

1. In which Indian state, megalithic stone jars were recently unearthed?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Assam ☒
- C) Uttar Pradesh
- D) West Bengal



- ✓ Dozens of megalithic stone jars have been recently unearthed in the state of Assam, at four previously unknown sites. The discovery has brought to focus the possible links between India's Northeast and Southeast Asia.

2. As per WTO, what is the estimated global trade growth in the 2022-23 fiscal year?

- A) 2.5%
- B) 3% ☒
- C) 4%
- D) 5.5%



- ✓ The World Trade Organization (WTO) revised down its forecast for global trade growth in 2022-23 to 3% from 4.7%. The slash is because of the impact of the Russia-Ukraine war.
- ✓ WTO also warned of a potential food crisis caused by surging prices. It also forecasted that the global trade growth in 2023 would rise up to 3.4%.

3. What is the total amount of revenues and investments mobilised from asset monetisation in FY22 in India?

- A) Rs 36000 Crore
- B) Rs 45000 Crore
- C) Rs 75000 Crore
- D) Rs 96000 Crore ☒



- ✓ The Centre's asset monetisation drive mopped up 12% more than the target set for FY22, due to the strong performance of the coal and mineral blocks, highway stretches and power transmission lines.
- ✓ In aggregate, revenues and investments mobilised from asset monetisation in 2021-22 stood at 96,000 crores.

4. India has decided to establish 'Education and Skills Development Working Group' with which country?

- A) USA ☒
- B) France
- C) Germany
- D) Finland



- ✓ India and the US have decided to establish a new 'India-US Education and Skills Development Working Group'. It aims to further strengthen cooperation in the field of education and skill development through joint collaborations.

5. "Svanidhi se Samridhhi" programme is an initiative of which Union Ministry?

- A) Ministry of Home Affairs
- B) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs ☒

C) Ministry of Rural Development

D) Ministry of Finance

- ✓ The Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) launched the "Svanidhi se Samridhhi" programme in 126 additional cities across 14 states and Union territories.
- ✓ "Svanidhi se Samridhhi", an additional programme of PM Svanidhi, was launched last year in 125 cities under the first phase, covering around 35 lakh street vendors and their families. PM Svanidhi aims at providing an affordable working capital loan to street vendors.

6. What is India's retail inflation rate in March, as per the data released by NSO?

- A) 5.20%
- B) 5.85%
- C) 6.95% ☒
- D) 7.20%



- ✓ The data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO) showed that the retail inflation rate in India rose to 6.95 per cent in March from a year ago.
- ✓ The rate stands above the tolerance limit of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for the third straight month. The Index of Industrial Production (IIP) grew 1.7 per cent in February on annual basis but contracted 4.7 per cent month on month.

7. The 'Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya' Museum is located in which city?

- A) Gandhi Nagar
- B) New Delhi ☒
- C) Chennai
- D) Kolkata



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 'Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya', a museum dedicated to all the prime ministers of the country since independence.
- ✓ The Prime Ministers' Museum comprises of a total of 43 galleries. The 'Sangrahalaya' highlights the achievements of the prime ministers.

8. Which Union Ministry implements the Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA)?

- A) Ministry of Rural Development
- B) Ministry of Panchayati Raj ☒
- C) Ministry of Home Affairs
- D) Ministry of Women and Child Development



- ✓ The Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi launched the 'Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA), the 'Transformation of Aspirational Districts' program, under the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
- ✓ Approved in 2018, it aims to transform selected districts and help 2.78 lakh rural local bodies achieve sustainable development goals. The Union Cabinet approved a financial outlay of Rs 5,911 crore for the Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan.

It approved the continuation of the centrally sponsored scheme from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2026.

9. Who has been awarded the 'International Gandhi Award for Leprosy, 2021'?

- A) Dr Bhushan Kumar ☒
- B) Dr G P Talwar
- C) Dr MD Gupte
- D) Dr Atul Shah



- ✓ Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu presented the International Gandhi Award for Leprosy, 2021 to Dr Bhushan Kumar from Chandigarh and Sahyog Kushtha Yagna Trust, Gujarat.
- ✓ The annual award was instituted by Gandhi Memorial Leprosy Foundation. The National Leprosy Eradication Programme has been trying to ensure total eradication of leprosy in India.

10. Which Indian state announced to celebrate the birth anniversary of Dr Ambedkar on April 14 as 'Equality Day'?

- A) Tamil Nadu ☒
- B) Maharashtra
- C) New Delhi
- D) Odisha



- ✓ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin announced in the Legislative Assembly that the birth anniversary of Dr Ambedkar on April 14 would be celebrated as 'Equality Day' from this year.
- ✓ The Chief Minister said that a pledge would also be taken across the state on the day. The government also plans to translate and publish some of the selected books of Ambedkar in Tamil.