

1. Which is the first Indian city to get a road that is made out of steel waste?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Surat ☒
- C) Jaipur
- D) Chandigarh



- ✓ Surat has become the first in India to get a road that is made out of steel waste. It is seen as an example of sustainable development.
- ✓ The road is built by Arcelor Mittal Nippon Steel India with CSIR India (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research) & CRRRI (Central Road Research Institute) with support from Ministry of Steel and Government think tank NITI Aayog.

2. 'Varnika' Ink Manufacturing Unit of Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited (BRBNMPL) has been inaugurated in which city?

- A) Chennai
- B) Mysuru ☒
- C) New Delhi
- D) Kolkata



- ✓ Governor of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Shaktikanta Das dedicated Varnika, the Ink Manufacturing Unit of Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited (BRBNMPL) to the nation in Mysuru. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

3. 'Balikatan' is a Joint military drills held between the Forces of US and which country?

- A) Italy
- B) Philippines ☒
- C) Japan
- D) Sri Lanka



- ✓ The Defence Forces of the United States and Philippines launched their largest joint military drills in the Philippines named 'Balikatan 2022'. The 12-day war games involve nearly 9,000 Filipino and American soldiers.

4. India recently signed an Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA) with which country?

- A) Japan
- B) Germany
- C) Australia ☒
- D) France



- ✓ India and Australia signed an Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (IndAus ECTA). It seeks to provide -duty access to 96 per cent of India's exports to Australia. The exports include engineering goods, gems and jewellery, textiles, apparel and leather.
- ✓ The pact is expected to boost bilateral trade in goods and services to USD 45-50 billion over 5 years and generate over 1 million jobs in India.

5. Which Asian country has declared a nationwide public emergency amidst protests over economic crisis?

- A) Myanmar
- B) Afghanistan
- C) Sri Lanka ☒
- D) Pakistan



- ✓ Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has declared a nationwide public emergency amidst protests over the worst economic crisis in the island nation.
- ✓ The special gazette notification declared a public emergency in Sri Lanka with immediate effect from April 1.

6. 'Sajibu Nongma Panba' is a traditional festival of which Indian state?

- A) West Bengal
- B) Odisha
- C) Manipur ☒
- D) Assam



- ✓ 'Sajibu Nongma Panba' is a traditional festival for the followers of the Sanamahism religion in Manipur, as a Lunar New Year. The day is mostly observed on the first day of the lunar month of Sajibu.
- ✓ Also known as Meetei Cheiraoba or Sajibu Cheiraoba, the festival is celebrated by the Meitei people, one of the largest ethnic communities in Manipur.

7. Which city hosted the 'Global Collaboration Advanced Vaccinology Training' Meeting?

- A) New York
- B) Geneva ☒
- C) Berlin
- D) Paris



- ✓ 'Global Collaboration Advanced Vaccinology Training' meeting was recently held in Geneva. In the meeting, the need for a basic vaccinology training module for healthcare personnel across the world was discussed. India was represented by Dr NK Arora, head of the COVID-19 working group in the National Immunization Technical Advisory Group (NTAGI).

8. Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS)?

- A) Urjit Patel
- B) CS Rajan ☒
- C) Raghuram Rajan
- D) Viral Acharya



- ✓ The Union Government has appointed CS Rajan as Chairman and Managing Director of Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS) for a period of six months. Till March-end, the company has resolved debt amounting to Rs 55,000 crore.
- ✓ Out of which, Rs 21,000 crore has been discharged by way of monetisation of assets and debt repayment. The resolved debt amounts to 90% of the total debt that was expected to be resolved.

9. Which Indian state/UT has announced 'Vinaya Samarasya Yojana'?

- A) Andhra Pradesh
- B) Karnataka ☒
- C) Kerala
- D) Gujarat



- ✓ The Karnataka government has announced 'Vinaya Samarasya Yojana', an awareness programme meant to eradicate untouchability in Gram Panchayats across the state. The scheme has been named after a three-year-old Dalit boy Vinay.

10. Which institution launched the 'DSLISA Legal Aid Clinic', to provide free legal assistance to women?

- A) UN Women
- B) National Commission for Women ☒
- C) UNICEF
- D) NITI Aayog



- ✓ The National Commission for Women (NCW) in collaboration with Delhi State Legal Services Authority (DSLISA) has launched a 'Legal Aid Clinic'. It will act as a single-window facility for resolving grievances of women by offering them free legal assistance.
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