

1. India has commemorated the 'Chabahar Day' on which date?

- A) 2021 March 2
B) 2021 March 4 ☒
C) 2021 March 6
D) 2021 March 8



- ✓ The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) stated that, India commemorates the 'Chabahar Day' on March 4, 2021 along the lines of the Maritime India Summit 2021 held in Delhi from March 2 to March 4. The virtual event witnessed the participation of ministers from Afghanistan, Iran, Armenia, Russia, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

2. Which country has recently signed pact with India for purchase of BrahMos Missile?

- A) Pakistan
B) Philippines ☒
C) Sri Lanka
D) Indonesia



- ✓ BrahMos is a medium-range supersonic cruise missile designed, developed and produced by BrahMos Aerospace, a joint venture company set up by India's DRDO and Russia's Mashinostroyeniya. It can be launched from submarines, ships, planes or land-based platforms.
✓ Philippines signed pact with India recently for possible purchase of this missile.

3. What is the theme of the International Women's Day 2021?

- A) Educate Organise and Agitate
B) Gender Equality: March against Patriarchy
C) Women in leadership: Achieving an equal future in a COVID-19 world ☒
D) Impact of COVID-19 on women



- ✓ International Women's Day is observed every year on March 8 across the world, to highlight the achievements and problems faced by women.
✓ The theme for this year is "Women in leadership: Achieving an equal future in a COVID-19 world." As per the United Nations Women, women remain under-represented in leadership roles and decision making across the world.

4. Singorgarh Fort, which was making news recently, is located in which state?

- A) Maharashtra
B) Madhya Pradesh ☒
C) Odisha
D) Kerala



- ✓ The President of India Ram Nath Kovind laid the foundation stone for the conservation works of Singorgarh Fort in Damoh district in Madhya Pradesh. During the program organised by Ministry of Culture and the state's Tribal Affairs Department, the President inaugurated the newly formed Jabalpur Circle of Archaeological Survey of India.

5. Indian Naval Ships INS Kulish and INS Sumedha visited the port of which country, for the first time?

- A) Sri Lanka
B) Bangladesh ☒
C) Myanmar
D) Japan



- ✓ Indian Naval Ships INS Kulish and INS Sumedha recently arrived at the port city of Mongla in Bangladesh. They are visiting Bangladesh to

commemorate the ongoing 'Swarnim Vijay Varsh' (Liberation War of 1971). INS Sumedha is an indigenously built offshore patrol vessel and INS Kulish is an indigenously built guided missile corvette.

6. Which Badminton player won gold in the BWF Swiss Open Super 300?

- A) P V Sindhu
B) Carolina Marin ☒
C) Naomi Osaka
D) Saina Nehwal



- ✓ Olympic champion Carolina Marin won gold in the BWF Swiss Open Super 300 tournament. She defeated India's ace badminton player PV Sindhu 12-21, 5-21, in the final match of the women's singles event. This was the first final appearance of the reigning world champion P V Sindhu since the World championships here in 2019.
✓ Kidambi Srikanth exited from the semi-final of the tournament by star Viktor Axelsen.

7. Which Indian wrestler has regained top spot in world ranking recently?

- A) Vinesh Phogat
B) Bajrang Punia ☒
C) Yogeshwar Dutt
D) Sakshi Malik



- ✓ Indian wrestler Bajrang Punia has regained the top spot in the world rankings after he clinched a second successive gold medal at the Matteo Pallicone Ranking Series. In the 65 kg freestyle event final in Rome, he defeated his Mongolian counterpart to win gold. Bajrang Punia also won gold in the tournament last year.

8. How many scholars have been selected for India Science and Research Fellowship (ISRF) 2021?

- A) 2
B) 5
C) 17
D) 40 ☒

40

- ✓ For the India Science and Research Fellowship (ISRF) 2021, 40 scholars have been selected. These research scholars belong to six countries and have been awarded fellowship to conduct research in science and technology in various Indian institutes and universities.
✓ The selection has been based on the scholar's research proposal, experience, academic merit and publication record.

9. Which country is the host of UN Congress on crime prevention?

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



- ✓ The United Nations Congress on crime prevention commenced in Kyoto, Japan. Japan is hosting the congress for the first time since 1970. Key issues pertaining to criminal justice, crime prevention and international cooperation to promote rule of law are placed as agendas for discussion during the meeting.

10. The World Kidney Day is celebrated in which month, across the world?

- A) January
- B) February
- C) March ☒
- D) April



- ✓ The World Kidney Day is celebrated on the second Thursday of the month of March every year, across the world. This year's theme is 'Living Well with Kidney Disease'.
 - ✓ Two international bodies namely the International Society of Nephrology (ISN) and the International Federation of Kidney Foundations (IFKF) jointly organise the global campaign.
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