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CABINET APPROVES SEMICON 2.0

The **Union Cabinet** has approved ‘**Semicon 2.0**’ with a total outlay of **₹1.27 lakh crore** to holistically develop the **semiconductor design and manufacturing ecosystem** in India.

The scheme is structured around **6 key pillars: Design, Machines and materials, setting up more fabs, strengthening the Assembly, Testing, Marking, and Packaging (ATMP) and Outsourced Semiconductor Assembly and Test (OSAT) industry, Research & Development (R&D), and Talent development.**

MOBILE PHONE MANUFACTURING SCHEME

The **Union Cabinet**, chaired by **PM Narendra Modi**, has approved the **Mobile Phone Manufacturing Scheme (MPMS)** with a budgetary outlay of **₹62,500 crore**. The scheme will be implemented over **5 years**, from **FY27 to FY31**.

The **MPMS** aims to **scale up production, deepen domestic value addition, strengthen supply chain resilience, and enhance global competitiveness** in the mobile phone manufacturing sector. The scheme offers **incentive support** on eligible sales for manufacturing mobile phones in India at rates ranging from **2.25% to 5%**.

SPORTS

NEW MEMBERS IN ICC HALL OF FAME

The **International Cricket Council (ICC)** has inducted former Indian captain **Sourav Ganguly** into the **ICC Hall of Fame** during its **Annual Conference** held in **Edinburgh, Scotland**. He becomes the **12th Indian overall** and the **10th Indian male cricketer** to be inducted.

Kevin Pietersen (England) and **Anjum Chopra** were also inducted into the Hall of Fame. Anjum Chopra, the former captain of the women cricket team of India, is the **first female player from India to play 100 One Day Internationals (ODIs) and score 1,000 runs** in the format. It is to be noted that the **total count of ICC Hall of Fame members has reached 125**.

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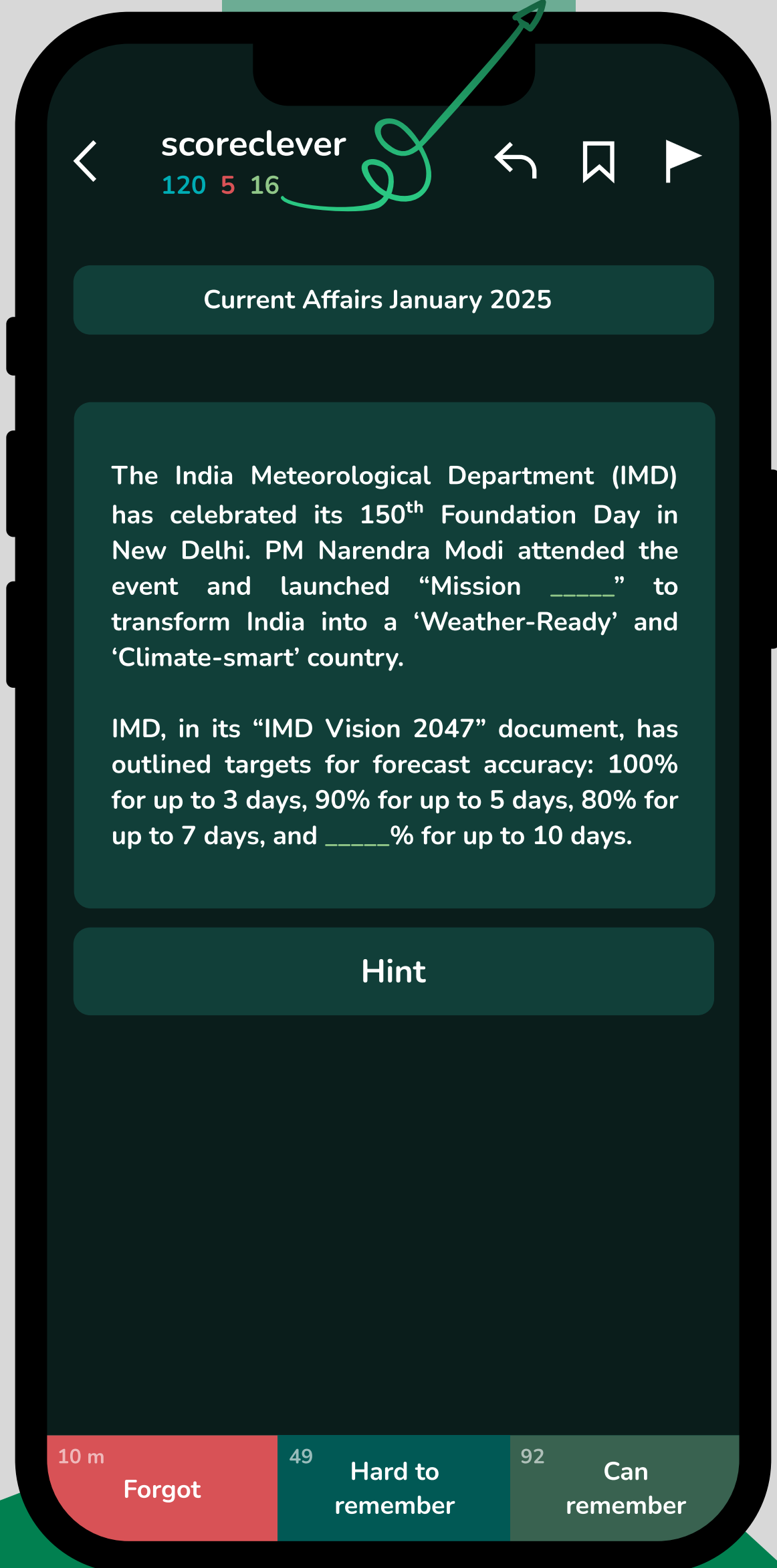
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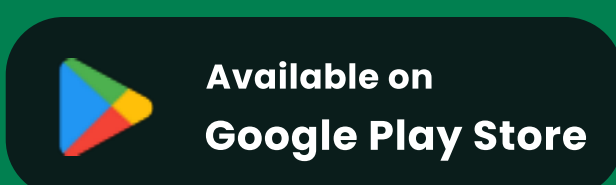
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