

1. 'International Day of Awareness on Food Loss and Waste Reduction' is observed on which day?

- A) September.29 ☒
- B) September.30
- C) October.1
- D) October.2



- ✓ The world marks the second International Day of Awareness on Food Loss and Waste on September 29, 2021. UNEP also launched the 'Food is Never Waste' Coalition at the UN Food Systems Summit held recently. The theme of the day this year is 'Stop Food Loss and Waste; For the People; For the Planet'.
- ✓ Around 14 percent of food produced is lost between harvest and retail, while 17 percent of total global food production is wasted across the world in various stages. World Heart Day is also celebrated on 29 September. The theme of this year is 'Use Heart to Connect'.

2. Sweet Revolution, a NBHM scheme is associated with which product?

- A) Sugarcane
- B) Honey ☒
- C) Fruits
- D) Palm



- ✓ National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NBHM), which was announced for three years (2020-21 to 2022-23), aims for the development of scientific beekeeping in the country to achieve the goal of 'Sweet Revolution'. It is being implemented through National Bee Board (NBB).
- ✓ Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar recently launched 'Amul Honey- a product of Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation Ltd. with cooperation with 'National Bee Board'.

3. Fumio Kishida, who was seen in the news recently, is the next Prime Minister of which country?

- A) Japan ☒
- B) North Korea
- C) Thailand
- D) Vietnam



- ✓ Japan's former foreign minister Fumio Kishida is set to replace Yoshihide Suga as the Prime minister. He has won the ruling Liberal Democratic Party's leadership vote. Japan is facing a stagnant economy damaged by the coronavirus pandemic, unprecedented public health crisis, and increased political threatening by China.

4. Which Union Ministry has approved a "Dispute Avoidance Mechanism" through 'Independent Engineer' (IE)?

- A) Ministry of Power ☒
- B) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- C) Ministry of Electronics and IT
- D) Ministry of Science and Technology



- ✓ Union Minister of Power has recently approved a "Dispute Avoidance Mechanism" through 'Independent Engineer' (IE).
- ✓ The CPSEs executing Hydro Power Projects had been raising concerns that the present mechanism of dispute resolution in Hydro Power sector did not address the conflicts between the Employer and the Contractor at their initial stage.

5. Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme is associated with which Ministry?

- A) Ministry of MSME
- B) Ministry of Finance ☒
- C) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- D) Ministry of Textiles



- ✓ The Union Finance Ministry has extended the validity of the Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) by another six months till March 31, 2022, or till guarantees for the overall ceiling of Rs 4.5 lakh crore are issued, whichever is earlier.
- ✓ The scheme is aimed to support micro, small and medium enterprises, by helping them deal with funds shortage and promote exports. As of September 24, 2021, over Rs 2.86 lakh crore worth of loans were sanctioned under the scheme.

6. What is the new name of the national Mid-Day Meal Scheme?

- A) PM Mid-Day Meal
- B) PM Poshan ☒
- C) PM Bhojan
- D) PM Aahar



- ✓ The national Mid-Day Meal Scheme has been renamed as PM POSHAN Scheme. Involvement of Farmers Producer Organizations (FPO) and Women Self Help Groups in implementation of the scheme are also mentioned in the new features.
- ✓ The Union Cabinet approved the 'PM POSHAN in Schools' scheme that will provide hot cooked meal to students of elementary classes in government and government-aided schools across the country. It will also cover students of balvatikas or pre-primary classes.

7. 'Central Institute of Fisheries Technology' is located in which state?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Kerala ☒
- C) Andhra Pradesh
- D) Gujarat



- ✓ The Central Institute of Fisheries Technology (CIFT) was set up in 1957 in Cochin. It is the first and only national center where research in all disciplines relating to fishing and fish processing is undertaken. CIFT has developed fertiliser and pet supplement from shrimp shell. 'Foliar Spray', the customised fertiliser with antimicrobial agents, is developed to enhance crop yield and improve disease.

8. What percent of India's exports is contributed by MSMEs, approximately?

- A) 30
- B) 40 ☒
- C) 50
- D) 60



- ✓ India has more than 63 million MSMEs. They account for nearly 40 per cent of India's exports, about 6.11 percent of the country's manufacturing GDP. MSMEs contribute to 24.63 percent of the GDP from services sector.
- ✓ Union MSME Minister Narayan Rane has inaugurated the India Export Initiative and IndiaXports 2021 portal of the India SME Forum. India has fixed its exports target of USD 400 billion for this fiscal year. The Minister said that MSMEs would further take it to \$1 trillion by 2027.

9. 'Clean India Programme' has been inaugurated from which state?

- A) Bihar
- B) Uttar Pradesh ☒
- C) Gujarat
- D) West Bengal



- ✓ Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting, Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Thakur launched a month-long Clean India Programme from Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology-Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh. The programme has been launched as a part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- ✓ The aim of the cleanliness drive is to create awareness, encourage people and make them involve in cleaning waste especially the, 'Single Use Plastic' waste throughout the country. This campaign will continue till 31st October.

10. Hwasong-8, which was seen in the news recently, is a new hypersonic missile tested by which country?

- A) China
- B) Japan
- C) Israel
- D) North Korea ☒



- ✓ North Korea has claimed that it successfully tested a new hypersonic missile called Hwasong-8. This technology allows missiles to be pre-fuelled and then sent to the field. Days after the hypersonic missile, North Korea said it test-fired a new anti-aircraft missile. This marks the country's fourth weapons test in under a month. North Korea also said that its weapons are needed for self-defence.