

TODAY AT A GLANCE — 10 THINGS TO REMEMBER

■ MP Cabinet approves ₹41,000 crore development-and-welfare package.	■ Rabi 2026-27 wheat procurement price fixed at ₹2,600/quintal.
■ VB-G RAM G — MP's new rural jobs scheme — effective 1 July 2026.	■ India's cheetah tally reaches 57 (54 Kuno + 3 Gandhi Sagar).
■ RGPV Bhopal split into three technology universities.	■ RBI holds repo at 5.25%; FY27 GDP raised to 6.7%, CPI cut to 5.0%.
■ MP to give farmers daytime electricity for irrigation.	■ ISRO launches EOS-05, its first geosynchronous imaging satellite.
■ Record summer-moong procurement: 5.33 lakh tonnes (up ~36%).	■ 26th SCO Summit ends at Bishkek; Pakistan takes 2026-27 chair.

SECTION A • MADHYA PRADESH SPECIAL

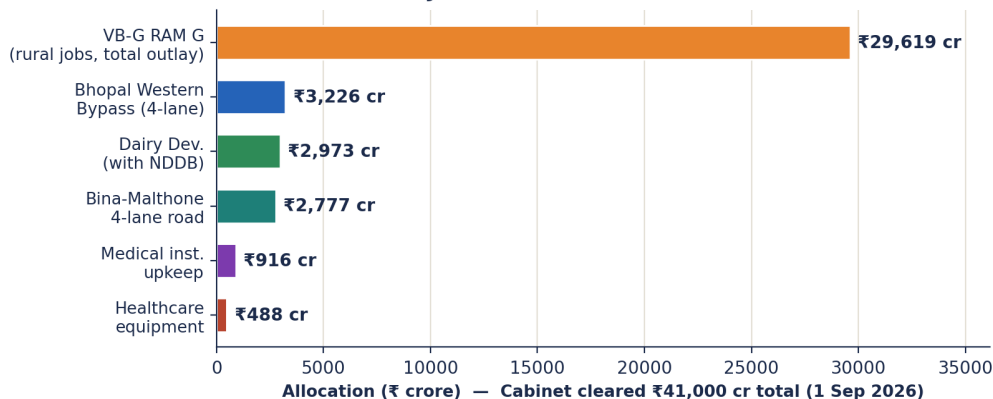
MP Cabinet clears ₹41,000 crore package for jobs, roads and welfare

MADHYA PRADESH	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Economy & Governance)
Syllabus	Prelims — MP schemes & state economy; Mains GS-III — govt budgeting, infrastructure, rural development.
Context	Chaired by CM Mohan Yadav, the state Cabinet on 1 September 2026 approved a package of about ₹41,000 crore spanning rural employment, roads, higher education, dairy and health.
Key Facts	● New rural jobs scheme Viksit Bharat: VB-G RAM G (replacing the state MGNREGA component) effective 1 July 2026, total outlay ₹29,619 crore. ● Western Bhopal Bypass — 35.61 km four-lane on Hybrid Annuity Model, ₹3,225.51 crore. ● Mehluva-Bina-Khimlasa-Malthone — 67.116 km four-lane, ₹2,776.83 crore. ● RGPV, Bhopal restructured into three technology universities at Bhopal, Ujjain and Jabalpur. ● Dairy development ₹2,973 crore with NDDB; medical upkeep ₹915.77 crore.
Way Fwd	Timely execution and monitoring will decide whether the outlay converts into rural jobs and assets.
Concept	Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM) — a PPP road-financing mix of EPC (40% govt) and annuity (60%) payments.

Farmers to get daytime electricity for irrigation

MADHYA PRADESH	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Agriculture & Energy)
Syllabus	Prelims — MP power & irrigation; Mains GS-III — agriculture inputs, energy, farmer welfare.
Context	CM Mohan Yadav announced (1-2 September 2026) that Madhya Pradesh will supply electricity to farmers during the day for irrigation instead of only at night.
Key Facts	● State to provide about 10 hours of power a day for agricultural pumps. ● Aims to end night-time irrigation hardships for farmers. ● Backed by feeder-separation and expanding solar capacity. ● Part of MP's push as a farm-power surplus and solar-growth state.
Way Fwd	Reliable daytime supply plus solar feeders can cut subsidy burden and improve pump efficiency.
Concept	Feeder separation — splitting agricultural and domestic feeders to ration and target farm power.

MP CABINET: MAJOR ALLOCATIONS



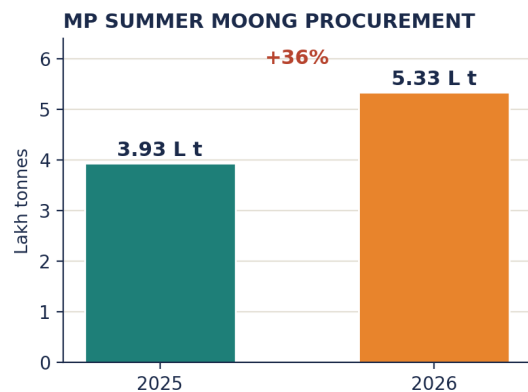
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MADHYA PRADESH	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (Social Justice & Governance)
Syllabus	Prelims — MP women-centric schemes; Mains GS-II — welfare schemes, women empowerment, DBT .
Context	Mukhyamantri Ladli Behna Yojana remains central to MP's welfare architecture, transferring a monthly stipend to eligible women through Direct Benefit Transfer.
Key Facts	● Monthly assistance of ₹1,500 per eligible woman. ● Over 1.2 crore women covered across the state. ● Amount paid via Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) into bank accounts. ● Eligible women generally aged 21 and above (with scheme conditions).
Way Fwd	Regular payouts and leak-proof DBT sustain the scheme's impact on women's financial autonomy.
Concept	DBT — routing subsidies directly to beneficiaries' Aadhaar-linked bank accounts to cut leakage.

Record summer-moong procurement of 5.33 lakh tonnes

MADHYA PRADESH	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Agriculture)
Syllabus	Prelims — MSP, PSS , MP pulses; Mains GS-III — MSP procurement, pulses & food security.
Context	Under the 2026 Price Support Scheme, Madhya Pradesh procured a record quantity of summer moong, reviewed at a state meeting on 27 August 2026 .
Key Facts	● 5.33 lakh tonnes of summer moong procured (against ~5.39 lakh tonnes approved). ● Sharp rise from 3.93 lakh tonnes procured in 2025 (about +36%). ● Procurement executed through central agencies NAFED and NCCF. ● Cabinet also raised the summer-moong procurement limit from 25% to 60% of output.
Way Fwd	Higher pulses procurement supports MP farmers and India's pulse self-sufficiency drive.
Concept	Price Support Scheme (PSS) — govt buys notified pulses/oilseeds at MSP when prices fall below it.



LADLI BEHNA YOJANA — MP's FLAGSHIP WOMEN DBT SCHEME

₹1,500 per month / woman	1.2 cr+ women beneficiaries	DBT direct bank transfer	Age 21+ eligible women
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Rabi 2026-27 wheat procurement price set at ₹2,600 per quintal

MADHYA PRADESH	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Agriculture & Economy)
Syllabus	Prelims — MSP & state bonus; Mains GS-III — MSP , procurement, farmer income.
Context	Madhya Pradesh will procure Rabi 2026-27 wheat at a total ₹2,600 per quintal , combining the Union MSP with a state bonus.
Key Facts	● Total procurement price ₹2,600/quintal = MSP ₹2,585 + state bonus ₹15. ● MP is a leading wheat state, famous for GI-tagged Sharbati wheat. ● Soybean farmers supported via the Bhavantar route (about ₹5,328/quintal value). ● Procurement to be handled through central cooperative agencies.
Way Fwd	Assured procurement and timely payment protect wheat and soybean growers' incomes.
Concept	MSP — minimum support price announced by the Centre on CACP advice to insure farmers against price falls.

India's cheetah tally rises to 57 — MP the Cheetah & Tiger State

ENVIRONMENT	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Environment & Ecology)
Syllabus	Prelims — Kuno, Gandhi Sagar, Project Cheetah; Mains GS-III — species reintroduction & conservation.
Context	Madhya Pradesh remains the heart of Project Cheetah, with the national population now at 57 across Kuno National Park and Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary.
Key Facts	● India's cheetah population stands at 57. ● 54 cheetahs at Kuno National Park (Sheopur); 3 at Gandhi Sagar (Mandsaur). ● Kuno hosted the world's first inter-continental cheetah translocation (Namibia, South Africa). ● MP is also India's 'Tiger State' with the largest tiger numbers and forest cover.
Way Fwd	Prey-base build-up and a viable metapopulation across sites are key to long-term success.
Concept	Reintroduction — releasing a species into its former range; cheetahs were declared extinct in India in 1952 .

MP — THE CHEETAH & TIGER STATE

- ▶ Kuno N.P. (Sheopur) – world's 1st inter-continental cheetah translocation (from Namibia & S. Africa)
- ▶ Gandhi Sagar (Mandsaur) – 2nd cheetah home
- ▶ MP also leads India as the 'Tiger State'

SECTION B • DATA POINT OF THE DAY**India's Q1 FY2026-27 real GDP growth****7.8%**

Real **GDP** grew **7.8%** (nominal **10.3%**) in Q1 **FY27** — among the fastest for a major economy; the **RBI** has pegged full-year **FY27** growth at **6.7%**.

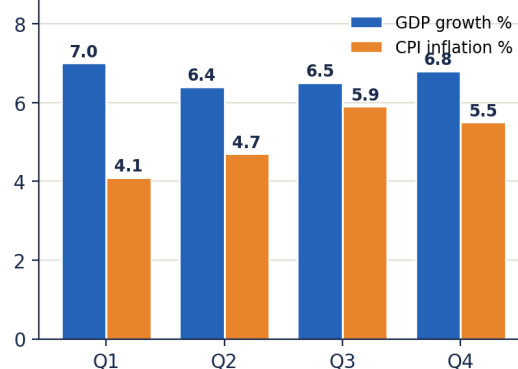
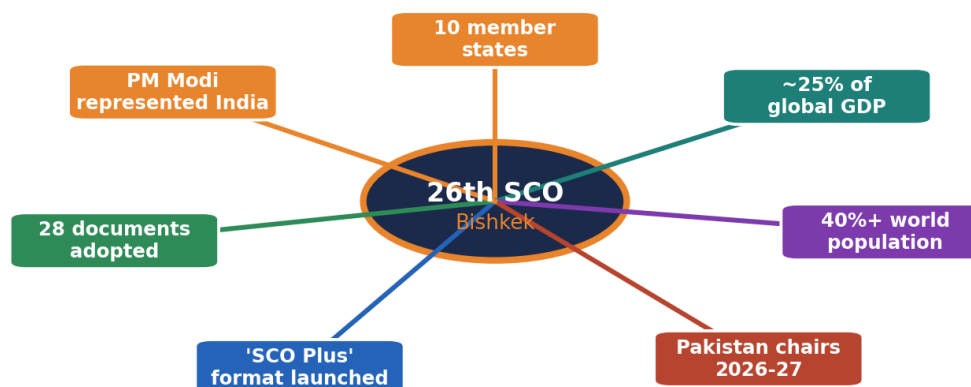
SECTION C • NATIONAL & WORLD

26th SCO Summit concludes at Bishkek; Pakistan takes 2026-27 chair

IR	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (International Relations)
Syllabus	Prelims — SCO members, HQ, summits; Mains GS-II — India and regional groupings.
Context	The 26th Shanghai Cooperation Organisation Summit was held at Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan), with PM Modi representing India; Pakistan assumed the rotating 2026-27 presidency.
Key Facts	● SCO has 10 member states, accounting for ~25% of global GDP and 40%+ of world population. ● Summit adopted 28 documents on climate, nuclear safety and energy conservation. ● Lahore designated SCO Tourism and Cultural Capital; 'SCO Plus' outreach format taken forward. ● India pressed 'zero double standards' on terrorism and sovereignty-first connectivity.
Way Fwd	India will balance connectivity and counter-terror interests within a China-Pakistan-heavy bloc.
Concept	SCO — Eurasian security-economic bloc (est. 2001 , Shanghai); Secretariat in Beijing, RATS in Tashkent.

RBI holds repo at 5.25%, lifts FY27 growth to 6.7%

ECONOMY	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Economy)
Syllabus	Prelims — repo, SDF , MSF , CPI ; Mains GS-III — monetary policy, growth-inflation balance.
Context	The RBI 's Monetary Policy Committee kept the repo rate unchanged at 5.25% with a neutral stance, raising the FY27 growth outlook and trimming the inflation forecast.
Key Facts	● Repo rate held at 5.25%; SDF 5.00%, MSF and Bank Rate 5.50%. ● FY27 real GDP growth raised to 6.7% (from 6.6%). ● FY27 CPI inflation forecast cut to 5.0% (from 5.1%). ● Stance kept 'neutral' amid global uncertainty and firm domestic demand.
Way Fwd	A steady rate path supports growth while the MPC watches food and global-fuel price risks.
Concept	Repo rate — rate at which RBI lends to banks against securities; the key policy lever for inflation.

RBI FY27 OUTLOOK (repo held 5.25%)**SHANGHAI COOPERATION ORGANISATION SUMMIT**

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ISRO launches EOS-05, its first geosynchronous imaging satellite

SCI-TECH	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Science & Technology)
Syllabus	Prelims — ISRO launch vehicles & satellites; Mains GS-III — space tech applications.
Context	ISRO successfully placed EOS-05 in orbit aboard GSLV-F17 from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota — India's first geosynchronous Earth-imaging satellite.
Key Facts	● EOS-05 is a 2,367 kg geosynchronous imaging satellite. ● Launched on the GSLV-F17 vehicle from Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh. ● Carries multispectral and hyperspectral imaging for wide-area monitoring. ● Boosts real-time watch on agriculture, water bodies and disasters.
Way Fwd	Geo-imaging supports faster disaster response and resource mapping across large regions.
Concept	Geosynchronous orbit — ~ 35,786 km altitude where a satellite's period matches Earth's rotation.

Defence Ministry unveils 'RAKSHA' 10-year diplomacy framework

DEFENCE	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Security & Defence)
Syllabus	Prelims — defence initiatives; Mains GS-III — defence indigenisation & maritime security.
Context	The Defence Minister released ' RAKSHA ', a 10-year defence-diplomacy framework aimed at deepening partnerships, exports and maritime reach.
Key Facts	● Framework rests on four pillars: Strategic Partnerships, Capacity Building, Indigenous Exports, Maritime Security. ● Emphasises self-reliance (Atmanirbharta) in defence production. ● Complements record defence exports and 'Make in India' in defence. ● Kalyani (KSSL) and France's Thales also tied up for 70mm laser-guided rockets in India.
Way Fwd	Turning the framework into signed pacts and export orders will test its ambition.
Concept	Defence diplomacy — using military cooperation, exercises and exports to advance foreign-policy goals.

'RAKSHA' — 10-YEAR DEFENCE DIPLOMACY FRAMEWORK



Released by the Defence Minister – boosts self-reliance & maritime reach

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Supreme Court: Bar Council has no disciplinary power over law students

POLITY	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (Polity & Governance)
Syllabus	Prelims — Advocates Act, statutory bodies; Mains GS-II — fundamental rights, statutory bodies.
Context	The Supreme Court held that the Bar Council of India's disciplinary powers apply only after enrolment as an advocate, not to law students, upholding students' speech and association rights.
Key Facts	● BCI's powers under the Advocates Act begin only at bar enrolment. ● Arose from a protest case involving NALSAR law students. ● Court upheld freedom of speech and association of students. ● Reinforces limits on statutory regulators over non-members.
Way Fwd	Clarifies regulator jurisdiction and protects campus dissent within the law.
Concept	Bar Council of India — statutory body under the Advocates Act, 1961 regulating legal practice/education.

Panel flags 40 crore Indians in healthcare's 'missing middle'

REPORT	MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (Health & Social Justice)
Syllabus	Prelims — health financing data; Mains GS-II — health, insurance, social justice.
Context	A parliamentary panel highlighted a 'missing middle' of about 40 crore Indians — too well-off for subsidised cover yet unable to afford private care.
Key Facts	● ~40 crore people fall in the 'missing middle' with no adequate health cover. ● Private sector delivers 60%+ inpatient and 70%+ outpatient care. ● Public health spending is ~1.43% of GDP against a 2.5% target. ● Medicines account for roughly 30% of health expenditure.
Way Fwd	Expanding insurance to the missing middle and raising public spending are key asks.
Concept	Out-of-pocket expenditure (OOPE) — direct health spending by households, a driver of medical poverty.

SECTION D • PRELIMS RAPID-FIRE

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SECTION E • PRACTICE CORNER

Q1. With reference to Madhya Pradesh's agriculture, consider: 1. MP is a leading producer of soybean. 2. For Rabi 2026-27, the state's total wheat procurement price is ₹2,600 per quintal. Which is/are correct?

(A) 1 only (B) 2 only (C) Both 1 and 2 (D) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans: (C). MP is the 'Soybean State' and a top soybean producer; its Rabi 2026-27 wheat price is ₹2,585 MSP + ₹15 state bonus = ₹2,600/quintal. Both correct.

Q2. Regarding the RBI's August 2026 monetary policy, consider: 1. The repo rate was kept unchanged at 5.25%. 2. FY27 real GDP growth was revised up to 6.7%. Which is/are correct?

(A) 1 only (B) 2 only (C) Both 1 and 2 (D) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans: (C). The MPC held the repo rate at 5.25% (neutral stance) and raised the FY27 growth forecast to 6.7% while cutting CPI to 5.0%. Both correct.

Mains: "Madhya Pradesh's welfare transfers and assured farm procurement are reshaping its rural economy." Examine, with recent examples. (GS-III)

Hint: Link Ladli Behna (DBT to 1.2 crore+ women) and VB-G RAM G rural jobs with record moong procurement and assured wheat/soybean prices; weigh fiscal cost vs rural demand and equity.

★ **QUICK REVISION:** Revise: MP Cabinet ₹41,000 cr + VB-G RAM G • daytime irrigation power • moong 5.33 lakh t • wheat ₹2,600/ql • cheetahs 57 • RBI repo 5.25%, GDP 6.7% • EOS-05 • SCO Bishkek.

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