

1. Which is the 1st launch vehicle of the ISRO, that will entirely carry the satellites of private players?

[A] PSLV C31

[B] PSLV G7

[C] PSLV C51 ☒

[D] PSLV Mark II



- ✓ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is set to launch satellites of private players onboard PSLV C51. The first of its kind mission would launch an earth observation satellite 'ANAND', fully built by a start-up named Pixel India. Two more satellites named 'SATISH SAT', built by 'Space Kids India', and 'UNIT-SAT', built by consortium of universities would also be sent.

2. 'Bengaluru Mission 2022', which was seen in the news recently, is associated with which projects?

[A] Health

[B] Infrastructure ☒

[C] Sports

[D] Climate Change



- ✓ The Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa launched the 'Bengaluru Mission 2022', to enhance the infrastructure facilities in the city in next two years to mark 75 years of independence. The Focus areas in infrastructure renovation for Bengaluru will be providing Faster commute, Green City, Access to services and Culture and heritage. Facilities for Electric Vehicles, Suburban rail, Tree parks are also being planned.

3. Which country has approved a law for Chemical castration of rapists?

[A] China

[B] United Arab Emirates

[C] Sri Lanka

[D] Pakistan ☒



- ✓ The Government of Pakistan has approved a legislation that permits chemical castration of rapists. This new legislation is applicable to repeat as well as first-time offenders. This provision has been added to the Anti-Rape Ordinance 2020. As per the ordinance, it is the discretion of the trial judge to order chemical castration.

4. What is the name of the e-booklet that has been launched by the Government highlighting the success stories of farmers?

- [A] Farmer's Friend
- [B] Putting Farmer First ☒
- [C] Height of Farmers
- [D] Mera Kisan



- ✓ The central Government has released an e-book named 'Putting Farmers First'. It is a 106-page book that portrays the success stories of farmers who have benefited from contract farming, after enactment of the three farm legislations / reforms. The book has been released in Hindi as well as in English.

5. When is the International Migrants Day observed every year?

- [A] December 18 ☒
- [B] December 19
- [C] December 20
- [D] December 21



- ✓ Every year, 18th of December is observed as the International Day of Migrants by the United Nations. This decision was made by the United Nation General Assembly in the year 2000, taking into consideration large and increasing number of migrants around the world. The theme for this year's Migration day is "Reimagining Human Mobility".

6. On which date, the International Human Solidarity Day (IHSD) was observed recently?

- [A] December 18
- [B] December 19
- [C] December 20 ☒
- [D] December 21



- ✓ The International Human Solidarity Day (IHSD) is observed every year on December 20 to raise public awareness of the importance of solidarity. This day aims to celebrate unity in diversity and remind people of the importance of solidarity in working towards eradicating poverty.
- ✓ It is a day to encourage debate on the ways to promote solidarity for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) including poverty eradication.

7. What is the India's rank in the World Bank's Ease of Doing Business 2020 report?

- [A] 85
- [B] 72
- [C] 63 ☒
- [D] 56



- ✓ India has been ranked 63rd among 190 countries, as per latest Doing Business Report (DBR, 2020) of World Bank (WB). As per report, the World Bank (WB) has recognized India as one of the top 10 improvers for the third consecutive year.
- ✓ India's recovery rate under resolving insolvency has improved significantly from 26.5% to 71.6%. The time taken for resolving insolvency has also come down significantly from 4.3 years to 1.6 years. India has reduced the number of procedures in granting construction permits. Apart from this, India continues to maintain its first position among South Asian countries.

8. ASTRA Mk-I Missile, IMSAS and BOSS System, which were handed over to the Armed Forces, were developed by which organisation?

- [A] DRDO ☒
- [B] OFB
- [C] BHEL
- [D] HAL



- ✓ Defence Minister Rajnath Singh handed over three indigenously developed Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) systems to Army, Navy and Air Force. Rajnath Singh handed over the Indian Maritime Situational Awareness System (IMSAS) to the Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Karambir Singh, ASTRA Mk-I Missile to AirChief Marshal Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria and Border Surveillance System (BOSS) to the Chief of Army Staff General MM Naravane.

9. Couscous, the staple food of which region, has been included in the UNESCO Cultural Heritage List?

- [A] Australia
- [B] North Africa ☒
- [C] North America
- [D] South Asia



- ✓ The staple food of the North African region, Couscous has been included in the UNESCO list of the world's intangible cultural heritage. The rival countries Algeria and Morocco along with Tunisia and Mauritania had submitted the petition to add the dish in the UNESCO list, in March 2019. Couscous is also known as Seksu, Kusksi and Kseksu, in the North African region.

10. Which state launched Public Welfare Portal or Jan Kalyan Portal, to consolidate all information about the state schemes?

[A] Gujarat

[B] Rajasthan ☒

[C] Punjab

[D] Madhya Pradesh



- ✓ Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has launched 'One Stop Shop' facility, to make available over 100 types of clearances and services, required by investors. The Chief Minister also launched Public Welfare Portal or Jan Kalyan Portal, to consolidate the information of eligibility, benefits of the state schemes, useful circulars and orders etc. It also highlights the efforts of the Government in two years.
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