

1. Indian Women's Hockey Team won which position in the Asia Cup 2022?

- A) First
B) Second
C) Third
D) Fourth



- ✓ India women's hockey team have won bronze medal after beating former champions China. Though Savita Punia-led missed to defend their Asia Cup title, they returned with bronze. After defeating Malaysia 9-0, India suffered a 0-2 defeat against Asian Games champions Japan.
- ✓ It thrashed Singapore 9-1 to qualify for the semi-finals and was beaten by Korea. Japan won the Asia Cup Title after defeating South Korea.

2. Which country launched the Hwasong-12 mid-range ballistic missile?

- A) China
B) Japan
C) North Korea
D) South Korea



- ✓ North Korea has confirmed that it fired a Hwasong-12 mid-range ballistic missile. This is the first time it has tested a weapon of that size since 2017. Japan and South Korea detected the launch of the intermediate-range ballistic missile (IRBM), which is the seventh weapons test done by North Korea this month.

3. Geological Survey of India (GSI) has approved to set up India's first Geo-Park in which state?

- A) Maharashtra
B) Goa
C) Madhya Pradesh
D) Telangana



- ✓ The Geological Survey of India (GSI) has approved to set up India's first Geo-Park at Lamheta village on the banks of the Narmada River in Madhya Pradesh. A Geo-Park is a unified area which aims to protect the geological heritage in a sustainable way.
- ✓ The site is already in the UNESCO Geo-heritage tentative list. Several dinosaur fossils had been found in the Narmada valley, in the Bhedaghat-Lameta Ghat area of Jabalpur.

4. Which institution released the 'Death Penalty in India' Report?

- A) National Crime Records Bureau
B) National Law University
C) NITI Aayog
D) Supreme Court



- ✓ Death Penalty in India Report was released by the criminal law reforms advocacy group at the National Law University, Delhi- named Project 39A. As per the report, the number of prisoners on death row at the end of 2021 stood at 488, the highest in 17 years. This is an increase of nearly 21% from 2020.

5. What is the expansion of 'VRR Auction', conducted by the Reserve Bank of India?

- A) Variable Rate Repo auction
B) Virtual Reality Repo auction
C) Viable Rate Repo auction
D) Vernacular Region Repo auction



- ✓ 'VRR Auction' stands for Variable rate repo auction. Repo is the rate at which RBI lends short term loans to Banks. A part of it is done at a fixed rate and some of it is a variable rate.
- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India said it will conduct an overnight variable rate repo auction under liquidity adjustment facility (LAF) for an amount of Rs 75,000 crore. On January 20, the RBI conducted an overnight variable rate repo (VRR) auction of Rs 50,000 crore.

6. 'Najafgarh jheel' is a trans-boundary wetland between which two states?

- A) Delhi-Uttar Pradesh
B) Delhi-Haryana
C) Uttar Pradesh-Uttarakhand
D) Uttar Pradesh-Bihar



- ✓ 'Najafgarh jheel' is a trans-boundary wetland between Delhi and Haryana. The National Green Tribunal (NGT) had earlier directed Haryana and Delhi to prepare an Environment Management Plan for the jheel. The NGT has directed Delhi and Haryana to enforce the Environment Management Plans that the two governments have prepared for the rejuvenation and protection of the Najafgarh jheel.

7. "Star of David and the Ashoka Chakra" are found in the commemorative logo of which two countries?

- A) India-USA
B) India-UK
C) India-Israel
D) India-Australia



- ✓ India and Israel launched a commemorative logo to mark the 30th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic ties between the two countries. The logo has the Star of David and the Ashoka Chakra- the two symbols that feature in the national flags of both countries and forms the numeral 30 depicting the 30th anniversary of bilateral relations. Israel and India established diplomatic relations on 29th of January 1992.

8. What is the theme of the 'National Tourism Day' 2022?

- A) Sustainable Tourism
B) Rural and Community Centric Tourism
C) Gender - Neutral Tourism
D) Child Friendly Tourism



- ✓ National Tourism Day is celebrated across the country on January 25 every year to spread awareness about the importance of tourism and its impact on the economy.
- ✓ This year, the Ministry of Tourism is observing National Tourism Day under the aegis of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. This year's theme for National Tourism Day is 'Rural and Community Centric Tourism'.

9. 'CHIRU-2022' is a Joint Naval Drill, participated by which set of countries?

- A) China-Russia
B) China-Russia-Iran
C) China-Russia-Israel
D) China-Russia-India



- ✓ China-Russia-Iran Navies participate in the 'CHIRU-2022' is a Joint Drill. China announced that it has sent its naval missile destroyer Urumqi to the Gulf of Oman to participate in the drill. The Chinese regime also sent helicopters and marines for the exercise.

- ✓ Russia sent its Pacific Fleet's task force which included Nakhimov missile cruiser Varyag and anti-submarine warfare ship Admiral Tributs. The exercises are held in the waters of the Mediterranean and Okhotsk seas.

10. Who is the only second player to win 'ICC Women's Cricketer of the Year' award?

- A) Mithali Raj
- B) Smriti Mandhana
- C) Harmanpreet Gaur
- D) Shafali Verma



- ✓ India's Smriti Mandhana was named the ICC Women's Cricketer of the Year for her contribution across all formats in 2021. She was short-listed for 'the Rachael Heyhoe Flint Trophy'.
- ✓ The Indian T20 Vice-Captain is only the second India woman player to bag an ICC award after veteran pacer Jhulan Goswami, who was named the ICC Player of the Year in 2007. England captain Root was named ICC Men's Test Cricketer of the Year for 2021 and Pakistan skipper Babar Azam named ICC ODI Cricketer of the Year for 2021.