

1. Which state tableau was voted as the best among the States/UTs in the 'popular choice' category in Republic Day 2022?

- A) Maharashtra
 B) Assam
 C) Meghalaya
 D) Uttar Pradesh



- ✓ Maharashtra was voted as the best tableau among the States/UTs in the popular choice category. Its tableau was based on theme 'Biodiversity and State Bio-symbols of Maharashtra'. Uttar Pradesh's tableau, based on the theme 'ODOP and Kashi Vishwanath Dham', was adjudged the best among 12 States and UTs.
- ✓ Ministry of Education and Ministry of Civil Aviation, Marching contingent of the Navy and CISF were named winners in respective categories.

2. Which is the first cricket team to play 1000 ODI matches?

- A) Australia
 B) India
 C) West Indies
 D) England



- ✓ Indian cricket team created history by becoming the first team to play the 1000th ODI during their game against the West Indies. Before this game, India had played 999 ODIs and recorded 518 victories. Rohit Sharma led the Indian Team in their 1000th ODI.
- ✓ Kapil Dev was the captain in India's 100th ODI, while Sourav Ganguly led the Indian team in its 500th ODI. Australia has played 958 ODIs while Pakistan has played 936 ODI matches.

3. JNU Vice-Chancellor Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar has been appointed as the Chairperson of which institution?

- A) NCERT
 B) UGC
 C) UPSC
 D) SSC



- ✓ Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) Vice-Chancellor Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar was appointed chairperson of the University Grants Commission (UGC). Ministry of Education said the appointment has been made for a period of five years, or until he turns 65, whichever is earlier.

4. Which State signed MoU with Ather Energy to set up 1,000 fast charging stations for Electric two-wheelers?

- A) Tamil Nadu
 B) Maharashtra
 C) Kerala
 D) Karnataka



- ✓ A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Karnataka State Government and Ather Energy to set up 1,000 fast charging stations for electric two-wheelers across the state.
- ✓ The agreement was signed between Ather Energy and Electric supply companies (ESCOs). Ather Energy will provide free charging services for electric two-wheeler vehicles.

5. Australia has recently designated which species as 'Endangered'?

- A) Panda
 B) Koala
 C) Kangaroo
 D) Sloth bear



- ✓ Australia has recently designated the koala an endangered species, which was classified as vulnerable only 10 years ago. The impact of prolonged drought, summer bushfires, and the cumulative impacts of disease, urbanisation and habitat loss over the last twenty years have led to the decision. From now, Koalas will be provided with greater protection under Australia's national environment law.

6. Which country is the host of One Summit, which was seen in the news recently?

- A) USA
 B) France
 C) Russia
 D) China



- ✓ 'One Ocean Summit' is being organised by France in cooperation with the United Nations and the World Bank. India supported the French initiative of a 'High Ambition Coalition on Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction'. Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the conference and said that India is committed to eliminating single-use plastic.

7. Belarus is bordered by which Sea?

- A) Baltic Sea
 B) North Sea
 C) Black Sea
 D) No Sea Border



- ✓ Belarus is a landlocked country in Eastern Europe. It is bordered by Russia to the east and northeast, Ukraine to the south, Poland to the west, and Lithuania and Latvia to the northwest. Russia and Belarus have started joint military exercises close to the Belarusian border with Ukraine. Russia has already amassed forces along its own border with Ukraine, and in the annexed Crimean Peninsula.

8. What is the official Gross domestic product (GDP) deflator projection for 2022-23?

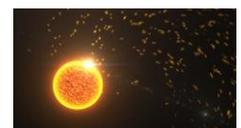
- A) 1.5-2%
 B) 3-3.5%
 C) 4.5-5%
 D) 10%



- ✓ Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said that the Centre's Gross domestic product (GDP) deflator projection for 2022-23 is 3 to 3.5 percent. GDP deflator is a measure of inflation and is the difference between nominal GDP and real GDP. Union Budget assumes a nominal GDP growth rate of 11.1 percent for FY23.

9. MUSE and HelioSwarm, which were seen in the news recently, are associated with which space agency?

- A) ISRO
 B) JAXA
 C) NASA
 D) ESA



- ✓ NASA has announced two new science missions namely Multi-slit Solar Explorer (MUSE) and HelioSwarm. These two missions aim to study the sun's corona and also measuring the magnetic field of the solar wind. NASA earlier announced the latest observations done by the Parker Solar probe on its way to the sun.

10. The World's largest Igloo Cafe has been inaugurated in which country?

- A) USA
- B) India
- C) China
- D) Germany



- ✓ An igloo cafe, claimed to be the world's largest, has been opened at Gulmarg in Jammu and Kashmir. With a height of 37.5 feet and a diameter of 44.5 feet, this was the world's largest cafe of its kind. According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the biggest igloo cafe is in Switzerland, and its height is 33.8 feet and diameter 42.4 feet.
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