

1. Where is the Institute of Tropical Meteorology located?

- A) Mumbai  
B) Kolkata  
C) New Delhi  
D) Pune



- ✓ The Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM) is an autonomous institution under the Union Ministry of Earth Science, and is located at Pune. The institution has developed and launched a new 'Decision Support System' (DSS) aimed to enhance the existing 'Air Quality Early Warning System', for airquality measurement and management in Delhi.

2. Kung Fu Nuns, who won the Martial Arts Education Prize 2021 from the UNESCO, belong to which lineage of Buddhism?

- A) Drukpa   
B) Nyingma  
C) Kagyu  
D) Sakya



- ✓ The world-renowned Kung Fu Nuns of the Drukpa order of Buddhism has won the prestigious Martial Arts Education Prize 2021 from the UNESCO International Centre for Martial Arts for their brave acts of service. Through martial arts, the Drukpa nuns empower young girls to defend themselves, build confidence, and take on leadership roles in their communities.

3. What is the name of India's first indigenous aircraft carrier?

- A) Arjun  
B) Vikrant   
C) Kattabomman  
D) Bharathi



- ✓ India's first indigenous aircraft carrier (IAC) Vikrant has recently begun its second phase of sea trails, ahead of its planned induction into the Indian Navy by August 2022. The warship will operate MiG-29K fighter jets, Kamov-31 helicopters, MH-60R multi-role helicopters.

4. Mullaperiyar dam, located in Kerala, is in control of which state?

- A) Tamil Nadu   
B) Karnataka  
C) Andhra Pradesh  
D) Telangana



- ✓ The Mullaperiyar dam is located in the state of Kerala and is in control of Tamil Nadu. There has been a long dispute since it presents a threat to lakhs living downstream in Kerala and it irrigates over 2 lakh hectares in five districts of Tamil Nadu. Recently, the Supreme Court directed that the maximum water level in Mullaperiyar dam should be 139.50 ft until November 10. The dam is located in the upper region of the river Periyar, which originates in Tamil Nadu and flows into Kerala.

5. 'National Fund to Control Drug Abuse' is associated with which Union Ministry?

- A) Ministry of Home Affairs  
B) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment   
C) Ministry of Women and Child Development  
D) Ministry of Law and Justice



- ✓ The Social Justice and Empowerment Ministry has recently recommended that the National Fund to Control Drug Abuse may be

used to carry out de-addiction programmes. The fund was created in accordance with a provision of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, has a nominal corpus of ₹23 crore.

- ✓ The Act states that the fund would be used to combat illicit trafficking of narcotics, rehabilitating addicts, and preventing drug abuse. As the fund is being used only for policing activities, the Ministry proposed to add de-addiction to it.

6. 'Operation Red Rose' is an anti-illicit liquor campaign, being implemented in which state?

- A) Tamil Nadu  
B) New Delhi  
C) Punjab   
D) Rajasthan



- ✓ Punjab's Excise Department launched 'Operation Red Rose' in 2020, to curb illicit liquor trading and nail excise-related crimes. Recently, it has been using precise tracking and monitoring systems like Global Positioning System (GPS) technology, to check illicit distillation and smuggling of liquor.

7. "Appscale Academy" is an initiative by which tech giant, in association with the MeitY Startup Hub?

- A) Yahoo  
B) Facebook  
C) Twitter  
D) Google



- ✓ The tech major Google has partnered with MeitY Startup Hub, to launch "Appscale Academy", which aims to help Indian startups to create high-quality apps. The initiative of Google would specifically cater to the needs to local - early to mid-stage startups in India and support them to create applications in domains like gaming, education, social impact, health care etc.

8. The United Nations General Assembly has designated the year 2021 as?

- A) International Year Against Terrorism  
B) International Year of Health Care  
C) International Year to fight COVID  
D) International Year of Fruits and Vegetables



- ✓ The United Nations General Assembly has declared the year 2021 as the International Year of Fruits and Vegetables, with Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) as the lead agency to celebrate this year, along with other relevant organizations. This year seeks to spread awareness on the role played by fruits and vegetables in human nutrition, and in food security.

9. Kushagra Rawat and Srihari Nataraj are associated with which sport?

- A) Cricket  
B) Golf  
C) Archery  
D) Aquatics



- ✓ Kushagra Rawat of Delhi and Srihari Nataraj of Karnataka are Indian Aquatic champions, who have created new national records in 400m freestyle and 100 backstroke events respectively at the 74<sup>th</sup> Senior National Aquatic Championships.

- ✓ Kushagra Rawat has created a new record of 3:53.68 seconds, while Srihari Nataraj finished in 55.10 seconds in 100 m back stroke.
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10. Where is the headquarters of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime?

- A) Austria
- B) USA
- C) Germany
- D) Hungary



- ✓ The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) was established in the year 1997 with its headquarters as Vienna, Austria. The institution is in news recently, as it has launched Data Disclosure Framework (DDF) in association with the Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate.
  - ✓ The DDF is a tool which describes the practices developed to handle and respond to the data requests from foreign criminal justice authorities for counter-terrorism investigations.
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