1. Which Union Ministry has launched a portal for transgender persons to apply gender identity certificate?

[A] Ministry of Women and Child Development

[B] Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment ☑

[C] Ministry of Home Affairs

[D] Ministry of Law and Justice



✓ The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has recently launched a portal that will enable transgender persons to apply online for certification of their self–perceived gender identity. Transgender persons can upload declaration of their gender identity, which will be the basis for their identity certificates to be issued by the district magistrate. The Minister opened 'Garima Greh: A Shelter Home for Transgender Persons' in Gujarat.

2. Which Film is India's official entry for the Academy Awards?

[A] The Disciple

[B] Shakuntala Devi

[C] Jallikattu ☑

[D] Chhapaak



✓ Malayalam film Jallikattu, directed by Lijo Jose Pellissery, has been selected as India's official entry for the 93rd Academy Awards, 2021. It is also the third Malayalam film to be shortlisted for the Oscar Award. This film is based on writer S. Hareesh's acclaimed story titled 'Maoist'. As of now, only three Indian films Lagaan, Mother India and Salaam Bombay! have won the coveted award.

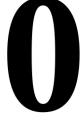
3. As per the recent notification from Department of Telecom, calls from landline to mobile should be prefixed with which number, from January 2021?

[A] 9

[B] 2

[C]3

[D] 0 🗹



✓ The Department of Telecommunications has taken a new decision accepting the recommendation
of the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority to provide adequate number of resources for
telephone and mobile services. Accordingly, '0' should be pressed during calls made from landline

phone to mobile from Jan.15, 2021. Before dialing the mobile number to be contacted, press 'Zero' on the landline phone and then call.

4. Which is the third University in India to have a commemorative coin of Rs 100 issued on its centenary year?

[A] University of Lucknow ☑

[B] University of Madras

[C] University of Kolkata

[D] Jawaharlal Nehru University



- ✓ University of Lucknow, a public University in Uttar Pradesh, became the third University in India to have a commemorative coin of Rs 100 issued on its centenary year. Prior to this, only Mysore University and Banaras Hindu University had received the honour.
- ✓ Prime Minister attended the celebration of Centennial Foundation Day of the University virtually and released special stamp and Rs 100 coin.
 - **5.** Which organisation was awarded the Platinum Partner Award in the newly instituted UMANG Awards?

[A] ESIC

[B] EPFO ☑

[C] LIC

[D] GIC



- ✓ UMANG App has completed three years since its launch. On the occasion, Minister for Electronics and Information Technology, Ravi Shankar Prasad launched the newly instituted UMANG Awards. The awards will be presented for Departments of Centre and States, based on average transactions in the past six months.
- ✓ Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has been conferred with Platinum Partner Award for registering more than 25 lakh transactions on UMANG App.
 - 6. Which Indian state has approved the Ganga Expressway project?

[A] Uttarakhand [

[B] Uttar Pradesh ☑

[C] Bihar

[D] Jharkhand



- ✓ The Uttar Pradesh government has approved the 594–km Ganga Expressway project worth Rs 36,402 crore. The project will have Expressway running along the river Ganga from Haridwar to Allahabad. The state Cabinet also approved a district—wise alignment of the Expressway. The Uttar Pradesh Expressways Industrial Development Authority will implement the project.
 - 7. 'Fit India School Week' is celebrated in a week of which month?
 - [A] September
 - [B] October
 - [C] November
 - [D] December ☑



- ✓ The 'Fit India School' week program was launched in November last year, to inculcate the awareness of physical activity and sports to school children. The schools, after registering themselves on the 'Fit India' website, will select a week in the month of December. It will then make the children follow the activities listed by the Sports Ministry for the program. Last year, over 15000 schools participated in the program.
 - **8.** Which new type of Farmer Produce Organisation (FPO) of NAFED has been inaugurated by the Agricultural Minister?
 - [A] Bamboo FPO
 - [B] Honey FPO ☑
 - [C] Silk FPO
 - [D] Rubber FPO



- ✓ The Honey FPO Programme of National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd. (NAFED) has been inaugurated by Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Narendra Singh Tomar. Beekeeping will be promoted as an occupation for unemployed women and tribal populations, through these Honey FPOs. A new Central Sector Scheme for Formation & Promotion of new 10,000 FPOs was launched and 2200 FPO clusters for 2020–21 are already allocated.
 - **9.** Where has the largest Solar Power Project at a highest altitude named as "Provision of Solar Photo Voltaic Powerplant 1.5 MW" been established?

[A] Jammu & Kashmir

[B] Ladakh ☑

[C] Rajasthan

[D] Arunachal Pradesh



✓ Leh, in the Union Territory of Ladakh gets the largest Solar Power Project at a highest altitude. The project has been established at the Leh Indian Air Force (IAF) Station. The Rs.122 crores worth Project named "Provision of Solar Photo Voltaic Powerplant 1.5 MW" was conceptualised under the 'Make in India' initiative of the Government of India.

10. Ayodhya Airort in Uttar Pradesh is set to be renamed as _____?

[A] Purushottam Sri Ram Airport

[B] Sri Ram Airport

[C] Maryada Purushottam Sri Ram Airport ☑

[D] Ayodhya Naresh Sri Ram Airport



- ✓ Uttar Pradesh Cabinet led by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, cleared the proposal to rename the Ayodhya airport as Maryada Purushottam Sri Ram Airport, Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh.
- ✓ The proposal for the same will be sent to the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Govt of India after it is passed by the state Assembly.