

1. "Extended Producer Responsibility" which is in news recently, is associated with?

- A) Plastic waste management ☒
- B) Automobile Manufacturing
- C) Meat Production
- D) Agricultural Export



- ✓ The Union Ministry of Environment has released a draft notification on regulation of extended producer responsibility under the plastic waste management rules 2016. This covers three categories of plastics namely rigid plastic packaging; flexible plastic packaging of single layer / multilayer plastics. As per the draft, quantity of waste that will have to be managed by producers and importers has been specified.

2. Which institution has released the 'State of The World's Hand Hygiene' report?

- A) WHO and UNICEF ☒
- B) NITI Aayog
- C) Bell and Melinda Gates Foundation
- D) Indian Medical Association



- ✓ World Health Organization (WHO) and UNICEF jointly released the 2021 State of The World's Hand Hygiene report. As per the report, all households in the world's 46 least developed countries could have handwashing facilities by 2030 if the world invested less than \$1 per person per year, in hand hygiene. An annual cost to governments on promoting handwashing with soap at home comes to 2.5% of the average government health expenditure in these countries.

3. What is the name of skill development programme for the unemployed youths of India, conducted by Indian Railway?

- A) Better India Better World
- B) Skill India
- C) Rail Dristi
- D) Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana ☒



- ✓ The Rail Kaushal Vikas Yojana is a technical skill development programme organized and conducted by the Indian Railways, to unemployed youths of age 18-35 years.
- ✓ The scheme aims to enhance their employability and entrepreneurship. Recently, the Indian Railways' Banaras Locomotive Works had successfully conducted the training for its first batch of trainees, and distributed self-employment toolkits cum certificated to the trainees.

4. "The Naval Interaction-2021" is a joint naval exercise between which two countries?

- A) India and USA
- B) India and China
- C) China and Russia ☒
- D) Japan and Australia



- ✓ The Naval forces of China and Russia have commenced the "The Naval Interaction-2021" joint Naval exercise, which aims to enhance the two country's capability and hone their skills to jointly deal with maritime security threats. The exercise is taking place at Russia's Peter the Great Gulf in the Sea of Japan.

5. What is the theme of 'World Sight Day 2021'?

- A) Love Your Eyes ☒
- B) Donate Eyes; Donate Life
- C) Eye Health matters
- D) Sight First



- ✓ World Sight Day is observed annually on the second Thursday of October. This year, the Day is observed on October 14.
- ✓ It is a global event which aims to create awareness on blindness and vision impairment. It was originally initiated by the Sight First Campaign of Lions Club International Foundation in 2000. The theme for World Sight Day 2021 is 'Love Your Eyes'.

6. Where was the eighth ministerial meeting of the India-USA Economic and Financial Partnership Dialogue held recently?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Washington DC ☒
- C) Pune
- D) New York



- ✓ The eighth ministerial meeting of the India-U.S.A. Economic and Financial Partnership Dialogue held at Washington DC. The meeting was chaired by Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs Nirmala Sitharaman and the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States Dr. Janet Yellen.
- ✓ During the meeting, discussions were held on recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, financial regulatory and technical collaboration, multilateral engagement, climate finance and anti-money laundering and combating the financing of terrorism.

7. The Challenge, the world's first movie in space, is being made by which country?

- A) USA
- B) Russia ☒
- C) China
- D) Israel



- ✓ "The Challenge" is the world's first movie to be shot in space. Russian actress and a director along with a cosmonaut returned to Earth after spending 12 days in the International Space Station (ISS) shooting scenes for the movie. The trio departed ISS in their Soyuz MS-18 spacecraft, according to NASA. They blasted off from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan earlier this month.

8. A K Goel, MD & CEO of UCO Bank has been recently elected as the Chairman of which body?

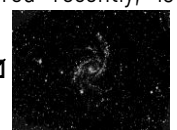
- A) Press Trust of India
- B) IBPS
- C) Indian Bank's Association ☒
- D) RBI Services Board



- ✓ The present Managing Director and CEO of UCO Bank Shri. A K Goel has been elected as the chairman of Indian Bank's Association for the year 2021-22. The election was held at the body's Managing Committee meeting held on 2021 Oct.14th. He succeeds Rajkiran Rai G, who is the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Union Bank of India.

9. 'Hamilton's Object' which was discovered recently, is associated with which field?

- A) Physics
- B) Space Science ☒
- C) Virology
- D) Economics



- ✓ From the images captured by the NASA/ESA Hubble Space Telescope, a team of astronomers led by Timothy Hamilton have discovered an unusual gravitational lensing configuration. It is named as 'Hamilton's Object'.

10. *Amoria thorae*, which was seen in the news recently, is a new species of?

- A) Marine Snail ☒
- B) Turtle
- C) Spider
- D) Crab



- ✓ *Amoria* is a genus of marine gastropods (snails and slugs). These predatory creatures are found in onshore and offshore waters around the entire coast of Australia. Some species extend into waters of southern Indonesia. Named *Amoria thorae*, the species is very rare.
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