

1. Indian Born Dr Abdul Qadeer Khan, who passed away recently is associated with which field?

- A) Atomic and Nuclear Science ☒
- B) Cricket
- C) Politics
- D) Agriculture



- ✓ Indian Born Dr Abdul Qadeer Khan, also known as the father of Pakistan's atomic weapons program died recently in Pakistan. He was born in the year 1936 in Bhopal and moved to Pakistan during the 1947 Partition of India and Pakistan.

2. When is the 'International Day of the Girl Child' observed across the world?

- A) October.10
- B) October.11 ☒
- C) October.14
- D) October.15



- ✓ The International Day of the Girl Child is observed annually on October 11, to highlight the gender equality impacts. In 2011, the United Nations General Assembly declared October 11 as the International Day of the Girl Child, to recognise the challenges faced by girls.
- ✓ This year, the UN urges the world to bridge the gender digital divide existing in diverse skills and jobs.

3. Which Indian banker has joined as the Chairman of BharatPe?

- A) Arundhati Bhattacharya
- B) Rajnish Kumar ☒
- C) Chanda Kochhar
- D) Urjit Patel



- ✓ Rajnish Kumar, former chairman of State Bank of India (SBI), has joined the board of Fintech firm BharatPe as its Chairman. Rajnish Kumar earlier retired from the country's largest lender after four decades of service in October 2020. He was previously appointed as a non-executive director for banking giant HSBC's Asia unit.

4. Minister for Forest and Environment released the Vision Plan for Indian zoos, for which duration?

- A) 2021-2031 ☒
- B) 2021-2025
- C) 2022-2032
- D) 2022-2026



- ✓ Union Environment Minister released important publications of the Central Zoo Authority, at the National conference for Zoo directors and veterinarians organized by Central Zoo Authority and hosted by Sardar Patel Zoological Park, Gujarat.
- ✓ First is the Vision Plan [2021-2031] for Indian zoos to upgrade them to global standards and strengthening of Central Zoo Authority. It focusses on animal care, research, and visitor experiences. Second is the WASH Manual for Zoos- for creating and maintaining WASH facilities within the premises for staff and visitors. He also gave away 'Prani Mitra' Awards, set up by CZA.

5. Who has been appointed the director-general of the Indian Space Association (ISPA)?

- A) Anil Bhatt ☒
- B) Amit Shah
- C) Ajit Doval
- D) Rajnath Singh



- ✓ The Prime Minister recently launched the Indian Space Association (ISPA). It is an industry association of space and satellite companies. The Founding members include Larson & Toubro, Nelco (Tata Group), OneWeb, Bharti Airtel, MapmyIndia, Walchandnagar Industries and Ananth Technology Limited. Other core members include Godrej, Hughes India, among others. Lt Gen Anil Bhatt (Retd) has been appointed the director-general of the association.

6. Which public sector bank has launched a campaign named "6S Campaign"?

- A) State Bank of India
- B) Punjab National Bank ☒
- C) Canara Bank
- D) Bank of Baroda



- ✓ Punjab National Bank, the country's second largest Public Sector Bank, has launched a "6S Campaign" including different schemes such as - Swabhiman, Samruddhi, Sampark and Shikhar, Sankalp and Swagat. The objective is to drive awareness campaign for development of financial services in the country. It aims to create awareness on credit growth, social security schemes and drive digital banking push, especially credit outreach for the agricultural sector.

7. India agreed to provide a USD 200 million Line of Credit for development projects in which country?

- A) Nepal
- B) Tajikistan
- C) Kyrgyzstan ☒
- D) Indonesia



- ✓ External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar held talks with the top Kyrgyzstan leadership to boost bilateral ties, including defence cooperation. India also agreed to provide a USD 200 million Line of Credit for development projects in the country. Jaishankar is on his four-day visit to Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan and Armenia with an aim to further expand bilateral ties with the three Central Asian countries.

8. Mont Blanc, which was seen in the news recently, is the highest peak in which mountain range?

- A) Himalayas
- B) Alps ☒
- C) Andes
- D) Mount Everest



- ✓ Mont Blanc is the highest mountain in the Alps and Western Europe. The summit of the Mont Blanc peak, has shrunk by two metres over the past 20 years. Recently, surveyors including experts and high mountain guides measured the peak and announced its new measurements. It has reached an official height of 4,807.81 metres above sea level. The highest reading was 4,810.9 metres in 2007.

9. When is the International Translation Day celebrated every year?

- A) September 30 ☒
- B) October 1
- C) October 2
- D) October 3



- ✓ Every year, the 30th September is celebrated as the International Translation Day. This day is chosen to remember the Bible translator St. Jerome, who is considered the father of translators.

- ✓ A resolution in this regard was passed by the United Nations General Assembly in the year 2017, in order to recognise the role played by language professionals in connecting nations and promoting peace.

10. David Julius and Ardem Patapoutian, who were in the news recently, are the winners of which award?

- A) Manboker Prize
- B) Abel Prize
- C) Nobel Prize ☒
- D) Fields Medal



- ✓ 2021 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine has been announced to two joint winners, David Julius and Ardem Patapoutian.
- ✓ The award has been given for their discoveries of receptors for temperature and touch that gives the ability to sense heat, cold and touch needed for survival. David Julius is a professor with the School of Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco. Ardem Patapoutian is an immigrant, is a Professor in the Department of Neuroscience at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.