

1. Which country was recently hit by the tropical storm Kompasu?

- A) Philippines ☒
 B) USA
 C) Indonesia
 D) Germany



- ✓ Tropical storm Kompasu hit the Philippines and left dead at least 19 people. The storm has triggered landslides and flash floods as it crossed the northern tip of the Asia-Pacific islands.
 ✓ Kompasu returned to tropical storm strength after making landfall on the Chinese island province of Hainan. It also crossed Hong Kong and Vietnam and caused damages.

2. Actor William Shatner, who became the oldest person ever in space, travelled aboard the rocket-ship of which agency?

- A) Virgin Galactic
 B) Blue Origin ☒
 C) SpaceX
 D) United Launch Alliance



- ✓ Actor William Shatner flew aboard a Blue Origin rocket-ship on a sub-orbital trip and landed in the Texas desert to become at age 90 the oldest person ever in space. Shatner was one of four passengers aboard the fully autonomous New Shepard spacecraft. The four astronauts travelled above the internationally recognized boundary of space known as the Karman Line, about 100 km above Earth.

3. Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Prerana Sthal was inaugurated at Naval Science & Technological Laboratory, located in which city?

- A) Kochi
 B) Visakhapatnam ☒
 C) Chennai
 D) Bhubaneswar



- ✓ 'Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Prerana Sthal' was inaugurated at Naval Science & Technological Laboratory (NSTL), Visakhapatnam. It was inaugurated on the occasion of 90th birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, and to commemorate 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. NSTL is the premier naval research laboratory of Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO). NSTL products including Varunastra, Torpedo Advanced Light (TAL) and Maareech decoy are displayed at the venue.

4. "Our Future is at Hand – Let's Move Forward Together" Is the theme of which special day observed on October 15?

- A) Global Handwashing Day ☒
 B) World Zoonotic Diseases Day
 C) World Malnourishment Day
 D) World Hygiene Day



- ✓ Global Handwashing Day 2021 is observed on October 15, to spread awareness about the importance of hygiene. The theme for 2021 is "Our Future is at Hand – Let's Move Forward Together." The day was founded by the Global Handwashing Partnership.

5. Pragganandhaa, who was seen in the news recently, is associated with which game?

- A) Cricket
 B) Chess ☒
 C) Soccer
 D) Volleyball



- ✓ Pragganandhaa is Indian ace Chess player and is one of the young Grandmasters of the country. Recently, he won Julius Baer

Challengers Chess Tour by winning against his American opponent Christopher Yoo. With this victory, Pragganandhaa has won \$12,500 prize money as well as the right to play with an elite set of chess champions at the Meltwater Champions Tour in 2022.

6. "Collective Security Treaty Organisation", which is an intergovernmental military alliance, comprises how many full-time members?

- A) 17
 B) 13
 C) 11
 D) 6 ☒



- ✓ The Collective Security Treaty Organisation (CSTO) is an inter-governmental military alliance of 6 full time members (Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan) and two non-member observer states (Afghanistan and Serbia).
 ✓ Recently the CSTO has proposed to hold a military drill near the Afghan border in Tajikistan from October 22-23.

7. Where is NATO's headquarters located?

- A) Belgium ☒
 B) USA
 C) Russia
 D) France



- ✓ North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is an intergovernmental military alliance of 30 member countries, of which 28 are European countries and 2 North American Countries. The NATO is headquartered at Brussels, Belgium. Recently, Russia has announced that it is suspending its missions to NATO and that NATO's military liaison and information offices in Moscow would be closed.

8. As per the study conducted by the Council on Energy, Environment and Water, which state/UT top in electric cooking?

- A) Delhi and Haryana
 B) Maharashtra and Goa
 C) Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh
 D) Delhi and Tamil Nadu ☒



- ✓ As per the study report by the Council on Energy, Environment and Water, 17% of households in Delhi and Tamil Nadu are using some form of electric cooking means. The rate in Telangana is 15% and in the state of Kerala the rate is 12%. Council on Energy, Environment and Water commonly called as CEEW, is a not-for-profit policy research institution based at Delhi.

9. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar has unveiled the "Bhoodan Grove" plaque in which country?

- A) USA
 B) UK
 C) France
 D) Israel ☒



- ✓ India's External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar has unveiled the "Bhoodan Grove" plaque at Jerusalem Forest of Israel. This is in recognition of Jayaprakash Narayan's visit to Israel in 1958 and a 27-member Sarvodaya team in 1960 to Israel, to study the social structure of Israel's communal and cooperative institutions.

10. Pamban railway bridge, which was seen in the news recently, is located in which district?

- A) Ramanathapuram ☒
- B) Thoothukudi
- C) Sivagangai
- D) Pudukkottai



- ✓ Indian Railways had begun the construction work on the new 2.05 km Pamban railway bridge in Mandapam, which will connect Rameswaram to the mainland in Tamil Nadu. The Ministry of Railways announced that this bridge will be operational from March next year.
 - ✓ The new 2-km-long bridge, linking the island of Rameswaram in the Bay of Bengal to the mainland, is set to replace the existing 104-year-old bridge. It will have a 63-metre stretch, that will lift up vertically to allow passage to small ships.
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