

1. Which country holds the G20 Presidency in 2022?

- A. India
- B. China
- C. Indonesia
- D. Sri Lanka



- ✓ Environment officials from the Group of 20 nations met at Indonesia's Bali Island for talks on climate action and the global impact of the war in Ukraine. They also discussed the implementation of each G20 nation's contribution to fight climate change and synchronise targets among developing and developed countries.

2. Which institution has released the report incidence, mortality, morbidity and socio-economic burden of snakebite in the country?

- A. AIIMS
- B. ICMR
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. IMA



- ✓ Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has released a study on the incidence, mortality, morbidity and socioeconomic burden of snakebite in the country. As per the study, snakes kill more than 45,000 people in India each year, while only 30% of the victims reach hospitals to seek medical treatment. The number of deaths due to venomous snakebites in India is 46,900 per year.

3. Which regulatory body has notified a framework introducing a Social Stock Exchange (SSE) in India?

- A. Reserve Bank of India
- B. Securities and Exchange Board of India
- C. Department of Financial Services
- D. Economic Advisory Council



- ✓ The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has notified a framework introducing a Social Stock Exchange (SSE) in India. The new category of exchange will provide social enterprises an additional avenue to raise funds. The SSE lists non-profit organisations on stock exchanges and provides them with an alternative fund-raising avenue.

4. India recently signed a MoU with which country on biodiversity conservation?

- A. Japan
- B. Nepal
- C. Sri Lanka
- D. Australia



- ✓ India has recently approved an MoU with the Government of Nepal on biodiversity conservation, as proposed by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change. The MoU aims to strengthen cooperation in the field of forests, biodiversity conservation, and climate change. It also aims at including the restoration of corridors and interlinking areas and sharing of knowledge and best practices, between the two countries.

5. As per the recent NSO Data, what was India's GDP growth rate in the first quarter (April–June) of this fiscal year 2022–23?

- A. 12.3%
B. 13.5%
C. 14.7%
D. 15.2%



- ✓ As per the recent data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO), the Indian economy expanded at the quickest pace in a year. The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in the first quarter (April–June) of this fiscal year grew by 13.5%. This is lower than RBI's projections of 16.2% economic growth. GVA for the first quarter of FY23 (April–June) has come in at 12.7%.

6. World Organ Donation Day is celebrated on which date?

- A. August.11
B. August.13
C. September.13
D. September.11



- ✓ Every year, August 13 is celebrated as World Organ Donation Day to create awareness about organ donation. The day encourages people to donate organs as Organ failure is one of the major issues faced by people across the world. One can register for organ donation after attaining 18 years of age.

7. Which country hosted the 'Super Garuda Shield Defence Exercise'?

- A. USA
B. Indonesia
C. Australia
D. Japan



- ✓ Over 5000 soldiers from the US, Indonesia, Australia, Japan and Singapore participated in the joint combat exercises on Sumatra Island in Indonesia. The exercise was conducted amid growing Chinese maritime activity in the Indo–Pacific region. This is the largest edition of the exercise since it was launched in 2009.

8. What is the name of India's first Saline Water Lantern?

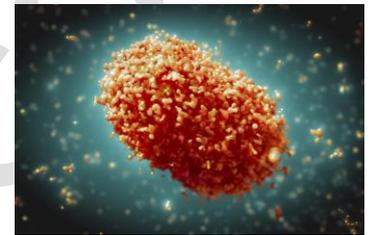
- A. Varthini
- B. Lavanya
- C. Roshni
- D. Keerthy



- ✓ Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh launched India's first Saline Water Lantern 'Roshni', during his visit to SAGAR ANVESHKA, a Coastal Research Vessel. The first-of-its kind lantern uses seawater as the electrolyte between specially designed electrodes to power the LED lamps.

9. What is the official name given to the monkeypox viruses, by the World Health Organisation (WHO)?

- A. Clade
- B. Fleet
- C. Cleo
- D. Halo



- ✓ The World Health Organisation (WHO) has announced new names for variants of the monkeypox virus to avoid causing any cultural or social offence. Experts will refer to the former Congo Basin clade (group of variants) in Central Africa as Clade I, and the former West African clade as Clade II. It consists of two sub-clades, Clade IIa and Clade IIb. The monkeypox virus was named when it was first discovered in 1958.

10. As of August 15, 2022, India has how many Ramsar sites?

- A. 75
- B. 57
- C. 100
- D. 250



- ✓ Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav announced that India has added 11 more wetlands to the list of Ramsar sites, bringing the country's total count to 75. Of the 11 new sites, four are in Tamil Nadu, three in Odisha, two Jammu and Kashmir, and one each in Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra. The 75 Ramsar sites cover an area of 1,326,677 ha in the country.