

1. Which state has passed a resolution seeking completion of the Sutlej Yamuna Link Canal (SYL) Canal?

- A) Uttar Pradesh
- B) Haryana ☒
- C) Gujarat
- D) Rajasthan



- ✓ The Haryana Vidhan Sabha has passed a resolution seeking completion of the Sutlej Yamuna Link Canal (SYL) Canal. There has been a long-pending dispute of sharing of river waters between Haryana and Punjab.
- ✓ To counter the resolution passed by Punjab Vidhan Sabha staking a claim on Chandigarh, Haryana Assembly unanimously passed a resolution. It demanded that the central government should not take any steps that would disturb the existing balance between the two states.

2. Bucha, which was seen in the news, is a city, is located in which country?

- A) Russia
- B) Ukraine ☒
- C) Sri Lanka
- D) Afghanistan



- ✓ After images of civilian bodies were found in the streets of Bucha city of Ukraine, there have been outrages across the world. At the UNSC meeting on Ukraine which was addressed by Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, T S Tirumurti, India's Permanent Representative at the UN condemned the Bucha civilian killings and called for an independent probe.

3. Which state government formed a panel to frame the 'State Education Policy'?

- A) Tamil Nadu ☒
- B) Kerala
- C) Odisha
- D) West Bengal



- ✓ The Tamil Nadu government recently formed a 13-member panel to frame the state education policy.
- ✓ The panel is headed by Delhi High Court retired Chief Justice D Murugesan and the panel members include education experts, writer S Ramakrishnan, former chess world champion Viswanath-an Anand and Carnatic musician T M Krishna, among others.

4. Which global alliance announced collaboration on 'Hypersonic missile strike and defence capacity'?

- A) Caribbean Community (CARICOM)
- B) AUKUS Defence Alliance ☒
- C) Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)
- D) North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)



- ✓ The United States, Britain and Australia announced that they would begin collaborating on hypersonic missile strike and defence capacity. This is in response to their rivals Russia and China advancing rapidly in the hypersonic technology.

5. How many Indians feature in the Forbes Billionaires List 2022?

- A) 28
- B) 75
- C) 166 ☒
- D) 321



- ✓ As per the Forbes Billionaires List 2022, Indian billionaires increased to a record high of 166 from 140 last year, with a combined wealth of USD 760 billion.
- ✓ Reliance Industries Chairman and Managing director Mukesh Ambani continues to stay on top of the list as the richest Indian with a net worth of USD 90.7 billion. He ranked at the 10th position on the global list. Tesla and SpaceX chief Elon Musk emerged as the richest person in the world.

6. Which company has handed over the first set of Gaganyaan hardware to the Indian Space and Research Organisation (ISRO)?

- A) DRDO
- B) HAL ☒
- C) SpaceX
- D) Pixxel Space



- ✓ The Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) handed over the first set of Gaganyaan hardware to the Indian Space and Research Organisation (ISRO). The PS2 stage is the second stage of the PSLV launch vehicle in which propellants, which can be stored in the Earth are used for propulsion.
- ✓ In October 2021, the heaviest Semi-Cryogenic propellant tank (SC120- LOX) ever fabricated by HAL was delivered to ISRO.

7. Iga Swiatek, who has become the Women's Tennis Association World No.1, is from which country?

- A) Australia
- B) Poland ☒
- C) Germany
- D) France



- ✓ The 20-year-old Iga Swiatek recently became the first Polish player become the Women's Tennis Association World No.1. She recently won the Miami Open to become the first player to sweep the first three WTA 1000 events in a season.
- ✓ Iga Swiatek became the first teenager to win Roland Garros in 28 years in 2020.

8. Which state topped the NITI Aayog's State Energy and Climate Index-(SECI) Round 1?

- A) Kerala
- B) Punjab
- C) Gujarat ☒
- D) Odisha



- ✓ Gujarat has topped NITI Aayog State Energy and Climate Index-(SECI) Round 1 among larger states. It is followed by Kerala and Punjab. Among the smaller states, Goa topped the index.

- ✓ The index ranks the states and union territories on six parameters – discoms performance, access affordability and reliability of energy, clean energy initiatives, energy efficiency, environmental sustainability and new initiatives.

9. Which Union Ministry implements the 'PM-DAKSH Yojana'?

- A) Ministry of Home Affairs
  - B) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
  - C) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment ☒
  - D) Ministry of Women and Child Development
- ✓ PM-DAKSH (Pradhan Mantri Dakshta Aur Kushalta Sampann Hitgrahi) Yojana, implemented by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, is a National Plan for the skilling of marginalized persons.
  - ✓ The main objective of the scheme is to increase the skill levels of the target youth by providing for long-term and short-term skills, followed by an employment/self-employment. Around 2.71 Lakh persons will be trained over 5 years. Rs.79.48 crore was allocated for 2021-22.

10. When is the 'International Day of Human Space Flight' commemorated every year?

- A) April 10
- B) April 12 ☒
- C) April 14
- D) April 15



- ✓ The United Nations General Assembly established April 12 to be the International Day of Human Space Flight.
- ✓ On April 12, 1961, Russian cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin orbited Earth aboard the Vostok 1 spacecraft. The International Day of Human Space Flight is commemorating this occasion, which paved the way for space exploration for the benefit of humanity.