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- 1. ICAR Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR) has received a patent for the micronutrient foliar formulation?
- A) Black Pepper **Z**
- B) White Pepper
- C) Turmeric
- D) Cardamom
- The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)-Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR) has received a patent for black pepper micronutrient foliar formulation.
- ✓ ICAR-IISR has developed crop-specific micronutrient foliar formulations for major spices (black pepper, ginger, turmeric, and cardamom) to overcome micronutrient deficiencies.
 - 2. Trirashmi Buddhist caves complex, where 3 new caves have been discovered, is located in which state?
 - A) Tamil Nadu
 - B) Maharashtra 🗹
 - C) Bihar
 - D) Odisha



- The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), has discovered three new caves in the Trirashmi Buddhist cave complex, which is located near Nashik in Maharashtra. This cave complex is also called the Pandav Leni. This site was first documented by a British military officer nearly two decades ago.
 - 3. To which field, the Padma Shri awardee Lakshmi Nandan Bora, who died recently, belonged to?
 - A) Sports 🗹
 - B) Literature
 - C) Music
 - D) Dance



- Lakshmi Nandan Bora, a noted Assamese litterateur and Padma Shri awardee belonging to Assam, passed away recently, due to COVID. He was 89 years old. Lakshmi Nandan Bora has authored more than 60 books in Assamese language.
- Patal Bhairavi and Kayakalpa are his famous writings. He received the Padma Shri award from the Government of India in 2015.
 - 4. Indus Best Mega Food Park, which was inaugurated recently, is located in which state?
 - A) Punjab
 - B) Haryana
 - C) Chhattisgarh 🗹
 - D) Odisha
- The Indus Best Mega Food Park, has been launched in Raipur of Chhattisgarh, by the union minister for Food Processing Industries Narendra Singh Tomar. This mega food park aims to make value addition, increase shelf life and provide better price realisation to farmers. It is expected that this park would provide direct and indirect employment to about 5,000 persons.
 - 5. Which state in India has been witnessing African Swine Fever, which claimed over 4500 pigs?
 - A) Goa
- B) Mizoram 🗹
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) Bihar



- The state of Mizoram has been severely affected by African Swine Fever (ASF), which has claimed more than 4,700 pigs in over two months, since the first case was reported.
- ✓ As of now, the state government has declared 99 villages and localities as "infected areas", of which 56 are located in Aizawl District, which is the state capital.
 - 6. The Consumer Confidence Index is released by which organisation?
 - A) State Bank of India
 - B) Ministry of Consumer Affairs
 - C) India Ratings
 - D) Reserve Bank of India 🗹
- The Consumer Confidence Survey is conducted by the Reserve Bank of India, which provides the respondent's perceptions on general economic conditions. Recently, the RBI has released the Consumer Confidence Index, which has recorded an all-time low due to the second wave of COVID-19 disease. The Current Situation Index (CSI) fell to 48.5 and the Future Expectation Index (FEI) fell to 96.4.
 - 7. Which is the Indian Navy's oldest Hydrographic Survey vessel, that has been decommissioned recently?
 - A) INS Kolkata
 - B) INS Sandhayak 🗹
 - C) INS Sindhurakshak
 - D) INS Suveer
- INS Sandhayak, the Indian Navy's oldest Hydrographic Survey Vessel, was decommissioned from the Navy at Visakhapatnam on July 4, 2021. The vessel is 40 years old and has conducted more than 200 major hydrographic surveys. It has also been a part of important operations like 'Operation Pawan' in Sri Lanka (1987), Operation 'Rainbow for Humanitarian Assistance' (2004) etc.
 - 8. Lynetteholm, a proposed artificial island, is to be constructed in which country?
 - A) Austria
 - B) Russia
 - C) Ukraine
 - D) Denmark 🗹
- The Government of Denmark has approved for construction of an artificial giant island named Lynetteholm.
- ✓ This island would be 1 sq mile (2.6 sq km) in area and would include a
 dam system around its perimeter to protect its harbour from rising
 sea levels and storms. This island would be connected to the mainland
 by way of tunnel roads and metro lines.
 - 9. YounTab scheme for students is launched in which state / UT?
 - A) Delhi
 - B) Puducherry
 - C) Karnataka
 - D) Ladakh 🗹
- The Union Territory of Ladakh has launched a scheme named "YounTab", under which the Ladakh Lt Governor RK Mathur distributed tablets to the students studying in 9 to 12, in the UT. This was the first phase of the scheme's implementation. The scheme aims to provide free tabs to nearly 12,300 students of 6th to 12th class who are studying in government schools of the UT.





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10. The Government of India has announced the procurement of "Corbevax" vaccine, manufactured by which company?

- A) Biological E 🗹
- B) SII
- C) Ranbaxy
- D) Bharat Bio Tech



✓ The Government of India has announced that it would procure 30 crore doses of the COVID vaccine "Corbevax" which is manufactured by the company Biological E. The firm is headquartered in Hyderabad. This indigenously made vaccine is a "Recombinant Protein Sub Unit Vaccine " (i.e.) made from the spike protein of COVID virus and is different from Covaxin or Covishield vaccines.

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