

1. Which South Pacific Ocean country recently moved International Court of Justice, regarding Climate change?

- A) Fiji
B) Australia
C) Vanuatu ☒
D) Papua New Guinea



- ✓ Vanuatu, a South Pacific Ocean nation made up of 80 islands, has recently moved the International Court of Justice to issue an opinion on the rights of present and future generations to be protected from the effects of climate change.
- ✓ A dozen Pacific Island nations are facing rising sea levels and more regular storms. Vanuatu has a population of around 280,000. Vanuatu is set to route the initiative through the United Nations General Assembly.

2. Which entity operates "Digital Sky" Platform in India?

- A) NITI Aayog
B) Reserve Bank of India
C) Directorate General of Civil Aviation ☒
D) Ministry of Information Technology



- ✓ The "Digital Sky" Platform is operated by Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) in India. Recently, the Union Ministry of Civil Aviation has come out with an airspace map, exclusively for drone operations in India. This map can be accessed using the "Digital Sky" Platform. As per the map, air space is bifurcated into green, red and yellow zones for drone operations.

3. The Report on Deposits with Banks, is periodically released by which organization?

- A) DICGC
B) RBI ☒
C) Ministry of Finance
D) IBA



- ✓ The Report on Deposits with Banks is released by the Reserve Bank of India, which states that Bank deposits have grown by 11.9% year-on-year during FY 2020-21 compared to FY 2019-20. This is on account of growth in CASA (Current Account – Savings Account deposits).
- ✓ The report states that Maharashtra, UP and Karnataka constitute for 1/3rd total bank deposits in India.

4. National Pension System Diwas is set to be observed by PFRDA on which date?

- A) October.1 ☒
B) October.2
C) October.3
D) October.4



- ✓ Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) has proposed to celebrate October 1 as National Pension System (NPS) Diwas. This is a part of a campaign of PFRDA to promote pension and retirement planning.
- ✓ A campaign titled #npsdiwas is being promoted in social media. PFRDA is a statutory and regulatory body under the Union Ministry of Finance, whose present chairperson is Supratim Bandyopadhyay.

5. Which Indian state/UT hosted the 'First Himalayan Film Festival'?

- A) Ladakh ☒ B) Uttarakhand
C) Sikkim D) Jammu and Kashmir



- ✓ The 5-day 'First Himalayan Film Festival' has been inaugurated recently at Leh in the Union Territory of Ladakh by Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Anurag Thakur.
- ✓ The five-day festival is being held from September 24-28, 2021 as a part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations. The festival is being organised by the administration of UT of Ladakh in collaboration with the Directorate of Film Festivals, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. It is being hosted in collaboration with the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council, Leh.

6. Which country was ranked as worst environment for Internet freedom for the seventh year in a row by Freedom House?

- A) China ☒
B) North Korea
C) Syria
D) Iraq



- ✓ U.S.-based not-for-profit entity Freedom House recently released a report on Internet freedom, a term that includes digital rights, freedom of information, and the right to Internet access.
- ✓ As per the report, Internet Freedom has declined for the 11th year in a row worldwide. The greatest damaging effects were found in Myanmar, Belarus, and Uganda. China was ranked as the worst environment for Internet freedom for the seventh year in a row.

7. Abhishek Verma, who was seen in the news recently, is associated with which sports?

- A) Tennis
B) Badminton
C) Archery ☒
D) Cricket



- ✓ India's 3-time World Cup gold medal-winning compound archer Abhishek Verma has been elected to World Archery's athletes' committee. Reigning World Archery Champion Natalia Avdeeva of Russia and Abhishek Verma of India have been elected for a four-year term. 32-year-old Abhishek Verma, an Arjuna awardee, has won gold medals in the World Cups in Poland (2015) and Paris earlier this year.

8. Jyothi Surekha Vennam, who was seen in the news recently, is associated with which sports?

- A) Tennis
B) Squash
C) Archery ☒
D) Shooting



- ✓ Jyothi Surekha Vennam has bagged a silver medal in the women's compound event at the ongoing World Archery Championship in Yankton. She was defeated by world number three Sara Lopez of Colombia in the final clash.
- ✓ Earlier, the Indian women's and mixed compound teams won silver medals in the World Championships. India women's team comprised of Jyothi, Muskan Kirar and Priya Gurjar.

9. Who represented India in the Summit for Information and Democracy held at New York?

- A) Narendra Modi
B) Anurag Thakur ☒
C) Piyush Goyal
D) Nirmala Sitharaman



- ✓ Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting Anurag Thakur addressed the Summit for Information and Democracy on the sidelines of the UNGA organised in New York. He participated in the discussion, by joining from Leh, Ladakh.
- ✓ The 'International Partnership for Information and Democracy' was launched in New York on Sept.26 2019. It aims to promote freedom of opinion and expression and access to free, pluralistic and reliable information. The partnership has been signed by 43 States, till date.

10. What is the name of the third ever September cyclone which developed in the Bay of Bengal?

- A) Giza
- B) Gulab ☒
- C) Gina
- D) Guna



- ✓ The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announced Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, former United Nations under-secretary-general and executive director of UN Women, as the winner of the 2021 Global Goalkeeper Award. Fairouz Faizah Beether of Bangladesh has been chosen for the 2021 Changemaker Award for her work promoting good health and well-being.
 - ✓ The 2021 Progress Award recognizes Jenifer Colpas of Colombia for her work to improve access to clean water and sanitation. The 2021 Campaign Award, recognizes Satta Sheriff of Liberia for her work to promote gender equality.
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