

1. The Prime Minister released a postage stamp during the centenary celebrations of which University?

[A] Aligarh Muslim University ☒

[B] Jawaharlal Nehru University

[C] University of Delhi

[D] Banaras Hindu University



- ✓ **Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) is a Central university in Aligarh. It was originally established by Sir Syed Ahmad Khan in 1875. After the Aligarh Muslim University Act, its original name of 'Muhammadan Anglo-Oriental College' was changed to Aligarh Muslim University in 1920. The Prime Minister addressed the Centenary celebrations of the University and also released a postage stamp dedicated to AMU.**

2. As per a Lancet report, which issue has caused 1.7 million deaths and economic loss of 1.4% of the GDP, in India?

[A] COVID-19

[B] Air Pollution ☒

[C] Non Communicable Diseases

[D] Smoking



- ✓ **As per a recent study on Health and economic impact of air pollution in the States of India published in the Lancet journal, 1.7 million deaths were regarded to have caused due to air pollution in 2019 in India. This figure is 18% of the total deaths in the country. The economic loss due to the lost output was 1.4% of the GDP in India, which is equivalent to 260,000 crores. The study was funded by the UNEP, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and ICMR.**

3. Which Indian bank has launched contactless 'RuPay Select' debit card in association with NPCI?

[A] State Bank of India

[B] Central Bank of India ☒

[C] Punjab National Bank

[D] ICICI Bank



- ✓ **Central Bank of India has recently launched contactless 'RuPay Select' debit card in association with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI). Through this card, the users can avail**

membership and access to golf courses, gyms, spas and restaurants. The users can also avail discounted health check-ups with the National Common Mobility Debit Card (NCMC).

**4. Where was India's 1<sup>st</sup> Mega Leather Park planned to be established?**

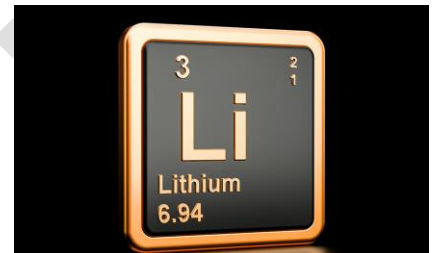
- [A] Mumbai
- [B] Chennai
- [C] Hyderabad
- [D] Kanpur ☒



- ✓ The Government of Uttar Pradesh is set to establish India's First Mega Leather Park in Kanpur. The Union Ministry of Commerce has given approval to the project. The project is set to be built across 235 acres in Ramaipur village, Kanpur at an expense of Rs.5850 crores.

**5. Where was India's 1<sup>st</sup> Lithium refinery planned to be established?**

- [A] Gujarat ☒
- [B] Jharkhand
- [C] Maharashtra
- [D] Telangana



- ✓ The 1<sup>st</sup> Lithium refinery of India is to be set up in Gujarat. It will process Lithium ore to produce battery-grade material. More than Rs 1,000 crore will be invested by Manikaran Power Limited to set up this refinery. India has set an ambitious goal of increasing the Electric Vehicle numbers to 30% by 2030.

**6. Which state government has adopted Bodo as its associate official language?**

- [A] Nagaland
- [B] Arunachal Pradesh
- [C] Assam ☒
- [D] Meghalaya

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- ✓ On December 22, 2020, Assam Cabinet headed by Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal approved the 'Assam Official Language Amendment Bill' for making Bodo (Devanagari script) also known as 'Boro' as an associate official language of the state.

- ✓ According to the census 2011, There are ~ 14.16 Lakh Bodo speakers in Assam. It is one of the 22 languages listed in the 8<sup>th</sup> Schedule of the Constitution. It is spoken in the states of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Meghalaya & West Bengal.

**7. Where is South India's first, Rescue and Rehabilitation Center for Monkey located?**

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



- ✓ The first rescue and rehabilitation center for monkeys was launched in Telangana's northern district of Nirmal. The Forest department has spent Rs 2.25 crore in setting up the center, which is only the second such facility in the country after the one available in Himachal Pradesh.

**8. On which date India Navy celebrated the Submarine Day?**

- [A] December 08 ☒
- [B] December 12
- [C] December 18
- [D] December 22



- ✓ The Submarine Day is celebrated every year by the Indian Navy on December 08 to commemorate the induction of the first submarine, the erstwhile INS Kalvari, into the Indian Navy on this day in 1967. The Foxtrot class submarine was decommissioned on the 31<sup>st</sup> May, 1996, after 29 years of service.

**9. On which date, the 2018 International Anti-Corruption Day is observed?**

- [A] December 09 ☒
- [B] December 15
- [C] December 19
- [D] December 25



- ✓ The International Anti-Corruption Day is observed every year on December 09 to raise public awareness about corruption and how to fight it. The day is also observed in recognition of the United Nations Convention against corruption which was signed in Mexico in 2003. This year's theme is, "United Against Corruption".

10. On which date, the 2020 National Mathematics Day was observed in India recently?

[A] December 21

[B] December 22 ☒

[C] December 23

[D] December 24



- ✓ **The National Mathematics Day is celebrated every year in India on December 22 to commemorate the birth anniversary of great mathematical genius Srinivasa Ramanujan and to recognize his contribution to mathematics. It was in 2012 that then Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh declared December 22 as National Mathematics Day.**
  - ✓ **In 1917, Ramanujan was elected to be a member of the London Mathematical Society. In 1918 he also became a Fellow of the Royal Society, becoming the youngest person to achieve the feat. He passed away on April 6, 1920.**
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