- **1.** The Monpa Handmade Paper, which was seen in the news recently, is associated with which state?
- A) Meghalaya
- B) Telangana
- C) Assam
- D) Arunachal Pradesh ☑



Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) commissioned a Monpa handmade paper making unit in Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh.The 1000-year-old heritage art, which disappeared in recent years, has been recovered by the efforts

of KVIC. The fine-textured handmade paper is called Mon Shugu in the local dialect, and is made from the bark of a local tree called Shugu Sheng.

**2.** Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor's (DFC) new section, which has been recently inaugurated, is funded by which organisation?

A) IMF

B) World Bank 🗹

C) ADB

D) AIIB



Prime Minister Narendra Modi is to virtually inaugurate 351- km-long New Khurja-New Bhaupur section of the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFC). An Operation Control Centre (OCC), which will act as the command centre for the entire DFC will also be inaugurated at Prayagraj in Uttar Pradesh. This section is built at a project cost of Rs

5,750 crore and is funded by the World Bank.

- **3.** Which country is set to join as the sixth member of the 'Five Eyes' intelligence network?
- A) India

C) Japan 🗹

B) Brazil

D) UK



'Five Eyes' is an intelligence network of five nations namely Australia, Britain, Canada, New Zealand and the US. The collaborative network was formed to respond to the threats posed

by North Korea and China. As per media reports, Japan had provided intelligence to the US and the UK on China's forceful detainment of Muslim Uyghurs, last year.

**4.** As a part of Mission SAGAR-III, Indian Naval Ship INS Kiltan as reached which country to deliver relief materials?

A) Madagascar

B) Phillipines

C) Cambodia 🗹

D) Laos

Indian Naval Ship (INS) Kiltan has recently reached the Sihanoukville Port in Cambodia to deliver 15 tonnes of disaster relief items for the flood-affected people. Due to the floods occurred in November, over 8 lakh people are affected and over 40 people have died in Cambodia.



This operation of INS Kiltan is a part of Mission Sagar-III under which humanitarian assistance and relief is provided to India's friendly countries.

**5.** 'Adopt a Heritage' is a scheme implemented by Ministry of Tourism in association with which Union Ministry?

- A) Ministry of Culture ☑
- B) Ministry of Home Affairs
- C) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- D) Ministry of Tribal Affairs



The Ministry of Tourism implements the "Adopt a Heritage: Apni Dharohar, Apni Pehchaan" project, in collaboration with Ministry of Culture, Archaeological Survey of

India and State/ UTs. It aims to develop tourism amenities at heritage sites located across India to make them tourist friendly. Under the project, 27 MoUs have been signed with several companies and NGOs, also called "Monument Mitras", to develop the sites under CSR.

**6.** India's first pollinator park has been established in which state?

- A) Haryana
- C) Himachal Pradesh`
- B) Uttarakhand ☑
- D) Sikkim

India's first pollinator park has been established in the city of Nainital, Uttarakhand. It has been developed by research wing of the Uttarakhand Forest Department. The four-acre-park has over 40 species of butterflies, honeybees, birds and

insects. The park aims to create awareness among people about the conservation of these species. It also aims to promote research on threats to habitat and impact of pollution on these species.

- **7.** Dulanga coal mine, which became commercially operational recently, is located in which state?
- A) West Bengal
- B) Jharkhand
- C) Odisha 🗹
- D) Telangana



State-owned Electric power distribution company NTPC has announced that its Dulanga coal mine is commercially operational from October 1, 2020. The mine has an annual capacity of 7 Million Tonnes Per Annum, at its peak. Out of the ten blocks allotted to NTPC

by the Government, three mines are in operation. The PSU also incorporated NTPC mining Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary, for its coal mining business.

- **8.** What is the name of the application of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for FASTag users?
- A) India FASTag
- B) Fast FASTag
- C) My FASTag 🗹
- D) New FASTag



The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has recently updated its mobile application "My FASTag" with a new feature to check balance status. In 2017, NHAI launched two mobile applications namely MyFASTag and FASTag Partner. While the former is for FASTag uses the latter is to be used by the merchants like CSCs, banking partners and vehicle dealers.

- **9.** Sitabani Wildlife Reserve, which was making news recently, is located in which state?
- A) Haryana

- B) Uttarakhand 🗹
- C) Himachal Pradesh



D) Sikkim

The Tourism Ministry of
Uttarakhand has
requested the state
government of Madhya
Pradesh, to bring in
white Tiger.
Uttarakhand has made
this request to bring
white tigers to
Nainital's Sitabani

Wildlife Reserve for a Tiger safari project. White tiger cubs are present in the Maharaja Martand Singh Judeo White Tiger Safari and Zoo in Rewa, Madhya Pradesh.

- **10.** Estonia, which was seen in the news recently, is a country in which continent?
- A) South America
- B) Europe 🗹
- C) Asia
- D) India



Estonia is a country in Northern Europe, bordering the Baltic Sea and Gulf of Finland. Recently the Union Cabinet of India approved the proposal of the Ministry of External Affairs to open three new

missions. In 2021, three new missions of India would be opened in Estonia (Europe), Paraguay (South America) and the Dominican Republic (North America). This move would strengthen political relations and promote growth of bilateral trade and investment.