

1. Which Indian company has been named as an official sponsor of the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022?

- A) TATA
- B) Paytm
- C) BYJU'S ☒
- D) Zomato



- ✓ Indian Ed-tech company BYJU'S has been named as an official sponsor of the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022. The 2022 FIFA World Cup is scheduled to take place in Qatar from 21 November to 18 December, 2022.

2. 'Suraksha Kavach 2' is a Joint Security Exercise organised by Indian Army and which state?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Telangana
- C) Gujarat
- D) Maharashtra ☒



- ✓ Suraksha Kavach 2, a Joint Security Exercise was organised between Indian Army and Maharashtra Police at Lullanagar, Pune. The aim of the exercise was to harmonize the procedures undertaken by Army and Police to counter any likely terrorist actions in Pune.

3. Serdar Berdimukhamedov has won the Presidential Election of which country?

- A) Turkmenistan ☒
- B) Iran
- C) Pakistan
- D) Afghanistan



- ✓ 40-year-old Serdar Berdimukhamedov has won the Presidential Election of Turkmenistan. He is the son of the country's leader. Berdimukhamedov secured 72.97% of votes in the recently held election and succeeded his father Gurbanguly, as per the Central Election Commission.

4. As per the Final Estimates of 2020-21 of Area and Production of Horticultural Crops, what was the total production in 2020-21?

- A) 134.60 million Tonne
- B) 234.60 million Tonne
- C) 334.60 million Tonne ☒
- D) 434.60 million Tonne



- ✓ The Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare released the Final Estimates of 2020-21 and First Advance Estimates of 2021-22 of Area and Production of various Horticultural Crops. Total Horticulture production in 2020-21 is estimated to a record 334.60 million Tonne, an increase of about 4.4% over that achieved in 2019-20.

- ✓ Production of Fruits and Vegetables is estimated to be 102.48 million Tonne and 200.45 million Tonne respectively. Total Horticulture production in 2021-22 is estimated to be 333.3 million Tonne, (decrease of 0.4%) over 2020-21.

5. Which country recently approved a bill to provide USD 52 billion in subsidies for semiconductor chips manufacturing?

- A) Russia
- B) USA ☒
- C) UK
- D) Germany



- ✓ The US Senate approved a bill to provide USD 52 billion in subsidies for semiconductor chips manufacturing. The legislation was sent to the House of Representatives, to launch a formal process known as a "conference".

6. 'Jingkieng Jri: Living Root Bridges', which were seen in the news recently, are situated in which state?

- A) Assam
- B) Sikkim
- C) Meghalaya ☒
- D) Jammu and Kashmir



- ✓ "Jingkieng Jri: Living Root Bridge Cultural Landscapes of Meghalaya" has been included in the UNESCO World Heritage Site tentative list.
- ✓ The Living Root bridges are home to several critically endangered species of flora and fauna. They were built by the indigenous people of Meghalaya, using the living roots of Ficus trees planted on both sides of a river.

7. 'Indian Agriculture towards 2030' book was launched by NITI Aayog along with which institution?

- A) UNEP
- B) FAO ☒
- C) NABARD
- D) ICAR



- ✓ Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Narendra Singh Tomar released a book titled Indian Agriculture towards 2030: Pathways for Enhancing Farmers' Income, Nutritional Security and Sustainable Food and Farm Systems.
- ✓ The book captures the outcomes of the dialogue by NITI Aayog and the Ministries of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare; and Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, and facilitated by Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the UN.

8. Rushikulya beach, which is known for mass nesting of endangered Olive Ridley turtles, is located in which state?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Odisha ☒
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Andhra Pradesh



- ✓ Recently, a record 1,14,305 Olive Ridley turtles arrived at the Rushikulya river mouth for their annual mass nesting. The Rushikulya beach is located in Odisha's Ganjam district.

9. Who is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Government e-Market (GeM) portal?

- A) Nandan Nilekani
- B) P K Singh ☒
- C) Amitabh Kant
- D) Ramesh Chand



- ✓ The Government e-Market (GeM) portal was launched in 2016, for online purchases of goods and services by all the central government ministries and departments. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of GeM announced that the portal has crossed Rs 1 lakh crore during this fiscal year. GeM is among the top five e-public procurement systems globally. The top four states that are buying from the portal are Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Gujarat, and Madhya Pradesh.

10. Solomon Islands, which has drafted a security deal with China, is located in which Ocean/Sea?

- A) Atlantic Ocean
- B) Pacific Ocean ☒
- C) Indian Ocean
- D) Arabian Sea



- ✓ Solomon Islands, a country of hundreds of islands in the South-Pacific, has confirmed that it is drafting a security deal with China.
 - ✓ As per media reports, a Chinese military base could potentially be set up on the island to Australia's north. This step has triggered concern in neighbouring Australia and other Western allies in the Indo-Pacific.
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