

1. Which city is the host of the fourth India-US 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Washington ☒
- C) Gandhi Nagar
- D) New York



- ✓ Defence Minister Rajnath Singh arrived in Washington DC as part of his five-day US visit which includes the India-US 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue. 2+2 dialogue involves meetings between Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, External Affairs Minister (EAM) S Jaishankar and their respective American counterparts.

2. 'Madhavpur Mela' is a cultural fair celebrated in which state?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Gujarat ☒
- C) Rajasthan
- D) Punjab



- ✓ President Ramnath Kovind inaugurated the annual Madhavpur Mela, the five-day cultural fair, in the coastal village of Madhavpur in Gujarat. The fair celebrates the marriage of Hindu deity Lord Krishna with Rukmini.

3. Who has been elected as the 23rd Prime Minister of Pakistan, after the no-confidence motion?

- A) Shehbaz Sharif ☒
- B) Shah Mahmood Qureshi
- C) Nawaz Sherif
- D) Asif Ali Zardari



- ✓ Pakistan Muslim League (N) Leader Shehbaz Sharif was sworn-in as the new Prime Minister of Pakistan, after a no-confidence motion was introduced against his predecessor Imran Khan.
- ✓ Shehbaz, the younger brother of former three-time Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, was elected as the country's 23rd PM.

4. Which country is the world's largest consumer of Gold?

- A) India
- B) China ☒
- C) USA
- D) Australia



- ✓ India is the world's second largest consumer of Gold, only after China. India's gold imports rose by 33.34 per cent to ₹46.14 billion during the 2021-22 fiscal, due to high demand. In the previous fiscal, gold imports were worth ₹34.62 billion.

5. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in its recent assessment report mentioned which Indian city for sustainable transportation?

- A) Chennai
- B) New Delhi
- C) Kolkata ☒
- D) Mumbai



- ✓ The Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) recently released the Part C of its sixth assessment report.
- ✓ The main finding of the latest IPCC report is that the world must focus on reducing dependency on fossil fuel. The report mentioned Kolkata in respect of shifting from private to public transport.

6. "Mission Integrated Bio-refineries" is an initiative of which Union Ministry?

- A) Ministry of Science and Technology ☒
- B) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- C) Ministry of MSME
- D) Ministry of Power



- ✓ Union Minister for Science and Technology Dr Jitendra Singh launched the "Mission Integrated Bio-refineries", to accelerate innovation for renewable fuels, and chemicals for a low-carbon future. It is a PPP (Public Private Participation) model initiative for 'Clean Energy'.

7. Who is the head of the SEBI Committee on strengthening of governance norms at Stock exchanges?

- A) UK Sinha
- B) Ajay Tyagi
- C) G Mahalingam ☒
- D) Urjit Patel



- ✓ Capital markets regulator SEBI constituted a committee for reviewing and making recommendations for further strengthening of governance norms at stock exchanges and other market infrastructure institutions (MIIs).
- ✓ The six-member committee will be chaired by G Mahalingam, former whole-time member of SEBI.

8. Which Indian company has partnered with Canada's largest payment organisation - 'Payments Canada'?

- A) Infosys
- B) Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) ☒
- C) Wipro
- D) NPCI



- ✓ Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has entered into a partnership with Canada's largest payment organisation, Payments Canada. The partnership aims to transform its payment system operations and help in the implementation of the Real-Time Rail (RTR). RTR is a new real-time payments system.

9. Which Indian state/UT has launched a project to set up 'Hobby Hubs' in government schools?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Kerala
- C) New Delhi ☒
- D) Punjab



- ✓ The Delhi Government has project to set up 'Hobby Hubs' in government schools.

- ✓ It includes after-school dance, music, arts and crafts activities. For the 2022-2023 academic session, this project will be implemented in single shift government schools.

10. Which Union Ministry of India launched 'Temple 360' portal?

- A) Ministry of MSME
- B) Ministry of Culture ☒
- C) Ministry of Textiles
- D) Ministry of Home Affairs



- ✓ The Union Culture ministry launched a new portal named Temple 360, through which devotees can perform online rituals of prominent pilgrimage sites. Live camera feeds across temples of India will be made available on the website.
- ✓ At present, live streaming of rituals from four temples: Somnath (Gujarat), Kashi Vishwanath (UP), Trimbakeshwar and Ghrishneshwar (both in Maharashtra) can be viewed on the portal.