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1. 'Global Economic Prospects' is the flagship report of which institution?

- A) NITI Aayog
- B) RBI
- C) World Bank 🗹
- D) IMF



The World Bank has forecasted GDP growth of India to be 8.3 per cent for FY22, as against its earlier estimate of 10.1 percent. This has been published in the World Bank's Global Economic Prospects Report's latest issue. This slash in GDP is on account of unprecedented impact of second wave of COVID 19.

2. Which city has topped the list of The Economist's annual survey of the world's most liveable cities in 2021?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Auckland
- C) Madurai
- D) Vienna



- ✓ As per the Economist's annual survey of the world's most liveable cities in 2021, Auckland (New Zealand) has topped the list of most liveable cities in the world. This is followed by Osaka and Tokyo in Japan.
- ✓ Vienna, previously the world's most liveable city has fallen to 12th position. Auckland has topped the list owing to its successful approach in containing the COVID-19.
 - 3. Anup Chandra Pandey has been appointed to which constitutional position?
 - A) Chief Justice of India
 - B) Election Commissioner
 - C) CAG
 - D) Solicitor General



- Senior bureaucrat Anup Chandra Pandey has been appointed as the Election Commissioner of India. Mr. Pandey is a 1984-batch IAS officer who has served as the Chief Secretary of Uttar Pradesh. Anup Chandra Pandey is set to oversee the forthcoming assembly elections of Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Goa, Manipur and Uttarakhand.
 - 4. Which international agency has adopted a political declaration to end AIDS by the year 2030?
 - A) UN General Assembly 🗹
 - B) IMF
 - C) WHO
 - D) UNICEF



- The General Assembly of the United Nations has called for an immediate action to end AIDS from the world by the year 2030. The assembly had passed an approval in this regard and has noted the present condition of AIDS with an alarm. The declaration was adopted with 165 votes in favour and four against.
 - 5. Operation Pangea XIV was exercised by which agency?
 - A) IMF
 - B) Indian Army
 - C) Indian Airforce
 - D) INTERPOL **Z**

INTERPO

An exercise named the "Operation Pangea XIV" was conducted by the Interpol, in which the agency has taken down more than 1.10 lakh web links, including websites and online marketplaces, which were involved in illegal sale of medicines and medical products. India also participated in this operation and along with India, 92 countries participated in this exercise.

- 6. Digital India Corporation is an institution under which Ministry?
- A) Ministry of Home Affairs
- B) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- C) Ministry of Finance
- D) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- The Digital India Corporation is a Not-for-profit company, working under the Union Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- Recently, the company has entered into an MoU with Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) for providing 'Demand Based Tele Agriculture Advisories' to farmers. Under the MoU, "Interactive Information Dissemination System of DIC and KisanSarathi Platform" of ICAR will be collaborated to provide better extension services.
 - 7. As per the report "The Costs of Climate Change in India", by what % India's poverty rate would increase by 2040 due to climate change?
 - A) 2%
 - B) 3.5% 🗹
 - C) 4%
 - D) 10%



Digital India

- ✓ The report titled 'The Costs of Climate Change in India' has been released by London-based global think tank Overseas Development Institute. The report states that India's poverty would increase by 3.5% by the year 2040 on account of climate change. The report also stated that India would lose around 3 to 10 per cent GDP due to climate change by the year 2100.
 - 8. The report titled 'Child Labour: Global estimates 2020, trends and the road forward' has been released by ILO in association with which organization?
 - A) UNICEF 🗹
 - B) WHO
 - C) IMF



- D) World Bank
- The International Labour Organization (ILO) and the UNICEF have released a report titled 'Child Labour: Global estimates 2020, trends and the road forward'.
- ✓ This has been released ahead of the World Day Against Child Labour in June 12th. As per the report, the number of child labour has risen to an alarming number of 16 crore across the world.
 - 9. Which Indian institution has developed a technique to detect cyclone formation in North Indian Ocean region?
 - A) IIT Madras
 - B) IISc Bengaluru
 - C) IIT Kharaghpur 🗹
 - D) National Geophysical Research Institute
- Researchers at the Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur and Yantai Institute of Coastal Zone Research in China have developed a technique to detect cyclone formation in the North Indian Ocean region, in advance.



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- The study was conducted under the Climate Change Program with support from the Centre's Department of Science and Technology.
 - 10. With reference to Agriculture, what does 'NUE' stand for?
 - A) Nitrogen Utility Exposure
 - B) Nitrogen Use Efficiency 🗹
 - C) Nitrogen Ultra Efficiency
 - D) Nitro Benzene Use Efficiency



- ✓ Nitrogen use efficiency (NUE) is defined as the fraction of applied nitrogen that is absorbed and used by the plant. Recently, Indian biotechnologists have identified candidate genes for nitrogen use efficiency (NUE) in rice.
- ✓ This is expected to save nitrogenous pollution and fertilisers worth billions of rupees. After analysing over 16000 genes, researchers shortlisted 6 high priority target genes, to improve NUE in rice.

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