

1. 'Swavalamban Sashakt - Mega Campaign' has been launched by Confederation of Women Entrepreneurs of India (COWE) and .....?

- A) DRDO  
B) SIDBI   
C) ECGC  
D) LIC



- ✓ Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), in partnership with the Confederation of Women Entrepreneurs of India (COWE), has launched the 'Swavalamban Sashakt - Mega Campaign'. It is a webinar series to promote the 'Stand Up India' scheme.
- ✓ Loan between ₹10 lakh and ₹1 crore to at least 1 SC or ST borrower and at least 1 woman borrower is provided per bank per branch, to set up a new enterprise.

2. Where is the Brahmaputra Valley Fertilizers Corporation Limited (BVFCL) located?

- A) Odisha  
B) Assam   
C) West Bengal  
D) Jharkhand



- ✓ Brahmaputra Valley Fertilizer Corporation Limited, previously the Namrup Fertilizer Complex, is located on the bank of Dilli river, Assam.
- ✓ The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved the proposal of the Department of Fertilizers for Grant-in-aid of Rs.100 crore to BVFCL, Namrup (Assam) for smooth operations of its urea manufacturing units.

3. The Indian Navy has partnered with which institution for research in underwater domain of Naval Electronic Systems?

- A) IIT Delhi   
B) NIT Trichy  
C) IIT Guwahati  
D) IISC Bengaluru



- ✓ The Indian Navy and IIT Delhi has recently signed an MoU on research in underwater domain of Naval Electronic Systems. The key technologies for Navy in underwater electronics have been developed by the Centre for Applied Research in Electronics (CARE) at IIT Delhi since 1970s.

4. Which Indian bank has signed pact with Indian Oil Corporation under its 'e-Dealer' scheme?

- A) Indian Bank  
B) Punjab National Bank   
C) Bank of Baroda  
D) Union Bank of India



- ✓ Punjab National Bank (PNB) has signed an agreement with Indian Oil Corporation to provide up to Rs 2 crore to the dealers of the Oil company. Under the MoU, the bank would provide credit facilities at lower interest rates, nil margin, and with minimum or zero collateral requirements. These measures are to be undertaken under the PNB e-Dealer scheme.

5. Which country has unveiled a draft "Humans in space policy 2021"?

- A) Japan  
B) India   
C) China  
D) United States of America



- ✓ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has recently unveiled the draft "Humans in space policy 2021".
- ✓ The policy will be sent to the government for approval. The policy seeks to facilitate start-ups and the local industry to build technologies for its human space programme. ISRO has also set up a two-member team to study the technologies needed for the mission.

6. What is the new upper ceiling for family pension, as per the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions?

- A) Rs 50,000  
B) Rs 75,000  
C) Rs 1,00,000  
D) Rs 1,25,000



- ✓ Union Minister Jitendra Singh announced that the upper ceiling has been raised from Rs 45,000 to Rs 1.25 lakh per month.
- ✓ This increase is in accordance with the increase of salary as per the recommendations of the seventh pay commission. This step will ensure that the family members of the deceased employees get access to adequate financial security.

7. Which Union Ministry announces the Index of Industrial Production (IIP)?

- A) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation   
B) Ministry of Finance  
C) Ministry of Corporate Affairs  
D) Ministry of Home Affairs



- ✓ Union Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) releases the Index of Industrial Production (IIP). As per the recent edition of the data, the IIP measure grew 1 per cent for December 2020. The Consumer Price Index inflation (CPI) decreased to 4.06 per cent in January 2021, due to the decline in vegetable prices.

8. Which country records the world's highest number of Road crash deaths?

- A) United States of America  
B) Indonesia  
C) India   
D) Pakistan



- ✓ India records the highest number of Road crash deaths, across the world. The World Bank recently released a report titled "Traffic Crash Injuries and Disabilities: The Burden on Indian Society".
- ✓ Union Transport minister Nitin Gadkari released the report. Over 75% of the poor households in India reported a decline in their income after a road traffic crash.

9. In which state the Chittaura Lake is situated?

- A) Odisha  
B) Andhra Pradesh  
C) Uttar Pradesh   
D) Madhya Pradesh



- ✓ Chittaura Lake is situated in Uttar Pradesh. A river named Teri Nadi originates from this lake. It is known for many migratory birds during August - October months. It is also an important Hindu Pilgrimage site in the state. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is scheduled to inaugurate the development works of the Chittaura Lake.

10. When is the 'World Radio Day' celebrated across the world?

- A) February 12
- B) February 13
- C) February 14
- D) February 15



- ✓ 'World Radio Day' is celebrated on Feb.13 every year, across the world. It was first proclaimed by the member states of UNESCO in 2011. The UN General Assembly adopted the proposal in 2012.
  - ✓ The 2021 edition of World Radio Day is based on 3 main sub-themes namely Evolution, Innovation and Connection. UNESCO released a video named "New World; New Radio".
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