

1. Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana is being implemented by which Ministry?

- A) Ministry of Power
 B) Ministry of Petroleum
 C) Ministry of Rural Development
 D) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy



- ✓ The Union Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas has finalised the guidelines for the next round of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) scheme and it is expected that the government would disburse 10 million fresh LPG connections under the scheme.
 ✓ The scheme aims to provide LPG gas connections to Below Poverty Line (BPL) families, free of cost.

2. Subodh Kumar Jaiswal, who was in the news recently, is the newly appointed Director of which organisation?

- A) CVC
 B) CIC
 C) CBI
 D) NITI Aayog



- ✓ Subodh Kumar Jaiswal, a 1985-batch IPS officer of the Maharashtra cadre, has been appointed as the chief of the Central Bureau of Investigation for a two-year period. He is also serving as the chief of Central Industrial Security Forces (CISF). He had also been part of the Intelligence Bureau and the Research and Analysis Wing (RAW).

3. Cabinet has approved the opening of a new Consulate General of India in Addu City in which country?

- A) Maldives
 B) Sri Lanka
 C) Bhutan
 D) Myanmar



- ✓ The Union Cabinet has approved the opening of a new Consulate General of India in Addu City, Maldives in 2021. Maldives has an important place in the Neighbourhood First Policy and the SAGAR- Security and Growth for All in the Region- initiative of the Government of India.
 ✓ This opening of a Consulate General in Addu City will help promote India's diplomatic presence in Maldives.

4. What is UHI, that the Government is set to launch under the National Digital Health Mission?

- A) Union Health Institution
 B) Unified Health Interface
 C) United Health Institute
 D) Union Health Initiative



- ✓ The Government has decided to fast track the expansion of operations under the National Digital Health Mission. It is set to launch of a unified health interface (UHI) which will enable people to use the digital platform for hosting health services, including online medical consultation and booking of laboratory tests.

5. Which molecule is the genetic material of the SARS-CoV-2 virus?

- A) DNA
 B) RNA
 C) Both the above
 D) None of the above



- ✓ Viruses have either RNA or DNA as their genetic material. The nucleic acid may be single- or double-stranded. The SARS-CoV-2 virus has RNA as its genetic material. Recently, Scientists in Taiwan have developed a new DNA-based COVID-19 vaccine that successfully induced antibodies against novel coronavirus in mice and hamsters. Currently available COVID-19 vaccines use messenger RNA (mRNA) to teach human immune system to recognise the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

6. Tsang Yin-hung, who became the world's fastest woman to scale the Mount Everest, belongs to which country?

- A) China
 B) Hong Kong
 C) Vietnam
 D) Japan



- ✓ Hong Kong mountaineer Tsang Yin-hung has recorded the world's fastest ascent of Everest by a woman. The 44-year-old mountaineer scaled the summit in a record time of 25 hours and 50 minutes. Another mountaineer, the 75-year-old Arthur Muir, became the oldest American to climb the world's highest peak at 8,848.86-metres.

7. "Action and Investment in Menstrual Hygiene and Health" is the theme of which special day celebrated on May 28?

- A) World Menstrual Hygiene Day
 B) World Women Health Day
 C) World Personal Health Day
 D) World Hygiene Day



- ✓ World Menstrual Hygiene Day is observed on May 28 across the world. The theme for this year is: "Action and Investment in Menstrual Hygiene and Health." The day aims to change the social stigma associated with menstruation.
 ✓ The date May 28 was chosen to represent the menstrual cycle of 28 days and the menstruation period of 5 days. The day was initiated by the German non-profit WASH United in 2013.

8. Which Indian economist has been conferred with Spain's top Princess of Asturias Award?

- A) Amartya Sen
 B) Urjit Patel
 C) Manmohan Singh
 D) Arvind Subramanian



- ✓ Indian economist and Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen has been conferred with Spain's top Princess of Asturias Award in the social sciences category.
 ✓ He was selected out of the 41 candidatures from 20 countries nominated for the Social Sciences Award. His research on famines and his theory of human development, welfare economics and the underlying mechanisms of poverty was recognised by the institute.

9. Tigray, which was making news recently, is a city located in which country?

- A) Ethiopia
 B) UAE
 C) Israel
 D) Zimbabwe



- ✓ The United Nations has warned that urgent measures are needed to avoid famine in Tigray, an embattled region of Ethiopia. The conflict in Tigray has reached over seven months and is estimated to have killed thousands of people and left around five million in need of aid.

- ✓ Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed ordered a military operation in Tigray in 2020.

10. Prevention of Anti-Social Activities Act (PASA), which was in the news recently, is set to be introduced in which Indian UT?

- A) Andaman & Nicobar Islands
- B) Lakshadweep
- C) Chandigarh
- D) Puducherry



- ✓ The Lakshadweep administration has announced to introduce Lakshadweep Development Authority Regulation 2021 (LDAR) and the Prevention of Anti-Social Activities Act (PASA) in the islands.
- ✓ It has drawn criticism from across the country as LDAR gives powers to the administration to remove the small holding for property owned by the islanders belonging to the Scheduled Tribes. PASA gives powers to the administration to detain a person without any public disclosure for a period of up to one year.