

1. Which institution releases the 'Global Gender Gap Report'?

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



- ✓ The Global Gender Gap Index for 2022 was recently released by the World Economic Forum (WEF). Iceland (90.8%) led the global ranking in the first place while India is ranked at 135 out of 146 countries. Last year, India was ranked 140 out of 156 countries. As per the report, it will take another 132 years to close the global gender gap.

2. Which countries are associated with the 'I2U2 Grouping'?

- A. India–Israel–UAE–USA ☒
- B. India–Israel–UK–USA
- C. India–Iran–UAE–USA
- D. India–Iran–UK–USA



- ✓ The I2U2 (India–Israel–UAE–USA) Grouping was conceptualized during the meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the four countries in October 2021. Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the First I2U2 Leaders' Virtual Summit along with his Israeli counterpart Yair Lapid, UAE President Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan and US President Joe Biden.

3. In which city, Ministry of Culture hosted the 'Dhammacakka Day 2022 celebration'?

- A. Varanasi
- B. Sarnath ☒
- C. Patna
- D. Bengaluru



- ✓ The President of India, Ram Nath Kovind addressed the Dhammacakka Day 2022 celebrations at Sarnath, Uttar Pradesh. The Ministry of Culture in association with the International Buddhist Confederation is celebrating the Ashadha Purnima Divas, as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

4. Ajitnath Jain Temple, one of the holy Jain Tirthankaras, at Taranga Hill, is located in which state/UT?

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



- ✓ Ajitnath Jain Temple, one of the holy Jain Tirthankaras, at Taranga Hill, is located in the state of Gujarat. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved Taranga Hill–Ambaji–Abu

Road new rail line to provide connectivity and improve mobility. The estimated cost of this project is Rs 2798.16 crores and will be completed by 2026–27.

5. 'Denial of Safe Haven initiative' and 'Workshop on Anti-Corruption and Economic Development' are associated with which bloc?

- A. G-20
- B. European Union
- C. BRICS ☒
- D. ASEAN



- ✓ Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh recently addressed the BRICS Anti-Corruption Ministerial Meet and reiterated India's commitment to implement the FATF Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Terrorism financing standards. Dr Jitendra Singh expressed satisfaction over the finalization of the BRICS Denial of Safe Haven initiative and shared experiences at the BRICS Workshop on Anti-Corruption and Economic Development.

6. What is the name of the High-speed Expendable Aerial Target (HEAT), which was recently tested by DRDO?

- A. Akash
- B. Abhyas ☒
- C. Akshara
- D. Apsara



- ✓ India successfully tested the indigenously-designed Abhyas – a High-speed Expendable Aerial Target (HEAT). The trial was carried out by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) from the Integrated Test Range (ITR) in Odisha's Chandipur. Earlier, DRDO and the Army successfully tested an indigenously-developed anti-tank guided missile in Maharashtra.

7. When is the 'Goods and Services Tax (GST) Day' celebrated in India?

- A. February.01
- B. June.01
- C. July.01 ☒
- D. August.01



- ✓ GST Day is celebrated on July 1 to mark completion of five years of Goods & Services Tax. It was introduced in 2017, with the idea of "One Nation– One Market– One Tax". GST is a multi-stage, indirect consumption-based tax system that subsumed a set of domestic indirect taxes such as service tax, value-added tax, purchase tax, excise duty among others.

8. Which Indian wrestler won a bronze medal at the U23 Asian wrestling championships 2022?

- A. Deepak Punia ☒
- B. Ravi Kumar Dahiya
- C. Bajrang Punia
- D. Anshu Malik



- ✓ Deepak Punia won a bronze medal in the 86kg freestyle weight category at the U23 Asian wrestling championships 2022 in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. The 23-year-old wrestler after losing to Azizbek Fayzullaev of Uzbekistan and Nurtilek Karypbaev of Kyrgyzstan, settled for the bronze. India won 25 medals in all in the U23 meet in the event, including 10 gold medals.

9. Which is the only Indian city to achieve the 'Gold' standard category in Asia Pacific Sustainability Index 2021?

- A. Chennai
- B. Bengaluru ☒
- C. Mumbai
- D. Hyderabad



- ✓ Four Indian cities namely Bengaluru, Delhi, Hyderabad and Mumbai appeared in the list of top 20 sustainable cities, as per the Asia Pacific Sustainability Index 2021. Knight Frank's APAC Sustainably Led Cities Index rated 36 cities based on urbanisation pressure, climate risk, carbon emissions and government initiatives.
- ✓ Singapore, Sydney, Wellington, Perth, and Melbourne were the top five green-rated cities. Bengaluru at 14th rank in the region, was the only Indian city to achieve the 'Gold' standard category.

10. Which institution approved two loans of USD 500 million each to support India's health sector?

- A. ADB
- B. AIIB
- C. World Bank ☒
- D. HDFC Bank



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- ✓ The World Bank approved two complementary loans of USD 500 million each to support India's health sector. Through this financing of USD 1 billion, the Bank will support India's flagship Pradhan Mantri-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM). One of the loans will prioritize seven states including Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Meghalaya, Odisha, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, and Uttar Pradesh.