

1. Which international organization has released the "World 2030: Public Survey" Report?

- A) IMF
B) World Bank
C) UNDP
D) UNESCO ☒



- ✓ The UNESCO has recently released a report titled "World 2030: Public Survey Report". This report is based on surveys conducted around the world from May 2020 to September 2020.
- ✓ As per the report, climate change, violence and conflict, loss of biodiversity, discrimination and inequality etc are some of the important challenges affecting a peaceful society.

2. Which Ministry has released the "Women and Men in India 2020" report?

- A) Ministry of Home Affairs
B) Ministry of Women and Child Development
C) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation ☒
D) Ministry of Defence



- ✓ The Union Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has recently released a report titled "Women and Men in India 2020". This report has been published by MoSPI since 1995 and this year's report is 20th in the series. It provides gender related data for policy makers, planners and other stakeholders.

3. What is the name of the scheme that intends to provide working capital facility of Rs.10,000 per year to urban street vendors of the country?

- A) PM KISAN
B) MUDRA Yojana
C) PM SVANIDHI ☒
D) TLTRO



- ✓ Under the PM SVANIDHI scheme, urban street vendors are sanctioned with working capital credit facilities upto Rs.10,000 per year by banks. This scheme was launched by the Government of India to provide micro-credit facility to vendors during COVID-19 lockdown. As per a recent data by the Ministry of Home Affairs, out of the total disbursement under the scheme, private banks have contributed only 1.6%.

4. As per the data by National Savings Institute, which state has made highest contribution to government's small savings schemes?

- A) Uttar Pradesh
B) Madhya Pradesh
C) West Bengal ☒
D) Haryana



- ✓ As per the data released by National Savings Institute under the Ministry of Finance, West Bengal has made the highest contribution to government's small savings schemes and has a share of more than 15% in deposits at post offices and banks. West Bengal is followed by Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Tamil Nadu in the list.

5. Which University has secured the 1st place among Indian Universities in Academic Ranking of World Universities 2020?

- A) Anna University
B) JNU
C) JNTU
D) Calcutta University ☒



- ✓ The Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) 2020, also known as the Shanghai Ranking has been released recently. As per the ranking, Calcutta University has been ranked 1st among the Indian Universities and 3rd among higher educational institutions in the country. 15 India Universities have made it into the ARWU 2020 list.

6. Which organisation has launched the "Sankalp se Siddhi" - Village & Digital Connect Drive?

- A) UNICEF
B) RBI
C) NABARD
D) TRIFED ☒



- ✓ The Tribal Co-operative Marketing Federation of India (TRIFED) under the Union Ministry of Tribal Affairs has recently launched "Sankalp se Siddhi" - Village & Digital Connect Drive. This drive has commenced on April 1, 2021. This is a 100-day drive that would include participation of 150 teams and would cover 1500 villages of the country. The main aim of this drive is to activate the van dhan kendras of these villages.

7. What is India's target for ethanol blending in petrol for the year 2022?

- A) 1%
B) 1.5%
C) 2%
D) 10% ☒

10%

- ✓ India has fixed a target of 10% ethanol blending in petrol by the year 2022. Recently, India has achieved more than 7.2 percent of ethanol blending in fuel, for the first four months of ethanol supply.
- ✓ Some states like Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra have achieved 9-9.5% ethanol blending. This shows that India is on track to reach 10% ethanol blend by 2022.

8. When is the National Maritime Day celebrated every year?

- A) April 2
B) April 3
C) April 4
D) April 5 ☒



- ✓ The National Maritime Day is celebrated every year on 5th of April. This year marks the 58th edition of National Maritime Day, while the first such event was celebrated in the year 1964. The National Maritime Day is celebrated on April 5, to commemorate the maiden voyage of the first wholly owned ship of Indians.

9. For the first time in 2020, April 5 is observed as which day by the United Nations?

- A) International Day of Conscience ☒
B) International Day of Promotion of Love
C) International Day of Peace
D) International Day of Promotion of Culture



- ✓ During the 73rd session of the United Nations General Assembly in 2019, Bahrain sponsored its Prime Minister's initiative to designate April 5 as the 'International Day of Conscience'. The Assembly unanimously adopted resolution "Promoting the Culture of Peace with Love and Conscience" and declared April 5 as the International Day of Conscience. It is celebrated in 2020 for the 1st time.

10. Who has been appointed as the head of the BCCI's Anti-Corruption Unit?

- A) Shabir Hussein Shekhadam Khandwawala ☒
- B) V K Singh
- C) Ajay Kumar Bhalla
- D) Vijay Kumar



- ✓ Shabir Hussein Shekhadam Khandwawala– former DGP of Gujarat, has been appointed as the head of the BCCI's Anti-Corruption Unit. He succeeds Ajit Singh, whose term ended in March 2021. Khandwawala is a 1973 batch IPS officer and retired from his IPS service in 2010. He has been appointed ahead of the IPL beginning April 9.
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