

1. Which institution released the 'Cost-of-Living Crisis in Developing Countries' report?

- A. UNDP ☒
- B. World Bank
- C. World Economic Forum
- D. International Monetary Fund



- ✓ **UN Development Programme (UNDP) released a report on 'Cost-of-Living Crisis in Developing Countries'. It shows that inflation will have only negligible impact on poverty in India. As per the report, targeted transfers help poorer households cope with price spikes. In India, targeted and time-bound transfers of food and cash were given to the vulnerable through PMGKAY and PMGKY.**

2. What is the rate of retail inflation recorded in India in June 2022?

- A. 5.01 per cent
- B. 6.01 per cent
- C. 7.01 per cent ☒
- D. 8.01 per cent



- ✓ **As per the recent data released by the NSO, retail inflation slowed down marginally to 7.01 per cent in June from 7.04 per cent in May 2022 due to moderation in food inflation. The inflation rate continued to remain above the 7 per cent mark for the third month in a row. It is higher than the Reserve Bank of India's target of 2+/-4 per cent for the medium term, for two quarters.**

3. Which is the venue of the 'National Conference of State Agriculture & Horticulture Ministers'?

- A. Jaipur
- B. Amritsar
- C. Bengaluru ☒
- D. Varanasi



- ✓ **Two days' National Conference of State Agriculture & Horticulture Ministers was inaugurated in Bengaluru, Karnataka. Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar launched "Platform of Platforms (PoPs) under e-NAM". The conference is organised by Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, to commemorate Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.**

4. Which institution releases the Index of Industrial Production (IIP) output data?

- A. NITI Aayog
- B. National Statistical Office ☒
- C. Department of Financial Services
- D. Department of Economic Affairs



- ✓ **National Statistical Office (NSO), under the Ministry of Statistics and Programme implementation (MoSPI), releases the the Index of Industrial Production (IIP) growth data. The IIP growth rose to 19.6% in May as against 7.1% in April. The manufacturing sector's output grew 20.6% in May this year, while the mining output climbed 10.9%, and power generation increased 23.5%.**

**5. Which company is set to produce India's first Quadrivalent Human Papillomavirus vaccine (qHPV) against cervical cancer?**

- A. BioCon
- B. Serum Institute of India ☒
- C. Bharat Biotech
- D. Biological E Limited



- ✓ **The Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) approved India's first Quadri-valent Human Papillomavirus vaccine (qHPV) against cervical cancer. The qHPV vaccine will be manufactured by Pune-based Serum Institute of India (SII). Cervical cancer is the second most frequent cancer among women in India between the ages of 15 and 44.**

**6. Who was called as the 'Father of Public Sector Undertakings' in India?**

- A. V Krishnamurthy ☒
- B. Shanta Kumar
- C. Ramesh Bais
- D. Prahlad Singh Patel



- ✓ **Dr V Krishnamurthy, former chairman of public sector undertakings such as Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), Steel Authority of India (SAIL) and Maruti Udyog (now Maruti Suzuki), passed away recently. He is regarded as the 'Father of Public Sector Undertakings'.**
- ✓ **He had served as Secretary of Industries for the Government of India, Member of the Planning Commission, and many other Prime Minister's Committees. He was conferred Padma Shri, Padma Bhushan and Padma Vibhushan for his services.**

**7. The birth day of Professor Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis, is recognised as which special day in India?**

- A. National Planning Day
- B. National Statistics Day ☒
- C. National Mathematics Day
- D. National Public Policy Day



- ✓ **National Statistics Day is observed in India on June 29 each year, on the birth day of Professor Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis. The aim is to raise public awareness of the role statistics play in formulating and affecting public policy. The veteran statistician, PC Mahalanobis, is recognised**

for his contributions to economic planning and statistics. He is the founder of Indian Statistical Institute (ISI) and member of India's first Planning Commission.

8. Which country has started the transfer of Russian goods to India, using a new trade corridor?

- A. UAE
- B. Iran ☒
- C. Iraq
- D. Israel



- ✓ Iran's state-run shipping company has started its first transfer of Russian goods to India, using a new trade corridor. The route grants India easy access to a region stretching from North Europe, Caucasus to mineral rich Central Asia, bypassing Pakistan. This 7,200 km long-pending multi-modal transportation corridor via Iran is also expected to boost Russia-India bilateral trade.

9. Eoin Morgan, who announced retirement from international cricket, was from which team?

- A. South Africa
- B. England ☒
- C. Australia
- D. New Zealand



- ✓ The England cricketer Eoin Morgan has retired from international cricket after his 13-year career with England. The 35-year-old won the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup as Captain in 2019, the first time England Men had won the world title. He was also a part of the England team that won the 2010 ICC Men's T20 Cricket World Cup.

10. Which country leads the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) maritime military exercise?

- A. USA ☒
- B. India
- C. Australia
- D. Canada



- ✓ Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) maritime military exercise is a biennial exercise led by the USA. Twenty-six nations are expected to participate in the operations, which began recently. The 28th biennial exercise aims to promote an open and free Indo-Pacific region as maritime tensions escalate with China. The event will feature the latest US weapons systems, including unmanned surface vessels.