

SECTION A — TODAY IN UTTAR PRADESH

Note: Today's marquee UP event leads below; core policy items from the current news cycle follow in Section B so the digest stays exam-complete.

UP-CULTURE **5th Gomti Book Festival 2026 opens at Lucknow University**

- Nine-day festival (12-20 September) inaugurated today; organised by the National Book Trust (under the Union Education Ministry).
- Over 120 publishers and 200+ book stalls; author interactions, panel talks, book launches and cultural programmes.
- Visitors get access to the Rashtriya e-Pustakalaya — the national digital library with 3,000+ e-books across Indian languages.
- Positioned as a knowledge-and-heritage showcase for the state capital.



WHY IT MATTERS

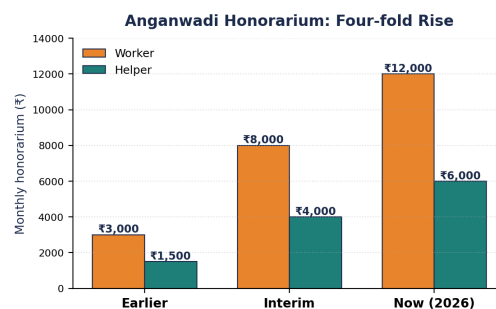
A recurring, high-yield Art & Culture item: note the organiser (National Book Trust), the edition (5th) and the national digital-library link.

UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-I (Art & Culture); UP-special GS-V (UP art, culture & heritage)

SECTION B — KEY UP DEVELOPMENTS (SCHEMES · GOVERNANCE · INFRA)

UP-SCHEME **Anganwadi honorarium raised to ₹12,000; ₹5 lakh cashless health cover**

- Workers' monthly honorarium raised from ₹8,000 to ₹12,000; helpers from ₹4,000 to ₹6,000 — a four-fold rise from earlier ₹3,000/₹1,500.
- New annual ₹5 lakh cashless treatment cover per worker/helper at empanelled hospitals, government hospitals and medical colleges.
- 70,000+ Anganwadi centres reorganised over nine years; dedicated buildings promised for all.
- Part of the state's women & child development and nutrition (Poshan) push.



WHY IT MATTERS

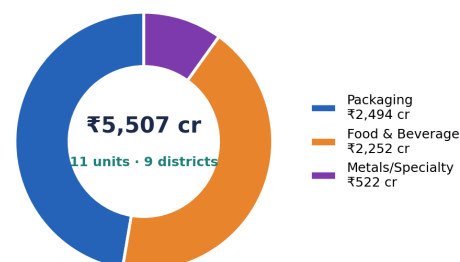
Welfare + women/child development in one item; the revised figures and ₹5 lakh cover are prime prelims facts.

UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (welfare schemes, vulnerable sections); UP-special GS-V

UP-ECONOMY **UP Cabinet clears ₹5,507 cr investment — 11 units across 9 districts**

- Approved under the UP Industrial Investment & Employment Promotion Policy 2022 and the FDI / Fortune Global 500 Policy 2023.
- Sector split: packaging ₹2,494 cr, food & beverage ₹2,252 cr, metals/specialty ₹522 cr.
- District spread led by Unnao (₹1,937 cr), then Hathras, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Mathura, Bijnor, Barabanki, Lakhimpur Kheri, Kanpur Dehat, Hamirpur.
- Incentives: capital subsidy plus net SGST reimbursement to select units.

UP Cabinet Investment Clearance



WHY IT MATTERS

Illustrates UP's industrial-policy-driven investment climate and its 'beyond BIMARU' economic narrative; note the two enabling policies.

UPPSC: Mains GS-III (economy, industrial policy, investment); UP-special GS-VI (UP economy)

UP-INFRA **Jewar Link Expressway approved — ₹8,585 cr, 74.5 km**

- Six-lane access-controlled greenfield expressway (expandable to eight lanes), passing through 56 villages.
- Connects the Noida International Airport (Jewar) to the Ganga Expressway via Bulandshahr — Bhaipur Brahman (Noida) to Bahapur (Bulandshahr).
- To be developed by the UP Expressways Industrial Development Authority (UPEIDA); no central funding proposed.
- Offers a shorter route toward Prayagraj and strengthens the Jewar airport logistics corridor.

Jewar Link Expressway (Noida Airport → Ganga E-way)



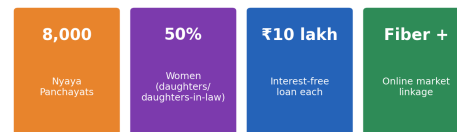
WHY IT MATTERS

Expressway connectivity + the Jewar airport ecosystem are repeat UP-infra themes; remember the length and the two nodes it links.

UPPSC: Mains GS-III (infrastructure, connectivity); UP-special GS-VI

UP-GOVERNANCE Digital Entrepreneur Scheme launched in 8,000 Nyaya Panchayats

- One digital entrepreneur per Nyaya Panchayat; 50% reserved for women (daughters/daughters-in-law of the same panchayat).
- Interest-free loans of up to ₹10 lakh each; support for optical-fibre access and onboarding village products to online marketplaces.
- Linked to a ₹100 cr Women Entrepreneur Product Marketing Centre initiative at the Nyaya Panchayat level.
- Complements the rural broadband push to take high-speed internet to gram panchayats across the state.

Digital Entrepreneur Scheme
One digital entrepreneur in every Nyaya Panchayat**WHY IT MATTERS**

Bundles e-governance, rural entrepreneurship and women's empowerment — strong material for GS-II/GS-III answers.

UPPSC: Mains GS-II/GS-III (e-governance, rural economy, women empowerment);
UP-special GS-V

SECTION C — NATIONAL NEWS RELEVANT FOR UPPSC**NATIONAL Universal Bhu-Aadhaar & DILRMP 3.0 for land records**

- Introduces a 14-digit Unique Land Parcel Identification Number (ULPIN / Bhu-Aadhaar) for every geo-referenced land parcel.
- Enables paperless registration and integrates revenue courts with land records to curb fraudulent transactions.
- Part of the Digital India Land Records Modernisation Programme (DILRMP).

WHY IT MATTERS

Land-records digitisation blends governance with technology; ULPIN's 14-digit identity is a classic prelims hook.

UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II/GS-III (governance, e-governance)

NATIONAL Bankers' Books Evidence Act 2026 in force from 1 October

- Modernises a 135-year-old law; effective 1 October 2026.
- Recognises digital, cloud-based and virtual banking records as admissible evidence.
- Certification allowed via manual, digital or electronic signatures.

WHY IT MATTERS

Legal-modernisation fact with a clear date and a digital-evidence angle — easy prelims/interview point.

UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (polity, laws & institutions)

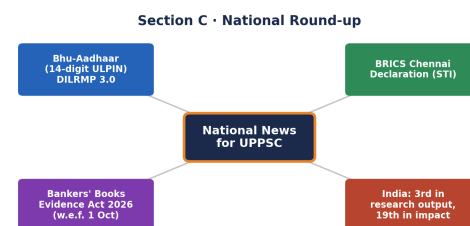
NATIONAL BRICS Chennai Declaration on Science, Technology & Innovation

- Deepens BRICS cooperation in AI, quantum technology and biotechnology via shared research infrastructure and researcher mobility.
- Sets up a Young Scientist Forum and Youth Innovator Prize; explores a BRICS Startup Innovation Fund.
- Reinforces India's science-diplomacy footprint within the grouping.

WHY IT MATTERS

Combines international relations with science & technology cooperation — note the named mechanisms.

UPPSC: Mains GS-II (IR) / GS-III (science & technology)

**SECTION D — UP RAPID-FIRE**

Gomti Book Festival	Organised by National Book Trust at Lucknow University; 5th edition, 12-20 Sep 2026.
Anganwadi honorarium	Raised to ₹12,000/month (worker) and ₹6,000 (helper), with ₹5 lakh health cover.
Jewar Link Expressway	74.5 km, ₹8,585 cr; links Noida (Jewar) airport to the Ganga Expressway.
GI tags	Uttar Pradesh leads all Indian states in the number of GI-tagged products.
Bankers' Books Evidence Act	New 2026 law effective 1 October; digital banking records now admissible.
New species record	Schizopygopsis waddellii — rare Tibetan coldwater fish first recorded in India (Tawang).

SECTION E — PRACTICE CORNER

Q1. The Gomti Book Festival 2026 was organised by which of the following bodies?

- (a) Sahitya Akademi
- (b) National Book Trust
- (c) NCERT
- (d) National Council of Science Museums

Answer: (b) — The National Book Trust (under the Union Education Ministry) organised the 9-day festival at Lucknow University.

Q2. The 14-digit unique identification number assigned to every land parcel under DILRMP is known as:

- (a) Bhu-Aadhaar (ULPIN)
- (b) Khasra Number
- (c) e-Dhara ID
- (d) Bhoomi Code

Answer: (a) — ULPIN, also called Bhu-Aadhaar, is a 14-digit identifier for geo-referenced land parcels under DILRMP 3.0.

Mains Practice

Q. “Incentive-driven industrial policy is helping Uttar Pradesh shed its erstwhile BIMARU image.” Critically examine with recent examples. (250 words)

Hint: Use the ₹5,507 cr / 11-unit single-day clearance, the 2022 & 2023 investment policies, expressway-led logistics (Jewar Link), and sectoral diversification (packaging, food processing); balance with regional imbalance as eastern-UP districts were largely absent.

★ ONE-LINE REVISION

Quick revision: Gomti Book Festival (NBT, 5th ed., today) · Anganwadi honorarium → ₹12,000 + ₹5 lakh health cover · ₹5,507 cr / 11-unit investment cleared · Jewar Link Expressway ₹8,585 cr (74.5 km) · Bhu-Aadhaar = 14-digit ULPIN.

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