

1. Which country has been elected as the new Chair of the Association of Asian Election Authorities (AAEA) for 2022–2024?

- A. Russia
- B. USA
- C. India
- D. China



- ✓ India has been unanimously elected as the new Chair of the Association of Asian Election Authorities (AAEA) for 2022–2024. Commission on Elections, Philippines was the previous chair of AAEA. Currently, 20 Asian Election Management Bodies (EMB) are members of AAEA and Election Commission of India (ECI) is a founder member of the EMB of AAEA. New members include Russia, Uzbekistan, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Taiwan, and the Philippines.

2. 'Katalin Novak' was elected recently as the first female and youngest President of which country?

- A. Finland
- B. Romania
- C. Hungary
- D. Poland



- ✓ The Hungarian Parliament has elected Katalin Novak as the country's first-ever female president. The 44-year-old Minister is also Hungary's youngest-ever head of state. Novak, who recently served as a minister for family policy. She was known for the government policies including tax breaks and handouts designed to encourage young families to have more children.

3. 'Tomato Flu', which was seen in the news recently, is endemic to which state?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Kerala
- C. Karnataka
- D. Odisha



- ✓ After the recent outbreak of 'Tomato flu', which was endemic to Kerala, the neighbouring states are ramping up surveillance to prevent the disease. The tomato flu is a rare viral disease, which causes fever, skin irritation, rashes and dehydration. It affects children below five years of age and gets its name from the large red-coloured blisters it causes. There is no specific drug and the infected children are to be isolated, as it is contagious like other flu types.

4. Who is the recipient of the 2022 Templeton Prize?

- A. Roger Penrose
- B. James Peebles
- C. Arthur Ashkin
- D. Frank Wilczek



- ✓ **Frank Wilczek, the Nobel Prize–winning theoretical physicist and author was honoured with this year’s prestigious Templeton Prize. The Award was established in 1972 by the late philanthropist Sir John Templeton. It is awarded to individuals whose life’s work symbolises a fusion of science and spirituality. Previous winners include Jane Goodall, Mother Teresa, the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu.**

5. What is India’s retail inflation in April 2022, as it touched its highest point in eight years?

- A. 8.01 %
- B. 7.85 %
- C. 7.79 %
- D. 7.50 %



- ✓ **India’s retail inflation in April 2022 surged to 7.79 per cent in April, largely driven by rising fuel and food prices, touching its highest point in last eight years. The previous high was recorded at 8.33 per cent in May 2014. 6.95 per cent inflation is recorded in the month of March. Reserve Bank of India’s (RBI’s) upper tolerance limit for retail inflation is 6%.**

6. Agriculture Ministry signed a MoU with which organisation for technical support towards PMFBY and KCC?

- A. FAO
- B. UNDP
- C. IMF
- D. WMO



- ✓ **The Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (MoA&FW), Government of India and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) have recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). As per the MoU, UNDP will provide technical support towards the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) scheme & Kisan Credit Card – Modified Interest Subvention Scheme. UNDP has been providing technical assistance for the last 4 years.**

7. Which Union Ministry launched ‘BHARAT TAP’ initiative?

- A. Ministry of Jal Shakti
- B. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- C. Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
- D. Ministry of MSME



- ✓ Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep S Puri launched the BHARAT TAP initiative at the 'Plumbex India' exhibition. BHARAT TAP initiative will reduce water consumption at source considerably. The Puri also launched 'Nirmal Jal Prayas' initiative which will work for saving of 500 crore litres of water per year.

8. Which institution has announced to set up 'YUVA Tourism Clubs'?

- A. CBSE B. UGC
C. ISRO D. NITI Aayog



- ✓ The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has issued instructions to all CBSE affiliated schools regarding formation of Yuva Tourism Clubs. The Ministry of Tourism has initiated 'YUVA Tourism Clubs' as part of the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' celebrations. It aims to nurture and develop young ambassadors of Indian tourism who would become aware of tourism possibilities in India, understand our rich cultural heritage and develop passion for tourism.

9. Kishore Kumar Das, who has been chosen for 'Commonwealth Points of Light Award', is from which country?

- A. India
B. Sri Lanka
C. Bangladesh
D. Nepal



- ✓ The founder of educational charity 'Bidyanando', Kishore Kumar Das from Bangladesh has been chosen for the Commonwealth Points of Light Award, which recognises outstanding individual volunteers. He has been selected for his exceptional work in improving access to education for children from marginalised backgrounds, said the British High Commission. Kishore Das setup Bidyanando in 2013, which runs five primary schools which provide free education and meal programme for vulnerable.

10. The UN celebrates English Language Day on April 23 in honour of which English Author?

- A. Walt Whitman
B. William Shakespeare
C. R W Emerson
D. Robert Frost



- ✓ The United Nations (UN) celebrates English Language Day on April 23 every year, in honour of English playwright William Shakespeare as the date marks both his birthday and day of death.
- ✓ The UN observes language days for each of its six official languages, to celebrate multilingualism and cultural diversity. UN Spanish Language Day is also observed on 23 April, to pay tribute to Spanish writer Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra.