

1. India launched a "Climate and Clean Energy Agenda 2030 Partnership", with which country?

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



- ✓ During the virtual summit on climate change convened by US President Joe Biden, India Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced that India and the US are launching an "Agenda 2030" partnership on green collaborations. "India-US Climate and Clean Energy Agenda 2030 Partnership", aims to implement actions at high speed and on a large scale globally, to combat climate change.
- ✓ The summit was attended by various country leaders like Chinese President Xi Jinping, his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin etc.

2. Who has been selected as the external auditor to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)?

- A) Venkaiah Naidu
- B) GC Murmu ☒
- C) Rajesh Kumar
- D) SA Bobde



- ✓ The Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) GC Murmu has been selected as the external auditor of Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). He would serve the position for a term of three years. His term as an external auditor commences from the year 2021.
- ✓ OPCW is an intergovernmental organisation and the implementing body for the Chemical Weapons Convention, which is headquartered in The Hague, Netherlands.

3. The Indian government is to provide free food grains to the poor in May and June under which scheme?

- A) PM Jan Dhan Yojana
- B) PM Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana ☒
- C) PM Mudra Yojana
- D) PM Atma Nirbhar Kalyan Yojana



- ✓ The Indian Government has decided to resume providing free food grains to the poor in May and June. The 5-kg additional food grains to PDS beneficiaries are to be provided under the PMGKAY for two months – May and June. But this time, pulses are not being provided to the poor. PMGKAY was announced to help poor people tackle the pandemic.

4. When was the 2021 International Girls in ICT Day observed by ITU?

- A) April 21
- B) April 22 ☒
- C) April 23
- D) April 24



- ✓ Every year, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) celebrates the fourth Thursday of April as the International Girls in ICT Day. This year, 22nd April marked the 10th Anniversary of the day and was observed with the theme Connected Girls; Creating Brighter Futures."
- ✓ The International Telecommunication Union is an UN specialized agency and is headquartered in Geneva.

5. Japan is set to hold its first joint military drill with which two countries against China's aggression?

- A) India and US
- B) US and France ☒
- C) Russia and US
- D) Russia and France



- ✓ Japan is set to hold its first joint military drill with the US and French troops, amidst the increased actions of China in the regional waters. The exercise would be held from May 11 to 17 and will be the first large-scale exercise in Japan involving ground troops from all three countries. The exercise also would deepen the Defence cooperation between the three countries.

6. Which country announced the "International Climate Finance Plan", to double climate finance to developing countries?

- A) China
- B) USA ☒
- C) Germany
- D) France



- ✓ The United States President Joe Biden unveiled the "US International Climate Finance Plan". He announced that the country would double public climate finance to help poor countries reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The new climate finance plan has been released in lines with a new goal to cut emissions by 50%-52% from 2005 levels.

7. 'Mt Annapurna', which was making news recently, is located in which country?

- A) India
- B) Nepal ☒
- C) Bangladesh
- D) China



- ✓ The Annapurna Mountain Range in the Himalayas is located in north-central Nepal. It is the tenth highest mountain peak in the world, which includes a peak over 8000 metres.
- ✓ Recently, Priyanka Mohite from Satara in Maharashtra became the first Indian woman to scale Mt Annapurna. She had earlier summited several peaks including Mt Everest.

8. Which state launched the 'HARIHAR' policy, for Rehabilitation of abandoned children?

- A) Bihar
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Haryana ☒
- D) Punjab



- ✓ The Haryana Cabinet approved HARIHAR- Homeless Abandoned and Surrendered Children Rehabilitation Initiative Haryana Policy. The children abandoned when below 5 years of age and surrendered before turning one-year-old will be eligible for benefits of education, employment, and financial support, up to the age of 25 years or marriage.

9. What is the name given to small models of human organs that contain multiple cell types that behave similarly to the human body?

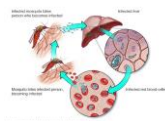
- A) Body models
- B) Tissue Chips ☒
- C) Cell Models
- D) Tissue Genes



- ✓ Tissue Chips are small models of human organs that contain multiple cell types that behave similarly to the human body. Four astronauts were recently launched to the International Space Station (ISS) as part of a collaboration between NASA and SpaceX under the Commercial Crew Program. Their prime focus during this time will be to carry out a series of Tissue Chips in Space studies.

10. 'E-2025 Initiative', which was making news recently, is associated with which field?

- A) Climate Change
- B) Eradication of Malaria ☒
- C) Fintech
- D) Nutrition



- ✓ The World Health Organization (WHO) has identified 25 countries, with the potential to eradicate malaria by 2025 under its 'E-2025 Initiative'. As per a new report of the WHO—Zeroing in on malaria elimination, these 25 countries including three from Africa will have to work by responding to the dual threat of malaria and COVID-19. The WHO will provide support and technical guidance to these countries.