

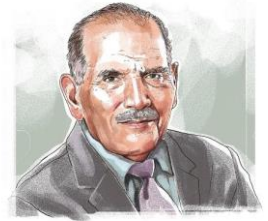
1. Which Indian research institution is to set up Dr FC Kohli Centre of Excellence for Research?

[A] Chennai Mathematical Institute ☒

[B] TATA Institute of Fundamental Research

[C] Indian Statistical Institute

[D] Indian Institute of Science



- ✓ **Chennai Mathematical Institute is a premier research and education institute, which was founded in 1989. It was granted 'University' status in 2006. This institute is set to establish Dr FC Kohli Centre of Excellence for Advanced Research in Mathematical and Computing Sciences. Dr Faquir Chand Kohli was the founder and first CEO of Tata Consultancy Services and considered the father of Indian IT Industry.**

2. Which Indian Bank has partnered with Defence Forces for providing customised banking services?

[A] State Bank of India

[B] Bank of Baroda ☒

[C] Punjab National Bank

[D] Canara Bank



- ✓ **Leading Public sector lender Bank of Baroda (BoB) has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard. Under the MoU, the bank is to offer customised services along with a several facilities to the account holders.**
- ✓ **The bank has also renewed its MoU with the Indian Army to offer customised banking services through 'Baroda Military Salary Package'.**

3. India signed an agreement with which country, to cooperate in health and medicine and support 'Green healthcare'?

[A] France

[B] Brazil

[C] Italy

[D] Israel ☒



- ✓ **India and Israel have recently signed an agreement to cooperate in the fields of health and medicine, replacing the old agreement signed in September 2003. The two countries also agreed to share their expertise in building climate resilient infrastructure and support 'Green healthcare'.**

4. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been conferred with the 'Legion of Merit' honour by which country?

[A] Russia

[B] United States of America ☒

[C] United Kingdom

[D] United Arab Emirates



- ✓ The 'Legion of Merit' honour of the United States has been conferred on Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The prestigious award has also been conferred on former Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison. It recognises the efforts of the people of India & the US to improve bilateral ties, reflected in the bipartisan consensus in both countries about the Indo-US Strategic Partnership.

5. When is National Consumer Day observed?

[A] December 22

[B] December 23

[C] December 24 ☒

[D] December 25



- ✓ The National Consumer Day is observed on 24th December each year. Its objective is to highlight the importance of consumer movement and promote awareness about consumer rights and responsibilities. This year's theme is "The Sustainable Consumer". This was the day when the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 was enacted.

6. When is "Good Governance Day" observed?

[A] December 22

[B] December 23

[C] December 24

[D] December 25 ☒



- ✓ The Good Governance Day is observed on 25th December each year. It was initiated in 2014 to honor PM Vajpayee. Its objective is to spread awareness to the public about the accountability of the government and governance.

7. Anthropological Survey of India (AnSI) functions under which Union Ministry?

- [A] Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
[B] Ministry of Science and Technology
[C] Ministry of Tribal Welfare
[D] Ministry of Culture ☒



- ✓ **Anthropological Survey of India (AnSI) is the apex organisation, functioning under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. It is headquartered in Kolkata. It is involved in anthropological studies and field data research for human and cultural aspects. Recently AnSI in a policy document warned that any commercial activity in North Sentinel islands would be a threat to the tribals.**

8. 'Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical Telescope (FAST)', which was seen in the news recently, is located in which country?

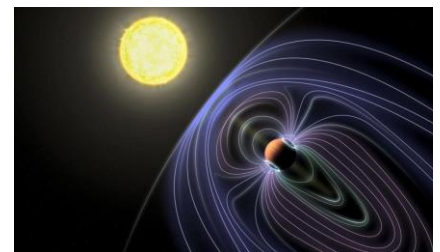
- [A] Argentina
[B] France
[C] China ☒
[D] Russia



- ✓ **After the collapse of the historic Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico, China has opened the biggest radio telescope in the world to international scientists. The Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical Telescope (FAST) is located in Guizhou province of China. The construction of FAST Telescope was completed in the year 2016. Now, the telescope is being open to the doors to astronomers from across the world.**

9. What is 'Tau Bootes', which was making news recently?

- [A] COVID Vaccine
[B] Corona Virus Strain
[C] Star System ☒
[D] High-speed Bullet Train



- ✓ **An international team of scientists has recently collected the first possible radio signal from a planet beyond our solar system. Emission bursts have been observed which are originating from exoplanet 'Tau Bootes' star-system, which is about 51 light-years away. This was observed using the Low Frequency Array (LOFAR), a radio telescope in the Netherlands.**

10. What is the theme of the India International Science Festival 2020?

[A] Science for Self–Reliant India and Global Welfare ☒

[B] Aatma Nirbhar Vigyanika

[C] Science and COVID–19

[D] Bharat Vigyan



- ✓ **Ministries of Science and Technology and Earth Sciences in association with Vijnana Bharati organise the India International Science Festival. Launched in the year 2015, the festival aims to promote scientific temper in the society and encourage students to take up scientific career. This year, the theme of the 4–day long India International Science festival is ‘Science for Self–Reliant India and Global Welfare’.**
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