

1. 'SLINEX' is a bilateral maritime exercise between India and which country?

- A) Oman
- B) Singapore
- C) Sri Lanka ☒
- D) Japan



- ✓ The 9<sup>th</sup> Edition of India – Sri Lanka Bilateral Maritime Exercise SLINEX (Sri Lanka-India Naval Exercise) has commenced at Visakhapatnam.
- ✓ The exercise is conducted in two phases – the Harbour Phase at Visakhapatnam followed by the Sea Phase in the Bay of Bengal. Indian Navy is represented by INS Kirch, a guided missile corvette, INS Jyoti, a Fleet support tanker, Advanced Light Helicopter, Seaking and Chetak Helicopters and Dornier Maritime Patrol Aircraft.

2. The Prime Minister recently inaugurated the Metro project of which city?

- A) Mysuru
- B) Pune ☒
- C) Coimbatore
- D) Trivandrum



- ✓ Pune Metro project has been undertaken by MAHA Metro, a SPV (Special Purpose Vehicle) of Government of India and Government of Maharashtra. The Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 12-km stretch of the total 32.2 km Pune metro rail project. The total cost of the project is over ₹ 11,400 crore.

3. Which is the venue of the India Global Forum event in 2022?

- A) Chennai
- B) Bengaluru ☒
- C) Varanasi
- D) Gandhi Nagar



- ✓ The India Global Forum (IGF) event is scheduled at Bengaluru. Minister of State for Electronics and IT, Rajeev Chandrasekhar is set to attend the event and interact with the founders and CEOs of 30 unicorns during the event. The IGF event shall also see participation of Finance Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman, and Minister of State for External Affairs and Culture, Meenakshi Lekhi as well as CEOs and leaders from the industry.

4. Which country has recently tested reconnaissance satellite system?

- A) North Korea ☒
- B) Ukraine
- C) Russia
- D) UAE



- ✓ North Korea said that it conducted a test for reconnaissance satellite systems (spy satellite system), after regional military authorities reported the launch of a ballistic missile from the country.
- ✓ It was the second such launch in a week to test satellite equipment, and the ninth missile launch this year. It was condemned by the United States, South Korea, and Japan.

5. Which state has inaugurated 'School Health Clinics'?

- A) Odisha
- B) Gujarat
- C) New Delhi ☒
- D) Rajasthan



- ✓ The Delhi Government has recently inaugurated individual health clinics in 20 government schools. They were inaugurated by Deputy Chief Minister and Education Minister Manish Sisodia. The clinics will provide routine health check-ups as well as counselling to ensure the children's physical and mental well-being.

6. 'Jharokha', which was in the news recently, is a celebration related to which field?

- A) Art and Culture ☒
- B) Literature
- C) AYUSH
- D) Science and Technology



- ✓ Ministry of Culture and Ministry of Textiles are jointly organizing "Jharokha-Compendium of Indian handicraft/ handloom, art and culture". Jharokha is a celebration of the traditional Indian handicrafts, handlooms, and art & culture.
- ✓ It is scheduled to be held across the country at 16 locations in 13 states and UTs. The first event under this celebration is being organized in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

7. 'Trellis structure', which was seen in the news, is associated with which sector?

- A) Automobile
- B) Agriculture ☒
- C) Artificial-Intelligence
- D) Banking



- ✓ As a part of sustainable farming, a trellis structure is prepared using four pillars, bamboo poles and ropes, on 20 decimals of land. As plants especially creepers grew vertically in a trellis system, the chances of stems, flowers and fruits getting rotten are very less. The system has worked well in many tribal villages of Odisha.

8. 'Karewas' are fertile alluvial soil deposits found in which state?

- A) Uttar Pradesh
- B) West Bengal
- C) Jammu and Kashmir ☒
- D) Bihar



- ✓ The highly fertile alluvial soil deposits of the Kashmir Valley are called 'Karewas'. The plateaus are 13,000-18,000-metre-thick deposits of alluvial soil and sediments like sandstone and mudstone.
- ✓ These are the ideal places for cultivation of saffron, almonds, apples and several other cash crops. It was seen in the news, as Karewas are being destroyed in the name of development.

9. What is the objective of 'SAMARTH' initiative launched by the MSME Ministry?

- A) Women Entrepreneurship ☒
- B) Value Addition
- C) Support for Marketing
- D) Portal for GST



- ✓ The Union MSME Ministry recently launched SAMARTH – a special entrepreneurship promotion drives for women. Under SAMARTH, 20 per cent seats in free skill development programmes, organised under skill development schemes of the Ministry, will be allocated for aspiring and existing women entrepreneurs.

10. Which country is the largest Crude-Oil producer in the world, as of 2022?

- A) Russia
- B) USA ☒
- C) Saudi Arabia
- D) Iran



- ✓ Russia is the second-largest crude oil producer in the world, only behind the United States. Russia produces close to 11 million barrels per day of crude oil. About half of Russia's exported oil (2.5 mn barrels per day) –is shipped to European countries.
  - ✓ Nearly one-third of it arrives in Europe via the Druzhba Pipeline through Belarus. Recently, the UK proposed that the G7 nations impose limits on their Russian oil and gas imports.
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