

1. As per the Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2020, what percentage of surveyed children had access to live online classes?

[A] 11

[B] 16

[C] 24

[D] 37



- ✓ The Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2020 was recently released, by conducting a phone survey of 60,000–odd students across rural India. As per the report, only 11 percent of the surveyed children had access to live online classes. Only one-third of the surveyed children had access to online learning. The report reveals the digital inequality prevalent in the country.

2. What is the theme of the “Kevadia Tourism Circuit”, that has been recently inaugurated?

[A] Greatness

[B] Unity

[C] Honesty

[D] Integrity



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has recently inaugurated 17 tourism projects around the Statue of Unity complex, at Kevadia in Narmada District, Gujarat. Sardar Patel's birthday is being celebrated as Ekta Divas. The Prime Minister inaugurated the projects on the same day, and the 17 tourism projects are called the “Kevadia Tourism Circuit” have been themed around “Unity”.

3. Which Indian state has been adjudged the best governed State in the Public Affairs Index–2020?

[A] Tamil Nadu

[B] Telangana

[C] Andhra Pradesh

[D] Kerala



- ✓ As per the Public Affairs Index–2020 released by the Public Affairs Centre, Kerala was adjudged the best governed State in the large States category. States were ranked on governance performance based on a composite index in sustainable development. Kerala is followed by Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka. Uttar Pradesh is ranked at the bottom of the list.

4. Tigersharks squadron, which was seen in news for test–fire of BrahMos supersonic cruise missile, is based in which state?

[A] Tamil Nadu

[B] Telangana

[C] Andhra Pradesh

[D] Kerala



- ✓ The Indian Air Force has successfully test–fired an air launched version of the BrahMos supersonic cruise missile from a Sukhoi fighter aircraft in the Bay of Bengal. The aircraft belongs to the Thanjavur–based Tigersharks squadron. India has recently test fired a new version of the surface–to–surface supersonic cruise missile BrahMos and an anti–radiation missile named Rudram–1.

5. ‘Aarambh’, that was seen in news recently, is associated with which set of beneficiaries?

[A] Farmers

[B] Civil Services Probationers

[C] College Students

[D] Underserved Workers



- ✓ An integrated foundation course for the Officer Trainees (OTs) of the Indian Civil Services named ‘AARAMBH’ was launched for the first time in 2019. The Prime Minister has recently interacted with the Officer Trainees (OTs) of the Indian Civil Services at LBSNAA Mussoorie through a Video conference. This is a part of the AARAMBH course.

6. Which Indian state / UT has launched a scheme for distribution of fortified rice?

[A] Punjab

[B] Kerala

[C] Chhattisgarh

[D] Odisha



- ✓ Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has recently launched a scheme for distribution of fortified rice through Public distribution System (PDS). The scheme, which was launched virtually on the statehood day, aims at helping in checking malnutrition and anaemia. The fortified rice is a mixture of iron, vitamin B–12 and folic acid enriched fortified rice kernel (FRK).

7. Which Indian state is the first to launch a project for free Internet for poor families and public offices?

[A] Tamil Nadu

[B] Telangana

[C] Andhra Pradesh

[D] Kerala



- ✓ Kerala aims to start providing free, high-speed Internet to schools, public offices, and poor households in the state by December, this year. Kerala is the first among all states to launch such project, which is similar to the Centre's BharatNet project.
- ✓ The Kerala Fibre Optic Network Project or KFON has awarded the contract to a consortium led by public-sector company Bharat Electronics Limited.

8. Which institution has developed an online one-minute game to create awareness about COVID-19?

[A] IIT Delhi

[B] IIT Madras

[C] IIT Guwahati

[D] IIT Kharagpur



- ✓ Students of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras have developed a digital game to create awareness about COVID-19. The online one-minute game has been created as part of an elective course. The game which aims to create awareness among the children, is available for free in 12 languages. The game has derived inspiration from the popular game Super Mario.

9. Which Union Ministry along with Invest India, is to set up a "Strategic Policy and Facilitation Bureau"?

[A] Ministry of Commerce & Industry

[B] Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

[C] Ministry of Finance

[D] Ministry of AYUSH



- ✓ The Ministry of AYUSH and Invest India will collaborate to set up a "Strategic Policy & Facilitation Bureau". Invest India will collaborate with the AYUSH Ministry to frame the work plan of the

Bureau and define its targets. It will also deploy expert resources to implement and execute the plans of the AYUSH Ministry.

10. Sanjeet, who won the Alexis Vastine tournament, is associated with which sports?

[A] F1 Racing

[B] Boxing

[C] Weight Lifting

[D] Chess



- ✓ Indian boxer Sanjeet won gold in the Alexis Vastine international boxing tournament in Nantes in 91 kg category. World silver-medallist Amit Panghal also won gold in 52 kg category. Ashish Kumar also won gold in the 75 kg category opponent pulled out due to injury. Kavinder Singh Bisht won silver while India earned three bronze medals.