1. Which country topped the Climate Change Performance Index?

[A] United Kingdom

[B] Denmark

[C] Sweden ☑

[D] Germany



- ✓ The Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) has been released by Germanwatch and NewClimate Institute together with the Climate Action Network (CAN International). India came one rank down from ninth in 2019, to tenth position this year. No country bagged the first three ranks. The fourth rank is presented to Sweden, followed by the UK and Denmark. The index assesses the performances of 57 countries and European Union in four categories.
 - 2. The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) is an autonomous body functioning under which Ministry?

[A] Ministry of Culture

[B] Ministry of Tourism

[C] Ministry of External Affairs ☑

Indian Council for Cultural Relations

- [D] Ministry of Home Affairs
- ✓ The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), an autonomous body under the administrative control of Ministry of External Affairs. It was founded in 1950 by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad. As per the ICCR president Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, the body is surveying the textbooks taught in the schools of more than 200 countries, under the "Global understanding of India project", to understand what is taught about India globally.
 - 3. Which state Police has recently bought 'Crawler' software from Interpol, to tackle Child pornography?

[A] Gujarat

[B] Maharashtra ☑

[C] Uttar Pradesh

[D] Bihar



✓ The cyber wing of the Maharashtra state Police has recently acquired the 'Crawler' software from Interpol. It is the first Indian agency to acquire the software, which will help them tackle Child pornography in the state.

- ✓ The software enables the Police to track down child pornography uploaded online, as it has advanced features to detect nudity, look for key–words and recognise age etc.
 - 4. "Organochlorine" that is seen in news recently, is commonly used as which product?
 - [A] Vaccine
 - [B] Food additive
 - [C] Pesticide additive ☑
 - [D] Fuel additive



- ✓ Some Indian organizations are investigating "organochlorines" used as pesticides or in mosquito as the cause for a mysterious illness in Andhra Pradesh. The illness has led to the death of one person and more than 400 people being hospitalized. Organochlorines are cancer causing agents and researches have proved that it causes multiple human ailments.
 - **5.** Which special Day is observed on December 10 with the theme of 'Recover Better Stand Up for Human Rights'?
 - [A] Doctors Day
 - [B] Human Rights Day ☑
 - [C] Social Justice Day
 - [D] Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination



- ✓ Human Rights Day is observed every year on 10 December across the world. It commemorates the day the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) in 1948. This year, the day was observed with the theme of 'Recover Better Stand Up for Human Rights'.
 - 6. What is the theme of the 'International Civil Aviation Day' from 2020 to 2023?
 - [A] Advancing Innovation for Global Aviation Development ☑
 - [B] Leaving No Country Behind
 - [C] Flying Around the Globe
 - [D] COVID-19 Free World



✓ In 1996 the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed that 7 December was to be the International Civil Aviation Day. The day has been celebrated by the International Civil Aviation Organization since 1994 December 7, the 50th anniversary of the signing the Convention on

International Civil Aviation. The purpose of the day is to recognize the importance of aviation to the social and economic development of the world.

7. Shaheed Ashfaque Ullah Khan Prani Udyaan, which was seen in the news recently, is located in which state?

[A] Odisha

[B] Gujarat

[C] Rajasthan

[D] Uttar Pradesh ☑



- ✓ At the recent meeting of Central Zoo Authority chaired by Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Prakash Javadekar, two new zoos were granted recognition. They are the Rajgir Zoo Safari in Nalanda, Bihar and Shaheed Ashfaque Ullah Khan Prani Udyaan in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh. With this, the state of Uttar Pradesh has a total of 9 zoos.
 - 8. Who was the most searched personality on Google this year, as per Google India?

[A] Narendra Modi

[B] Joe Biden ☑

[C] Sushant Singh Rajput

[D] Nayanthara



- ✓ Google India has recently released its annual 'Year in Search' results, which highlighted the most popular searches on Google. As per the report, US President−elect Joe Biden was the most searched personality on Google this year. The IPL was the top trending search of the year and Searches about Covid−19 pandemic featured the most in the list.
 - **9.** What is the name of the Moon–landing Mission of the NASA, for which it has chosen the first–ever woman?

[A] Persistence

[B] Discovery

[C] Artemis ☑

[D] Hope



✓ NASA has named the 18 astronauts group half of them being women, who will train for its Moon–landing Mission by 2024, named 'Artemis'. From this set of astronauts, the first woman to set foot

on the moon and the next man on the moon will be picked up. The group includes Christina Koch and Jessica Meir, who performed the world's first all–female spacewalk.

10. Which country exempted import inspection for Indian black tiger shrimps?

[A] United Kingdom

[B] Australia

[C] Japan ☑

[D] South Korea



✓ Recently, Japan has exempted import inspection for the Indian black tiger shrimps. Japan is the second largest market for Indian black tiger shrimps after the US. This decision has been taken by the country after the export consignments were found totally free from any residue of synthetic anti-bacterial drug 'Furazolidone'. This will enhance the farming and export of the shrimps from West Bengal and Kerala.