

1. The multi-nation military exercise named 'ZAPAD 2021' is held in which country?

- A) Russia
 B) China
 C) Sri Lanka
 D) India



- ✓ Indian Army is participating in Exercise ZAPAD 2021, a multinational exercise at Nizhniy, Russia from 3 to 16 September. The two-week military exercise named 'ZAPAD 2021' aimed at boosting anti-terror cooperation. More than a dozen countries from Eurasia and South Asia will also participate in the same exercise. China and Pakistan are also expected to take part in the exercise as observers. A contingent of 200 personnel of the Indian Army will participate in an exercise.

2. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the Central Board of Direct Taxes?

- A) J B Mohapatra
 B) Rajesh Damor
 C) Pramod Y Devikar
 D) Deepa Rasal



- ✓ Senior bureaucrat J B Mohapatra has been appointed the chairman of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT). Mohapatra, is a 1985-batch Indian Revenue Service (Income Tax) officer, is currently the member in the board that frames the policy for the Income Tax department. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the appointment of J B Mohapatra, as the Chairman of CBDT.

3. Which state has launched 'Innovation Mission', a public-private partnership, to boost start-up sector?

- A) Telangana
 B) Punjab
 C) Andhra Pradesh
 D) Kerala



- ✓ Chief Minister Amarinder Singh launched 'Innovation Mission Punjab' (IMPunjab), a public-private partnership, to boost start-up sector. The Mission aims to bring in global investors and experts to promote start-ups. The mission will be accelerated by the private sector with strong government backing.

4. What is the GST Revenue collected in the month of August, as per the recent data from Finance Ministry?

- A) Rs 88000 Cr
 B) Rs 98000 Cr
 C) Rs 1,12,000 Cr
 D) Rs 1,34,000 Cr



- ✓ As per the recent data from the Finance Ministry, GST revenue touched Rs 1,12,020 crore. The revenue remained above Rs 1 trillion-mark for the second straight month in August.
- ✓ This is 30 percent higher than the collection in the year-ago period, but lower than Rs 1.16 trillion collected in July 2021. During August, the revenues from domestic transactions were 27 percent higher than the revenues from these sources during the same month last year.

5. "Ubreathe Life", the world's first 'Plant based' smart air-purifier, has been developed by start-up of which institution?

- A) IIT-Madras
 B) IIT-Ropar
 C) IISc
 D) NIV



- ✓ A start-up company of IIT Ropar has claimed that it has developed the world's first 'Plant based' smart air-purifier. Named the "Ubreathe Life", has been developed by Urban Air Laboratory. The living-plant-based air purifier amplifies the air purification process in indoor spaces. The technology used in this product is 'Urban Munnar Effect'. Phytoremediation is a process by which plants effectively remove pollutants from the air.

6. Which is the first Indian state to vaccinate its entire adult population (first dose)?

- A) Tamil Nadu
 B) Himachal Pradesh
 C) Rajasthan
 D) Assam



- ✓ Himachal Pradesh has become the first State in the country where everyone above 18 years has been administered with at least one dose of the Covid-19 vaccine.
- ✓ As of August 31, India has also crossed the mark of 50 crore first doses and 15 crore second doses, with total vaccinations crossing 65 crores. India also set a record by providing more than 1 Crore vaccinations on a single day, for two days in the month of August.

7. According to UNEP, which variant of petrol has been eradicated from the globe?

- A) Leaded Petrol
 B) Waxed Petrol
 C) High Octane Petrol
 D) High Cetane Petrol



- ✓ The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has recently declared that the use of leaded petrol has been eradicated from the globe. This is seen as a major milestone in safeguarding human lives and environment, since this is expected to prevent 1.2 million premature deaths globally. Lead is added to low quality petrol to increase its octane number and hence enhance engine performance.

8. Which Indian state has launched a drone-based afforestation project, named 'Hara Bhara'?

- A) Gujarat
 B) Punjab
 C) Manipur
 D) Telangana



- ✓ The Telangana government has recently launched a drone-based afforestation project, named 'Hara Bhara'. The state has partnered with Marut Drones, a Hyderabad-based drone technology start-up, to launch the project.
- ✓ Under the initiative, the state government will plant 50 lakh trees across 12,000 hectares of land in forests in all the 33 districts of Telangana. Named the 'Seedcopter', it involves the preparation of the seed balls by the local women and welfare communities, which are dispersed via drones in the targeted areas.

9. Which Indian state/UT recently hosted the 'Nomadic Festival'?

- A) Ladakh
 B) Sikkim
 C) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
 D) Kerala



- ✓ Ladakh Lieutenant Governor RK Mathur recently inaugurated a 2-Day Ladakh Nomadic Festival at Korzok Phu, Changthang region of

eastern Ladakh. The festival is organised by Ladakh Cultural Academy in collaboration with Ladakh Tourism Department.

- ✓ It aims to highlight the distinctive culture of Changthang region. The Changthangi is a breed of cashmere goat native to Ladakh, reared by the nomads of the region for fine-grade Pashmina wool.

10. 'Eat Right Station' certification is an initiative of which institution?

- A) FAO
- B) FSSAI
- C) NABARD
- D) FCI



- ✓ 'Eat Right Station' certification is awarded by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), to Railway Stations. FSSAI empanelled third-party audit agency concludes the certification, with ratings from 1 to 5. The 5-star rating indicates excellent efforts by stations to ensure safe and hygienic food is available to passengers. Chandigarh Railway Station was awarded a 5- star 'Eat Right Station' certification for providing high-quality, nutritious food to passengers. The certification is part of the 'Eat Right India' movement of FSSAI.