

1. The International Astronomical Union (IAU) has approved eight names for features on the Moon, in which language?

- A) English
 B) Chinese
 C) Spanish
 D) French



- ✓ The International Astronomical Union (IAU) has approved eight Chinese names for features around the area on the Moon. Last year, China's spacecraft Chang'e-5 probe landed near those places to collect samples from the lunar surface and return to Earth. China has been naming geographical entities on the Moon since 2010.

2. When is the 'World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day' to be observed?

- A) January 30
 B) February 28
 C) March 31
 D) April 30



- ✓ The ongoing 74th World Health Assembly declared January 30 as 'World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day'. The proposal to recognise the day was initiated by the United Arab Emirates and it was adopted unanimously by the member countries. NTDs are a group of infections caused by a variety of pathogens such as viruses, bacteria, protozoa and parasitic worms.

3. Dal Lake, which was seen in the news, is situated in which city of Jammu & Kashmir?

- A) Srinagar
 B) Jammu
 C) Anantnag
 D) Leh



- ✓ Dal is a lake in Srinagar city, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir. It is also called as the "Jewel in the crown of Kashmir". Recently, illegal constructions have been reported in the lake. The Lakes and Water Ways Development Authority (LAWDA), has demolished more than 170 illegal structures around the lake, in the last three months.

4. Little Bloodtail, which is considered as a harbinger of monsoon, belong to which type of species?

- A) Humming Bird
 B) Dragonfly
 C) Frog
 D) Turtle



- ✓ Little Bloodtail is a small dragonfly, which has wide presence in the state of Kerala. This species of dragonfly can be spotted from the beginning of June till September. Since the life cycle of little bloodtail is very closely linked with monsoon, they are considered as a harbinger of monsoon.

5. Who chairs the Goods and services tax (GST) council meeting?

- A) Prime Minister
 B) Finance Minister
 C) Finance Secretary
 D) NITI Aayog CEO



- ✓ Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman chairs the Goods and services tax (GST) council meeting. Recently, the 43rd GST Council

meeting was conducted through video conferencing. The decision over tax rates on COVID vaccines was referred to a group of ministers (GOM). Quarterly returns for small traders will continue and has provided relaxation of the late fee penalty for payment of GST.

6. What is the objective of the YUVA programme, launched by the Prime Minister recently?

- A) Women Empowerment
 B) Author Mentorship
 C) Climate Change Control
 D) Protection of Children



- ✓ The Ministry of Education has recently launched YUVA- (Young, Upcoming and Versatile Authors) Prime Minister's Scheme for Mentoring Young Authors. It is an Author Mentorship programme to train young authors.
 ✓ The launch of YUVA (Young, Upcoming and Versatile Authors) is a part of India@75 Project to highlight the perspectives of young writers on themes like Unsung Heroes, Freedom Fighters and Forgotten Places.

7. Which country holds the BRICS 2021 Chairship?

- A) Brazil
 B) India
 C) Russia
 D) China



- ✓ India holds the BRICS 2021 Chairship. It is the third time that India will be hosting the BRICS Summit after 2012 and 2016. Recently, the second BRICS Sherpas' and Sous Sherpas' meeting was convened by India to prepare for the upcoming meeting of the BRICS Foreign Ministers. The theme of the Chairship is "BRICS @ 15: Intra-BRICS Cooperation with Continuity, Consolidation and Consensus".

8. The 'National AI Portal (indiaAI)', is an initiative of which Union Ministry?

- A) Health Ministry
 B) Electronics and IT Ministry
 C) Finance Ministry
 D) Commerce Ministry



- ✓ The 'National AI Portal (indiaai.gov.in)', celebrated its first anniversary on May 28, 2021.
 ✓ The Portal is a joint initiative by Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY), National e-Governance Division (NeGD) and NASSCOM. It serves as a central hub for AI related news, learning, articles, events and activities etc., across the world. During the virtual event, a report titled 'One year of INDIAai' and a new look of the website homepage were unveiled.

9. Where is Indian Immunological limited, (IIL) located?

- A) Chennai
 B) Hyderabad
 C) Mumbai
 D) Pune



- ✓ The Central Government is set to provide grants to some public sector companies under the Mission COVID Suraksha, to increase the vaccine production. Hyderabad based Indian Immunological limited, IIL, is a facility under the National Dairy Development Board.
 ✓ As per the Science and Technology Ministry, IIL and Bharat Biotech has collaborated to supply the drug substance for manufacturing

Covaxin Vaccine.

10. The death anniversary of which former Indian Prime Minister is observed as 'Anti-terrorism Day'?

- A) Rajiv Gandhi
- B) Indira Gandhi
- C) Atal Bihari Vajpayee
- D) Morarji Desai



- ✓ The death anniversary of former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi is observed across the country as 'Anti-terrorism Day'. The 29th death anniversary of Rajiv Gandhi was observed on May 21. On the same day in 1991, he was assassinated at Sriperumbudur, Chennai during an election campaign. Rajiv Gandhi was the youngest ever Prime Minister of India, when he took over as the sixth Prime Minister at the age of 40.
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