

### 1. Which Union Ministry implements the PM–FME Scheme, which was seen in the news recently?

[A] Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution

[B] Ministry of Food Processing Industries

[C] Ministry of Agriculture

[D] Ministry of Heavy Industries



- ✓ **The Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro food processing Enterprises (PM–FME) Scheme is a centrally sponsored scheme, launched under the Aatmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan, under Food Processing Ministry. Recently, Union Minister for Food Processing Industries Narendra Singh Tomar inaugurated the capacity building component of the scheme.**
- ✓ **With an outlay of Rs 10,000 crore over a period of five years it aims to formalise micro–enterprises in the unorganized segment of the food processing industry.**

### 2. Which Union Ministry launched 'Development of Wind Parks/Wind–Solar Hybrid Park'?

[A] Ministry of New & Renewable Energy

[B] Ministry of Power

[C] Ministry of Road Transport & Highways

[D] Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare



- ✓ **The Union Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has proposed the scheme of 'Development of Wind Parks/Wind–Solar Hybrid Park'. The Ministry has also sought feedbacks for developing wind and wind–solar hybrid parks in the country. The scheme with proper infrastructure including evacuation facilities in place has been proposed, to speed up installation of wind power projects.**

### 3. Which Union Ministry of India has launched a portal for Land management system (LMS), for the first time?

[A] Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

[B] Ministry of Defence

[C] Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

[D] Ministry of Home Affairs



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**DEFENCE**

- ✓ **Defense Minister Rajnath Singh has launched a website in the presence of senior defense officials, the first of which has been implemented by the Ministry of Defense to improve the overall management of defense lands.**

4. Which financial services company has partnered with USAID to launch 'Project Kirana' for women entrepreneurs in India?

- [A] VISA  
[B] Mastercard   
[C] American Express  
[D] Rupay



- ✓ Under Project Kirana, a two-year programme is to be rolled out in selected cities such as Kanpur, Lucknow and Varanasi of Uttar Pradesh. The project will work to increase revenue, digital payments and expand financial inclusion. The project aims to build digital literacy and financial literacy of the women in the state. It will improve business management skills of women. It is estimated that the GDP of the country will grow between 12% and 25% in the next five years by bringing in more women.

5. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched RuPay Card phase-2 in which neighbouring country?

- [A] Sri Lanka  
[B] Bhutan   
[C] Myanmar  
[D] Bangladesh



- ✓ A virtual ceremony for the joint launch of RuPay card Phase-II by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and Prime Minister of Bhutan Lyonchhen Dr. Lotay Tshering held on 20 November 2020. The implementation of Phase-I of RuPay cards in Bhutan has enabled visitors from India to access ATMs and Point of Sale (PoS) terminals across Bhutan.
- ✓ Phase-II will now allow Bhutanese card holders to access RuPay network in India. India and Bhutan share a special partnership, anchored in mutual understanding and respect, reinforced by a shared cultural heritage and strong people to people links.

6. What is the name of the festival, celebrated across Bihar, Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh in November, dedicated to Sun God?

- [A] Chhath Pooja   
[B] Dussehra  
[C] Karva Chauth  
[D] Kaarthikai Deepam



- ✓ The festival named 'Chhath Puja' dedicated to Sun God, is celebrated across Bihar, Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh in November, dedicated to Sun God. Devotees from across the country observe fast, offer prayers to the Sun God. It is one of the biggest festivals celebrated in the states and in some parts of the neighbouring country, Nepal.

7. Tungabhadra Pushkaralu, which was seen in news recently, is celebrated in which state/UT?

- [A] Andhra Pradesh
- [B] Telangana
- [C] Karnataka
- [D] Kerala



- ✓ The Tungabhadra Pushkaralu is a 12-day festival celebrated in the state of Andhra Pradesh, to honour the Tungabhadra river. It commenced on November 20, this year.
- ✓ Tungabhadra river starts from the state of Karnataka and continues to flow through two neighbouring states – Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. 12 major rivers across the country are worshipped by a festival named 'Pushkaralu or Pushkaram'.

8. The trilateral naval exercise 'SITEMEX' has started among India and which countries?

- [A] Bangladesh & Myanmar
- [B] Singapore & Thailand
- [C] Australia & Japan
- [D] China & Philippines



- ✓ The trilateral exercise called 'SITEMEX-20' between the navies of India, Singapore and Thailand was recently completed. The exercise took place in the Andaman Sea. The Indian Navy-owned submarine INS Kamortha and the missile carrier Karmuk took part in the exercise.
- ✓ The first SITEMEX training took place in Port Blair last year. The exercise is aimed at strengthening mutual trust between the navies of Singapore and Thailand, building common understanding and adopting the best practices needed to improve maritime security. This year's exercise was led by the Singapore Navy.

9. The 'Indo-Thai CORPAT' is the exercise involving which armed force of India and Thailand?

- [A] Army
- [B] Navy
- [C] Air Force
- [D] Coast Guard



- ✓ The 30<sup>th</sup> edition of India–Thailand Coordinated Patrol (Indo–Thai CORPAT) between the Indian Navy and the Royal Thai Navy is conducted from 18 – 20 November 2020. Indian Naval Ship (INS) Karmuk, an indigenously built Missile Corvette and His Majesty’s Thailand Ship (HTMS) Kraburi, a Chao Phraya Class Frigate along with Dornier Maritime Patrol Aircraft from both the navies are participating in the CORPAT.
- ✓ As part of Government of India’s vision of SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region), the Indian Navy has been involved in assisting countries in the Indian Ocean Region with EEZ Surveillance, Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR), and other capacity building and capability–enhancement activities, on their request. To reinforce maritime links, the two navies have been carrying out CORPAT along their International Maritime Boundary Line twice a year since 2005, with the aim of keeping this vital part of the Indian Ocean safe and secure for commercial shipping and international trade.

**10.** Which district has been selected for the ‘Best Marine District’ award by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying?

- [A] Krishna
- [B] Cuddalore
- [C] Thoothukudi
- [D] Kanyakumari



- ✓ For the first time in Fisheries Sector the Government of India will award best performing States for 2019–20 namely, Odisha (amongst Marine states), Uttar Pradesh (amongst Inland states) and Assam (amongst Hilly and NE states).
- ✓ The Government of India will also award best Organisations for 2019–20 [Tamil Nadu Fisheries Development Corporation Ltd. (for Marine); Telangana State Fishermen Cooperative societies Federation Ltd (for Inland), and Assam Apex Cooperative Fish Marketing and Processing Federation Ltd. (for Hilly region)]; Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh as best Marine District; Kalahandi, Odisha as best Inland District; Nagaon, Assam as Best Hilly and NE District.