

1. 'Seema Bhawani' is the name of which team of the Border Security Force (BSF)?

- A) Camel Contingent
- B) Creek Crocodile
- C) All-women Biker Team ☒
- D) All-women Creek Crocodile



- ✓ 'Seema Bhawani' is the all-women biker team of the Border Security Force (BSF). The team will showcase their talent on the Republic Day. Over 100 female troops from different ranks are taking part in the event. Seema Bhawani team was formed in the year 2016 and they participated in the Republic Day parade in 2018, for the first time.

2. Atal Tunnel, which was seen in the news recently, is located in which state/UT?

- A) Himachal Pradesh ☒
- B) Arunachal Pradesh
- C) Sikkim
- D) Uttarakhand



- ✓ Atal Tunnel is located in the hilly state of Himachal Pradesh. It is all-weather 9km road under the Rohtang Pass on the Leh-Manali Highway. The Tunnel saw a record number of vehicles crossing on the first day of 2022. As per officials, a total of 7,515 vehicles crossed the tunnel on January 1, 2022. This is the highest ever count since it was inaugurated on October 3, 2020.

3. Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA), which was making news recently, is located at which state?

- A) Uttar Pradesh ☒
- B) Uttarakhand
- C) Bihar
- D) West Bengal



- ✓ Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA) was established by the Government of India in the year 1986 at Fursatganj Airfield. It is located in the state of Uttar Pradesh. IGRUA is an Autonomous Body and it is administered by a Governing Council under Ministry of Civil Aviation.
- ✓ During 2021, IGRUA recorded 19000 hours of flying as against an average yearly flying output of 15000 per year during the previous five years. It also targets 25000 flying hours in 2022.

4. "Blue Book" which was seen in the news, is the manual of which armed force / group?

- A) Central Reserve Police Force
- B) Special Protection Group ☒
- C) National Security Guard
- D) Indian Coast Guard



- ✓ "Blue Book" is the name of the manual of the Special Protection Group (SPG), which exclusively protects India's Prime Minister. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi spent 20 minutes on a Punjab highway blocked by protesting farmers in a security breach.
- ✓ Usually, the PM's plan is shared with the state's top leadership including the Chief Minister, Home Minister and police chief. SPG coordinates with State Police and other officers for a security plan.

5. Which state/UT recognised Takht Damdama Sahib, as the fifth Takht of Sikhs?

- A) Punjab
- B) Delhi ☒
- C) Bihar
- D) Uttar Pradesh



- ✓ Delhi Assembly passed an amendment Bill to the Delhi Sikh Gurdwara Act, 1971, to recognise Takht Damdama Sahib as the fifth Takht of Sikhs. A Takht, or a throne, is a seat of temporal authority for Sikhs. There are five Sikh Takhts, three in Punjab and one each in Maharashtra and Bihar.

6. Novak Djokovic, who was named the 'Best Balkan Athlete of the year' 2021, is from which country?

- A) Bulgaria
- B) Siberia
- C) Serbia ☒
- D) Greece



- ✓ Ace Tennis Player Novak Djokovic from Serbia was named the Best Balkan Athlete of the year for a record seventh time. The 34-year-old player is ranked No. 1 in the world and won three of the four Grand Slam tournaments this year. Greek basketball player Giannis Antetokounmpo was second in the poll, followed by another Greek long jumper Miltiadis Tentoglu.

7. Which country launched the 'Simorgh' satellite carrier rocket with research devices?

- A) Bangladesh
- B) Iran ☒
- C) Israel
- D) UAE



- ✓ Iran has launched a satellite carrier rocket 'Simorgh' bearing three research devices into space, as per the country's media. 'Simorgh' translates to 'Phoenix' in Iran language. The country has launched the devices at an altitude of 470 kilometres (290 miles). United States unilaterally withdrew from the nuclear deal in May 2018 and re-imposed sanctions against Iran.

8. Which Indian state recorded the highest Tiger deaths in 2021?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Madhya Pradesh ☒
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Gujarat



- ✓ As per the data available in the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)'s website, a total of 126 tiger deaths were recorded in the country in 2021. It is said that out of 126 reported tiger deaths, 60 were due to poachers, accidents, animal-human conflict outside protected areas. The maximum tiger deaths took place in Madhya Pradesh (44), followed by Maharashtra (26) and Karnataka (14).

9. Which city has the longest metro rail network in the world?

- A) Chennai
- B) New Delhi
- C) Shanghai ☒
- D) Tokyo



- ✓ China's Shanghai has maintained its position as having the longest metro rail network in the world by adding two new lines that went into operation recently. The new lines took the total length of the city's metro network to 831 km. Shanghai's Metro network is followed by Beijing, and Delhi was ranked third.

10. 'Atacama Large Millimeter/submillimeter Array (ALMA)' is located in which country?

- A) USA
- B) Chile ☒
- C) Australia
- D) Russia



- ✓ A team of Scientists used the Atacama Large Millimeter / submillimeter Array (ALMA) in Chile to observe a newborn star (protostar) in the WB89-789 region.
 - ✓ It is located in the extreme outer Galaxy. Scientists have detected carbon-, oxygen-, nitrogen-, sulfur-, and silicon-bearing molecules were detected. The protostar and the associated cocoon of chemically-rich gas was detected at the edge of our Galaxy, for the first time.
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