



- [B] Central Sector Scheme
- [C] Centrally Sponsored Scheme
- [D] Core of the Core Scheme

**Answer:** Central Sector Scheme

The Union Cabinet approved the continuation of the National AIDS and STD control programme from April 1 to March 31, 2026. It is a Central Sector Scheme fully funded by the Government of India. The phase-V of the programme has been extended with an outlay of Rs 15471.94 crore. The National AIDS response was initiated by the Government of India in 1992.

170. Agreement of Friendship, Cooperation, and Mutual Assistance (YYA Treaty) was signed between which countries?

- [A] Russia-Ukraine
- [B] Russia-USA
- [C] Finland-USSR
- [D] USA-USSR

**Answer:** Finland-USSR

Agreement of Friendship, Cooperation, and Mutual Assistance (or YYA Treaty) was signed by Finland with the USSR in 1948. 'Finlandization' of Ukraine was proposed by France's President Emmanuel Macron as one of the feasible models. 'Finlandization' refers to the policy of strict neutrality between Russia and the West that Finland followed during the period of Cold War.

171. Khanij Bidesh India Ltd. (KABIL) is a Joint venture Company formed to ensure critical supply of which Product?

- [A] Petroleum
- [B] Crude Oil
- [C] Critical Minerals
- [D] Medical Products

**Answer:** Critical Minerals

Khanij Bidesh India Ltd. (KABIL) is a Joint venture Company of three Public Sector Enterprises namely, National Aluminium Company Ltd. (NALCO), Hindustan Copper Ltd. (HCL) and Mineral Exploration Company Ltd. (MECL). Recently, an MoU was signed on cooperation in the critical mining sector which was signed by Khanij Bidesh India Ltd. (KABIL) and Australia's Critical Mineral Facilitation Office.

172. 'Cyclone Asani', which was seen in the news recently, has hit which state/UT of India?

- [A] Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- [B] Goa
- [C] Maharashtra
- [D] Gujarat

**Answer:** Andaman and Nicobar Islands

Heavy rainfall and strong winds hit Andaman and Nicobar Islands, as a deep depression intensified over the north Andaman Sea, as per the India Meteorological Department (IMD). The deep depression intensified into a cyclonic storm named 'Cyclone Asani' and made landfall near the port city of Thandwe in Myanmar.

173. Which Indian won second place in the All England Open Badminton Championship 2022?