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1. The Artemis Accord, that was recently making news, an agreement for space exploration of New Zealand and which agency?

A) ROSCOSMOS

B) ISRO

C) NASA 🗹

D) ESA

New Zealand has entered into an agreement for space exploration with NASA. With this, New Zealand becomes the eleventh country to sign the Artemis Accord, which is an agreement with NASA to be a part of its plans to send humans to the moon by 2024 and further to Mars.

2. The recently reported H10N3 is a strain of \_\_\_\_?

A) Bird Flu 🗹

B) Corona virus

C) Anthrax

D) Swine Fever

- China has reported the first human infection of a rare strain of bird flu known as H10N3. The case has been confirmed in a 41-year-old man, by China's National Health Commission.
- This bird flu variant is supposed to be low pathogenic, which means it causes relatively less severe disease in poultry. No other case of this infection has been reported in the world.

3. Which bank has recently published the economic research report "Ecowrap"?

A) State Bank of India 🗹

B) Punjab National Bank





- The State Bank of India, in its economic research report "Ecowrap" has predicted India's GDP to grow at 7.9% for the FY 2021-22.
- Earlier the report had predicted a growth of 10.4%, and it has now been downgraded due to the large impact of the second wave of Covid-19 pandemic in the country.
  - 4. Japanese player Naomi Osaka plays which sports?
  - A) Badminton
  - B) Tennis 🗹

C) Archery

- D) Weight Lifting
- Leading Tennis champion and world number two Naomi Osaka has announced that she would withdraw from the French Open and would spend some time away from the court.
- She had posted that she would boycott the mandatory post-match press conferences on the grounds of mental health reasons. In turn, the organisers imposed a penalty on the player.
  - 5. What is the theme of World Milk Day, 2021?
  - A) Sustainability in the dairy sector 🗹
  - B) Milk For All
  - C) Leaving No one Behind

D) Milk and SDG

Every year, on 1st of June, the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations observes World Milk Day. This day was first established in the year 2001 to recognize the importance of milk as a global food and to cherish the dairy sector. This year, the theme / prime focus would be on Sustainability in the dairy sector.

- 6. In context with recent news of Goa, what does the abbreviation GIFT stand for?
- A) Goa Institution For Future Transformation 🗹
- B) Goa Institution For Financial Transformation
- C) Goa Institution For Fin Tech
- D) Goa Institution For Foreign Affairs
- The State Government of Goa has constituted a Think Tank named Goa Institution For Future Transformation (GIFT). This institution would assist, advise and guide the state government on various policy matters and welfare decisions. The functions of GIFT would be very similar to that of NITI Aayog.

7. Which country has recently come up with a policy for three children, as against the present two children limit?

A) India

B) USA

C) Japan D) China 🗹



- China has announced that it would permit couples to have three ~ children as against the present two children limit, which was brought in 2016. This decision has been made by the Chinese government, since the country's birth rates have registered a steep decline as per the latest census release.
  - 8. Which country has hosted the P4G summit 2021?
  - A) India

B) USA

C) South Korea 🗹



- P4G Partnering for Green Growth and the Global Goals 2030 summit is hosted by the Republic of Korea / South Korea and was organised at Seoul. It is an acceleration event for promoting market-based partnerships to build sustainable and resilient economies. The theme of the event is "Inclusive Green Recovery Towards Carbon Neutrality".
- 9. Which institution implements the "Horticulture Cluster **Development Programme"?**
- A) Food and Agricultural Organization

D) Ministry of Food Processing Industries

- B) National Horticulture Board 🗹
- C) NABARD

- The Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar has launched the Horticulture Cluster Development Programme. The programme has been launched on a pilot basis in 12 clusters covering 11 States / UTs. This is a central sector programme implemented by the National Horticulture Board (NHB), which aims to make identified horticulture clusters globally competitive.
- 10. With reference to Covid, what are 'Kappa' and 'Delta'?
- A) New Measure of COVID spread
- B) New Labels for COVID Variants 🗹
- C) New Category in COVID Postive Rate
- D) New Global Vaccine Initiatives



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The World Health Organization (WHO) has announced new labels, using Greek alphabets, for various variants of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19). As per the WHO, Covid variant first found in India (B1.617.2) will be referred to as Delta, while earlier found variant in the country (B.1.617.1) will be known as Kappa.