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1. As per the 'Innovation Policy for Indian Railways', what is the maximum limit of grant provided to innovators?

- A. Rs 10 lakh
- B. Rs 25 lakh
- C. Rs 50 lakhs
- D. Rs 1.5 Crore ☒



- ✓ Minister of Railways Ashwini Vaishnaw has launched 'Innovation Policy for Indian Railways', to encourage participation of start-ups. Also referred as 'Start-Ups for Railways', the policy seeks to provide up to Rs. 1.5 Crore to innovators on equal sharing basis.

2. Which state has clinched the top position in the Khelo India Youth Games 2021?

- A. Telangana
- B. Haryana ☒
- C. Odisha
- D. Gujarat



- ✓ The fourth edition of Khelo India Youth Games 2021 concluded in Panchkula and the hosts Haryana grabbed the top position in the medal tally with 52 gold, 39 silver and 46 bronze medals. Maharashtra and Karnataka were at the second and third places respectively. The fourth edition of the Khelo India Youth Games saw participation of athletes from over 36 states and Union Territories competing in 25 different sports.

3. Which state/UT launched 'Farmer Registration & Unified Beneficiary Information System' (FRUITS) software?

- A. Goa
- B. Gujarat
- C. Daman & Diu
- D. Karnataka ☒



- ✓ Karnataka government has launched software for Aadhar-based, single-window registration for the schemes, to provide easy access to farmers to benefits distributed under various government schemes. The 'Farmer Registration & Unified Beneficiary Information System' (FRUITS) software facilitates single registration using an Aadhar card and Karnataka's Bhoomi digitised land record system. The state departments of agriculture, horticulture, animal husbandry, revenue, food, civil supplies and fisheries are covered under the initiative.

4. 'Agnipath' scheme which was launched recently, is associated with reforms in which field?

- A. Police
- B. Defence ☒
- C. Civil Service
- D. Tribal Welfare



- ✓ The Ministry of Defence launched 'Agnipath' a major defence policy reform for recruitment of soldiers, sailors and airmen into the Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force. The personnel recruited under the scheme on short-term contractual basis will be called Agniveers.

5. Asia's largest brackish water lagoon is located in which Indian state/UT?

- A. Odisha ☒
- B. Jammu and Kashmir
- C. Himachal Pradesh
- D. Sikkim



- ✓ The Chilika Lake, located in Odisha is Asia's largest brackish water lagoon. According to a census conducted by Chilika Development Authority (CDA) in collaboration with The Fishing Cat Project (TFCP), the lake has 176 fishing cats.
- ✓ This is the world's longest-running research and conservation project on fishing cats, which began in 2010 and is currently underway in two states in India: West Bengal and Odisha. West Bengal declared fishing cats the state animal in 2012 and the fishing cat was announced as Chilika Lake's ambassador in 2020.

6. Who was selected for the 'Dr V Shantaram Lifetime Achievement Award' in the Mumbai International Film Festival 2022?

- A. Hema Malini
- B. Asha Parekh
- C. Sanjit Narwekar ☒
- D. Gulzar



- ✓ The 17th edition of the Mumbai International Film Festival for Documentary, Short Fiction, and Animation films (MIFF-2022) was recently held in Mumbai. Union Minister of Commerce & Industry Piyush Goyal inaugurated the seven-day festival organized by Films Division of Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. Dr. V Shantaram Lifetime Achievement Award was conferred upon veteran documentary film maker and author Sanjit Narwekar, for his contribution to film history and documentary film movement.

7. Which Indian has been elected as the chair and a voting member on the Board of Directors for the International Boxing Association (IBA)?

- A. Mary Kom B. Lovlina Borgohain ☒
C. Nikhat Zareen D. Jamuna Boro



- ✓ Olympics bronze medallist Lovlina Borgohain has been elected as the chair and a voting member on the Board of Directors for the Athletes' Committee, as per the the International Boxing Association (IBA) Indian boxer Shiva Thapa has also been elected as a member of the IBA Athletes Committee.

8. As per a survey by the Geological Survey of India, which state has unexplored gold reserve of around 222.88 million tonnes?

- A. Karnataka B. Bihar ☒
C. Kerala D. Madhya Pradesh



- ✓ As per a survey by the Geological Survey of India (GSI), gold reserves of around 222.88 million tonnes including 27.6 tonnes of mineral-rich ore are present in the state of Bihar. The state government in consultation with GSI, National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC), and has decided to give permission for the exploration of the reserve, which is claimed to be India's largest gold reserve.

9. As per a recent survey conducted by the RBI, which was the most preferred denomination in bank notes?

- A. Rs.100 ☒ B. Rs.200
C. Rs.500 D. Rs.2000



- ✓ As per Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) bank note survey, Rs 100 denomination banknotes are preferred the most by the people of India, while Rs 2,000 are least preferred. The survey has been conducted to assess demand for cash and denomination preferences at the consumer level. At least 7 out of 10 respondents were satisfied with the new series of banknotes. Around 3 per cent of the respondents were not aware of any banknote security feature.

10. What is the theme of International Day of Yoga – 2022?

- A. Yoga for Humanity ☒ B. Yoga and Science
C. Yoga for Heart D. Yoga for Life



- ✓ The Ministry of Ayush has announced "Yoga for Humanity" as the theme of the eighth International Day of Yoga (IDY) to be organised in India and across the globe on June 21. The main event of the International Day of Yoga 2022 demonstration will be held at the city of Mysuru in Karnataka. A programme named "Guardian Ring", to showcase the participation of people performing Yoga along with the movement of the sun from different countries will be undertaken.

1. Who chaired India's 'First National Conference of Chief Secretaries' in 2022?

- A. Union Home Minister
- B. Prime Minister ☒
- C. Union Finance Minister
- D. Union Defence Minister



- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi chairs the country's 'first national conference of chief secretaries' in Dharamsala in the month of June 2022. The conference will be a major step towards further strengthening partnership between Centre and the state governments.
- ✓ Three themes have been identified for deliberations including Implementation of the National Education Policy; Urban governance; crop diversification and achieving self-sufficiency in oilseeds, pulses and other agri-commodities.

2. Which country has announced to develop a 'Way Finding Application' for the United Nations (UN) buildings?

- A. USA
- B. Russia
- C. India ☒
- D. UAE



- ✓ India's Union Cabinet has approved the proposal on the agreement between the Government of India and the United Nations on a 'Way Finding Application' to be used in the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG). The Office is housed at the historic Palais des Nations. In view of the complexity of buildings and huge participation, India announced to develop the 'Way Finding Application' to UN on the occasion of its 75th anniversary in 2020. The estimated outlay for development and maintenance of the App is USD 2 Million.

3. As per recent notification, the 5G spectrum will be auctioned for how many years?

- A. 5
- B. 10
- C. 20 ☒
- D. 25



- ✓ The Union Cabinet has approved a proposal of the Department of Telecommunications for the auction of 72 GHz of spectrum for a 20-year-period. It will make way for providing 5G services to public and enterprises. 5G services is said to be about 10 times faster than 4G. The Cabinet also decided to enable the development of 'Private Captive Networks' to promote innovation in industry 4.0 applications.

4. Which countries are the members of the recently formed 'I2U2 Grouping'?

- A. India, Iraq, USA and UK
B. India, Israel, USA and UK
C. India, Israel, USA and UAE ☒
D. India, Iraq, USA and UAE



- ✓ **The leaders of the West Asian QUAD – India, Israel, the US and UAE will meet for the first ever virtual summit. The meeting has been called by the White House and will be addressed by the US President Joe Biden. US President Joe Biden is also making a visit to West Asia – Israel and Saudi Arabia. The White House has given a new acronym to identify the new grouping as I2U2: India, Israel and UAE and the US.**

5. Which is the location of the BIMSTEC Technology Transfer Centre?

- A. New Delhi
B. Dhaka
C. Colombo ☒
D. Jakarta



- ✓ **The Union Cabinet has approved a Memorandum of Association (MoA) by India for establishment of Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Technology Transfer Facility (TTF) was signed by the BIMSTEC member countries at the 5th BIMSTEC Summit held at Colombo, Sri Lanka on 30th March, 2022.**
- ✓ **The main objectives of the BIMSTEC TTF are to coordinate, facilitate and strengthen cooperation in technology transfer among the BIMSTEC Member States by promoting the transfer of technologies, sharing of experiences and capacity building.**

6. The Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) has been extended till which year?

- A. 2023–24
B. 2024–25
C. 2025–26 ☒
D. 2026–27



- ✓ **The Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) has been approved for continuation till 2025–26 with the total outlay of Rs 13,554.42 crore. The extension of the scheme is over the 15th Finance Commission Cycle for five years from 2021–22 to 2025–26. The scheme will create sustainable employment opportunities for about 40 lakh persons in five financial years. It is implemented by the Ministry of micro, small and medium enterprises.**

7. As per the RBI Annual Report, what is the trend of total number of Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICNs) in 2021–22, compared to previous year?

- A. Increased ☒ B. Decreased
C. Remained Same D. Not Calculated



- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) released the RBI Annual Report 2021–22. As per the report, the total number of Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICNs) of all denominations detected in the banking sector increased to 2,30,971 pieces. There was an increase of 16.4 per cent, 16.5 per cent, 11.7 per cent, 101.9 per cent and 54.6 per cent in the counterfeit notes detected in the denominations of Rs 10, Rs 20, Rs 200, Rs 500 and Rs 2,000, respectively. The total expenditure on security printing during 2021–2022 was ₹4,984.8 crore as against ₹4,012.1 crore in the previous year.

8. Etalin hydroelectric project, which was seen in the news, is proposed to be set up in which state/UT?

- A. Punjab
B. Arunachal Pradesh ☒
C. Rajasthan
D. Kerala



- ✓ Etalin hydroelectric project is proposed to be set up in the state of Arunachal Pradesh. The 3,097–MW project requires diversion of over 1100 hectares of forest land and felling of over 280,000 trees. Wildlife scientists and conservationists in the state have written to Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) under the Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), about the threats to local biodiversity from the project.

9. Which state announced 'Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award' and 'Rajiv Gandhi Rural Olympics'?

- A. Chhattisgarh B. Rajasthan ☒
C. Punjab D. Manipur



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- ✓ Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot announced that the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award will be introduced in the state for sportspersons. The Chief Minister also said the 'Rajiv Gandhi Rural Olympics' will start from August 2022 and over 27 lakh players of all ages will participate in it. He also inaugurated Rajasthan High Performance Sports and Rehabilitation Centre.

10. Elavenil Valarivan, Shreya Agarwal and Ramita, seen in the news, are associated with which sports?

- A. Wrestling B. Shooting ☒
C. Fencing D. Sailing



- ✓ Indian women's shooting team of Elavenil Valarivan, Shreya Agarwal and Ramita have bagged a gold medal for India in the 10m air rifle women's team event at the ISSF World Cup 2022. This was India's first medal at the ongoing ISSF World Cup being held in Baku, capital of Azerbaijan.

1. Which state has approved to set up 'Pilibhit Tiger Protection Foundation'?

- A. Uttarakhand
- B. Uttar Pradesh ☒
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Sikkim



- ✓ The Uttar Pradesh cabinet approved a proposal to set up Pilibhit Tiger Protection Foundation under the provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The cabinet decided to give incentives to set up units in the state's first proposed medical device park. It was also decided to implement the Pt Deendayal Upadhyay Kisan Samridhi Yojana in the state till 2026–27.

2. What is the rank of India in the World Competitiveness Index 2022?

- A. 97
- B. 68
- C. 54
- D. 37 ☒

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- ✓ The annual World Competitiveness Index compiled by the Institute for Management Development was recently released. India has registered the sharpest rise among the Asian economies, with a six-place jump from 43rd to 37th rank on the index due to gains in economic performance. Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and China were the top-performing Asian economies. Denmark was placed on top, while Switzerland slipped from the top to the second position.

3. Which institution offers the skill-based bachelor degree programme for 'Agniveers'?

- A. IIT Madras
- B. IGNOU ☒
- C. AICTE
- D. Jawaharlal Nehru University



- ✓ The Ministry of Education (MoE) announced the launch of a special three-year skill based bachelor degree programme for 'Agniveers'. The degree programme offered by the Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) will be recognised both in India and abroad for employment and education. Agniveers are the defence personnel to be recruited under the newly launched 'Agnipath' scheme.

4. Which organisation developed the nuclear-capable Prithvi-II missile?

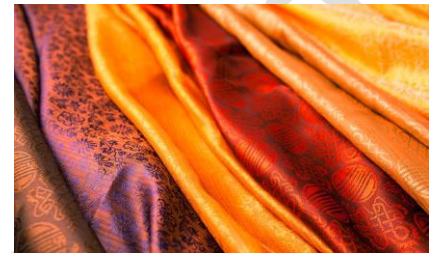
- A. Boeing
- B. DRDO ☒
- C. HAL
- D. Dassault Aviation



- ✓ India successfully test-fired its indigenously developed, nuclear-capable Prithvi-II missile from a test range off the Odisha coast. The missile was developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation of India. It has a range of around 250 km and can carry a one tonne payload.
- ✓ The test comes around 10 days after India tested its Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile Agni-IV, which can travel as far as 4,000 km.

5. Which country was the top export destination for the country's textiles and apparel shipments in 2021-22?

- A. UAE
- B. USA ☒
- C. China
- D. Singapore



- ✓ India recorded its highest-ever textiles and apparel exports in the financial year 2021-22 at USD 44.4 billion. The exports including handicrafts recorded an increase of 41 per cent over corresponding figures in FY21. USA was the top export destination for the country's textiles and apparel shipments with 27 per cent share, followed by the European Union (18 %), Bangladesh (12 %) and UAE (6 %).

6. Which is the venue of the 'World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Forum 2022'?

- A. New York
- B. Geneva ☒
- C. Paris
- D. Davos



- ✓ The World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Forum 2022 started from 15 March in a virtual format with the final week held physically from 30 May to 3 June 2022 at the ITU Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. The forum was held under the theme of 'ICTs for Well-Being, Inclusion and Resilience: WSIS Cooperation for Accelerating Progress on the SDGs'. The WSIS Forum is co-organized by ITU, UNESCO, UNDP and UNCTAD.

7. Libreville is the capital of which country, recently visited by the Vice President of India?

- A. Senegal
- B. Gabon ☒
- C. Guinea
- D. Cameroon



- ✓ Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu is on a visit to Gabon, Senegal, and Qatar, the first visit from India at the level of Vice President to the three countries. Libreville is the capital of the Central-

African country Gabon. The Vice President reiterated the commitment of the Government of India to be Gabon's reliable partner. The bilateral trade between the countries reached USD 1.12 billion in 2021–22.

8. Which state/UT hosted the India's first Lavender Festival?

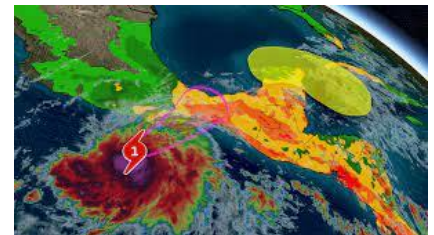
- A. Sikkim
- B. Nagaland
- C. Jammu and Kashmir ☒
- D. Arunachal Pradesh



- ✓ Union Minister Jitendra Singh inaugurated the Lavender Festival, the first-of-its kind in India, in Baderwah, Jammu and Kashmir. Baderwah in Doda district is the birthplace of the purple revolution and it is known for lavender cultivation in terms of land and climate. CSIR–Aroma Mission, under the Ministry of Science & Technology, aims to develop aroma-related science and technology to reach farmers, industry, and society.

9. 'Hurricane Agatha', the first of the Pacific season, recently hit which country?

- A. Canada
- B. Mexico ☒
- C. Denmark
- D. Japan



- ✓ 'Hurricane Agatha', the first of the Pacific season hit Mexico and the casualties climbed to at least 10 dead and around 20 missing in southern Mexico. Heavy rains triggered landslides and flooding in the country. The storm was the strongest to make landfall along Mexico's Pacific coast in May since record keeping began in 1949. Mexico is regularly hit by tropical storms on both its Pacific and Atlantic coasts, between May and November.

10. Frontier, the world's fastest supercomputer, is developed in which country?

- A. USA ☒
- B. Russia
- C. China
- D. Israel



- ✓ 'Frontier' became the world's fastest supercomputer, according to the Top500 list of world's most powerful supercomputers with Linmark benchmark score of 1.1 exaflops. It is a supercomputer built using Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) architecture and equipped with Advanced Micro Devices (AMD) processors. It surpassed Fugaku, Japan's supercomputer jointly developed by RIKEN and Fujitsu Ltd., which topped the supercomputer benchmarking index in 2020.

1. Which is the venue of the Industrial Decarbonization Summit 2022?

- A. New Delhi ☒
- B. Mumbai
- C. Gandhi Nagar
- D. Dehradun



- ✓ Union Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated the 'Industrial Decarbonization Summit 2022' in New Delhi. The focus is on the Road Map for Carbon Neutrality by 2070. The Minister emphasized on maintaining equilibrium between ecology, environment and development. He also spoke about the government's priority on green hydrogen, Bio-ethanol, Bio-LNG and Bio-CNG.

2. Which institution released the '2022 Global Trends Report'?

- A. UNEP
- B. UNHCR ☒
- C. WEF
- D. IMF



- ✓ The UN refugee agency, UNHCR released the '2022 Global Trends Report'. As per the report, 100 million people have now been forced to flee their homes globally. UNHCR also highlighted worldwide food insecurity, the climate crisis, war in Ukraine and other emergencies from Africa to Afghanistan as leading causes. As per the report, the number displaced by war, violence, persecution and human rights abuses stood at 89.3 million, by the end of 2021.

3. Which country is the host of SCO's Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (SCO-RATS) Meeting in 2022?

- A. China
- B. India ☒
- C. Bangladesh
- D. Pakistan



- ✓ India hosted the SCO's Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (SCO-RATS) Meeting in its capacity as chair of the SCO-RATS. The meeting aims to deliberate on security challenges, including threats of terrorism. Delegations from China, Pakistan and other member nations of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) attended the meeting in New Delhi. India hosted a meeting of counter-terror experts from the SCO countries in May 2022.

4. Which country has been recognized as the “country of the year” in Europe’s biggest start-up conference – Vivatech?

- A. China
- B. India ☒
- C. France
- D. USA



- ✓ Europe’s biggest start-up conference – Vivatech 2020 has recognized India as the ‘Country of the year’. Union Minister of Electronics and IT Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated the India pavilion at the Vivatech technology exhibition. Around 65 start-ups from India are participating in the conference with government support.

5. Which institution/ department notifies cost inflation index (CII) every year?

- A. Reserve Bank of India
- B. Central Board of Direct Taxes ☒
- C. National Statistical Office
- D. Department of Economic Affairs



- ✓ The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) recently notified the cost inflation index (CII) for FY 2022–23 as 331. For the previous year (FY 2021–22) CII was notified as 317. The CII is used to calculate an asset’s inflation-adjusted cost price. This notification will apply to the Assessment Year 2023–24 and future years.

6. What is the new name of Turkey from June 2022, as announced by the United Nations?

- A. Turkiye ☒
- B. Tarkey
- C. Traki
- D. Turk



- ✓ The United Nations received the official request of Turkey to rebrand itself to ‘Turkiye’ in all languages. The UN chief’s spokesperson announced that the change is immediate. Over the past few years, the country sought to change the branding on its products from “Made in Turkey” to “Made in Turkiye”.

7. Which country is the host of the ‘GLOBSEC 2022 Forum’?

- A. Slovakia ☒
- B. Czech Republic
- C. Rwanda
- D. Ghana



- ✓ **External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar is on a five-day visit to Slovakia and the Czech Republic. He is set to attend the GLOBSEC 2022 Forum in Slovakia and speak on the topic 'Taking Friendship to the Next Level: Allies in the Indo-Pacific Region'. He is scheduled to meet Minister of European and International Affairs of Austria Alexander Schallenberg on the sidelines of the GLOBSEC 2022 Forum. The Czech Republic will be taking over the EU Presidency from next month.**
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8. When is the 'World Bicycle Day' celebrated every year?

- A. June.01 B. June.02
C. June.03 ☒ D. June.04



- ✓ **World Bicycle Day is celebrated every year on June 3, to develop a culture of cycling for basic transportation, commutation, and strengthening physical and mental health. Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Thakur launched a nationwide "Fit India Freedom Rider Cycle Rally" from Major Dhyan Chand Stadium, Delhi on the occasion of World Bicycle Day 2022.**
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9. 'Appreciate all parents throughout the world' is the theme of which day observed on June 1?

- A. Global Day of Parents ☒
B. World Bicycle Day
C. World Earth Day
D. World Wind Day



- ✓ **The Global Day of Parents is annually celebrated on 1 June to appreciate the commitment of parents towards their children. The UN General Assembly proclaimed 1994 as the International Year of the Family and 15 May each year as the International Day of Families. The UNGA later announced that 1 June will be observed as the Global Day of Parents. The theme for Global Day of Parents 2022 is 'Appreciate all parents throughout the world.'**
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10. India's first liquid-mirror telescope has been commissioned in which state/UT?

- A. Sikkim
B. Jammu and Kashmir
C. Uttarakhand ☒
D. Himachal Pradesh



- ✓ **India's first liquid-mirror telescope, the International Liquid Mirror Telescope (ILMT) has been set up on the campus of the Devasthal Observatory of the Aryabhata Research Institute of Observational Sciences (ARIES) in Nainital, Uttarakhand. The telescope will observe asteroids, supernovae, space debris and all other celestial objects from an altitude of 2,450 metres in the Himalayas. It is the first liquid-telescope globally to be designed exclusively for astronomical purposes.**
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1. *Glischropus meghalayanus*, which was recently discovered in Meghalaya, belongs to which species?

- A. Snake
- B. Turtle
- C. Bat ☒
- D. Spider



- ✓ A team of scientists has discovered a new species of bamboo-dwelling bat from a bamboo forest in Meghalaya. It was named as 'Glischropus meghalayanus' after the state of Meghalaya, which is celebrating its 50 years of statehood. With this discovery, the total number of bat species from India stands at 131 species with Meghalaya registering the highest bat diversity with 67 species.

2. Which country proposed to organise a joint border operation named 'Solidarity-2023' for SCO member countries?

- A. India
- B. China ☒
- C. Nepal
- D. Bangladesh



- ✓ India and other member countries of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) supported an initiative of China to organise a joint border operation 'Solidarity-2023' for the border agencies of the member countries next year. India's Border Security Force (BSF) Director announced this at the conclusion of the eighth meeting of the heads of border authorities of SCO member states, which was held in Delhi, under the chairmanship of India.

3. Which institution released a report titled 'Payments Vision 2025'?

- A. NPCI
- B. RBI ☒
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. World Bank



- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) recently released a document titled "Payments Vision 2025", with guidelines on payments. The document also focussed on the architecture of digital finance.
- ✓ It includes regulations for BigTechs and fintechs in payments; guidelines on payments involving 'Buy Now Pay Later' (BNPL) services; introducing the central bank digital currency (CBDC); and linking credit cards and credit components of banking products to the Unified Payments Interface (UPI).

4. Which country recently launched its most advanced aircraft carrier named 'Fujian'?

- A. China ☒
- B. India
- C. France
- D. USA



- ✓ China recently launched its third aircraft carrier named 'Fujian'. It is also the country's most advanced and the first fully domestically built naval vessel. Fujian is the name of China's eastern coastal province of Fujian. Liaoning and Shandong are names of the two previous aircraft carriers of China.

5. 'Gaia Mission', which was found in the news recently, is associated with which space agency?

- A. NASA
- B. CNA
- C. ESA ☒
- D. SpaceX



- ✓ European Space Agency's Gaia mission has released a set of new data, which has revealed the phenomena of 'starquakes'. Starquakes are massive movements on the surface of stars similar to earthquake. The star-mapping Gaia probe has covered almost 1.8 billion stars in the Milky Way galaxy.

6. Which Indian personality was honoured by the Geneva-based Martin Ennals Foundation?

- A. Father Stan Swamy ☒
- B. Varavara Rao
- C. Sudha Bharadwaj
- D. Anand Teltumbde



- ✓ The Martin Ennals Foundation has decided to posthumously pay homage to Father Stan Swamy. He was a Jesuit priest and tribal rights activist from Jharkhand who had been arrested in the Bhima Koregaon case. He worked closely with Adivasi communities to safeguard their land, forest and labour rights. The Geneva-based foundation presents the award regarded as the Nobel Prize for human rights defenders every year. The recipients of this year's awards include Daouda Diallo from Burkina Faso, Pham Doan Trang from Vietnam and Abdul-Hadi Al-Khawaja of Bahrain.

7. Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami won the bypoll from which constituency?

- A. Champawat ☒
- B. Khatima
- C. Gangotri
- D. Yamunotri



- ✓ **Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami won from the Champawat bypoll by a margin of over 55,000 votes. He had earlier lost from Khatima assembly constituency in the Uttarakhand Assembly Polls 2022 even though BJP won a clear majority in the state. This was a crucial victory for the Chief Minister to win the bypoll to retain the Chief Minister post.**

8. Which state has decided to conduct a caste-based census named 'Jaati Aadharit Ganana'?

- A. Bihar ☒ B. Uttar Pradesh
C. Madhya Pradesh D. Jharkhand



- ✓ **Bihar state government is set to conduct a caste-based census in the state. The decision was taken at an all-party meeting chaired by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar. The exercise would be called Jaati Aadharit Ganana and the state government will publish the data related to the census through advertisements in newspapers. The aim of this exercise is to carry out developmental work for people who are deprived.**

9. Who has topped the 2021 Fortune 500 list of the most highly compensated CEOs?

- A. Jack Ma
B. Elon Musk ☒
C. Tim Cook
D. Jensen Huang



- ✓ **Elon Musk, CEO of SpaceX and Tesla, has topped the 2021 Fortune 500 list of the most highly compensated CEOs. In 2021 Musk received compensation worth almost USD 23.5 billion while Tesla ranked 65 on this year's Fortune 500 list. Apple Inc. CEO Tim Cook received USD 770.5 million in 2021 and Jensen Huang, the NVIDIA chief, received USD 561 million in 2021.**

10. In which month of 2022, did the GST revenue crossed the Rs 1.40 lakh crore mark for the first time since inception?

- A. February 2022
B. March 2022 ☒
C. April 2022
D. May 2022



- ✓ **GST revenue for May was recorded at nearly Rs 1.41 lakh crore, a 44 per cent increase over the same month last year, as per the Finance Ministry. This is the fourth time that the monthly GST collection has crossed Rs 1.40 lakh crore mark since the inception of GST and the third straight month since March 2022. In March GST revenues were at Rs 1.42 lakh crore, while in February it was at Rs 1.33 lakh crore.**

1. Which Indian airport was named the 'best regional airport in India and South Asia' in Skytrax World Airport awards?

- A. Chennai International Airport
- B. Delhi International Airport
- C. Bengaluru International Airport ☒
- D. Cochin International Airport



- ✓ The Kempegowda International Airport in Bengaluru was named the best regional airport in India and South Asia title in the 2022 Skytrax World Airport awards.
- ✓ The award is based on the feedback from the customers in a globally conducted survey about experience from check-in to arrivals, transfers, shopping, security, immigration and arrangements in the departure's gates. The Bengaluru airport had also won the Best Airport and Aviation Innovation Award at Wings India Awards earlier.

2. Shinde Sambhaji Shiwaji, Ujjal Bhuyan, Amjad Ahtesham Sayed, who were seen in the news recently, are associated with which profession?

- A. Scientists
- B. Judges ☒
- C. Politicians
- D. Bureaucrats



- ✓ The Government has cleared the appointment of new chief justices in five high courts, as per the Law and Justice Ministry. Justice Vipin Sanghi and Justice Ujjal Bhuyan will be appointed as the Chief Justice of the Uttarakhand High Court and Telangana High Court. Justice Amjad Ahtesham Sayed and Justice Shinde Sambhaji Shiwaji will take over as the Chief Justice of Himachal Pradesh High Court and Rajasthan High Court. Chief Justice Satish Chandra Sharma and Justice Rashmin M Chhaya were appointed as the Chief Justice of the Delhi and Guwahati High Courts respectively.

3. Which institution has won UNESCO's recognition for use of Information and Communication Technology in Education?

- A. Central Institute of Educational Technology ☒
- B. Central Board of Secondary Education
- C. University Grants Commission
- D. All India Council for Technical Education



- ✓ The Central Institute of Educational Technology (CIET), a unit of the NCERT has been awarded with the UNESCO's King Hamad bin Isa Al-Khalifa Prize for the use of ICT (Information And Communication Technology) in Education for the year 2021. The institution has used ICT under the 'PM eVidya' scheme during the Covid pandemic.

- ✓ The PM eVIDYA programme was launched as part of the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan' in May 2020 to unify all efforts related to digital, online, on-air education. Each prize-winner receives USD 25,000, a medal and a diploma.

4. Which state has announced to conduct a 'Migration Survey' to expand the data bank of expatriates?

- A. Maharashtra
B. Kerala ☒
C. Punjab
D. Gujarat



- ✓ Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan announced that the data bank of Expatriate Malayalees will be expanded by conducting the Kerala Migration Survey. A 'Pravasi data portal' will be prepared for the survey while the state will conduct an extensive global registration campaign.

5. 'Operation Sankalp', which was seen in the news, is associated with which armed force?

- A. Indian Army
B. Indian Navy ☒
C. Indian Air Force
D. Indian Coast Guard



- ✓ Indian Navy's stealth Frigate, INS Talwar is deployed for Operation Sankalp commemorating the 3rd continuous year of Indian Navy's presence in the Gulf for protection of India's Maritime Interests. After attacks on merchant ships in the Gulf of Oman in June 2019, and the deteriorating security situation in the Gulf region, Indian Navy had commenced Maritime Security Operations, code named 'Op SANKALP', in the Gulf Region to ensure safe passage of Indian Flag Vessels transiting through the Strait of Hormuz.

6. What is the position of India in the Asia Cup hockey tournament 2022?

- A. First
B. Second
C. Third ☒
D. None of the above



- ✓ India beat Japan for the second time in the eight-team tournament to win bronze in the Asia Cup hockey in Jakarta. South Korea beat Malaysia 2-1 in the final match to clinch the gold medal. South Korea won the Asia Cup for the fifth time, the most in the list. India and Pakistan have won the Asia cup title thrice.

7. 'Operation Mahila Suraksha' is an initiative of which institution?

- A. National Commission for Women
B. Railway Protection Force ☒
C. Ministry of Women and Child Development
D. NITI Aayog



- ✓ **Railway Protection Force (RPF) launched a pan India drive "Operation Mahila Suraksha" was launched from May 3 to May 31, 2022. During this drive, RPF has arrested more than 7,000 persons who were travelling in the coaches reserved for women without being authorised. RPF also rescued 150 women from becoming victims of human trafficking. Another pan India initiative "Meri Saheli" is also operational to provide safety and security to lady passengers.**

8. Which Chief Minister from India has been invited to attend the World Cities Summit in Singapore?

- A. Muthuvel Karunanidhi Stalin
B. Pinarayi Vijayan
C. Arvind Kejriwal ☒
D. Ashok Gehlot



- ✓ **Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has been invited to attend the World Cities Summit (WCS) in Singapore to present the 'Delhi Model' and to discuss urban solutions with other leaders. It is jointly organised by Singapore's Centre for Liveable Cities and the Urban Redevelopment Authority.**

9. Which Indian film-maker has been selected for the 'Locarno Kids Award la Mobiliare' at Locarno Film Festival?

- A. Gitanjali Rao ☒
B. Lokesh Kanagaraj
C. Sriram Raghavan
D. K S Ravikumar



- ✓ **Indian Film-maker Gitanjali Rao is set to be honoured with an award during the 75th edition of the Locarno Film Festival. The filmmaker will receive the Locarno Kids Award la Mobiliare, the award dedicated to personalities for conveying the love of cinema to younger viewers. The award will be presented at the film gala, held every year in Locarno, Switzerland.**

10. Which is the 20th European country to adopt the euro currency from 2023?

- A. Monaco
B. Malta
C. Croatia ☒
D. Luxembourg



- ✓ **Croatia is set to adopt the euro currency from the start of 2023 after meeting all the criteria to join the European Commission. This move will make Croatia the 20th European country to use the single currency. European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen said in a statement that Croatia has made a step towards adopting the Euro common currency.**