

## Gk Updates 2025

### II Assessment

Here are 10 amazing facts about

- 1.IndiaBirthplace of zero:** The concept of zero was developed in India by the 5th-century mathematician [Aryabhata](#).
- 2.Home of chess:** The game of chess originated in India, known then as [Chaturanga](#).
- 3.Largest film industry:** Bollywood is the largest film producer in the world, creating about 1,000 films annually.
- 4.Largest vegetarian population:** Over one-third of India's population is vegetarian, making it the most vegetarian-friendly country.
- 5.First successful Mars mission:** India's space program was the first in the world to successfully send a probe to Mars on its first attempt.
- 6.Largest religious gathering:** The Kumbh Mela is the largest religious pilgrimage in the world and is so massive it is visible from space.
- 7.First diamond mine:** India was the only source of diamonds until 1896.
- 8.Highest rail bridge:** The Chenab Rail Bridge in Jammu and Kashmir is the world's tallest rail bridge.
- 9.Largest postal network:** India has the largest postal network in the world, with the most post offices.
- 10.Origami's origins:** The popular Indian game of [Snakes and Ladders](#) was created in the 13th century by the poet-saint Gyandev.

### Current affairs

Q1 .What is the name of India's newest proposed research station in eastern Antarctica?

- [A] Bharati II
- [B] Sagar Maitri
- [C] Dakshin Gangotri II
- [D] Maitri II**

2.Astronomers recently detected phosphine ( $\text{PH}_3$ ) in the atmosphere of brown dwarf Wolf 1130C using which telescope?

- [A] Hubble Space Telescope
- [B] James Webb Space Telescope**
- [C] Spitzer Space Telescope
- [D] Chandra X-ray Observatory

3.Where was India's first Artificial Intelligence (AI) Centre of Excellence for Public Good launched?

[A] Bengaluru, Karnataka

[B] Pune, Maharashtra

[C] Hyderabad, Telangana

**[D] Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh**

4. What key change was announced for the school curriculum in India around the end of October 2025?

**A:** It was announced that a curriculum on Artificial Intelligence (AI) will be introduced in all schools, starting from Class 3 in the next academic year (2026-27).

5. During an official visit from 9-10 October 2025, which country did India's Defence Minister visit and why is that visit notable?

**A:** India's Defence Minister visited Australia (9-10 Oct 2025). It was notable because it was the first visit of an Indian Defence Minister to Australia since 2014, and discussions included cooperation in defence and regional security.