

1. When is the 'National Voluntary Blood Donation Day' observed?

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



- ✓ National Voluntary Blood Donation Day is celebrated on 1st October of every year across the country. It aims to raise awareness about blood donation and promote voluntary Blood donation in the country.
- ✓ The theme for this year's Blood donation event is "Give Blood and keep the world beating". Our country needs around 1.45 crore units of blood every year. Collection of blood is done through 3500 licensed blood banks across the country.

2. Who is the head of the expert panel set up by the International Financial Services Centres Authority, on sustainable finance?

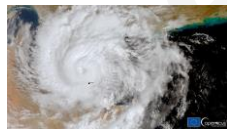
- A) Urjit Patel
 B) C K Mishra ☒
 C) Abhijeet Banerjee
 D) Jean Drèze



- ✓ The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) has set up an expert panel headed by former Environment and Forest Secretary C K Mishra to suggest a framework to develop a world-class sustainable finance hub at IFSC. IFSCA was established in April last year under the IFSC Authority Act, 2019. It is headquartered at GIFT City, Gandhinagar.
- ✓ IFSCA is an authority for the development and regulation of financial products, financial services and financial institutions in the International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) in India.

3. What is the name of the cyclone that hit Oman and is an offspring of the cyclone Gulab?

- A) Shaheen ☒
 B) Fakit
 C) Gulmuhar
 D) Tez



- ✓ The Tropical Cyclone Shaheen has hit the coast of Oman. This cyclone is an offspring of the cyclone Gulab which had a devastating impact on the east coast of India in late September 2021. The remnant of cyclone Gulab along with the low-pressure region over Gujarat had gained strength to form the new cyclone Shaheen.

4. Which Ministry has launched the "Good Samaritan" initiative?

- A) Ministry of Finance
 B) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways ☒
 C) Ministry of Rural Development
 D) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare



- ✓ The Government of India's Union Ministry of Road transport and highways has launched a scheme named "Good Samaritan". Under the scheme, anyone who saves the life of a road accident victim would be incentivized with Rs.5000/- and a certificate, if the victims are rushed to hospital within the "Golden hour". Also, individuals could be awarded a maximum of five times in a year under the scheme.

5. "Keeping cybercriminals out: #JustOneClick" is a cyber security campaign launched by which organization?

- A) NASSCOM
 B) RBI
 C) Data Security Council of India
 D) Interpol ☒



- ✓ The Interpol has launched a cyber security campaign - "Keeping cybercriminals out: #JustOneClick" from Oct.4 to 22, which will be organized mainly in social media.
- ✓ The aim of this campaign is to create awareness about cyber threats and help people to protect their computer systems, networks and personal information from cyber criminals.

6. Maria Ressa and Dmitry Muratov, who received Nobel Peace Prize, are associated with which profession?

- A) Politics
 B) Journalism ☒
 C) Defence
 D) Social Service



- ✓ Maria Ressa and Dmitry Muratov have been chosen for the Nobel Peace Prize 2021, for their efforts to safeguard and promote freedom of expression in the Philippines and Russia.
- ✓ Maria Ressa is a Filipino-American journalist, author, and the co-founder of a media company Rappler. Dmitry Muratov is a Russian journalist and a television presenter.

7. Subject Expert Committee on Covid-19 granted emergency use approval to which vaccine for children (2-18 years)?

- A) Covishield
 B) Covaxin ☒
 C) Sputnik
 D) Pfizer



- ✓ Subject Expert Committee on Covid-19 granted emergency use approval to Bharat Biotech's Covaxin for children in the 2-18 years age group.
- ✓ Hyderabad-based Bharat Biotech had completed Phase-2 and Phase-3 trials of Covaxin on children below 18 years of age and submitted the trial data to the Drugs and Comptroller General of India (DCGI). The 1st group examined was between 12 -18 years, the 2nd group was between 6- 12 years and the third age group was between 2-6 years.

8. CRISP-M tool, which was seen in the news recently, embeds climate information in implementing which scheme?

- A) MGNREGS ☒
 B) PM Awas Yojana
 C) SAUBHAGYA
 D) PM Ujjwala Yojana



- ✓ Union Minister of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Shri Giriraj Singh jointly launched Climate Resilience Information System and Planning (CRISP-M) tool.
- ✓ It is used for integration of climate information in Geographic Information System based watershed planning under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee scheme. It was launched along with Lord Tariq Ahmad, Minister of State for South Asia and the Commonwealth in the UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office through a virtual event.

9. Union Home Ministry has enhanced the powers of which Central Armed Police Force, recently?

- A) ITBP
 B) BSF ☒
 C) CRPF
 D) CISF



- ✓ The Union Home Ministry has recently enhanced the powers of the Border Security Force (BSF) to arrest, search and seize within 50 km from the international boundary in Assam, West Bengal and Punjab. BSF is a Central armed police force under the Union.
- ✓ This power will also be applicable to the newly created Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh. Earlier, the BSF's limit was fixed up to 80 km from the international boundary in Gujarat and 15 km in Rajasthan, Punjab, West Bengal and Assam.

10. Who is the first Indian to be elected as the Chairman of World Steel Association?

- A) Sajjan Jindal ☒
- B) Aditya Mittal
- C) Anirban Dasgupta
- D) Gautam Adani



- ✓ JSW Steel Chairman and Managing Director Sajjan Jindal has been elected as the Chairman of the World Steel Association (WSA) for the 2021-22 period. Jindal also becomes the first representative from India to serve as Chairman of the WSA.
- ✓ He precedes Yu Yong as the Chairman of WSA, whose members represent approximately 85 percent of the world's steel production. Established in 1967, it is headquartered in Brussels.