

1. When is the 'Zero Discrimination Day' observed annually across the world?

- A) March 01 ☒
 B) March 02
 C) March 03
 D) March 04



- ✓ The 'Zero Discrimination Day' is observed annually across the world on March 1, by UNAIDS. UNAIDS is the leading global forum which aims to end AIDS as a public health threat by 2030.

2. When is International Polar Bear Day observed?

- A) February 25
 B) February 27 ☒
 C) February 28
 D) March 01



- ✓ International Polar Bear Day is an annual event celebrated every Feb.27 to raise awareness about the conservation status of the polar bear. International Polar Bear Day is organized by Polar Bears International to raise awareness about the impact of global warming and reduced sea ice on polar bear populations.

3. In which country the 30th Adriatic Pearl tournament took place?

- A) India
 B) Japan
 C) Montenegro ☒
 D) Italy



- ✓ The 30th Adriatic Pearl tournament was organised in Budva, Montenegro. Indian Women's team topped the tournament with 10 medals – 5 gold, 3 silver and 2 bronze. This was followed by Uzbekistan in second place and Czech Republic in third place.

4. Which organisation in India is to co-chair 2021 Asia Economic Dialogue?

- A) Pune International Center ☒
 B) IIT – Madras
 C) IIM – Ahmedabad
 D) BITS Pilani



- ✓ The 2021 Asia Economic Dialogue would be co-chaired by Pune International Centre, India. The event would witness the participation of Union External Affairs Minister S Jayshankar along with his counterparts from Japan, Australia, Maldives, Mauritius and Bhutan.
 ✓ The Asia Economic Dialogue is a flagship geo-economics conference of the Ministry of External Affairs.

5. What type of missile is VL– SRSAM?

- A) Air to Air Missile
 B) Surface to Surface Missile
 C) Intercontinental Missile
 D) Surface to Air Missile ☒



- ✓ The Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) has successfully conducted two launches of VL– SRSAM (Vertical Launch Short Range Surface to Air Missile). This missile has been specially designed by the DRDO for deployment in Indian Navy. This missile has been developed to combat various aerial threats.

6. What is 'DigiBoxx' that was recently launched by the CEO of NITI Aayog?

- A) Asset Management Platform ☒
 B) Document Repository
 C) Social App
 D) Messaging App



- ✓ The CEO of NITI Aayog Amitabh Kant has virtually launched India's first digital asset management platform DigiBoxx. It is a digital file storage, sharing and management Software as a service (SaaS) product. He also became the first user of the platform, which provides a secure way to store all files in one centralised location.

7. Which Union Ministry has launched 'e-Dharti Geo portal'?

- A) Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs ☒
 B) Ministry of Home Affairs
 C) Ministry of Earth Sciences
 D) Ministry of Power



- ✓ Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Hardeep Singh Puri has recently launched the 'e-Dharti Geo Portal'. The portal aims to integrate legacy drawings such as maps and lease plans in the management information system named e-Dharti and make it a geographic information system (GIS)-enabled system.

8. Which institution is to provide USD 304 million loan to Assam to enhance Intra-state Power Transmission Project?

- A) ADB
 B) World Bank
 C) AIIB ☒
 D) New Development Bank



- ✓ India and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) signed a \$304 million loan agreement for the Assam Intra-State Transmission System Enhancement Project.
 ✓ The project aims to construct transmission substations and lay required transmission lines.

9. As per the recent study by NASA and German Aerospace Center, some microbes are found on the Earth may survive in which planet?

- A) Jupiter
 B) Venus
 C) Mars ☒
 D) Mercury



- ✓ As per the recent study by NASA and German Aerospace Center, some microbes are found on the Earth may survive in the Mars. The researchers tested a new way to expose the bacteria and fungi to Mars-like conditions, by launching them in a scientific balloon up to Earth's stratosphere.

10. India's first undersea tunnel is being constructed in which city?

- A) Chennai
 B) Cochin
 C) Mumbai ☒
 D) Kolkata



- ✓ India's first undersea tunnel is being constructed in Mumbai, as a part of the Coastal Road project of the city. It is expected to be completed by the year 2023. The twin tunnels have a length of 2.07 km of which around a kilometre will be under the Arabian Sea. The undersea tunnel will be 20 metres below the seabed.