Inclusive Indo-Pacific

- One Vision
- One Region
- One Community

**India**
Strong Partnership, Shared Prosperity, Shared Future

**ASEAN**
Cooperation for Unity and Prosperity

"Strong India, Strong ASEAN, Stable Indo-Pacific"

## 1 Historical Evolution of Relations

- **1992** : India became a Sectoral Dialogue Partner of ASEAN.
- **1995–96** : India was elevated to the status of Full Dialogue Partner.
- **2002** : Annual summit-level meetings began.
- **2012** : A formal "Strategic Partnership" was established at the Commemorative Summit in New Delhi.
- **2022** : At the 19th ASEAN–India Summit in Phnom Penh (Cambodia), the relationship was upgraded to a "Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP)".

## 2 22nd ASEAN-India Summit — Kuala Lumpur (2025)

- **Date** : 26 October 2025
- **Venue** : Kuala Lumpur
- **Chair** : Malaysia
- **Prime** Minister Narendra Modi participated virtually.
- **Timor-Leste** was welcomed as ASEAN's 11th member.
- Support was extended to the ASEAN–India Plan of Action (2026–2030).

Kuala Lumpur (2025)
Stronger partnership, brighter future

## 3 2026 — Year of Maritime Cooperation

- **2026** was declared the "ASEAN–India Year of Maritime Cooperation".
- **Focus:** naval interoperability, anti-piracy operations, and search-and-rescue coordination.
- **2025** had earlier been declared the "ASEAN–India Tourism Year".

Secure Seas | Secure Trade | Shared Prosperity

## 4 AITIGA Review and Economic Cooperation

- An early review of **AITIGA** (ASEAN–India Trade in Goods Agreement) was called for.
- **Major areas of cooperation:**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Education | Energy | Science & Technology | FinTech |
| Infrastructure | Semiconductors | Emerging Technologies | Rare Earths |

## 5 ASEAN Centrality and Nalanda University Initiative

- India reaffirmed its commitment to ASEAN Centrality, ASEAN unity, and AOIP (ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific).
- A proposal was made to establish a Centre for Southeast Asian Studies at Nalanda University.
- **Objective:** to deepen academic and cultural exchange.

Nalanda University
— a future linked with knowledge

## 6 Challenges and Future Direction

- India's relatively limited diplomatic and cultural visibility in the ASEAN region is seen as a challenge.
- The Prime Minister's virtual participation in the 2025 summit was discussed by observers.
- In **2026**, the Philippines assumed the ASEAN Chairmanship.
- In **2027**, the 35th anniversary of ASEAN–India Dialogue Relations will be celebrated.
- The partnership will move forward under the framework: "**ASEAN 2045: Our Shared Future**".

ASEAN 2045 Our Shared Future
Together towards a better tomorrow

## Quick Revision

Important Dates | Major Events | At a Glance

| 1992 | 1995–96 | 2002 | 2012 | 2022 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sectoral Partner | Full Dialogue Partner | Annual Summits Start | Strategic Partnership | Comprehensive Strategic Partnership | 22nd Summit, Kuala Lumpur | Year of Maritime Cooperation | 35th Anniversary of Dialogue Relations |

*"People-to-people connectivity builds lasting partnerships."*

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