

1. Which Ministry has updated the atlas of glacial lakes that are part of the Ganga River basin?

- A) Ministry of Jal Shakti
- B) Ministry of Environment and Forest
- C) Ministry of Home Affairs
- D) Ministry of Defence



- ✓ The Union Ministry of Jal Shakti has recently released the updated atlas of glacial lakes that are part of the Ganga River basin. As per the atlas, 4,707 glacial lakes have been mapped in the Ganga basin which have a spread area greater than 0.25 ha. Resourcesat-2 (RS-2) has been used for this purpose.

2. What was the theme of International Day of Cooperatives celebrated on July 3, 2021?

- A) Cooperatives for a Better World
- B) Cooperatives for Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow
- C) Cooperatives for Every Community
- D) Rebuild better together



- ✓ The International Day of Cooperatives was celebrated on July 3, 2021 under the theme of 'Rebuild better together'. The day is celebrated every year on first Saturday of July.

3. Pushkar Singh Dhami, who recently became 11<sup>th</sup> and youngest CM of Uttarakhand, is an MLA from which constituency?

- A) Champawat
- B) Sitarganj
- C) Khatima
- D) Kotdwar



- ✓ Pushkar Singh Dhami (born 1975) has recently become the 11<sup>th</sup> and youngest Chief Minister of Uttarakhand. He is a member of the Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly from the Khatima constituency in Udham Singh Nagar district.

4. The Project BOLD (Bamboo Oasis on Lands in Drought) was recently launched from which state in India recently?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Rajasthan
- C) Haryana
- D) Madhya Pradesh



- ✓ The Project BOLD (Bamboo Oasis on Lands in Drought) is a project of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) that seeks to create bamboo-based green patches in arid and semi-arid land zones.
- ✓ It was launched on July 4, 2021 from tribal village Nichla Mandwa in Udaipur, Rajasthan. It is unique and first of its kind scientific exercise serving the combined national objectives of reducing desertification and providing livelihood and multi-disciplinary rural industry support.
- ✓ It has been launched as part of KVIC's "Khadi Bamboo Festival" to celebrate 75 years of independence "Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav". KVIC is set to replicate the Project at Village Dholera in Ahmedabad district in Gujarat and Leh-Ladakh region by August this year. Total 15,000 bamboo saplings will be planted before August, 2021.

5. Which post is held by Amitabh Kant, whose tenure has been extended?

- A) SBI Chairman
- B) NITI Aayog CEO



- C) Deputy Election Commissioner
- D) Comptroller and Auditor General

- ✓ Amitabh Kant is serving as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Indian Government think tank NITI Aayog. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has extended the tenure of Amitabh Kant to another one year. This is the third extension since he joined the NITI Aayog in 2016.

6. What is the rank of India in the Global Cybersecurity Index 2020?

- A) 35
- B) 25
- C) 16
- D) 10



- ✓ Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2020 has been launched by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), a UN body. India has entered the top-10 list for the first time. It has moved up 37 places to be placed in the 10th best country in the world on key cyber-safety parameters. The US topped the index, followed by the UK and Saudi Arabia at the second position, and Estonia at third in the index.

7. Which Department released the national space transportation policy?

- A) Department of Space
- B) Department of Information Technology
- C) Department of Communication
- D) Department of Logistics



- ✓ The Department of Space, Government of India has recently come out with the draft space transportation policy, under which it has encouraged private participation in space technology. The policy also lays special emphasis on Research and Development in green fuel, robotic space exploration and reusable rockets.

8. When was the GST system of taxation implemented in India?

- A) 2019 June 01
- B) 2018 July 01
- C) 2017 July 01
- D) 2018 August 15



- ✓ July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 marks the 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Goods and Services Tax (GST), which was implemented on the same date in 2017. This date has been designated by the Central Government as GST DAY.
- ✓ This year, the Union Finance Ministry has proposed to issue certificates of appreciation to 54,000 GST payers for timely filing of returns to mark the GST Day.

9. The Communist Party of which country has celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> foundation year recently?

- A) India
- B) China
- C) Japan
- D) Taiwan



- ✓ China's Communist Party has marked the 100th year of its inception recently. This was celebrated in a huge way at the country's Tiananmen Square. To mark this event, a 100-gun salute was made. Speaking at the occasion, the China's leader Xi Jinping addressed that the party was the only force capable of ensuring the country's rise.

10. Which international organisation has released the report titled 'COVID-19 and Tourism'?

- A) IMF
- B) UNCTAD
- C) WHO
- D) UNESCO



- ✓ The United Nation's trade and development body, UNCTAD (United Nations Conference on Trade and Development) has recently released a report 'COVID-19 and Tourism'.
  - ✓ As per the report, the world's tourism sector could lose at least USD 1.2 trillion or 1.5% of the global gross domestic product (GDP). If the break in international tourism lasts for 8 months, the loss could rise to USD 2.2 trillion or 2.8% of the global GDP.
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