

1. Who topped the 'Forbes' 36<sup>th</sup> annual World's Billionaires List' of 2022?

- A) Jeff Bezos
- B) Elon Musk ☒
- C) Warren Buffett
- D) Bill Gates



- ✓ The 'Forbes' 36<sup>th</sup> annual World's Billionaires List' of 2022 was released recently. It listed 2,668 billionaires of the world, including 236 newcomers, which fell from last year's 493.
- ✓ Elon Musk tops the World's Billionaires ranking for the first time ever, with an estimated net worth of USD 219 billion. Jeff Bezos and Bernard Arnault followed Musk.

2. Amar Mitra, who was awarded with this year's O. Henry prize, is an author of which language?

- A) Hindi
- B) Urdu
- C) Bengali ☒
- D) Marathi



- ✓ Bengali author Amar Mitra was awarded with this year's prestigious O. Henry prize for his short story titled 'Gaonburo'. It is Bengali short fiction written by the author in 1977.
- ✓ The Adivasi culture of the state and their struggle is the background to Mitra's award-winning story. The Writer was awarded the Sahitya Academy award in 2006.

3. India signed a new 'Space Situational Awareness Arrangement' with which country?

- A) Australia
- B) USA ☒
- C) France
- D) Japan



- ✓ India and the USA finalized signing of a new Space Situational Awareness arrangement, during the 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue being held at Washington.
- ✓ The United States and India finalized major bilateral initiatives on information-sharing, liaison exchanges, and joint service engagements to support high-end, combined operations.

4. Which country is the host of the 2026 Commonwealth Games?

- A) France
- B) Australia ☒
- C) China
- D) Russia



- ✓ Australia's Victoria state will host the 2026 Commonwealth Games, the multi-sport gathering for mostly former British colonies. The four of the last five editions were held in Australia or Britain. The English city of Birmingham will host the 2022 edition from July 28.

5. Which is the first state to develop Migration tracking system (MTS) application?

- A) Bihar
- B) Gujarat
- C) Maharashtra ☒
- D) Uttar Pradesh



- ✓ The Maharashtra government has developed a website-based migration tracking system (MTS) application to map the movement of vulnerable seasonal migrant workers.
- ✓ The state women and child development department launched it as a pilot project in November last year in six districts with high tribal population.

6. 'Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) scheme' is associated with which Union Ministry?

- A) Ministry of MSME
- B) Ministry of Commerce ☒
- C) Ministry of External Affairs
- D) Ministry of Finance



- ✓ The Commerce Ministry has relaxed various procedures under the Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) scheme. Under the scheme, imports of capital goods are allowed duty free, subject to an export obligation. The relaxations were announced in order to reduce compliance requirements and facilitate ease of doing business.

7. 'Poison Pill', which was seen in the news, is associated with which field?

- A) Pharmaceutical Industry
- B) Food Safety
- C) Acquisition of Company ☒
- D) Virology



- ✓ In the field of finance related to merger and acquisition, limited-duration shareholder rights plan is also known as a "Poison pill". Recently, in response to Elon Musk's take-over bid, Twitter has adopted "poison pill", which allows existing shareholders to purchase freshly issued shares in a company at a discount to the trading price. This will in turn make buyout plan extremely expensive and complicated.

8. Which state has announced to celebrate the birth anniversary of Siddalinga Swami as 'Integration Day'?

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Kerala
- C) Andhra Pradesh
- D) Karnataka ☒



- ✓ Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai announced that the birth anniversary of Siddalinga Swami will be celebrated as 'Integration Day'. Siddalinga Swami of Tontadarya Mutt in Gadag was a thinker and philosopher.

9. Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO) functions under which organisation?

- A) ISRO
- B) DRDO
- C) Indian Railways ☒
- D) Indian Air Force



- ✓ Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO) is a research organisation, functioning under Indian Railways. Indian Railways has announced that the operation of diesel locomotives with B-5 bio-diesel have been tested by Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO).
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10. Which organisation procures 'Raw rice' from Indian states?

- A) NABARD
- B) FCI ☒
- C) ICAR
- D) IARI



- ✓ The Food Corporation of India (FCI) has an agreement signed with every State for the procurement of raw rice. Recently, the Telangana government has been the Centre procure paddy from the State at the minimum support price (MSP) to aid farmers as well as parboiled rice.
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